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Check indicates my

position

Position in formation. Make Diagram

Observed results of Bombing:

The bombs landed in a perfect pattern on the center of the largest building.

Enemy Fighter Tactics: They made a frontal attack from the sun on the first sweep,

Markings: in a group, then proceeded to attack from all angles in groups.

There were no attacks by single planes.

Our Tactics: We took evasive action rather violently after the first attack, after which, the pilot nosed down for the deck.

Our Fighter Support: There were not fighters (allied) in sight.

Flak

Time Place Quality Paris region Light

Technical Failures

Motors: Numbers one, two and three were burning.

Armor: No comment.

Armament: All guns were perfect - waist guns perfect to evan after bursts of 75 to 100.

Miscellaneous: 'Inter-com' failed - oxygen failed and complete power system failed
Ball Turret was sprung.

Comments and Suggestions on any of the above: The man in the ball turret should wear the new British suit, combining parachute and flying suit.

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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
- (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).
 - (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.
- (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?

2. PURSE

- (a) Did you carry a purse? Yes
 If so, state COLOR. Tan
 If NOT, state why not.
- (b) Did you use the purse? Yes
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 - (i) Maps. Which ones? Used the maps of France to determine position.
 - (ii) Compass.

- (iii) File (hacksaw).
- (iv) Foreign Currency. State countries and amounts. French money How did you spend the money.
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Surplus currency. Gave it to helpers

- 3. AIDS TO ESCAPE (GADGETS*)
 (* Issued separately from aids boxes and purses.)
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 If you used any of them, state briefly WHEN and WHERE.
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 - (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? No

4. PASSPORT SIZE PHOTOGRAPHS

- (a) Did you carry passport-size photographs? No. Never taken. If so, how many?
- (b) Did you use them? Everyone should have them. State how.

5. LECTURES

- (a) Were you lectured on evasion and escape? No State WHERE, WHEN and by WHOM.
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arragance and express compets confidence in their ability to un Ate war. However, when wonded one of their abone the stories quite different. They freely admit that they are finished and that it is only a matter ofthere before they are forked to exhibitate they seem biter Toward the goter month that brought was within they also express a great tear of the americans. They fay that their slople at home line on fear of the Toutress B17. They have that they are cars, of their home land In the German formations, there seems to be a noticable or the continual failure to palute their officers. Ne parses an airfield at Fordorse where I notify tome gu 88 \$ m well or others I could not identify I rengine bombers & Phyleingine recors)

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STT. ALLEN M. FITZEERAND APP. C. APRIL 5TH M. Dwal the man I had spent. the night of the 4th with took me to Pains, We all traveled 1st class on the train. In Vais It joves and went to M. Devalo flat located across the street from German air Force H. g. on Champs Elysees. M. Dural called and two gula care for us. We separated I went to a flat on Rue de Treuze. A girl nane Katheleve tork me to Bon Marche Deft store where I had feetines made. M. Robert can't to flat and questioned me about Air laps slang.

After the days to flat of launters. Jean de Sugarette where I stagel these weeks. Elmer Bulmain (Carolian) also here. Val Wells came and talked to me, also Elizabeth Carvalt (American). After these weeks. Bulman and I left with Elizabeth Barbier next to station met Paul and two Voles and all went to st guay. We spent they days at the home of Leans. Then to St Brine where there were 14 gus. after a neck I would to home of lounters Betty De Mandrit in Painfol. I staged three necks and then returned to Vaine with Tenge (FR) Sperack, Michola, Davis, Robinson and Baker all anerisano. Elizabeth VS. met us and said Val had been caught. We went to Elizabeth's flat and met It Veterson, Scott, agores and a lavalian duto. The sais day It Spenck and were taken to Mus Mª Donald Lucas home in St Cloud. While staged a week then next book to Elizabethis

met Marie who took we to an elderly Fren louples home in Arniero where I stayed 4 Jays Marie then moved me to home of Dr Louis Finfi Rue Phillips. I stoned have 5 weeks. Germain Bayfai came all took me out several Times. I finally went with Germain to Rue Chanon where we met Marie and It Sperak. We all went to a fack met two quides, a Sestetian, Sgt Toney (U.S.) al all took a train 3 d class to Faix. From here my experiences were the same as It spenaks.

APPENDIX "D" TO E AND E REPORT NO.

No., Rank, Name :- 32310842 Sqt. allen m. 7 tylwald Unit :- 365 Bond ap. 364 Bond &gd

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? W
- (b) If not, had you one on you? Www
- (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).
 - (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.
- (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?

2. PURSE

- (a) Did you carry a purse?

 If so, state COLOR.

 If NOT, state why not.
- (b) Did you use the purse?
- (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? Melite maps of from the delement (ii) Compass.

- (iii) File (hacksaw).
- (iv) Foreign Currency. State countries and amounts. All money.
- (d) How did you dispose of:-

Maps.

Compass.

File (hacksaw).

Surplus currency. One of the helper

3. AIDS TO ESCAPE - (GADGETS*)
(* 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?

4. PASSPORT SIZE PHOTOGRAPHS

- (a) Did you carry passport-size photographs? W never take
- (b) Did you use them? English the the

5. LECTURES

- (a) Were you lectured on evasion and escape? We State WHERE, WHEN and by WHOM.
- (b) Did you find the lectures of value?

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

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