

~~SECRET~~

R&E Report No. IS9(WEA)/8/25/43

Sgt Borowski:

~~LANDED SAFELY~~
~~TAKEN TO H&E~~
~~8/24~~

I was in the same plane as ~~R&E 8/24~~. My chute came down in a tree. Some farmers came over to me and helped me pull it down and hide it. Then they hid me in a barn from the Germans. When the Germans had gone, one of the farmers took me to the same farm to which ~~R&E 8/24~~ had been taken. My story is the same as his until Sgt Meeker and I left the refugee from Nice.

~~RUTILE MAQUIS~~
~~SCHEMES~~
OVERRUN

by
US troops

We were taken to a farm where the woman told us to say that we were from Bretagne. We thought that she said from Britain. So three days later we said this to a Frenchman whom she didn't trust and we had to leave. We went to another town and stayed with two refugees from Paris. ~~We stayed there for three weeks. During that time, the maquis came to visit us. They were talking about several schemes of getting us out. They said it was impossible to get through the German lines, so they were trying to get us by boat from St. Malo or by plane from a secret airfield. Neither of these plans got any further than talk. We were finally liberated by the Americans overrunning the area.~~

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~~Narrator had no military information.~~

No opp Borowski

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APPENDIX "C" TO E. & E. REPORT No. IS9(WEA) / 8/25/43

If further circulation of this information is made, it is important that its source should not be divulged.

No. 36346674 Rank Sgt. Name JOHN L. BOROWSKI

Date of Interview 5 August 1944

The following people helped and sheltered the narrator.

Henriette Bory (refugee from Paris)

Pierre Bory " " "

Laissarnais (near Plouasne)

See also "C" report of E&E 8/24.

AMI AUG
JUNE 12-44

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

E & E REPORT NO.
EVASION IN

Aug 10 - 44
(Date)

BOROWSKI SGT 36346674
(Name) (Rank) (ASN)

14
(Number of Missions)

MIA: Aug 9 - 44
Arrived in UK:

705th 446th
(Squadron) (Group)

June 12 - 44

MEMBERS OF CREW: (This information checked with PWIB)

	Official Disposition	Narrators Disposition
PILOT W. H. TURNER		
CO-PILOT W. A. HILL		RETURN OR KILLED
NAVIGATOR H. NUTKIS		UNKNOWN
BOMBARDIER B. H. BARRITT		RETURN OR KILLED
RADIO OPERATOR W. W. GLASS		KILLED
TOP TURRET GUNNER J. J. SABARICH		KILLED
BALL TURRET GUNNER D. A. MITKENS		KILLED
WAIST GUNNER A. C. BROSSET		KILLED
WAIST GUNNER J. L. BOROWSKI		RETURN OR
TAIL GUNNER H. F. MEEKER		RETURN OR

Were you wounded?

YES

RESTRICTED

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 releases.

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 supercedes 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
J. A. ULIO
Major General,
The Adjutant General.

1. 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**.

2. *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, 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.
- (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.

c You must give no account of your experiences in books, newspapers, periodicals or in broadcasts or in lectures.

d You must give no information to anyone, irrespective of nationality, in letters or in conversation, except as specifically directed in Par. 4.

e 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.

GERTIFICATE

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 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) JOHN L BOROWSKI

Signed John L Borowski

Rank SGT A. S. N. 36346674

Dated Aug 10 - 1943

Unit 705th Bomb SQD 446 BOMB GRP

Witness Charles G. Brown

14 U. A. C.

AG P BR HQ SOS 2-44/2M/22472

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

DATE: 10 August 1944

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I, WILBUR H. TURNER, 1st Lt., AC, 0792356

HEREBY CERTIFY that I have known and have been associated with

JOHN L. BOROWSKI, Sgt., AC, 36346674

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.

John L. Borowski

RIGHT THUMB PRINT:



Wilbur H. Turner
1st Lt. A. C.

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

JOHN L. BOROWSKI, Sgt., AC, 36346674, 446 Group, 705 Bomb Sq.
previously reported missing in action over enemy territory.

F. S. Verty
SPECIAL AGENT, C.I.C.

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MIA June 12 1944
OK August 9, 1944

CERTIFIED THAT:

No. 36346674 Rank Sgt.

Name (BLOCK LETTERS) JOHN L BOROWSKI

Unit 705th Bomb Sq., 446th Bomb Gp.

has been fully ~~briefly~~ interrogated by an Intelligence Officer of I.S.9(WEA) on 5 August 1944

and has signed a Security Certificate.

He ~~should~~ should not be re-interrogated.

Cameron J. LaClair, Jr.
Cameron J. LaClair, Jr.
2nd Lt AC

This EM is to report to Special Interrogation Center (for Major.
63 Brook St., London upon return to UK.

IMPORTANT.

THIS CERTIFICATE MUST BE RETAINED AND HANDED TO (BRITISH)
AN OFFICER OF M.I.9 OR (AMERICAN), AN OFFICER OF PW. & X. DET.
M.I.S. ON ARRIVAL IN U.K. OR U.S.A.

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CERTIFIED THAT:

This Officer/W.O./N.C.O. has special information on the following subjects:—

NONE

to the best of my knowledge and belief this EM is the person he represents himself to be.

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IMPORTANT

(Applies to all BRITISH, CANADIAN, U.S. & ALLIED PERSONNEL)

EVASION CAPTURE (ESCAPED FROM (Name of Country) France)

For All Personnel.

- 1. No. 363457A Rank Sgt Name JOHN L. BOROWSKI
- 2. Decorations: (U.S.A.A.F.: No. of missions) 14
- 3. Were you wounded? Give details: Wounds in left ankle, left knee, and left cheek
- 4. Ship (Navy), Unit (Army), Sqn. (Air Force) 705 Bomb Sqn
- 5. Div. (Army) or Gp. (Air Force) 445 Bomb Gp
- 6. Job (Pl. Comb., Rtn., etc.) Left waist gunner
- 7. Date of Birth 12 September 1916 Length of Service 2 yrs 1 mo
- 8. Private address 5044 West 32d St, Chicago, Illinois
- 9. Peace time occupation Factory machinist
- 10. Did you carry any form of identification, or photograph? Dog tags
- 11. Do you speak French, or any other foreign language? Polish, little French

FOR R.A.F. ONLY.

- 12. No. and location of O.T.U.
- 13. No. and location of Conversion Unit

FOR ALL AIR FORCE PERSONNEL AND/OR AIRBORNE OR PARACHUTE TROOPS

WHO BALE OUT

- 14. Post in Crew Left waist gunner
- 15. Other members of crew, and information about what has happened to them.
- 16. N.B.—Airborne and Parachute Troops: list below names and units of other occupants of plane, including R.A.F. and U.S.A.A.F.

Same as W.E. No. 8/24

- 17. PILOT
- CO-PILOT
- NAVIGATOR
- BOMBARDIER
- RADIO OPERATOR
- TOP TURRET GUNNER
- BALL TURRET GUNNER
- WAIST GUNNER (R.)
- WAIST GUNNER (L.)
- TAIL GUNNER

Distribution:

IS9 (WEA) Hq.....	3
Capt Devereux, Ops.....	1
Capt Arnold, 9AIF.....	1
G-2, FUSA.....	1 (less "C")
G-2, TUSA.....	1 " "
File.....	1
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17. Type of aircraft, place, date, time of departure

Interviewed by I.S.9 (WEA)

Date 5 August 1944

- 18. Where and when did you come down?
- 19. How did you dispose of your parachute, harness and Mae West?
- Attached: Appendix "B"
- " "C"
- " "D"

Disposal: Returned to unit.

John Forsyth
Major 2d Lt, CAC