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WAR DEPARTMENT  
HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES  
WASHINGTON

## MISSING AIR CREW REPORT

SRAD #802

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: England Command or Air Force 8th AF  
GROUP: 303rd Bomb (H); SQUADRON 359th; DETACHMENT \_\_\_\_\_
2. SPECIFY: Point of Departure England; Course \_\_\_\_\_  
Intended Destination Kiel, Germany; Type of Mission Bombing
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED: \_\_\_\_\_
4. GIVE: (a) Date 14 May 43 Time \_\_\_\_\_; And Location of Last known whereabouts of missing aircraft over the North Sea  
(b) Specify whether ( ) Last sighted; ( ) last contacted by radio; (X) 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: (X) Enemy Aircraft; ( ) Enemy Anti-Aircraft; ( ) Other Circumstances as follows \_\_\_\_\_
6. AIRCRAFT: Type, Model and Series B 17-F; AAF Serial No. 42-5243
7. ENGINES: Type, Model and Series \_\_\_\_\_; AAF Serial No. (a) \_\_\_\_\_  
(b) \_\_\_\_\_ (c) \_\_\_\_\_ (d) \_\_\_\_\_
8. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial Number)  
(a) \_\_\_\_\_ (b) \_\_\_\_\_ (c) \_\_\_\_\_ (d) \_\_\_\_\_  
(e) \_\_\_\_\_ (f) \_\_\_\_\_ (g) \_\_\_\_\_ (h) \_\_\_\_\_
9. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty \_\_\_\_\_  
or (b) Non-Battle Casualty X
10. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 10; Passengers 0; Total 10  
(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	
1. <del>PILOT</del>	<del>N</del> Bales, Ross C	Capt	0-438503	Killed
2. <del>COPILOT</del>	<del>N</del> Dooley, Walter E	1st Lt	0-659676	Killed
3. <del>ENGINEER</del>	<del>N</del> McColl, Daniel A	1st Lt	0-724055	Killed
4. <del>ENGINEER</del>	<del>N</del> Mathis, Rhude M	1st Lt	0-662289	Killed
5. <del>ENGINEER</del>	<del>N</del> Kilgore, Raymond H	T/Sgt	6 252 886	Killed
6. <del>ENGINEER</del>	<del>N</del> Winter, Raymond K	T/Sgt	18 039 537	Killed
7. <del>ENGINEER</del>	<del>N</del> Snell, Jack D	S/Sgt	17 035 135	Killed
8. <del>ENGINEER</del>	<del>N</del> VanRavenstein, Edward A	S/Sgt	14 046 475	Killed
9. <del>ENGINEER</del>	<del>N</del> Zsarnar, Joseph G	S/Sgt	11 019 777	Killed
10. <del>ENGINEER</del>	<del>N</del> O'Reilly, Francis W	S/Sgt	32 197 181	Killed
11.				

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

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Name in Full (Last name first)	Rank	Serial Number	Contacted by Radio	Last Sighted	Saw Crash	Saw Forced Landing
1.						
2.						
3.						
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) _____						
14. ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN.						
15. ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT.						
16. ATTACH A DESCRIPTION OF THE EXTENT OF SEARCH, IF ANY, AND GIVEN NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE HERE _____						

Date of Report \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Preparing Officer)

The above were crew members of a bomber which failed to return from a bombing mission to Kiel, Germany on 14 May 1943.

(Above taken from S R & D # 802)