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HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES
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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 Pentanelle Air Base, Italy Command or AF 15th Air Force
Group 464th Bomb Gp (H) Squadron 777th Bomb Sq (H)
2. SPECIFY: Point of Departure Pentanelle Air Base, Italy Course 295 degrees.
Target A/C Eng. Type of Mission Bombing
Factory, Weiner Neudorf, Austria.
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED:
8/10 Alto Cumulus, top 15,000 feet. Visibility 15 miles and haze.
Between I.P. and Target
4. GIVE: (a) Date 16 July 1944 Time 1025 Location 47 degrees 50' N
of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft. 16 degrees 45' E
(b) Specify whether: (x) Last Sighted () Last Contacted by Radio
() Forced Down () Seen to Crash; or
() Information not available.
5. AIRCRAFT AS 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 42-95372
7. ENGINES: Type, Model & Series R-1830-43 AAF Serial No (a) CP-309654
(b) CP-309940 (c) CP-309781 (d) CP-309645
8. INSTALLED WEAPONS: (Furnish below Make, Type, and Serial Number)
(a) IN-1184711 (b) IT-1194579 LB-1184672
(c) EW-1184355 (d) RT-1184626 BB-1184339
(e) IN-1184186 (r) IM-1183991
(s) EN-1194774 (h) RM-1183966
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 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)	GRADE	SERIAL NO	NEXT OF KIN, RELATION- SHIP, AND ADDRESS
K/A 1. Pilot	371 MILLER, ROEL H.	1st Lt.	O-687616	Mr. Otto D. Miller (F), Dektown, Indiana.
RMC 2. CO-Pilot	SHAFFER, CHARLES E.	1st Lt.	O-747338	Mr. Roy H. Shafer (F) BB#3 (RT)
	(Mrs. Eleanor G. Shafer (W), 1901 So. Martin St., Little Rock, Arkansas)			Hastings, Nebraska
EUS 3. Navigator	COLLINS, GEORGE P. JR.	2nd Lt.	O-719017	Mrs. Florine C. Collins (W) (RT)
			RT #1, Cumming, Georgia.	
RMC 4. Bombardier	RAVASCHIERI, ROCCO (NMI)	2nd Lt.	O-685838	Miss Minnie Ravaschieri (S)
			40 N. Linden Ave., Long Branch, N.J.	(RT)
5. Box Gunner	CHUCTA, WILLIAM H.	T/Sgt.	3256379	Mr. & Mrs. Henry W. Chucta (F&M)
			106 Grand St., Newark, N.J.	
	GLOTTAUX, DON A.	S/Sgt.	1822625	(F&M) 3160 Gulf St., Houston, Texas.
DED	DUELBERG, JOHN H.	T/Sgt.	382579	Mrs. Julius Duelber
			Route #1, Box 11, Bayavaca, Texas.	
EUS 6. Navigator	CRANSTON, GARLAND A.	S/Sgt.	1416	Arrowsnaugh A. Cranston
	(W) POB 467, Miami (3) Fla. Mrs. Elsie M. Nelms			27 Cumberland Ave., Asheville, N.C.

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(See Reverse Side)

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- N/A 9. Armorer G. BAIRD, GEORGE C. S/Sgt. 32164844 Mr. & Mrs. William Baird (F&M)
1230 East 29th St., Brooklyn, N.Y.
- EDs 10. Armorer G. STYER, MARTIN R. JR. S/Sgt. 33377182 Mrs. Doris E. Styer (W) HTD
Silver Springs, Maryland. Mrs. Henrietta Styer (M), 5429 Conn., Ave., Washington, D.C.

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

NAME IN FULL	RANK	SERIAL NO	Contacted Last Sav		
			by Radio	Sighted	Crash Forced Landing

12. IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:
 (10 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. (X)

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

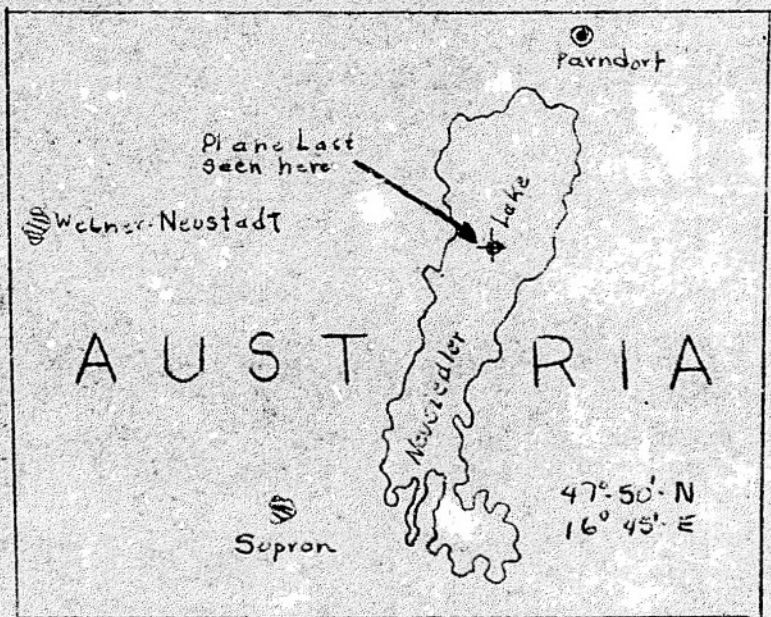
15. ATTACH, AS AN INCLOSURE TO THIS REPORT, A DESCRIPTION OF THE EXTENT OF SEARCH, IF ANY, AND GIVE NAME, RANK, AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE HERE: (if no search, so state giving reason) No search as plane was last seen over enemy territory.

Date of this Report: 19 July 1944

Signature of Officer: *Elmer D. Truett*
ELMER D. TRUETT,
Capt., Air Corps,
Adjutant.

2 Incls:
 Incl 1- Statement of Capt. Truett,
 Incl 2- Location Sketch.





1st Lt Charles H. Shafer RTD

Mr. Roy H. Shafer, (Father)
Route Number Three,
Hastings, Nebraska.

371 ✓ 1st Lt Duol H. Miller KIA

Mr. Otto D. Miller, (Father)
Rural Route One,
Cobden, Indiana.

2nd Lt George F. Collins, Jr. RTD

Mrs. Florine G. Collins, (Wife)
Route Number One,
c/o Mrs. J. S. Cross,
Cumming, Georgia.

2nd Lt Renee Rawschicki RTD

Miss Minnie Rawschicki, (Sister)
48 North Linden Avenue,
Long Beach, New York.

371 ✓ 1st Sgt William H. Chaste KIA

Mr. Henry W. Chaste, (Father)
106 Grand Street,
Jersey City, New Jersey.

371 ✓ 1st Sgt John H. Doolberg MIA

Mrs. Minnie Doolberg, (Mother)
Route One, Box 146,
Fort Lockett, Texas.

MC 1789

S/Sgt Martin E. Styler, Jr. RTD

Mrs. Davis E. Styler, (Wife)
1385 East Falkland Lane,
Apartment 47,
Silver Springs, Maryland.

371 ✓ S/Sgt George C. Baird KIA

Mrs. Grace L. Baird, (Mother)
1400 East 57th Street,
Brooklyn, New York.

S/Sgt Garland A. Cranston RTD

Mrs. Elsie M. Nolan, (Mother)
22 Cumberland Avenue,
Asheville, North Carolina.

S/Sgt Don A. Clotman RTD

Mrs. Mita Clotman, (Mother)
3140 Golf Street,
Bourmont, Texas.

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name SHAFFER, CHARLES E. Rank 1st Lt. Serial No. 0-747338
464thB.G.
2. Organization 717th Sq. Gp Commander W. BONNER Rank Col. Sqn CO CARTER Rank MAJOR
 (full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month July day 16 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, Weiner-Neudorf, target, AIRCRAFT PLANT, target time, Approx. 11:30 A.M., altitude, 22,000 FT. route scheduled, No Record, route flown No Record
5. Where were you when you left formation? NEAR INITIAL POINT
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". No Knowledge
(See BACK Side)
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? NEAR OSLO, HUNGARY
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 9 above and individual questionnaires) No Knowledge
11. Where were they in aircraft? See Above
12. What was their condition? See Above
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? See Above
14. Please give any similar information on personnel of any other crew of which you have knowledge. Indicate source of information. No Knowledge

(Any additional information may be written on the back)

APPROXIMATE POSITION OF AIRCRAFT ON GROUND
AND WHERE MYSELF & 2 OTHER MEMBERS OF CREW -
BOMBARDIER AND NOSE GUNNER AND NAVIGATOR^{LANDED} ARE
ON AUSTRIA-HUNGARY BORDER-LINE, APPROXIMATELY
5 OR 6 MILES EAST-NORTHEAST OF OSLO, HUNGARY

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name ROCCO RAVASCHIERI Rank 1st Lt Serial No. 0-615832
2. Organization 704th Gp Commander MARSHALL Rank COL SqN CO T. MA. J. MAJ Rank MAJ
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1977 month JULY day 16 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, VIETNAM, target, OIL WORKS, target time, 10:51, altitude, 3,000 route scheduled, VIETNAM
VIETNAM, route flown SAME
5. Where were you when you left formation? IN HUNGARY
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". CRANFORD COLLINS
bailed out at 11:00 AM - 11:00 AM - STRUCK - FROM BOMB
bay
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) NO KNOWLEDGE
11. Where were they in aircraft? IN HUNGARY
12. What was their condition? NO KNOWLEDGE
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)

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

File 6905

Name of crew member: **Miller, Neal H.**
 Rank: **1st Lt**
 Serial number: **8-42316**
 Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~of B-29~~ (Fighter): **File**

Did he bail out? _____

Where? _____

If not, why not? _____

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

WAS HOPELESSNESS OF POSITION AND BAIL OUT WAS GIVEN

Was he injured? NO.

Where was he when last seen? ON THE WING OF LOMB BAY.

Any hearsay information: HEARD IN JAPAN THAT MILLER

WAS DEAD

Sources: FROM CREW MEMBER OF BOMBER LAST LATER

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: 32

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member:

Greta, William H.

File 6703

Rank:

1/sgt

Serial number:

28670

Position: Crew (Bomber)

~~Engineer~~ (Fighter): Engineer Gunner

Did he bail out? _____

Where? _____

If not, why not? _____

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

Was he injured? _____

Where was he when last seen? _____

Any hearsay information: _____

Source: _____

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: _____

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member:

Borchburg, John H.File **6905**

Rank:

T/Sgt

Serial number:

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

Position: Crew (Bomber)

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ **Radio Operator Cannon**

Did he bail out? _____

Where? _____

If not, why not? _____

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

Was he injured? _____

Where was he when last seen? _____

Any hearsay information: _____

Sources: _____

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: _____

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member:

Sgt. George C.**File 6905**

Rank:

S/SG

Serial number:

201424

Position: Crew (Bomber)

~~CA Pilot~~ (Fighter): **Armed Gunner**

Did he bail out? _____

Where? _____

If not, why not? _____

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

Was he injured? _____

Where was he when last seen? _____

Any hearsay information: _____

Source: _____

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: _____

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name Cranston, Garland A. Rank S/Sgt. Serial No. 14164903
M.M. Bonner, Col.
2. Organization 464th Gp Commander ~~Mr. M. Bonner~~ Rank 777th Sqn CO ? Rank Maj.
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month July day 16 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, Vienna, target, Weissen-Haudorf, target
time, 1026, altitude, 24,000 route scheduled, ?
as scheduled
5. Where were you when you left formation? 31 position, Dog Box
6. Did you bail out? Yes
7. Did other members of crew bail out? Yes, five others.
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".
2nd Lt. Rocco (nmi) Rivaschierrri, Bombadier, Nose wheel door. Jumped
after ship was out of control.
2nd Lt. Robert Collins, Navigator, Nose wheel door, same as above.
No knowledge of other crew members that left ship.
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? Near Oslu, Hungary (app. 10 kil)
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
11. Where were they in aircraft? _____
12. What was their condition? Unknown
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already des-
cribed above? After take off I entered my turret and didn't leave
till I bailed out. Saw no one other than those previously described.
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)