

Salzarulo, Robert ^{Comp.} Maj, 0424730 P/W
 Moore, Bill F. ^{P.} 1st Lt, 0794442 MIA
 Powell, Edgar ^{Co. Pilot} 2d Lt, 0692814 P/W
 Law, John ^{1st Lt} ^{Born.} 02043763 ²⁹⁰⁰ R+D
 Coslett, Franklin ^{Nov.} 1st Lt, 0801351 MIA
 Verbosky Edward ^{Born.} 2d Lt, 0754780 P/W
 Watts, Clinton ^{TTG} 1/Sgt, 18053597 P/W
 Weaver R.O.
 Kilgore, Walter ^{1G} Sgt, 13014321 MIA
 Allen, Henry ^{BTG} Sgt, 14151180 P/W
 Braun, Werner ^{W-4} Sgt, 35410763. | MIA

Low cannot be done as yet —
just mark him R+D

S E C R E T

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

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR SERVICE PERSONNEL
EVADING OR ESCAPING FROM ENEMY OCCUPIED COUNTRIES

JAMES R. ANSLOW S/SGT. 15354506
(Name) (Rank) (ASN)

TARGET:

Date mission in action: APR 29, '44

Date arrived in UK: SEPT. 9, '44

5 (No. of missions)

788TH (Squadron) 467TH (Group)

MEMBERS OF CREW: (Please list names next to positions)

Indicate what happened to each man and how you know.

COMMAND PILOT- ROBERT L. SALZARULO
PILOT BILL F. MOORE

DO NOT KNOW

CO-PILOT EDGAR POWELL

I HEARD FROM A DUTCH PATRIOT JUST AFTER THE FIRST CONTACT THAT I MADE THAT BILL F. MOORE WAS SAFELY IN THE HANDS OF THE PATRIOTS AND THAT IT WAS TOO DANGEROUS TO SEE HIM.

NAVIGATOR FRANKLIN D. COSLETT

BOMBARDIER EDWARD VERBOSKY

GRP. BOMBARDIER- ? - LOW
RADIO OPERATOR JAMES R. ANSLOW - NARRATOR

TOP TURRET GUNNER CLINTON L. WATTS

BALL TURRET GUNNER HENRY H. ALLEN

WAIST GUNNER WALTER KILGORE

WAIST GUNNER WERNER G. BRAUN

I DID NOT KNOW WHAT HAPPENED TO THE REST OF MY CREW.

TAIL GUNNER

Decorations: NONE THAT I KNOW OF.

Date of Birth: OCT. 15, 1923

Private Address: 625 S. SANDUSKY AVE.

Length of Service: BUSYRS, OHIO
1 YEAR - 10 MONTHS

Job as Civilian: COLLEGE - 6 MONTHS WORKER IN EXPLOSIVE FACTORY

From what field did you take off? Take off time. - RACKHEATH - 6:00 A.M.

Were all secret papers and equipment destroyed? - RADIO OPERATORS YES -
I DON'T KNOW ABOUT NAVIGATORS EQUIP.

Were you wounded? Give details.

NO

Did you pay your guides? If so, how much? I GAVE MY 2000 FRANCS
ESCAPE MONEY TO ORGANIZATION IN HOLLAND. NO OTHER.

Do you speak FRENCH? A LITTLE SPANISH? NO GERMAN? A LITTLE ITALIAN? NO OTHER LANGUAGE? NO

Did you have identity papers?

YES Dutch, Belgian, Fr I/P

(over)

Have you been questioned before on your escape or evasion? If so, where and by whom?

NO

Have you given any one a written report on your experiences. Where and When?

NO

Did you report on your operations? If so, where and to whom?

NO

Did you sign a security certificate warning you against talking about your escape or evasion? If so, Where and When?

YES - LONDON - SEPT. 9, 1944

Date of arrival in Spain:

CAME BACK BY AIRCRAFT

Date of arrival at Gibraltar:

Place and date of departure for UK. By sea or air.

SEPT. 9, 1944 - AIR - LIMOGES, FRANCE

List names of American or British personnel believed to have been arrested by Germans.

NONE

List names of American or British personnel believed to be evading.

B.L. DAVIS - AUSTRALIAN
E.S. MORAN - CANADIAN

} HALIFAX BOMBER
LAST SEEN WITH
ORGANIZATION IN HOLLAND

SECRET

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REPORT FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

JAMES R. ANSLOW S/SGT. 15354506
(Name) (Rank) (ASN)

SEPT. 9, 1944
(Date)

467TH BOMB. GRP. 788TH BOMB. SQDN.
(Unit)

MEMBERS OF CREW

PRESENT
OFFICIAL STATUS.

PILOT
CO-PILOT
NAVIGATOR
BOMBARDIER
RADIO OPERATOR
TOP TURRET GUNNER
BALL TURRET GUNNER
WAIST GUNNER
WAIST GUNNER
TAIL GUNNER

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

APRIL 29, 1944 - 1330 HRS. CRASH - NEAR HARDEWIJK,
ON ZUIDER ZEE IN HOLLAND.

Nature and extent of damage to plane when source bailed out. Was it on fire, etc?
NO GAS - ONE ENGINE FEATHERED - OTHERWISE IN GOOD
SHAPE - NO FIRE.

At approximately what altitude did source bail out?

18,000 FT.

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

NO.

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

ALL MEMBERS - I SAW 8 PARACHUTES OPEN.

Did the plane explode on striking the ground?

I DID NOT SEE PLANE CRASH.

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

NO.

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. I SAW A DUTCH PATRIOT ON MY FIRST CONTACT WHO TOLD ME THAT HE HAD AN AMERICAN AVIATOR NAMED BILL F. MOORE SAFELY HID AWAY.

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

NO

If the plane crashed in water how far was the plane from land and by 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 reason for his opinion?

I HEARD A RUMOR THAT FOUR MEN WENT TO A FARMHOUSE OCCUPIED BY GERMANS AND WERE CAPTURED. MAY HAVE BEEN MEN FROM MY CREW. SOURCE - DUTCH PATRIOT WHO HID ME 8 DAYS IN DEVENTER HOLLAND. BESIDES PILOT I DO NOT KNOW WHAT WAS FATE OF OTHER MEN.

S/Sgt James R ANSLOW, 15354506, 788/467 Bomb Gp (H), MIA 29 April 1944
 Intrvd 9 Sept 44

About 1330 on 29 April the plane in which ANSLOW was flying crashed/near in a forest HARDEWIJK near the Zuider Zee. After two nights on his own he found help with some farmers at APPELDOORN. The village doctor took him to the railway station and escorted him to a house in DEVENTER from which he went to a school master, C D JANSON, who had sheltered many airmen. After eight days he went to ZWOLLE where he stayed until evening with a man who had a rooming house near the station. He bicycled to OMMEN where he stayed five days out in the woods with a young man and his wife. Here he gave casualty information. With an escaped French P/W Hervie Clerce RAVEL he went by car to ENSCHEDE, stayed with the owner of a woolen mill, and went to a place near LANNEKE where he stayed two weeks with a man named BLYDERSTEIN.

He moved next to a house in ENSCHEDE for a night and there met an Australian, B L NAVIS, and a Canadian, E S MORAN. The next day he was taken to the railroad station and went to TILBURG. From there/he and the French escaped P/W, RAVEL, walked across the border into Belgium, seeing POPPEL in the distance. They went to TURNHOUT and tried three churches but could not find help. A farmer hid them in his bomb shelter for three days after which they stayed four days with a lady who was in the truck business. She arranged a truck ride to DOTTIGNIES. They then bicycled to the frontier W of TOURNAI, stayed with a farmer who arranged things for crossing. About 3 June they bicycled to GUISE, staying with a farmer N of that place. On 4 June they continued their journey, stopping at ANIZY le CHAT for a drink. A woman at a cafe gave the, an address in SOISSONS, but she was herself too afraid of the Gestapo to take them in. They stayed for about three weeks at a farm S of SOISSONS, near BILLY, the control on the roads seeming too severe for them to move on. The man sheltering them had something to do with Champigneul mushrooms.

About 26 June they bicycled to MONTMIRAIL, spent the night with a farmer, and the next day went on to SENS-COURTENAY, where they stayed the night. On 28 June they stayed near IARS (NW of SANCERRE) at a place where three days before an Ameri-

can also going S by bicycle had been. They rested the next day. On 30 June they stayed in a barn between St AMAND and MONTLUCON. On 1 July they went to a garage man at HURIEL NW of MONTLUCON looking for a map. They were directed to VILLEFRANCHE d/ALLIER where they saw a Maquis chief and went to a Maquis camp where they stayed two weeks, participating in two parachutages. Two men parachuted, an RO who brokes his ankle, and a French officer. About 14 July the Germans came out to investigate sabotage. The French parachutists gave ANSLOW and RAVEL I/P, clothes, and bicycles and they started out again. They spent the first night at EYGURANDE. At St ANGEL they stopped at a garage to get maps. The garage man also was a Maquisard and told them that he would get in touch with a British mission. He put them up in a hotel for the night.

Two days later they went to a Maquis camp near MEYMAC run by a regular cavalry capt. After one night they motorcycled to the village of CHADBEC where they met the British mission THIEUL in charge of which was Major de GATIS, JACK, and with him were F/Lt ANDRE SIMON, Capt BISSETT, a French Major, and an RO. Here ANSLOW was assured that he would return to England by the first available Dacotah. He waited three weeks staying with F/Lt SIMONE and the RO, helping to decode, etc. Two Mustang P's and a British S/Ldr came in.

About 9 Sept he went to LIMOGES. AN RAF piloted Hudson came in. Seven evaders boarded. With them were an English agent who had been a year in prison and who apparently had come from TOULOUSE, Major SORENSON, and a couple of others.

DEE

1) Minsk

First men 10 days with:

2 into room.

Found help at Appeldorn - farmer - W. of city come by station - went to home in Drente - the 2nd night.

C D Jansen had sheltering.

8 days.

Then to Zwolle - got into bus with man from rooming house near station.

Bike to Ommen - stay with young man & wife - out in woods.

5 days.

Then to Enschede by car - stay with woolen mill owner. ^{with arranged P/W} ^{have carefully shut.}

Then near Lonneke - with Blydenstein.

2 weeks ⁱⁿ ^{concealed} ^{to} ^{the}

Then to home when met Mrs B L Norris & (mother) - G S A. ^{next day}

Then I to next station - to Tilburg.

Then for P/W & I walk across border into Belgium - Poyzel in distance - - Turnhout - stay 3 checks - but no.

Farmer like look shelter 3 days - with help in to work hours - 4 days.

Got back to W. Attignies - like to frontier W. Tournai -

stay with farmer - to arrange garden pass -

Bike to Guesse - N - stay with farm.

4 stop Amiez - to Chat for drink - leaf club given address in Paris - but also afraid Gestapo.

Stay from S .. - 3 weeks with man of Changigniel ^{turns} ^{near} ^{Billy} - Control too light on roads.

Henri Clerk
Ravel

27 MS

3) m

4 ..

26 Bikes + Montmirail - mt with f... Head Spani -
K. for T... -

27 The new Sons - Counting

28 Near Lass - NW Saum - had m c 3 days before also going S
on bike - mt dy.

30 Between St Romel + Mont l... mt, Cam.

1 July. Two gangit ^{Harriet} NW Mont l... - after my - directed
to Ville franche d'Alles.

See M def.

Go M can for mt - 2 weeks then - went mt on 2 patches.

14 July we had to mt to investigate sub... 2 men dropped
that mt -
one Ro, one O
L had abb.

French patch ita get 9/P, cloth, mt.

P 2 weeks. M on bikes - 2 1/2

~~Egypt~~ Cy gurande 1st mt.

St Angel gangit for mt mgs - L M - my get B n
mission - put y hotel for it.

2 days later to M camp near Meymac - a my car capt in ch.

One mt - the motorcycle to Chad bee (of) - B n mission
then. Thieul ^{miss} ^{back} Maj de Batis in ch - ^{FL/pt} Andre Senior

Capt Bissett, Fr Mgn., RO.

So get back by lot Dostal.

wait c 3 hrs.

St, with

Small to be - my counsel
St, with Capt Senior + RO. Clergulle + suben.

July is deude etc.

2 Mustang P's + B n S/Ldr can in

M... has mt; for plus - V... etc.

Then to L... - 9 Sept. Hudson in - RAF -

7 Evades - Egypt 2 yrs - Y in p...
get for T... -

Mgn Saum, & sup other

APPENDIX "D" TO E AND E REPORT NO.

No., Rank, Name:- S/sgt. James R. Anslow

Unit:- 467th Bomb. Grp. 788th Bomb. Sqdn.

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

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

Horlicks tablets. Used for food during two nights hiding from Germans in strawstacks and forests.

Chocolate or Peanut Bar. Same as above.

Milk (tube). Same as first item.

Benzadrine tablets (fatigue). Didn't use.

Halazone tablets (water purifier). Used to purify canal water which I drunk on second night that I walked.

Matches. Didn't use.

Adhesive tape. Used for blisters

Chewing gum. Lost chewing gum in strawstack.

Water bottle. Used to hold canal water which I drank.

Compass. Used during two nights I walked through fields and forests.

Sewing kit. Used to repair clothes and sew dog tags in clothes.

- d. Did any of the above items prove unsatisfactory? No.
- e. How did you finally dispose of the box? I gave the box to a farmer who was the first to help me. He wanted it for tobacco.
- f. 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?

no.

2. PURSE

- a. Did you carry a purse? Yes
State color of stripes and letters. Forget
If NOT, State why not.

- b. Did you use the purse? Yes

(over)

c. If so, which of the following items in the purse did you use?

Maps. Which ones? *Ones of Holland.*

Compass, *yes.*

File (hacksaw). *no.*

Foreign currency. State countries and amounts. *French Money - 2000 francs*

How did you spend the money?

d. How did you dispose of:- *asked me The organization in Holland for it and I gave it to them*

Maps. *Gave to organization in Holland.*

Compass. *Same.*

File (hacksaw). *Same.*

Surplus currency. _____

3. Were you issued any extra compasses or further aids to evasion? *no.*

4. PASSPORT SIZE PHOTOGRAPHS

a. Did you carry passport-size photographs? *no.*
If so, how many?

b. Did you use them? _____

5. LECTURES

a. Were you lectured on evasion and escape? *yes.*
State WHERE, WHEN and by WHOM.

In Herington, Kansas - February, 1944 - Person - ?

b. Did you find the lectures of value? *yes.*

c. Do you have any suggestions to make which, from your experience, you feel will help other evaders and escapers?

Use your head and don't get excited when Germans are near. Don't talk too much for all people in occupied countries can not be trusted.

SECRET - AMERICAN
MOST SECRET - BRITISH

APPENDIX "D" TO E AND E REPORT NO.

List all military information which you observed or were told while evading. Give fullest possible details. (Airfields, troop encampments, coastal and interior defenses, AA batteries, radar installations, troop movements, results of allied bombing, location of enemy factories and ammunition dumps, enemy and civilian morale, etc., etc.,.....)

In Allied Hands.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
The Adjutant General's Office
Washington

AG 383.6 (31 Jul 43) OB-S-B-M

KIS/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 Forces;
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 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
J.A. ULIO

Major General,
The Adjutant General.

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1. Because disclosures of information regarding evasion from capture, escape, details of imprisonment, release from internment, and repatriation have been made, the lives and services of fellow soldiers and those who help them have been lost or endangered. All information which you possess on these subjects, including the experiences of others as well as your own, briefings and equipment for evasion and escape, and preparations and other activities in connection therewith, constitutes MILITARY INFORMATION which is classified SECRET by the War Department.

2. You will therefore disclose no information whatever, beyond the fact of your return to duty from "missing in action" or "prisoner of war" or "internment", to anyone except the following military officials:

- a. The first Military Attache to whom you report;
- b. An officer designated by the Commanding General of an overseas Theatre of Operations;
- c. The Prisoner of War Branch, MIS, Washington, D.C., the interrogating agency designated by the A/C of S, G-2, War Department General Staff;
- d. Certain other officers holding written authority from the A/C of S, G-2, WDGS, to interrogate you.

3. You will particularly guard against disclosure of SECRET information to relatives, friends, representatives of the press and radio, and military officials, except as noted in a, b, c and d above.

4. In order to protect yourself against disciplinary action, any question involving publicity must be referred BY YOU PERSONALLY to the A/C of S, G-2, WDGS, Washington, D.C.

CERTIFICATE

I certify that I have read and fully understand all of the foregoing and the Directive of the Secretary of War, 6 Aug 43 (on the reverse side), and will at ALL TIMES hereafter comply fully therewith.

I understand that all information concerning escape, evasion from capture, activities and equipment in connection therewith, and details of imprisonment or release from internment, is SECRET and must not be disclosed to anyone except the military officials specifically designated. I further understand that disclosure to any other person will make me liable to disciplinary action for failure to safeguard MILITARY INFORMATION.

I realize that publicity concerning my experiences, by word of mouth or otherwise, will endanger the lives of many persons and therefore it is my duty to take all possible precautions to prevent it.

I further certify that I have received a copy of the foregoing.

Name (Print) JAMES R. ANSLAW..... Signed James R. Anslaw.....
 Rank. S/SGT...... A.S.N. 15354506.. Dated SEPT. 9, 1944 Place LONDON.....
 Unit 467TH BOMB. GRP. 788TH BOMB. SQDN. Witness L. J. [Signature] Capt [Signature].....