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## WAR DEPARTMENT The Adjutant General's Office Washington

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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.

### GERTIFICATE

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) MILTON E. BUNCH.  
Rank S/SGT. A. S. N. 34664012  
Unit 457. BOMB. GRP. 750. 89dN.

Signed Milton E. Bunch.  
Dated 8/31/43  
Witness Allen S. ... Capt. ...

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~~St. Leger~~

at Marcell

30 shoes tied to chute,  
lost. Got bedrm slippers for  
French. (flying boots)

opened 5,000  
20,000 ft. Banks away - hit flak on st wing. Hydraulic

syst exploded. On fire, all eye you + co-pil + pilot bailed out.  
Engines on fire - fell off. #3 #4 burnt. 3 injured - plane circled  
Field nr. Montge - 6 Fr. ankle sprained. Hit chute  
& helped to Montge. Into shop - girl 18 got dictionary  
Fed. Rubbed ankle. Into woods.

Resistance man - asked name + home address.  
Inspector Police at Orneay. Had 1 dog tag in pocketbook.  
Came back in car at dusk. Took to village of Marcell  
with chef: d went to abandoned house, then brought in  
St Rogers - pilot. <sup>civilian clothes</sup> 7 weeks - never left house.

Company + Partisans Gestapo on trail.

Into woods with 4. 500 Germans in to kill  
rabbits - moved. Groups - 2 wks - up to 10  
Raining - left + telling them. ~~Wanted~~ for many  
never stopped. main roads. at farm - 10 days  
1st 3 or 4 days - Catholic priest in resistance, took care  
of feet. Belgian people - heading for Chartres  
stamped 200 Gestapo in Melun. Next to small town  
Mr. Chevy. Stayed - urged to stay  
somebody sent - 1st boy - spk English - visited - he went  
to meet tank. Brit 1 tank, 2 jeeps. Aug 26<sup>th</sup>

Capt. 4<sup>th</sup> A. Div. to HQ. to Chartres to coast,  
back to 9<sup>th</sup> AF for papers. Flew

no names.

sparsilly - plane crew of 7 <sup>English</sup> buried - <sup>later</sup> July 10  
church funeral - 1000 per. flowers  
found 2 charts.



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S/Sgt Milton E. BUNCH  
34664012  
750 Sqdn, 457 B Gp

31 August 1944

I bailed out on 14 June and landed in a field near <sup>MONTGE</sup> ~~MONTGE~~. I sprained my ankle when I hit the ground, but 6 Frenchmen came running to help me. I was taken to a shop in MONTGE where a young girl rubbed my ankle. Then I was hidden in the woods.

~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ That afternoon, the inspector of police at MEAUX, a worker in the resistance movement, came and ~~asked me~~ questioned me. A car came for me that night and I was ~~driven to~~ taken ~~to MARCILLY~~ to a deserted house in MARCILLY.

My pilot, Lt William ROGERS, was brought here, <sup>and both</sup> We were ~~then~~ given civilian clothes. <sup>after</sup> ~~remained~~ in this house for 7 weeks, ~~we~~ we ~~then~~ hid in the woods with a partizan group for about 2 weeks.

(Seine et MARNE)

We were told that ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ 7 crew-members of an English bomber had been given a church funeral at MARCILLY on 10 July. Almost a thousand people had attended the services and the graves were covered with flowers.

We decided to leave the partizans, and started walking toward MEAUX. We stayed at a farm about 10 days while a Catholic priest took care of our feet. Belgians heading for CHARTRES warned us of 200 Gestapo men in MELUN, so we skirted all larger towns. Near CHEVRY, we met a boy of 20 who was the priest's secretary. He could speak English and visited us at our hiding place. ~~He~~ <sup>He</sup> ~~do not recall~~ the names of any of our helpers.

On 26 August, <sup>the boy</sup> ~~he~~ went out to meet the American forces, and ~~bring them to our hiding place~~ bring them to ~~our~~ ~~hiding~~ ~~place~~ us. We were taken to the 4th Armd Div and then sent to the coast. We went to the 9th A F Hq for papers and were flown back to the UK on 30 August.

*M. E. Bunch*

*sp*

TOP SECRET

E & E CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Milton E. Bunch S/Sgt. 3466(X)12

(Name)

(Rank)

(ASN)

8/31/44  
(Date)

H57. BOMBARDIER 758. SGT X.  
(Unit)

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

*June 14 plane crashed at Montevideo*

Nature and extent of damage to plane when source bailed out.

Was it on fire, etc?

*The ship was on fire and one engine fell off. FLAK*

At approximately what altitude did source bail out? *5,000*

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

*not that I know of*

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

*all the crew bailed out of plane but I was next to the last to get out as I didn't see but I didn't*

Did the plane explode on striking the ground?

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

*The pilot and I were together we didn't see any one else of the crew.*

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

*we had a report one about didn't open but didn't get his name.*

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

*I saw it when I was on my plane.*

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

*The plane landed on a farm.*

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

SECRET

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

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR SERVICE PERSONNEL  
EVADING OR ESCAPING FROM ENEMY OCCUPIED COUNTRIES

*Milton C Bunch 3/SGT 74664012*

(Name) \_\_\_\_\_ (Rank) \_\_\_\_\_ (ASN) \_\_\_\_\_  
11 (No. of missions)  
738 (Squadron) 457 BG (Group)

TARGET: *airport at Paris*

Date mission in action: *6-11-44*

Date arrived in UK: *30-8-44*

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

Indicate what happened to each man and how you know.

- PILOT
- CO-PILOT
- NAVIGATOR
- BOMBARDIER *Bunch*
- RADIO OPERATOR
- TOP TURRET GUNNER
- BALL TURRET GUNNER
- WAIST GUNNER
- WAIST GUNNER
- TAIL GUNNER

*With Lt. Wm Rogers*

Decorations: *air medal*  
Date of Birth: *Born 1923. march 6*  
Private Address: *301 Court St. Edenton N.C.*  
Length of Service: *16 months*  
Job as Civilian: *clerk in store*  
From what field did you take off? Take off time. *5:30*  
*457 BG - (Glatin)*

Were all secret papers and equipment destroyed? *yes*  
Were you wounded? Give details. *when I hit the ground I sprang my ankle*

Did you pay your guides? If so, how much?  
Do you speak FRENCH? SPANISH? GERMAN? ITALIAN? OTHER LANGUAGE?  
Did you have identity papers? *yes*

*Log tags  
Flying card*

(over)



Have you been questioned before on your escape or evasion? If so, where and by whom?  
*no*

Have you given any one a written report on your experiences. Where and When?  
*no*

Did you report on your operations? If so, where and to whom?  
*no*

Did you sign a security certificate warning you against talking about your escape or evasion? If so, Where and When?  
*Apr 63 Brook St*

Date of arrival in Spain:

Date of arrival at Gibraltar:

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

List names of American or British personnel believed to have been arrested by Germans.  
*not any*

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

SECRET - AMERICAN  
MOST SECRET - BRITISH

APPENDIX "B" TO E AND E REPORT NO.

List all military information which you observed or were told while evading. Give fullest possible details. (Airfields, troop encampments, coastal and interior defenses, AA batteries, radar installations, troop movements, results of allied bombing, location of enemy factories and ammunition dumps, enemy and civilian morale, etc., etc.,.....)

Sumner out of uniform on the road  
Bogie of stuff in red cover truck  
not wounded ending up over  
back. Sumner skin up air  
just four days before American  
winning.



OUTLINE FOR TALKS

1. Complete description of everything that happened.  
in plane before jump. *the plane was on fire*
2. Description of jump and landing. *got out fine when I jumped but plane was loaded.*
3. Description of what you did with your equipment. *When it was*
4. Tell story of experiences up to time you met the person who put you in contact with organization. *we were at a farm the American*

DO NOT GIVE THE NAMES OF PEOPLE WHO HELPED YOU AT ANY TIME.

DO NOT GIVE THE NAMES OF TOWNS.

DO NOT GIVE ANY ADDRESSES.

5. How you crossed Pyrenees (General Location)
6. Your experiences in Spain.

Suggestions for others.

If there is some helpful incident that happened after you were picked up, do not mention it until it has been discussed with M.I.S. Interrogator.

*Richard R Nelson*

RICHARD R NELSON  
Major, AC

APPENDIX "D" TO E AND E REPORT NO.No., Rank, Name:- *BUNCH*Unit:- *457 BOMB Sq 75039th*

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. AIDS BOX

- a. Did you use your aids 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". *I used the box in the following way:*
- Horlicks tablets. *no*
- Chocolate or Peanut Bar. *chocolate*
- Milk (tube). *no*
- Benzadrine tablets (fatigue). *no*
- Halazone tablets (water purifier). *no*
- Matches. *✓ matches*
- Adhesive tape. *✓ adhesive tape*
- Chewing gum. *✓ chewing gum*
- Water bottle. *no*
- Compass. *✓ used*
- Sewing kit. *no, but very valuable*
- d. Did any of the above items prove unsatisfactory? *no*
- e. How did you finally dispose of the box? *in the direction of the direction I threw it away*
- f. Can you suggest any way in which the contents of the aids box might be changed to make it of greater use, bearing in mind that the size of it cannot be larger?

2. PURSE

- a. Did you carry a purse? *no*  
State color of stripes and letters. *red stripes Cocky color*  
If NOT, State why not.
- b. Did you use the purse? *yes*

(over)

c. If so, which of the following items in the purse did you use? *frank*

*and compass*  
Maps. Which ones? *map of France*

Compass. *yes*

File (hacksaw). *not used*

Foreign currency. State countries and amounts. *5,000 francs*

How did you spend the money? *gave it to the person*

*was staying with*  
d. How did you dispose of:- *1500 to helpers*

Maps. *used it traveling gave to French*

Compass. *was lost*

File (hacksaw). *threw away*

Surplus currency. *none*

3. Were you issued any extra compasses or further aids to evasion?  
*no*

4. PASSPORT SIZE PHOTOGRAPHS

a. Did you carry passport-size photographs? *yes*

If so, how many? *3*

b. Did you use them? *no*

5. LECTURES

a. Were you lectured on evasion and escape? *yes*

State WHERE, WHEN and by WHOM. *before a trial P.D. officer every day*

b. Did you find the lectures of value? *yes*

c. Do you have any suggestions to make which, from your experience, you feel will help other evaders and escapers? *no*



SECRET - AMERICAN  
MOST SECRET - BRITISH  
MIS (X)

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QUESTIONNAIRE FOR SERVICE PERSONNEL  
EVADING FROM ENEMY OCCUPIED COUNTRIES

1. Full Name, Rank, and Serial No. *S/SGT. Milton C. Bunch. 34664012*
2. Decorations. *air medal*
3. Unit or Squadron. *75289th*
4. Division (Army) or Group. *457. Bomb. grp.*
5. Date of Birth. *Born 1923 March 6*
6. Length of Service. *16 months*
7. Private Address. *301 COURT ST. EDENTON, N.C.*
8. Job as civilian. *clerk*
9. From what field did you take off? *Station*
10. Take off time. *5:30*
11. Date and target. *June 14 air field at youve.*
12. Where did you land? *on a farm near Montje.*
13. Were all secret papers and equipment destroyed? *yes*
14. What was your position in aircraft? *port forward*
15. Were you wounded? *when I hit the ground. Sprained*
16. Did you pay your guides? If so how much?
17. Do you speak French? Spanish? *no*
18. Did you have Identity Papers? *yes flying card*
19. Have you been questioned before to-day on your escape or evasion? If so, where and by whom? Have you given anyone a written report on your experiences. Where and when? *no one*
20. Did you report on your operations? If so, where and to whom? *no*
21. Did you sign a security certificate warning you against talking about your escape or evasion? If so, where and when? *yes. 63. Court St.*
22. Date of arrival in Spain.
23. Date of arrival at Gibraltar.
24. Place and date of departure for U.K. By sea or air. *By air - Boston*
25. Place and date of arrival in U.K. *yesterday 30 Aug.*

E&E # \_\_\_\_\_

INTERROGATOR \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Grade)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(ASN)

75089th, 4479th  
(Squadron) (Group)

June 14  
(Missing in action)

S-31-64  
(returned to duty)

Message to be broadcast over BBC:

Language \_\_\_\_\_

Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Person requesting message \_\_\_\_\_

Date of contact with this person \_\_\_\_\_

Description of this person:

Services rendered: