

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 Molesworth, Eng Command or Air Force 8th A. F.
Group 303rd B.(H); Squadron 360th; Detachment _____
2. SPECIFY: Place of Departure Molesworth, Eng.; Course See Attached Chart.
Target or Intended Destination Magdeburg, Ger.; Type of Mission Bombardment.
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED: 8-10/10ths
cumulus clouds, tops 16-18,000 feet, Visibility unrestricted.
4. GIVE: (a) Day 28 Month September Year 1944 Time 1150 Location See Par. 17
of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.
(b) Specify whether aircraft was 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 B-17C; AAF Serial Number 42-97893
7. NICKNAME OF AIRCRAFT, if Any Minnie The Moocher.
8. ENGINES: Type, Model and Series R-1820-97; AAF Serial Number (a) 43-58369; (b) SW-013806; (c) SW-018320; (d) 313
9. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial Number);
(a) 1196454 S. A.; (b) 1196561 S. A.; (c) 1196198 S. A.; (d) 1196251 S. A.; (e) 1195829 S. A.; (f) 1196218 S. A.; (g) 119513 S. A.; (h) 1195141 S. A.; (i) 1196080 S. A.; (j) 1196507 S. A.; (k) 1196331 S. A.; (l) 1197860 S. A.; (m) _____; (n) _____; (o) _____; (p) _____
10. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty of (b) Non Battle Casualty _____
11. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 9; Passengers 0; Total 9
(Starting with Pilot, furnish the following particulars: If more than 11 persons were aboard aircraft, list similar particulars on separate sheet and attach original to this form.)

Crew Position	Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Current Status
1. Pilot	<u>MATTHESON, JOHN A.</u>	<u>4 2nd Lt.</u>	<u>0-764057</u>	<u>Kia MIA</u>
2. Co-Pilot	<u>JOHNSON, JAMES C.</u>	<u>3 2nd Lt.</u>	<u>0-770677</u>	<u>Kia MIA</u>
3. Navigator	<u>GOULD, CHARLES L.</u>	<u>2nd Lt.</u>	<u>0-723350</u>	<u>RTD MIA</u>
4. Bombardier	<u>HAMANN, LORAN W.</u>	<u>2nd Lt.</u>	<u>0-772050</u>	<u>RTD MIA</u>
5. Top Turret	<u>SMITH, JIMMIE R.</u>	<u>5 S/Sgt.</u>	<u>37656303</u>	<u>Kia MIA</u>
6. Radio Gunner	<u>JEAMBEY, LEO B.</u>	<u>POV S/Sgt.</u>	<u>17113692</u>	<u>RTD MIA</u>
7. Ball Turret	<u>HAGAN, LLOYD D.</u>	<u>0 Sgt.</u>	<u>15313599</u>	<u>Kia MIA</u>
8. Waist Gunner	<u>FREDENBURG, WILLIAM E.</u>	<u>Sgt.</u>	<u>19175185</u>	<u>RTD MIA</u>
9. Tail Gunner	<u>COUGHLIN, CHARLES R.</u>	<u>1 Sgt.</u>	<u>11128354</u>	<u>Kia MIA</u>
10.				
11.				

12. 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	Check Only One Column			
			Contacted by Radio	Last Sighted	Saw Crash	Saw Forced Landing
1. <u>See Par. 17.</u>						
2. _____						
3. _____						

(Over)

Margate
DD-2-43
DD-1-1470
Kia
DD-2-34
DD-2-41

Serial 11

13. 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. 17.

14. ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN OR HEARD FROM. See Attached Chart.

15. ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT. See Par. 17.

16. GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE OF SEARCH, IF ANY, INCLUDING DESCRIPTION AND EXTENT None.

Date of Report 1 October 1944

Jesse M. Barrett
(Signature of Preparing Officer)

JESSE M. BARRETT,
Major, AC,
Group S-2.

17. REMARKS OR EYEWITNESS STATEMENTS:

The missing A/C was flying in the low squadron of the Group. There were twelve A/C in the squadron, of which only two returned to base. The remainder are missing. The formation was subjected to severe and intense fighter attacks about 1150 hours in the vicinity of the I. P. which was $52^{\circ}11'N-10^{\circ}35'E$. It is definitely established that the missing A/C was lost due to these attacks, but no one can be found who can say definitely what happened to this A/C. The crews of the two A/C in the low squadron which did return and the crews of the A/C in the lead and high squadrons have been able to furnish some information with respect to certain of the missing A/C but none as to this one. Statements can be obtained that an A/C was seen to go down under certain circumstances, but since they cannot be tied definitely to any particular A/C which was lost, they have been omitted.

NOV 20 1944



RECEIVED

J 2166

MAER 9413

B-17

9 men crew

AAF 42-97893

28 Sept 49

KU 3035

MAER
9413
KU 1042A

7.) 1300 at Schlader, 15 km NE east of Goslar. 1 B-17, 98% loss.
Markings: M star, Ser. Nr.: A F 4297893.
1 prisoner, 3 dead, the other at large. Search on the way.
Goslar in charge of salvage.

Air Base Headquarters A 25/II
Coalar

Coalar, 29 September 1944

To
Research Center West
Cherwell

Inclosed the Local Command Coalar delivers following effect without knowledge of to whom they belong:

- 2 Identification Tags Lorin W Hamann Nr. O-772050 T 43 44 A
- 1 Ring
- 1 Wrist Watch
- 1 Bracelet
- 1 Pair of Gloves (silk)
- 1 Piece of paper with notes
- 1 opened Escape Kit with 1 Sew, 2 Escape Maps, 2000 Fra.
- 1 Glove
- 1 Sew
- 1 Pocket Book with Notes, 1 Madail, 1 Rosary, 1 Prayer Book
- 3 Pieces of paper with notes
- 1 Bracelet with the inscription: Robert Christopherson
- 2 Combs
- 2 Pocket Knives
- 3 Packages with Notes
- 1 Pencil
- 1 Celluloid Container with 10 Shilling, 1 Identification Card
1 Dictionary
- 1 Package, containing a Morphium Set
- 1 Battery
- 1 Package Notes
- 1 BOTTLE, Bottle, containing a Drug
- 1 Pair of Gloves (silk)
- 4 Escape Kits (unopened)
- 3 Escape Packages

ma - 28 Sept 44
Ev
Air Corps

(signed)

Captain and Spec. Serv. Off.

Air Base Headquarters A 26/XI
Geolar

Geolar, 29 September 1944

Subject: Capture of Enemy Aircrew, that parachuted on 28 September 1944.

To
Research Center West
Cherwell

The Service Command delivers 3 captured Enemy Flyers, captured on 28 September 1944 in Noersum and Hornburg at noon.

a) TIME OF CAPTURE: 28 September 1944 at noon
PLACE OF CAPTURE: Noersum and Hornburg

b) NAME	FIRST NAME	RANK	SER. NO.
9772- Archipoli Jeambey	Angelo A	2nd/Lt	0-712474 T 43 44 0
Jeambey	Leo E.	Sgt	17113692 T 43 44 A
McGraw ✓	Glaude ✓	Sgt	35451762 T 43 45 0

c) DISPOSITION OF THE OTHER CREWMEMBERS: unknown
d) TYPE OF PLANE: probably Boeing
e) ADMITTANCE NO.: unknown
f) CRASH OF PLANE: unknown

McGraw MIA 28 Sep 44
POW
EUS

Jeambey - MIA - 28 Sep 44
RMC
EUS

MACR 9413

(signed)

Captain and Spec. Serv. Off.

Jeambey
9/28

Ret MACR's on two men above

TELEGRAM FORM

DISTANCE - MESSAGE

-OBERURSEL-

NAME OF DISTANCE-MESSAGE WRITER:

LSOU SI

ACCEPTED:

DELIVERED:

RECEIVED:

DATE:-

TIME:

TO:

DATE:

1 October 1944

THROUGH:

TIME:

1855

ROLL:

FROM:

LSNB

THROUGH:

Fans

REMARKS:

A LNSL 13 1/10 1940 - To Research Center West Oberursel.-
 Ref. D/(Air) 2706/07.- Subject: Capture of parachuted Enemy Aircrew-Members
 on 16 August 1944.

The Air Base Headquarters Geolar reports:

A) 30 September 1944 near Haynburg/Geolar, Gerddeckenrode § near Vienenburg

B) Hannan, Levin W Lt/ 0-772080 F 43 44 A KU 1042 A

Fredenburg, William, Sgt 19178185 F 43 44 A KU 1042 A

Killer, Ray Alton, Sgt ASN 33508887.- KU 3063

C) unknown

D) unknown

E) probably Boeing B 17

F) unknown

G) unknown

Air Base Headquarters A 28/AI Local Command Geolar signed Panknic Captain

FORM 1

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Air Base Headquarters A 26/XI
 PLAC: Goslar
 DATE: 30 September 1944
 REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, Boeing
 EM. LANDING: AT:
 NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) H A H A H H RANK: Lt.
 FIRST NAME: Lorin / W
 SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) O-772050 T 43 44 A
 RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) captured, wounded
 PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: 28 September 1944 near Hornburg
 NAME OF HOSPITAL:
 PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

Air Base Headquarters & 26/XI
Geelar

Geelar, 1 October 1944

Subject: Capture of Enemy Aircrew Members Parachuted on 30 September 1944.

To
Research Center West
Oberursel

The Service Command delivers 2 captured Enemy Flyers who were parachuted on 30 September 1944/ near Geelar and Geddockenrode/Vienenburg.

a) TIME OF CAPTURE: 30 September 1944
PLACE OF CAPTURE: Geelar and Geddockenrode/Vienenburg

b) NAME	FIRST NAME	RANK:	SER. NR.
Fredeburg	William	Sgt	19175185 T 43 44 A
Miller	Ray Alton	Sgt	ASN 33508887

e) DISPOSITION OF THE OTHER CREWMEN: unknown
 d) MARKINGS: unknown
 c) TYPE OF PLANE: 1. probably boeing B 17 2. unknown
 f) ADMITTANCE NR. unknown
 g) CRASH OF PLANE: unknown

(signed)

Captain and Spec. Serv. Off.

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: **Air Base Headquarters A 26/XI**

PLACE: **Goslar**

DATE: **30 September 1944**

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, **Boeing**

EM. LANDING: AT: **.**

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) **H A N A H H** RANK: **Lt**

FIRST NAME: **Lorin W**

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) **0-772050 T 43 44 A**

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

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: **30 September 1944 near Harnburg**

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

(signed)**Captain and Spec. Serv. Off.**

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: **Air Base Headquarters A 26/XI**

PLACE: **Geolar**

DATE: **30 September 1944**

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, **Boeing B 17 near Gooddeckenrode/Vienenburg**
EM. LANDING: AT: **-**

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) **FREDBERG** RANK: **Sgt**

FIRST NAME: **William E.**

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) **19175185 T 43 44 A**

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

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

NAME OF HOSPITAL: **Garrison Hospital Achtermann**

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT

WAS SHOT DOWN 28 September 1944 1500 hrs.

CASUALTY NO.

EU 3072

PLACE OF CRASH

Schloden near Hornburg

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT

Perseus

REPORTING OFFICER

H. Air Base Goring

NAME	RANK	SERIAL NUMBER	CAPT'D WOUNDED DEAD	PLACE OF INTERMENT		
DU PONT	John J.	Officer	0-763121	dead	<i>from 1103 or 1105 (see 2/24) Munich</i>	
JOHNSON	James C.		0-770677	dead		grave 1095
MATHESON	John A.	0-764057		dead		grave 1099
SMITH	Jimmy R.		37656303	dead		grave 1096
COLE	Lorne R.		19094014	dead		grave 1102
COUGHLIN	Charles R.		11128354	dead		grave 1093
HAGAN	Lloyd V.	15313599	dead	dead		grave 1097

Sectory Schloden

REMARKS:

Balag Luft, 29 November 1944 Kr.

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT
WAS SHOT DOWN

26 Sep. 1944

CASUALTY NO.

KU 1042 A

PLACE OF CRASH

Goslar

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT

Fortress

REPORTING OFFICE

Goslar

NAME	RANK	SERIAL NUMBER	CAPT'D WOUNDED DEAD	PLACE OF INTERNMENT
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HAMANN, Lorin William

2/Lt.

G-772050

captured

Dulag-Luft West

FREDENBURG, William Emerson

Sgt.

19175185

"

"

Downing No. KU 1042 A

GOULD, Charles L.

2/Lt.

G-723350

"

"

REMARKS:

Dulag-Luft, 26 Oct. 1944 No.

MFCR 9413
B-17
AAF 42-97893
9 men

28
Date: 26 Sept 44
Place: ~~Goiler~~
Type of craft: Fortress
Markings: -----
360 (HCo)Sqd.
303 Group

Rank: Name: KU 1042 H

2nd Lt.	MATHESON,		Ø
2nd Lt.	JOHNSON,		
2nd Lt.	GOULD, Charles L.	: 0-723350	.
2nd Lt.	HAMANN, Lorin William	: 0-772050	.
Sgt.	SMITH,		
Sgt.	JAMBLY, (or JAMBLY), Leo E	: 17113692	
Sgt.	COUGHIN,		
Sgt.	HAGAN,		
Sgt.	FREDENBURG, William Emerson,	: 19175185	.

MAR 9413

MAR 9413
B-17
9 man crew
AAF# 42-97893

DATE: 28 September 1944 AT: 1300

PLACE: Schladen near Hornburg
south of Braunschweig

TYPE OF CRAFT: Fortress

MARKINGS: 4297893

360th (HBe) Sq. 303rd Group

TARGET: Airbase Goslar

RANK	NAME	K U 3051
	DU PONT, John J. (dead)	ASN: 0-763121
1095	JOHNSON, James G. (dead)	ASN: 0-770677
1099	MATHESON, John W. (dead)	ASN: 0-764057
1098	SMITH, Jimmie R. (dead)	ASN: 37656303
1102 9409	COLE, Lorne R. (dead)	ASN: 19094014
1093	COUGHLIN, Charles R. (dead)	ASN: 11128354
1092 9413	HAGAN, Lloyd V. (dead)	ASN: 15313599
	GOULD, Whelan ?	
	WALKER, W alphon ?	
	9408 ? - LAY ?	

Name of the dead according to Buna.
5 dead buried at cemetery of Schladen.

John J. Du Pont, 0763121, was the pilot of a
P-51 (mustang) - KIA 28 Sep 44

Handwritten notes:
MAY 1944
1092 9413
1093 9413
1095 9413
1099 9413
1102 9409
1098 9413
1098 9413
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1102 9409
1093 9413
1092 9413

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Air [redacted] Headquarters A 26/XI

PLACE: Air Field Command G o s l a r

DATE: 29 Sept 1944

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, presumably Boeing

EM. LANDING: AT: ./.

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) McGraw

FIRST NAME: Claude

*ma 28 Sept 44
EAS
air Corps*

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) 35431732 T 42-43 0

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) captured

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: Boerssum north of Hornburg on 28 Sept 1944, 1145 hours

NAME OF HOSPITAL: ./.

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT: ./.

*MACR
9406
9413*

Identification Tags

James C. Johnson, O 770677

John J. Du Pont, O 763121

Jimmie R. Smith, 37656303

Lorne R. Cole, 19094041

Coughlin, Charles, 11128354 Enlisted Man's Pass, Rapid City Air Base card

Hagan Lloyd D., 15313599, Authorization ofr Allotment of Pay, Individual Issue

Record

2nd Lt. John A. Matheson

Mrs. Myrtle A. Matheson, (Mother)
4625 18th Street,
San Francisco, California.

2nd Lt. James C. Johnson

Mr. John E. Johnson, (Father)
417 South Second Street,
Lindsborg, Kansas.

2nd Lt. Charles L. Gould

Mrs. Eleanor A. Gould, (Wife)
145 Manor Avenue,
Westbury, Long Island, New York.Mr. Paul Gould, (Father)
304 Broadway,
New York, New York.

2nd Lt. Marvin W. Hennam

Mr. Harvey Hennam, (Father)
Saint Olaf, Iowa.

S/sgt. Jimmie R. Smith

Mrs. Ross R. Smith, (Mother)
Route One,
Wesley, Iowa.

S/sgt. Leo R. Jeanbey

Mrs. Evelyn A. Jeanbey, (Wife)
315 Division Street,
Mount Pleasant, Iowa.

Sgt. Lloyd D. Hagen

Mr. John H. Hagen, (Father)
Huron, Ohio.

Sgt. William B. Frodenburg

Mrs. Selma E. Frodenburg, (Mother)
1942 Kalmor Avenue,
Norwalk, California.

Sgt. Charles R. Coughlin

Mr. Charles J. Coughlin, (Father)
729 Sunnerville Street,
Manchester, New Hampshire.

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: HAGAN, Lloyd D.
Rank: Sgt.
Serial number: 15 313 599
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~Navigator (Navigator)~~: Ball Turret

File # 9413

Did he bail out? NO Knowledge

Where? _____

If not, why not? _____

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

Was he injured? No Knowledge

Where was he when last seen? Ball turret

Any hearsay information: NO

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: NO

Total number of missions of above crew member: FIVE

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

File # 9413

Name of crew member: **S M I T H , Jimmie R.**
Rank: **S/Sgt.**
Serial number: **57 655 303**
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~non-Fighter (Fighter)~~: **Top Turret**

Did he bail out? No Knowledge

Where? _____

If not, why not? _____

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

Oxygen Check

Was he injured? No Knowledge

Where was he when last seen? Top Turret

Any hearsay information: No

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: No

Total number of missions of above crew member: Five

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: **J O H N S O N , James C.**
Rank: **2nd Lt.**
Serial number: **O-770 577**
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~Navigator (Navigator)~~: **Co-Pilot**

File # 9413

Did he bail out? No Knowledge

Where? _____

If not, why not? _____

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

oxygen

Was he injured? No Knowledge

Where was he when last seen? co-pilot position

Any hearsay information: no

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: no

Total number of missions of above crew member: Five

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: **NATHANSON, John A.**
Rank: **2nd Lt.**
Serial number: **0-764 057**
Position: Crew (Bomber ~~Navigator (Navigator)~~): **Pilot**

File # 9413

Did he bail out? no Knowledge

Where? _____

If not, why not? _____

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

Oxygen check

Was he injured? no Knowledge

Where was he when last seen? pilots position

Any hearsay information: no

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: no

Total number of missions of above crew member: Five

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name LORIN W. HAMANN Rank 2ND Lt Serial No. 0-772050
2. Organization AAF Gp Commander ? Rank Col. Sqd CO ? Rank MAJOR
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month SEPT day 28 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, MAGDENBURG, target, MAGDENBURG, target time, 12:30, altitude, 26,000 route scheduled, ??
route flown as scheduled
5. Where were you when you left formation? over I.P.
6. Did you bail out? No
7. Did other members of crew bail out? YES, WAIST GUNNER, + RADIO OPERATOR
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". NAVIGATOR + MYSELF WERE BLOWN OUT OF THE SHIP. OTHERS NO KNOWLEDGE
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? No Knowledge
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) SHIP BLEW UP AT ABOUT 24,000 FT.
11. Where were they in aircraft? tail, Ball turret, pilot, co-pilot, ENGI. Needs positions.
12. What was their condition? No Knowledge
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? No Knowledge
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)

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: **MATHESSON, John A.**
 Rank: **2nd Lt.**
 Serial number: **O-764 057**
 Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~2nd Pilot~~ (Pilot): **Pilot**

File # **9413**Did he bail out? No.Where? Over BrunswickIf not, why not? Plane was in a spin, and he was the pilot anyway.Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: none
except to tell us to keep cool and try and get a few of the PW'sWas he injured? No definite knowledge.Where was he when last seen? at his positionAny hearsay information: none

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: As I explained f
for the co-pilot, about six 20's went off in the cockpit. If this
didnt kill him, when the ship blew up, he did not have his chute on.
Some of these men might have been saved if our group had handed
out back packs instead of only chest type chuted.

Total number of missions of above crew member: _____

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: **J O H N S O N , James C.**
 Rank: **2nd Lt.**
 Serial number: **O-770 577**
 Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~: **Co-Pilot**

File # 9413

Did he bail out? No.

Where? Brunswick

If not, why not? Plane was in a tight spin.

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: no contact

Was he injured? No knowledge.

Where was he when last seen? At his position of Co-pilot.

Any hearsay information: none

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: I stood quite near ~~him~~ the bulkhead in front of the two pilots while firing and navigating, and I heard about six twenty millimeters go through the fuselage just behind me and explode in the cockpit. I imagine ~~Johnson was killed instantly, or else if not, when the plane exploded, since he couldnt wear a chest type chute in his position and our group wasn't handing out any back packs.~~

Total number of missions of above crew member: 5 dont remember.

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: SMITH, Jimmie R. File # 9413
 Rank: S/Sgt.
 Serial number: 37 656 203
 Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~Fighter (Eighteen)~~: Top Turret

Did he bail out? No.

Where? Over Brunswick

If not, why not? Plane was in a tight spin.

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: Smith
acknowledged location of fighters attacking formation

Was he injured? No definite knowledge.

Where was he when last seen? At his position.

Any hearsay information: None

Source: -----

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: The plane
spun in to about 12,000 and then blew up. Smith was not able to
wear his chute in his position, so it was impossible that he could
have gotten it on in time. When the plane blew up, he must have
just gone down without a chute.

Total number of missions of above crew member: 5.

Dates and destinations if possible: Ludwigshaven, Brux, Hertshegebush, Hamm
Osnabruck

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: HAGAN, Lloyd D. File # 9413
 Rank: Sgt.
 Serial number: 15 322 839
 Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~and~~ Flight (Fighter): Ball Turret

Did he bail out? No.

Where? Over Brunswick

If not, why not? Plane in tight spin

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

No contact except I heard him acknowledge the call of the tail gunner about fighters in the area.

Was he injured? No definite knowledge

Where was he when last seen? Last seen in the ball turret, his position

Any hearsay information: Fredenburg, the waist gunner knocked on the ball just before he bailed out, but there was no answer from Hagan

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: Large numbers of bursts of 20mm. went through the lower part of the waist near the ball, and the ball was seen to jump many times as if hit by flak. Probably Hagan was killed at his position.

Total number of missions of above crew member: 5

Dates and destinations if possible: Ludwigshaven, Brux, Hertshogenbush, Hamm, Osnabruck

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: **COUGHLIN, Charles E.** File # **9413**
 Rank: **Sgt.**
 Serial number: **11 130 354**
 Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~Waist Gunner (Waist Gunner)~~: **Tail Gunner**

Did he bail out? No.

Where? Over Brunswick enroute to Magdeburg

If not, why not? Plane was in a tight spin, impossible to move.

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: I heard Coughlin call and report the fighter attack and then heard his guns firing while his interphone button was still down, then he said Jesus and that was the last I heard of him.

Was he injured? No definite knowledge.

Where was he when last seen? Last seen in the tail turret by William Fredenburg the waist gunner.

Any hearsay information: The 20 mms from the Fw 190's opened the waist and tail up pretty badly so that I imagine Coughlin was hit as he was manning his guns.

Source: Fredenburgh, the waist gunner and Jeamy the Radio operator saw the waist and tail as they bailed out and said it was full of holes
 Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: As I said above, I have reason to believe he was killed while he was fighting off the fighter attack.

Total number of missions of above crew member: 5

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CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name Charles L. Gould Rank 2nd Lt. Serial No. 0-723350
2. Organization 303rd Bomb Grp 360 Sqdn. Gp Commander S Rank Col. Sqn CO Shayler Rank Lt. Col.
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month Sept. day 28 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, 5th, target, Magdeburg, target time, 11:30 AM, altitude, 28,000 route scheduled, _____, route flown _____
5. Where were you when you left formation? Low Low Squadron, Low Group
"Tail End Charlie"
6. Did you bail out? No
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". Sgt. Leo Seamby and Sgt. William Fredenburg Bailed out at 28,000.
Lt. Lorin Hamann and I were blown out at 12,000 when ship exploded.
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? It Didn't. Pieces Hit near Brunswick
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) Sgt. Jimmie Smith Sgt. Lloyd Hagen, Sgt. Charles Coughlin Lt. John A. Matheson Lt. James C. Johnson were left in Plane without chutes when Plane exploded.
11. Where were they in aircraft? At their Individual Positions
12. What was their condition? No Knowledge
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? I was unconscious due to a wound.
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)