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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 aircraft is officially reported missing.

1. ORGANIZATION: Location AAF Station 131; Command or Air Force 8th Air Force  
Group 398th Bomb HV; Squadron 602nd Bomb HV; Detachment none
  2. SPECIFY: Point of Departure AAF Station 131 Course per atchd track chart  
Intended Destination Toulouse, France & Return Type of Mission Operational
- WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED: CLEAR, visibility twenty (20) to thirty (30) miles.
4. GIVE: (a) Date 25 June 1944; Time Approx 0914<sup>00</sup>; and Location Near Target Area  
of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.  
(b) Specify whether ( ) Last Sighted, ( ) Last Contacted by Radio,  
( ) Forced Down, (X) Seen to crash, or ( ) Information not Available.
  5. AIRCRAFT WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF: (Check only one ( ) Enemy Aircraft, (X) Enemy Anti-Aircraft, ( ) Other Circumstances as Follows \_\_\_\_\_

6. AIRCRAFT: Type, Model and Series B17G; A.A.F. Serial Number 42-102463
7. ENGINES: Type, Model and Series R-1820-97; A.A.F. Serial Number  
(a) SW-013461; (b) SW-013459; (c) SW-014175; (d) SW-014204
8. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial Number)

	<u>MAKE</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>SERIAL NUMBER</u>
(a)	General Motors	.50 cal A/C Mach Gun	649198
(b)	General Motors	.50 cal A/C Mach Gun	649056
(c)	General Motors	.50 cal A/C Mach Gun	972624
(d)	General Motors	.50 cal A/C Mach Gun	972506
(e)	General Motors	.50 cal A/C Mach Gun	647128
(f)	General Motors	.50 cal A/C Mach Gun	228679
(g)	K. H. W. Co.	.50 cal A/C Mach Gun	447540
(h)	General Motors	.50 cal A/C Mach Gun	648082
(i)	General Motors	.50 cal A/C Mach Gun	638082
(j)	General Motors	.50 cal A/C Mach Gun	78578
(k)	General Motors	.50 cal A/C Mach Gun	647257 *26
(l)	General Motors	.50 cal A/C Mach Gun	649021
(m)	General Motors	.50 cal A/C Mach Gun	647111
(n)			
(o)			
(p)			
(q)			
(r)			
(s)			
(t)			

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9. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty M I A  
or (b) Non-Battle Casualty \_\_\_\_\_

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10. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 9; Passengers 0; Total 9

<i>Status</i>	CREW POSITION	NAME IF FULL (Last Name First)	RANK	SERIAL NUMBER
<i>EUS</i>	1. Pilot	GODWIN, JOHN K. <i>JK</i>	2nd Lt	0-756218
<i>EUS</i>	2. Co-Pilot	FREEMAN, WILLIAM N. <i>WN</i>	2nd Lt	0-705367
<i>KIA</i>	3. Bombardier	GNESIN, HAROLD M.	2nd Lt	0-703035
<i>EUS</i>	4. Navigator	SEWARD, EDWARD D, JR	F/O	T-123956
<i>EUS</i>	5. Top Turret Gunner	Butikofer, Merrill C	T Sgt	6581141
<i>EUS</i>	6. Radio Gunner	Wilson, John H	S Sgt	12095050
<i>EUS</i>	7. Ball Turret Gunner	Brooks, Herbert S	Sgt	39209586
<i>DED</i>	8. Left Waist Gunner	Isdahl, Chester R	Sgt	37642851
<i>RAC</i>	9. Tail Gunner	Jenkins, Frank E	Sgt	13118555
	10.			
	11.			
	12.			

11. IDENTIFY BELOW THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE LAST KNOWLEDGE OF AIRCRAFT AND CHECK APPROPRIATE COLUMN TO INDICATE BASIS FOR SAME: (Check Only One)

Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Contacted		Saw Crash	Saw Forced Landing
			By Radio	Last Sighted		
1. Loret, L. G.	T/Sgt	6956628			X	
2. meslink, paul R.	S/Sgt	32734909			X	
3. Ely, John W.	T/Sgt	31313038			X	

12. 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) \_\_\_\_\_

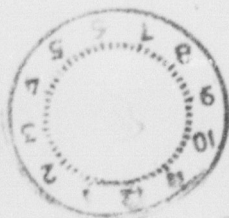
13. ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN.

14. EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT:

(per atchd statements)

15. ATTACH A DESCRIPTION OF THE EXTENT OF SEARCH, IF ANY, AND GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE HERE no search

Date of Report 27 June 1944



*Wallis L. Campbell*  
 (Signature of Preparing Officer)  
 WALLIS L CAMPBELL  
 1st Lt, Air Corps  
 Statistical Officer

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398TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)  
Toulouse Mission 25 June 1944

Lead Group Formation (1st "B" CBW) Over Target

SIMERAL  
Hopkins  
7223-S

Engel  
7317-P

Latson  
2568-N

Lassegard  
6083-V

Foster, TK  
7053-M

Foster, DL  
7789-H

Sleeman  
2553-K

Howden  
7527-X

Gallagher  
2476-B

Woodson  
2593-C

Roderick  
2508-J

Cobb  
7150-K

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High Group Formation (1st "B" CBW) Over Target

BAKER  
7114-L

Cullinan  
7214-V

Lowe, JD  
2390-X

Dwyer  
7249-P

Heintzelman  
7380-R

Lowe, DB  
6157-W

Folger  
7399-H

Menzel  
2592-G

Lovelace  
7218-T

Stoll  
2600-Z

Dollar  
7188-G

Ryan  
7387-H

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Low Group Formation (1st "B" CBW) Over Target

GRIFFEN  
7080-S

Darner  
2469-Q

Falkenback  
7190-L

Binger  
7338-C

Dalton  
2565-M

Davis, JA  
7385-X

Fairbanks  
7348-R

McCarty  
2511-P

Hough  
2543-B

Godwin  
2463-Z

Zimmerman  
2597-V

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Eye Witness Description of Missing Aircraft B17 G 42-102463 under command of 2nd Lt John K Godwin, APO-756218, 602nd Bomb Squadron, 398th Bomb Group on Toulouse, France mission 25 June 1944.

" I was the top turret operator in Lt Griffin's plane (the lead ship). Several seconds after dropping the bombs I swung the turret around to approximately 0900. There was a B17G on fire. The plane was climbing very steeply and seemed to be under control. The number four engine nacelle seemed to be all on fire and flame was flying back to the tail. A few seconds before stalling one man parachuted out the tail escape hatch. The ship started down in a steep dive. There two men came out of the waist door. One chute opened immediately and one fell possibly five thousand feet before opening chutes. The ship was still diving when another man came out the nose escape hatch and another out the waist. I did not see the latter open his chute as two more men came out. I couldn't see which end of plane but I never saw one chute open at all. After that the plane seemed to level off and circle very sharply. I saw no more men leave the plane. After circling about one time the ship went into a dive. It was still diving when it hit the ground and exploded."

*L. G. Loret*

L. G. LORETT, 6956628  
T Sgt 601st Bomb Squadron  
TTG B17G 42-107080

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Eye Witness Description of Missing Aircraft B17G 42-102463 under command of 2nd Lt John K Godwin, JKO-756218, 602nd Bomb Squadron, 398th Bomb Group on Toulouse, France mission 25 June 1944.

" I saw the ship number 463, which was piloted by Lt Godwin, get a direct hit in the supercharger of number four engine. He was flying left wing to Lt Hough. This was just a few seconds after bombs away. Fire broke out right away in the right wing. He peeled out of the formation to the left and I saw the tail gunner go out first and then one waist gunner. The ship then went into a dive and two more chutes came out followed by three more. The pilot pulled the ship out of the dive for a few seconds and the last two chutes came out. It then went into a slow spin and one wing came off. The ship never exploded until it hit the ground."

*Paul R. Meslink*

PAUL R MESLINK, 32734909  
S Sgt 602nd Bomb Squadron  
BTG B17G 42-102543

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Eye Witness Description of Missing Aircraft B17G 42-102463 under command of  
2nd Lt John K Godwin, JKO-756218, 602nd Bomb Squadron, 398th Bomb Group on  
Toulouse, France mission 25 June 1944.

"We were over the target when I first noticed that ship number <sup>463</sup>~~518~~,  
(which was flown by Lt Godwin) was hit. Number three engine was smoking  
and then started flaming. They circled two times and I saw seven parachutes,  
then the number three engine exploded and it dived, nose first, to the  
ground and hit; burning a short distance from the target.)"

*John W. Ely*

JOHN W ELY, 31313038  
T Sgt 602nd Bomb Squadron  
BTG B17G 42-107188

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Place, June, 26, 1944

Subject: Report of Prisoners of war

To: evaluation place west Oberursel / Taunus

Enclosed: Individual records of 8 prisoners of war, captured after the  
Air-Raid on June, 25, 1944

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Major and Airbase - Commander



REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: **Airbase Headquarters E(7) 238/XII**

PLACE: **Blacnac**

DATE: **June, 25, 1944**

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF: **B 17 Fortress**  
EM. LANDING: AT: **Toulouse Blacnac on June, 25, 1944 Time: 9:15**

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) **S E W A R D**

FIRST NAME: **E D W A R D D.**

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) **T - 123956**

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) **captured**

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: **10:00 at Toulouse - Blacnac**

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

**Distributor: Evaluation Place West.**

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST:

PLACE: **Airbase Headquarters E(v) 238 / XII**DATE: **Blagnac**REGARDING: **June, 25, 1944**  
**CRASH: (DOWNED) OF,****EM. LANDING: AT:**

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

FIRST NAME:

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

**Beeing Fortress 17****Toulouse - Blagnac on June, 25, 1944 Time: 9:15****BUTIKOFER****MERRILL C.****T/Sgt. 6581141 T 42/43 A****captured****10:00 at Toulouse Blagnac****Distributor: Evaluation place west Oberursel**

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: **Airbase Headquarters E(v) 238/XII**

PLACE: **Blaenae**

DATE: **June, 25, 1944**

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, **Boeing Fortress 17**  
EN. LANDING: AT: **Blaenae, June, 25, 1944 Time: 9:15**

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

FIRST NAME: **WILLIAM**

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) **2nd.Lt. O - 705367 T 43 - 44**

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) **captured**

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: **10:00 at Toulouse - Blaenae**

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

**Distributor: Evaluation Place west**

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Airbase Headquarters E(v) 238/III

PLACE: Blacnac

DATE: June, 25, 1944

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, Boeing Fortress 17  
EM. LANDING: AT: Toulouse Blacnac on June, 25, 1944 Time: 9:15

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) BROOK #  
 FIRST NAME: HERBERT  
 SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) Sgt. 39209586 T 43 - 44  
 RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) captured  
 PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: 10:00 at Toulouse Blacnac  
 NAME OF HOSPITAL:  
 PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

Distributor: Evaluation place West

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: **Airbase Headquarters E(v) 238/XII**  
 PLACE: **Blagnac**  
 DATE: **June, 25, 1944**  
 REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, **Boeing Fortress 17**  
EM. LANDING: AT: **Toulouse - Blagnac on June, 25, 1944 Time: 9:15**  
 NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) **G O D W I N**  
 FIRST NAME: **J O H N , K.**  
 SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) **2nd.Lt. O - 756218 T - 42 - 43 A**  
 RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) **captured**  
 PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: **10:00 at Toulouse Blagnac**  
 NAME OF HOSPITAL:  
 PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

**Distributor: Evaluation place west Oberursel**

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCESPOST: **Airbase Headquarters E(v) 238/XII**PLACE: **Blagnac**DATE: **June, 25, 1944**REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF,**Boeing Fortress 17**EM. LANDING: AT:**Toulouse - Blagnac, June, 25**

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

**I S D A H L**

FIRST NAME:

**C H E S T E R**

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

**Sgt. 37542851 T 43 - 44 AB**

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

**captured**

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

**10:00 at Toulouse - Blagnac**

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

**Distributor: Evaluation place West Oberursel.**

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: **Airbase Headquarters E(v) 238/XII**

PLACE: **Blagnac**

DATE: **June, 25, 1944**

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF,

**Boeing Fortress 17**

EM. LANDING: AT:

**Toulouse - Blagnac on June, 25, 1944 Time: 9:15**

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

**W I L S O N**

FIRST NAME:

**J O H N , H.**

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

**S/Egt. 12095050 T 43 - 44 A**

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

**captured**

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

**10:00 at Toulouse - Blagnac**

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

**Distributor: Evaluation place west Oberursel.**

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Airbase Headquarters E(v) 238/XII

PLACE: Blagnac

DATE: June, 25, 1945

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF,

Boeing Fortress 17

EM. LANDING: AT:

Toulouse Blagnac on June, 25, 1945 at: 9:15

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

J E N K I N S

FIRST NAME:

F R A N K , E.

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

Sgt. 1118555 T 43 - 44

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

captured

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

10:00 at Toulouse Blagnac

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

Distributor: Evaluation place west Oberursel



TELEGRAM FORM

DISTANCE - MESSAGE LSOU

-OBERURSEL-

NAME OF DISTANCE-MESSAGE WRITER: 1445

ACCEPTED:

DELIVERED:

RECEIVED:

DATE:-

TIME:

TO:

DATE: June 26, 1944

THROUGH:

TIME: 04 40

ROLL:

FROM: LSEB

THROUGH: Frank

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REMARKS: Very urgent: LLQM 201 June 25, 1944 20 00

To Evaluation Place West Oberursel

On June 25, at 09 15 shot-down Boeing B 17 CA by AA. 500 m south of Cornebarrieu, 10 km north-west of Toulouse. Parashute jump s of 8 Americans observed. Alltogether captured. Plane completely burned off. Markings not to identify. According to found label presuable 2463-Z-

Prisoners:	1)	2nd Lt.	Freemann	William	0-705367
	2)	"	Godwin	John	0-756218
	3)	Sgt.	Brooks	Herbert	39209586
	4)	"	Isdahl	Chester	37542851
	5)	S/Sgt.	Wilson	John	12095050
	6)	<del>Frank</del> Sgt.	Jenkis	Frank	13118555
	7)	T/Sgt.	Butikhofer	Marcel	6581141
	8)	-	Sewart	Edward	T-123956

Prisoner to No. 8 has neither ident.-cards nor ASN and refuses every statement. - Direct transport to Oberursel, as soon as place is assigned.

Airbase HQ. E (v) 238/XII

2nd Lt., William N. Freeman

Mrs. Mary J. Freeman, (wife)  
Savannah, Tennessee.

2nd Lt., Harold M. Gnesin

Mrs. Juanita S. Gnesin, (wife)  
Box 401,  
Gulfport, Mississippi.

2nd Lt., John K. Godwin, Jr.

Mrs. Kathleen Godwin, (wife)  
2205 Ashland Street,  
Fortworth, Texas.

F/O Edward D. Seward, Jr.

Mr. Edward D. Seward, Sr., (father)  
128 West Ivy Street,  
East Rochester, New York.

T/Sgt. Merrill C. Butikofer

Mr. Rudolph A. Butikofer, (father)  
Rural Route Number Two,  
Idaho Falls, Ohio.

S/Sgt. John H. Wilson

Mr. John H. Wilson, (father)  
134 Grant Avenue,  
Middlesex, New York.

Sgt. Herbert S. Brooks

Mr. John Oliver Brooks, (father)  
Box 309,  
Northern State Hospital,  
Sedro Woolley, Washington.

Sgt. Chester E. Isdahl

Mr. Magnus Isdahl, (father)  
Route #1,  
Spicer, Minnesota.

Sgt. Frank E. Jenkins

Mrs. Mary D. Jenkins, (mother)  
195 Sheppard, Richmond, Virginia.

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Mrs. Mary D. Jenkins, (mother)  
195 Sheppard, Richmond, Virginia.

Date and time aircraft  
was shot down:

25 June 44, time: 0915

casualty No.: KU 2377

Place of crash:

Comebarrich

Type of aircraft:

Fortress

Reporting office:

Toulouse.

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	Name	Rank	Serial Number	captured wounded dead	Place of internment
GODWIN	John R.	2nd/Lt.	O-756218	captured	Dulag Luft
SEWARD	Edward David jr. East Rochester, N.Y.	P/O.	T-123956	"	" "
FREEMAN 29 July 21	William Noel Savannah, Tenn.	2nd/Lt.	O-705367	"	" "
Butikofer 9 Feb 21	Merrill Conway Idaho Falls, Ida.	T/Sgt.	6581141	"	" "
BROOKS	Herbert Stuart	Sgt.	39209586	"	" "
ISDAHL 27 Sept 20	Chester Raymond Spicer, Minn.	"	37542851	"	" "
JENKINS 25 Feb 21	Frank Erwin Richmond, Va.	"	13118555	"	" "
WILSON 3 Oct 20	John Herbert Boué Brook, N.J.	S/Sgt.	12095050	"	" "

Dulag Luft, 15 July 44 No.

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B-17

9 man crew

AAF # 42-102463

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DATE: 25 June 1944	AT: 0915	RANK:	NAME:	KU - 2377
PLACE: Combarrien, 10 km north-west of Toulouse		P/O	SEWARD, Jr Edward David	ASN: T-123956
		2nd Lt	GODWIN, John R. <i>K. JR.</i>	ASN: 0-756218
TYPE OF CRAFT: Fortress		2nd Lt	FREEMAN, William Noel	ASN: 0-705367
		2nd Lt	GHESIN, Harold M	ASN: — dead
602 (HBo) Sqd - 398 Group		T/Sgt	BUTIKOPER, Merrill Conway	ASN: 6581141
		Sgt	BROOKS, Herbert Stuart	ASN: 39209586
REMARK: See KU - 2363		Sgt	ISDAHL, Chester Raymond	ASN: 37543851
		Sgt	JENKINS, Frank Erwin	ASN: 13118555
		S/Sgt	WILSON, John Herbert	ASN: 12095050

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REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFT

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT 25 June 1944 -09.15  
WAS SHOT DOWN:  
PLACE OF CRASH: south Carnebarrien  
TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: Fortress  
REPORTING OFFICE: Air Force Command West-France.

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## CREW

SURNAME, AND Unknown  
FIRST NAME:  
DATE OF BIRTH: fate of crew unknown  
RANK:  
SERIAL NUMBER:  
CAPTURED: WOUNDED: DEAD:  
DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP: TYPE OF INJURY:  
GRAVE LOCATION:

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## REMARKS:

Dulag Luft, 30 January 1945 No.

*SD Case 6120*

KSU 1485

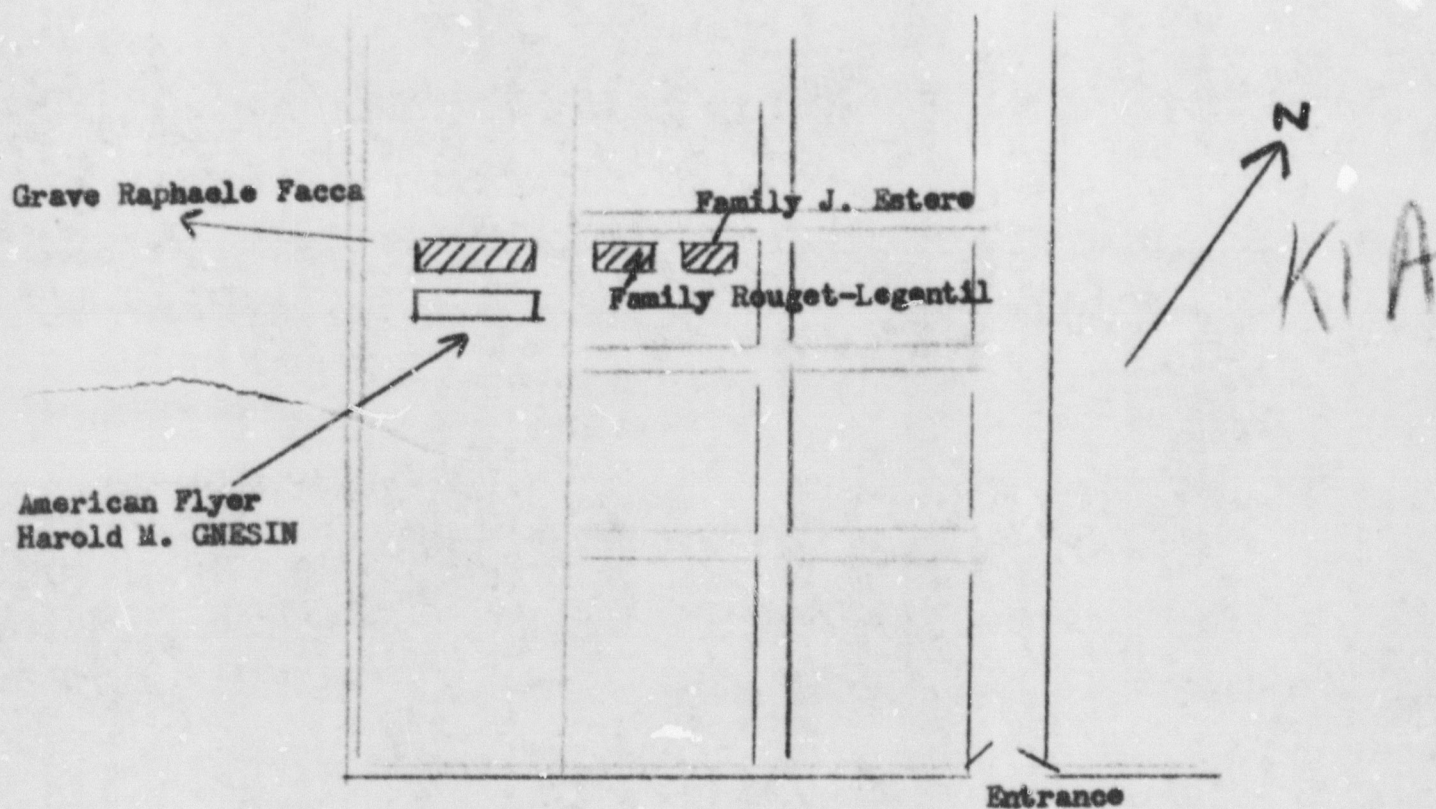
Downing: Boeing B 17 on 25 June 44, 0915, near Cornebarrieu,  
about 10 km northwest of Toulouse

GNESIN

Harold M.

2nd Lt O-703035 T 43-44 A

dead  
buried in cemetery  
of Cornebarrieu  
(see sketch)



CEMETERY CORNEBARRIEU

10 km northwest of Toulouse

SD 6120  
(See ME 1485)

DATE: 25 Jan. 1944, 09.15 h.  
PLACE: south of Carnac Barriem,  
10 km north east of  
Toulouse  
TYPE: Fortress  
TARGET: Air District Western  
France

RANK	NAME	U.S.A.	NO	ME 1485
	FREEMAN	William N.	0-705367	
	JENKINS	Frank E.	13118555	
	Isdahl	Chester H.	37542851	
	BUTIKOFFER	M.C.	6581141	
	<del>WILSON</del>	John H. WILSON	12096050	
	BROOKS	Herbert	39209586	
	GODWIN	John K.	0-756218	
	GRESIN	Harold M.	0-703035	

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written on documents  
Case 6120  
File KSH 1485*

*249  
3312*

*File  
MACR  
4220*



Airbase Headquarters E ( v ) 238 / XI

Ku 2377

Place, June, 26, 1944

Subject: Report of Prisoners of war

To: evaluation place west      Oberursel / Taunus

Enclosed: Individual records of 8 prisoners of war, captured after the  
Air-Raid on June, 25, 1944

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Major and Airbase - Commander

*MAC 6220*

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FORM

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: **Airbase Headquarters E(v) 238/XII**

PLACE: **Blacnac**

DATE: **June, 25, 1944**

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, **B 17 Fortress**  
EM. LANDING: AT: **Toulouse Blacnac on June, 25, 1944 Time: 9:15**

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) **S E W A R D**

FIRST NAME: **EDWARD D.**

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) **T - 123956**

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) **captured**

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: **10:00 at Toulouse - Blacnac**

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

Distributor: **Evaluation Place West.**

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: **Airbase Headquarters E(v) 238 / XII**

PLACE: **Blaenac**

DATE: **June, 25, 1944**

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, **Boeing Fortress 17**  
EM. LANDING: AT: **Toulouse - Blaenac on June, 25, 1944 Time: 9:15**

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) **B U T I K O F E R**

FIRST NAME: **M E R I L L C.**

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) **T/Sgt. 6581141 T 42/43 A**

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) **captured**

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: **10:00 at Toulouse Blaenac**

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

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REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: **Airbase Headquarters E(v) 238/XII**

PLACE: **Blacnac**

DATE: **June, 25, 1944**

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, **Boeing Fortress 17**  
EM. LANDING: AT: **Blacnac, June, 25, 1944 Time: 9:15**

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) **F R E E M A N**

FIRST NAME: **W I L L I A M**

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) **2nd.Lt. O - 705367 T 43 - 44**

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) **captured**

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: **10:00 at Toulouse - Blacnac**

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

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NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) **B R O O K S**

FIRST NAME: **H E R B E R T**

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) **Sgt. 39209586 T 43 - 44**

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) **captured**

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: **10:00 at Toulouse Blacnac**

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

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NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)			<b>G O D W I N</b>
FIRST NAME:			<b>J O H N , K.</b>
SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)			<b>2nd.Lt. O - 756218 T - 42 - 43 A</b>
RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)			<b>captured</b>
PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:			<b>10:00 at Toulouse Blagnac</b>
NAME OF HOSPITAL:			
PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:			

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	<u>EM. LANDING:</u>	AT:	<b>Toulouse - Blagnac, June, 25</b>
NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)			<b>I S D A H L</b>
FIRST NAME:			<b>C H E S T E R</b>
SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)			<b>Sgt. 37542851 T 43 - 44 AB</b>
RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)			<b>captured</b>
PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:			<b>10:00 at Toulouse - Blagnac</b>
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NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)			W I L S O N
FIRST NAME:			J O H N , H.
SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)			S/Sgt. 12095050 T 43 - 44 A
RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)			captured
PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:			10:00 at Toulouse - Blagnac
NAME OF HOSPITAL:			
PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:			

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EM. LANDING: AT:

**Toulouse Blagnac on June, 25, 1945 at: 9:15**

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

**J E N K I N S**

FIRST NAME:

**F R A N K , E.**

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

**Sgt. 13118555 T 43 - 44**

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

**captured**

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

**10:00 at Toulouse Blagnac**

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

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TELEGRAM FORM

DISTANCE - MESSAGE LSOU

-OBERURSEL-

NAME OF DISTANCE-MESSAGE WRITER: 1445

ACCEPTED:

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DATE:-

TIME:

TO:

DATE: June 26, 1944

THROUGH:

TIME: 04 40

ROLL:

FROM: LSEB

THROUGH: Frank

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REMARKS: Very urgent: LIQM 201 June 25, 1944 20 00

To Evaluation Place West Oberursel

On June 25. at 09 15 shot-down Boeing B 17 CA by AA. 500 m south of Cornebarrieu, 14 km north-west of Toulouse. Parashute jumps of 8 Americans observed. Alltogether captured. Plane completely burned off. Markings not to identify. According to found label presumable 2463-Z-

Prisoners:	1)	2nd Lt.	Freemann	William	0-705367
	2)	"	Godwin	John	0-756218
	3)	Sgt.	Brooks	Herbert	39209586
	4)	"	Isdahl	Chester	37542851
	5)	S/Sgt.	Wilson	John	12095050
	6)	<del>Isdahl</del>	Sgt. Jenkis	Frank	13118555
	7)	T/Sgt.	Butikhofer	Marcel	6581141
	8)	-	Sewart	Edward	T-123956

Prisoner to No. 8 has neither ident.-cards nor ASN and refuses every statement. - : Direct transport ~~at~~ Oberursel, as soon as place is assigned.

Airbase HQ. E (v) 238/XII

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## CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name EDWARD D. SEWARD JR. Rank 2ND LT. Serial No. 0-934218
2. Organization 398 B. Gp Commander \_\_\_\_\_ Rank COL. Sqn CO ROONEY Rank MAJ.  
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month JUNE day 26 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, TOULOUSE, FRANCE, target, AIRPLANE PARTS FACTORY, target  
time, 0913, altitude, 21,500 route scheduled, CANE,  
LYON, TOULOUSE, route flown SAME
5. Where were you when you left formation? OVER TARGET
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". RECEIVED NO CREW LIST WITH THIS QUESTIONNAIRE. HOWEVER, ALL MEMBERS OF CREW LEFT BURNING AIRPLANE AT PILOTS COMMAND AND WERE SHOT AT BY GERMANS FROM GROUND WHILE DESCENDING. ALL MEMBERS WERE PICKED UP IMMEDIATELY - TAIL GUNNER, SGT. JENKINS - SPRAINED HIS ANKLE.
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? AT TOULOUSE AIRPORT
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) NONE OF THE 8 LIVING - LT. GRESIN - UNKNOWN
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? \_\_\_\_\_  
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14. Please give any similar information on personnel of any other crew of which you have knowledge. Indicate source of information. \_\_\_\_\_  
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(Any additional information may be written on the back)

## INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: **GNESIN, Harold M.** File # **5220**  
 Rank: **2nd Lt.**  
 Serial number: **O-703035**  
 Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~: **Bombardier**

Did he bail out? UNKNOWN

Where? TOULOUSE, FRANCE

If not, why not? UNKNOWN

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: PILOT SAID,  
"LET GET THE HELL OUT OF HERE" I SAID TO GNESIN, "LETS GO."

Was he injured? UNKNOWN

Where was he when last seen? MOVING TOWARD ESCAPE HATCH BEHIND ME.

Any hearsay information: A GERMAN MAJOR CAME TO THE PILOT AND I  
AND WANTED OUR DEPARTED MEMBER'S RANK, NAME, AND SERIAL  
NUMBER TO GIVE TO THE RED CROSS. HE SAID GNEISIN WAS FOUND  
25 YRDS. AHEAD OF THE AIRPLANE WITH HIS CHUTE STILL ON. PLANE  
CRASHED AT AIRFIELD AT TOULOUSE.

Source: MAJOR IN THE GERMAN ~~WEHR~~ ARMY.

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: GNEISIN HAD  
A HABIT OF NOT FASTENING THE LEG STRAPS OF HIS PARACHUTE  
HARNES. OTHER BOYS ON THE MISSION WHO RETURNED TOLD ME LATER,  
THAT ONE CHUTE OPENED AND A MAN FELL OUT OF IT. THIS COULD  
HAVE BEEN GNEISIN; SINCE WE WERE THE ONLY PLANE LOST THAT DAT.

Total number of missions of above crew member: 5

Dates and destinations if possible: 20 JUNE 1944 (HAMBURG) 21 JUNE 1944 (BERLIN)  
22 JUNE 1944 (JUST IN FRANCE) 24 JUNE 1944 (JUST IN FRANCE)  
25 JUNE 1944 (TOULOUSE, FRANCE)

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name JOHN H. WILSON Rank T/SGT Serial No. 12095050

2. Organization 398<sup>th</sup> B.G. 602<sup>nd</sup> ASGp Commander COL. HUNTER Rank COL. Sqn CO ROONEY Rank MAJOR  
(full name) (full name)

3. What year 1944 month JUNE day 25 did you go down?

4. What was the mission, TOULOUSE, FRANCE target, AIRCRAFT ASSEMBLY PLANT target  
time, 0913, altitude, 25,000 FEET route scheduled, -  
route flown -

5. Where were you when you left formation? DIRECTLY OVER TARGET

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". (LT. J.K. GODWIN, F/O SEWARD, OUT FRONT ESCAPE HATCH) (LT. FREEMAN, T/SGT M.C. BUTIKOFER, OUT TROUGH BOMB BAY) (T/SGT JH. WILSON, SGT H. BROOKS, SGT CASDAHL OUT REAR DOOR) (SGT F. JENKINS OUT TAIL GUNNERS ESCAPE HATCH)

9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? A FEW MILES OUTSIDE TOULOUSE, FR.

10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) NONE

11. Where were they in aircraft? -

12. What was their condition? -

13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? -

14. Please give any similar information on personnel of any other crew of which you have knowledge. Indicate source of information. -

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(Any additional information may be written on the back)

## INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: GNESIN, Harold M. File # 6220  
 Rank: 2nd Lt.  
 Serial number: O-703035  
 Position: Crew (Bomber) on ~~XXXXXX~~: Bombardier

Did he bail out? YES

Where? TOULOUSE, FRANCE

If not, why not? -

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: HE CHECKED WITH ME TO SEE IF ALL BOMBS WERE AWAY - AT THE SAME TIME WORKED HIT

Was he injured? NOT IN THE PLANE

Where was he when last seen? IN THE ACT OF BAILING OUT

Any hearsay information: THE GERMANS TOLD ME THAT HIS BODY HAD BEEN FOUND AND THEY HAD BURIED HIM, (THIS WAS EITHER THE 26<sup>th</sup> OR 27<sup>th</sup> OF JUNE, 1944,) IN THE IMMEDIATE VICINITY OF TOULOUSE, FRANCE // CREWS ON THE SAME MISSION SAID THEY SAW HIM FALL OUT OF HIS CHUTE

Source: GERMAN SOLDIERS - OTHER CREWS SHOT DOWN AT A LATER DATE

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: IT IS MY BELIEF THAT LT. GNESIN DID FALL OUT OF HIS CHUTE BEFORE IT OPENED COMPLETELY. I ONLY COUNTED 8 CHUTES AS I WAS COMING DOWN. (NINE MAN CREW) EVERYONE CLEARED THE SHIP. I BELIEVE HE IS BURIED SOMEWHERE NEAR TOULOUSE, FRANCE

Total number of missions of above crew member: FIVE

Dates and destinations if possible: JUNE 20, 1944 HAMBURG, GERMANY; JUNE 21<sup>st</sup>, 1944. BERLIN, GERMANY; JUNE 23, 1944. FEIFS, FRANCE; JUNE 24, 1944 BACHMONT, FRANCE; JUNE 25, 1944, TOULOUSE, FRANCE

## CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name MERRILL C. BUTIKOFER Rank TSGT Serial No. 6581141
2. Organization 398<sup>th</sup> B.G. Commander HUNTER Rank COL Sqn CO ROONEY Rank MAJOR  
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month JUNE day 26<sup>th</sup> did you go down?
4. What was the mission, <sup>AIRCRAFT</sup> ASSEMBLY PLANT, target, TULOUSE, FRANCE, target  
time, 9:10 IN MORNING, altitude, 27,000 FT. route scheduled, OVER CHANNEL  
OVER FRANCE TO TARGET, route flown SAME
5. Where were you when you left formation? OVER THE TARGET
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". TAIL GUNNER BAILED HIS HATCH AFTER PILOT GAVE THE ORDER TO BAIL OUT - RADIO MAN WASTE GUNNER, BALL GUNNER WENT OUT WAIST DOOR, CO-PILOT AND MY SELF WENT OUT BOMB BAY DOOR. PILOT AND NAVIGATOR OUT FRONT ESCAPE HATCH - BOMBARDIER - NO KNOWLEDGE.
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? INTO THE TARGET
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) NONE TO MY KNOWLEDGE
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? \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_
14. Please give any similar information on personnel of any other crew of which you have knowledge. Indicate source of information. \_\_\_\_\_  
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(Any additional information may be written on the back)

## INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: **GWESIN, Harold M.** File # **6320**  
 Rank: **2nd Lt.**  
 Serial number: **0-703036**  
 Position: Crew (Bomber) or ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~: **Bombardier**

Did he bail out? yes, To The Best of My Knowledge

Where? TOLOUSE, FRANCE.

If not, why not? IF he DID NOT I COULD NOT SAY why.

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

NONE THAT I KNOW OF.

Was he injured? NOT THAT I KNOW OFF

Where was he when last seen? IN THE AIRCRAFT.

Any hearsay information: SOME OF THE OTHER CREWS WHO WERE SHOT DOWN LATER, SAID THEY SEEN NINE MEN BAIL OUT OF THE PLANE BUT ONE LEFT HIS PARACHUTE ABOUT THE TIME IT OPENED. AND THE PARACHUTE DANDLED DOWN BY ITSELF. SEVERAL OF THE FELLOWS MADE THIS SAME STATEMENT

Source: FELLOWS WE KNEW THAT WAS ON THE SAME RAID, SHOT DOWN LATER.

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: MY IDEA OF WHAT HAPPENED WAS THAT HE HAD FORGOTTEN TO BUCKLE THE LEG STRAPS ON HIS PARACHUTE AND HAD THEM BUCKLED UP BACK. I MY SELF HAD BROUGHT THAT TO HIS ATTENTION ONCE OR TWICE, AFTER TAKING OFF, AND BELIEVE OTHER OF THE CREW MEMBERS HAD ALSO -

Total number of missions of above crew member: WE WERE ON FIFTH MISSION.

Dates and destinations if possible: JUNE 20, 1944 FIRST MISSION TO HAMBURG, Germany.  
JUNE 21, 2ND MISSION OVER BERLIN GERMANY - JUNE 22ND A Rocket INSTALLATION OVER THE COAST OF FRANCE. JUNE 24, ANOTHER SMALL TARGET OVER THE COAST OF FRANCE. JUNE 25, THE LAST MISSION OVER

TULOUSE, FRANCE

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## CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

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1. Your name \_\_\_\_\_ Rank \_\_\_\_\_ Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Organization \_\_\_\_\_ Gp Commander \_\_\_\_\_ Rank \_\_\_\_\_ Sqn CO \_\_\_\_\_ Rank \_\_\_\_\_  
(full name) (full name)
3. What year \_\_\_\_\_ month \_\_\_\_\_ day \_\_\_\_\_ did you go down?
4. What was the mission, \_\_\_\_\_, target, \_\_\_\_\_, target  
time, \_\_\_\_\_, altitude, \_\_\_\_\_ route scheduled, \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, route flown \_\_\_\_\_
5. Where were you when you left formation? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Did you bail out? \_\_\_\_\_
7. Did other members of crew bail out? \_\_\_\_\_
8. Tell all you know about when, where, how each person in your aircraft for whom no individual questionnaire is attached bailed out. A crew list is attached. Please give facts. If you don't know, say: "No Knowledge". OVER  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? NEAR TARGET
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) None  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
11. Where were they in aircraft? \_\_\_\_\_
12. What was their condition? \_\_\_\_\_
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? AT THE TIME OF THE CRASH  
THEY WERE ALL SEATED IN THE AIRCRAFT TO TAKE OFF  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
14. Please give any similar information on personnel of any other crew of which you have knowledge. Indicate source of information. \_\_\_\_\_  
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(Any additional information may be written on the back)

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1. W.N. FREEMAN - COPILOT - 2nd Lt.  
AT STATION WHEN ORDERED TO LAND. BAIL  
OUT THREE BUNKERS.
2. L.D. Seward - NAV. Lt. - Jumped when  
ORDER RECEIVED. LEFT THROUGH FRONT ESCAPE HATCH.
3. M. BUTKOFFER - ENGINEER - 1st Lt.  
LEFT AIRCRAFT ON ORDER. THROUGH CAMBOY HATCH.
4. J.H. Wilson - Radio Op. 1st Lt. - BAIL OUT. ROUTE  
UNKNOWN. LEFT WHEN ORDER RECEIVED.
5. Charles Moore - 1st Warrant Officer - BARK ESCAPE  
HATCH WHEN ORDERED.
6. Herbert Brooks - 1st Lt. - BARK ESCAPE HATCH -  
LEFT WHEN ORDERED. BARK ESCAPE HATCH.
7. Frank Wilson - Sp. 1st Lt. - BARK -  
ESCAPE HATCH. LEFT WHEN ORDER RECEIVED.
8. John Robinson - Pilot - 2nd Lt.  
ABANDONED SHIP THROUGH FRONT ESCAPE  
HATCH. AFTER I GAVE ORDERS FOR CREW  
TO BAIL OUT I ANNOUNCED ORDERS OVER  
INTERPHONE AND GAVE PREARRANGED BAIL  
OUT SIGNAL ON BAILOUT ALARM BELL.

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: **GHESIN, Harold M.** File # **6220**  
 Rank: **2nd Lt.**  
 Serial number: **O-703035**  
 Position: Crew (Bomber) or ~~Flight (Fighter)~~: **Bombardier**

Did he bail out? \_\_\_\_\_

Where? \_\_\_\_\_

If not, why not? \_\_\_\_\_

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

Was he injured? to my knowledge he was not injured. Prisoner of War

Where was he when last seen? at BOMBARDIER CAMP

Any hearsay information: \_\_\_\_\_

Source: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: 4 complete - all 5th mission

Dates and destinations if possible: \_\_\_\_\_

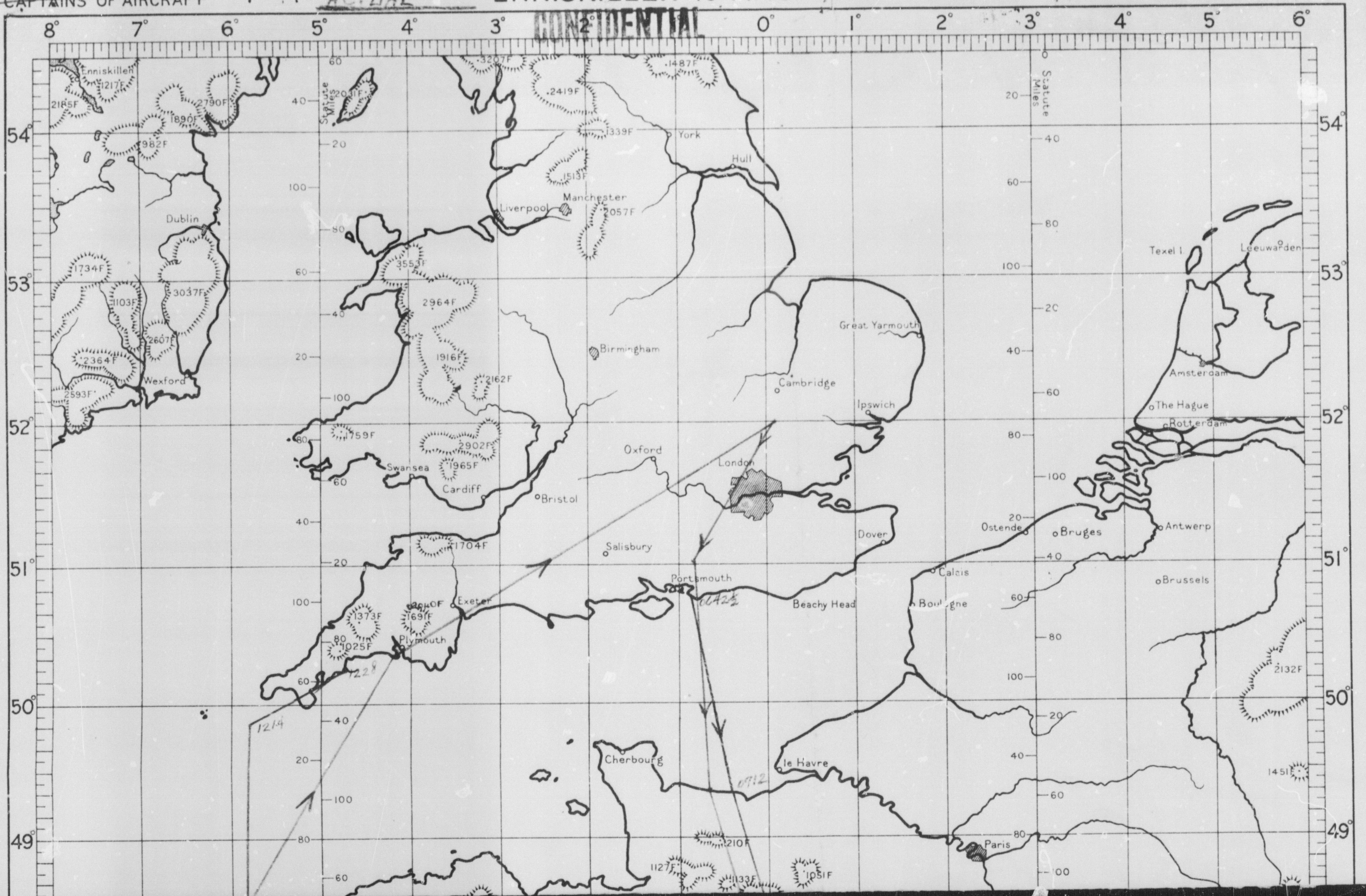
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CAPTAINS OF AIRCRAFT

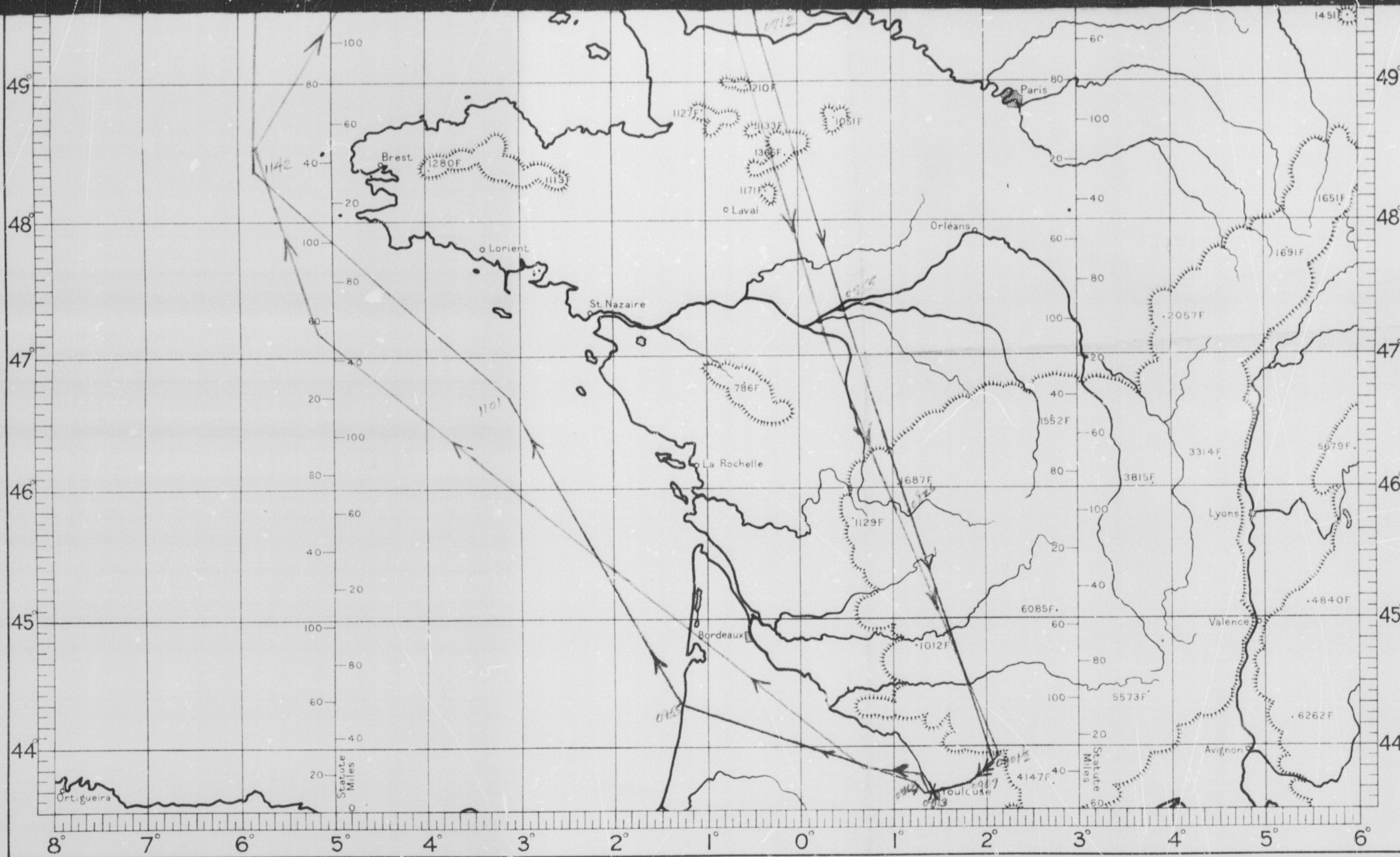
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