

HEADQUARTERS EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS P/W and X Detachment

Military Intelligence Service

5 May 1944

E & E REPORT NO. 602 - 603 EVASION IN FRANCE

Edward F NEU, 2d Lt, 0-809694

(3 Missiens)

326 Semb Squadren, 92 Semb Group

Lleyd C BUSBOOM, F/O, T-001482

(2 Missions)

326 Bomb Squadron, 92 Bomb Group

MEMBERS OF CREW: (This information checked with PWDB)

TARGET: BORDEAUX

MIA: 31 December 1943

Arrived in UK:

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De Gil started to pour out of number three engine while we were still over the water. The bombs were salveed and we started to abort, as this aircraft (on its 25th mission) could barely hold formation on four engines. When the prop ran away on number one the navigator gave us a heading for land. We threw everything overboard to lightened the ship. As the engineers chute that opened, we crash-landed. The crew left the ship, which was not destroyed, and splitting up into pairs, stafted to run. two of us traveled together from the start.

STOP TO EAT SQUADRON CANDY

FW 190 s circled, but made no attempt to strafe us. They left as soon as we reached the cover of the trees. We traveled south through the stopping once to eat the Mars Sar issued each of us at squadron. Three hours later we ran into two men who brought us food from a nearby farm. They were as frightened of us as we were of them and offered no further help. We had not meant to approach them , but when one called his dog we had mistakenly thought he was calling to us.

MIOFRENCH like German

At 2000 hours we approached an isolated farmhouse, so steelthily that the dog never barked until we were inside. We were given a friendly welcome, fed, and sheltered for the night. The farmer promised to get us help, but at the end of the day he was only too glad to see us go. This was really our own fault, as we kept saying "Year" through habit and this

sounded too much like the German "Za" to make him happy. He would take no money but gave us a road map and food to carry away. He advised us to travel only after dark.

CARRY WATERBOTTLE TO PREVENTS SPICE NG We walked along the road hiding whenever we heard semeone else coming along. This was easy as it was too dark for us even to spot even a haystack. Soon after setting out we came to a stream and filled our water bottles. We added halazone according to the instructions, but had to carry the bottles by hand as they spilled when we attached them to our belts.

SPEND DAYTIME

At dawn on 2 January we left the road and went to sleep in an irrigation ditch. We saw a woman chopping wood, but by the time we had decided to approach her she had finished the job. We went on until we found a man chopping wood. He was willing to feed us, but we wanted to sleep in his house, and he would not risk this. We spent the rest of the day sleeping deep in the woods by a fire. At dusk we found the road again so that we would be ready to start on our way again as soon as it got dark,

JOUR DE Y ARRANGED We traveled all night, toward dawn, as traffic started to increase, we saw a light in an isolated farmhouse and approached it. We were taken to the farmhouse with a pile of ballnkets and old coats. After a day here the rest of our journey was arranged.

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SUBJECT: Safeguarding of P/W Information.

- : Personnel concerned. TO
- It is the duty of all Americans to safeguard information which might, either directly or indirectly; be useful to the enemy.
- It is an offense; carrying heavy penalties; to publish or to communicate to any unauthorized person any information which might be useful to the enemy.
- 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.
- a. You must therefore not disclose, except to the first Military Attache 4. to whom you report, or to an officer designated by the Commanding General of the Theater of Operations:

(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. You must give no account of your experiences in books, newspapers,

periodicals or in broadcasts or in lectures.

- Tou must give no information to anyone, irrespective of nationality, in Tetters or in conversation, except as specifically directed in Par. 4a.
- No lectures or reports are to be given to any unit without the permission of the War or Mavy Department.

By command of Lieutenant General EISENHOWER:

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

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 American Military Attache to whom I first report, or an officer designated by the Commanding General of the Theater of Operations. I understand that disclosure to anyone else will make me liable to disciplinary action, Name (Print) Edward F Neu Signed

Rank 2nd Lt A. S. N. D-809694 Date April Unit 92 Gp 326 Sq Vitness 126 1

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HEADQUARTERS
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QUESTIONNAIRE FOR SERVICE PESONNEL EVADING FROM ENEMY OCCUPIED COUNTRIES

- 1. Full Name, Rank, and Serial No. Edward Frederick Neu
- 2. Decorations.
- 3. Unit or Squadron. 326
- 4. Division (Army) or Group. 92
- 5. Date of Birth. Sept. 15, 1916
- 6. Length of Service. 20 Months
- 7. Private Address. 638 Sycamore St Scrotoville Obio
- 3. Job as civilian. Engineering Dept N+w Railroad
- 9. From what field did you take off? Podington
- 10. Take off time. Dawn
- 11. Date and target. Dec 31 1943 Bordea4X
- 12. Where did you land? 40 Miles W.S. W. of Ruffee
- 13. Were all secret papers and equipment destroyed? No
- 14. What was your position in aircraft? Navigator
- 15. Were you wounded? No-
- 16. Did you pay your guides? If so how much? No
- 17. Do you speak French? Spanish? No
- 18. Did you have Identity Papers? Ho Dog Tags
- 19. 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?

 Question ed at Gibralter By British Intelegence Robert Anderson
- 20. Did you report on your operations? If so, where and to whon? No
- 21. Did you sign a security certificate warning you against talking about your escape or evasion? If so, where and when? Yes Alhambra, Spain of Madrid Spain
- 22. Date of arrival in Spain. March 19 1944
- 23. Date of arrival at Gibraltar. April 24 1944
- 24. Place and date of departure for U.K. By sea or air. April 26:44 from Gib.
- 25. Place and date of arrival in U.K. April 27 1944

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EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY
OFFICE OF THE A. C. OF S., G-2

DATE: 28 April 1944

DATE: 20 ADTA 2744
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:
I, LLOYD C. BUSBOOM, P/O, AC, T-1482
hereby certify that I have known and have been associated with
EDWARD F. NEU. 2nd Lt., AC. 0-809694
prior to his being reported missing in action over enemy territory.
The person whose signature and right thumb print appear hereon is the individual
referred to above.
Edward F. Ven Hoyd & Busbonn.
RIGHT THUMB PRINT:



The individual whose signature and right thumb print appear hereon has been identified to the satisfaction of this office as EDWARD F. NEU.

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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
- 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
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Major General,
The Adjutant General.

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 - (1) The names of those who helped you.
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 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.

GERTIFIGATE

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Name (Print) Edward F. Neu

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Unit 92 Gp 326 59

Signed Salvard F. New

Dated April 27 1999

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OUTLINE FOR TALKS

- 1. Complete description of everything that happened.
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- 2. Description of jump and landing.
- 3. Description of what you did with your equipment.
- 4. Tell story of experiences up to time you met the person who put Ju in contact with organization.

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- 5. How you crossed Pyrenees (General Location)
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APPENDIX "D" TO E AND E REPORT NO.

No., Rank, Name:-

Unit:-

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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 DOX

- a. Did you use your aids box? les
- 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".

During walk across Pyrances Horlicks tablets.

Chocolate or Peanut Bur. While resting several hours after landing in france
Milk (tube). Crossing Mountains

Benzadrine tablets (fatigue). Old not use

Halazone tablets (water purifier). 2 nd 4 3 nd nights after landing Matches. Built fire 3rd pay after landing

Adhesive tape. No

Chewing gum. Gave most of the French

Water bostle. 2nd + 3nd Nights

Compass. First 3 days

Sowing kit. During stay in Macky in Mountains

- d. Did any of the above items prove unsatisfactory? No
- e. How did you finally dispose of the bex? Burned
- 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? Wes les Red Stripes If NOT, State why not.
- b. Did you use the purse? Ves

If so, which of the following items in the purse did you use? icps. Thich enes? France Compass. Yes File (hackser). No Poreign currency. State countries on amounts. 2000 Francs How did you spend the many? Railway Fare - Food How did you discose of :-Mas. Gave to organdzation Compuss. Still have File (hecksey). Threw away in Mountains Surplus currency. None Were you issued any extra compasses or further aids to evasion? Yes Pever Clip compass PASSFORT SZE PHOTOGOLPHS a. Did you carry passport-size photographs? Yes If so, her many? Die you use thon? No mo papers use LECTURES Were you lectured on evasion and ascape? Yes State WHERE, WHEN and by WHOLL At Base at Bodding ton Did out find the Lectures of value? No angle wit Collection Do you have any suggestions to make which, from your experience, you feel will help other evadors and escapers? Ane Gy, Those no adire

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APPENDIX "B" TO E AND E REPORT NO. 602-603

(HTE GARONNE)

- a. A small wood-alchohol factory was observed at IZAUT, It is situated at the foot of a mountain.
- b. No Germans were observed in IZAUT or ARBON (HTE GARONNE) in early March.
- c. The maquis in the region of ASPET (HTE GARONNE) are in need of arms and ammunition for 100 men.

APPENDIX "D" TO E AND E REPORTS NO. 602-603

REPORT NO. 602 - NEU

- 1. AIDS BOX: I ate the chocolate shortly after landing. The matches were used to build a fire and the sewing kit while living in the mountains. The halazone and water bottle were used walking at night, the Horlicks in the Pyrenees. I also carried a pencil clip compass, but did not need it.
- 2. PURSE: I carried a red purse. I traveled by the map of France and used the money for food and railway fares.
- 3. PHOTOGRAPHS: I carried 6 photographs but did not need them as I traveled without papers.
- 4. LECTURES: I was lectured at Podington but was not attentive enough to learn anything.

REPORT NO. 603 - BUSBOOM

- L. AIDS BOX: I ate the chocolate while crossing the mountains. The Halazone, water bottle, Horlicks and gum were used while walking in the woods. I traveled by compass for several days. The adhesive tape was used for cuts and bruises.
- 2. PURSE: I carried a red purse I traveled with the French map and used the money for railroad fares and food.
- 3. PHOTOGRAPHS: I carried 8 photographs, but did not use them as I traveled without papers.
- 4. LECTURES: I was lectured in the USA and at base. This taught me that I could find help at isolated farmhouses. They also very properly told us not to go looking for organized help, but to let it find us.
- 5. In addition, my experience has taught me to value GI shoes. I wore them the whole time and they were a great help.

May & Busboom

E & E CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

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

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

At approximately what altitude did source bail out?

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

What members of the crew bailed out? Did their parachutes open? No one bailed out. Plane was crash Landed

Did the plane explode on striking the ground?

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

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.

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

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?