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by E. A. DUNAS, Lt. Col., AG  
by F. M. HUNTER, Capt., AG  
Date 1 Sep 1941

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 aircraft is officially reported missing.

- ORGANIZATION: Location AAF Station 106; Command or Air Force VIII, Group 384th; Squadron 546th; Detachment
- SPECIFY: POINT of Departure AAF Station 106; Course As briefed  
Intended Destination Stuttgart, Germany; Type of Mission Combat
- WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED: Not known
- GIVE: (a) Date Sept. 4 Time Not known; and Location Not known  
of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.  
(b) Specify whether ( ) Last Sighted; ( ) Last contacted by Radio;  
( ) Forces Down; ( ) Seen to Crash; or (x) Information not Available.
- AIRCRAFT WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF: (Check only one) ( ) Enemy Aircraft; ( ) Enemy Anti-Aircraft; (x) Other Circumstances as follows Ship believed to have been forced down due to fuel exhaustion
- AIRCRAFT: Type, Model and Series B-17E A.A.F. Serial Number 42-24507
- ENGINES: Type, Model and Series \_\_\_\_\_; A.A.F. Serial Number (a) 41-5844  
(b) 41-58333; (c) 41-57096; (d) 41-58524
- INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial Number)  
(a) \_\_\_\_\_; (b) \_\_\_\_\_; (c) \_\_\_\_\_; (d) \_\_\_\_\_  
(e) \_\_\_\_\_; (f) \_\_\_\_\_; (g) \_\_\_\_\_; (h) \_\_\_\_\_
- THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty X  
or (b) Non-Battle Casualty
- NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 10; Passengers \_\_\_\_\_; 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).

Status

|                       | Crew Position      | Name in Full<br>(Last Name First) | Rank   | Serial Number |     |
|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|--------|---------------|-----|
| 1. Pilot              | Pilot              | Armstrong, James E.               | 2/Lt.  | 0-724606      | RTD |
| 2. Co-Pilot           | Co-Pilot           | Stoner, Robert L.                 | 2/Lt.  | 0-677306      | RTD |
| 3. Navigator          | Navigator          | McVlin, Charles C.                | 2/Lt.  | 0-735219      | RTD |
| 4. Bombardier         | Bombardier         | Yan, Wilbert V. E.                | 2/Lt.  | 0-735224      | RTD |
| 5. Radio Operator     | Radio Operator     | Hause, Walter L.                  | 1/Sgt. | 35484953      | RTD |
| 6. Tail Turret Gunner | Tail Turret Gunner | Bharr, Bruno E.                   | 1/Sgt. | 36198223      | RTD |
| 7. Waist Gunner       | Waist Gunner       | Roberts, James H.                 | 1/Sgt. | 45474320      | RTD |
| 8. Waist Gunner       | Waist Gunner       | Hammack, Clifford (NMI)           | 3/Sgt. | 14120010      | RTD |
| 9. Waist Gunner       | Waist Gunner       | Grant, Glen (NMI)                 | 3/Sgt. | 18135581      | RTD |
| 10. Waist Gunner      | Waist Gunner       | Dandelin, Eldora L.               | 3/Sgt. | 11068163      | RTD |

- 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<br>(Last Name First) | Rank | Serial Number | Check Only One Column |              |                  |                     |
|-----------------------------------|------|---------------|-----------------------|--------------|------------------|---------------------|
|                                   |      |               | Contacted by Radio    | Last Sighted | Saw Forced Crash | Saw Proceed Landing |

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- 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)
- ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN.
- ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT.
- 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 8 September 1941

(Signature of Preparing Officer)

W. J. McNEILL,  
1st Lt., Air Corps,  
Asst. Station S-2 Officer



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REPORT FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

SOURCE: CLIFFORD (NMI) HAMMOCK, S/Sgt, 14120019 SAE # 391 DATE: 1 February 1944

UNIT: 546 Bomb Sq, 384 Bomb Group

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MEMBERS OF CREW

PWIB RECORDS

|                   |          |       |                        |     |
|-------------------|----------|-------|------------------------|-----|
| PILOT             | O-794606 | 2d Lt | James E ARMSTRONG      | RD  |
| CO-PILOT          | O-67706  | 2d Lt | Robert L STONER        | MIA |
| NAVIGATOR         | O-731019 | 2d Lt | Charles C CARLIN       | MIA |
| BOMBARDIER        | O-74424  | 2d Lt | Wilbert Y K YEE        | MIA |
| RADIO OPERATOR    | 35444983 | T/Sgt | Walter L HOUSE         | RD  |
| TOP TURRET GUNNER | 36198223 | T/Sgt | Bruno E EIDMAN         | MIA |
| MID TURRET GUNNER | 35474320 | S/Sgt | James H RETWING        | MIA |
| WING GUNNER       | 14120019 | S/Sgt | Clifford (NMI) HAMMOCK | RD  |
| WING GUNNER       | 18135581 | Sgt   | Olen (NMI) GRANT       | MIA |
| TAIL GUNNER       | 11068163 | S/Sgt | Eleore L LAUDELIN      | MIA |

KNOWN INFORMATION:

None.

HEARSAY INFORMATION:



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AFHQ, EIBrain: 7/15/47

3-11 284, 11/8/43.

AF 119.1 (772 - 792 - 870)

8 November 1943.

**Subject: Missing Air Crew Reports**

**To: Commanding General, Eighth Air Force, APO 433,  
c/o Postmaster, New York City.**

1. Attention is invited to attached Missing Air Crew Reports.
2. Based upon the reports, letters giving all appropriate details of the circumstances under which the plane was last seen prepared and sent to the next of kin of each crew member who is still missing. In the preparation of these letters, the 6th crew member in paragraph 4, 5, 12 and 13 are especially important. Since the attached reports contain little or no information in these paragraphs, it is requested that a check be made to determine if additional data are now available.

**For the Commanding General:**

**JOHN B. COOLEY,  
Colonel, A. C. P.,  
Air Adjutant General.**

3 Incls:

1. SAC 1st 772
2. SAC 1st 792
3. SAC 1st 870



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12th Ind.

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Hq, ETUSA, APO 871. 2 February 1944.

TO: Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Washington, D.C.  
~~Attention:~~ Statistical Central Division.

1. Forwarded herewith Missing Air Crew Report, 772, 8th Air Force, dated 8 Sep 43.
2. Records at this Headquarters indicate present status of crew members is as follows:

|        |                           |          |
|--------|---------------------------|----------|
|        | <u>Missing in action.</u> |          |
| 2nd Lt | Robert L. Storer          | 0677306  |
| 2nd Lt | Wilbert Y.K. Lee          | 0735224  |
| T/Sgt  | Bruno E. Edman            | 36198223 |
| S/Sgt  | James H. Redding          | 35474320 |
| S/Sgt  | Clifford Hamneck          | 14120019 |
|        | <u>Prisoners of War.</u>  |          |
| 2nd Lt | Charles C. Jarlin         | 0738819  |
| Sgt    | Olen Grant                | 18135581 |
| Sgt    | Elders L Dandelin         | 11068163 |
|        | <u>Returned to Duty.</u>  |          |
| 2nd Lt | James E. Armstrong        | 0794606  |
| T/Sgt  | Walter L. House           | 35484983 |

For the Theater Commander:

  
W. H. FALLON,  
Captain, AGD,  
Asst Adjutant General.

1 Incl: n/o



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(Ltr, War Dept AAF Hq, SUB: "Missing Aircrew Reports" dtd 8 Nov. 1943.

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9th Ind.

P-G-3

Hq, 1st Bomb Division, APO 634, 24 December, 1943.

TO: CG, VIII Bomber Command, APO 634. (Att: Statistical Control Section).

Information at this Headquarters shows that CARLIN is a POW.  
REDWING, GRANT and DAUBELIN are still listed as MIA.

For the Commanding General:

1 Incl: n/c.

*Harry T. Vance*  
HARRY T. VANCE,  
Captain, A.C.D.,  
Asst Adj General.

26 DEC 1943

319.1

10th Ind.

P-A-1

HEADQUARTERS VIII BOMBER COMMAND, APO 634, U. S. Army,

TO: Commanding General, Eighth Air Force, APO 633, U. S. Army.

1 Incl: n/c.



*M.H.*  
M.H.



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4th Ind

HEADQUARTERS, 384TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (K), AAF, APO 634, 10 December 1943.

TO: Commanding General, HQ, KTOUSA, APO 671, U. S. Army. (Thru Channels).

1. In compliance with paragraph 2, basic communication, the following information is forwarded.

2. Aircraft 42-24507 presumed to have been abandoned near the channel while over France, 6 September 1943, and is believed to have been lost due to battle damage to one or more of its engines and lack of sufficient gasoline to return. This Aircraft had been knocked from the formation and straggling, and at the actual time of abandonment or crash, it was far behind the formation and no observations could be made. There were no actual eye-witnesses to the abandoning or crashing of this Aircraft.

For the Group Commander:

*J. R. Wyatt*  
J. R. WYATT,  
1st Lt., Air Corps,  
Asst Adjutant.

2 Incl n/c

319.1

5th Ind.

P-6-3

Hq, 1st Bomb Division, APO 634, 12 December, 1943.

TO: CG, VIII Bomber Command, APO 634. (Att: Statistical Control Section).

*R. F. J.*  
R. F. J.

1 Incl:

Incl 1- Missing Aircrew Report, mission 6 Sept 1943, A/C # 24507.



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1/27. 2nd Dept. AAF Hqs. Sub: "Missing Air Crew Reports" dtd 8 Nov. 1943.

31951 6th Ind. P-7-11  
HEADQUARTERS, VIII BOMBER COMMAND, APO 634, 16 December 1943.

TO: Commanding General, 1st Bombardment Division, APO 634.

Attention is invited to the addition of POW after CARLIN, GRANT, and  
DEAN. as KIA after REDWING.

2. This Headquarters has information only that CARLIN is POW. REDWING,  
KIA, does not agree with Battle Casualty Report which still lists him as MIA.

3. It is requested that the source of information for the additions of  
POW and KIA be indicated and a corrected Battle Casualty Report be submitted  
if REDWING is KIA.

By: Command of Brigadier General HODGES:

*Meade*  
MEADE S. HODGES  
Major, AGC  
Asst. M.J. Gen.

1 Incl.  
n/c

319.1 7th Ind. P-3-3  
Hq, 1st Bomb Division, APO 634, 18 December, 1943.

TO: CG, 38th Bomb Group, APO 634. (Att: Statistical Officer).

*P. J.*  
P. J.

1 Incl: n/c.

8th Ind.  
HEADQUARTERS 38TH BOMB/REGIMENT GROUP (H), AAF, APO 634, 20 December 1943.

TO: Commanding General, 1st Bombardment Division, APO 634.

1. Returned per telephone conversation your Headquarters.

For the Group Commander:

*L. A. Ragus*  
L. A. RAGUS,  
W.O.J.O., U.S.A.,  
Asst. Personnel Officer.

1 Incl: n/c.



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1st Ind.

(S-9 Dec 43)

HQ EIGHTH AIR FORCE, AAF STA 566, APO 633, 29 Nov 1943.

TO: CG, VIII Bomber Command, APO 634.

For compliance with paragraph 2, basic communication, and return to this headquarters.

By command of Lieutenant General EAKER:

*Amosley*  
E. A. EAKER  
Lt Col. LAD,  
Asst Adj Gen.

3 Incls-n/c

AG 319.1

2nd Ind.

(S-9 Dec 43)

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HEADQUARTERS VIII BOMBER COMMAND, APO 634, U. S. Army.

1 DEC 1943

TO: Commanding General, 1st Bombardment Division, APO 634, U. S. Army.

*MWH*  
MWH

2 Incls:

Incl No. 2 withdrawn.

AG 319.1

3rd Ind.

P-O-7

Hq. 1st Bomb Division, APO 634, 7 December, 1943.

TO: CO, 384th Bomb Group, APO 634. (Att. Statistical Officer).

*R.P.S.*  
R. P. S.

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FORWARDED TO  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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W V H

*John B. Cooley*  
JOHN B. COOLEY,  
Colonel, A. G. D.,  
Air Adjutant General.

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- #2 MAC rpt 792
- #3 MAC rpt 870





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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

File # 772 /

Name of crew member: REDWIN, James H.

Rank: S/Sgt.

Serial number: 35474320

Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~xxxxx~~ ~~xxxxx~~ ~~xxxxx~~ Ass't Radio Operator and Ball Turret Gunner

Did he bail out? Not to my knowledge

Where? \_\_\_\_\_

If not, why not? I do not know if because of wounds or fear

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

Was he injured? Did not seem to be

Where was he when last seen? in waist of aircraft

Any hearsay information: Body described as Redwing was found by German troops within few feet of partially burned APC. He was of Indian (Hindu) extraction and easily identified.

Source: Information from French

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: 11

Dates and destinations if possible: Aachen, Fr - 10 July, Villerscotte, Fr - 14 July, Hamm, Germany - 24 July, Hamburg, Ger 25 July, Kassel, Ger 28 July, Gelsenkirchen Ger 12 Aug, Paris + Amiens Fr 15 Aug, Schwerdt Ger 17 Aug, Watten Fr 27 Aug, — Fr, 3 Sept, Stuttgart + Ger 6 Sept 1943.



At approx 1300 we left formation because of damage to #4 Eng. Shortly thereafter we were severely damaged and set afire by Fighter and Flak attacks. The P/C was settling rapidly and I was ordered by Lt Armstrong to check the ship status. Lt Carlson and Sgt. Doudelin had already bailed out. The order for the crew to bail out was given in a few seconds and I made my way to the waist. Redwing was out of the main turret but without headphones and had not heard the order. Grant was on the catwalk and to all appearances was wounded severely enough to be lifeless. He was not moving and part of his head seemed to have been shot away. I tried to make Redwing understand we were to bail out but he did not seem to understand. His chute was in place and I tried to shove him toward the door. He seemed out of his head and I tried to force him out. He struggled with me and gave a lunge as though he had been hit. We were still under attack. As he lunged we both fell to the floor and the ship nosed down rather sharply. I could see the ground very close and pulled myself out the door, jerking my rifle at the same time. Practically as soon as my chute took my weight I was down. I did not see Redwing again. I learned later from the French that Grant was found alive in the wreck and Redwing's body nearby. I heard he was buried by the Germans. I never could exactly establish the scene of the crash but believe it to be around halfway between Gisors and Les Andelys Eure France.



## CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name Walter L. House Rank T/Sgt Serial No. 35Y8Y283
2. Organisation 35Y<sup>th</sup> Gp Comdant Boyle Rank Col sqn CO Harris Rank Capt  
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1943 month Sept day 3 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, Stuttgart target, Rail Yards, target time, 1830 hours, altitude, 25000, route scheduled, ✓  
route flown
5. Where were you when you left formation? No Knowledge
6. Did you bail out? Yes
7. Did other members of crew bail out? Yes except Redwing and Grant
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". See back
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? No knowledge of exact location  
probably NW of Gisors, Eure-FRANCE NEAR STANGEV
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) Grant, Sgt. and Redwing Sgt. - Knowledge from French
11. Where were they in aircraft? No knowledge after crash.
12. What was their condition? See back
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? Cochin and Dardelun bailed out before remainder of crew. I saw no parachutes
14. Please give any similar information on personnel of any other crew of which you have knowledge. Indicate source of information.

(Any additional information may be written on the back)



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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

File # 772 /

Name of crew member: RENNER, James H.  
Rank: S/Sgt.  
Serial number: 3527320  
Position: Crew (Bomber) Asst Radio Operator and Ball Turret Gunner

Did he bail out? yes

Where? France?

If not, why not? \_\_\_\_\_

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: Just before  
leaving formation all crew members report in to Pilot

Was he injured? Just before jumping German rocket attack in which he

Where was he when last seen? Was seen on ground near German head house

Any hearsay information: German captured me about 6 hrs after  
jumping thru when I saw James Redwing; they  
told me he was shot through stomach and his chute  
did not open.

Source: German Source

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: 13<sup>th</sup> mission

Dates and destinations if possible: Sept 6 - 1943

Stuttgart Germany Ball bearing factory



## CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name DAVID L. ELDER L Rank 1st Lt Serial No. 11068163
2. Organization 384<sup>th</sup> Gp Commander BUD 1. RASLEY Rank Col Sqn 30 KEELSON Rank CAPTAIN  
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1943 month Sept day 6 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, GERMANY, target, BALL BEARER target:  
time, 9, altitude, 29 thousand route scheduled, \_\_\_\_\_  
route flown \_\_\_\_\_
5. Where were you when you left formation? in FRANCE Somewhere.
6. Did you bail out? Yes
7. Did other members of crew bail out? ALL except OLEN GRANT  
to the best of my knowledge
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".  
No Knowledge How Crew Bailed  
I Just Saw chute go by when German made last attack  
OLEN GRANT WAS Wounded Next to the last attack
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? FRANCE Somewhere
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires)  
Olen Grant. AFTER GERMANS CAPTURED ME  
they told me he WAS IN THE PLANE
11. Where were they in aircraft? He WAS Right Waist Gunner
12. What was their condition? German Hit FACE HAND'S Lost eye
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above?  
NAVIGATOR CARLANE WAS PICKED UP AFTER  
ME. HE WAS FAIR CONDITION to best of my knowledge
14. Please give any similar information on personnel of any other crew of which you have knowledge. Indicate source of information. \_\_\_\_\_



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*All information on 'point' is to the best of  
my knowledge.*



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# INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: REDWING, James H.  
Rank: S/Sgt.  
Serial number: 35474320  
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~spotlight/light~~ Ass't Radio Operator and Ball Turret Gunner  
SHOT DOWN SEPT. 6TH, 1943

- Source: FRENCHMAN (NAME UNKNOWN - ATTENDING AT HOSPITAL) GERMAN OPERATED FRENCH

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: W. H. HAMMOCK

REUING PREPARATORY  
SAYO FWD. TO 450P S/SGT. FROM HIS TUREST ~~TO~~ TO ABANDONING THE SHIP, S/SGT. REUING

MAY HAVE BEEN KILLED OUTRIGHT AS WE WERE UNDER ATTACK. THE NEXT PASS THE FIGHTER

MADE SBT FIRE TO THE PLANE (FIRST IN THE COCKPIT, SPREADING AFT) 5/30T. LEONINO'S

BODY MAY HAVE BEEN THROWN FROM THE PLANE OR IT MAY HAVE FELL<sup>1</sup> OUT IN THE

STEEP BANK THE PLANE MADE AFTER THE PILOT BAILED OUT  
Total number of missions of above crew member: ELEVEN (1)

Dates and destinations if possible: \_\_\_\_\_



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CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name ROBERT L. STONER Rank 2ND LT Serial No. 0-677306
2. Organization 584TH B.G. Op Commander BUDD J. PUGHLEE Rank COL Sqn CO HARRIS - Rank CAPT.  
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1943 month SEPT. day 6TH did you go down?
4. What was the mission, STUTT GARI, target, ✓, target time, ✓, altitude, ✓ route scheduled, ✓, route flown ✓
5. Where were you when you left formation? NORTHEAST FRANCE - JUST S.E. OF ROUEN AT  
MTLE TOWN OF ETAMPES.
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". PILOT [JAMES E. ARMSTRONG] PARACHUTED  
(WILLIAM V. H. YES) 1ST-THROAT-GUNNER (DAVID L. HUNTER) RADIO-OPERATOR (WALTER L. HOUSE) & MYSELF, ALL  
BAILED OUT AT THE SAME TIME AT ABOUT 4000' INDICATED FROM A B-17 (YANKEE SAVER) WHOSE OXYGEN  
SYSTEM HAD BEEN HIT BY AN ENEMY FIGHTER - ON NEARBY GROUND  
FROM PROXIMITY WHO INSPECTED THE WRECKAGE OF THE PLANE JUST AFTER THE CRASH - NO BODY  
WAS FOUND IN OR AROUND THE AIRCRAFT. THE PARACHUTER SAID THE PARACHUTE BAILED OUT JUST AFTER
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? ON OLD ABANDONED AIRFIELD - NEAR ETAMPES  
FRANCE.
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 6 above and individual questionnaires) None
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? \_\_\_\_\_
14. Please give any similar information on personnel of any other crew of which you have knowledge. Indicate source of information. \_\_\_\_\_

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— LEAVING THE FORMATION, ACCORDING TO THE RADIO-OPERATOR THE TWO  
WING-GUNNERS BAILED OUT ABOUT THE SAME TIME AS THE NAVIGATOR,  
THAT LEAVES THE TAIL-GUNNER (2/SGT CLIFFORD HAMMOCK) & THE BALL-TURRET  
GUNNER (JAMES H. REDWING, 1/SGT). ACCORDING TO HERRISAY REPORTS —  
(WHICH SOUND ACCURATE TO ME BECAUSE IDENTIFICATION - WEARING AND DARK  
COMPLEXION CHECK) — 2/SGT. JAMES H. REDWING WAS FOUND DEAD ON  
THE GROUND WITH HIS PARACHUTE UNOPENED, AND A BULLET WOUND  
IN HIS BODY THAT WAS SUPPOSED TO BE THE CAUSE OF HIS DEATH.

— NO KNOWLEDGE OF WHEN 2/SGT HAMMOCK (TAIL-GUNNER) BAILED OUT.

[15] HERRISAY EVEN GOES SO FAR AS TO TELL OF THE MILITARY

BURIAL, COMPLETE WITH MUSKET SALUTE GIVEN TO 2/SGT JAMES  
H. REDWING, BY THE GERMANS — NEAR STRE PAGNY, FRANCE.



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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

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Name of crew member: REDWING, James H.  
Rank: S/Sgt.  
Serial number: 35474320  
Position: Crew (Bomber) Asst Radi, Operator and Ball Turret Gunner

Did he bail out? NO - WAS HIT FIRST THEN FELL OUT

Where? BETWEEN PARIS & STUTGART

If not, why not? ATTEMPTED BUT WAS WOUNDED

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: HE WAS TRYING TO DRAG ME TO THE DOOR AND FINALLY I TOLD HIM TO GO

Was he injured? YES

Where was he when last seen? FELL IN DOOR AND LUNCH DSHIP THREW HIM OUT

Any hearsay information: GERMANS WHO TOOK ME TO THE HOSPITAL SAID THEY HAD FOUND ONE MAN NOT TOO FAR AWAY WITH UNOPENED CHUTE. DESCRIPTION FITTED REDWING

Source: GERMAN INTERPATOR

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: I BELIEVE HE WAS KILLED AT DOOR OF SHIP BEFORE FALLING OUT AS SHIP RECEIVED TERRIBLE BLAST AT THAT TIME

Total number of missions of above crew member: NO KNOWLEDGE

Dates and destinations if possible: NO KNOWLEDGE

P.S. That was a mixed crew that day and Redwing was from another Squadron. Thus the reason for not knowing his no. of missions.  
I think Redwing deserves a citation for his effort in 6-3861, AF trying to get me out thus causing the loss of his life.



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CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name OLEN (MIL) GRANT Rank T/SGT Serial No. 18135581
2. Organization 384 Co Commander Red J. Smith Rank Col Sqd CO William K. Smith Rank OPT  
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1943 month SEPT day 6 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, STUTTGART, target, BALL BEARING FACT, target time, 12:30, altitude, 2400 FT route scheduled, OVER MERDER  
AND THEN BELOW PARIS route flown, SAME
5. Where were you when you left formation? 20 MILES BETWEEN PARIS & STUTTGART
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". TAIL GUNNER LEFT FIRST  
BAND QPR SECOND (WENT DOWN) OTHER WAIST GUNNER THIRD BALL TURRET  
HE ATTEMPTED TO GET OUT BUT WAS HIT AT THE DOOR & FELL OUT  
OTHERS NO KNOWLEDGE"
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? CLOSE TO PARIS
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) MY SELF ALONE
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? SAW WAIST GR. ELDERE DAUDWIN & TOP TURRET GR  
BRUNO EDMAN IN STLAG XVII B KREMS AUSTRIA
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)



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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

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Name of crew member: RENNING, James E.  
Rank: Sgt.  
Serial number: 35074300  
Position: Crew (Bomber) Assistant Flight Engineer Asst Radio Operator and Ball Turret Gunner

Did he bail out? Don't know

Where? " "

If not, why not? " "

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

Don't remember

Was he injured? Don't know

Where was he when last seen? " "

Any hearsay information: French say they found dark

complexioned guy in plane

Source: " "

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

Killed in action

Total number of missions of above crew member: No knowledge

Dates and destinations if possible: 1st Sava Fort



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CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name Wilbert Y.K. YEE Rank Capt Serial No. 2-735224
2. Organization 324 Op Commander 3rd Rank Col Sqn CO Harris Rank Maj  
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1943 month Sept day 6 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, Bombing, target, Germany, Stuttgart, target:  
time, 10:11 a.m., altitude, 21,000 route scheduled, over France  
route flown
5. Where were you when you left formation? Approx 10 mi from Eng Channel
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". Sgt Edmond bailed at Lt Robert L. Stacey - bailed out just before we landed on ground. Lt. Carlin - bailed out before Lt. Stacey. The rest I have no knowledge of.
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) Don't know
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? Saw the rest of crew before we reached enemy territory. They were well.
14. Please give any similar information on personnel of any other crew of which you have knowledge. Indicate source of information.  
Have only been with crew two missions.

(Any additional information may be written on the back)



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328TH AAF Base (AFM) (AFM)  
GULFPORT ARMY AIR FIELD  
Gulfport, Mississippi

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SUBJECT: Interrogation Report Former POW's

1. Name Carlin (First name unknown) Rank 2nd Lt. ASU
2. Crew Position Navigator 3. Unit 558th Bomb Sq. 18th Bomb Grp.
4. Date Last Seen 6 Sept. 1945 5. Place Last Seen Vicinity Beauvais, France
6. Circumstances of Loss of Aircraft A/C with two engines shot out caught fire as a result of action with enemy A/C.

7. Known Information (Eye Witness) Witness did not see navigator leave plane.

8. Hearsay Information: Witness later met Radio operator in London (T/Sgt. Walter L. House). House stated that he had heard that Carlin had been taken prisoner. He could not be sure of the reliability of the information.

Transferred to No. 1 per SO 4896, par 31, dtd 24 Oct '45 and discharge fr SV 31 Oct '45 this HQ.

Clifford Hammett Signature  
Rank E/SGT. ASV 14120019  
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SUBJECT: Interrogation Report Former POWs

1. Name Edwing, James Rank S/Sgt. ASN ASU
2. Crew Position Ball Turret Gunner 3. Unit 556th Bomb Sq. 364th Bomb Op.
4. Date Last Seen 6 Sept. 1945 5. Place Last Seen Violaity Beauvais, France
6. Circumstances of Loss of Aircraft A/C with two engines shot out caught fire as a result of action with enemy A/C.

7. Known Information (Eye Witness) Witness states that Edwing was killed in A/C.

8. Hearsay Information

Transmitted to HQ, I per HQ, per  
HQ, and to HQ, per HQ, per HQ  
HQ, per HQ, per HQ, per HQ  
Signature  
Rank S/Sgt. ASN ASU  
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GULFPORT ARMY AIR FIELD  
Gulfport, Mississippi

SUBJECT: Interrogation Report Former POW's

1. Name Stess Rank 2nd Lt. ASN   
2. Crew Position Co-pilot 3. Unit 304 Bomb Gp, 545th Sq.  
4. Date Last Seen 6 Sept. 1945 5. Place Last Seen Stuttgart, Germany  
6. Circumstances of Loss of Aircraft Shot down by enemy A/C.

7. Known Information (Eye Witness)

8. Hearsay Information Heard from radio man that Stess was taken  
prisoner.

*C. J. Hammond*  
Signature  
Rank 1st Sgt. ASN 14120010  
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