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

> E & E REPORT NO. 813 EVASION IN FRANCE

(Date)

Francis C MARX, T/Sgt, 32533995

(Name)

(Rank)

(ASN)

8 missions

713 Bomb Squadron, 448 Bomb Group (Squadron) (Group)

(Group)

TARGET: LUDWIGSHAVEN

MIA: 1 April 1944 Arrived in UK:

30 June 1944

| MEMBERS OF CREW: (This information checked with PWIB) |          |        |                     |                         |                                 |
|---|----------|--------|---------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
| PILOT   | 0=428403 | lst Lt | Harrison C MELLOR   | Official<br>Disposition | Narrators<br>Disposition<br>MIA |
| CO-PILOT  | 0-800071 | 2d Lt  | Douglas J EAMES, JR |                         | MIA                             |
| NAVIGATOR   | 0-692016 | 2d Lt  | Frank H JACOBSON    |                         | E&E #811                        |
| BOMBARDIER  | 0-688343 | 2d Lt  | Marvin T GOFF       |                         | MIA                             |
| RADIO OPERATOR  | 32533995 | T/Sgt  | Francis C MARX      |                         | NARRATOR                        |
| TOP TURRET GUNNER                                     | 18028026 | T/Sgt  | William A WARREN    |                         | MIA                             |
| BALL TURRET GUNNER                                    | 20702227 | Sysgt  | Nelson A BRANCH     |                         | E&E #812                        |
| WAIST GUNNER  | 39908551 | Sgt    | Ira R ALLEN         |                         | E&E #721                        |
| WAIST GUNNER  | 33195801 | S/Sgt  | Mike LITTLE         |                         | E&E #719                        |
| TAIL GUNNER   | 13146208 | Sgt    | Walter T BRESSLER   |                         | R&E #720                        |

See E 12.

TRAVELS AS TWO RES BEFORE ING I didn't delay my jump after and pulled the ripcord around 8000 feet.

I drifted over a small town and landed on the outer edge in a backyard. Two boys ran up to me while I was unbuckling my chute and pointed to a hill metronic me to with motions that I should hurry. I left my parachute hanging in the top of a tree and ran, discarding my flying equipment in ditches. After I got to the top of the hill I followed a ridge of for two hours until I came to an open field. Rather than leave the cover of the woods I waited until dark and crawled into a haystack that I had watched all day.

HELP

The next morning a warkman farmer came out to get some hay and discovered me. I was still asleep when he came back with food but I knew I could trust him since he had made the second trip. He told me to stay in the haystack while he sent for a friend and two hours later he returned with Sgt LITTLE of my crew and a Frenchman.

From here my journey was arranged until I got to PARIS, where by an

CELZ WELL

gotten lost in the morning and knew that I knew couldn't waste all of a day searching for my helpers again. Having heard that small cafes were the safest places in cities, I went into one and order some wine by pointing.

WHANNIXMAXIMATER I spoke to the proprietor WHANNIXMAXIMATER as soon as he was alone and told him I was American. He was friendly but could not help me. I left him and went to another cafe, watching it carefully before entering. I ordered wine here by using the same trick, as in the first cafe and again when the opportunity came I spoke to the owner. A friend was sent for and I was taken to a house where I was kept for six weeks while my friends

looked for a way to help me. Kknakkyxanaxdayxaxnaxxaxnaxkaxquaxkian ana

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FINDS HELF

MAY 1944

Appendix B:

a. Evader saw large ballon barrages over bakk several factory areas in BORDEAUX.

B. All antigaircraft in PARIS, seen by evader, was mobile (trucks).

- c. French said the large auto factory (Citroen) across the Seine from the Ave Paul Doumer was in full production.
- d. Evader saw four large radio towers six miles S of PARIS by railroad tracks to BORDEAUX. ourottu!\* T otratog Arua wore på marmi the onne circt wa in the titor acre

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Appendix D: group and cord with a sea vicerrows Ho are refount one court use 1. I had little use for the aids box but ate the chocolate and used the the water bottle on my first night. Everything was satisfactory. I was nauseated after eating the Horlicks tablets when I parachuted but this may have been from other causes.

2. I carried a YELLOW purse. I used the compass and spent the money for food andpayment to helpers.

3. I had 9 escape photos and used them.

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4. I was lectured in the States and at my Group on evasion. I found the lectures helpful.

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#### 813 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

Did you use your aids box?

UERY little

If not, why? b.

If you used it, state briefly the circumstances in which you used each item, CA for example, "While hiding in woods for two nights". SLEDT IN HAY STACK IST NIGHT, AFTER FILLING WATER BOX Horlicks tablets. TWO . VONITED SOON AFTERWARDS. MAY NOT BE THE CAUSE Chocolate or Peanut Bar. CHOCULATE BAR (FNGLISH RATION) VERY GOOD, Milk (tube). NO

Benzadrine tablets (fatigue).

Halazone tablets (water purifier).

4 ES Matches.

400 Adhesive tape.

FOR HIS FACE APRIL 3, 1944 GAVE TO BRESSLER Chewing gum.

No Water boutle.

· Wes Compass.

YES Sewing kit,

Did any of the above items prove unsatisfactory? JONT USE THEM ENOUGH TO JUDGE.

How did you finally dispose of the box? Can you auggest 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? DIRECTIONS AS TO USE OF HORLICKS

#### PURSE 2.

- YES. Did you carry a purse? State color of stripes and letters. 4 ELLOW - JETTER UNKNOWN If NOT, State why not.
- Did you use the purse?

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c. If so, which of the following items in the purse did you use? Maps. Which ones? None Compass. File (hacksew). Foreign currency. State countries and amounts. ARTER EXCHANGING How did you spend the money? BELGIC AND GERMAN CURRENCY TO FRANCS THE TOTAL WAS A BOUT ITOO FR. Spens How did you dispose of :wo for ticket theris, 100 fr a Paris on Maps. GAVE TO WING - LOOKING KOR CONTACT MY KIRST CONTACT Compass. Lekt with entes, GECAPE KIT IN PARIS. File (hacksaw). SAME Surplus currency. Were you issued any extra compasses or further aids to evasion? YES AT ESCAPE LECTURE 448 76 600 PASSPURT SIZE PHOTOGRAPHS a. Did you carry passport-size photographs? 465 If so, how many? 9 Did you use then? LECTURES a. Were you lectured on evasion and escape? 465 State WHERE, WHEN and by WHOLL SCETHING, ENGLAND MAR. 44 ALAMOGORDO, N. Mex Not 43 Did you find the lectures of value? By intercicence ourices. Do you have any suggestions to make which, from your experience, you feel will help other evadors and oscapers? SPANISH MONEY WATER BAG SHOWED HAVE BETTER MEANS OF RECEING WATER IN CANT SET BAG DOWN

SUBJECT: Safeguarding of P/W Information.

- TO : Personnel concerned.
- 1. It is the duty of all Americans to safeguard information which might, either directly or indirectly, be useful to the enemy.
- 2. 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.
- 3. 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.
- 4. 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:

(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.

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 i. lectures.

- d. You must give no information to anyone, irrespective of nationality, in letters 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 Navy Department.

By command of Lieutenant General EISENHOWER:

(signed) RAL JISIFER, Colonel, AGD, Ass t. Adj. Gen.

U. S. Mil. Lia. Off.

#### 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) FRANCIS C. MARX    | Signed Francis C. Mark |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|
| Rank 7/Ser A.S.N. 32533995      | Date THAT 26, 1944     |
| Unit 448 TH GROWP - 713 TH SODY | Witness Man Witness    |
|                                 | HORACE W. FORSTER,     |

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E & E REPORT NO 813

JUNE 30, 1944 (Date)

FRANCIS C. MARX T/S67 32533995
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7/3 TH 448 TH (Group)

TARGET:

Date Arrived in UK: June 30, 1944

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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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- Commanding Officers will be responsible for instructing all evaders, escapees, and internees in the provisions of this directive which supersedes letter, AG 883.6 (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.

- Information about your escape or your evasion from capture would be useful to the enemy and a danger to your friends. It is therefore SEGRET.
- 2. 0 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.
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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

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 SEGRET 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) FRANCIS C. MARX

Rank 7/567 A.S. N. 32533995

Unit 713 TH B. So. - 448 TH B. GAP

Witness

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# QUESTIONNAIRE FOR SERVICE PESONNEL EVADING FROM ENERGY OCCUPIED COUNTRIES

Full Name, Rank, and Sorial No. ERANCIS CORNELIUS MARY, 7/SGF, 32533995 Decorations. NONE RECEIVED. Unit or Squadron. Division (Army) or Group. Date of Birth. Length of Service. Private Address. Job as civilian. RAVELING From what field did you take off? Take off time. 10. Date and target. 11. Where did you land? 12. Conspicant (Avoided Tearning name or round Were all secret papers and equipment destroyed? 13. What was your position in aircraft? Transplant and Through our standary, 14. Were you wounded? 15. FROM FARMY ACTION. SPRAINTD BACK, BRUISES AND SCRATCHES Did you pay your guides? If so how much? From CRASHING THROUGH TREE IN LANDING Do you speak French? Spanish? 17. Did you have Identity Papers? 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 INTELL, SHORT WRITTEN REPORT JUNE 26. Did you report on your operations? If so, where and to whom? 20. Did you sign a security certificate warning you against talking about your escape or 21. evasion? If so, where and when? Date of arrival in Spain. June 26. ALHMA, Spain June 20(3) Date of arrival at Gibraltar. Place and date of departure for U.K. By sea or air. Place and date of arrival in U.R.

VUNE 30, 1944

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

| DATE: | 30   | June   | 1944                                |  |
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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I, ROY W. CARPENTER, 1st Lt., AC, 0-690546

HEREBY CERTIFY that I have known and have been associated with

FRancis C. MARX, T/Sgt., AC, 32533995

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.

Francis C. Mark

RIGHT THUMB PRINT:



The individual whose signature and right thumb print appear hereon has been identified to the satisfaction of this office as FRAncis C. MARX,

T/Sgt., AC, 32533995 (713 Bomb Squadron - 448 Bomb Group)

previously reported missing in action over enemy territory.

J. F. CARROLL, SPECIAL AGENT, U. 1.0.

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# E & E CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

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

CALLINGERS PARRENTING PARIL 3 TO SA

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

FRENCH SAY THEY SAW 9 PARACHUTES AND FORMS

Did the plane explode on striking the ground?

Did source see any other members of the crow dead or alive after reaching the ground?

Did he receive any information from others as to whether any other members of the crew were dead or alive? If so give detailed 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 conditions?

NO. DIDN'T LEE OR HERR OF THE PLANES CRASH

If the plane crashed in water how far was the plane from land and what means was source rescured and what life rafts, wrechage, 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 reason for his opinion?

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