

Audio and Video Recording Log

1. Name and address of collector or interviewer.

Name of Collector/Interviewer Mr. Terry Breckin / 7th grade students
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Organization or Affiliation (if any) Brown Deer Middle School

2. Full name and birth date of the veteran or civilian being interviewed as it appears on the recording label and Biographical Data Form.

Name of Veteran/Civilian Arthur Daniel Oehler Birth Date 6/25/23
month/day/year

3. Recording format (please check)

VIDEO type: Botacam VHS 8mm High-8 Digital Other _____
AUDIO type: Cassette Microcassette CD Reel Digital (DAT) _____ (Identify)
If audio, is the cassette or reel recorded on both sides? Yes No
Is item: Original Copy

4. Date of Recording October 9, 2002
Estimated length of recording (in minutes) 1 hour : 16 minutes (76 minutes)

5. Location of recording Brown Deer Middle School
Brown Deer, LA 70006

6. Corresponding materials (please check)
Have you included materials other than the recording? Yes No
If so, please complete the Photograph Log and/or the Manuscript Data Sheet.

7. Please summarize the topics discussed in the interview in their order of appearance on the recording.

Meter Reading or Minute Mark	Topics presented in order of discussion on recording
<u>00:00:00</u>	<u>- enlisting and basic training</u>
<u>00:01:40</u>	<u>- confusing the enemy: travel south in winter uniform</u>
<u>00:04:35</u>	<u>- pneumonia among soldiers - 30 day leave</u>
<u>00:08:20</u>	<u>- travel on "trap ship" - Queen Elizabeth - slept in swimming pool</u>

(Continue on back or on additional sheets as needed.)

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- 00:11:07 - landed in Scotland - Firth of Fourth
- 00:12:20 - replacement - sent to Hardwick Airbase 93rd Bomb Grp.
- 00:13:40 - description of Nissan huts
- 00:14:20 - sound of German planes - night bombings
- 00:17:00 - preparing for bombing runs - breakfast to suiting up
- 00:21:00 - B-24 at 20,000 ft - cold! - heated suits caught fire
- 00:22:44 - take off with full load; spiral up through clouds; formation
- 00:25:20 - crossing the English Channel
- 00:27:09 - anti aircraft fire - exploding and pressure bombs
- 00:28:50 - worry about safety initially, then, "It ain't gonna be me, I hope."
- 00:29:25 - drop bombs & get out
- 00:29:59 - fighter plane attacks from Germans; US fighter support
- 00:32:06 - return to England after bombing run
- 00:34:25 - reason for enlisting
- 00:36:05 - Patriotism: Pearl Harbor
- 00:37:10 - Army Airforce at the time
- 00:37:30 - Ted's Traveling Circus - Nose Art - Plane's name: "Tarfu 2"
- " " - (things really fouled up - meaning behind Tarfu)
- 00:40:42 - Years of Service: job
- 00:41:29 - casualties & wounded - watched other planes
- " " - going down; counted chutes also tended wounded
- " " - in the air - morphine, blood froze
- 00:45:50 - awards including Distinguished Flying Cross: more
- 00:45:45 - D-day bombing run
- 00:46:20 - 30 missions ritual - thrown in the water tank
- 00:47:40 - Pictures from Stars & Stripes
- 00:50:45 - Personal photos of self & crew; planes
- 00:59:00 - comments on old soldiers - 1500 a day die
- 01:01:20 - E-mail WWII version - reduced on machine
- 01:05:11 - Food - in heaven if liked Spam; shot rabbits, cooked in hut
- 01:06:45 - little in way of entertainment

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- 1:07:52 - close friendships with crew - didn't stay in touch
- 1:08:39 - Smuggled beer barrel into camp - officers got in trouble
- 1:10:50 - discharged from Ft. Sheridan - served as medic
" " at Ft. Sheridan for last 2 mos. of service
- 1:12:41 - shoved war into back of mind for 10-15 years
" " then started thinking about it
- " " - contributions of all - even support personnel
" " - "maybe it was worthwhile"
- 1:14:00 - England very different - "backward" in WWII
- 1:14:43 - End of tape
- 1:16:01 -

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