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WAR DEPARTMENT
HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON

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MISSING AIR CREW REPORT

IMPORTANT: This report will be compiled in duplicate by each Army Air Force organization within 48 hours of the time an air crew member is officially reported missing.

1. **ORGANIZATION:** Location, by Name, Castelnuovo, Italy Command or AF, 15th AF
Group 411st Bomb Gr; Squadron 727th Bomb Sq ; Headquarters Base, 1722

2. **SPECIFIC Place of Departure:** Castelnuovo, Italy Course 475th 1722-1750 1722-
1817N 111E-15 to target.

Target or Intended Destination, Vienna, Austria Type of Mission, COMBAT

3. **WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED:**
CAVU

4. **GIVE:** (a) Day 22, Month 8, Year 1944, Time 1010, Location Lohary,
Hungary of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.
(b) Specify whether aircraft was last sighted (X); last contacted by radio (); forced down (); seen to crash (); or information not available ()

5. **AIRCRAFT WAS LOST OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST AS A RESULT OF:** (Check only one) Enemy Aircraft (); enemy anti-aircraft (); Other Circumstances as follows:

6. **AIRCRAFT:** Type, Model and Series, B-24E AF Serial No. 42-23145

7. **NUMBER OF AIRCRAFT:** If any, 500 J50

8. **ENGINE:** Type, Model and Series, R-1820 AF Serial Number

(a) 42-23145 (b) 42-23147 (c) 42-23146 (d) 42-23144

9. **REPAIRS:** (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial Number):

(a) Avonair 42-23145	(b) 42-23147	(c) Avonair 42-23146	(d) 42-23144
(e) 42-23148	(f) 42-23149	(g) 42-23150	(h) 42-23151
(i) 42-23152	(j) 42-23153	(k) 42-23154	(l) 42-23155
(m) 42-23156	(n) 42-23157	(o) 42-23158	(p) 42-23159

10. **THE FOLLOWING LISTED ARE OF CREW REPORTED AS:** (a) Radio Casualty 1

(b) or (c) Non-Casualty

11. **NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT:** Crew 11, Passengers 0, total 11

(In cooperation with Pilot, furnish the following particulars. If more than 11 persons were aboard aircraft, list similar particulars on separate sheet and attach original to this form.)

12. **CREW POSITION (Last Known):** Pilot Co-pilot Navigator Bombardier Radio Operator Tail Gunner

13. **Pilot:** Lt. Col. Richard A. 2nd Lt. 1st Lt. 2nd Lt. 3rd Lt. 4th Lt. 5th Lt. 6th Lt. 7th Lt. 8th Lt. 9th Lt. 10th Lt. 11th Lt. 12th Lt. 13th Lt. 14th Lt. 15th Lt. 16th Lt. 17th Lt. 18th Lt. 19th Lt. 20th Lt. 21st Lt. 22nd Lt. 23rd Lt. 24th Lt. 25th Lt. 26th Lt. 27th Lt. 28th Lt. 29th Lt. 30th Lt. 31st Lt. 32nd Lt. 33rd Lt. 34th Lt. 35th Lt. 36th Lt. 37th Lt. 38th Lt. 39th Lt. 40th Lt. 41st Lt. 42nd Lt. 43rd Lt. 44th Lt. 45th Lt. 46th Lt. 47th Lt. 48th Lt. 49th Lt. 50th Lt. 51st Lt. 52nd Lt. 53rd Lt. 54th Lt. 55th Lt. 56th Lt. 57th Lt. 58th Lt. 59th Lt. 60th Lt. 61st Lt. 62nd Lt. 63rd Lt. 64th Lt. 65th Lt. 66th Lt. 67th Lt. 68th Lt. 69th Lt. 70th Lt. 71st Lt. 72nd Lt. 73rd Lt. 74th Lt. 75th Lt. 76th Lt. 77th Lt. 78th Lt. 79th Lt. 80th Lt. 81st Lt. 82nd Lt. 83rd Lt. 84th Lt. 85th Lt. 86th Lt. 87th Lt. 88th Lt. 89th Lt. 90th Lt. 91st Lt. 92nd Lt. 93rd Lt. 94th Lt. 95th Lt. 96th Lt. 97th Lt. 98th Lt. 99th Lt. 100th Lt.

14. **Co-pilot:** 1st Lt. 2nd Lt. 3rd Lt. 4th Lt. 5th Lt. 6th Lt. 7th Lt. 8th Lt. 9th Lt. 10th Lt. 11th Lt. 12th Lt. 13th Lt. 14th Lt. 15th Lt. 16th Lt. 17th Lt. 18th Lt. 19th Lt. 20th Lt. 21st Lt. 22nd Lt. 23rd Lt. 24th Lt. 25th Lt. 26th Lt. 27th Lt. 28th Lt. 29th Lt. 30th Lt. 31st Lt. 32nd Lt. 33rd Lt. 34th Lt. 35th Lt. 36th Lt. 37th Lt. 38th Lt. 39th Lt. 40th Lt. 41st Lt. 42nd Lt. 43rd Lt. 44th Lt. 45th Lt. 46th Lt. 47th Lt. 48th Lt. 49th Lt. 50th Lt. 51st Lt. 52nd Lt. 53rd Lt. 54th Lt. 55th Lt. 56th Lt. 57th Lt. 58th Lt. 59th Lt. 60th Lt. 61st Lt. 62nd Lt. 63rd Lt. 64th Lt. 65th Lt. 66th Lt. 67th Lt. 68th Lt. 69th Lt. 70th Lt. 71st Lt. 72nd Lt. 73rd Lt. 74th Lt. 75th Lt. 76th Lt. 77th Lt. 78th Lt. 79th Lt. 80th Lt. 81st Lt. 82nd Lt. 83rd Lt. 84th Lt. 85th Lt. 86th Lt. 87th Lt. 88th Lt. 89th Lt. 90th Lt. 91st Lt. 92nd Lt. 93rd Lt. 94th Lt. 95th Lt. 96th Lt. 97th Lt. 98th Lt. 99th Lt. 100th Lt.

15. **Navigator:** 1st Lt. 2nd Lt. 3rd Lt. 4th Lt. 5th Lt. 6th Lt. 7th Lt. 8th Lt. 9th Lt. 10th Lt. 11th Lt. 12th Lt. 13th Lt. 14th Lt. 15th Lt. 16th Lt. 17th Lt. 18th Lt. 19th Lt. 20th Lt. 21st Lt. 22nd Lt. 23rd Lt. 24th Lt. 25th Lt. 26th Lt. 27th Lt. 28th Lt. 29th Lt. 30th Lt. 31st Lt. 32nd Lt. 33rd Lt. 34th Lt. 35th Lt. 36th Lt. 37th Lt. 38th Lt. 39th Lt. 40th Lt. 41st Lt. 42nd Lt. 43rd Lt. 44th Lt. 45th Lt. 46th Lt. 47th Lt. 48th Lt. 49th Lt. 50th Lt. 51st Lt. 52nd Lt. 53rd Lt. 54th Lt. 55th Lt. 56th Lt. 57th Lt. 58th Lt. 59th Lt. 60th Lt. 61st Lt. 62nd Lt. 63rd Lt. 64th Lt. 65th Lt. 66th Lt. 67th Lt. 68th Lt. 69th Lt. 70th Lt. 71st Lt. 72nd Lt. 73rd Lt. 74th Lt. 75th Lt. 76th Lt. 77th Lt. 78th Lt. 79th Lt. 80th Lt. 81st Lt. 82nd Lt. 83rd Lt. 84th Lt. 85th Lt. 86th Lt. 87th Lt. 88th Lt. 89th Lt. 90th Lt. 91st Lt. 92nd Lt. 93rd Lt. 94th Lt. 95th Lt. 96th Lt. 97th Lt. 98th Lt. 99th Lt. 100th Lt.

16. **Bombardier:** 1st Lt. 2nd Lt. 3rd Lt. 4th Lt. 5th Lt. 6th Lt. 7th Lt. 8th Lt. 9th Lt. 10th Lt. 11th Lt. 12th Lt. 13th Lt. 14th Lt. 15th Lt. 16th Lt. 17th Lt. 18th Lt. 19th Lt. 20th Lt. 21st Lt. 22nd Lt. 23rd Lt. 24th Lt. 25th Lt. 26th Lt. 27th Lt. 28th Lt. 29th Lt. 30th Lt. 31st Lt. 32nd Lt. 33rd Lt. 34th Lt. 35th Lt. 36th Lt. 37th Lt. 38th Lt. 39th Lt. 40th Lt. 41st Lt. 42nd Lt. 43rd Lt. 44th Lt. 45th Lt. 46th Lt. 47th Lt. 48th Lt. 49th Lt. 50th Lt. 51st Lt. 52nd Lt. 53rd Lt. 54th Lt. 55th Lt. 56th Lt. 57th Lt. 58th Lt. 59th Lt. 60th Lt. 61st Lt. 62nd Lt. 63rd Lt. 64th Lt. 65th Lt. 66th Lt. 67th Lt. 68th Lt. 69th Lt. 70th Lt. 71st Lt. 72nd Lt. 73rd Lt. 74th Lt. 75th Lt. 76th Lt. 77th Lt. 78th Lt. 79th Lt. 80th Lt. 81st Lt. 82nd Lt. 83rd Lt. 84th Lt. 85th Lt. 86th Lt. 87th Lt. 88th Lt. 89th Lt. 90th Lt. 91st Lt. 92nd Lt. 93rd Lt. 94th Lt. 95th Lt. 96th Lt. 97th Lt. 98th Lt. 99th Lt. 100th Lt.

17. **Radio Operator:** 1st Lt. 2nd Lt. 3rd Lt. 4th Lt. 5th Lt. 6th Lt. 7th Lt. 8th Lt. 9th Lt. 10th Lt. 11th Lt. 12th Lt. 13th Lt. 14th Lt. 15th Lt. 16th Lt. 17th Lt. 18th Lt. 19th Lt. 20th Lt. 21st Lt. 22nd Lt. 23rd Lt. 24th Lt. 25th Lt. 26th Lt. 27th Lt. 28th Lt. 29th Lt. 30th Lt. 31st Lt. 32nd Lt. 33rd Lt. 34th Lt. 35th Lt. 36th Lt. 37th Lt. 38th Lt. 39th Lt. 40th Lt. 41st Lt. 42nd Lt. 43rd Lt. 44th Lt. 45th Lt. 46th Lt. 47th Lt. 48th Lt. 49th Lt. 50th Lt. 51st Lt. 52nd Lt. 53rd Lt. 54th Lt. 55th Lt. 56th Lt. 57th Lt. 58th Lt. 59th Lt. 60th Lt. 61st Lt. 62nd Lt. 63rd Lt. 64th Lt. 65th Lt. 66th Lt. 67th Lt. 68th Lt. 69th Lt. 70th Lt. 71st Lt. 72nd Lt. 73rd Lt. 74th Lt. 75th Lt. 76th Lt. 77th Lt. 78th Lt. 79th Lt. 80th Lt. 81st Lt. 82nd Lt. 83rd Lt. 84th Lt. 85th Lt. 86th Lt. 87th Lt. 88th Lt. 89th Lt. 90th Lt. 91st Lt. 92nd Lt. 93rd Lt. 94th Lt. 95th Lt. 96th Lt. 97th Lt. 98th Lt. 99th Lt. 100th Lt.

18. **Tail Gunner:** 1st Lt. 2nd Lt. 3rd Lt. 4th Lt. 5th Lt. 6th Lt. 7th Lt. 8th Lt. 9th Lt. 10th Lt. 11th Lt. 12th Lt. 13th Lt. 14th Lt. 15th Lt. 16th Lt. 17th Lt. 18th Lt. 19th Lt. 20th Lt. 21st Lt. 22nd Lt. 23rd Lt. 24th Lt. 25th Lt. 26th Lt. 27th Lt. 28th Lt. 29th Lt. 30th Lt. 31st Lt. 32nd Lt. 33rd Lt. 34th Lt. 35th Lt. 36th Lt. 37th Lt. 38th Lt. 39th Lt. 40th Lt. 41st Lt. 42nd Lt. 43rd Lt. 44th Lt. 45th Lt. 46th Lt. 47th Lt. 48th Lt. 49th Lt. 50th Lt. 51st Lt. 52nd Lt. 53rd Lt. 54th Lt. 55th Lt. 56th Lt. 57th Lt. 58th Lt. 59th Lt. 60th Lt. 61st Lt. 62nd Lt. 63rd Lt. 64th Lt. 65th Lt. 66th Lt. 67th Lt. 68th Lt. 69th Lt. 70th Lt. 71st Lt. 72nd Lt. 73rd Lt. 74th Lt. 75th Lt. 76th Lt. 77th Lt. 78th Lt. 79th Lt. 80th Lt. 81st Lt. 82nd Lt. 83rd Lt. 84th Lt. 85th Lt. 86th Lt. 87th Lt. 88th Lt. 89th Lt. 90th Lt. 91st Lt. 92nd Lt. 93rd Lt. 94th Lt. 95th Lt. 96th Lt. 97th Lt. 98th Lt. 99th Lt. 100th Lt.

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(Name in Full)

Serial Next of Kin No.

Command

POST POSITION (Last Name First)

Rank Number Relationship Address Station

1. Louis Jurek Robert Jurek S/Sgt. 3641 1979 Mary Jurek 714
Mother, 1935 Hickory Grove, Racine, Wisconsin

2. Right Tailor Goshorn, Edward G. S/Sgt. 3729 1913 Mary Ann Goshorn 714
Wife, 77 Rainbow Ave., Fort Richmond, Staten Island, N.Y.

3. Left Tailor Arch, James T. S/Sgt. 1229 1947 Elizabeth Arch 714
Mother, 211 Bush St., Woodliff, New Jersey

4. Tail Gunner Sullivan, James G. S/Sgt. 3571 1934 Stella Brennan 714
Mother, Finley, Ky.

5. Nose Gunner Cohen, Michael D. S/Sgt. 1522 1946 Sara Cohen, Mother, 214
411 Sheridan Ave., Miami Beach, Fla.

6. Photographic Officer Pevsler, David B. Cpl. 3114 1942 Sara Pevsler, W/O, 101
222 E. 3rd St., Columbus, Colorado

12. IDENTIFY BELOW THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE LAST KNOWLEDGE OF AIRCRAFT, AND CHECK APPROPRIATE COLUMN TO INDICATE BASIS FOR SAME

Name in Full (Last Name First)	Serial Number	Contacted by	Check Only One Column		
			Last Seen	Seen Forward	Seen Aftward
Pevsler, David B.	S/Sgt. 3114	None	Signed	Initial	None

13. IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, ANSWER YES TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS: (a) Parachutes were used, (b) Persons were seen walking away from scene of crash, or (c) any other reasons (Specify)
Believed all bailed out.

14. ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN OR HEARD FROM.

15. ATTACH THE THINEST DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT.

16. GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE OF SEARCH, IF ANY, INCLUDING DESCRIPTION AND EXTENT OF SEARCH.

Date of Report 24 August 1944

George R. Curtis
(Signature of Searching Officer)
GEORGE R. CURTIS,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

17. REMARKS OR EXPLANATIONS OF FINDINGS:

- 2 Incl:
- Incl 1 - Statement, Sgt. Pevsler.
- Incl 2 - Sketch.

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727TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
451ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
A.F.O. 520, U. S. ARMY

24 August 1944

S T A T E M E N T

On 22 August 1944 I was flying as tail gunner in a formation on an operational mission to Austria. En route to the target our formation was attacked by enemy aircraft, and I saw that A/C #42-78145, piloted by Second Lieutenant Richard A. Turnbull, had been hit. It began to fall away from the formation, smoking badly. I believe that eleven (11) parachutes came from the plane before it was last seen. This was near Lebeny, Hungary at 47°42'N - 17°23'E, at approximately 1010H.

Don C. Powelle
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S/Sgt., 36580108.



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