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Greetings to all from Texas. Another 2nd ADA Reunion has come and gone, and even with an occasional glitch, I think it can be said that all had a great time. I don't know if it's possible to hold a convention of over 1400 people and expect all to be smooth and without annoyance. However, there was one circumstance I would like to address now, and get it off my chest. One of the requirements of a 2nd ADA Reunion location is its ability to seat all attendees at a banquet. These facilities are hard to find, and when found, must be calculated to the last available seat. Such was the case in Colorado Springs. It was painfully obvious that people with paid reservations were wandering around looking for a place to sit. This included some 467th people. I know I felt frustration and anger when trying to help these people. I know Evelyn was climbing the walls. As far as I know, everyone was finally seated, but I really hear infinited when I found out the became infuriated when I found out the principal cause of the problem was that approximately 200 people without reservations, and using old badges, attended the banquet and deprived many, including 467th people, of their legitimate seats. The figure of 200 was an estimate of the moment and I have no idea if 467th people were guilty of this thoughtlessness. I truly hope they were not. Needless to say, steps will be taken to correct this situation in the future, but isn't it a shame that at our age, we have those that don't care about others as long as their personal desires are gratified. When I grew up we had a word for it - "cheating".

Now let's move on to happier times. A surprising number of early arrivals (I counted about 65), attended the presentation of the "Witchcraft" painting to the Air Force Academy. It appeared to me that all in attendance were pleased with the proceedings. As most of you know, the Mike Bailey painting was donated by Fred Jansen of Hemet, CA. Fred's untimely passing could have thrown our plans into disarray, but Clio (Mrs. Fred) Jansen and family insisted on proceeding with the presentation. How grateful we are to them that we now have a reproduction of the most famous "24" of them all in the beautiful setting of the A.F.A. The actual presentation was made by Al Shower to Chief of Staff Colonel Blazedale, who, after appropriate remarks, unveiled the painting to the click of many cameras. (If anyone got a good picture or two please send me copies. Mine didn't turn out too well.) We are also grateful for the help and cooperation of Lt. Col. Gerald Wyngaard, Director of Development and Alumni Programs, and to Mr. Hanchey, Chief of the Memorials and Gifts Section. Without their help it would have been impossible to put

the program together. Incidentally you will recall that Lt. Col. Wyngaard and wife, Candy, attended the mini-reunion dinner as our guests on Thursday night.

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The business of the 467th was basically divided into the Board of Directors Meeting on Wednesday the 23rd, and the business meeting of the Group at the mini-reunion dinner on the 24th. Several items of interest we discussed at both meetings. The Nominating Committee presented the name of Robert L. Salzarulo to the membership as the new member of the Board, replacing Vince LaRussa whose term had expired. His nomination and election was approved unanimously. Bob will serve a term of three years ending at the business meeting of 1991. We look forward to Bob's counsel in the months abead.

Also the Board addressed the problem of the location of our next convention (467th). It was thought the 50th Anniversary party of the B-24 being held in Ft. Worth, TX in May of 1989 would be an ideal time and place. This matter was brought before the membership and the location and time was unanimously adopted. Work is already underway to hold our Convention there May 17-21, 1989. Phil Day will have more info in this and future editions of the POOP. Look for it.

It is most pleasing for me to report the following transaction of your Board. It was suggested by Dave Swearingen and a motion was made by Vince LaRussa, that an endowment fund be established allowing us to support worthy projects in the future. This fund will be called the Albert J. Shower Endowment Fund, and was established with an initial amount of \$5,000 from the Group's Mail-Memorial Fund. This endowment may be added to periodically at the discretion of the Board and/or by direct donations.

By an overwhelming aye vote, the membership instructed your President to request accommodations at the Maidshead Hotel in Norwich during the 2nd ADA Reunion to be held there in 1990. This has been done! I can do no more.

This brings up a point which needs to be made, and I will try to make it again in subsequent issues of the "Poop". Whether you agree or disagree with the method of making reservations for 2nd ADA conventions, PLEASE, PLEASE, if you intend to go to them, get your deposits in now for Hilton Head 1989 and Norwich 1990. Let's not have any 467th people disappointed because they didn't move on their reservations soon enough. Send Evelyn \$50.00 for each reservation at Norwich and \$50.00 for each reservation at Hilton Head. Do it now!. Too many of us ended up on the outside looking in at Colorado Springs. Incidentally, Norwich

attendance will be limited to 1,000. My deposits are in. The Lord willing, I know I'll

be there. How about you?

David and Jean Hastings brought greetings from Rackheath and Salhouse. It is always a pleasure to see our friends from England. David made a short but eloquent plea in support of the American librarian fund. Unquestionably the focal point of our existence as the 2nd ADA is our unique Memorial Room Library. For many years we have supported it with our contributions of \$10 - \$20 sent in with our dues every year. Now we're being asked to dig a little deeper and provide for the hiring of a permanent full-time American Librarian and assistant. The value of an American Librarian has been demonstrated for the past two years. Bertha Chandler has operated in that capacity with great distinction and value. Luckily for us the Fulbright Commission paid the freight for an unprecedented two-year period, but alas, their support is now withdrawn. It's our problem—it's up to us!! Donations of any amount will be gratefully received. I'm told that so far individual donations are being received between \$10 and \$10,000. Surely you can find some extra money for such a worthwhile purpose. Why note send a pledge or a check to Jordan Uttal now. The amount you give will be entirely confidential. It is tax deductible!

I was pleased to present on behalf of your

Board, tokens of our appreciation to our former president, Dave Swearingen, and to our esteemed Treasurer, editor, historian and Miss Cille's husband, Phillip Day. Both tributes were long overdue, and consisted of beautiful desk pen and pencil sets and in the case of Phil, a supply of 467th letterheads and envelopes were provided. These gifts were made available, with pleasure, by members of your board. However, it occurs to me many of you may wish to contribute to the cause. If so, place a dollar or two in an envelope and forward to me.

I'll take it from there.

I keep trying to think of ways to thank Joe Dzenowagis and his remarkable family. Without their efforts we would have been hard pressed to have a program at all. All present at the mini-reunion banquet enjoyed the tape of excerpts from our Norwich reunion in 1987 and the tape of the 467th at play in Shreveport, IA. It goes without saying the after dinner program on Friday was a delight to all. After getting over the short hurdle of equipment glitches, the evening proceeded with the showing of the "Faces of the Second Air Division", and the "Eight Candles for Remembrance". The latter was an edited condensation of eighteen hours of taping of the Norwich reunion in 1987. It was just great condensation of eighteen hours of taping of the Norwich reunion in 1987. It was just great, Joe, and our indebtedness to you and your family grows with every convention. For the many who have inquired, both the tapes shown Friday night are now available from Joe. I believe the cost is \$39.50 and \$49.50, respectively. Joe's address is: Joseph Dzenowagis, 4397 S. Okemos Rd., Okemos, MI 48864; telephone 517- 349-3246. RANDOM NOTES

The luck of the draw places your president on the 2nd ADA Executive Committee for the coming year. It is an honor to serve your interests and those of the entire 2nd ADA.

Please contact me if you have any specific subjects you wish to have discussed at forthcoming Executive Committee meetings.

I just received word from David Hastings that he will be entering the hospital on August 8 for major surgery. Wish him well with a card or letter: David Hastings "Westering", Salhouse, Norfolk NR13 GRO England.

At the convention only two illnesses were brought to my attention. Helen Boiselle had a persistent virus which restricted her participation. It was good to see both Helen

and Archie back in attendance after weathering a storm of health adversity. Ralph Elliott was rushed to the hospital in the middle of the night with an allergic reaction. It turned out to be (can you believe this) penicillin in the smoked trout served at the banquet. Ralph was feeling much better when I left Sunday. Penicillin in the Fish????

There were a few things which were not decided at the Board meeting which are of interest to many of you. The formulation of a Special Friends of the 467th certificate was left open. The alignment of the 467th election process with the 2nd ADA conventions was left undecided. A plaque or suitable memento for widows and family of 467th men was left to be

investigated.

A paved walkway from the Coffey Crew gates to the Holy Trinity Church was held in abeyance pending receipt of reasonable quotations. The same is true for the new room addition to the Church/hall. This room, incidentally, if completed will be called the 'Albert J. Shower Room'. This and other matters will be taken up at our convention in May, and I'm sure much of our agenda at that time will be decided.

I will close with a personal note. Both Terry and I are very appreciative of your concern during my recent heart problem. I'm feeling much better now and feel that I'm making steady progress. Thank you again for your concern. We appreciate you.

Jeff Gregory

CONVENTIONS - 1989
Having just come back from enjoyable time at Colorado Springs, it is hard to immediately start writing and planning for next year. But that is the way it is and here

is what you can look forward to.

Second Air Division Association will hold its 42nd Annual Convention at Hilton Head, S.C., in the first week of November. Weather there should be cooling to mid-70's days, low 60's nights. Normally a dry time of the year, but with showers possible if cool fronts move in earlier than usual. Do not know the events, but from experience Evelyn Cohen will have a first class place and events for your enjoyment. It is not to early to preregister by sending her, say, \$50 per person. Don't be disappointed, if you wish to attend, start your reservation proceedings as soon as possible.

ALSO, the 2ADA will return to England in 1990, I believe in the fall. We will certainly be coordinating a 467th activity there for the same time. Two years? Not too long the way time flies when you are having fun.

FOUR HUNDRED SIXTY-SEVENTH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (HEAVY) ASSOCIATION, LTD. CONVENTION 1989

At our business meeting in Colorado Springs on June 23, the Association voted (overwhelmingly) to hold the next Group Convention at Ft. Worth, Texas, in the period May 17-21, 1989, to coincide with "A Gathering of Liberators", the B-24 50th (Golden) Anniversary Celebration.

The Association Convention format is indefinite at this writing. We intend to build ours around the activities that will be available from the 50th Anniversary celebration. A change in time you will need to keep in mind is that the nights of convention will be Friday, Saturday and Sunday, and not Thursday, Friday, Saturday as we have had in the past the past.

We will have a Day Room for gathering, talking, display of memorabilia, opening at noon Thursday, May 18 and closing noon Monday, May 22. Anything you wish to bring can be left in the Day Room the entire time. VCRs/TVs are planned as well as light refreshments during

its use hours.

By the time you receive this POOP, you ill have received a mailing direct from the roject Office of the "Gathering" detailing the ctivities, and costs associated with them, hat are under the Project umbrella. The eservation of rooms at the Ramada Inn Central, ur Group's assigned motel, will not be handled y the Group but by the Project Office who will keep me informed of reservations on a regular casis. I did not favor this method but the Project Office would not relinquish this to the

As to Group activities, we will have the bay Room as above. I think we should have a ouffet breakfast on Saturday, Sunday and Monday nornings (possibly Friday if enough say they are arriving Thursday) as a get together time perfore the day's other activities and our Group locktail Party and Banquet Saturday night. And t will be necessary to have a business meeting at that time to fulfill our Articles of

incorporation.

So you are looking at two costs, that of the Project Office and that of the Group. I do not have a handle on Group costs at this riting. I would guess \$58 per person for Group souvenir jacket, three breakfasts and Gaturday evening party. Without breakfasts, 340. The Pre-Registration Information form printed in this POOP is FOR GROUP ACTIVITIES mly. Send it in to me completely filled out and I'll use it to coordinate with the Project office as to reservations for you, and for our roup Functions.

Our rooms are to cost \$52 per night (tax ncluded at 13%) and these rates will apply from May 16 through May 24 for early arrivers/late leavers. The room reservation request from the Project Office will be applied

totally against your room charges.

The assigned motel is five minutes (by shuttle bus) from the Convention Center, which s where the Celebration Registration and many

activities relative to the B-24 and B-24 exhibits will be on display.

I'm sorry about the vagueness of the above, but I will provide more definitive information in the next newsletters and by special mailings to those who elect to attend. We have a 150 room block, those requesting rooms will be scheduled from them chronocogically on receipt in the Project Office of ts registration form. Self-contained RVs will probably be able to park at the motel, there will be an RV grounds also designated by the Project Office.

If you wish to, or think you will wish to, ttend this Convention/Gathering, fill out the ROUP'S 1989 CONVENTION PRE-REGISTRATION INFORMATION form following. Please print, I have some trouble deciphering some cursive as you would, probably, mine. Please, also, send 325 per person, fully refundable to May 1, 1989, to cover Group pre-convention expenses. These monies will be deposited at interest (for

the Group) until dispersed.

Write me, call me, if you have questions, out return the forms as soon as you decide. There is yet a lot of work to be done and, really, not too much time to do it in.

VISITORS TO ENGLAND

If any of you are thinking about coming over to England, to visit Norwich and your old air base, may I strongly advise that you let me

know when you are coming.

Unfortunately the 2nd Air Division Memorial Room at Norwich library is not always staffed, but if I have prior knowledge of your visit it means I can ensure that you will be properly received and made welcome. means that I can arrange with Peter Bond or one of the other volunteer guides to take you to Rackheath for a tour of the old airfield site. You will see a lot more than if you went on your own.

It is quite possible to visit Norwich and Rackheath in a day trip from London but there are many interesting things to see in the area and if you do decide to stay for a few days, I am quite willing to assist with booking hotel accommodations, etc.

So please help us help you make your visit an enjoyable and interesting one. Contact Tony North, Memorial Trust Aide, Central Library, Bethel Street, Norwich NR2 INJ, England. Tell me when you are coming over, the date(s) of your visit, how we can help you.

Sincerely, Tony North

LAST POST

We have been notified of the deaths of the following comrades of the 467th:

J. C. Blackford David J. Dunigan Raymond F. Gricus Leonard Hondlink Harold Kelder Joseph Sutton Hebert H. Trobaugh Jack H. Tupper

"May they go from Strength to Strength in the Life of Perfect Service in God's Heavenly Kingdom."

LOST SOULS

FANTASTIC - Not one POOP FROM GROUP of nearly 1000 mailed out was returned as not forwardable. Many of you are sending in change of address cards. Thank you. Others of you who are changing address, please notify me. It will cost you 15 cents, it will cost POOP 30 cents to have the Post Office to tell us or 30 cents per undeliverable POOP. And most importantly, we don't want to lose one of you.

ROSTER ADDITIONS

John Adams Rose Arlin -A Elmer Barndt Ben Bereskin Tom Brittan -A Frank Buettner Hap Chandler -A Wayne O. Crossan Clarence E. Diederich Edgar R. Erikson Harry J. Fabert Virgil W. Falkner Jean Fessler -A John V. Finneran Leon L. Gerbert Stephen Harlow -A Bennett M. Henderson Cleo Jansen -A James F. Kelly, Jr. Richard R. King Kenneth R. Kleinshrot Alan Last -A Gerry Merket -A Heath P. Mullis Fay E. Perkins John Potsklan Edward E. Purdy John D. Ruwey Milan Sefca -A George E. Shenefield Harold L. Smock Robert Stewart George Tormoen Raymond D. Vogel Charles E. Wells Allen S. Whitehead

Lower Burrell, PA Coconut Creek, FL Dillsburg, PA Bowie, MD Kent, England Great Bend, KS Dunwoody, GA Landerburg, PA Northlake, IL Margate, FL Cary, NC Tucson, AZ Beverly Hills, FL College Park, MD Iowa City, IA Roanoke, VA Ridge Farm, IL Hemet, CA King of Prussia, PA Canton, OH Painesville, OH Norwich, England Tyler, TX Cleveland, NC N. Richland Hills, TX Reading, PA Miles, MI Sarasota, FL Skaneateles, NY Ruskin, FL Silver Springs, MD Sacramento, CA Merritt Island, FL Clinton, IA Morrow, GA

Franklin, VA These additions bring our roster to 979. We will be printing 1100 of this POOP, last issue of 1000 was "sold out" and additional

copies had to be Xerox reproduced.

Don't let any one of the above go unwelcomed. If you live near them, give them a call, get together. Write me for their address. Start a correspondence.

A LETTER

Dear Friends of the B-24:

Once the skies were darkened with their numbers. It went to war and did more than its share in liberating people of the world. But what of today. As we all know only a handful remain where they can be seen. Some may still exist on one of the forsaken atolls of the Pacific but those known to exist are listed here as a matter of information.

LB-30 located at Harlingen, Texas

belonging to the Confederate Air Force.
B-24 located at the Air Force Museum, Dayton, Ohio, the only known D model in existence.

B-24 J located at New Delhi, India.

B-24 J located at Barksdale, LA.

B-24 J located at Liberal, KS, belongs to Dave Tallichet.

B-24 J located at Pima Air Museum, Tucson,

B-24 J located at Stowe, Mass., belonging to Bob Collings.

B-24L located at Ottawa, Canada, belonging to Canadian National Aeronautical collection. B-24L located at RAF, Cosford, Hendon,

England. B-24M located

at Lackland AFB, San Antonio, Texas.

B-24 J at Castle AFB is starting to be restored.

The aircraft at Stowe, Massachusetts, is being restored to a zero time configuration and it is planned to fly it regularly. Restoration is one third completed. Bob Collings hopes to complete the restoration in time to fly it to

the 50th Anniversary in Ft. Worth.

Dave Tallichet's "Delectable Doris" at
Liberal, Kansas needs an engine or did at the last report I had on it, so being at Fort Worth

is highly improbable.

This brings me to a project which many of you will want to help along. I speak of the Pima Air Museum B-24 J. We have asked the museum about making this aircraft a memorial to those who gave their lives while serving aboard B-24 aircraft. The proposal is to build a permanent hangar for the aircraft, give it a complete going over and make the hangar with the B-24 a memorial as stated. So a B-24 Memorial Fund had been started and I am asking each of you to bring it to the attention of your organization. If any of you are in favor of the project, donations can be made to the Pima Air Museum B-24 Memorial Fund, 8936 Calle Kuehn, Tucson, Arizona 85715. Please be sure any checks contain the notation "B-24 Memorial." In this way I can record the contribution for the unit whose member made the contribution. After recording it I will turn the checks over to the museum. Handling it in this manner will provide us with a way to keep your particular unit aware of contributions by your members and also keep us abreast of the progress being made. With so few aircraft remaining we really need to preserve those still available. As a volunteer who devotes most of his time to maintaining the B-24, I can state this aircraft is in good shape and becoming better. Those of you who have been here and whom I have escorted through the aircraft I am sure will attest to that. Those of you who plan to visit here and would like to see for yourself feel free to contact me for the opportunity to again see the inside of the aircraft. Last year 141,000 people saw this aircraft. So far this year I have shown over a hundred through it. The 394th Bomb Squadron is going ahead with this effort whether or not we have help, but the quality of the memorial depends on the support received. Thank you for taking the time to read my message and for telling your members.

Sincerely yours, Virgil L. Falkner CMS USAF (Retired)

A Letter from Ted Wheeler: Dear Phil:

This is to give you a first-hand report on how I feel about my hands-on experience in helping to restore a B-24J Liberator.

I preface this article simply by stating that I was a B-24 pilot in the 467th Bomb Group

based in Rackheath, England during WW II. In Sept. of 1987 I read a newspaper ad of upcoming air show in Manchester, N.H.

Like so many members of the 2nd ADA after WW II ended, I drifted away from the old group and cherished buddies and became a lost soul. But thanks to my decision to attend this air show, I learned about the 8th AF Historical Society, the 2nd ADA, and the 467th BGA and promptly became a member of all three.

If you are still reading this, you are probably asking "what about the B-24 restoration?" That is the frosting on the cake! While at the air show, I met and talked with members of the Escadrille and learned that they were re-building a WW II Liberator in Stow, Mass. I had to see this and be a part of it. I called Bob Collings, the owner, and visited with him at his home where the "Lib" is hangared. I can't explain the awe and nostalgia I felt as I walked around the fuselage, stepped into the bomb bays and inspected it from nose to tail. Memories swirled through my head until I could almost hear the engines droping and voices on the hear the engines droning and voices on the intercom.

I have been working since then with a great group of volunteers, mostly AAF vets, but including others who have enough personal interest and dedication to want to be a part of it. We are doing as much as we can at Stow. Every part has been stripped, disassembled, inspected, cleaned, refinished and painted.
Anything not passing inspection will be repaired or replaced. The parts that are completed look factory new. All components are being trucked to Kissimee, Fla. for final assembly. We shipped the wing, tail assembly, landing gear and superchargers last fall. The fuselage will soon be ready to go. All the gun turrets are nearly complete and in working order as is the instrument panel and flight controls. I believe the engines are to be rebuilt by G.M.C.

It is impossible to tell in this article how much has been done and remains to be done. There are already thousands of man hours invested, under the direction of Nate Mayo, of Bolton, Mass., a professional restorer of classic aircraft. Nate is a former Navy pilot.

When the plane is completely rebuilt, it will be duly inspected for flight certification by the FAA and test flown. Our goal will be to fly it to Fort Worth, Texas, for the planned 50th Anniversary Celebration (of the production of the first Liberator) in May of 1989. If this is of interest to you, try to be there to see this great old Warbird and celebrate with

The total cost of the restoration will be nearly \$1,000,000.00, even with all the volunteer labor. We are currently seeking donations to the cause and would greatly appreciate all the help we can get. If anyone would like to donate, I am suggesting \$24.00 for the "24." Send your tax deductible donations to the Collings Foundation, a nonprofit organization, River Hill Farm, Stow, Mass. 01775.

I hope many will share my enthusiasm for what will be a flying memorial to all the men and women who were involved with the Liberator during WW II in all theatres of operation.

Many thanks for publishing this article.

Cordially,

GIGOT MINCIPAL!

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614			788	A	MASSACHUSETTS GIRL		154	LOST IN RURH VALLEY (GULHS)	01 01 45
621			788	W		EX 788 I		REDZI	06 XX 45 06 XX 45
641			788		NI KA D	ELEVI M. CAMDAD		REDZI REDZI	06 XX 45
674			788	P	DUGAR BOLD VENTURE 111	FLEW NO COMBAT FY 492ND BG		CRASHED AT VOWCHURCH W/O CREW	12 25 45

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SERIAL NO.	MOD	TOT	MFR	SQD	T R	NAME REMAR		SION MBER	DISPOSITION	MO DA YR
							DV 466TH DC		REDZI BY 791ST	06 XX 45
42 50 765	J	5	FO	788	N		EX 466TH BG		REDZI	06 XX 45
816				788 791	J	SUSPECT	NO SECOND SOURCE CONFIRMATION			
				789	S	500.52.	EX 791 F		REDZI	06 XX 45
949				791	M	PFF	REPLACEMENT A/C		REDZI BY 790TH	06 XX 45
950				791	I	PFF	REPLACEMENT A/C		REDZI BY 790TH	06 XX 45
42 51 150	Н	25	DT	, 51	ī	PFF	NO MISSION RECORD W/467		TRANSFERRED TO 392ND BG (H)	
171	n	23	171	789	P	ELI SWOF, JR.	EX 492ND BG (H)	184	LOST TARGET - MAGDEBURG	03 02 45
	14	30		790			EX 453RD BG (H)		REDZI	06 XX 45
208	1-1	30		788			SUSPECT		TRANSFERRED TO 801ST BG (H)	
211 ?	1-1	30		788			SUSPECT		TRANSFERRED TO 801ST BG (H)	
42 51 280	J	1	DT	790	G	LITTLE CHUM			REDZI	06 XX 45
42 51 282 🗸	J	1	DT	788	K		EX 791 W		REDZI BY 791ST	06 11 45
289	2	1	DT	789	J		MISSIONS FROM 11 29 44 ROM		REDZI	06 10 45
42 51 354	J	5	DT	790	100000		EX 791 A MISSIONS FROM 01 05 45		REDZI	06 11 45
42 51 572	J	5	FO	790	W		CRASHED NORTH OF BOMB DUMP	151	CRASHED ON TAKE OFF	12 29 44
589	3	5	FO				NO MISSION RECORD WITH 467TH		REDZI BY 788TH	06 XX 45
665	3	10	FO	791			EX 453RD BG RECEIVED 03 18 45 PFI	F	REDZI	06 11 45
42 51 671	J	10	FO	791	S		MISSIONS FROM 11 29 44 PFF		REDZI BY 789TH	06 12 45
832 🗸	3	15	Fo	791	Z	SCHOOL DAZE	MISSIONS FROM 12 24 44 PFF		REDZI BY 790TH	06 12 45
42 52 303	Н	15	FO	790	Н	TOPPER	EX 791 U 1ST GRP A/C AT STA 145		REDZI	06 12 45
350 ✔				789	J				LAST RECORD MISSION 09 11 44	06 12 45
394				790	F	SCRAPPER	EX 791 S EX 788 S RCM		REDZI	08 03 44
424 🗸				791		JACK THE RIPPER II		89		04 22 44
445				791	D		SHOT DOWN BY INTRUDER A/C			05 08 44
. 477				791					LOST TARGET - BRUNSWICK	06 21 44
497				790		OSAGE EXPRESS	LOST ON A/C'S 37TH MISSION	60	LOST TARGET - BERLIN	06 20 44
499				789		JERILYNE SUE	EX 788 R	16	SALVAGED LOG GEAR COLLAPSED	04 29 44
506				788					LOST TARGET - BERLIN LOST TARGET - COLOGNE	10 14 44
507				789	N	MISS JUDY		The second secon	LOST TARGET - MUNICH	07 12 44
512 🗸				790	L	BAFFLING BRAT		13	(UST TARGET - PICKTOT	0. 12
517				788				60	F/L IN SWEDEN TARGET - BERLIN	06 21 44
525 🗸				789		SIX BITS	RETURNED TO ENGLAND 05 29 45	00	LOST - SEINE RIVER AREA	08 13 44
530 V				790	J		EX 791ST		CRASHED AT STALHAM, ENG.	04 11 44
531 🗸				790		DEVIL'S HOSTESS	FIRST COMBAT LOSS	2	REDZI	06 10 45
534				790	M		130 NO ABORT MISSIONS	1	CRASHED INTO SEA PRIOR TO TARGET	04 13 44
535				789		KATY	GIVEN DOLLI DIV. TAMBURDED A /C		CRASHED NEAR HARLESTON, ENG.	04 22 44
536				788	K		SHOT DOWN BY INTRUDER A/C		CRASH LANDED AT WATTON	05 08 44
.542				791	I	STINGER?	ON RETURN FROM BRUNSWICK	22	CIVELLI CELIDED III VELLICIA	
544				788		COLUMN OF A PODD	DOM	196	LOST TARGET - BERLIN	03 18 45
546				789	E	SOUTHERN CLIPPER	ROM	1,00		
548				788			LOST PRIOR TO REACHING RACKHEATH	4	CRASHED IN ATLAS MTS., NO AFR.	
554				790	_	DITTO A CARTAL	MISSION RECORD TO 09 11 44		INFO. SAYS SALVAGED AT STA. 145	
556				790			EX 788TH TARGET - MUNICH	75	FORCED LANDING SWITZERLAND	07 12 44
559				790	R		WAR WEARY AFTER 35 MISSIONS		REDZI BY ATC	07 03 44
561				790		SQUITCH CONTINUED CDOSS	TARGET - CLAUSTRES, FR THENT GE	L. 93	CRASHED ON STA. 145 ON RETURN	08 07 44
565			no.	789		SOUTHERN CROSS	IMOD! COMMINDED IN HAMAL OF	132		11 10 44
42 52 571	Н	15	FO	790					REDZI	06 12 45
590				789			EX 791 X FIRST RECORD MISSION 10 24	44	REDZ1	06 XX 45
599				791 789			EX 788 I FIRST RECORD MISSION 12 24		REDZI BY 791ST	06 10 45
621				789			CRASHED ON TRING FUT TAKE OFF		SALVAGED AT RACKHEATH	04 25 45
623				790			EX 788 S EX 489TH BG LAST MISSION 03	08 45	WAR WEARY POST 04 25 45	
737										

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SERIAL NO.	MOD	TOT	MF	R S	QD	T R	NAME	REMA		SSION MBER	DISPOSITION	MO DA YR
42 04 011	.,	20	FO	7	90	C	TOMMY THUMPER/PARTY GI	T DI	PRACTICE MISS.		CRASHED AT OLD CANTON, ENG.	01 22 45
42 94 811 √ 881 √ 907 ✓	Н	20	10			S R	TOTAL MORELY PART OF	11117	EX 449TH BG EX 791 R ABANIXMED IN AIR SUSPECT			12 29 44
910				7	100				FIRST RECORD MISSION 12 24 44		REDZI BY 791ST	06 11 45
931						H	SACK TIME		EX 445TH BG ABD IN AIR RCM	210	CRASHED AND SALVAGED IN BEL	04 07 45
943						TU	THE CHERUB		EX 790 U EX 490TH BG	210	REDZI BY 789TH	06 10 45
963						N	THE CHEROB		EX 788 E TARGET GEROLSTEIN	147	CRASHED IN BELGUIM	12 25 44
986						W	THREE STAR SPECIAL		EX 789 R EX 492ND BG		REDZI	06 XX 45
988					00	"	HARD TO GET		NO MISSION RECORD W/467TH		SALVAGED AT 446TH BG	08 06 44
4295 004	-			7	189	P	Maio 10 GB.		FIRST RECORD MISSION 11 29 44		REDZI	06 10 45
42 95 032		25	FC			F			EX 789 X ? FIRST RECORD MISSION 08 11	1 44	REDZI	06 10 45
054	11	23	10		0)	•			SUSPECT		TRANSFERRED TO 801ST BG (P)	
057				7	790	Α	ANGEL		EX 788 A ROM		REDZI	06 10 45
073 🗸						F			EX 453RD BG RECEIVED 04 18 45		REDZI BY 791ST	06 11 45
079									SUSPECT		TRANSFERRED TO 392ND BG	
080	~.			7	790	V	SUPER WOLF		ROM A/C ON 92ND MISSION	173	CRASHED AT VALTHE, NETH.	02 16 45
094					790		LEADING LADY		F/L BRUSSELS 12 25 44		SALVAGED ON CONTINENT	12 30 44
115 🗸						Т			EX 791 T EX 402MD BG RCM	115	CRASHED ON TAKE OFF	12 29 44
154						E			EX 791 G 1ST RECORD MISSION 12 04 44		REDZI	06 10 45
162						U	PERILS OF PAULINE		A/C ON 34TH MISSION		LOST TARGET - BRUNSWICK	08 05 44
187 ✔				7	788	U			EX 789 U		REDZI BY 789TH	06 10 45
201						E	STINKER/SAUCY PANTS		EX 791 M RCM		REDZI BY 791ST	06 10 45
220 🗸						K			EX 492ND BG W/491ST BG 09 16 44		LOST TARGET - GEROLSTEIN	12 25 44
224 ✔						C	LONELY HEART		EX 789 C LOST NOSE, REPAIRED		REDZI	06 12 45
42 95 231	Н	25	FC) 7	788				SUSPECT		TRANSFERRED TO 801ST BG (P)	
234						В			EX 492ND BG RCM		REDZI	06 XX 45
237 ✔				7	790	U	NORMANDY QUEEN		EX 791 U F/L IN FR 06 12 44		REDZI	06 10 45
273				7	790				EX 445TH BG TAXY COLLISION W/465		SALVAGED AT RACKHEATH	12 04 44
42 95 293	Н	30	FY)					SUSPECT NO 2ND SOURCE CONFIRMATION		LOST W/392ND BG	11 04 44
394									SUSPECT NO 2ND SOURCE CONFIRMATION			OF 25 45
42 99 971	, 3		6		791		BATTIJIN' BABY		EX 448TH & 458TH BGS		SALVAGED AT WATTON 3SAD	05 25 45
42 110 159		14	0 0	0	789	A	PAPPY'S YOKUM		EX 491ST BG		LAST RECORD MISSION 03 21 45	06 12 45
168	2	14	0 0	0	789	K	THE PERFECT LADY/OLD	I RON I			REDZI	06 02 45
171	2	17	0 0	0	790	X	PROWILER		EX 492ND BG 99 MISSIONS RCM		SALVAGED AFTER IN FLIGHT FIRE	06 02 44
173 🕶			0 0				SACK TIME		EX 491ST BG OPERATIONAL OMGD		SALVAGED BY 3 SAD FIELD ENGRG	06 29 44
187 🗸			0 0			U			EX 491ST BG	6/	CAT 'E' AFTER ASCHERSLEBEN, GR	06 10 45
44 10 488		55 55	C		789	В	MASSICON TIGER				REDZ I REDZ I	06 10 45
502✔						Н			THE BOLL OF LIP AND DURING	121	SALVAGED AT WOODBRIDGE, ENG.	11 09 44
44 10 541	J	60	C		789	IJ	(me mum)		EX 791K C/L'D AND BURNED	131	REDZI	06 10 45
552	, 3	60			790		(NO NAME)		EV 700 1		REDZI REDZI	06 10 45
44 10 596	J	65	6.		790	William III			EX 788 J		REDZ1	06 12 45
598 ✔	2	65			789	L			EX 791 J		REDZI	06 XX 45
600 ₩		65			788	E			FT: 401 GT PG 2		REDZI	06 17 49
601		65			788	A	ROSALYN		EX 491ST BG ?		CRASH LANDED AT ATTLEBRIDGE	12 29 4
607 ✔		70			789	C	(NO NAME)		BADLY DAMAGED ON TAKE OFF		CRASHED IN SEA OFF YARMOUTH	02 17 45
44 40 068		145	. 0		788	K	UMBRIAGO		EX 492ND BG F/L AT BRUSSELS		STRAFED AND BURNED AT BRUSSELS	01 01 4
070 🗸		145			790 788	F	MADEMOISELLE ZIG ZIG THAT'S ALL BROTHER		EX 492ND BG		REDZI	0€ 10 4
120 🗸	Service of the servic	14		200 M		X	HERE IN THE PROPERTY OF THE P		MOST (38) MISSIONS IN 492ND BG		REDZI SUSPECT NO ORDER FOUND	06 XX 4
131		14			789	N	(NO NAME) ALICE		EX 492ND BG		REDZI	06 XX 4
140				C. (17)	788 788	J			EX 492ND BG		REDZI	06 XX 4
44 40 155 V 166 V		150			788	1,	FEUDIN WAGON MONSTER		EX 492ND IRISHMAN'S SHANTY		REDZI SUSPECT NO ORDER FOUND	06 XX 4
211	1 3		0 6		788 788	M	MATERIAN		EX 492ND BG RCM DOULP'D		REDZI	06 XX 4
44 40 465 V			5 C		790	Y			EX 491ST BG TAXI COLLISION W/273		SALVAGED AT RACKHEATH	12 04 4
44 40 463 \$	1 -		5 0		700	I			EX 491ST BG		LAST RECORD MISSION 11 04 44	

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SER	IAL NO.	MOD	TOT	MFR	SQD	T N	IAME			REMA	ARKS		MISSION NUMBER	DISPOSITION	MO DA YR
44	40 016-1		20	PO.	788	s	GINNIE				EX 453RD B	FFF EQUIPPED		REDZI	06 XX 45
44	48 816		20	FO	791	L	LUCKY LEVE	N (ATW	YS A	WINN				REDZI	06 10 45
	820				791	E	CACKI GEVE	A (Made	no n	***************************************	LAST RECOR	MISSION 01 05 45	5	SALVAGED AT RACKHEATH	01 24 45
	852				791	K						PFF EQUIPPED		REDZI BY 788TH	06 XX 45
	860				791	В					PFF EQUIPP			REDZI BY 789TH	06 10 45
	865				. 31	-						2ND SOURCE CONFIL	RMATION		
44	49 340	L	5	FO	791	G					EX 466TH B			REDZI BY 788TH	06 XX 45
	513			Fo	791	N					PFF EQUIPP	ED		REDZI	06 12 45
	591			Fo	791	Н					PFF EQUIPP			REDZI	06 11 45
	610		10	- marin	791						COLLAPSED	NOSE WHEEL OFF R/V	W	SALVAGED AT RACKHEATH	03 24 45
44	50 156		20		791	T					PFF EQUIPP	ED		REDZI	06 11 45
	250 ✔		20		791	E					PFF EQUIPP	ED		REDZI	06 12 45
44	50 325 √		1	FO	791	J					PFF EQUIPP	ED ·		REDZI BY 788TH	06 XX 45
	342 ✔		1	Fo	791						NO MISSION	S PFF EQUIPPED		REDZI	06 XX 45
44	50 482 ₩	M	5	FO	790	P								REDZI BY 791ST	06 11 45
	573 V	1 M	5	Fo	789	L								REDZI	06 12 45
44	50 668	M	10	FO	791	K	P'NOACH					S PFF EQUIPPED		REDZI BY 790TH	06 12 45
	674 v	, M	10		791	P						S PFF EQUIPPED		REDZI BY 789TH	06 12 45
	704	M	10	Fo	789	V					EX 453RD B	G NO MISSIONS W/4	67TH	REDZI BY 791ST	06 11 45
							. 10	ONCI	us r m r r	oc.					
MIS	SION				4.00		A/C		ALTIE	M	AIRCRAFT N	ns.	REMARKS		
NUM	BER MC	DA YR		TARC	SET		TECLI	K	W	PI	AINCIVAL! IN				
					IDDOT F	DENI	1	7	3	0	53) (SOUTH	ERN CLIPPER)?	CRASHED AT ST	ALHAM, ENG. ON RETURN FROM	MISSION.
	TAKE THE PERSON NAMED IN COLUMN	1 11 44			HERST.E		1	0	o	10	535		PROBABLY LOST	PRIOR TO REACHING TARGET	
		1 13 44			HFELD,	GK.	2	17	4	0	445, 536		CRASHED AT/NE	AR BASE, SHOT DOWN BY INTRU	JDER A/C?
		22 44			M, GR.	D	3	0	0	32	506, 730,	749	788TH CO. AND	GRP BOMBARDIER IN MIAS	
		4 29 44			LIN, G		3	1	5	10	477, 542		542 CRASH LAN	IDED AT WATTON, CATEGORY "E"	
2		5 08 44			NSWICK		1	0	0	10	354 (MESSI	E BESSIE?)	FORCE LANDING	AT GENEVA, SWITZERLAND.	
		5 11 44			NAL, F OW, GR		î	0	0	10	450		LOST AFTER AT	TACKING TARGET.	
		5 29 44			RGES,		i	0	0	0	445 (ALSO	RAN)	CATEGORY "E"	AFTER LOG GEAR COLLAPSED OF	N RETURN.
		6 08 44 6 21 44			LIN, G		2	0	0	18	497, 525		525 LANDED IN	SWEDEN, RETURNED TO ENG.	05 29 44.
		6 29 44			HERSLE		ī	0	0	10	0187		LOST AFTER BO	MBING TARGET.	o /r am Happallov
		7 11 44			ICH, G		2	2	8	10	368, 695		ON RETURN, 36	58 CRASHED IN NO. SEA, 695	DENOU MADGET
		7 12 44			ICH, G		2	0	0	18	512, 559 (MISS FORTUNE)	559 LANDED IN	SWITZ. ONE OF A/C DID NOT	REACH TARGET.
		8 03 44			LE, FR		1	4	4	0	424 (JACK	THE RIPPER II)	CRASHED AT M	ANSTON A/F ON RETURN FROM M	ISSICN.
		8 05 44			NSWICK		2	0	0	19	162, 363		ONE A/C LOST	PRIOR TO TARGET, ONE A/C A	INC WILBERT
		8 06 44			BURG,		2	0	0	19	373, 421		LOST AFTER BO	OMBING TARGET, 421 - WAULOW	ON WIGHERT
-		8 07 44		CLA	USTERS	FR.	1	8	1	0		IERN CROSS)	CRASHED ON S	TATION ON RETURN FROM MISSI O I.P., DIRECT FLAK BURST I	N ROMB BAY.
		8 13 44		SEI	NE RIV	ER, FR	. 1	0	0	10	530 (BUGS	BUNNY)	LOST PRIOR TO	C DISPATCHED DID NOT REACH	TARGET
10		8 16 44		MAG	DEBURG	G, GR.	1	0	0	10	481		ONE OF 34 A/	IRBY BEDON ON RETURN FROM M	ISSION.
10		8 18 44		WOI	PPY, F	FR.	1	4	5	0		AND HIGH)	CRASHED AT K	AT BELTON/SUFFOLK CATEGORY	E.
		8 25 44	1	LUB	ECK, C	GR.	1	0	3	0	420		CRASH LANDED	D A/C POSSIBLY LOST PRIOR T	O TARGET.
1	19 1	0 14 44	1	COI.	OGNE,	GR.	1	0	0		507 (MISS			OMBING TARGET.	
		1 10 44		HAN	IAU, GI	R.	1	0	0	9	571 (SNOOT		CDENT FCC 675	(BOLD VENTURE III) CRASHED	AT VOWCHURCH.
14	47 1	2 25 44	4	GEF	OLSTE!	IN, GR.	3	2	2	14	220, 675,		115 572 CRA	SHED ON T.O., 607 C/L ATTLE	EBRIDGE, 882 ABOU.
15	51 1	2 29 44	1	PRL	M, GR		4	15	4	0	115, 572,	GUI, 882	LOST TO RUHR	, VALLEY FLAK AFTER TARGET.	
		01 01 45	5		S, GR		1	0	0	10		ACHUSETTS GIRL?)	LOST AFTER B	OMBING TARGET - A/C ON 92ND	MISSION.
1	73 (2 16 45	5		IABRUCI		1	0	0	9			CRASHED INTO	SEA OFF GREAT YARMOUTH, EN	GLAND.
		2 17 45			CALLED		1	0	0	9			BOMBED TARGE	T COLLIDED (IN AIR?) WITH >	OXX?
18		3 02 45				G, GR.	1	0	0	9		SWOF, JR.)	BOMBED TARGE	T DITCHED OFF CROMER, ENGL	AND.
		3 04 45				T, GR.	1	7	0				599 ABANDONE	D OVER SOVIET-HELD TERRITOR	RY.
		3 18 45			RLIN,		2	0	0				A/C ABANDONE	D IN AIR BY CREW OVER FRANK	CE.
2	10 (04 07 45	5	KRI	IMMEL,	GR.	1	0	0	U	931				

TREASURER'S REPORT			
Cash on Hand 03-15-88		\$7	,595.71
Donations Colorado Spi	rings		392.00
Other			103.50
Interest			120.82
Commemorative Plate Sa.	les		50.00
	b Total	\$ 8	, 262.03
Expenses:			
Poop From Group		S	629.05
US Postal Service			
- Bulk Permit	100.00		
- Bulk Mailing	181.37		
Secretarial/Computer	156.33		
Reproduction	191.35		
Other:		\$	167.23
US Postal Service			
- Stamps	50.00		
Commemorative Paintin	ng		
- Colorado Springs	62.40		
Day Room Expenses			
- Colorado Springs	49.83		
UPS - Commemorative			
Plates	5.00		
Cash on Hand 07-15-88	Legisland of S	s7	.465.75

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\$7,465.75

Effective July 1, 1988, the above amount is designated:

Group Mail - Memorial Fund \$2,465.75 The Albert Joseph Shower Endowment Fund \$5,000.00

GROUP MEMORIALS

One of the stated purposes, in its Charter and Articles of Incorporation, of the FOUR HUNDRED SIXTY-SEVENTH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (HEAVY) ASSOCIATION, LTD. is the remembrance of the Group's wartime activities and of those who gave their lives while assigned or attached to the Group when in England. Our Group has participated in many memorial activities to this end, either by your direct participation by donation to them or by disbursement to them from the Group mail-memorial funds through the last several years.

The Group Association has no dues. Everyone who was assigned or attached to the Group from Herrington, Kansas through Return to the Zone of the Interior is a member. Anyone, who expresses the desire to be, can become a non-veteran associate. We do request your donations, we accept them gratefully, we acknowledge faithfully. From your donations and from surpluses generated at our Dayton and Shreveport conventions and from other sources we have accomplished many things to perpetuate the 467th and our comrades of that time for posterity.

Other sources of memorial income should be detailed. Some (I hope I have not forgotten

any) were/are:

"The 467th Bomb Group History, September 1943-June 1945", originally published by its author, Allen Healy (Deceased), in 1947, has by his permission been reprinted twice under the sponsorship of Vincent D. LaRussa. Copies of the second reprinting are available (See PX Section). Several of our Group, without guarantee of reimbursement, made possible the first and second reprintings. I don't know who they were, but we need to make it known that we thank them. The first reprinting group has been reimbursed, the second reprinting group is being repaid as funds are available. The Group Memorial Fund has received substantial funds from the first reprinting. As the participants in the second are repaid, additional funds will be available to the Group's Memorial Fund. Thank you so very much, Vince LaRussa, for your diligence and hard work in this effort.

Vince was also responsible for our 467th-2nd Air Division Association patch, sold out now, that also contributed substantial monies to our Memorial Fund.

Carl Epting, Jr. had the art work done for our Group plaque. Printed by my friend Robert Harwell, the purchase by you of this fine addition to our memorabilia allowed all income

save postage to go to the Memorial Fund.

Jeff Gregory has sent us the profit from the sale of the caps he had made and sold at conventions and through our PX section. The enameled metal Group and Squadron pins offered to you through POOP returned a fair profit as did Jim Coffey's mounted pieces of the Rackheath runway offered through POOP FROM

What have we done with Memorial Funds?

believe it goes like this.

1. Painting of "Witchcraft", sponsored by George Dong, is displayed at the San Diego Aero-Space Museum, San Diego, CA.

2. Painting of "Witchcraft", donated by the Fred Jansen family, is displayed at the Air

Force Academy, Colorado Springs, CO.

3. Memorial Plaque and Tree at the Air Force Museum, Wright Patterson AFB, Dayton, OH.

4. Memorial Plaque at Holy Trinity Church, Rackheath, Norfolk, England.
5. Memorial Bench at Holy Trinity Church,

Rackheath, Norfolk, England.

6. Memorial Gates, sponsored by the James G. Coffey crew, at Holy Trinity Church, Rackheath, Norfolk, England.

7. Calligraphic ROLL OF HONOR at Holy Trinity Church, Rackheath, Norfolk, England.

8. Book-Roster of Personnel of the 467th (incomplete in content) at Holy Trinity Church, Rackheath, Norfolk, England.

9. Book-Roster of Personnel of the 467th (incomplete in content) in Memorial Library Room, Norwich Library, Norwich, Norfolk, England.

10. Adam Soccio Memorial (Video) Tapes, sponsored by Andy Kapi, Jr., in the Second Air Division Association film/video library administered by H. C. (Pete) Henry.

11. One thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) to the Eighth Air Force Museum Volunteers, Inc.

12. Two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) The Mighty Eighth Air Force Band" discretionary fund.

13. Four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00) to a perpetual endowment fund, administered by the Board of Governors, Memorial Library Trust, the interest from which is dedicated to purchase of additional books for the Norwich Library, nearly 100 since 1983, each acknowledged by dedication plaque to be of/from the 467th Bombardment Group.

14. Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) toward the original (1984?) renovation of the Memorial Library Room. Our Group is honored that the photographic backdrop to the whole of the room

is of the 467th.

15. The series of reproductions of the most important papers of our nation, from Declaration of Independence to the surrender papers of Japan at the end of World War Two sponsored by Jeff Gregory, donated by The City of Garland, Texas, are displayed in the Memorial Library Room.

16. Five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00), titled The Albert Joseph Shower Endowment Fund, has been set aside for further memorial activities. Administered by the Board of Directors of the 467th Bombardment Group (Heavy) Association, Ltd., this fund's monies will be dispersed at their direction to worthy and worthwhile projects as are brought to their attention and approved. Donations can be made to, and will be acknowledged, by this fund.

There are some I may have not have written of here, I apologize for my oversight. But what is listed above, is, in my opinion, very impressive. Gentlemen, and associates, be very proud of yourselves. I am proud for you and to

be one of you.

At Colorado Springs some ole boys were, overheard by me in passing, discussing being COPILOTS on B-24s and as I was the best (modestly), I sidled over to them to put in my two cents worth and we enjoyed ourselves and our remembrances very much, we had had some liberal libations.

Anyway, by kind of common consent we organized, I think we decided upon Organization of Professional B-24 COPILOTS but I've changed it to the above because I'm writing this. I believe Lyle Prichard was named President, or was it Floyd "Puff" Pugh and "Puff" was named Vice-President, or was it Lyle, and I became Secretary-Treasurer, or at least I was until one of the Dzenowagis videos captioned me pilot and the two of them had to be persuaded to keep me on. My argument, and we agreed, we were all pilots but not all of us were COPILOTS.

What we discovered was that our pilots, Aircraft Commanders as they somehow became

referred to, were completely helpless.

They could not read or write. If they could, why did we have to take notes at briefings, fill out the formation sheets, sign for escape kits and rations, fill our the Forms

l and 1-A before and after a flight, etc.

And they didn't know how to fly. They could take off and land, but above 100-200 feet they didn't know what to do. We each remembered, that after we had done all the preflight checks, run-ups and positioning on the runway for takeoff, they drove the A/C down the runway but that the COPILOT took over flying as soon as he retracted the gear, and sooner if the ceiling was down to the ground. Landingssame thing. The COPILOT would fly the let down, get in the landing circuit, set everything up through final approach and then they'd say "I'll take it."

Formating? If our position was to the left of another plane, they couldn't fly cross cockpit, so "You keep it." If we were flying to the right of someone it was "You keep if, you need the cross cockpit experience.

from takeoff to landing it was all COPILOT.
And at interrogation, "Ask the COPILOT. I was too busy " and at critique they would bask in the praises of Colonel Shower for their sharp flying, formating, time and altitude precision, while the COPILOT's right arm throbbed from flying the big mother for fourfive-seven-nine hours.

And training. How did they get to be Aircraft Commanders, without the skills, the knowledge of the responsibilities of a COPILOT, gained in hours of instruction, study and tests, Tech Orders, Information Files, cockpit blindfold test, use of the Load Adjuster Rule, emergency procedures, checklist procedure, takeoffs and landings from the right (COPILOT's) seat; and flying for him on training flights after he had made the take off, and

down to the landing flare out.

To qualify for membership in this organization of select pilots, COPILOTS, submit

the following:

- 1. List by name and cockpit position the thirty-one dial faces monitored continuously by the COPILOT while the Aircraft Commander lolled or dozed in his seat.
- 2. Describe the placement and function of the one hundred fourteen toggle switches that were handled so dexterously by Professional COPILOTS.
- 3. An alpha list of COPILOT duties, minimum of twenty-five required, examples Gunnery Officer, Pilotage Navigator (Navigator slept most of the time also), Engineering Officer,
- 4. Submit a sketch, multi-colored pre-ferred, of the Fuel Flow System and Fuel Transfer System including detail of how to operate the very reliable fuel gauges.

5. Describe a COPILOT technique/innovation you employed. One of mine, acquired from Ted McGuire of the 93rd, was to pull the mixture controls to idle cut-off on landing roll. Four dead engines - four windmilling props would stop you in a hurry. But it took the skill and expertise of a COPILOT to get the engines running again before the prop's stopped. Not SOP but it worked great.

One other requirement. You can have flown as pilot on one or more occasions, but you must not ever have been an Aircraft Commander on a B-24, this is an automatic disqualification. Certify the above with your application.

Any questions, comments, suggestions, antidotes, or additional information, contact "The Reluctant COPILOT" care of the 467th Bombardment Group (Heavy) Association, Ltd.

Now I hope you would know the above is (mostly) in jest. My PILOT, AIRCRAFT COMMANDER,

was William A. Johnston, a fine gentleman, an excellent pilot, an ex-flight engineer on LB-30s, knew the airplane inside and out as no other of my acquaintance. A quiet but humorous man, extremely loyal to us, his crew, and we to him. That is why I never checked out when offered the opportunity, Bill and his crew, including me, were the best and I wouldn't leave them. Many of you felt the same way about "your" crew I know.

Bill died in 1977, a Lt. Colonel, USAFR. A building at Travis Air Force Base, CA is named in his honor for his contribution to improvement of air transport during Vietnam.

God love him.

THE EIGHTH AIR FORCE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

14th Annual Reunion will be held in Des Moines, IA from October 12 through October 16, 1988. I am not conversant with the total activities but it begins with a golf tournament, then two days of unit activities, a general membership banquet/membership meeting on Saturday and Memorial Services Sunday. For further information, contact:

Lewis E. Lyle, 8th AF Reunion Coordinator 207 Ridge One Hot Springs, AR 71901

11 July 1988

Dear Phillip and Miss Cille,

Now that we have returned home can we take this opportunity to express our sincere thanks to you and all the 467th for the great kindness, friendship and hospitality which you extended to Jean and I at Colorado Springs, we both really felt that we were "back home" with friends. As always we were deeply touched to attend the Mini-Reunion as "your Honorary Member", a privilege I will treasure all my life and beyond. The Dinner and all other meetings were great fun and you have left us with so many wonderful and happy memories, especially the showing of the outstanding films by the Dzenowagis family, they are truly recording history as it should be done.

Last night I passed on your best wishes at the Parish Council Meeting together with the good news of your return to Rackheath in 1990, which is great news indeed. Thank you also for your response to the idea to build a room onto the Community Centre and to name it after Colonel Albert Shower and I will keep you posted as to our progress on the fund raising

d and plans. So, dear friends of the 467th, once again our heartfelt thanks to you all for such a happy and memorable Convention, we are indeed fortunate to know you and have you as our

friends.

Yours sincerely, Jean and David Hastings. "The 467th BOMBARDMENT GROUP, SEPTEMBER 1943-JUNE 1945", second reprinting. This Allen Healy authored story of the history of the Group is available from Vincent D. LaRussa, 97 Grayton Road, Tonawanda, NY 14150, for \$30 per copy. Primarily a pictorial history, this is the story of our Group in the air war over Europe. A must for every veteran or associate.

COMMEMORATIVE PLATES from Convention '87, an 8" diameter plate, the front side in twelve colors showing the Group, Squadron and ancillary units' emblems surrounded by 212 gold bombs, all surrounding a B-24 superimposed over a map of Europe (See Poop For Group, Vol. 6, No. 3). Shipped UPS or USPS prepaid, guaranteed money back offer.

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GROUP IDENTIFICATION CAP offered by Lloyd Haug, 3115 Benjamin St., NE, Minneapolis, MN 55418. These are one size fits all, mesh sided, several basic color caps, the front bearing an emblem with Second Air Division lettered over a O.D.B-24 with Group tail markings and further identified as 467th Bomb Group. This cap is the only one now offered with Group approval. Send \$6 for each you want to Lloyd.

FACES OF THE 2ND AIR DIVISION is a special television documentary, now available for home viewing. This 55-minute color video production is a compilation of excerpts from interviews of 2nd ADA members, voice-over narration, war footage, and music, and is available on one-half inch VHS. A limited edition of FACES OF THE 2ND AIR DIVISION was released on June 24.

The focus of Faces...which is unlike any other military history video production, is representative of men and women who served in the Second Air Division 8th USAAF in WW II. A graphic picture is presented of these men and women through their reflections on, and

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feelings about, the extraordinary experience of WW II, what they did in that war, what the war did for/to them. Thirty-two men and women veterans of the 2nd Air Division look back on events they lived through almost a half century ago and talk about those memories that won't go away - memories of missions - first ones, unusual ones, most dangerous ones - of the heavy responsibilities of the ground crews, of funny things that happened, of life on the bases in England, of the work of the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps. And they evaluate those experiences from the vantage of years of living. Included in the documentary are former aerial gunners, headquarters staff, support personnel, ground crew, pilots, navigators, bombardiers, radio operators, engineers, and also the reminiscences of two friends from England.

FACES OF THE 2ND AIR DIVISION is part of the Military History Project of the 467th Bomb Group and is based on The Chicago Tapes which are 34 interviews, each from 15-50 minutes long, unedited, compiled into seven 2-hour tapes. The Chicago Tapes were the first video production of the Military History Project; they have been donated to the 2nd Air Division Memorial Room in the Norwich Library and represent the beginning of a video military history resource center there.

FACES OF THE 2ND AIR DIVISION may be purchased for \$39.50 (postage is included) by check or money order made payable to J. Dzenowagis, P. O. Box 421, Okemos, MI 48864. Proceeds from the sale of FACES OF THE 2ND AIR DIVISION will help support ongoing projects and the future donations of history videotapes and related documentaries about 2nd ADA veterans to the 2nd Air Division Memorial Room in Norwich, as well as to other institutions with holdings of military history data. The Chicago Tapes are also available for purchase and anyone wishing further information on these videotapes may contact J. Dzenowagis at the above address.

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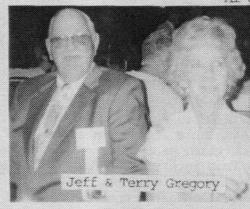




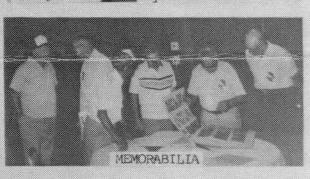




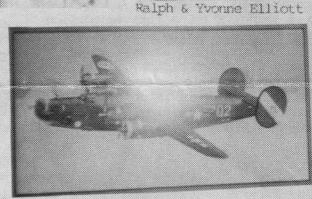


















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