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31 March 195

#### TO: Chief, Identification Section

SUBJECT: Deletion from Deferred Search Roster, N-53, Germany

3 JONES, Ercil T/Sgt 10 601 04

1. Nonrecoverable Findings for referenced decedent were approved 12 June 1950. NOK has not been advised of nonrecoverability.

2. T/Sgt JONES was on detached service with the British Royal Air Force and the only American crew member of aircraft Lancaster DV 307, which failed to return from a bombing mission to Berlin, Germany, 2 January 1944.

3. German records do not contain any information concerning aircraft Lancaster DV 307 or its crew members.

4. All 1944's for remains recovered from pertinent area were screened for possible association with T/Sgt JONES. Results negative.

5. Investigations have been conducted by the Field and British Graves Concentration Unit for the crash site with negative results.

RECOMMEND DELETION from Deferred Search.

LEAH M. SAKS, Investigator, Unit #1

CONCURRENCES:

MARY ALICE CLEMENTS Supervisor, Unit #1 CLARENCE C. SALSER Section Supervisor

JOHN L. JACKS, Jr Major, QMC Chief, Identification Sect.

PROVED 8 april 5 C. MacFARLAND QMC Lt. Col. Identification Branch Memorial Division, OQNG.

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Basic ltr, Hq, 7887 Graves Registration Detachment, Registration Division, GRRE 293.9 (IB), Subject: Suspension of Non-Recoverable Findings, dated 8 June 1950

GRRE 293.9

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Hq, 7887 Graves Registration Detachment, Registration Division, APO 757 (Liege) US Army, 24 August 1950

TO: The Quartermaster General, Washington 25, D. C. ATTENTION: Memorial Division

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4. All records this headquarters pertaining to subject decedents reflect approval of Non-Recoverable Board findings.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

GEORGE GUNDERMA Jr.

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Major QMC Registration Division

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Basic ltr, Hq, 7887 Graves Registration Detachment, Registration Division, GRRE 293.9 (IB), Subject: Suspension of Non-Recoverable Findings, dated 5 June 1950

### GRRE 293.9 2d Ind

Hq, 7887 Graves Registration Detachment, Registration Division, APO 757 (Liege) US Army, 23 August 1950

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P. 412256/44/ S.14 Cas/112°

4 August 1950

Flight Lieutenant H.P. MASSE, M.B.E. R.A.F. Liaison Officer Headquarters American Graves Registration Command (European Area), Avenue de la Croix Rouge, Bressoux, Liege, Belgium.

# 10601048 Tech. Sgt. E. Jones, U.S.A.A.F.

With reference to my letters P. 412256/44/S.14 Cas/112 of 19th May to you and P. 412256/44/P. 412297/44/S.14 Cas/112 of 20th July, to I.W.G.C., copy to you, it has now been ascertained that the graves from Michendorf, now in Berlin (Herrstrasse) Plot 4, Row B, Graves 26 and 27, have een accepted for three members of the crew of Lancaster DV. 269 and have nothing to do with Lancaster DV. 307, of which Tech. Sgt. E, Jones was rear gunner, There is thus no duplicated registration.

2. In the circusmtances will you please ask the American Graves Registration Command to withdraw their request for disinterment of the remains in the two graves. It is regretted that we were on a false trail.

(Sgd) A.P. Le M. SINKINSON

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20 July 1950

Sir,

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Berlin (Herrstrasse) British Military Cemetery

I am directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter A/41489 of 11th July about a request by the American Graves Registration Command for the disinterment of graves 26 & 27 in Plot 4, Row B, Berlin (Herrstrasse) British Military Cemetery.

2. Your letter has revealed a duplicated registration. Graves 26 & 27 plot 4, Row B contain the bodies mentioned in your letter and the case to which they refer is finalized. Their exhumation should not be authorized. The same graves are, however, said to contain the remains of unknowns concentrated from Michendorf New Cemetery N 53/Z 6224. There is a reasonable probability that the remains from Michendorf are those of the crew of Lancaster DV 307, the rear gunner of which was 10601048 Tech. Sgt. E. Jones USAAF. That is why the American Graves authorities have asked for a disinterment of the graves now in Berlin.

3. Since the original report on Michendorf gave the Berlin location as Plot 4, Row B, graves 26 & 27 which you have shown to be incorrect we have asked No. 2 MRGR Section, RAF Graves Service to ascertain the real location and to inform the American Graves Registration Command accordingly. When that is known this department will support the American's request for disinterment, as it mainlead to the identification of all the members of the crew of Lancaster DV 306.

I am Sir,

Your obedient Servant

/s/t/ Sinkenson

Copies for notation to:-2 MRGRS reference 4 MREU/1104/4/P4 of 15.11.46 and my P 412256/44/S 14 Cas/112 of 19/5/1950 Flt. Lt. Hughes DFM, Berlin • Flt. Lt. Masse, MBE RAFLO, AGRC Liege, Belgium

#### TFGC/MC

## IMPERIAL WAR GRAVES COMMISSION

Wooburn House, Wooburn Green High Wycomb, Bucks

11 July 1950

Sir,

Berlin(Herrstrasse) British Cemetery

Application has been made by the American Graves Service, through our Brussels office, to disinter and reprocess the remains now interred in Berlin (Herrstrasse) British Cemetery, Plot 4, Row B, Graves 26 and 27.

These graves are at present registered as under: -

Grave 26 R/139887 Sgt G A Beckett RCAF 2.1.44

Grave 27 121466 F/Lt A L Lazenby) (Communal)1586493 Sgt D H Stephens) RAF 21.9.44

and it is noted that none of the graves contain the remains of any of the crew of Lancaster DV 307.

As the next of kin of those buried in these graves have presumably been notified of the grave locations the Commission would deprecate the possible disturbance of the present identification of these remains.

In view of the fact, however, that the Commission have not yet taken over in Stage II the Air Force graves in this cemetery, they would be prepared to agree to the exhumation requested should you consider it desirable.

Your file P 412256/44/S. 14 Cas/112 has reference.

The Under Secretary Of State Air Ministry London Road Stanmore Middlesex I am Sir Your obedient Servant TFG Carless Secretary

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From: Flt/Lt HP Masse M B E Hq 7887 Graves Registration Detachment Registration Division Avenue de la Croix Rouge Bressoux, Liege, Belgique

TO: Imperial War Graves Commission 3, rue de Toulouse, Brussels

REF: AGRC/Am/197/Air

Date: 22nd June 1950

10601048 Tech. Segt. E. Jones USAAF.

With reference to the attached copies of correspondence, may approval please be given for Graves 26 and 27, Row B, Plot IV, in Herrstrasse (Berlin) BMC to be jointly disinterred in an endeavour to identify the above who was rear Gunner of Lancaster I D 307 of 101 Squadron which aircraft was reported missing on 2 Jan 1944.

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HEADQUARTERS 7887 GRAVES REGISTRATION DETACHMENT REGISTRATION DIVISION APO 757 (Liege) US ARMY

GRRE 293.9 (IB)

8 June 1950

SUBJECT: Suspension of Non-Recoverable Findings

TO:

The Quartermaster General Washington 25, D.C. ATTENTION: Memorial Division

1. Reference is made to OQMG Form 371 and 293 file, your office, pertaining to T/Sgt Ercil Jones, 10 601 048, MIA 2 January 1944.

2. Non-Recoverable Board proceeding for decedent was submitted on Transmittal Letter # 4918, dated 19 May 1950.

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4. Forwarded herewith for your information are copies of correspondence initiated by the British authorities.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

JAMES C. MacFARLAND

l Incl Cys British Corresp.

Major QMC Registration Division



QMGMU 293 JONES, Ercil 10 601 048 SUBJECT: Suspension of Nonrecoverable Findings

Dept. of the Army, OQMG, Washington 25, D. C., 23 June 1950

TO: Commanding Officer, 7887 Graves Registration Detachment, APO 757, c/o Postmaster, New York, New York

1. Nonrecoverable Board Proceedings referred to in paragraph 2, basic communication, have been approved by this Office and your Headquarters notified of same by letter dated 15 June 1950.

2. Upon receipt of any information from your Headquarters which affects the nonrecoverability status in this case, action will be taken to cancel the approved Board Proceedings.

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19 May, 1950

Flight Lieutenant H.P. Masse M.B.E., Royal Air Force Liaison Officer, Headquarters American Graves Registration Command, (European Area), Avenue de la Croix Rouge, Bressoux, Liege, Belgium.

Tel.: Edgware 361 Extn.....

letter should be addressed to:-

THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE,

AIR MINISTRY S.14 Cas. and should quote the reference:-

P.412256/44/S.14 Cas.,/112. Your Ref.....

Correspondence on the subject of this

#### 10601048 Tech. Sgt. E. Jones, U.S.A.A.F.

The above was rear gunner of Lancaster I DV. 307, 101 Squadron, missing on 2nd January, 1944, on operations against Berlin. Flight Lieutenant Prior's letter AGRC/AM/197/Air/I.B. Germ.N.53/7833 13th June 1949 refers.

2. You will note that the identification of the crash at Michendorf depends (a) on elimination (b) or slender clues in the exhumation report.

3. The Canadian connection is hard to explain as there were no Canadians in the crew, though one member had been trained in Canada.

4. Will you please ascertain if there was any likelihood of Tech. Sergeant Jones having possessed a R.C.A.F. ring.

5. You will note that the reference of Flight Lieutenant Prior's letter of 13th June 1949 includes "Germ.N.53/7833". If this is a map reference it refers to a place about 10 miles south of Berlin and the same distance N.E. of Michendorf. A.G.R.C. may have a German crash report which may tie up with Lancaster DV. 307. In that event, the crash at Michendorf will have nothing to do with this aircraft. Please elucidate.

6. Please report fully at an early date.

Copy to:- 2 M.R.G.R. Section

/s/ Illegible

From:- F/Lt. A.M. Dixon

To:- O.C. No. 21 Section M.R.E.S. Berlin

Date:- 30.10.46.

Ref:- 21s/501/EX.

#### Search Expedition to Russian Zone on 29.10.1946.

On 29.10.1946 in company with Captain M. Fitzgerald of No. 56 G.C.U., Berlin, together with one 15 cwt. and one 3 ton truck and 6 men, I proceeded to Fotsdam. There we were furnished with a Russian Captain to act as conducting officer.

The expedition proceeded to Michendorf (N.53/Z 6224) where we interviewed the Buergermeister B. Rottstock. We summoned the town clerk K. Hortneg and the graveyard caretaker B. Zeitner. This man proved very useful in that he acted as an air raid warden during the war, saw the aircraft crash and buried its crew.

The first day was spent interrogating eyewitnesses to the crash. Since no accommodation could be found in the area the expedition returned to Berlin for the night. On the second day the bodies were exhumed and re-interred in Berlin (Heerstrasse) British Military cemetery (N53/X7248).

## The Aircraft

At about 0300 hrs on the morning of January 2nd, 1944, Herr B. Zeitner heard the main bomber stream passing overhead to attack the <u>Daimler-Benz</u> works in Berlin. Some minutes later he heard one of the stragglers circling very low - about 900 feet. A loud explosion ensuied and pieces of aircraft fell scattered over some 200 meters in an area 500 meters S.W. of the village.

The next morning this man saw the wreckage. He declared it was a four motored British bomber - in that the four motors and RAF roundels could still be seen. The wreckage was removed some days later by a part from the aerodrome at Werder (N.53/Z 5433) no identifying particles remain.

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#### The Bodies.

One almost complete body and a number of pieces of another or other bodies were recovered. The bodies were buried in one coffin that same day, January 2nd, 1944 by a German Lieutenant from the local Flak company in Michendorf. No military honours were given but the Lieutenant read a few prayers.

#### The Grave.

The grave was marked by a raised flower plot and a plain wooden cross on which was written "Here lie two unknown British soldiers 2.1.1944". The bodies were exhumed by No.56 G.C.U. (Berlin) on October 30th, 1946 and removed to Berlin (Heerstrasse) British Military Cemetery where they were re-interred in permanent graves. The complete body was buried in plot 4, Row B, Grave 26, and the pieces of bodies in plot 4, row B, grave 27.

#### Conclusion.

The violence of the explosion may account for the fact that there was so little left of the crew. None of the villagers heard of any of the crew coming down by parachute. The one complete body is in all probably that of the rear gunner. He would be shielded from the blast by his turret and his distance from the bomb bay. Since there was no bomb explosion on the ground and the aircraft was proceeding to Berlin it is reasonable to assume that the explosion was due to the bomb blowing up in the aircraft in the air.

From the exhumation findings it would seem that this whole crew member was a gunner (so warmly dressed), an officer (officer type shirt) and a Canadian (R.C.A.F. ring and Canadian type shirt).

It is hoped that this evidence will serve to identify this airman.

It is probable that grave number 27 contains the remains of the other missing crew members.

(Sgd.) (A.M. Dixon F/Lt.)

No. 21 Section M.R.E.S. R.A.F.

	EXHUMATIO	NREPORT		
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	PLOT 6	ROW 1	GRAVE NO	<b>):</b> 6
DESCRIPTION OF	BODY:			
HEIGHT:	Medium	WOUNDS OR		
BUILD :	Small	INJURIES:		
HAIR:	Light Brown			
TEETH:	N/A			
FINGERS AND HA	NDS: Small			
IDENTITY DISCS	: None			
DOCUMENTS OR L	ETTERS OR RELICS: R.	C.A.F. Ring		
CLOTHING: Out	er and inner Flying s TUNIC: R.A.F. Batt		glove with init	ial "M"
	TROUSERS: R.A.F. H	Battle dress.		
	SHIRT: Officer ty	pe (Canadian "	Forsyth") with	No.6699375
	UNDERWEAR: 2 suit	s, long woolle	n	· ·
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CEMETERY RECOR	DS SHOW: None			
REMARKS: Bits	of other bodies. Cre	ew remains.	ų.	
DATE EXHUMED:	30.10.1946	EXHUMAT	ION DONE BY 56	G.C.U.
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HEADQUARTERS 7887 CRAVES REGISTRATION DETACHNENT RECISTRATION DIVISION AFO 757 (Liego) US ARNY

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Proceedings of a Poard of Officers appointed in accordance with letter AGAO-S 293.9 (27 Ner 47), D-N, Wer Dept, TAGO, 9 April 1947.

The Foard convened pursuant to par 3, SO # 31, Headquarters, American Graves Registration Detechment APO 757, US Lrmy, 28 March 1950, at Liege, Belgium on The purpose of the Board was to determine the non-recoverability status of certain casualties now under jurisdiction of this command.

The Poerd reviewed report of investigation, statements of witnesses and other papers, contained in the files of American Graves Registration Detachment, E4, pertaining to the case of the following named casualty/ cesualties, the remains of which have not been recovered. The case records and other data considered, are attached.

5.	JONES, Breil (NEI)	I/Sgt.	10	601 628
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CASE No.	NAME	GRADE		ESV.

FINDINCS: The Foard having carefully considered the evidence before it, finds the remains of said casualty/casualties are non-recoverable.

RECOMMENDLTION: That the case concerning subject casualty/casualties be forwarded to the Office of The Quartermaster Ceneral for final approval.

JUMES C. MacFARLAND, Major, QMC Col. .Lt

Capt, QMC PRICE

GAYLORD E. LUTZ, 1st Lt, QMC

LEODORE GOUDREAU, CHO, USA

## HEADQUARTERS 7887 GRAVES REGISTRATION DETACHMENT APO 757 (LIEGE) US ARMY

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28 March 1950

## EXTRACT

3. PAC Ltr WD AGO-S 293.9, 9 Apr 47, Subj: "Establishment of Boards of Review for Identification of Unknown Dead Overseas", and par 118 b, SR 820-110-5 DA, 3 Mar 49, a Board of O's as following is apt to meet at the call of the President thereof, for the purpose of reviewing case records pertaining to the Identification of Deceased, Determination of non-recoverability of Remains and for the purpose of reviewing Major Discrepancy Cases:

LT COL	EDWARD D. MULVANITY,	QMC.,	0 359 598, President
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CAPT	EDWARD F. PRICE, Jr.,	QMC.,	0 1 588 236
1ST LT	GAYLORD E. LUTZ,	QMC.,	0 1 595 665
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BY ORDER OF COLONEL BALLARD:

s/t/WILLIAM J. WOOD CAPT., FA, ADJUTANT

OFFICIAL:

s/t/ WILLIAM J. WOOD CAPT., FA Adjutant

-A TRUE COPY:

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Capt QMC

## REGISTRATION DIVISION APO 757 (Liege) US ARMY

GRRE 293.9 (IB)

JUBJECT: Non-Recoverable Remains

TO:

The Non-Recoverable Board, AGRC

2, It is recommended that the Board take action on the Sollowing case:

NAME: JONES, Freil (NMI) T/Sgt 10 601 628 ORGANIZATION: 12th Repl. Control Depot. DATE OF DEATH: 2 January 1944 PLACE OF DEATH: Vic-of-Berlin, Germany

SYNOPSIS: The above mentioned unresolved casualty who was on detached service with the British Royal Airforce and was. one (1) of the seven (7) crew members of a British Royal Airforce aircraft, Lancaster # GAV-307, that failed to return from a bombing mission to Berlin, Germany on 2 January 1944. There is no German Dulag records or additional information concerning the aircraft and crew. Field Investigations conducted by a British Graves Concentration Unit failed to locate the crash site of subject aircraft or to establish the fate of the erew members. It is logical to conclude; that the aircraft of which subject decedent was a crew member, was presumably disabled as the result of the attack on Berlin, Germany on 2 January 1944, and crashed in an unknown location; that the enemy disposed of his remains as wall as the crew in a manner and unknown location that todate precludes recovery. The fact that Field Investigations were negative and no information concerning the circumstances of the crash is available would tend to substantiate this conclusion. It is, therefore, recommended that this case be deemed Non-Recoverable.

GRRE 293.9 (IB) SUBJECT: Non-Recoverable Remains

Reference is made to: CQMG Form 371; MACR # L-14: On file in the Office of The Quartermaster General, Washington, D.C.

Reference is also made to: Ltr. Air Ministry dated 24 June 1949.

2. All attached supporting documents are copied from records on file at the Hq, American Graves Registration Detachment.

3. Every effort has been made to correlate this case with records in this Hq pertaining to Unknown deceased interred in US 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.

CU C.W. STEINSIEK Capt, QMC

- From:- Air Ministry, (Casualty Branch) London Road, Stanmore, Middlesex. TO:- F/Lt Prior H.J. R.A.F.L.O. H.Q. A.G.R.C. European Area, Hotel Astoria, L. Rue de Fresburg, Paris (8)
- Ref: 5MREU/01000/21 P.412256/44/S.14 Cas A.6
- Date:- 24 June 1949.

Casualty Enquiry G.1596 10501048 T/Sgt E. Jones (U.S.A.A.F.) and Crew

Reference to your letter, AGRC/AM/197/AIR/I.B. Germ.N-53/ 7833, dated 13th June 1949.

Please note that no news has been received of the aircraft and crew, since time of "take off".

Death presumed 2nd January 1944.

/s/ Illegible

GRS European

8 September 1949

SUBJECT: Additional Information

TOI

Commanding General American Graves Registration Command European Area APO 58, c/o Postmaster New York, New York

1. Reference is made to your radio AGRC 4080 dated 21 June 1949.

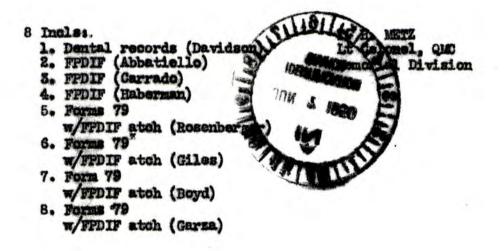
2. Forwarded herewith are all available dental charts for the following:

Davidson, Gordon F. Capt 0-728355	
Haberman, Louis C. 1/Lt 0=734900	
Rosemberger, Walter A. Jr.2/Lt 0-2059609	
Carrado, Peter D. S/Sgt 51168675	
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5. Dental chart at enlistment dated 2 June 1945 for T/Sgt Ercil Jenes, 10601048 shows beeth missing R-16, 8, L-16, 15, 8. No Forms 79 available.

4. For 2/Lt Jerome T. Jans, 0-7705025 and 16089210 records incomplete but indicate he returned to Military Control in May 1945.

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SUBJECT: Review of Circumstances Surrounding the Disappearance of Technical Sergeant Ercil Jones, 10501048.

1. The following named enlisted man of the 12th Replacement Control Depot was reported missing in action on 2 January 1944, over Germany, in flying pay status:

Jones, Brcil 10601048 Technical Sergeant

The initial missing in action report received in this soldier's case states that he disappeared on 1 January 1944. However, subsequent and more detailed reports show that the British Lancaster aircraft 1/G DV 307. of which he was a crew member did not take-off until OOLO (12:10 A.M.), 2 January 1944. The latter date was accepted as the date of inception of Technical Sergeant Jones' missing status. Under the provisions of Section 5, Public Law 490, 7 March 1942, as amended, a Finding of Death was made in his case, showing the presumed date of death to be 3 January 1945 (See SH&D Case Humber 2095).

2. Missing Air Orew Report Humber 9776, dated 1 October 1944, which is on file at Headquarters, Army Air Forces, shows that the subject soldier was on detached service with the R.A.F., and that he was a crew member in a British Lancaster bomber, that departed from an English base on a bombing mission to Berlin, Germany. The report indicates that it was last seen at OOLO hours, 2 January 1944, at point of departure and that it was lost or is believed to have been lost, as a result of enemy aircraft or anti-aircraft fire. The report further indicates that there were a total of eight crew members aboard the plane. An informational sheet attached to the Missing Air Crew Report, dated 12 September 1944, shows the point of departure as Ludford Magna, Market Easen, Lincs, England, and that the plane is presumed to have been lost over the target, Berlin. Of the eight persons who were aboard the plane, this report designates enly one, the subject soldier, as a member of the United States Army Air Forces. A letter dated 26 October 1944, Subject: "Information Concerning Personnel Reported Missing in Action" which is also attached to Missing Air Crew Report 9776, states that Technical Sergeant Conte was:

"Reported MIA as of night 1/2 January 1946, while on night operations with No. 101 (RAF) Squadrom, Ludford Means, Market Easen, Lines. This enlisted man was on D5 with the RM. IS from Casual Fool, 12th Replacement Control Depet, at the sing of casualty."

The 3rd indersement added under date of in Merenber 1944, to confidential letter of 27 October 1944, from this office to the Commanding General, ETOUSA, reads in part, as follows:



AG 201 Jones, Brcil 10601048 (25 May 49)

> "T/Sgt. Ercil Jones - 10601048 - Hear Gunner, was a member on Lancaster 1/G DV. 307 from 101 R.A.F. Squadron, Ludford Magna, Market Basen, Lincs. At 0010 hours on 2 January 1944 this aircraft left Ludford Magna to bomb Berlin. No contact was made with this aircraft after this time, and it is presumed by the R.A.F. to have been destroyed by enemy aircraft or anti-aircraft fire. The entire crew is listed as 'Presumed Killed in Action' by the R.A.F."

World War II Chronology for the month of January 1944, compiled and published by the Military Intelligence Division of the Department of the Army shows that on the night of 1 - 2 January:

"Force of 355 Lancasters drops 1,383 tons of bombs on Berlin\*\*\* 10/10ths cloud makes observation of results difficult but glow of large fires seen; 28 bombers fail to return."

3. Examination of the AG 201 and the Casualty Section files of the subject soldier and also his enlisted records, fails to disclose any information pertaining to his disappearance not hereinbefore set forth. Captured German records have been searched with a negative result concerning the disappearance of subject soldier.

4. Technical Sergeant Ercil Jones became missing in action on the night of 1-2 January 1944 when the British Lancaster bomber in which he was the only American crew member departed from an English base to bomb Berlin. The plane was not contacted following its take-off and the locale of its ultimate crash or forced landing is not known, no doubt the result of the prevailing overcast and poor visibility. However, it is believed to have been shot down in the vicinity of the target by enemy sircraft or anti-sircraft fire, according to reports received from the R.A.F. It is also apparent that none of the seven persons who comprised the balance of the plane's crew have been seen or heard from since the entire crew is listed on R.A.F. records as "Presumed Killed in Action." More than five years have elapsed since Technical Sergeant Jones disappeared, over four years since the cessation of hostilities, during which time no report has been received in the Department of the Army from any source. indicating that he has been seen or heard from by anyone. In view of the foregoing facts and circumstances, and since there is no conclusive evidence as to the exact place and cause of death, it is concluded that the information of record in the Department of the Army at this time does not warrant the issuance of an official Report of Death, pursuant to the provisions of Section 9, of

the Missing Persons Act. TEFEEN A. FRINCEO Investigator

COPY FOR: OQMG, Memorial Div. AG 201 file CONCUR:

T. J. COLLUM Major, AGD OIC, Determination Unit Casualty Section Personnel Actions Branch, AGO

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## THE ADJUTANT BENERAL'S OFFICE WASHINGTON 25. D. C.

## FINDING OF DEATH OF MISSING PERSON

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of the Act of 7 March 1942 (Public Law 490 7th Cong.) as amended, upon direction and delegation by the Secretary of War, The Chief, Casualty Branch, The Adjutant General's Office, finds Technical Sergeant Ercil Jones, Army Serial Number, 10,601,048, Air Corps,

to be dead. He was officially reported as missing in action as of the day of 2nd January 194 4. For the purposes stated in said Act, death is presumed to have occurred day of January , 194 5. on the 3rd

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Memo: Chief Cas. Br. \*FINDING OF DEATH OF MISSING PERSON was made in the case of this individual under provisions of Public Law 490, 7 March 1942, as amended. \*\*PRESUMED DATE OF DEATH: 3 Jan 45. In line of duty. Not due to own misconduct. On duty status.

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ARMY SERVICE FORCES KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT 601 HARDESTY AVENUE KANSAS CITY 1. MISSOURI

146,225 IN REPLY REFER TO

JRM:KD:at May 12, 1945

Mr. Leondas J. Jones Route #2 Pioneer, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Jones:

This refers to our previous correspondence regarding the personal effects of your son, Technical Sergeant Ercil Jones.

As a part of your son's property, this Bureau received U. S. Treasury check payable to him in the amount of \$5,13. This check could not be cashed here, and therefore, in accordance with existing regulations, was sent to the General Accounting Office, Washington 25, D. C., for proper disposition. For further information in this regard, you should communicate directly with that office.

I hope this information will be useful to you.

Yours very truly.

HARRY NIEMIEC // 2nd Lt. Q.M.C. Chief, Correspondence Branch REGISTERED MAIL

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Treasurer of the United States check No. 10369975 in the 1. amount of \$5.13 payable to the order of Ercil Jones, T/5 t 1.0601048, dated 7th March, 1945 at Sta. No. 500. (representing funds due from the RCAF).

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Army Effects Bureau, Kansas City Quartermaster Depot. 601 Hardesty Avenue, Lauses City Missouri

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For The Effects Quartermaster:

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ARMY SERVICE FORCES KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU 601 Hardesty Avenue Kansas City 1, Missouri

In Reply Refer To: (146,229)

(8-2-18-45) JRM:NW:hg January 18, 1945

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Mr. Loondas J. Jones Route 2 Pioneer, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Jones:

The Army Effects Bureau has received some personal effects belonging to your son, T/Sgt. Ercil Jones.

This property is being forwarded to you in one carton and should reach you in the near future.

My action in transmitting the property does not, of itself, vest title in you. The items are forwarded in order that you may act as gratuitous bailee in caring for them pending the return of the owner, who has been reported missing in action. In the event he later is reported a casualty, and I sincerely hope he never is, it will be necessary that the property be turned over to the person or persons legally entitled to rece ve it.

When delivery has been made, I shall appreciate your acknowledging receipt by signing one copy of this letter in the space provided below, and returning it to this Bureau. For your convenience, there is inclosed an addressed envelope which needs no postage.

I regret the circumstances prompting this letter, and wish to express my hope for the safe return of your son.

I am inclosing a check for \$3.92, representing funds belonging to your son. I am also inclosing some personal papers received here with his effects.

Yours very truly,

F. A. ECKHARDT Captain Q.M.C. Assistant

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The Postmaster General has been notified of the receipt on the 1st October 1943, of the sum of ±72.12.5. by cheque for the credit of the above-described Account in the books of this department.

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LUDFORD, LINCOLN.

HEADQUARTERS 12TH REPLACEMENT CONTROL DEPOT AVN APO 635

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AAF Station 591, 10 April 1944.

SUBJECT: Personal Effects of T/Sgt. Ercil Jones, 10601048, Missing.

TO : Effects Quartermaster, ETOUSA, Depot G-14, APO 507, U.S. Army.

1. The effects of the above named enlisted man, who has been on "Detached Service" with the ROYAL AIR FORCE, R.A.F. Station, Ludford Magna, Market Rasen, Lincs from this Headquarters, have been dealt with in accordance with Sec II of Hq SOS ETOUSA Adm Cir No. 80, dtd 25 October 1943. Pursuant to Sec II of Cir No. 80 the following particulars are transmitted herewith:

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NAMES & ADDRESSES OF FRIVATE DEBTORS NAMES & ADDRESSES OF PRIVATE CREDITORS ERCIL (NMI) JONES Technical Sergeant 10601048 AIR GUNNER AUS(AC) On DS with 101 Sqdn(RAF) Fr MIA 1/2 January 1944... Mr. Leondas J. Jones - Father R.F.D. # 2, Pioneer, Louisiana.

11 April 1944. Government transportation

None

Post Office Savings Bank, Ludford, ~ No. 551 (Refer to inclosure showing receipt of 1/72.12s.5d deposit)

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10 April 1944 - Contd.

- 2. Inclosed herewith the following:
  - a. WD AGO Form No. 54, Inventory of Effects, in triplicate.
- <u>b.</u> RAF Form No. 1644, Committee of Adjustment Statement, in duplicate, listing no cash found in subject enlisted man's effects. (Par 4.)
  - c. RAF Inventory of Effects 3 pages of listed items, etc. submitted in duplicate.
  - d. Savings Bank Form No. 3A, Post Office Savings Bank Receipt, listing 1/72.12.5 deposited for the credit of subj EM's account, 1 October 1943.
- e. Acknowledgement of indebtedness of 1/2.0.0. to American Red Cross, AAF Station 591, APO 635, U.S. Army. Serial Loan No. AA-555, dtd 8 June 1943.
- f. WD AGO Form No. 29, Authorization for Allotment of Pay, personal copy authorizing Class N allotment of his pay-amt.\$6.70 per month commencing 1st June 1943.
- <u>g</u>. Veterans Adm Insurance Form 350, Application for Nat'l Service Life Insurance (personal copy of EMLs) principal beneficiary EM's Father. (\$10,000 insurance).

3. Additional papers will be forwarded to your Depot, if and when, the RAF may transmit such documents to this Headquarters for disposal and return to the next of kin.

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WILLIAM A. GAYLE, Lt. Col., A.C., Commanding.

7 Incls: Incls 1-7 : As listed under par 2 above.



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4 May 1944

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Field Director, American Red Cross, AAF Sta #591, APO 635.

Dear Sir,

# In re: T/Set Ercell (NMI) Jones 10601048

You are listed as a creditor in the sum of 12.0.0. in the file of above enlisted man, reported Missing in Action, 2 January 1944

Should you desire to submit a claim, it is suggested that you execute an invoice in triplicate, clearly setting forth the nature of the indebtedness and a certification on each invoice as follows:-

"I certify that this invoice is true and correct, and payment therefor has never been received.

Signed ....."

Upon receipt of same, this office will take action to pay off the indebtedness, at the proper time, which in this case will be on or about 2 July 1944.

In the event that you are desirous of foregoing your claim, it is requested that you inform this office of such intention.

Very truly yours,

EDWARD CHAYES, Lt.Col, QMC. Effects QM. Etousa.

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2 July 1944

Post Office Savings Bank, HARROGATE, YORKS.

Dear Sirs,

### In re: T/Sgt Ercell (NMI) Jones 10601048

Attached herewith is a Certificate of Appointment of Officer responsible for Affairs in connection with the banking account of T/Sgt Ercell Jones, who has been reported Missing in Action 1/2 January 1944.

Six months having elapsed, in accordance with HQ.SOS.ETO directives, T/Sgt Jones is now presumed deceased.

It is requested that you transmit to this office a check made payable to the Effects Quartermaster, Etousa, for the funds remaining in T/Sgt Jones account, together with statement of his account in duplicate.

#### Very truly yours,

JAMES R. WALSH, Lt. Col., QMC, Effects QM. ETOUSA.

1 Incl. Certificate of Appointment.

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## STATUTORY RULES AND ORDERS 1942 No. 2562 The Defence (United States Forces) Administration of Estates.

#### Regulations 1942

# CERTIFICATE OF APPOINTMENT OF

## OFFICER RESPONSIBLE FOR AFFAIRS

#### Regulation 1 - (1)

I	hereby contras, a	ERCELL	(NMI)	10601048	T/Sgt	AUS (AC)
	1. Last name	First name	Initia	A.S.N.	Grade	Organization
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2. At the time stated he was subject to military law of the United States Action Five States Army. European Theater of Operations, United States Army.

3. EDWARD CHAYES, 0-115804, Major QMC, whose signature appears below, being an officer of the United States military forces stationed in England, has been appointed in accordance with the Law of the United States of America as Effects Quartermaster to discharge in the United Kingdom duties in respect of the person named in Par.l hereof, including the duty of securing his effects, collecting debts due him, and paying his creditors.

EDWARD CHAILS, Major Q.M.C.

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Effects Quartermaster, ETOUSA.

#### I.S. DIERKING, COL. QMC.

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W.V.RENNER Col. Q.M.C. Commanding Officer, Depot G-14, ETOUSA being the authority declared by order of the Secretary of State who has been designated by the Government of the United States of America as the appropriate United States authority for the purpose of Regulation 4 of the Defence (United States Forces) Administration of Estates Regulations, 1942.

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9 August 1944.

Director of Savings, Post Office Savings Bank, Harrogate, YORKSHIRE.

Your reference 1162/0/43/D.C.B.

Dear Sir,

Reference your latter dated 13 July 1944, in respect of further particulars concerning the Post Office Savings Bank Account of above soldier, please be advised that we have not a bank book for him. Inclosed herewith however is your form S.B.-No.3A. indicating a possible bank account at your Ludford Branch.

Trusting this is the information

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you desire, I remain,

Very truly yours,

EARL F. SECHREST, Lt.Col. MC. Effects Q.M. U.K. 1 Incl.Form S.B.-No.3A.

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Director of Savings, Post Office Savings Bank, Harrogate, YOUR

YOUR REF: 1162 U/43 D.C.B.

Dear Sir,

# In re:T/Set Ercell (NMI) Jones 10601048

This office is in receipt of your letter dated 2 September 1944 with inclosures as stated in respect of the above individual.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

HUGH F.DAVIS, Lt.Col.4MC. Effects QM.UK.

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POST OFFICE

# SAVINGS BANK

#### HARROGATE, YORKSHIRE

In any reply please quote 1162 U/43 D.C.B.

13 July, 1944.

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The Effects Quartermaster, Etousa, Depot. G. 14., A. P.O. 507, United States Army, Great Britain.

Re T/Sgt. Ercell (NMI) Jones - 10601048

Dear Sir,

AJA a sul 9. S.B. 781.

With reference to your letter of the 2nd instant, I shall be obliged if particulars of the Post Office Savings Bank account of the above named deceased may be furnished and the relevant bank book forwarded if this is available.

A preliminary search of the Departmental indexes has failed to identify the deceased as a Post Office Savings Bank depositor.

> Yours faithfully, LEON SIMON,

> > Director of Savings.

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Office of the Field Director. AAF Station 591. A.P.O. 635. c/o U.S. Army.

May 8, 1944.

Lt. Col. Edward Chayes, CMC, Effects QM. Etousa, Summary Court, Depot G-14, ASN 10601048. A.P.O. 507, c/o U.S. Army.

Re: JONES, Ercil (nmi), T/Sgt.

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Dear Sir,

We are in receipt of your letter of May 4, 1944, with regard to loan of £2.0.0d. made to the above-named Sergeant, who was reported Missing in Action, 2 January, 1944.

Please be informed that Sgt. Jones has repaid this loan to us, and we have no knowledge of any other loans outstanding against this serviceman.

Yours very truly,

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Howard P. Unland. Field Director.





POST OFFICE SAVINGS DEPARTMENT

2" September, 194 4.

SAVINGS BANK DIVISION

HARROGATE, YORKSHIRE

1162 U/43 D.C.B. Your ref :- Control-15273

The Effects quartermaster, U.K., Summary Court, Depot G.12., A.P.O. 507, United States Army, Great Britain.

T/Sgt. Ercell Jones = 10601048.

#### Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 9th ultimo, I am enclosing herewith a warrant for 19s. 5d. for payment of the amount due in the deceased's Post Office Savings Bank account " Ludford, 551 " together with two statements of that account

> Yours T of Saving

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#### Effects of No. 10601048 T/Sgt. E. Jones (U.S.A.) missing from Ops. on the night of 1/2nd, Ban. 1944.

1 Attache Case containing:-1 Pair Kharki Trousers. 3 Shirts, 1 Blue 2 Brown. 1 Pair of Underpants, long woollen. 1 Hair Brush. 1 Pair Short Underpants. 1 Brown Tie. 1 U.S.A. Anno Pouch. 1 Mess Tin. 1 Veste 2 Tooth brushes. 1 Nail Cleppersion Case. 1 Cross and Rosary Beads, in leather case. 1 Brown leather wallet with papers. 1 Shaving Soap Container. 1 Handkerchief. 3 Pairs Socks ( black, white and brown) 1 R.C.A.F. Pay Book. 1 Brown Toilet Bag. 1 Red Zipp Pullover. 1 R.A.F. Pullover. 1 R.A.F. Blue Scarf. 1 Pair Blue Striped Pyjamas.

Certified correct in accordance with A.M.O. 1265/43.

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#### Effects of No. 10601048 T/Sgt. E. Jones (U.S.A.) Missing from Ops. on the night of 1/2nd, Jan, 1944

1 Blue Kit Bag containing :-2 Working Caps. 1 Waterproof Jacket. 1 Pair Service Trousers. 3 Shirts (2 Brown, 1 White) 2 Pairs Short Underpants. 1 Pair Long Underpants. 2 Wooklen Vests. 1 Black Tie. 1 Pair Brown Wobllen Gloves. 3 Pairs Socks, 2 Blue 1 Grey. 1 White Sleeping Bag. 5 Tent Pegs. 1 Tent Pole. 1 Pair Rubber Over boots. 2 Pairs Brown Leather Shoes. Boots. 3 Handkerchiefs. 1 Tube of Gas Ointment. 1 Sports Jersey. 11Field Dressings 1 Great Coat U.S.A. 1 Dress Hat. 1 Pair Green Overalls. 1 Service Tunic. 1 U.S.A. Steel Helmet.

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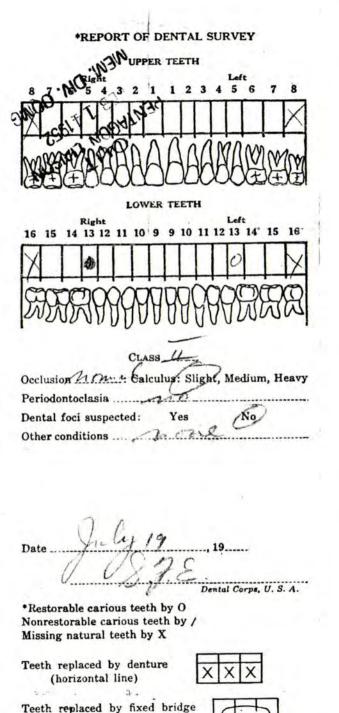
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dorm 1644. MAGNA COMMANDING. be prepared R.A.F. STATION. To triplicate in the case R.C.A.F. and R.A.A.F. 12th REPLACE Name Initials MILEC No Ran Missing 1060104 ato) data interestitetes (If a member of a Dominions or Allied Air Force, state which. CERTIFIED I. That all the personal effects of the above named (except bulky articles) as listed on the accompanying inventory in triplicate\* (additional copy enclosed with the effects) were forwarded to the Central Depository, Colnbrook. road by rail Carrier's Note No. Post Office from. (Regn. No.....) and next of kin have been so informed (not applicable to Dominion Air Forces). 2. That the following bulky articles are held at R.A.F. Station pending the receipt of disposal instructions. and that the next of kin have been so informed (not applicable to Dominion Air Forces) 3. That the following documents were extracted from the personal effects and forwarded to :-- ! (a) Air Ministry Dept. Accts. 13, Worcester, on (b) Officer i/c Estates, R.G.A.F. Overseas H.Q. on 20, Lincolns Inn Fields, London, W.C.2 (c) Air Officer Commanding Overseas H.Q R.A.A.F., 63/ Kingsway, London, W.C. (Casualty Section) (d) Air Officer Commanding, H.Q., R.N.Z.A.F., on Kern House, Kingsway, London, W.C.2 ... (i) Post Office Savings Bank Book, Office of issue and Number. (ii) National Savings Certificates for Units, Serial Nos. (iii) Life Assurance Policy for f Company Dated No. NIL and that the next of kin have been so informed (not applicable to Dominion Air Forces). Strike out the addresses not applicable. was and stamps to the value of g found 4. That cash amounting to were among the effects. Accountant officers receipt, in duplicate, attached.\* -

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