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WAR DEPARTMENT The Adjutant General's Office, Washington

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

6 August 1943

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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.

CERTIFICATE

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) Jack G Ferrell
Rank 2d Lt A. S. N. 0962831
Unit 544 B Sq 384 B Gp

Signed Jack G Ferrell
Dated 10 April 1945
Witness Steve Christopher
Capt., AC

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EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY

Military Intelligence Service

E & E Report

No. 2069.....

Date. 20 April 45..

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Auth:

AC of S. G-2

Init: V. H.

Date. 20 April 45

Prepared by

PW & X DET

Escaper

Evader

FERRELL, JACK G.

2nd Lt.

O-462831

(Name)

(Rank)

(ASN)

Unit

544th Sq. 384th Crp.

Missing in Action. 22 Jan 45.....

Rejoined Allied Forces. 15 Apr 45..

At.... LUNTEREN, HOLLAND.....

INTERROGATOR

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HELPERS

MAP USED:
GSGS 4042, Sheet 2AJACK G. FERRELL, 2ND LT., O-462831
Navigator

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tobacco 22 Jan - 20 Feb 1945.
Made contact with underground.
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reddish-gray hair. Former captain
in the Dutch Transportation Corps.
The house has two stories. Family
consists of WOLTMAN, wife, 19 yr
old daughter, and two sons, 17
and 16 yrs old.ESVELD, first name not known.
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20 Feb - 20 Mar 1945. 5'11",
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graying hair. Stated he was 1916
Olympics champion in 1500 meters
run. Had wife and 7 children.
Farmhouse was made of stone.BRAAX, OLST, BARNAVELD, HOLLAND
(E-5496). Farm is four kms
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S E C R E T

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CASUALTY INFORMATION

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(Unknown)
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(Unknown)
- RADIO OPERATOR - - - - - PECHOUT, Richard - - - - - T/Sgt.
(Unknown)
- TOP TURRET GUNNER - - - - -SCHULTZ, - - - - -
(Unknown)
- BALL TURRET GUNNER - - - - - MATHIAS, Chas - - - - -Sgt.
(Unknown)
- WAIST GUNNER - - - - - MAPPEI, Albert - - - - - Sgt.
(Evader, 17 Feb 1945, BARNVELD-ESSEN,
HOLLAND (E-5496))
- TAIL GUNNER - - - - - DENNEY, Roy - - - - - Sgt.
(Unknown)

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

CERTIFIED THAT:

No 0-462831 Grade 2d Lt. NAME (Print) JACK G. FERRELL

CLAIMS ASSIGNMENT TO FOLLOWING UNIT 544th Sq, 384th Grp.

Security reasons ~~do~~/do not/ exist preventing his return to combat duty.

He was a ~~PW~~/Evader/ for a period of 83 days.

Individual ~~has~~/has not/ been identified.

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sc.

Stone Christopher
Capt, AC

Signature

IMPORTANT: THIS CERTIFICATE MUST BE RETAINED AND HANDED TO (BRITISH) AN OFFICER OF MI9 OR (AMERICAN), AN OFFICER OF MIS-X ON ARRIVAL IN U.K. OR U.S.A.

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DOHENY, WM., 2d Lt.	Co-Pilot	Unknown
OZJOINSKI,	Bombardier	Unknown
PECHOUT, RICHARD, T/Sgt.	Radio Operator	Unknown
SCHULTZ	Top Turret	Unknown
MATHIAS, CHAS, Sgt.	Ball Turret Gunner	Unknown
MAFFEI, ALBERT, Sgt.	Waist Gunner	Evader, 17 Feb 1945, BARNVELD-ESSEN, HOLLAND (E5496).
DENNEY, ROY, Sgt.	Tail Gunner	Unknown

(Applies to all BRITISH, CANADIAN, U.S. & ALLIED PERSONNEL)
EVADED CAPTURE/ESCAPED FROM (Name of Country) HOLLAND

For all Personnel

- 1. No. 0-462831 Rank 2d Lt. Name JACK G. FERRELL
(U.K: Acting, Temp. or W/S)
- 2. Decorations: (U.S.A.A.F.: No. of missions)
- 3. Were you wounded? Give details
- 4. Ship (Navy), Unit (Army), Sqn. (Air Force) 544th Sq.
- 5. Div. (Army) or Gp. (Air Force) 384th Grp. 6. Job (Pl.Cmd., Rfn., etc) Navigator.
- 7. Date of Birth 29 June 1921 8. Length of Service 2 yrs., 11 mos.
- 9. Peace time occupation Student 10. Private Address 507 4th Avenue,
West, Birmingham, Alabama
- 11. Did you carry any form of identification, or photograph?
- 12. Do you speak French, or any other foreign language?

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 EARL VAN POPERING, 1st Lt. Reported to Lt. FERRELL as having died 23 Jan 1945, APELDOORN, HOLLAND
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- NAVIGATOR JACK G. FERRELL, 2d Lt. RTD
- BOMBARDIER OZJQINSKI Unknown
- RADIO OPERATOR RICHARD PECHOUT, T/Sgt. Unknown
- TOP TURRET GUNNER SCHULTZ Unknown
- BALL TURRET GUNNER CHAS. MATHIAS, Sgt. Unknown
- WAIST GUNNER (R.) ALBERT MAFFEL, Sgt. Saw him 17 Feb 1945, BARNVELD-ESSEN, HOLLAND, Evading.
- WAIST GUNNER (L.)
- TAIL GUNNER ROY DENNEY, Sgt. Unknown
- 17. Type of aircraft, place, date, time of departure B-17, Grafton-Underwood, England, 22 Jan 1945, 0900 hours.
- 18. Where and when did you come down? Near WIJNVOORDEN, HOLLAND, Between ZWOLLE And DEVENTER, 1400 hours, 22 Jan 1945.
- 19. How did you dispose of your parachute, harness and mae west? Met Allied Forces 15 Apr 1945, LUNTEREN, HOLLAND.
- 20. Were all secret papers and equipment destroyed?

Cpl. S. B. ...