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HEADQUARTERS  
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS  
P/W and X Detachment  
Military Intelligence Service

REPORT FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

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|--------|--------|-------|--------|
| (Name) | (Rank) | (ASN) | (Date) |
| (Unit) |        |       |        |

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| <u>MEMBERS OF CREW</u> | <u>PRESENT OFFICIAL STATUS</u> |
|------------------------|--------------------------------|

- PILOT
- CO-PILOT
- NAVIGATOR
- BOMBARDIER
- RADIO OPERATOR
- TOP TURRET GUNNER
- BALL TURRET GUNNER
- WAIST GUNNER
- WAIST GUNNER
- TAIL GUNNER

Date, time and approximate location of plane crash or landing.

1000. EAST OF ST. POL IN PAS DE CALAIS

Nature and extent of damage to plane when source bailed out. Was it on fire, etc?

3 engines out (NO FIRE) ~~NO FIRE~~

At approximately what altitude did source bail out?

1500 FEET

Were any of the crew injured or killed before the plane crashed?

ENGINEER. F. E. PIKER (BELIEVED TO BE DEAD)

CO-PILOT <sup>2ND LT</sup> RICHARD MILLER (20 MM. FRAGMENT IN ELBOW)

What members of the crew bailed out? Did their parachutes open?

LT. HOLLINGSWORTH, LT. FRYE, GEORGE STEELE, REGIS MARONEY, GLEN EMERSON, ROBT L. WILLIAMS. CHUTES OPENED

Did the plane explode on striking the ground?

NO

Did source see any other members of the crew dead or alive after reaching the ground?

NO

Did he receive any information from others as to whether any other members of the crew were dead or alive? If so, give details furnished by his informant and whether the members were identified by name or otherwise.

FRANK PIKER BELIEVED DEAD. SEEN AS SUCH BY FRENCH PATRIOTS.

Did source examine the wreckage of the plane? If so, what was its condition?

NO

If the plane crashed in water how far was the plane from land and by what means was source rescued and what life rafts, wreckage, etc., remained on the surface that would have assisted other personnel to keep afloat.

NO

What is source's opinion as to the fate of the other crew members and his reason for his opinion?

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QUESTIONNAIRE FOR SERVICE PERSONNEL  
EVADING OR ESCAPING FROM ENEMY OCCUPIED COUNTRIES

ORNATEK ANTHONY S/SGT 36608379  
(Name) (Rank) (ASN)

TARGET: Ladwigshaver  
Date mission in action: Dec. 30, 1943  
Date arrived in UK: Oct. (?) 1943

2 (No. of missions)

551 (Squadron) 385 (Group)

MEMBERS OF CREW: (Please list names next to positions) Indicate what happened to each man and how you know.

1st Lt. EARL T. FRYE (DON'T KNOW) U.K.

2ND LT. RICHARD MILLER (ATTEMPTED TO LEAVE FRANCE THROUGH BREST PENINSULA MAY 6, 1944. (from French Resistance)

2ND LT. NAVIGATOR JOHN BARTEMUS - LEFT HIM IN PARIS MAY 6, '43.

2ND LT. BOMBARDIER THOMAS A HOLLINGSWORTH - P.O.W. (A. RED CROSS)

RADIO OPERATOR GEORGE E. STEELE - P.O.W.

TOP TURRET GUNNER FRANK E. PIFER - DEAD (FRENCH PEOPLE)

BALL TURRET GUNNER ROBERT L. WILLIAMS. (LEFT HIM WITH NAVIGATOR)

WAIST GUNNER REGIS J. MARONEY P.O.W. (A. RED CROSS)

WAIST GUNNER ANTHONY A ORNATEK

TAIL GUNNER GLEN R. EMERSON (Don't know) U.K.

Decorations: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: OCTOBER, 14, 1920

Private Address: 1432 VICTORIA ST. NORTH CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Length of Service: SEPT, 19, 42

Job as Civilian: POLISHER

From what field did you take off? Take off time.  
FIELD OF 385TH GROUP.

Were all secret papers and equipment destroyed? NO

Were you wounded? Give details.  
NO

Did you pay your guides? If so, how much? NO

Do you speak FRENCH? SPANISH? GERMAN? ITALIAN? OTHER LANGUAGE?

Did you have identity papers?  
POLISH  
YES

Have you been questioned before on your escape or evasion? If so, where and by whom?

BERNE, SWITZER LAND AMERICAN MILITARY ATTACHE

Have you given any one a written report on your experiences. Where and When?

YES, SAME AS ABOVE

Did you report on your operations? If so, where and to whom?

SAME AS ABOVE

Did you sign a security certificate warning you against talking about your escape or evasion? If so, Where and When?

I DONT REMEMBER OF EVER HAVING SIGNED SUCH

Date of arrival in Spain:

Date of arrival at Gibraltar:

Place and date of departure for UK. By sea or air.

ANNECY, FRANCE BY AIR

List names of American or British personnel believed to have been arrested by Germans.

List names of American or British personnel believed to be evading.

SECRET - AMERICAN  
MOST SECRET - BRITISH

APPENDIX "B" TO E AND E REPORT NO.

List all military information which you observed or were told while evading. Give fullest possible details. (Airfields, troop encampments, coastal and interior defenses, AA batteries, radar installations, troop movements, results of allied bombing, location of enemy factories and ammunition dumps, enemy and civilian morale, etc., etc.,.....)

TOO LONG AGO FOR ACCURATE  
DETAILS AND IF ANY OBSERVATIONS  
MADE, ALL WERE IN FRANCE,

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## WAR DEPARTMENT The Adjutant General's Office Washington

AG 883.6 (31 Jul 43) OB-S-B-M

KLS/el-2B-989 Pentagon

6 August 1943

**SUBJECT:** Amended Instructions Concerning Publicity in Connection with Escaped Prisoners of War, to Include Evaders of Capture in Enemy or Enemy-Occupied Territory and Internees in Neutral Countries.

**TO:** The Commanding Generals,  
Army Ground;  
Army Air Forces;  
The Commander-in-Chief, Southwest Pacific Area;  
The Commanding Generals,  
Theaters of Operations;  
Defense Commands;  
Departments;  
Base Commands;  
The Commanding Officers,  
Base Commands;  
Director, Bureau of Public Relations.

1. Publication or communication to any unauthorized persons of experiences of escape or evasion from enemy-occupied territory, internment in a neutral country, or release from internment not only furnishes useful information to the enemy but also jeopardizes future escapes, evasions and releases.

2. Personnel will not, unless authorized by the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, War Department General Staff, publish in any form whatever or communicate either directly, or indirectly, to the press, radio or an unauthorized person any account of escape or evasion of capture from enemy or enemy-occupied territory, or internment in a neutral country either before or after repatriation. They will be held strictly responsible for all statements contained in communications to friends which may subsequently be published in the press or otherwise.

3. Evaders, escapees, or internees shall not be interrogated on the circumstances of their experiences in escape, evasion or internment except by the agency designated by the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, War Department General Staff, or the corresponding organization in overseas theaters of operations. In allied or neutral countries, American Military Attaches are authorized to interrogate on escape, evasion and internment matters.

4. Should the services of escaped prisoners of war, evaders, or internees be deemed necessary for lecturing and briefing, such services will be under the direct supervision of the agency designated by the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, War Department General Staff, or the corresponding organization in overseas theaters of operations.

5. Commanding Officers will be responsible for instructing all evaders, escapees, and internees in the provisions of this directive which supersedes letter, AG 883.6 (5 Nov 42) OB-S-B-M, 7 November 1942, subject: Instructions concerning Publicity in Connection with Escaped Prisoners of War and other previous instructions on this subject.

By order of the Secretary of War:

/s/ J. A. ULIO  
J. A. ULIO  
Major General,  
The Adjutant General.

1. Information about your escape or your evasion from capture *would be useful to the enemy* and a danger to your friends. It is therefore **SECRET**.

2. *a* You must therefore not disclose, except to the first Military Attache to whom you report, or to an officer designated by the Commanding General of the Theater of Operations, or by A. C. of S., G-2, W. D.

- (1) The names of those who helped you.
- (2) The method by which you escaped or evaded.
- (3) The route you followed.
- (4) Any other facts concerning your experience.

*b* You must be particularly on your guard with persons representing the press.

*c* You must give no account of your experiences in books, newspapers, periodicals or in broadcasts or in lectures.

*d* You must give no information to anyone, irrespective of nationality, in letters or in conversation, except as specifically directed in Par. 4.

*e* No lectures or reports are to be given to any unit without the permission of A. C. of S., G-2, W. D., or corresponding organization in the theater.

### GERTIFIcate

I have read the above and certify that I will comply with it.

I understand that any information concerning my *escape or evasion* from capture is **SECRET** and must not be disclosed to anyone other than the agency designated by A. C. of S., G-2, War Department, the corresponding organization in overseas theaters of operations, or to the Military Attache in a neutral country to whom I first report. I understand that disclosure to anyone else will make me liable to disciplinary action.

Name (Print) ORNATEK, ANTHONY, A.  
Rank S/SGT A. S. N. 36608379  
Unit 385th GP 551ST SOD

Signed Anthony A. Ornatok  
Dated September 5/1944  
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APPENDIX "D" TO E AND E REPORT NO.

No., Rank, Name:-

Unit:-

Suggestions for improvement of escape equipment and training come largely from those who make use of them. Your report and comments will help others to evade capture or to escape.

1. AIDS BOX

- a. Did you use your aids box? **YES**
- b. If not, why?
- c. If you used it, state briefly the circumstances in which you used each item, for example, "While hiding in woods for two nights".

Horlicks tablets. **ATE THEM**

Chocolate or Peanut Bar.

Milk (tube). **LOST IT.**

Benzadrine tablets (fatigue). **NO** } **LOST**

Halazone tablets (water purifier). **NO** }

Matches.

Adhesive tape. **ON LT. MILLER.**

Chewing gum. **CAME IN HANDY KEEPING ME CALM.**

Water bottle. **GAVE IT TO FRENCH.**

Compass. **TRAVELLED 40 KILOMETRES AT NIGHT EN ROUTE TO SWITZERLAND AT NIGHT WITH ONLY THE COMPASS.**

Sewing kit. **MENDED TROUSERS**

- d. Did any of the above items prove unsatisfactory? **NO**
- e. How did you finally dispose of the box? **FRENCH BURNED IT**
- f. Can you suggest any way in which the contents of the aids box might be changed to make it of greater use, bearing in mind that the size of it cannot be larger?

**NO**

2. PURSE

- a. Did you carry a purse? ~~NO~~ **YES - DONT REMEMBER**  
State color of stripes and letters. **COLOR OF STRIPES**  
If NOT, State why not.

- b. Did you use the purse? **yes**  
(over)

c. If so, which of the following items in the purse did you use?

Maps. Which ones? **THESE WERE TAKEN BY FRENCH**

Compass,

File (hacksaw).

Foreign currency. State countries and amounts. **FRENCH 2000 FRANCS**  
How did you spend the money?

d. How did you dispose of:-

Maps. **FRENCH TOOK THEM**

Compass. **SWISS AUTHORITIES CONFISCATED IT.**

File (hacksaw). ~~///~~ //

Surplus currency.

3. Were you issued any extra compasses or further aids to evasion?

4. PASSPORT SIZE PHOTOGRAPHS

a. Did you carry passport-size photographs? **NO**  
If so, how many? **6**

b. Did you use them? **YES**

5. LECTURES

a. Were you lectured on evasion and escape?

State WHERE, WHEN and by WHOM.

**BOUINGTON in U.K. + at 385th BOMB GP.  
DALHART, TEXAS. DONT REMEMBER LECTURERS.**

b. Did you find the lectures of value?

**YES**

c. Do you have any suggestions to make which, from your experience, you feel will help other evaders and escapers?

Gundersen & King went to  
 Beaucourt to procure large  
 & asked for guide. Doyle  
 left on sundown stopping for  
 directions one of the old  
 got Beaucourt to Swift  
 It was at night used a compass  
 they would find a sentry  
 when in such nature took us  
 in & waited for food. Discussion  
 & decided to send for Candace  
 went to Povungmutuk & Schweitport  
 for 2 days then to D. to  
 quarantine at Bad Lorstof  
 then to Bern & Legation of  
 G. Lion

Delayed from 1st legal  
 work because of funds  
 as couldn't cancel all allowances  
 here



Mme Claude or Claude visited  
a lot. We were here all but me & a  
man in or were caught, there was  
H. <sup>Bowen</sup> Gundersen who visited as he  
had been here previously  
He contacted Mme Colette in  
a ~~of~~ reputable of, who would  
get us 2 Sp or 60. She said  
Sp impossible & got us  
60. Could only take 2. At  
about 9 & H. Gundersen  
they left Paris coming over  
at the house 3 weeks  
gardens Mousons about where  
Gundersen & they had been  
staying into Mme Simone.

On 5 May set out T. River  
to Belfort. Here went to a  
by church for an hour to  
out for the 2 Beaucaumont  
Mme Colette & another woman where  
the guides (maybe Annie) T. River  
on foot towards a guides  
cottage but stopped by 2  
girls on cottages & told  
of a place surrounded  
& guide called by G. T. 60  
women set of Paris



14 individuals 4 of us Lt Judson  
 Doyle a Canadian 20st Fr,  
 Met am off again by  
 autobus Reached Corras  
 & stayed in a home till 1500 hrs  
 used to be capt in army. Then  
 train to Lille with 37 men  
 Went to apt rented by Org. No  
 one lived here here 3 days. Apt  
 in name of M. Louis Laurent. M.  
 Antoine was man in charge of us,  
 Believe he was caught at Calais,  
 Believe he was a Hungarian.

Train to Paris with  
 Maurice an old man & his  
 son. (Old man & son guides from  
 & revert to Corras to Lille to  
 Paris) Old man 48 yrs grey hair  
 blondish-moustache 5ft 8 in 160 lbs  
 Son tall darkly to ft 11 in blond hair

Metro to Charenton lodged  
 in apt house of woman. Bus ride  
 after metro. Massons Alfort the  
 suburb [See Sunderland's book for address]  
 Woman now lives in Paris (widow)  
 while the 4 of us stayed here, Miller  
 of Canadian went elsewhere

20 March. — 6 March

Filievre. Here seven  
I cards by Mr. Guttard  
cash owner in T. event. We  
were in some woman's home a  
couple of hrs to so of T. event  
of Guttard's by auto. That  
night passed out to Jeff Lowe,  
I went to the insect-guy's a painter  
of his wife. Here 18 days,  
very good to me. I was seen and  
he would get around. Moved  
up the street to M. F. Bernard  
Pewelle \$ until <sup>20th</sup> 16 March  
He is contractor for beet - sugar  
company. Very nice,  
18 rue de Bessier T. event  
painter and refractor.  
Georges Ferriere from hill.  
Contract made with  
hill of. Taken by truck  
at night on 16 March of Coras  
collided with G. Lory  
14 in truck took off while  
sewbones still blinded by owl  
lights of lot of T. event again

# 1 & 4 went out before  
target due to mechanical  
failure. # 2 was knocked  
out of E A/C after we lost  
position on the way back  
but - out order at 3000 ft  
jumped about 1500 ft & pulled.  
Landed in a plowed field  
peasants passing were  
disinterested. Hid chute &  
headset under a hummock  
& took off into the nearby woods  
Here I met Williams, a  
couple of women came up reluctant  
to help at first but traded A25  
for tissues & took us to barn  
for the night

During the night Miller &  
Barlow joined us. They had  
crashlanded the plane  
Spent next day here. Tringues  
90 km from St Pol Pese de Calas  
Then to Averdoigne with  
the farmer who found us in woods & to  
the barn. Here  
stayed with some ex-well to do  
farmers until 2 January <sup>here -</sup>  
Then on bikes to <sup>contacts</sup> <sup>for</sup> <sup>the</sup>  
care of Filmer

Filievre. Here seven  
I cards by Mr. Guitard  
cap owner in F. seven. We  
were in some woman's home a  
couple of hrs to so to F. seven  
of Guitard's by auto. That  
night parked out to staff houses,  
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of his wife, here 18 days,  
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he would get around. Moved  
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lights to lot of F. seven again

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By nightfall ~~at~~  
~~Williams~~ to Miller, St  
Bartholomew, St Miller, and  
I and all joined up w  
~~the~~ <sup>a barn</sup> ~~houses~~ at Tiniqueque  
(Pas de Calais). The  
farmer here traded our  
A2 packets for civilian  
clothes and got ~~recycled~~  
took us to Averdune the  
next morning. We stayed  
here until 29 January with  
some formerly well to do  
farmers. While we were here  
the curé of Flièvres (Pas de Calais)

M. Guillard a cafe  
owner in Trévent gave  
us 2 cards and after a  
short stop in a woman's home,  
Guillard drove us to Trévent.

That night we were  
fanned out to different  
houses. I spent 18 days  
with M. et Mme Lincet-Guyot.  
He is a painter. Word got around  
about my presence and I moved  
up the street to M. Fernand  
Pauelle. He is a contractor  
for a beet sugar company. I had  
with him at 18 rue d' Hesdin  
I went from 20 January to  
16 March. His daughter,  
and refractaire George  
Leferre from Lille lived there.  
He contacted the Lille organization  
and 14 of us set out by truck  
of wires. On the way we  
collided with a German  
train but got away while  
the Germans were still  
blinded by our lights and

regained Frévent, of the  
fourteen, all but a  
Canadian and Lt Judson  
Doye were French.

That morning we reached  
Arras by autobus and stayed  
until 500 hours of a French  
captain in the army. ~~It~~ ~~then~~  
three men ~~told~~ us of Lille.  
Here we spent three days  
in an apartment rented in  
the name of a M. Laurent. It  
belonged to the organization, and  
no one lived here. M. Aubert  
whom I believe was caught later,  
was in charge of us. An old  
man and his son, who had  
been our guides from Frévent  
to Arras and so to Lille, were  
now our guides to Paris.  
A man named Maurice  
also guided us to Paris.



The "old man" is about 48  
years old, 5 ft 8 in tall, weighs  
about 180 lbs, has grey hair  
and a blondish mustache.  
The son was a tall, bulky  
boy with blond hair.  
We took the Metro to  
Clarenton and then a bus to  
Masson-Alfort. The part of  
us lived in the woods apart from  
shile she stayed in Paris. Mills  
and the Canadian went elsewhere.  
We were here from 20 March to  
6 May. Mme. Claude visited  
a lot. While we were here  
all but she and one woman  
the organization were ~~gone~~  
It Bruce Sunderland had  
been here previously and  
used to visit. He contacted  
a Mme. Collette. Sunderland  
and E.C. King had been staying

with Mame Semore at 3 rue  
des Jardins. Leaving ~~two~~ here,  
Sunderlan, Doyle, King and  
I set out by train on 5 May  
for Belfort.

After an hour here in a  
big church, Mame Glette  
and another woman [maybe Mame,  
but Sunderlan will know] took us  
by bus to Beaucourt. From  
here we went on foot towards a  
guide cottage but were  
stopped on the way by a girl  
who said that the Germans had  
surrounded the place and that  
the ~~the~~ Guide had been killed.

The two women returned  
of Paris and Sunderlan and  
King went to Beaucourt to ask  
the priest for a guide. Doyle  
and I went on on our own  
asking directions of Frenchmen  
along the way. One finally

pointed out Borecourt Switzerland  
It was nighttime and woody  
country, We travelled by  
compass, and avoiding  
the German sentries, got  
over the border.