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The Adjutant General's Office
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SUBJECT: Amended Instructions Concerning Publicity in Connection with Escaped Prisoners of War, to Include Evaders of Capture in Enemy or Enemy-Occupied Territory and Internees in Neutral Countries.

TO: The Commanding Generals,
Army Ground;
Army Air Forces;
The Commander-in-Chief, Southwest Pacific Area;
The Commanding Generals,
Theaters of Operations;
Defense Commands;
Departments;
Base Commands;
The Commanding Officers,
Base Commands;
Director, Bureau of Public Relations.

1. Publication or communication to any unauthorized persons of experiences of escape or evasion from enemy-occupied territory, internment in a neutral country, or release from internment not only furnishes useful information to the enemy but also jeopardizes future escapes, evasions and releases.
2. Personnel will not, unless authorized by the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, War Department General Staff, publish in any form whatever or communicate either directly, or indirectly, to the press, radio or an unauthorized person any account of escape or evasion of capture from enemy or enemy-occupied territory, or internment in a neutral country either before or after repatriation. They will be held strictly responsible for all statements contained in communications to friends which may subsequently be published in the press or otherwise.
3. Evaders, escapees, or internees shall not be interrogated on the circumstances of their experiences in escape, evasion or internment except by the agency designated by the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, War Department General Staff, or the corresponding organization in overseas theaters of operations. In allied or neutral countries, American Military Attaches are authorized to interrogate on escape, evasion and internment matters.
4. Should the services of escaped prisoners of war, evaders, or internees be deemed necessary for lecturing and briefing, such services will be under the direct supervision of the agency designated by the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, War Department General Staff, or the corresponding organization in overseas theaters of operations.
5. Commanding Officers will be responsible for instructing all evaders, escapees, and internees in the provisions of this directive which supercedes letter, AG 383.6 (5 Nov 42) OB-S-B-M, 7 November 1942, subject: Instructions concerning Publicity in Connection with Escaped Prisoners of War and other previous instructions on this subject.

By order of the Secretary of War:

/s/ J. A. ULIO
J. A. ULIO
Major General,
The Adjutant General.

1. Information about your escape or your evasion from capture *would be useful to the enemy* and a danger to your friends. It is therefore **SECRET**.

- a You must therefore not disclose, except to the first Military Attache to whom you report, or to an officer designated by the Commanding General of the Theater of Operations, or by A. C. of S., G-2, W. D.
 - (1) The names of those who helped you.
 - (2) The method by which you escaped or evaded.
 - (3) The route you followed.
 - (4) Any other facts concerning your experience.
- b You must be particularly on your guard with persons representing the press.
- c You must give no account of your experiences in books, newspapers, periodicals or in broadcasts or in lectures.
- d You must give no information to anyone, irrespective of nationality, in letters or in conversation, except as specifically directed in Par. 4.
- e No lectures or reports are to be given to any unit without the permission of A. C. of S., G-2, W. D., or corresponding organization in the theater.

GERTIFICATE

I have read the above and certify that I will comply with it.

I understand that any information concerning my *escape or evasion* from capture is **SECRET** and must not be disclosed to anyone other than the agency designated by A. C. of S., G-2, War Department, the corresponding organization in overseas theaters of operations, or to the Military Attache in a neutral country to whom I first report. I understand that disclosure to anyone else will make me liable to disciplinary action.

Name (Print) Dwight A. Fisher Signed Dwight A. Fisher
 Rank 1st Lt A. S. N. 0-724204 Dated 28 January 1944
 Unit B36th Sq. 95th B. D. Witness 1st Lt AUS [Signature]

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SECRET - AMERICAN
MOST SECRET - BRITISH
MIS (X)

HEADQUARTERS
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
PW and X Detachment
Military Intelligence Service

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR SERVICE PERSONNEL
EVADING FROM ENEMY OCCUPIED COUNTRIES

1. Full Name, Rank and Serial No. *Dwight Angus Fisher 1st Lt. O-724204*
2. Decorations. *NONE*
3. Unit or Squadron. *336th Bomb Squadron 95th Bomb Group*
4. Division (Army) or Group. *95th B.G.*
5. Date of Birth. *October 16, 1918*
6. Length of Service. *2 years 3 months*
7. Private Address. *606 Fox St. Aurora Illinois*
8. If in A.F., on what operation were you engaged? State place, date, and time of departure. Where and when did you come down?
Were Aircraft and all instruments and papers destroyed?
*Bombing Ravenna, France May 29, 1943. Took off at 10:30 A.M.
Came down 12 miles South of St. Malo at 4:00 P.M.*
9. What was your position in aircraft? *Bombardier*
10. Were you wounded? *Badly burned in aircraft back hurt in jump.*
11. Did you pay your guides? If so how much? *NO*
12. Do you speak French? Spanish? *Speak French now, not before.*
13. Did you have Identity Papers? *Yes French made NO DOG TAGS*
14. Have you been questioned before to-day on your escape or evasion? If so, where and by whom? Have you given anyone a written report on your experiences. Where and when?
NO
15. Did you report on your operations? If so, where and to whom? *NO*
16. Did you sign a security certificate warning you against talking about your escape or evasion? If so, where and when?
17. Date of arrival in Spain. *405-London - JANUARY 28, 1944.*
18. Date of arrival at Gibraltar.
19. Place and date of departure for U.K. By sea or air. *JANUARY 20, 1944*
20. Place and date of arrival in U.K. *DOOTHONAZ, FRANCE
JANUARY 23, 1944 LYARMOUTH, ENGLAND*

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E & E REPORT NO. 338
EVASION IN FRANCE

JANUARY 28, 1944
(Date)

Fisher, D.A. 1st Lt. 0-724204
(Name) (Rank) (ASN)

336th 95th
(Squadron) (Group)

AGE: 25
LENGTH OF SERVICE: 2-3 1/2 years
HOME ADDRESS: 606 FOX ST.
BURBON, ILLINOIS

TARGET: Rennes
MIA: 29 May 1943
Arrived in Spain: _____
Arrived in Gibraltar: _____
Arrived in UK: 23 JANUARY 1944

MEMBERS OF CREW: (This information checked with PWIB)

	Official Disposition	Narrators Disposition
PILOT	Lt. L. D. Clark. (Dead) French Report	
CO-PILOT	F/O S. Barnette. (Dead) French Report.	
NAVIGATOR	Capt. R. E. Landrom _____	
BOMBARDIER	Lt. D. H. Fisher _____	
RADIO OPERATOR	Mayo _____	
TOP TURRET GUNNER	Opchurch _____	
BALL TURRET GUNNER	Carlson _____	
WAIST GUNNER	Teagud _____	
WAIST GUNNER	Rice _____	
TAIL GUNNER	Smith (PRISONER) French Report.	

Know: Major Cole & NAV killed in
Hd: P & C. P. KIA - French sources
TG A Prisoner

Were you wounded?

my head was severely bumped and back
sprained.

1st Lt. J. Bailstaine
1st Lt. J. Burkowski -
1st Lt. Wayne Bogar -
1st Lt. Patan Hoyt. III
Lt. William Cook -
Lt. George Padgett -
Sgt. Harry Minor
Sgt. Edward Schaeffer
Sgt. Stephen Koval
Sgt. William Millar
Sgt. Dufflaborg (Spelling?)

Sgt. Engineer who had been in France 11 months, (His home was in Kentucky)
He was tall, blonde and about 22 yrs. old.
He was caught by Germans 20th Jan. 1944 and subsequently shot.

Know M P Les goes & ammunition hidden in farm - to help when invasion comes.

St Lawrence harbor of St. Malo named

I have contacts of switches plotted - not to stay blowing of docks if war.

Had tried report through Bertin - think by radio - Latter part of Sept. M Silvis thought people known at Rennes found about people in S + Nantes raid - 7.

M Pansat led tonight came paper war. Took bus M P - Albert, Liliis go pick up 7 & bring them back. ^{same crew}

John Bielecki - 1st Lt, T-567, Jos Burkowski, Peter Hoyt

Dufellberg (Sgt), Sgt Wm Miller, Sgt Ed Stauffer.

Sgt Gary Minor, Sgt Steve Kovalt (from P Walter use.)

M Pansat & his team led some ammunition at Rennes - little fellow with brush hair cut some gun airplane story.

Leather new coat, long hair, no E -

M S will not touch 4 at time to religious school outside Dinard. I have to wait for plane - week there.

M S Silvis in that good P on foot one down near Brest - Couldn't speak E - told - Hollander telling son because love better class.

Decided against killing him - see what of do - with us 5 or 6 days - Sept 24. Inq'd. When we left M P going to turn him over to us.

Took Bielecki & I up Trigabor with family I retired to Naval O - elderly, grey hair - Mother, wife, 3 kids - 1 had been named lost behind this war - 2 children

M P - back to visit - tell us going to leave by boat - early ^{out} ⁽²⁾ ^{Emile Guinier}

Bielecki, I, Minor in truck - M P & woman who are back to Morston - Minor & I to town. M Le Texier (?) - had tonie - Minor & I reported.

No 5 in town when got there. Capt J d'g 500 - tanks outfit in - started requisitioning room for O - slept 2 weeks next door 2 to O.

20 small tanks, c 3 Tiger. Out to football field & my dy - maneuvers

Getting to bed. M Guinier took in to farm road of M Duval when Bielecki, Burkowski, Padgett. Story that half of fellows in wait - as soon as they go, we. C 20 E & sons waiting.

5 who's here. M Guinier came - boat operation of Brest Nov that. Then going to try of process.

Last day of Nov - 7 / us - Bielecki, Padgett, Burkowski, Sgt, Cook. (16 Sept) & 13 Oct (16 Sept)

Pansat gave OT papers

MACTRUIT

Bomb Paris - Naval dump - had on my - T⁸ c 1030 - came in over W
9 young around to wait - B - made 2700 turn to it & start back out.
V. fresh until 7 - 8 then, F to hit it can't see - meaning to wait.

F W on tail of another plane - all on eyes concentrated on it - but did get him. The twin
on us. Major Cole riding toward ship is immediately out of control - either
kill P & Co - Pa about at contact cables. Major Cole pulled down - flames shoot
out - important - opened escape hatch & got out. Flames had - N⁹ got out. I got
BB down. Then got out as quickly as I could. 27,000 - did get young
to 10-15,000' - but back. My 99 can in line I used as exposure in P's face.

1/2 in middle of plowed field c 9 miles S Paramie. N. G. and - many
to run from little farm. Back in bed I wouldn't get up - face &
had bad burn. To look off G - No Am. 1 Jan having 1/2 face bad -
c 1600th remark. Joseph - got yellow, made plain follow - c mile or 2

to woods.

Small, awful teeth, dark way down.

Indicated to the long clothes. I got humiliated by my eyes to shut - 1/2 hand.

Best in clothes is a blanket.

2 in woods with his father & couple of other relatives. 8 days in woods.
Then took me to his home in St Paul - alt there in room with 16-17

Made out with yellow lambs to cry it in St Paul - M Bertin
Shift, c 70 - which glasses - slightly stopped - broken by

Wife on 9 girls in St Paul who cater to St
1/2 x W/ Shift mat (?) come next evening - went by bicycle to Paramie

M G. Wood
M G. 5 wife.

kind in Paris

M Si his

Deette had my hand

Deette had my hand

Paris 12.

Roger P.

Deette had my hand

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to St James - M Bertin answered in that unknown pick in y.

M Passant and home. He, wife, 2 dts, Odette & Jeanie. & M¹⁰ Am

both Albert, he blind father

Deette had my hand to take care of him - long set, partially bald. Visited every other
day for period 2 months taking care of hand.

M Passant not remembering group - just contacted by M Bertin.

Wonderful person - participated in forest - proved that had Am - big field
to me

C 2 months - Odette night eye - target eyes to -

W he eldest dtc named by party - first all.

Decided that too many people know I there. Not born Paramie - M Berona

Bellville - much eye - to stay couple weeks then return.

Eldest to you had 5 years to 2-3 years - had been there last manufacturing near
to friends.

After 2 weeks M P take in back - not know all visitors again.

Was this time trying to arrange my get in at

T. Paris - girls by came down - Michelle & Jean - Took us to Paris -
train at Maritais - 23.11 - 0800.
Mr Mont's home - when Jean lived - Michelle's mother - dist. built
27 is and 2 with elderly couple Desmeyer(?) - met dtr,
c45 his shoulder.

Fixed us up with 9/11. Jan 1 Dec to 24 Dec

3. 4 times to Morris. Slight seeing trip.
24 Dec took me - don't forget - I thought going to 1/2 years - Jean took me to
Station church opposite Montparnasse - met goods there.

Train to Quimper - Day 2 Mass. avoid c. noon. train to Douarnenez. in 1400

Christy's ^{own} ~~train~~ - had taking from town - his ~~books~~ ^{books} ~~bar~~.
Up to home - 14 Dec - 19 Dec. To leave by boat that night - ask if you know
about notes - I & little fellow

Noel - teacher 95 - good looking fellow, black wavy hair - lovely
inf. 2 dtr. Had been in prison 2 years - Germany.

Then met Ann then 10-11 months - I & little fellow & now quite
boat - went out. Waited. C. midnight - told us gas - in another boat couldn't
get out of cover of - I over - work - not yet without too much noise. I guess some
more fellow down. I got lost out in bank - wandered around, finally found Noel's
home - put in - young. Then back to home on hill. 1/2 c. 0800 anybody
wakeup. In bank except 1 - to yell garden & leave - I woke up then - ran into
elderly lady - her husband had that in there - call police - I told her we were
He about in hysterics.

Ran out to woods. Gardeners came - not overzealous. Noel intercepted - while this
Hes over.

Elderly lady came through woods - we intercepted for advice, help, food. Took me to
Jambou when to get Jambou help - scared. Back to night, here near home on
hill - look over with old lady. But met Noel - told me come back. On with lady.
Back met her - back to home on hill. Broke in food - his sister & elderly lady of
woods.

2-3 days. 3 fellows left - Bolliger, Kelly & go back to low beam.
Next day all of us dist. built through town - 11 to Douarnenez - I in
guy of 5 - (address in personal possession) Better part of month there.
Walk every night.

Know some trouble with boat deal - supposed to leave 12 but some arguments
from boat owner.

21 made told leave c 11. Noel came took me, Moore & Egan to boat -
had in fish hatch - but other in.

Suggested leave 1100 - tired - but too light - had pass guards - & need dark
night, wait till 0300 not know whether start - if by yell halt us come
back - was not get parish.
About 0300 went out with tick - Inuus head round of eyes yell (told
to fire after 1 yell)

Out, motor - after daylight airplane spot us - drop 3 planes & left.
c 1630-1730 next evening in my way out of days as far as I covered -
could have made eye that night - but night & not want to go in at dark.
Just blew around. Next morning in.

Took to sailors home - NAAF 1 - cat - then to Br Int 107 - Capt
Took to Am Nav 107 - St Michaels - Lt Comdr Holden
Lt Comdr Holden was us to keep quiet. - Lt Capt 107.

C Noel told us that fellow been 11 months caught at Quimper - caught & whole
family shot.

B Between Carcass & Parame by ditches dry - with barbed wire running
along bank - placed about 50 yd wide - 1 behind the other - ran as far as
could see.

13 Airfield at Dinard - by place - over 260 some planes there - may
moved them after bombing of field near Paris.
Also repair base - from much by sea.

MEMBERS OF CREW: (This information checked with PWIB)

PILOT	0727176)&"&L&_ 1st Lt Lawrence D CLARK	MIA
CO-PILOT	T/4/76	F/O Yngvar BERNTZEN	MIA
NAVIGATOR	0621395	Capt Ray E LANDRUM	P/W
BOMBARDIER	0724204	1st Lt Dwight A FISHER	NARRATOR
RADIO OPERATOR	39075735	T/Sgt Garland L TEAGUE	P/W
TOP TURRET GUNNER	34332956	S/Sgt Carl H UPCHURCH	P/W
BALL TURRET GUNNER	17064358	S/Sgt Robert L CARLSON	P/W
WAIST GUNNER	17043460	T/Sgt Wilbur F RICE	P/W
WAIST GUNNER	37187732 11332956	S/Sgt Chester J MAYO	MIA
TAIL GUNNER	37013964	S/Sgt William J WOOD	P/W
OBSERVER	0362148	Major Edgar B COLE	E&E 50

SEE E&E 50

While we were returning from bombing a naval dump at RENNES on 29 May 1943, all of our guns were concentrating on FW 190's which were attacking the tail of another plane in our formation. While we were concentrating, I heard a terrific explosion in our ship. The ship went out of control immediately; either the pilot and co-pilot were killed or else the control cables were shot out. Major COLE (E&E 50), who was riding as observer, opened the door to the back of the ship and flames poured into our compartment. Then he opened the escape hatch and went out. The navigator followed him out. The flames were bad. I opened the bomb bay doors and then went out as quickly as I could. The ship was ^{still} out of control.

I delayed my jump from about 27,000 feet to 10,000 feet. When the chute opened, it twisted my back badly. An Me 109 came so close to me that I could see the expression on the pilot's face, but it did not fire. I hit in the middle of a ploughed field. No Germans were ~~around~~ ^{seemed to be in the area}. Many French ^{men} ran toward me from the ~~and head~~ little farms around. My back was so bad that I could not get up, and my face ~~were~~ badly burned. The Frenchmen asked me whether I was English. I replied that I was American. They seemed to stand around talking, apparently about how strange I looked with all my hair burned off. Then one man helped me up and led me a mile

BAILED OUT

DELAYE JUMP
BACK HURT

HELPER

or two to a woods. I do not know what happened to my parachute, but I heard afterwards that the French had buried it.

My ~~guide~~ helper indicated that I should stay in the woods. Later he brought me some civilian clothes and a blanket. I stayed in the woods for eight days. This man brought me food, and he also brought a lot of his relatives to meet me.

From there I was taken to a house from which my journey was arranged.

In the course of my journey I received medical attention.

I had never been lectured on evasion & escape

JOURNEY ARRANGED
RECEIVED MEDICAL ATTENTION
NEVER LECTURED ON EVASION & ESCAPE

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Commanding

Appendix B

1. The following information has been obtained in an interview with an officer 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 29 May 1943 to 23 January 1944

a. Informant was told by the French in August and September that the Germans have the harbor of St MALO mined. The French are supposed to have located where the control switches are located and to have made preparations to prevent the blowing up of the docks.

b. Informant was told that there is a large airfield near DINARD; it is supposed to house some 260 planes. After the bombing of an airfield near Paris many planes were supposed to have been moved to DINARD. This field is also supposed to be a repair base.

c. Between CANCALE and PARAME informant saw in September a series of large ditches, one behind the other at intervals of about 50 yards. Barbed wire was strung along the top of the ditches. The ditches stretched as far to the either side of the road as informant could see.

d. In ~~late September~~ *late Sept/Oct* early October a tank unit *moved into Malesherbes. It had about 20 small tanks + about 3 Tiger tanks. They used to maneuver on the football field.*

CO-PILOT
PILOT
NO. OF MEN:
NO. OF TANKS:
NO. OF ENGINEERS:
NO. OF MEDICAL PERSONNEL:
NO. OF OTHER PERSONNEL:
NO. OF HORSES:
NO. OF MULES:
NO. OF CATTLE:
NO. OF SHEEP:
NO. OF PIGS:
NO. OF BIRDS:
NO. OF OTHER ANIMALS:
NO. OF OTHER EQUIPMENT:
NO. OF OTHER NOTES:

SECRET

APPENDIX "D" TO E AND E REPORT NO.

No., Rank, Name:- *Dwight A. Fisher 0-724204 12th Lt.*

Unit:- *336th Sq. 95th B. G.*

Please answer carefully the questions below. Suggestions for improvement of escape equipment and training must come largely from those who make use of them. Your report and comments will help others to evade capture or to escape

1. AIDS BOX

- (a) Did you use your aids box? *NO - immediate help*
- (b) If not, had you one on you? *Yes*
- (c) If not, why had you no aids box?
- (d) If you used it, which of the following items did you use? Put a dash (-) against each item used and state briefly the circumstances, e.g., "Lying up for 2 nights," etc.

Horlicks tablets.

Chocolate.

Milk (tube).

Benzadrine tablets (fatigue).

Halazone tablets (water purifier).

Matches.

Adhesive tape.

Chewing gum.

Water bottle.

Compass.

- (e) Did any of the above items prove unsatisfactory? If so, in what respect?

(f) How did you finally dispose of the box? *GAVE TO FRENCH*

- (g) Can you suggest any way in which the contents of the aids box might be changed to make it of greater use, bearing in mind that the size of it cannot be larger? *IF IN ANY WAY it would be possible to put some sort of clip on box to prevent losing*

2. PURSE *it in parachute it would be an improvement.*

- (a) Did you carry a purse? *NO*
If so, state COLOR.
In NOT, State why not. *lost while falling*

(b) Did you use the purse? *NO*

- (c) If so, which of the following items in the purse did you use? Put a dash (-) against each item used and state briefly the circumstances.

Maps. Which ones?

Compass.

File (hacksaw).

Foreign currency. State countries and amounts.

How did you spend the money?

(d) How did you dispose of:-

Maps.

Compass.

File (hacksaw).

Surplus currency.

3. AIDS TO ESCAPE - (GADGETS+)
(+Issued separately from aids boxes and purses.)

(a) Did you carry or wear any of the following? *No*
If you used any of them state briefly WHEN and WHERE.

Round compass.

Stud compass.

Swinger compass.

Fly-button compass.

Pencil clip compass.

Tunic button compass.

Pipe compass.

Pouch

Special flying boots (and knife).

(b) Were they satisfactory?

(c) Can you suggest any improvements, additions, or substitutions, which would improve the above equipment?

4. PASSPORT SIZE PHOTOGRAPHS

(a) Did you carry passport-size photographs?
If so, how many?

(b) Did you use them?
State how.

*The pictures which had
been taken
No, he didn't
developed yet.*

5. LECTURES

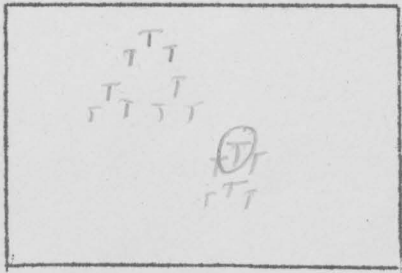
(a) Were you lectured on evasion and escape?
State WHERE, WHEN and by WHOM.

(b) Did you find the lectures of value?

No

NAME Dwight A. Fisher RANK 1st Lt ASN 0-724204 REPORT NO. _____

SQ 336 GROUP 95 A/C NO. ? Letter ? Load 500# Date May 29, 1944



Position in formation.
Make Diagram

Observed results of Bombing: not-observed

Enemy Fighter Tactics: nose attacks
Markings: Fargo Hew -

Our Tactics: Stayed in formation

Our Fighter Support: None

<u>Flak</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Quality</u>
	<u>4PM</u>	<u>French Coast</u>	<u>17 Hit US</u>

Technical Failures

Motors:

Armor:

Armament:

Miscellaneous: controls of airplane apparently destroyed

Comments and Suggestions on any of the above:

None