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MIA 4 July 1944
UK -30 August 1944

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2d Lt. Lonnie L. Moseley, O-763709 - 3 missions
84 Ftr Sq, 78 Ftr Group

On 4 July 1944 in P-47 developed ignition near Heuville, on the outgoing leg of a mission to shoot up targets of opportunity West of Paris. I bailed out at 5000 feet and upon landing was immediately picked up by the French. They provided food, civilian clothes, and identity cards. I was moved frequently between farms in the area and sometimes worked in the fields posing as a deaf mute. On one occasion I was required to show my papers to a German patrol and they were accepted without suspicion.

Frenchmen who hid, fed and sheltered me were:

M. Lestang and four branches of his family bearing the same name in the vicinity of Heuville.

Mmd. Latour, Heuville.

Roland DeGolmart, Heuville.

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Mission: Targets of opportunity
West of Paris

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APPENDIX "D" 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.,.....)

I was in the last pocket of the Seine to be relieved. I observed ^{German} reinforcements moving to the front. ~~He~~ Many spoke of going as prisoners at the first opportunity about three fourths of the equipment was horse drawn. The soldiers were tired & many were 17 years old while others were well up in their forties. Their uniforms were dirty & ragged but their faces were clean shaven.

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They requisitioned bicycles & horses ~~in order to reach the front.~~ Many homes were raided for ~~both~~ food, civilian clothes, and small articles.

As the Germans retreated into the Bretonne Forrest confusion resulted at the Seine River since the boats & barges had all been destroyed. A lot of soldiers & horses drowned in attempting to swim the river. Many others left the forest & begged to be hidden on farms until the allies arrived to take them prisoners.

All day Friday, Saturday and Sunday ^{Monday} our area was bombed, strafed and shelled. A thick smoke formed an overcast. The Germans were burning all their papers, ~~and~~ trucks and equipment in general. Many ammunition trucks were driven into farms & set fire to, causing terrific damage to the farm

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No., Rank, Name:--

Unit:--

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". *While hiding in woods for one day & barn for 3 weeks I used some food rations, sewing kit, compass, Halazone tablets.*
- Horlicks tablets.
- Chocolate or Peanut Bar. *Encircled items were used*
- Milk (tube).
- Benzadrine tablets (fatigue).
- Halazone tablets (water purifier).
- Matches.
- Adhesive tape.
- Chewing gum.
- Water bottle.
- Compass.
- Sewing kit.
- d. Did any of the above items prove unsatisfactory? *No*
- e. How did you finally dispose of the box? *Buried it*
- 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?
No

2. PURSE

- a. Did you carry a purse? *No Yes*
State color of stripes and letters. *Red*
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?

Maps. Which ones?

Compass,

File (hacksaw).

Foreign currency. State countries and amounts. *French 2000 Francs*

How did you spend the money? *For small articles such as razor, ~~toilet articles~~ Food, etc.*

d. How did you dispose of:-

Maps. *Burned*

Compass. *Souvenirs to my friends*

File (hacksaw). *"*

Surplus currency. *Left with family who kept me*

3. Were you issued any extra compasses or further aids to evasion? *One ~~compass~~ compass*

4. PASSPORT SIZE PHOTOGRAPHS

a. Did you carry passport-size photographs? *Yes*
If so, how many? *5*

b. Did you use them? *Yes*

5. LECTURES

a. Were you lectured on evasion and escape? *Yes*
State WHERE, WHEN and by WHOM.

(States), Jan, Feb, March, ~~April~~, (U.K.) May, June Parsons names

b. Did you find the lectures of value? *Yes* ~~*Forgotten long ago*~~

c. Do you have any suggestions to make which, from your experience, you feel will help other evaders and escapers?

Yes. Do not too quickly depart from any ^{place} if a German has already seen you. Germans notice any peculiar movements especially those executed quickly.

E & E CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

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

7/4/44 7:30 AM Houville, France

Nature and extent of damage to plane when source bailed out.
Was it on fire, etc?

Engine froze up

At approximately what altitude did source bail out?

5,000 Ft.

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

No

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

Fighter Pilot parachuted

Did the plane explode on striking the ground?

Yes

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

No other members in crew

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?

Yes. It buried about 12 feet into ground & exploded, completely demolishing 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.

Not near water

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

None

As a whole the air work was very
successful in our area and we had ringside
seats to some good shows.

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P-47, 4 July - ignition trouble. Heuvilla -
bailed 5,000 - trenchman saw, hid chute,
some whiskey - clothes - food - sent to
another farm - identity papers - ^{from town secretly} hid in barn
just 3 wks. Thereafter posed as mute
working on farm = 28 Aug - British forces -
we showed papers

App "c"

M. De Stang - Heuvilla (four families)

Mme. Latour "

Roland De Bolmact - "

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HQ, AAF STATION F-357)
APO 637, U.S. ARMY :
31 AUGUST, 1944)

1. VOCC, 2 Lt LONNIE L. MOSELEY, O-763709, AC, WP RT, o/a 31 Aug 44,
fr Sta F-357, to London, England, HQAF 63 Brocks St, on TO, and ODDO. CTRG. TDW.
QNT. 60-136 P 432-02 A 212/40425. Auth: Ltr, Hq, ETOUSA, 24 May 44.

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By order of Colonel GRAY:

ERLATH W ZUEHL
Lt Col, AC,
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL :

Noel H. Assink
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CAPT. AIR CORPS
Ass't Adjutant

MIA 4 July 1944
UK 30 Aug 1944

847th Sq
787th GP

8th AF

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WAR DEPARTMENT The Adjutant General's Office Washington

AG 883.6 (31 Jul 43) OB-S-B-M

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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,
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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 in 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 883.6 (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
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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.
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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) Lannie L. Moseley

Signed Lannie L. Moseley

Rank 2nd Lt. A. S. N. 0763709

Dated 8/31/44

Unit 78th Ftg. Grp., 84th Ftg. Sgdn

Witness _____

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

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR SERVICE PERSONNEL
EVADING OR ESCAPING FROM ENEMY OCCUPIED COUNTRIES

Lonnie L. Moseley 2nd Lt 0763709
(Name) (Rank) (ASN)

TARGET: Opportunity
W. of Paris

Date mission in action: 4 July

Date arrived in UK: 26 May/49

3 (No. of missions)

84th Tg Sqdn, 78 Ftc Group
(Squadron) (Group)

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

Indicate what happened to each man and how you know.

PILOT Lonnie L. Moseley

CO-PILOT None

NAVIGATOR None

BOMBARDIER "

RADIO OPERATOR "

TOP TURRET GUNNER "

BALL TURRET GUNNER "

WAIST GUNNER "

WAIST GUNNER "

TAIL GUNNER "

Decorations: None

Date of Birth: 7 April, 1921

Private Address: General Del., St. George, Utah

Length of Service: 1 1/2 years

Job as Civilian: Diler Operator

From what field did you take off? Take off time. Duxford Field 5:50 A.M.

Were all secret papers and equipment destroyed? Yes

Were you wounded? Give details. No

Did you pay your guides? If so, how much? No

Do you speak FRENCH? No SPANISH? No GERMAN? No ITALIAN? No OTHER LANGUAGE? No

Did you have identity papers? Yes

(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?

No

Date of arrival in Spain: —

Date of arrival at Gibraltar: —

Place and date of departure for UK. By sea or air. ^{France} 365TH Ftg. Group, 8/30/44
by plane

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

Unknown

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

I saw one navigator Fortness by
the name of Carter. He is well & is
evading.

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