

8TH AIR FORCE



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German Registration MACR No. KU 1424	3785	Service No.	Rank	Name	Duty	
Date	9 April 1944	0-666436	1st Lt.	Racener, Ernest L.	Pilot	POW
Type of Aircraft	B-17 G	0-753993	2nd Lt.	Freeman, Clyde C. Jr.	Co-Pilot	POW
Serial No.	42 - 39974	0-692451	2nd Lt.	Wagner, Arthur F.	Navigator	POW
Group/Squadron	452 BG/731 BS	0-682087	2nd Lt.	Dukes, Harry H. Jr.	Bombardier	POW
"Punchboard" Code Letters/Markings	"P" - Black "L" in white square	12016336	T/Sgt.	Carlson, Robert O.	Top Turret Gunner	POW
Mission/No.	Bombing	32511213	S/Sgt.	Rosenberg, Herbert M.	Right Waist Gunner	POW
Target	Poznan	14161910	T/Sgt.	Garrett, Charles S.	Radio Op.	POW
AF Station	Deopham Green, Norfolk. 142	32546818	S/Sgt.	Hazelton, Robert C.	Left Waist Gunner	POW
Location of Crash: Forced landing at		18052486	S/Sgt.	Wilson, Vernice R.	Ball Turret Gunner	POW
1601 hours at Copenhagen Vaerloese Airfield. Crew of ten uninjured and		17129568	S/Sgt.	Cook, Charles E.	Tail Gunner	POW
taken prisoner. Statement: 42-39974 last sighted		Danish Civil Defence Report:				
at approx. 1500 hours at approx. 54°35'N/ 12°00'E by 1st Lt. Paul F. Maruska (0-1011493).		Heavy 4-engined aircraft firing flares passed low over Koege Harbour at 1540 hours heading for Copenhagen. Code letters "LV" on tailplane.				
Aircraft appeared undamaged. It was		1555 hours: American Flying Fortress shot at by flak at				
painted in Luftwaffe colours and markings subsequently and taken into use by the		Vaerloese Airfield. Aircraft forced to land by Major Walter				
Luftwaffe.		Barte, Commander of III./NJG 3				

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