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EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
P/W and X Detachment
Military Intelligence Service

REPORT FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
and QUESTIONNAIRE FOR I.S. 9 (WEL) PERSONNEL

6 SEPT, 44
(Date)

GEO F SCHMALZRIED 2ND LT. O-809735
(Name) (Rank) (ASN)

FRANKFORT GR. (7) SEVEN
(Target) (Number of missions)

Date Missing in Action: 11 FEB, 44

Returned to UK: 6 SEPT, 44

384 GP, 546 SQ.
(Unit)

MEMBERS OF CREW: (List names by positions and indicate what happened to each one)

- PILOT CLIFF MOORE, escaped from plane without
- CO-PILOT JOE W WISE, " " " " (with me)
- NAVIGATOR GEO F SCHMALZRIED, " " " (hit by flak, slightly)
- BOMBARDIER ?? KENNY (injured in eye region of face)
- RADIO OPERATOR SGT PUCKETT (" " " ")
- TOP TURRET GUNNER
- BALL TURRET GUNNER SGT. BROWN, (escaped, injured in left forearm)
- 1 WAIST GUNNER LEE, DEAD (from amnesia)
- 2 WAIST GUNNER I do not know other members of crew
- TAIL GUNNER as co-pilot + I was from another crew, but all others escaped from plane.

Date, time and approximate location of plane crash or landing. 11 FEB, 44; 1335
15 mi SW of Mone, Belgium.

Nature and extent of damage to plane when source bailed out. Was it on fire, etc?
We crashed landed, plane was burning in bomb bay
and also no engine. Open bottles might also have been burning

At approximately what altitude did source bail out?
20000 feet

Were any of the crew injured or killed before the plane crashed?
Yes, Ball turret radio and bombardier and navigator (slightly) were injured. 1st waist was dead from amnesia

What members of the crew bailed out? Did their parachutes open?

Did the plane explode on striking the ground? No

Did source see any other members of the crew dead or alive after reaching the ground?
All except 1st waist were alive and we all scattered immediately

Did he receive any information from others as to whether any other members of the crew were dead or alive? If so, give details furnished by his informant and whether the other crew members were identified by name or otherwise.

Did source examine the wreckage of the plane? If so, what was its condition?

If the plane crashed in water how far was the plane from land and by what means was source rescued and what life rafts, wreckage, etc., remained on the surface that would have assisted other personnel to keep afloat.

What is source's opinion as to the fate of the other crew members and his reason for his opinion?

I think all escaped, except lead member. Maybe radios and bombs were wanted for Germans, for medical attention, but if so I think civilians arrived first.

Were you wounded?

Slightly by flak, two small fragments in left forearm and one in left leg by the knee.

Were you in German hands?

no

Did you kill any Germans in escaping?

no

Have you previously given the names of your helpers?

yes

List any names previously omitted, showing what help was given.

What security briefing were you given?

Complete

What souvenirs do you still possess?

Civilian shirt + ggm shorts

Home address.

1201 PEERMONT AVE, PGH, PA.

List names of American or British personnel believed to have been arrested by Germans.

None

List names of American or British personnel believed to be evading.

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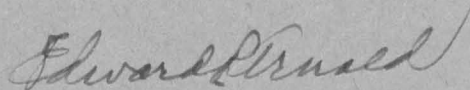
No. 0-809735 Rank 2nd Lt.

Name (BLOCK LETTERS) GEORGE F. SCHMALZCIED

Unit 384 Bomb. Group

has been fully/~~thoroughly~~ interrogated by an Intelligence Officer of I.S. 9 (WEA)
on 6 Sep 1944 19 and has signed a Security Certificate.

He ~~should~~/should not be re-interrogated.



EDWARD P. ARNOLD

Capt. Major AC

IMPORTANT:

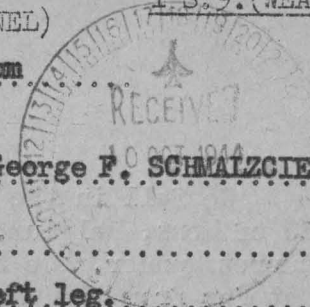
THIS CERTIFICATE MUST BE RETAINED AND HANDED TO (BRITISH) AN OFFICER OF M.I.9
OR (AMERICAN), AN OFFICER OF P.W. & X DET.-M.I.S. ON ARRIVAL IN U.K. OR U.S.A.

If E & E is returned to the United Kingdom, he will report to 63 Brooks
Street, London.

(Applies to all BRITISH, CANADIAN, U.S. & ALLIED PERSONNEL)

EVADED CAPTURED/~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ (Name of Country) Belgium

For all Personnel.



- 1. No. **0-809735** Rank **2nd Lt.** Name **George F. SCHMALZGIED**
(U.K: Acting, Temp. or W/S)
- 2. Decorations: (U.S.A.A.F.: No. of missions) **7 missions**
- 3. Were you wounded? Give details. **Flak in left arm, and left leg.**
- 4. Ship (Navy), Unit (Army), Sqn. (Air Force)
- 5. Div. (Army) or Gp. (Air Force) **384 Bomb. Gp.** 6. Job. (Pl. Cnd., Rfn., etc.) **Navigator**
- 7. Date of Birth **26 Feb 1919** 8. Length of Service **22 months**
- 9. Peace time occupation **Tire Regroover** 10. Private address **1201 Peermont Avenue
Pittsburgh, Penna.**
- 11. Did you carry any form of identification, or photograph? **Dogtags**
- 12. Do you speak French, or any other foreign language? **A little French**

FOR R.A.F. ONLY.

- 13. No. and location of O.T.U.
- 14. No. and location of Conversion Unit.

FOR ALL AIR FORCE PERSONNEL AND/OR AIRBORNE OR PARACHUTE TROOPS WHO BALE OUT.

- 15. Post in Crew **Navigator**
- 16. Other members of crew, and information about what has happened to them.
N.B. - Airborne and Parachute Troops: list below names and units of other occupants of plane, including R.A.F. and U.S.A.A.F.

PILOT	P/W Cliffe Moore	2A 84 079758	Unhurt
CO-PILOT	Joseph W. Wise	2A 7 0653624	1279
NAVIGATOR	Narrator		
BOMBARDIER	P/W Kerry KENNEY	Paul B. 2A 7	Wounded in face 0676277
RADIO OPERATOR	Packett	Noah 2A 9 14158014	" " "
TOP TURRET GUNNER	P/W Unknown	TRAY NOR	Unhurt JAMES 2A 9 1811733
BALL TURRET GUNNER	Brown	Jack 3A 5	Unknown 18127856 P/W
WAIST GUNNER (R.)	Unknown	Humble	Unhurt 81398
WAIST GUNNER (L.)	LEE " Donald"	Plt	Died from anopia 11091631 KIA
TAIL GUNNER	Wells, Richard	Sgt	Unhurt 37296069 (1399)

- 17. Type of aircraft, place, date, time of departure. **B-17G, Safton Underwood, 11 Feb 1944
approx. 0900 hrs.**
- 18. Where and when did you come down? **15 Miles SW Mins, Belgium, 11 Feb 1944, 1340 hrs.**
- 19. How did you dispose of your parachute, harness and mae west? **Left with ship which was
burning in bomb bay and No. 27 engine.**
- 20. Were all secret papers and equipment destroyed? **Believe entire ship was destroyed.**

Interview by I.S.9. (WEA)
Date **6 Sep 1944**

- Attached:
- Appendix "B"
- Appendix "C"
- Appendix "D"

I grade this evasion No. 5.

Edward P. Arnold
EDWARD P. ARNOLD
Capt., AC Major

Disposal: **Returned to unit.**

- DISTRIBUTION:
- Hq. I.S. 9 (WEA)....2
- 12th Army Group2 (less C)
- 9 AF1 "

We fell in the vicinity of the French and Belgian border about 15 miles SW of Mons, Belgium. Co-pilot and myself took off together with wounded ball turret gunner. We headed immediately for a hiding place. We hid in bushes not far from the plane until night fall. We walked about 25 kls. the first night. The gunner left us the next morning to seek aid. Co-pilot and I continued for two more days and nights. We finally received help at Homblures and were taken care of until the Americans came.

APPENDIX "C" TO E. & E. REPORT No. I.S.9(WEA)/6/413/1529

If further circulation of this information is made, it is important that its source should not be divulged.

No. 0-809735 Rank 2nd Lt. Name George F. SCHMALZCIED

Date of Interview 6 Sep 1944

<u>Date of Entrance</u>	<u>Duration of Stay</u>	<u>Name and Address of Family</u>
14 Feb	10 days	Arndux - Homblieres
27 Feb	7 weeks	Morle - Marest, Dampcourt
15 Apr	6 weeks	Leleu, Concy le Chateau
24 May	10 days	Leguillette - Selens
6 Jun	3 weeks	Roy - Urgny le Gay
30 Jun	2 months	Pelletier - Commenchon

The chief of resistance in Charny, chiefly responsible for our well being is M. Rene Dunias,

Other persons of aid were:

Doctor Boury, Chauny

M. Mathieu, Commeirehon

M. Gauttier, Coucy le Chateau - Killed by Gestapo night of June 6 or 7.
Eldest son also killed, wife wounded and taken prisoner by the Germans.

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WAR DEPARTMENT The Adjutant General's Office Washington

Geo F Schmalzried

AG 383.6 (31 Jul 43) OB-S-B-M

KLS/el-2B-939 Pentagon

6 August 1943

SUBJECT: Amended Instructions Concerning Publicity in Connection with Escaped Prisoners of War, to Include Evaders of Capture in Enemy or Enemy-Occupied Territory and Internees in Neutral Countries.

TO: The Commanding Generals,
Army Ground;
Army Air Forces;
The Commander-in-Chief, Southwest Pacific Area;
The Commanding Generals,
Theaters of Operations;
Defense Commands;
Departments;
Base Commands;
The Commanding Officers,
Base Commands;
Director, Bureau of Public Relations.

1. Publication or communication to any unauthorized persons of experiences of escape or evasion from enemy-occupied territory, internment in a neutral country, or release from internment not only furnishes useful information to the enemy but also jeopardizes future escapes, evasions and releases.
2. Personnel will not, unless authorized by the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, War Department General Staff, publish in any form whatever or communicate either directly, or indirectly, to the press, radio or an unauthorized person any account of escape or evasion of capture from enemy or enemy-occupied territory, or internment in a neutral country either before or after repatriation. They will be held strictly responsible for all statements contained in communications to friends which may subsequently be published in the press or otherwise.
3. Evaders, escapees, or internees shall not be interrogated on the circumstances of their experiences in escape, evasion or internment except by the agency designated by the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, War Department General Staff, or the corresponding organization in overseas theaters of operations. In allied or neutral countries, American Military Attaches are authorized to interrogate on escape, evasion and internment matters.
4. Should the services of escaped prisoners of war, evaders, or internees be deemed necessary for lecturing and briefing, such services will be under the direct supervision of the agency designated by the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, War Department General Staff, or the corresponding organization in overseas theaters of operations.
5. Commanding Officers will be responsible for instructing all evaders, escapees, and internees in the provisions of this directive which supersedes letter, AG 383.6 (5 Nov 42) OB-S-B-M, 7 November 1942, subject: Instructions concerning Publicity in Connection with Escaped Prisoners of War and other previous instructions on this subject.

By order of the Secretary of War:

/s/ J. A. ULIO
J. A. ULIO
Major General,
The Adjutant General.

1. Information about your escape or your evasion from capture *would be useful to the enemy* and a danger to your friends. It is therefore **SECRET**.

2. a You must therefore not disclose, except to the first Military Attache to whom you report, or to an officer designated by the Commanding General of the Theater of Operations, or by A. C. of S., G-2, W. D.

- (1) The names of those who helped you.
- (2) The method by which you escaped or evaded.
- (3) The route you followed.
- (4) Any other facts concerning your experience.

b You must be particularly on your guard with persons representing the press.

c You must give no account of your experiences in books, newspapers, periodicals or in broadcasts or in lectures.

d You must give no information to anyone, irrespective of nationality, in letters or in conversation, except as specifically directed in Par. 4.

e No lectures or reports are to be given to any unit without the permission of A. C. of S., G-2, W. D., or corresponding organization in the theater.

GERTIFICATE

I have read the above and certify that I will comply with it.

I understand that any information concerning my *escape or evasion* from capture is **SECRET** and must not be disclosed to anyone other than the agency designated by A. C. of S., G-2, War Department, the corresponding organization in overseas theaters of operations, or to the Military Attache in a neutral country to whom I first report. I understand that disclosure to anyone else will make me liable to disciplinary action.

Name (Print) GEO F SCHMALZRIED

Signed *Geo F Schmalzried*

Rank 2nd Lt. A. S. N. 0-809935

Dated 6 Sept 44

Unit 384 Gp. 546 Sq

Witness _____

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