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WAR DEPARTMENT
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 air crew member is officially reported missing.

1. ORGANIZATION: Location, by Name Grafton-Underwood, England Command or Air Force VIII ; Group 384th ; Squadron 544th ; Detachment _____
2. SPECIFY: Place of Departure Grafton-Underwood, England ; Course As Briefed
Target or Intended Destination Eschweiler, Germany Type of Mission Combat
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED: _____
4. GIVE: (a) Day 10 Month 10 Year 1944 ; Time 1206 ; and Location Eschweiler, Germany
of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.
(b) Specify whether aircraft was last sighted (); Last contacted by
radio (); Forced down (); Seen to Crash (); or Information not Avail-
able ()
5. AIRCRAFT WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF: (Check
only one) Enemy Aircraft (); Enemy Anti-Aircraft (); Other Circumstances
as Follows: _____
6. AIRCRAFT: Type, Model and Series B-17G ; AAF Serial Number 44-6512
7. NICKNAME OF AIRCRAFT, If any _____
8. ENGINES: Type, Model and Series _____ ; AAF Serial
Number (a) SW-025911 ; (b) SW-025659 ; (c) SW-025823 ; (d) SW-025782
9. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial Number);
(a) 997301 GMC ; (b) 1756330 GMC ; (c) 1756440 Frig ; (d) 1756979 Frig ;
(e) 1098374 GMC ; (f) 1038351 GMC ; (g) 1755959 GMC ; (h) 390350 GMC ;
(i) 540662 Frig ; (j) 1756175 GMC ; (k) 1295401 Buffalo ; (l) 10306993 Buffalo ;
(m) _____ ; (n) _____ ; (o) _____ ; (p) _____
10. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty X
or (b) Non Battle Casualty _____
11. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 9 ; Passengers 0 ; Total 9
(Starting with Pilot, furnish the following particulars; If more than 11
persons were aboard aircraft, list similar particulars on separate sheet
and attach original to this form.)

Crew Position	Full Name (Last Name First)	Rank	ASN	Current Status
1. Pilot	<u>W/Springsted, Donald George</u>	1st Lt.	<u>0-697175</u>	<u>5th Gen. Hosp.</u>
2. Co-Pilot	<u>Barnes, Robert C.</u>	2nd Lt.	<u>0-763902</u>	<u>KIA</u>
3. Navigator	<u>Jacobs, Edward Gregory</u>	2nd Lt.	<u>0-719081</u>	<u>MIA RMC</u>
4. Bombardier	<u>Tierney, Francis Samuel</u>	2nd Lt.	<u>0-886700</u>	<u>MIA RMC RTD</u>
5. Radio Operator	<u>Schick, Frank Joseph</u>	T/Sgt.	<u>36741559</u>	<u>MIA RMC RTD</u>
6. Top Turret	<u>Murphy, William</u>	Sgt.	<u>38403556</u>	<u>MIA</u>
7. Ball Turret	<u>Watson, Paul Leland</u>	S/Sgt.	<u>37676245</u>	<u>MIA RTD</u>
8. Tail Gunner	<u>Macuch, Albert Richard</u>	S/Sgt.	<u>12138829</u>	<u>20th Field Hosp.</u>
9. Waist Gunner	<u>Stephenson, Hilton Hubert</u>	S/Sgt.	<u>38514140</u>	<u>MIA RTD</u>
10.				
11.				

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12. IDENTIFY BELOW THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE LAST KNOWLEDGE OF AIRCRAFT, AND CHECK APPROPRIATE COLUMN TO INDICATE BASIS FOR SAME

Check Only One Column

Name in Full (Last Name First)	Serial Rank Number	Contacted		Saw Crash	Saw Forced Landing
		by Radio	Last Sighted		
1. Duesler, Donald Barton	1st Lt. 0-763974		x		
2. Cook, Chandler Boyd	2nd Lt. 0-767750		x		
3. Hoppen, Jack Stewart	2nd Lt. 0-827651		x		

13. 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) 6 chutes seen

14. ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN OR HEARD FROM.

15. ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT.

16. GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE OF SEARCH, IF ANY, INCLUDING DESCRIPTION AND EXTENT _____

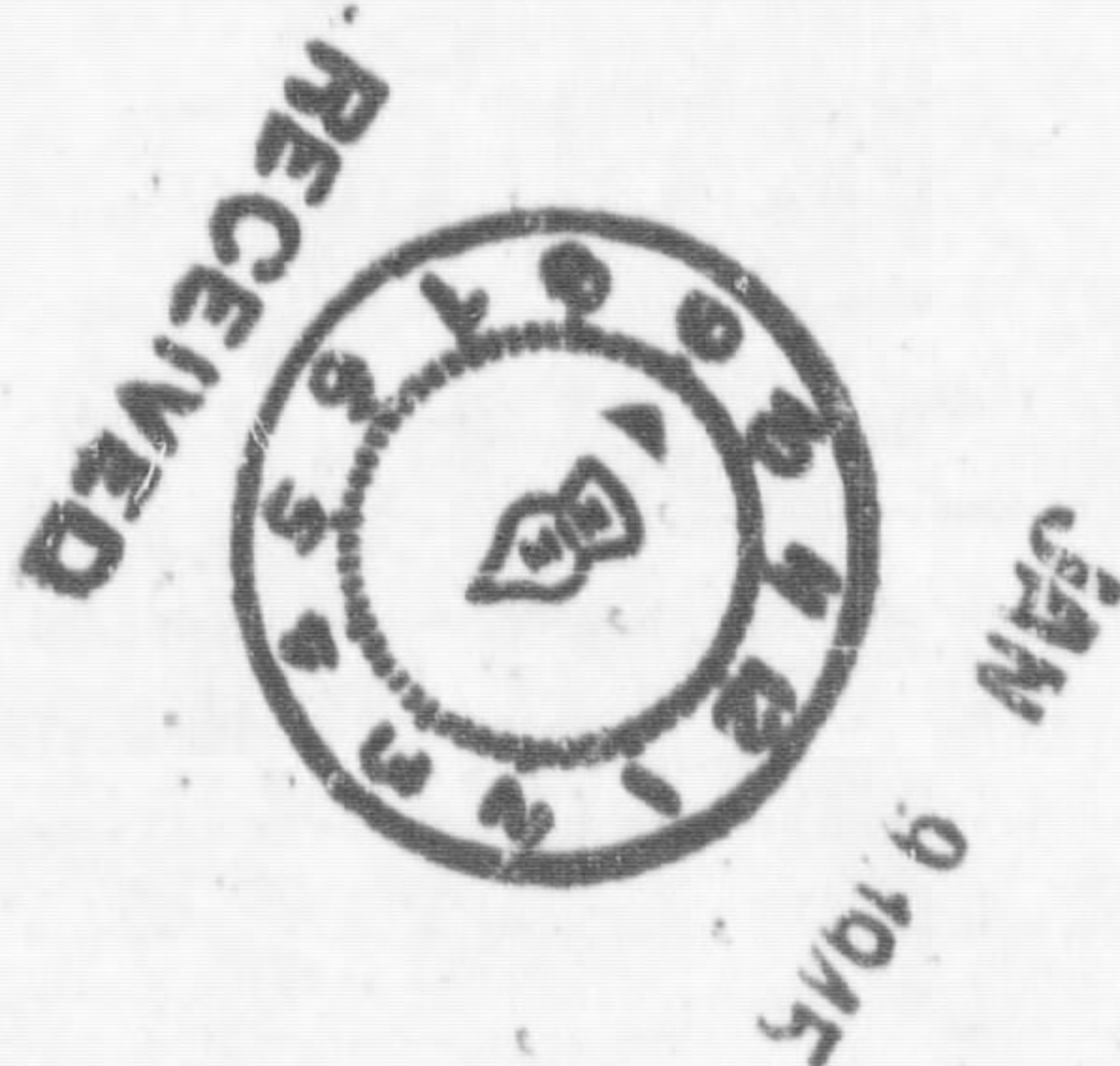
Date of Report 25 November 1944

J. R. Wyatt
Signature of Preparing Officer

J. R. WYATT,
Captain, Air Corps,
Ass't. Adjutant.

17. REMARKS OR EYEWITNESS STATEMENTS:

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S-2 SUMMARY OF EYE-WITNESS ACCOUNTS

Instructions: 1. If aircraft returned, only questions 6 and 7 are applicable. 2. Question number 5 not applicable to Fighter Groups. 3. Summary will be prepared in five copies, four of which will be forwarded. 4. Interrogating Officer will sign original and second copy.

GROUP 384th SQ 544th A/C # ⁴⁴⁶512 MISSION DATE 16-11/44

FIRST PILOT Donald G. Springstead 1st. Lt. 0-697175 DESTINATION Eschweiler, Germany
NAME RANK ASN

1. Position of missing aircraft when last sighted or contacted:

(a) By coordinates Target Area

(b) Approximate altitude 21,000 feet

(c) Last noted heading Approximately 270° M.G.

(d) If out of formation, approximate distance from formation

2. Describe enemy opposition (intensity of flak, intensity and method of enemy fighter attack, etc., with particular reference to missing aircraft):

**Flak was generally meager and inaccurate for all aircraft.
No enemy aircraft observed.**

3. Description of extent of damage to missing aircraft (including fires, explosions, etc):

Direct flak burst in #3 engine, setting it afire.

4. If aircraft was out of control describe appearance:

Aircraft started to dive apparently in an attempt to extinguish the fire. Appeared to be under control.

5. If distressed aircraft was out of formation was it last seen with escort?
No If, so, give distinguishing markings of Fighter Group if noted (Group number, color and or fighter aircraft numbers, nicknames, etc.). None

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6. Number of parachutes seen and description of jumps (approximate altitude, time between jumps, etc.):

Six (6) chutes observed emerging from aircraft. One (1) chute appeared to be on fire. Chutes seen drifting toward target area.

7. Any other remarks not covered by above:

This Office received a phone call from First Division on the same date as the mission as follows:

"Lt. Springstead crash-landed his aircraft at Tongres, Belgium with three (3) (SEE BELOW)

8. Date of report 25 November, 1944.

<u>EYE-WITNESSES:</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u> *	<u>ASN</u>	<u>A/C #</u>
1.	<u>D. B. Duesler</u>	<u>1st. Lt.</u>	<u>0-703974</u>	<u>713</u>
2.	<u>C. B. Cook</u>	<u>2nd. Lt.</u>	<u>0-2045042</u>	<u>713</u>
3.	<u>J. Hoppen</u>	<u>2nd. Lt.</u>	<u>0-827051</u>	<u>8000</u>
4.	<u>H. Stundis</u>	<u>2nd. Lt.</u>	<u>0-920549</u>	<u>8000</u>

INTERROGATING OFFICER (Sign Original and one copy):

Samuel F. Arauz
SAMUEL F. ARAUZ Captain 0-509072 S-2 Officer
NAME RANK ASN DUTY

NOTE: Supplemental information developing subsequent to this account will be forwarded in manner prescribed in par 6, letter WD, AG, 704 (5 July 44) OB-S-AAF-M, subject "Missing Air Crew Report", 7 July 1944.

men aboard. The Pilot (Lt. Springstead) and Top Turret Gunner (T/Sgt. Murphy) were injured. Lt. Springstead was taken to the 15th General Hospital and T/Sgt. Murphy was taken to the 20th Field Hospital. The Co-Pilot (Lt. R. Barnes) was dead.

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HEADQUARTERS
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY

22 December 1944
APO 887
JFR/lr

AG 360.33 Cas.

SUBJECT: Missing Air Crew Report.

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

1. Forwarded herewith Missing Air Crew Report of the Eighth Air Force.
2. Records of this headquarters indicate the present status of all crew members to be missing in action, 16 November 1944, with the exceptions shown below:

1st Lt. Donald B. Springsted	G-697175	LWA	16 November 1944
2nd Lt. Robert W. Barnes	G-763902	KYA	16 November 1944
S/Sgt. Albert E. Macuch	12138829	LWA	16 November 1944

For the Commanding General:

H.M. Rund
 H.M. RUND,
 Colonel, AGD,
 Asst. Adjutant General.

✓ 1 Incl: Missing Air Crew Report, 384th Bomb Gp,
 B-17G, 44-6512, 16 November 1944
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HEADQUARTERS
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY

S; 12 Jan. 1945
22 December 1944
APO 887
JWP/gd

AG 319.1 Cas

SUBJECT: Clarification of Missing Air Crew Report.

TO : Commanding General, Eighth Air Force, APO 634.
Attention: Battle Casualty Section.

1. The following discrepancies were noted between Missing Air Crew Report concerning aircraft number 44-6512 and the S-2 Summary of Eye-Witness Accounts attached thereto:

MACR and BCR

S-2 Summary, Para 7

Sgt. William C. Murphy, 38403556
Missing in Action, 16 Nov. 44.

T/Sgt. William C. Murphy, 38403556
Injured 16 November 1944

2. Request clarification of above discrepancies be forwarded to this headquarters in duplicate as a supplement to the Missing Air Crew Report.

3. Battle Casualty Report C 185, your headquarters indicates Sgt. Murphy's status to be as shown on the Missing Air Crew Report. If necessary request appropriate correction of Battle Casualty Report be initiated by your headquarters.

For the Commanding General:



H. M. Rund
H. M. RUND,
Colonel, AGD,
Asst. Adj. General.

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1st Ind.

(S: 7 Jan 45)

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HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH AIR FORCE, AAF STATION 101, APO 634, U.S. Army

28 DEC 1944

TO: Commanding General, 1st Bombardment Division, APO 557, U.S. Army.

1. For compliance with basic communication and return through this headquarters.

2. Attention invited to suspense date.

By command of Lieutenant General DOOLITTLE:



H.S. Wilson, Jr.

H.S. WILSON, JR.,
Major, A.G.D.,
Asst. Adj. Gen.

319.1

2nd Ind.

(S-2 Jan 45)

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HEADQUARTERS 1ST BOMBARDMENT DIVISION, APO 557, 30 December 1944.

TO: Commanding Officer, AAF Station 106, APO 557, U.S. Army.
(Att: Assistant Adjutant).

1. For compliance with basic communication.

2. Attention is invited to suspense date of 2 January 1945.

By command of Brigadier General TURNER:

Harry T. Hance

HARRY T. HANCE
Major, AGD
Asst. Adjutant General

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3rd Ind.

HEADQUARTERS, AAF STATION NO. 106, APO 557, 5 January 1945.

TO: Commanding General, 1st Air Division, APO 557.

Sgt. William C. Murphy, 38403556, was Missing in Action near Eschweiler, Germany on 16 November 1944.

For the Station Commander:



J. R. Wyatt
J. R. WYATT,
Captain, Air Corps,
Ass't. Adjutant.

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4th Ind.

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HEADQUARTERS 1ST AIR DIVISION, APO 557, 8 January 1945.

TO: Commanding General, Eighth Air Force, AAF Station 101, APO 634.
(Att: 21st Statistical Control Unit).

Basic communication complied with.

For the Commanding General:



Jesse T. Peurifoy
JESSE T. PEURIFOY
1st Lt. AGD
Asst. Adjutant General

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5th Ind.

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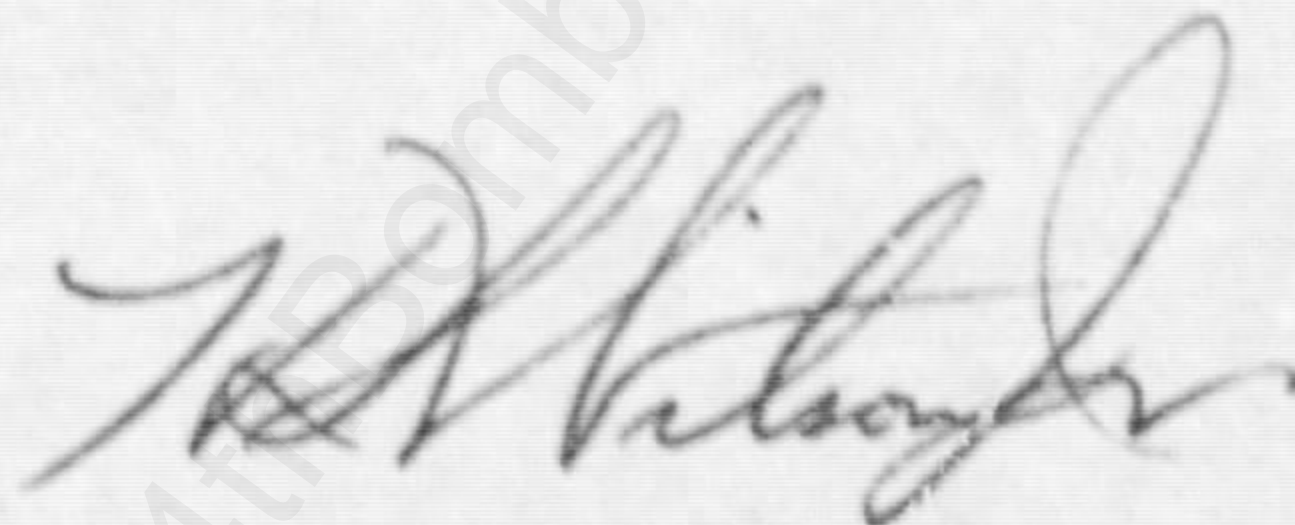
HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH AIR FORCE, AAF STATION 101, APO 634. 9 JAN 1945

TO: Commanding General, European Theater of Operations, APO 887, U. S. Army.

1. Information requested in basic communication is contained in 3rd indorsement.

2. Subject enlisted man is indicated on records this headquarters as Missing in Action 16 November 1944.

For the Commanding General:



H. S. WILSON, JR.,
Major, A. G. D.,
Ass't. Adj. General.



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B-17
AAF44-6512
9men

KU 1111 A

November 16, 1944 at 12.30

KU 1111

Dueren

Type: Fortress

544 Heavy Bombardment Group

384 Group

2nd Lt.	JACOBS, Edward, Gregory	0-71 90 81
2nd Lt.	TIERNEY, Francis, Samuel	0-88 67 00
1st Lt.	SPRINGSTED, Donald	0697445
2nd Lt.	BARNES, ----	----
T/Sgt.	SCHICK, Frank, Joseph	36 74 15 59
S/Sgt.	WATSON, Paul, Leland	37 67 62 45
S/Sgt.	STEPHENSON, Hilton, Hubert	38 51 41 40
Sgt.	MURPHY, ----	----
S/Sgt.	MACUCH, Bernard	38 35 89 52
----	DELGANO, Albert, G.	----

KU 559 B

File with MACR 10448
in FB - 17 Oct 49

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWN 16 Nov. 1944, 1230 hrs CASUALTY NO. KU 1111 A

PLACE OF CRASH Duessen

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT Fortress

REPORTING OFFICE Duesseldorf

NAME	RANK	SERIAL NUMBER	CAPT'D		PLACE OF INTERNMENT
			WOUNDED	DEAD	

TIERNY, Francis Samuel 1922 USA	2/Lt.	0-886700	captured		Dulag-Luft West
JACOBS, Edward Gregory	2/Lt.	0-719081	"		"
SCHICK, Frank Joseph	T/Sgt.	36741559	"		"
STEPHENSON, Hilton Hulsat 1924 USA	S/Sgt.	38514140	"		"
WATSON, Paul Leland 21 July 1925	S/Sgt.	37676245	"		"

REMARKS: Dulag-Luft, 14 ~~XXXXXXXX~~ No.
Dec. 1944

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: SPRINGSTED, Donald George
Rank: 1st/Lt.
Serial number: O-597175
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~ENGINEER~~ Pilot

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Did he bail out? No

Where? _____

If not, why not? He stayed with the ship

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: None

Was he injured? he was reported seriously injured, when the plane crash landed

Where was he when last seen? In England

Any hearsay information: He was seriously injured by the fMk burst that killed the co-pilot, but he managed to crash land over the American lines, in Belgium. Source crew members from the squadron who were shot down

later. Also, the book put out by the 384th bombgroup, "As Briefed" by walter E Owens, lists him as injured but making it back to Belgium. page 137, last paragraph and the first two lines on page 138

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: no

Total number of missions of above crew member: _____

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: BARNES, Robert C.
Rank: 2nd/Lt.
Serial number: 0-763902
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~Co-Pilot~~ Co-Pilot

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Did he bail out? No

Where?

If not, why not? He was killed by flak

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane:
None

Was he injured? He was killed

Where was he when last seen? In the plane when it crash landed

Any hearsay information: He was blown to bits,..his head was blown off.
source, crew members of crews shot down later. He is also listed as
being killed in the book, As Briefed, written by Walter E. Owens which
is a book about the history of the 384th bombgroup, prepared by the
officers of the group. Page 127 last paragraph.

Source:

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: The flak ^{BLAST} burst,
in the right inboard engine, is such that anyone in the co-pilot's seat
would get the full effect of such a burst

Total number of missions of above crew member:

Dates and destinations if possible:

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: **MURPHY, William C.**

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Rank: **Sgt.**

Serial number: **38403556**

Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~38403556~~: **Top Turret Gunner**

Did he bail out? No?

Where? Near Eschweiler,

If not, why not? He rode the plane down?

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

None

Was he injured? Yes?

Where was he when last seen? Belgium?

Any hearsay information: "The top turret gunner, Staff Sergeant William C.

Murphy, rode the crippled aircraft down with him and both were hospital-
ized in Belgium." Source, As Briefed, by Walter E. Owens, a family hist-
ory of the 384th Bombardment Group. Page 137 last paragraph and first
paragraph page 138. hearsay, from members of crews shot down after us,

Source: six men were seen to bail out, but only five parachutes were seen
to open. Also, the crew that crash landed consisted of the pilot

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: co-pilot and tail
gunner. If the crew that crash landed did consist of the pilot, co-pilot
and tail gunner, then Murphy must have bailed out; I met the other four
crew members in prison camps. Since only five parachutes were seen to
open, Murphy was the one who's parachute didn't open. Also in his position
in the top turret, Murphy would have been in line of part of the blast of
the flak, which hit the right inboard, killed the co-pilot and seriously
wounded the pilot. If he was wounded, like the rest in the pilots comp-
artment, his wounds may have made him unconscious and unable to open his
parachute.

Total number of missions of above crew member: _____

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: **MACUCH, Albert Richard**
Rank: **S/Sgt.**
Serial number: **12138829**
Position: Crew (Bomber) on ~~101801 (Fighter)~~: **Tail Gunner**

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Did he bail out? I don't think so

Where? _____

If not, why not? because crew members shot down later said that he had been wounded and stayed with the ship

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: none

Was he injured? rumors at the base had it that he was, said squadron members shot down later

Where was he when last seen? _____

Any hearsay information: Five parachutes opened out of the six who bailed out of the plane. Macuch was wounded and stayed with the ship. He made it back over the lines

Source: Members of crews shot down later from the squadron

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: The crew members listed who made it back over the lines, that is those who stayed with the ship are listed as being the pilot, co-pilot, and top turret in the book

As Briefed by Walter E. Owens which is a history of the bombgroup, written by the men who were in it. If he didn't stick with the ship as the rumors had it, then he was the sixth man out. the one who's parachute did not open.

Total number of missions of above crew member: _____

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: **MACUCH, Albert Richard**
Rank: **S/Sgt.**
Serial number: **12138829**
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~of this aircraft~~: **Tail Gunner**

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Did he bail out? No

Where? _____

If not, why not? No KNOWLEDGE

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

DESCRIBED FLAK TO ME SHORTLY BEFORE BEING HIT.

Was he injured? No KNOWLEDGE

Where was he when last seen? IN SH.P.

Any hearsay information: S/SGT. MACUCH. WAS. IVE BEEN TOLD TAKEN

FROM THE PLANE AFTER IT CRASHED IN BELGIUM. AND

HOSPITALIZED BY THE AMERICAN ARMY FIELD UNITS.

Source: LT. SPRINGSTEAD'S LETTER WRITTEN AFTER MW LIBERATION

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: ABOUT 22.

Dates and destinations if possible: NOT KNOWN

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: MURPHY, William C.
Rank: Sgt.
Serial number: 38403556
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~: Top Turret Gunner

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Did he bail out? YES

Where? DIRECTLY BEHIND ME - WE HAD MADE A RIGHT HAND TURN OFF THE TARGET AND HAD FLOWN ABOUT 3 MINUTES (HEADING SOUTH)

If not, why not?

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

HIT I WENT TO THE ESCAPE HATCH. SGT. MURPHY WAS DIRECTLY BEHIND ME AND HE DID BAIL OUT.

Was he injured? No

Where was he when last seen? PASSAGE WAY BETWEEN EN NOSE AND FLIGHT DECK

Any hearsay information: THE GERMANS TOLD ME THAT SGT. MURPHY HAD BEEN CAPTURED AND WAS ON HIS WAY TO A P.O.W.

ENCLOSURES

Source:

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

LANDING I DID HEAR SMALL ARM FIRE SOUTH OF ME WERE A PARACHUTE HAD LANDED. I BELIEVE THAT HE MIGHT HAVE BEEN KILLED HERE

Total number of missions of above crew member: ABOUT 23.

Dates and destinations if possible:

- OVER - 6-3861, AF

where I landed there was a wooded hill affair surrounded by a steep embankment about 25' high. Just east of here was a gravel quarry partially filled with water. Beyond this about 2 miles further east, was a small town.

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: **BARNES, Robert C.**
Rank: **2nd/Lt.**
Serial number: **0-763902**
Position: Crew (Bomber) of ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ **Co-Pilot**

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Did he bail out? no

Where? _____

If not, why not? UNKNOWN

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: 644304

CHECK AFTER BOMBS AWAY

Was he injured? UNKNOWN

Where was he when last seen? ON OUTF

Any hearsay information: HE WAS KILLED ON AMER. CAN

SOIL WHEN THE PLANE CRASHED

Source: LT. SPRINGSTEP'S LETTER AFTER LIBERATION

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: 20

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: SPRINGSTED, Donald George
Rank: 1st/Lt.
Serial number: 0-697175
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ Pilot

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Did he bail out? No

Where? _____

If not, why not? UNKNOWN

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: oxygen
CHECK AFTER BOMBS AWAY

Was he injured? No

Where was he when last seen? ON DUTY

Any hearsay information: HE CRASHED WITH PLANE IN BELGIUM
AND AFTER A PERIOD OF HOSPITALIZATION WAS
RETURNED TO DUTY

Source: LT. SPRINGSTED.

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: 29

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name EDWARD GREGORY JACOBS Rank CAPT. Serial No. 0-719081

2. Organization ^{384TH Bomb Gp.} 384TH Bomb Gp. Gp Commander ^{Col. MELTON} Col. MELTON Rank LT. COL. Sqn CO ^{MAJ. BOONICKA} MAJ. BOONICKA Rank MAJOR
(full name) (full name)

3. What year 1944 month NOVEMBER day 16 did you go down?

4. What was the mission, TACOP SUPPORT, target, ESCHWEILER GERMANY, target time, 1200, altitude, 23,000 route scheduled, ACROSS BELGIUM, route flown AS BRIEFED

5. Where were you when you left formation? 3 MINUTES PAST 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". SGT. MURPHY AND LT. TIERNEY FOLLOWED ME OUT THE NOSE DOOR, SGT. SCHICK, S/SGT. STEVENSON AND S/SGT. WATSON LEFT THE AIRPLANE ABOUT 3 MINUTES AFTER BOMBS AWAY

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) LT. SPRINGSTED, LT. BARNES S/SGT. MALUCH

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?

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)



HEADQUARTERS, ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON



IN REPLY REFER TO: AFPPA-8

SUBJECT: Casualty Information of Crew Members

TO: SCHICK, Franz^K Joseph, T/Sgt. 36741559

1. You will be interested to know that there have been formed here in Washington and in the theaters overseas, Missing Aircrew Research and Investigation Offices to collect all information from our own and enemy sources, correlate this information and furnish it to search teams in the theaters who will go to the scene of the casualty incident and investigate. These teams will question those in the area who have knowledge of the incident and trace all leads down until they have the story. The German records we have translated are excellent. We have just received the Japanese records. By combining all this data with the story available in your memory, we can tell next of kin the things that mean so much to them.

2. You may or may not have been questioned in this manner before concerning the mission on which you were shot down and the events that followed. Regardless of previous questionnaires, it is important that we have the information requested here to complete our records concerning combat crewmen remaining in a casualty status.

3. If you have been sworn to secrecy as a result of your escape, evasion or internment, you may consider yourself released from all restrictions as to disclosure or publication of experiences except:

- a. Secret intelligence activities and methods developed for use, or actually used, in prison camps.
- b. Details of techniques employed by military intelligence organizations operating behind enemy lines to assist evasion and escape.
- c. Negotiations conducted on high government or military level to secure release from internment in a neutral country. (See AAF Reg 46-8 dated 30 October 1945)

4. Please answer all the questions you can promptly and accurately. Re-

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