

E & E CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

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

Aug-9 - 1945 - 8 miles NE of Pontoise

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

Was it on fire, etc? Right ENGINE AND GAS TANK Aflame-

At approximately what altitude did source bail out? 7000'

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

Not to my knowledge

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

All - FRENCH HAVE TOLD ME OF AT LEAST SEVEN PARACHUTES-

Did the plane explode on striking the ground?

EXPLODED, APP 5000' ABOVE EARTH

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

No

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.

Yes - Don Wilson killed - IDENTITY BY NAME - SMITH - HYSON ALIVE BY NAME - LINDSEY BY RANK - FRENCH SAID THE CAPT. WAS A PRISONER

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

No

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.

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

No opinion only going by info. given me by FRENCH -

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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E. & E. REPORT No. I.S. 9 (WEA) 8/183/536

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

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

EVADED CAPTURE/ESCAPED FROM (Name of Country) France

EYE# 1263

For All Personnel.

1. No. 0-739435 Rank 1st/Lt Name HARLEY B. HOOPER
(U.K.: Acting, Temp. or W/S)
2. Decorations: (U.S.A.A.F.: No. of missions) Air medal, 1 silver, 2 bronze.
3. Were you wounded? Give details No.
4. Ship (Navy), Unit (Army), Sqn. (Air Force) 585 Sqn.
5. Div. (Army) or Gp. (Air Force) 385 Gp. 6. Job (Pl. Comd., Rfn., etc.) Bombardier.
7. Date of Birth 24 Jan, 1918 8. Length of Service 3 yrs.
9. Peace time occupation clerk. 10. Private address Box 29,
Knights Landing, Cal., USA.
11. Did you carry any form of identification, or photograph? dogtags.
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 Bombardier
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.

PILOT CAPT. D.R. LINDSEY-reported PW.

CO-PILOT 2/LtA.G. ERBE- evaded

NAVIGATOR 1st Lt. W.J. SMITH-PW
1st Lt. G. HYSON-with French

BOMBARDIER LST LT. H.R. HOOPER-NARRATOR

RADIO OPERATOR T/SGT R.E WYLIE-unknown.

TOP TURRET GUNNER S/SGT. D.E. WILSON-French report killed.

BALL TURRET GUNNER -

WAIST GUNNER (R.) SGT. FIES-unknown.

WAIST GUNNER (L.) -

TAIL GUNNER S/SGT. A P LAWSON- unknown.

17. Type of aircraft, place, date, time of departure B-26, from Holsley South, Christchurch, 1700, 9 August.

18. Where and when did you come down? 1900 near TAVERNY, 9 August.
19. How did you dispose of your parachute, harness and mae west? Friends hid.
20. Were all secret papers and equipment destroyed? Yes.

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E. & E. REPORT No. 1.2.9 (WEA) 8/27/44

TOP SECRET
I.S.9 (WEA)

(Applies to all BRITISH, CANADIAN, U.S. & ALLIED PERSONNEL)
EVASION CAPTURE/ESCAPED FROM (Name of Country): France

8/27/44 ON TROOP REPORT

1. No. O-72947 Rank 1st Lt Name HAROLD B. HOOPER
(U.K.: Acting Temp. or W2)

I came down near TAVERNY at 1900, 9 August. I ran to a cistern to hide, and was fed and given clothes by the French. I went on to ST. LEU and hid in the forest. Later I came into TAVERNY and then ARGENTEUIL, where I stayed until the 27th. I then joined the Americans.

2. Div. (Army) or Gp. (Air Force) 385 Gp.
3. Date of Birth 24 Jan 1918
4. Ship (Navy), Unit (Army), Sqn. (Air Force) 585 Sqn.
5. Job (Pl. Comd., Rtn., etc.) Bomber
6. Length of Service 3 yrs
7. Peace time occupation Clerk
8. Private address Box 29

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9. Did you carry any form of identification, or photographs, dog tags?
10. Do you speak French, or any other foreign language? no

FOR R.A.F. ONLY

11. No. and location of O.T.U.
12. No. and location of Conversion Unit

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

WHO BALE OUT

13. Post in Crew
14. Other members of crew, and information about what has happened to them.
15. 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.

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CO-PILOT S/Lt A. G. REBE—evaded

NAVIGATOR 1st Lt. W. J. SMITH—MIA
1st Lt. G. HISSON—with French

BOMBARDIER 1st Lt. H. R. HOOPER—NAVIGATOR

RADIO OPERATOR S/SGT R. H. WYLLIE—unknown

TOP TURRET GUNNER S/SGT D. R. WILSON—French report killed

BALL TURRET GUNNER SGT. FIBB—unknown

WAIST GUNNER (R.) SGT. FIBB—unknown

WAIST GUNNER (L.)

TAIL GUNNER S/SGT A. F. LAWSON—unknown

16. Type of aircraft, place, date, time of departure: B-25, from Holley, South, Gratchurch, 1700, 9 August

Interviewed by I.S.9 (WEA)

17. Where and when did you come down? 1900 near TAVERNY, 9 August
Date 27 August 1944

18. How did you dispose of your parachute, harness and map case? Friends hid

Attached:
Appendix "B"
"C" x
"D"

I grade this evasion 5.

Richard H. Dana

RICHARD H. DANA
2nd/Lt., CAC

19. Disposal: returned to unit. Major

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I.S.9 (WEA)

APPENDIX "B" TO E. & E. REPORT No. I.S.9 (WEA) 8/183/536

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

No. 439435 Rank 1st/Lt. Name HARLEY R. HOOPER.

Date of interview 27 August, 1944

N.B.—It is of the utmost importance that when giving information on the above subjects you state clearly:—

- (1) Date, time and place where you obtained the information.
- (2) Was it the result of personal observation or a report by someone else?
- (3) If not from personal observation who was the source (i.e., waiter, farm labourer, hearsay, cafe rumour, etc.), and how accurate do you estimate the source to be?

Evaluation of informant's credibility.

Key.

- X
- 1.—Reliable.
 - 2.—Credible.
 - 3.—Questionable.
 - 4.—Undetermined.

1. There is an underground factory at TAVERNY for making flying bombs. It is reported by the French to be 30 metres underground. The report is of about Aug. 12th.

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With the exception of items above, Information herein has been given verbally by E. & E. to G-2, TUSA

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WAR DEPARTMENT The Adjutant General's Office Washington

AG 388.6 (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 supercedes 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.

CERTIFICATE

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) HARLEY R. HOOPER

Signed Harley R. Hooper

Rank 1st Lt A. S. N. 0-739435

Dated Sept 1, 44

Unit 394th Bomb Gr. 585th Bomb Sq

Witness _____

S E C R E T

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

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR SERVICE PERSONNEL,
EVADING OR ESCAPING FROM ENEMY OCCUPIED COUNTRIES

Hooper, Harley R. 1st Lt 0739435
(Name) (Rank) (ASN)
43 (No. of missions)
585 (Squadron) 394 (Group)

TARGET: Ouse River Bridge
Date mission in action: Aug 9,
Date arrived in UK: Aug 31,

MEMBERS OF CREW: (Please list names next to positions) Indicate what happened to each man and how you know.

PILOT LINDSEY, D.R. CAPT - FRENCH people told me he WAS A PRISONER -
CO-PILOT ERBE, A.C. 2nd Lt. EVADED - in U.K.
NAVIGATOR Smith, W.T. 1st Lt - FRENCH reported him prisoner
NAVIGATOR HYSON G. (NM) 1st Lt EVADED - in U.K.
BOMBARDIER HOOPER H.R. 1st Lt. EVADED - in U.K.
RADIO OPERATOR Wylie, R.H. T/sqt. No information
TOP TURRET GUNNER Wilson, D.E. S/sqt. FRENCH reported him killed.
BALL TURRET GUNNER
WAIST GUNNER Fies, Sgt. No Information
WAIST GUNNER
TAIL GUNNER LAWSON, A.P. S/sqt. No Information

Decorations: Air Medal - 1 silver, 2 bronze clusters - ETO - with star -

Date of Birth: 1-24-18

Private Address: Box 29 - Knights Landing, California

Length of Service: 2 years, 11 months -

Job as Civilian: Clerk -

From what field did you take off? Take off time.

Holmsley South, Bournemouth, 1700

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? SPANISH? GERMAN? ITALIAN? OTHER LANGUAGE?

Did you have identity papers? slightly

Dog tags -

(over)

Have you been questioned before on your escape or evasion? If so, where and by whom?

By G-2 - Nemours Prison Cage -

Have you given any one a written report on your experiences. Where and When?

Yes - G-2 Nemours Prison Cage -

Did you report on your operations? If so, where and to whom?

Same

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

Yes - Nemours - G-2

Date of arrival in Spain:

Date of arrival at Gibraltar:

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

A-13 STRIP - Aug. 31 - By Air

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

Smith, W. J. 1st Lt.
LINDSEY, D. R. Capt.

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

Wylie, R. H. T/Sgt

SECRET

APPENDIX "D" TO E AND F REPORT NO.

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? *VERY SLIGHTLY -*
- 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".

Horlicks tablets. *No*

Chocolate or Peanut Bar. *No*

Milk (tube). *No*

Benzadrine tablets (fatigue). *No*

Halazone tablets (water purifier). *No*

Matches. *No*

Adhesive tape. *No*

Chewing gum. *No*

Water bottle. *No - Lost.*

Compass. *USED TO GET BEARING After parachuting -*

Sewing kit. *No.*

- d. Did any of the above items prove unsatisfactory?
- e. How did you finally dispose of the box? *HAVE PART OF IT WITH ME*
- 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?

*The maps in my kit was too undetailed to help
At all -*

2. PURSE

- a. Did you carry a purse?
State color of stripes and letters.
If NOT, State why not. *~~Red~~ Red -*
- b. Did you use the purse? *Bought some bread - gave it away
(over)*

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

Maps. Which ones? *MAPS - too small in detail to be of use -*

Compass. *Checked bearings -*

File (hacksaw). *lost*

Foreign currency. State countries and amounts.

How did you spend the money?

Bought bread - gave it away -

d. How did you dispose of:-

Maps. *lost*

Compass. *Gave to French friend*

File (hacksaw). *lost*

Surplus currency. *Gave it away -*

3. Were you issued any extra compasses or further aids to evasion?

No

4. PASSPORT SIZE PHOTOGRAPHS

a. Did you carry passport-size photographs?

If so, how many? *6 -*

b. Did you use them? *GAVE to french for passport - never*

5. LECTURES *received it.*

a. Were you lectured on evasion and escape?

State WHERE, WHEN and by WHOM.

By AN EVADRE, AND SIZ AT Birchaw 394th Coe -

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?

Keep quiet - let the french etc do the thinking.

SECRET - AMERICAN
MOST SECRET - BRITISH

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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.,.....)

1- AT TAVERNY, FRANCE - we were told the
Caermans had a factory to make V-1
bombs - 30 meters under the
ground - That is all military info.
I had of any type

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CERTIFIED THAT:

No. 0-739435 Rank 1st Lt.

Name (BLOCK LETTERS) HARLEY R. HOOPER

Unit 585th Bomb Sq. / 394th Bomb Gp.

has been fully/~~briefly~~/interrogated by an Intelligence Officer of I.S.9 (WEA) on Aug/28 1944

and has signed a Security Certificate.

He should/~~should not~~/be re-interrogated:

R. I. Dene
2-Lt. CAC Major.

B.H.O

IMPORTANT.

THIS CERTIFICATE MUST BE RETAINED AND HANDED TO (BRITISH)
AN OFFICER OF M.I.9 OR (AMERICAN), AN OFFICER OF PW. & X. DET.
M.I.S. ON ARRIVAL IN U.K. OR U.S.A.

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CERTIFIED THAT:

This Officer/W.O./N.C.O. has special information on the following subjects:—

Name (BLOCK LETTERS) _____
 Unit _____

I returned to the U.K. This officer should report to 63 Broad St, London.

Major
 5-11 CAC

R.H.D.

IMPORTANT

M.I.S. ON ARRIVAL IN U.K. OR U.S.A.
AN OFFICER OF M.I.9 OR (AMERICAN), AN OFFICER OF P.W. & X. DET.
THIS CERTIFICATE MUST BE RETAINED AND HANDED TO (BRITISH)

Hooper,

Target

9 August. RR. 6 miles N. Pontoux on the Orbe.
Heavy black near LEMANS. We dropped our bombs
on the run we got serious black and started our
engine on fire. - We made the bomb run on
one engine. One minute later we bailed out
I was fifth in the front out a round 7000 ft.
ERBE went out 3rd from nose - Erbe went out about
1000 ft. delayed until about 400 feet.

Hooper landed on the edge of TAVERNAY (semet
vire, on a field. -

ERBE ST-LEU la forêt (Seine et Oise)
in a field. -

Hooper a number of people waiting for me about
100. I got out of my parachute and
they pointed the direction to run. - A frenchwoman
ran in the town with me she put me
in a cistern (whole in the ground)
behind a ~~tree~~ board fence in the town.
I stayed there 2 hours they brought me food

A french ^{not in uniform} gendarme came 2 hrs later to see me Mr Emile DUBOIS, 61 Rue du Maréchal Foch TAVORMY (retire). He took me to his own home 2 miles away. There was a woman there called Mme Madeleine HERRIMAN, and his son André (aged 28 a french ^{soldier} ~~warrior~~). The next morning, Madeleine took me to her place at St. Leu. La font. House in the edge of the forest well hidden.

~~on the~~ the night of ten they bought ERBE. - We stayed there until the 13th, we were then moved to Dubois' place because so many people came to see us. - (Dubois got in touch with the Resistance head at Argentan ARGENT ^{ville} (vive et oie) Charles BENNAIS) He came we road with him to Argentan on a truck. We hopped to the Hotel de Ville and stayed there in the centre social section. - (~~He had~~ ~~many guests in his house~~, we stayed there until Sunday the 27th. The German had left Friday ~~at~~ night. The woman who interviewed us was Mme MOUSSIER, she was a nurse in the social center.

In the social center

The people who helped at the social center and worked there:

Monsieur L'Abbe = assistant to Berthoin for Rev. Father purpose, contacts us

^{Monsieur}
Henri Richard : secretaire de l'Hotel de Ville

Mme Keller and her daughter ^{Gabrielle} aged 16 - and a girl friend Mlle Bausseau. They were student nurses working there.

On Saturday night Jo Midwell came to see us at the Hotel de Ville. (Monsieur L'Abbe had contacted Col Nelson) The next day we drove at the Hotel Windsor - were ~~not~~

Col Nelson -

#1263
1 St Lt Harley R Hooper

On the 9 August I landed on the edge of TAVERNY (Seine et Oise) in a field. A French women hid me for 2 hours in a cistern ^{located} in the town behind a board fence. From there I was picked up by a french Gendarme in civilian clothes (M. Emile Dubois, 61 Rue du Marechal Foche, Taverny) who took me to his house which was 2 miles away. At this house I met Emile's son ^{Andre} (a french sailor aged 23) and a women (Mme Madeleine Herriman). The next morning, Madeleine took me to a ~~house~~ well hidden house in St Leu-la-Forêt . On the night of the 10 August I was joined by Arthur C Erbe. On the 13 August we were moved back to Emile's place because too many people came to see us at St-Leu-la-Forêt. The same day Emile got in touch with the resistance chief of Argenteuil (S. et O.) M. Charles Bennis, ~~and~~ He came to take us by truck to Argenteuil ^(h) where we were hidden in the Hotel de Ville, in the section called "le Centre Social." taken care e and (who worked in the Centre social) At this place we were interrogated by a nurse Mme Moussier [^]

The other people who took care of us there were:

- M. l'Abbe; assistant to M. Bennis and his contact man in the resistance)
- M. Richard (secretaire de l'Hotel de Ville)
- Mme Keller and her daughter Gabrielle (aged 16) (who was a student nurse working in the Centre Social)
- Mlle Baussard (a friend of Mlle Gabrielle Keller, also a student nurse working there)

On Friday the 25 August the Germans left the town. On the 27 the American troops came in. And I was fatch by Lt Birdwell (Monsieur l'Abbe had contacted Col Nelson) who took me to the Hotel Windsor in Paris.

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1. Because disclosures of information regarding evasion from capture, escape, details of imprisonment, release from internment, and repatriation have been made, the lives and services of fellow soldiers and those who help them have been lost or endangered. All information which you possess on these subjects, including the experiences of others as well as your own, briefings and equipment for evasion and escape, and preparations and other activities in connection therewith, constitutes MILITARY INFORMATION which is classified SECRET by the War Department.

2. You will therefore disclose no information whatever, beyond the fact of your return to duty from "missing in action" or "prisoner of war" or "internment", to anyone except the following military officials:

- a. The first Military Attache to whom you report;
- b. An officer designated by the Commanding General of an overseas Theatre of Operations;
- c. The Prisoner of War Branch, MIS, Washington, D.C., the interrogating agency designated by the A/C of S, G-2, War Department General Staff;
- d. Certain other officers holding written authority from the A/C of S, G-2, WDGS, to interrogate you.

3. You will particularly guard against disclosure of SECRET information to relatives, friends, representatives of the press and radio, and military officials, except as noted in a, b, c and d above.

4. In order to protect yourself against disciplinary action, any question involving publicity must be referred BY YOU PERSONALLY to the A/C of S, G-2, WDGS, Washington, D.C.

CERTIFICATE

I certify that I have read and fully understand all of the foregoing and the Directive of the Secretary of War, 6 Aug 43 (on the reverse side), and will at ALL TIMES hereafter comply fully therewith.

I understand that all information concerning escape, evasion from capture, activities and equipment in connection therewith, and details of imprisonment or release from internment, is SECRET and must not be disclosed to anyone except the military officials specifically designated. I further understand that disclosure to any other person will make me liable to disciplinary action for failure to safeguard MILITARY INFORMATION.

I realize that publicity concerning my experiences, by word of mouth or otherwise, will endanger the lives of many persons and therefore it is my duty to take all possible precautions to prevent it.

I further certify that I have received a copy of the foregoing.

Name (Print) HARLEY R. HOOPER Signed HARLEY R. HOOPER

Rank 1st Lt. AC A.S.N. 0.739435 Dated Aug-29 Place NEMOURS

Unit 585th Bomb Sq - Witness John Forsyth

394th Bomb Grp 2d Lt, CAC

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WAR DEPARTMENT
The Adjutant General's Office
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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.

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By order of the Secretary of War:

/s/ J.A. ULIO
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Major General,
The Adjutant General.

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