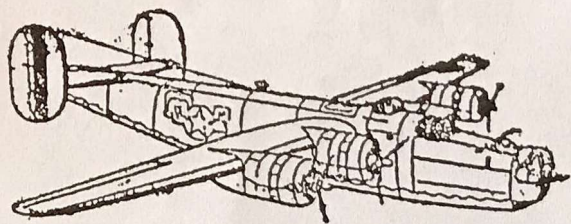


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10 March 2000

Dear Mrs. Lorraine Truslow,

In this afternoon's mail was a letter from Ruth Davis-Morse advising me that I had erred in reporting the folded wings for your husband, Wallace. I am so sorry that you and all of us have lost another great 44ther. All too many of these fine gentlemen are leaving us, with that fact being reported in the Folded Wing portion of 8 Ball Tails.

I spend many hours researching each one of these men to do the best I can to get the facts straight for all of them, but I do make errors. Even one error is too many.

So I immediately went to my computer history program to look for the source of this error, and again found the listing credited to Wallace to be 30. It didn't take long to find the missing missions when I scanned the listing of names. The data entry team had misspelled his name, right in the middle of his missions. There were a string of missions from 10 Dec. 44 to 22 Feb. 45 with his name spelled as Trullow, accounting for the difference.

I will enclose the listings for your records as well as a few of the sortie reports which, to me, appears to answer the question of his occupation. In every case Wallace is shown as a gunner, was ball, to waist to nose turret. He was an "enlisted man", but every Navigator is an officer. I do not know how you learned that he was a navigator, but it appears to be in error.

I read when Ruth suggested that you might want to complete one of our bio forms in order to provide us with much more data about Wallace so that he can be added to our data bank, be available to everyone well out into the future. I will enclose a form for your use. We really need all of these that we can get to make our 44th History the best of them all.

Thank you again for bringing my error to our attention so that I can correct it in a future 8 Ball Tails.

Sincerely,

Will Lundy

Mission No: 214 City: **Salzbergen** Country: Germany
 Aircraft No: 42-94952 Target: Oil Refinery Date: 08/26/1944
 Formation Type: B-24 Grp. Size: Aircraft Status:
 Squadron Pos: High Squadron Grp. Wing Position: Unknown Combat Wing: 14th CW
 Aircraft Name: **Shack Rat** Aircraft Pos: High Element Right Wing

Flight Crew For This Mission

| Personnel | Rank | Duties | Crew Remarks |
|---------------------|----------------|----------------------------|--------------|
| Burns, Emmett J. | 2nd Lieutenant | Pilot | |
| Thompson, J. S. | 2nd Lieutenant | Co-Pilot | |
| Warner, Harold | 2nd Lieutenant | Navigator | |
| Rice, C. E. | 2nd Lieutenant | Bombardier | |
| Whalen, M. J. | Sergeant | Radio Operator/Gunner | |
| Kennedy, James | Sergeant | Engineer/Top Turret Gunner | |
| Truslow, Wallace B. | Corporal | Ball Turret Gunner | |
| Caldwell, Paul D. | Sergeant | Right Waist Gunner | |
| Toy, D. J. | Corporal | Left Waist Gunner | |
| Sims, Jr., M. G. | Corporal | Tail Gunner | |

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Flight Crew For This Mission

| Personnel | Rank | Duties | Crew Remarks |
|---------------------|----------------|----------------------------|--------------|
| Burns, Emmett J. | 2nd Lieutenant | Pilot | |
| Thompson, J. S. | 2nd Lieutenant | Co-Pilot | |
| Warner, Harold | 2nd Lieutenant | Navigator | |
| Rice, C. E. | 2nd Lieutenant | Bombardier | |
| Truslow, Wallace B. | Sergeant | Nose Gunner/Toggler | |
| Whalen, M. J. | Staff Sergeant | Radio Operator/Gunner | |
| Kennedy, James | Tech Sergeant | Engineer/Top Turret Gunner | |
| Caldwell, Paul D. | Sergeant | Right Waist Gunner | |
| Toy, D. J. | Sergeant | Left Waist Gunner | |
| Sims, Jr., M. G. | Sergeant | Tail Gunner | |

Mission No: 234 City: **Hamburg** Country: Germany
 Aircraft No: 44-10524 Target: Air Armament Factory Date: 10/06/1944
 Formation Type: B-24 Grp. Size: Aircraft Status:
 Squadron Pos: Lead Squadron Grp. Wing Position: Unknown Combat Wing: 14th CW
 Aircraft Name: Low Element Left Wing

Mission No: City: Country:

Aircraft No: Target: Date:

Formation Type: Grp. Size: Aircraft Status:

Squadron Pos: Grp. Wing Position: Combat Wing:

Aircraft Name: Aircraft Pos:

Flight Crew For This Mission

| Personnel | Rank | Duties | Crew Remarks |
|----------------------|----------------|----------------------------|--------------|
| Burns, Emmett J. | 1st Lieutenant | Pilot | |
| Dupont, Robert P. | 1st Lieutenant | Co-Pilot | |
| Riggin, Harlan W. | 2nd Lieutenant | Navigator | |
| Hare, Lloyd W. | 1st Lieutenant | Navigator-GEE | |
| Laughlin, William E. | 1st Lieutenant | Bombardier | |
| Truslow, Wallace B. | Tech Sergeant | Nose Gunner/Toggler | |
| Whalen, M. J. | Tech Sergeant | Radio Operator/Gunner | |
| Kennedy, James | Tech Sergeant | Engineer/Top Turret Gunner | |
| Clarke, Andrew T. | Staff Sergeant | Right Waist Gunner | |
| Wheatley, J. C. | Tech Sergeant | Left Waist Gunner | |
| Sims, Jr., M. G. | Staff Sergeant | Tail Gunner | |

Flight Crew For This Mission

| Personnel | Rank | Duties | Crew Remarks |
|-------------------------|----------------|----------------------------|--------------|
| Burns, Emmett J. | 1st Lieutenant | Pilot | |
| White, Jr., James L. | 1st Lieutenant | Co-Pilot | |
| Riggin, Harlan W. | 2nd Lieutenant | Navigator | |
| McMahon, Harry G. | 1st Lieutenant | Navigator-GEE | |
| Prawdzik, Stanley (NMI) | 1st Lieutenant | Navigator-PFF | |
| Laughlin, William E. | 1st Lieutenant | Bombardier | |
| Whalen, M. J. | Tech Sergeant | Radio Operator/Gunner | |
| Kennedy, James | Tech Sergeant | Engineer/Top Turret Gunner | |
| Truslow, Wallace B. | Staff Sergeant | Ball Turret Gunner | |
| Matter, Elwood A. | Staff Sergeant | Left Waist Gunner | |
| Sims, Jr., M. G. | Staff Sergeant | Tail Gunner | |

Mission No: City: Country:

Aircraft No: Target: Date:

Formation Type: Grp. Size: Aircraft Status:

Squadron Pos: Grp. Wing Position: Combat Wing:

Aircraft Name: Aircraft Pos:

Mission No: City: Country:
 Aircraft No: Target: Date:
 Formation Type: Grp. Size: Aircraft Status:
 Squadron Pos: Grp. Wing Position: Combat Wind:
 Aircraft Name: Aircraft Pos: Slot Element Lead:

Flight Crew For This Mission

| Personnel | Rank | Duties | Crew Remarks |
|------------------------|----------------|----------------------------|--------------|
| Burns, Emmett J. | 1st Lieutenant | Pilot | |
| Holcombe, Clement R. | 2nd Lieutenant | Co-Pilot | |
| Riggin, Harlan W. | 2nd Lieutenant | Navigator | |
| Williams, Thomas P. | 1st Lieutenant | Navigator-GEE | |
| Masonis, Peter (NMI) | 2nd Lieutenant | Bombardier | |
| Truslow, Wallace B. | Staff Sergeant | Nose Gunner/Toggler | |
| Whalen, M. J. | Tech Sergeant | Radio Operator/Gunner | |
| Kennedy, James | Tech Sergeant | Engineer/Top Turret Gunner | |
| Clarke, Andrew T. | Staff Sergeant | Right Waist Gunner | |
| Mulholland, William J. | Staff Sergeant | Left Waist Gunner | |
| Sims, Jr., M. G. | Staff Sergeant | Tail Gunner | |

| Personnel | Rank | Duties | Crew Remarks |
|---------------------|----------------|----------------------------|--------------|
| Burns, Emmett J. | 1st Lieutenant | Pilot | |
| Thompson, J. S. | 1st Lieutenant | Co-Pilot | |
| Therme, D. L. | 1st Lieutenant | Navigator | |
| Rice, C. E. | 1st Lieutenant | Bombardier | |
| Whalen, M. J. | Tech Sergeant | Radio Operator/Gunner | |
| Kennedy, James | Tech Sergeant | Engineer/Top Turret Gunner | |
| Truslow, Wallace B. | Staff Sergeant | Ball Turret Gunner | |
| Caldwell, Paul D. | Staff Sergeant | Right Waist Gunner | |
| Toy, D. J. | Staff Sergeant | Left Waist Gunner | |
| Sims, Jr., M. G. | Staff Sergeant | Tail Gunner | |

Flight Crew For This Mission

Mission No: City: Country:
 Aircraft No: Target: Date:
 Formation Type: Grp. Size: Aircraft Status:
 Squadron Pos: Grp. Wing Position: Combat Wind:
 Aircraft Name: Aircraft Pos: Slot Element Lead:

Mission No: City: Country:
 Aircraft No: Target: Date:
 Formation Type: Grp. Size: Aircraft Status:
 Squadron Pos: Grp. Wing Position: Combat Wing:
 Aircraft Name: Aircraft Pos:

Flight Crew For This Mission

| Personnel | Rank | Duties | Crew Remarks |
|---------------------|----------------|----------------------------|--------------|
| Burns, Emmett J. | 1st Lieutenant | Pilot | |
| Thompson, J. S. | 1st Lieutenant | Co-Pilot | |
| Warner, Harold | 1st Lieutenant | Navigator | |
| Rice, C. E. | 1st Lieutenant | Bombardier | |
| Gray, James S. | Tech Sergeant | Radio Operator/Gunner | |
| Kennedy, James | Tech Sergeant | Engineer/Top Turret Gunner | |
| Trullow, Wallace B. | Staff Sergeant | Ball Turret Gunner | ✓ |
| Toy, D. J. | Staff Sergeant | Right Waist Gunner | |
| Caldwell, Paul D. | Staff Sergeant | Left Waist Gunner | |
| Sims, Jr., M. G. | Staff Sergeant | Tail Gunner | |

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| Mission No: | 299 | City: | Gottingen | Country: | Germany |
| Aircraft No: | 44-49322 | Target: | Marshalling Yards | Date: | 02/22/1945 |
| Formation Type: | B-24 | Grp. Size: | | Aircraft Status: | |
| Squadron Pos: | Low Squadron | Grp. Wing Position: | Unknown | Combat Wing: | 14th CW |
| Aircraft Name: | | Aircraft Pos: | | Lead Crew: | |

Flight Crew For This Mission

| Personnel | Rank | Duties | Crew Remarks |
|----------------------|----------------|----------------------------|--------------|
| Burns, Emmett J. | 1st Lieutenant | Pilot | |
| Holcombe, Clement R. | 1st Lieutenant | Co-Pilot | |
| Riggin, Harlan W. | Flight Officer | Navigator | |
| Baier, Edward A. | 1st Lieutenant | Navigator-GEE | |
| Laughlin, William E. | 1st Lieutenant | Bombardier | |
| Trullow, Wallace B. | Staff Sergeant | Nose Gunner/Togglier ✓ | |
| Whalen, M. J. | Tech Sergeant | Radio Operator/Gunner | |
| Kennedy, James | Tech Sergeant | Engineer/Top Turret Gunner | |
| Truono, Alfonse A. | Staff Sergeant | Right Waist Gunner | |
| Albers, F. R. | Staff Sergeant | Left Waist Gunner | |
| Sims, Jr., M. G. | Staff Sergeant | Tail Gunner | |

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| Date: | Saturday, August 26, 1944 | City: | Salzbergen | Germany |
| Mission No: | 214 | Target: | Oil Refinery | |
| Date: | Sunday, August 27, 1944 | City: | Basdorf | Germany |
| Mission No: | 215 | Target: | Aero Engine Factory | |
| Date: | Friday, September 08, 1944 | City: | Karlsruhe | Germany |
| Mission No: | 218 | Target: | Marshalling Yards | |
| Date: | Sunday, September 10, 1944 | City: | Ulm | Germany |
| Mission No: | 220 | Target: | Marshalling Yards | |
| Date: | Tuesday, September 12, 1944 | City: | Leharte | Germany |
| Mission No: | 222 | Target: | Rail Junction | |
| Date: | Monday, September 18, 1944 | City: | Best | Holland |
| Mission No: | 224 | Target: | Low-Level Supplies, Troops | |
| Date: | Tuesday, September 26, 1944 | City: | Hamm | Germany |
| Mission No: | 227 | Target: | Marshalling Yards | |
| Date: | Thursday, September 28, 1944 | City: | Kassel | Germany |
| Mission No: | 229 | Target: | Motor Works | |
| Date: | Monday, October 02, 1944 | City: | Hamm | Germany |
| Mission No: | 231 | Target: | Marshalling Yards | |
| Date: | Thursday, October 05, 1944 | City: | Lippstadt | Germany |
| Mission No: | 233 | Target: | Airfield | |
| Date: | Friday, October 06, 1944 | City: | Hamburg | Germany |
| Mission No: | 234 | Target: | Air Armament Factory | |
| Date: | Thursday, October 12, 1944 | City: | Osnabruck | Germany |
| Mission No: | 237 | Target: | Marshalling Yards | |
| Date: | Sunday, October 15, 1944 | City: | Cologne / Geron | Germany |
| Mission No: | 239 | Target: | Marshalling Yards | |
| Date: | Wednesday, October 18, 1944 | City: | Leverkusen | Germany |
| Mission No: | 241 | Target: | Chemical Works | |
| Date: | Monday, October 30, 1944 | City: | Hamburg /Ueterson | Germany |
| Mission No: | 245 | Target: | Oil Refinery | |
| Date: | Thursday, November 02, 1944 | City: | Dortmund | Germany |

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| Mission No: | 247 | Target: | Castrop-Rauxel Oil Refinery |
| Date: | Sunday, November 05, 1944 | City: | Karlsruhe Germany |
| Mission No: | 249 | Target: | Marshalling Yards |
| Date: | Monday, November 06, 1944 | City: | Sterkrade Germany |
| Mission No: | 250 | Target: | Oil Refinery |
| Date: | Tuesday, November 21, 1944 | City: | Harburg Germany |
| Mission No: | 256 | Target: | Crude Oil Refinery |
| Date: | Saturday, November 25, 1944 | City: | Bingen Germany |
| Mission No: | 257 | Target: | Marshalling Yards |
| Date: | Sunday, November 26, 1944 | City: | Bielefeld Germany |
| Mission No: | 258 | Target: | Railroad Viaduct |
| Date: | Wednesday, November 29, 1944 | City: | Altenbeken Germany |
| Mission No: | 260 | Target: | Railway Viaduct |
| Date: | Thursday, March 08, 1945 | City: | Betzdorf & Frankfurt Germany |
| Mission No: | 312 | Target: | Marshalling Yards |
| Date: | Saturday, March 10, 1945 | City: | Bielfeld Germany |
| Mission No: | 313 | Target: | Railway Viaduct |
| Date: | Wednesday, March 14, 1945 | City: | Gutersloh Germany |
| Mission No: | 316 | Target: | Marshalling Yards |
| Date: | Tuesday, March 20, 1945 | City: | Hemmingstadt Germany |
| Mission No: | 321 | Target: | Oil Refinery |
| Date: | Saturday, March 24, 1945 | City: | Wesel Germany |
| Mission No: | 326 | Target: | Low-Level Supply on Rhine River |
| Date: | Friday, April 20, 1945 | City: | Irlaching Germany |
| Mission No: | 343 | Target: | Railroad Junction |

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| Date: | Tuesday, December 05, 1944 | City: | No Munster | Germany |
| Mission No: | 264 | Target: | Marshalling Yards | |
| Date: | Sunday, December 10, 1944 | City: | Bingen | Germany |
| Mission No: | 266 | Target: | Marshalling Yards | |
| Date: | Tuesday, December 12, 1944 | City: | Aschaffenburg | Germany |
| Mission No: | 268 | Target: | Marshalling Yards | |
| Date: | Sunday, December 24, 1944 | City: | Ruwer | Germany |
| Mission No: | 270 | Target: | Bridges & Tunnels | |
| Date: | Thursday, December 28, 1944 | City: | Kaiserlauten | Germany |
| Mission No: | 272 | Target: | Railroad & Road Junction | |
| Date: | Saturday, December 30, 1944 | City: | Altenahr | Germany |
| Mission No: | 274 | Target: | Rail & Road Junctions | |
| Date: | Monday, January 01, 1945 | City: | Koblenz | Germany |
| Mission No: | 276 | Target: | Koblenz-Lutzel Railroad Bridge | |
| Date: | Wednesday, January 03, 1945 | City: | Landau | Germany |
| Mission No: | 278 | Target: | Ordnance Supplies | |
| Date: | Friday, January 05, 1945 | City: | Neunkirchen | Germany |
| Mission No: | 279 | Target: | Marshalling Yards | |
| Date: | Monday, January 08, 1945 | City: | Burghreuland | Germany |
| Mission No: | 281 | Target: | Rail & Road Junction | |
| Date: | Monday, January 29, 1945 | City: | Hamm | Germany |
| Mission No: | 289 | Target: | Marshalling Yards | |
| Date: | Saturday, February 03, 1945 | City: | Madgeburg | Germany |
| Mission No: | 291 | Target: | Marshalling Yards | |
| Date: | Tuesday, February 06, 1945 | City: | Madgeburg | Germany |
| Mission No: | 292 | Target: | Marshalling Yards | |
| Date: | Thursday, February 22, 1945 | City: | Gottingen | Germany |
| Mission No: | 299 | Target: | Marshalling Yards | |

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