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E. & E. REPORT No. I.S.9 (WEA)/8/90/259

**TOP SECRET.**  
**I.S.9 (WEA)**

(Applies to all **BRITISH, CANADIAN, U.S. & ALLIED PERSONNEL**)

EVADED CAPTURE ~~ESCAPED~~ FROM (Name of Country) FRANCE

For All Personnel.

E+E# 1004

1. No. 13091275 Rank S/Sgt. Name Malcom K. Eckley  
(U.K.: Acting, Temp. or W/S)
2. Decorations: (U.S.A.A.F.: No. of missions) Air Medal, 20 missions
3. Were you wounded? Give details No
4. Ship (Navy), Unit (Army), Sqn. (Air Force) 418th Bomb Sqn
5. Div. (Army) or Gp. (Air Force) 100 B.Gp. 6. Job (Pl. Comd., Rfn., etc.) Gunner
7. Date of Birth 27 Dec. 1921 8. Length of Service 25 mos.
9. Peace time occupation Air craft worker 10. Private address RFD No. 1, Box 93  
Bellefonte, Pennsylvania.
11. Did you carry any form of identification, or photograph? Dogtags, photos
12. Do you speak French, or any other foreign language? No

FOR R.A.F. ONLY.

13. No. and location of O.T.U. //
14. No. and location of Conversion Unit //

FOR ALL AIR FORCE PERSONNEL AND/OR AIRBORNE OR PARACHUTE TROOPS  
WHO BALE OUT

15. Post in Crew Left Waist Gunner
16. Other members of crew, and information about what has happened to them.  
N.B.—Airborne and Parachute Troops: list below names and units of other occupants of plane, including R.A.F. and U.S.A.A.F. (all crew members parachuted from ship.)
- PILOT 1st Lt K. Houghton
- CO-PILOT 2d Lt T. Bline seen with resistance
- NAVIGATOR 2d Lt Stanley Green Believed safe, left resistance
- BOMBARDIER 2d Lt William Lichtenstern
- RADIO OPERATOR T/Sgt Laverne H. Deatrich seen with resistance.
- TOP TURRET GUNNER T/Sgt James Marion killed, chute failed to open
- BALL TURRET GUNNER Unknown
- WAIST GUNNER (R.) None
- WAIST GUNNER (L.) Narrator
- TAIL GUNNER S/Sgt W. Moore
17. Type of aircraft, place, date, time of departure B-17, 25 June 1944 0330
18. Where and when did you come down? Noce(Orne) 25 June 1944 0900
19. How did you dispose of your parachute, harness and mae west? Hidden in bushes
20. Were all secret papers and equipment destroyed? Yes

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For All Personnel.

1. No. 13091275 Rank 2/Sgt. Name Malcolm K. Eckley  
(U.K.: Acting, Temp. or W/S)  
2. Decorations: (U.S.A.A.F.: No. of missions) Air Medal, 20 missions  
3. Were you wounded? Give details: No  
4. Ship (Navy), Unit (Army), 2nd. (Air Force) 418th Bomb Sqdn  
5. Div. (Army) or Gp. (Air Force) 100 B.G.P. 6. Job (Pl. Comd., Rtn., etc.) Gunner  
7. Date of Birth 27 Dec. 1921 8. Length of Service 25 mos.  
9. Peace time occupation Air craft worker 10. Private address RFD No. 1, Box 93  
Belleville, Pennsylvania  
11. Did you carry any form of identification, or photograph? Dog tags, photos  
12. Do you speak French, or any other foreign language? No

FOR R.A.F. ONLY.

13. No. and location of O.T.U.  
14. No. and location of Conversion Unit

FOR ALL AIR FORCE PERSONNEL AND/OR AIRBORNE OR PARACHUTE TROOPS

WHO BALE OUT

15. Post in Crew Left Waist Gunner  
16. Other members of crew, and information about what has happened to them.  
N.B.—Airborne and Parachute Troops: list below names and units of other occupants of plane, including R.A.F. and U.S.A.A.F. (all crew members parachuted from ship.)  
PILOT 1st Lt K. Houghton  
CO-PILOT 2d Lt T. Blinn  
NAVIGATOR 2d Lt Stanley Green  
BOMBARDIER 2d Lt William Lichtenstern  
RADIO OPERATOR T/Sgt Laverne H. Destrach seen with resistance  
TOP TURRET GUNNER T/Sgt James Marion killed, chute failed to open  
BALL TURRET GUNNER Unknown  
WAIST GUNNER (R.) None  
WAIST GUNNER (L.) Navigator  
TAIL GUNNER 2/Sgt W. Moore  
17. Type of aircraft, place, date, time of departure B-17, 25 June 1944 0330

18. Where and when did you come down? Interviewed by I.S.9 (WEA) 25 June 1944 0900  
19. How did you dispose of your parachute, harness and map? Date 15 Aug 44  
I grade this evasion #5  
Cameron J. Laclair, Jr.  
2/14, Ae. Major  
Disposal: Returned to unit.  
Attached: Appendix "B"  
"C"  
"D"

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

E & E REPORT NO.  
EVASION IN

August 17, 1944  
(Date)

Eckley, Malcolm K. S/Sgt. 13091275

(Name) (Rank) (ASN)

20 (No of Missions)

TARGET:

Date Missing in Action: June 25, 1944

Date Arrived in UK: August 16, 1944

418<sup>th</sup> Bomb Sgd. 100<sup>th</sup> Bomb Grp.  
(Squadron) (Group)

MEMBERS OF CREW: (This information checked with PWLB)

Indicate what happened to  
each man  
and how you know

PILOT 1st Lt. Kenneth Houghton

Escaped

CO-PILOT 1st Lt. Thornton Blinc

Escaped

NAVIGATOR 2nd Lt. Stanley Green

Was Seen By Resistance

BOMBARDIER 2nd Lt. William Litcher Stern - Whereabouts Unknown

RADIO OPERATOR T/Sgt Laverne Deattich - Escaped

TOP TURRET GUNNER T/Sgt James E. Marion - Killed - chute Failed To Open

visited His Grave in NOCE, FRANCE

REAR TURRET GUNNER Replacement - (Name Unknown)

L. WAIST GUNNER S/Sgt Malcolm K. Eckley Escaped

WAIST GUNNER No Right Waist Gunner

TAIL GUNNER Watten Moore No Information

Were you wounded?

No



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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-939 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.

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) Malcolm K. Eckley

Signed Malcolm K. Eckley

Rank S/ Sgt. A. S. N. 13091275

Dated August 17, 1944

Unit 418<sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq. 100<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group

Witness John H. White, Capt. AC

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If any further information is required concerning this report detailed application should be made to I.S.9 (WEA) G-2 Div S.H.A.E.F. giving the E and E Report No.

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