

WAR DEPARTMENT  
HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES  
WASHINGTON

MISSING AIR CREW REPORT

IMPORTANT: This Report will be compiled in triplicate by each Army Air Forces organization within 48 hours of the time an air crew member is officially reported missing.

1. ORGANIZATION: Location, by Name AAF Sta 111; Command or Air Force 8th  
Group 306th; Squadron 367th; ~~Base~~
2. SPECIFY: Place of Departure Thurleigh Eng; Course As prescribed  
Target or Intended Destination Berlin; Type of Mission Heavy Bomb
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED:  
Weather and visibility were clear at the target
4. GIVE: (a) Day 3 Month Feb Year 45; Time 1110; and Location Over Berlin  
of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.  
(b) Specify whether aircraft was last sighted (x); Last contacted by radio ( ); Forced down ( ); Seen to Crash ( ); or Information not Available ( )
5. AIRCRAFT WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF: (Check only one) Enemy aircraft ( ); Enemy anti-aircraft (x); Other Circumstances as Follows: \_\_\_\_\_
6. AIRCRAFT: Type, Model and Series B-17-G; AAF Serial Number 42-97658
7. NICKNAME OF AIRCRAFT, if Any The Jones Family
8. ENGINES: Type, Model and Series R-1820-97; AAF Serial Number (a) SW-025391; (b) SW-026008; (c) SW-023908; (d) SW-025158
9. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial Number):  
\* (a) S-9473869; (b) S-9438657; (c) S-947702; (d) F-231240;  
(e) F-227864; (f) F-227294; (g) S-947294; (h) S-947307;  
(i) \_\_\_\_\_; (j) \_\_\_\_\_; (k) \_\_\_\_\_; (l) \_\_\_\_\_;  
(m) \_\_\_\_\_; (n) \_\_\_\_\_; (o) \_\_\_\_\_; (p) \_\_\_\_\_
10. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty x  
or (b) Non Battle Casualty \_\_\_\_\_
11. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 9; Passengers 0; Total 9  
(Starting with Pilot, furnish the following particulars: If more than 11 persons were aboard aircraft, list similar particulars on separate sheet and attach original to this form.)

Crew Position	Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Current Status
<i>mrc</i> 1. Pilot-Pilot	<u>Lissner, Roland A.</u>	<u>2d Lt.</u>	<u>0-775430</u>	<u>MIA INT RTD</u>
<i>EUS</i> 2. Pilot-Co-Pilot	<u>Britton, Chester J.</u>	<u>2d Lt.</u>	<u>0-782146</u>	<u>MIA INT RTD</u>
<i>EUS</i> 3. Nav - Navigator	<u>Robbins, Finley G.</u>	<u>2d Lt.</u>	<u>0-2068301</u>	<u>MIA INT RTD</u>
<i>EUS</i> 4. Bomb - Bomb, Nose G.	<u>Haagenson, Donald G.</u>	<u>2d Lt.</u>	<u>0-722480</u>	<u>MIA INT RTD</u>
<i>RTD</i> 5. Nav-Bomb-Radar	<u>White, James G.</u>	<u>F/O</u>	<u>T-6878</u>	<u>MIA RMC RTD</u>
<i>EUS</i> 6. Aer Eng G - Top Turr G.	<u>Miller, Lloyd M.</u>	<u>Sgt</u>	<u>35549171</u>	<u>MIA INT RTD</u>
<i>RMC</i> 7. Radio Opr - Radio Opr.	<u>Fennerty, Vere L.</u>	<u>Sgt</u>	<u>36683701</u>	<u>MIA INT RTD</u>
<i>EUS</i> 8. Arm G. - Waist Gnr.	<u>Bemetz, Harold R.</u>	<u>Sgt</u>	<u>39335240</u>	<u>MIA INT RTD</u>
<i>EUS</i> 9. Arm G. - Tail Gnr.	<u>Beck, George W. Jr.</u>	<u>Sgt</u>	<u>13141727</u>	<u>MIA INT RTD</u>
10.				
11.				

12. IDENTIFY BELOW THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE LAST KNOWLEDGE OF AIRCRAFT, AND CHECK APPROPRIATE COLUMN TO INDICATE BASIS FOR SAME:

Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Check Only One Column			
			Contacted by Radio	Last Sighted	Saw Crash	Forced Landing
1. <u>WEAR, William H.</u>	<u>1st Lt</u>	<u>0-664096</u>		<u>X</u>		
2.						
3.						

13. IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, ANSWER YES TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS: (a) Parachutes were used no; (b) Persons were seen walking away from scene of crash \_\_\_\_\_; or (c) Any other reason (Specify)  
Aircraft landed in Sweden

14. ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN OR HEARD FROM.  
15. ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT.  
16. GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE OF SEARCH, IF ANY, INCLUDING DESCRIPTION AND EXTENT None

Date of Report 7 February 1945.

*Harold G. Taylor*

(Signature of Preparing Officer)

HAROLD G. TAYLOR, 1st Lt., AC.,  
Asst. Adjutant.

17. REMARKS OR EYEWITNESS STATEMENTS:

See Attached S-2 Report

Unofficial Report shows aircraft landed in Sweden, per TWX D-61257 fr  
PMT Ref: 1 AD F-383-E 7 Feb/45.



GROUP 306th Bomb Gr (B) 367th Bomb Sq No. 42-97658 MISSION DATE 3/2/45

FIRST PILOT Lissner, Roland A. 2d Lt. O-775430 DESTINATION Berlin  
NAME RANK ASN

1. Position of missing aircraft when last sighted or contacted:

(a) By coordinates Approximately 5231N - 1323E

(b) Approximate altitude 26,500 feet

(c) Last noted heading Unknown

(d) If out of formation, approximate distance from formation. Aircraft was lost to view

2. Describe enemy opposition (intensity of flak, intensity and method of enemy fighter attack, etc., with particular reference to missing A/C)

Intense, accurate, tracking flak from 4 minutes before bombs away lasting 8 minutes. No enemy aircraft encountered by this group.

3. Description of extent of damage to missing aircraft (including fires, explosions, etc):

Aircraft hit by flak in No. 3 engine, fire started then went out.

4. If aircraft was out of control describe appearance:

Last seen under control.

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with escort? No If so, give distinguishing markings of fighter group if noted (Group number, color and or fighter aircraft numbers, nicknames, etc.,).

Friendly fighters did escort subject aircraft to neutral territory

6. Number of parachutes seen and description of jumps (approximate altitude, time between jumps, etc)

None

7. Any other remarks not covered by above:

Teletype #T-383-E, Hq 1st AD, states that entire crew landed in Sweden. One crew member, Sgt GEORGE W. BECK, 13141727, hospitalized with slight flak wound.

8. Date of report 9 February, 1945

<u>EYE-WITNESSES:</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>A/C No.</u>
1.	<u>William H. Wear</u>	<u>1st Lt</u>	<u>0-661096</u>	<u>43-38302</u>
2.				
3.				
4.				

INTERROGATING OFFICER (Sign Original and on copy):

<u>Beekman H. Pool</u>	<u>Captain</u>	<u>0-904454</u>	<u>S-2 Officer</u>
<u>BECKMAN H. POOL</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>DUTY</u>

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