

January 6, 1993

RE: B-17 Crew and Picture from 369th Bomb Squadron

Dear Mr. Strong:

I want to preface this letter by saying THANK YOU for publishing the 306 ECHOES. This paper has revived many Long Forgotten memories.

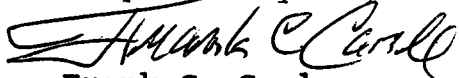
I have enclosed a picture of a combat-ready B-17 crew #5434 as assigned 20 July, 44 by H.Q. A.A.F. Dyresburg, Tenn. I flew as Co-pilot with this crew for a number of missions.

This crew was shot down on a mission in which I was not involved. Subsequent to that I flew with a crew, as co-pilot, with the 1 st. Pilot being Roy E. Trask.

At the end of December, 1944 I was moved to 1 st. Pilot and on January 1, 45 I piloted a crew from B-24 training that had no combat experience. This fact, coupled with the experience of having to abort the primary target and bomb Kassel the secondary target with air time of 9 hours and 40 minutes made this day the longest day of my life.

I trust the crew picture, together with Special Order #202 and a copy of my Operational Sottie Record will help in adding yet another LOCATED crew to the 306 Bombardment Group Association Archives.

Respectfully Submitted,



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R E S T R I C T E D

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			<u>Crew #5431</u>	
CP	2D LT	(1022)	RICHARD F SMITH	0-771566
N	2D LT	(1034)	HYMAN J SARVER	0-723179
B	2D LT	(1035)	LESTER E VANDER WILT	0-717864

ROG	Cpl	(757)	*Robert N Jorelemon	32588154
AG	Cpl	(612)	*Robert S Wilson	33508927
S2G	Cpl	(611)	*Charles B Dennis	36865636
SUG	Cpl	(748)	*Willie L Milner	18178513

			<u>Crew #5432</u>	
P	2D LT	(1091)	ERNEST P GREER	0-821999
CP	2D LT	(1022)	JAMES J GETCHIUS	0-821992
N	2D LT	(1034)	ROBERT T SCOTT	0-723514
B	2D LT	(1035)	JOHN A BECKMAN	0-771885
EG	T/Sgt	(748)	*Joseph H Donohue	32424020
ROG	Cpl	(757)	*Cesare P Nasi	12122043
S2G	Cpl	(611)	*Angelo R Simone	12120540
SUG	Cpl	(748)	*Orin J Knoll	36818324
TG	Cpl	(611)	*Harley F Newland Jr	37725916

			<u>Crew #5433</u>	
P	2D LT	(1091)	THOMAS R RANSEL	0-824219
N	2D LT	(1034)	*JAMES A SHORTELL	0-723191
B	2D LT	(1035)	STEWART T SHIFFER	0-772749
EG	Cpl	(748)	Hugh F McDermott	11021145
ROG	Cpl	(757)	*Lyrus R Delaney	12106180
AG	Cpl	(612)	John L Mayes	12084343
S2G	Cpl	(611)	Joseph E Ranauro	33356866
TG	Cpl	(611)	*Gerald R May	38554603

			<u>Crew #5434</u>	
P	2D LT	(1091)	ROBERT C RITTER	0-823455
CP	2D LT	(1022)	FRANK C CARLE	0-771294
N	2D LT	(1034)	*JOSEPH A SEIBERT	0-723903
B	2D LT	(1035)	ROBERT A STAIKER	0-772763
EG	Sgt	(748)	*Samuel J Bussieres	11014605
ROG	Cpl	(757)	John J Daly	36666041
S2G	Cpl	(611)	*Kenneth D Ross	12225576
TG	Cpl	(611)	*John W Tomke	17181832

			<u>Crew #5435</u>	
P	2D LT	(1091)	*JOHN G HEATH	0-764012
CP	2D LT	(1022)	*CARL B HAMILTON	0-719636
N	2D LT	(1034)	*JEROME TAGLIAVIA	0-723747
B	2D LT	(1035)	IVAN D PEREY	0-717824
ROG	Cpl	(757)	John P DeLorbe	17096951
AG	S/Sgt	(612)	*Arthur Coyle	13044285
TG	Cpl	(611)	*Calvin E Anderson	17147325

			<u>Crew #5436</u>	
P	2D LT	(1091)	*HERPHILL V HEATH	0-729853
CP	2D LT	(1022)	WILLIAM G EASTMAN	0-714355
B	2D LT	(1035)	CARL W REMY	0-772733
ROG	Cpl	(757)	*Roger A Carlsen	17156277
AG	Cpl	(612)	Joseph W Curtis	20756279
S2G	Cpl	(611)	Frederic A Shall Jr	15140676
SUG	Cpl	(748)	*George Simon	33-38952
TG	Cpl	(611)	Donald C Goodspeed	17113927

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HQ, 223RD AAF BASE UNIT (COTS (H))
AAF, DYERSBURG, TENNESSEE

20 July 1944

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 12 202)

E X T R A C T

29. The fol named AO O & EM 223rd AAF BU -ROO-H -- In Training (DY-7-25 Prov Gp) are held fr atchd & dy 223rd AAF Base Unit (COTS (H)) See E this sta and are atchd to 271st AAF Base Unit (SB), KAAF, Kearney Neb rptg to CO thereof not later than 2359 29 July 1944. A 7 day delay enroute is authorized all O & EM indicated by (*) eff 21 July 1944 and a 5 day delay enroute is authorized all remaining O & EM off 23 July 1944 but not to interfere with reporting date 29 July 1944. Eff date of change 30 July 1944.

Crew #5427

P CAPT (1091)
B 2D LT (1035)
ROG Cpl (757)
AG Cpl (612)
SBG Cpl (611)
SUG Cpl (748)
TG Sgt (611)

*CHARLES H SHAW
*WILLIAM J THOMPSON
Philip F Conahan
*Paul E Marsh
Albert Greenberg
*Charles R Ebert
*Melburn J Martens

0-389266
0-755128
33037995
39830914
12176543
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37082512

Crew #5428

P 2D LT (1091)
CP 2D LT (1022)
N 2D LT (1034)
B 2D LT (1035)
REG T/Sgt (748)
ROG Sgt (757)
AG Cpl (612)
SBG Cpl (611)
SUG Cpl (748)
TG Cpl (611)

ALEXANDER Z WEISZ
*HEROY F HERRY
ARNOLD O SCHULZ
CHARLES L VERSCHUREN JR
Ira Ford
Ralph L Parsons
*William E Goodrich
*Frank Mantell Jr
John T Fowler
*Charles V Russell

0-622153
0-719723
0-723443
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6668715
10194823
31336182
15127858
30343586
13632131

Crew #5429

OP F/O (1022)
N 2D LT (1034)
B 2D LT (1035)
EG Sgt (748)
ROG Cpl (757)
AG Cpl (612)
SBG Cpl (612)
SUG Cpl (748)
TG Cpl (611)

*JOHN W SACHTJEN
ARTHUR D RODOLIO
CHESTER E WILCOCKSON JR
*Francis E Doan
Daniel G Morrison
*Milton R Stafford
*Harry T Keck
Steve Vonnies Jr
*Harold F Lippert

T-124060
0-723163
0-710167
35094220
12170406
37353578
33790069
13171629
36839017

Crew #5430

P 2D LT (1091)
B 2D LT (1035)
ROG Cpl (757)
AG Cpl (612)
SBG Cpl (612)
SUG Cpl (748)
TG Cpl (611)

*LIEUTENANT B THOMAS JR
DAVID D WEIDER
*Lamon T Gay
*Norman A Schmitt Sr
*Irwin M Rosenberg
*Emerson D Hayes
*Marion T Thomas

0-764506
0-717923
34766358
37720158
32751104
35576076
37727695

NAME: CARLE, FRANK C. RANK: 1st. Lieut. A.S.N.: 0-779294
DUTY: Pilot GROUP: 306th. SQUADRON: 369th.

Date of Mission	Group Mission Number	Indiv. Mission Number	Geographical Location	Time	Total Combat Time
Sept. 25, 1944		1	FRANKFURT	7:35	
27		2	KOLN	6:55	
28		3	MAGDEBURG	8:15	
30		4	MUNSTER	6:00	
Oct. 2		5	KASSEL	7:35	
3		-	SPARE	5:00	
5		6	KOLN	6:45	
6		7	STRALSUND	9:30	
7		8	RUHLAND	8:30	
14		9	KOLN	7:00	
19		10	MANNHEIM	7:00	
25		11	HAMBURG	7:45	
26		12	MUNSTER	7:30	
30		-	SPARE	4:10	
Nov. 2		13	MERSEBERG	8:00	
4		14	HAMBURG	8:10	
5		15	FRANKFURT	8:00	
6		16	HAMBURG	7:40	
8		17	MERSEBERG	8:45	
9		18	METZ	8:30	
16		19	ESCHWEILER	7:10	
21		20	MUEPPIN	8:25	
Dec. 2		21	OBERLAHSTEIN	7:35	
5		22	BERLIN	8:50	
9		23	STUTTGART	8:20	
11		24	FRANKFURT	8:20	
12		25	MERSEBERG	8:40	
18		26	KAISERSLAUTERN	6:45	
24		27	NIDDA	8:50	
28		28	KOBLENZ	6:50	
Jan. 1, 1945		29	KASSEL	9:40	
2		30	KYLLBURG	6:30	
3		31	HERMULHEIM	6:15	
5		-	ABORT	3:00	
6		32	KOLN	6:50	
7		33	URSKITZHEN	7:30	
10		34	GYMNICH	6:50	
28		35	KOLN	6:45	282:40

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Thomas F. Witt

THOMAS F. WITT,
Major, AC,
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306th. Bomb. Gp. (H)

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CARLE, FRANK C.

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Please accept enclosed check
for \$2000

I regret that I have not been a
CONSISTANT CONTRIBUTOR.

However, I am INTERESTED in
THE 306 GROUP ACTIVITIES.

THE LAST ISSUE WAS OF SPECIAL
INTEREST WITH THE PICTURE OF
ROY TRASK AND GEORGE KERR. I FLEW
AS CO-PILOT ON THE TRASK CRUISE
FROM 10-15- LATE DECEMBER, 1944.

I WOULD APPRECIATE THE CURRENT
ADDRESSES OF BOTH THESE GENTLEMEN
SO THAT I MIGHT CONTACT THEM.

Sincerely,
Frank Carle

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