

More Issues of 'Echoes'

Here's my help for future issues of Echoes!

I enclose \$10.00 to support the production and mailing of the 306th Echoes. I also want to support continuing reunion activities for those who once served.

Name Bert J. Theriault

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Dear Bert:

If you still have the copy of Combat Squadrons of the Air Force, World War II, I would be happy to add it to the 306th collection.

Send it to me using postal book rate.

Sincerely yours,

Sam Strong
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**306th Bombardment  
Group Association**

Bert J. Theriault  
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April 17, 1987

Dear Bill,

Enclosed please find a check is the amount of \$15.00 in continued support of "Echoes", a labor of love for those people involved in all aspects of publication and mailing.

I have a book titled Combat Squadrons of the Air Force, World War II published by the USAF Historical Division, Department of the Air Force, which I would donate to the 306<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group Historical Association. Let me know if the Association is interested.

Sincerely,  
Bert H. Therisult  
423<sup>rd</sup> Squadron

1/25/88



April 1, 1988

Dear Boss,

I have received your letter of March 7 in which you thank me for sending along the volume, Combat Squads of the Air Force, World War II. As a retired public school teacher, I dislike seeing any useful books go to waste. Being done with a book, should not mean that the book is done for. Very likely, other people could put such a book to very good use.

I also have acquired over the years a number of hard backs on air warfare that the 306<sup>th</sup> Association might be able to make use of. If so I would donate them to the Association. The titles of those among others in my home library, which I think may be more relevant to the Association are the following:

1. Stories of the Eight, by John W. Woolrough, 1983
2. Decision over Schweinfurt, by Thomas W. Coffey, 1977
3. The Fall of Brestwick, by Elnor Bendiner, a 379<sup>th</sup> B.G. navigator, 1980
4. Luftwaffe: A History, by Harold Haber, Ed., 1977
5. Kesseling: The Making of the Luftwaffe, Kenneth Mackay, 1978

Since the Association can always use funds for its activities, I am returning you a check in the amount of \$2.86. I don't wish to be reimbursed for postage. In addition, there's a check for \$5.00.

Regarding the alleged controversy about the "Rose of York" being or not being a 306<sup>th</sup> aircraft, there should not be any doubts about that fact. I've had for some 44 years a pair of 6 black and white gloves, 8 by 2 inches, which show Col. Robinson, group C.G., in company of the royal



family and Mr. Doolittle.

Sincerely,

Bert J. Theisselt  
#234 Squadron

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July 7, 1993

Dear Russell,

Interesting to me was the article on the Group's recent target in the April issue of "Echoes", especially the Oberpfaffenhofen mission on April 24, 1944. That loss of ten planes is recorded for that day. Amongst those who did not return was St. Hall, co-pilot on Warren Koch's original crew. Hall was flying with St. Ebert that day. Fleets and enemy fighters were in abundance on that mission as both losses clearly indicate. Ebert's ship was hit in the wings, hobbling the tanks. We could see gas streaming out of the wings as Ebert pulled out of the formation and veered off in the direction of Switzerland. Later on, we learned that Ebert, Hall and crew were internees. For them, as a common saying went, the war was over.

In doing some basement clearing recently, we re-discovered many aviation magazines which had been stored and somewhat forgotten. An "Air Classics" of November 1967 "Call the Alps to Safety - A Victorial Record of 8th A.F. B-17's in Switzerland" shows 3 B-17's from the 306th.

I wondered, could any of these ships have been flown by Ebert and Hall, who had gone through Edele's Fogelker, and ended up as internees together?

Perhaps from within your voluminous information on the Group, it can be deduced who was flying the B-17's pictured in "Air Classics". Please keep the magazine for whatever value.

it may have for you.

Sincerely,

Bert J. Theriault  
St. Warren Koch's Crew  
423<sup>rd</sup> Squadron