

SECRET

APPENDIX "D" TO E AND E REPORT NO.

No., Rank, Name:-

Unit:-

*Wright*

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; Received immediate aid.*
- (b) If not, had you one on you? *yes*
- (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.

Horlicks tablets.

Chocolate.

Milk (tube).

Benzadrine tablets (fatigue).

Halazone tablets (water purifier).

Matches.

Adhesive tape.

Chewing gum.

Water bottle.

Compass.

- (e) Did any of the above items prove unsatisfactory? If so, in what respect?
- (f) How did you finally dispose of the box?  
*Helpersence took it*
- (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?  
*NO*

2. PURSE

- (a) Did you carry a purse? *yes*  
If so, state COLOR. *BROWN*  
In NOT, State why not.
- (b) Did you use the purse? *No; immediate aid -*
- (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.

Maps. Which ones?

Compass.

*leave out of stencil*

File (hacksaw).

Foreign currency. State countries and amounts. *FRANCE — 2000 FRANK*  
How did you spend the money? *DIDN'T —*

(d) How did you dispose of:-

Maps. *Help us*  
*INTELLIGENCE TOOK THEM*

Compass. *''*

File (hacksaw). *DESTROYED*

Surplus currency. *GAVE TO GUIDE WHO TOOK ME TO <sup>OVER</sup> FOOT OF PYRENEES*

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.

Round compass.

Stud compass.

Swinger compass.

Fly-button compass.

Pencil clip compass.

Tunic button compass.

Pipe compass.

Pouch

Special flying boots (and knife).

(b) Were they satisfactory?

(c) Can you suggest any improvements, additions, or substitutions, which would improve the above equipment? *NO*

4. PASSPORT SIZE PHOTOGRAPHS

(a) Did you carry passport-size photographs? *NO; FRENCH MADE them for me.*  
If so, how many? *WAS ONLY AT FIELD. A COUPLE DAYS*

(b) Did you use them?  
State how. *FRENCH MADE FOR IDENTITY CARD*

5. LECTURES

(a) Were you lectured on evasion and escape? *yes*  
State WHERE, WHEN and by WHOM. *U.S.A. AT DYERSBURG, TENN. & GRAND ISLAND NEB.*

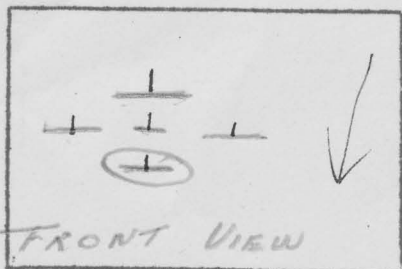
(b) Did you find the lectures of value?

*yes.*

*leave out stencil*

NAME DOUGLAS G. WRIGHT RANK S/SGT ASN 16127319 REPORT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

SQ 368 GROUP 306 A/C NO. \_\_\_\_\_ Letter \_\_\_\_\_ Load 5001A Date SEPT. 6, 1943



Position in formation.  
Make Diagram

Observed results of Bombing:

NOT OBSERVED

Enemy Fighter Tactics:

Markings:

Few ATTACKS FROM REAR;  
DID NOT KNOW WHAT HAPPENED FROM FRONT

Our Tactics:

Our Fighter Support:

NONE

Flak

<u>Time</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Quality</u>
yes ALL ALONG WAY		HEAVY

Technical Failures

Motors:

DID NOT KNOW IF FLAK HIT THEM OR NOT, BUT DID KNOW WE RAN OUT OF GAS <sup>an engine</sup>

Armor:

Armament:

Miscellaneous:

~~FLAK PUT HOLE IN TAIL~~

Comments and Suggestions on any of the above:

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TO : Personnel concerned.

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  - (3) The route you followed.
  - (4) Any other facts concerning your experience.
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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) <u>DOUGLAS G. WRIGHT</u>	Signed <u>Douglas G. Wright</u>
Rank <u>S/SGT.</u> A.S.N. <u>16127319</u>	Date <u>12-2-43</u>
Unit <u>306TH BOMB GROUP</u>	Witness <u>H.W. [Signature], Col GSC.</u>

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9 April 1943.

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Signed Douglas G. Wright

Rank S/SGT. ASN 16127319

Date Dec 11, 1943

Unit 306<sup>TH</sup> BOMB GROUP

Witness Dorothy G. Smith

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SECRET - AMERICAN  
MOST SECRET - BRITISH  
MIS (X)

HEADQUARTERS  
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS  
PW and X Detachment  
Military Intelligence Service

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR SERVICE PERSONNEL  
EVADING FROM ENEMY OCCUPIED COUNTRIES

1. Full Name, Rank and Serial No. *DOUGLAS GEORGE WRIGHT*
2. Decorations. *NONE*
3. Unit or Squadron. *306 BOMB GROUP 368 BOMB SQD.*
4. Division (Army) or Group.
5. Date of Birth. *MARCH 23, 1923*
6. Length of Service. *1 year 3 months*
7. Private Address. *5044 N. CLARK ST. CHICAGO ILL.*
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? Were Aircraft and all instruments and papers destroyed?  
*STEWART GART RAID*  
*TOOK OFF 306 BOMB GROUP SEPT. 6, 1943 6:00 A.M.*  
*CAME DOWN BLACOURT NEAR BEVAIS SEPT. 6, 1943*  
*DON'T KNOW*
9. What was your position in aircraft? *TAIL GUNNER*
10. Were you wounded? *No*
11. Did you pay your guides? If so how much? *2000 FRANKS TO ORG. BEFORE CROSSING PYRENEES*
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?  
*GIBRALTER BY ~~ENGLISH~~ ENGLISH SERGEANT IN CIVILIAN CLOTHES COLONEL FOSTER NOT PRESENT*
15. Did you report on your operations? If so, where and to whom?  
*NO*
16. Did you sign a security certificate warning you against talking about your escape or evasion? If so, where and when?  
*MADRID MAJ. CLARK GIBRALTER COL. FOSTER*
17. Date of arrival in Spain.  
*NOV 22, 1943*
18. Date of arrival at Gibraltar.  
*Dec. 2, 1943*
19. Place and date of departure for U.K. By sea or air.  
*Dec. 9, 1943 AIR*
20. Place and date of arrival in U.K.  
*NEWQUAY Dec. 10, 1943*

Did not

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near 80 miles in the air dead - still funny after structure. went by -  
 saw 4 chutes & out tail door - fell door empty - hearing suit cord caught on  
 something - half out - slid out - ~~about~~ about 18-20000ft - the blast bottle but dropped it -  
 opened chute soon after leaving 1/2 - saw tail of our 1/2 go by - saw another fortress  
 under attack from 1/2 - watched for awhile - came down over large  
 village - 10000 ft up - fell cords on chute, I went into rain cloud & after that  
 I saw nothing - fell in a field - had had visibility at 5000 ft -  
 open field beneath me - Blacourt - when hit ground 1/2 swooped over  
 my head & went away - picked up chute & hid it under hay - flew  
 barbed wire fence & staid toward village where I ran into woman  
 waiting for me - she hid me in ditch - said wait - went after  
 clothes & food - changed hiding place to be able to see her when  
 she returned - <sup>mme. Petite Blacourt, Marie Chapelle - ~~was~~ <sup>was</sup> ~~not~~ <sup>in</sup> France</sup> woman & 1/2 came down path - when I hid  
 ate & changed clothes - they took me to their garden & they  
 made hiding place in garden - wtd til husband home - 9 p.m. -  
 into house - put me to bed - told for cold - in bed a week - told them  
 I was going to leave - woman said no - she knew you man  
<sup>in intelligence service</sup>  
~~who was trying to help me~~ - this young man came to see her & she  
 never told him about - finally when I told her I was going to  
 leave she told young man - "Henri" - schiltcher in Blacourt -  
 (when in garden - 2 obs. 1/2's flew around) - Henri got in touch with  
 Int. service & 2 men came & took everything but money -  
 told me wld be there 4 or 5 days & they would come back -  
 wtd a month - & finally new man, lawyer Gilbert  
 Teebolt(?) + he took me to his place (Clermont?) Monday  
 8 Nov - met Connell & Royd Frazier (5st) - then one night -  
 Paris next day - to Gilbert's aunt for dinner - walked around -  
 went to church - waited 15 mins - 2 men met us - one was the pilot -  
 bump - took us to house - met a tall dark haired attractive lady -

down  
at  
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She took Counsel & Traquin with her - the pilot took <sup>me</sup>  
to ~~met~~ met dark haired lady's husband - he took me to  
Dio's house - stayed one night - next a.m. husband  
brought ~~me~~ 2 am (copilot & Traquin) and drove over Paris &  
took me his home - where was the lady - she took me to  
another Dio's house - he owned apartments in bldg - put me  
in empty room of an apartment with young Frenchman -  
young Frenchman took me to house of Marcel - living  
with mother - there a week - young Frenchman came  
for me & took me to Dio's apartment & he took me to  
dark-haired woman & she took me to her  
husband - saw 2 more cars - in metro station -  
husband looking for dog tags - didn't find them - on to  
restroom station - got train with Counsel -  
German woman took us on train



Douglas S. Wright

SECRET  
EQUALS BRITISH

MOST SECRET

APPENDIX "B"  
MIS (X).....

The following information has been obtained from our interview with .....  
..... (.....) who escaped after capture  
by the enemy/evaded capture by the enemy after being in enemy/enemy occupied territory.

Further circulation of this information may be made, but when doing so it is important not  
to divulge any particulars of source.

Statement of information covering period from .....  
to.....

WHAT SOME FRENCH PEOPLE TOLD ME.

THERE IS A LARGE AMUNITION DUMP IN A  
PLACE CALLED LYONS, THAT IS ABOUT 40 OR 50  
KILOMETERS WEST OF BEAUVAIS. ABOUT THREE  
DIFFERENT FRENCH PEOPLE TOLD ME THIS AT DIFFERENT  
PLACES. THESE PEOPLE TOLD ME THAT THE PLACE  
WAS WELL CAMOUFLAGED WITH A WOODED SECTION.

THEY ALSO SAID THAT THE GERMANS WERE MOVING  
THEIR FLAK GUNS OUT FROM AROUND BEAUVAIS.  
THAT WAS IN OCTOBER. THE LATEST I HEARD THEY  
WERE MOVING THEM BACK AGAIN. THERE IS ALSO  
A PLACE CALLED GOURNEY, A LARGE VILLAGE WHERE  
GERMANS ARE STATIONED & HAVE SOME OF OUR BOYS  
PRISONERS. I WAS TOLD THIS BY A FRENCH GIRL  
WHO WENT TO SCHOOL IN GOURNEY. <sup>rest of Sept</sup> <sup>were in school here</sup>  
<sup>now in another part of the</sup>  
<sup>village.</sup>

THE GERMANS ARE TAKING ALL YOUNG FRENCHMEN  
AND HAVING THEM WORK ON THE COAST, BUILDING  
A FORTIFICATION. BUT THE FRENCH BOY WHO  
TOLD ME THIS, DIDN'T KNOW JUST WHERE THIS  
LINE RAN.

It was that about 26 Sept 2 americans  
anties were shot while descending at Brachette  
in Gournay - Beauvais  
Gournay

"C"

landed at Blacourt and started toward village.  
Met woman. She was waiting for me. Hid me. She  
returned with daughter. Her name was M<sup>me</sup> Petit,  
A-Blacourt, Par le Chappelle - avec pots, OISE \*  
Taken to her home - in bed a week \* Wanted to  
leave. ~~Woman~~ M<sup>me</sup> Petit said no. She called  
in a young man in intelligence service.  
"Henri". He was a school teacher in Blacourt.  
Two men arrived; had been sent for by Henri.  
They took everything I had except money -  
Waited a month and nothing happened.  
Then new man, lawyer, Gilbert Hubbard took  
me to his home in CHERMONT on 8 Nov.  
Here one night and met Connell and  
Sgt Hazel Frazier. Taken to Paris next day.  
To Gilbert's aunt's house for dinner. Went to a  
church. Two men arrived to guide. One was  
a French pilot with a lining. Taken to a house  
where I met a tall dark attractive lady.  
She took Connell & Frazier. French pilot <sup>turned</sup> ~~took~~ me  
over to husband of tall dark lady's husband - He  
took me to a doctor's home. One night there.

met a. m. The husband brought 2 Ams (Coyote  
and navigator) and picked me up. Was taken  
to another doctor's house. He owned apartments  
in the building. Put me in empty room of apartment  
with young Frenchman. Young Frenchman took  
me to home of Marcelle. - she lives with her  
mother. Stayed a week. Young Frenchman  
took me to first Doctor's apartment and Doctor  
took me to dark haired woman and she took  
me to her husband. Saw 2 other Americans  
in subway - Got to train + met Connell.  
Jewish woman took us over as a guide -

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EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS  
P/W and X Detachment  
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E & E REPORT NO. 262  
EVASION IN FRANCE

(Date)

Douglas G WRIGHT, S/Sgt, 16127319  
(Name) (Rank) (ASN)  
368 Bomb Squadron, 306 Bomb Group  
(Squadron) (Group)

TARGET: STUTTGART

AGE: 20  
LENGTH OF SERVICE: 1 year 3 months  
HOME ADDRESS: 5044 N. Clark St.  
Chicago, Ill.

MIA: 6 September 1943  
Arrived in Spain: 22 November  
Arrived in Gibraltar: Dec 2, 1943  
Arrived in UK: Dec 10, 1943

MEMBERS OF CREW: (This information checked with PWIB)

	Official Disposition	Narrators Disposition
PILOT	0-729896 2d Lt Wesley D PETERSON	MIA
CO-PILOT	0-671990 2d Lt Edward L MASLANKA	E&E RPT 222
NAVIGATOR	0-683307 2d Lt Donald E PHILLIPS	MIA
BOMBARDIER	0-729532 1st Lt August WINTERS	E&E RPT 179
RADIO OPERATOR	15103808 T/Sgt William L UTLEY	<del>MIA</del> in neutral country
TOP TURRET GUNNER	12011015 T/Sgt William B PLASKET JR	MIA
BALL TURRET GUNNER	33021170 Sgt Frederick E HUNTSINGER	MIA
WAIST GUNNER	16072028 S/Sgt George S MONSER	E&E RPT 169
WAIST GUNNER	15300732 Sgt William E SCOTT, JR	E&E RPT 173
TAIL GUNNER	16127319 S/Sgt Douglas G WRIGHT	NARRATOR

Were you wounded? No

We were returning from the raid on Stuttgart. (See E+E Report No 222)

I didn't hear the order to bale out and was still firing when I saw a chute open behind our plane. Then, ~~when~~ <sup>after</sup> I counted ~~my~~ four chutes I went to the tail and jumped. My heated-suit cord caught on something and held me in the door for a second but I jerked ~~at it~~ until it tore loose. I was out around 18000 feet, but pulled the rip cord as soon as I had cleared the plane. There was another 'Fort' near us under attack; ~~and~~ I watched ~~it~~ <sup>the balls</sup> and ~~though~~ I never did see any chutes. ~~from it~~. I was over a large village and pulled at the shroud lines to get more drift, but, at 10000 feet I went into a rain cloud and had no visibility again until 5000 feet. There were open fields below me and I landed in a field.

WORKS  
SHROUD LINES  
FOR DRIFT

As soon as I touched the ground a fighter swooped over my head but went away without circling me. I gathered in my chute, ~~a~~ hid it in some hay, and started ~~for~~ <sup>for</sup> a small village about half a mile away. I followed a hedge-row to keep out of sight but when I reached the end, ~~of it~~ and, <sup>climb</sup> started to cross a fence, there was a woman standing there waiting for me. She had followed my jump with binoculars and had come out of the village to meet me. She hid me in a ditch immediately, <sup>telling</sup> and ~~told~~ me to wait ~~for her~~ while she got clothes and food. When she was out of sight I changed my hiding place ~~so that~~ <sup>so that</sup> I could see ~~her~~ <sup>when</sup> she ~~returned~~ <sup>came back with</sup>. About thirty minutes later she ~~came back with~~ <sup>returned</sup> another woman. This convinced me that she meant to help, so I whistled at her. After I had changed ~~my~~ <sup>into the</sup> clothes, <sup>she gave me</sup> I was taken to a garden where a hiding place was ~~made~~ <sup>fixed</sup> for me. I was to stay here until the woman's husband returned that night, and then talk to him.

Met by  
FRENCH  
WOMAN

When he came, <sup>we</sup> I talked to ~~him~~ for a few minutes and then, <sup>I</sup> was taken <sup>to</sup> the house. Because I had ~~caught~~ a bad cold they insisted I go to bed; ~~and~~ I stayed in bed a week, being treated for the cold. At the end of that time I told the woman I was going to leave but she said I couldn't until she had found some help for me. I knew there was a young man, who could help me, coming often to visit my helpers, and, finally I discovered that the woman had not told him anything about me.

TREATED FOR  
COLD

Journey  
ARRANGED

I insisted that she do this, and, eventually when she saw that I meant to start out on my own, she told the young Frenchman. Until this time my presence in the house ~~was known~~ was known only to three people. <sup>As soon as</sup> When I learned that the young Frenchman was working to get help for me I waited more patiently, and, at the end of another month a man, ~~XXXXX~~ who arranged my journey, came to see me.

W. S. Hoyle

Appendix B:

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

- a. Several French sources ~~mentioned~~ told evader that there was a large ammunition dump in LYONS. He did not remember the exact location but recalled that they said it was camouflaged as a wood, or, was in a wood.
- b. Evader heard that in mid-October many flak guns were moved out of the BEAUVAIS area but toward the end of October they were moved back again.
- c. Frenchman stated that a girls' school in GOURNAY was now used as a transit point for captured Allied airmen.
- d. Frenchman stated, ~~that~~ in October, that many young Frenchmen were being put to work on the coast, building ~~new~~ a new line of fortifications. The Frenchman did not know the location of this line.

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