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WAR DEPARTMENT
HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

MISSING AIR CREW REPORT

IMPORTANT: This report will be compiled in triplicate by each Army Air Forces organization within 48 hours of the time an air crew member is officially reported missing.

1. ORGANIZATION: Location, by Name 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 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 (X); Last contacted by radio ( ); Forced down ( ); Seen to Crash ( ); or Information not available ( ).
5. AIRCRAFT WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF: (Check only one) Enemy Aircraft (X); Enemy Anti-Aircraft ( ); Other Circumstances as follows: ____
6. AIRCRAFT: Type, Model and Series B-17G ; AAF Serial Number 44-8330
7. NICKNAME OF AIRCRAFT, If Any None.
8. ENGINES: Type, Model and Series R-1820-97 ; AAF Serial Number (a) SW-024430 ; (b) SW-024960 ; (c) SW-024962 ; (d) SW-024966
9. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial Number);
   (a) 1307984 B. A.; (b) 1308069 B. A.; (c) 1090888 Hi St; (d) 639811 F.D.G.M.;
   (e) 1138581 Hi St; (f) 627715 F.D.G.M. (g) 1307951 B.A.; (h) 1307933 B. A.;
   (i) 1307946 B. A.; (j) 1307307 B. A.; (k) 1307306 B.A.; (l) ____;
   (m) ____; (n) ____; (o) ____; (p) ____;
10. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty X 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
KIA	1. Pilot	SHIELDS, EDWARD F.	1st.Lt.	0-816604	MIA KIA
KIA	2. Co-Pilot	COOTER, WILLIAM M.	2nd Lt.	0-705007	MIA KIA
KIA	3. Navigator	STANGOHR, BRUCE C.	2nd Lt.	0-717593	MIA KIA
CAP	4. Bombardier	LEE, WILBUR W.	2nd Lt.	0-769147	MIA RTD
CAP	5. Top Turret	NAGEL, DEELAND J.	T/Sgt.	39397083	MIA RTD
KIA	6. Radio Gunner	DENNERLE, AIMO W.	T/Sgt.	35519869	MIA KIA
KIA	7. Ball Turret	HORWITZ, CHARLES (NMI)	S/Sgt.	19002418	MIA KIA
KIA	8. Waist Gunner	SHEEHAN, ARTHUR E. JR.	S/Sgt.	39139011	MIA KIA
KIA	x 9. Tail Gunner	SKUBAL, JOSEPH J.	S/Sgt.	37675455	MIA KIA
	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.	See Par. 17.						
2.							
3.							

(Over)

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Incl 2

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 intese fighter attacks about 1150 hours in the vicinity of the I. P. which was 52°11'N-10°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.

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REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: H. Q. A.B.

PLACE: Dortmund 4/VI

DATE: 2 Oct 44

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, Unknown

[redacted] AT:

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) see below

FIRST NAME:

28 Sep 44

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

RESULT: (D[redacted] OR CAPTURED)

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: 30 Sep 44 Ascheberg/ South of Muenster

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

Names of Prisoners:

Nagel, Otto Peter	0-553921	T 43 - 44 B
Wolchik, Walter	0-553913	T 43 - 44 A C
Smith, Nelson E.	15018504	T 42 - 43 O B

6-3224, AF(1)

MACR 9404
B-17
Green crew
AAF # 44-8330

DATE: 28 September 1944 AF: 1305

PLACE: Suepplingen

TYPE OF CRAFT: Fortress

MARKINGS: 3627

360th (HBo) Sqd. 303rd Group

TARGET: Airbase Command Helmstedt

	RANK	NAME	K U 3031
N	1st Lt.	SH IELDS, Edward F. (dead)	ASN: O-816604
	2nd Lt.	COOTER, William M. (dead)	ASN: ---------
	2nd Lt.	LEE, Wilbur Woodrow	ASN: O-769147
N	2nd Lt.	STANGNOR, B. G. (dead)	ASN: ---------
	Sgt.	MONWITZ, Charles (dead)	ASN: 19002418
	Sgt.	SHEEHAN, Arthur E. (dead)	ASN: 39139011
	Sgt.	SKURAL, Joseph J. (dead)	ASN: 37675455
	T/Sgt.	DONNERLY, (dead)	ASN: 35519869
	T/Sgt.	HASEL, Leeland John	ASN: 39397083

6 dead buried at cemetery of Suepplingen.

(See 9772)

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWN 28 September 1944 1305 hrs.

CASUALTY NO. KU 3031

PLACE OF CRASH Suepplingen

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT Fortress

REPORTING OFFICE Eq Air Sans Nationalité

NAME	RANK	SERIAL NUMBER	CAPT'D WOUNDED DEAD	PLACE OF INTERMENT
NAGEL 1920 Leeland John North Dakota	T/Sgt.	39397083	captured	Dulag Luft
LEE 1919 Wilbur Woodrow Texas	2nd Lt.	0-769147	captured	Dulag Luft
SHEEHAN Arthur E.	S/Sgt.	39139011	dead	Cemetery Suepplingen
HORWITZ Charles	S/Sgt.	190024	dead	same as above
SKUBAL Joseph J.	S/Sgt.	37675455	dead	same as above
Casualty No. KU 3031	First Supplementary Report, dated 25 November 1944			
SHIELDS Edward F.	1st Lt.	0-816604	dead	Cemetery Suepplingen
STANGHOR B.C.	2nd Lt.		dead	same as above

REMARKS:

Dulag Luft, 9 October 1944 Wo.

KU 3031

Downed: 28. September 1944 15.05

SUEPPLINGEN, 15 east south H B 3/2

Type: BOEING 17 FORTRESS

Dead

Name: SKUBAL Joseph J.

ASN.: 37675455 T 43-44 O

Name: HORWITZ Charles

ASN.: 19002418 T 42-43 A

Name: SHEEHAN Arthur E.

ASN.: 39139011 T 43-44 O

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Engines: Wright Cyclone: 1. SW 024430 2. 024966 3. 024960 4. 024962
all 80 % Loss.

Propeller: 3 bladed Hamilton Standard
Radius: 1750 over all, 1225 in center, 300 deep

Armament : 1o Browning Machine Guns Cal. 50 M2, manufactured by
The High Standard M.F.G. Co. New Haven
Cal. 50 M25 Buffalo , N.Y.

Radio Equipment: 1 Radio Receiver BC - 34 PR
1 Transm.Tuning Unit T4-6-B Frequency 6200-7700k
1 Rack FT - 226 - A
1 Radio Transmitter BC 457 A
1 " Receiver BC 454 B
1 " Transmitter BC 375 C
1 Antenna Unit BC 30613
1 Transmitter Tuning Unit T 4 - 613
1 Freq.meter Tuning Unit TU - 7 - 13
2 Dynamos
1 Radio Receiver BC 966 A
1 Case CS-80 C
1 Inverter
1 Indicator 562
1 Radio Compass Unit BC 433 G
1 " Transmitter BC 778 E

signed
Geilert (?) Engineer

XU 3031

FORM #2

REPORT ON CAPTURED AIRCRAFT

POST: H.Q. A. B. A 25 / XI

LOCATION: Helmstedt 12/XI Mellendorf

DATE: 3 Oct 44

DATE AND TIME: AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWN 28 Sep 44 , 13.05 (Return trip)

PLACE OF CRASH: (NEAREST TOWN) Suepplingen, 1o km SW Helmstedt

KIND OF CAPTURE: (FLAK, HUNTER, NIGHT HUNTER, EMERGENCY LANDING) Fighter

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: B - 17 G W

MARKINGS OF CRAFT: (LETTERS, FRONT OR REAR OF INSIGNIA) on right wing black "C M" in a white triangle with red edge

ADMITTANCE NO: 3627 P U - Star - D

EQUIPMENT:

F.T. FREQUENCIES:

CONDITION OF AIRCRAFT: Broken up in air, 90% Loss by conflagration

DELIVERED TO DISTRIBUTOR: (DULOG -LUFT, BTC.)

Plane is guarded by County Patrol and Air Base Dst.

Whereabouts of the Crew:

A. Dead:

1.) Skubal, Joseph 37675455
2.) Sheehan, Arthur 39139011
3.) Horwitz, Charles 1900024
4.) Shields, Edward 0-816604
5.) Stangohr ?
6.) Unknown, burned, could not be identif.

1 - 6 buried on Suepplingen Cemetery

B. Captured:

1.) 2nd Lt. Lee, Wilbur 0-769147
2.) Sgt Nagel, Leeland 393979083

captured 13.30, trfd to DULAG 29 Sep 44.

Crew 7 Dead 2 POWs
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Cooter
Dennerle } buried same cemetery according index

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TELEGRAM FORM

DISTANCE - MESSAGE -OBERURSEL-

NAME OF DISTANCE-MESSAGE WRITER:

ACCEPTED:

RECEIVED:

DELIVERED:
DATE:-
TIME:
TO:

DATE: 2 Oct 44

TIME: 10.10

FROM: LSGL

THROUGH: Signature

THROUGH:

ROLL:

REMARKS: * S LFHB 219 29 Sep 44 20.10

To DULAG Luft Oberursel 7 *

Concerning Capture of an enemy Aircraft B - 17 G USA
Markings : Red Triangle on a white background. Next to that: Black "G"
Ser. Nr. : Could not be found
Lib. Nr. : G 3627
Site of Crash: Scheppelingen, 16km SW of Air Base Helmstedt 15 C-S-H-B- 2-3
through fight-action. 90% loss.
Crew : (89 men) 2 captured, 6 dead, 1 still missing.
28 Sep 44, 13.05 Rep.Shop (o) 30/XI Base Det. Helmstedt.

STATEMENT ON CAPTURE OR RECOVERY OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

REPORT IS MADE THROUGH: H.Q.Airbase A 25/XI

DISTRIBUTOR:

OFFICE OR STATION:

LOCATION: Helmstedt

OFFICE OR APPRAISAL-VALUES:

REGARDING: DOWNED) EMERGENCY LANDINGS) ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ B 17 G 3627 DATE AND TIME: 28 Sept.44
CRASH)

AT: ~~xxxx~~ USAF: Suepplingen,15 OS,HB3/2

PERSONAL RECORD OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

FAMILY NAME: SURNAME) LAST NAME) Staengohr

FIRST NAME: CHRISTIAN NAME) GIVEN NAME) B.C.

RANK:

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: SERIAL SERVICE

NATIONALITY: USA-A.C.

STATEMENTS MADE AT TIME OF CAPTURE:
DATE OF CAPTURE:
EXACT LOCATION OF CAPTURE:
CAPTURE EFFECTED BY:

STATEMENT MADE AT RECOVERY OF DEAD:
DATE & TIME & PLACE OF RECOVERY:
CONDITION OF BODY:

THE PRISONER WORE *(UNIFORM)*

DESCRIPTION OF IDENTIFICATION TAG:
HOW WERE PERSONAL RECORDS OF DEAD ASCERTAINED?

DATE AND TIME OF BURIAL:
GRAVE LOCATION: see below

POSSIBLE IMPUTATION *(PLACING)* UNDER SERVICE OF THE G.F.P. OR S.D., FOR PURPOSE OF ASCERTAINING ENEMY PATRONAGE OR FAVOR:

DELIVERED TO HOSPITAL:
DATE: 29 Sept.44,Cemetry of Suepplingen

DATE AND TIME OF TRANSPORTATION TO PRISONER CONCENTRATION POINT:

REMARKS:

(ATTEMPTED ESCAPE. PECULIARITIES IN BEHAVIOR OF PRISONER, ETC.)

INVENTORY OF SECURED, PERSONAL EFFECTS OF PRISONER OR DEAD:

INVENTORY OF PERSONAL EFFECTS AND EQUIPMENT OF PRISONER OR DEAD:

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STATEMENT ON CAPTURE OR RECOVERY OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

REPORT IS MADE THROUGH:

DISTRIBUTOR:

OFFICE OR STATION:

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LOCATION:

OFFICE OR APPRAISAL-VALUES:

REGARDING: DOWNED / EMERGENCY LANDINGS / CRASH

DATE AND TIME:

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AT:

NEAR:

PERSONAL RECORD OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

FAMILY NAME: SURNAME / LAST NAME

Unknown

FIRST NAME: CHRISTIAN NAME / GIVEN NAME

Unknown

RANK:

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: SERIAL / SERVICE

Unknown

NATIONALITY:

STATEMENTS MADE AT TIME OF CAPTURE:
DATE OF CAPTURE:
EXACT LOCATION OF CAPTURE:
CAPTURE EFFECTED BY:

STATEMENT MADE AT RECOVERY OF DEAD:
DATE & TIME & PLACE OF RECOVERY:
CONDITION OF BODY:

THE PRISONER WORE *(UNIFORM)*

DESCRIPTION OF IDENTIFICATION TAG:
HOW WERE PERSONAL RECORDS OF DEAD ASCERTAINED?

DATE AND TIME OF BURIAL: 29 Sep 44 15.00
GRAVE LOCATION: Suepplingen Cemetery

POSSIBLE IMPUTATION *(PLACING)* UNDER SERVICE OF THE G.F.P. OR S.D., FOR PURPOSE OF ASCERTAINING ENEMY PATRONAGE OR FAVOR:

DELIVERED TO HOSPITAL:
DATE:

DATE AND TIME OF TRANSPORTATION TO PRISONER CONCENTRATION POINT:

REMARKS:

(ATTEMPTED ESCAPE. PECULIARITIES IN BEHAVIOR OF PRISONER, ETC.)

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INVENTORY OF PERSONAL EFFECTS AND EQUIPMENT OF PRISONER OR DEAD:

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STATEMENT ON CAPTURE OR RECOVERY OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

REPORT IS MADE THROUGH: H.Q.Airbase

DISTRIBUTOR:

OFFICE OR STATION: A 25/xI

Dulag-Luft

LOCATION: Helustedt

OFFICE OR APPRAISAL-VALUES:

REGARDING: DOWNED) EMERGENCY LANDINGS) ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ CRASH) ~~xxxxx~~ B 17

DATE AND TIME: 28.September 1944 1305

AT: Suepplingen NEAR: 15 OS HB 3/2

PERSONAL RECORD OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

FAMILY NAME: SURNAME) LAST NAME) Horwitz

FIRST NAME: CHRISTIAN NAME) GIVEN NAME) Charles

RANK:

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: SERIAL SERVICE 190024

NATIONALITY:

STATEMENTS MADE AT TIME OF CAPTURE:
DATE OF CAPTURE:
EXACT LOCATION OF CAPTURE:
CAPTURE EFFECTED BY:

STATEMENT MADE AT RECOVERY OF DEAD:
DATE & TIME & PLACE OF RECOVERY:
CONDITION OF BODY:

THE PRISONER WORE *(UNIFORM)*

DESCRIPTION OF IDENTIFICATION TAG:
HOW WERE PERSONAL RECORDS OF DEAD ASCERTAINED? Identification tag

DATE AND TIME OF BURIAL: 28.September 1944
GRAVE LOCATION: ~~Cemetry of Suepplingen~~

POSSIBLE IMPUTATION *(PLACING)* UNDER SERVICE OF THE G.F.P. OR S.D., FOR PURPOSE OF ASCERTAINING ENEMY PATRONAGE OR FAVOR:

DELIVERED TO HOSPITAL:
DATE:

DATE AND TIME OF TRANSPORTATION TO PRISONER CONCENTRATION POINT:

REMARKS:

(ATTEMPTED ESCAPE. PECULIARITIES IN BEHAVIOR OF PRISONER, ETC.)

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DISTRIBUTOR:

OFFICE OR STATION: A 25/XI

Dulag-Luft

LOCATION: Helmstedt

OFFICE OR APPRAISAL-VALUES:

REGARDING: DOWNED ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~) B 17
EMERGENCY LANDINGS) ~~XXXXX~~
CRASH)

DATE AND TIME: 28.September 1944,1305

AT: Suepplingen NEAR: 15 OS,HB 3/2

PERSONAL RECORD OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

FAMILY NAME: SURNAME) LAST NAME) Sheehan

FIRST NAME: CHRISTIAN NAME) GIVEN NAME) Arthur E.

RANK:

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: SERIAL SERVICE 39139011 TA3-44 0

NATIONALITY: U.S.A. A.C.

STATEMENTS MADE AT TIME OF CAPTURE:
DATE OF CAPTURE:
EXACT LOCATION OF CAPTURE:
CAPTURE EFFECTED BY:

STATEMENT MADE AT RECOVERY OF DEAD:
DATE & TIME & PLACE OF RECOVERY:
CONDITION OF BODY:

THE PRISONER WORE *(UNIFORM)*

DESCRIPTION OF IDENTIFICATION TAG:
HOW WERE PERSONAL RECORDS OF DEAD ASCERTAINED? Identification tag

DATE AND TIME OF BURIAL: 28.September 1944
GRAVE LOCATION: Cemety of Suepplingen

POSSIBLE IMPUTATION *(PLACING)* UNDER SERVICE OF THE G.F.P. OR S.D., FOR PURPOSE OF ASCERTAINING ENEMY PATRONAGE OR FAVOR:

DELIVERED TO HOSPITAL:
DATE:

DATE AND TIME OF TRANSPORTATION TO PRISONER CONCENTRATION POINT:

REMARKS:

(ATTEMPTED ESCAPE. PECULIARITIES IN BEHAVIOR OF PRISONER, ETC.)

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OFFICE OR STATION: A 25/XI

Dulag-Luft

LOCATION: Helmstedt

OFFICE OR APPRAISAL-VALUES:

REGARDING: ~~DOWNED~~) ~~EMERGENCY~~ LANDINGS) CRASH) B 17

DATE AND TIME: 28.September 1944,1305

AT: Suepplingen NEAR: 15 OS,HB 3/ 2

PERSONAL RECORD OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

FAMILY NAME: SURNAME) LAST NAME) Skubal

FIRST NAME: CHRISTIAN NAME) GIVEN NAME) Joseph

RANK:

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: SERIAL SERVICE 37675455 T43-44 O

NATIONALITY:

U.S.A. A.C.

STATEMENTS MADE AT TIME OF CAPTURE:
DATE OF CAPTURE:
EXACT LOCATION OF CAPTURE:
CAPTURE EFFECTED BY:

STATEMENT MADE AT RECOVERY OF DEAD:
DATE & TIME & PLACE OF RECOVERY:
CONDITION OF BODY:

THE PRISONER WORE *(UNIFORM)*

DESCRIPTION OF IDENTIFICATION TAG:
HOW WERE PERSONAL RECORDS OF DEAD ASCERTAINED: Identification tag

DATE AND TIME OF BURIAL: 28.September 1944
GRAVE LOCATION: Cemetery of Suepplingen

POSSIBLE IMPUTATION *(PLACING)* UNDER SERVICE OF THE G.F.P. OR S.D., FOR PURPOSE OF ASCERTAINING ENEMY PATRONAGE OR FAVOR:

DELIVERED TO HOSPITAL:
DATE:

DATE AND TIME OF TRANSPORTATION TO PRISONER CONCENTRATION POINT:

REMARKS:

(ATTEMPTED ESCAPE. PECULIARITIES IN BEHAVIOR OF PRISONER, ETC.)

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DISTRIBUTOR:

OFFICE OR STATION: A 25/XI

Dulag-Luft

LOCATION: Helmstedt

OFFICE OR APPRAISAL-VALUES:

REGARDING: DOWNED) / EMERGENCY LANDINGS) / CRASH) B 17

DATE AND TIME: 28.September 1944,13o5

AT: Suepplingen NEAR: 15 OS,HB 3/2

PERSONAL RECORD OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

FAMILY NAME: SURNAME) / LAST NAME) Lee

FIRST NAME: CHRISTIAN NAME) / GIVEN NAME) Wilbour W.

RANK: sec.Lt.

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: SERIAL / SERVICE 0-769147 T43-44 0

NATIONALITY: U.S.A. A.C.

STATEMENTS MADE AT TIME OF CAPTURE:
DATE OF CAPTURE: 28.September 1944,1300
EXACT LOCATION OF CAPTURE: District of Suepplingen
CAPTURE EFFECTED BY: Base detachment

STATEMENT MADE AT RECOVERY OF DEAD:
DATE & TIME & PLACE OF RECOVERY:
CONDITION OF BODY:

THE PRISONER WORE *(UNIFORM)*

Uniform

DESCRIPTION OF IDENTIFICATION TAG:
HOW WERE PERSONAL RECORDS OF DEAD ASCERTAINED?

DATE AND TIME OF BURIAL:
GRAVE LOCATION:

POSSIBLE IMPUTATION *(PLACING)* UNDER SERVICE OF THE G.F.P. OR S.D., FOR PURPOSE OF ASCERTAINING ENEMY PATRONAGE OR FAVOR:

DELIVERED TO HOSPITAL:
DATE:

DATE AND TIME OF TRANSPORTATION TO PRISONER CONCENTRATION POINT:

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DISTRIBUTOR: Dulag-Luft

OFFICE OR STATION: Helmstedt

LOCATION:

OFFICE OR APPRAISAL-VALUES:

REGARDING: DOWNED / EMERGENCY LANDINGS) / CRASH B 17

DATE AND TIME: 28.September 1944,1305

Suepplingen 15 OS,HB 3/2

AT: NEAR:

PERSONAL RECORD OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

FAMILY NAME: SURNAME) LAST NAME)

FIRST NAME: CHRISTIAN NAME) GIVEN NAME) Leeland J.

RANK: Sgt.

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: SERIAL / SERVICE 39397083 T 43-44 9

NATIONALITY: U,S.A. A.C .

STATEMENTS MADE AT TIME OF CAPTURE:

DATE OF CAPTURE: 28.September 1944,1300

EXACT LOCATION OF CAPTURE: Distr. of Suepplingen

CAPTURE EFFECTED BY: Base detachment

STATEMENT MADE AT RECOVERY OF DEAD:

DATE & TIME & PLACE OF RECOVERY:

CONDITION OF BODY:

THE PRISONER WORE *(UNIFORM)*

Uniform

DESCRIPTION OF IDENTIFICATION TAG:

HOW WERE PERSONAL RECORDS OF DEAD ASCERTAINED?

DATE AND TIME OF BURIAL:

GRAVE LOCATION:

POSSIBLE IMPUTATION *(PLACING)* UNDER SERVICE OF THE G.F.P. OR S.D., FOR PURPOSE OF ASCERTAINING ENEMY PATRONAGE OR FAVOR:

DELIVERED TO HOSPITAL:

DATE:

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INVENTORY OF PERSONAL EFFECTS AND EQUIPMENT OF PRISONER OR DEAD:

6-3224.AF(3)

AFPPA-11

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: S H I E L D S , Edward F. File # 9404
Rank: 1st Lt.
Serial number: 0-816 604
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~or Flight (Fighter)~~: Pilot

Did he bail out? NO

Where?

If not, why not? NOT ENOUGH TIME

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: HE ASKED ME TO SEE IF THE BOMBS HAD CLEARED THE SHIP.

Was he injured? NO

Where was he when last seen? SAFTY BELTED TO THE SEAT WHEN SHIP WENT INTO A SPIN.

Any hearsay information: NO KNOWLEDGE

Source:

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: 18

Dates and destinations if possible: MERSBERG, MUNICH, MERSBERG PORT CALAY, MANZ, LUDWIGSHAVEN, BREST, LUDWIGSHAVEN, LUDWIGSHAVEN, LUDWIGSHAVEN, LUDWIGSHAVEN, SAINT LO, COLOGN, MAGDEBERG.
THESE ARE ALL THE MISSIONS I CAN THINK OF AT PRESENT. THESE ARE NOT IN ORDER.

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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: C O O T E R , William H. File # 9404
Rank: 2nd Lt.
Serial number: 0-705 007
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~or Flight (Fighter)~~: Co-Pilot

Did he bail out? NO

Where?

If not, why not? NO KNOWLEDGE

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: I HANDED HIM THE CHUTE.

Was he injured? NO

Where was he when last seen? SAFTEY BELTED TO SEAT AT TIME SHIP WENT INTO A SPIN.

Any hearsay information: NO KNOWLEDGE.

Source:

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: 18

Dates and destinations if possible: SAME AS LT. SHEILDS

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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: S T A N G O H R Bruce C. File 9404
Rank: 2nd Lt.
Serial number: 0-717 593
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~or Flight (Fighter)~~: Navigator

Did he bail out? NO KNOWLEDGE

Where?

If not, why not? NO KNOWLEDGE

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: WHEN I TOLD HIM TO BAIL OUT.

Was he injured? NO KNOWLEDGE

Where was he when last seen? AT NAVIGATORS TABLE

Any hearsay information: NO KNOWLEDGE

Source:

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

NO KNOWLEDGE

Total number of missions of above crew member: NO KNOWLEDGE

Dates and destinations if possible: NO KNOWLEDGE

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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: D E N N E R L E , Aimo W. File # 9404
Rank: T/Sgt.
Serial number: 35 519 869
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~Engine (Fighter)~~: Radio Gunner

Did he bail out? NO KNOWLEDGE

Where?

If not, why not? NO KNOWLEDGE

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

JUST BEFORE WE CONTACTED ENEMY FIGHTERS

Was he injured? NO KNOWLEDGE

Where was he when last seen? RADIO ROOM

Any hearsay information: NO KNOWLEDGE

Source:

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

NO KNOWLEDGE

Total number of missions of above crew member: NO KNOWLEDGE

Dates and destinations if possible: ADDED CREW MEMBER

NO KNOWLEDGE

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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: **H O R W I T Z , Charles** **File # 9404**
Rank: **S/Sgt.**
Serial number: **19 002 418**
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~Flight (Fighter)~~: **Ball Turret Gunner**

Did he bail out? NO KNOWLEDGE

Where?

If not, why not? NO KNOWLEDGE

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

REPORT OF ENEMY AIRCRAFT.

Was he injured? NO KNOWLEDGE

Where was he when last seen? BALL TURRET

Any hearsay information: NO KNOWLEDGE

Source:

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

NO KNOWLEDGE

Total number of missions of above crew member: 18

Dates and destinations if possible: SAME AS LT. SHEILDS

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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: S H E E H A N , Arthur E. JR. File # 9404
Rank: S/Sgt.
Serial number: 39 139 011
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~[illegible]~~: Waist Gunner

Did he bail out? NO KNOWLEDGE

Where?

If not, why not? NO KNOWLEDGE

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

WHEN ENEMY AIRCRAFT WERE REPORTED

Was he injured? NO KNOWLEDGE

Where was he when last seen? WAIST OF SHIP

Any hearsay information: NO KNOWLEDGE

Source:

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

NO KNOWLEDGE

Total number of missions of above crew member: 18

Dates and destinations if possible: SAME AS LT. SHIELDS

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CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name LEELAND J. NAGEL Rank T/SGT. Serial No. 39397083

2. Organization 303 BM Gp Commander _____ Rank ___ Sqn CO SHEALEY Rank COL.
(full name) (full name)

3. What year 1944 month SEPTEMBER day 28 did you go down?

4. What was the mission, 18, target, MAGDEBURG, target time, 12:10, altitude, 25,000 FT. route scheduled, NORTHERN _____, route flown NORTHERN

5. Where were you when you left formation? NEAR BRUNSWICK

6. Did you bail out? NO I WAS BLOWN OUT

7. Did other members of crew bail out? THE BOMBADIER

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". HE BAILED OUT WHEN THE SHIP WAS SPINING HAD INJURY ON HEAD AND COMPLAINED ABOUT PAINS IN HIS BACK AND LEG. THE ABOVE PERSON IS MIS. WILBUR LEE.

9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? LITTLE VILLAGE NEXT TO BRUNSWICK town! MAGDEBURG.

10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) NO 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? I SAW THE NAVAGATOR WHEN I TOLD HIM TO BAIL OUT. I THEN RETURNED TO THE COCKPIT. I THEN SAW LT. COOTER & LT. SHIELDS THEY WERE STILL SAFETY BELTED TO THERE SEATS WHEN THE SHIP WENT INTO A SPIN AND IMMEDIATLY THEREATER EXPLODED BLOWING ME OUT OF THE AIRCRAFT

14. Please give any similar information on personnel of any other crew of which you have knowledge. Indicate source of information. LT. LEE THE BOMBADIER. MET HIM AFTER CAPTURE AND THEN I CONTACTED HIM IN FRANCE AFTER LIBERATION

(Any additional information may be written on the back)

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By authority of T. A. G.
Date: 7 JUN 1945
Initials:

SECRET

WAR DEPARTMENT CASUALTY AND MISSING PERSONS QUESTIONNAIRE

(THE FAMILIES OF MANY OF YOUR COMRADES HAVE NOT BEEN AS FORTUNATE AS YOURS. THEIR SONS AND HUSBANDS HAVE BEEN REPORTED MISSING IN ACTION AND THEY ARE ANXIOUSLY WAITING TO LEARN THEIR FATE. YOU MAY BE ABLE TO SUPPLY THE INFORMATION WHICH WILL HELP TO TERMINATE THE DREADFUL SUSPENCE AND ANXIETY THEY ARE SUFFERING.)

1. Your name LEE, WILBUR W. 2. Rank 2ND LT. 3. ASN 0-769147

4. Home address 4715 EL CENTRO OAKLAND, CALIF

5. Last camp in which imprisoned STALAG LUFT I

DO NOT ANSWER *BOTH* QUESTIONS 6 AND 7 BELOW ON THE SAME FORM. FILL OUT A SEPARATE FORM FOR EACH PERSON KNOWN TO BE DEAD (QUESTION 6), OR BELIEVED TO BE STILL AT LARGE OR IN GERMAN HANDS (QUESTION 7).

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6. If you have any information concerning military personnel who died in action or during imprisonment, you should furnish the following information to the best of your ability :

a. Full name of deceased WILLIAM M. COOTER
b. Grade or rank 2ND LT. A.C. c. Organization 303 BOMB GRP.
d. Home town or state WILLIAMETTE, ILL. 360 BOMB SQDN.
e. Date and place of death 28 SEPT. 44 BRUNSWICK
f. Cause of death PLANE CRASH
g. Place of burial ?
h. Were you an eye witness to his death ? NO
i. Names of persons believed to have witnessed his death NONE
j. If your information is hearsay give name and address of your informant(s). GERMANS

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7. If you have any information concerning military personnel not yet freed from German hands, or who escaped from German hands prior to your liberation and might still be at large, you should answer the following :

a. Full name of this person
b. His rank
c. Organization
d. Home town or state
e. Was he in good health ? (If wounded or ill, give full details.)
f. When was he last seen in German hands
g. By whom ?
h. Present whereabouts or presumed whereabouts ? (Give full details)
i. If your information is hearsay, give name and address of your informant(s).

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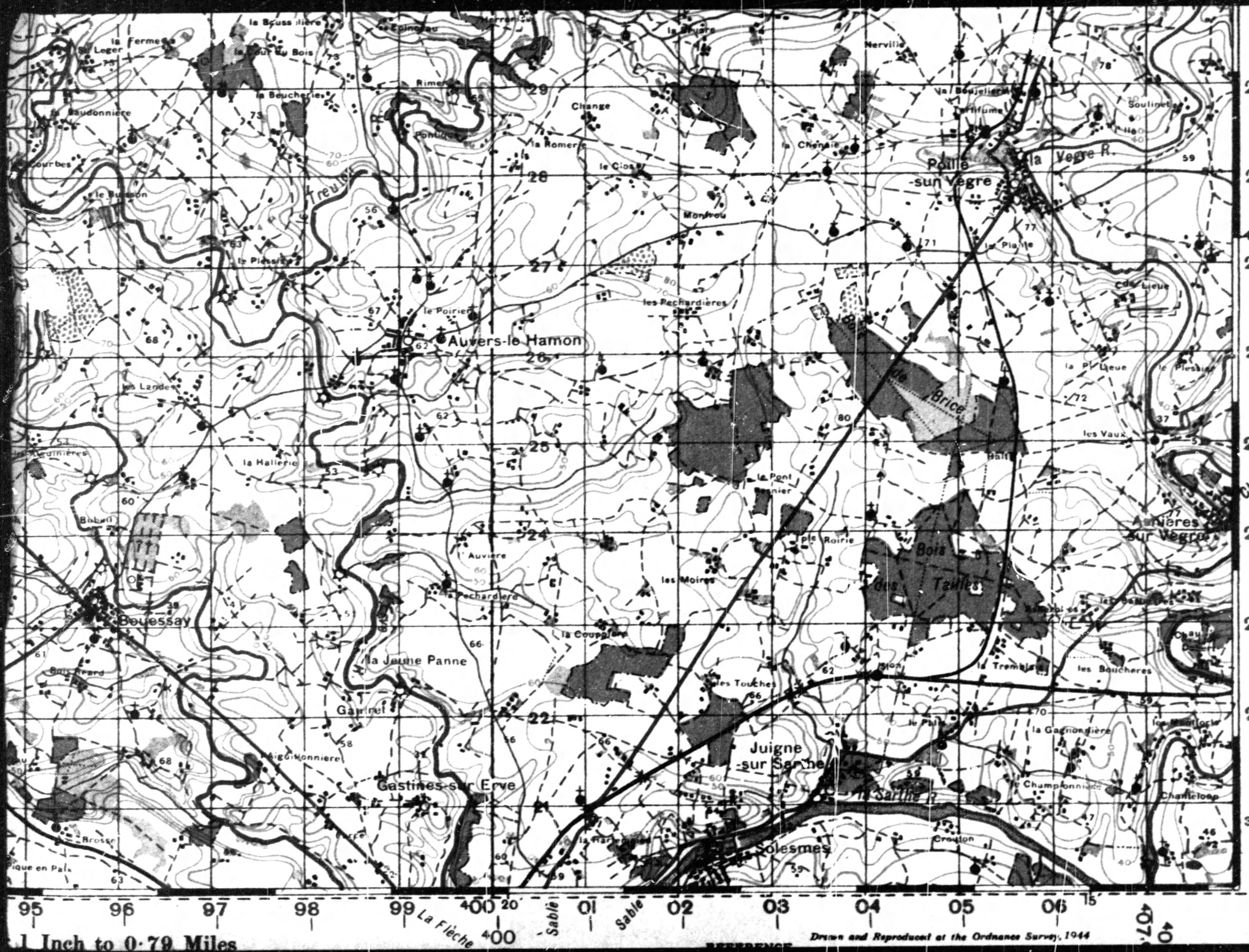

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EXAMPLE OF A GRID REFERENCE ON T		
LETTER Y		
POINT L'YVET		
East Take West edge of square and read figures opposite this line on North or South margin or on the line itself Estimate tenths eastwards	82	North Take South edge read figures opp on East or West on the line itself Estimate tenth
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REFERENCE	Y 824368	
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Nearest similar reference on this grid

Zone I.

Convergence is given for centre sheet lines.

C·2° 17′ W

Magnetic declination from True North for centre of sheet is 9° 35′ W Jan. 1944

Annual change about 10′ E.

T.N. G.N

Zone II.

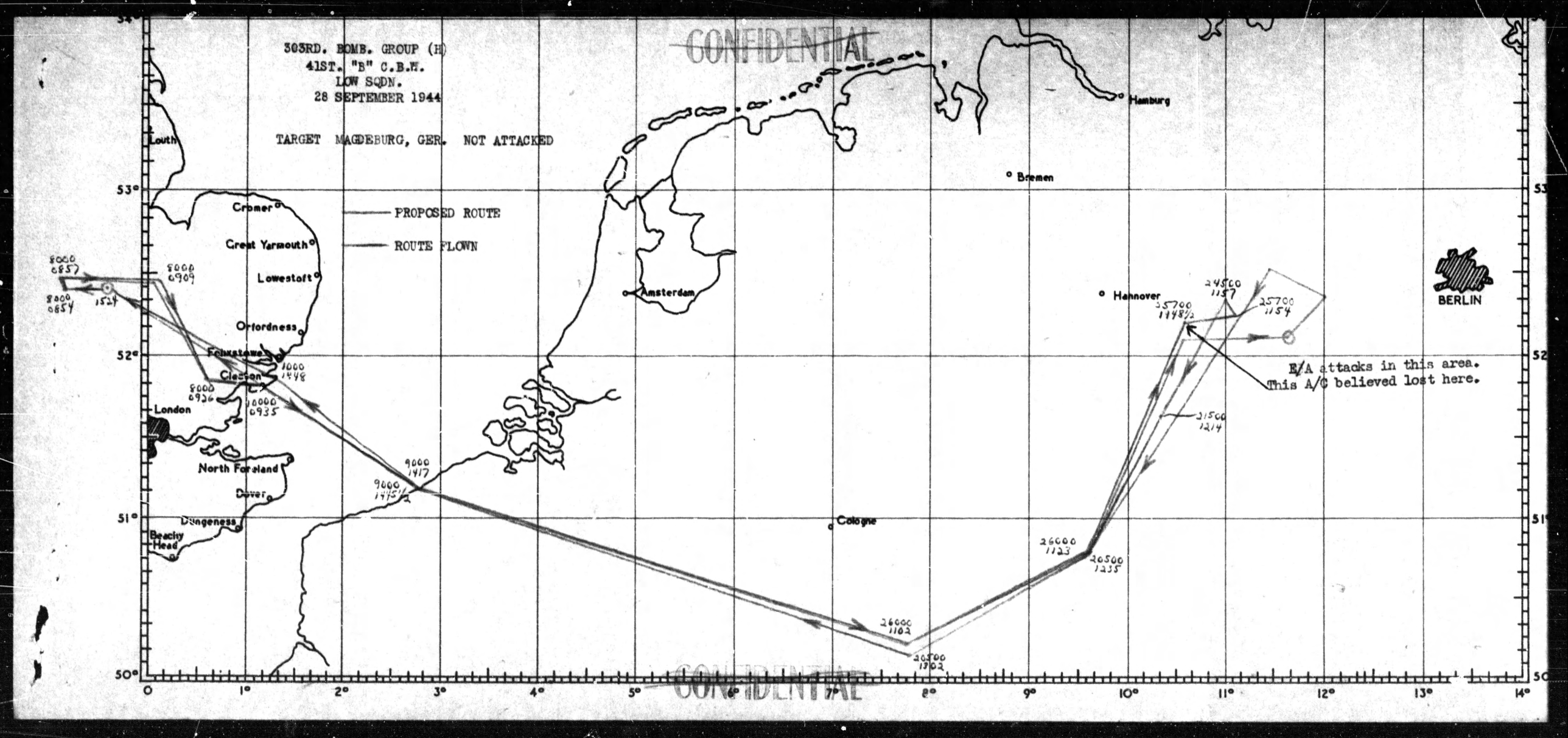
Convergence is given for centres sheet lines.

C·2° 11′ W

Magnetic declination from True North for centre of sheet is 9° 35′ W Jan. 1944

Annual change about 10′ E.

T.N. G.N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41ST. "B" C.B.W.
LOW SQDN.
28 SEPTEMBER 1944
TARGET MAGDEBURG, GER. NOT ATTACKED
CONFIDENTIAL
PROPOSED ROUTE
ROUTE FLOWN
Louth
Cromer
Great Yarmouth
Lowestoft
Orfordness
Felixstowe
Clacton
London
North Foreland
Dover
Dungeness
Beachy Head
Amsterdam
Cologne
Bremen
Hamburg
Hannover
BERLIN
E/A attacks in this area.
This A/C believed lost here.
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