11 August 1980

Mr. Harold F. Cowden
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Dear Harold:

Your note to Bill Carlile has come along to me. As some of
the accompanying material will explain, I am working on a
history of the 306th.

I am particularly interested in any persons who served with
the photo unit. If you have saved any pictures from 306th
days, I would like an opportunity to look at them. If you
would send them to me, I would copy any I don't have and
return your prints to you.

I would appreciate very much anything you could do for me
in this regard. I have received pictures from Rudy Skalak,
Bill Gentile, Fran Waugh, Bill Gibbs, and others.

Let me hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

July. 29, 1980

Dear Mr. W. R Carlisle Jr.

Yes I was a member of the
306Th Bombardment Group.

I was in The 368 Squadron, I was
in the Photo. unit While there,
I Hope you Don't mind that
I Kept This Letter, ━
Please excuse The Writing as
I just have gotten out of Hospital

Yours Truly
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Service Record:

Before joining the 306th: AAF Badge - 29, Jan, 1945
Good Conduct MEDAL, G.O. #4 306th Bomb Group H.
G.O 33 WD 45; - AIR. offensive Europe, NORMANDY-FRANCE
RHINELAND, ARDENNES, CENTRAL EUROPE
43 EUROPEAN, AFRICAN, MIDDLE, EASTERN Service Distinguished
Unit Badge G.O. #50 14 1st. Bomb, Lapel Button
After leaving the 306th:

306th Record

Arrival date at Thurleigh Scotland 6/Sept 42

Squadron or other unit(s) 368th

MOS #_____ Specialty 945 Aerial Photo Lab -

Missions Completed (and date of last)

Promotions

Decorations AM olcs DFC olcs SS DSM DSC MH SM PH Battle Stars

(On unusual DFCs, and Silver Stars and above would like to see a copy of the
  citation)

Other personal data:

Description of Air Missions:
(What were the highlights of your combat career? What was your
role? What heroics did you witness? What events were there of
which you have special knowledge?)

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