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HEADQUARTERS
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
P/W and X Detachment
Military Intelligence Service

REPORT FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
and QUESTIONNAIRE FOR I.S. 9(WEL.) PERSONNEL

15 Sept 44
(Date)

Charles A. Lewis 2nd Lt 0-827695
(Name) (Rank) (ASN)

(Target) (Number of missions)

Date Missing in Action: 9 Sept 44

Returned to UK: 15 Sept 44

(Unit)

MEMBERS OF CREW: (List names by positions and indicate what happened to each one)

PILOT	Stoneburner, P.W.	2nd Lt	2097	} narrator
CO-PILOT	Lewis, C.A.	"	2098	
NAVIGATOR	Brixius, J.L.	"	Evaded	
BOMBARDIER	Weinier, S	F10	2126	
RADIO OPERATOR	Jacobs, J.	S/Sgt.	2099	
TOP TURRET GUNNER	Smith, L.I.	S/Sgt.	2786	

TAIL TURRET GUNNER

WAIST GUNNER	Olney, Basil	Sgt.	- ? 15103804	- P/W
WAIST GUNNER	Ferrando, J.	"	- Evaded	- 2100
TAIL GUNNER	Agliata, Joseph	Sgt?	36744694	- P/W

Date, time and approximate location of plane crash or landing.

9 Sept. 44 - 1140 - Northern Tip of Luxembourg
Nature and extent of damage to plane when source bailed out. Was it on fire, etc?
#2 out-runaway prop - #1 cut in + out-prop trouble

At approximately what altitude did source bail out?

1200'

Were any of the crew injured or killed before the plane crashed?

No

What members of the crew bailed out? Did their parachutes open?

All bailed out. No information about one waist gunner + Tail gunner

Did the plane explode on striking the ground?

Yes

Did the source see any other members of the crew dead or alive after reaching the ground?

No

Did he receive any information from others as to whether any other members of the crew were dead or alive? If so, give details furnished by his informant and whether the other crew members were identified by name or otherwise.

None

(over)

Did source examine the wreckage of the plane? If so, what was its condition?

No

If the plane crashed in water how far was the plane from land and by what means was source rescued and what life rafts, wreckage, etc., remained on the surface that would have assisted other personnel to keep afloat.

~~one waist gunner~~
Tail gunner } probably captured by enemy

What is source's opinion as to the fate of the other crew members and his reason for his opinion?

one waist gunner } probably captured by enemy. Strong
Tail gunner } west wind blowing parachutes
into Germany proper.

Were you wounded?

No

Were you in German hands?

No

Did you kill any Germans in escaping?

No

Have you previously given the names of your helpers?

Yes.

List any names previously omitted, showing what help was given.

What security briefing were you given?

W.F.A.

What souvenirs do you still possess?

Clip german shells - rifle
Parachute Shroud lines - german
Home address.

114 Wharton St. San Antonio, Texas

List names of American or British personnel believed to have been arrested by Germans.

Olney, B.
Agliaata, J.

List names of American or British personnel believed to be evading.

I baled out at 1140 hrs 9 Sep 44 in the northern part of Luxembourg. I was taken at once and hidden in the woods by a LUX patriot (PIERRE SCHEUREN, à HULDANGE, TROIS-VICÉGE, G.D. LUXEMBOURG). He stayed in the woods two nights (his cousin one night) with me, and my navigator who was brought to me on the first night. PIERRE SCHEUREN took us to a home for meals in the day. This home was the country home of the following:-

Father	-	Felix Delvaux	} DIEKIRCH, GRAND DUCHY LUXEMBOURG
Son	-	LEON DELVAUX	
Son-in-law	-	JEAN KROMBACH	
Daughter	-	NATHY KROMBACH	

They fed us and were very nice.
on the night of 11 Sep 44.

The American forces took us back

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CERTIFIED THAT:

No. O-827695 Rank 2nd Lt. ~~1st Lt.~~

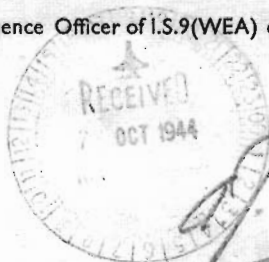
Name (BLOCK LETTERS) LEWIS C.A

Unit 755 sqd. 458. grp.

has been fully/briefly/interrogated by an Intelligence Officer of I.S.9(WEA) on Sept 13 1944

and has signed a Security Certificate.

He should/should not/be re-interrogated.



[Handwritten signature] 2125
Major.
S/C

IMPORTANT.

THIS CERTIFICATE MUST BE RETAINED AND HANDED TO (BRITISH)
AN OFFICER OF M.I.9 OR (AMERICAN), AN OFFICER OF PW. & X. DET.
M.I.S. ON ARRIVAL IN U.K. OR U.S.A.

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WAR DEPARTMENT The Adjutant General's Office Washington

AG 383.6 (31 Jul 43) OB-S-B-M

KLS/el-2B-989 Pentagon

6 August 1943

SUBJECT: Amended Instructions Concerning Publicity in Connection with Escaped Prisoners of War, to Include Evaders of Capture in Enemy or Enemy-Occupied Territory and Internees in Neutral Countries.

TO: The Commanding Generals,
Army Ground;
Army Air Forces;
The Commander-in-Chief, Southwest Pacific Area;
The Commanding Generals,
Theaters of Operations;
Defense Commands;
Departments;
Base Commands;
The Commanding Officers,
Base Commands;
Director, Bureau of Public Relations.

1. Publication or communication to any unauthorized persons of experiences of escape or evasion from enemy-occupied territory, internment in a neutral country, or release from internment not only furnishes useful information to the enemy but also jeopardizes future escapes, evasions and releases.

2. Personnel will not, unless authorized by the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, War Department General Staff, publish in any form whatever or communicate either directly, or indirectly, to the press, radio or an unauthorized person any account of escape or evasion of capture from enemy or enemy-occupied territory, or internment in a neutral country either before or after repatriation. They will be held strictly responsible for all statements contained in communications to friends which may subsequently be published in the press or otherwise.

3. Evaders, escapees, or internees shall not be interrogated on the circumstances of their experiences in escape, evasion or internment except by the agency designated by the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, War Department General Staff, or the corresponding organization in overseas theaters of operations. In allied or neutral countries, American Military Attaches are authorized to interrogate on escape, evasion and internment matters.

4. Should the services of escaped prisoners of war, evaders, or internees be deemed necessary for lecturing and briefing, such services will be under the direct supervision of the agency designated by the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, War Department General Staff, or the corresponding organization in overseas theaters of operations.

5. Commanding Officers will be responsible for instructing all evaders, escapees, and internees in the provisions of this directive which supersedes letter, AG 383.6 (5 Nov 42) OB-S-B-M, 7 November 1942, subject: Instructions concerning Publicity in Connection with Escaped Prisoners of War and other previous instructions on this subject.

By order of the Secretary of War:

/s/ J. A. ULIO
J. A. ULIO
Major General,
The Adjutant General.

1. Information about your escape or your evasion from capture *would be useful to the enemy* and a danger to your friends. It is therefore **SECRET**.

2. a You must therefore not disclose, except to the first Military Attache to whom you report, or to an officer designated by the Commanding General of the Theater of Operations, or by A. C. of S., G-2, W. D.

- (1) The names of those who helped you.
- (2) The method by which you escaped or evaded.
- (3) The route you followed.
- (4) Any other facts concerning your experience.

b You must be particularly on your guard with persons representing the press.

c You must give no account of your experiences in books, newspapers, periodicals or in broadcasts or in lectures.

d You must give no information to anyone, irrespective of nationality, in letters or in conversation, except as specifically directed in Par. 4.

e No lectures or reports are to be given to any unit without the permission of A. C. of S., G-2, W. D., or corresponding organization in the theater.

GERTIFIGATE

I have read the above and certify that I will comply with it.

I understand that any information concerning my escape or evasion from capture is **SECRET** and must not be disclosed to anyone other than the agency designated by A. C. of S., G-2, War Department, the corresponding organization in overseas theaters of operations, or to the Military Attache in a neutral country to whom I first report. I understand that disclosure to anyone else will make me liable to disciplinary action.

Name (Print) Charles A. Lewis Signed Charles A. Lewis
Rank 2nd Lt. A. S. N. 0-827695 Dated 15 Sept 44
Unit 458 Bomb. Gp. 755 Bomb. Sqdn. Witness _____

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