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MISSING AIR CREW REPORT

MACR NO. 9767

WAR DEPARTMENT
HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

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.

- ORGANIZATION: LOCATION: England COMMAND OR AIR FORCE 8 A.F.
GROUP 457 Bomb. Gp. (H) SQUADRON 750th; DETACHMENT _____
- SPECIFY: POINT OF DEPARTURE Station 130; COURSE _____
INTENDED DESTINATION Politz, Germany; TYPE OF MISSION Objective bombing
- WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED: _____
8/10ths - Visibility good.
- GIVE: (A) DATE 7 Oct. 44 TIME 1252; AND LOCATION OF LAST KNOWN
WHEREABOUTS OF MISSING AIRCRAFT 53-48N 14-30E.
(B) SPECIFY WHETHER () LAST SIGHTED; (X) LAST CONTACTED BY RADIO;
() FORCED DOWN; () SEEN TO CRASH; OR () INFORMATION NOT AVAILABLE
- 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: _____
- AIRCRAFT: TYPE, MODEL AND SERIES B17G; AAF SERIAL NO. 44-8046 (PFF)
- ENGINES: TYPE, MODEL AND SERIES None; AAF SERIAL NO. (A) _____
SW-016897 (B) SW-016973 (C) SW-016979 (D) SW-0170N
- INSTALLED WEAPONS (FURNISH BELOW MAKE, TYPE AND SERIAL NUMBER)
(A) 1183636 (B) 1182653 (C) 119609 (D) 1195796 (1) 1195947
(E) 1196130 (F) 1195893 (G) 1196497 (H) 1195828 (1) 1195986
- THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (A) BATTLE CASUALTY _____
OR (B) NON-BATTLE CASUALTY _____
- NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: CREW 11; PASSENGERS 0; TOTAL 11
(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	STATUS
(1) Air Comm.	Luper, James R. ✓	Col.	021240	RMF
(2) PILOT	1 ✓ Fischer, Alfred H. ✓	Capt.	0748392	KIA ✓ <i>app. 11/10</i>
(3) N.	Kriehn, Norman A. ✓	Major	0435083	MIS
(4) N.	Morrow, William J. ✓	1st Lt.	0866053	MIS
(5) B.	4 (1) Lodes, Henry P. ✓	Capt.	0724217 ✓ <i>248</i>	RMF - <i>app. 11/10</i>
(6) N-Radar	Asbell, Frederick H. ✓	1st Lt.	0698252	MIS
(7) R/G	2 ✓ Haggard, Gordon H. ✓	Maj.	0321772 X 9439	KIA - <i>app. 11/10</i>
(8) TG	5 ✓ McNeal, Edward A. Jr. ✓	1st Lt.	0819409	KIA - <i>app. 11/10</i>
(9) TTG	6 ✓ Shepherd, Ancil H. ✓	T/Sgt.	14121372	KIA - <i>app. 11/10</i>
(10) RO	3 ✓ Koehler, John H. ✓	T/Sgt.	33174039	DOW
(11) L/G	Derling, John H. ✓	S/Sgt.	32767908	RMF

- 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	CONTACTED BY RADIO	LAST SIGHTED	SAW CRASH	SAW FORCED LANDING
(1)	See par. 8 of S-2 Summary of Eye Witness Account					
(2)						
(3)						

- 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 REASON (SPECIFY) See par. 6 of S-2 summary of eye witness account.
- ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT.
- ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN. See par. 4.
- ATTACH A DESCRIPTION OF THE EXTENT OF SEARCH, IF ANY, AND GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE _____

① Lodes recovered from Jasnitz via Stettin

14 Oct. 1944

(Date of Report)

Gerald H. Galligan

(Signature of Preparing Officer)

Capt., A.C.

Statistical Officer

REMARKS: (Use additional sheet if necessary)

Prepared by Memorial Division, OAMG
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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 air crew member is officially reported missing.

1. ORGANIZATION: Location, by Name England; Command or Air Force 8 A.F.
Group 457 Bomb. Gr. (H); Squadron 750th; Detachment _____
2. SPECIFY: Place of Departure Station 130; Course _____
Target or Intended Destination Politz, Germany; Type of Mission _____
Objective Bombing
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED: _____
8/10ths - Visibility good
4. GIVE: (a) Day 7 Month Oct. Year 1944; Time 1252; and Location of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft. 53-48N 14-30E.
(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; AAF Serial Number 44-8046 (PTT)
7. NICKNAME OF AIRCRAFT, if any None
8. ENGINES: Type, Model and Series R-1820-97; AAF Serial Number _____
(a) SW-016897; (b) SW-016973; (c) SW-016979; (d) SW-017014
9. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below date, type and serial number):
(a) 1183636; (b) 1182653; (c) 119609; (d) 1195796;
(e) 1196130; (f) 1195893; (g) 1196497; (h) 1195828;
(i) 1195947; (j) 1195986; (k) _____; (l) _____;
(m) _____; (n) _____; (o) _____; (p) _____
10. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty _____
or (b) Non-Battle Casualty _____
11. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 11; Passengers 0; Total 11
(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. <u>PTT</u> Air Comm.	<u>Raper, James R.</u>	<u>Col.</u>	<u>021240</u>	<u>MIA/POW G.T. RTD</u>
2. <u>P</u>	<u>Fischer, Alfred W.</u>	<u>Capt.</u>	<u>0748392</u>	<u>MIA</u>
3. <u>N</u>	<u>Kriehn, Norman A.</u>	<u>Capt.</u>	<u>0435083</u>	<u>MIA/POW RTD</u>
4. <u>N</u>	<u>Morrow, William J.</u>	<u>1st Lt.</u>	<u>0866053</u>	<u>MIA RTD</u>
5. <u>Bomb. Load.</u>	<u>Loades, Henry P.</u>	<u>Capt.</u>	<u>0724247</u>	<u>MIA</u>
6. <u>N-Radar</u>	<u>Asbell, Frederick W.</u>	<u>1st Lt.</u>	<u>0698252</u>	<u>MIA POW RTD</u>
7. <u>RWG</u>	<u>Haggard, Gordon H.</u>	<u>Maj.</u>	<u>0321772</u>	<u>MIA</u>
8. <u>TG</u>	<u>McNeal, Edward A. Jr.</u>	<u>1st Lt.</u>	<u>0819409</u>	<u>MIA</u>
9. <u>TTG</u>	<u>Shepherd, Ancil U.</u>	<u>T/Sgt.</u>	<u>14121372</u>	<u>MIA</u>
10. <u>RO 371</u>	<u>Koehler, John W.</u>	<u>T/Sgt.</u>	<u>32174039</u>	<u>MIA</u>
11. <u>LWG</u>	<u>Derling, John H.</u>	<u>S/Sgt.</u>	<u>32167908</u>	<u>MIA POW RTD</u>

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

Check Only One Column

Name in Full (Last Name First)	Serial Number	Contacted by	Last Sighted	Saw	Forced Crash Landing
1. <u>See par. 8. of S-2 Summary of Eye-Witness Account.</u>					
2. _____					
3. _____					

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13. IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, ANSWER YES TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS: (a) Parachutes were used Yes; (b) Persons were seen walking away from scene of crash _____; or (c) Any other reason (Specify) See par. 6 of S-2 Summary of Eye-Witness Account.
14. ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN OR HEARD FROM. See par. 4.
15. ATTACH EYE WITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT.
16. GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE OF SEARCH, IF ANY, INCLUDING DESCRIPTION AND EXTENT _____

Date of Report 14 October 1944.

Gerald H. Galligan
(Signature of Preparing Officer)

17. REFERENCES OR EYE WITNESS STATEMENTS:

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



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

(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 457 Sqdn. 750th A/C No. 44-8046

MISSION DATE 7 October 1944 FIRST PILOT Alfred W. Fischer
(Name)

Captain O-748392 DESTINATION Politz
(Rank) (Serial No.)

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

(a) By coordinates About 5348 - 1430

(b) Approximate altitude Disintegrated at approximately 15,000' at about 1300.

(c) Last noted heading None

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

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

Intense, accurate flak; both barrage and tracking type.
No E/A's

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

The #2 engine and perhaps #3 caught on fire. Aircraft went down in steep dive, spiral, or flat spin. Engine and piece of right wing came off. Then section of tail came off. Then plane blew up or fell apart; some pieces seen to land in Stettiner Haven.

4. If aircraft was out of control describe appearance:

After #2 engine caught fire, aircraft dropped out of formation and went into steep glide, spiral, or flat spin. Apparently under control for a little while any way.

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

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

From two to nine chutes were reported; of these one was reported on fire as it left plane and another came out when the plane fell apart or exploded. Four chutes reported from the nose and three from the waist; the one reported on fire was from the waist.

7. Any other remarks not covered by above:

Aircraft apparently did not drop its bombs. Bomb-bay doors were seen to close near what should have been the correct bomb release line. Then aircraft was hit by flak. No release of bombs was seen.

8. Date of report 8 October 1944

EYE-WITNESSES:	NAME	RANK	A.S.N.	A/C No.
1.	Louis B. Reinhart	S/Sgt.	38563203	44-64509
2.	Richard J. Rementer	2nd Lt.	0-557544	44-64509
3.	Gilbert J. Fleming	S/Sgt.	39234915	44-64509
4.	Theodore M. Bröffman	2nd Lt.	0-762077	43-38537
5.	Charles W. Craig	1st Lt.	0-749818	42-107034
6.	Arnet L. Furr	2nd Lt.	0-819789	42-31633
7.	Charles H. Borland	S/Sgt.	19095538	43-38594

INTERROGATING OFFICER (Sign Original and One Copy):

<u>Hugh M. Hamill</u>	<u>1st Lt.</u>	<u>0-571919</u>	<u>Asst. Cp. S-2</u>
HUGH M. HAMILL	(Rank)	A.S.N.	Duty
(Name)			

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

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MACB 9767
 8-17
 11 man crew
 AAF# 44-8046

7 Oct 44

6 October 1944 1310
 Stettiner Haff / Swinemünde

Type: Fortress
 Markings:
 750 H B Sqd.
 457 Group

Target: Airbase Gars/Woodon

30 October

KU 3126

Opt	LOADEN	Henry Paul	O-724247	dead
Opt	KEPNER	Norman Arthur	O-455083	capt
Col	LUPER	James Ehee	O-21340	capt
1st Lt	ASBELL	Fredrick Whitfield	O-638252	capt
Opt	[FISCHER, FISHER]	ALFRED W.	0748392	
1st Lt	MORROW	William John	O-868053	capt
Maj	HAGGARD	G. V.		
S/SGT	[DERLING, DREWING]	John Howard	32787908	capt

pencilled note: KURTZ 550 a 1

Community secretary Jannits / Stettin

other three crew members are:

EDWARD A. McNEAL, JR., 0819409
 ANCIL V. SHEPHERD, 14121372
 JOHN W. KOEHLER, 33174039

SRW
 5397

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT

WAS SHOT DOWN

9 October 1944

1315 hrs.

CASUALTY NO.

KV 3126

PLACE OF CRASH

near Guineasando

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT

Fortress

REPORTING OFFICER

Hq. Air Base Cars-Usodan

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

Herman Arthur

Capt.

O-435063

captured

Dulag Luft West

LUPER

James Rhea

Col.

O-21240

captured

Dulag Luft West

LOADES

Henry Paul

Capt.

O-724247

dead

Casualty No. 3126

First Supplementary Report, dated 13 November 1944

ASHILL

Frederick Whitfield 1st Lt. O-648252

captured

Dulag Luft West

DEWING

John Howard

S/Sgt.

32767908

captured

Dulag Luft West

13 June 1924

USA

Casualty No. KV 3126

Second Supplementary Report, dated 4 December 1944

MORROW

William John

1st Lt. O-866053

captured

Dulag Luft West

17 June 1 17

Pittsburgh, Pa.

REMARKS:

Dulag Luft, 7 November 1944 v.S.

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CASUALTY NO.

U-3629

REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFT

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT
WAS SHOT DOWN:

Body washed ashore prior to 7 Oct 1944

PLACE OF CRASH:

./.

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT:

./.

REPORTING OFFICE:

Air Base Headquarters A(o)6/III Stettin

CREW

SURNAME, AND
FIRST NAME:

McNEAL , Edward A.

DATE OF BIRTH:

./.

RANK:

./.

SERIAL NUMBER:

O-819409

Kia 7 Oct 44

CAPTURED:

WOUNDED:

DEAD:

yes

DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP:

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TYPE OF INJURY:

./.

GRAVE LOCATION:

./.

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REMARKS:

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Section VIII Registering
A.V. 1586 / 45

Weiningen, 26 Jan. 1945

First Draft.

Section V

1.)

Subject: Personal effects of a dead American soldier.

We forward enclosed talisman and identification tag
of the American soldier

KOEHLER

K O E H L E R , J O H N W . , 33174039 T 44 A C,
to you as the competent section. K. died at Reserve -
Hospital Stettin on 7 Oct. 1944, and was buried in the
Military Cemetery at Stettin.

2.) Wgl.

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Enclosures:

1 envelope with talisman and identification tag
on silver-chain.

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DOI }

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Reserve-Hospital II, S t e t t i n
Administration of the Hospital-Zone

Stettin ,12 Nov.1944

To

Supreme Command of the Armed Forces
Armed Forces Information Center
S a a l f e l d

Referring to your letter on reverse page,Section II 3,
we report that the body of the American

K O E H L E R

was admitted,since
this house is administration office of the hospital.In both cases the red
cards were enclosed,and at the same time also the entries under "Admittance"
and "Discharge" were made.There were other red cards besides those two,and
the identification tags in the same envelope (the identification tag of the
American with chain and talisman also).

John W 33174039
Abrahams.

A C

MIA } 7 Oct 44
DOI }

Reserve Hospital II, Stettin
 File no. 50 g

Stettin, 11 Oct. 1944

To the Supreme Command of the Armed Forces
 Armed Forces Information Center
Salzfeld
 Auxiliary Shelter

Subject: REPORT ON DEATH:

Name: JOHN W. KOEHLER

Serial number: 33174039 T 44 A C

Date and time of death: 7 Oct. 1944 in the afternoon

Place of death: Stettin - Dammscher See (lake)

Cause of death: shot down from an airplane

Other remarks: The only identification proof found was the identification tag with above inscription.

The Chief-Surgeon

illegible

Major, Med. Corps

AC
 MIA { 7 Oct 44
 DOI }

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Reserve Hospital II Stettin
Administration

Stettin, 14 Oct. 1944

To the Supreme Command of the Armed Forces
Armed Forces Information Center
S a a l f e l d

As a supplement to the death-report of
11 Oct. 1944 we forward a second, found identification tag, which probably
belongs to the downed Englishman or American

KOEHLER. *John H.*

1 enclosure

AC
Abrahams

MIA 2 7 Oct 44
DOIS

MAR 9767

7 October 44

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Fortress 17

A 1 1 1 1 1, 12 km, southwest of Treplov Naga
Air-field Kampf ?

1 dead (?)

5 prisoners of war ?

Duling-Air, Votulaf

received : 11 October 44

Central Registry and Report Office

KU 3126 ?

Airfield Headquarters 1/III
Gary on Usedom

Swinemünde 3, 8 October 1944

Subject: Transfer of 2 American prisoners of war

To: Evaluation Center West, Oberursel.

In the enclosure are consigned three forms No. 1 according to E (Air) 2706/07 and the list of personal property of crewmembers of an enemy aircraft (probably Fortress) transferred to you. The prisoner Lt. Morrow was transferred to the Navy Hospital of Swinemünde, Wasser St.

Form 2 could not be filled out because the airplane burst in mid'air and the debris has sunk in the Stettin lake.

Enclosure:

3 Form-leases

3 envelopes with private property

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Lt. Colonel, Airfield Commander

KU 3126

R e s t r i c t e d Distribution
 REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCE Form 1g-Air

POST:

Airfield Headquarters 1/III, Gars on Usedom

PLACE:

SWINEMÜNDE

DATE:

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF,

A combat aircraft (4engined) probably Fortress

EM. LANDING: AT:

Burst in mid'air, on 7 Oct 1944 shortly after 1315

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

MORROW

FIRST NAME:

WILLIAMS

SERIAL NUMBER (USA)

Lt.

O-866 053

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

captured

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

Stettin Lake, picked up by Navy boat.

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

Navy Hospital Swinemünde, Wasser St.

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERVIEW:

NO 3126

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Dilag-Air**REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES**POST: **Airfield Headquarters 1/III, Gars on Usedom**PLACE: **Swinemünde**

DATE: _____

REGARDING: **CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, a combat aircraft (4-engined) probably Fortress****EN. LANDING: AT: burst in mid'air, on 7 October 1944 shortly after 1315**NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) **KRIEHN**FIRST NAME: **NORMAN ARTHUR**SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) **rank: Capt. 0-435 083**RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) **captured**PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: **Stettin Lake, picked up by Navy boat.**

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCESDistribution:
Dulag-Air.-

POST: Airfield Headquarters A 6/III,

PLACE: Stettin

DATE: 7 October 44

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, Fortress

EM. LANDING: AT: Attack on Poolitz on 7 October 1944, 1400

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) A S B E L L

FIRST NAME: FREDRICK

SERIAL NUMBER: (MICA) Lt.
0-698 252 T43

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) captured

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: Langenberg near Poolitz on 7 October 44 around 1400

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

Signature illegible

Major, officer for special duty

KU 3126

6th Flak Brigade
Sect. Ia

Combat station, 21 October 1944

Reference: Teletype messages 6th Flak Brigade of 13 October 1944.

Subject: Internment of the USA - AF- Capt. L e n d e s

To: Distributor:

6th Flak Brigade reports in addition to reference teletype message:

- 1) Date of internment: 11 October 1944
- 2) Place of internment: Community cemetery of Jasenitz via Stettin (Pomerania) - Prisoner grave field, west of entrance. The grave will be provided with a wooden cross.

The confiscated papers and private articles taken from the dead were transferred by military postal service to Evaluation Center West, Oberursel on 12 October 1944.

Sign.: illegible

Distribution:

Evaluation Center West
Oberursel

List of articles taken from the body of the American flyer, Captain Henry P. Loades ASN O-724 247. Loades' body was recovered from Stettin Lake, 10 October 1944. He was buried in the community cemetery of Jasenitz near Stettin/Pomerania.

- 1) 21 Coins, english
- 2) 6 Coins, american
- 3) 1 Wrist watch, make: Bulova Watch Co.
- 4) 1 Wedding ring, gold
- 5) 1 Ring, silver with red stone
- 6) 1 Key
- 7) 1 Purse
- 8) 1 Cigarette case
- 9) 1 Cigarette lighter
- 10) 1 Photo case with 2 pictures
- 11) 4 pictures of the dead in civilian clothing
1 picture as Lieutenant, 3 other pictures
- 12) 3 1 pound bills, english
- 13) 1 Troop identification card
- 14) 1 pocket knife
- 15) 1 compass
- 16) 1 comb
- 17) 1 safety razor
- 18) medicine
- 19) 1 amulet
- 20) 3 buttons
- 21) 1 Escape compass
- 22) Various service and private papers which are not necessary to indicate, and writing material.
- 23) 1 uniform leather stripe with the name of the dead.

At the removal of the articles were present:

Sign. illegible
Sgt. L 47 426
Air District Post Office, Berlin

In Duplicate

Sign. illegible
Lt. and Ordnance officer
L 47 426
Air District Post office, Berlin

s. Flak Section 474 (v)
Field Post No. L 47426
Air District Post Office
Berlin

13 October 1944

Registered

To Dulag - Air, Oberursel / Taunus

Reference: a) Teletype message Subordinate Group Poelitz-North, service office L -
47426 Air District Post Office Berlin via 6 th Flak brigade from 11 Oct. 44
b) D (Air) 2706/07, figure VII b.

Subject: Interment of a dead American flyer. The service office makes here the
written subsequent report as ordered:

1) Day of interment: 11 October 1944

2) Place of interment: Community Cemetery Jasenitz via Stettin, prisoner grave field

The in teletype message under figure 5) announced, transfer of the confiscated
papers and private articles removed from the dead took place on 12 October 44 by military
military postal service to Dulag-Air Oberursel/Taunus.

A list of the removed articles is enclosed.

It is requested, that the copy of the list be signed as receipt and that it be
returned here.

Distributions:
Evaluation Center West
Oberursel

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Lt. and Ordnance Officer

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

DATE:

~~Bank: Colson~~ SERIAL NUMBER (USA) 021240

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

TELEGRAM FORM

DISTANCE - MESSAGE

-OBERURSEL-

NAME OF DISTANCE-MESSAGE WRITER:

Sequence No. 429

ACCEPTED:

DELIVERED:

RECEIVED:

DATE:-

TIME:

TO:

DATE: 18 October 44

THROUGH:

TIME: 0330

ROLL:

FROM: LLEN

THROUGH: Koehler

REMARKS:

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LBFG 58

12 October

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To Evaluation Center West, Oberursel/ Taunus

6th Flak brigade reports according K (Air) 2706/07

- 1) Downing time: 7 October 44, 1309, Stettin Lake. Body found there on 10 October 44
- 2) Type of air craft: Fortress II
- 3) Name: Loades, Henry Paul, Capt. no identification tag
- 4) Unit identification card and clothing slip No. O-724247

6th Flak brigade I

by order: Schlichterle, Capt.

7 Oct 44

23) 1315 o'clock in the Bay of Stettin south of Swinemünde in square AJ 8
Fortress II 100% damage. (Aircraft exploded in the air) fragments drowned
in water.- 2 casualties 1 prisoner, 6 unknown probably drowned.-
Credit of the downing 6 Flak Brigade.--(KU 5326)

Capt. James R. Luper *POW*

Mrs. James R. Luper, (wife)
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Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Major Norman A. Kriehn *POW*

Mrs. Carolina K. Kriehn, (mother)
4025 North 17th Street,
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Major Gordon H. Haggard *MIA*

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622 Berkley Road,
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371 Capt. Alfred W. Fischer *MIA*

Mr. August F. Fischer, (father)
Box 596,
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Capt. Henry P. Loades *POW*

Mrs. Mary Lou G. Loades, (wife)
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1st Lt. Fredrick W. Asbell *POW*

Mrs. Claudia E. Asbell, (mother)
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Macon, Georgia.

1st Lt. Edward A. McNeal, Jr. *MIA*

Mrs. Martha McNeal, (mother)
189 Cherry Street,
Paris, Texas.

T/Sgt. Ancil U. Shepherd *MIA*

Mrs. Linda Shepherd, (mother)
Route Number Two,
Sweetwater, Tennessee.

371 T/Sgt. John W. Koehler *MIA*

Mrs. Katherine Koehler, (mother)
247 Spruwood Street,
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

S/Sgt. John H. Derling *POW*

Mrs. Sarah Daurloo, (mother)
92 Fenner Avenue,
Clifton, New Jersey.

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

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1. Your name William J. Morrow Rank Capt. Serial No. O-866053
2. Organization 457BG Gp Commander J L Luper Rank Col Sqn CO _____ Rank _____
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month Oct. day 7 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, Politz, Ger., target, Oil refinery, target
time, 1230 approx, altitude, 29000 feet route scheduled, North Sea,
W, S & up E Stettin, route flown as briefed from SE Stettin towards Politz
and Baltic across Stettin Bay
5. Where were you when you left formation? over target and heading towards bay
6. Did you bail out? No. Plane in brief spin and exploded while still in nose
7. Did other members of crew bail out? Two known- Asbell and Derling (both PWs)
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". Asbell and Derling bailed when flames came thru fuselage, landing near shore. They tapped Maj. Haggard as they went to waist door, who was apparently picking up something from the floor. He nodded but was not seen later. Maj Kriehn was blown from the nose with me, uninjured. Luper at nose hatch was
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? _____ blown free.
Aircraft landed in middle Stettin Bay in fragments.
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) Unknown
11. Where were they in aircraft? No knowledge
12. What was their condition? No knowledge
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? Have only seen surviving members - Luper, Kriehn, Asbell and Derling since explosion. (in PW camp)
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)

Morrow, William J. 1st Lt.

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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member:

Ischer, Alfred W.

Rank:

Capt.

Serial number:

O-718392

Position: Crew (Bomber) or ~~Light Bomber~~:

Pilot

Did he bail out? Still in plane at explosionWhere? ---If not, why not? Plane exploded over target area

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

Bail out order shortly before spin and explosionWas he injured? Believe not at time of explosionWhere was he when last seen? In pilots seat to my knowledgeAny hearsay information: _____

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: One member landed in water about 50 yards from me. I started to backstroke in his direction but he disappeared beneath water. Whether the chute pulled him under or whether he did not have on a Mae West I do not know. However I'm nearly certain that there was an unused Life Vest in the nose. Who the person was I do not know.

Total number of missions of above crew member: On second tourDates and destinations if possible: Unknown

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member:

Haggard, Gordon H.

Rank:

Maj.

Serial number:

O-321772

Position: Crew (Bomber) on ~~mission~~ mission:

Right Waist Gunner

Did he bail out? As Asbell and Derling bailed they tapped him, as he was
Where? apparently picking up something from the floor. He nodded
but was not seen later.

If not, why not? Not known whether he got out before explosion

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 waist.

Any hearsay information: See above

Source: _____

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

See note under Capt Fischer

Total number of missions of above crew member: In twenties

Dates and destinations if possible: Unknown

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member:

London, Henry P.

Rank:

Capt.

Serial number:

O-724247

Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~on the ground~~ (Bomber):

Bombardier

Did he bail out? Believed in plane at explosion. Had gone back to check
unreleased bombsWhere? ---If not, why not? Plane explodedLast contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: ---At bombs away (tho malfunction)Was he injured? Believe notWhere was he when last seen? --Any hearsay information: Understand next of kin were notified he died of
wounds in hospital a couple days laterSource: ---Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: ---See note under Capt. FischerTotal number of missions of above crew member: UnknownDates and destinations if possible: ---

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member:

Melloni, Edward A. Jr.

Rank:

1st Lt.

Serial number:

O-819409Position: Crew (Bomber) on ~~mission~~ mission:Turret GunnerDid he bail out? UnknownWhere? ---If not, why not? --- ExplosionLast contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: ---No recollection of contact on target runWas he injured? UnknownWhere was he when last seen? Tail gun positionAny hearsay information: ---Source: ---Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: ---See note under Capt. FischerTotal number of missions of above crew member: On last mission of tourDates and destinations if possible: Unknown

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member:

Shepherd, Ansel U.

Rank:

T/sgt

Serial number:

14121372

Position: Crew (Bomber) on ~~mission~~ ~~mission~~:

Top turret Gunner

Did he bail out? Believed notWhere? If not, why not? ExplosionLast contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: No recollection of contact on target runWas he injured? UnknownWhere was he when last seen? Apparently at engineer's positionAny hearsay information: NoneSource: Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: See note under Capt. FischerTotal number of missions of above crew member: UnknownDates and destinations if possible: Unknown

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member:

Kochler, John W.

Rank:

T/sgt

Serial number:

2-144477

Position: Crew (Bomber) or ~~Engineer~~:

Radio Operator

Did he bail out? Believed notWhere? ---If not, why not? --- ExplosionLast contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: ---No contact on target runWas he injured? Unknown to meWhere was he when last seen? Apparently in radio roomAny hearsay information: Believe body seen by Asbell and Derling on shore.Understand kin notified that he died of wounds in PW camp -- SSreported by Germans.Source: Asbell and Derling (of crew)Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: ---See note under Capt. FischerTotal number of missions of above crew member: 13thDates and destinations if possible: Unknown

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member:

Fischer, Alfred W.

Rank:

Capt.

Serial number:

O-748392

Position: Crew (Bombardier) or ~~gunner~~:

Pilot

Did he bail out?

Unknown - smoke and flame made it impossible to tell.

Where?

Oct 2 '94 - Stettin

If not, why not?

Germany

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

I directed Capt. Fischer to hold the ship in formation while I went under the pilot's compartment to fight the fire.

Was he injured?

Unknown - do not think so.

Where was he when last seen?

Pilot's seat

Any hearsay information:

Source:

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

I believe Capt Fischer was in the ship when it blew up. It was in a spin as I left it, and he may have been dazed from having been thrown against the ship, or simply unable to overcome centrifugal force.

Total number of missions of above crew member:

Records 457 Bomb Gp. (H)

Dates and destinations if possible:

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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member:

Loades, Henry P.

Rank:

Capt.

Serial number:

O-724247

Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~or Pilot (Fighter)~~:

Bombardier

Did he bail out?

Unknown

Where?

Stettin Germany

If not, why not?

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

Interphone only - did not molest Bombardier on bomb run.

Was he injured?

Where was he when last seen?

Nose - Bombardier's post.

Any hearsay information:

Several officers & men have stated Capt. Loades was in the ship when it blew up, was wounded by flak and in the ship's explosion, and died two days later in a German hospital near Stettin.

Source:

Principal source - Major Norman A. Krichin ^{who was in} _{the nose, too.}

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

Total number of missions of above crew member:

Dates and destinations if possible:

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: Haggard, Gordon H.
Rank: Maj.
Serial number: O-321772
Position: Crew (Bomber) or ~~Flight~~ (Fighter): Right Waist Gunner

Did he bail out? Unknown

Where? Heck in Germany Oct 7 44

If not, why not? —

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

Was he injured? —

Where was he when last seen? Waist gun position

Any hearsay information: Major Haggard was taking pictures from waist window. Notified by Lt. Asbell, on latter's way to waist door, to bail out. Maj. Haggard nodded his understanding but dropped to his knees as though to search for something. Lt. Asbell then bailed out without further ado.

Source: 1st Lt. Fred Asbell, Radar Navigator, only eyewitness

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: I believe Maj. Haggard was either (1) in ship when it blew up and stunned or killed so that he failed to bail out or (2) was unable to find his chute. Lt Asbell says latter is wrong, that he had his chute. First possibility most probable.

Total number of missions of above crew member: —

Dates and destinations if possible: —

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member:

Shepherd , Ancil U.

Rank:

T/sgt

Serial number:

14121372

Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~or other aircraft~~:

Top Turret Gunner

Did he bail out?

I have no information

Where?

If not, why not?

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

Was he injured?

Where was he when last seen?

Any hearsay information:

Source:

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

Total number of missions of above crew member:

Dates and destinations if possible:

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member:

Koehler, John W.

Rank:

T/sgt

Serial number:

33174039

Position: Crew (Bomber) or ~~Engineer (Fighter)~~:

Radio Operator

Did he bail out?

I have no information

Where?

If not, why not?

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

Was he injured?

Where was he when last seen?

Any hearsay information:

Source:

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

Total number of missions of above crew member:

Dates and destinations if possible:

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name James R. Luper Rank Colonel Serial No. 021240
2. Organization 457 Bomb Commander myself Rank — Sqn CO — Rank —
(full name) (full name)
3. What year October month 7 day 44 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, oil refinery, target, at Politz (near Stettin), target
time, 1300 (app), altitude, 25,500' route scheduled, North Sea
across Denmark, out down S. of Stettin, turn N. & tgt.,
home base similar route
5. Where were you when you left formation? over target
6. Did you bail out? Yes
7. Did other members of crew bail out? Some, not all.
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". No additional knowledge to that in questionnaires
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? It blew up
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires)
11. Where were they in aircraft?
12. What was their condition?
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above?
14. Please give any similar information on personnel of any other crew of which you have knowledge. Indicate source of information.

James R. Luper
Colonel, Air Corps

(Any additional information may be written on the back)

021240

On the bomb run the Radar Navigator called that there was a direct flak hit between him and the Radio Operator. I saw a direct hit go through the left wing, then another through the right. Twice, rather than instantaneous fuses, were all that kept us from being blown up by these direct hits. Flak was intense and accurate from the IP to Tgt. A fire started in the oxygen system. I gave command to Capt Fischer, unhooked my oxygen and interphone, grabbed an extinguisher and went down to fight the fire. It was hopeless, so I grabbed Fischer's leg from below and he rang the bail out alarm. Upon first fighting the fire, I had prevented one crew member from the move from bailing out, but as soon as it became hopeless, I went back to my seat (CP), got some oxygen, rehooked my radio, ordered the formation to stay together and turned command over to Deputy formation leader just as we went into a spin - I fought my way to navigator escape hatch and bailed out.

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KU 3126

remarks: KU 3163
KU 3162

KU 3126 Henry P. Loades, O-724 247, Capt.

Dulag-Air, Wetzlar.

KU 3126 ?

Airfield Headquarters 1/III
Garz on Usedom

Swinemuende 3, 8 October 1944

Subject: Transfer of 2 American prisoners of war

To: Evaluation Center West, Oberursel.

In the enclosures are consigned three forms No. 1 according to D (Air) 2706/07 and the list of personal property of crewmembers of an enemy aircraft (probably Fortress) transferred to you. The prisoner Lt. Morrow ~~was~~ transferred to the Navy Hospital of Swinemuende, Wasser St.

Form 2 could not be filled out because the airplane burst in mid'air and the debris has sunk in the Stettin lake.

Enclosure:

3 Form-leaves

3 envelopes with private property

Sign. illegible

Lt. Colonel, Airfield Commander

KU 3126

R e s t r i c t e d

Distribution:
Dulag-AirREPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Airfield Headquarters I/III, Garz on Usedom

PLACE: SWINEMUENDE

DATE: _____

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, A combat aircraft (4engined) probably Fortress
EM. LANDING: AT: Burst in mid'air, on 7 Oct 1944 shortly after 1315

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) M O R R O W

FIRST NAME: WILLIAMS

rank: Lt.
SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) 0-866 053

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) captured

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: Stettin Lake, picked up by Navy boat.

NAME OF HOSPITAL: Navy Hospital Swinemuende, Wasser St.

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

KU 3126

R e s t r i c t e d .
REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

Distribution:
Dulag-Air

POST: Airfield Headquarters I/III, Garz on Usedom

PLACE: Swinemünde

DATE: _____

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, a combat aircraft (4engined) probably FortressEM. LANDING: AT: burst in mid'air, on 7 October 1944 shortly after 1315

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) K R I E H N

FIRST NAME: NORMAN ARTHUR

rank: Capt.
SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) O-435 083

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) captured

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: Stettin Lake, picked up by Navy boat.

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

KU 3126

Airfield Headquarters
Cara on Usecom

Swinemunde 3, 8 October 1944

Transport-collecting-list

- 1) Colonel Luper, James R.
- 2) Capt. Kriehn, Norman Arthur
- 3) Lt. Morrow, Williams

In Triplicate

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List of confiscated articles of the prisoner

K r i s n n, Norman Arthur, O-435 083

Downing: 7 October 1944, shortly 1315, probably Fortress, Place of
Downing: Stettin Lake

1 Identification tag

1 Wrist watch

1 Pocket watch

1 Prayer book

1 Belt with contents: 6 Passport photos
1000 Francs (France)
350 Francs (Belgium)
25 Flerins (Holland)

1 letter with envelope

Sign. illegible
1st Lt.

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCESDistribution:
Dulag-Air.-

POST: Airfield Headquarters A 6/III,

PLACE: Stettin

DATE: 7 October 44

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF. FortressEN. LANDING: AT: Attack on Peelitz on 7 October 1944, 1400

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) A S B E L L

FIRST NAME: FREDRICK

RANK: Lt.

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) 0-698 252 T43

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) captured

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: Langerberg near Peelitz on 7 October 44 around 1400

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

Signature illegible

Major, officer for special duty

KU 3126

6th Flak Brigade
Sect. Ic

Combat station; 21 October 1944

Reference: Teletype messages 6th Flak Brigade of 13 October 1944.

Subject: Interment of the USA - AF- Capt. L o a d e s

To: Distributor:

6th Flak Brigade reports in addition to reference teletype message:

- 1) Date of interment: 11 October 1944
- 2) Place of interment: Community cemetery of Jasenitz via Stettin (Pomerania) - Prisoner grave field, west of entrance. The grave will be provided with a wooden cross.

The confiscated papers and private articles taken from the dead were transferred by military postal service to Evaluation Center West, Oberursel on 12 October 1944.

Sign.: illegible

Distribution:

Evaluation Center West
Oberursel

Identification tags

- 1) Fredrick W. Asball, O- 698 252, T43 O P
- 2) James R. Luper, 021 240 T43 O E
Mrs. H. M. Bouvy, 1740 SW Hawthorne
Portland, Oregon

a. Flak Section 474 (v)
Field Post No. L 47426
Air District Post Office
Berlin

13 October 1944

Registered

To Dulag - Air, Oberursel / Taunus

Reference: a) Teletype message Subordinate Group Pohlitz-North, service office L -
47426 Air District Post Office Berlin via 6 th Flak brigade from 11 Oct. 44
b) D (Air) 2706/07, figure VII b.

Subject: Internment of a dead American flyer. The service office makes here the
written subsequent report as ordered:

1) Day of internment: 11 October 1944

2) Place of internment: Community Cemetery Jasenitz via Stettin, prisoner grave field

The in teletype message under figure 5) announced, transfer of the confiscated
papers and private articles removed from the dead took place on 12 October 44 by military
postal service to Dulag-Air Oberursel/Taunus.

A list of the removed articles is enclosed.

It is requested, that the copy of the list be signed as receipt and that it be
returned here.

Distribution:
Evaluation Center West
Oberursel

sign. (illegible)
Lt. and Ordnance Officer

Record of confiscated articles of the prisoner Luper, James R. 021240

Date and time of downing: 7 October 44, shortly after 1315, probably Fortress

Place of downing: Stettin Lake

- 1 Identification tag
- 1 Wrist watch
- 1 Ring

Dulag - Air, Wetzlar
Rec.: 21 October 44

signed: illegible
1st Lt.

Restricted

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Air Field Headquarters 1/III Graz on Usedom

PLACE: Swinemuende 3

DATE:

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, a combat air craft(4 engined) probably Fortress
~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ AT: burst in mid'air on 7 October 1944 shortly after
1315

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) Luper

FIRST NAME: James R.

Rank: Colonel

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) 021240

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) captured

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: Stettin Lake, picked up by a Navy boat.

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

KU 3126

6 October 1944 (?)

1315

Fortress

Stettin Lake, S Swinemuende

Air Field Gras - Usedom

Dulag - Air Wetzlar

Resisting Received 10 October 44

Crew probably dead

TELEGRAM FORM

DISTANCE - MESSAGE

-OBERURSEL-

NAME OF DISTANCE-MESSAGE WRITER:

Sequence No. 429

ACCEPTED:

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DATE: 18 October 44

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TIME: 0330

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FROM: LIEN

THROUGH: Koehler

REMARKS:

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LBFG 58

12 October

2355

To Evaluation Center West, Oberursel/ Taunus

6th Flak brigade reports according K (Air) 2706/07

- 1) Downing time: 7 October 44, 1309, Stettin Lake. Body found there on 10 October 44
- 2) Type of air craft: Fortress II 1500
- 3) Name: Loades, Henry Paul, Capt. no identification tag
- 4) Unit identification card and clothing slip No. O-724247

6th Flak brigade I

by order: Schlichterle, Capt.

KU 3126

6 October 44 (?)

TELEGRAM FORM

DISTANCE - MESSAGE

-OBERURSEL-

NAME OF DISTANCE-MESSAGE WRITER: **LLBL**

Sequence No. 174

ACCEPTED:

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DATE:-

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TO:

DATE: 9 October 1944

THROUGH:

TIME: 0300

ROLL:

FROM: **LLBL**

THROUGH: **Nickele**

REMARKS:

Very very urgent

LBGZ

No. 71

7 October

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To very very urgent Evaluation Center West, Oberursel

Downing of a combat air craft, 4 engined

- A) Stettin Lake, south of Swinemuende
- B) Shortly after 1315
- C) Probably Fortress
- D) unknown
- E) Burst in mid'air, debris sank in Lake
- F) AA none, BB 2, CC 1, DD 6, probably drowned in the Lake

Air Field Headquarters 1/III Graz on Usedom

signed: Haenisch, 1st Lt.

6-3224, AF(5)

2 Identification tags

- 1) William J. Morrow, O-866053, T 43-44 O.P.
- 2) Norman A. Kriehn, O-435083, T 41-43 B.P.
Caroline Kriehn, 4022 N. 17th. str., Milwaukee, Wisc.