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by E. A. BRADUNAS, Lt. Col., ACPCH TROOP CARRIER GROUP
by F. M. MURKIN, Capt., AO
Date **15 1946**

MISSING AIR CREW REPORT

1. ORGANIZATION: Location Spotters, Devon, Eng Command or Air Force 1. TCG
Group 439th TC Gr. Squadron 1st SS Detachment
2. SPECIFY: Point of Departure Spotters, Devon, Eng Course see other side
Intended Destination see other side Type of Mission see other side
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR LAST REPORTED:
Broken clouds at 1500 ft., visibility five miles.
4. GIVE: (a) Date 4 June 44 Time 01:15 B and Location 1 mi. SE of St. Brevin in
of last known whereabouts of missing airplane. Central part Cherbourg peninsula,
(b) Specify whether () Last sighted; () Last contacted by Radio; () Forced to come
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 () Enemy Anti-Aircraft () Other circum-
stances as follows:

6. AIRPLANE: Type, Model and Serial C-47A; AAF Serial No. 42-10019
7. ENGINES: Type, Model and Serial 1830-92; AAF Serial No. (a) P-133522
(b) P-133528 (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 MIA
(b) Non Battle Casualty
10. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRPLANE: Crew 4 Passengers 16 Total 20
(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.)

Name in Full old 10-14 Serial
Crew Position (Last Name First) Rank Number

1. Pilot CARLTON, MARION POLSON MIA 2d Lt 000014
2. Co-pilot BALAN, STEVE CASTLE MIA 1/C 1-190700
3. Engineer Anderson, Walter Flood MIA T/Sgt 2021200
4. Radio Operator Shullerberger, Edwin MIA S/Sgt 22030001
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11. IDENTIFY ELIGIBLE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE LAST KNOWLEDGE OF AIRPLANE, AND CHECK APPROPRIATE COLUMN TO INDICATE BASIS FOR CALL:

Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Contacted		Saw Crash	Saw Landing
			By Radio	Last Sighted		
1. STEIN, HENRY WILLIAM	2d Lt	0701336		X		
2.						
3.						

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) _____ unknown _____

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

14. ATTACH LYNWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRPLANE.

15. ATTACH A DESCRIPTION OF THE EXTENT OF SEARCH, IF ANY, AND CIVILIAN, NAVAL AND SERVICEMAN'S OFFICIAL SEARCH AREA _____ None _____



Date of Report 8 June 1944

Charles E. Baumister
(Signature of Preparing Officer)

CHARLES E. BAUMISTER,
2d Lt., AG,
Personnel C.

COURSE: Upottery to Dorchester, across Bill of Portland, over Channel to between Guernsey and Alderney Islands, east across Peninsula to Hiesville.

DESTINATION: Near ~~EE~~ Hiesville, 5 1/4 mi. N. of Carentan, 3 3/4 mi. from east coast of Charbourg Peninsula.

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

IDENTIFYING MARKS ON PLANE OTHER THAN SERIAL NO.

- 14 (Squadron Insignia) on nose section of plane.
O (Field Letter) on tail section of plane.

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PASSENGERS, ALL MEMBERS OF 1ST BN, 506TH PARACHUTE INFANTRY

KIA BEATTY, KENNETH A. ✓	1st Lt	01285532	KIA B. B. B. (A-6-105) 1st Lt
KIA Speake, Roy E. ✓	Sgt	18125290	KIA B. B. B. (A-6-105) 1st Lt
KIA Middleton, Eugene E. ✓	Cpl	15116459	KIA B. B. B. (A-6-113) 1st Lt
KIA Yameran, Frederick J. ✓	Pfc	12129872	KIA B. B. B. (A-6-113) 1st Lt
KIA Morrison, Luther F. ✓	Pvt	13066039	KIA B. B. B. (A-6-116) 1st Lt
KIA Gonzales, Augustine ✓	Pvt	38456970	KIA B. B. B. (A-6-116) 1st Lt
KIA Mainoli, Robert M. ✓	Pfc	32630200	KIA B. B. B. (A-6-116) 1st Lt
KIA LaFerrara, Salvatore M. ✓	Pvt	12099723	KIA B. B. B. (A-6-116) 1st Lt
KIA Chael, Jay E. ✓	Pvt	39905861	KIA B. B. B. (A-6-116) 1st Lt
KIA Hensel, Robert J. ✓	Pfc	36378163	KIA B. B. B. (A-6-116) 1st Lt
KIA King, James D. ✓	Pvt	39528067	KIA B. B. B. (A-6-116) 1st Lt
KIA Campbell, Colin ✓	Pfc	6904258	KIA B. B. B. (A-6-116) 1st Lt
KIA Wynn, Benjamin F. ✓	Pvt	15116896	KIA B. B. B. (A-6-116) 1st Lt
KIA Williams, Hugh F. ✓	Pvt	33632922	KIA B. B. B. (A-6-116) 1st Lt
KIA Hall, John D. ✓	T/5	6388751	KIA B. B. B. (A-6-116) 1st Lt
KIA Davis, J.L. ✓	T/5	15315846	KIA B. B. B. (A-6-116) 1st Lt

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16 Total

Ref. No. 124,
7 June 1944.

SUBJECT: Missing Air Crew.

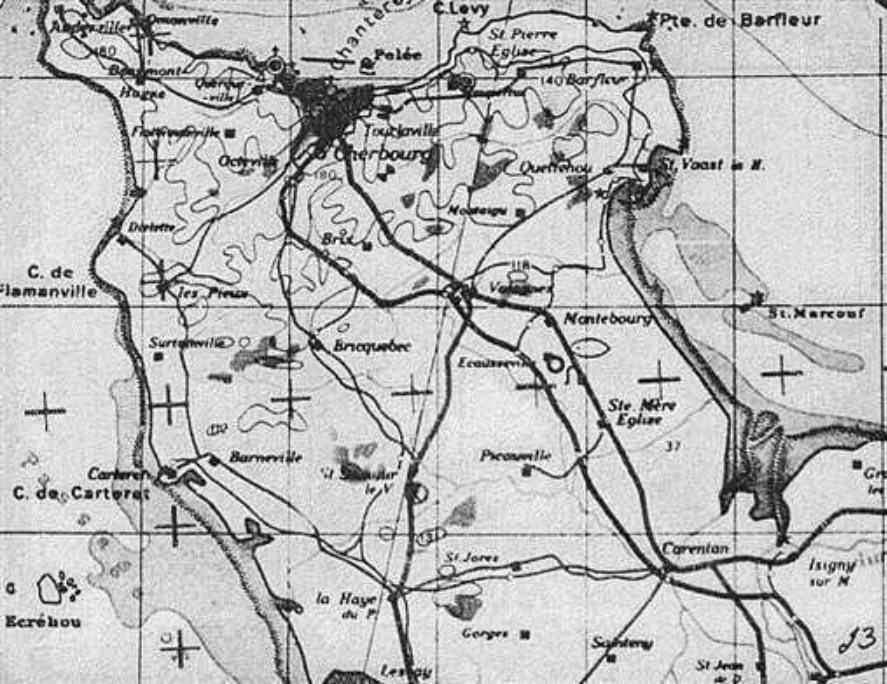
TO: [redacted] [redacted] my concern.

On the night of June the fifth and the morning of June the sixth I was flying with the 91st Reconnaissance Squadron in the capacity of a navigator. I think I was the last person to sight the plane piloted by [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] I had [redacted] southeast of [redacted] [redacted] in the central part of the Cherbourg Peninsula, France. He [redacted] of a cloud bank, and [redacted] a flak area, veered off to the left and disappeared. I did not see him crash nor did I see him hit by any type of missile. All of this happened before the drop zone was reached and to the best of my knowledge no Paratroopers were dropped. I have talked to other crew members and there seems to be no other information concerning this plane.

HENRY W. STEIN,
2d Lt, AC.

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2d Lt AC

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(X) Ship No. 42-100819

91st Troop Carrier Squadron
439th Troop Carrier Group

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HEADQUARTERS
439TH TROOP CARRIER GROUP
APO 133 US ARMY

30 June 1944.

SUBJECT: Missing Air Crew.

TO : Commanding General, Ninth Air Force, APO 696,
US Army. (Attention Statistical Control Unit)
(Thru Channels)

1. In compliance with Ninth Air Force Memorandum 35-6, Appendix 4, the following additional information concerning aircraft #42-100819 (C-47A), reported Missing 8 June 1944, is submitted.

2. Personnel in plane #42-100819 found burned to death. Only one member of crew identified by dogtags, S/Sgt Melvin Bell Shullanberger, 39030891, five bodies unidentified. 2d Lt MARSTON F. SARGENT, 0806914, was Pilot of subject aircraft and 1st Lt KENNETH A. BEATTY was in command of the paratroopers.

3. Subject aircraft was assigned to the 91st Troop Carrier Squadron, 439th Troop Carrier Group.

For the Group Commander:

Karl Urken
KARL URKEN,
1st Lt, AGD,
Ass't Adj.

1st Ind.

HQ, 50TH TR CARR WG, AAF, APO 133, US Army, 1 Jul 44.

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TO: CG, 1A Tr Carr Comd, APO 133, US Army.

J. R. H.
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HEADQUARTERS, IX TROOP CARRIER COMMAND, APO 133, US ARMY, 7 July 1944

TO: Commanding General, Ninth Air Force (REAR), APO 896, US Army;
ATTENTION: 26th Statistical Control Unit.



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HEADQUARTERS
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY

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APD 871

18 August 1944

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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 subject aircraft to be as shown below:

Pilot	2nd Lt.	Marston F. Sargent,	O-806914	MIA	6 June 44
Co-pilot	F/O	Steve C. Baran,	T-190790	MIA	6 June 44
Engineer	T/Sgt.	Walter F. Gendron,	20141260	MIA	6 June 44
Radio Oper.	S/Sgt.	Melvin B. Shullanberger,	39030891	KIA	6 June 44

3. Records of this headquarters indicate killed in action as the present status of the 16 passengers named on the roster attached to the inclosed Missing Air Crew Report.

For the Theater Commanders

H. M. Reed
H. M. REED,
Lt. Col., AGD,

Asst. Adjutant General.

2 Incls:

- Incl 1 - Missing Air Crew Report, 439th T C Gp
C-47, number 42-100819, 6 June 1944.
- Incl 2 - Letter from Hq, 439th T C Gp
Subj: Missing Air Crew: dtd 30 June 1944.

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2nd Lt. Marston P. Sargent

Mr. George B. Sargent, ✓(father)
50 Hancock Street,
Lexington, Massachusetts.

F/O Steve C. Baran

Mrs. Frances Baran, ✓(mother)
740 East 155th Street,
Phoenix, Illinois.

T/Sgt. Walter F. Gendron

Mrs. Mary Edith Gendron, ✓(wife)
68 King Street,
Nashua, New Hampshire.

Mrs. Irene Trahan, (mother)
25 Blossom Street,
Nashua, New Hampshire.

S/Sgt. Melvin B. Shullenberger

Mrs. Mary B. Ward, ✓(sister)
3612 Hedges Street,
Fresno, California.