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Date MAR 15 1948

HEADQUARTERS
439TH TROOP CARRIER GROUP

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MISSING AIR CREW REPORT

1. ORGANIZATION: Location Uxbridge, Devon, Eng. Command or Air Force IX TCC
Group 439th TC Gp. Squadron 91st TC Sq. Detachment
2. SPECIFY: Point of Departure Uxbridge, Devon, Eng. Course see other side
Intended Destination see other side Type of Mission Para-Drop
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR TIME LAST REPORTED:
Broken clouds at 1500 ft., visibility five miles.
4. GIVE: (a) Date 6 June 44 Time 01:12 B and Location 14 mi. SE of Barneville on
of last known whereabouts of missing airplane, Charbourg Peninsula, France
(b) Specify whether (X) Last sighted; () Last contacted by Radio; () Forced
down; () Seen to crash; or () Information not available.
5. AIRPLANE WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS RESULT OF: (Check
only one) () Enemy Airplane; (X) Enemy Anti-Aircraft; () Other circum-
stances as follows:
6. AIRPLANE: Type, Model and Series C-47A; AAF Serial No. 42-93095
7. ENGINES: Type, Model and Series Pratt & Whitney R-1830-92; AAF Serial No. (a) CP-355293
(b) CP-355296 (c) (d)
8. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial No.) (none)
(a) (b) (c) (d)
(e) (f) (g) (h)
9. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty NIA
(b) Non Battle Casualty
10. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRPLANE: Crew 5 Passengers 17 Total 22
(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	
KIA 1. Pilot	CAPPELLUTO, HAROLD ANDREW	1st Lt	0530935	KIA
DED 2. Co-Pilot	PANELLI, JOHN JOSEPH	2d Lt	0696844	
DED 3. Navigator	FRIEDMAN, BERNARD (NMI)	2d Lt	0698426	
DED 4. Engineer	Tillotson, Jr., Albert Ray	Sgt	18201054	
DED 5. Radio Operator	Thompson, Norman Elbert	Sgt	36476582	
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11. IDENTIFY BELOW THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE LAST KNOWLEDGE OF AIRPLANE, AND CHECK APPROPRIATE COLUMN TO INDICATE BASIS FOR SEARCH.

Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Contacted		Saw
			By	Last	
			Radio	Sighted	Crash - Landing
1. SAVERCOOL, CLIFFORD L.	2d Lt	0805687		X	
2.					
3.					

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 AIRPLANE WAS LAST SEEN.

14. ATTACH EYEWITNESS 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 THERE (none)

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Date of Report 8 June 64

Charles E. Baumeister

(Signature of Preparing Officer)

CHARLES E. BAUMEISTER,
2d Lt, AC.

Personnel O.

All personnel listed on this report will be shown as MIA after a minimum absence of 72 hours as prescribed by regulations.

IDENTIFYING MARKS OTHER THAN SERIAL NO.

- L 4 (Squadron Insignia) on nose of plane.
U (Field Order) on tail section of plane.

CRASHED: West of Corcoran, across Hill of Portland, over Channel to point between Oyster and Alderney Islands, east across Landing to Hicville.

CRASHED: Near Hicville, 1 1/4 mi. S. of Corcoran, 3 1/4 mi. from east coast of Oyster Peninsula.

APC No. 132,
7 June 1944.

SUBJECT: Missing Air Crew.

TO : Those I may concern.

On the morning of 6 June 1944 I was flying formation over the Cherbourg Peninsula, France, with the 439th Troop Carrier Group. We entered an overcast about one and one half miles from Barnsville and about six minutes from our destination, when a plane to my left flown by Lt CAPELLUTO of the 91st Troop Carrier Squadron veered to the left and dropped out of sight in the overcast. I didn't see anything hit Lt CAPELLUTO's ship but when we cleared the overcast he was missing and Paratroopers, who evidently had bailed out, were sighted. I didn't see Lt CAPELLUTO's ship any more after this and I couldn't say for sure that the Paratroopers were from his plane.

Clyfford L. Sawyer
CLIFFORD L. SAWYER, JR.
2d Lt, AC.

1st Lt. Harold A. Capalluto

Mrs. Margaret L. Capalluto, (wife)
1189 Highway Street,
Colorado City, Texas.

371 2nd Lt. John J. Fanelli

Mrs. Frances L. Fanelli, (wife)
Amoy, Illinois.

371 2nd Lt. Bernard Friedman

Mr. & Mrs. Charles A. Friedman, (parents)
244 East 13th Street,
New York, New York.

Sgt. Albert R. Tillotson, Jr.

Mr. Frank L. Tillotson, (brother)
237 Saint Paul Street,
Brookline 44, Massachusetts.

Sgt. Herman E. Thompson

Mrs. Mary C. Thompson, (mother)
23 West Elm Street,
Hartford, Illinois.

S/3gt. Murray R. Roberts

Mrs. Nancy L. Roberts, (wife)
1406 East Curtis Street,
Tampa, Florida.

Pvt. Ernest L. Oate

Mrs. Della F. Oate, (mother)
Norman Star Route,
Mann, Arkansas.

PFC Sergio G. Hays

Mr. James C. Hays, (father)
613 Cypress Street,
South San Francisco, California.

Pvt. Elmer L. Tolsted

Mrs. Mary Tolsted, (mother)
1941 Spahn Avenue,
Madison, Wisconsin.

PFC Gerald R. Snider

Mrs. Dorothy M. Snider, (wife)
1804 Fourth Street,
Marietta, Ohio.

371 Pvt. George L. Elliott

Mrs. Nelson M. Elliott, (wife)
137 Armstrong Drive,
Sussex, Virginia.

Pvt. Thomas H. Warren

Mrs. Della H. Warren, (mother)
611 Decatur Road,
Brookhaven, Georgia.

Pvt. Jerry A. ~~Harbo~~ ^{Hartog}

Mrs. Marion S. Allabaugh, (mother)
Gardner, Montana.

Pvt. William T. McEnigal, Jr.

Mrs. William T. McEnigal, (mother)
18 Eastern Parkway,
Deven, Connecticut.

1st Lt. Thomas Nathan

Mrs. Anne S. Nathan, (wife)
5353 Magnolia Avenue,
Philadelphia 44, Pennsylvania.

1st Sgt. William S. Evans

Mr. Thomas L. Evans, (father) ✓
706 Stanford,
Houston, Texas.

371 Sgt. Elmer L. Murray, Jr.

Mrs. Irma S. Murray, (mother) ✓
715 South Freeman Avenue,
Inglewood, California.

E/5th Grade Herman F. Collins

Mrs. Clara Collins, (mother) ✓
Box 921,
Palm City, California.

Sgt. Richard E. Owen

Mrs. Kath V. Owen, (wife) ✓
120 West Cook Street,
Winchester, Virginia.

Sgt. Carl M. Riggs

Mrs. Katie M. Gorman, (sister) ✓
615 Walker Street,
Watsonville, California.

E/5th Grade Ralph H. Winer

Mrs. Lillie E. Winer, (mother) ✓
Riverton, West Virginia.

Pvt. John H. Miller

Mrs. Dorothy M. Miller, (mother) ✓
2519 Cleveland Avenue,
New Orleans 19, Louisiana.

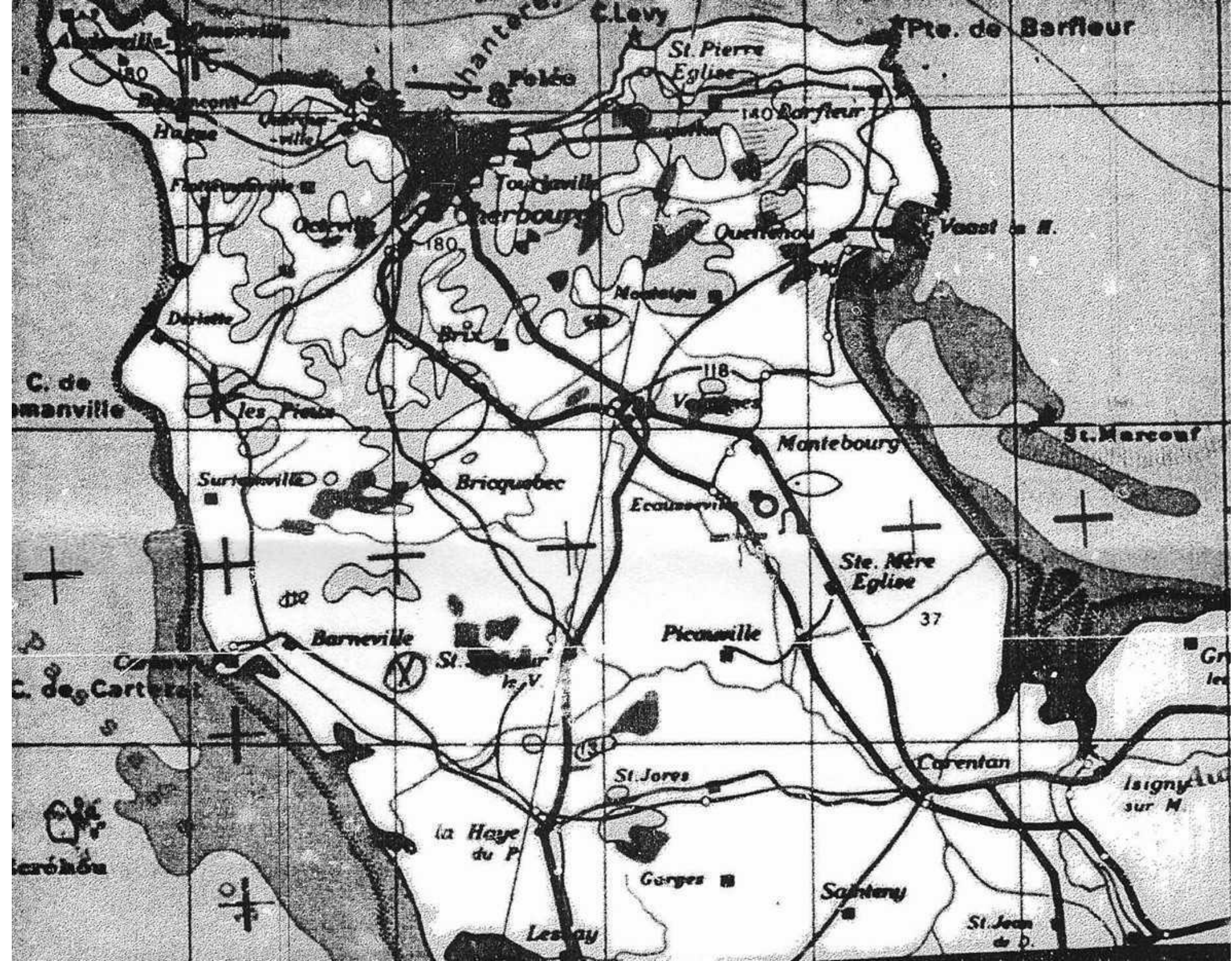
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PASSENGERS, ALL MEMBERS OF 2D BN, 506TH PARACHUTE INFANTRY

1ST LT	W MEEHAN, THOMAS	0 437 484 KIA ✓
1st Sgt	W Evans, William S	18 117 497 KIA ✓
S/Sgt	W Roberts, Murray B	14 083 048 KIA ✓
Sgt	W Murray, Elmer L. Jr.	19 126 297 KIA ✓
Sgt	W Owen, Richard E	20 365 291 KIA ✓
Sgt	W Riggs, Carl N	39 103 579 KIA ✓
T/b	W Collins, Herman F	11 098 660 KIA ✓
T/b	W Wimer, Ralph H	33 446 711 KIA ✓
Pfc	W Moya, Sergio G	39 124 765 KIA ✓
Pfc	W Snider, Gerald R	15 107 810 KIA ✓
Pvt	W Elliott, George L	14 139 866 KIA ✓
Pvt	W McGonigal, William T	11 102 116 KIA ✓
Pvt	W Miller, John N →	33 216 794 KIA ✓
Pvt	W Oats, Ernest	15 331 144 KIA ✓
Pvt	W Telstad, Elmer L	36 816 763 KIA ✓
Pvt	W Warren, Thomas W	14 147 423 KIA ✓
Pvt	W Wentzel, Jerry A	19 112 534 KIA ✓

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HEADQUARTERS
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY

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AG 360.33

APD 871
22 September 1944

SUBJECT: Missing Air Crew Report.

TO : Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Washington, D.C.
Attention: Statistical Control Division.

1. Forwarded herewith Missing Air Crew Report of the Ninth Air Force.
2. Records of this headquarters indicate the present status of the crew members of aircraft number 42-93095 to be missing in action, 6 June 1944, with the exception of 1st Lt. Harold A. Capelluto, O-530935, who is carried as killed in action, 6 June 1944.
3. Records of this headquarters indicate the present status of the passengers aboard subject aircraft to be missing in action, 6 June 1944.

For the Theater Commander:

H. M. Rund
H. M. RUND,
Lt. Col, AGD,
Asst. Adjutant General.

1 Incl:
Missing Air Crew Report, 439th T.C. Gp
C-47A, 42-93095, 6 June 1944.

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HEADQUARTERS, ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

September 25, 1944

SUBJECT: Second Lieutenant Bernard Friedman, 0698426,
91st Troop Carrier Squadron, 439th Troop Carrier Group,
Missing in Action 6 June 1944.

TO : Commanding General, Ninth Air Force, A.P.O. 696,
c/o Postmaster, New York, New York.

1. This headquarters is in receipt of a request for details concerning the circumstances under which the subject named was reported missing (in action) on the date shown.

2. A search of the records of this headquarters indicates that a Missing Air Crew Report, as required by A.G.C. letter, 23 May 1943, (AG 360.33 (5-21-43)OB-S-AF-M), has not been received to date in this case. It is requested that this report be forwarded with the least practicable delay.

For the Commanding General:



E. A. Bradunas

E. A. BRADUNAS,
Major, A. C. D.,
Chief, Notification Branch,
Personal Affairs Division,
Assistant Chief Air Staff, Personnel.

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26TH STATISTICAL CONTROL UNIT, HEAD
APO 696, U S Army, 9 November 1944

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NINTH AIR FORCE,

To: Commanding General, US Strategic Forces In Europe,
APO 633, U S Army.

Forwarded as a matter pertaining to your command.

For the Commanding Officer:

Edward Steuber
EDWARD STEUBER,
Captain, Air Corps,
Asst Ops Officer.

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HQ, U.S. STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE, APO 833, U.S. ARMY. NOV 14 1944
TO: C.G., IX Troop Carrier Command, APO 133, U.S. Army.

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AG 704- (25 Sept 1944) 3rd Ind. C-DK
HEADQUARTERS, IX TROOP CARRIER COMMAND, APO 133, US ARMY, 17 November 1944

TO: Commanding General, European Theater of Operations, US Army, APO 887.
ATTENTION: AG Casualty Division.

1. The following information is submitted concerning the circumstances under which 2nd Lt Bernard Friedman, O-698426, 91st Squadron, 439th Troop Carrier Group, was reported Missing in Action, 6 June 1944.

a. Missing Air Crew Report O-47A, 42-93095, 1st Lt Capelluto, pilot, was forwarded to Commanding General, Ninth Air Force, ATTENTION: 26th Statistical Control Unit, 14 June 1944.

b. Aircraft departed from Upottery, Devon, England, 5 June 1944, on a paratroop mission, with intended destination, Cherbourg, Peninsula, France.

c. Last sighted at 01:12 hours, 6 June 1944, just before entering overcast about one and one half miles from Barnville, France, and about six minutes from destination. Subject aircraft veered to the left and dropped out of sight in the overcast.

d. Crew Members:

1st Lt HAROLD A CAPELLUTO	O-530935	Pilot
2nd Lt JOHN J FANELLI	O-696844	Co-Pilot
2nd Lt BERNARD FRIEDMAN	O-698426	Navigator
Sgt Albert R Tillotson, Jr	18201054	Crew Chief
Sgt Norman E Thompson	36476582	Radio Oper

e. Passengers consisted of 1 officer and 16 enlisted men of the 2d Bn 506th Parachute Infantry.

2. All members of the crew are still carried as Missing in Action by this headquarters.

For the Commanding General:



O W HOWLAND
Colonel A G D
Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS, EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS, APO 887, U.S. ARMY, 27 November 1944

TO: Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Washington, D.C.

1. Records of this headquarters indicate the present status of all crew members of aircraft number 42-93095 to be missing in action, 6 June 1944, with the exception of 1st Lt. Harold A. Capelluto, O-530935, whose status is killed in action, 6 June 1944. .

2. Original Missing Air Crew Report of subject aircraft was forwarded to your headquarters by letter, this headquarters, 360.33, 22 September 1944.

For the Commanding General:

H. M. Rund
H. M. RUND,
Colonel, AGD, *2*
Asst. Adj. General.

