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WAR DEPARTMENT
HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

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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 AAF Station 106; Command or Air Force VIII
Group 384th; Squadron 546th; Detachment _____
2. SPECIFY: POINT of Departure AAF Station 106; Course As Briefed
Intended Destination Munich, Germany; Type of Mission Combat
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED: 9/10 cumulus tops 12,000-14,000 ft. Visibility aloft unrestricted.
4. GIVE: (a) Date 12 July 44 Time 1324 hours; and Location Munich, Germany
of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.
(b) Specify whether (x) Last Sighted; () Last contacted by Radio;
() Forces 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 #3 engine hit by flak. A/C spun slowly down into the clouds.
6. AIRCRAFT: Type, Model and Series B-17G; A.A.F. Serial Number 42-97273 ✓
7. ENGINES: Type, Model and Series _____ A.A.F. Serial Number (a) SW-011941
(b) SW-005124; (c) SW-011764; (d) SW-011651
8. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial Number)
(a) See attached; (b) _____; (c) _____; (d) _____
(e) sheet; (f) _____; (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 9; Passengers 0; Total 9
(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	
1. Pilot	Pilot	AR Rosborough, James Edward	1st Lt	0-810033	
2.	Co-Pilot	AR Matlack, Vincent DePaul, Jr.	2nd Lt.	0-818721	
3.	Navigator	NR Saslow, Seymour Gerald	2nd Lt.	0-708564	RTD.
4.	Bombardier	NR Fletcher, John Joseph	F/O	T-1812	RTD.
5.	Radio Operator	NR Ford, Howard Emerson	T/Sgt.	37497860	
6.	Top Turret	NR Bedsted, Lee Roy	S/Sgt.	36811354	RTD.
7.	Ball Turret	NR Gerhold, Melvin Henry	Sgt.	13059929	RTD
8.	Tail Gunner	NR Raines, Louis Edward	S/Sgt.	37498097	RTD
9.	Waist Gunner	Brecht, Victor Douglas	T/Sgt.	37500292	RTD
10.					

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

Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Contacted				Check Only One Column	
			by	Last	Saw	Saw Forced		
			Radio	Sighted	Crash	Landing		
1. Gibson, James Allen	1st Lt.	0-815123						
2.								
3.								

12. IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, ANSWER YES TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS: (a) Parachutes were used Yes; (b) Persons were seen walking away from scene of crash _____; or (c) Any other reason (Specify) 2 chutes seen
13. ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN.
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 17 July 1944

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J. R. Wyatt
Signature of Preparing Officer)
J. R. WYATT,
Captain, Air Corps,
Ass't. Adjutant.

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STATEMENT OF LT. J. GIBSON, PILOT A/C 948, MISSION TO MUNICH, GERMANY

12 JULY 1944.

We were flying number two (2) in the Low. Immediately after bombs away A/C 273, Lt. ROSBOROUGH, at 1324, 25600 ft turned away from formation being hit by flak in number (3) three engine. A/C spun slowly down into the clouds and two (2) chutes were seen to emerge.

/s/ J.A. GIBSON,
/t/ J.A. GIBSON,
2nd Lt., Air Corps,
Pilot A/C, 948.

A TRUE COPY

J. R. Wyatt
J. R. WYATT,
Captain, Air Corps.

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1st Lt. James E. Rosborough	Mrs. Ruth J. Rosborough (mother) 603 North Locust Street, Hazleton, Pennsylvania. ✓
2nd Lt. Vicent D. Matlock	Mrs. Bertha Matlock (mother) 9128-79 Street, Woodhaven, New York. ✓
* 2nd Lt. Seymour G. Saslow	Mr. Bernard A. Saslow (brother) 295 Madison Avenue, New York, New York. ✓
* P/O John J. Fletcher	Mrs. Mary Fletcher (mother) 5720 Cedar Avenue, Philadelphia 43, Pennsylvania. ✓
T/Sgt. Victor D. Brecht	Mrs. Virginia M. Brecht (wife) c/o C. R. Clapton, Madison, Kansas. ✓
T/Sgt. Howard E. Ford	Mrs. Elise J. Ford (wife) 3724 Valentine Road, Kansas City, Missouri. ✓
* S/Sgt. Melvin H. Gerhold	Mrs. Lillian H. Gerhold (mother) 1708 Sidney Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. ✓
* S/Sgt. Lee R. Bedsted	Mrs. Hilda C. Bedsted (mother) Rural Route Number One, Walworth, Wisconsin. ✓
* S/Sgt. Louis E. Raines	Mrs. Hazel L. Raines (wife) Versailles, Missouri. ✓

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8. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish Make, Type and Serial)

- a. 652133 Frigidaire
- b. 651955 Frigidaire
- c. 969426 Frigidaire
- d. 24182 High Standard
- e. 651163 Frigidaire
- f. 652782 Frigidaire
- g. 650828 Frigidaire
- h. 778318 Colt Patient
- i. 73013 Standard Patient
- j. 52734 Colt Patient
- k.

All guns are Cal .50 Aerial Machine Guns

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Name of crew member: ROSBOROUGH, James Edward
Rank: 1st Lt.
Serial number: 0-810033
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~of /Y/ig/ /Y/ig/ /Y/ig/~~: Pilot

Did he bail out? *Unknown*

Where? *Unknown*

If not, why not? *Unknown*

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

to bail out.

Was he injured? *unknown*

Where was he when last seen? Before take off of mission

Any hearsay information:

Source:

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: *Last mission (?)*

Dates and destinations if possible:

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

File number 7568

Name of crew member: **KATLACK, Vincent DePaul Jr.**
Rank: **2nd Lt.**
Serial number: **C-818721**
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~of B-24D #144444~~ **Co-Pilot**

Did he bail out? unknown

Where? unknown

If not, why not? unknown

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

take off.

Was he injured? unknown

Where was he when last seen? Before take off

Any hearsay information: _____

Sources: _____

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: unknown.

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

Name of crew member: **BRECHT, Victor Douglas**
Rank: **T/Sgt**
Serial number: **37500292**
Position: Crew (Bomber) of B-29 Superfortress: **Waist Gunner**

Did he bail out? *Unknown*

Where? *Unknown*

If not, why not? *Unknown*

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: Saw him
enter radio room with spilled chute before I passed out.
from lack of oxygen.
 Was he injured? Unknown (Didn't appear to be)

Where was he when last seen? In radio room.

Any hearsay information:

Source :

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: *unknown*

Dates and destinations if possible:

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

File number 7568

Name of crew member: FORD, Howard Emerson
Rank: T/Sgt
Serial number: 37497860
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~by flight/flight/flight/flight~~: Radio Operator

Did he bail out? Unknown.

Where? Unknown.

If not, why not? Unknown.

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

Was he injured? Unconscious

Where was he when last seen? Opposite rear door with spilled chute -
laying on floor.

Any hearsay information: _____

Source: _____

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: Unknown.

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name Melvin Henry Gerhold Rank 3/Sgt Serial No. 13059929
2. Organization 384 Bomb Group 546 Sq. Gp Commander Col. Smith Rank _____ Sqn CO Maj. Harris Rank _____
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month July day 12 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, _____, target, Center of Manich, target time, unknown, altitude, un 28,000 route scheduled, unknown, route flown unknown
5. Where were you when you left formation? on bomb run - 2 min. before bombs away
6. Did you bail out? yes.
7. Did other members of crew bail out? ~~some~~ 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". No Knowledge
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? Unknown
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) Unknown
11. Where were they in aircraft? Unknown
12. What was their condition? Unknown
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. _____

(Any additional information may be written on the back)

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

File number 7568

Name of crew member: ROSECROUGH, James Edward
Rank: 1st Lt.
Serial number: O-810033
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~or Pilot/Fighter~~: Pilot

Did he bail out? NO KNOWLEDGE.

Where? X

If not, why not? I BELIEVE THE SHIP BLEW UP.

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: HE GAVE
THE COMMAND TO BAIL OUT.

Was he injured? NO

Where was he when last seen? AT CONTROLS

Any hearsay information: NONE.

Source: —

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: I BELIEVE
~~HE WAS~~ THE SHIP ~~Blew up~~ AND HE WAS KILLED
THEN.

Total number of missions of above crew member: THIRTY THREE.

Dates and destinations if possible: NO KNOWLEDGE.

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

File number 7568

Name of crew member: MATLACK, Vincent DePaul Jr.
Rank: 2nd Lt.
Serial number: 0-818721
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~or Pilot/Fighter~~: Co-Pilot

Did he bail out? NO KNOWLEDGE.

Where? " "

If not, why not? I BELIEVE THE SHIP BLEW UP.

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

NO KNOWLEDGE.

Was he injured? NO

Where was he when last seen? AT THE CONTROLS GETTING PARACHUTE.

Any hearsay information: NONE.

Source:

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

PILOTS. A GERMAN INTERROGATOR IN MUNICH ASKED
ME IF I KNEW MATLACK. I BELIEVE HE HAD FOUND
HIS BODY AND WANTED ME TO IDENTIFY HIM. I DIDNT TELL
HIM I KNEW HIM AND HE LEFT.

Total number of missions of above crew member: APPROXIMATELY TWENTY FIVE

Dates and destinations if possible: NO KNOWLEDGE.

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

File number 7568

Name of crew member: BRECHT, Victor Douglas
Rank: T/Sgt
Serial number: 37500292
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~of Flight 171811~~: Waist Gunner

Did he bail out? NO KNOWLEDGE.

Where? " "

If not, why not? SAME AS PILOT & CO-PILOT

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

NO KNOWLEDGE.

Was he injured? " "

Where was he when last seen? IN WAIST OF SHIP.

Any hearsay information: NONE.

Source:

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: THIRTY.

Dates and destinations if possible: NO KNOWLEDGE.

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CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name BEDSTED LEER. Rank T/SGT. Serial No. 26811354
2. Organization 384 Bn Gp Commander SMITH Rank COL. Sqn CO STALLINGS Rank CAPT.
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month JULY day 12 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, MUNICH GER., target, ?, target time, 1:16 P.M., altitude, 26,000 route scheduled, ?
route flown ?
5. Where were you when you left formation? ABOUT 3 MINUTES FROM THE TARGET
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". NO KNOWLEDGE.
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? NO I BELIEVE IT BLEW UP IN FIRE
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? NO KNOWLEDGE.
12. What was their condition? " ..
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? THE PILOT & COPILOT WERE AT THE CONTROLS. THEY SEEMED ALL RIGHT.
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)

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

File number 7568

Name of crew member: MATLACK, Vincent DePaul Jr.
Rank: 2nd Lt.
Serial number: 0-818721
Position: Crew (Bomber) or ~~Flight/Fighter~~: Co-Pilot

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: Saw him
standing near pilot's compartment as I bailed out.

Was he injured? no knowledge

Where was he when last seen? Standing near his position.

Any hearsay information: _____

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: believe he
tried to help pilot steady ship so crew could bail out. Probably did
not have enough time to bail out himself.

Total number of missions of above crew member: 30

Dates and destinations if possible: various destinations from May 14 to July
12, 1944.

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

File number 7568

Name of crew member: ROSBOROUGH, James Edward
Rank: 1st Lt.
Serial number: 0-810033
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~or Pilot~~ Pilot

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: Rosborough
told crew to bail out.

Was he injured? No knowledge

Where was he when last seen? In pilot's seat.

Any hearsay information: Germans told a navigator of our group that Ros-
borough was dead.

Source: Lt. Corcoran 384 Bomb Gp.

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: Believe he tried
to keep plane steady so crew could bail out. Before he could get out
ship probably hit the ground.

Total number of missions of above crew member: 31

Dates and destinations if possible: Various destinations from May 10 to July
12, 1944.

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name Seymour G. Saslow Rank 2nd Lt. Serial No. 0-708564
384 Bomb. Col. Dale
2. Organization Gp. Gp Commander Smith Rank Col. Sqn CO narris Rank maj.
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month July day 12 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, Munich, target, Railroad yards, target
time, 1330, altitude, 26,000 ft. route scheduled, England,
walcheren, Munich, route flown same
5. Where were you when you left formation? 15 miles north of Munich
6. Did you bail out? Yes
7. Did other members of crew bail out? Yes, but not all.
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". John Fletcher out of nose hatch. Lee Bedstead out of nose hatch. Melvin Gerhold and Louis Raines out of rear door.
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) No knowledge.
11. Where were they in aircraft? No knowledge.
12. What was their condition? No knowledge.
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? Saw Vincent Matlack standing near pilot's compartment, when I bailed out. Saw John Rosborough, Victor Brecht, and Howard Ford at takeoff.
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)

Name of crew member: BRECHT, Victor Douglas
Rank: T/Sgt
Serial number: 37500292
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~or Flight/Fighter~~: Waist Gunner

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:

"Was he injured? **No knowledge**

Where was he when last seen?

Any hearsay information:

Source:

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: believe me
routed his parachute inside the plane.

Total number of missions of above crew member: 30

Dates and destinations if possible: **Various destinations from May 14 to**

July 12, 1944.

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

File number 7568

Name of crew member: FORD, Howard Emerson
Rank: T/Sgt
Serial number: 37497860
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~of Flight / Lighter~~: Radio Operator

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: Ford told
bombardier to drop bombs. He then said that the bombs had not been dropped

Was he injured? No knowledge.

Where was he when last seen? _____

Any hearsay information: _____

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: believe he
fouled his parachute inside the plane.

Total number of missions of above crew member: 30

Dates and destinations if possible: various destinations from May 14 to July
12, 1944

MACR 7568-Related German KU Document (translated)

- KU 2460 – 15 pages, Page 1-Page 14 (Page 7 extends to an extra sheet)

The attached pages relating to the loss of the Rosborough Crew on 1943-07-12 were found in June 2023 on Fold3.com by Keith Ellefson

Names Mentioned on the following pages:

Position	Name	Result	Pages
Pilot	<u>Rosborough, James Edward</u> ↗	KIA	1,6,8
Co-pilot	<u>Matlack, Vincent DePaul, Jr</u> ↗	KIA	
Navigator	<u>Saslow, Seymour Gerald</u> ↗	POW	7,8,13
Bombardier	<u>Fletcher, John Joseph</u> ↗	POW	2,4,7,8,10
Radio Operator	<u>Ford, Howard Emerson</u> ↗	KIA	1,6,7,8
Engineer/Top Turret	<u>Bedsted, Lee Roy</u> ↗	POW	3,7,8
Ball Turret	<u>Gerhold, Melvin Henry</u> ↗	POW	7,8,14
Tail Gunner	<u>Raines, Louis Edward</u> ↗	POW	7,8,12
Waist (Flexible) Gunner	<u>Brecht, Victor Douglas</u> ↗	KIA	5,6

Note: Each name is clickable to access the person's information page on 384thBombGroup.com.

Identification tags

James E Rosborough
O - 810033 T 42-44 A

P

Howard E Ford
87407860 T 43-43 O

P

Identification tag

J.J.Fletcher

T - 1 8 12 T 4 2 4 4 A
0

Identification tag

Lee R Bodsted
36811354 T 43-44 0

P

KU 2400

File slip

31 July 1944
Ste/Ch

Unit: 384th group, 546th Squadron, according to escape notes with
address of J. Fletcher

Dulag Luft, Wetzlar
Received: 4 August 1944

Identification tag

Victor D Brecht
37500292 T 43-43 B

P

KU 2460
KU 2497

S E C R E T

Airbase Headquarters A (e) 3/VII
Neubiberg

Neubiberg, 16 July 1944

Instead of high priority teletype

Express letter

File mark: 7
File number: 1137/44 secret

Distributes:

- 1) Interrogation Center West, Oberursel
- 2) Air District Command VII, Ic, Munich
- 3) Command flight 3/VII, Aibling
- 4) HQ Neubiberg, draft

Enclosures: 2 closed envelopes
3 forms 1

Reference: Dulag Luft 2706/07

SUBJECT: Capture and recovery of American Air Force members

TO : Dulag Luft 2706/07, VII:

- 1) On 13 July 1944 at 1325 south of Gruenwald about 1,8 km on Prinz Karl area.
- 2) Shot down of a Boeing 17 G, left wing insignia and "F"
- 3) Victor D Brecht, Id.tag 37500392 ✓
- 4) Internment on 14 July 1944 at Gruenwald cemetery.

Remark: The two men reported dead by our letter No 1127/44 (Howard Ford and James Rosberg) have also been interred at cemetery Gruenwald.

KU 2497

TO : Dulag Luft 2706/07, II G:

- a) 16 July 1944 by Air Raid Section Command Munich-South according to inclosed letter.
- b) Lt. W.H. Johnson, Id.tag 0 - 815913
- c) - g) unknown

FOR:

Signature

Major and Staff Off of Airbase HQ

Instead of high priority teletype

S E C R E T

Airbase Headquarters A. (a) 3/VII
Neubiberg

Neubiberg, 14 July 1944

Express letter

File mark: 7
File number: 1127/44 secret

Distributors:
Interrogation Center West, Oberursel
Air District Command VII, Munich
Airdrome Command 2/VII, Aibling
HQ Neubiberg, draft

Enclosures: None

Reference: Dulag Luft 3706/07 - II C

Subject: Capture of American Air Force members.

TO II C:

- 1) a) 12 July 1944, around 1430, position B 1, 2nd Anti-aircraft Search Light Unit 249, Oberhaching. KU 2460
b) Lt. Jean Fletcher, Id.tag T 1812
c) - g) unknown, refuses information.
- 2) a) 12 July 1944, around 1430, position B 1, 2nd Anti-aircraft Search Light Unit 249, Oberhaching.
b) M/Sgt Louis E Raines, Id.tag 37498097, transferred to Air Force Hospital Oberfeehring on 12 July 1944. KU 2460
c) - g) unknown
- 3) a) 12 July 1944, around 1430, position B 1, 2nd Anti-aircraft Search Light Unit 249, Oberhaching.
b) M/Sgt Lee R Bodsted, Id.tag 36811354 36811354 KU 2460
c) - g) unknown
- 4) a) 12 July 1944, around 1430, position B 9, 2nd Anti-aircraft Search Light Unit 249, Gressdingharting.
b) 2nd Lt. G. Seymour Saslow, Id.tag O-708564 KU 2460
c) - g) unknown, refuses information.
- 5) a) 12 July 1944, around 1430, position B 7, 2nd Anti-aircraft Search Light Unit 249, Laufzern.
b) Devan, wounded, transferred to Air Force Hospital Oberfeehring on 12 July 1944. KU 2460
c) - g) unknown.
- 6) a) 12 July 1944, around 1430, by Police Officer Schraanner, Oberhaching.
b) M/Sgt Gerhold Melvin, Id.tag 12059929 KU 2460
c) - g) unknown, refuses information
- 7) a) 12 July 1944, Munich, Terwalden-Str. 25/II, by Josef Krantlager, chimney-sweeper.
b) Lt. Rudy R Johnson, Id.tag O-699423 KU 2460
c) - g) unknown because transferred to Air Force Hospital Oberfeehring on 12 July 1944.

- 8) a) 12 July 1944, 1st Anti-aircraft Search Light Unit 249, position Oberdill
b) Tech/Sgt Dick Franklin, Id.tag 14061861 KU 2504
c) - g) unknown
- 9) a) 12 July 1944, 1st Anti-aircraft Search Light Unit 249, position Oberdill
b) Lt. Samuel Irwin, Id.tag O-756242 KU 2504
c) - g) unknown
- 10) a) 12 July 1944, Police Station 27, Munich, Blumenburgstreet.
b) M/Sgt Laurence Kennedy, Id.tag 31242459 KU 2462
c) - g) unknown
- 11) a) 12 July 1944, Police Station 27, Munich, Blumenburgstreet.
b) M/Sgt Johannes Hymann, Id.tag 14109523 KU 2462
c) - g) unknown.
- 12) a) 12 July 1944, Police Station 14, Munich.
b) 2nd Lt. Michael Kuchwara, Id.tag O-151155 KU 2462 *2462*
c) - g) unknown.
- 13) a) 13 July 1944, Ismaning, by 1st/Sgt Bergbauer (of Air Force Hospital Oberföhring)
b) 1st Lt. Prospero de Marco, Id.tag O-707239 KU 2478
c) - g) unknown.
- 14) a) 13 July 1944, Munich, Police Station Ettstreet
b) M/Sgt Wilhelm Haas, Id.tag 36850082 36856082 KU 2478
c) - g) unknown.
- 15) a) 13 July 1944, Munich, Police Station 90, Oberföhring
b) Sgt David Dee, Id.tag 36453406 36453406 KU 2478
c) - g) unknown.

TO Dulag Luft 2706/07 No VII:

- I.) 1) 12 July 1944, 1420, Neubiberg near Munich
2) Shot down of a 4-engine Lockheed - Boeing 17 G 35 VL, series 42, 97856 with American insignia
3) a) Robert Rozek, Rank unknown, Id.tag 32833507
b) Name, rank, and Id.tag unknown
c) RR Loughner, Rank unknown, Id.tag 33673361
d) Richard Smith, Rank unknown, Id.tag 12077844
e) W. Ward, James, Lt., Id.tag O-821124
f) James M Redin, Rank unknown, Id.tag O-810950
g) Bill Hearne, Rank and Id.tag unknown
h) George Paelantonic, Rank unknown, Id.tag 12084719
i) Robert Meinke, Rank unknown, Id.tag 0716507
k) Lloyd Iversen, Rank unknown, Id.tag 37554113
4) Place and time of interment (position of grave) will be reported later.

- II.) 1) 12 July 1944, 1325, south of Gruenwald near Munich about 1,2 km from Prinz Karl area.
2) Shot down of a Boeing 17 G, left wing insignia and "F"
3) a) Howard Ford, Rank unknown, Id.tag 37497860
b) James Resberug, Rank unknown, Id.tag O-810033
Rest of the crew probably jumped off, whereabouts unknown.
4) Place and time of interment (position of grave) will be reported later.

12 July 1944 1325
 South East of Grunwaldstreet to Tautsarn ?

Fortress 17 G
 F ?

11. Gruenwald, about 7.8 km near Prinz Karl Area ?
 Anti-Aircraft (A)

Airbase Neubiberg (Detective Force) ?

95% loss
 see KU 2461

Lt. James E Resborough

+ DEAD

Sgt Howard E Ford

DEAD +

Eng Off Jean Fletcher

?

Lt. Saslow G Saymer

?

6 Prisoners

S/Sgt ^R Lenie E Baines
 Hospital ?

?

2 + DEAD

S/Sgt Bedsted

?

S/Sgt Gerhold Melvin

Sgt Devan Hospital

?

Dulag Luft, Wetzlar
 Received: 17 July 1944

REPORT ON CAPTURED AIRCRAFT

POST: **Airbase Headquarters --Operations Office--**
 LOCATION: **H e u b i b e r g**
 DATE: **12 July 1944**
 DATE AND TIME: **12 July 1944, 1325**
 AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWN
 PLACE OF CRASH: **South of Gruenwald, about 1.8 km near Prinz Karl Area**
 (NEAREST TOWN)
 KIND OF CAPTURE: **probably shot down by Anti Aircraft Unit 384**
 (FLAK, HUNTER, NIGHT HUNTER,
 EMERGENCY LANDING)
 TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: **Boeing 17 G**
 MARKINGS OF CRAFT: **left wing except insignia "F"**
 (LETTERS, FRONT OR REAR OF INSIGNIA)
 ADMITTANCE NO: **not to be identified, burnt**
 EQUIPMENT: **burnt**
 F.T. FREQUENCIES:
 CONDITION OF AIRCRAFT: **95%**
 DELIVERED TO DISTRIBUTOR: **Air District Command 1**
 (DULOG -LUFT, ETC.) **Dulag Luft 1**
Enemy Instruments Sub-Division 1
Airbase District Command 1
Airbase Headquarters 1

Dulag Luft, Wetzlar
Received: 19 July 1944

Right engine: Studebaker R-1820-97
Manufacturing No: FM-011 659
Engine Special No: 6660 VAR.A

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCESPOST: **Airbase Headquarters**PLACE: **H e u b i b e r g**DATE: **13 July 1944**

Distributors:

Air District Command **1**Dulag Luft **1**REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, **unknown**EM. LANDING: AT: **unknown** on 12 July 1944 at time unknownNAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) **F l e t c h e r**FIRST NAME: **Jean** RANK: **Lt.**SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) **T 1813**RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) **captured**PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: **12 July 1944, about 1430, Oberhaching**NAME OF HOSPITAL: **none**PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT: **none****Dulag Luft, Wetzlar**
Received: 21 July 1944**Signature**
Major and Airbase Commander

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Airbase Headquarters

PLACE: Neubiberg

DATE: 13 July 1944

Distributors:

Air District Command 1

Dulag Luft 1

Hospital 1

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, unknown

EM. LANDING: AT: unknown, on 12 July 1944 at time unknown

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) Devan

FIRST NAME: unknown

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) unknown

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) wounded

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: 12 July 1944, about 1430, Laufzern

NAME OF HOSPITAL: Air Force Hospital Munich-Oberföhring

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT: -- -- --

Signature

Major and Airbase Commander

Dulag Luft, Wetzlar

Received: 21 July 1944

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCESPOST: **Airbase Headquarters**PLACE: **N e u b i b e r g**DATE: **13 July 1944****Distributors:**
Air District Command 1
Dulag Luft 1
Hospital 1REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, **unknown**EM. LANDING: AT: **unknown, on 12 July 1944 at time unknown**NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) **R a i n e s**FIRST NAME: **Louis E**SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) **M/Sgt " 37498097**RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) **wounded**PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: **12 July 1944, about 1430, Oberhaching**NAME OF HOSPITAL: **Air Force Hospital Munich-Oberfeebring**PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT: **- - -****Signature****Major and Airbase Commander****Dulag Luft, Wetzlar**
Received: 21 July 1944

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

POST: Airbase Headquarters

Distributors:

PLACE: Neubiberg

Air District Command 1
Interrogation Center West 1
Hospital 1

DATE: 13 July 1944

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, unknown

SM-LANDING.

AT: unknown, 12 July 1944 at time unknown

NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME)

S a s l o w

FIRST NAME:

Seymour G

RANK: 2nd Lt.

SERIAL NUMBER: (USA)

0708564

RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED)

wounded

PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE:

12 July 1944, about 1430, Grossdingharting

NAME OF HOSPITAL:

~~Air Force Hospital / Munich-Upper Isarling~~

PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT:

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Signature

Major and Airbase Commander

Dulag Luft, Wetzlar

Received: 21 July 1944

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Distributors:

Air District Command 1

Dulag Luft 1

REGARDING: CRASH: (DOWNED) OF, **unknown**EM. LANDING: AT: **unknown, on 12 July 1944 at time unknown**NAME: (LAST OR SURNAME) **G e r h e l d**FIRST NAME: **Melvin** RANK: **S/Sgt**SERIAL NUMBER: (USA) **13059929**RESULT: (DEAD OR CAPTURED) **captured**PLACE AND TIME OF CAPTURE: **12 July 1944, about 1430, Oberhaching**NAME OF HOSPITAL: **.. ..**PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF INTERMENT: **.. ..**

Signature
Major and Airbase Commander

Dulag Luft, Wetzlar
Received: 21 July 1944