

January 8th 1945

Mr. Carter; That was one swell letter from Admiral Nimitz. It showed how big a man he is. I showed the letter to Mr. Marlin O. Andrews, insurance man, who initiated the inquiry. His only son, Lt. Marlin O. Andrews Jr, a schoolmate of Phil's, was pilot of the ship and went down with Lieut. Healy and others. Mr. Andrews took the ~~exp~~ letter to copy and show to his wife, remarking that such a thing-the commander-in-chief of the navy interesting himself in the stolen effects of a lost pilot-could happen in no other navy in the world.

Andrews wrote the families of all other crew members when the returned effects of his own son came up short to ascertain their experience. Out of eight replies, the effects of seven were shown short; the missing articles were mostly souvenirs, a camera, a pistol. Those reporting articles missing were:

Mr and Mrs. E. B. Anderson, Dundas Rd, Northfield, Minn,
parents of Lt(jg) A. E. Anderson

Mr and Mrs. Marlin O. Andrews, 3701 Bellaire Drive, Fort
Worth, parents of Lt. (jg) Marlin O. Andrews Jr.

J. C. Parker Sr., Southern Ry, Knoxville, Tenn., father of
Lt. (jg) J. C. Parker

Mrs. R. F. Flack, 253-15 17- 8th Ave Melrose, L. I. N. Y.
wife of R. F. Flack, AMM 3c V-6

Mrs. Richard King, 119 Eagle St., Tenafly, N. J. ~~xxxxxx~~ mother of
W.B. King, ARMIc V-3

M. M. Weinschenk, Osage, Iowa, father of M. M. Weinschenk Jr
AOMIc

All of these boys were members of bombardment squadron VB 104 USN

JMN