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WAR DEPARTMENT
HEADQUARTERS USA AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

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. CASE STATUS: Location, by Lane England; Command or Air Force 8 A.F.
Crew: 457th Bomb. Gp. (H); Squadron 749th; Detachment _____
2. SPECIES: Point of Departure Station 130; Course _____
Target or Intended Destination Osnabruck, Germany; Type of Mission _____
Objective Bombing _____
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND ASSISTANCE AT TIME OF LOSS OR LAST REPORTED: _____
8/10ths cover
4. DATE: (a) Day 26 Month Sept Year 1944; Time 1533; and Location of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft. 52-35N04-37E.
(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 (); Enemy Anti-Aircraft (X); Other Circumstances as follows: _____
6. AIRCRAFT: Type, Model and Series B17G; AF Serial Number 42-32079
7. NAME(S) OF AIRCRAFT, if any: "Jayhawk"
8. PASSENGERS: Type, Model and Series B-1820-97; AF Serial Number _____
(a) SW-003518; (b) SW-005216; (c) SW-0114016; (d) SW-011855
9. IDENTIFY PASSENGERS (Furnish below name, type and serial number):
(a) 950523; (b) 899077; (c) 633519; (d) 638498;
(e) 637733; (f) 637188; (g) 638881; (h) 633466;
(i) 950017; (j) 722459; (k) 638740; (l) 633517;
(m) 638680; (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>Gooch, Carl H.</u>	<u>MIA 2nd Lt.</u>	<u>0764122</u>	<u>MIA</u>
2. CP	<u>Quillin, John P.</u>	<u>POW 2nd Lt.</u>	<u>0768220</u>	<u>MIA RTD</u>
3. B-N	<u>Phipps, Rupert L.</u>	<u>MIA 2nd Lt.</u>	<u>0707437</u>	<u>MIA RTD</u>
4. CTG	<u>McDermott, Alexander P.</u>	<u>T/Sgt.</u>	<u>12064088</u>	<u>MIA RTD</u>
5. TTG	<u>Parker, Wilbur H.</u>	<u>MIA S/Sgt.</u>	<u>31226719</u>	<u>MIA</u>
6. RO	<u>Kelsey, Clement W.</u>	<u>MIA S/Sgt.</u>	<u>15102544</u>	<u>MIA RTD</u>
7. BTG	<u>Chermack, Leo J.</u>	<u>POW S/Sgt.</u>	<u>36815267</u>	<u>MIA RTD</u>
8. WG	<u>Angott, Thomas V.</u>	<u>MIA S/Sgt.</u>	<u>16189552</u>	<u>MIA RTD</u>
9. TG	<u>Reilly, Donald J.</u>	<u>MIA S/Sgt.</u>	<u>19142840</u>	<u>MIA</u>

12. IDENTIFY BELOW THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN KNOWN TO THE 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 Radio	Last Sighted	Saw Crash	Forced Landing
1. <u>Sloan, Hugh C. Jr.</u>	<u>2nd Lt.</u>	<u>0764483</u>		<u>X</u>		
2. <u>Roson, Irwin (MIA)</u>	<u>1st Lt.</u>	<u>0689548</u>		<u>X</u>		
3. <u>Hoyt, Marshall H.</u>	<u>2nd Lt.</u>	<u>0757718</u>		<u>X</u>		

(Over)

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

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

7. Any other remarks not covered by above:

Aircraft was flying number 3, lead flight, lead squadron when hit.

8. Date of report 27 September 1944

EYE-WITNESSES:	<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>A.S.N.</u>	<u>A/C No.</u>
1.	<u>Hugh C. Sloan Jr.</u>	<u>2nd Lt.</u>	<u>0-764483</u>	<u>42-97638</u>
2.	<u>Irwin Rosen</u>	<u>1st Lt.</u>	<u>0-689548</u>	<u>43-38203</u>
3.	<u>Homer D. Reich</u>	<u>S/Sgt.</u>	<u>35234090</u>	<u>42-107034</u>
4.	<u>Marshall H. Hoyt</u>	<u>2nd Lt.</u>	<u>0-757718</u>	<u>42-107034</u>

INTERROGATING OFFICER (Sign Original and One Copy):

Hugh M. Hamill
(Name)

1st Lt. A.C.
(Rank)

Ass't. Group S-2.
A.S.N. Duty

HUGH M. HAMILL

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-1AF-M, subject "Missing Air Crew Report", 7 July 44.

5.	<u>Leo B. Bunker</u>	<u>2nd Lt.</u>	<u>0-717175</u>	<u>42-107034</u>
6.	<u>Robert W. Kelley</u>	<u>2nd Lt.</u>	<u>0-705242</u>	<u>42-107034</u>
7.	<u>Allen D. Sheakley</u>	<u>2nd Lt.</u>	<u>0-823989</u>	<u>42-107034</u>
8.	<u>Ernest T. Salzer</u>	<u>1st Lt.</u>	<u>0-814980</u>	<u>42-97827</u>
9.	<u>Delbert L. Bellinger</u>	<u>S/Sgt.</u>	<u>36482557</u>	<u>42-97827</u>
10.	<u>Arnet L. Furr</u>	<u>2nd Lt.</u>	<u>0-819789</u>	<u>42-38064</u>
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11.	<u>Sterling H. Bock, Jr.</u>	<u>2nd Lt.</u>	<u>0-714630</u>	<u>42-38064</u>
12.	<u>Leon M. Plagianos</u>	<u>2nd Lt.</u>	<u>0-708040</u>	<u>42-38064</u>

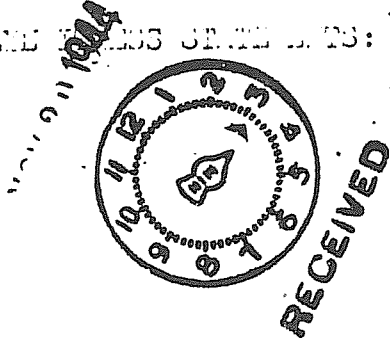
13. IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, A STATEMENT TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STATES IS: (a) Parachutes were used _____; (b) Persons were seen walking away from scene of crash _____; or (c) Any other reason (Specify) _____
14. ATTACH MAPS, PHOTOGRAPHS, MAP, GRANT, or SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION, ALTITUDE, AIRCRAFT AS LAST SEEN OR HEARD FROM.
15. ATTACH DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT.
16. GIVE NAME, GRADE AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE OF MISSION, IF ANY, INCLUDING DESCRIPTION OF AIRCRAFT

Date of Report 3 October 1944.

Gerald H. Galligan
(Signature of Preparing Officer)

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

17. DETAILS OF THE LOSS STATEMENTS:



(S-2 Summary of
Eye-Witness Accounts)

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(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. 749th A/C No. 42-32079

MISSION DATE 26 September 1944 FIRST PILOT Carl H. Gooch
(Name)

2nd Lt. 0-764122 DESTINATION Osnabruck
(Rank) (Serial No.)

1. Position of missing aircraft when last sighted or contacted:
 - (a) By coordinates 5235 - 0437
 - (b) Approximate altitude 14,000 to 17,000 feet
 - (c) Last noted heading about 180 to 225 degrees.
 - (d) If out of formation, approximate distance from formation roughly, about one mile.
2. Describe enemy opposition (intensity of flak, intensity and method of enemy fighter attack, etc., with particular reference to missing A/C):
Light, accurate, tracking flak at Dutch Coast hit aircraft at 5235 - 0437 at 1533 hours at 18,000 feet.
3. Description of extent of damage to missing aircraft (including fires, explosions, etc):
Top turret was blown off. Aircraft appeared to be hit either in cockpit, bomb bay or radio room. Number 1 engine was out and feathered. Number 2 engine was smoking. One witness states that there was a red flash in the nose, that the nose blew out, that cockpit was blown off, and that #3 and #4 engines were also feathered.
4. If aircraft was out of control describe appearance:
Aircraft did not appear out of control when last seen. When first hit it drifted off course to left; it lost, then regained altitude. Witness who reported that nose was blown out and cockpit blown off also states he saw pilot and co-pilot still working. One witness watched aircraft until he lost sight of it.

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FACTS SURROUNDING LOSS OF STAFF SGT CLEMENT W KELSEY ONE FIVE ONE ZERO
 TO FIVE FOUR FOUR PAREN TO ARNOLD/SPATZ REUR WAR FIVE SIX FOUR NINE
 FOUR NOV TWO PAREN VIA TWO SIX SEPT FOLLOW CLN PAREN ONE PAREN PLANE
 NR FOUR TWO DASH THREE TWO ZERO SEVEN NINE QUOTE UNQUOTE PAREN
 TWO PAREN DESTINATION CLN CSNABRUCK CIA GERMANY PAREN THREE PAREN
 HIT BY LIGHT ACCURATE FLAK AT DUTCH COAST AT FIVE TWO THREE FIVE DASH
 ZERO FOUR THREE SEVEN AT ONE FIVE THREE THREE HOURS ONE EIGHT ZERO ZERO
 ZERO FEET PAREN FOUR PAREN TOP TURRET WAS BLOWN OFF CIA AIRCRAFT APPEAR
 TO BE HIT EITHER IN COCKPIT CIA BOMB BAY OR RADIO ROOM PD NUMBER ONE
 ENGINE WAS OUT AND FEATHERED PD NUMBER TWO ENGINE WAS SMOKING PD ONE
 WITNESS STATES THAT THERE WAS A RED FLASH IN THE NOSE CIA THAT THE
 NOSE BEEN GUT CIA THAT THE COCKPIT WAS BLOWN OFF CIA AND THAT NR TWO
 AND NR FOUR ENGINES WERE ALSO FEATHERED PD AIRCRAFT DID NOT APPEAR OUT
 OF CONTROL WHEN LAST SEEN PD WHEN FIRST HIT CIA IT DRIFTED OFF COURSE
 TO LEFT SMLN IT READILY THEN REGAINED ALTITUDE PD WITNESS WHO REPORTED
 THAT THE NOSE WAS BLOWN OUT AND COCKPIT BLOWN OFF CIA ALSO STATES
 HE SAW PILOT AND CO PILOT STILL WORKING PAREN FIVE PAREN LAST NOTED
 HEADING ABOUT ONE EIGHT ZERO TO TWO TWO FIVE DEGREES PAREN SIX PAREN
 NO PARACHUTES SEEN TO OPEN

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MESSAGEFORM

Date 3 November 1944

File No 201-Kelsey, Clement W. (Enl)

Office of origin HQ US STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE

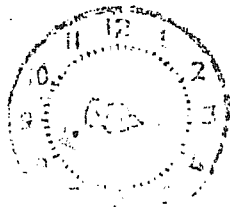
Address . AAF STA 586, APO 633, U.S. ARMY.

To: COMMANDING GENERAL,
EIGHTH AIR FORCE
APO 634 U S ARMY

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WIRE or RADIO	ESSENTIAL MILITARY MAIL
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Message: MF 02059

CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING DISAPPEARANCE OF KELSEY CLEMENT WILLIAM ASN
15102544 OF 457TH BOMB GROUP 749TH BOMB SQ; REPORTED MISSING IN ACTION
26 SEPT 44, REQUEST BRIEF OUTLINE EXPEDITE, TO FOLLOW BY MAIL ARE COMPLETE
NOV 7 1944
DETAILS



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OFFICIAL:

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R. E. FECTEAU,
Captain, AGD.,
Asst Adj General.

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HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH AIR FORCE, AAF STATION 101, APO 634, U.S. Army. - 5 NOV 1944

TO: Commanding General, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, APO 633.

1. The following information surrounding the loss of S Sgt. Clement W. Kelsey, 15102544, MIA - 26 September 1944, is as follows:

- a. A/C #42-32079 "Jayhawk".
- b. Destination: Osnabruck, Germany.
- c. Hit by light accurate flak at Dutch Coast at 5235-0437 at 1533 hours, 18,000 feet.
- d. Top turret was blown off, aircraft appeared to be hit either in cockpit, bomb-bay or radio room. Number 1 engine was out and feathered. Number 2 engine was smoking. One witness states that there was a red flash in the nose, that the nose blew out, that the cockpit was blown off, and that #3 and #4 engines were also feathered. Aircraft did not appear out of control when last seen. When first hit, it drifted off course to left; it readily then regained altitude. Witness who reported that the nose was blown out and cockpit blown off, also states he saw pilot and co-pilot still working.
- e. Last noted heading about 180 to 225 degrees.
- f. No parachutes seen to open.

For the Commanding General:



H.S. WILSON, JR.,
Major, A.G.D.,
Asst. Adj. Gen.

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HEADQUARTERS, EIGHTH AIR FORCE, War Station 101, APO 634, U.S. Army.

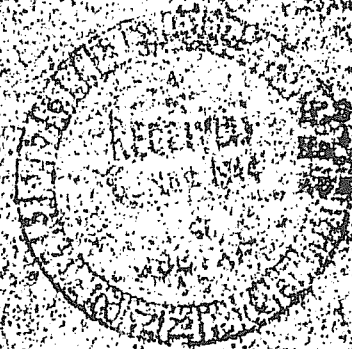
5 NOV 1944

TO: Commanding General, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, APO 633.

1. The following information surrounding the loss of 5 Sgt. Clement H. Talley, 15102544, MIA - 26 September 1944, is as follows:

- a. U/C #42-32079 "Jayhawk"
- b. Destination: Gensbrack, Germany.
- c. Hit by light accurate flak at Dutch Coast at 523400Z at 1533 hours, 18,000 feet.
- d. Top turret was blown off, aircraft appeared to be hit either in cockpit, bomb bay or radio room. Number 1 engine was out and feathered. Number 2 engine was smoking. One witness states that there was a red flash in the nose, that the nose blew out, that the cockpit was blown off, and that #3 and #4 engines were also feathered. Aircraft did not appear out of control when last seen. When first hit, it drifted off course to left; it re-fly then regained altitude. Witness who reported that the nose was blown out and cockpit blown off, also states he saw pilot and co-pilot still working.
- e. Last noted heading about 180 to 225 degrees.
- f. No parachutes seen to open.

For the Commanding General:



Lt. Col. J. H. Wilson, Jr.
 Major, AAF, D-4
 1st Lt. Gen.

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HQ USSTAF

INCOMING MESSAGE

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In reply cite: 0 8000

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FROM: WAB

Internal address:

TO : AMW

FM : Opatic

ROM : Donkole

INFO: Arnold

Circumstances surrounding disappearance of Galaxy Cleant killed ASN 15102
457th Bomb Group 78th Bomb Sq, reported missing in action 26 Sept 44, request by
attending by cable, to follow by air mail and complete detail.

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ACTION: AC P

INFO : NO RECORDS

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HQ, US STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE, AAF STA 586, APO 633, U.S. Army NOV 8 1944

TO: Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Washington, D.C.

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Attached correspondence is forwarded to your headquarters in compliance with cable FAR 56494, 2 November 1944.

For the Commanding General:

R. E. Fecteau

R. E. FECTEAU,
Captain, AGD.,
Asst Adj General.

Incl:
Correspondence pertaining to Clement W. Kelsey. (Enl)

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IDENTIFICATION TAGS

1)	John P. Quillin	O-768220	T43-44	<u>AP</u>
2)	Leo J. Chermack	36815267	T43-44	OC

Airfield Command E (V) 202/II
 Amsterdam - Schiphol Feldpost Nr. 130309
 IGPA. Amsterdam / Bentheim

KU 1015 A

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Airfield Command E (V) 202/II Graveofficer.

PLACE: Amsterdam Schiphol

DATE: 28.Sept.1944. 0000.

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, Parachutescent.Salvaged out of Sea. Type

EM. LANDING: AT: of plane unknown.

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) Quillin

FIRST NAME: John P. Officer

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) E,M, 0-768220 T 43 44

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: Gouda near Rotterdam on 26.Sept.1944 No more statem

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

No more statements

Rhein

S/Sgt. and Grave Officer represent

Dulag Luft Wetzlar 2.Oct.1944

Property taken away from the prisoner : Officer John P. Quillin

1 EM 0-768220 T 43 44

1 wrist watch.

1bracelett

2000 ~~KRANK~~ Francs from escape bag.

1 Steel saw

1 Dictionary

O.U. 28.Sept.1944.

Airfield Command E (V) 202 / II
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 Fieldpost Nr. I 30909
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KU 1015

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Airfield Command E (V) 202 / II Grave Officer

PLACE: Amsterdian Schiphol

DATE: 28. Sept. 1944 0000.

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, Parachute ecent, salvaged out of sea. Type of pla
 unknown.

EM. LANDING: AT:

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

Quillin

POST NAME:

John P.

Officer

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

EM C-768220 T43 44

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

Coada near Rotterdam on 26. Sept. 1944. No more statement
 by the prisoner.

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

No more statements.

Rhein
 S/Sgt. and representative Grave Office

Being left Rotterdam 20. Oct. 1944.

Property taken away from the prisoner:

1 EM C-768220 T 43 44
 1 Wrist watch
 1 Bracelet
 2000 Francs
 1 Steel saw
 1 Dictionary
 ON 28 Sept. 1944.

FORM 1

Airfield Command E (V) 202 / II
Amsterdam Schiphol
Feldpost Nr, L 30309
IGPA Amsterdam / Bentheim.

KU 1015

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Airfield Command E (V) 202 / II Grave Officer

PLACE: Amsterdam Schiphol

DATE: 28.Sept. 1944 0000.

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, Parachute descent, salvaged out of sea. Type of plane unknown.

EM. LANDING: AT:

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) Quillin

FIRST NAME: John P. Officer

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) EM 0-768220 T43 44

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: Gouda near Rotterdam on 26.Sept.1944 .No more statements by the prisoner .

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

No more statements.

Rhein
S/Sgt.and representative Grave Officer.

Dulag Luft Wetzlar 20.Oct.1944.

Property taken away from the prisoner:

1 EM 0-768220 T 43 44
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1 Steel saw
1 Dictionary
OU 28 .Sept.1944.

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REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF BRUYN 110 11 11

POST: Amfield Command 1 (7) 202 / 11

PLACE: Amsterdam Schiedol

DATE: 28. Sept. 1944 0000.

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, Parachute descent, salvaged out of sea. Type of plane unknown.

EM. LANDING: AT:

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) Quillan

FIRST NAME: John F. Officer

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) EM 0-768220 T43 44

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: Coast near Rotterdam on 26. Sept. 1944. No more statement by the prisoner.

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

No more statements.

Rhola
S/Sgt. and Representative Grave Office

Dalag Luft Wezalar 20. Oct. 1944.

Property taken away from the prisoner:

- 1 EM 0-768220 T 43 44
- 1 Wrist watch
- 1 Bracelett
- 2000 Francs
- 1 Steel saw
- 1 Dictionary
- OU 28 .Sept. 1944.

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B-17
AAF 42-32079
9 men

	Rank:	Name:	KU 1015 a
Date:	26 Sept 44, at 1600	2nd Lt. QUILLIN, John P.	: 0-765220
Place:	7/4/44 REDACTED	2nd Lt. GOOSCH,	
Type of craft:	Fortress	2nd Lt. SCHROEDER,	
Markings:	----- 749 (HBO)Sqd. 457 Group	2nd Lt. GIANNICO, S/Sgt. PARKER, S/Sgt. KELSEY, S/Sgt. CHERMAK, Lee J. S/Sgt. REILLY, S/Sgt. ANLOT,	: 36815207

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWN 26 Sep. 1944

CASUALTY NO. 1015

PLACE OF CRASH

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT

REPORTING OFFICE

NAME	RANK	SERIAL NUMBER	CAPT'D WOUNDED DEAD	PLACE OF INTERNMENT
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CHENKAS, Leo J.
1922

a/Sgt. 36815267

captured

Malag-Islet West

WILLIAMS, John

2/Lt. 9-765220

REMARKS: Malag-Islet, 26 Oct. 1944 No.

Airbase Hqs E (v) 202/XI
 Amsterdam - Schiphol
 APO No. L 30309
Via Amsterdam/Bontheim

Casualty report No. 83
 on enemy members

Time covered by report 7 Oct. 1944 - 9 Oct. 1944

Immediately to War Information Center Saalfeld /Saale

Current No.	1
Place and date of casualty	on 9 Oct. 1944 0700 Norresee near Warmond recovered from the sea (crashed presumably on 26 Sept. 1944 at Sassenheim) Type of aircraft and Ser. No. unknown
Rank	unknown
Name	Donald J R E I L L E Y 19142840 T 44 44
Date and place of birth	unknown
Remarks	Grave No. unknown (will be reported later) Buried on 10 Oct. 1944 at the cemetery of the reformatory church Beekbrugkirche at Lisse Holland

Local Quarters 19 Oct. 1944

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Cpt. and Bff. assigned to special duty

MIA 26 Sept 44
 KIA

Main-dressing-station
Airforce Hospital
Amsterdam

Amsterdam, 15 October 1944

Subject: English and American Prisoners of War.

To the
~~Supreme Headquarters~~
Supreme Headquarters of the Armed Forces
Berlin, Bendlerstr. 34

We report: The following Prisoner of War was handed over to the Main-dressing-station of the Airforce Hospital Amsterdam by the local Hospital Heemstede (Holland) on 14 October 1944:

T/Sgt. Alexander P. Mc. Dermott, American
Ser.No: 12041088, born on 7 September 1902 in New York (U.S.A.)
Address of relations: wife: Mrs. A.P.Mc. Dermott Brooklyn-New York (USA)
943 New York Ave.
Diagnosis: Fracture of processus spinosus

Number of Prisoners of War in the Airforce Hospital Amsterdam: 1

Distribution:
Evaluation center West, Oberursel/Taunus

ma 26 Sept 44
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Air Corps

signed:
Lt.Col. M.S. and
Sen. Medical Offr.

Mc Dermott
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2nd Lt. Carl H. Gooch

Mrs. Elzabeth Gooch (mother)
211 North Delaware Street,
Independence, Missouri.

2nd Lt. John P. Quillin

MR. Robert O. Quillin (father)
8401 C. Asher Street,
McLaughlin Heights, Washington.

2nd Lt. Rupert L. Phipps

Mrs. Virginia N. Phipps (mother)
1244 West 38 Street,
Norfolk, Virginia.

T/Sgt. Alexander P. McDermott

Mrs. Mary E. McDermott (wife)
943 New York Avenue,
Brooklyn, New York.

S/Sgt. Wilber H. Parker

Mrs. Emily Parker (mother)
10 Kingsbury Street,
Roxbury, Massachusetts.

S/Sgt. Clement W. Kelsey

Mr. Carlyle W. Kelsey (father)
112 Chestnut Street,
Painsville, Ohio.

S/Sgt. Leo J. Chermack

Mrs. Mathias Chermack (mother)
General Delivery,
Barron, Wisconsin.

S/Sgt. Thomas V. Angott

Honorable George A. Dondero (friend)
House of Representatives,
Washington 25, D. C.

S/Sgt. Donald J. Reilly

Mr. Samuel T. Angott (father)
6730 Commerce Road,
Pontiac, Michigan.

Mrs. Mary J. Reilly (mother)
1068 Madison Street,
Santa Clara, California.

Name of crew member: GOOCH, Carl H.
 Rank: 2nd.Lt.
 Serial number: 0-764122
 Position: ~~Crew member of flight (Fighter)~~: Pilot

Did he bail out? YES

Where? SASSENHEIM, HOLLAND

If not, why not? _____

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

JUST BEFORE HE WENT THRU ESCAPE HATCH IN NOSE

Was he injured? YES, BLOOD COMING FROM MOUTH & FOREHEAD

Where was he when last seen? LEAVING SHIP

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: DONT KNOW

Dates and destinations if possible: RETURNING FROM MISSION OVER

OSNABRÜCK 26 SEPT 1944. SHOT DOWN OVER SASSENHEIM

Name of crew member: REILLY, Donald J.
Rank: S. Sgt.
Serial number: 19142840
Position: Crew (Bomber) or Pilot (Fighter): TG

Did he bail out? DONT KNOW

Where? _____

If not, why not? DONT KNOW

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

Was he injured? DONT KNOW

Where was he when last seen? NONE

Any hearsay information: No

Source: _____

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: DONT KNOW

Dates and destinations if possible: NONE

Name of crew member: PARKER, Wilber H.
 Rank: S.Sgt.
 Serial number: 31226719
 Position: ~~Crew (Bombardier) or Pilot (Fighter)~~: TTG

Did he bail out? Don't Know

Where? _____

If not, why not? Don't Know

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

Was he injured? Don't Know

Where was he when last seen? NONE

Any hearsay information: No

Source: _____

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: Don't Know

Dates and destinations if possible: NONE

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Your name ALEXANDER PMcDERMOTT Rank T/SGT Serial No. 12064088

Organization 457 Gp Commander Col. LUPER Rank Col Sqn CO SNOW Rank MAJOR
(full name) (full name)

What year 1944 month SEPT day 26 did you go down?

What was the mission, OSNABRUK, target, D, target time, DN, altitude, 27000 route scheduled, SANT REMOND, route flown SANT REMOND

Where were you when you left formation? BY POSITION LOW BOX

Did you bail out? YES

Did other members of crew bail out? YES

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 & NAVIGATOR BAILED OUT FROM NOSE HATCH

Where did your aircraft strike the ground? SASSENHEIME HOLLAND

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, EXCEPT GERMANS TOLD ME THEY HAD FOUND ONE BODY

Where were they in aircraft? CO-PILOTS POSITION

What was their condition? DEAD

When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? NO KNOWLEDGE

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)

Name of crew member: GOOCH, Carl H.
 Rank: 2nd.Lt.
 Serial number: 0-764122
 Position: ~~COPILOT~~ Pilot

Did he bail out? Yes

Where? Over Holland

If not, why not? _____

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

My last conversation was just before we were hit. After we were hit
he motioned us to bail out for the inner phones were shot out.
 Was he injured? No

Where was he when last seen? Motioning us to bail out.

Any hearsay information: The pilot sent Parker back to the radio room to
us to bail out. That's why Parker was there. So when we saw that
he was wounded we started giving him first aid. His clothes were
all shot to shreds and he was bleeding very badly.

Source: _____

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: I think he had twelve.

Dates and destinations if possible: Unknown

Name of crew member: PARKER, Wilber E.
 Rank: S. Sgt.
 Serial number: 31226719
 Position: Crew Chief (Fighter): T10

Did he bail out? No

Where? _____

If not, why not? He was wounded and he left his chute in the nose of the

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

Was he injured? Yes

Where was he when last seen? Lying in the radio room.

Any hearsay information: The Holland people picked up the pieces of him
in a little box and gave him a nice funeral.

Source: ~~Tom Angott~~ Tom Angott and Clement Kelsey told me about it.

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: I believe it was his twelfth.

Dates and destinations if possible: unknown

INTERVIEW REPORT

Name of crew member: BILLY, Ronald F.
Rank: Sgt.
Serial number: 19142240
Position: ~~PARACHUTE INSTRUCTOR~~

Did he bail out? Yes

Where? Also over Holland. I don't remember the name of the area.

If not, why not? _____

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

Just before we were hit he yelled flak at 3 o'clock.

Was he injured? not at the time we were hit.

Where was he when last seen? He bailed out just ahead of me.

Any hearsay information: He landed in water and drowned. The Dutch
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people said that he hit the water and never tried to swim.

That he was hanging limp in his parachute. So possible he
unconscious.

Source: The crew members in the underbround told me this after I was free

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: ~~I believe it was also his eighth~~

Dates and destinations if possible: Unknown

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name Leo Ghermack Rank S/SGT Serial No. 36815267
2. Organization AAF Gp Commander unknown Rank _____ Sqn CO unknown Rank _____
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month September day 26 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, Railroad ^{AND}, target, unknown, target
time, unknown, altitude, 25,000 feet route scheduled, _____
unknown, route flown unknown
5. Where were you when you left formation? on the coast of Holland
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". All three were all right but Parker who had been hit by flak so he went down in the plane
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? Right on the outskirts of town
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) Wilbur Parker whom as I said had been hit by flak
11. Where were they in aircraft? in the radio room
12. What was their condition? his head was cut very badly and his chest
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? After I was liberated I met all my crew members in France. But they were all alright when I saw them before leaving the plane. And you have a sheet attached for the pilot but he was not killed. For I saw him in France after we were liberated. Tom Angott, Clement Kelsey, and Carl Gooch were all hidden by the Dutch underground until the liberation.
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)

After i met my crew members in France they told me that Donald Reilly landed in water after he had bailed out and that he drownd. and that Wilber Parker went down with the plane. But the Holland people gave both of the boys a very nice funeral. The three of the fellows i mentiond on the other side who where in the underground were all treated very nice by the Holland people. And you do understand that Carl Gooch is still alive. If i can be of any more help to you about ~~information~~ information concerning the crew members i will try to help.

Leo Chermack.

Abschußtag und Zeit: 26.9.44.....

Schüßert: Enschede.....

Flugzeugtyp: Fortress.....

Meldende Dienststelle: Limburg.....

Besatzung:

Name und Vornamen: Geburtstag und -ort:	Dienst- grad	Erk.- Marke:	Verbleib:	
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QUILLIN	John	2.Lt. 0-768220	gef.	Dulag-Luft We

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