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HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES
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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 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 ; Detachment XXX
2. SPECIFY: Point of Departure Wethersfield, Essex, Eng Course See Incl No. 1
Intended Destination Serguex M/Y, Forges, France Type of Mission Operational
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED: 3/10
to 4/10 Stratus cumulus at 3500 ft, 7/10 clouds estimated at 15000 ft, visibility 5 miles.
4. GIVE: (a) Date 6 June 1944 ; Time 2125 hours ; and Location SW Forges, France
of last known whereabouts of missing airplane
(b) Specify whether () Last sighted; () Last contacted by Radio;
() Forces Down; (X) 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; () Enemy Anti-Aircraft; (X) Other Circumstances as follows seen to crash 4 miles SW of Forges, France, 3 chutes reported.
6. AIRPLANE: Type, Model and Series A-20A-35 ; A.A.F. Serial Number 43-10148
7. ENGINES: Type, Model and Series R-2600-23 ; A.A.F. Serial Number (a) 43-105167
(b) 43-105261
8. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below make, Type and Serial Number)
(a) 595840 ; (b) 611476 ; (c) 612486 ; (d) 610159
(e) 608278 ; (f) 612153 ; (g) 995549 ; (h) 995260
- 8.(1) 995402 all M-2 Browning Cal .50 Fixed or (b) Non-Battle Casualty
and Flexible Aircraft Machine Guns

9. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRPLANE: Crew 3 ; Passengers ; 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>Church, Charles</u>	<u>2d Lt</u>	<u>0-440998</u>
2. Mechanic Gunner	<u>Maciulewicz, Peter P.</u>	<u>S Sgt</u>	<u>13134462</u> RTD
3. Armorer Gunner	<u>Shatzler, Herbert E.</u>	<u>S Sgt</u>	<u>33718387</u> RTD
4. <u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
5. <u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
6. <u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
7. <u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
8. <u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
9. <u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
10. <u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

11. IDENTIFY BELOW THOSE PERSONS BELIEVED TO HAVE LAST KNOWLEDGE OF AIRPLANE, AND CHECK APPROPRIATE COLUMN TO INDICATE BASIS FOR SAME:

RECEIVED **APPENDIX NO 1 A**

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D. Hq AAF, Washington, Missing Air Crew Report

	Name in Full (Last Name First)	Serial Rank Number	Contacted		Last Sighted	Saw Crash	Saw Forced Landing
			by Radio				
1.	<u>Delland, Francis W.</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>0-806235</u>			<u>X</u>	
2.							
3.							
12.	IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, ANSWER "YES" TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS: (a) Parachutes were used <u>Yes</u> ; (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 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 8 June 1944

George Schenkein
GEORGE SCHENKEIN
Captain, Air Corps
Adjutant

- 2 Incls;
Incl No. 1 Map Overlay
Incl No. 2 Eye Witness Statement

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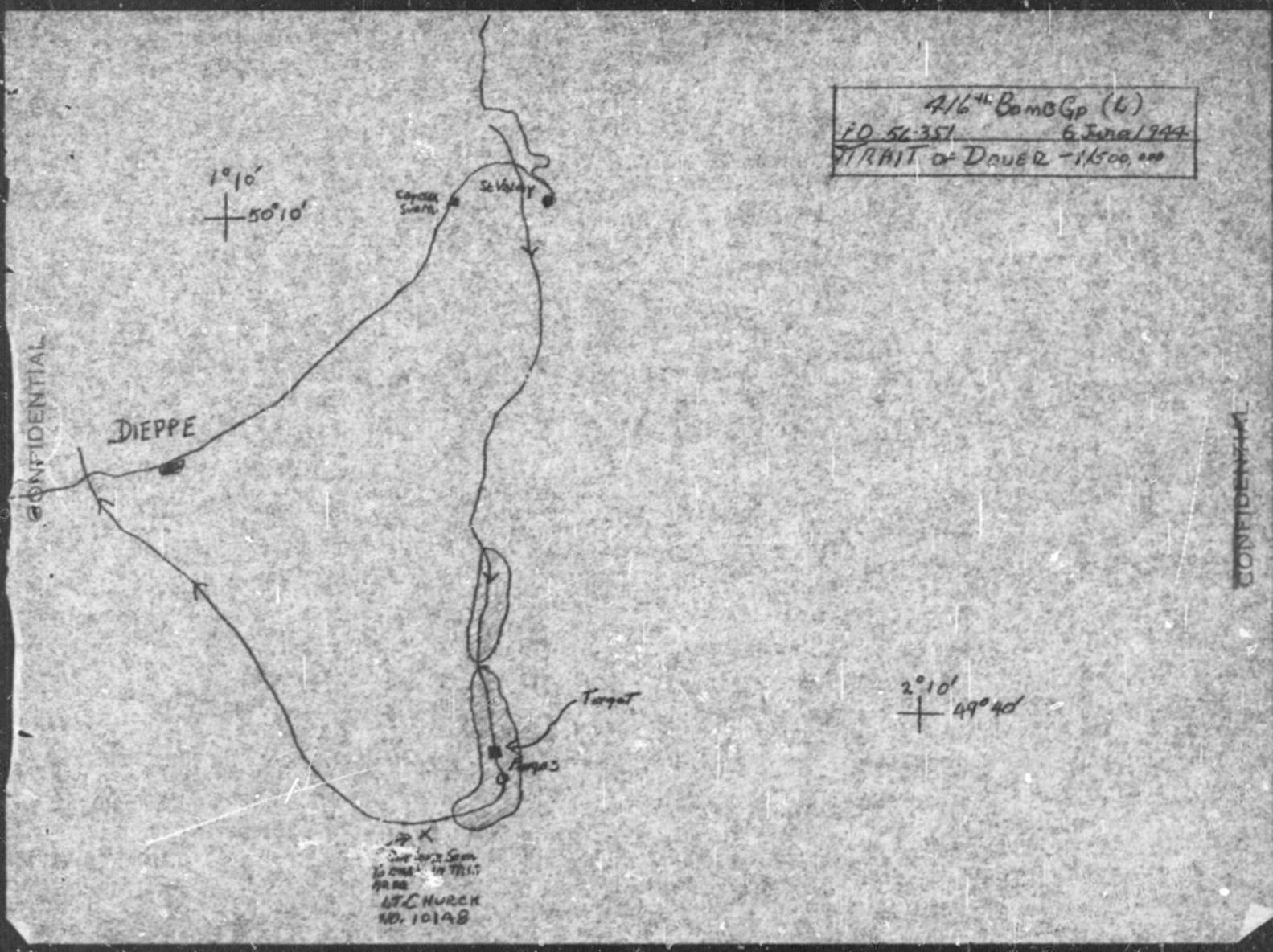
Missing Air Crew Report --- Airplane A-20G-35 AAF Serial No. 43-10148
416th Bomb Gp (L).

Eye Witness Statement of:

1st Lt. Leland, Francis W. O-806235

Seen to crash 4 miles south-west of Forges, France - three (3)
chutes reported.

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INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

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Name of crew member:

Rank:

Serial number:

Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~or Pilot (Fighter)~~

CHURCH, Charles

2nd Lt.

O-440998

Pilot

Did he bail out? No

Where? ✓

If not, why not? NOT ENOUGH ALT. - INJURED - AND ENGINES SHOT OUT

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: _____

Was he injured? SLIGHTLY

Where was he when last seen? STALAG. HULOG LUFT FRANKFURT ON MAIN

Any hearsay information: HEARD THAT HE WAS IN

AN OFFICERS PRISON CAMP. & WAS

GETTING ALONG OK.

Source: OTHER PRISONERS

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

SPOKE OF HAVING RELATIVES IN ROMANIA.

POSSIBILITIES OF GOING BAA WIRE HAPPY

AND GOING THERE IF HE WAS LIBERATED

Total number of missions of above crew member: 05

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

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CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name SHATZER, HERBERT E. Rank S/SGT Serial No. 3378687
2. Organization 416 B. Gp Commander Rank Sqn CO Rank
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month JUNE day 6th did you go down?
4. What was the mission, FRANCE, target, PANZER DIVISION target
time, 9:30, altitude, 8-1200 FT route scheduled,
 , route flown
5. Where were you when you left formation? TAIL END CHARLIE - LOW LEFT
6. Did you bail out? No
7. Did other members of crew bail out? No
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". No KNOWLEDGE
CRASH - LANDED
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground?
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) FULL CREW
11. Where were they in aircraft? PILOT - TURRET GUNNER - TUNNEL GUNNER
12. What was their condition? PILOT & MYSELF SLIGHTLY WOUNDED - ENIGMA
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? LAST SEEN PILOT AT HULLS LEFT -
TUNNEL GUNNER T. MYSELF WENT TO STALAG
LEFT TV
ALL IN FAIR CONDITION
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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