

Image 3:

Report of the downing of an
American airplane

Downing No. ME 1616

Day and time of downing: July 18, '44 – 12:00
Place of downing: Ravensburg area
Type of airplane: Fortress
Reporting duty station: Air Base Headquarters A (O) 14/VII

Crew:

Surname and first names: Date and place of birth:	Rank:	I.D. tag:	Disposition:	
			captured: wounded: dead:	which camp type of wound grave location
HILDRETH Major Paul	2 nd Lt.	0-811202	captured	<i>Dulag-Luft</i>
WORCESTER Winthrop Sargent	2 nd Lt.	0-759395	captured	<i>Dulag-Luft</i>
HINK Sept. 9, '16 Frank Lewitt USA	2 nd Lt.	0-698288	captured	<i>Dulag-Luft</i>
ENGLEHART -- William Harold Oak Park, Ill.	2 nd Lt.	0-751593	captured	<i>Dulag-Luft</i>
KOLLER, Jr. 1923 Charles John OHIO	Tech. Sgt.	35683967	captured	<i>Dulag-Luft</i>
BARDON Sept. 28, '18 Robert Bruce San Francisco	Staff Sgt.	39098725	captured	<i>Dulag-Luft</i>
ECK Aug. 23, '24 Charles Herman Florence, Ala.	Staff Sgt.	18163352	captured	<i>Dulag-Luft</i>
REAM Robert Emerson	Staff Sgt.	35792214	captured	<i>Dulag-Luft</i>
WYLIE Melville W.	Staff Sgt.	13128943	captured	<i>Dulag-Luft</i>
KETTLE Feb. 9, '24 Paul Seward Oakl., Calif.	Staff Sgt.	39557306	captured	<i>Dulag-Luft</i>

Remarks: --

DULAG-LUFT, Sept. 6, '44

*Translator's note: *Dulag-Luft* = *Durchgangslager der Luftwaffe* = Transit Camp of the Airforce.

Image 4:

Questionnaire
concerning members of the U.S. American Air Force

1. Surname:
First name:
Rank:
Born on:
Born in:
I.D. tag No.
2. Date, time and place of capture (circumstances of death) in short:
3. Further members of the crew:
4. Reporting duty station or report from:
5. Date of admission into *DULAG-LUFT*:
6. a) Wounded:
Type of wound:
since: in the field hospital (hospital):
Condition:
Anticipated length of illness:
b) Unwounded – disposition:
c) Dead:
Cause of death:
Buried on:
Grave location:
7. Remarks:

Image 5:

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Information concerning the capture of enemy
air force members.

Dulag-Luft, Wetzlar
Received 11 AUG 1944
Central card file and
reporting office

Duty station: Air Base Headquarters A (o) 14/VII

Copies to:

Place: Kaufbeuren

Camp command VII 1
Dulag Luft 1

Time: July 25, '44

Re.: Parachute jump on the morning of July 18, '44, near Ravensburg (according to the information of the POW).

Surname: Bardon^w

First name: Robert B.

Rank: Staff Sergeant

No. of I.D. tag: 39098725 (not present) (according to the information of the POW)

Disposition: captured

Place and time of capture: Near Ravensburg, midday on July 18, '44.
(According to the information of the POW.)

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Copies to:

Place: Kaufbeuren

Camp command VII 1

Dulag Luft 1

Time: July 25, '44

Re.: Parachute jump on July 18, '44, around 12:00 o'clock, near Ravensburg (according to the information of the POW).

Surname: Koller, Jr.

First name: Charles J.

Rank: Technical Sergeant

No. of I.D. tag: 35683967 T 43 43

Disposition: captured

Place and time of capture: Admitted to the field hospital in Ravensburg on July 18, '44, picked up from there on the evening of July 24, '44 by the Air Base Headquarters A (o) 14/VII Kaufbeuren. (According to the information of the POW.)

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Copies to:

Place: Kaufbeuren

Camp command VII 1
Dulag Luft 1

Time: July 25, '44

KSU 1616

Re.: Parachute jump on July 18, '44, around afternoon, near Ravensburg. (According to the information of the POW.)

Surname: Hink

First name: Frank L.

Rank: 2nd Lieutenant

No. of I.D. tag: 0-698288 T 43 43.

Disposition: captured

Place and time of capture: Near Ravensburg on the afternoon of July 18, '44. (According to the information of the POW.)

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Place: Kaufbeuren

Camp command VII 1
Dulag Luft 1

Time: July 25, '44

KSU 1616

Re.: Parachute jump on July 18, '44, in the afternoon, near Ravensburg/Württemberg.
(According to the information of the POW.)

Surname: Eck

First name: Clas [=Chas./Charles] H.

Rank: Staff Sergeant

No. of I.D. tag: 18163352 T 43 43

Disposition: captured

Place and time of capture: Near Ravensburg on July 18, '44, in the afternoon, (according to the
information of the POW).

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Place: Kaufbeuren

Camp command VII 1

Dulag Luft 1

Time: July 25, '44

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Re.: Parachute jump on July 19, '44, at 12:00 o'clock in the area of Ravensburg. (According to the information of the POW.)

Surname: Englehart

First name: W. H.

Rank: 2nd Lieutenant

No. of I.D. tag: 0-751593 T 43

Disposition: captured

Place and time of capture: In the area of Ravensburg on July 19, '44, at 12:00 o'clock. (According to the information of the POW.)

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Place: Kaufbeuren

Camp command VII 1

Dulag Luft 1

Time: July 25, '44

Re.: Parachute jump on July 19, '44, around 12:00 o'clock, near Ravensburg/Württemberg.
(According to the information of the POW.)

Surname: Kettle

First name: Paul Seward

Rank: Staff Sergeant

No. of I.D. tag: 39557806

Disposition: captured

Place and time of capture: Near Ravensburg/Württemberg on July 19, '44, shortly after 12:00
o'clock. (According to the information of the POW.)

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Duty station: Air Base Headquarters A (o) 14/VII

Copies to:

Place: Kaufbeuren

Camp command VII 1x

Dulag Luft 1x

Time: July 20, '44

Re.: Parachute jump (presumably). The POW refused to provide further details.

Surname: Ream

Dulag-Luft, Wetzlar

Received 29 JULY 1944

First name: Robert E.

Central card file and

reporting office

Rank: Staff Sergeant

No. of I.D. tag: 35792214 T 43 43

Disposition: captured

Place and time of capture: In the area of Kempten on the morning of July 19, '44. (According to the statement of the POW.)

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Duty station: Air Base Headquarters A (o) 14/VII

Copies to:

Place: Kaufbeuren

Camp command VII 1x

Dulag Luft 1x

Time: July 20, '44

Re.: Parachute jump on July 18, '44, between 11:00 and 12:00 o'clock, near Kempten.
Information about the plane cannot be provided. (According to the statement of the
POW.)

Surname: Hildreth

First name: Mator [=Major] P.

Rank: 2nd Lieutenant

No. of I.D. tag: 0-811202

Disposition: captured

Place and time of capture: In the area of Kempten on July 18, '44 around 12:00 o'clock. (According
to the statement of the POW.)

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Duty station: Air Base Headquarters A (o) 14/VII

Copies to:

Place: Kaufbeuren

Camp command VII 1x

Dulag Luft 1x

Time: July 20, '44

Re.: Parachute jump on July 18, '44 near Kempten, out of a Boeing B 17 Fortress, (according to the statement of the POW). He refused to give information concerning the time.

Surname: Wylie

Dulag-Luft, Wetzlar

Received 29 JULY 1944

First name: Melville

Central card file and
reporting office

Rank: Staff Sergeant

No. of I.D. tag: 13128943

Disposition:

Place and time of capture: Near Kempten on the afternoon of July 19, '44.

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Duty station: Air Base Headquarters A (o) 14/VII

Copies to:

Place: Kaufbeuren

Camp command VII 1x

Dulag Luft 1x

Time: July 20, '44

Re.: Parachute jump on July 18, '44, around 10:50 o'clock in the vicinity of Kempten, out of a
alleged Boeing B 17 Fortress (according to the statement of the POW).

Surname: Worcester

Dulag-Luft, Wetzlar

Received 29 JULY 1944

First name: Winthrop

Central card file and
reporting office

Rank: Second Lieutenant

No. of I.D. tag: 0-759395 T 42 - 43

Disposition: captured

Place and time of capture: In Kempten on July 19, '44, at 6:00 o'clock in the morning (according to
the statement of the POW).

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Image 19:

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Bad Vöslau, July 19, '44

Form 2

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Information concerning the capture of an enemy airplane

Duty station:	Air Base Headquarters A (o) 2/XVII	Copies to:	
		[?]	2x
Place:	Bas Vöslau	Camp command	1x
		Dulag-West	1x
Time:	July 16, 1944	[?]	2x
Time shot down: (Date and hour)	July 16, 1944, about 11 o'clock		
Place of impact: (with reference point)	about 4 km north-northwest of Alland, about 20 km west of Mödling		
Type of capture: (flak, fighter, night fighter, emergency landing)	not ascertainable, since no observation was made		
Airplane model:	P 51 Mustang		
Airplane registration: (letters before and after the insignia)	not ascertainable		
License number: (in front of the tail assembly)	[?] No. 4 7 4	Dulag-Luft, Wetzlar	Received 29 JULY 1944
Radar: /		Central card file and reporting office	
[?] frequencies: /			
Condition of the airplane:	99% destroyed, deformed fuselage, parts of wings		
Remarks about dead or captured crew members:	Airplane pilot saved by parachute jump. Handed over to the <i>Gestapo</i> [=Secret State Police] in Vienna.		

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Chief Flight Engineer

Image 20:

Air Base Headquarters A (o) 2/XVII
Bad Vöslau
Salvage Detachment

Bad Vöslau, July 19, '44
KSUJ-1615

Ref.: D (Air) 2706/07

Re.: Capture of enemy airmen.

Encl.: - 5 -

Dulag-Luft, Wetzlar

Received 1 SEP 1944

Central card file and reporting office

[ME]

To

Dulag Luft

Oberursel by Frankfurt am Main

Enclosed, the Salvage Detachment of the Air Base Headquarters at Bad Vöslau is sending the effects of 4 American Air Force prisoners, who were captured in the local salvage area. Form 1's are also enclosed.

Also enclosed is the Form 1 concerning an American Air Force POW, who was taken into custody by the *Gestapo* [=Secret State Police] since, prior to his capture, he had shot a forest ranger dead and seriously wounded the mayor of Klausen-Leopoldsdorf.

Copy to:

Camp Command XVII Ic Vienna

Airfield Regional Command 1/XVII/Ic Vienna-Mauer

Draft

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Captain and Leader of the

Salvage Detachment

Image 21:

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Dulag-Luft, Wetzlar
Received 1 SEP 1944
Central card file and
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Duty station: Air Base Headquarters A (o) 2/XVII

Copies to:

Place: Bad Vöslau

Camp command 1x

Dulag Luft 1x

Field hospital 1x

Time: July 16, '44

Re.: Downing of a P 51 Mustang

Emergency landing

near¹⁾ about 4 km north-northwest of Alland, about 20 km west of
Mödling

on July 16, '44, at about 11:00 o'clock

Surname: unknown, since he was taken into custody by the *Gestapo*

First name: [=Secret State Police], because he had shot a forest ranger dead

Rank: and seriously wounded the mayor.

No. of I.D. tag: -

Disposition²⁾: captured, taken into custody by the *Gestapo* [=Secret State Police]

Place and time of capture: about 4 km north-northwest of Alland, about 20 km west of Mödling, on
July 16, '44, around 11:00 o'clock

Name of the field hospital: -

Place and time of burial:

(Report location of grave, if possible!)

For ¹⁾: Precise place of impact and its location to a larger reference point; for large cities, state the
suburb, city district or the street.

For ²⁾: Whether captured, wounded, missing, fugitive or found dead.

Image 22/23:

Air Base Headquarters A (o) 14/VII

Kaufbeuren, July 25, '44

List of confiscated items of the prisoner of war

Technical Sergeant Koller, Jr. J. Charles

I.D. tag: Charles J. Koller, Jr. 35683967 T 43 43

Parachute jump on July 18, '44 around 12:00 o'clock near Ravensburg
(according to the statement of the POW).

ME 1616

- 1 I.D. tag
- 1 lighter
- 1 sewing kit
- 1 box of matches

In certification of accuracy

Mögele

Major and Officer for Special Duties

Written vertically in left margin:

July 27, '44

KOLLER, CH. J.

KSU 1616