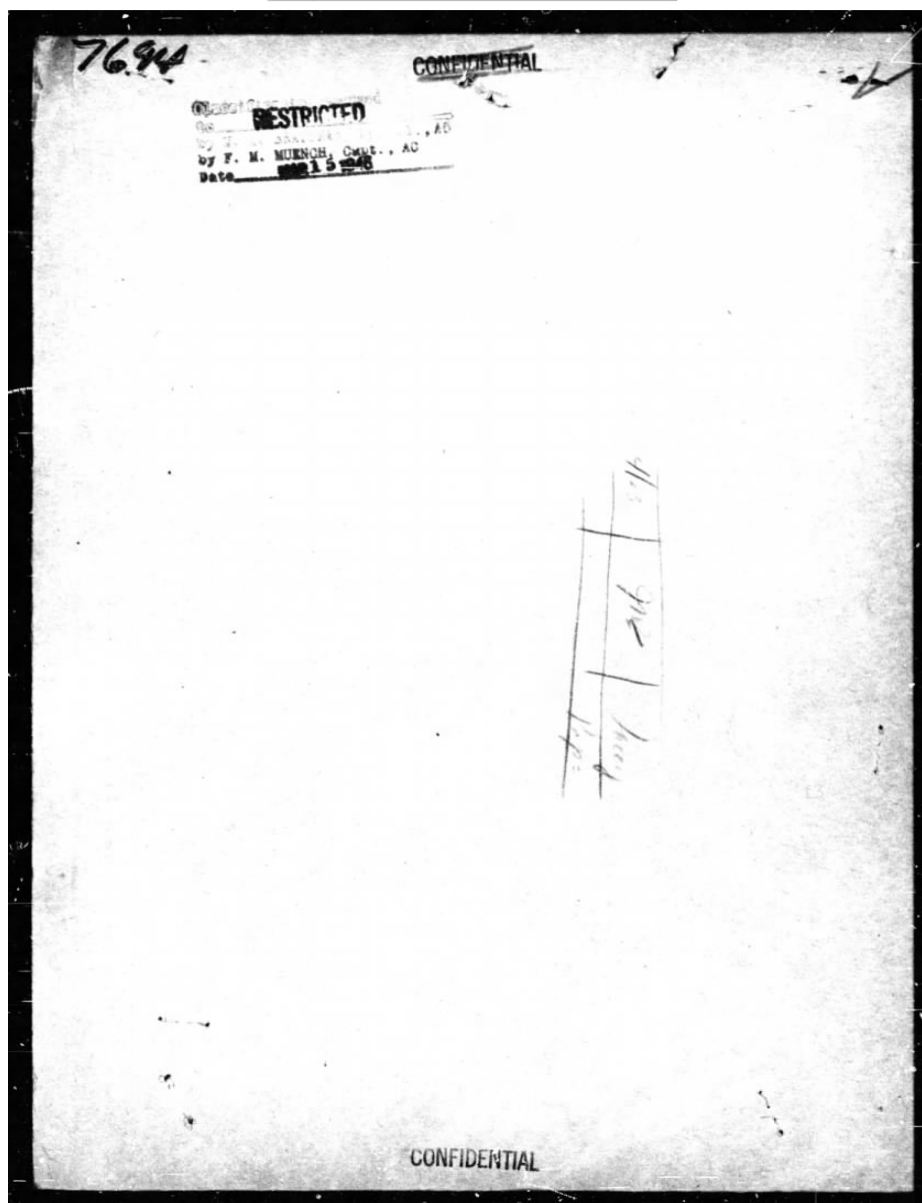


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MISSING AIR CREW REPORT

IMPORTANT: This report will be compiled in triplicate by each Army Air Forces organization within 48 hours of the time an air crew member is officially reported missing.

1. ORGANIZATION: Location, by Name Castelluccio, Italy Command or AF 15th
Group 451st Bomb Gr; Squadron 725th Bomb Squadron (H) Donabon Base 4312N
 2. SPECIFY: Place of Departure Castelluccio Field Course 1642E-462N 1810SE-
4721N 1926E to IP to Target.
Target or Intended Destination Szolnok Airbase, Hungary Type of Mission Bombing
 3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED:
Heavy 50 miles CW
 4. GIVE: (a) Day 20 Month August Year 1944; Time 0930; and Location of Budapest
of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.
(b) Specify whether aircraft was last sighted (X); 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 (); Enemy Anti-Aircraft (); Other Circumstances as
follows: Unknown
 6. AIRCRAFT: Type, Model and Series B-24 H; AAF Serial No. 41-29588
 7. NICKNAME OF AIRCRAFT, if any None
 8. ENGINES: Type, Model and Series 6-1830-43, R-1830-65; AAF Serial Number
(a) CP-306748; (b) 42-65587; (c) CP-309680 (d) CP-305648
 9. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial Number);
(a) No records (b) (c) (d)
(e) available (f) (g) (h)
(i) (j) (k) (l)
(m) (n) (o) (p)
 10. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty
or (b) Non-Battle Casualty
 11. 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 aircraft, list similar particulars on separate sheet and
attach original to this form.)
- | CREW POSITION | Name in Full | Rank | Serial Number | Next of Kin Relationship | Address | Current Status |
|---------------|---------------------------------|---------------|-------------------|--|------------|----------------|
| 1. Pilot | <u>WILSON, ELWOOD VICTOR</u> | <u>2nd Lt</u> | <u>0-820130</u> | <u>Mr Ernest Wilson</u> | <u>RTD</u> | <u>RTD</u> |
| | | | | <u>(Father) Route 2, Blytheville, Arkansas</u> | | |
| 2. Co-Pilot | <u>WYCKE, ALBERT MARION</u> | <u>2nd Lt</u> | <u>0-825310</u> | <u>D. Albert Wyck</u> | <u>RTD</u> | <u>RTD</u> |
| | | | | <u>(Father) R.R. 1, Chambersburg, Pennsylvania</u> | | |
| 3. New | <u>UNDERWOOD, WILLIAM A.</u> | <u>2nd Lt</u> | <u>0-717902</u> | <u>Mr William Underwood</u> | <u>RTD</u> | <u>RTD</u> |
| | | | | <u>(Father) 4950 Cleves-Carsaw, Cinn., Ohio</u> | | |
| 4. Bomb | <u>LACEY JR, GEORGE FRANCIS</u> | <u>2nd Lt</u> | <u>0-717998</u> | <u>George F. Lacey Sr</u> | <u>RTD</u> | <u>RTD</u> |
| | | | | <u>(Father) 67-33 Fleet St, Forest Hills, NY</u> | | |
| 5. Up-Gun | <u>BRUNSON, Burl Warner</u> | <u>Sgt</u> | <u>0-38343220</u> | <u>Charles A. Brunson</u> | <u>RTD</u> | <u>RTD</u> |
| | | | | <u>(Brother) Rt 2, Cincin, Texas.</u> | | |

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| (Name in Full) CPT POSITION (Last Name First) | Serial Rank | Next of Kin Re- Number Relationship, address | Current Status |
|--|----------------|--|-------------------|
| 6. Left W. Duchesneau, Arthur Thomas | Sgt 11040197 | Mary Duchesneau 14 Greenwood St. Keene, NH. | RA |
| 7. Nose Car Pope, Donald Irvin | Sgt 39209106 | Louis E. Pope Manhattan, Montana (Father) | MTA |
| 8. Right W. Schinner, Thomas Joseph | Cpl 35805111 | Margaret Schinner (Mother) 5036 Ralph Ave. Cincinnati, Ohio | MTA |
| 9. Low Tur McVicker, Robert Edwin | Cpl 33749425 | Mary E. McVicker (Mother) 1272 Baum St NE, Washington, D.C. | MTA |
| 10. Tail Car Kenney, John Paul | Cpl 10189163 | Mary Kenney (Mother) 9540 Iris Street, Detroit, Michigan | MTA |

12. IDENTIFY BELOW THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE LAST KNOWLEDGE OF AIRCRAFT, AND CHECK APPROPRIATE COLUMN TO INDICATE BASIS FOR SAME:

| Name in Full (Last Name First) | Serial Rank | Number | Contacted by | Last Saw | Saw Forced Crash | Landing |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|----------|-----------------|-------------|---------------------|---------|
| 1. RHILINGER, ROBERT THOMAS | 2nd Lt | 0-773445 | X | | | |

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

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

15. ATTACH EYE WITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT.

16. GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE OF SEARCH, IF ANY, INCLUDING DESCRIPTION AND DIRECTION. No search made, plane missing over enemy territory.

Date of Report 22 August 1944

Malcolm B. Ogden
(Signature of Reporting Officer)
MALCOLM B. OGDEN
Captain, Air Corps, Adjutant.

17. REMARKS OR EYE WITNESS STATEMENTS:
None

2 Incls:
Incl 1- Overlay of area last sighted.
Incl 2- Statement, Lt RHILINGER.

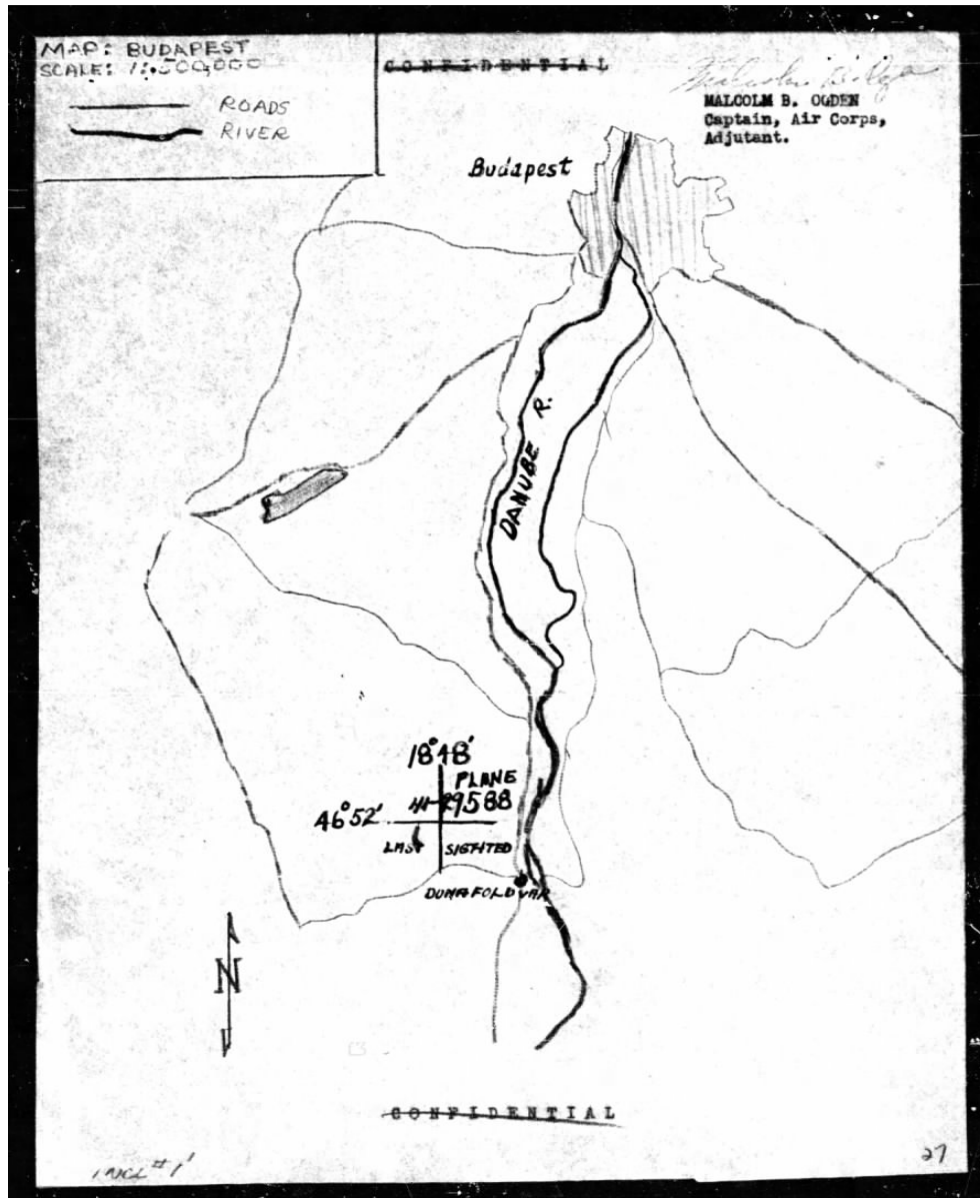
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STATEMENT

22 August 1944

I, ROBERT T. RHILINGER, O-773445, AC, was the Bombardier on the ship of 2nd Lt WILLIS H. MALAKOWSKI, O-705742, which flew in the sixth position of the formation on 20 August 1944, with B-24 Airplane number 41-29588, piloted by 2nd Lt ELWOOD V. WILSON, O-820130. This ship was flying in number seven position. En route to the target, the subject ship slid underneath us and to the left. It then made a direct turn and headed in the direction of our home base. All four engines seemed to be in operation at that time, although the ship appeared to be losing altitude.

Robert T. Rhilinger
ROBERT T. RHILINGER
2nd Lt, Air Corps.

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UNCL 7694
B-24
10 km from
APR 41-29583

| DATE: 8/20/44 - 09.00 hrs. | Rank | Name | U.S.A. | 400 | No: ME 1982 |
|----------------------------|------|---|--------|-----|-----------------|
| PLACE: South of Kaposvar. | | 2nd/Lt. Wilson, Elwood Y. | | | 0-820130 . 8 |
| TYPE: Liberator. | | 2nd/Lt. Sites, Albert, Merson | | | 0-825310 . |
| 451 (H.B.) Sqd. | | 2nd/Lt. Underwood, William A. | | | 0-717302 . |
| 725 Group. | | 2nd/Lt. Lacey, George F. <i>DEP KIA</i> | | | 0117332 (dead) |
| BASE: Castelluccio. | | S/Sgt. Brunson, Burl, Warner | | | 38343220 . |
| TARGET: Evaluation Point | | S/Sgt. Duchesneau, Arthur, Thomas | | | 11040197 . |
| Southeast. | | S/Sgt. Kennedy, John P. | | | 16159163 . |
| | | S/Sgt. McVicker, Robert E. | | | 33749425 . |
| | | S/Sgt. Schinner, Thomas J. | | | 35805111 . |
| | | S/Sgt. Pope, Donald <i>DEP KIA</i> | | | 37209106 (dead) |

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DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT
WAS SHOT DOWN20 August 1944 - 0800
South of Angers

CASUALTY NO. 101 1002

PLACE OF CRASH

Liberator

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT

A. V. south-east

REPORTING OFFICE

| NAME | RANK | SERIAL NUMBER | CAPT'D WOUNDED DEAD | PLACE OF INTERMENT |
|--|--------|------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| WILSON V. Wood | 2nd Lt | 0-630130 | captured | Stalag-Luft 3 |
| SIVK Albert Marion | 2nd Lt | 0-630310 | captured | Stalag-Luft 3 |
| UNDERWOOD A. William | 2nd Lt | 0-717302 | captured | Stalag-Luft 3 |
| BURRICH 13 May 18 Earl Warren Glendale, Tex. | S/SGT | 36543220 | captured | Stalag-Luft 4 |
| BURRICH 3 Apr 16 Arthur Thomas Keene Newchamp | S/SGT | 11040197 | captured | Stalag-Luft 4 |
| KROGH 20 July 26 John F Boston, Mass. | S/SGT | 16180245 | captured | Stalag-Luft 4 |
| MC VICKER 30 July 26 Robert E Gloucester, V. Va. | S/SGT | 33749426 | captured | Stalag-Luft 4 |
| SCHMIDT 2 Aug 34 Thomas J Cincinnati, Ohio | S/SGT | 33800111 | captured | Stalag-Luft 4 |

REMARKS:

Stalag-Luft 30 September 1944 No.

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2nd Lt Elwood V. Wilson

Mr. Ernest Vanburn Wilson, (Father)
Route Number Two,
Blytheville, Arkansas.

2nd Lt Albert M. Sites

Mr. David A. Sites, (Father)
Rural Route Number One,
Chambersburg, Pennsylvania.

2nd Lt William A. Underwood

Mrs. Audrey Eaton Underwood, (Mother)
4950 Cleves Warsaw,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

2nd Lt George F. Lacey, Jr.

Mr. George F. Lacey, Sr., (Father)
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Forest Hills, New York.

Sgt Burl W. Brunson

Mrs. M. E. Brunson, (Wife)
Box Number 282,
Claude, Texas.

Sgt Arthur T. Duckham

Mrs. Ester S. Duckham, (Wife)
Rural Free Delivery Number One,
Gunnery, New Hampshire.

Sgt Donald L. Pope

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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

File No 7694

Name of crew member: **POPE, Donald Irvin**
Rank: **Sgt.**
Serial number: **39209106**
Position: Crew (Bomber) or ~~ENGINEER~~: **Nose Gunner**

Did he bail out? NoWhere? ✓If not, why not? UnknownLast contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: ORDERED TORAIN OUT - WAS LAST 1. HEARD OVER INTER-PHONEWas he injured? NoWhere was he when last seen? KNEW THAT HE WAS IN NOSE OF PLANE - DID NOT ^{SEE HIM THERE}Any hearsay information: No

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: WAS 1st OUT OFPLANE AND SEEN SEVEN GUNNERS CAME OUT AFTER ME. THEN
THE SHIP CRASHED. CITIZENS OF HUNGARY ALSO TOLD US TWO
CONRADES DIED IN PLANE.Total number of missions of above crew member: He was on his 5th missionDates and destinations if possible: JUST WEST OF GENEVA - AUG 13th - 14thAUG 15th TO SOUTHERN FRANCE. - AUG 17th TO POLAND.AUG 20th TO SZOLNOK HUNGARY - MISSION NOT COMPLETED

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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: LACEY Jr., George, Francis
Rank: 2nd Lt.
Serial number: 4-717998
Position: Crew (Bomber) ENGINEER: Bomb.

Did he bail out? No

Where? _____

If not, why not? UNKNOWNLast contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: OPERATOR TOBAIL OUT WAS LAST I HEARD OVER INTERPHONEWas he injured? NoWhere was he when last seen? HEARD THAT HE WAS IN NEARBY PLANE. DID NOT ^{SEE HIM THERE.}Any hearsay information: NO

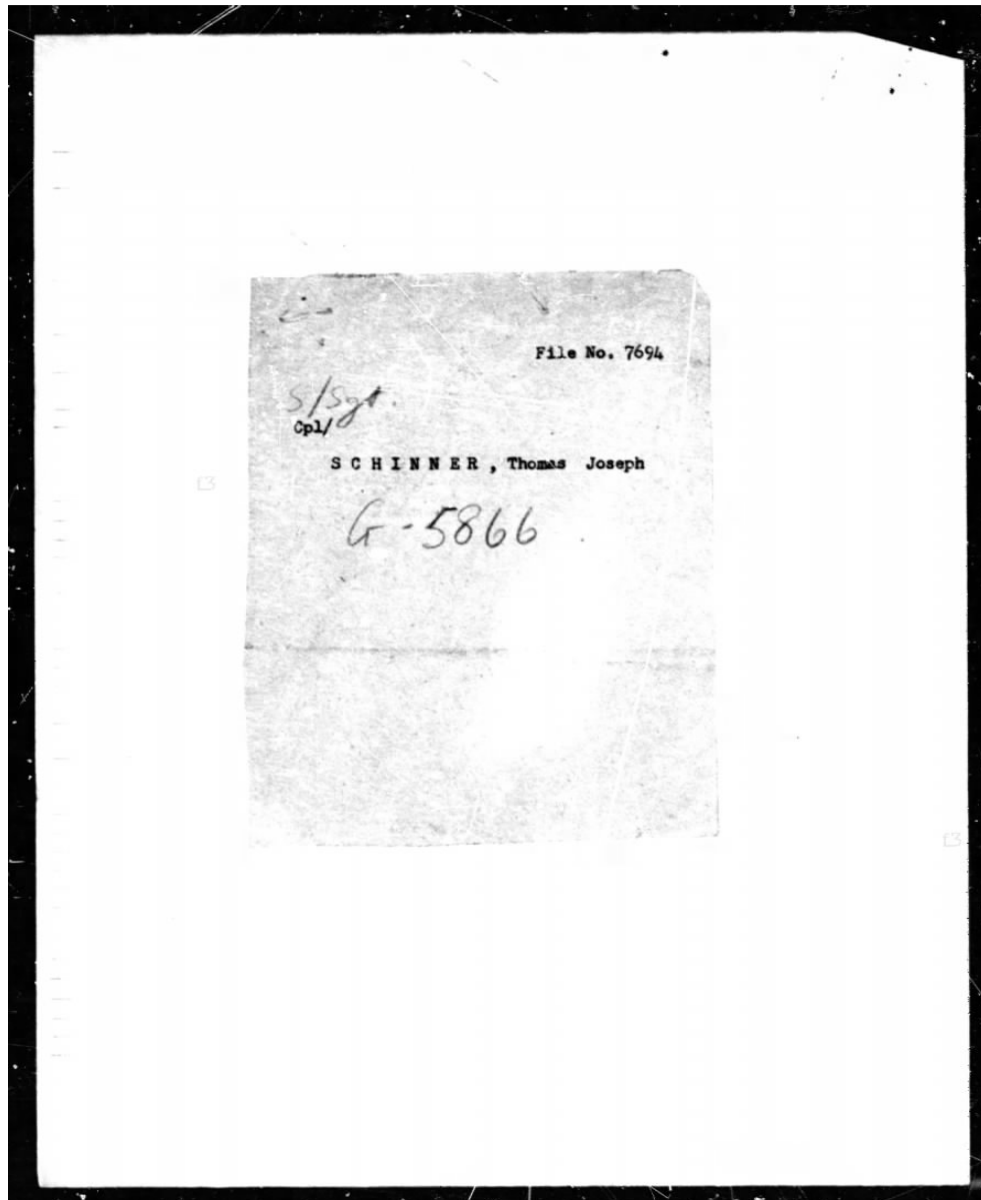
Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: WAS 1ST OUT OFPLANE - AND SEEN SEVEN CHUTES COME OUT AFTER METHEN THE SHIP CRASHED. CITIZENS OF HUNGARY ALSOTOLD US TWO CONRADES DIED IN PLANE.Total number of missions of above crew member: He was on his 5th missionDates and destinations if possible: JUST WEST OF GENOA ON AUG 12th - 13thTO SOUTHERN FRANCE AUG 15th - TO POLASTI AUG 17thTO SZOLNOK, HUNGARY AUG 20th MISSION NOT COMPLETED.

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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: **POPE, Donald Irvin**
Rank: **Sgt.**
Serial number: **39209106**
Position: Crew (Bomber) or ~~Observer/Navigator~~: **Nose Gunner**

Did he bail out? No

Where? _____

If not, why not? Does not know why he did not bail out.Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: Told himto throw out ammunition as quick as possible.Was he injured? Not to my knowledge.Where was he when last seen? Loss of planeAny hearsay information: None.

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: Did not talkto me right after I bailed out. Told Pope to go on in plane.After I got out, saw smoke from plane and saw it fall.which was our signal to bail out. I heard bell so thebell was in working order.Total number of missions of above crew member: FiveDates and destinations if possible: 20 Aug 44 Budapest. 17 Aug 44 Poland;Invasion of Southern France. Southern France.

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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: **LACEY Jr., George Francis**
Rank: **2nd/Lt.**
Serial number: **0-717998**
Position: Crew (Bomber) **0-717998**: **Boat.**

Did he bail out? No

Where? _____

If not, why not? Do not know why he did not bail out.

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: He told me to bail out. He wanted to know if we could not crash land. I told him I

Was he injured? Yes to my knowledge

Where was he when last seen? Loss of Plane

Any hearsay information: When I left company I got to bail out then pilot later told me Lacey talked to him. I told him to bail out because he was in a bad position. I told him to bail out.

Source: _____

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: Five

Dates and destinations if possible: 28 Aug 44 Budapest 17 Aug 45 Palest.

Invasion of Southern France Southern France

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CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name Sites, Albert M Rank 1st Lt. Serial No. 0-925310
US 10.6.
2. Organization 2585 Gp Commander Rank Sqn CO Rank Col.
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month August day 20 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, Airfield ground ^{target}, target, , target
time, 1800, altitude, route scheduled,
 , route flown
5. Where were you when you left formation? Southern Hungary
6. Did you bail out? Yes
7. Did other members of crew bail out? 2.940 bailed out Two
did not.
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". Ball gunner, Tail gunner, Radio operator, and Engineer all went out camera hatch. Top turret gunner and turret operator went out Ramp. Sgt. Tamm I went out the bomb bay followed by the Pilot.
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? Southern 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) Bank, and Pese
gunner
11. Where were they in aircraft? Pese in plane
12. What was their condition? Uninjured to my knowledge
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? Radio operator, Tail gunner, Ball gunner all in the
back of plane. Pilot, co-pilot, Navigator and Top turret
gunner all in cockpit and stuck. Engineer was in cockpit then
went to waist of plane to get parachute and bail out.
14. Please give any similar information on personnel of any other crew of which you have knowledge. Indicate source of information. None

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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

File No 7694

Name of crew member: POPE, Donald Irvin
Rank: Sgt.
Serial number: 39209106
Position: Crew (Bomber) or ~~ENGINEER~~: Nose Gunner

Did he bail out? To my best of knowledge, yesWhere? Approx. 150 miles South E. of Lake Balentine
near Krapaspat

If not, why not?

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: Short
Conversation after bail-out signal was given.Was he injured? NoWhere was he when last seen? In his turret.Any hearsay information: Hungarian Policeman told that
the bodies were found in the burned
plane, But no identification tags were
shown. Not seeing my chute, the crew
reported seeing, open, only seven chutes.Source: Hungarian Police, 1st Crew members to leaveAny explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: I think
he and bombardier (who also was killed)
~~they~~ left first, and was murdered by mad
Hungarian civilians. I talked to the bombardier
before anyone left, all acknowledged the bailout signalTotal number of missions of above crew member: FIVEDates and destinations if possible: Last mission 20th Aug. 1944, Destination -
Slosnack Airdrome. 1st 13th Aug. 44, Genoa, Italy.
2nd Aug. 14th - Southern France - Gun emplacement.
3rd 15th Aug. Invasion Southern France. 1-1,
4th 17th Aug. Ploesti Oil Field - Rumania.

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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: LACEY Jr., George, Francis
Rank: 2nd/Lt.
Serial number: 0-717998
Position: Crew (Bomber) of ~~XXXXXX~~: Bomb.

Did he bail out? To my best of Knowledge, yes.Where? Approx. 150 miles south East of Lake Balentine
Near (Krapaspat)

If not, why not?

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: Shortly
after bailout signal was given.Was he injured? NoWhere was he when last seen? Looking out the Astrodome.Any hearsay information: Hungarian Police told that the
bodies were found in the burned plane, But
No identification tags were shown. Not
seeing my chute, the crew reported seeing
only seven chutesSource: Hungarian PoliceAny explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: I think
that he and the gunner bailed out first
and were killed by Hungarian civilians. I
talked with him before anyone left. All
acknowledged the bail-out signal.Total number of missions of above crew member: FiveDates and destinations if possible: 13th, August, 44 - Genoa, Italy
2nd. August 14th - Southern France - Gun emplacement
3rd 15th August Invasion Southern France.
4th 17th August Ploesti Oil Field - Rumania
5th 20th August, 1944, S Los Rock Airborne.

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CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name ELWOOD V. WILSON Rank 1st LT. Serial No. 0-820-130
2. Organization AC Gp Commander Eaton Rank Col. Sqn CO Bowen Rank Major
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month August day 20 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, Air drone, target, Air drone, target
time, Approx 11:30, altitude, 23000 FT route scheduled, Northeast
from Base, route flown Scheduled
5. Where were you when you left formation? 52 miles east of Budapest
6. Did you bail out? Yes
7. Did other members of crew bail out? Yes - TO THE BEST OF MY
KNOWLEDGE.
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". ON BACK
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? APPROX. 150 MILES SOUTH EAST OF
LAKA BALENTING NEAR KEAPASAT.
(PROBABLY SPILLED) (Probably spilled)
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) AS FAR AS I KNOW
ALL CREW MEMBERS BAILED OUT. HOWEVER THE HUNGARIAN
POLICE SAID THERE WERE TWO (2) BODIES IN THE BURNED PLANE.
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? SAW BOMB. LT. LACEY WITH HIS HEAD STICKING UP IN
THE NAVIGATOR'S DOME WHILE INSTRUCTING HIM TO BAIL OUT. HE
CARRIED ON CONVERSATION WITH ME RELATIVE TO BAILING OUT.
14. Please give any similar information on personnel of any other crew of which you have knowledge. Indicate source of information.

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I HAVE NO PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE OF HOW EACH CREW MEMBER BAILED OUT. HOWEVER AFTER WE LANDED AND WERE CAPTURED I GATHERED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ABOUT HOW EACH MAN BAILED OUT.

1. THE ASSISTANT ENGINEER CAME DOWN OUT OF THE TOP TURRET AND PUT ON THE NAV. PARACHUTE HARNESS. REALIZING HIS MISTAKE HE TOOK IT OFF AND PUT HIS OWN ON. THEN HE JUMPED FROM THE BOMB BAY. HE DID ALL THIS AFTER I HAD GIVEN THE ORDER TO BAIL OUT. THIS WAS CPL T. J. SCHINNER

2. WHILE THE NAV. WAS TAKING OFF HIS FLAK SUIT THE ASST ENG. (AS SHOWN ABOVE) PUT ON HIS PARACHUTE HARNESS. WHEN THE ASST. ENG. HAD TAKEN THE WRONG HARNESS OFF, THE NAV. THEN PUT IT ON AND BAILED OUT THRU THE BOMB BAY. THE NAV. WAS LT. W. A. UNDERWOOD.

3. THE CO-PILOT BAILED OUT NEXT THRU THE BOMB BAY - THIS WAS LT A. M. SITES

4. THE BALL GUNNER LEFT HIS TURRET AND AFTER PUTTING ON HIS CHUTE LEFT OUT THE CAMERA HATCH. THIS WAS CPL R. E. McVICKERS

5. THE WAIST GUNNER BAILED OUT THRU THE CAMERA HATCH. THIS WAS SGT. A. T. DUESCHESNEAU.

6. THE ENGINEER WAS WITH ME ON THE FLIGHT DECK WHEN I GAVE THE ORDER TO BAIL OUT. HE HAD LEFT HIS CHUTE PACK IN THE WAIST BEHIND HIS GUN AND HAD TO RETRIEVE HIS CHUTE AND THEN BAILED OUT THRU THE REAR BOMB BAY. SGT B. W. BRUNSON

7. THE TAIL GUNNER BAILED OUT THRU THE CAMERA HATCH. THIS WAS CPL JOHN P. KENNEDY

HE FOLLOWED THE BALL GUNNER.

8. I BAILED OUT THE FORWARD BOMB BAY AT ALTITUDE OF 600 FEET.

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**Meldung über den Abschuß eines
US-amerikanischen Flugzeuges**

Abschuß-Nr. 1982

Abschußtag und Zeit: 20.8.44. - 09.00
Abschußort: S. Kapowar
Flugzeugtyp: Liberator
Meldende Dienststelle: A.W. Tido

Besatzung:

| Name und Vornamen: Geburts- und -ort: | Dienst- grad | Erk.- Marke: | gef.: verw.: tot: | Verbleib: welches Lager Art d. Verwundung Grablage |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|---|
| WILSON V. Elwood | 2.Lt. | 0-820130 | gef. | Stalag-Luft 3 |
| SITZ Albert Marion | 2.Lt. | 0-825310 | gef. | Stalag-Luft 3 |
| UNDERWOOD A. William | 2.Lt. | 0-717302 | gef. | Stalag-Luft 3 |
| BURTON 12.5.18 Burl Warren Claude Tex. | S/Sgt. | 35343220 | gef. | Stalag-Luft 4 |
| DUCHENEAU 3.4.16 Arthur Thomas Keene Newcham | S/Sgt. | 11040197 | gef. | Stalag-Luft 4 |
| KENNEDY 20.7.25 John P. Boston, Mass. | S/Sgt. | 16189163 | gef. | Stalag-Luft 4 |
| MC VICKER 30.7.25 Robert E. Clarkebourg, W.Va. | S/Sgt. | 33749425 | gef. | Stalag-Luft 4 |
| SCHLESER 2.8.24 Thomas J. Cincinnati, Ohio | S/Sgt. | 35805111 | gef. | Stalag-Luft 4 |

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