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WAR DEPARTMENT
 HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES
 WASHINGTON
 MISSING AIR CREW REPORT

SECRET
 AUTH: GPO 306 BG
 DATE: 10/20/43
 INITIALS: *EM*

IMPORTANT: This report will be compiled in triplicate by each Army Air Forces organization within 48 hours of the time an aircraft is officially reported missing.

- ORGANIZATION: Location AAF Station 111 ; Command or Air Force 8th Group 306th Bomb Gp(H) ; Squadron 368th Bomb Sq
- SPECIFY: Point of Departure Thurleigh, England ; Course As Prescribed
 Intended Destination Gdycha, Poland ; Type of Mission H. Bomb.
- WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED:
Clear
- GIVE: (a) Date 9/10/43 ; Time Unk. ; and Location Unknown
 of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.
 (b) Specify whether () Last Sighted; () Last contacted by Radio;
 () Forced Down; () Seen to Crash; or (x) Information not Available.
- AIRCRAFT WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF: (Check only one)
 () Enemy Aircraft; () Enemy Anti-Aircraft; () Other Circumstances as follows Unknown
- AIRCRAFT: Type, Model and Series B-17G ; A.A.F. Serial Number 42-37718
- ENGINES: Type, Model and Series R-1820-97; A.A.F. Serial Number (a) 43-63334
 (b) 43-60926 ; (c) 43-61047 ; (d) 43-61091
- INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial Number)
 * (a) F-378274 ; (b) KH-140816 ; (c) A/CSP-64656 ; (d) F-378226
 (e) F-377871 ; (f) F-378239 ; (g) F-407072 ; (h) F-373221
- THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty X
- NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 10 ; Passengers 0 ; Total 10
 (Starting with pilot, furnish the following particulars: If more than 10 persons were aboard aircraft, list similar particulars on separate sheet and attach original to this form).

| Status | Crew Position | Name in Full (Last Name First) | Rank | Serial Number | |
|------------|---|-----------------------------------|---------|---------------|------------|
| <i>Rnc</i> | Pilot | <i>Dow</i> Hanck, Roy C. Jr. | 1st Lt. | 0-742897 | <i>RTD</i> |
| <i>ENS</i> | Co-Pilot | McCormack, Miles G. | 2nd Lt. | 0-800378 | <i>RTD</i> |
| " | Navigator | Groesbeck, Carl A. | 2nd Lt. | 0-739091 | <i>RTD</i> |
| " | Bombardier | Hewitt, William C. | 2nd Lt. | 0-674768 | <i>RTD</i> |
| " | Top Turret Gunner <i>POW - Aerial Engr.</i> | Hall, Harry A. | S/Sgt. | 39839526 | <i>RTD</i> |
| " | Radio Operator | Skahan, William J. | T/Sgt. | 17057822 | <i>RTD</i> |
| " | Ball Turret Gunner | Kozier, Henry J. | Sgt. | 13170522 | <i>RTD</i> |
| <i>KIA</i> | Right Waist Gunner | Farris, Douglas R. | Sgt. | 18130249 | |
| <i>ENS</i> | Left Waist Gunner | Nabors, Fred H. | S/Sgt. | 18051328 | <i>RTD</i> |
| " | Tail Gunner | Barton, William D. | S/Sgt. | 36331845 | <i>RTD</i> |

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

| Name in Full (Last Name First) | Rank | Serial Number | Contacted | | | |
|-----------------------------------|------|---------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|--------------------|
| | | | By Radio | Last Sighted | Saw Crash | Saw Forced Landing |
| None | | | | | | |

- 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
- ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE

(i) F-374392

(j) F-374418

(k) F-374902

F- Frigidaire
KH- Kelsey Hayes
A/CSP- A.C. Spark Plug

RECEIVED
FBI
MAY 19 1954

TO DIRECTOR
FROM SAC, [illegible]
SUBJECT: [illegible]

RE: [illegible]

ON [illegible]

IT IS [illegible]

VERY TRULY
YOURS,
[illegible]

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