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P/W and X Detachment  
Military Intelligence Service

REPORT FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
and QUESTIONNAIRE FOR I.S. 9 (WEL.) PERSONNEL

SEPT. 7, 1944  
(Date)

SHADDIX, W. C. / 1st Lt. O-747903  
(Name) (Rank) (ASN)

14

(Target) (Number of missions)

100TH BOMB. GR 349TH SQDN  
(Unit)

Date Missing in Action: APRIL 27, 1944

Returned to UK: SEPT. 7, 1944

MEMBERS OF CREW: (List names by positions and indicate what happened to each one)

PILOT SHADDIX, W. C. (PO)  
CO-PILOT SULLIVAN, G. F. Neary T, 20 Y+, 0692574 - P/W  
INVESTIGATOR LESTICO, Raymond, T/Sgt, 37177112 - P/W  
BOMBARDIER DAILEY, CHM. 20 Y+, 0754893 - P/W  
RADIO OPERATOR ERB, Ed. Frederick H, T/Sgt, 113095352 - P/W  
TOP TURRET GUNNER LEE, James H, T/Sgt 34700183 - P/W  
MID TURRET GUNNER JOHN B. CORTELLETTI S/Sgt, 19085098 - P/W  
R. WAIST GUNNER CORNELIUS, Wm F - S/Sgt, 17069759 - P/W  
L. WAIST GUNNER HALE, Kenneth V, S/Sgt, 32142189 - P/W  
TAIL GUNNER HAMILTON, Hugh, S/Sgt 14094112 - P/W

Date, time and approximate location of plane crash or landing. 2008 HRS. APR. 27, 44  
ARDONE, BELGIUM

Nature and extent of damage to plane when source bailed out. Was it on fire, etc?

ON FIRE IN AIR. PLANE COMPLETELY DEMOLISHED ON CRASH. EXPLODED

At approximately what altitude did source bail out?

12,500 FEET

Were any of the crew injured or killed before the plane crashed?

MYSELF & R.O. SLIGHTLY INJURED.

What members of the crew bailed out? Did their parachutes open?

ALL MEMBERS PARACHUTED SAFELY

Did the plane explode on striking the ground?

YES.

Did source see any other members of the crew dead or alive after reaching the ground?

No

Did he receive any information from others as to whether any other members of the crew were dead or alive? If so, give details furnished by his informant and whether the other crew members were identified by name or otherwise.

SEVEN MEN WERE REPORTED CAPTURED BY LOCAL  
GERMAN GARRISON. ONE MEMBER WAS REPORTED  
(over)  
TO BE EVADER.

Did source examine the wreckage of the plane? If so, what was its condition?

NO

If the plane crashed in water how far was the plane from land and by what means was source rescued and what life rafts, wreckage, etc., remained on the surface that would have assisted other personnel to keep afloat.

CRASHED ON LAND.

What is source's opinion as to the fate of the other crew members and his reason for his opinion?

IT IS BELIEVED THAT THE CO-PILOT EVADED CAPTURED SEVEN M.G.M.B.G.R.S WERE REPORTED AS CAPTURED. ALL PARACHUTES WERE SEEN TO OPEN. ALL INFORMATION GIVEN BY WITNESSES.

Were you wounded?

FLAK WOUND IN LEFT WRIST.

Were you in German hands?

NO

Did you kill any Germans in escaping?

NO

Have you previously given the names of your helpers?

AT PARIS INTERROGATION

ONLY

List any names previously omitted, showing what help was given.

What security briefing were you given?

What souvenirs do you still possess?

FOREIGN COINS + GERMAN UNIFORM INSIGNIA.

Home address.

DOUBLE SPRINGS

List names of American or British personnel believed to have been arrested by Germans.

ERB, F.H. R.O.  
DAILEY, C.M. BOMB.

List names of American or British personnel believed to be evading.

SULLIVAN, G.T. CO-PILOT.

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CERTIFIED THAT:

No. 0-747903 Rank 1/Lt  
Name (BLOCK LETTERS) Winans C. Shaddix  
Unit 349<sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq, 100<sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp  
has been fully/~~briefly~~ interrogated by an Intelligence Officer of I.S. 9 (WEA)  
on 6 Sept 19 44 and has signed a Security Certificate.  
He ~~should~~/should not be re-interrogated.

*Robert Bacon*  
*Major 2/Lt, AC.*

IMPORTANT:

THIS CERTIFICATE MUST BE RETAINED AND HANDED TO (BRITISH) AN OFFICER OF M.I. 9  
OR (AMERICAN), AN OFFICER OF P.W. & X DET.-M.I.S. ON ARRIVAL IN U.K. OR U.S.A.

TOP SECRET.  
I.S.9 (WEA)

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

No. 0-747903 Rank 1st Lt. Name Winans C. SHADDFX

Date of Interview 6 Sep 1944

I was helped by the following:

Beghem, Belgium - Marcel Huybrecht  
28 Market Straat

Ruddervoorde, Belgium - Edward Verleye  
120 Kortryk St.

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1. Because disclosures of information regarding evasion from capture, escape, details of imprisonment, release from internment, and repatriation have been made, the lives and services of fellow soldiers and those who help them have been lost or endangered. All information which you possess on these subjects, including the experiences of others as well as your own, briefings and equipment for evasion and escape, and preparations and other activities in connection therewith, constitutes MILITARY INFORMATION which is classified SECRET by the War Department.

2. You will therefore disclose no information whatever, beyond the fact of your return to duty from "missing in action" or "prisoner of war" or "internment", to anyone except the following military officials:

- a. The first Military Attache to whom you report;
- b. An officer designated by the Commanding General of an overseas Theatre of Operations;
- c. The Prisoner of War Branch, MIS, Washington, D.C., the interrogating agency designated by the A/C of S, G-2, War Department General Staff;
- d. Certain other officers holding written authority from the A/C of S, G-2, WDGS, to interrogate you.

3. You will particularly guard against disclosure of SECRET information to relatives, friends, representatives of the press and radio, and military officials, except as noted in a, b, c and d above.

4. In order to protect yourself against disciplinary action, any question involving publicity must be referred BY YOU PERSONALLY to the A/C of S, G-2, WDGS, Washington, D.C.

CERTIFICATE

I certify that I have read and fully understand all of the foregoing and the Directive of the Secretary of War, 6 Aug 43 (on the reverse side), and will at ALL TIMES hereafter comply fully therewith.

I understand that all information concerning escape, evasion from capture, activities and equipment in connection therewith, and details of imprisonment or release from internment, is SECRET and must not be disclosed to anyone except the military officials specifically designated. I further understand that disclosure to any other person will make me liable to disciplinary action for failure to safeguard MILITARY INFORMATION.

I realize that publicity concerning my experiences, by word of mouth or otherwise, will endanger the lives of many persons and therefore it is my duty to take all possible precautions to prevent it.

I further certify that I have received a copy of the foregoing.

Name (Print) *WILLIAMS, C. D. HADDIX* Signed *Williams, C. D. Haddix*  
 Rank. *1st Lt.*.....A.S.N. *0-744403* Dated *Sept. 7, 44* Placed *LONDON*.....  
 Unit. *100th Parachute P.A.C.*..... Witness *Robert C. McLaughlin*  
*1st Lt A.C.*

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