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CASUALTY REPORT ON ALLIED AVIATORS No: 45 (5. FEBR. 44 - 22. FEBR. 1944)

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REGARDING DOWNED BOMBING FORTRESS

NO:	RANK:	SURNAME:	FIRSTNAME:	A.S.N.	DATE OF BURIAL:	LOCATION OF GRAVE:	PLACE AND TIME AIRCRAFT WAS DOWNED:
	OFFICER	DEARBORN	GALEY. W.	0-811577	24. FEBR. 44 AT 1400	GATH. CEMETERY AT OETTEN RATH, DISTRICT GREVEN, BROICH SECTION FOR P.W. GRAVE No: 1	42 [illegible] DISTRICT [illegible] BROICH. 22. FEB. 44 AT 1545

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Case 5877 (SGT.	LOEFVEL	VINCENT	~~[illegible]~~ 32769644 5	24FEBR. 44 10.00	KIA	CEMETERY OF M + GLADBACH SECT, FOR PW. GRAVE NO: 393	MARZWEILER DISTR. GREVENBROICH 22. FEBR. 44 AT 15.5
SGT.	ODELL	E.H. ENOS H.	UNKNOWN	24.FEBR.44 10.00	KIA	CEMETERY SAME AS ABOVE GRAVE NO: 394	
Case 5877 (SGT.	SLAGELE	JACK SLAGLE, JACK A.	~~[illegible]~~ 14161847	24. FEBR. 44	KIA	CEMETERY SAME AS ABOVE GRAVE NO: 395	
SGT.	SANDERS	W.R. WILBUR R.	18189025	24. FEBR. 44	KIA	CEMETERY SAME AS ABOVE GRAVE NO: 396	

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Kin 929 Rus 3945 Feb. 22, 1944 Forbes

Mazey, Paul Lansing, F/O
born June 2, 1920
Ident. Tag: T-122 317
Taken Prisoner

Rowan, Richard Edwin, S/Ldr.
Ident. Tag: B 102 376
Taken Prisoner

Pringle, Frank George, 2nd Lt.
born April 28, 1916
Ident. Tag: O-735 814
Taken Prisoner

Moffat, James, 2nd Lt.
Ident. Tag: O-80# 710
Taken Prisoner

Lieffel, Vincent, Sgt.
Ident. Tag: 3 2 765-6##
Dead

O'Dell, E. H. Sgt. Dead

Slagle, Jack, Sgt.
Ident. Tag: 14161847
Dead

Pvt 39455

Sanders, H. R. Sgt

Identified 18 189025

German Captured Records.

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RANK:	SURNAME:	FIRSTNAME	A.S.N.	DATE OF BURIAL	LOCATION OF GRAVE:	PLACE AND TIME AIRCRAFT WAS DOWNED:
Sgt.	DEMARCO	FRANK	32539248	25. FEBR. 44 AT 9,000	CATH. CEMETERY OF LINICH SECTION FOR P.W. SOUTH EASTERN PART GRAVE NO: I	UEBACH NEAR IMMEINDORF DISTRICT GEILENKIRCHEN. 22. FEBR. 44 AT 1600
SGT.	LOEFFEL	VINCENT	32763644	24 FEBR. 44 10.00	CEMETERY OF M* GLADBACH SECT, FOR PW. GRAVE NO.393	GARTZWEILER DISTR, GREVENBROICH 22 FEBR. 44 AT 15.5
SGT.	ODELL	E.H.	UNKNOWN	24. FEBR. 44 10.00	CEMETERY SAME AS ABOVE GRAVE NO: 394	
SGT.	SLAGELE	JACK	74161847	24 FEBR. 44	CEMETERY SAME AS ABOVE GRAVE NO. 395	
SGT.	SANDERS	W.R.	18189025	24 FEBR. 44	CEMETERY SAME AS ABOVE NO. 396	

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File in Man on Slagle, Jack A. 14161847

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Date MAR 15 1946

HEADQUARTERS AAF STATION 107
303RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
APO 634 - US ARMY

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 Molesworth ; Command or Air Force 8th A.F.
Group 303rd ; Squadron 358th ; Detachment ------
2. SPECIFY: Point of Departure Molesworth ; Course See attached chart
Intended Destination Aschersleben ; Type of Mission Bombardment
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED:
6-9/10 Stratocumulus clouds. Visibility good.
4. GIVE: (a) Date 22Feb.44 Time 1415 ; and Location 51°40'N-10°40'E. Approximate of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.
(b) Specify whether (X) Last Sighted; ( ) Last contacted by Radio; ( ) Forced down; ( ) Seen to Crash; or ( ) Information not Available.
5. AIRCRAFT WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF: (Check only one) ( ) Enemy Action; ( ) Enemy Anti-Aircraft; (X) Other Circumstances as follows Reasons unknown. #1 and #2 engines were smoking after passing through area of A/A gunfire. A/C was under control and descending when last seen.
6. AIRCRAFT: Type, Model and Series B17-F ; A.A.F. Serial Number 42-5052 (427th)
7. ENGINES: Type, Model and Series R1820-97 A.A.F. Serial Number (a) 42-79261
(b) 43-57840 ; (c) 41-56146 ; (d) 43-60452
8. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial Number)
(a) ; (b) ; (c) ; (d)
(e) ; (f) See attached sheet. ; (g) ; (h)
9. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty X
or (b) Non-Battle Casualty
10. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 10 ; Passengers 0 ; Total 10
(Starting with Pilot, furnish the following particulars; If more than 10 persons were aboard aircraft, list similar particulars on separate sheet and attach original to this form).

	Crew Position	Name in Full (Last name first)		Rank	Serial Number
RTD 1.	Pilot	MOFFAT JAMES (NMI)	0	2nd Lt.	0-804710
RTD 2.	Co-Pilot	PRINGLE, FRANK G.	0	2nd Lt.	0-735814
KIA 3.	Navigator	DEARBORN, GAYLE M.	1	2nd Lt.	0-811577
RTD 4.	Bombardier	MAZEY, PAUL L.	0	F/O	T-122317
RTD 5.	Engineer - T.T.G.	ROWAN, RICHARD E.	0	S/Sgt.	13102376
KIA 6.	Asst. Eng. & LWG	SANDERS, WILBUR R.	4	Sgt.	18189025
KIA 7.	Radio Operator	ODELL, ENOS H.	3	Sgt.	32836694
KIA 8.	Asst. Rad. Op & BTG	LOFFEL, VINCENT C.	2	Sgt.	32765644
KIA 9.	Right Waist Gunner	SLAGLE, JACK A.	5	Sgt.	14161847
RTD 10.	Tail Gunner	FIZZANI, NICHOLAS J.	0	Sgt.	13125131

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

Check Only One Column

Name in Full (Last name first)	Rank	Serial Number	Contacted By Radio	Last Sighted	Saw Crash	Saw Forced Landing
1.	---------					
2.						
3.						

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) ------
13. ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN. See chart attached.
14. ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT.---------
15. ATTACH A DESCRIPTION OF THE EXTENT OF SEARCH, IF ANY, AND GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE HERE ------

Date of Report 24 February 1944

Jesse M. Barrett, Maj
(Signature of Preparing Officer)
JESSE M. BARRETT, Major, A.C., Group S-2.

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INSTALLED WEAPONS (Make, Type and Serial Number) of A/C 42-5052 (427th)

378297	Frigidaire Corp G.M.
378248	" " "
752138	Colt Patent Firearms
752256	" " "
391661	Frigidaire Corp G.M.
366430	" " "
311360	" " "
365540	" " "
506213	Savage Arms Co.
473463	" " "
366386	Frigidaire Corp G.M.
214712	Spark Plug Div G.M.

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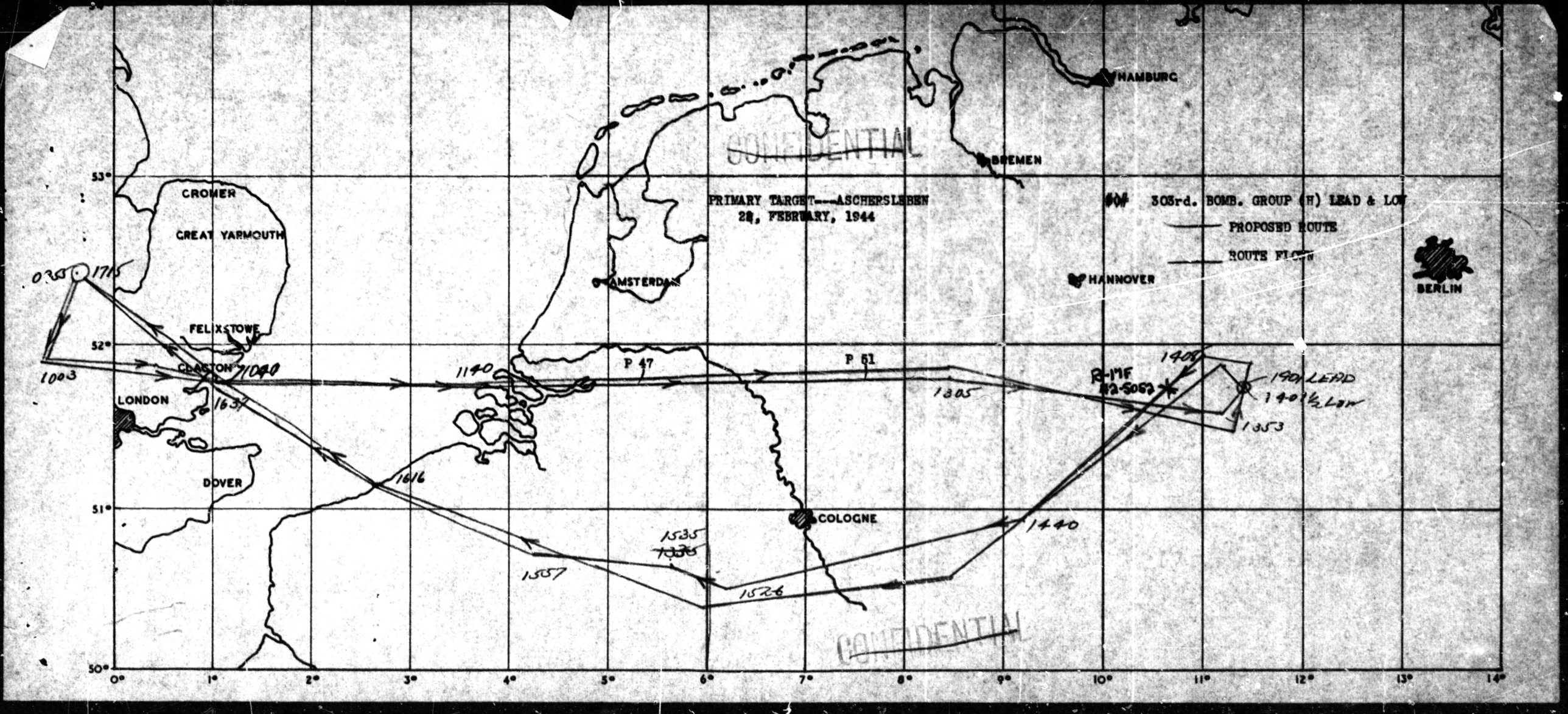
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PRIMARY TARGET---ASCHERSLEBEN
28, FEBRUARY, 1944
303rd. BOMB. GROUP (H) LEAD & LOW
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HANNOVER
BERLIN
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LONDON
DOVER
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GREAT YARMOUTH
FELIXSTOWE
COLCHESTER
P 47
P 51
R-17F
42-5057
1900 LEAD
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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: SLAGLE, Jack A.
Rank: Sgt
Serial number: 14161847
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~[illegible]~~: Right Waist Gunner

Did he bail out? No

Where? CRASHED-LANDED - DUSSELDORF

If not, why not? BELEIVE TO BE KILLED IN PLANE

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: He WAS GIVING ME POSITION OF FIGHTERS.- THEN-INTERPHONE WENT-OUT

Was he injured? NO

Where was he when last seen? IN-SAME-BARN-WITH-ME - HE-WAS DEAD.

Any heresay information: THE GERMANS - TOLD ME - HE WAS IN PLANE - CRASH - THAT WAS ALL. THEY-ALSO TOLD ME HE WAS DEAD. THEY-SAID-THE BOYS WOULD BE-BURRIED NEAR-THAT TOWN.

Source: "NO KNOWLEDGE"

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

Total number of missions of above crew members: THREE "3"

Dates and destinations if possible; Feb. 20, 1944 - BERNBURG
Feb. 21, 1944 - WERL
Feb. 22, 1944 - OSCHERSLEBEN

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INDIVIDUAL CASULATY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: LOHFM, Vincent C.
Rank: Sgt
Serial number: 32765644
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~[illegible]~~: Asst Radio Oper. and Ball Turret Gunner

Did he bail out? NO

Where? CRASHED - LANDED - DÜSSELDORF.

If not, why not? BELIEVE TO BE KILLED-IN PLANE

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: I ASKED HIM - IF HE WAS - COLD AND HE LAUGHED IT OFF.

Was he injured? NO

Where was he when last seen? IN SAME BARN WITH ME - HE WAS DEAD.

Any heresay information: SAME AS IN FIRST SHEET.

Source: "NO KNOWLEDGE"

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: THREE "3"

Dates and destinations if possible; FEB-20, 1944 BERNBURG
FEB-21, 1944 WERL
FEB-22, 1944 OSCHERSLEBEN

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INDIVIDUAL CASULATY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: ODELL, Rees H.
Rank: Sgt
Serial number: 32836694
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~Co-Pilot (Fighter)~~ Radio Operator

Did he bail out? NO

Where? CRASHED - LANDED - IN - DÜSSEL DORF

If not, why not? BELEIVE TO BE KILLED IN PLANE

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: HE - WAS GETTING A POSITION - REPORT ON OUR WHERE ABOUTS

Was he injured? NO

Where was he when last seen? IN - SAME BARN WITH ME - DEAD.

Any hersesy information: SAME AS IN FIRST SHEET

Source: "NO KNOWLEDGE"

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: THREE "3"

Dates and destinations if possible; FEB - 20, 1944 BERNBURG
FEB - 21, 1944 WERL
FEB - 22, 1944 OSCHERLEBEN

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INDIVIDUAL CASULATY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: SANDERS, Wilbur R.
Rank: Sgt
Serial number: 18189025
Position: Crew (Bomber) Asst Eng and Left Waist Gunner

Did he bail out? NO

Where? CRASHED-LANDED-IN DUSSELDORF.

If not, why not? BELEIVE TO BE KILLED-IN PLANE

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: I-TOLD HIM-TO KEEP-A-LOOK-OUT WHILE-I-FIXED-MY GUNS. HE-SAID-O.K. THE-HE-GIVE ME-A-POSITION-OF THE L. PLANES

Was he injured?

Where was he when last seen? IN-SAME-BARN WITH ME- DEAD

Any heresay information: SAME-AS-IN-FIRST SHEET

Source: NO KNOWLEDGE

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: THREE

Dates and destinations if possible; FEB-20, 1944 BERNBURG
FEB-21, 1944 WERL
FEB-22, 1944 OSCHERSLEBEN

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INDIVIDUAL CASULATY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: DEARBORN, Gayle W.
Rank: 2nd Lt.
Serial number: 0-811577
Position: Crew (Bomber) Navigator

Did he bail out? YES

Where? NEAR - DUSSELDORF

If not, why not?

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: HE-CALLED PILOT-AND-GAVE-POSSITION-THE-TOLD-PILOT-TO-LOWER-WHEELS

Was he injured? NO

Where was he when last seen? BEFORE-TAKE-OFF. ON THAT MISSION.

Any heresay information: THE GERMANS TOLD ME - HIS PARACHUTE - DID - NOT OPEN. THE INTERAGATOR.

Source: "NO KNOWLEDGE"

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: THREE "3"

Dates and destinations if possible; FEB-20, 1944 - BERNBURG.
FEB-21, 1944 - WERL
FEB 22, 1944 - OSCHERSLEBEN

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CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name NICHOLAS J. FIZZANI Rank S/SGT Serial No. 13125131

2. Organization 303 Gp Commander X (full name) Rank X Sqn CO X (full name) Rank X

3. What year 1944 month FEB day 24 did you go down?

4. What was the mission, OSCHERSLEBEN, target, [redacted], target time, 12:00 AM, altitude, 20,000 route scheduled, X X, route flown X

5. Where were you when you left formation? 10 MINUTES FROM TARGET-RETURN

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". [redacted]. MAZEY-BAIL-OUT "NO KNOWLEDGE." [redacted] ROWAN-BAILOUT - "NO KNOWLEDGE" MOFFAT BAIL OUT "NO KNOWLEDGE" PRINGLE - BAIL-OUT

9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? DÜSSELDORF

10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) SLAGLE; J.A.; LOEFFEL; V.C.; O'DELL, E.H.; SANDERS, W.A.;

11. Where were they in aircraft? I BELEIVE NEAR THEIR POSSITION

12. What was their condition? "NO KNOWLEDGE

13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? TED-ROWAN - IN PRISON CAMP STALAG LUFT VI "6" HYDEKRUG-EAST PRUSSIA ABOUT- APRIL -1944. IN FAIR CONDITION

14. Please give any similar information on personnel of any other crew of which you have knowledge. Indicate source of information. "NO KNOWLEDGE"

(Any additional information may be written on the back) a - 1.

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2nd Lt. James Moffat	RMC	Mrs. Mary Moffat, 3516 Woodland Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland.	(Wife)
2nd Lt. Frank O. Pringle	RMC	Mrs. Matie E. Pringle, 2024 Eighth Avenue, Oakland, California.	(Wife)
2nd Lt. Gayle W. Dearborn	KIA	Mrs. Jeanne S. Dearborn, 1000 Lake Avenue, Wilmette, Illinois.	(Wife)
Flight Officer Paul L. Mazey	EUS	Mrs. Lucille B. Mazey, Box 382, White Sulphur Springs, W. Virginia.	(Mother)
Sgt. Wilbur R. Sanders	KIA	Mrs. Mary R. Sanders, Box 367, Hempstead, Texas.	(Mother)
S/Sgt. Richard E. Rowan	EUS	Mrs. Ruth C. Rowan, 406 Davidson Street, Cumberland, Maryland.	(Mother)
Sgt. Enos H. Odell	KIA	Mrs. Mae L. Odell, Sanitaria Springs, New York.	(Wife)
Sgt. Vincent C. Loeffel	DNIA	Mrs. Anne Loeffel, 846 Bergen Avenue, Jersey City, New Jersey.	(Wife)
Sgt. Jack A. Slagle	DED	Mrs. Bertha A. Slagle, 807 Tipton Street, Elizabethton, Tennessee.	(Mother)
Sgt. Nicholas J. Fizzani	EUS	Mrs. Rocco Fizzani, 245 Fairview Road, Crum Lynne, Pennsylvania.	(Mother)