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From: London - USAWW
To: War

No. D-1753, 16 November 1943

Baker to Arnold AFRPC information AFAPC Winston
Salem.

Fatal accident 0905 hours 13 November at Shiplake
Bend opposite Greekside House Wargrave Berkshire
England. Aborted mission, B17 Aircraft P124575 ex-
ploded mid air crashed in flames on ploughed fields.
Pilot Lt Ralph J Connell, 0797476 and 8 of crew all
FATAL. One crew member minor injury. All members
395th Bomb Group. Aircraft parts salvagable. Para-
chutes not used. Usual casualty report follows.
Visibility limited by rain.

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FATAL ACCIDENT XERO NINE XERO FIVE YOURS ONE THREE NOV AT SHIPLAKE
 BEND, OPPOSITE GREEK SIDE HOUSE WARGRAVE BERKSHIRE ENGLAND PD
 ABORTED MISSION CMA BAKER ONE SEVEN AIRCRAFT PETER ONE TWO FOUR FIVE
 SEVEN FIVE EXPLODE MID AIR CRASHED IN FLAMES ON PLOUGHED FIELD PD
 PILOT LT RALPH J CONNELL OBOE SEVEN NINE SEVEN FOUR SEVEN SIX AND
 EIGHT OF CREW ALL FATAL PD ONE CREW MEMBER MINOR INJURY PD ALL
 MEMBERS THREE NINE FIVE BOMB GP PD AIRCRAFT PARTS SALVAGABLE PD
 BAKER TO ARNOLD AFRFC INFO AFAFC WINSTON SALEM PD PARACHUTES NOT
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