

E&E 310 - Warren G. Lush
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E & E REPORT NO. 310
EVASION IN FRANCE

1-6-44
(Date)

Warren G LUSH S/Sgt 37461810

(Name) (Rank) (ASN)
350
351

(Squadron) (Group) 100

AGE: 29
LENGTH OF SERVICE: 1 1/2
HOME ADDRESS: A. E. D. Nebraska

15 September 1943
MIA:
Arrived in Spain: _____
Arrived in Gibraltar: December 31, 1943
Arrived in UK: January 21, 1944

MEMBERS OF CREW: (This information checked with PWIB)

			Official	Narrators
			Di. E&E #460	Disposition
PILOT	O-795862 O-741943	2d Lt 2d Lt	Arthur M VETTER Donald Glenn SMITH	MIA MIA
CO-PILOT				
NAVIGATOR	O-734944	2d Lt	Wendell L McCONAHA	MIA <i>lost in mountains</i>
BOMBARDIER	O-76542	2d Lt	James G BOEMUTH	NARRATOR
RADIO OPERATOR	33237317	T/Sgt	John M WAGNER	E&E #254
TOP TURRET GUNNER	35333680	T/Sgt	Orval PARSONS	MIA <i>German prisoner</i>
BALL TURRET GUNNER	31172594	S/Sgt	Edward W FONTAINE	E&E #275
WAIST GUNNER	32560807	S/Sgt	Edward M DALY	MIA <i>were in jail</i>
WAIST GUNNER	16073581	S/Sgt	Robert C TRIGG	MIA
TAIL GUNNER	37461810	S/Sgt	Warren G LUSH	NARRATOR

Were you wounded?
yes.

Lt BORMUTH:

SEE E&E
254, 260, 275

I was bombardier in the plane of which the flight is described in E&E 254, 260, 275.

LANDED W/TO
IMMEDIATE
HELP

At the order to bail out I jumped from the bomb bay. My parachute opened easily, and I landed in a bean patch. A French woman hid my parachute, led me to a woods, and indicated that no Germans would be around until the next morning. It was then about 1900. She brought me some bread and wine. A little while later a Frenchman led me to another woods where I spent two nights and two days, still wearing ~~the~~ my flying clothes. My reception committee brought me food and cigarettes.

JOURNEY
ARRANGED

From this place I was taken to a town from which my journey was arranged. I traveled at times with Lt VETTER and with Sgts LUSH and WAGNER.

Sgt LUSH:

ALSO LANDED
W/TO IMMEDIATE
HELP

Since the interphone was ~~out~~ ^{had been shot up} I did not know that the order to bail out had been given, and ^{I could not hear} the alarm bell. I turned around ^{so I decided to leave too,} and happened to see the radio operator hesitating whether to ~~to~~ ^{jump} I jumped from the tail escape hatch. I hit all right. About 30 French people surrounded me and took my parachute and ~~me~~ west. I was led to an old farm house where I was given civilian clothes. About 2100 I was taken to the place where my pilot and radio operator were, and I slept in a shelter for storing straw. The next day we were told that the Germans were looking for us, and we were hid in some woods.

JOURNEY
ARRANGED

The following night we were taken to a place from which our journeys were arranged. I traveled part of the time with Lt BORMUTH.

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Commanding

Appendices A-E

Appendix B

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1. The following information has been obtained in an interview with an officer and a sergeant who evaded capture by the enemy after being in enemy occupied territory.

2. Further circulation of this information may be made, but in that case it is important not to divulge any details about the source.

Statement of information covering the period from 15 September 1943 to 11 December 1943.

in early October

a. Frenchmen told informant that a German gasoline dump is located near St JUST -en-CHAUSEE. Informant thinks the location is a woods northeast of the town.

in early October

b. Frenchmen told informant that an airfield near CREIL had been bombed only once a long time ago.

c. Frenchmen told informant in early October that the German Luftwaffe unit at BEAUVAIS at the time of the recent bombing moved to CREIL.

d. Informant was told by some Frenchmen that about 300 or 400 German anti-aircraft troops were around St JUST-en-CHAUSEE in late September.

e. Informant was also told that about 400 Germans were around CLERMONT. From his own observations he concluded that most of them were from machine-gun units.

f. Informant saw in the Paris Metro in November a great many German soldiers over 40 and about 16-17.

g. Informant was told by some of his French helpers in Paris in November that German women were manning anti-aircraft guns around Paris.

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