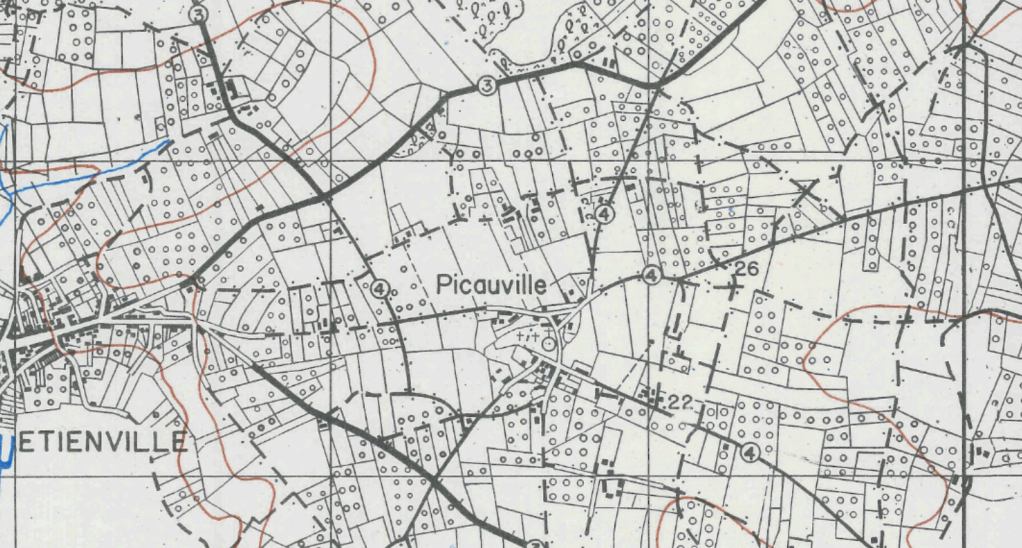




Record for Soldiers Killed In Normandy

ASN	20141260
Name	Gendron, Walter F. GB-01
Rank	Technical Sergeant
Division	50th Tr Carr Wg
Regiment	
Battalion	
Company	
Cemetery Name	Blosville
Plot Number	A-06-120
Date of Burial	7/5/1944
Original Cemetery	82nd Cemetery Blo
Original Burial Plot	A-03-120
Original Burial Dat	6/10/1944
Date of Casualty	6/6/1944
Type of Death	KIA
Report Number	
Burial Line Numbe	
Original Report Numbe	
Original Burial Line #	
Location of Death	Crashed by Chateau d'eau NE of Picauville
Age	25
Month of Admissio	June
Last Treatment Facilit	Not in a medical installation prior t
Type of Case	Casualty, battle
1st Diagnosi	Killed in action
1st Anatomical Locatio	Unknown, code not applicable
1st Operation	-
2nd Diagnosi	-
2nd Anatomical Locatio	-
Causative Agent	None or Unknown
Final Result	-
Month of Dispositio	June
Current Days /Gen Hosp	000
Overseas Days	
Place of Final Cure	9-



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The upper photo is the Blossville Cemetery taken during the first few days. The lower photo is taken June 7 1944 0850 hours by photographers in aircraft 42-100642 piloted by 2nd Lt. Robert Ingram of the 91st TCS, serial 3 chalk 34. X represents where the Legg Cemetery was started in the upper photo. Y is the spot the photo was taken from, either from the wing of the Horsa or a jeep as the view is elevated. If you notice the rows of graves in the photo, there is space between the rows. Legg is the man in the foreground actually doing work, the rest of the soldiers in the photo have their hands in their pockets.

In the upper photo if you look at the corner where the two tents are pitched, you'll see trees on both corners of the angle. The only spot in the Blossville field where the cemetery was started where this occurs is where the X is located. The upper photo is from the 82nd AB Museum at Bragg. Dave Berry provided the lower photo.

The view in the lower photo is from the SW looking NE. The highway to St. Mere Eglise is in the middle of the photo. The upper photo was taken from the SE looking NW. Judging by the shadows it appears to be mid-day.

CEMETERY





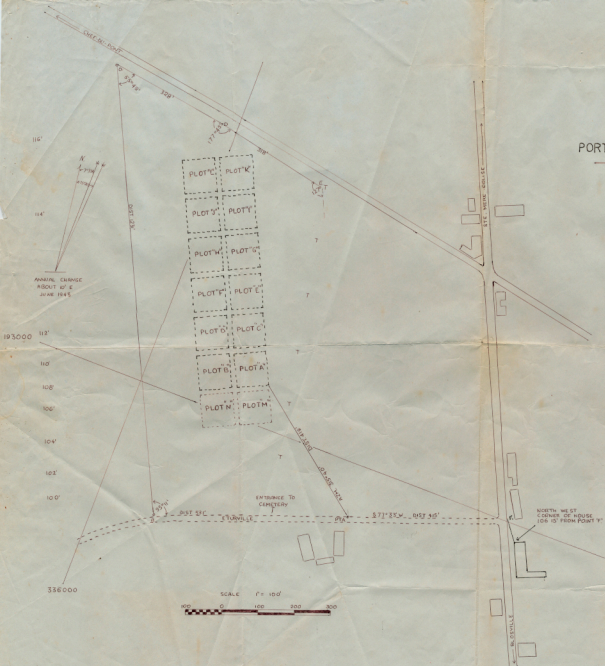
BLOSVILLE CEMETERY (FRANCE)

PORTION OF AREA SURROUNDING 8th CORPS CEMETERY

MAP REFERENCE: STE.MERE EGLISE
SECOND EDITION (APR.44)
Sheet No. 31/18 N.E.

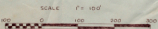
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AT POINT 'B'

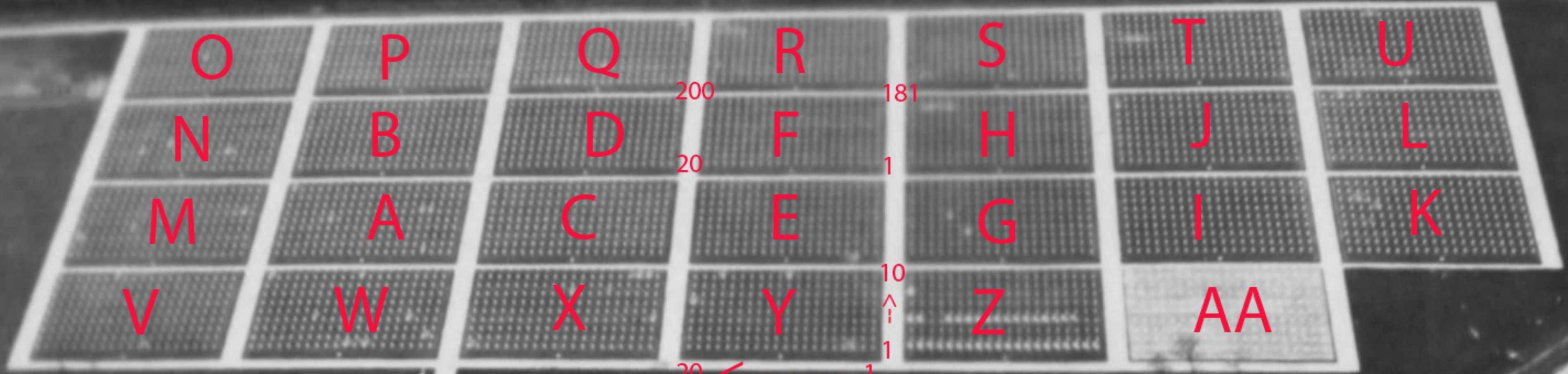
NOTE: Plots up to and including plot "N" as of July 29, 1944
DRAWN BY Tech. Sgt. James J. Sotysak
SURVEYED BY Tech. Sgt. Peter Dejanovich



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Rows numbered from
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War Theatre #12 (France) - CEMETERIES

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United States Military Cemetery near Bloisville, France.



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607TH QM GRAVES REGISTRATION COMPANY
APO 230
U S Army

15 July 1944

OPERATIONS REPORT 607TH QM GRAVES REGISTRATION COMPANY

- 15 April 44 In compliance with First U. S. Army Orders, Company Headquarters and Fourth Platoon to Knowle Camp, Bristol, England; Second Platoon to Fifth Engineer Special Brigade, Swansea, Wales; First Platoon to First Engineer Special Brigade, Truro, England; Third Platoon to Sixth Engineer Special Brigade, Paignton, England.
- 28 April 44 First Platoon suffered heavy casualties while engaged in problem with First ESB. Six (6) EM killed, 1 Officer and nine (9) EM missing.
- 10 May 44 In compliance with First U. S. Army orders, 4th Platoon replaced First Platoon with First ESB at St. Austell. First Platoon to Knowle Camp, Bristol, for replacements and training.
- 6 June 44 Third Platoon with Sixth ESB landed at 1530 on Easy Red Beach, near St. Laurent Sur Mer, Normandy and began collection of bodies.
- 7 June 44 Third Platoon set up temporary cemetery on beach. Fourth Platoon with First ESB landed 1900 Utah Beach and began collection of bodies.
- 8 June 44 Second Platoon with Fifth ESB landed at 1145 at Omaha Beach and set up first permanent American Cemetery at St. Laurent Sur Mer. Fourth Platoon set up temporary cemetery on Utah Beach.
- 9 June 44 Third Platoon closed beach cemetery after interring 457 Americans.
- 11 June 44 Third Platoon moved to cemetery established at St. Laurent Sur Mer by Second Platoon.
- 12 June 44 Fourth Platoon Detachment processed 97 German dead at 101st Airborne Cemetery.
- 18 June 44 Fourth Platoon closed Utah Beach cemetery after interring 368 bodies.
- 19 June 44 Fourth Platoon moved to Orglandes and set up German cemetery at site selected by 7th Corps.
- 20 June 44 Company Hq and First Platoon left Knowle Camp, Bristol at 0115, per First U S Army orders, and arrived Saltram Park, Plymouth, 1500.

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- 21 June 44 Second, Third, and Fourth Platoons relieved from Attachment to 5th, 6th, and 1st ESB per First U. S. Army Troop Assignment Order 6
- 24 June 44 Fourth Platoon, after interring 760 Germans at Orglandes, moved per 7th Corps orders to disinter temporary Utah Beach cemetery. Orglandes Cemetery records turned over to 603d Q M Gr Reg Co, Lt. Miller, Edwin H.
- 29 June 44 First Platoon landed at Omaha Beach and joined Second and 3d Platoons at St. Laurent Cemetery.
- 30 June 44 Company Headquarters joined 1st, 2d, and 3d Platoons at St. Laurent
- 1 July 44 Fourth Platoon to Orglandes German Cemetery per First U. S. Army orders.
- 2 July 44 In compliance with First U. S. Army orders, 4th Platoon to Hiesville to disinter 101st Airborne Cemetery. (437 bodies).
- 5 July 44 In compliance with First U. S. Army orders, 4th Platoon ordered to Blosville Cemetery. Disinterred 131 German bodies which were sent to Orglandes. Disinterred and reburied 400 Americans. Disinterment of American dead in temporary Omaha Beach cemetery begun. Bodies reinterred at St. Laurent Cemetery.
- 6 July 44 Replacement of temporary markers by permanent crosses begun at St. Laurent Cemetery.
- 12 July 44 First Platoon to Orglandes German Cemetery per First U. S. Army orders.
- 13 July 44 Company Hq and 4th Platoon to Orglandes German Cemetery per First U. S. Army orders.
- 15 July 44 Company Hq, 1st and 4th Platoons assisting one platoon, 603d QM Gr Reg Co with cemetery operation at Orglandes. Second and Third Platoons continuing operation of St. Laurent Cemetery.

HIGHLIGHTS AND OBSERVATIONS TO ASSIST FUTURE PLANNING

1. Graves Registration units need more O55 clerks skilled as typists.
2. Graves Registration platoons should be self-sufficient as to messing facilities.
3. More attention should be paid to identification of unknowns by qualified identification teams using fingerprinting and other recognized techniques.

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Whitman Pearson
WHITMAN PEARSON

2nd Lt. Marston F. 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.

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Classification changed to **RESTRICTED**

HEADQUARTERS

by E. A. BRADUNAS, Lt. Col., ACPCH TROOP CARRIER GROUP

by F. M. MURDOCH, Capt., AO

Date: **15 1946**

MISSING AIR CREW REPORT

- ORGANIZATION: Location Spottis, Devon, Eng Command or Air Force 1 TCG
Group 430th TC Gr. Squadron 1st SS G. Detachment _____
- SPECIFY: Point of Departure Spottis, Devon, Eng Course see other side
Intended Destination see other side Type of Mission para-430
- WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR THE LAST REPORTED:
Broken clouds at 1500 ft., visibility five miles.
- GIVE: (a) Date 6 June 44 Time 01:12 B and Location 1 mi. SE of St. Gervais in
of last known whereabouts of missing airplane. Central part Cherbourg Peninsula,
(b) Specify whether (X) Last sighted; () Last contacted by Radio; () Forced to come
down; () Seen to crash; or () Information not available.
- 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: _____
- AIRPLANE: Type, Model and Serial No. C-47A; AAF Serial No. 42-100819
- ENGINES: Type, Model and Serial No. R1820-92; AAF Serial No. (a) F-133502
(b) F-133503 (c) _____ (d) _____
- INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial No.) (none)
(a) _____ (b) _____ (c) _____ (d) _____
(e) _____ (f) _____ (g) _____ (h) _____
- THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty LIA
(b) Non Battle Casualty _____
- 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 see 10-14

Crew Position	(Last Name, First)	Rank	Serial Number
1. Pilot	CROUGHT, MARSHTON POLSON	MIA 2d Lt	0806-14
2. Co-pilot	BARAN, STEVE CASIMIR	MIA 1/C	T-190730
3. Engineer	LONDON, Walter Floyd	MIA T/Sgt	2071760
4. Radio Operator	Shullenberger, Melvin	MIA S/Sgt	29030001
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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 JR	LT	0701336		X		
2. _____						
3. _____						

12. IF PERSONS 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 BREVITIOUS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCE OF LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRPLANE.

15. ATTACH A DESCRIPTION OF THE EXTENT OF SEARCH, IF ANY, AND CIVILIAN, MARINE AND SERVICEMEMBER OF OFFICERS IN CONTACT WITH None



Date of Report 8 June 1944

Charles E. Baumister
 (Signature of Preparing Officer)
 CHARLES E. BAUMISTER,
 2d Lt, USN,
 Personnel C.

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

DESTINATION: Near ~~NE~~ Hiesville, 5 1/4 mi. N. of Garentan, 3 3/4 mi. from east coast of Cherbourg 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.
- 0 (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 Bismarck (A-6-106) 101st
KIA Speaks, Roy E. ✓	Sgt <i>Rep USA</i>	18125290	KIA Bismarck (A-6-102) 101st
KIA Middleton, Eugene E. ✓	Cpl <i>Rep USA</i>	15116459	KIA Bismarck (A-6-117) 101st
KIA Yameran, Frederick J. ✓	Pfc	12129872	KIA Bismarck (A-6-111) 101st
KIA Morrison, Luther F. ✓	Pvt <i>Rep USA</i>	13066039	KIA Bismarck (A-6-116) 101st
KIA Goumales, Augustine ✓	Pvt <i>Rep USA</i>	38456970	KIA Bismarck (A-6-116) 101st
KIA Hainali, Robert M. ✓	Pfc <i>Rep USA</i>	32630200	KIA Bismarck (A-6-106) 101st
KIA Laferrere, Salvatore M. ✓	Pvt	12099723	KIA - AV
KIA Chesl, Jay E. ✓	Pvt	39905861	KIA Bismarck (A-7-123) 101st
KIA Hensel, Robert J. ✓	Pfc <i>Rep USA</i>	36378163	KIA Bismarck (A-6-112) 101st
KIA King, James D. ✓	Pvt	39528067	KIA Bismarck (A-6-103) 101st
KIA Campbell, Colin ✓	Pfc	6904258	KIA
KIA Wim, Benjamin F. ✓	Pvt <i>Rep USA</i>	15116896	KIA Bismarck (A-6-112) 101st
KIA Williams, Hugh F. ✓	Pvt	33632922	KIA unident. 101st
KIA Nell, John D. ✓	T/5	6388751	KIA Bismarck (A-6-102) 101st
KIA Davis, J.L. ✓	T/5	15315846	KIA unident. 101st

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16 Total

REF No. 127,
7 June 1944.

SUBJECT: Missing Air Crew.

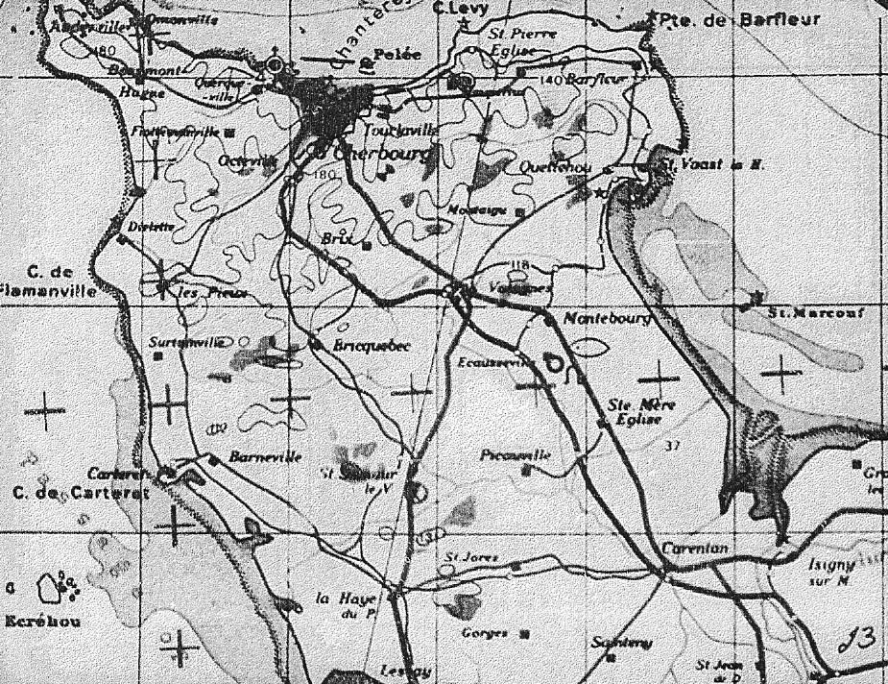
1. This is my account.

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 2nd Lt. [redacted], as the plane had been seen while southeast of [redacted] harbour in the central part of the Cherbourg Peninsula, France. He was out of cloud bank, entered 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,
2nd Lt, AC.

Henry W Stein
2nd Lt AC

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(X) Ship No. 42-100819

91st Troop Carrier Squadron
439th Troop Carrier Group

C O N F I D E N T I A L

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, IA Tr Carr Comd, APO 133, US Army.

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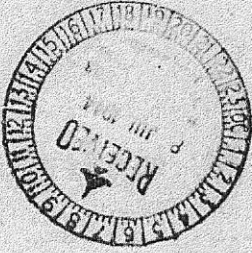
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TROOP CARRIER COMMAND, APO 135, US ARMY, 7 July 1944

TO: Commanding General, Ninth Air Force (REAR), APO 696, US Army;
ATTENTION: 26th Statistical Control Unit.



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APO 871
18 August 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 subject aircraft to be as shown below:

Pilot	2nd Lt.	Marston F. Sargent,	O-806914	MIA	6 June 44
Co-pilot	F/O	Steve G. 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 Commander:

H. M. Reid
H. M. REID,
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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