

19 October 1942

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By command of Lieutenant General EISENHOWER:

(signed) RALPH PULSIFER,  
Colonel, AGD, Ass't. Adj. Gen.

## CERTIFICATE

I have read the above and certify that I will comply with it.

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Name(Print) KENNETH F. FAHNCKE Signed Kenneth F. Fahncke  
Rank S/SGT A.S.N. 15329254 Date Nov 11 1943  
Unit 92nd gp 327 sq Witness H.W. Bailey CIGSC

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Witness Walter J. Smith, Major

*Stencil made*

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

E & E REPORT NO. 225  
EVASION IN FRANCE

42435

(Date)

Kenneth F.. FAHNCKE S/Sgt 15329254

(Name) (Rank) (ASN)

~~336~~ 327

(Squadron)

92

(Group)

AGE: 22

LENGTH OF SERVICE: 1-1-1942

HOME ADDRESS: Celina, Ohio

MIA: 17 August 1943

Arrived in Spain:

4 Oct  
Arrived in Gibraltar:

10 Nov  
Arrived in UK:

20 Nov

MEMBERS OF CPW: (This information checked with PWIB)

Official Narrators  
Disposition Disposition

PILOT	0-437875	Capt	Roland L. SARGENT	don't know	MIA
CO-PILOT	0-442753	1st Lt	Kieth E. BYINGTON	MIA	and one killed
NAVIGATOR	0-431801	Capt	Robert T. McNEELY	MIA	
BOMBARDIER	<i>Michael (see below)</i>				
RADIO OPERATOR	33327521	S/Sgt	Charles J. SAILER	1/2 way P/W	MIA
TOP TURRET GUNNER	32382034	S/Sgt	James L. BERRY	Spain	E & E Report #38
BALL TURRET GUNNER	NARRATOR				
WAIST GUNNER	38161273	Sgt	John J. WHITLEY	P/W	
WAIST GUNNER	32412531	S/Sgt	Nathan SCHWARTZ	P/W	MIA
TAIL GUNNER	39832932	Sgt	Harry S. RICHARDS	Safe? heavy	Liege MIA
<i>yes (Bombardier?)</i>	22099721	S/Sgt	George L. MIKEL, JR.	Only in Liege - 6th	MIA

Were you wounded?

*yes split thumb & gashed on arm*



327 Sq. 92 Group MIN 17 Aug. 43

- Capt. Roland L. SARGENT (0-437875)	MIA	P/W
- 1st Lt. Keith E. BYINGTON (0-442753)	MIA	P/W
- Capt. Robert T. McNEELY (0-431801)	MIA	P/W
- S/Sgt. George L. MIKEL Jr. (22099721)	MIN	MIA
- S/Sgt. Charles J. SAILER (33327521)	Repatriated MIA	no RTD
- S/Sgt. James L. BERRY (32382034)	EE 238	RTD
- S/Sgt. Kenneth F. FAHNCKE (15329254)	RTD	RTD
- Sgt. John J. WHITLEY (38161273)	P/W	P/W
- S/Sgt. Nathan Schwartz (32412531)	MIA	P.W.
- S/Sgt. Harry S. RICHARDS (39832932)	MIA	2178 RTD

also do 2178 & 238

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BRANCH

SECRET

APPENDIX "D" TO E AND E REPORT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

No., Rank, Name: Faluck

Unit: -

Please answer carefully the questions below. Suggestions for improvement of escape equipment and training must 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, had you one on you? YES; received immediate aid
- (c) If not, why had you no aids box?
- (d) If you used it, which of the following items did you use? Put a dash (-) against each item used and state briefly the circumstances, e.g., "Lying up for 2 nights", etc.
- (i) Horlicks tablets.
  - (ii) Chocolate
  - (iii) Milk (tube). *leave out? steril -*
  - (iv) Benzadrine tablets (fatigue)
  - (v) Halazone tablets (water purifier).
  - (vi) Matches.
  - (vii) Adhesive tape.
  - (viii) Chewing gum.
  - (ix) Water bottle.
  - (x) Compass
- (e) Did any of the above items prove unsatisfactory? If so, in what respect?
- (f) How did you finally dispose of the box? *gave to* BY CIVILIANS BEING
- (g) 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? *to open for me since* WOUNDED GIVEN BOX TO HELPERS, TO OPEN. MISTOOK FOR PRESENT.

2. PURSE

- (a) Did you carry a purse? If so, state COLOR. YES; BROWN
- (b) Did you use the purse? *from me* NO taken on landing
- (c) If so, which of the following items in the purse did you use? Put a dash (-) against each item used and state briefly the circumstances.
- (i) Maps. Which ones?
  - (ii) Compass.

*leave out? steril*

(iii) File (hacksaw).

(iv) Foreign currency. State countries and amounts.  
How did you spend the money.

(d) How did you dispose of:-

Maps.

Compass.

File (hacksaw).

Surplus currency.

3. AIDS TO ESCAPE - (GADGETS+) *Not issued*  
(\*Issued separately from aids boxes and purses.)

(a) Did you carry or wear any of the following?  
If you **used** any of them, state briefly WHEN and WHERE

(i) Round compass.

(ii) Stud compass.

(iii) Swinger compass.

(iv) Fly-button compass.

(v) Pencil clip compass.

(vi) Tunic button compass.

(vii) Pipe compass.

(viii) Pouch

(ix) Special flying boots (and knife).

(b) Were they satisfactory?

(c) Can you suggest any improvements, additions, or substitutions  
which would improve the above equipment?

*leave out of  
stencil -*

4. PASSPORT SIZE PHOTOGRAPHS

(a) Did you carry passport-size photographs?  
If so, how many?

(b) Did you use them?  
State how.

*No, none taken  
at Base, only there one week*

5. LECTURES

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

(b) Did you find the lectures of value?

*yes; USA and Base  
by S-2 Officer -  
yes*



SECRET - AMERICAN  
MOST SECRET - BRITISH  
MIS (X)

HEADQUARTERS  
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QUESTIONNAIRE FOR SERVICE PERSONNEL  
EVADING FROM ENEMY OCCUPIED COUNTRIES

1. Full Name, Rank and Serial No. *KENNETH F. FAHNCKE S/SGT 15329254*
2. Decorations.
3. Unit or Squadron. *327 Bomb SQ (H)*
4. Division (Army) or Group. *92 BOMB GP*
5. Date of Birth. *MAR 13, 1921*
6. Length of Service. *1 yr. 1 mo*
7. Private Address. *CELINA OHIO R.R.*
8. If in A.F., on what operation were you engaged? State place, date, and time of departure. Where and when did you come down? *Belgium*  
Were Aircraft and all instruments and papers destroyed? *SCHWEINFURT AUG 17, 1943 11.30 AM. Near Boins*  
*3.30 - 4.10 PM. Instruments & plans*  
*Presumed Destroyed?*
9. What was your position in aircraft? *TAIL GUNNER*
10. Were you wounded? *YES. ARM THIGH THUMB*
11. Did you pay your guides? If so how much? *NO*
12. Do you speak French? Spanish? *NO*
13. Did you have Identity Papers? *YES*
14. Have you been questioned before to-day on your escape or evasion? If so, where and by whom? Have you given anyone a written report on your experiences. Where and when?  
*YES AT GIBRALTER, BRITISH INTELLIGENCE*
15. Did you report on your operations? If so, where and to whom? *NOT PREVIOUSLY TO TODAY*
16. Did you sign a security certificate warning you against talking about your escape or evasion? If so, where and when? *YES AT IRUN. MADRID - GIBRALTER, LONDON*
17. Date of arrival in Spain. *OCT 4, 1943*
18. Date of arrival at Gibraltar. *NOV. 10, 1943*
19. Place and date of departure for U.K. By sea or air. *NOV 19, 1943*
20. Place and date of arrival in U.K. *BRISTOL NOV 20, 1943*

Fahnestock

I was 3 miles from the Bruxelles airport when it was bombed on 2 Sept. I observed Gen F W 190's rise to defend the field. Could hear bombs explode. Barracks & Insulin quarters reported destroyed. 3 train cars of civilians also reported blown up. 30 houses damaged. Raid boosted morale (obs.) Belgians considered it a good job.

4 train cars loads of Spanish Blue Division seen passing through. I saw 26 Oct - 1 Nov from Russian front. Hessian had 40,000 Sp were returning. Obs that many oppose Franco. Those opposed to Franco are more helpful to Americans.



MOST SECRET

ITS(X).