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Date: MAR 15 1946

WAR DEPARTMENT

HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES

WASHINGTON

MISSING AIR CROW REPORT

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

1. ORGANIZATION: Location Wethersfield, Essex, Eng. Command or Air Force IX Bomber Command
Group 416th Bomb Gp (L); Squadron 669th BS; Detachment XXX
2. SPECIFIC: Point of Departure Wethersfield, Essex, Eng. Course See Incl No 1.
Intended Destination Amiens, France Type of Mission Operational
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED:
Visibility 8-10 miles with haze to 5000-6000 feet.
4. GIVE: (a) Date 27 May 1944; Time about 2036 hrs; and Location Amiens, France
of last known whereabouts of missing airplane
(b) Specify whether (x) Last sighted; () Last contacted by Radio;
() Forces Down; () Seen to Crash; or () Information not available.
5. AIRPLANE WAS LAST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF: (Check only one) () Enemy Airplane; (x) Enemy Anti-Aircraft; () Other Circumstances as follows A-20 was seen to drop out of formation over target. Last seen flying west from Amiens slowly losing altitude.
6. AIRPLANE: Type, Model and Series A-20-G-35; A.A.F. Serial Number 43-9983
7. ENGINES: Type, Model and Series R-2600-23; A.A.F. Serial Number (a) 43-104832
(b) 43-104661
8. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below table, Type and Serial Number)
(a) 610388; (b) 613164; (c) 608718; (d) 608454
(e) 611957; (f) 610117; (g) 655701; (h) 981995
9. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty X
8. (1) 595206 all M-2 Browning Cal .50 Fixed or (b) Non-Battle Casualty
and Flexible Aircraft Machine Guns.
10. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRPLANE: Crew 3; Passengers 0; Total 3
(starting with pilot, furnish the following particulars: If more than 10 persons were aboard airplane, list similar particulars on separate sheet and attach original to this form).

Crew position	Name in Full (Last name first)	Rank	Serial Number
1. Pilot	<u>Hawes, Harry Earl, Jr.</u>	<u>2d Lt.</u>	<u>0-669722</u>
2. Mechanic Gunner	<u>Boyer, Harold Eugene</u>	<u>S/Sgt.</u>	<u>20506057 RTD</u>
3. Armorer Gunner	<u>Kasper, Joseph Francis</u>	<u>S/Sgt.</u>	<u>6944924 RTD</u>
4.			
5.			
6.			
7.			
8.			
9.			
10.			
11.	IDENTIFY BELOW THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE LEFT KNOWLEDGE OF AIRPLANE, AND CHECK APPROPRIATE COLUMN TO INDICATE STATUS FOR SAME:		

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WD, HQ AAF, Washington, Missing Air Crew Report

Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Contacted by Radio	Last Sighted	Saw Crash	Saw Forced Landing
1. Eberstein, Gustave	1st Lt	0-797803		X		
2. Perkins, Holly, Jr.	S/Sgt.	17014368		X		
3. Newell, S. P.	Sgt.	14014441		X		
12. 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 reason (Specify) <u>No</u>						
13. <u>information available</u> ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRPLANE WAS LAST SEEN.						
14. ATTACH EYE WITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRPLANE.						
15. ATTACH A DESCRIPTION OF THE EXTENT OF SEARCH, IF ANY, AND GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE HERE <u>None</u>						

Date of Report 29 May 1944

George Schenk
(Signature of Preparing Officer)

GEORGE SCHENKIN,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

2 Incls:

Incl No 1. Map Overlay.

Incl No 2. Eye Witness Statement.

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Second Lieutenant Harry E. Hewes, Jr.

Mrs. Bevelas L. Hewes, (Wife)
1116 East Strong Street,
Pensacola, Florida.

Staff Sergeant Harold E. Boyer

Mr. Clyde L. Boyer, (Father)
Route Number One,
Anna, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant Joseph P. Kasper

Mrs. Martin Bednarski, (Sister)
681 Lee Street,
Plymouth, Pennsylvania.

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Missing Air Crew Report -- Airplane A 29-G-35 AAF Serial No. 43-9983
416th Bomb Gr (L)

Consolidated Eye Witness Statement of:

1st Lt.	Gustave Ebenstein	0-797803
S/Sgt.	Harley Perkins Jr.	17014368
Sgt.	S. P. Newell	14014441

Plane was first missed at rallying point northeast of Amiens. One A-20G, identity unknown, was observed flying extremely low, approximately twelve (12) miles southeast of Amiens, France. It is believed that this plane, which was not seen again, was that of Lt HEWES.

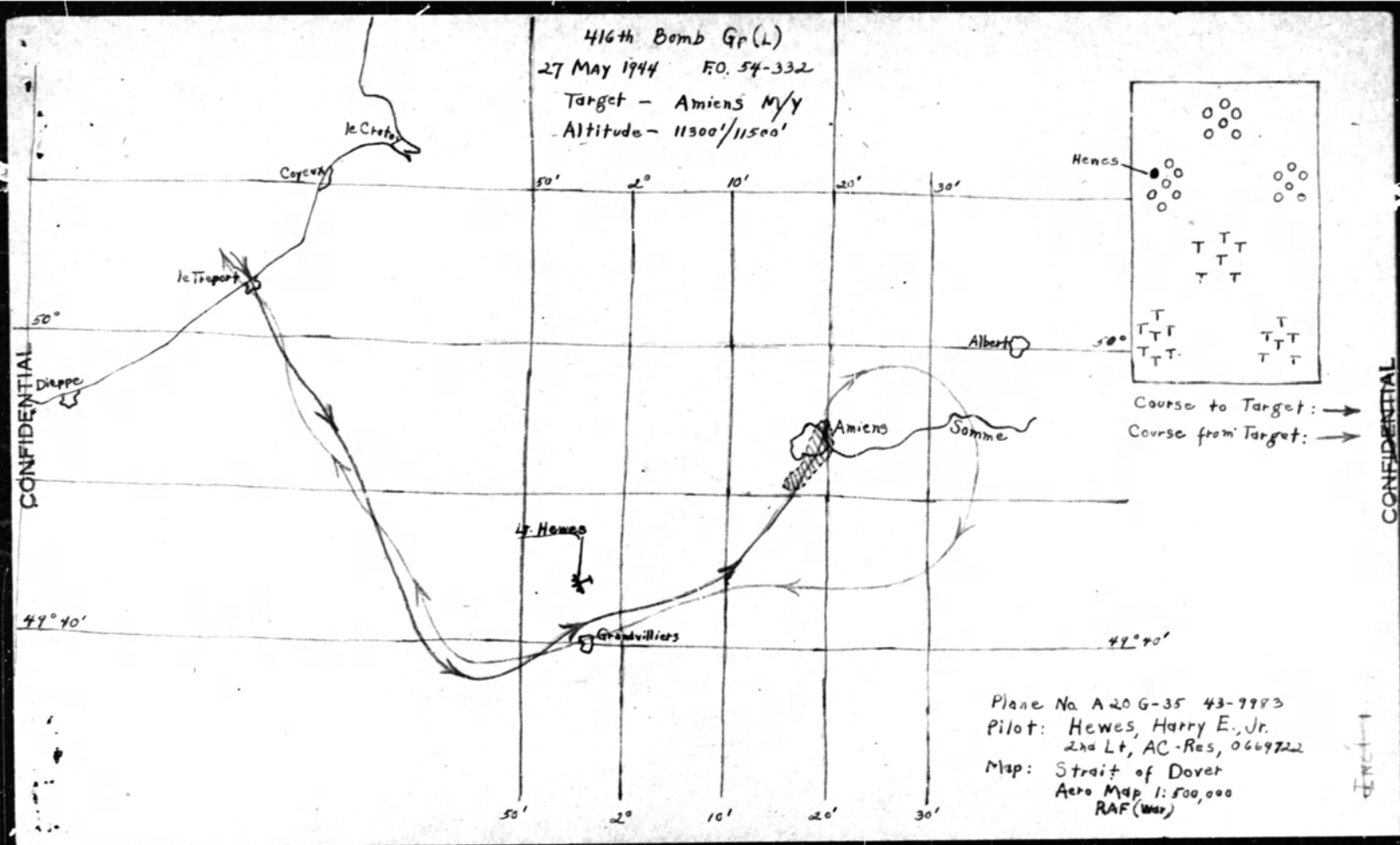
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MAC 5035

date: 27 May 44 TIME: 20.34

RANK: NAME: KU - 1997

PLACE: 3 km west of Bertangles
8 km west north of Amiens

2nd Lt HAWES, H. E.
Hosp. Amiens

ASN: 0-669722

TYPE OF CRAFT: Boston

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MACR 5035

DATE: 26 May 44

TIME: -

RANK: NAME:

KU - 1977

PLACE: Sept-Moules
10 km south Le Troquet

TYPE: Fortress

TARGET: Air-Base Abbeville Dragon

S/Sgt YOUNG, Wallace Carey .

ASN: 17142870

S/Sgt WILLIAMSON, Jr. Julius Caesar .

ASN: 15113439

S/Sgt LARSEN, Harry Walter .

ASN: 16002519

S/Sgt KASPER, Joseph Y. .

ASN: 6944924

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Date: 27 May 44 TIME: 20.34

RANK: NAME: KU - 1297

PLACE: 5 km west of Bertangles
6 km west north of Amiens

2nd Lt HENNES, H. H.
Hosp. Amiens

ASN: 0-669723

TYPE OF CRAFT: Boston

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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: HEWES Harry Earl Jr. File 5035
Rank: 2nd.Lt.
Serial number: 0-669722
Position: Crew (Bomber) or ~~Engineer~~ Pilot

Did he bail out? I WAS Told He BAILED OUT

Where? AMIENS FRANCE

If not, why not? _____

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: I CALLED HIM UP AND TOLD HIM WE WERE HIT & ON FIRE

Was he injured? I WAS Told He WAS

Where was he when last seen? When my chute opened I seen The PLANE
Headed For The Target

Any hearsay information: I WAS Told THAT He BAILED
OUT JUST before The PLANE Hit The GROUND
He WAS INJURED AND WAS TAKEN To A HOSPITAL

Source: _____

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

Total number of missions of above crew member: No Knowledge

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

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CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name Joseph F KASPER Rank S/SGT Serial No. C944924
2. Organization 416 BG Gp Commander MAGE Rank Col Sqn CO _____ Rank MAJ Gen
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month MAY day 27 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, BOMBING, target, MARSHALLING YARD AMIENS FRANCE
time, 8.45 P.M., altitude, 12,000 Feet route scheduled, FROM ENGLAND
TO FRANCE, route flown _____
5. Where were you when you left formation? OVER TARGET
6. Did you bail out? Yes
7. Did other members of crew bail out? Yes - BOTTOM GUNNER
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". BOTTOM GUNNER BAILED OUT FIRST RIGHT AFTER Bombs were Released. THEN A FEW SECONDS LATER I LEFT THE PLANE NO KNOWLEDGE OF PILOT.
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? IN AMIENS, FRANCE
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? _____
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? WHEN I LEFT AIRCRAFT THE PILOT WAS STILL IN THE PLANE. THE PLANE WAS ON FIRE AND DIVING TOWARD EARTH. AFTER I ARRIVED HOME I RECEIVED LETTERS FROM THE PILOT'S FAMILY AND UNDERSTAND THAT HE IS ALIVE AND AT HOME.
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)

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Identification tag:

Joseph F. KASPER
6944924 T42-42 O
Mrs M. BEDNANSKI
684 Lees St.
Plymouth, PA. C

1 Identification tag

Julius C.
WILLIAMSON, Jr.
15113439 T-43-43 O
P

1 Identification tag:

Wallace C. YOUNG
17142870 T43-43 A
P

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STATEMENT ON CAPTURE OR RECOVERY OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

REPORT IS MADE THROUGH:

DISTRIBUTOR:

OFFICE OR STATION: Air-Base-Headquarters 224/XI

LOCATION: Amiens - Gley
28 May 44

OFFICE OR APPRAISAL-VALUES:

REGARDING: DOWNED)
EMERGENCY LANDINGS)
CRASH)

DATE AND TIME: 27 May 44

AT:

NEAR:

PERSONAL RECORD OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

FAMILY NAME: SURNAME)
LAST NAME) K a p e r

FIRST NAME: CHRISTIAN NAME) Joseph
GIVEN NAME) 1/1/1/1/1/1

RANK: S/Sgt.

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: SERIAL
SERVICE 6944924

NATIONALITY: USA Air Corps

STATEMENTS MADE AT TIME OF CAPTURE:

DATE OF CAPTURE: 27 May 44

EXACT LOCATION OF CAPTURE: Amiens, Rue Delpech

CAPTURE EFFECTED BY: Field Police 580, Amiens

STATEMENT MADE AT RECOVERY OF DEAD:

DATE & TIME & PLACE OF RECOVERY:

CONDITION OF BODY:

THE PRISONER WORE (UNIFORM)

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

DATE AND TIME OF BURIAL:

GRAVE LOCATION:

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

DELIVERED TO HOSPITAL:

DATE:

DATE AND TIME OF TRANSPORTATION TO
PRISONER CONCENTRATION POINT:

REMARKS:

(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:

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REPORT IS MADE THROUGH:

DISTRIBUTOR:

OFFICE OR STATION: Air Base Headquarters
S(v)227/X1 Fp. No. L435370 Lgpe Bruxelles

LOCATION: Abbeville-Druacat
TIME: 28 May 44

OFFICE OR APPRAISAL-VALUES:

REGARDING: DOWNED)
EMERGENCY LANDINGS)
CRASH)

DATE AND TIME:

From a "Bosing-Fortress" downed on 26 May 44

AT: Sept Meules NEAR: 10 km south of Le Treport.

PERSONAL RECORD OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

FAMILY NAME: SURNAME)
LAST NAME) Young

FIRST NAME: CHRISTIAN NAME)
GIVEN NAME) Wallace C.

RANK: S/Sgt.

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: SERIAL
SERVICE 171A2870

NATIONALITY: USA Air Corps

STATEMENTS MADE AT TIME OF CAPTURE:

DATE OF CAPTURE: 26 May 44

EXACT LOCATION OF CAPTURE: L. Fresno, 7 km south
of Le Treport.

CAPTURE EFFECTED BY:

Field post No. 45 379
THE PRISONER WORE (UNIFORM)

STATEMENT MADE AT RECOVERY OF DEAD:

DATE & TIME & PLACE OF RECOVERY:

CONDITION OF BODY:

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

DATE AND TIME OF BURIAL:

GRAVE LOCATION:

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

DELIVERED TO HOSPITAL:

DATE:

DATE AND TIME OF TRANSPORTATION TO

PRISONER CONCENTRATION POINT: sent to Auziers on 28 May 44

REMARKS:

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REPORT IS MADE THROUGH:

DISTRIBUTOR:

OFFICE OR STATION: Air Base Headquarters

224/II

LOCATION: Amiens - Olliv

OFFICE OR APPRAISAL-VALUES:

TIME: 28 May 44

REGARDING: DOWNED)
EMERGENCY LANDINGS)
CRASH)

DATE AND TIME: 27 May 44

AT:

HEAR:

PERSONAL RECORD OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

FAMILY NAME: SURNAME)
LAST NAME) Williamson

FIRST NAME: CHRISTIAN NAME)
GIVEN NAME) Julius

RANK: S/Sgt.

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: SERIAL
SERVICE 15113439

NATIONALITY: USA Air Corps.

STATEMENTS MADE AT TIME OF CAPTURE:

DATE OF CAPTURE: 27 May 44

EXACT LOCATION OF CAPTURE: Planchy 12 km
south west of Amiens

CAPTURE EFFECTED BY: 2nd Armored Div.

THE PRISONER WORE (UNIFORM)

STATEMENT MADE AT RECOVERY OF DEAD:

DATE & TIME & PLACE OF RECOVERY:

CONDITION OF BODY:

DESCRIPTION OF IDENTIFICATION TAG:
HOW WERE PERSONAL RECORDS OF DEAD
ASCERTAINED:

DATE AND TIME OF BURIAL:

GRAVE LOCATION:

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

DELIVERED TO HOSPITAL:

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DATE AND TIME OF TRANSPORTATION TO
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224/XI

LOCATION: Amiens-Glis
Time: 28 May 44

OFFICE OR APPRAISAL-VALUES:

REGARDING: DOWNED)
EMERGENCY LANDINGS)
CRASH)

DATE AND TIME: 27 May 44

AT:

NEAR:

PERSONAL RECORD OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

SURNAME)
FAMILY NAME: LAST NAME) Larsen

CHRISTIAN NAME
FIRST NAME: GIVEN NAME) Harry

RANK: S/Sgt.

SERIAL
IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: SERVICE 16002519

NATIONALITY: USA Air Corps

STATEMENTS MADE AT TIME OF CAPTURE:

DATE OF CAPTURE: 27 May 44

EXACT LOCATION OF CAPTURE: Rumigny 12 km south
of Amiens

CAPTURE EFFECTED BY: 2nd Amored Division.

THE PRISONER WORE (UNIFORM)

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DATE & TIME & PLACE OF RECOVERY:

CONDITION OF BODY:

DESCRIPTION OF IDENTIFICATION TAG:
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DATE AND TIME OF BURIAL:
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Air Force Hospital 8/XI (Amiens)
L 54 042 District Postal Office Brussels
File sign: 49 n . Diary Nr.

Local station, 28.th May 1944

Concerning: Capture of Tommys and other members of enemy countries.

To: Dulag Luft
Oberursel.
through Kdo. Air Drome 19/XI. Detachment 1 c

On 27th May 1944 the american prisoner H e w e s , H.E., 2nd/Lt.,
born 30.7.1917, identification tag Nr. AAF O-669722/T 43 was admitted to the
Air Force Hospital 8/XI (Amiens).

Physical statement: complicated fracture of lower leg, left.
Possible transfer to Hospital Dulag Luft: aproximately 3 to 4 weeks.

signed: illegible.
Staff-surgeon-major & Chief-surgeon.

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