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AAF 42-52741
10 men

DATE: 8/29/44 -
PLACE: Area Baja.
TYPE: Liberator.

740 (HB,) Sqd.
455 Group - 304 Wing.
AIRBASE: San Giovannie.
TARGET: Evaluation Point Southeast.

Rank	Name	U.S.A. AAF	No: NE 2072
2nd/Lt.	Reynolds, Thomas J.	0-819875	(KIA)
2nd/Lt.	Gupka, Allart	0-723[illegible]	
2nd/Lt.	Golden, Stanley, Robert	0-719[illegible]	
2nd/Lt.	Nelson, James, Robert	0-706[illegible]	(Hosp.)
S/Sgt.	Rhodes, Elvin B.	13083[illegible]	
S/Sgt.	Brutvan, Donald R.	32848183	
Sgt.	Bordner, Glenn, William	15080733	
Sgt.	Crooks, Robert, J.	35048173	
Sgt.	Nyster, Mar ion D.	35893137	
Sgt.	Giulio, Frank B.	32808181	

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by F. M. MUENCH, Capt., AC
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9. Gunner - [redacted] Foster, Marion D. Sgt 35893137 Beatrice [redacted] Mother
232 N. Belmont Indianapolis, Indiana

10. Gunner - [redacted] Ciulla, Frank B. Sgt 32808181 Mrs. Anna Ciulla Mother
3212 Wallace Ave. New York City, New York

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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. Donahue, James F.	F/O	T-126456			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, aircraft disappeared over enemy-held territory.

Date of this Report: 2 September 1944

Joe B Goodrich
(Signature of Preparing Officer)
JOE B. GOODRICH
Capt., Air Corps,
Adjutant.

2 Incls:
Incl 1 - Statement of F/O Donahue
Incl 2 - Sketch Where Aircraft Last Seen

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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 Group 455th Bomb Gp (H) Squadron 740th Bomb Sq (H)

2. SPECIFY: Point of Departure San Giovanni Field Course Direct Target 49° 50'N 18° 19'E Type of Mission Combat

3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED: CAVU

4. GIVE: (a) Date 8-29-44 Time 1252 Location 45° 50'N/18° 30'E of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.
(b) Specify whether: ( ) Last Sighted ( ) Last Contacted by Radio ( ) Forced Down (X) 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)
( ) Enemy Aircraft ( ) Enemy Anti-Aircraft (X) Other circumstances as follows: Cause undetermined, possibly mechanical failure

6. AIRCRAFT: Type, Model & Series B-24H AAF Serial No 42-52741

7. ENGINES: Type, Model & Series R 1830-43 AAF Serial No (a) CP 308458 (b) CP 307636 (c) CP 308558 (d) CP 309153

8. INSTALLED WEAPONS: (Furnish below Make, Type, and Serial Number)
(a) 998410 Browning Cal .50 M2 (b) 997947 Browning Cal .50 M2
(c) 999820 (d) 999809
(e) 1152483 (f) 965383
(g) 1056025 999984 (h) 1000003 1000085

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

10. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 10 Passengers 0 Total 10
(Starting eith "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	Reynolds, Thomas G.	2nd Lt	O-819875	Mrs. Georgia Reynolds Mother 798 N. Pleasant St., Amherst, Mass.
2.	Co-Pilot	Cupka, Albert (NMI)	2nd Lt	O-713714	Mrs. Susan Cupka Mother 2312 30th Ave., So. Minneapolis, Minn.
3.	Navigator	Golden, Stanley R.	2nd Lt	O-719054	Mrs. Esther Golden Mother Box 322 Velasco, Texas
4.	Bombardier	Nelson, James R.	2nd Lt	O-706894	Marcella Nelson Wife 2201 Bryant Ave. So. Minneapolis, Minn.
5.	Engineer	Brutvan, Donald R.	S/Sgt	32848183	Joseph Brutvan Father 25 C.P.W. Blvd. Johnson City, New York
6.	Radio	Rhodes, Elvin B.	S/Sgt	13083236	George Rhodes Father 1400 Baldeagle Ave., Tyrone, Pa.
7.	Gunner	Bordner, Glenn W.	Sgt	15080733	Juliana M. Bordner Wife 1421 Kensington Blvd., Fort Wayne, Indiana
8.	Gunner	Crooks, Robert J.	Sgt	35048173	Mae Crooks Mother 216 Broadway Gerard, Ohio

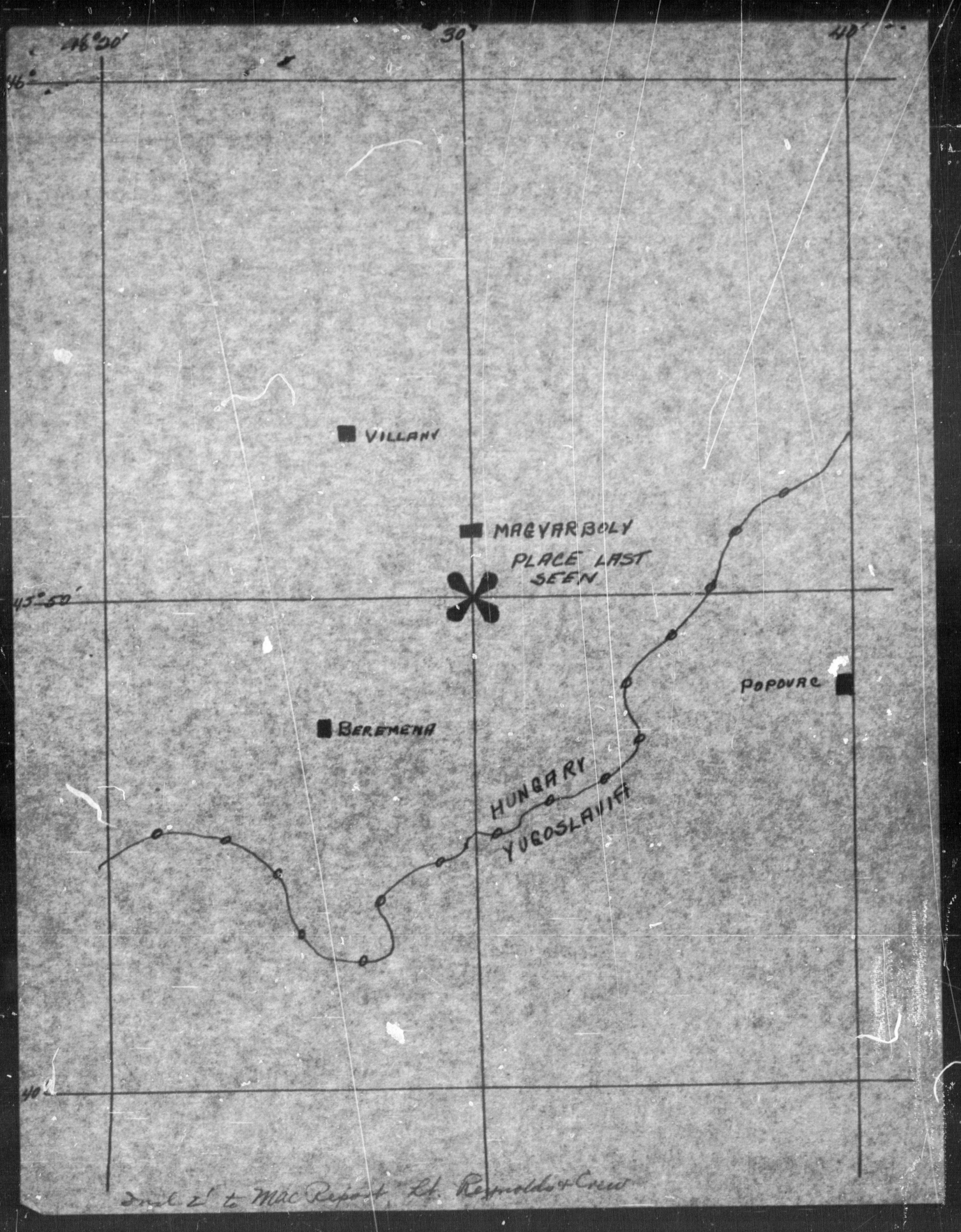
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Encl 2 to MAC Report Lt. Reynolds & Crew

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2nd Lt. Stanley H. Golden	Mr. and Mr. George H. Golden, (parents) Box 322, Velasco, Texas.
2nd Lt. Albert Gupka	Mrs. Susan Gupka, (mother) 2312-30 Aveune South, Minneapolis, Minnesota.
2nd Lt. James A. Nelson	Mrs. Marcella C. Nelson, (wife) 2308 Bryant Avenue, South, Minneapolis, Minnesota.
2nd Lt. Thomas G. Reynolds	Mrs. Georgia G. Reynolds, (mother) 778 North Pleasant Street, Amherst, Massachusetts.
S/Sgt. Donald R. Brotman	Mr. Joseph J. Brotman, (father) 25 [illegible] Boulevard, Johnson City, New York.
S/Sgt. Elvin R. Rhodes	Mrs. Priscilla M. Rhodes, (wife) 322 West 11th Street, Tyrone, Pennsylvania.
Sgt. Robert J. Crooks,	Mrs. Mae Crooks, (mother) 226 Broadway, Girard, Ohio.
Sgt. Frank R. Giulia	Mr. John Giulia, (father) 1385 Spring [illegible], Cincinnati, Ohio.
Sgt. Glenn H. Dortner	Mrs. [illegible] H. Dortner, (wife) 1421 Kensington Boulevard, Fort Wayne, Indiana.
Sgt. Marion B. Hyster	Mrs. Beatrice E. Hyster, (mother) 232 North Belmont Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Meldung über den Abschuß eines US-amerikanischen Flugzeuges

Abschuß-Nr. MU 2072

Abschußtag und Zeit: 29.8.44

Abschußort: Raum Baja

Flugzeugtyp: Liberator

Meldende Dienststelle: A.W. Südost

Besatzung:

Name und Vornamen: Geburtstag und -ort:	Dienstgrad	Erk.-Marke:	Verbleib: gef.: verw.: tot:	Verbleib: welches Lager Art d. Verwundung Grablage
NELSON J.W.	2.Lt.	0-706894		gef. Stalag-Luft 3
RHODES 22.11.22	Elvin B. Tyrone, Pa.	S/Sgt.	13083236	gef. Stalag-Luft 4
BRUTVAN 14.10.24	Donald New York	S/Sgt.	32848183	gef. Stalag-Luft 4
BORDNER 30.11.21	Glenn W. Fortx Wayne, Ind.	Sgt.	15080733	gef. Stalag-Luft 4
CROOKS 4.4.23	Robert USA	Sgt.	35048173	gef. Stalag-Luft 4
KISTER 10.4.25	Marion D. Indianapolis	Sgt.	35893137	gef. Stalag-Luft 4
CIULLA 17.8. 23	Frank Cincinnati, Ohio	Sgt.	32808181	gef. Stalag-Luft 4

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CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name JAMES R. NELSON Rank 1ST. LT. Serial No. 0-706894

2. Organization 455 Gp Commander COOL (full name) Rank COL. Sqn CO HARD (full name) Rank LT. COL.

3. What year 1944 month AUG. day 29TH did you go down?

4. What was the mission, IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA, target, TANK FACTORY, target time, 11:30 A.M., altitude, ABOUT 20,000', route scheduled, SOUTH BY WEST, route flown SAME

5. Where were you when you left formation? NOSE

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". HALF WENT THROUGH BOMBAY — OTHER HALF THROUGH BOTTOM HATCH IN THE WAIST

9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? IN HUNGARY

10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) NONE

11. Where were they in aircraft?

12. What was their condition?

13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? ALL WERE TOGETHER UPON LANDING GERMANS ROUNDED US UP

14. Please give any similar information on personnel of any other crew of which you have knowledge. Indicate source of information. NONE

(Any additional information may be written on the back)

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STATEMENT

On 29 August 1944 on a Bombing Mission over Hungary, what is believed to have been ship #741 was seen going down in a wide spin, crashed and burned. 10 Parachutes were seen. Crew landed in vicinety of the town of Mohacs. This town lies on the Danube River.

James F. Donahue

JAMES F. DONAHUE
F/O Air Corps,
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Incl 1 to MACR report, Lt Reynolds' Crew