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10 men

DATE: 13 Jun. 1944, 10.30 h.
PLACE: District of Schwartz, near Terfens
TYPE: Liberator
UNIT: 742 BB. Sqd., 455 Gr., 304 Wing
AIR BASE: Perignola
TARGET: Air Base Aibling

RANK	NAME	U.S.A.	No.	ME 1417
S/Sgt.	CORDON Robert Ferrell		39906336	.
Sgt.	GILLIAM Joel Lamen		37611193	.
2nd Lt.	SOLTYS Rudolph Anthony		O-698435	.
Sgt.	MANDLEY Garvin Ray		364[illegible]036	.
2nd Lt.	HAWLEY David Robert		O-689961	.
2nd Lt.	MASSEY Hugh Luther Jr.		O-121706	.
T/Sgt.	WANTUCK Chester P.		3225542[illegible]	.
2nd Lt.	POPADINES Alexander		O-708886	.
S/Sgt.	MILLER John Jacob		17079898	.
Sgt.	GILLILAND J.		.	.
Sgt.	SLATER William M.		348[illegible]857	.

Complete crew above

GILLILAND, J and GILLIAM, JOEL LAMEN appear to be the same.

Airbase Command A(6) [redacted] II
Aibling

[redacted]bling, 20 Jun 44

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List of articles taken from American Flyers

-1- List of crew of B(oeing) 24 H 42/64 482 which was found in the possession of S/Sgt (Engineer) MILLER, John. Of the crew, there were delivered: 1 man w/ Transport. List of 14 Jun 44, 6 men w/ Tmansport. List of 17 Jun 44 and 1 man w/ today's Transport. List of 20 Jun 44 incl. John MILLER. No report has up to now come in of POPADINES, Alexander.

-1- Sun glasses w/ broken glass.

Correctly received:
Oberursel, the

(signed - illegible)
Captain

Airbase Command A(O)1/VII
Aibling

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List

of Articles taken from the Prisoners:

1 Pay Schedule (Gehaltsliste) of 2/Lt R A SOLTIS
with Course and Table of Distances in pencil presumably
for the(bombing) attack.

9 Escape Maps on silk
1 complete Escape Pouch w/ rations, compass, etc.
1 large and
1 small Compass
3 Dictionaries ? (Sprachmittler)
6 Files
1 Bandage
13 empty rubber packets
1 Map of Fiume
1 Map of Graz
2 Maps of Africa
1 Map of North America
1 Map of Munich; on reverse side Air Photo. of Munich-Paaing
1 Slide Rule
Various personal jottings apparently derived from military instruction
2 astronomical Navigation Tables
2 Books on Movement of Stars and personal notes from instruction
1 Logarithm table
2 formsheets for log
3 escape maps on silk
1 compass in gigarette lighter
2 bouillon cubes
1 empty rubber pouch
2 escape files

(signed - illegible)

Captain

No further informations shown on this sheet.

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CASUALTY BRANCH, A.G.O.

FILE CHARGE-OUT AND TRANSFER FORM

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☐ CHARGED OUT TO:

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SEARCHER'S NAME	GROUP NO.	DATE

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HEADQUARTERS
HONDO A.A.F.
HONDO, TEX.

SUBJECT: Interrogation of Former Prisoners of War

TO: Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Washington 25, D. C.
Attn: Personal Affairs Branch, Room 4315 Munitions Building.

1. In compliance with your TWX AFPPS 3909, 28 Sep 45, the following information is submitted:

a. Name of casualty _____.

b. Rank _____. c. Crew Position _____.

d. Date last seen 13 June 1944. Place last seen Munich, Germany.

f. Circumstances of loss of aircraft Anti-Aircraft fire and enemy fighters knocked out three engines.

g. Known information (eye witness only)
Pilot states that all crew members 'bailed-out', were taken prisoner, and later returned to the States.

h. Hearsay information (all other information about above named casualty, with estimate of reliability)

(Note: Reverse side may be used if more space is needed ingiving any information requested above.)

Hugh L Massey Jr
Rank and name of reporter

I-13170 A.C.
ASN Unit

cc: CG, AFTRC
cc: Sub Comd Hq

Incl #1, TC Ltr 39-18, 23 Oct 45

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g. Known information (eye witness only)
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Hugh L. Massey Jr
Rank and name of reporter

I-131706 AC.
ASN Unit

cc: CO, AFTRC
cc: Sub Comd Hq

Incl #1, TC Ltr 39-18, 23 Oct 45

KU 1417

SOLTYS Rudoph A. O-698485

MIA 13 Jun 44 HANDLEY Garvin R. 36444046

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HQ, NATOUSA, APO 534, US Army, 29 June 1944.

TO: CG, Army Air Forces, Washington 25, D.C. (Att: Statistical Control Div)

22 Incls: Missing Air Crew Reports.
#1 - A/C 42-64482, 13 June 1944
Massey, Hugh L. Jr, F/O thru
Slater, William M. Sgt.
#2 - A/C 42-95382, 16 June 1944,
Leet, Edmund Jr., 2nd Lt thru
Waldrop, James D., S/Sgt.
#3 - A/C 42-78099, 16 June 1944,
Wurtz, Nelson, A., 1st Lt thru
Kampa, Bernard W. S/Sgt.
#4 - A/C 43-24871, 16 June 1944,
Crawford, Fred R. 2nd Lt.
#5 - A/C 43-28656, 16 June 1944,
Shepard, John J. Jr. 1st Lt.
#6 - A/C 43-28357, 16 June 1944,
Vitale, Thomas E. 2nd Lt.
#7 - A/C 42-104042, 16 June 1944,
Barnes, Samuel D. F/O.
#8 - A/C 43-7074, 14 June 1944,
White, William D. 2nd Lt.
#9 - A/C 42-78298, 11 June 1944,
Silven, Edward A., wnd Lt, thru
Richardson, Woodrow W., Sgt.
#10 - A/C 42-78234, 13 June 1944,
Smith, Homer W., 2nd Lt, thru
Falconetti, Joseph R., S/Sgt.
#11 - A/C 43-4026, 31 May 1944,
McLain, Damon I., 1st Lt, thru
Eiff, William C., S/Sgt.
#12 - A/C 42-95954, 14 June 1944,
Lee, John E., 1st Lt, thru
Scallan, Tera, Red Cross Worker.
#13 - A/C 42-75010, 7 June 1944,
Newhouse, Ernest H., 2nd Lt.
#14 - A/C 43-4059, 7 June 1944,
Eichorn, Benton F., 2nd Lt, thru
Hochstatter, Wilmer H., Sgt.
#15 - A/C 42-31847, 2 June 1944,
Hansen, Raymond L., 2nd Lt, thru
Beyer, Sylvester J., S/Sgt.
#16 - A/C 43-4098, 10 June 1944,
Kulik, Ernest J., 1st Lt, thru
Knobeloch, Clarence I., Pvt.

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22 Incls: Missing Air Crew Reports. (cont'd)

#17 - A/C 42-78075, 6 June 1944,
Estep, Everett C., 1st Lt, thru
Dunn, Edward E., S/Sgt.
#18 - A/C 42-52351, 18 May 1944,
Helfrich, Harold W., 2nd Lt, thru
Tienstra, Lester B., Sgt.
#19 - A/C 42-39999, 26 May 1944,
Tompkins, Frederick L., 2nd Lt, thru
Cutsinger, Elmer R., S/Sgt.
#20 - A/C 42-31803, 18 May 1944,
Kelly, Paul E., 1st Lt, thru
Dunn, John E., S/Sgt.
#21 - A/C 41-19988, 9 June 1944,
Bull, Paul M., 1st Lt,
#22 - A/C 42-31791, 18 May 1944,
Bollei, Leo, 2nd Lt, thru
Jensen, Leslie M., S/Sgt.

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Report on Downing of an USA Aircraft.

Date and time: 13. June 1944 at 1030 AM.

Place of crash: At Terfens

Type: Liberator

Reporting Office: Air Base Command HQ. Aibling

		Rank:	ASN:	
Name:	SOLTYS, Rudolph Anthony	1 2.Lt.	0-698485	captured
Date of birth:	11. August 1922 Elizabeth, N.Y.			
	MASSEY, Hugh Luther Jr.	2. Lt.	T 121706	"
	POPADINES, Alexander Westvil, Ill.	2.Lt.	0-708886	"
	HAWLEY, David Robert	2.Lt.	0-684961	"
	WANTUCK, Chester Philip	T/Sgt.	32255422	"
	MANDLEY, Garvin Ray 21. December 1923	Sgt.	36444046	"
	GILLIAM, Joel Lamar Greenville, Miss.	Sgt.	37611193	"
	MILLER, John [illegible] Jacob 2. April 1921 Dodge Co., Minn.	S/Sgt.	17079898	"
	SLATER, William Mofton 14. February 1925, Md.	Sgt.	34827857	"
	GORDON, Robert Farrell 25. October 1922	S/Sgt.	39906336	"

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9. Asst Engineer Gun — Handley, Garvin R. Sgt. 36444046 Bessie Handley (Mother) West 6th St., Minonk, Illinois

10. Armorer Gun — Slater, William M. Sgt. 34827857, Josephine B. S. Thompkins (Mother) Apt. 109 Desoto Manor, Anniston, Alabama

11.

12.

11. IDENTIFY BELOW THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE LAST KNOWLEDGE OF AIRCRAFT AND CHECK APPROPRIATE (only one) COLUMN TO INDICATE BASIS FOR SAME:

NAME IN FULL	RANK	SERIAL NO	Contacted by Radio	Last Sighted	Saw Crash	Saw Forced Landing
1. Edwin L. Keil	2nd Lt.	0689971		X		
2.						
3.						
4.						
5.						
6.						

12. IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:
( ) Parachutes were used ( ) Persons seen walking away from scene of crash
( ) Any other reason (specify) Plane was last seen in formation.

13. ATTACH, AS AN INCLOSURE TO THIS REPORT, EITHER AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH; MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN.

14. ATTACH, AS INCLOSURES TO THIS REPORT, EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTIONS OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT.

15. ATTACH, AS AN INCLOSURE TO THIS REPORT, A DESCRIPTION OF THE EXTENT OF SEARCH, IF ANY, AND GIVE NAME, RANK, AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE HERE: (if no search, so state giving reason) No search made over enemy territory.

Date of this Report: 16 June 1944

William W. Berg
(Signature of Preparing Officer)
WILLIAM W. BERG,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Adjutant.

2 Incls:
Incl 1 - Statement by Lt. Keil.
Incl 2 - Sketch of target

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M. MUENCH, Capt., AC
Date 15 MAR 1946

WAR DEPARTMENT
HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

IMPORTANT: This report will be compiled by each Army Air Forces organization within 48 hours of the time personnel are officially reported missing.

1. ORGANIZATION: Location San Giovanni Fld, Italy Command or AF 15th Air Force
Group 455th Bomb. Group Squadron 742nd Bomb Squadron

2. SPECIFY: Point of Departure San Giovanni Fld, Italy Course Direct
Target Munich Germany Type of Mission High Altitude Formation Bombing

3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED:
Enroute: Clear over Adriatic with scattered cumulus over the Alps. At Target: 3/10 cumulus at 4000 feet. On return: same as enroute.

4. GIVE: (a) Date 13 June 1944 Time 1019 Location Munich Germany of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.
(b) Specify whether: ( ) Last Sighted ( ) Last Contacted by Radio
( ) Forced Down ( ) Seen to Crash; or
(X) Information not available.

5. AIRCRAFT WAS LOST OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF: (Check only one)
( ) Enemy Aircraft ( ) Enemy Anti-Aircraft (X) Other circumstances as follows: Unknown

6. AIRCRAFT: Type, Model & Series B-24-H AAF Serial No 42-64482

7. ENGINES: Type, Model & Series R-1830-43 AAF Serial No (a) CP-300705
(b) 42-92613 (c) 42-39464 (d) 42-91516

8. INSTALLED WEAPONS: (Furnish below Make, Type, and Serial Number)
(a) Browning Air-Craft Mach Gun M-2 706182 (b) Browning Air-Craft Mach Gun M-2 706101
(c) Browning Air-Craft Mach Gun M-2 965 (d) " " " " 941418
(e) " " " " 466152 (f) " " " " 965201
(g) " " " " 965563 (h) " " " " 126899
(i) " " " " 1152718 (j) " " " " 969442

9. PERSONNEL LISTED BELOW REPORTED AS: (X) Battle Casualty ( ) Non-Battle Cas.

10. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 10 Passengers None Total 10
(Starting with "Pilot" furnish the following particulars; if more than 12 persons were aboard list similar particulars on separate sheet and attach to this form)

	CREW POSITION	NAME IN FULL (Last Name First)	RANK	SERIAL NO	NEXT OF KIN, RELATIONSHIP, AND ADDRESS
1.	Pilot	Massey, Hugh L. Jr.	F/O	T121706	Minnie (Irvin) Massey (Mother) Route 2, Hastings, Oklahoma
2.	Co-Pilot	Hawley, David R.	2nd Lt	0689961	R.D. Hawley (Father) 15614 Detroit Ave, Cleveland, Ohio
3.	Navigator	Soltys, Rudolph A.	2nd Lt	0698482	Victoria (Spiech) Soltys (Mother) 154 South Park St., Elizabeth, New Jersey
4.	Bombardier	Popadines, Alexander (NMI)	2nd Lt	0708886	Anna Popadines (Mother) 502 South Bowman Ave, Danville, Illinois
5.	Rad Oper Gun	Gordon, Robert F.	S/Sgt.	39306336	Romania Bunnem Gordon (Mother) RFD # 2, Box 299, Provo, Utah
6.	Engineer Gun	Miller, John J.	S/Sgt	17079898	Elizabeth B. Miller (Mother) Pine Island, Minnesota
7.	Asst Rad Oper Gun	Gilliam, Joel L.	Sgt.	37611193	Agnes B. Gilliam (Wife) 4308 Maryland Ave., St. Louis, Missouri
8.	Gunner	Wantuck, Chester P.	T/Sgt.	32255422	Anna Wantuck, (Mother) Ridge Road, Elba, New York

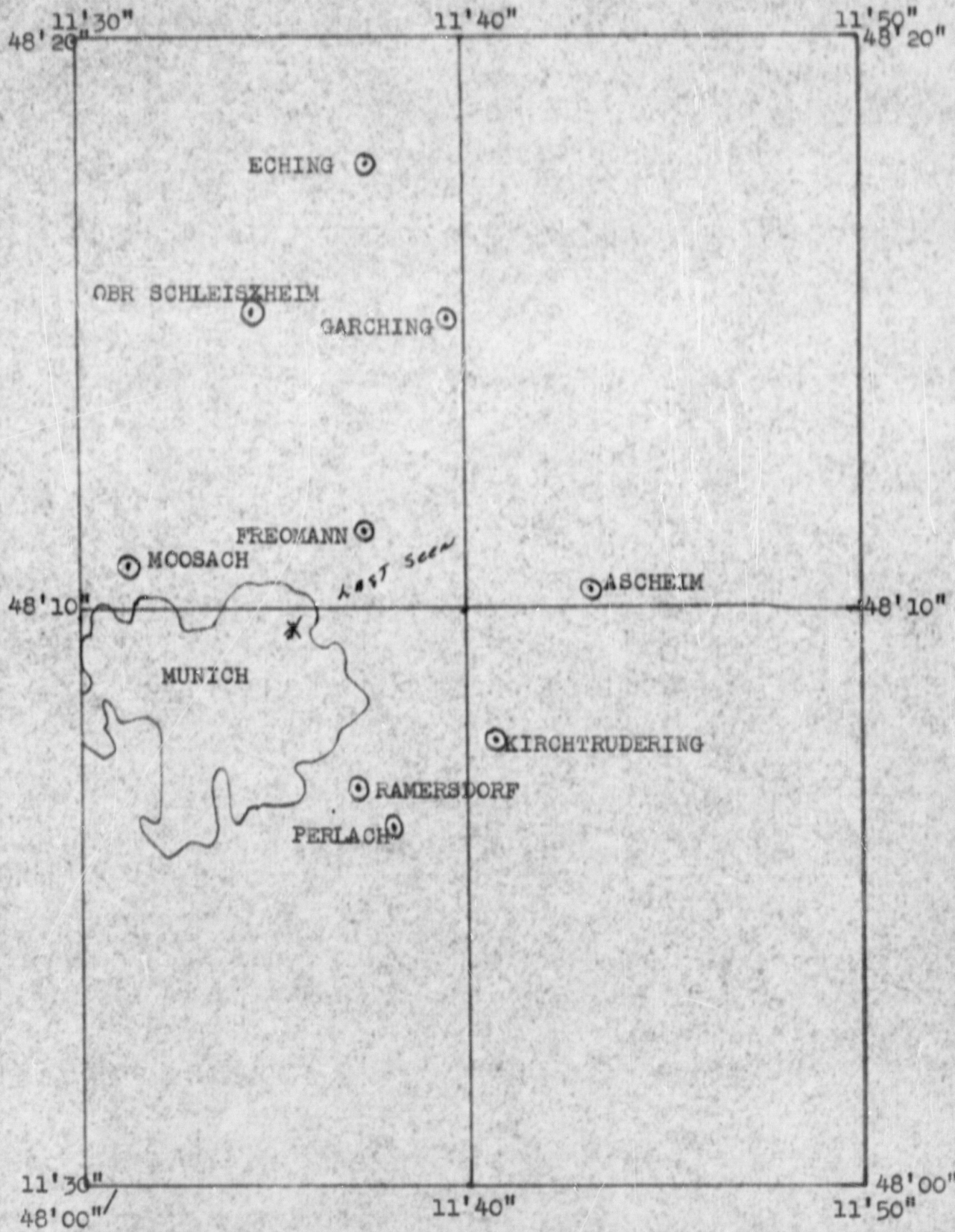
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(See Reverse Side)

MUNICH/BAYERISCHE-MOTORWENWERKE, GERMANY. TARGET CHART NO 13-100-NA.

SCALE: 1:250,000



2d Lt David R. Hawley	Mrs. Florence L. Hawley, (Wife) 2867 Wooster Road, Cleveland, Ohio.
2d Lt Rudolph A. Soltys	Mrs. Victoria Soltys, (Mother) 154 South Park Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
2d Lt Alexander Popadines	Mrs. Charles Popadines, (Mother) 502 South Bowman, Danville, Illinois.
F/O Hugh L. Massey, Jr.	Mrs. Minnie Olena Massey, (Mother) Route Number Two, Hastings, Oklahoma.
T/Sgt Chester F. Wantuck	Mrs. Anna Wantuck, (Mother) Ridge Road, Elba, New York.
S/Sgt John J. Miller	Mr. Ernest E. Miller, (Father) Pine Island, Minnesota.
S/Sgt Robert F. Gordon	Mrs. Ruth M. Gordon, (Wife) 243 East 6th Avenue North, Provo, Utah.
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Sgt William M. Slater	Mrs. Josephine B. Thompkins, (Mother) Apt 109, Desota Manor, Anniston, Alabama.
Sgt Jack L. Gilliam	Mrs. Agnes B. Gilliam, (Wife) 4308 Maryland Street, St Louis, Missouri.

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Final Downing List of 13 Jun 44, Attack on Munich (Ta)

1. Hall/Inn — 9 km E of Innsbruck - GD7 - 1050 Hours, Liberator, 99% (wrecked), burned on crash, 9 men climbed out, 2 of which captured, Markings not ascertainable, Nov2641482, (cause of) downing unknown.

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2. Natters KSU-1419		5 km SW Innsbruck - HC 3 - 1038 Hours, Liberator, 99%, burned on crash, marking right tail fin triangle blue on white base, on left tail fin blue 5 on white base, No.42-52502, shot down presumably (by) Flak.

Airbase Comd A (O)
AIBLING
Salvage Officer

Aibling, 6 Jun 44

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Report of Investigation

of enemy aircraft shot down at Innsbruck (Hall)

I. In General:

On 13 Jun 44 - 1045 Hours, an American bomber of type Consolidated B-24 "liberator" crashed at Hall (Volderer-Berg) 14 km ESE of Innsbruck.

1) Date and Time of Crash: 13 Jun 44 - 1045 Hours.

2) Position of Aircraft: At Hall at alt. of 1200 m. (Volderer Mts) 14 km ESE of Innsbruck.

Jaeger Grid Map: 14 North G D 7.

3) Condition of Aircraft: After downing by Flak hit the Volderer Mts at alt. of 1200 m. on the rocky ground. The individual parts were scattered in a wide radius. 99% wrecked.

4) Whereabouts of Crew: The 10-man crew bailed out w/ parachute and apparently captured w/out exception. Forwarding to Dulag Oberursel was carried out.

5) Damage to fields, etc: Because of terrain conditions at place of crash, only insignificant damage to fields involved.

6) Dextails of crash: Witnesses: 1. Sgt Schneider, Fl.Cont. Innsbruck
2. Cpl Schellhorn " " "
3. Cpl Jaehrling, Mt. Rescue Comd

Shot down by Flak (z.b.v.5770) at alt. of 600 m. Burned on crashing.

7) Remarks: Weapons & materiel were salvaged as far as possible. The salvaging turned out extremely difficult at this alt. and terrain conditions obtaining there.

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3) Crash of Liberator B 24 on 13 Jun 44 between 1000 and 1200 Hours in Kupfenstein near Vulpmes near Innsbruck.

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Crew: Bailed out, the dead were not identified.

Markings: Factory No. 2026 Block 15 Order No. does not appear.
Shot down by FLAK.

CASUALTY NO. KSU-1417

REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFT

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWN: 13 Jun 44 1145 Hours

PLACE OF CRASH: Dist. of ~~Schwaz~~ near Terfens

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT:

REPORTING OFFICE: Airbase Command A(O)1/XVII
Aibling
16 Jun 44

CREW

SURNAME, AND FIRST NAME: GILLIAM
Joel L

DATE OF BIRTH:

RANK: Sgt

SERIAL NUMBER: 37611193 1 tag with prisoner
1 tag with documents

CAPTURED: Vicinity of Terfen on 13 Jun 44 1145 Hours WOUNDED: DEAD:

DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP: TYPE OF INJURY:

GRAVE LOCATION:

REMARKS: Can be transported.

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CASUALTY NO KSU-1417

REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFT

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWN: 13 Jun 44

PLACE OF CRASH:

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: Liberator-Bomber

REPORTING OFFICE: Airbase Command Aibling 14 Jun 44 1035 Hours — Police Station Innsbruck 1445 Hours

CREW

SURNAME, AND FIRST NAME: GORDON Robert F

DATE OF BIRTH: 19 Oct 22

RANK: S/Sgt Air crew gunner

SERIAL NUMBER: 39906336 1 (tag) with prisoner " " " documents

CAPTURED: 13 Jun 44 1145 Hours Wattens Dist. of Schwatz WOUNDED: DEAD:

DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP: TYPE OF INJURY:

GRAVE LOCATION:

REMARKS: Can be transported

Last residence before war: Provo Utah USA

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CASUALTY SC. KSU-1417

REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFT

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWN: 13 Jun 44 Noon

PLACE OF CRASH:

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: Refuses to state *

REPORTING OFFICE: Airbase Command A(O)1/VII (Police Station)
Aibling (Innsbruck)
16 Jun 44 ~~(1000 Hours)~~

CREW

SURNAME, AND FIRST NAME: HANDLEY Garvin R

DATE OF BIRTH: 21 Dec 23

RANK: Sgt

SERIAL NUMBER: 36444046 Ident. tags lost

CAPTURED: Sohlbad Hall on 13 Jun 44 (at 1330 Hours in reg. of Gnadenwald) WOUNDED: DEAD:

DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP: TYPE OF INJURY:

GRAVE LOCATION:

REMARKS: Can be transported.
(Pencilled note at the top: Tpt (Transport ?) Aibling, 18 Jun)
* (" " " " bottom: B-24 (presumably)
Bayr. (Bavarian? Motor Works)
Last residence before war: Minonk, Ill., USA
* Liberator Bomber

6-3226.AF(6)

CASUALTY NO.KSU-1417

REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFT

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWN: 13 Jun 44 1100 Hours

PLACE OF CRASH:

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: refuses to state

REPORTING OFFICE: Airbase Command A(O)1/VII
Aibling
16 Jun 44

CREW

SURNAME, AND FIRST NAME: HAWLEY David

DATE OF BIRTH:

RANK: 2/Lt

SERIAL NUMBER: O - 689961 from personal statement

CAPTURED: 13 Jun 44 near Sohlbad Hall WOUNDED: DEAD:

DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP: TYPE OF INJURY:

GRAVE LOCATION:

REMARKS: Can be transported.

CASUALTY NO.KSU-1417

REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFT

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWN: 13 Jun 44 presumably at noon

PLACE OF CRASH:

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: refuses to state

REPORTING OFFICE: Airbase Command A(O) 1/VII
Aibling
16 Jun 44

CREW

SURNAME, AND FIRST NAME: MASSEY
Hugh L Jr

DATE OF BIRTH:

RANK: 2/Lt

SERIAL NUMBER: T 121706 1 tag with prisoner
" " " documents

CAPTURED: according to his statement on 13 Jun 44 at Hall in the Tyrol WOUNDED: DEAD:

DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP: TYPE OF INJURY:

GRAVE LOCATION:

REMARKS: Can be transported.

6-3324.AF(6)

CASUALTY NO. KSU-1417

REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFT

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWN: 13 Jun 44 Noon

PLACE OF CRASH:

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: Liberator

REPORTING OFFICE: Airbase Command A(O)1/VII
Aibling
20 Jun 44

CREW

SURNAME, AND FIRST NAME: MILLER
John J

DATE OF BIRTH:

RANK: S/Sgt (Engineer)

SERIAL NUMBER: 17079898 (tag) lost on bailing out

CAPTURED: Innsbruck in the vicinity of Gries at the Brenner 16/17 Jun 44 WOUNDED: DEAD:

DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP: TYPE OF INJURY:

GRAVE LOCATION:

REMARKS:
Shot down.
Able to travel.

CASUALTY NO.KSU-1417

REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFT

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWN: 13 Jun 44

PLACE OF CRASH:

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: Liberator Bomber

REPORTING OFFICE: Police Station
Innsbruck
19 Sep 44 1200 Hours

CREW

SURNAME, AND FIRST NAME: SLATER William M

DATE OF BIRTH: 14 Feb 25

RANK: Sgt

SERIAL NUMBER: 34827857

CAPTURED: 17 Jun 44 on Juns- WOUNDED: DEAD:
alpe (by) police of Postal Zone Lanersbach, Dist. of Schwaz in the Tyrol
DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP: TYPE OF INJURY:

GRAVE LOCATION:

REMARKS: Last residence before the war: Bynum, Ala. RL
Tompkins, Apt 109
Desoto Manoy, Ala. USA

Enclosures: 1 Report of Rural Police
1 American Army pistol No.1185165, M19 II A1 US Army
1 Magazine w/ cartridges
2 pocket knives
1 Report from Police Station, Innsbruck

(signed by Capt. of Police)

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CASUALTY NO.KSU-1417

REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFT

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT
WAS SHOT DOWN: 13 Jun 44 1100 Hours

PLACE OF CRASH: Terfens, Dist. of Schwaz

*TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: refuses to state

REPORTING OFFICE: Airbase Command A(O)1/VII
Aibling
16 Jun 44

CREW

SURNAME, AND SOLTYS
FIRST NAME: Rudolph A

DATE OF BIRTH:

RANK: 2d Lt (Navigator)

SERIAL NUMBER: O-698485 1 tag with prisoner
" " " documents

CAPTURED: Vic. of Terfens WOUNDED: DEAD:
13 Jun 44 1200 Hours
DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP: TYPE OF INJURY:

GRAVE LOCATION:

REMARKS:
* (pencilled note at the bottom: Liberator)

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REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFT

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWN: 13 Jun 44 about 1100 Hours

PLACE OF CRASH:

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: refuses to state

REPORTING OFFICE: Airbase Command A(O)1/VII
Aibling
16 Jun 44

CREW

SURNAME, AND FIRST NAME: WANTUCK
Chester P

DATE OF BIRTH:

RANK: T/Sgt ([redacted] - air gunner)

SERIAL NUMBER: 3225422 from own statement (tags) lost on bailing out

CAPTURED: 13 Jun 44 afternoon in Innthal WOUNDED: DEAD:

DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP: TYPE OF INJURY:

GRAVE LOCATION:

REMARKS: Can be transported

6-3226.AF(6)

S T A T E M E N T

This is to certify that the last time I saw F/O Mussey and Crew in Ship #482 was over the target at Munich, Germany after Bombs away at 1019 hour on 13 June 1944.

Edwin L. Keil

EDWIN L. KEIL,
2nd Lt., AC,
O-689771.

Rel'd to MACR 7Ho Mussey & Crew

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HEADQUARTERS FIFTEENTH AIR FORCE
APO 520 US ARMY GP/j/gcw

AG 360.33 24 June 1944

SUBJECT: Transmittal of Missing Air Crew Reports.

TO : Commanding General, NATOUSA, APO 534. ATTENTION: Casualty Branch, AGD.

1. In compliance with letter, War Department, AG 360.33 (5-21-43) OB-S-AF-M, "Missing Air Crew Report", 23 May, 1943, transmitted herewith Missing Air Crew Reports as follows:

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Incl No.	Date of MAC Rpt	Organization	Name of Pilot
1.	13 June 44	484 Bomb Gp	Edward A. Silven
2.	18 June 44	450 Bomb Gp	Homer W. Smith
3.	19 June 44	31st Ftr Gp	Wm D. White
4.	18 June 44	1st Ftr Gp	Thos E. Vitale
5.	18 June 44	1st Ftr Gp	Samuel D. Barnes
6.	18 June 44	1st Ftr Gp	John J. Shepard, Jr.
7.	19 June 44	52nd Ftr Gp	Fred R. Crawford
8.	19 June 44	455th Bomb Gp	Nelson A. Wurtz
9.	20 June 44	464th Bomb Gp	Edmund Leet, Jr.
10.	16 June 44	455th Bomb Gp	Hugh L. Massey, Jr.

For the Commanding General:

Windle D. Reel

WINDLE D. REEL
Major, Air Corps
for HAROLD B. NEELY,
Major, AGD,
Assistant AG.

10 Incls:
Missing Air Crew Reports as listed in dup.

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