

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

1. Did you jump or crash land? *Jump*

2. What was the town or village nearest to which you jumped or crash landed?

3. How long was it before you got help?

I WAS CAPTURED BY THE GERMANS AND ESCAPED BY MYSELF 6 DAYS LATER

4. List the people who helped you and the location (city, town, or village) in which you were with them, including addresses where possible. After the name or description of each person with whom you stayed give the approximate dates between which you were with him.

5. List other American and British evaders whom you saw during your evasion and state where you saw them.

SECRET - AMERICAN
MOST SECRET - BRITISH

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.,.....)

HAVE GIVEN INFORMATION TO 36 DIV. HQ, G-2
AND DOES NOT APPLY NOW

SECRET

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QUESTIONNAIRE FOR SERVICE PERSONNEL
EVADING OR ESCAPING FROM ENEMY OCCUPIED COUNTRIES

KENDALL, JAMES L. JR. 2ND LT. O-807575
(Name) (Rank) (ASN)

45 (No. of missions)

405 FTR. 371 FTR (9th A.F.)
(Squadron) (Group)

TARGET:

AUG. 27, 1944

Date mission in action:

SEP. 20, 1944

Date arrived in UK:

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

Indicate what
happened to each man
and how you know.

PILOT JAMES LOCKE KENDALL JR.

~~CO-PILOT~~

~~NAVIGATOR~~

~~BOMBARDIER~~

~~RADIO OPERATOR~~

~~TOP TURRET GUNNER~~

~~BALL TURRET GUNNER~~

~~WAIST GUNNER~~

~~WAIST GUNNER~~

~~TAIL GUNNER~~

Decorations:

Date of Birth: MARCH 8, 1921

Private Address: 412 PARK AVE. FLORENCE, S.C.

Length of Service: 2 YEARS

Job as Civilian: STUDENT

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

ALG #6 FRANCE 0800 HOURS

Were all secret papers and equipment destroyed?

YES

Were you wounded? Give details.

YES. GUNSHOT WOUND IN UPPER LEG WHILE RUNNING ON GROUND

Did you pay your guides? If so, how much?

NO

Do you speak FRENCH? SOME SPANISH? NO GERMAN? NO ITALIAN? NO OTHER LANGUAGE? NONE

Did you have identity papers?

NO ID TAGS ONLY

(over)

Have you been questioned before on your escape or evasion? If so, where and by whom?
YES 36 DIV. HQ. 7th AM. ARMY BESENCON, FRANCE

Have you given any one a written report on your experiences. Where and When?
A.A.F.M.T.O. CASERTA, ITALY

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: NO

Date of arrival at Gibraltar: NO

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

NAPLES, ITALY VIA CASABLANCA 18 SEP.

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

STAFF SGT. GANDIL 4th ARM DIV.

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REPORT FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

KENDALL, JAMES L. JR. 2ND LT 0-807575 SEP. 21, 1944
(Name) (Rank) (ASN) (Date)
371 ST. FIGHTER GROUP
(Unit)

MEMBERS OF CREW

PRESENT
OFFICIAL STATUS

PILOT
CO-PILOT
NAVIGATOR
BOMBARDIER
RADIO OPERATOR
TOP TURRET GUNNER
BALL TURRET GUNNER
WAIST GUNNER
WAIST GUNNER
TAIL GUNNER

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

AUG. 27, 1944 1430 HOURS NEAR DIJON, FRANCE.

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

PLANE WAS ON FIRE AND BURNED COMPLETELY

At approximately what altitude did source bail out?

1000'.

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

NO

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

PILOT - YES

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?

DOES NOT APPLY

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.

DOES NOT APPLY

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 by what means was source rescued and what life rafts, wreckage, etc., remained on the surface that would have assisted other personnel to keep afloat.

DOES NOT APPLY

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

DOES NOT APPLY

S E C R E T

APPENDIX "D" TO E AND E 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? *NO*
- b. If not, why? *TAKEN BY GERMANS*
- 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.

Chocolate or Peanut Bar.

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?
- e. How did you finally dispose of the box?
- 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?

2. PURSE

- a. Did you carry a purse? *YES*
State color of stripes and letters.
If NOT, State why not.
- b. Did you use the purse? *NO*

(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.
How did you spend the money?

d. How did you dispose of:- *TAKEN BY GERMANS*

Maps.

Compass.

File (hacksaw).

Surplus currency.

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?

YES 3

b. Did you use them? *NO*

5. LECTURES

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

YES

USA

A-2 ATCHAM FIELD, ENGLAND

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?

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.

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) JAMES L. KENDALL JR.
Rank 2ND LT. A. S. N. O-807575
Unit 371 ST FIGHTER GROUP

Signed James L. Kendall Jr.
Dated Sep 21 1944
Witness R. H. [Signature]

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Kendall

Its pilot shot down near Dijon on
27 August. Captured by Germans.
Shot in leg while trying to get
away from them. Taken to
prison Dijon. Stayed 4 days (until
1 Sep.) Well treated. Food bad.
Never interrogated. Met following
US + allied PW's:

Brit: → 1st Lt. Dodds, 2nd S.A.S.
→ Cpl Walsh, "
*Killed when
German train
was strafed by P-47's.*

Amer: 1st Lt. Mc Chesney 365 ft. gp.
→ S/Sgt Gandil 4th Round Dis
Evac. same time as Kendall
got away at Auxonne. May have been sent
on to Germany,
or may have
gotten away.

Boarded train 1 Sep probably for
Frankfurt. About 0900 2 Sep,
train strafed by P-47's at Dole.
Guarded by German Maj + Cpl. Train
was stopped. Ran away (alone).

went to nearest French House. First
real helper Fernand Bovio & friend.
Lived in Dole (Lura). FFI members.
Thence to home of Louis Cambray,
Directeur de la Succursale de Dole,
Société des Pompes Funèbres
Générales, 21 Rue de Besançon, Dole.
8 Days.

↓ Near RR station. young woman
about 30 yrs. Known to Bovio.

While at Dole, found out about

other Americans.

3 were killed in strafing atk on PW train.
Found out from Mortician (Cambray)

These 3
escaped. All
back to US
control

Carl C. Griffith
Walter Hellwell
Joseph Sirocco (?)

} Co B, 133rd Engr
(c) Bn
APO 403, PM, NY

George J. JANATIK
James M. Jameson
Ray Hern

} Same unit.

0-807575
2nd Lt. J. L. KENDALL, JR. — "C"
371 Ftr Gp

21 Sep
22 30

My fighter plane was shot down near DIJON on 27 August. I was captured by Germans, having been shot in leg while trying to evade them. I was taken to a prison in DIJON where I stayed four days, meeting the following US and allied PW's.:

British: 1st Lt. DODDS, 2nd S.A.S.
Cpl. WALSH " "

American 1st Lt. McCHESNEY, 365 Ftr Gp.
S/Sgt. GANDIL 4th Armd Div

We were all put on a train on 1 Sept, probably bound for FRANKFORT. There were a number of other allied ~~troop~~ PW's on this train. At about 0900 on 2 Sept the train was strafed, at DOLE, by P-47's. The two British PW's named above were killed during this strafing, as well as the following US PW's who were already on the train when we got aboard at DIJON: GEORGE J. JANATIK, JAMES M. JAMESON, and RAY HERN, all of ~~the~~ Co B, 133rd ENGR (C) Bn, APO 403. (This information was obtained later from the mortician at DOLE, with whom I stayed later.) During this strafing the train was stopped, and I managed to escape.

Others who got away, all returning to
their own unit, were Carl C. Griffith,
Walter Hellwell, and Joseph Sirocco (?),
all of Co B, 133rd Engr (c) Bn, APO 403. ~~§~~

~~McCHESNEY~~ Lt. McCHESNEY got away at
AUXONNE. Sgt GANDIL may have
gotten away, or may have been sent
on to Germany. → where the RR station, where
near I was helped by a woman of
about 30 yrs.

I went alone to the nearest house, I
~~received some help, and~~ soon met FERNAND
BOVIO, who lived in DOLE (JURA), who was
an FFI member and a good helper. I then
went to the home of LOUIS CAMBRAY, funeral
director of DOLE, 21 Rue de BESANCON, where
I stayed 8 days until picked up by US
troops. Another good helper was a
~~woman of about 30 years who lived~~