Paris, le 14 mai 1945

Réf. à rappeler : 203/318/14

Le Capitaine LEFORT

au

Major WHITE

J'ai l'honneur de vous envoyer ci-joint des documents qui ont été trouvés à bord d'un appareil américain abattu à CHENOISE le 14 juin 1944.

Le Capitaine LEFORT
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1. I certify that I have this date received the articles listed hereon which have not previously been issued to me.

2. This equipment is issued to me for the DURATION.

3. It must be CONSERVED--it is critical. I am personally responsible for its care.

4. Items shown above will not be issued to me again EXCEPT:
   a. If article is worn out present it to Supply Officer and receive a new one.
   b. If article is lost or destroyed, a survey signed by Commanding Officer must be presented to Supply Officer before relief of responsibility will be granted.

5. Immediately upon arrival at my new station I shall contact my Squadron Commanding Officer in regard to the disposition of Form 46, Parachute Historical Record Card.

Enlisted Man's Signature: [Signature]

Issuing Officer: ALBERT H. RODAN
1st Lt, Air Corps
Air Corps Supply Ctr, C-G-C
HSD FORM

AUTH: Ind. "Parachute Issue"
to AAF WPTC from Supply Division, ASC, Patterson Field,
Dtd 12 October 1943.

TALLY IN

Received 1 Ea. 8300-636760 Parachute Type QAC No. 12301623

Received 1 Ea 8300-595770 Mask Oxygen Type A3B

FROM Gordon Long PFC 15097529

WHICH WAS ISSUED TO HIM AT H17 Supply

RECEIVED BY M.H. Williams 2-28-44

for R. G. Leonard,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
417th Sub-Depot Supply Officer
Alexandria, Louisiana.
1. This Equipment is issued to you for the DURATION.

2. IT must be CONSERVED -- It is critical. You are personally responsible for its care.

3. Items shown on the reverse side will not be issued to you EXCEPT:
   
a. If an article is worn out, present it to an Accountable Supply Officer and receive a new one.

   b. If an article is lost or destroyed, a survey approved by your Commanding Officer must be presented to an Accountable Supply Officer before relief from RESPONSIBILITY will be granted.

NAME ___________________________ GRADE ___________ ORGANIZATION ___________

SIGNATURE ___________________________ SERIAL NO. ___________

(a) "I certify that the articles listed herein have not previously been issued to me."

(b) "I certify that the articles listed herein were previously issued to me at ___________ but were turned in by me at ___________ and have not been replaced."

(c) "I certify that the articles listed herein were previously issued to me at ___________ but were lost or were rendered unserviceable by means other than fair wear and tear; that proper adjustment has been effected and no replacement of any of these articles has been received."

NOTE: "I certify that I have this date issued the items listed herein to the person who accomplished the foregoing certification."

R. C. LEONARD, lst. Lt., AC., Asst' S.D.S.O.
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Exchange

Sgt. Gordon B. Jones 15077529

Supervisor
Approved by

Posted to S. R. ____________________________ ____________________________

(Rank) (Date) (Rank) (Date)
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 Internes 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 internes 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 internes 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 internes in the provisions of this directive which superseded letter AG 383.6 (6 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 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.

CERTIFICATE

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) Long Gordon B
Rank LT
S/N 50752
Unit 451 Bomb Group 451 Bomb Sqn

Signed
Dated
Witness

RESTRICTED
Suggestions for improvement of escape equipment and training come largely from those who make use of them. Your report and comments will help others to evade capture or to escape.

1. AID BOX
   a. Did you use your aid box? yes
   b. If not, why?
   c. If you used it, state briefly the circumstances in which you used each item, for example, "While hiding in woods for two nights".
      Horlicks tablets. While hiding in an empty house for 5 days.
      Chocolate or Peanut Bar.
      Milk (tube).
      Benzedrine tablets (fatigue).
      Malaria tablets (water purifier). to purify our drinking water.
      Matches.
      Adhesive tape.
      Chewing gum.
      Water bottle.
      Compass. to plot our course in case we had to leave the French people.
      Sewing kit. to sew up our clothes.
   d. Did any of the above items prove unsatisfactory? no
   e. How did you finally dispose of the box? By burning it.
   f. Can you suggest any way in which the contents of the aid box might be changed to make it of greater use, bearing in mind that the size of it cannot be larger?
      Yes by putting a larger bag instead of the water bottle.

2. PURSE
   a. Did you carry a purse? yes
      State color of stripes and letters. Red F and black stripes.
      If NOT, State why not.
   b. Did you use the purse? yes
c. If so, which of the following items in the purse did you use?

Maps. Which ones? The one of France that has the security of Paris.
Compass. Yes.
File (hacksaw). No.

Foreign currency. State countries and amounts. France 9000.
How did you spend the money?

Yes, at first we paid for our food.

d. How did you dispose of:

Maps. Ignored them to Colonel Brown of the medical corps.
Compass. I still have it.
File (hacksaw).
Surplus currency. I still have it.

3. Were you issued any extra compasses or further aids to evasion?

4. Passport size photographs.

a. Did you carry passport-size photographs?
If so, how many? Yes.
b. Did you use them?

5. Lectures.

bass voice. We would have to move before they were ready.
a. Were you lectured on evasion and escape?
State WHERE, WHEN and by WHO.
Many times at the 45th Bn.
b. Did you find the lectures of value? Yes, very much.
c. Do you have any suggestions to make which, from your experience, you feel will help other evaders and escapers?

Yes, I think no flyer should have a crew hair cut. The Germans cut their prisoners hair short and that way he might be mistreated from escaping pilots. I also believe that escape lectures should be made very compulsory.
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P/W and X Detachment
Military Intelligence Service

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR SERVICE PERSONNEL EVADING OR ESCAPING FROM ENEMY OCCUPIED COUNTRIES

GORDON BLOOM 54064569
(Name) (Rank) (ASN)

15 (No. of missions)

747 7th (Squadron) (Group)

TARGET:

Date mission in action: [ ]

Date arrived in UK: [ ]

MEMBERS OF CREW: (Please list names next to positions)

PILOT
1st Lt. Roy Allen

CO-PILOT
3rd Lt. Lewis Washington

NAVIGATOR
2nd Lt. James Bruscak

BOMBARDIER
3rd Lt. Anderson

RADIO OPERATOR
1st Lt. Smith

TOP TURRET GUNNER
1st Lt. William Holbrook

BALL TURRET GUNNER
1st Lt. Nelson

WAIST GUNNER
1st Lt. W. Miller

WAIST GUNNER

TAIL GUNNER

Decorations:

Date of Birth:

Private Address:

Length of Service:

Job as Civilian:

From what field did you take off? Take off time:

Were all secret papers and equipment destroyed?

Were you wounded? Give details.

Did you pay your guides? If so, how much?

Do you speak FRENCH? SPANISH? GERMAN? ITALIAN? OTHER LANGUAGE?

Did you have identity papers?

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(over)
Have you been questioned before on your escape or evasion? If so, where and by whom?

Have you given any one a written report on your experiences. Where and When?

Did you report on your operations? If so, where and to whom?

Did you sign a security certificate warning you against talking about your escape or evasion? If so, Where and When?

Date of arrival in Spain:

Date of arrival at Gibraltar:

Place and date of departure for UK. By sea or air.

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

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

Lt. Hanson
Capt. Seale
Capt. Goldmeyer
Lt. C.E. Gilman
St. Roy Allen
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REPORT FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

Gordon B. Long
457 Bomb Group 799 Bombs
APO 557

(NAME) (RANK) (ASM) (UNIT)

AUGUST 28, 1944

(ADDRESS)

MEMBERS OF CREW

PILOT
CO-PILOT
NAVIGATOR
BOMBERDIER
RADIO OPERATOR
TOP TURRET GUNNER
BALL TURRET GUNNER
WAIST GUNNER
WAIST GUNNER
TAIL GUNNER

PRESENT
OFFICIAL STATUS

DATE, TIME AND APPROXIMATE LOCATION OF PLANE CRASH OR LANDING.

JUNE 14, 1944, APPROXIMATELY 9:15 AM, NEAR CHENOIS IN THE PROVING RIGS.

NATURE AND EXTENT OF DAMAGE TO PLANE WHEN SOURCE BAILED OUT. WAS IT ON FIRE, ETC.?

THE ENGINE CABLES WERE SHOT UPON BY FIRE.

AT APPROXIMATELY WHAT ALTITUDE DID SOURCE BAILE OUT?

WERE ANY OF THE CREW INJURED OR KILLED BEFORE THE PLANE CRASHED?

I AM NOT CERTAIN BUT THAT PLUM MIGHT HAVE BEEN.

WHAT MEMBERS OF THE CREW BAILED OUT? DID THEIR PARACHUTES OPEN?

ALL BUT BAILED OUT BUT PLUM LOOKED LIKE HE WAS DEAD IN THE TAIL OF THE PLANE.

DID THE PLANE EXPLODE ON STRIKING THE GROUND?

NO.

DID SOURCE SEE ANY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE CREW DEAD OR ALIVE AFTER REACHING THE GROUND?

NO.

DID SOURCE 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.

DID SOURCE EXAMINE THE WRECKAGE OF THE PLANE? IF SO, WHAT WAS ITS CONDITION?

IF THE PLANE CRASHED IN WATER, HOW FAR WAS THE PLANE FROM THE SHORE, 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 AFOAT.

WHAT IS SOURCE'S OPINION AS TO THE FATE OF THE OTHER CREW MEMBERS AND HIS REASON FOR HIS OPINION?

I BELIEVE THAT THEY WERE ALL SAFE EXCEPT POSSIBLY PLUM. THE FRENCH SAVED NO PARACHUTIST, IT HAD BEEN CAPTURED IN THAT REGION.
The Germans had a large airfield near Brittany which is 5 kilometers from our position located southeast of Paris. The Americans had nearly completely destroyed this field. The field was for JU 88's. I stayed for nearly three weeks 3 kilometers from there. They took off in one minute intervals.

The German morale was very high when we first parachuted but after the Americans big drive towards Paris, there was great confusion among the German troops. From the French we learned that 80 Germans stationed at Bayeux were being fed for three days on one day rations. The ones we saw were very poor and ragged looking. After General Pattons drive, the morale of the Germans was completely broken.

Near Paris in the south they retreated in great disorder all night one night. There was much getting and confusion. The French morale is very high and although many of their people are killed by our bombs they seem to hold no grudges. Some of the French that could speak German talked a lot of them and found out that the majority of the soldiers knew they were defeated but had orders to fight to the last man. When we left Paris (about a month ago) there were many German soldiers in the city.

Of course we were in the hands of the French and could not observe all that we would have liked.
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P/W and X Detachment
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REPORT FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

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PILOT
CO-PILOT
NAVIGATOR
BOMBER HULL
RADAR OPERATOR
TOP TURRET GUNNER
BALL TURRET GUNNER
WAIST GUNNER
WAIST GUNNER
TAIL GUNNER

DATE AND LOCATION OF CRASH OR LANDING

JUNE 19, APPROXIMATELY 9:15, FRENCH COUNTRYSIDE, N. OF BAYONNE.

NATURE AND EXTENT OF DAMAGE TO PLANE WHEN SOURCE BAILOUT. WAS IT ON FIRE, ETC?

SOURCE COULD NOT BE SHOT DOWN BY FLAK.

AT APPROXIMATELY WHAT ALTITUDE DID SOURCE BAILOUT?

WERE ANY OF THE CREW INJURED OR KILLED BEFORE THE PLANE CRASHED?

I AM NOT SURE, BUT BOTH PLANE MIGHT HAVE BEEN.

WHAT MEMBERS OF THE CREW BAILOUT? DID THEIR PARACHUTES OPEN?

ALL TEN BAILOUT BUT PLANE LOOKED LIKE IT WAS SHOT.

DID THE PLANE EXPLODE ON STRIKING THE GROUND?

DID 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.

NO

DID SOURCE EXAMINE THE WRECKAGE OF THE PLANE? IF SO, WHAT WAS ITS CONDITION?

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.

WHAT IS SOURCE'S OPINION AS TO THE FATE OF THE OTHER CREW MEMBERS AND HIS REASON FOR HIS OPINION?

I BELIEVE THAT THEY WERE ALL SAFE EXCEPT POSSIBLY AMPHIBIOUS, THE FRENCH DEED NO PARACHUTIST HAD BEEN CAPTURED; IN THAT REGION.
Major WHITE
Capt SMITH
Capt EMERSON
Capt BYRON
Capt ROUDIEZ
Capt TUCKER
Lt MORGAN
Lt SARANT
Mr POWERS

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