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

E & E REPORT NO. 1070  
EVASION IN

19-8-43  
(Date)

McCURLEY, J.W. 2-11 0-682353  
(Name) (Rank) (ASN)

418<sup>th</sup> 100<sup>th</sup>  
(Squadron) (Group)

TARGET: GILDENSKIRKEN

MIA: Nov. 5, 1944  
Arrived in UK: AUG 18 1944

MEMBERS OF CREW: (This information checked with PWID)

	Official Disposition	Narrators Disposition
PILOT	MARTIN	
CO-PILOT	KENNAMER	
NAVIGATOR	MCCURLEY	
BOMBARDIER	MURPHY	
RADIO OPERATOR	ALLWINE	
TOP TURRET GUNNER	ARNET	
BASE TURRET GUNNER	BRAWN	
WALST GUNNER	DAVIS	
WALST GUNNER	GILFSPIE	
TAIL GUNNER	CLARK	

Were you wounded? No.

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

DATE: 19 August 1944

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

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I, DONALD E. EMERSON, Capt., AUS, O-1845268

HEREBY CERTIFY that I have known and have been associated with

~~JAMES W. MC CURLEY, JR.~~

JAMES W. MC CURLEY, jr., 2nd Lt., AC, O-682353

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.

Donald E. Emerson

James W. Mc Curley, Jr.

RIGHT THUMB PRINT:



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

JAMES W. MC CURLEY, JR., 2nd Lt., AC, O-682353, 100 Bomb Gp., 418 Sq.

previously reported missing in action over enemy territory.

F. S. Verty

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

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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-509 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 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.

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) McCurley, Jr James W  
Rank 2nd Lt A. S. NO. 682353  
Unit 100 Bm b GP

Signed James W. McCurley, Jr  
Dated Aug. 19, 1944  
Witness \_\_\_\_\_

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CERTIFIED THAT:

No. 0682353 Rank 2nd Lt EYE#1070

Name (BLOCK LETTERS) JAMES W. M<sup>S</sup> CURLEY

Unit 418 Sq 200100 Bomb Grp (H)

has been fully ~~interrogated~~ interrogated by an Intelligence Officer of I.S.9 (WEA) on 17 Aug 44

and has signed a Security Certificate.

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

*Robert Bauer*  
*2nd Lt Major AC*

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.

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

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



**For All Personnel.**

- 1. No. 0682353 Rank 2nd Lt Name James W. MC CUSKEY, Jr.  
(U.K.: Acting, Temp. or W/S)
- 2. Decorations: (U.S.A.A.F.: No. of missions) 2 missions
- 3. Were you wounded? Give details No
- 4. Ship (Navy), Unit (Army), Sqn. (Air Force) 418th Bomb Sq
- 5. Div. (Army) or Gp. (Air Force) 100th Bomb Gp 6. Job (Pl. Comd., Rfn., etc.) Navigator
- 7. Date of Birth 13 November 1916 8. Length of Service 2 years 9 months
- 9. Peace time occupation Accountant 10. Private address Owines Mills, Md.
- 11. Did you carry any form of identification, or photograph? Photos
- 12. Do you speak French, or any other foreign language? No

**FOR R.A.F. ONLY.**

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

**FOR ALL AIR FORCE PERSONNEL AND/OR AIRBORNE OR PARACHUTE TROOPS WHO BALE OUT**

- 15. Post In Crew Navigator
- 16. Other members of crew, and information about what has happened to them.  
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.
- PILOT Marting T. R.
- CO-PILOT Kennamer, J.
- NAVIGATOR Narrator
- BOMBARDIER Murphy, J. P.
- RADIO OPERATOR Allwine
- TOP TURRET GUNNER Amet
- BALL TURRET GUNNER Brawn
- WAIST GUNNER (R.) Davis, D.
- WAIST GUNNER (L.) Gillespie
- TAIL GUNNER Clark
- 17. Type of aircraft, place, date, time of departure B-17, 100th Bomb Base, 0900 <sup>57100</sup> ~~11 May~~ 1943
- 18. Where and when did you come down? 18 k south of Dieppe, <sup>57100</sup> ~~11 May~~ 1943.
- 19. How did you dispose of your parachute, harness and mae west? Hid under fence
- 20. Were all secret papers and equipment destroyed? unknown

**Top Secret.**

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APPENDIX "C" TO E. & E. REPORT No. IS9 (WEA) /8/124//28

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

No. 0682353 Rank 2nd Lt Name James W. MC CURLEY, Jr.

Date of Interview 17 August 1944

1. In Bacqueville Murphy and I were helped and housed by;

Guy Noël  
Marie Rose Payen  
M. Coudre

2. In Sauvie, a part of Le Havre, by;

Mlle. Lamy  
Mlle. Girrette

3. And in Paris by;

Maurice Cavalier  
M. Eyvon  
Olympe Strickner  
Jean Marquet