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HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

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 HARRINGTON; Command or Air Force 1ST A.D.
Group 492ND BOMB (H); Squadron 856TH BOMB (H); Detachment
2. SPECIES: Place of departure HARRINGTON; Course SEE REMARKS
Target or Inten. of destination NORWAY; Type of mission CARPENTERBAGGER
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST SIGHTED:
UNKNOWN
4. GIVE: (a) Day 19 Month APR Year 1945; Time 2104; and Location HARRINGTON
of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.
(b) Specify whether aircraft was last sighted (); Last contacted by
radio (); Forced down (); Seen to crash (); or Information not
available (X)
5. AIRCRAFT WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF: (Check
only one) Enemy aircraft (); Enemy anti-aircraft (); Other Circum-
stances as Follows: UNKNOWN
6. AIRCRAFT: Type, Model and Series B24SN and Serial Number 41-28910
7. NICKNAME OF AIRCRAFT, if any NONE
8. ENGINES: Type, Model and Series R-1830-43 and Serial Num-
ber (a) RP-437914 (b) GP-328654 (c) 42-3713 (d) 42-3720
9. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below make, Type and Serial Number):
(a) (b) (c) (d)
(e) (f) UNKNOWN (g) (h)
(i) (j) (k) (l)
(m) (n) (o) (p)
10. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty YES
or (b) Not Battle Casualty
11. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 11; Passengers 0; Total 11
(Starting with Pilot, furnish the following particulars: If more than 11
persons were aboard aircraft, list similar particulars on separate sheet
and attach original to this form.)

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Crew Position	Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Current Status
Pilot	SHAW, WILLIAM B.	2ND LT	0-830988	MISSING IN Action
Co-Pilot	MIROCK, MILAN J.	P/O	94-2701	MISSING IN Action
Navigator	EDWARDS, RICHARD E.	P/O	44-132896	MISSING IN Action
Bombardier	MAJORS, MERRILL E., JR.	P/O	44-132896	MISSING IN Action
Radar M-N	ALBERT, GEORGE M., JR.	2ND LT	0-930946	MISSING IN Action
Engineer	HARRICK, JAMES H.	SGT	6-35763446	MISSING IN Action
Radio Oper	HOLLIS, EUGENE J.	SGT	7-38462432	MISSING IN Action
Flex Gnr	RAGAN, ROBERT A.	SGT	3-38497416	MISSING IN Action
Flex Gnr	PATRINOS, FREDERICK J.	SGT	10-36438989	MISSING IN Action
Tail Gnr	HALE, CHALMER M.	SGT	5-35262594	MISSING IN Action
Flex Gnr	BAKER, CHARLES S.	SGT	2-35842400	MISSING IN Action

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

Check Only One Column

Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Contacted		Last Sighted	Saw Crash	Saw Forced Landing
			by Radio				

1. _____
2. _____ **NONE**
3. _____

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 reason (Specify) _____

UNKNOWN

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

15. ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT. **NONE**

16. GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE OF SEARCH, IF ANY, INCLUDING DESCRIPTION AND EXTENT _____

NONE

Date of Report 26 April 1945.

Howard B. Bosworth

(Signature of Preparing Officer)

HOWARD B. BOSWORTH

**Captain, Air Corps,
Statistical Officer.**

17. REMARKS OR EYEWITNESS STATEMENTS:

COURSE:

BASE

WELLS, ENGLAND

58 Deg 54 Min N x 09 Deg 57 Min E.

60 Deg 00 Min N x 09 Deg 30 Min E (APPROX TARGET)

58 Deg 54 Min N x 09 Deg 57 Min E

WELLS, ENGLAND

BASE

*app 70 min due west also
vicinity Tin -*

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19 April 45

Alseth, George M., Jr. 571

2 Lt. 0930 046 DED

Baker, Charles L.

Sgt 35848400 DED

Eagan, Robert A.

Sgt. 38497416 DED

Edwards, Richard E.

F/O T-132896 DED

Hale, Chalmer M.

Sgt 35262594 DED

Hamrick, James H.

Sgt 35768846 DED

Höllub, Eugene J.

Sgt 38462432 DED

Majors, Merrill E., Jr.

F/O T-3896 KIA

Mihocik, Milan J.

F/O T-2701 DED

Patrinos, Frederick J.

Sgt 36838989 DED

Shaw, William R.

2 Lt 0-830988 DED

no statement



ATTENTION: AFPPA-4

HEADQUARTERS, ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

SUBJECT: Personal Affairs Casualty Assistance

TO: Commanding Officer

1. It is desired that a representative of your command communicate with the emergency addressee of the deceased named on the attached casualty report.
2. Advice and assistance should be offered on questions arising in connection with allowable Government benefits and the settlement of other related military personal affairs. If a letter is written to the emergency addressee, it should be personal, sympathetic, and carefully phrased.
3. A brief report of action taken will be submitted through channels when all possible assistance has been rendered.

By command of General ARNOLD:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Clyde V. Finter".

CLYDE V. FINTER
Colonel, Air Corps
Chief, Personal Affairs Division
Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Personnel

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Casualty Report (in dup)