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by E. A. BRADUNAS, Lt. Col., AC
by F. M. MUENCH, Capt., AC

WAR DEPARTMENT
HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

Date MAR 15 1948

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 Hq; Squadron 601st Bomb Hq; Detachment None
 2. SPECIFY: Point of Departure AAF Station 131 Course per atchd track chart
Intended Destination Peenemunde, Germany & Return Type of Mission Operational
- WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED: 2/10's cumulus. Visibility 30 mi. No contrails.
4. GIVE: (a) Date 4 August 1944 Time Approx 1504; and Location Peenemunde, Germany
of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.
(b) Specify whether () Last Sighted, () Last Contacted by Radio,
() Forced Down, () Seen to crash, or () Information not Available.
 5. AIRCRAFT WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF: (Check only one)
() Enemy Aircraft, () Enemy Anti-Aircraft, () Other Circumstances as Follows _____

6. AIRCRAFT: Type, Model and Series B17G; A.A.F. Serial Number 42-107098 ✓
7. ENGINES: Type, Model and Series B-1820-97; A.A.F. Serial Number _____
(a) SW-011300; (b) SW-011121; (c) 43-62608; (d) SW-011350
8. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial Number)

	<u>MAKE</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>SERIAL NUMBER</u>
(a)	Buffalo Arms Corp	.50 cal A/C Mach Gun	1295189
(b)	Buffalo Arms Corp	.50 cal A/C Mach Gun	1292800
(c)	Buffalo Arms Corp	.50 cal A/C Mach Gun	1295195
(d)	Buffalo Arms Corp	.50 cal A/C Mach Gun	1295197
(e)	Buffalo Arms Corp	.50 cal A/C Mach Gun	1293288
(f)	Buffalo Arms Corp	.50 cal A/C Mach Gun	1293157
(g)	Buffalo Arms Corp	.50 cal A/C Mach Gun	1295002
(h)	Buffalo Arms Corp	.50 cal A/C Mach Gun	1294902
(i)	Buffalo Arms Corp	.50 cal A/C Mach Gun	1294992
(j)	Buffalo Arms Corp	.50 cal A/C Mach Gun	1294797
(k)	Savage Arms Corp	.50 cal A/C Mach Gun	952910
(l)	Savage Arms Corp	.50 cal A/C Mach Gun	952727
(m)			
(n)			
(o)			
(p)			
(q)			
(r)			
(s)			
(t)			

9. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty MIA
or (b) Non-Battle Casualty _____

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

CREW POSITION	NAME IN FULL (Last Name First)	RANK	SERIAL NUMBER
1. Pilot	CARTER, NIGEL B.	2nd Lt	0615995 RTD
2. Co-Pilot	AYSON, JASON M., JR.	2nd Lt	0-767968 RTD
3. Navigator	HIMBROUGH, WILLIAM W.	2nd Lt	0-550442 RTD
4. Bombardier	GASTRO, EDWARD	2nd Lt	0-556475 RTD
5. Top Turret Gunner	Kekaljan, Richard L.	S/Sgt ^{2cc}	37407124
6. Ball Turret Gunner	Derinsier, Donald D.	Opl	19111310 RTD
7. Radio Gunner	Dell, Robert R.	Sgt	36741752 RTD
8. Waist Gunner	Garr, William R.	Opl	16121910 ^{2cc} RTD
9. Tail Gunner	Lewis, Sanford A.	Opl	35758925 RTD
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. Woods, Marcus J.	2nd Lt	0-702517		X		
2. Osteen, Richard T., Jr.	1st Lt	0-414388		X		
3. Campbell, Van B.	2nd Lt	0-693620		X		

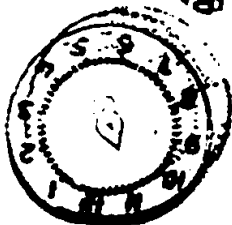
12. IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, ANSWER YES TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS: (a) Parachutes were used _____; (b) Persons were seen walking away from scene of crash _____; or (c) Any other reason (Specify) Aircraft was under control when last seen.

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 8 August 1944

Walter S. Campbell
 WALTER S. CAMPBELL (Reporting Officer)
 1st Lt, Air Corps
 Statistical Officer

Eye Witness Description of Missing Aircraft B17G 42-107098, Pilot,
2nd Lt Nigel B Carter, O-818995, 601st Bomb Squadron, 898th Bomb Group
on Combat Mission to Peenemunde, Germany 4 August 1944.

On the raid to Peenemunde, Germany 4 August 1944, I was flying as tail gunner of A/C #7771-J which was the Deputy Wing Lead A/C and Lt Carter was flying A/C #7098, in the high flight of the high group.

The high group had just made their rendezvous after the bomb run with the wing, when A/C #7098 left the formation. He dived down and to the right for about three thousand feet then he turned to the left and crossed under the formation. The ship appeared to be under control and all of the engines appeared to be okay when it crossed under our formation. This was the last time I saw the A/C in question.

Richard T. Oster Jr.

RICHARD T OSTER JR, O-X414388
1st Lt, Air Corps
Tail Gunner B17G 42-97771-J

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Eye Witness Description of Missing Aircraft #178 42-107098, Pilot,
2nd Lt Nigel B Carter, O-518995, 601st Bomb Squadron, 398th Bomb Group
on Combat Mission to Peenemunde, Germany 4 August 1944.

I was navigator on Lt Reed's crew in the lead group. We had dropped our bombs and the high group was on the run. My tail gunner called off one ship exploded. I looked and there was nothing left but a large puff of smoke, then he said there goes another ship into a dive. I looked out and saw him regain control after losing about two thousand feet, he leveled off, started for Sweden then turned south west of target and started a wide circling decent. That was the last I saw of Lt Carter's ship.

Marcus J. Woods

MARCUS J WOODS, O-702517
2nd Lt, Air Corps
Navigator, B17G 42-107214

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Eye Witness Description of Missing Aircraft B17G 42-107098, Pilot, 2nd Lt Nigel B Carter, O-818995, 601st Bomb Squadron, 398th Bomb Group on Combat Mission to Peenemunde, Germany 4 August 1944.

My position in the formation was tail gunner in the lead ship of the lead group. After passing over the target two ships were knocked from formation. One of the ships, Lt MacArthur's, was completely demolished by an explosion. The other ship, Lt Carter's, was in formation for awhile after the incident then it took a sharp dive from the high group to below the low group. The plane stayed under the formation for about one minute then it continued its decent taking a heading of forty five degrees to the left of the formation. They continued on their heading until out of sight, except it appeared they had leveled out near ten thousand feet.

We anticipated he had cut off a leg on our course, and about the time we should have picked him up again we spotted a B17. This plane had its fuselage painted in accordance with our markings, therefore I was quite certain it was the plane in mention. At the time he was on a heading for Sweden, but ran into some flak. He used evasive action and when the flak ceased he still appeared in control of his plane and heading on course for England. I followed him as long as possible until he was out of sight somewhere over Denmark.

Van B. Campbell

VAN B CAMPBELL, O-693620
2nd Lt, Air Corps
Tail Gunner, B17G 42-97740

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**Meldung über den Abschub eines
US-amerikanischen Flugzeuges**

Abschub-Nr. KU 2659

Abschubtag und Zeit: 4.8.44 - 15.30
Abschubort: Koithenhage
Flugzeugtyp: Fortress
Meldende Dienststelle: Fl.H.Putnitz

Besatzung:

Name und Vornamen: Geburtsdag und -ort:	Dienst- grad	Erk.- Marke:	Verbleib:	
			gef.: verw.: tot:	welches Lager Art d. Verwundung Grablage
CASTRO Edward	2.Lt.	0-556475	gef.	Dulag-Luft
CARTER Nigel B.	2.Lt.	0-818995	gef.	Dulag-Luft
DOREMEIER Donald Dean	Sgt.	19111310	gef.	Dulag-Luft
LEWIS Sanford Allen 27.10.24	Sgt.		gef.	Dulag-Luft
KUKULJAN Richard Leo 2.3.17 St. Louis Mo.	S/Sgt.	37407124	gef.	Dulag-Luft
CARR William Robert	Sgt.	16121910	gef.	Dulag-Luft
DOLL Robert Raymond 1921 USA	Sgt.	36741769	gef.	Dulag-Luft

Bemerkungen: 7709

DULAG-LUFT, den 21.8.44 **Wo.**

✓
Sgt 10 Edward Carter

Mrs. Augusta Carter, (Mother)
2704 Laurel Street,
Tampa, Florida.

✓
Sgt 10 William E. Reddough

Mr. William E. Reddough, (Father)
1242 Columbia Street,
Knoxville, Tennessee.

✓
Sgt 10 James E. Anson

Mr. James E. Anson, Sr., (Father)
2316 13th Street,
San Diego, California.

✓
Sgt 10 Nigel E. Carter

Mrs. Marie C. Carter, (Mother)
221 West 21st Street,
Washington, D. C.

✓
Sgt 10 Michael L. Spruiell

Mrs. Marie L. Spruiell, (Mother)
2017 Gay St.,
Saint Louis, Missouri.

✓
Sgt 10 Robert E. Bell

Mrs. Catherine Bell, (Mother)
123 South 11th Street,
Tomball, Illinois.

✓
Sgt 10 William E. Carr

Mr. Robert E. Carr, (Father)
1421 South 11th Street,
Tomball, Illinois.

✓
Sgt 10 Donald E. DeGardner

Mrs. Mary F. DeGardner, (Mother)
2211 Maple Avenue,
Knoxville, Tennessee.

✓
Sgt 10 Sanford A. Lewis

Mrs. Joseph Lewis, (Mother)
124 Virginia Street,
Charlottesville, West Virginia.

Mrs. John L. DeGardner, (Mother)
705 Commercial Avenue,
Baltimore 20, Md.

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398th Bombardment Group BV
Lead Group 1st "B" CBW Formation Over Target
Peenemunde, Germany Mission 4 August 44

F
DAILY
RESERVELT
7740-Q

C-9
Ford
7846-T

BAKER
MARKLEY
7771-J

C-9
Elwood
6157-W

C 8
Nelson
2418-M

C 5
Reed
7214-V

B 2
Howden
7982-K

B 6
Fahrenthold
2507-F

C 1
Cummings
2536-C

B 3
Meyran
2562-G

C 4
Searl
2507-F

C 2
Mann
2592-G

Low Group 1st "B" CBW Formation Over Target

F 9
ROSS
2510-Y

F 5
Boehme
2506-L

F 6
Hough
7094-M

F
Ryan
7387-H

B 8
Evans
7977-R

F 3
Driscoll
7150-K

F 7
Rudow
7374-X

B 2
Foster
7789-H

B 1
Jordan
2568-N

F 8
Link
7337-R

B 7
Darnier
7138-T

B 4
Sleeman
7825-J

High Group 1st "B" CBW Formation Over Target

D 2
Lamb
7889-B

D 7
Brown
7874-W

D 1
Dalton
7080-S

D 6
Weekley
2596-N

D 8
Campbell
7338-C

D 4
Wierney
2565-M

D 5
Cucco
7401-T

D 1
Carter
7098-Y

B 6
Engel
7317-P

B 4
MacArthur
7186-L

D
Stallcup
7384-P

B 1
Moore
2469-Q

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K U 2659

and
(possibly KU 2656 ?)

Date: 4 August 1944, at 1530
Place: Koithenhagen/Franzberg
Type of craft: Fortress
Organization: 601st H B. Sq., 398th Group, Base 131
Target: Air Base Putnitz

2nd Lt.	✓ CARTER, Nigel B.	0-818995	(.)	✓
2nd Lt.	- AXSON (2656 ?)	-----	---	
2nd Lt.	COREN	-----	---	
2nd Lt.	- CASTRO, Edward	0-556475	(.)	
S/Sgt.	✓ KUKULIAK, Richard Leo	37407124	(.)	
Sgt.	- CARR, William Robert	16121910	(.)	
Sgt.	✓ BOLL, Robert Raymond	36741769	(.)	
Cpl.	✓ DORFMEIER, Donald Dean	19111310	(.)	
Cpl.	✓ LEWIS, Sanford Allen	35758925	(.)	

and ... in 1530 042 ...

REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFTDATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT

WAS SHOT DOWN: 4 August 1944, 1530 hrs

PLACE OF CRASH: Balag, Luzon

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: Fortress

REPORTING OFFICE: Postmits

CREW

SURNAME, AND
FIRST NAME:

BENBROUCK, William Wilbur

DATE OF BIRTH:

RANK:

2/Lt.

SERIAL NUMBER:

O-550442

CAPTURED: yes

WOUNDED:

DEAD:

DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP: Balag-Luft

TYPE OF INJURY:

GRAVE LOCATION:

REMARKS:

Balag-Luft, 2 Sep. 1944 No.

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT
WAS SHOT DOWNAugust 4, 1944 1530

PLACE OF CRASH

K o i t e n h a g e n

TYPE OF CRAFT

Fortress

REPORTING OFFICE

Airbase P u t n i t s

N A M E S		RANK	SERIAL NUMBER	CAPT'D WOUNDED DEAD	PLACE OF INTERMENT
C A S T R O	Edward	2nd Lt	0-556475	capt'd	Dalag Luft
C A R T E R	Rigel B.	2nd Lt.	0-818995	capt'd	Dalag Luft
D O R F M E I E R	Donald Dean	Sgt.	19111310	capt'd	Dalag Luft
L E W I S	Sanford Allen	Sgt.		capt'd	Dalag Luft
	October 27, 1924				
M E H E L J A N	Richard Lee	S/Sgt.	37407124	capt'd	Dalag Luft
	March 2, 1917				
C A B R	William Robert	Sgt.	16121910	capt'd	Dalag Luft
D O L L	Robert Raymond	Sgt.	36741769	capt'd	Dalag Luft
	1921				
	U S A				

Dalag Luft, August 21, 1944 Eo.

Date: 4 Aug 44, at 1530
Place: Barth/Pommern
Type of
craft: Fortress
Markings: ---
398 Group

Rank: Name:

KU 889 a

2nd Lt. HEMBROUGH, William Wilbur: O-550442 .

1 DD Form No. 26 - Soldier's Individual Pay Record - For

Robert R. Hill, SS 741 769, Sgt.

1 USIAF Chemical Warfare Training Check List for the above.

Part of Identification Card for the above.

1 WD AGO Form No. 28 - Soldier's Individual Pay Record - for

Robert R. DOLL, 36 741 769, Sgt.

1 USSTAF Chemical Warfare Training Check List for the above.

Part of Identification Card for the above.

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REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Airfield - H.Q. A (O) 5/ III

PLACE: Parrots via Hagarben, FozzendaDATE: 4 August 1944 between 16 00 and 17 00REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, a Boeing B 17 by fire by anti-aircraft
~~XXXXXXXX~~ shooting (probably), 5 km south-east of Hagarben.
EN. LANDING: AT: Hagarben, 12 km south-east of Hagarben, 6 km north-west
~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ of Fozzenda.

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

FIRST NAME:

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

XXXXXXXXXX
(American)
William Wilbur
Lieutenant
O-280 443 7 43 - 40

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

captured after parachute jump.

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

on 4 August 1944, at 16 30 near Fozzenda

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

XXXXXXXXXXSignal (lost)Signal: (illegible)Capt. and Deputy Airfield-commander.

KB 2659

Hq. Local Air Base A (a) 5/III

Postits, 5 August 1944
App. 52

REFERENCE: Distance-Message, this Hq., 5 August 1944

SUBJECT : Capture of 4 Americans (BRAUNIG, CARTER, CASTRO, HEMBROUGH)
* ** ***

TO : Balag-Luft, Oberursel/Frankfurt am Main

In reference to the above this Hq. submits the following, concerning the above mentioned 4 American Prisoners of War.

1. 1 form covering personalities (according to D.-Air-2706/07).
2. 1 inventory of confiscated articles.

Confiscated articles (4 packages and 1 leather map with contents) are submitted by escort.

(signed)
Capt. & Air Base Commander, by Ord.

NOTICE: The following is written on original on places indicated.

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** KB 2659

*** KB 889 A

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: **Hq, Local Air Base A (a) 5/III**
PLACE: **Pétits, over Dangarten/Pommern**
DATE: **4 August 1944, between 1500 and 1600**

REGARDING: **CRASH: ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ OF, Boeing B 17, (engine fire)**
~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ AT: 1 1/2 km southeast Kaitenhagen, 18 km southeast Barth, 6 km northwest Franzburg
NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) **CASPER (American)**
FIRST NAME: **Edward Rank Lt.**
SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) **T-1179 T 43-43 A (according to prisoner now No.0-556 475)**
RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) **captured after parachuting**
PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: **4 August 1944, 1600 at Franzburg**
NAME OF HOSPITAL:
PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

(signed) by Order
Capt. & Air Base Commander

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Hq, Local Air Base A (o) 5/III
 PLACE: Pätzitz, over Dangarten/Pommern
 DATE: 4 August 1944, between 1500 and 1600

REGARDING: CRASH: ~~XXXXXXXX~~ OF, Boeing B 17, (cause: fire)
~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ AT: 1½ km southeast Koitenhagen, 18 km southeast Barth,
 6 km northwest Fransburg
 NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) CASTRO (American)
 FIRST NAME: Edward Rank: Lt.
 SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) T-3179 T 43-43 A (according to prisoner new No.0-556 475)
 RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) captured after parachuting
 PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: 4 August 1944, 1600 at Fransburg
 NAME OF HOSPITAL:
 PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

(signed) by Order
 Capt. & Air Base Command

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: **Hq, Local Air Base A (c) 5/XII**

PLACE: **Pastrits, over Dangarten/Fennern**

DATE: **4 August 1944, unknown in the afternoon**

REGARDING: **CRASH: ~~XXXXXXXX~~ OF, probable Boeing B 17 (cause fire)**
~~XXXXXXXX~~ AT: prisoner refused to give any information.

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) **CARTER (American)**

FIRST NAME: **Nigel B. Rank Lt.**

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) **O-818 995 T 42 - 43 B**

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

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: **4 August 1944, about 1600 at Frensburg**

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

(signed) by Order
Capt. & Air Base Commander

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Hq, Local Air Base A (o) 5/III

PLACE: Pustnits, over Dangarten/Pommern

DATE: 4 August 1944, ~~unknown~~ in the afternoon

REGARDING: CRASH: ~~unknown~~ OF, probable Boeing B 17 (cause: fire)
~~unknown~~ AT: prisoner refused to give any information.

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) CARTER (American)

FIRST NAME: Nigel B. Rank: Lt.

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) 0-818 995 T 42 - 43 B

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) captured after parachuting

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: 4 August 1944, about 1600 at Franzburg

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

(signed) by Order
 Capt. & Air Base Commander

Ed. Local Air Base A (a) 5/III

Frankfurt, 10 August 1944
App. 29

REPORT ON RECOVERY OF CRASHED BOMBER AIRCRAFT

- I. 1) 1 1/2 km southeast Lüttenhagen, 18 km southeast Barth,
6 km northwest Frensburg.
- 2) 4 August 1944, about 1530
- 3) Boeing B 17 Flying Fortress
- 4) Cockade S B (only partially legible because of fire)
- 5) Admittance No. 67098 (on elevator, yellow on red ground)
- 6) 5 August 1944, in the morning

- II. 1) Armament
- | | |
|------------------------|---|
| a) Number of Weapons: | 12 Browning M2 Cal. 50 M 2 |
| b) Calibers: | 13 millimeter |
| c) Built within: | A turret, B turret, C turret, D turret
front, E turret rear and tail turret. |
| d) Revolving or fixed: | all revolving |
| e) Belting: | only S.L. (incendiary) fabricated ¹⁹⁴² |

- 2) Armour
 - 1 armour plate, arched, 6,3 mm
places: probable A or C turret
 - 3 armour plates 8, 7 and 6,3 mm
places: probable B turret
 - 2 armour plates 6,3 mm
places: D turret (right and left side of fuselage before
stabilizers)
- 3) Radio and Navigation Equipment:
 - Radio compass Unit B,C 433 G, receiver special No. 3764
(nearly undamaged)
 - Indicator Type 62 REF 10 G/13000
 - Receiver Type 2-1355 REF No. 10 D 13032 } heavily damaged

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Ed. Local Air Base A (e) 5/IIIPustnitz, 10 August 1944
App. 29REPORT ON RECOVERY OF CRASHED BOMBER AIRCRAFT

- I. 1) 1½ km southeast Kaitzenhagen, 15 km southeast Barth,
6 km northwest Fransburg,
- 2) 4 August 1944, about 1530
- 3) Boeing B 17 Flying Fortress
- 4) Cockade 8 B (only partially legible because of fire)
- 5) Admittance No. 07098 (on elevator, yellow on red ground)
- 6) 5 August 1944, in the morning

II. 1) Armament:

- a) Number of Weapons: 12 Browning MG Cal. 50 M 2
- b) Caliber: 13 millimeter
- c) Built within: A turret, B turret, C turret, D turret
front, D turret rear and tail turret.
- d) Revolving or fixed: all revolving
- e) Ballings: only S.I. (incendiary) fabricated ¹⁹⁴²

2) Armour:

1 armour plate, arched, 6,3 mm
place: probable A or C turret

3 armour plates 8, 7 and 6,3 mm
place: probable B turret

2 armour plates 6,3 mm
place: D turret (right and left side of fuselage before
stabilizers)

3) Radio and Navigation Equipment:

Radio compass Unit B,C 433 G, receiver special No. 3768
(nearly undamaged)

Indicator Type 62 REF 10 Q/13000

Receiver Type R 1355 REF No. 10 D 13032 } heavily damaged

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4) Reading of Instruments

Frequency-Meter B 3 221 T (was set on 65,5 degree), still in good condition.

(Equipment to 3 and 4 has been forwarded to Loethen, Trial Regt.)

5) Type of engine

4 Wright-Cyclone with auxiliary exhaustor turbines.

Manufacturer: The Studebaker Corporation, Aviation Division,
Air Forces Or Bureau Model: 1 - 1820 - 97

Manufacturer: SN - 011378

6) Gas and Lubrication Supplies

Not found, aircraft burned out entirely.

III. Throwing-down-ammunition not found

IV. Information concerning air crew

1. a) 5, brought in later, but it is not certain whether these 5 men are from this craft or not.

b) Prisoners have been captured by Gendarmarie.

a) By Hq, Local Air Base A (c) 5/III Putzitz.

d) 4 on 5 August and 1 on 9 August 1944.

2. a) --

b) --

3. a) --

b) --

c) --

4. a) Yes, parachutes not found or delivered to.

b) Yes, appertaining posts have been communicated by telephone.

Distribution 1. Research Centre East Oberweel/Darms

2. Reichs Air Ministry, St-4/Bee.

3. Hq, Air District III, Battle Station Ia L 2

4. Hq, Flak Battery 1/III Stettin

(signed) G. I. S. C. F.

Lt. Col. & Air Base Commander

- 4) Setting of Frequencies:
Frequency-Meter B C 221 T (was set on 65,5 degree), still in good condition.
(Equipment to 3 and 4 has been forwarded to Koethen, Trial Regt.)
- 5) Type of engines:
4 Wright-Cyclone with ~~suspense~~ exhaustor turbines.
Manufacturer: The Studebaker Corporation, Aviation Division.
Air Forces Or Bureau Model: R - 1820 - 97
Manufacturers: SW - 011350
- 6) Gas and Lubrication Samples:
Not found, aircraft burned out entirely.

III. Throwing-down-ammunition not found

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b) Prisoners have been captured by Gendarmes.
c) By Hq, Local Air Base A (o) 5/III Putznitz.
d) 4 on 5 August and 1 on 9 August 1944.
2. a) —
b) —
3. a) —
b) —
c) —
4. a) Yes, parachutes not found or delivered to.
b) Yes, appertaining posts have been communicated by telephone.

Distributors:

1. Research Centre West Oberursel/Taunus
2. Reichs Air Ministry, G1-C/Rue.
3. Hq, Air District III, Battle Station Ia L 2
4. Hq, Flak Battery 1/III Stettin

(signed) G l a s e r
Lt. Col. & Air Base Commander

IDENTIFICATION TAG

RICHARD L. KUKULIAN
37 NOV 124 243-44

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IDENTIFICATION TAG

RICHARD L. KEKELIAN
37 487 124 T43-66

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No. Local Air Base A (e) 5/III

Postmits, 9 August 1944
App 52

REFERENCE: Distance-Message, this Hq., 9 August 1944.

SUBJECT : Capture of American Richard L. KNEBLIAN.

TO : Dulag Luft, Oberursel near Frankfurt am Main.

In reference to the above this Hq. submits

- 1. 1 Form covering personalities (according to D₁-air-2706/07)
- 2. 1 inventory of confiscated articles

of the American Prisoner of War Richard L. KNEBLIAN.

Confiscated articles, in one package, are submitted by
escort.

(signed) by Order
Capt. Air Base Comm.

Hq. Local Air Base A (a) 5/III

Postnitz, 9 August 1944
App 52

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4 August 1944

1530

Fortress 17

southeast Koitombagan
18 km southeast Barth/Pommern, 6 km northeast Franzburg

Hunter (A)

Air Base Prints

95 % crash

R. 2nd Lt. CASTRO, Edward ?

disposition unknown

KH 2659

4 August 1944

1530

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Air Base Putnitz

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TELEGRAM FORM

DISTANCE - MESSAGE

-OBERURSEL-

NAME OF DISTANCE-MESSAGE WRITER: **LEEB 116**

ACCEPTED:

DELIVERED:

RECEIVED:

DATE:-

TIME:

TO:

DATE: **6 August 1944**

THROUGH:

TIME: **1525**

ROLL:

FROM: **LEEB**

THROUGH: **Wittich**

REMARKS: **Delayed, Very Urgent**

LEEB No. 42 5 August 1944

To Research Center West Oberursel, near Frankfurt/Main.

SUBJECT: Crash of enemy aircraft.

A) 1 1/2 km southeast Laidenberg, 18 km southeast Borth, 6 km northwest Flörsberg.

B) 4 August 1944, about 1530.

C) Boeing B 17. D) B G. E) Hit and burned 95%. According to witnesses damaged by hunter, probable.

F) AA) none. BB) 1. - CC) None. DD) According to witnesses one man occupying, probable wounded. Disposition of further crew members unknown.

Hq, Local Air Base 1 (a) 5/III Frankfurt

TELEGRAM FORM

DISTANCE - MESSAGE

-OBERURSEL-

NAME OF DISTANCE-MESSAGE WRITER: **LSOU 116**

ACCEPTED:

DELIVERED:

RECEIVED:

DATE:-

TIME:

TO:

DATE: **6 August 1944**

THROUGH:

TIME: **1525**

ROLL:

FROM: **LSEB**

THROUGH: **Wittich**

REMARKS: **Delayed, Very Urgent**

LEPN No. 62 5 August 1920

To Research Centre West Oberursel, near Frankfurt/Main.

SUBJECT: Crash of enemy aircraft.

A) 1 1/2 km southeast Keltenhagen, 18 km southeast Barth, 6 km northwest Fransburg.

B) 4 August 1944, about 1530

C) Boeing B 17. D) E.S. E) Hit and burned 95 %. According to witnesses downed by hunter, probable.

F) AA) none. BB) 1.- CC) None. DD) According to witnesses one man escaping, probable wounded. Disposition of further crew members unknown.

Hq, Local Air Base A (e) 5/III Postnitz

TELEGRAM FORM

DISTANCE - MESSAGE

-OBERURSEL-

NAME OF DISTANCE-MESSAGE WRITER: **LSOU 214**

ACCEPTED:

DELIVERED:

RECEIVED:

DATE:-

TIME:

TO:

DATE: **10 August 1944**

THROUGH:

TIME: **0630**

ROLL:

FROM: **LSOU**

THROUGH: **.....(illegible)**

REMARKS:

B LPH 116 9 August 1944.

Being Left Oberursel/Tunns

**One American Prisoner of War (Richard L. BULLMAN) being transferred
to your station 9 August 1944.**

Hq, Local Air Base a (a) 5/III Postnitz

TELEGRAM FORM

DISTANCE - MESSAGE

-OBERURSEL-

NAME OF DISTANCE-MESSAGE WRITER: **LSOB 214**

ACCEPTED:

DELIVERED:

RECEIVED:

DATE:-

TIME:

TO:

DATE: **10 August 1944.**

THROUGH:

TIME: **0620**

ROLL:

FROM: **LSOB**

THROUGH: **.....(illegible)**

REMARKS:

S LEPH 116 9 August 1740.

Dilag Luft Oberursel/Taunus

One American Prisoner of War (Richard L. KUKULIAN) being transferred to your station 9 August 1944.

Hq, Local Air Base a (e) 5/III Postnitz

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Hq, Local Air Base A (e) 5/III
 PLACE: Puchits, over Dampgarten/Fommers
 DATE: 4 August 1944, 1430
 REGARDING: CRASH: ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ OF, Boeing B 17 (burned because of Flak hit)
XXXXXXXXXX AT:
 NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) KUKULIAN (American)
 FIRST NAME: Richard L. Rank: Sgt.
 SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) 37 487 124 T 43 - 44 0
 RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) Richard L. Kukulian
 captured after parachuting (after 3 days)
 PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: near Dampgarten on 7 August 1944, about 0900
 NAME OF HOSPITAL:
 PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

(signed) by Order
 Capt. & Air Base Commander

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Hq, Local Air Base A (o) 5/III

PLACE: Pustalitz, over Dargarten/Pommern

DATE: 4 August 1944, 1430

REGARDING: CRASH: ~~XXXXXXXX~~ OF, Boeing B 17 (burned because of Flak hit)

~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ AT:

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) KUKULIAN (American)

FIRST NAME: Richard L. Rank: 3gt.

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) 37 487 124 T 43 - 44 0
Richard L. Kukulian

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) captured after parachuting (after 3 days)

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: near Dargarten on 7 August 1944, about 0500

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

(signed) by Order
Capt. & Air Base Commander

IDENTIFICATION TAGS

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|----|---|--------|
| 1. | NIGEL T. CARTER
G-518 995 T43-43 | B
P |
| 2. | EDWARD CASTRO
T-3179 T 43-43 | A
C |
| 3. | E. B. DORFMEIER
19 111 916 T43-44 | B
P |
| 4. | HENRY R. DELL
36 741 769 T43-44 | B
C |
| 5. | NIGEL J. THIEL - 7709
G-698 616 T 43-44 | A
P |
| 6. | WM. R. GARR
16 121 916 T43-44 | B
P |
| 7. | SAMUEL A. LEWIS
35 798 925 T43-44 | B
H |

1 WD 400 Form No. 65-1 (Officer's Identification Card)
No. 1 013 124 for William W. HENNINGSON

1 Identification Card H 1321 for the above.

IDENTIFICATION TAGS

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|------|---------------------------------------|--------|
| 1. | NIGEL B. CARTER
0-818 995 T42-43 | B
P |
| 2. | EDWARD CASTRO
T-3179 T 43-43 | A
C |
| 7 3. | D. B. DOFFNER
19 111 310 T43-44 | B
P |
| 4. | ROBERT R. DOLL
36 741 769 T43-44 | B
C |
| + 5. | HUSSEL J. THIRLE
0-698 616 T 43-44 | A
P |
| 6. | WM. R. CARR
16 121 910 T43-44 | O
P |
| 7. | SANFORD A. LEWIS
35 758 925 T43-44 | O
H |

1 WD AGO Form No. 65-1 (Officer's Identification Card)
No. 1 013 124 for William W. HEMBROUGH

1 Identification Card H 1321 for the above.

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Hq, Local Air Base A (e) 9/III

PLACE: P a r o w

DATE: 1830 hrs

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, ?XXXXXXXXXX AT: ? , 4 August 1944, time unknown

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

LEWIS

FIRST NAME:

Sanford Allen

Rank: Cpl.

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

35 75 89 25

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

captured

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

near Barth

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

EX-800 1

Identification- tag 1

MR. W. Hembrough, O-800 442 245 -4 O
P

SECRET

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

W. V. Hombrough, O-55042 743-4 0

Encl. Local Air Base A (a) 5/XXI

Postville, 5 August 1944
App. 52

REFERENCE: Distance-Message, this Hq., 5 August 1944

SUBJECT : Capture of 4 Americans (¹⁷⁰⁹HEASLER, CARTER, CARTER, HENNINGSON)
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TO : Being-left, Oberweul/Frankfurt am Main

In reference to the above this Hq. submits the following, concerning the above mentioned 4 American Prisoners of War.

- 1. 1 form covering personalities (according to D.-Air-2736/07).
- 2. 1 inventory of confiscated articles.

Confiscated articles (4 packages and 1 leather map with contents) are submitted by court.

(signed)
Capt. & Air Base Commander, by Capt.

NOTE: The following is written on original on places indicated.

- * 599 A
- cc EH 2679
- cc EH 269 A

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Airfield - H.Q. A (0) 5/ III

PLACE: Pastwitz via Baumgarten, Pomerania

DATE: 4 August 1944 between 16 00 and 17 00

REGARDING: CRASH: ~~xxxxxxx~~ OF, a Boeing B 17 by fire by Anti-aircraft
 shooting (probably), 5 km south-east of Koiten-
~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ hagen, 18 km south-east of Barth, 6 km north-west
 of Franzburg.

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) Kembrough,
(American)FIRST NAME: William WilburR a n k : LieutenantSERIAL NUMBER: (USA) O-550 443 T 43 - 40RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) captured after parachute jump.PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: on 4 August 1944, at 16 30 near Franzburg

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

Distribution :

D u l a g (Luft)

Signed : (illegible)

Capt. and deputy Airfield-commander.

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: **Hq, Local Air Base A (e) 9/III, Porev**

PLACE: **P O R E V**

DATE: **2 345 hrs**

REGARDING: **CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, **Liberator****
~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ AT: **Dassin, 12 km southeast Bauth, 4 August 1944, 1430**

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

FIRST NAME: **Jaron McKinley Jr. Rank: 2nd Lt.**

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) **0- 76 79 68**

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

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: **near Volgast, 18 km west Stralsund**

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: **Hq, Local Air Base A (e) 9/III, Parov**

PLACE: **PAROV**

DATE: **2345 hrs**

REGARDING: **CRASH: (DOWNSD) OF, Liberator**

EN. LANDING: AT: Russia, 12 km southeast Barth, 4 August 1944, 1430

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

FIRST NAME: **Donald Dean** Rank: **Sgt.**

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) **19 11 13 10**

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

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: **Saar Volgast, 18 km west Stralsund**

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCESPOST: **Hq, Local Air Base A (c) 9/III**PLACE: **P E R O V**DATE: **1830 hrs**REGARDING: **CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, ?****XXXXXXXXXX AT: ? , 4 August 1944, time unknown**NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) **LEWIS**FIRST NAME: **Sanford Allen** Rank: **Cpl.**SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) **35 75 89 25**RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) **captured**PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: **near Barth**

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: **Hq, Local Air Base A (c) G/III, Porew**

PLACE: **P A P O W**

DATE: **2345 hrs**

REGARDING: **CRASH: (DOWNED) OF Liberator**
circumstances AT Bussia, 12 km southeast Barth, 4 August 1944, 1430

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

FIRST NAME: **Robert Raymond** Rank: **Sgt.**

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) **36 74 17 69**

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

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: **near Volgast, 18 km west Stralsund**

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

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POST: Hq, Local Air Base 9/III, Paris

PLACE: P A R I S

DATE: 2345 hrs

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, LiberatorAT: XXXXXXXXXX Bussin, 12 km southeast Berth, 4 August 1944, 1430

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

CAER

FIRST NAME:

William

Rank: Sgt.

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

16 12 19 10

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

captured, unwounded

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

near Valgast, 18 km west Stralsund

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

MACR 7707
~~7706~~

TRACK CHART

DATE 4 May 1947

TARGETS
 PRIMARY Peenemünde, Germany

INTERFERED ROUTE FOLLOWED BY 34th Bomb Group
15th AF

