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June 15th, 1940.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

This is to certify that Mr. Pierre Gervais has been in our employ since November 1st, 1939. We have found him honest, careful in his duties, and intelligent, and have no hesitation in recommending him to anyone desiring his services.

His family is a good one and is known personally to the writer.

Yours very truly,

VASSIE-BROCK-MANCHESTER, LTD.

W. Roach
General Manager.

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SPECIAL RESERVE

Université Saint-Joseph -- St. Joseph's University
N. B. CANADA

June 25th 1940.

Mr. Pierre C. Gervais, of St. Léonard, N. B., duly completed our Academic or High School Course in June 1938 and *obtained* his Commercial Diploma as well as "Matriculation" with an average of over 75%. His conduct was very good and gentlemanly. He has a good Knowledge of both languages.

(Rev.) L. Guertin, C.S.C.,
Vice President and Registrar.





LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NEW BRUNSWICK
FREDERICTON, N. B.

SPECIAL RESERVE

St. Leonard, N.B.
June 8th, 1940

To Chief Adjutant,
Canadian Air Force,
Moncton, N.B.

Dear Sir:-

In connection with the application of the Bearer, Mr. Pierre C. Gervais, of St. Leonard, N.B., who is personally and well known to me, to join in the service of our Canadian Air Force, it is with most justification to himself, his family and those it may concern, that I sincerely submit this my recommendation in support of the desire of this young man who is possessed of a good education and all qualifications for such service and by his record of the past and physical appearance, it is significant that he will prove to be one of the proper young men competent to enter such service.

He being trust-worthy and belonging to a good and reputed family it is a pleasure to me to encourage such a young man in a most patriotic move under present national and world crisis.

Respectfully Yours,

E.P. Nadeau, M.P.P.

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AIR FORCE No. R 73298 POSTED TO No. 1 Manning Depot Toronto TRADE Pilot-Observer

ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE

GERVAIS

(ATTESTATION PAPER) Joseph Pierre Cyrille

(Pages one and two, only, are to be completed in Applicant's own Handwriting)

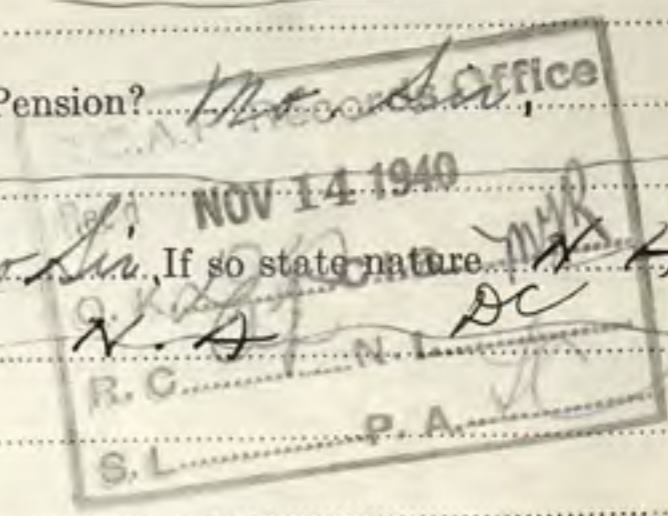
- 1. Surname Gervais FULL Christian Names Joseph Pierre Cyrille
- 2. Present Address 62 St. Sydney St. Saint John N.B. Telephone 3-7276
- 3. Permanent Address Saint Leonard, County Madawaska, N.B.
- 4. Place of Birth Chandler P.Q. Citizenship French Canadian
- 5. Date of Birth Nov. 15th, 1917 Married, Single, Widower, Separated, Divorced: Single
- 6. Particulars of Children

Name	Date of birth	Name	Date of birth
	<u>N/A</u>		

- 7. Occupation Clerk in a Wholesale Dry Goods 8. Religion Roman Catholic State denomination
- 9. Languages French & English State proficiency Fluently
- 10. Next of Kin (Full Name) Alfred Gervais Relationship My Father
Address Saint Leonard, N.B.
- 11. Father (Full Name) Alfred Gervais Birthplace St Leonard N.B.
Address Saint Leonard N.B. Citizenship French-Canadian
Occupation Merchant
- 12. Mother (Full Maiden Name) Mary Ann Sullivan Birthplace St Jacques, N.B.
Address Saint Leonard N.B. Citizenship French-Canadian
- 13. Details of any Naval, Military or Air Force Service: ✓

Unit	Place	Rank	Trade	Date		Reason for discharge
				From	To	
		<u>N.A.</u>				

- 14. Honours, Awards, Mentions NO
- 15. Are you now on any Naval, Military or Air Force Reserve? NO
- 16. Have you previously made application to join the R.C.A.F.? yes If so, where? Ottawa
When? September 1938 Result Accepted as Tradesman
- 17. Were you ever discharged from any branch of His Majesty's Forces as Medically Unfit? No Sir
If so, state nature of disability N/A
- 18. Have you ever been or are you now in receipt of a Disability Pension? No Sir
If so, state nature of Disability N/A
- 19. Have you ever been convicted of an indictable offence? No Sir If so state nature N/A
- 20. Are you in debt? No Sir If so, state particulars N/A



21. Particulars of Education:

	Name of school	Date		Courses—Subjects, etc.
		From	To	
Primary Education—Public or Separate School	+ St Basil M.B.	1924	1930	
	Convent at Van Buren Maine, etc.	1923	1926	
High School—Collegiate Institute, etc.	St Anne de la Porcine	1931	1936	
Technical School				
University or School other than above	St Joseph University	1930	1938	
Correspondence Courses, etc.	Academic course, corresponding to High School Commercial Section			

22. Particulars of all Civil Occupations (in full):

Employer and place	Duties, trades, positions	Date		Reason for leaving
		From	To	

23. Flying Experience (in Hours) Solo None Dual None Passenger None

24. Special Qualifications, Hobbies, etc., useful to the R.C.A.F. Bilingual, I like to do some reading.

25. Sports engaged in. State: extensively, moderately, occasionally Base Ball, Soft Ball, Tennis, Ping-Pong, Hockey, Volley Ball.

26. AIR FORCE DUTY you wish to enlist for Ground Duties. Flying Duties.
 If for Ground Duties, state Air Force trade in which you wish to enlist.
 If for Flying Duties, state preference as (a) Pilot; (b) Observer; (c) Air Gunner (d) Wireless Operator (Air Crew).
 (Cross out words not applicable.)

27. Names of at least two persons who can give references as to character and ability.

Name	Address	Occupation
Mr. E. P. Madean	St Leonard M.B.	Merchant + Member of Parliament.
Mr. H. W. Roach	St John M.B.	General Manager of V.B.M.
Rev. Father Superior	St Joseph University	

28. Other information that may have any bearing on this application. None, that I know of.

29. Do you understand that vaccination, re-vaccination and inoculation are compulsory? Yes, I do.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing information furnished by me is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Date June 14th 1940 Signature Pierre Lejeune Gervais

Certified Pierre Cyril GERVAIS
Registration Certificate
H. Wensley F.O.
Commanding Officer,
RCAF Recruiting Centre,
Moncton, N.B.

-11-40 X-Ray Negative

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(A) Report of Interviewing Officer—

Type.....General appearance.....

Suitability for (state in what capacity).....

Date.....Signature.....Rank.....

(B) Report of Trade Test—

Trade in which tested.....

Result.....

Trade qualifications other than above likely to lead to efficient employment in the R.C.A.F.....

Date.....Signature.....Rank.....

(C) DECLARATION MADE BY MAN ON ATTESTATION

I, Joseph Pierre Cyril GERVAIS do solemnly declare that the foregoing particulars are true, and I hereby engage to serve on active service anywhere in Canada, and also beyond Canada and overseas, in the Royal Canadian Air Force for the duration of the present war, and for the period of demobilization thereafter, and in any event for a period of not less than one year, provided His Majesty should so long require my services.

Date November 8th 19 40

Pierre Cyrille Gervais
Signature of Recruit

(D) OATH TAKEN BY MAN ON ATTESTATION

I, Joseph Pierre Cyril GERVAIS do sincerely promise and swear (or solemnly declare) that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty.

Date November 8th 19 40

Pierre Cyrille Gervais
Signature of Recruit

(E) CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER

The Recruit above named was cautioned by me that if he made any false answers to any of the above questions he would be liable to be punished as provided by law.

The above questions and answers were then read to the Recruit in my presence.

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to and the said Recruit has made and signed the declaration and taken the Oath before me,

at Moncton, N.B. this eight day of November 19 40.

H. Wensley
Signature of Officer
(H. Wensley)

F.O.
~~Flight Lieutenant~~
Rank

Commanding Officer,
RCAF Recruiting Centre,
Moncton NB

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CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION

Part 1. Information obtained from the applicant—

1. Age. *22* 2. Have you ever suffered from any of the following defects in health?
- (a) Rheumatism..... *No*
 - (b) Tuberculosis..... *No*
 - (c) Bronchitis or Asthma..... *No*
 - (d) Heart Disease..... *No*
 - (e) Kidney or Bladder Disease..... *No*
 - (f) Gastro-intestinal..... *No*
 - (g) Rupture..... *Operation for hernia (ventral) July 1940*
 - (h) Varicose Veins..... *No*
 - (i) Flat or Deformed Feet..... *No*
 - (j) Nasal Trouble..... *No*
 - (k) Ear Disease..... *No*
 - (l) Eye Disease..... *No*
 - (m) Epilepsy..... *No*
 - (n) Nervous or Mental Disease..... *No*
 - (o) Syphilis..... *No*
 - (p) Gonorrhoea..... *No*
 - (q) Bone Fracture..... *No*
 - (r) Other Disease or Defect.....

3. Have you ever worn glasses? *No*
Pierre [P.L.] Lavoisier
Signature of Applicant

Examiner's Remarks re above *Herniotomy in July, 1940. This was a post-operative rupture*
due to breakdown of scar, for appendectomy in 1927.

Part 2. Information obtained by Medical Examination (Applicant must be stripped)—

1. Identification marks or scars (if operative obtain history).....
2. Height..... *5* feet..... *9* inches. 3. Weight..... *145* pounds.
4. Complexion..... *Medium* 5. Color of Eyes..... *Brown* Hair..... *Brown*
6. Development *Good* 7. Chest Measurement—Full expiration..... *37* inches
Fair Range of expansion..... *3* inches
Poor
8. Hearing—Right..... *20* Left..... *20* Tympana—Right..... *N* Left..... *N*
9. Vision—Without glasses—Right..... *20* With glasses—Right..... *N.A.*
Left..... *20* Left..... *N.A.*
10. Condition of mouth and teeth..... *Healthy*
11. Urine—Albumen..... *Neg* Sugar..... *Neg*
12. Abnormalities (Congenital and Pathological) found on Examination.....

Part 3. The Candidate has been examined in accordance with the pamphlet, "Physical Standards and Instructions for the Medical Examination of Recruits" and he is considered fit for Category A.

Any special remarks of the Medical Officers..... *Ishihara normal.*
8/11/40 - Re-exam. Wb. 150, otherwise concurs above. Col. A. JMB

Date..... *November 4* 19 *40*
P. Israel President *J. H. Buntain* Member
hew *hew*

AIR FORCE No. **R. 73298**

SURNAME **GERVAIS**

FULL CHRISTIAN NAMES **JOSEPH PIERRE CYRILLE**

ENLISTMENT PLACE **Moncton N.B.**
 RE-ENLISTMENT DATE **8-11-46**

C.R. FILE NUMBER **SR**

J.25649

OFFICER

RECORD OF SERVICE AIRMEN

15 Comm - 14-4-4

R.C.A.F. FORM 846(B)
 SOM-10-40 (7683)
 H.Q. 1082-3-58

1. POSTING (INDICATE S.O.S. AND T.O.S.)				2. RECLASS'NS-PROMOTIONS-ETC.				4. TRADE AND CHARACTER				6. LEAVE				
S.O.S. OR T.O.S.	UNIT AND PLACE	EFFECTIVE	D.R.O.	RANK	EFFECTIVE	D.R.O.	TRADE	GROUP	EFFECTIVE	D.R.O.	FROM	TO	DAYS	REMARKS	D.R.O.	
10.8	17MLD	10 11 40	17MD270	AC2	8 11 40	17MD270	Plt. Obs.	Std	8 11 40	17MD270	16-5-41	27-5-41			118225	
10.8	17MD	11 12 40	17MD226	SAC	16 3 41	1-22164	A/P Crew 43	Std	10 4 42	98784	19-10-41	19-11-41	31	Sick	987225	
TOS	18th Servants	12 12 40	1228229	SAC	28 9 41	105576	302.3				13-7-42	27-7-42	14	Annual	2WS162	
SOS	19TS Toronto	28 3 41	19TS 76	T/Sgt (PL)	10 4 42	98784	Pilot 42		14 4 42	98784	5-1-43	17-1-43	12	Semi-Annual	2WS 300	
10.8	HEFTS Cap de la Madeline	28 3 41	118919								29-12-42	31-12-42	2	Semi-annual	2WS 300	
SOS	118775 Cap de la Madeline	16 5 41	118725	A/P Pilot	10 16 42	2WS267	1700				50					
10.8	95775 Summerside	17 5 41	957125	Pt/Sgt (PL) (PL)	10 10 42	2WS 309					17-4-43	20-4-43	14	Pre-Emb.	287.93	
10.8	957 Summerside	11 4 42	95784	A/P Pilot (PL)	10 4 43	281791										
10.8	No 11/12 Dept Halifax	12 4 42	12119													
SOS	170125 Halifax NS	28 4 42	170133													
TOS	2WS Calgary Alta	29 4 42	2WS 105													
Att	38338 for duty comp. etc.	2/10 5/11 42	383105													
10.8	2WS 300 Rtd 2WS 300/16															
TOS	Br 7 Ret 2WS 300 (dir)	4/4 2 43														
10.8	2WS Calgary	18 3 43	2WS 66													
TOS	2WS 175 Highlands	19 3 43	28772													
10.8	2WS 175 Highlands Ont	30 4 43	28772													
TOS	2WS 175 Highlands Ont	1 5 43	1 4 10 4													
	Discharged (K 86) 392 (18)	13 4 43	13104													
TOS	On app to a comm	14 4 43	14104													
10.8	14 Sep 1943 (K 86) 392 (18)	26 5 43	2612100													
	Killed	28 2 44														
	PR 2444 29-2-44															

3. MEDICAL HISTORY

EXAMINATIONS (IN RED INK)

DATE	FORM	CATEGORY	REMARKS
8-11-40	R100	A	
10-9-41			Stn Sick Bay 132165-65
17-3-41			Stn Sick Bay 192165-71
12-3-41	7M 2	R1B-A3B	
5-1-41			Stn Hosp. 18-10-41 987201, 242
15-10-41	7M 2 27	A1, B1	
18-11-41			Stn Hosp. 18-11-41 987272, 280
29-11-41			Camp 411 987281
31-12-41	2-1-42	95F 3	
31-12-41	31-12-41	95F 3, 3	

HOSPITALIZATION (IN BLACK INK)

HOSPITAL	ADMITTED	DISCHARGE	D.R.O.
QUARTERS	CONFINED	RET'D DUTY	

5. COURSES-TESTS-ETC.

SUBJECT	RESULT	DATE	AUTHORITY
Pupil Pilot's Course	Pass	16 5 41	799-427
Course to Course 31			987184
Course to Course 33			987202, 287A
Pupil Pilot's Course	F	10 3 41	951 1113
Course to Course 37		29 10 41	957 3112
Course to Course 39			987248
Course to Course 39			987272
Course to Course 41			987248
Course to Course 43			987449
Pilot's Course 43		16 6 42	987 6870
Course to Course 43		17 6 42	987 6870

GAS 1089

35 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77
 CREW MEMBER
 EQUIPMENT
 MENTAL STATUS
 PRESENT
 HIGH & TECH SCHOOL EDUCATION
 RELIGION
 PROVINCE OF ENLISTMENT
 DISCHARGE

AIR FORCE No.

J 25649

Gervais
SURNAMEJoseph Pierre
FULL CHRISTIAN NAME

ENLISTMENT/APPOINTMENT

PLACE *Moncton*DATE *8-11-40*

RELIGION

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ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE
RECORD OF SERVICE
OFFICERS, AIRMEN AND AIRWOMENR.C.A.F. FORM 8230
100M-3-43 (3157)
N.G. 695-R-230

BIRTH DATE	PLACE	COUNTRY	CITIZENSHIP	RACIAL ORIGIN	PARTICULARS OF FAMILY										
<i>15-11-19</i>	<i>Chandler</i>	<i>Quebec</i>	<i>Can.</i>	<i>French</i>	<i>Single</i>										
CIVIL EDUCATION					CHILDREN										
PUBLIC SCHOOL		JUNIOR MATRICULATION			NAMES	PLACE AND DATE OF BIRTH	NAMES	PLACE AND DATE OF BIRTH							
HIGH SCHOOL ENTRANCE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		SENIOR MATRICULATION													
TECHNICAL SCHOOL <i>Commercial</i>		UNIVERSITY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>													
CORR./BUSINESS COURSES		LANGUAGES SPOKEN													
CIVIL OCCUPATIONS AND EXPERIENCE					PREVIOUS SERVICE										
<i>Wingfield</i>					NAME(S), ADDRESS(ES), RELATIONSHIP OF PERSON(S) TO BE INFORMED OF CASUALTIES (IN PENCIL)										
					<i>Mr. J. Gervais (Father)</i> <i>St. Boniface, Moncton</i>										
OFFICERS					EMPLOYMENT AS INSTRUCTOR OFFICER AIRMAN/AIRWOMAN										
PLACE AND DATE OF MEDICAL	CATEGORY	PLACE AND DATE OF MEDICAL	CATEGORY		TYPE	FROM	TO	TYPE	FROM	TO					
OFFICERS					AIRMEN AND AIRWOMEN				OFFICERS, AIRMEN/AIRWOMEN						
RANK, BRANCH AND CATEGORY	DATE	AUTH.	DUTIES PERFORMED DURING SERVICE, E.G. ADJ.		RANK	DATE	AUTH.	TRADE	DATE	AUTH.	COURSE OR TRADE	GRP	%	PF	DATE
<i>Pilot Officer R. H. Gervais</i>	<i>14 4 43</i>	<i>AFRO 200/43</i>	<i>AFRO 200/43</i>								<i>90PT</i>	<i>(49/51)</i>			<i>10/4/44</i>
<i>K/30</i>	<i>14 10 43</i>	<i>00756</i>	<i>AFRO 200/44</i>												
					<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> ADVISE ENTRIES UNIT RECORDS RETURNED TO CANADA </div>										
COURTS-MARTIAL ATTENDED WITH DATES (STATE IF UNDER INSTRUCTION OR AS MEMBER)															

AIR FORCE No. *J-25649*

Genovis
SURNAME

Joseph Pierre
FULL CHRISTIAN NAME

ENLISTMENT/APPOINTMENT

PLACE *Moncton*

DATE *8.11.40*

RELIGION

R.C.

ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE
RECORD OF SERVICE
OFFICERS, AIRMEN AND AIRWOMEN

R.C.A.F. FORM R230
100M-8-45 (3287)
N.O. 885-R-230
K. P. 75434

BIRTH DATE <i>15.11.19</i>	PLACE <i>Chandler</i>	COUNTRY <i>Grande-Canada</i>	CITIZENSHIP <i>Can.</i>	RACIAL ORIGIN <i>French</i>	PARTICULARS OF FAMILY			
CIVIL EDUCATION					SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWER, DIVORCED <i>single</i>			
PUBLIC SCHOOL					WIFE (FULL MAIDEN NAME) OR HUSBAND			
HIGH SCHOOL ENTRANCE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					PRESENT ADDRESS (IN PENCIL)			
TECHNICAL SCHOOL <i>Commercial</i>					PLACE OF MARRIAGE			
CORR./BUSINESS COURSES					DATE			
UNIVERSITY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					AUTHORITY (IF AFTER APPOINTMENT/ENLISTMENT)			
LANGUAGES SPOKEN								

CIVIL OCCUPATIONS AND EXPERIENCE				CHILDREN			
<i>None listed</i>				NAMES	PLACE AND DATE OF BIRTH	NAMES	PLACE AND DATE OF BIRTH

PREVIOUS SERVICE				NAME(S), ADDRESS(ES), RELATIONSHIP OF PERSON(S) TO BE INFORMED OF CASUALTIES (IN PENCIL)			
				<i>Mr. A. J. Genovis (Father) St. Leonard, New Brunswick.</i>			

EMPLOYMENT AS INSTRUCTOR OFFICER AIRMAN/AIRWOMAN					
TYPE	FROM	TO	TYPE	FROM	TO

OFFICERS				AIRMEN AND AIRWOMEN						OFFICERS, AIRMEN/AIRWOMEN				
RANK, BRANCH AND CATEGORY	DATE	AUTH.	DUTIES PERFORMED DURING SERVICE, E.G. ADJ.	RANK	DATE	AUTH.	TRADE	DATE	AUTH.	COURSE OR TRADE	GRP	%	PF	DATE
<i>Pilot Officer SR. GL. Pilot</i>	<i>14.4.43</i>	<i>AFRO 262/43</i>	<i>NOTD. 41143</i>							<i>GS.FTS.</i>				<i>10.4.42</i>
<i>T.F.O.</i>	<i>14.10.42</i>	<i>80.786/42</i>								<i>(49/58)</i>				
COURTS-MARTIAL ATTENDED WITH DATES (STATE IF UNDER INSTRUCTION OR AS MEMBER)														

ON POSTING

CONFIDENTIAL PERSONAL ASSESSMENT

INSTRUCTIONS

28.2.44
R436

For A.F.H.Q. use only

Read the statements under each heading carefully. Consider the person being assessed in relation to each "statement" enumerated below. When possible compare him with others you can call to mind who represent outstanding examples of the traits described. Under each heading place a cross in the brackets after the one statement which best describes the person being assessed. This form will prove only as dependable as the assessment is thorough.

RCAF R.211
100M-4-42
H.Q. 885-R-211

Include PART I in all reports.
Include PART II for Officers and N.C.O.'s other than Aircrew under training.
When assessment is on a member of the Women's Division the term "he" will be read as "she", etc

PART I

(Include in all reports)

1. APPEARANCE & BEARING

Note - this applies not only on Parade. Observe in mess, at games, off duty.

- Careless - creates an unfavourable impression..... ()
Some room for improvement..... ()
Neat - meets all ordinary requirements..... (X)
Excellent appearance - stands out among fellows..... (X)

6. ENERGY & PERSISTENCE

Some put very little effort into their work. Others may work in tremendous spurts and then wilt - ideal has well controlled energy and perseverance.

- Indifferent - half hearted; loses interest..... ()
Does only what is required of him..... ()
Active. Applies himself diligently..... (X)
Vigorous, enthusiastic in all he undertakes..... (X)

2. MENTAL ALERTNESS

Consider how readily he grasps a situation and is able to understand what is required.

- Slow and confused in understanding..... ()
Requires more than ordinary explanation..... ()
No particular difficulty in understanding..... (X)
Exceptionally quick to understand what is required.. (X)

7. ACCURACY & RELIABILITY

Consider how dependable he is. Watch for the "buck passer", the one with the ready excuse.

- Too irresponsible to be entrusted with important duties..... ()
Makes some mistakes - needs to be checked up occasionally..... ()
Can depend upon him for the performance of all ordinary duties..... (X)
Can rely upon him to successfully complete the most difficult jobs..... ()

3. POWER OF EXPRESSION

Some men are able to speak in such a way as to hold attention and communicate ideas clearly and readily. They say what they mean simply and directly. At the other extreme is the man whose speech is slow, hesitating and ineffectual.

- Difficult to follow - does not make himself clear... ()
Rather hesitant and inarticulate..... (X)
States what he means clearly..... (X)
Forceful - gets ideas over..... (X)

8. CO-OPERATION

Consider how well he works with a group. Does he give whole-hearted support to a common cause.

- Inclined to create trouble..... ()
Rarely puts himself out to help others..... ()
Co-operative - willing to help others..... (X)
Definitely promotes harmony and good will among his associates..... (X)

4. SELF-CONFIDENCE

Consider the extent to which he displays confidence in his ability to carry things through.

- Timid, self-conscious, easily subdued..... ()
Uncertain of himself - lacks force, tries to bluff.. ()
Sufficient self assurance - does not back down too easily..... (X)
Appears so competent that others have confidence in him..... ()

9. INTEREST IN STATION ACTIVITIES

Participation or interest in sports, social, recreational and other Station activities.

- Indifferent - keeps to himself..... ()
Has very little interest..... ()
Usually participates in station activities..... (X)
Active in promoting station activities..... (X)

5. INITIATIVE

Consider the extent to which he does the right thing without being told.

- Has to be told what to do - does not think for himself..... ()
Routine worker - not much initiative..... ()
Displays initiative when the course is clear..... (X)
Has excellent ideas and does not hesitate to present them..... ()

10. LEADERSHIP

Consider the extent to which others have confidence in him and follow his direction.

- Does not carry much weight with his fellows..... ()
Occasionally takes the lead..... ()
Able to provide good leadership..... (X)
Skilful in directing others - inspires confidence and commands respect..... ()

If assessment is on Aircrew under training, this side only will be completed and Assessing Officer will sign below.

This assessment is made from my personal knowledge of the individual concerned.

Station Date Signature and Rank of Assessing Officer

If other than Aircrew under training, balance of assessment is to be completed on the reverse side of this form and Assessing Officer will sign at the end of PART II only.

PART II

(To be completed in addition to PART I for Officers and N.C.O.'s other than Aircrew under training)

1. SERVICE KNOWLEDGE

Does he show steady improvement and try to fit himself for greater responsibilities?

- Satisfied with present knowledge..... ()
Improves his knowledge if not too much effort..... ()
Searches for ways to improve his service knowledge.... (X)
Surpasses others in keeping up to date with his service knowledge..... ()

3. ADMINISTRATIVE ABILITY

Consider the extent to which he displays organizing and supervising ability.

- Confused in carrying out his work - busy without accomplishment..... ()
Does not organize things very well..... (X)
Organizes effectively and gets things done..... ()
Outstanding organizer - produces excellent results promptly..... ()

2. TRADE PROFICIENCY

Consider how proficient he is in the discharge of his duties.

- Inferior - poorly qualified - below standard..... ()
Moderate - needs more training and experience..... ()
Satisfactory - does his work as well as the average... (X)
Superior - knows his work and does it well..... (X)
Exceptional - stands out unmistakably in capacity and efficiency in performance of his duties..... ()

4. LOYALTY

Consider the extent to which he can be depended upon for his loyal support on all occasions.

- Cannot bank upon him for whole-hearted support..... ()
Usually can count upon his loyalty..... ()
Can definitely depend upon his loyalty..... ()
Always strengthens the hand of those under whom he serves..... (X)

State any special qualifications for employment other than that on which engaged:

R.E. Service Pilot.

Any special remarks or observations not covered by this assessment:

A French Canadian N.C.O. who has helped immeasurably in keeping unity and understanding in the Unit.

This assessment is made from my personal knowledge of the individual concerned.

No.2 Wireless School
Flying Squadron, Shepard.
Station

March, 18th, 1943
Date

[Signature]
Signature and Rank of Assessing Officer

COMMANDING OFFICER'S STATEMENT

When assessing those other than Aircrew under training, in addition to the above assessment the following is to be completed by the Commanding Officer:

If not entirely in accord with the above assessment, which may have been made by another officer, the Commanding Officer is to submit an additional complete assessment.

Where more than one assessment on a man is being submitted from a station or unit, this section is to be completed on one only.

1. I have recently drawn to this man's attention the weaknesses which have been indicated on this assessment and I have made the following suggestions to him for his improvement:

No weaknesses.

3. Having thoroughly examined the Station Confidential File, Record Card and Conduct Sheets, the following "logging" and Conduct Sheet entries are noted as having been recorded within the last twelve months. (If there is no entry - write, - "none".)

None.

2. My recommendation for his promotion is as follows:

Accelerated (Ordinary) - Delayed - Not Recommended
(Encircle your recommendation)

No.2 Wfs. Calgary. 20 3/43.
Station Date

4. If an airman, N.C.O. or warrant officer, do you consider that his personal qualities and the value of his services fully justify appointment to commissioned rank?

yes.

5. He is qualified in drill up to and including.....

3/Sgt.

[Signature]
Signature of Commanding Officer

Remarks or Recommendations by Air Officer Commanding (If Required):

Command

Date

Signature of Air Officer Commanding

725649

No. R73298 Name. GERVAIS, J.P.C. Rank. A/WOII Trade. PILOT (S.G.)

CONFIDENTIAL

ON RECOMMENDATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO TEMPORARY WOII
CONFIDENTIAL PERSONAL ASSESSMENT

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INSTRUCTIONS

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Read the statements under each heading carefully. Consider the person being assessed in relation to each "statement" enumerated below. When possible compare him with others you can call to mind who represent outstanding examples of the traits described. Under each heading place a cross in the brackets after the one statement which best describes the person being assessed. This form will prove only as dependable as the assessment is thorough.

RCAF R.211
COM-4-42
H.Q. 885-R-211

Include PART I in all reports.
Include PART II for Officers and N.C.O.'s other than Aircrew under training.
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PART I

(Include in all reports)

1. APPEARANCE & BEARING

Note - this applies not only on Parade.
Observe in mess, at games, off duty.

- Careless - creates an unfavourable impression..... ()
- Some room for improvement..... ()
- Neat - meets all ordinary requirements..... (X)
- Excellent appearance - stands out among fellows..... ()

6. ENERGY & PERSISTENCE

Some put very little effort into their work. Others may work in tremendous spurts and then wilt - ideal has well controlled energy and perseverance.

- Indifferent - half hearted; loses interest..... ()
- Does only what is required of him..... ()
- Active. Applies himself diligently..... (X)
- Vigorous, enthusiastic in all he undertakes..... (X)

2. MENTAL ALERTNESS

Consider how readily he grasps a situation and is able to understand what is required.

- Slow and confused in understanding..... ()
- Requires more than ordinary explanation..... ()
- No particular difficulty in understanding..... (X)
- Exceptionally quick to understand what is required.. ()

7. ACCURACY & RELIABILITY

Consider how dependable he is. Watch for the "buck passer", the one with the ready excuse.

- Too irresponsible to be entrusted with important duties..... ()
- Makes some mistakes - needs to be checked up occasionally..... ()
- Can depend upon him for the performance of all ordinary duties..... (X)
- Can rely upon him to successfully complete the most difficult jobs..... ()

3. POWER OF EXPRESSION

Some men are able to speak in such a way as to hold attention and communicate ideas clearly and readily. They say what they mean simply and directly. At the other extreme is the man whose speech is slow, hesitating and ineffectual.

- Difficult to follow - does not make himself clear... ()
- Rather hesitant and inarticulate..... ()
- States what he means clearly..... (X)
- Forceful - gets ideas over..... ()

8. CO-OPERATION

Consider how well he works with a group. Does he give whole-hearted support to a common cause.

- Inclined to create trouble..... ()
- Rarely puts himself out to help others..... ()
- Co-operative - willing to help others..... (X)
- Definitely promotes harmony and good will among his associates..... (X)

4. SELF-CONFIDENCE

Consider the extent to which he displays confidence in his ability to carry things through.

- Timid, self-conscious, easily subdued..... ()
- Uncertain of himself - lacks force, tries to bluff.. ()
- Sufficient self assurance - does not back down too easily..... (X)
- Appears so competent that others have confidence in him..... ()

9. INTEREST IN STATION ACTIVITIES

Participation or interest in sports, social, recreational and other Station activities.

- Indifferent - keeps to himself..... ()
- Has very little interest..... ()
- Usually participates in station activities..... (X)
- Active in promoting station activities..... (X)

5. INITIATIVE

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- Has excellent ideas and does not hesitate to present them..... ()

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Consider the extent to which others have confidence in him and follow his direction.

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Station

Date

Signature and Rank of Assessing Officer

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PART II

(To be completed in addition to PART I for Officers and N.C.O.'s other than Aircrew under training)

1. SERVICE KNOWLEDGE

Does he show steady improvement and try to fit himself for greater responsibilities?

- Satisfied with present knowledge..... ()
Improves his knowledge if not too much effort..... ()
Searches for ways to improve his service knowledge.... (X)
Surpasses others in keeping up to date with his Service knowledge..... ()

3. ADMINISTRATIVE ABILITY

Consider the extent to which he displays organizing and supervising ability.

- Confused in carrying out his work - busy without accomplishment..... ()
Does not organize things very well..... ()
Organizes effectively and gets things done..... (X)
Outstanding organizer - produces excellent results promptly..... ()

2. TRADE PROFICIENCY

Consider how proficient he is in the discharge of his duties.

- Inferior - poorly qualified - below standard..... ()
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Consider the extent to which he can be depended upon for his loyal support on all occasions.

- Cannot bank upon him for whole-hearted support.... ()
Usually can count upon his loyalty..... ()
Can definitely depend upon his loyalty..... (X)
Always strengthens the hand of those under whom he serves..... ()

State any special qualifications for employment other than that on which engaged:

NONE.

Any special remarks or observations not covered by this assessment:

A satisfactory N.C.O. Pilot. Has a good disposition and manner. Recommended for temporary rank.

This assessment is made from my personal knowledge of the individual concerned.

No. 2 S.F.T.S., UPLANDS, Ont. 9th April, 1943.

Station

Date

Signature and Rank of Assessing Officer

(H.M. Wilson) Squadron Leader.

Officer Commanding No. 2 Squadron.

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None Apparent

3. Having thoroughly examined the Station Confidential File, Record Card and Conduct Sheets, the following "logging" and Conduct Sheet entries are noted as having been recorded within the last twelve months. (If there is no entry - write, - "none".)

None

2. My recommendation for his promotion is as follows:

Accelerated - Ordinary - Delayed - Not Recommended (Encircle your recommendation)

4. If an airman, N.C.O. or warrant officer, do you consider that his personal qualities and the value of his services fully justify appointment to commissioned rank?

Yes

5. He is qualified in drill up to and

including... Wing Drill

No. 2 S.F.T.S., UPLANDS, Ont. 9th April, 1943.

Station

Date

Signature of Commanding Officer

(A. RAYMOND) GROUP CAPTAIN

Remarks or Recommendations by Air Officer Commanding (if Required): COMMANDING OFFICER.

Command

Date

Signature of Air Officer Commanding

CONFIDENTIAL

RECOMMENDATION FOR COMMISSION
CONFIDENTIAL PERSONAL ASSESSMENT

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..... Station

..... Date

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Can definitely depend upon his loyalty..... ()
Always strengthens the hand of those under whom he serves..... (X)

State any special qualifications for employment other than that on which engaged:

NONE.

Any special remarks or observations not covered by this assessment:

A very willing N.C.O. pilot. Has a good disposition and manner. Should make a capable officer.

This assessment is made from my personal knowledge of the individual concerned.

NO 2 SFTS Uplands, Ont. Station

12th April, 1943 Date

(H.M. Wilson) Squadron Leader, Signature and Rank of Assessing Officer Officer Commanding, No. 2 Squadron.

COMMANDING OFFICER'S STATEMENT

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Nil

Nil

2. My recommendation for his promotion is as follows:

Accelerated - Ordinary - Delayed - Not Recommended (Encircle your recommendation)

4. If an airman, N.C.O. or warrant officer, do you consider that his personal qualities and the value of his services fully justify appointment to commissioned rank? Yes

5. He is qualified in drill up to and including... Wing Drill

No. 2 SFTS Uplands, Ontario Station

14th April, 1943 Date

(A. Raymond) Group Captain, Signature of Commanding Officer

Remarks or Recommendations by Air Officer Commanding (if Required):

Command

Date

Signature of Air Officer Commanding

ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE
RECOMMENDATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO HIGHER RANK

RCAF-R.14 (REVISED)
 200M-1-42 (1521)
 H.Q. 1062-3-17

1. No. R73298 2. Trade Airman Pilot 3. Group Special Group
 4. Name Gervais, J. P. C. 5. Date of Birth 15-11-17 6. Date of Enlist 8-11-40
 7. Present Temp. Rank or Classification Sergeant (Paid) Effective 10-4-42
 8. Present Acting Rank - - - F.I.S. - - - (Paid) Effective 10.10.42
 (Unpaid)
 9. Number of General Conduct Sheet Entries in past 6 months Nil Present evidence of Debt Nil
 (Yes or No)
 9A. If aircrew, number of blameworthy entries in log book Nil
 10. If under 33 years of age and with Aircrew Educational qualifications N. A.
 Medical Category on M2 Examination N. A. Date M2 Exam. N. A.
 11. If A1B—A3B Med. Cat. is Airman desirous of Aircrew training under existing regulations N.A.
 (Yes or No)

12.

TRADE PROFICIENCY		CHARACTER ASSESSMENT	
LAST	PRESENT	LAST	PRESENT
N. A.	Super.	N. A.	Very Good

(To be completed in accordance with provisions of K.R. (Air) paras. 415 and 416)

13. REMARKS Reliable man to have on staff. Gives no trouble.

I recommend the subject Airman for advancement in rank and consider that he is immediately fitted to discharge the duties of the rank of Flight Sergeant in his trade.

I ~~do not~~ consider this Airman potential officer material.
E.R. Owen Group Captain Commanding Officer
 (Signature) (Rank) (Appointment)
No. 2 Wireless School, Calgary, Alta. 11. 11. 42
 Unit Date
 (PARAS. 12 and 13 MUST be completed and signed by Unit Commanding Officer)

14. **QUALIFICATION REPORT DRILL AND CEREMONIAL**
 Certified that the subject Airman has been subjected to Qualifying Tests in Drill and Ceremonial before a Board of qualified personnel and is in all respects qualified up to and including the rank of Flight Sergeant in accordance with the Standards prescribed (A.F.A.O. A.51/14)
T.G. Finn
 (T. G. Finn) (President) F.O.

15. **TO BE COMPLETED BY COMMANDING OFFICER ONLY**
REVIEW ONE MONTH PRIOR TO DATE OF NORMAL APPOINTMENT TO TEMPORARY PAID RANK
 Certified that the all-round proficiency of the subject Airman has been reviewed at this date.
 He is **RECOMMENDED** for,
 (a) Appointment to Temporary Rank,
 (b) ~~Retention in Acting Rank for a further period of~~
 (c) ~~Reduction to substantive rank.~~
STRIKE OUT ITEMS NOT APPLICABLE. If action under (b) is recommended or action under (c) is taken by promulgation in Unit D.R.O.'s, D.A.P.S. is to be notified immediately.
12-11-42 E.R. Owen
 (Date) (Signature)

16 Recommended for appointment to rank of Warrant Officer, Class
(Air Officer Commanding) (Date)
 (Command Specialist Officer) (Date)

FOR HEADQUARTERS USE ONLY

Education	University Degree	Senior Matric.	Junior Matric.	C.I.B.	Entrance Standard or Below
Appointed to rank of <u>Plt Sgt (Temp)</u>			(Paid) Effective <u>10-10-42</u>		
by <u>E.R. Owen</u>			Dated <u>11-11-42</u>		
Signature <u>E.R. Owen</u>			Particulars Checked <u>[Signature]</u>		
Rank <u>Squad Ldr</u>			Appointment Approved <u>[Signature]</u>		
Appointment <u>A.P. 2 A</u>			<u>9-12-42</u>		
Date <u>9-12-42</u>					

NOTE:—Recommendations for Warrant Rank to be submitted to Commands in duplicate.

RECOMMENDATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO HIGHER RANK

1. No. *B73298* 2. Trade *PILOT* 3. Group *SPECIAL*
 4. Name *GERVAIS, J.P.C.* 5. Date of Birth *15 NOV/1917* 6. Date of Enlist *8 NOV/1940.*
 7. Present Temp. Rank or Classification *T/F/S* (Paid) Effective *10th OCT/1942.*
 8. Present Acting Rank *WARRANT OFFICER CLASS II* (Paid) Effective *10th APR/1943.*
 9. Number of General Conduct Sheet Entries in past 6 months *NIL* Present evidence of Debt *NO*
 (Yes or No)
 9A. If aircrew, number of blameworthy entries in log book *NIL*
 10. If under 33 years of age and with Aircrew Educational qualifications *N.A.*
 Medical Category on M2 Examination *N.A.* Date M2 Exam. *N.A.*
 11. If A1B—A3B Med. Cat. is Airman desirous of Aircrew training under existing regulations *N.A.*
 (Yes or No)

12.	TRADE PROFICIENCY		CHARACTER ASSESSMENT	
	LAST	PRESENT	LAST	PRESENT
	<i>SAT.</i>	<i>SAT.</i>	<i>V. GOOD</i>	<i>V. GOOD</i>

(To be completed in accordance with provisions of K.R. (Air) paras. 415 and 416)

13. REMARKS *A SATISFACTORY N.C.O. PILOT. GOOD DISPOSITION AND MANNER.*

I recommend the subject Airman for advancement in rank and consider that he is immediately fitted to discharge the duties of the rank of *WOII* in his trade.

I ~~do not~~ consider this Airman potential officer material.

A. Raymond (Signature) *G/C* (Rank) *COMMANDING OFFICER* (Appointment)
NO. 2 S.F.T.S., ISLANDS, ONTARIO. (Unit) *9th APRIL, 1943.* (Date)
 (PARAS. 12 and 13 MUST be completed and signed by Unit Commanding Officer)

14. QUALIFICATION REPORT DRILL AND CEREMONIAL

Certified that the subject Airman has been subjected to Qualifying Tests in Drill and Ceremonial before a Board of qualified personnel and is in all respects qualified up to and including the rank of *WOII* in accordance with the Standards prescribed (A.F.A.O. A.51/14)

A.P. Hemmell (President)

15. TO BE COMPLETED BY COMMANDING OFFICER ONLY
 REVIEW ONE MONTH PRIOR TO DATE OF NORMAL APPOINTMENT TO TEMPORARY PAID RANK

Certified that the all-round proficiency of the subject Airman has been reviewed at this date. He is RECOMMENDED for,

- (a) Appointment to Temporary Rank,
- (b) Retention in Acting Rank for a further period of *10 Pilot GH SR d/14-4-43*
- (c) Reduction to substantive rank ~~XXXX~~

STRIKE OUT ITEMS NOT APPLICABLE. If action under (b) is recommended or action under (c) is taken by promulgation in Unit D.R.O.'s, D.A.P.S. is to be notified immediately.

13 April, 1943 (Date) *A. Raymond* (Signature) *Group Captain*

16. Recommended for appointment to rank of *Warrant Officer, Class*
 (Command Specialist Officer) (Date) (Air Officer Commanding) (Date)

FOR HEADQUARTERS USE ONLY

Education	University Degree	Senior Matric.	Junior Matric.	Entrance Standard or Below

Appointed to rank of *WOII* (Paid) Effective *27/4/43*
 by *A. Raymond* Dated *27/4/43*

Signature *A. Raymond* Rank *WOII* Appointment *27/4/43* Date *27/4/43*

NOTE:—Recommendations for Warrant Rank to be submitted to Commands in duplicate.



MEMORANDUM

1022-G-1505 (D.A.),

October 16th, 1941.

The Minister

Re: L.A.C. Gervais, J.P.C.

1. On August 5, 1941, the above student pilot was injured in a flying accident at Summerside, P.E.I., and is still confined to hospital.
2. Article 146B (2), F.R. & I., authorizes the continuance of Flying Pay for a period of thirty days, and for a further period on authority of the Minister.
3. In this case the airman has been absolved from blame by the Court of Inquiry, and it is the opinion of Medical Officers that he will be able to resume flying about the 10th of November.
4. It is pointed out, please, that this Submission was made originally on September 6th, and the Minister of National Defence (Colonel Ralston) returned it with certain suggestions for consideration. As a result of his suggestions, a separate Submission is being made to you on another file and a definite policy recommended on the general application of continuous Flying Pay, consistent with the following recommendation.
5. The Air Officer Commanding has recommended continuance of Flying Pay under the circumstances. The undersigned concurs in its continuance for a period not exceeding ninety days from the date of the accident, and requests your approval. This is consistent with the policy to be recommended as applying to all such cases.



(L.S. Breadner)
Air Vice-Marshal,
Chief of the Air Staff.

[Handwritten signature]

FILE No. 11-1-10-3 (CAO)...

R.C.A.F. HEADQUARTERS
CENTRAL REGISTRY

ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE

1022-1-1505 DA
1941 SEP 28 AM 11:03

Montreal, September 27th, 1941.

Attention: DIRECTOR OF ACCOUNTS

The Secretary,
National Defence for Air,
Ottawa, Ontario.

Flying Pay
R73298 LAC Gervais, J.P.C.
#9 S.F.T.S., Summerside, P.E.I.

1. This airman was injured in a flying accident through no fault of his own on 5-8-41.
2. He will be confined to the hospital until November 10th at least. It is strongly recommended that flying pay be continued to him during this period of illness.
3. May we have your decision, please.

(R.C. Muir) Wing Commander,
for: Air Officer Commanding,
No. 3 Training Command H. Q.

ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE

IN REPLY PLEASE QUOTE

File No.: 873298 (O.P.S.)
 Ottawa, Canada, 15th March 1943

Air Officer Commanding,
 No. 3 Training Command, RCAF.,
 Insurance Exchange Building,
 276 St. James Street West,
 Montreal, P.Q.

P.A.

102-2-G-1505

1. The following posting action is to be taken by Units concerned.

2. For your Headquarters to confirm to Unit within your Command.

NAME	NUMBER	RANK	TRADE	POSTED FROM	POSTED TO	EFFECTIVE	REPORTING
J.P.C. CHEVAIS	873298	P/Sgt.	A.P.	Staff Pilot, #2 Wireless Sch. Calgary	Course 71, No. 2 S.F.T.S. Uplands	18th Mar. 1943	22 Mar. 1943.

REPLACEMENT:

REMARKS:

This staff pilot has been selected for posting overseas on the basis of completion of a long and satisfactory tour on staff pilot duties. He is posted to No. 2 S.F.T.S. to be attached to Course 71 for refresher flying on service types in accordance with the policy laid down in these Headquarters letter 198-1 O.P.S. dated 26th Feb. 1943. It will be the responsibility of No. 2 S.F.T.S. to extend this period of refresher training if necessary in order to bring this pilot up to the required standard for posting overseas. In this event, No. 3 T.C. and these Headquarters are to be advised of such extension and the anticipated date of qualification. When this pilot has qualified for posting overseas he is to be granted 14 days embarkation leave including travelling time and posted to the spot for overseas, on authority of this letter. If he fails to qualify after a reasonable length of time a full report is to be submitted to these Headquarters through No. 3 Training Command indicating reasons for failure and recommending future employment. However, if he is successful in this training, No. 2 S.F.T.S. is to submit to these Headquarters "Attention D. of M. 7" R.C.A.F. Form 211 ^{with} particular reference to Para. 4 of C.O.'s statement and recommendation for future employment overseas to these Headquarters, "Attention D.P.C."

REPLACEMENT:

REMARKS:

REPLACEMENT:

REMARKS:

S/O F.B. H. ROY/MS
 CC: Commanding Officer,
 No. 2 S.F.T.S.,
 Uplands, Airport,
 Uplands, Ont.

T. C. Macfarlane
 (T. C. Macfarlane)
 Group Captain,
 for Chief of the Air Staff.

P/O. Gervais J.P.C. Copy to Station 9/3/44

REPORT ON FLYING ACCIDENT OR FORCED LANDING NOT ATTRIBUTABLE TO ENEMY ACTION.

Form 765 (C)
(Revised Feb., 1943.)

In case copies of this form are to be rendered follows:—

Indicate here by an X to whom this copy is addressed.

- (i) One copy direct to Air Ministry, C.I. (Accidents).
- (ii) Two copies direct to Air Ministry, (S.4. Statistics).
- (iii) One copy direct to Ministry of Aircraft Production (R.M.I.).
- (iv) One copy through usual channels to Command Headquarters.
- [In addition, and only if casualties to airmen are involved.]
- (v) One copy direct to Records Office.

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If this incident has been reported to the Air Ministry by signal, quote Reference No. and date.

T. 547 28/Feb./1944

1. UNIT 41 O.T.U.	Group No. 9	Command A.D.G.B.	Serial No. of Form 25/44
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2. DATE OF INCIDENT 28.2.44
TIME 1625

SITE OF INCIDENT

(a) Name of airfield or landing ground ---

(b) Place (if (a) not applicable) Deeside Farm.
(Map 1" to 1 mile)

(c) County Cheshire. (Sheet 43, 815890)

Part (a) to be completed if the incident occurred on, or whilst taking off from or approaching to land on an airfield or landing ground.

3. NATURE OF AND PURPOSE FOR WHICH FLIGHT AUTHORISED:—

- Nature {
- (i) Operational or Non-operational? Non operational
 - (ii) Day or Night flying? Day
 - (iii) Purpose Air to ground firing

This flight is being included in this Unit's flying hour summary on { Form 765A- (Delete as necessary)
Form 765B

4. TYPE OF AIRFRAME AND ENGINE and extent of damage (see footnotes to this section).

Details of Airframe and Engine.	Airframe.	Engine.			
		Single or Port.	Starboard.	Centre Port.	Centre Starboard.
Type	MUSTANG	Allison			
Mark or series	I	V1710/W3R.M.			
R.A.F. No. (and makers' No. for engines)	A.G. 367	9011/207963	a	a	a
Total hours run	377.50	113.25	b	b	b
Date last installed in Airframe			b	b	b
c Extent of damage	E	E			

a To be quoted whenever an engine is damaged or fails.

b To be quoted only for incidents involving defect or failure of airframe or engines.

c To be indicated as:—

E = Missing, unrepairable, reduction to scrap or instructional.
B = For repair at contractor's works or R.A.F. Depot

AC = For repair by contractor's working party.
A = For repair by nearest R.A.F. unit.

U = No damage.

same time turning to the left. The aircraft hit the ground again and finally came to rest having turned $\frac{1}{2}$ of a circle to the left from original line of approach.

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5. ALL OCCUPANTS OF AIRCRAFT

and

FLYING EXPERIENCE OF PILOTS.

Duty.	Name and Initials (Nationality to be quoted if not British).	Rank.	No.	Degree of Injury.	Flying Experience of Pilots and Pupil Pilots. See Note (ii)					
					Part A.		Part B (see Note (i) below).		Part C (see Note (i) below).	
					Total Solo (Day & Night).		Solo (Night).		Type Quoted in Part 4.	All Types.
Pilot	J. P. C. GERVAISE	P/O.	J. 25649	K	26.00	559.00				

NOTE (i) Part B only to be quoted if incident occurred during night flying. (ii) Quote to nearest hour.
 (iii) Part C only to be quoted if loss of control at night or in bad visibility or cloud by day is a possible contributory factor.

6. STAGE OF FLIGHT.		7. DID FIRE OCCUR? If Yes, state "In air" or "On ground" as appropriate. If no fire state "No."	8. CONDITIONS OF LIGHT IN WHICH INCIDENT OCCURRED.	9. IF INCIDENT occurred when taxiing on, taking off from or landing on a runway state "Yes."
A. Picketed or at moorings.	F. In flight.	No	A. Day (daylight).	E. Moonlight.
B. Starting up.	G. Landing.		B. Dusk (half light of evening).	F. Not known.
C. Stationary other than A or B.	H. Towed or manhandled.		C. Dawn (half light of morning).	
D. Taxiing.	J. Not known.		D. Dark (no moon or moon obscured).	
E. Taking off				
Quote A or B or C, etc., as appropriate			Quote as A or B or C, etc., as appropriate and amplify in Part 12(B) if necessary.	

12. REMARKS BY UNIT COMMANDER (to be given under three separate headings) :—

- Part A. Remarks as to circumstances of the incident. (If it occurred at night on or near an airfield the nature of the lighting system in use at the time is to be noted in Part A.)
- Part B. Diagnosis of all contributory factors. The manner in which any particular factor contributed to the incident is to be clearly indicated.
- Part C. General remarks (including any recommendation with regard to personnel, training, airframes, engines, accessories, etc., and notes of any action taken as a result of this incident).

A special investigation is now being conducted into this accident.

Signature..... G. B. WALFORD W/Cdr. Commanding..... Training Wing, 41 O.T.U. Date..... 2.3.44.

13. REMARKS BY STATION COMMANDER (and notes of any action taken as a result of this incident) :—

- (i) Was any assistance rendered in rescue work after the accident, which is considered worthy of recommendation? Yes or No..... If any such assistance was rendered, the recommendation is to be forwarded separately.
- (ii) Remarks.

In my opinion "white smoke" does not necessarily infer a flycol leak but may possibly be petrol vapour from cylinders not firing. Special fuel trial is now in abeyance. The accident is being investigated.

Signature..... HOWARD V. ALLOWAY B/Capt. Commanding..... 41 O.T.U. Hawarden..... Date..... 4.3.44

as to the behaviour of the engine and manipulation of the controls
Duration of flight since last take off : Hours..... Minutes.....5. If engine failure occurred during take off quote height.....

See Note (ii)

See below).

Link Trainer.

- (1) See report of F/Lt., Lewis attached as appendix "A".
- (2) See reports of two witnesses of the accident attached as appendixes "B" & "C".

11 REPORT BY APPROPRIATE SPECIALIST OFFICERS (A. E. Nav., &c.) :—(i) If technical failure is involved information as to the nature and cause of the failure is required ; precise information as to the extent of the damage arising as a result of this failure is not required. (ii) If the non-embodiment of an authorised modification is considered to have contributed to the accident, the serial number of the modification and reason for non-embodiment should be stated.

Witnesses evidence of white smoke issuing from the aircraft suggests an internal glycol leak for which, however, there is no supporting evidence from examination of the engine. The aircraft had flown 16 hrs. 35 mins. on special fuel having 7.2. c.c. T.E.L. and type L.586 sparking plugs. Number 1, 2, 3, and 6 exhaust plugs from the right hand cylinder bank were found to have heavy deposits of lead-like substance between the ceramic and the plug body. This may have caused pre-ignition through incandescence and a loss of power. Form 1022 action on the engine is being taken for special examination at 34 M.U. as instructed by H.Q. A.D.G.B. Technical examination of wreckage is continuing and a final report will be submitted later.

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Is Form 1022 or 1023 being rendered? } F.1022 Signature.....W.R.Parkhouse W/cdr. (Sgd.)
 If "Yes" state which } on engine

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Statement by 120556 F/Lt., V.E.Lewis.

At approximately 16.20 hours on 28th February 1944, I was carrying out dual in a Master aircraft. I had just finished my exercise and was flying over the airfield preparatory to coming in to land.

Suddenly I saw, about 500 ft., below me, an aircraft flying at about 45° to port of the runway in use, a few hundred yards from the upwind end of this runway. A thin stream of white smoke appeared to be coming from the tail of the aircraft. The aircraft appeared to climb and then go out of control, making violent banks to port and starboard over the vertical.

The aircraft then started to lose height in a series of steep turns to port and starboard, with the white smoke still streaming from the tail.

When the aircraft was about 100 feet from the ground I lost sight of it as it disappeared under the nose of my aircraft. A few seconds later I saw it again in the centre of a ploughed field, where it had obviously made a crash landing.

I recognised the aircraft as a Mustang and saw that the white smoke was still rising from the engine of the aircraft.

Sgd: VERNON E. LEWIS,
Flight Lieutenant,
'Y' Flight, 41. O.T.U.

Statement of George Brown of Old Farm Cottage, Bees Nurseries, Deeside,
L/Cpl. Home Guard, 19th Cheshires.

I was hoeing daffodils about 1600 hours on 28.2.44, when I looked up and saw an aircraft which appeared to be in difficulties. The aircraft seemed to make a steep 'S' bend and approached the field where I was working, losing height fast. I saw smoke coming from the aircraft and thought that it was on fire. The aircraft attempted to make a belly landing, and then appeared to bounce up again, at the same time turning to the left. The aircraft hit the ground again and finally came to rest having turned $\frac{1}{4}$ of a circle to the left from original line of approach.

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When Brown came up, we cut the safety harness and lowered him on the floor. With the help of the gang, the fuselage of the aircraft was raised sufficiently to enable the body of the pilot to be pulled out underneath. The pilot appeared to be dead when I first got to the aircraft.

I immediately ran over to the aircraft and looked for the pilot, who was hanging face downwards suspended from his safety harness. His head was nearer to the left hand side of the plane. The wreckage of the seat was forward out of position, and the pilot was wedged underneath it.

on 28.2.44 when I heard an aircraft spluttering, and looking up saw an aircraft in difficulties approaching me from the direction of Hawarden aerodrome. There was a darkish smoke coming from the engine. I watched the aircraft, and it seemed to be making a forced landing in the field I was working in. The aircraft seemed to be under control. The plane made a belly landing and bounced up, and appeared to me to make an attempt to turn to the right, since he was heading straight for the pylon which was right behind me. The plane hit the ground again, and appeared to me to pivot on the nose and through $\frac{1}{2}$ of a circle to the right. The plane did not catch fire.

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I stayed with the crash until an R.A.F. Medical Officer arrived.

Sgd: GEORGE BROWN.

Statements of witnesses - Mustang accident AG.367 - 28th February 1944.

No.1233580, LAC. Lee States:-

I am a fitter II A from No.34 M.U. with a detachment working at A.T.A.Repair hangar at Hawarden.

On Monday afternoon about 4 o'clock I saw a Mustang aircraft, not very high, flying in the direction of Sealand, when suddenly a plume of white smoke came from it. The aircraft started to turn to starboard, climbing slightly when suddenly the bank became very steep and the nose went down. It appeared to me as if the aircraft was going into a spin, which the pilot stopped, but, with the nose still down the bank suddenly changed to the opposite side after which it came on to an even keel with the nose still down. It looked as though the aircraft was too low to pull out of the dive, when it disappeared from my view. The smoke continued while the aircraft was in the steep banks - after that I am not sure. There were several other airmen who saw this. I did not see the engine stop.

Sgd: K.J.Lee.

Statement of Douglas Frederick Cross of 91 Allington Place, Handbridge, Chester.

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Sgd: DOUGLAS F. CROSS

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From : G/Capt. H.V.ALLOWAY

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Royal Air Force,
Hawarden,
Near Chester.

6.3.44.

Dear Mr.Gervais,

I and all my officers send to you our deepest sympathy on the recent death of your son. He was very much liked by us all and is greatly missed.

It is apparent that he was executing a forced landing near the airfield soon after taking off. From witnesses, it seems that he had selected a good field, but a little while before touch down, saw a power line pylon in his line of approach. In trying to turn to avoid this, he lost control and hit the ground. A gardener who was only two hundred yards from the spot ran to the crash but found that your son was then dead. There was no fire.

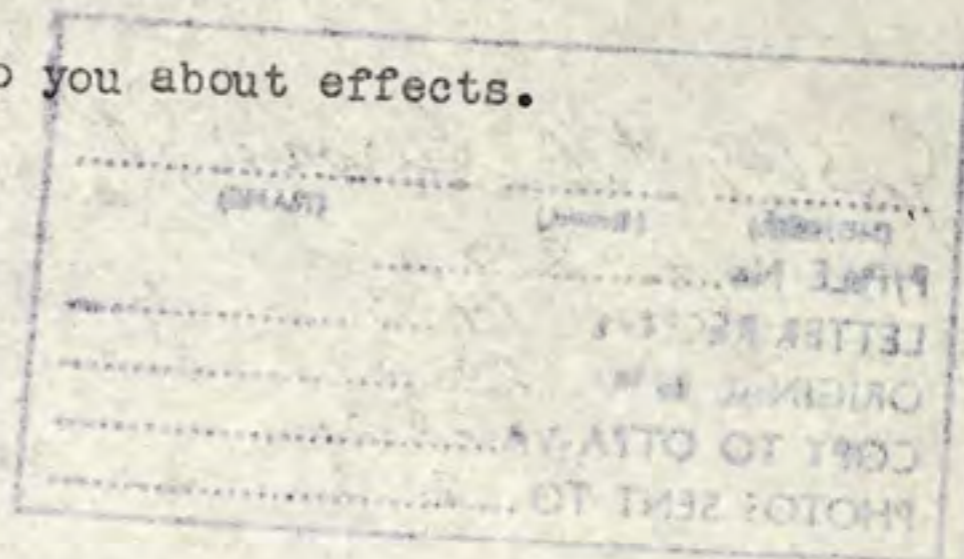
I have delayed writing to you as I hoped by this time the court of investigation would be able to state the cause of the forced landing. They have not yet however been able to trace any cause of failure.

Gervais was buried at Blacon Cemetery near Chester. Enclosed are some photographs of the funeral which I thought you would like as you of course were not able to be present. We all send you our condolences at this sad time.

Yours very sincerely,

HOWARD V.ALLOWAY

One of my officers will be writing to you about effects.





J25649 P/O Gervais J.P.
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(NUMBER) (NAME) (NAME)
FILE No. 414275.....
LETTER RECEIVED 14-3.....
ORIGINAL IN FILE 20-3.....
COPY TO OTTAWA 20-3.....
PHOTOS SENT TO 20-3.....

ESTATES BRANCH
OTTAWA CANADA

October 31, 1944.

Mr. Alfred Gervais,
St. Leonard, N.B.

GÉRVAIS, Joseph Pierre Cyrille, F/O (Deceased)
No. J. 25649, R. C. A. F.

Dear Mr. Gervais:

Your son's personal effects have now been received at this Branch from Overseas, and will go forward to you in a carton by express, prepaid, within the next few days.

We trust that the effects reach you in good order, and on arrival we would ask you to complete and return the enclosed form of receipt for our records.

We are in receipt of information from Overseas Headquarters that additional belongings will be forthcoming. We are unable to say definitely when they will be received, but on arrival you will immediately be notified.

We have also received your son's Pay documents from Overseas and the amount at credit of the Service estate, which includes the balance of an Overseas bank account, will be available for distribution when verification has been completed by Air Treasury.

It is anticipated that verification will be obtained within the next several weeks and distribution will be made at the earliest possible date.

Yours faithfully,

Director of Estates.

IGR:LC
Encl.

See Inventory

ESTATES BRANCH
OTTAWA CANADA

October 31, 1944.

Gordon B. Isnor, ,
Men's and Boys' Wear,
69 Gottingen Street,
Halifax, N.S.

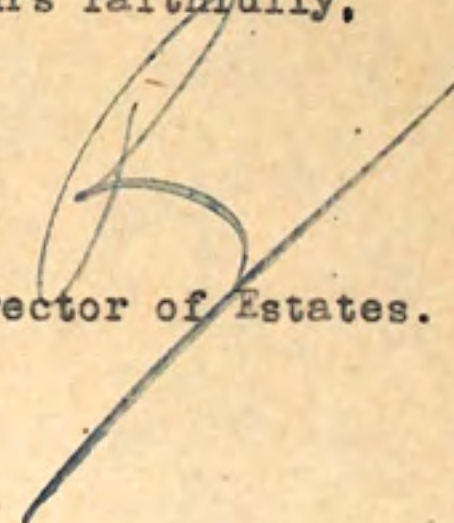
GERVAIS, Joseph Pierre Cyrille, F/O (Deceased)
No. J. 25649, R. C. A. F.

Dear Sir:

The above referenced deceased Officer lost his life Overseas on February 28, 1944, and this Branch is responsible for the administration of the Service estate.

In this connection information has been received that the deceased had business dealings with you, and we will appreciate it if you would advise us if you have an outstanding account. In the event that you have an account, will you please send an itemized statement and the account will be given every consideration in due course of administration of the Service estate. In the event, however, that there is no account outstanding may we be so advised, please.

Yours faithfully,


Director of Estates.

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Personal Effects of J. 25649 P/O. Gervais, J.P.

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- Cartons contg:-
- 1 brown canvas zip valise
 - 1 pad notepaper & envelopes
 - 1 blue leather writing case (RCAF) contg:-
 - Notepaper, envelopes & small notebook
 - 1 volume leather bound "Mon Missel Dominical"
 - 1 " paper " "Livre de Prieres"
 - 1 " " " "Pensez Y Bien"
 - 1 " cloth " "Elementary German"
 - 1 plastic safety ink container
 - 1 pkt. Aircraft Recognition cards
 - 4 coat hangers
 - 1 pr. red/green elastic arm bands
 - 1 black leatherette notebook cover
 - 3 picture postcards (Montreal)
 - 1 blue kit bag
 - 2 kit bag handles
 - 2 Yale locks
 - 1 greatcoat
 - 3 prs. short underpants
 - 2 prs. long "
 - 3 undervests (light weight)
 - 1 undervest (heavy weight)
 - 1 pr. white sports shorts
 - 1 white sports shirt
 - 1 pr. grey sports shorts
 - 1 blue silk golf jacket
 - 1 white silk scarf
 - 1 blue knitted scarf
 - 1 blue knitted pullover
 - 1 navy blue knitted roll neck
 - 38 1/2 prs. socks
 - 1 field service cap
 - 1 peaked cap
 - 6 collars
 - 2 prs. black shoes
 - 1 pr. canvas shoes
 - 1 pr. moccasin slippers
 - 1 pr. black goloshes
 - 1 pr. brown kid gloves
 - 1 raincoat
 - 4 tooth brushes
 - 2 shaving brushes
 - 2 torches
 - 1 electric heater with handle & flex
 - 1 laundry bag
- holdall contg:-
- 1 button stick
 - 1 tooth brush
 - 1 Gillette razor
 - 1 blacking brush
 - 1 polishing "
 - 1 clothes "
 - 1 housewife
- holdall contg:-
- 1 pr. scissors
 - 1 broken comb
 - 1 hair brush
 - 1 steel mirror
 - 1 soap box
 - 1 shoe horn
 - 1 styptic pencil
 - 1 bicycle "Hercules" complete with
 - 1 rubber handgrip
 - 1 rear reflector
 - Keys
- Extracted by unit and forwarded to
Air Ministry, Acots. 13 Worcester:-
- Cheque book & cheque counterfoils
(Lloyds Bank Ltd).
13 bank slips.
2 bank statements.
1 bank letter.
1 letter from B. Isnor, Halifax, N.S.
- See over
- X Part shipment
20 June P.T.O.
S. J. Joly

- 1 black leather case contg:-
- 6 towels
- 5 prs. pyjama trousers
- 4 pyjama jackets
- 2 service dress tunics (Pilots brevets)
- 2 prs. " " trousers
- 1 pr. braces
- 7 shirts ³
- 7 handkerchiefs
- 1 pr. socks
- 1 body belt complete with straps
- 8 black ties
- 1 chocolate box contg:-
 - 1 gilt wrist watch (La Salle 73591) out of order with brown leather strap
 - 1 crucifix
 - 1 crucifix & rosary
 - 1 rosary & medallion in case
 - 1 rosary, medallion & crucifix in case
 - 1 medallion & chain in cloth case
 - 3 catholic medallions
 - 2 prs. gilt cuff links
 - 4 gilt back collar studs
 - 1 gilt front collar stud
 - 2 front chromium studs
 - 4 R.C.A.F. brass buttons (large)
 - 4 " " " (small)
 - 2 regimental buttons
 - 1 collar pin
 - 2 V.R. collar badges & pins
 - 6 spring clips
 - 19 personal letters
 - 1 notebook
 - 1 comb in case
 - 1 leather wallet contg:-
 - Photos, cards etc.
 - 1 nail file
 - 1 Sheaffer fountain pen (inscribed J.P. Gervais)
 - 1 pencil
 - 1 ring (Caterpillar Club, Stirling)
 - 1 ring (10 K. gold engraved)
 - 2 medallions & chain (Catholic)
 - 1 cross (Mother of Pearl)

- 4 cloth religious emblems
- 2 identity discs

Next of kin:-

Mrs. M. A. Gevais
 St. Leonard,
 New Brunswick,
 Canada.

Mr. Alfred Gervais,

St. Leonard, N.B.

Any further communication on this subject should be addressed to:—

THE ADMINISTRATOR OF ESTATES,
DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE,
OTTAWA, ONTARIO.

and the following number quoted:—

H.Q. J25649 FD 62

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE
ESTATES BRANCH
OTTAWA, ONT.

April 1st, 1944

For the purpose of record and in the event of there being any Service estate available for distribution (according to law) on account of the late

GERVAIS, Joseph Pierre Cyrille, F/O.

No. J.25649 R.C.A.F.



it is necessary that certain information regarding the deceased and his relatives should be furnished the Estates Branch. You are asked therefore to read the enclosed memorandum before completing pages 2 and 3 of this form. The particulars required are to be carefully filled in and the Declaration on page 4 should then be signed in the presence of a Clergyman, Priest, Local Magistrate, Commissioner for Oaths, Notary Public or a Commissioned Officer of any of His Majesty's Forces who should be asked to complete and sign the Certificate. This form should then be returned to the above address.

If there is insufficient space for complete particulars to be given opposite any question on pages 2 and 3 of this form, the space under "additional remarks" on page 4 should be used.

IGR:TL

(Signature)
(N.O. Seagram) S/Ldr.,
for (L.M. Firth) Lt. Col.,
Administrator of Estates.

ANSWER IN FULL ALL APPLICABLE QUESTIONS

STATEMENT of the Names, Ages and Addresses or Dates of Death, of all the relatives that the deceased ever had in each of the degrees specified below:

Degrees of Relationship	RELATIVES required to be accounted for	INFORMANT'S STATEMENT		
		NAME IN FULL of any Relative, if any, in each degree specified	Age	ADDRESS IN FULL of each surviving Relative, opposite his or her name, and date of death of each deceased relative
1	Widow of the Deceased.....	none		none
2	Children of the Deceased and dates of their Births.....	none		—
3	Father of the Deceased.....	ALFRED J. GERVAIS	55	St-Leonard, N.B.
4	Mother of the Deceased.....	MARY-ANN- (SULLIVAN) GERVAIS		St-Leonard, N.B.
5	Brothers of the Deceased	Full Blood		
		Half Blood		
6	Sisters of the Deceased	Full Blood	ROLANDE GERVAIS 29 ROSE GERVAIS 28 CRESCENCE GERVAIS 24 FERNANDE GERVAIS 21 RAYMONDE GERVAIS 16	ST-LEONARD N.B. " " " "
		Half Blood		
7	Names of brothers or sisters (whether of the full or the half blood) of the Deceased, who are dead, and date of death of each.	Names and ages of their children (if any)	Address of their children	

ANSWER FULLY EACH QUESTION ON THIS PAGE
PARTICULARS AS TO IDENTITY

8	Full names of the deceased.	Joseph Pierre Cyrille GERVAIS
9	Date of his birth.	Nov 15 - 1917
10	Place and date of his marriage.	not married
11	Place and date of his parents' marriage.	St. Jacques, N.B.

PARTICULARS OF DOMICILE

12	Place where deceased was born.	CHANDLER, P.Q.
13	State, in order, the Province, State and/or County in which he resided before enlistment and the period of time in each.	(a) New Brunswick 22 years (b) (c) (d)
14	Nature of employment before enlistment.	blank.
15	State whether he owned the premises in which he lived, and, if so, where situated.	no
16	Name place where deceased stated he intended to make his permanent home.	New Brunswick

PARTICULARS OF ESTATE

17	Did he leave a Will? If in your custody, please forward.	no Will
18	If married, and domiciled in the Province of Quebec or in a State in the U.S.A. or in a Country under the laws of which there is community of property between spouses,—was there a marriage contract dealing with property?	no See spec
19	Did he have a Bank, Post Office or other deposit account? If so, give name and address of bank, etc., and the amount on deposit. Do you wish it administered with the pay account?	no bank account in New Brunswick. he may have one in London overseas - (Don't know)
20	Amount of War Savings Certificates held by deceased. Indicate where located.	Don't know -
21	Amount of Victory Loan Bonds held by deceased. Indicate whether registered or bearer and where located.	Don't know
22	If deceased had life insurance, name companies and amount payable under each policy and the person named as beneficiary therein.	Great West life Insurance Co \$1,000. Union Mutual life Insurance Co (only pension) ALFRED J. GERVAIS. \$100. paid
23	Describe other assets, if any, and estimated value thereof. Use space on page 4 if necessary.	all his personal effects he has overseas

OTHER PARTICULARS

24	Did the deceased after enlistment incur any debts for— (a) His own separate board and lodging while on service. (b) Service clothing and equipment. An itemized account for each such debt should be attached hereto, and if same is correct you should mark the bill "approved" and sign same. If believed incorrect, give particulars.	not that I know of.
25	Have you or any other relative paid the funeral expenses or any part thereof? If so, attach itemized accounts showing amount paid, and by whom.	funeral paid by Father held in St. Leonard, N.B.

(NOTE:—The Government pays funeral expenses within the amounts authorized in the Regulations, where death occurs and burial is made Overseas as well as where death occurs and burial is made in Canada or elsewhere in the North American zone, and if a relative has already paid those expenses the Government will reimburse such relative to the extent of the amount authorized in the Regulations. Any amount of such expenses in excess of those authorized in the Regulations is not payable by the Government nor is it chargeable against the service estate of the deceased.)

DECLARATION

*Insert degree of relationship for example, "Widow", "Father", "Brother", etc.

I hereby declare that all the particulars shown on this form are correct, and a true and complete statement of all the relatives that the deceased ever had in the degrees specified; and that I am the

* FATHER of the deceased.

N.B.—To be signed in full in the presence of a Clergyman, Priest, Local Magistrate, Commissioner or Notary Public or Commissioned Officer of any of His Majesty's Forces.

Alfred J Gervais Signature of Informant
St Leonard NB Address

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that to the best of my knowlege and belief.....

See above Alfred J Gervais { Name of informant } is the FATHER of the Deceased

above described, and I believe the above Declaration and the Statement of Relatives and of Particulars made by the Informant and signed in my presence to be complete and correct.

Dated at ST. LEONARD, N. B. this 12th day of April 1974

Signature of Clergyman, Priest, Magistrate, Commissioner or Notary Public or Commissioned Officer of any of His Majesty's Forces.

J. P. Bernier Qualification J.P. for County of Madawaska

Address ST. LEONARD, N. B.

NOTE.—Before granting the above Certificate, care should be taken to see that the informant gives particulars concerning the death of any Relative stated by him or her to have died, and that the full name and address and age of each surviving Relative specified is stated in its proper place in the Statement opposite.

(If the deceased has no living relatives of the degrees shown on page 2, the names and addresses and relationship of other relatives should be set out below.)

USE SPACE BELOW FOR ANY ADDITIONAL REMARKS YOU MAY WISH TO MAKE

ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE

CASUALTY

WAR SERVICE GRATUITY - PARTICULARS OF SERVICE

W 1700

NUMBER 525647 FINAL PAID RANK F/O 14-10-43 GROUP RL CHRISTIAN NAMES Joseph Pierre Lymbert SURNAME Lymbert
 (APR 20/21-1-44)

Reason for termination of service: Killed 28-2-44
PCN 444 d/29-2-44

TOTAL SERVICE:

T.O.S. 8-11-40 S.O.S. 28-2-44 1208 DAYS
 T.O.S. _____ S.O.S. _____ _____ DAYS
 TOTAL 1208 DAYS

LESS NON-QUALIFYING SERVICE:

From: Ni To: _____ DAYS
 From: _____ To: _____ DAYS
 From: _____ To: _____ DAYS
 TOTAL QUALIFYING SERVICE 1208 DAYS

OVERSEAS SERVICE:

From: 26-5-43 To: 28-2-44 279 DAYS
 From: _____ To: _____ DAYS
 From: _____ To: _____ DAYS
 TOTAL 279 DAYS

LESS NON-QUALIFYING SERVICE:

From: Ni To: _____ DAYS
 From: _____ To: _____ DAYS
 From: _____ To: _____ DAYS
 TOTAL QUALIFYING OVERSEAS SERVICE 279 DAYS

153
426
1207
1334
279

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Certified that entitlement to benefits under The War Service Grants Act, 1944 has been established, based on service shown herein.

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CHECKER'S INITIALS	<u>[Signature]</u>
DATE	<u>21-6-45</u>

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