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13 July 1949

MEMORALIDUM TO: Officer in Charge, Casualty Section Personnel Actions Branch, AGO

SUBJECT:

Reports of Death

1. The following-named personnel of the Air Corps were reported missing in action on 11 July 1944, while in flying pay status, by ETO Shipment No. 132, and, under the provisions of Section 5, Public Law 490, 7 March 1942, as amended, a Finding of Death was made in their cases (SR&D 5470), showing the presumed date of death as 12 July 1945:

1st Lt Flt 0	Samuel T. Gibson Fred B. Herman	0795456	Pilot 293
2d Lt	Harold E. Amon		Co-pilot
T Sgt	George B. Marty		Navićator Bombardier
I Sgt	Clen O. Hardeman		Radio Opr
SSgt	Stanley G. Rasmussen		Eop Turret Gnr
S Sgt	Eugene A. Bair		Ball Turret Cnr
S Sgt	James M. Steele		Right Weist Onr
S Sgt	Homer C. Brewer		Left Waist Gnr
S Sgt	Robert D. Mott	38412820	Tail Gnr

2. Missing Air Crew Report No. 6927, submitted by 755th Bombardment Squadron, 458th Bombardment Group, reported that the three officers and seven enlisted men, listed above, were the complete crew of a B-24H (Liberator) type aircraft, AAF Scrial No. 41-29300, which was on a combat mission on 11 July 1944, to Munich, Germany, when the craft disappeared completely. This crew departed from AAF Station No. 123 (Horsham, St Paith, Horfolk, England) and were never heard from again.

On 19 April 1945 a request for any additional information was sent to the Commanding General, USF, European Theater of Operations. The following negative report was furnished:

"No additional information has ever been obtained regarding disappearance of crew listed in basic communication. No eye witness accounts could be obtained from interrogation of other crews flying on same mission."

Captured Gorman records have been carefully searched, but these records do not contain any information regarding the subject craft or its crew.

3. A copy of a report made by a Board of Officers, American Graves Registration Command, European Theater Area, which convened on 2 August

 1948, has been received, recommending that the remains of the subject officers and enlisted men named in paragraph 1 were non-recoverable. The recommendation was approved by the Office of The Quartermaster General. The following pertinent facts have been extracted from this report:

- "3. Every effort has been made to correlate this case with records in this headquarters pertaining to unknowns deceased interred in U S Military cometeries and reported isolated burials. The results are negative."
- 4. On 11 July 1944, a B-24H with a crew of ten members departed from Horsham, St Faith, Norfolk, England on a combat mission to Munich, Germany. The plane did not join the formation and was never seen nor heard from afterit left the base, which was less than twenty miles from the coast of the Morth Sea. The course of flight for the mission would have carried the crew over the North Sea. An extensive field investigation was conducted from England to the target area, Munich, Germany, but no trace was found of either the plane or the members of the crew. The Germans recorded the downing of any allied planes and listed the names of the crew members, when available. A thorough search of those captured German records has been made, but no record was found of the subject craft, or the names of any of the members of the crew. The plane did not crash in England. Therefore, the plane must have either crashed or landed in the North Sea. The North Sea, over which the plane would have flown on this mission, is quite rough with strong currents; the water is also quite cold throughout the year. Therefore, while no details of the actual crash of the plene are available, the known facts lead to no other logical conclusion than that it went down with its entire crow into the North Sea. Search could not be conducted for the crow, since the approximate area where they were lost was unknown. Even if any of the crew members had time to bail out of the craft or were thrown clear, they could not have survived any length of time in the very rough, cold waters and strong currents prevailing on this route. In view of the foregoing facts together with the fact that the crew were not rescued by the allied forces, and there was no record of their Escue or capture by the Germans, the only logical conclusion which can be reached is that the entire crew of the subject plane perished when their plane crashed in the North Sea on 11 July 1944.
- 5. It is recommended, therefore, that pursuant to the provisions of Section 9, Missing Persons Act, the foregoing information be accepted as an official report of death, and that a casualty report be initiated stating that the officers and enlisted men named in paragraph 1 above, were killed in action when their plane crashed in the North Sea on 11 July 1944; and that

they were in flying pay status at the time of their death. The systemat will be processed in accordance with Paragraph 2b, Operations Bulletin 35, 1945. The casualty report and official report of death will include the following statement:

Finding of Death has been issued previously under Section 5, Public Law 490, 7 March 1942, as amended, showing presumed date of death as 12 July 1945. This "Report of Death" is issued in accordance with Section 9 of said Act and its effect on prior payments and settlements is as provided in Section 9.

Station and place of death: European Theater

FLORA T. LEMIS Investigator

CONCUR:

T. J. COLLUM Major, AOD

OIC, Determination Unit

APPROVED: Recommended action will be taken

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

SYLVIC L. BOUSQUIN

Lt Col, AGD

CIC, Casualty Section

Personnel Actions Branch, AGO.

Copy Furnished: Central Files

AG 201 and 00NG 293 file of each individual

named in par 1.

Source material obtained as a result of this investigation is filed in the AG 201 file of 1st Lt Samuel T. Gibson, 0795456, unless otherwise indicated.

QUICHF 293 Herman, Fred B. SN T-002118

15 June 1949

Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Herman 3840 Cedar Avenue Long Beach 7, California

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Herman:

Almost four years have elapsed since the cessation of hostilities of World War II, which cost the life of your son, the late Flight Officer Fred B. Herman.

The unfortunate circumstances surrounding the death of your son have been thoroughly reviewed and, based upon information presently available, the Department of the Army has been forced to determine that his remains are not recoverable. I wish to assure you that, should any additional evidence come to our attention indicating that his remains are in our possession, you will be informed

Realizing the extent of your grief and anxiety, it is not easy to express condolonce to you who have your loved one under circumstances so difficult that there is no grave at which to pay homage. May the knowledge of your son's honorable service to his country be a source of sustaining comfort to you.

Sincerely yours,

JAMES F. SMITH Major, Que

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HEADQUARTERS AND GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND EUROPEAN AREA APO 58 U S ARMY

Proceedings of a Board of Officers appointed in accordance with letter File AGAO - S 293.9 (27 Mar 17), D-M, Mar Dept, TAGO, 9 April 1947.

The board convered pursuant to per 4, SO No. 33, Headquarters, American Graves Registration Command, APO 58, U S Army, 22 Morch 1948, at the Astoria Hotel, Paris, France on ... 153 1848

The purpose of the board was to determine the non-recoverability status of certain casualties now under the jurisdiction of this command.

The board reviewed report of investigation, statements of witnesses and other papers contained in the files of American Graves Registration Command, EA, pertaining to the case of the following named casualty/casualties, the remains of which have not been recovered. The case records and other data considered are attached.

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	GIBSON,	Sam T.	0-795456	1/Lt
	HERMAN,	Fred B.	T-2118	F /0
	AMON,	Harold E.	0-698859,	; 2/Lt
	MARTY.	George B.	39118992	. T/Sgt
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	RASMUSSEN,	Stan G.	36193532	S/Sgt
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	STEELE.	James M.	37523322	S/Sgt
	BREWER,	Homer C.	15065248	S/Sgt
	MOTT.	Robert D.	3841.2320	S/Sgt

FINDINGS: The board having carefully considered the guidence before it, finds the remains of said casualty/casualties are non-recoverable.

RECOMMENDATION: That the case concerning subject camualty/casualties be forwarded to the Office of The Quartermaster General for final approval.

BOX.FD D. - LUNAMITY, Lo Col, QMC

FRANCIS P. STEPSY, LAT. Inf

GROSVETOR M. FISH, Maj, CKO

O'THE F. McCANN, Cant, Q'C

GEORGE L. FRANKE, 1st Lt. OLC

NGC Form #27 8 April 1948

HEADQUARTERS AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND EUROPEAN AREA

APO 58 US ARMY

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SPECIAL ORDERS

NUMBER

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1. Under the provisions of AR 615-363, 14 May 47 and AR 420-5, the following Board of officers is appointed to meet at Liege, Belgium, or at such other place as the president may designate at the call of the president thereof, for the purpose of considering whether such EM as may be brought before it should be discharged prior to the expiration of their term of service. Proceedings of the Board will be in conformity with AR 420-5. Findings and recommendations will be forwarded to the Commanding General, and entered on ED AGO Form 37.

LT COL	PARK W. BAILEY	0242216 : " INF:
MAJ	DAVID MINS, JR	0228758 FA
MAJ	JOHN W. LONG	0333779 INF
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1ST LT	ROBERT VANINA	. 01,786119 MC

- 2. Par 3 and 4, SO 6, this hq, 14 Jan 48 pertaining to appointment of Board of Review for identification of Unknown Dead (European Area), are rescinded.
- 3. PAC ltr WD 9 Apr 47, subj "Establishment of Boards for identification of Unknown Dead", the fol off, this hq, are aptd a Board of Review for identification of Unknown Dead (European Area):

LT COL	PATRICK W. GUINEY	019066	CMC
MAJ	GEORGE M VER HULST	A0650035	USAF
MAJ	MARSHALL J. BLACKMON	0277013.	INF
CAPT	JACK C. HAYES	01577297	Cido
1ST LT	JOSEPH E McCLUSKEY	01338110	INF

4. PAC ltr WD 9 Apr 47, Subj: "Establishment of Boards for identification of Unknown Dead", the fol off, this hq, are aptd a Board of Review for non-recoverability of remains (European Area):

LT COL	EDWARD D. MULVANTY	0359598	OMO
MAJ	GROSVENOR W. FISH	042932	LAIC
MAJ	FRANCIS P SWEENEY	034485	INF
CAPT	OWEN F MCCANN	01595680	INF
1ST LT	GEORGE L. FREEMAN	0159551	CINC

5. VOCG 6 Jan 48 auth CAPT GORDON L. ALDERLIAN 0479536 CHC to tvl fr Second Zone, AGRC, APO 58, Carentan, France, to First Zone, AGRC, APO 58, Liege, Belgium, by TPA are confirmed, the exigencies of the service having been such as to prevent the issuance of orders in advance.

AUTH: Sec I, Cir 157, Hq USFET, 23 Oct 46 & Cir. 28, Hq EUCOM, 9 May 47.

BY COLLIAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL PECKHAM:

Colonel, Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

/s/t/ FRANK FR.NCIS Major, - AGD Asst Adj Gen

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WILLIAM R. DEWEESE

1st Lt.

HEADQUARTERS AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND EUROPEAN AREA APO 58 U S ARMY

RRE 293.9 (IB)

1948

SUBJECT: Non-recoverable Remains

TO:

Non-recoverable Board AGRC

1. It is recommended that the board take action on the following case:

NAMES:	GIBSON,	Sam T.	1/Lt	0-795456
	HERMAN,	Fred B.	F/O	T-2118
	ALTON,	Harold E.	2/Lt	0-698859
	MARTY,	George B.	T/Sgt	39118992
	HARDEMAN,	Glen O.	T/Sgt	39197606
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	STMELE,	James M.	S/Sgt	37523322
	BREWER,	Homer C.	S/Sgt	15065248
	MOTT,	Robert D.	S/Sgt	38412820

ORGANIZATION: 458th Bb Gp 755th Bb Sq

PLACE OF DEATH: Information not available

DATE OF DEATH: 11 July 1944

SYNOPSIS OF CASE: The above comprised the entire crew of A/C #41-29300, which, on 11 July 1944, participated on a mission to Munich, Germany. Subject aircraft failed to take its place in formation after climbing through the overcast immediately after take off from its base and was never seen or heard from again. The planned course of flight for this aircraft was over the North Sea. An extensive field investigation conducted from the Channel to the target area, Munich, Germany, failed to reveal a single clue as to the crashpoint of the subject aircraft. In view of the above and the time that has elapsed since the missing fliers have neither been seen nor heard from, it can be concluded that A/C #41-29300 crashed into the sea after take off and all crew members lost as a result.

Reference is made to HACR E- #452.

2. All attached supporting documents are copied from records in file Headquarters, American Graves Registration Command.

- Every effort has been made to correlate this case with records in this headquarters pertaining to unknowns deceased interred in U S Military cemeteries and reported isolated burials. The results are negative.
- 4. It is recommended that the remains, based upon the above information and research, be declared non-recoverable.

WALTER B. MORROW

. Major, Infantry

Chief Isolated Burials

EXTRACT MISSING AIR CREW REPORT NO. G #452

1. ORGANIZATION: Location AAF 123 ; Command or Group AAF 458th ; Squadron 755th ; Detachm 2. SPECIFY: Point of Departure AAF 123 ; Course Intended Destination Munich ; Type of Mission 3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WH 4. GIVE: (a) Day 11 ; Month July ; Year 1944 ; location none of last known whereabouts of (b) Specify whether; () Last Sighted; () Last Contact () Forced Down; () Seen to Crash; or (x) Information	ent	ORTED
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	Number (a)	CP-307301
7. ENGINES: Type, Model and Series 1830-43; AAF Serial (b) CP-302113; (c) CP-307617; (d)	CP-3061	67
8. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish Make, Type and Serial Number)	:	
(a) 952191 ; (b) 974361 ; (c) 965624	; (d)	963755
(e) 951522 ; (f) 734074 ; (g) 973342	(h)	
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sheet and attach original to this form).		
CREW NAME IN FULL .	SERIAL	PRESENT
POSITION (Last Name First) RANK	NUMBER	STATUS
1. Pilot GIBSON, Samuel T. 1st Lt	0-795456	PDD
2. CP HERMAN, Fred B. F/O	T-2118	PDD
3. N AMON, Harold E. 2nd Lt	0-698859	PDD
4. B MARTY, George B. T/Sgt	39118992	PDD
5. RO HARDEMAN, Glen O. T/Sgt	39197606	PDD
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10. TG . MOTT, Robert D. S/Sgt	38412820	PDD

11. REMARKS:

HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
EUROPEAN AREA
APO 58 U S ARMY

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RRE 293.9 (IB)

15 September 1948

SUBJECT: Non-recoverable Remains.

TO:

The Quartermaster General Washington 25, D.C.

1. Reference is made to 06MG Form 371 for Blight Officer Fred B. Herman, T-2118.

- 2. The remains of the above have been declared non-recoverable by a Board of Officers, this headquarters.
- 3. Case was forwarded your office by Letter of Transmittal #2941, dated 2 August 1948.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

E. D. MULVANITY
Lt Colonel, WMC

Actg Asst Ádj Gen

AG 704 - Dead (12 Jul 45) S. R. & D No. 3470

12 July 1945

ErMORANDUM FOR: Chief Casualty Branch

SUBJECT: Review and Determination of Status under the Missing Persons Act.

I. - FACTS

1. The officers and enlisted men named below of the 8th Air Force were reported missing in action in flying pay status in Germany by ETO Shipment No. 132 and have been carried on War Department records as missing in action since 11 July 1944. The crew number in the right hand column has been assigned arbitrarily for reference purposes.

NAME	ASN	GRADE	CREW NO.	
Gibson, Samuel 7.	0- 795 456	First Lieutenant	1	
Amon, Harold E.	0- 698 859	Second Lieutenant	ī	
Herman, Fred B.	T- 002 118	Flight Officer	ī	
Hardeman, Glen O.	39 197 606	Technical Sergeant	î.	
Marty, George B.	39 118 992	Technical Sergeant	ī	
Bair, Eugene A.	33 498 514	Staff Sergeant	ĩ	
Brewer, Homer C.	15 065 248	Staff Sergeant	ī	
Mott, Robert D.	38 412 820	Staff Sergeant	· ī	
Rasmissen, Stanley C.	36 193 532	Staff Sergeant	ī	
Steele, James M.	37 523 322	Staff Sergeant	ī	

2. The above-named persons were members of the crews of three B-24 type aircraft which were lost on a bombing mission to Munich, Germany, on 11 July 1944. All available information concerning the circumstances of disappearance surrounding the loss of each plane is given in paragraphs 3 to 5 inclusive below.

3. Crew No. 1.

a. Missing Air Crew Report (AAF No. 6927) dated 13 July 1944, states that the crew of B-24H aircraft No. 41-29300 were members of the 458th Bomb Group, 755th Bomb Squadron. The circumstances of the loss were not known at the time the report was prepared. A list of the crew members follows:

Crew			
Position	HAME	ASN	GRADE
P	Gibson, Samuel T.	0- 795 456	First Lieutenant

Crew			
Position	NAME	ASN	GRADE
CP	Herman, Fred B.	T-002 118	Flight Officer
N	Amon, Harold E.	0-698 859	Second Lieutenant
В	Marty, George B.	39 118 992	Technical Sergeant
RO	Hardeman, Glen O.	39 197 606	Technical Sergeant
TT	Rasmussen, Stanley G.	36 193 532	Staff Sergeant
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b. On 19 April 1945 a request for any additional information then available was sent to Commanding General, USF, European Theater of Operations, from this office. The reply to this was received by 7th Indorsement, dated 11 May 1945, which the following statement was made in 4th Indorsement, dated 4 May 1945 by unit headquarters (AG 704 19 Apr 45):

"No additional information has been obtained regarding disappearance of crew listed in basic communication. No eye witness accounts could be obtained from interrogation of other crews flying on same mission."

c. In reply to inquiries from the emergency addresses of Mott, Hardeman, Brewer and Gibson (See AG 201 files) as to the status of each the following statement was submitted by their unit headquarters by 1st Wrapper Indorsement, dated 7 September 1944:

" * * and crew went down over enemy territory as a result of enemy action in Aircraft #41-29300 on 11 July 1944 and to this date no additional information has been received * * * "

d. On 2 January 1945 in a letter to the Adjutant General, Fred W. Herman, father of Flight Officer Herman, writes:

same organization who have returned on furlough. One was to the effect that his airplane (a B-24) failed to take its place in formation after climbing through the overcast immediately after take off from its base and was never seen or heard from after that. Another story was to the effect that it was last seen over the Swiss border on the return from the target.

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"The family of one of the crew members passed on to us the story that the airplane was last seen over the Swiss border and they believe that the boys landed in Switzerland. * * *

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"A thorough search has been made of all hospitals now operating within this theater and no record has been found of Flight Officer Fred B. Herman, T-002-118, ever having been hospitalized in this theater."

II. - CONCLUSIONS

1. These officers and enlisted men were members of a crew of a B-24 bomber which took part in a bombing mission to Munich, Germany, on 11 July 1944.

a. Crew No. 1, consisting of ten members, was not seen or heard from after they departed from their base in England. No information is available as to their fate.

III: - RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that findings of death be made in the cases of the officers and enlisted men named in Part I, paragraph 1, above, under the provisions of Section 5 of the Missing Persons Act and that the presumed date of death be shown as 12 July 1945.

Investigator

Captain AGD

CONCURRED IN:

APPROVED:

JOHN TO BURNS
Major, AGD
Officer in Charge
Status Review and
Determination Section

GEORGE F. HERBERT Colonel, AGD Chief, Casualty Branch

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19 March 1946

Address Reply To
THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
Attention: Memorial Division

Mrs. F. W. Herman 8840 Cedar Avenue Long Beach 7, California

Dear Mrs. Herman:

Your letter to an overseas installation concerning your son, the late Flight Officer Fred B. Herman, has been referred to this office.

It is with deep regret that you are advised that, up to the present time, information pertaining to the burial of the remains of your son has not been received. However, the American Graves Registration Command has informed this office that the case has been referred to the field for investigation when operations in that area commence. Upon receipt of further information you will be promptly advised.

This office has noted a change in your address and it is requested that if this is to be your permanent mailing address that this office be advised.

Please accept my sincere sympathy in the loss of your son.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Sincerely yours,

WILLIAM B. GIRISTENSTRECORDS BRANCH
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APO 887

5 February 1946

SUBJECT: Isolated Burials.

TO : The Quartermaster General, Washington 25, D.C.

1. Inclosed herewith is a letter from Mrs. F.W. Herman, dated 10 October 1945.

- 2. Records this Headquarters have been checked, but no Reports of Interment or any other burial information could be found for any of the crew members of aircraft #41-29300, all shown in a casualty status on Missing Air Crew Report G-452 (copy attached).
- 3. At present Graves Registration Units are not conducting investigations in the area where aircraft was reported last seen.
- 4. The case will be referred to the field for action when operations commence.
 - 5. When a report is received, your Office will be duly notified.
- 6. It is requested that above be forwarded to Mrs. Herman in reply to enclosed letter.

FUR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

Incl: a/s

F. J. GERACE Lt. Col., MIC Act's Asst Adj Gen

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5.	RAD.OPER.	C -HARDEMAN, GLEW O.	T/Sgt	39197606	P20
6.	Top TURRET	O-RASMUSSEN, STANLEY	C. S/Sgt	36193532	PPP
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Casualty Branch.

SUBJECT: Review and Determination of Status under the Missing Persons Act.

I. - FACTS

1. The officers and enlisted men named below of the 8th Air Force were reported missing in action in flying pay status in Germany by ETO Shipment No. 132 and have been carried on War Department records as missing in action since 11 July 1944. The crew number in the right hand column has been assigned arbitrarily for reference purposes.

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B-24 type circraft which were lost on a bombing mission to Munich, Germany, on 11 July 1944. All available information concerning the circumstances of disappearance surrounding the loss of each plane a given in paragraphs 3 to 5 inclusive below.

3. Crow No. 1

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a. Missing Air Crow Roport (AAF No. 6927), dated 13 Jacy 1944, states that the crow of B-24 H aircraft No. 41-29300 were monbers of the 458th Bomb Group, 755th Bomb Squadron, The circumstance of the loss were not known at the time the report was prepared. A list of the crow members follows:

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b. On 19 April 1945 a request for any additional information available was sent to Commanding General, USE, Europe an Thead of Operations, from this office. The reply to this was received by 7th Indersement, dated 11 May 1945, in which the following statements and in 4th Indersement, dated 4 May 1945, by unit h adquarters (AG 704 19 Apr 45):

"No additional information has ever been obtained regarding disappearance of crew listed in basis corrust cation. No eye witness accounts could be obtained interrogation of other crows flying on same mission."

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6. An examination of the files of these persons in Casualty Branch, Officers Branch and Enlisted Branch, AGO, and the index in Prisoner of War Information Bureau, PMGO, reveals no information of value to this review other than that set forth above.

II. - CONCLUSIONS

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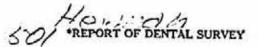
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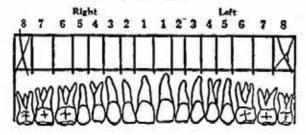
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BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR

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Finding of death has been issued previously under Sec 5, Public Law 490, 7 Mar 42, as amended, showing presumed date of death as 12 Jul 1945. This Report of death based on information received since that date is issued in accordance with Sec 9, of said Act, and its effect on prior payments and settlements is as prescribed in Sec 9.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 2 and 7 of the Act of 7 March 1942 (56 Stat. 145) as amended, the records show that this officer completed 7 months and 7 days of active service at the time of his death.

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BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY

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Form prescribed by Comptroller General, U.S. 7 October 1944

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Summary Court-Martial ARMY SERVICE FORCES KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT 601 Hardesty Avenue Kansas City 1, Missouri

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SUBJECT: Report of transactions in disposing of the effects of (Name of deceased) (Name of deceased) (Organization, Army or Service) on the day of mis., 19, at
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Mo., pursuant to S.O. 226, Hq., KCCM Depot, dated 25 September 1913, for the purpose of disposing of the effects of the above-named soldier, or person subject to military law, reports that:
a. No legal representative or widow of decedent being present at decodents camp or quarters, effects of decedent were forwarded to this Summary Court-Martial.
b. Local debturs owed decedent's estate \$ none , of which the sum \$ none was collected. (If nothing was found due or dellected, state "Mone"; otherwise attach itemized statement of nums owing and collected.) (Incl.none .)
c. Decedent ared undisputed local creditors the sum of \$ none , which has been paid by the Summary Court-Martial from funds of decedent. (See inclosed receipt
d. Disposition of decedent's effects (less money paid creditors, if any has been made by the Summary Court-Martial by transmittal through the Quartermante Corps, at Government expense to person found entitled (See Summary Court-Martial FINCING below)
FINDING
Bofors a Summary Court-Martial which convened at Kansas City, Missouri, on
Depot, dated 25 September 1943, the application or affidavit of
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The Army Effects Bureau has received some additional property of your son, Flight Officer Fred B. Herman.

This property consisting of porsonal papers is being sent you.

If, for some reason, the property has not reached you at the expiration of thirty days from the date of this letter, please notify me so tracer can be instituted.

The action of this Bureau in transmitting personal effects does not, of itself, vest title in the recipient. Such property is forwarded for distribution according to the laws of the state of decedent's legal residence.

1 regret the circumstances prompting this letter, and wish to express my sympathy in the loss of your son.

Yours very truly,

HARRY BIEMIEC 2nd Lt., QMC Chief, Correspondence Branch 60

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Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Herman 4445 Myrtle Avenue Long Beach 7, California

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Herman:

In behalf of the women and men of the Army Effects Bureau, and in my own behalf, I want to express our keen and deep appreciation of your thoughtful and kind letter which I today received. Expressions such as yours serve to make more tolerable our tragic and unhappy work. Oftentimes we are criticized and condemned by those who view the property and belongings of a son or husband solely from the monetary value standpoint; we are criticized for sending home "junk". It is indeed gratifying to all of us to know that there are families in the Country like the Herman family.

With many, many thanks to you, I am

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We wish to thank you for the very great service you have done us, in forwarding to us the personal things of our son, F/O Fred B. Herman. The thoughtfulness and consideration of the Army in this matter is making it much easier to bear our sad loss. We received so many of our boy's things - little, intimate things which bring him very close to us, because they were associated with him or because he used or valued them. Though their material value may be small, they are inestimably valuable and comforting to us, as is the thoughtthat a great Army can take time to do these gracious and human things. That is, I think the essential basis of difference between the American and the Nazi and fascist philosophies. America values the individual, and the decency and humanity that has its basis in Christ.

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s/ Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Herman

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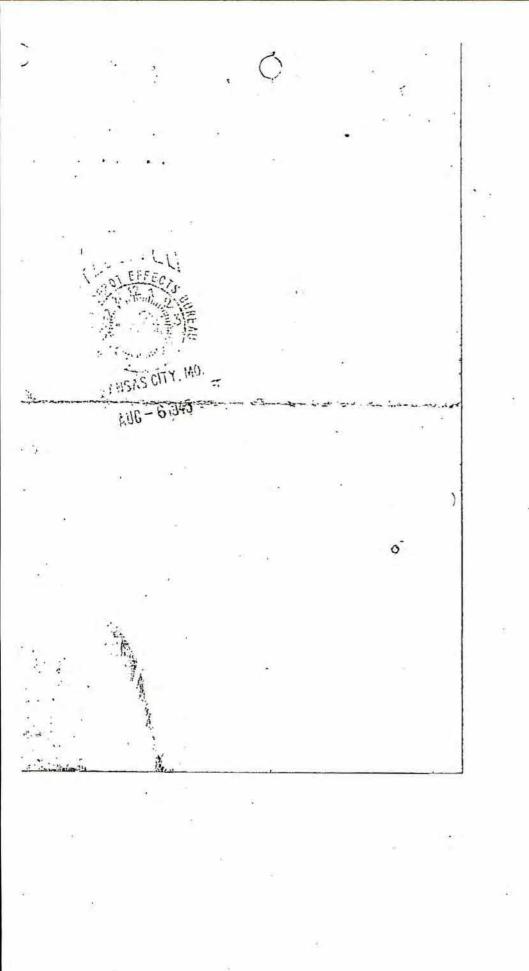
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Yours very truly.

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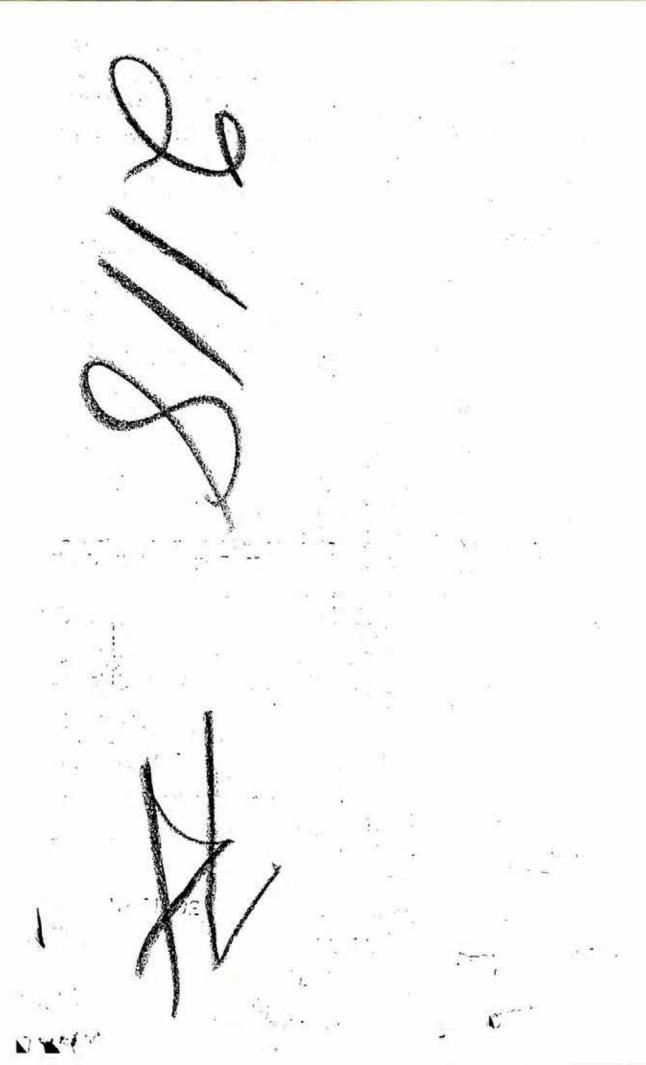
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Dear lr. derman:

The Army Effects Bureau has received and is forwarding to you the following additional property of your son, Flight Officer Fred B. Jornan:

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As previously indicated, my action in formarding such effects does not, of itself, vest title in you. The property is transmitted in order that you may safely keen it on behalf of the owner, pending change in his status.

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For your convenience, there is inclosed an addressed envelope which needs no postage.

Yours very truly,

F. L. LOOB

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In Reply Refor To 230896

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Mr. Fred W. Herman 4445 Myrtle Avenue Long Beach, California

Dear Mr. Herman:

I am inclosing a check for \$50.13 representing funds of your son, Flight Officer Fred B. Herman.

No other property belonging to him and an received at the Army Effects Surgau to date.

ly action in forwarding these funds done not, of itself, vest title in you. The money is transmitted in order that you may safely keep it on behalf of the owner, pending his return. In the event he later is reported as a casualty, the winds should be distributed according to the laws of the state. This local residence. I sincerely hope that such distribution will to be necessary.

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Yours very truly,

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