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HAS ALREADY AN INCOMPLETE QUESTIONNAIRE.

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR HELPERS

2003

DATE

1. NAME GORLIA FIRST NAME Mariette
2. ADDRESS 2, rue de la Longue Hale, TOWN BRUSSELS, DEPARTMENT
3. OTHER ADDRESS KNOWN TO AVIATORS
4. PLACE AND DATE OF BIRTH Ath 15.8.1897 NATIONALITY Belgian
5. MILITARY STATUS PROFESSION
6. FAMILY STATUS single AGE OF CHILDREN
7. NEXT OF KIN sister, Mme De Wael
8. NAME BY WHICH KNOWN TO AVIATORS Madame Marie et Marie Gerard
9. MEMBER OF ORGANIZED GROUP Service IUG and No. 27/7 of Service S.M.B. 27
(War Office)
10. CASUALTY INFORMATION

F/O K.W. GORDON, RAF Canadian was arrested with her at Binche (Hainaut) on 7.7.44. Both were imprisoned at Charleroi.

11. PERSONS WHO HAVE HELPED ALLIED AVIATORS

NAME	ADDRESS	TYPE OF HELP
✓ <u>Mme HARDY (Ist Sr) her chief,</u> (S.M.B. 27)	<u>54, rue Roosevelt, Schaerbeek, Brussels.</u>	<u>died in Mauthausen Concentration Camp.</u>
✓ <u>Major LASRANGE (BILL war name)</u>	<u>15, rue Sanderus ANVERS</u>	
✓ <u>MR. GILLOT</u>	<u>BRUELLENNES (Hainaut)</u>	
✓ <u>Mr. CHAUDRON</u>	<u>82, Boulevard St. Michel, BRUSSELS.</u>	
✓ <u>Mr. ROMBOURS</u>	<u>103, Boulevard de Waterloo BRUSSELS.</u>	

Many other names can be found in Mlle GORLIA's report given to the British.

12. REMARKS AND/OR RECOMMENDATIONS

1940: aid to British soldiers left behind (food, clothes)

1943/44: sheltered several aviators at her apartment, some for very long periods. Looked for shelters, moved them when they were in danger. Made false identity cards, saw to their evacuation towards England. Formed a new evacuation line in April 44 at Erquelinnes which was linked with France (agents of the groups V.N.X.V. 1302 and "Zero" Mr. Gilliot, a French custom officer of Jeumont, Paul Roucart (Bernard) & Mlle de Roest d'Alkemade. Left Erquelinnes on 6.7.45 to bring back a group of aviators in danger was arrested in Binche on 7.7.44 with F/O K.W. GORDON.

Has letters from H. OKE, FOULTON, HORNE speaking very highly of her help.

13. INTERVIEWED xxx She did a lot of resistance work all through the war.

NAME AND A.S.N.	USA OR RAF	CRASHED DATE & PLACE	LOGGED DATE & NO DAYS	RECEIVED FROM	PASSED ON TO:
1) P/O K.W. BORDON	RCAF			conveyed him from Jeumont to Brussels, was arrested with him at Binche.	
2) Robert HOKE	US (except for a few days)		6.8.43 to 6.1.44	Dr. CONVENT attended to him when he fell ill.	Escape Service (through Louis Thyrin, 60 av. des Carislers, Brux)
3) Sgt. Allan POULTON	RAF except for a few weeks		12.7.43 to 28.1.44	Dr. Convent attended to him	Mme BALIEUX, 87 Bd. de Waterloo Brux.
4) Vincent HORNE	RAF		a few days with the 2 above		Mme THYRIN, 328 rue du Noyer, Brux.
5) Leslie STUART				removed him from Mr & Mme Moutaert, Wavre, Anderghem, on Whitsun 1944 because the Gestapo was expected there. Kept him two and a half day while trying to find him a safe place, gave him to Mr. SCHOUFFE, 33, Pl. Georges Brugmann, Brux.	1534 chsee de
6) Sgt. BURROWS	RAF				
7) Sgt Arthur PACHA	USA				
8) Leo REYNOLDS	"			saw to their evacuation.	
9) Richard WELLS	"				
10) Joe HUMBLE	"				
11) Lt. BLINKINSOP	Canadian.			traced him at St. Gilles Prison where he was sentenced to death.	
Has been in contact with several other aviators whose names she does not know.					
1) RCAF: no report. On the card: same crew as Sgt BURROWS, came down at BEAUMONT on 26/3/44. Arrested with Mme GORLIA on 7.7.44. see special file.					
2) Lib. P/W. Fully confirmed. Hoke who was captured has now been liberated and has told the story of his evasion. He says that he went to Mlle GORLIA on 5 Aug. 43 and stayed with her until 6 Jan 44 save for a few days now and then when he would visit E. THIRYN's place (328 rue du Noyer) to visit Poulton who was living there. Before arrival of HOKE, Poulton had been staying with Mlle GORLIA; on 5 Aug he was transferred to E. THIRYN but would visit HOKE for several days at a time during his stay with Mlle GORLIA. HOKE speaks in very high terms of Mlle GORLIA's help.					
3) RAF. Fully confirmed, right name, right address, mentioned for shelter from Aug. 43 to Feb. 44 (at odd intervals)					
4) RAF: Confirmed, mentions Mme Marie "GORRELS" (Gorlia) av. Louise, Brussels for food and shelter from 5 to 26 Jan 44.					
5) RAF? no report. On the card: Stuart Leslie RCAF evader, Jules ROBA, Brussel says "taken on 25 May 44 to Mr. Maurice DE MOOR, Brussels".					
6) RAF no mention of this name but mentions Mr GILLOT, Erquelines for shelter.					
7) Lib. P/W no mention, stayed in GRAND RENG (with Louis MOUCHART) nr. Erquelines.					
8) P/W no report as yet (MIA 29 Jan 44).					
9) & 10) RAF 1399 & 1398: together no mention, stayed in Erqueline's district.					
11) Binkinsop S/cdr. no report. Last heard of at St. Gilles prison Aug/Sept 44, implicated in sabotage activities.					

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GORDON : K.W. Flying officer-Canadian

BURROWS C. Sergeant H8 1226439 -English

Lieut. GORDON and Sergeant BURROWS are supposed to be the only men who were rescued from their aircraft - the others died - they were hidden together after their fall.

L. GORDON left on the 7-7-44 for Brussels - was arrested by the Germans by his way to Brussels and very likely shot (for further details, please see the annexed paper.

Sgt BURROWS, left later on in the direction of Normandy and is hoped to have been able to join the British Army.

REYNOLDS : S/Sgt Leo, American

PACHA : Arthur M.P/Sgt U.S.N. 37232097
American

REYNOLDS and PACHA were hidden near BRONVILLE-JEUMONT. They left in August for Normandy and it is hoped they have been able to join the British Army.

HOKK Robert, Lieutenant

No 672577 U.S.A.F

"Portress"

Fell on July 31-43 - near Duffel (on the way to Cassel)

Lieut. HOKK was hidden at the house of the signer of these lines till Jan. 6th 1944. He left to join England through France - but was delayed doing so for some time if finally he reached the English Army is not yet known.

POULTON Allan - sergeant R.A.F

"Halifax"

Fell on June 21st 43 - near Balen-Vesel

Home address - as his numb. is not known

107 - Laurel Road - Dudley - England.

Sergeant POULTON was hidden till end January 44 at the house of the signer, who at that time was searched by the Gestapo. He went to other places and after some unsuccessful attempts is supposed to have reached England.

HORNE Vincent, Pilot - Englishman (Preston R.A.F "Lancaster")

alt ough the signer knew him personally she ignores his service number etc. HORNE left her house with HOKK Robert on Jan 6th 1944 for England - since that time no news whatever has been heard from him.

WELLS Richard L. Sergeant - American

372960.69

384 Bomb Group 546 Bomb Sgt

Pilot Lieut. Clifford O. Moore

"Frankfort bombed" - crashed near Haussey Feb 11/44

HUMBLE, Joe T. Sergeant A.S.N. 18194624

American

WELLS and HUMBLE were hidden near Jeumont till August 44, when they went to Normandy to join English Army

LESLIE Stuart J. 25786 Lieut.

Group Capt. BRYAN G.C.

Aircraft "Halifax" K Syd 429

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	BORROWS, Sgt C.	RAF			
1.	REYNOLDS, S/Sgt	USA	MIA SEE 1952		
2.	PACHA, Arthur, 37232097	USA	MIA SEE 1952		
3.	HOKE, Robert, Lt 673572	USA	MIA 31-7-43	31-7-43 au	3 months only
	POULTON, Allan Sgt	RAF	2182 DUFFEL	6-1-44	
	HORNE, Vincent	RAF	21-6-43	21-6-43 au	
4.	WELLS, Sgt Richard, 37296069	USA	1397 11-2-44	BALEN/WESEL	janvier 44
	HUMBLE, Joe T, Sgt	USA	1398		6-1-44
5.	LESLIE, Stuart J, 25786	RAF	HOUSSEY		6-1-44
6.	BLINKINSOP, Lt	RAF	no record		6-1-44

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4. E&E 1399: Landed in Northern France and does not mention being in Brussels at all.
5. E&E 1398: Same as E&E 1399.
6. No record.