MACR 6956
10 Man Crew

AAF # 42-52249

DATE:26 Jun.1944,10.00 h.	RANK	NAME U.S.A.	NO	MR 1488	
PLACE:Michelsbach/Boheimkirchen at the "Westbahn"	1st Lt.	✓ JORDAN Leon D.	0-795753	.	
	1st Lt.	✓ HALE Richard Downing	1110-674669	.	
TYPE:Liberator ..249	1st Lt.	v HARRINGTON Walter Dellurt Jr.	0-377061	.	
UNIT:741 HB.Sqd.,455 Gr. 304 Wing	S/Sgt.	✓ MORRIS Russell S. KIA	32555279	dead	
AIR BASE:South west of Cergnola	2nd Lt.	✓ NEWBY I.K. KIA	.	dead	see Remark
		✓ ROGER Loud, Robert W	31066044	"	" "
TARGET:Air Base A(o)7/XVII	S/Sgt.	✓ SHERRICK Edgar Samuel	35628629	.	
	T/Sgt.	✓ MITCHELL Wallace Arnold	33114257	.	
REMARKS:Cemetery of Rochemkirchen 2/Lt.R.on 6 July,and R.on 26 Jun.1944	S/Sgt.	✓ EDWARDS John Robert	12182500	.	
	T/Sgt.	✓ FRIOT Mahlon Roy	12208606	.	

Not on flight

SD 6956

Complete crew listed above

File MACR 6956

The Community Bureau at Rochsinkirchen reports on the finding of a body of an American flier in an advanced state of decomposition. Name of flier, Newby, I. K., MS - who was buried in the Local Cemetery at Rohsinkirchen.

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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: FRIOT, Mahlon R File # 6956
Rank: T/Sgt
Serial number: 12208606
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ Rad-Op - Gunner

Did he bail out? Yes!

Where? NEAR VIENNA

If not, why not? _____

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

Was he injured? Yes!

Where was he when last seen? FALLING BOSLE, GERMANY

Any hearsay information: _____

Source: _____

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: 44

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

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INDIVIDUAI CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: FRIOT, Mahlon R File # 6956
Rank: T/Sgt
Serial number: 12208606
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~[illegible]~~ Rad-Op - Gunner

Did he bail out? Yes

Where? Vic. of St Polten Austria

If not, why not? ———

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: At time of Bailing Out of Plane

Was he injured? Yes

Where was he when last seen? Atlantic City New Jeesey. 9 Aug 45

Any hearsay information: None

Source:

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: None

Total number of missions of above crew member: 44 Sorties

Dates and destinations if possible:

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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: HARRINGTON, Jr, Walter D File # 6956
Rank: 1st Lt
Serial number: 0-377061
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~of Flight (Fighter):~~ Co-Pilot

Did he bail out? ?

Where? _____

If not, why not? _____

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

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Was he injured? ?

Where was he when last seen? _____

Any hearsay information: _____

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Source: _____

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

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Total number of missions of above crew member: ?

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name ~~of~~ crew member: **HARRINGTON, Jr, Walter D** **File # 6956**
Rank: **1st Lt**
Serial number: **O-377061**
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~xx Pilot (Fighter).~~ **Co-Pilot**

Did he bail out? No Knowledge.

Where? No Knowledge

If not, why not? No Knowledge

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

Was he injured? No Knowledge.

Where was he when last seen? No Knowledge

Any hearsay information: None

Source:

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: None

Total number of missions of above crew member:

Dates and destinations if possible:

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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: LOUD, Robert W File # 6956
Rank: S/Sgt
Serial number: 31066044
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~of Plane (Fighter)~~ Arm - Gunner

Did he bail out? No!

Where?

If not, why not? Killed IN PLANE

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: Reported Two Fighters AT 6 Oclock. Then interphone went DEAD

Was he injured?

Where was he when last seen? WAIST GUNNERS see HIM Get OUT OF Turret & GOIN A HEAP.

Source:

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

WAS HIT BAD BY 20m.m. Or 7.9 MACHINE GUN

Total number of missions of above crew member: 44

Dates and destinations if possible:

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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: LOUD, Robert W File # 6956
Rank: S/Sgt
Serial number: 31066044
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~or Flight (Fighter).~~ Arm - Gunner

Did he bail out? No

Where? _____

If not, why not? Killed by Enemy Fire

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: Report of Enemy Fighters Attacking

Was he injured? Killed.

Where was he when last seen? Floor of Plane

Any hearsay information: _____

Source: _____

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: No Knowledge

Dates and destinations if possible: No Knowledge

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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: MORRIS, Russell S File # 6956
Rank: S/Sgt
Serial number: 32555279
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ Rad-Op - Gunner

Did he bail out? Yes

Where? NEAR VIENNA

If not, why not? _____

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

INTERPHONE DEAD OVER TARGET

Was he injured? ?

Where was he when last seen? _____

Any hearsay information: WAS SUPPOSED TO HAVE BEEN FOUND BY GERMANS - SAID PARACHUTE DIDN'T OPEN

Source: GERMANS

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: 44

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: MORRIS, Russell S File # 6956
Rank: S/Sgt
Serial number: 32555279
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~[illegible]~~ Rad-Op - Gunner

Did he bail out? No Knowledge

Where? No Knowledge.

If not, why not? No Knowledge.

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: Report of. Enemy Fighters Attacking

Was he injured? No Knowledge.

Where was he when last seen? Nose Turret.

Any hearsay information: None

Source:

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: None

Total number of missions of above crew member: 44 - Sorties

Dates and destinations if possible:

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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: NEWBY, Jr, Merl F File # 6956
Rank: 2nd Lt
Serial number: 0-706895
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~xx Engr. (Engineer) xx~~ Bombardier

Did he bail out? ?

Where? _____

If not, why not? _____

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

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Was he injured? ?

Where was he when last seen? _____

Any hearsay information: _____

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Source: _____

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

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Total number of missions of above crew member: ?

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: NEBY, Jr, Merl F File # 6956
Rank: 2nd Lt
Serial number: 0-706895
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~Co-Pilot (Right Seat)~~ Bombardier

Did he bail out? No Knowledge

Where? No Knowledge

If not, why not? _____

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

Was he injured? No Knowledge

Where was he when last seen? No Knowledge

Any hearsay information: None.

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: None.

Total number of missions of above crew member: —

Dates and destinations if possible: —

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Markt Boeheimkirchen

Boeheimkirchen 21 July 1944

Population registering official
No. 030-08
Subj. : dead of enemy aircrews

To
Supreme Hqs of the armed forces
S a a l f e l d / S a a l e

I report you the following for your information. On 26 June 1944 an enemy airplane crashed in the area of the community of Boeheimkirchen whereby 3 dead Americans were recovered.

Russell S Morries No. 32555279 T 43/43 O

1 unknown Rogar ? no further data can be given

L.F. Newby J.K.

Request to forward the forms for casualty reports in case the enemy soldiers should be registered.

Acting for
Registration Off.

Kliment signat.

Morris, Russell S.
32 555279

MDAR 6956
ME 188
AV 1106

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MACR - 6956 - 26 - June '44

Edwards, John R.	S-Sgt.	12182500 - RMC
Friot, Mahlon R.	T-Sgt.	12208606 EUS
Hale III - Richard S.	1"Lt	O-674669 - EUS
Harrington, Walter S. Jr.	1"Lt.	O-377061 - EUS
Jordan, Leon S.	1"Lt.	O-795763 - EUS
Mitchell, Arnold H.	T-Sgt.	33114257 - EUS
Morris, Russell	S-Sgt.	32555279 KIA
Newby, Merl F. Jr.	2"Lt.	O-706895 - KIA

CASUALTY NO.: ME 1488

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN: 26 June 1944

Place of Crash: Michelbach

TYPE OF PLANE: LIBERATOR

REPORTING OFFICE: AirBase HQ A(0) F/XVII

NAME:		RANK:	SERIAL NO.:	WOUNDED: CAPTURED: DEAD:	PLACE OF INTERMENT:
HALLE 20 Apr. 15	Richard Downing Saltlake City, Utah,	1st Lt	0-674449	capt	Dulag Luft
HARRINGTON	Walter Delbert Jr	1st Lt	0-377061	capt	Dulag Luft
MICHELL	Arnold Wallace	T/Sgt	33114257	capt	Dulag Luft
JORDAN	Leon Dailey	1st Lt	0-795763	capt	Dulag Luft
SHERRICK 29 Apr 22	Edgar Samuel Delphos	S/Sgt	35622629	capt	Dulag Luft
FRIOT	Mahlom Roy	T/Sgt	12208606	capt	Dulag Luft
EDWARDS	John Robert	S/Sgt	12182500	capt	Dulag Luft

Dulag Luft , 3 July 44/Wo.

MB-KMD-1488

12 July 1944

Flier's Air Base Headquarters A (O) 7/XVII - Markersdorf

Identification Number - 12 182 800 4 T-43-43-O

Liberator B-24 was shot down on 26 June 1944 around 10:00 o'clock near Hochheim-Kirchem.

Personal Belongings: One purse with (8) dollars.

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

9. Arm-Gunner Loud, Robert W. S/Sgt 31066044, Mrs. Mary C. Loud, (Mother) 37 Oliver St., Cambridge, Mass

10. Arm-Gunner Sherrick, Edgar S. S/Sgt 35622629 Mr. Marion W. Sherrick (Father) 841 W. Market St. Lima, Ohio. RTD

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. William T. Dixon	Sgt	38513900		X		
2.						
3.						
4.						
5.						
6.						

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

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, plane MIA over enemy territory.

Date of this Report: 28 June 1944

John F. Davis
(Signature of Preparing Officer)

3 Incls:
Incl 1 - Sketch of Area (Sept)
Incl 2 - Statement, Sgt. Dixon (Sept)

JOHN F. DAVIS,
Capt. Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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Classification changed to RESTRICTED
by E. A. BRADUNAS, Lt. Col., AC
by F. M. MUENCH, Capt., AC
Date JAN 15 1946

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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 Field, Italy Command or AF 15th AAF.
Group 455th Bomb Gp Squadron 741st Bomb Sq.

2. SPECIFY: Point of Departure San Giovanni Fld. Course Direct.
Target Moosbierbaum Austria Type of Mission Operational

3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED:
Clear - Wind 20 Knots

4. GIVE: (a) Date 26 June 1944 Time 0943 Location 48°20'N - 15°56'E of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.
(b) Specify whether: (X) Last Sighted ( ) Last Contacted by Radio
( ) Forced Down ( ) Seen to Crash; or
( ) Information not available.

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

6. AIRCRAFT: Type, Model & Series B-24-H AAF Serial No 42-52249

7. ENGINES: Type, Model & Series R-1830-43 AAF Serial No (a) CP-303837
(b) 42-60401 (c) CP 305546 (d) CP [redacted] 303129

8. INSTALLED WEAPONS: (Furnish below Make, Type, and Serial Number) Browning M2
(a) 1152899 (b) 1152963
(c) 1152416 (d) 1152838
(e) 1152399 (f) 218229
(g) 1152952 (h) 218365
1152692 1152572

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)

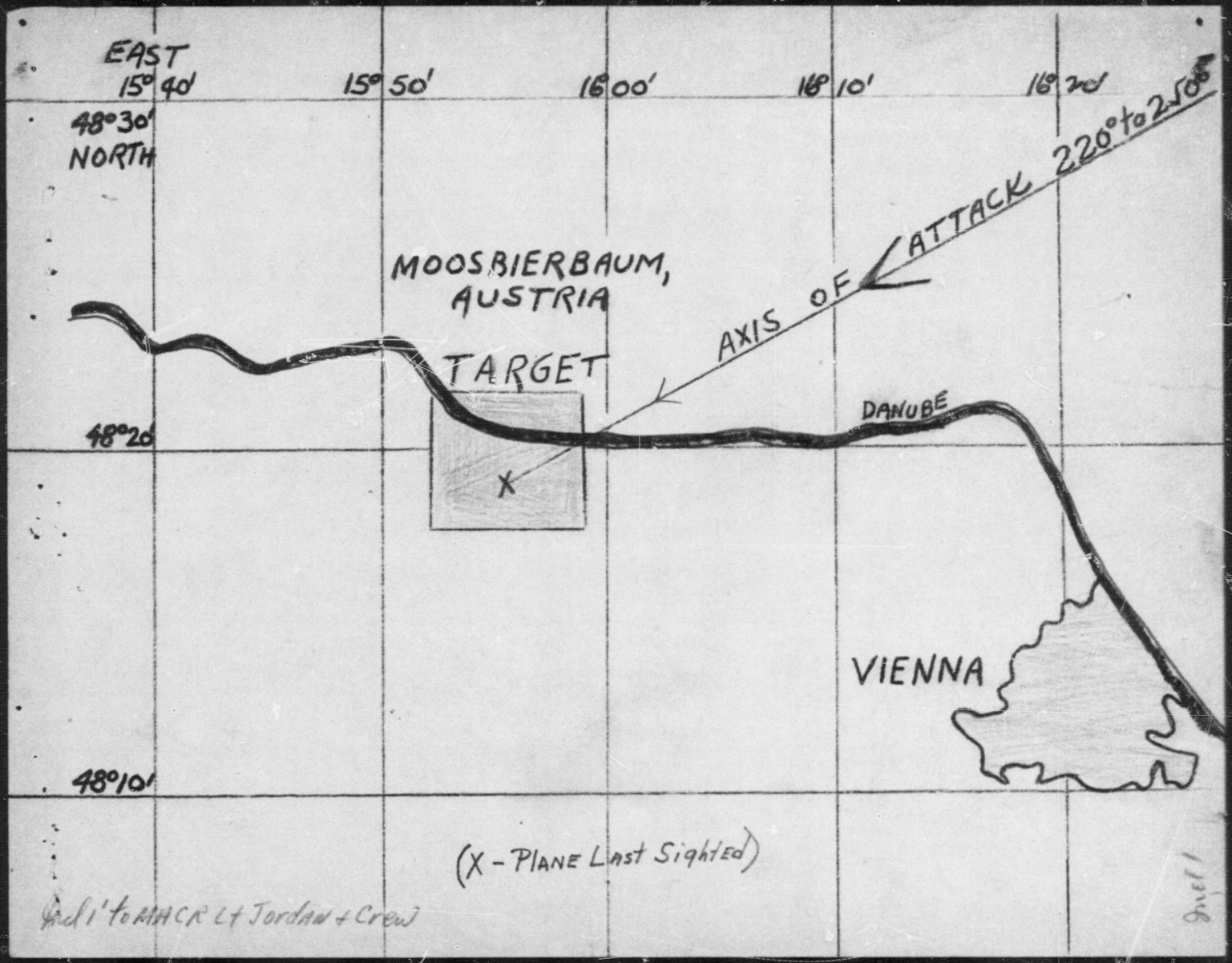
	CREW POSITION	NAME IN FULL (Last Name First)	RANK	SERIAL NO	NEXT OF KIN, RELATIONSHIP AND ADDRESS
1.	Pilot	JORDAN, LEON D.	1st Lt.	0-795763	Mrs. R. E. Jordan, (Mother) 1410 Full St. So. Norfolk, Virginia
2.	Co-Pilot	HARRINGTON JR, WALTER D.	1st Lt.	0-377061	Mrs. Katherine Harrington (Mother 2155 No. Valley St. Berkely, California.
3.	Navigator	HALE III, RICHARD D.	1st Lt.	0-674669	Mrs. R. D. Hale (Mother) 14 Ten Broeck, Albany, New York
4.	Bombardier	NEWBY JR, MERL F.	2nd Lt.	0-706895	Mrs. Dorotha M. Newby Jr. (Wife) Box 76, Sidney, Indiana.
5.	Rad-Op-Gunr	Friot, Mahlon R.	T/Sgt	12208606	Mrs. Anna Friot (Mother) RFD # 1, Hermon, NY. York.
6.	Rad-Op-Gunr	Morris, [redacted] Russell S.	S/Sgt	32555279	Mrs. Libbie Morris (Mother) 36 Littleton Ave. Newark, New Jersey.
7.	Ap-Mech-Gunr	Mitchell, Arnold W.	T/Sgt	33114257	Mrs. Gladys Mitchell (Mother) RFD # 1, Millerton, Penn.
8.	Ap-Mech-Gunr	Edwards, John R.	S/Sgt	12182500	Mr. Samuel Edwards, (Father) 285 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn, New York.

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Add'l to MACR Lt Jordan + Crew

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1st Lt. Leon D. Jordan RTD	Mrs. Grace G. Jordan, (Mother) 1410 Hull Street, South Norfolk, Virginia.
1st. Lt. Walter D. Harrington RTD	Mrs. L. Katherine Harrington(Mother) 2155 North Valley Street, Berkeley, California.
1st Lt. Richard D. Hale III RTD	Mrs. Beatrice E.Hale, (Wife) 109 W. Houghton Santa Fe, New Mexico.
Second Lt. Merl F. Newby, Jr. -KIA	Mrs. M.F. Newby, Jr., (Wife) 3409 S. Hanna, Fort Wayne 5, Indiana.
T/Sgt Mahlon R. Friot RTD	Mrs. Anna Friot, (Mother) R. F.D. # 1, Herman, New York.
S/Sgt Russell S. Morris-KIA	Mrs. Libbie G. Morris, (Mother) 36 Littleton Avenue, Newark, New Jersey.
T/Sgt Arnold W. Mitchell RTD	Mrs. Amasa C. Mitchell,(Mother) Millerton, Pennsylvania.
S/Sgt John R. Edwards RTD	Mr. Samuel Edwards, (Father) 285 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn, New York.
S/Sgt Robert W. Loud KIA	Mrs. Lester L. Loud,(Mother) 37 Oliver Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts.
S/Sgt Edgar S. Sherrick RTD	Mrs. Emma M. Sherrick, (Wife) 355 Clinton Street, Newark, Ohio.

Nationality: USA

Name: Unknown (Rogar?)

Rank: Airman

Delay and Changes: Died 26 Jun 44, Community Boheimkirchen crashed

Reported by: Post Markt Boheimkirchen 030-08, 21 Jul 44
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A.V. 1106/44
Dead List No. 36
Serial No. 7

ROBT. W. LOUD, 31066044

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CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name JOHN R. EDWARDS Rank S/Sgt Serial No. 12182500

2. Organization 455 Gp Commander Cool (full name) Rank Col. Sqn CO Lanford (full name) Rank Major

3. What year 1944 month JUNE day 26 did you go down?

4. What was the mission, Bombing, target, Oil Refinery, target time, App. 0930, altitude, App. 20,000 Ft route scheduled, No Know No Knowledge, route flown No Knowledge

5. Where were you when you left formation? No Knowledge

6. Did you bail out? Yes

7. Did other members of crew bail out? Yes 5 men to my Knowledge Jordan, Mitchell, Friot, Sherrick

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". Jordan, Mitchell, Friot Sherrick. All bailed out App SAME TIME OVER VIN. of St Polten, Austria.

9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? Town - Vinicity of St. Polten, Austria

10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) No Knowledge S/Sgt Robt. W. Loud CRASHED with Ship

11. Where were they in aircraft? ~~No Knowledge~~ Tail Gunner. Tail

12. What was their condition? ~~No Knowledge~~ Shot by Enemy Fighters

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)

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CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name ARNOLD W MITCHELL Rank T/Sgt Serial No. 33142257

2. Organization 455 B. Gp Commander Coole (full name) Rank Col. Sqn CO Hor. LANGFORD (full name) Rank MAJ.

3. What year 1944 month JUNE day 26 did you go down?

4. What was the mission, BOMBING, target, OIL REFINERY, target time, ABOUT 10:05 A.M., altitude, ABOUT 29,000 FT. route scheduled, _____, route flown ROUTE SCHEDULED

5. Where were you when you left formation? JUST AFTER 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". JOHN EDWARDS EDGAR SHERRICK - OUT CAMERA HATCH - ARNOLD MITCHELL - OUT BOMB BAY NAVIGATOR - OUT BOMB BAY. LEON JORDAN - OUT A HOLE IN FUSILAGE IN NAVIGATORS COMPARTMENT. ABOUT TEN MILES AFTER THE TARGET

9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? NEAR VIENNA

10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) ROBERT LOUD

11. Where were they in aircraft? BETWEEN CAMERA HATCH & TAIL TURRET

12. What was their condition? DEAD

13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? MARLON R. FRIOT MARCH - FALLING BOSTLE, GERMANY - RECOVERING FROM BULLET WOUNDS

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)

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A.V. 1106/44

Markt Boeheimkirchen

Boeheimkirchen 21 July 1944

Population registering official
No. 030-08
Subj. : dead of enemy aircrews

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To
Supreme Hqs of the armed forces
Saalfeld / Saale

I report you the following for your information. On 26 June 1944 an enemy airplane crashed in the area of the community of Boeheimkirchen whereby 3 dead Americans were recovered.

Russel S Morries No. 32555279 T 43/43 O

1 unknown Rogar ? no further data can be given

M.F. Newby J.K.

Request to forward the forms for casualty reports in case the enemy soldiers should be registered.

Acting for
Registration Off.

Kliment signat.

NE-MSU-1488

Reserve Hospital- St. Poelten — St. Poelten - 28 June 1944

Chief Physicism — Math. Corvinuss St. 26

AZ: 49

Case: Report of the Captured Air Force Personnel Hospital in Army Hospital.

To: Dulag (Luft) Oberursel/Taunus.

According to the above case report of Chief Physicism of the Reserve Hospital St. Poelten, that on 27 June 1944, three personnel of the American Air Forces, who were shot down on 26 June 1944 near Sichelbach and were wounded and brought to this section hospital.

A report is requested when the prisoners are able to trawel and their admission to M. Stammlager XVII B, Krems-Gneixendorf. Beds which are occupied by prisoners of war area needed for German soldiers.

The following are the names of Prisoner of War:

Friot R. Mahlon " Ident. No. 12 208 808 - T-45

Edward R. John " " 12 182 300 - T-45

Sherrick S. Edgar " " 36 622 629 - T-43-[illegible]-AB

After further treatment a hospital discharge is necessary.

ME 1488 (1451-1488)

Plane: Liberator B-24 downed 26 June 44 10:00hrs near Boeheimkirchen.

Reserve Hospital St. Poelten, Chief Physician. Quote:

27 june 44 3 personnel of the Air Forces, who were shot down on 26 June 44 near Sichelbach, and were wounded and brought to this hospital. Prisoners are able to travel and it is requested that they be admitted to M. Stammlager XVII B, Krems-Gneixendorf, as beds are needed for German soldiers.

Wounded:

1. Froit, Mahlou R. 12208606
2. Edwards, John R. 12182500
3. Sherrick, Edgar S. 35622629

Delivered to Hosp St. Poelten (Lower Danube) 27 July 44.

Pows.

1. Mitchell, Arnold W. T/Sgt 3114257
2. Hale, Richard D. III 0-674669
3. Harrington, Walter D. Jr. 0-377061
4. Jordon, Leon D. Lt. 0-795763

Dead:

1. Newby, M. S. Buried 6 July 44 local cemetery at Boeheimkirchen.
2. Morris, Russell S. 32555279 Buried in Boeheimkirchen 26 June 44.
3. Unknown (Rogar?) Buried in Boeheimkirchen 26 June 44.
   NOTE: (Pictures from which he could be identified but his fellow prisoners refused to make any statements.)

AV 1106/44

Three dead Americans were recovered.

1. Morris, Russel S. 32555279
2. Newby, J.K.
3. UNKNOWN (Roger?) no further data can be given.

C. Fischer

File 10 July 1947 Main Files

CASUALTY NO.
ME-KSU-1488

REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFT

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWN: 26 June 1944 around 10;00 o'clock

PLACE OF CRASH: Near Boeheimkirchen

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: Liberator B-24

REPORTING OFFICE: Flier's Air Base Headquarters A (O) 7/XVII - Markersdorf near St. Poelten - 13 July 1944.

CREW

SURNAME, AND FIRST NAME: Edwards, John R.

DATE OF BIRTH:

RANK: Unknown

SERIAL NUMBER: 12 182 500 - T-43-43-O

CAPTURED: WOUNDED: Wounded In Hospital DEAD:

DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP: TYPE OF INJURY:

GRAVE LOCATION:

REMARKS:

Captured at Boeheimkirchen on 26 June 1944.

Delivered to Reserve Hospital St. Poeltem, N. D. (Nieder Donau) Lower Danube on 27 July 1944.

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CASUALTY NO.
ME-KSU-1488

REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFT

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWN: 26 ~~July~~ June 1944 around 10;00 o'clock

PLACE OF CRASH: Boeheimkirchen, District St. Poelten

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: Liberator B-24

REPORTING OFFICE: Flier's Air Base Headquarters A (O) 7/XVII - Markersdorf - 26 June 1944 around 10;00 o'clock.

CREW

SURNAME, AND FIRST NAME: Friot, Mahlon

DATE OF BIRTH:

RANK: Unknown

SERIAL NUMBER: 12 208 606 - T-45

CAPTURED: Captured WOUNDED: DEAD:

DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP: TYPE OF INJURY:

GRAVE LOCATION:

REMARKS:

Captured at Kirchstetten on 26 June 1944.
Reserve Hospital near St. Poelten on 27 June 1944.
Discharged on 1 Aug. 1944 and was transferred to Oberursel.

6-3224.AF(6)

47 3114

CASUALTY NO.
ME-KSU-1498

REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFT

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT
WAS SHOT DOWN: - - -

PLACE OF CRASH: Boeheimkirchen

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: Liberator B-24

REPORTING OFFICE: Flier's Air Base Headquarters A (O) 7/XVII - Markersdorf near St. Poelten - 26 June 1944 around 10:00 o'clock.

CREW

SURNAME, AND FIRST NAME: D. Hale, III
Richard

DATE OF BIRTH:

RANK: Lieutenant

SERIAL NUMBER: O-674 669 - T-42-43

CAPTURED: Captured WOUNDED: DEAD:
Boeheimkirchen on 26 June 1944 at 14:00 o'clock.
DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP: TYPE OF INJURY:

GRAVE LOCATION:

REMARKS:

6-3234.AF(6)

67 B114

CASUALTY NO.
ME-KSU-1488

REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFT

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT
WAS SHOT DOWN: - - -

PLACE OF CRASH: Boeheimkirchen

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: Liberator B-24 (Empennage No. 22249)

REPORTING OFFICE: Flier's Air Base Headquarters A (O) 7/XVII - Markersdorf near St. Poelten - 26 June 1944 around 10;00 o'clock.

CREW

SURNAME, AND FIRST NAME: Harrington, Jr. Walter D.

DATE OF BIRTH:

RANK: Lieutenant

SERIAL NUMBER: O-377 061

CAPTURED: Captured WOUNDED: DEAD:

DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP: Boeheimkirchen on 26 June 1944 at 10;00 o'clock. TYPE OF INJURY:

GRAVE LOCATION:

REMARKS:

6-3224.AF(6)

67 5134

CASUALTY NO.
ME-KSU-1488

REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFT

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT
WAS SHOT DOWN: 26 June 1944 around 10;00 o'clock.

PLACE OF CRASH: Michelbach

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: Liberator

REPORTING OFFICE: Flier's Air Base Headquarters A (G) 7/XVII - Markersdorf near St. Poelten - 26 June 1944 around 10;00 o'clock.

CREW

SURNAME, AND FIRST NAME: Jordon, Leon D.

DATE OF BIRTH:

RANK: Lieutenant

SERIAL NUMBER: O-795 763 - T-45-43-()

CAPTURED: Captured Michelbach on 26 June 1944 at 10;00 o'clock WOUNDED: DEAD:

DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP: TYPE OF INJURY:

GRAVE LOCATION:

REMARKS:

6-3224.AF(6)

47 8114

CASUALTY NO.
MR-KSU-1488

REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFT

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWN: - - -

PLACE OF CRASH: Boeheimkirchen

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: Liberator B-24

REPORTING OFFICE: Flier's Air Base Headquarters A (O) 7/XVII - Markersdorf near St. Poelten - 26 June 1944

CREW

SURNAME, AND FIRST NAME: Unknown (Roger) ?

DATE OF BIRTH:

RANK: Unknown

SERIAL NUMBER: Unknown

CAPTURED: WOUNDED: DEAD Dead

DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP: TYPE OF INJURY:

GRAVE LOCATION: Boeheimkirchen on 26 June 1944.

REMARKS:

Pictures from which he can be identified.

His fellow prisoner refused to make any statement.

6-3224.AF(3)

47 8114

CASUALTY NO.
ME-KSU-1488

REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFT

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT
WAS SHOT DOWN: 26 June 1944 around 10,00 o'clock

PLACE OF CRASH: Michelbach

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: Liberator

REPORTING OFFICE: Flier's Air Base Headquarters A (O) 7/XVII - Meskoradorf near St. Poelten - 29 June 1944.

CREW

SURNAME, AND Mitchell,
FIRST NAME: W. Arnold

DATE OF BIRTH:

RANK: T/Sgt.

SERIAL NUMBER: 31 142 57

CAPTURED: Captured WOUNDED: DEAD:
Wainfeld on 26 June 1944 at 16,00 o'clock
DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP: TYPE OF INJURY:

GRAVE LOCATION:

REMARKS:

6-3224.AF(6)

47 8114

CASUALTY NO.
ME-KSU-1488

REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFT

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWN: - - -

PLACE OF CRASH: Boeheimkirchen

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: Liberator

REPORTING OFFICE: Flier's Air Base Headquarters A (O) 7/XVII - Markersdorf near St. Poelten - 26 June 1944.

CREW

SURNAME, AND FIRST NAME: Morris, Russell S.

DATE OF BIRTH:

RANK: Unknown

SERIAL NUMBER: 32 555 279 - T-43-43-O

CAPTURED: Captured Boeheimkirchen on 26 June 1944. WOUNDED: DEAD: Dead

DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP: TYPE OF INJURY:

GRAVE LOCATION: Boeheimkirchen on 26 June 1944.

REMARKS:

6-5224.AF(6)

CASUALTY NO.
ME-KSU-1488

REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFT

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWN: 26 June 1944 around 10;10 o'clock.

PLACE OF CRASH: Boeheimkirchen

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: Liberator B-24

REPORTING OFFICE: Flier's Air Base Headquarters A (O) 7/XVII - Markersdorf near St. Poelten - 7 July 1944.

CREW

SURNAME, AND FIRST NAME: Newby, M. S.

DATE OF BIRTH:

RANK: Unknown

SERIAL NUMBER: - - -

CAPTURED: WOUNDED: DEAD: Dead

DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP: TYPE OF INJURY:

GRAVE LOCATION: On 6 July 1944 - Local Cemetery at Boeheimkirchen.

REMARKS:

6-3224.A7(6)

47 8126

CASUALTY NO.
ME-KSU-1488

REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFT

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWN: 26 June 1944 at 10;00 o'clock.

PLACE OF CRASH: Boeheimkirchen

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: Liberator B-24

REPORTING OFFICE: Flier's Air Base Headquarters A (O) 7/XVII - Markersdorf near St. Poelten - 13 July 1944

CREW

SURNAME, AND FIRST NAME: Sherrick, Edgar S.

DATE OF BIRTH:

RANK: Unknown

SERIAL NUMBER: 35 622 629 - T-43-43-AB

CAPTURED: Captured WOUNDED: DEAD:

DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP: TYPE OF INJURY:

GRAVE LOCATION:

REMARKS:

Reserve Hospital St. Poelten

No personal belongings

6-3224.AF(6)

67 8114

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FOR VICTORY BUY UNITED STATES WAR BONDS AND STAMPS

HEADQUARTERS, ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO: AFPPA-8-BG

15 November 1945

SUBJECT: Second Lieutenant Merl F. Newby, Jr.

TO: Commanding Officer
1045 AAF Base Unit
RPS Detachment
San Antonio, Texas

1. This headquarters is in receipt of a request for details concerning the death of Second Lieutenant Merl F. Newby, Jr., O-706895, bombardier of aircraft, B-24H, which disappeared 26 June 1944.

2. Request that you interrogate First Lieutenant Leon D. Jordan, O-795763, pilot of the above aircraft, regarding any information he may know concerning Lieutenant Newby and other crew members.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL ARNOLD:

John J. Smith

JOHN J. SMITH
Lt. Col., Air Corps
Chief, Notification Section
Personal Affairs Branch
Personal Services Division, AC/AS-1

AFPPA-8-BG Newby, Merl F. Jr. (Off) 1st Ind. PAD:KPJ:ca
O-706895

Hq., San Antonio District, AAF Personnel Distribution Command, San Antonio Texas, 29 November 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer,
2109th AAF Base Unit, Turner Field, Albany, Georgia

1. Basic Communication forwarded as a matter pertaining to your command.

2. Capt. Leon D. Jordan, O-795763, was transferred to your command per SO 96, Par 18 dated 18 October 1945, this headquarters.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

RECEIVED DEC 1945 Hqtrs. Turner Field Albany, Ga. 14411

F H Shuler (KPJ)

F. H. SHULER
Captain, Air Corps
Personal Affairs Officer

14411

ADDRESS REPLY TO: COMMANDING GENERAL, ARMY AIR FORCES, WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

A I R M A I L

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

In Reply Refer To
QMGMV 293

SUBJECT: Additional Information That May Lead to the Recovery and Identification of Remains Not Yet Accounted For.

TO: Commanding General
8th Army
APO 343, c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, California

1. There is attached hereto, in duplicate, OQMG Form 371 (covering all available information in the Office of the Quartermaster General and is in addition to any previous information forwarded by this office to your headquarters) for the following deceased individual:

NAME	GRADE	SERIAL NO.

2. It is requested that information on the above deceased be furnished this office in accordance with provisions of Letter, The Adjutant General's Office, file AGAO-S 293.9 (27 Mar 47) D-M, subject Establishment of Boards of Review for Identification of Unknown Dead Overseas, dated 9 April 1947.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Incl
Form 371 (In Dup)

MARTIN G. RILEY
Major, QMC
Memorial Division

A I R M A I L

Sidwell
16 Jul 47

S T A T E M E N T

" At about 0943 hours on 26 June 44, while over Moosbierbaum, Austria, I saw the B-24 No. 249, piloted by 1st Lt. Jordan, attacked by an ME 109, recieve hits in its waist and right wing. One of the right engines caught on fire.

Lt Jordan's plane raised a little, and then fell off.

Just before falling off, I saw two (2) chutes emerge and open.

The B-24, in my opinion, was not under control.

I becames busy with enemy fighters, and lost the plane at this point."

WILLIAM T. DIXON, 38513900,
Sgt., 741st Bomb Sq(H).
William T. Dixon

Incl 2 to MACR Lt Jordan + Crew

STATEMENT OF CAPTAIN LEON D. JORDAN:

On June 26, 1944 Lt. Newby was flying bombardier for me. We had almost reached the target when we were attacked by 70-80 fighters. My two wing men were knocked down as we proceeded over the target, and Lt. Newby dropped the bombs. We were under constant fighter attack all this time. My #2 engine was shot out, rudder controls and trim tabs were shot away, and fires were started in bomb-bays, ball turret, and flight deck. I gave the order to bail out, after exhausting the fire extinguishers. Just before leaving the ship we got a burst of 20 mm through the nose section, which hit my instrument panel. I think this is what hit Lt. Newby. The nose turret gunner got out of the plane all right, but his parachute failed to open. This was reported to me by the Germans. This man's name was Sgt. Russel.

Sgt. Robert W. Land was killed as he was making preparations to abandon the plane. Sgts. Edgar Sherrick, John Edwards, and Mahlon Friat were seriously wounded by 20mm and 30 cal. fire. The remainder of the crew got out with minor scratches and burns.

Leon D. Jordan

LEON D. JORDAN
Capt., Air Corps

19 December 1945

SUBJECT: Second Lieutenant Merl F.Newby,Jr.

TO: Commanding General,
Army Air Forces,
Washington 25, D.C.

Ref. AFPPA-BG

1. I am in receipt of your request for details surrounding the death of Second Lieutenant Merl F.Newby,Jr., O-706895, bombardier of aircraft, B-24H, which disappeared 26 June 1944, over Vienna, Austria.

2. Details as follows:

At approximately 09:50, June 26,1944, near Vienna, Austria, our aircraft was subjected to anti-aircraft fire. The number 2 engine was knocked out by flak while on our bomb run. The aircraft was then the object of several attacks by enemy fighter planes. The plane was badly crippled and took fire. Via interphone I was in communication with Lt. Newby up until the time our bombs were released. At this point the interphone system went out. The nose of the ship was hit badly and to the best of my knowledge Lt. Newby was hit. I do not believe that the bombardier ever bailed out of the aircraft. The aircraft blew up after we escaped.

Richard D. Hale
Richard D. Hale
1st Lt. Air Corps Reserve
O-674669
109 Houghton St.,
Santa Fe, New Mexico

AFPPA-S-BG Newby, Merl F. Jr. (Off) O-706898 15 November 1945

2nd Ind.

Hq., Turner Field, Albany, Georgia, 11 December 1945.

TO: Headquarters, Army Air Forces, Chief, Notification Section, Personal Affairs Branch, Personal Services Division, Wash. 25, D.C.

In compliance with Basic Communication, the inclosed signed statement of Capt. Leon D. Jordan is submitted.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

1 Incl.
Signed statement.

H. P. FIEDLER
Major, Air Corps
Adjutant

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Adjutant

MB-KSU-1488

Flier's Air Base Headquarters A (G) 7/XVII - Markersdorf

TRANSPORT LIST

1.) Edwards, John Sergeant Ident. No. 12 198 500 - T-45-45

2.) Priot, Mahlon " " 12 208 606 - T-45

AFPPA-8-BG Nenby, Merl F. Jr. (Off) 1st Ind. PAD:KPJ:ca
0-706895

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FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

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3 DEC 1945
Hqrs. Turner Field
Albany, Ga.

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F. H. SHULER
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