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IMPORTANT: This report will be compiled by each Army Air Force organization within 48 hours of the time personnel are officially reported missing.

1. ORGANIZATION: Location Spinzola, Italy Command or AF XV AF
 Group 460th Bomb Gp (H) AAF Squadron 761st Bomb Sq (H)
2. SPECIFY: Point of Departure Spinzola, Italy Course As Briefed
 Target Vienna Type of Mission Bombing
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF LOSS & LAST REPORTED:
Clouds and visibility unlimited
4. TIME: (a) Date 16 June 1944 Time 10:35 Location Approx. 49°10' N. 16° 30' E.
 (b) Specify Method: (X) Lost by Radar () Lost Contacted by Radio
 () Radar Contacted () Seen to Crash or
 () Information not available.
5. AIRCRAFT (S) LOSS, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF: (Check only one)
 () Enemy aircraft (X) Enemy anti-aircraft () Other circumstances as follows: _____
6. AIRCRAFT: Type, Model & Series B24H Serial No 41-29508
7. ENGINES: Type, Model & Series R-1830-65 Serial No (a) RP-431174
 (b) RP-431043 (c) RP-430874 (d) RP-430934
8. INSTALLED WEAPONS: (Parish below Make, Type, and Serial Number) Browning .50 Cal.
 (a) Right nose 980226 (b) Left Ball 941130 Automatic machine guns
 (c) Left nose 990281 (d) Right waist 941474
 (e) Right Martin 988989 (f) Left waist 990188
 (g) Left Martin 989697 (h) Right tail 989093
 (i) Right Ball 943572 (j) Left tail 989753
9. PERSONNEL LISTED BELOW REPORTED AS: (X) Single Casualty () Non-Battle Cas.
10. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 10 Passengers 0 Total 10
 (Standard with "Pilot" heading and include particulars; if more than 12 persons were aboard list similar particulars on separate sheet and attach to this form)

NAME IN FULL (Last Name First)	RANK	SERIAL NO	NEAREST OF KIN, RELATION & IP, and ADDRESS
K/A 1. <u>PILOT SMITH, FREDERICK B.</u> * 371	1st Lt.	0663193	Mrs Elizabeth A. Smith (wife) 0
EVS 2. Co-Pilot <u>MANSDORF, HARRY (NMI)</u> * 16712/1	2nd Lt.	3122687	Mrs Sadie Mansdorf (Mother) 0
K/A 3. <u>Nav. BUDRINAS, BRONISLAUS (NMI)</u> ✓	2nd Lt.	0691716	Mrs Paul Budrinas (Mother) 0
EVS 4. <u>Bochr. SCHWARTZ, JOHN (NMI)</u> ✓	2nd Lt.	0685032	Mr. August Schwartz (Father) RTD
EVS 5. <u>Engineer WILSON, Herbert A.</u> ✓	T/Sgt	35321726	Mr. Herbert A. Wilson (Father) RTD
K/A 6. <u>Asst Eng. SUMMERS, John W.</u> ✓	T/Sgt	34507831	Mrs Madine D. Summers (Wife)
K/A 7. <u>Radio Op. REDFORD, Edward W.</u> ✓ 371	T/Sgt.	37499591	Mrs. Marjorie Redford (wife)
K/A 8. <u>Asst Radio Op CARTER, Weldon B.</u> ✓ 371	Sgt.	31282314	Mrs Eda L. Carter (wife)
			11 A Phinney St., South Portland Maine.

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Incl #1 (See Reverse Side)

REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFT

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT

WAS SHOT DOWN: 16 June 1944 at 11:10 o'clock

PLACE OF CRASH: 2 kms South Goetsendorf, District Bruck on the Leitha.

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: Liberator G-24-H

REPORTING OFFICE: Flie-er's Air Base Headquarters A (O) 3/XVII - Parsdorf - Goetsendorf
16 June 1944 at 17:00 o'clock..

CR:

SURNAME, AND Schwartz,
FIRST NAME: John

DATE OF BIRTH:

RANK: 2nd Lt.

SERIAL NUMBER: O-686 032 - T-63-43-AC

CAPTURED: WOUNDED: Burned - 1st and 2nd DEGREE

DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP: 2nd degree burns TYPE OF INJURY:

GRAVE LOCATION:

REMARKS:

Captured at Goetsendorf, District Bruck on the Leitha.
Prisoner of War Hospital Kaisersteinbruck, on the Leitha, will when
able to be transported, be delivered to Air Force Personnel Hospital,
Vienna.

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

File # 6095

Name of crew member: **MANSDORF, Harry (M1)**
 Rank: **2nd Lt.**
 Serial number: **T 122587**
 Position: Crew (Bomber) of ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~: **Co-Pilot**

Did he bail out? The ship was hit as it turned away from the target, I saw fire and tank

Where? an extinguisher and open the flight deck door. The flames forced me back and with difficulty, I shut the door—burned hands—I reported to Pilot and CO-pilot. Put on chute and If not, why not? prepared to leave ship by upper hatch, closely followed by Mansdorff, co-pilot. Was out to hips when I lost consciousness. Do not know how Mansdorff finally left. Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane:

Have had long letters from Lt. Schwartz but have written to Mansdorff but never received a direct answer. Was ordered to leave ship by pilot and co-pilot—last words. Both were O.K.

Was he injured? at that time. No evidence of any injury whatsoever.

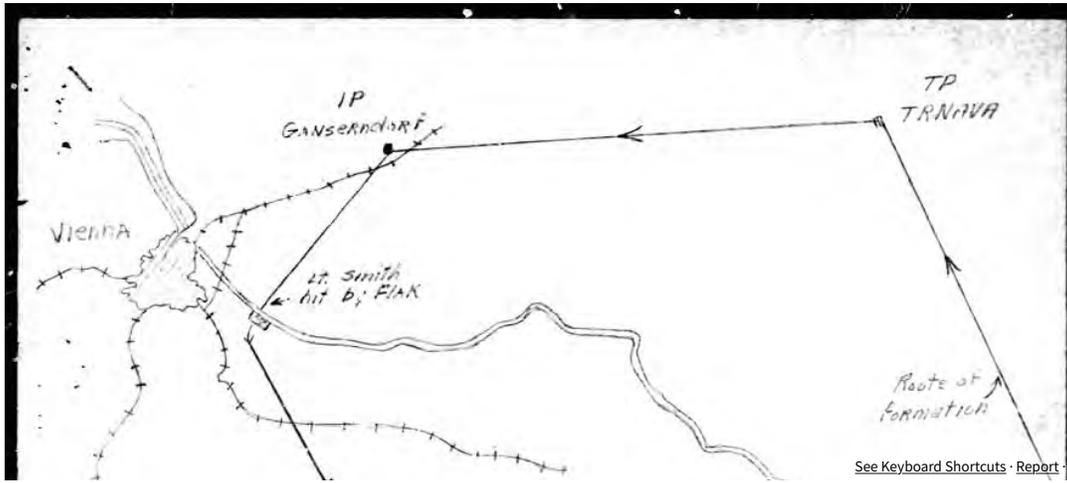
Where was he when last seen? On the flight deck with me ready to leave ship.

Any hearsay information: Apparently, Mansdorff fell out of the ship when it broke up,

as the boys in other ships told me in POW the ship blew up.

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: _____



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