

**U.S. National Archives in Washington, D.C.
Nazi Crimes on Trial**

*'Dachau Trials'
Trials by U.S. Army Courts in Europe 1945 - 1948¹*

File Number: US115
Review Date: 470109
Case Number: 12-1545 & 12-2272 (US vs. Fritz Dietrich et al) (see remarks)
Crime Category: War Crimes

Accused:²

Dietrich, Fritz - Death Sentence
D., Fritz - Life Sentence
E., Albert - Life Sentence
H., Karl - Death Sentence
K., Johann - Acquittal
Stemmler, Willi - Death Sentence
W., Richard - Acquittal
Z., Otto - 4 Years (R&R: disappr. of findings and sentence)

Court:

General Military Government Court at Dachau, Germany 470630-470715
Country where the crime had been committed: Germany

Crime Location:

Neunkirchen, Saarbruecken, Burbach

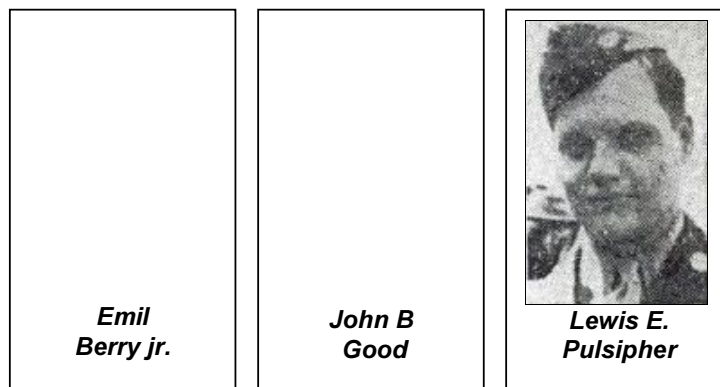
Crime Date:

440731, 440825

Victims: POW's³

Nationality: American

31st July 1944

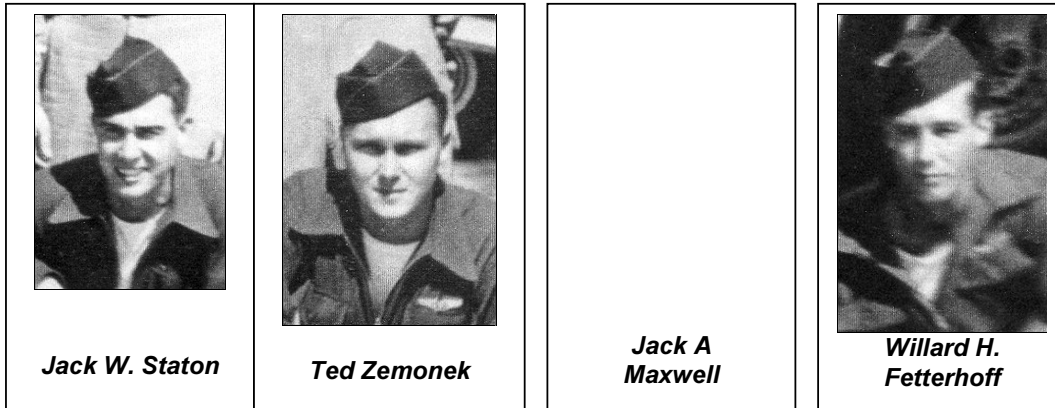


¹ <http://www1.jur.uva.nl/junsv/JuNSVEng/DTRR/Dachau%20Trials%20start.htm>
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² Some surnames abbreviated by author of crash website (Klaus Zimmer)

³ Names and photos added by author of crash website (Klaus Zimmer).

25th August 1944



Office: SS, Allgemeine SS; Police, Police President Saarbruecken

Subject of the proceeding:

After an air raid three American airmen were forced to parachute from their disabled plane. They were taken into custody and jailed at the police stations of Malstatt, Burbach and Neunkirchen. When accused Dietrich - police president of Saarbruecken - heard about the captured fliers he ordered them to be picked up and shot. The flyers were thereupon taken to the woods and shot. One of the victims was found alive the next morning and Dietrich ordered that the wounded flyer was to be killed by injections. As this failed to kill the victim, he was later shot dead.

After another air raid, a few weeks later, four American airmen, who had been forced to parachute from their disabled plane were taken into custody by the Burbach police. Again, on orders of Dietrich, the fliers were picked up and shot dead in the woods.

Note:

The Review and Recommendation carries only the case number 12-1545