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WAR DEPARTMENT
HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

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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 aircraft is officially reported missing.

1. ORGANIZATION: Location AAF Station 131; Command or Air Force 8th Air Force
Group 398th Bomb BV; Squadron 603rd Bomb BV; Detachment None
2. SPECIFY: Point of Departure AAF Station 131 Course per atchd track chart
Intended Destination Munich, Germany & Return Type of Mission Operational
- WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED: _____
10/10 undercast to 11--12,000 ft. Visibility unlimited above undercast.
4. GIVE: (a) Date 13 July 1944; Time Approx 0750; and Location Near Brussels, Belgium
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 () Enemy Aircraft, (X) Enemy Anti-Aircraft, () Other Circumstances as
Follows _____

6. AIRCRAFT: Type, Model and Series B17G; A.A.F. Serial Number 42-97348
7. ENGINES: Type, Model and Series R-182C-97; A.A.F. Serial Number _____
(a) SW-012916; (b) SW-012965; (c) SW-012895; (d) SW-012860
8. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial Number)

	<u>MAKE</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>SERIAL NUMBER</u>
(a)	Colts Firearms Mfg. Co.	.50 cal A/C mach gun	775667
(b)	High Standard	.50 cal A/C mach gun	416941
(c)	Frig. Div. Gen. Motor	.50 cal A/C mach gun	77824
(d)	Frig. Div. Gen. Motor	.50 cal A/C mach gun	638425
(e)	Frig. Div. Gen. Motor	.50 cal A/C mach gun	647948
(f)	Frig. Div. Gen. Motor	.50 cal A/C mach gun	650845
(g)	Frig. Div. Gen. Motor	.50 cal A/C mach gun	649049
(h)	High Standard	.50 cal A/C mach gun	600069
(i)	Colt Firearms Mfg. Co.	.50 cal A/C mach gun	779940
(j)	Frig. Div. Gen. Motor	.50 cal A/C mach gun	653117
(k)	Frig. Div. Gen. Motor	.50 cal A/C mach gun	653149
(l)	Frig. Div. Gen. Motor	.50 cal A/C mach gun	648071
(m)	General Motors	.50 cal A/C mach gun	90188
(n)			
(o)			
(p)			
(q)			
(r)			
(s)			
(t)			

9. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty MIA
or (b) Non-Battle Casualty _____

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10. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 9; Passengers 0; Total 9

<u>CREW POSITION</u>	<u>NAME IF FULL</u> (Last Name First)	<u>RANK</u>	<u>SERIAL NUMBER</u>
1. Pilot	ROSTER, THOMAS K	1st Lt	0-807674
2. Co-Pilot	WEST, THEODORE	2nd Lt	0-550441
3. Navigator	WALLACE, RAYMOND L	2nd Lt	0-703352
4. Bombardier	BRYAN, CLIFFORD Z	2nd Lt	0-551168
5. Top Turret Gunner	Bringle, Ray D	T Sgt	15061913
6. Radio Operator Gunner	Gruette, Gerald O	T Sgt	17156915
7. Right Waist Gunner	Tuttle, Francis E	S Sgt	* 37657707
8. Ball Turret Gunner	Cropp, Charles E	S Sgt	37473500
9. Tail Gunner	Brown, Loren C	S Sgt	16105915
10.			
11.			
12.			

11. 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)

Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Contacted			Saw Crash	Saw Forced Landing
			By Radio	Last Sighted			
1. ROBSON, CECIL I	S Sgt	19071461		X			
2. WALKER, DAVE F	S Sgt	16052236		X			
3. RICHMAN, EUGENE M	S Sgt	38366427		X			

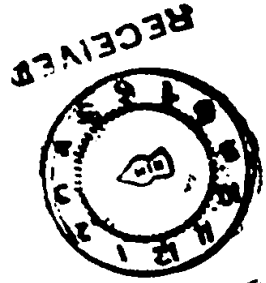
12. IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, ANSWER YES TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS: (a) Parachutes were used yes; (b) Persons were seen walking away from scene of crash _____; or (c) Any other reason (Specify) _____

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

14. EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT:

(Descriptions attend)

15. ATTACH A DESCRIPTION OF THE EXTENT OF SEARCH, IF ANY, AND GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE HERE No knowledge of search being made.



Date of Report 14 July 1944

(Signature of Preparing Officer)
MALLIS L CAMPBELL
1st Lt, Air Corps
Statistical Control Officers

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398th Bombardment Group (HV)
Munich, Germany Mission 13 July 1944

High Group "A" Formation After Assembly

			B 8 DAVIDSON CULLINAN 7223-A		
		B 6 <u>Engel</u> 7517-B		B 5 <u>Novak</u> 7078-U	
			C 7 <u>Alhadeff</u> 2599-U		
		B 3 <u>Lowe, DB</u> 2562-G		C 4 <u>Nelson</u> 7214-V	
	C 8 <u>Ballard</u> 2418-M				B 7 <u>Kaufman</u> 7053-M
C 6 <u>Wheeler</u> 2507-F		C 1 <u>Campbell</u> 2536-C		B 1 <u>Howden</u> 2568-N	B 3 <u>Sleeman</u> 2579-C
	C 9 <u>Elwood</u> 6157-W				B 1 <u>Lassegard</u> 2469-Q
B 5 <u>Slavin</u> 6083-V		C 5 <u>Menzel</u> 2600-Z		B 8 <u>Foster, TK</u> 7348-R	B 2 <u>Gallagher</u> 2476-B

High Group "B" Formation After Assembly

			D 2 <u>Arlin</u> 7190-L		
		D 3 <u>Taylor, R</u> 7098-Y		D 1 <u>Griffin</u> 7080-S	
			D 6 <u>Davis, JA</u> 2565-M		
		D 8 <u>Fairbanks</u> 2516-H		D 5 <u>Derner</u> 7401-T	
	F 4 <u>Hough</u> 2543-B				D 7 <u>Binger</u> 7338-C
F 9 <u>Dollar</u> 2610-Y		F 7 <u>Roderick</u> 7374-X		D 10 <u>Wierney</u> 2607-F	D 10 <u>McCarty</u> 7385-X
	F 5 <u>Ryan</u> 2506-L				F 8 <u>Driscoll</u> 7810-S
F 1 <u>Rudow</u> 7103-A		F 6 <u>Boheme</u> 7094-M		B 2 <u>Richardson</u> 2553-K	

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Eye Witness Description of Missing Aircraft B17G 42-97348, Pilot, 1st Lt Thomas K Foster, O-807674, 603rd Bomb Squadron, 398th Bomb Group on Munich, Germany Operational Mission 13 July 1944.

We were flying lead of the second element of the lead group. Being the tail gunner, I saw flak behind and to the left of our wing. The formation was in the vicinity of Brussels and traveling south-east at about 0745 or 0750.

Lt Foster's ship was evidently hit just aft the waist or forward of the tail empennage. The tail section disintegrated and the bulk of the ship with four engines going, proceeded into a slow, flat spin. The ship continued downward with small pieces of fuselage falling as it continued its descent.

I watched the ship go down to the cloud height, which I figured to be approximately thirteen to fifteen thousand feet. I saw one chute open just before the ship disappeared into the clouds.

Dave F. Walker

DAVE F WALKER, 16052236
S Sgt 600 Bomb Sq.
Tail Gunner B17G 42-102599

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Eye Witness Description of Missing Aircraft #17G 42-97348, Pilot, 1st Lt Thomas K Foster, O-807674, 603rd Bomb Squadron, 398th Bomb Group on Munich, Germany Operational Mission 13 July 1944.

On the last raid to München, I was flying in the lower ball of the lead snip of the ^(COW)High squadron of the lead group. We ran into some awful thick flak and most of the ships in our squadron moved to the left and those of the ^{high}Low squadron moved to the right in order to avoid the flak. I saw a burst of flak hit Lt T. K. Foster's ship. The flak blew the tail off his ship from about the left waist window back and the ship started straight down. It fell about five hundred feet and then the pilot somehow leveled the ship out. The ship then fell like a falling feather. Just before it went through the clouds the right wing caught on fire and I saw one fellow seemingly pulled back out of the waist of the snip by his opening parachute.

Eugene M. Eickman

EUGENE M. EICKMAN, 38366427

600th Bomb Sq S Sgt.

Ball Turret Gunner B17G 42-102418-M

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Eye Witness Description of Missing Aircraft Bl7G 42-97348, Pilot, 1st Lt Thomas K Foster, O-807674, 603rd Bomb Squadron, 98th Bomb Group on Munich, Germany Operational Mission 18 July 1944.

We were flying number two position, second element of lead squadron of lead group. There were a few bursts of flak which from the tail position were off to my right.

The tail part of the ship, that went down, just seemed to disintegrate. I couldn't say what was the cause. The ship which Lt Foster was flying started in a spin with the nose down. It fell for quite a ways and then came up again about one third of the distance it went down. One of the engines was smoking on the way down and it burst into flames. As it reached the top of its return climb the wing broke off.

Then it turned wing over wing and continued on down. I saw nobody hail out. The last I saw of Lt Foster's ship it was still falling. He had been flying number three position, second element of high squadron.

Cecil I. Robson

CECIL I ROBSON, 19071461
S Sgt 600 Bomb Sq.
Tail Gunner, Bl7G 42-107214

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AAF Station 131
398th Bomb Hq. 603rd Bomb Hq
AAF Station 131
Munich Germany & Return

8th Air Force
Bomb
per atthd track chart
Operational

10/10 undercast to 11-12,000 ft. Visibility unlimited above undercast.
13-July 1944 0750

Nr Brussels Belgium

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	B-17-G		42-97348
	B-1820-97		
SW-012916	SW-012965	SW-012895	SW-012860
775667	416941	77824	50 Cal. A/C Mech Gun
650843/649049	600069/90188	779940/648071	638425/647948
			653117/653149
			MIA

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	Foster, Thomas, K.	1st Lt.	0-807674	KIA
	West, Theodore	2nd Lt.	0-550441	KIA
Nav.	Wallace, Raymond, I.	2nd Lt.	0-703352	KIA
Bomb	Bryan, Clifford Z.	2nd Lt.	0-551168	Neuville B-3-61
TTG	Bringle, Ray D.	T/Sgt.	15061913	KIA
ROG	Gruette, Gerald, O.	T/Sgt.	17156915	Neuville B-3-60
RNG	Tuttle, Francis, M.	S/Sgt.	37657707	Neuville A-10-236
BIG	Crepp, Charles E.	S/Sgt.	37473500	KIA
TG	Brown, Loren C.	S/Sgt.	16105915	Neuville B-3-70

PREPARED BY MEMORIAL DIVISION OJMG

REMARKS:

BRYAN, CLIFFORD Z -)
BROWN, LOREN C. (
TUTTLE, FRANCIS M)
GRUETTE, GERALD O (

CORRESPONDENCE FILED UNDER # 756

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

MEMORIAL DIVISION

26 January 1949

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Re-classification of Missing Air Crew Reports

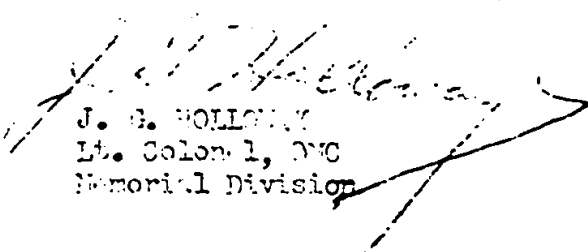
1. For authority contained in Par 1, Sec I, War Department Circular No. 346, dated 26 November 1946, War Department Circular No. 268, dated 5 September 1946, and Sec III, War Department Circular No. 104, dated 24 April 1947, Missing Air Crew Reports are downgraded to RESTRICTED.

2. At first opportunity this case is processed or reviewed, officer or civilian employee will physically delete present classification and indicate RESTRICTED on all correspondence and documents pertaining thereto.

3. Re-classification will be accomplished by citing the authority and signing each paper as follows:

"Classification changed to RESTRICTED per authority WD Cir 104, 1946.

Name _____ Date _____


J. G. HOLLAMAN
Lt. Colonel, GSC
Memorial Division

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT
WAS SHOT DOWN

13 July 44, time: 0754

CASUALTY NO. KU 2470

PLACE OF CRASH

Wesenbeck near Brussels

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT

Fortress

REPORTING OFFICE

Air District Belgium North France.

NAME		RANK	SERIAL NUMBER	CAPT'D WOUNDED DEAD	PLACE OF INTERMENT
BRYAN	Clifford Z.	Offr.	0-551168	dead	interred on 15 July 44 Soldiers's cemetery, gr. 21 Brussels
GRUETTE	Gerald O.	Sgt.	17156915	"	dto. grave 20.
BROWN	Lawren C.	Sgt.	16105915	"	" " 19
2 Unknown dead					" " 22, 23
Casualty No.: KU 2470		1st additional report of 25 Nov 44.			
TUTTLE	Francis M.	Sgt.	37657707	dead	Soldier's cemetery, gr. 34 St. Omer.
2 Unknown dead					Soldier's cemetery Brussels

REMARKS:

Dulag Luft 16 Aug 44 Wo.

Airbase His 5 (v) 210/V
Brussels - severe

A/C No. L 52212 via A/C Brussels

Casualty report no. 14

Time covered by report 30 June 44 - 14 July 1944

A.V. 1119/44

Date and place of casualty Rank Name Also Hosp. Remarks

Fortress shot down 13 July 1944 0754
at Wessenbeck about 12 km SW of Brussels

USA	T/OFF.	Clifford L. Bryan 0-251108	yes	war hosp. 11/014 "	Snrl. Secretary of Honor not to now 19 Grave no. 21
"	Sgt.	Gerald C. Gruetta 17156915	"	"	" " " 10. 20
"	"	Loren C. Brown 16105715	"	"	" " " 10. 19
2 unknown	unknown	?	"	"	" " " 10. 22
					" " " 10. 23

Signature position

Lt. Col. and commander

Received by war information center on 31 July 1944

List of identification-tags.

- | | | | |
|-----------------------|----------|--------------|-----|
| 1.) Clifford Z. BRYAN | 0-551168 | T 42 - 44 | A P |
| 2.) Lorea C. BROWN | 16105915 | T 43 - 43 | A P |
| 3.) Gerald C. GIBETTE | 17156915 | T 42 - 3 - 4 | C P |
| 4.) Francis M. TUTTLE | 37657707 | T 43 - 43 | A P |

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KU 2472

To : KU 2470

July 13. 1944 07.54 B 17 by flak near Vlesenbeek,
12 km southwest of Brussel
100 % damage.

Markings of craft: ? n star R

Admittance-No. 297343

9 dead, identified of them :

- 1.) Sgt. GRUETTE, Gerald O. 17156915
- 2.) Sgt. BROWN, Loren C. 16105915.

Stamp: Dulag Luft Wetzlar
18. July 1944
central file and
reporting center.

Restricted.

KU 2470

STATEMENT ON CAPTURE OR RECOVERY OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

REPORT IS MADE THROUGH: DISTRIBUTOR: Interrogation-center West Oberursel.

OFFICE OR STATION: Air-Base-H.Q. E (v) 210/XI

LOCATION: Bruessel-Evere OFFICE OR APPRAISAL-VALUES:
July 29. 1944

REGARDING: DOWNED)
~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~) 1 Fortress DATE AND TIME: July 13.1944 7.54 o'clock
~~CRASH~~)

AT: Vlesenbeck NEAR: about 12 km southwest of Bruessel

PERSONAL RECORD OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

FAMILY NAME: SURNAME) TITTLE
 LAST NAME)
 FIRST NAME: CHRISTIAN NAME) Francis M.
 GIVEN NAME)

Stamp:
 Dulag Luft Wetzlar
 10.August 1944
 central file and
 reporting center.

RANK: ?

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: SERIAL 37657707
 SERVICE

NATIONALITY: USA. Air-Corps

STATEMENTS MADE AT TIME OF CAPTURE:
 DATE OF CAPTURE:
 EXACT LOCATION OF CAPTURE:
 CAPTURE EFFECTED BY:

STATEMENT MADE AT RECOVERY OF DEAD:
 DATE & TIME & PLACE OF RECOVERY: July 25. 1944
 CONDITION OF BODY: Vlesenbeck
had been decalid

THE PRISONER WORE (UNIFORM)

DESCRIPTION OF IDENTIFICATION TAG: Francis
 HOW WERE PERSONAL RECORDS OF DEAD M.TITTLE
 ASCERTAINED? 37657707
by identif.tag
 DATE AND TIME OF BURIAL: July 28.1944
 GRAVE LOCATION: Army-Cemetery Bruessel-Evere

POSSIBLE IMPUTATION (PLACING) UNDER SERVICE OF THE G.F.P. OR S.D., FOR PURPOSE OF ASCERTAINING ENEMY PATRONAGE OR FAVOR:

grave No. 34, piece of ground 10 line 21, lead-No. 2873

DELIVERED TO HOSPITAL:
 DATE:

*) 1 identification-tag.

DATE AND TIME OF TRANSPORTATION TO PRISONER CONCENTRATION POINT:

REMARKS:

sign. illegible
Lt.Colonel and Command.

(ATTEMPTED ESCAPE. PECULIARITIES IN BEHAVIOR OF PRISONER, ETC.)

INVENTORY OF SECURED, PERSONAL EFFECTS OF PRISONER OR DEAD:

*) INVENTORY OF PERSONAL EFFECTS AND EQUIPMENT OF PRISONER OR DEAD:

KU 2470

July 13. 1944

0754

Fortress

near Vliessenbeek, 12 km southwest
of brussel

H. O. R ? 297343

flak (A)

Air-District

9 dead.

Stamp: Dulag Luft Metzlar
17. July 1944
central file and reporting
center.

KU 2470

Subject: Shot-down of a Fortress on July 13. 1944, 7.54 o'clock,
near Vlesenbeek, 12 km southwest of Brussel.

Belongings to the dead Francis TUTTLE :

1 identification-tag No. 37657707

Air-Base-H.Q. E (v) 210/XI
Brussel-Bvere
Army-postal-No. L 32212
District Postal-Office Brussel.

KU. 2470

TELEGRAM FORM

Stamp: Dulag Luft Wetzlar
21. July 1944
central file and reporting
center.

DISTANCE - MESSAGE

LSOU 367

-OBERURSEL-

NAME OF DISTANCE-MESSAGE WRITER:

ACCEPTED:

DELIVERED:

RECEIVED:

DATE:-

TIME:

TO:

DATE: July 20. 1944

THROUGH:

TIME: 0345

ROLL:

FROM: LSEB

THROUGH:

REMARKS: Highest Priority LIIBI 161 July 19. 19.00

To : Interrogation-center West
Report-No. 2759, July 13.1944, 7.54 o'clock, Boeing B 17 near Vlesenbeek
(12 km southwest of Brussel)
Squadron-sigmat.: Note of interrogation, Northpol, star, RICHARD.
Markings on fin: White "W" in black triangle, below the figure 297348, below "R".
Position of Frequencies: couldn't be ascertained.
The wings had red tops. The whole fin was painted red.

Wireless-station 5 / Reichs-Air-Ministry of evolution, chief of supply and
performance - armament - Enemy-Observation-center.

KU 2470

KU 2471

TELEGRAM FORM

Stamp: Dulag Luft Wetzlar
21. July 1944
central file and reporting
center.

DISTANCE - MESSAGE

-OBERURSEL-

LSOU 367

NAME OF DISTANCE-MESSAGE WRITER:

ACCEPTED:

DELIVERED:

RECEIVED:

DATE:-

TIME:

TO:

DATE: July 20. 1944

THROUGH:

TIME: 0345

COL:

FROM: LSEB

THROUGH:

REMARKS: Highest Priority LEBI 161 July 19. 19.00

To : Interrogation-center West

Report-No. 2760, July 12.1944, 16.21 o'clock Liberator
Harveng (12 km south of Mees)

Squadron-sigmat.: Note of Interrogation, star, seven, VICTOR.

Markings on fin : Inside: 2100365.

The fin was painted red with a perpendicularly white strip. On it
a "B". On the right wing in white circle a blue "K". The airplane
had black propeller-hubs.

Position of frequencies: couldn't be ascertained.

Crew : escaped.

Wireless-station 5 / Reichs-Air-Ministry of evolution, chief of supply and
performance - armament - Enemy observation-center.

Restricted.

Final REPORT ON CAPTURED AIRCRAFT,
Enemy equipments and crew.

Stamp: Dulag Luft Netalar
 23 July 1944
 central file and reporting
 center.

POST: H.Q. Air-Base E (v) 210/ XI

LOCATION: Brussels - Evere
H.Q. Air-Base-District 22/XI Brussels

DATE: July 14. 1944

DATE AND TIME: of crash: July 13.1944, 7.54 o'clock
~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~PLACE OF CRASH: Vlesenbeek, about 12 km southwest of Brussels.
(NEAREST TOWN)KIND OF CAPTURE: *f.*
(FLAK, HUNTER, NIGHT HUNTER,
EMERGENCY LANDING)

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: Fortress, probably on approach flight

MARKINGS OF CRAFT: on the fuselage: 7 H and R, star, wings with red endpoints
(LETTERS, FRONT OR REAR OF INSIGNIA) AF 42 - 97348

ADMITTANCE NO:

rudder assembly and horizontal stabilizer
red, black Δ with a white W 297348 R
black

EQUIPMENT:

F.T. FREQUENCIES:

CONDITION OF AIRCRAFT: Airplane exploded in air and burned after crash
100 % destructionDELIVERED TO DISTRIBUTOR:
(DULOG -LUFT, ETC.)

Remark: Capture by flak

For search of the crew was called: Navy-radio-bearing-service in Vlesenbeek.
Guarding of the airplane by 2.west SchepdaelDisposition of the crew: 5 men dead. Burial: July 15. 1944 Army-Cemetery in
Brussels.

- 1.) Sgt. GRUETTE, Gerald O. , identif. tag-No. 17156915
grave 20, piece of ground 10, line 19
- 2.) Sgt. BROWN, Loren C. , identif. tag-No. 16105915
grave 19, piece of ground 10, line 19
- 3.) T./Offz. BRYAN, Clifford E., identif. tag-No. 0-551168
grave 21, piece of ground 10, line 19
- 4.) unidentified
grave 22, piece of ground 10, line 19
- 5.) unidentified
grave 23, piece of ground 10, line 19 .

5 other members of crew are probably lying under the wreck of the Airplane.

Technical statement: Condition of fuselage: (% of damage) 100 %, of landing-gear 100 %, of wings: 100 %, of tail-assembly: 100 %.

Type of engine: Radial engines.

- 1.) SW 012916 80 % ? damage
- 2.) SW 012860 80 % ? damage
- 3.) - 100 % damage
- 4.) - 100 % damage.

Wood-Metal-Propeller: No. of blade 3, Type: wide blade-ends DRG No. 6744 I-O,
 Serial-No.: blade 1 NKZ 1601
 blade 2 " 1602
 blade 3 ?
 propeller-radius: 88" x 20"

Armament:

- 1.) 12,7 D - 28254 - 6) twin mounted in turret ?
- 2.) 12,7 D - 28254 - 25)
- 3.) 12,7 D - 28254 - 30 S) nose ?
- 4.) 12,7 D - 28254 - 27)
- 5.) 12,7 D - 28254 - 6) tower movable
- 6.) 12,7 D - 28254 - 13 ME)

Rear sight : couldn't be ascertained.

Ammunition : 12,7 mm ball

Proportion of mixture: only black

Bombs, Bombracks and bomb-sights: couldn't be ascertained.

Armor: 6 mm rear-bulkhead to gunners turret.

FT.Equipments: B.C. 457 A B.C. 221 A B.C. 348 R
 Ser. 81886 Ser. 22915 Ser. 12201

Type of antenna: ?

Photog.equipments: couldn't be ascertained.

sign. Widemann, Sgt.

sign. illegible
 Major and officer to
 special duty.

STATEMENT ON CAPTURE OR RECOVERY OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

REPORT IS MADE THROUGH: DISTRIBUTOR: Interrogation-center West
Oberursel 1/Taunus
OFFICE OR STATION: Air-Base-H.Q. E (v) 210/XI
LOCATION: Bruessel-Evere, J J 13.1944 OFFICE OR APPRAISAL-VALUES:

REGARDING: DOWNED)
~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~) 1 Fortress DATE AND TIME: July 13.1944, 7.54 o'clock
~~XXXXXX~~)

AT: Vlesenbeek NEAR: 12 km southwest of Bruessel

PERSONAL RECORD OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

FAMILY NAME: SURNAME)
LAST NAME) GRUETTE
FIRST NAME: CHRISTIAN NAME)
GIVEN NAME) Gerald O.

Stamp:
Dalag Luft Wetzlar
23.July 1944
central file and
reporting center.

RANK: Sgt.

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: SERIAL
SERVICE 17156915

NATIONALITY: U.S.A.

STATEMENTS MADE AT TIME OF CAPTURE:
DATE OF CAPTURE:
EXACT LOCATION OF CAPTURE:
CAPTURE EFFECTED BY:

STATEMENT MADE AT RECOVERY OF DEAD:
DATE & TIME & PLACE OF RECOVERY: 8.20 o'cl.
CONDITION OF BODY: Vlesenbeek
touched by civilians

THE PRISONER WORE (UNIFORM)

DESCRIPTION OF IDENTIFICATION TAG: Gerald O.
HOW WERE PERSONAL RECORDS OF DEAD GRUETTE
ASCERTAINED? (17156915 T 42-3-6
by identif.tag 0)
DATE AND TIME OF BURIAL: July 15.1944
GRAVE LOCATION: Army-Cemetery in Bruessel

POSSIBLE IMPUTATION (PLACING) UNDER SERVICE OF THE
G.F.P. OR S.D., FOR PURPOSE OF ASCERTAINING ENEMY
PATRONAGE OR FAVOR:

grave 20, line 19,
piece of ground 10, lead-No.
2772

DELIVERED TO HOSPITAL:
DATE:

*) 1 identification-tag
1 watch
18 pass-photographs.

DATE AND TIME OF TRANSPORTATION TO
PRISONER CONCENTRATION POINT:

REMARKS:

sign. Martens
Major and offic.to special
duty.

(ATTEMPTED ESCAPE. PECULIARITIES IN BEHAVIOR OF PRISONER, ETC.)

INVENTORY OF SECURED, PERSONAL EFFECTS OF PRISONER OR DEAD:

*) INVENTORY OF PERSONAL EFFECTS AND EQUIPMENT OF PRISONER OR DEAD:

STATEMENT ON CAPTURE OR RECOVERY OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

REPORT IS MADE THROUGH:

DISTRIBUTOR: ~~Interrogation-center West~~
Oberursel i/TaunusOFFICE OR STATION: ~~Air-Base-H.Q. E (v) 210/XI~~LOCATION: ~~Bruessel-Evere, July 13.1944~~ OFFICE OR APPRAISAL-VALUES:REGARDING: ~~DOWNED~~)
~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~) 1 Fortress DATE AND TIME: July 13.1944, 7.54 o'clock
~~XXXXXX~~)AT: ~~Vlissenbeek~~ NEAR: ~~12 km southwest of Bruessel~~

PERSONAL RECORD OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

FAMILY NAME: SURNAME)
LAST NAME) **BRYAN**
FIRST NAME: CHRISTIAN NAME)
GIVEN NAME) **Clifford Z.**RANK: **T./Offz.**IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: SERIAL
SERVICE **0-551168**NATIONALITY: **U.S.A.**Stamp:
Dilag Luft Wetzlar
23. July 1944
central file and
reporting center.STATEMENTS MADE AT TIME OF CAPTURE:
DATE OF CAPTURE:
EXACT LOCATION OF CAPTURE:
CAPTURE EFFECTED BY:STATEMENT MADE AT RECOVERY OF DEAD:
DATE & TIME & PLACE OF RECOVERY: **July 20.**
CONDITION OF BODY: **20.00 o'clock**
burned **Vlissenbeek**

THE PRISONER WORE (UNIFORM)

DESCRIPTION OF IDENTIFICATION TAG: **Clifford**
HOW WERE PERSONAL RECORDS OF DEAD **Z.BRYAN**
ASCERTAINED? **0-551168 T 42-44 A**
by ident.tagDATE AND TIME OF BURIAL: **July 13.1944**
GRAVE LOCATION: **Army-Cometary in Bruessel**POSSIBLE IMPUTATION (PLACING) UNDER SERVICE OF THE
G.F.P. OR S.D., FOR PURPOSE OF ASCERTAINING ENEMY
PATRONAGE OR FAVOR:**grave 21, line 19,**
piece of ground 10, lead-No.2773DELIVERED TO HOSPITAL:
DATE:*) 1 identif.tag
2 certificates
3 documents
1 slip of calandra
2 trip-tickets
1 bank-note (10 sh.)DATE AND TIME OF TRANSPORTATION TO
PRISONER CONCENTRATION POINT:

REMARKS:

(ATTEMPTED ESCAPE. PECULIARITIES IN BEHAVIOR OF PRISONER, ETC.)

sign. Martens
Major and officer to
special duty.

INVENTORY OF SECURED, PERSONAL EFFECTS OF PRISONER OR DEAD:

*) INVENTORY OF PERSONAL EFFECTS AND EQUIPMENT OF PRISONER OR DEAD:

STATEMENT ON CAPTURE OR RECOVERY OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

REPORT IS MADE THROUGH:

DISTRIBUTOR: Interrogation-center West
Oberursel i/Taunus

OFFICE OR STATION: Air-Base-H.Q. E (v) 210/XI

LOCATION: Brussels-Evere, July 13.1944

OFFICE OR APPRAISAL-VALUES:

REGARDING: DOWNED)
~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ 1 Fortress DATE AND TIME: July 13.1944, 7.54 o'clock
~~XXXX~~)

AT: Wlesenbeek NEAR: 12 km southwest of Brussel

PERSONAL RECORD OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

Stamp:

FAMILY NAME: SURNAME)
LAST NAME) BROWNDulag Luft Wetzlar
23 July 1944
central file and
reporting centerFIRST NAME: CHRISTIAN NAME)
GIVEN NAME) Loren C.

RANK: Sgt.

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: SERIAL)
SERVICE) 16105915NATIONALITY: U.S.A.

STATEMENTS MADE AT TIME OF CAPTURE:

DATE OF CAPTURE:
EXACT LOCATION OF CAPTURE:
CAPTURE EFFECTED BY:

STATEMENT MADE AT RECOVERY OF DEAD:

DATE & TIME & PLACE OF RECOVERY: July 13.
CONDITION OF BODY: 10.45 o'clock in Berchem,
St. Laurent, about 15 km
s.w. of Brussel

THE PRISONER WORE (UNIFORM)

Body injured by flak-
splinter and plundered by civilians.DESCRIPTION OF IDENTIFICATION TAG: Loren
HOW WERE PERSONAL RECORDS OF DEAD C.BROWN
ASCERTAINED? 16109515 T 43-43Aby identif.tag
DATE AND TIME OF BURIAL: July 15.1944
GRAVE LOCATION: Army-Cemetery in Brussel,POSSIBLE IMPUTATION (PLACING) UNDER SERVICE OF THE
G.F.P. OR S.D., FOR PURPOSE OF ASCERTAINING ENEMY
PATRONAGE OR FAVOR:grave 19, line 19
piece of ground 10, lead-No. 2771DELIVERED TO HOSPITAL:
DATE:*) 1 identif.tag
1 bolt
2 keys
1 bookDATE AND TIME OF TRANSPORTATION TO
PRISONER CONCENTRATION POINT:1 case with bandage-kit
1 Americ.silver-dollar
18 pass-photographs
1 packet of toilet-paper. ✓

REMARKS:

(ATTEMPTED ESCAPE. PECULIARITIES IN BEHAVIOR OF PRISONER, ETC.)

INVENTORY OF SECURED, PERSONAL EFFECTS OF PRISONER OR DEAD:

sign. Martens
Major and offic.to
special duty.

INVENTORY OF PERSONAL EFFECTS AND EQUIPMENT OF PRISONER OR DEAD:

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STATEMENT ON CAPTURE OR RECOVERY OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

REPORT IS MADE THROUGH:

DISTRIBUTOR: Interrogation-center West
Oberursel 1/TammusOFFICE OR STATION: ~~Air-Base-H.Q. E (v) 210/XI~~LOCATION: ~~Brussel-Evere, July 13.1944~~

OFFICE OR APPRAISAL-VALUES:

REGARDING: DOWNED)
~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~) 1 Fortress DATE AND TIME: July 13.1944, 7.54 o'clock
~~CRASH~~)

AT: ~~Vlassenbeek~~ NEAR: 12 km southwest of Brussel.

PERSONAL RECORD OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

FAMILY NAME: SURNAME)
 LAST NAME) two dead, unidentified

Stamps
 Dulag Luft Wetzlar
 23.July 1944
 central file and reporting
 center.

FIRST NAME: CHRISTIAN NAME)
 GIVEN NAME) ./.

RANK: ./.

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: SERIAL)
 SERVICE) ./.

NATIONALITY:

STATEMENTS MADE AT TIME OF CAPTURE:

DATE OF CAPTURE:
 EXACT LOCATION OF CAPTURE:
 CAPTURE EFFECTED BY:

STATEMENT MADE AT RECOVERY OF DEAD:

DATE & TIME & PLACE OF RECOVERY: July 13.
 CONDITION OF BODY: 20.00 o'clock
 burned completely Vlassenbeek

THE PRISONER WORE (UNIFORM)

DESCRIPTION OF IDENTIFICATION TAG:
 HOW WERE PERSONAL RECORDS OF DEAD ./.
 ASCERTAINED?

DATE AND TIME OF BURIAL: July 15.1944
 GRAVE LOCATION: Army-Cemetery in Brussel

POSSIBLE IMPUTATION (PLACING) UNDER SERVICE OF THE
 G.F.P. OR S.D., FOR PURPOSE OF ASCERTAINING ENEMY
 PATRONAGE OR FAVOR:

graves 22 and 23, line 19,
piece of ground 10,
lead-No. 2774 and 2775.

DELIVERED TO HOSPITAL:
 DATE:

Personal belongings to one of the dead :

DATE AND TIME OF TRANSPORTATION TO
 PRISONER CONCENTRATION POINT:

1 watch with bracelet
 1 compass. ✓

REMARKS:

(ATTEMPTED ESCAPE. PECULIARITIES IN BEHAVIOR OF PRISONER, ETC.)

sign. Martens
 Major and offic.
 to special duty.

INVENTORY OF SECURED, PERSONAL EFFECTS OF PRISONER OR DEAD:

INVENTORY OF PERSONAL EFFECTS AND EQUIPMENT OF PRISONER OR DEAD:

1st Lt Thomas K. Foster	Mrs. Florian A. Foster, (Wife) Rural Route Number 10, Mansfield Road, Cincinnati, Ohio.
2nd Lt Clifford L. Bryan	Mr. Frank E. Bryan, (Father) Rural Route Number Five, Morrilton, Tennessee.
2nd Lt Theodore West	Mrs. Violet J. West, (Wife) 5415 Madison Avenue, Seattle, Washington.
2nd Lt Raymond L. Wallace	Mrs. Hazel Wallace, (Mother) 914 West 68th Street, Chicago, Illinois.
1/Sgt Ray H. Bringle	Mr. William M. Bringle, (Father) 621 Middlebury Street, Elkhart, Indiana.
1/Sgt Gerald O. Grunke	Mrs. Mary M. Grunke, (Mother) Box 805, Mound, Minnesota.
2/Sgt Charles E. Cripp	Mrs. Rosetta Cripp, (Mother) 247 South 1st Street, Lincoln, Nebraska.
2/Sgt Loren C. Brown	Mrs. Althea C. Brown, (Mother) 716 Warrington Street, Troy, Michigan.
2/Sgt Francis H. Tuttle	Mrs. Alayne Tuttle, (Wife) Corydon, Iowa.