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MISSING AIR CREW REPORT

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

- ORGANIZATION: Location AAF Sta. 111 ; Command or Air Force 8th
Group 308th ; Squadron 368th ; Detachment _____
- SPECIFY: Point of Departure Thurleigh, England. ; Course Unknown
Intended Destination Stuttgart, Germany ; Type of Mission Heavy Bomb.
- WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED:
Heavy Clouds
- GIVE: (a) Date 5/9/45 ; Time 1158 ; and Location 40 Mi in. Fr Coast
of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.
(b) Specify whether (X) Last Sighted; () Last contacted by Radio;
() Forced Down; () Seen to Crash; or () Information not Available.
- AIRCRAFT WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF: (Check only one () Enemy Aircraft; () Enemy Anti-Aircraft; () Other Circumstances as follows Low on gas
- AIRCRAFT: Type, Model and Series B-17F ; A.A.F. Serial Number 42-30163
- ENGINES: Type, Model and Series R-1820-97 ; A.A.F. Serial Number (a) 43-57388
(b) 43-60524 ; (c) 43-57570 ; (d) 43-60390
- INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial Number)
(a) S-116181 ; (b) S-113899 ; (c) S-116911 ; (d) S-116112
(e) F-383123 ; (f) F-383309 ; (g) S-120223 ; (h) S-115833
- THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty X
~~(b) Non-Battle Casualty~~
- NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT. Crew 10 ; Passengers 0 ; Total 10
(Starting with pilot, furnish the following particulars: if more than 10 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
RTD1.	Pilot	Peterson, Wesley D.	2nd Lt.	0-729896
RTD2.	Co-pilot	Maslanka, Edward L.	2nd Lt.	0-671990
EUS3.	Navigator	Phillips, Donald E.	2nd Lt.	0-683307
RTD4.	Bombardier	Winters, August	1st Lt.	0-729532
RTD5.	Aerial Engineer	Utley, William L.	T/Sgt.	15103808
DED6.	Radio Operator	Plasket, William B. Jr.	T/Sgt.	12011015
RM7.	Ball Turret Gunner	Huntzinger, Frederiak E.	Sgt.	33021170
RTD8.	Right Waist Gunner	Monser, George S.	S/Sgt.	16072028
RTD9.	Left Waist Gunner	Scott, William E. Jr.	Sgt.	15300732
RTD10.	Tail Gunner	Wright, Douglas G.	S/Sgt.	16127319

- IDENTIFY BELOW THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE LAST KNOWLEDGE OF AIRCRAFT, AND CHECK APPROPRIATE COLUMN TO INDICATE BASIS FOR SAME.
Check Only One Column

Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Contacted		Saw	
			By	Last Sighted	Crash	Forced Landing
1. THOMAS, W.W.	1st Lt.	0-791519		X		

- IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, ANSWER YES TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS: (a) Parachutes were used yes; (b) Persons were seen walking away from scene of crash ; or (c) Any other reason (Specify)
- ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN.
- ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT.