

# **The Murders at the Château d’Audrieu**

## **A Case Study**

(Teacher’s Guide)

### **Overview**

International Laws are an attempt to set the rules for armed engagement between contending parties. They are designed to provide a measure of protection for civilians as well as for soldiers. In the case of prisoners of war, such laws affirm that they are no longer part of the battle. They are to be confined, but not otherwise harmed. Their basic needs for food, clothing, and shelter are to be respected. Under no circumstances should they be mistreated and certainly not killed.

In spite of these laws, the mistreatment of prisoners does occur in war. Most commonly, it happens during the heat of the battle, when soldiers are physiologically and psychologically primed for the fight. In such circumstances, it is understandable, although not acceptable, that a soldier can kill a defenceless opponent who has surrendered, particularly if the latter has just killed one of the soldier’s comrades. Fifteen minutes or a half hour later, he would probably restrain the urge to kill, particularly if his officer had already taught him the rules of war and made it clear that they would be enforced.

What happens, however, when there is no such restraint? When soldiers see their officers freely order killings themselves? Not just on the battlefield, but back of the lines hours and even days later? What type of battle culture does this promote? What should be done in such circumstances, when the laws of combat are broken so blatantly?

Just such a circumstance occurred in Normandy in June 1944, when the 3rd Division of the Canadian forces came up against the 12th SS Panzer Division ‘Hitler Youth’. During that struggle, Canadians were captured by the 12th SS and over 150 of them, or roughly one seventh of all the Canadian soldiers killed in the Normandy Campaign, were killed after surrender. In this student activity, the focus will be on the murders at the Château d’Audrieu. Using that incident as a starting point, the activity can be expanded to a consideration of a number of related questions regarding the battlefield conduct of soldiers and officers involved in war.

### **Student Outcomes**

This activity is designed for students in Senior High Canadian History classes. Here are some of the outcomes that could result from this exercise. Students should:

1. Gain knowledge of major events connected with the D-Day Landing in June 1944 during World War II, especially the Canadian advance into Normandy and confrontation with the 12th SS Panzer Division ‘Hitler Youth’.
2. Gain knowledge of the specifics of that engagement, particularly in reference to the treatment of prisoners.
3. Broaden their knowledge by research into other such incidents and the military culture that prompted them.
4. Analyse the historiography relating to these incidents to better understand the various points of views and contexts that affect interpretation of historical events.
5. Be able to empathise with a particular soldier through investigation of his background and the impact his death had on family, friends, and community.
6. Consider the long term impact of murderous deeds on the particular soldiers who perpetrated them.

7. Evaluate the impact of the Normandy murders on the way they think about the Normandy Campaign in particular and wars in general, including the present day war in Afghanistan.

### Time Allotment

This will vary, depending on the class and the student outcomes envisioned. If one or more avenues of research are explored, then it may be wise to introduce the topic at the beginning of the school term, review it from time to time, and conclude with a courtroom role play activity, a class debate on the responsibility for the murders, or a major research paper. *(If your focus on a student's intellectual and moral development, that becomes the basis of your strategy. Covering every aspect of the Canadian History course will not then get in the way of meeting that student need.)*

### Teacher Preparation

1. Become familiar with the Murders at the Château d'Audrieu. Howard Margolian's book ***Conduct Unbecoming: The Story of the Murder of Canadian Prisoners of War in Normandy*** is an excellent source because it looks at the incidents from the perspective of individual soldiers. Unfortunately, the book is out of print, although you may be able to find a used copy online or at your local bookstore. The good news is that it may be in print again, and in the meantime, you can look at extracts from ***Conduct Unbecoming: The Story of the Murder of Canadian Prisoners of War in Normandy*** at [http://books.google.ca/books?id=iER3n7NkAPoC&pg=PA57&lpg=PA57&dq=Conduct+Unbecoming+the+Milius+Murders&source=bl&ots=dE6qkqzIOu&sig=8Z3ovDEZPdC7OMH0I8\\_jeBJZZgM&hl=en&ei=T-a8TKDAO8mYOoz3udEM&sa=X&oi=book\\_result&ct=result&resnum=1&ved=0CBcQ6AEwAA#v=onepage&q&f=false](http://books.google.ca/books?id=iER3n7NkAPoC&pg=PA57&lpg=PA57&dq=Conduct+Unbecoming+the+Milius+Murders&source=bl&ots=dE6qkqzIOu&sig=8Z3ovDEZPdC7OMH0I8_jeBJZZgM&hl=en&ei=T-a8TKDAO8mYOoz3udEM&sa=X&oi=book_result&ct=result&resnum=1&ved=0CBcQ6AEwAA#v=onepage&q&f=false). Or you may read "The Bremer Murders" in the attached document, which is a typed excerpt of the relevant sections from Margolian's book for the specific incident highlighted in this activity.
2. It is useful to study the historiography related to the Normandy murders because it provides an overview of the various historical, political, and philosophical factors that have influenced historical interpretation. These will generate new questions for consideration. An excellent online source is "***Kurt Meyer, 12th SS Panzer Division, and the Murder of Canadian Prisoners of War in Normandy: An Historical and Historiographical Appraisal***" P. Whitney Lackenbauer, Ph.D. Student, Department of History, University of Calgary, at <http://grad.usask.ca/gateway/archive9.html>
3. You may wish to become more familiar with the trial of Kurt Meyer, particularly to find out how the prosecution and defence were carried out. If so, see ***The Abbaye Ardenne Case: Trial of SS Brigadefuhrer Kurt Meyer*** at <http://www.ess.uwe.ac.uk/WCC/meyer.htm>
4. In order to better understand "spontaneous battlefield vengeance" read Tim Cook. "***The Politics of Surrender: Canadian Soldiers and the Killing of Prisoners in the Great War***" *Journal of Military History* 70/3(July 2006), 637-665. <http://www.lackenbauer.ca/Hist610/Rdgs/10-Cook-POWsWWI.pdf>

### Procedure

1. Assign the students to read "The Bremer Murders." (see attached document). *Margolian's account has an appeal for readers because it is in story form, has heroes and villains, and contains a clear moral message.*
2. Class discussion for initial reactions to "The Bremer Murders." Did these "murders" constitute a war crime? *Students should all have opinions.*
3. With Tim Cook's article as a reference, discuss the following:

*What is the history and rationale behind international law in reference to the treatment of prisoners?*

*Spontaneous battlefield vengeance" is understandable, although unsanctioned, battlefield behaviour. What are some Canadian examples from World War One? Find examples that are questionable. What evidence from Cook's article suggests that Canada was guilty of war crimes in World War One? ( In order to make that claim, there has to be evidence of a policy, either written or verbal, from officers that taking no prisoners was acceptable. Also, there has to be evidence that prisoners were murdered after they had gone back to detention areas back of the lines.)*

4. Review the evidence of what happened to Canadian soldiers who were killed by the 12th SS in Normandy See "SoldiersNormandy.doc" attached. *How many of these can be described as "spontaneous battlefield revenge"? There is room for interpretation here. Some deaths described as "murders" may have been spontaneous battlefield revenge. What is important is that students' provide reasoned arguments for their assessment.*
5. At this stage of the activity, point out that determining what is murder and what is understandable, but still not condoned, battlefield behaviour depends upon context and one's perspective. This may be an appropriate time to introduce the historiography associated with the treatment of Canadian prisoners by the 12th SS in Normandy. *See Lackenbauer's paper. Rather than having students read the paper in its entirety, select relevant passages that show how changing political realities, philosophical developments (relativism), and personal bias have affected historical interpretation. This is where you instruct them directly. What you want to do here is muddy the water, so that students are forced to think through the various issues that can be raised in such circumstances. They have to evaluate rather than making snap judgments.*
6. Before a final evaluation of the events at the Château d'Audrieu, students need further information on the SS officers who were involved in questionable treatment of prisoners, because those actions occurred in a context that was possibly unique to them. *They were fanatical Nazis committed to the doctrine of Aryan superiority that had been espoused in Hitler's writing, they had mostly served on the Eastern Front as members of the Leibstandarte SS Adolf Hitler, fierce combatants who were known for their harsh treatment of enemy soldiers and civilians. A number of them had helped organise and had served in the death camps that were set up for Jews, Gypsies, Slavs, homosexuals, and religious minorities like the*

*Jehovah's Witnesses. (If your stomach can handle it, you may wish to show films on the death camps. They are readily available on the Internet, and expose in graphic detail the evil core of Nazism) The young soldiers they led had been thoroughly indoctrinated in Nazi beliefs and were prepared to die for them. They had nothing but contempt for the 'vermin' Canadian soldiers they faced. Within this context, it is easy to see why International law was violated by them and why their officers should have been tried for war crimes*

7. In a class discussion, review with the students their initial assessment of the events at the Château s'Audrieu. *Have they modified their initial reaction? What insights have they gained from additional research into international law, spontaneous battlefield revenge, and officer responsibility to control those he commands?*

## Evaluation

1. Read "Trial begins for Canadian soldier in killing of unarmed Taliban" at [http://www.google.com/hostednews/afp/article/ALeqM5iSpWqGZPNEAZ3VqF\\_xYcQC70ciWA](http://www.google.com/hostednews/afp/article/ALeqM5iSpWqGZPNEAZ3VqF_xYcQC70ciWA), "Canadian soldier kills Taliban???" at [http://www.torontosun.com/news/columnists/joe\\_warmington/2009/01/03/7907046-sun.html](http://www.torontosun.com/news/columnists/joe_warmington/2009/01/03/7907046-sun.html), and "Canadian soldier found not guilty in battlefield death" at <http://www.globalsaskatoon.com/world/Canadian+soldier+found+guilty+battlefield+death/3296416/story.html>. (You might want to make personal copies of these articles for educational purposes before they are removed from the Internet!). After you have read these articles, write a paper citing the arguments that were raised or could be raised by the prosecution and the defence in this trial.
2. Choose a Canadian soldier who died at the hands of the 12th SS during June 1944 in Normandy and write a detailed biography about him. See attached "NormandySoldiers.doc". *This activity could be started at the beginning of the term for completion at its end. Students will be expected to use a variety of research strategies to complete this assignment and will need plenty of time to gather information from a variety of archival and family sources.*
3. There was a young SS officer captured on 19 August 1944 at St. Lambert sur-Dives by Canadian forces under Major David Currie. (See a close up of this officer in the video "South Alberta Regiment at St. Lambert-sur-Dives" <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WdgsVDS99go> and on page 111 in Copp, Terry and Bechthold, Mike. The Canadian Battlefields in Normandy: A Visitor's Guide. Waterloo, Ontario: Laurier Centre for Military Strategic and Disarmament Studies, Wilfred Lauria University, 2004. Third Edition 2008.)

These images put a human face on the thousands of young German soldiers who became part of the 12th SS Panzer Division. Like the Canadian soldiers who died at the hands of the 12th SS, this young man had a family back in Germany who cared about him. Investigate to find out the type of education to which he would have been exposed from childhood as a member of the Hitler Youth Movement. Is that background a mitigating circumstance in assessing blame for acts in violation of the rules of acceptable battlefield conduct in which he may have participated? If so, why? If not, why not?

## Excerpts from

### Conduct Unbecoming:

**The Story of the Murder of Canadian Prisoners of War in Normandy**  
[http://books.google.ca/books?id=iER3n7NkAPoC&pg=PA57&lpg=PA57&dq=Conduct+Unbecoming+the+Milius+Murders&source=bl&ots=dE6qkqzIOu&sig=8Z3ovDEZPdC7OMH0l8\\_jeBJZZgM&hl=en&ei=T-a8TKDAO8mYOoz3udEM&sa=X&oi=book\\_result&ct=result&resnum=1&ved=0CBcQ6AEwAA#v=onepage&q&f=false](http://books.google.ca/books?id=iER3n7NkAPoC&pg=PA57&lpg=PA57&dq=Conduct+Unbecoming+the+Milius+Murders&source=bl&ots=dE6qkqzIOu&sig=8Z3ovDEZPdC7OMH0l8_jeBJZZgM&hl=en&ei=T-a8TKDAO8mYOoz3udEM&sa=X&oi=book_result&ct=result&resnum=1&ved=0CBcQ6AEwAA#v=onepage&q&f=false)

(The book *Conduct Unbecoming* by Howard Margolian is unavailable from the University of Toronto Press <http://www.utppublishing.com/product.php?productid=659> at present, but is available online from other sources. See Review [here](http://www.goodreports.net/reviews/conductunbecoming.htm) <http://www.goodreports.net/reviews/conductunbecoming.htm>).

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While more than three dozen of the Canadians who had been captured in and around Putot were cooling their heels at the Moulin farm, two miles to the west a group of twenty-four Canadian and two British prisoners were being marched in the direction of the village of Pavie, near where Gerhard Bremer's 12th Reconnaissance Battalion had its headquarters. The Canadians included Major Frederick Hodge, the commander of the Royal Winnipeg Rifles' A Company, thirteen members of A Company's 9 Platoon, two of whom - George and Frank Meakin from Birnie, Manitoba - were brothers, eight men from A Company's 7 and 8 Platoons, and two reinforcements from the Queen's Own Rifles.<sup>1</sup> Hodge and the men from 8

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<sup>1</sup> The twenty-five-year old Hodge was a reservist who enlisted a few days after the evacuation of the BEF from Dunkirk. For more biographical information on him, see PRU, file 39-03884 (Frederick Edward Hodge). The thirteen men from 9 Platoon included Corporal George Edward Meak, Lance Corporal Frank Vernon Meakin, Rifleman William Charles Adams, Emmanuel Bishoff, Lawrence Chartrand, Sidney James Cresswell, Anthony Fagnan, Robert James Harper, Hervé Alfred Labrecque, John Lewis Lychowich, Robert Mutch, Henry Rodgers, and Steve Slywchuk. For biographical information on them, see PRU, files 40-70314, 40-70312, 04-13809, 04-67709, 05-09689, 04-50661, 06-05705, 06-83815, 39-62208, 40-12530, 41-02048, 41-89124, and 42-35393. The rest of the men from A Company included Lance Corporals Austin Ralph Fuller and William Poho, Rifleman David Sidney Gold, James Donald McIntosh, William David Thomas, Louis Chartrand, Kenneth Samuel Lawrence, and Frank Ostir. For biographical information on them, see PRU, files 06-29596, 41-51255, 06-53798, 40-32416, 42-75900, 05-09706, 39-83569, and 41-21932. The reinforcements

and 9 Platoons had broken out of the encirclement of Putot, only to be captured while trying to cross a railway bridge west of the beleaguered village. The men from 7 Platoon and the two British soldiers had been taken prisoner during the fighting at Brouay.<sup>2</sup>

As they marched two abreast down the road to Pavie, the twenty-six prisoners were under escort by troops of the 3rd Battalion of Wilhelm Mohnke's regiment. How and why they ended up in the custody of Bremer's battalion is something of a mystery. The respective headquarters of the 3rd Battalion and Bremer's unit were roughly equidistant from the place where the prisoners had been rounded up. Both headquarters, moreover, were accessible by road. In view of the fact that the prisoners are known to have been held for a while at a junction just east of Pavie,<sup>3</sup> it is possible that the column was heading for 3rd Battalion headquarters at Cristot when it ran into a patrol dispatched by Bremer. It is further possible, although it certainly would have been unusual, that Bremer's men either offered or demanded to take custody of the prisoners and escort them to their own headquarters. Whatever the case, the twenty-four Canadian and two British soldiers never got to Cristot, but rather were marched on to Pavie. This seemingly innocuous turn of events sealed the prisoners' fate.

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At the crossroads east of Pavie, the column was ordered to halt. The first thing Bremer's men did was to instruct the prisoners to remove their helmets. Then, while they kept their hands clasped behind their heads, each prisoner was subjected to a thorough, sometimes rough, search. All papers and personal effects were confiscated. Identification documents were taken by the NCO in charge, while photographs, money, and other personal items were tossed willy-nilly to the ground, although the Germans did make a point of pocketing cigarettes.<sup>4</sup> At the conclusion of the search, the prisoners, their hands still up, were marched another few hundred yards to the rear of a chateau. It was around 2:00 in the afternoon.

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from the Queen's Own were Privates Francis David Harrison and Frederick Smith. For biographical information on them, see PRU, files 06-85334 and 42-38215.

<sup>2</sup> Statement given by Lieutenant R.S. Moglove, undated, in the *Report of the SHAEF Court of Inquiry regarding the Shooting of Prisoners of War by German Armed Forces at Château d'Audrie on 8 June 1944*, part 3, exhibit no. 29, p. 1, NA, RG 24, vol. 10429, file 205S1.023 (D18).

<sup>3</sup> Three weeks later, a unit of the (British) 50th Northumbrian Division found the personal effects of a number of the prisoners at the junction, suggesting that they had been searched and divested of these items at this spot. See *ibid.*, part 2, p. 10.

<sup>4</sup> *Ibid.*, pp. 4, 8, 10. See also the statements given by Raymond Marcel Lanoue and Monique Level, 3 July 1944, NA, RG 24, vol 10513, file 215A21.009 (D 125), pp. 10, 6.

Compared with the horrors of combat, the scene that greeted the prisoners on the grounds of the chateau must have seemed positively idyllic. Nestled among tall, leafy trees and other greenery, the chateau, named Château d'Audrieu, after the neighbouring village, recalled simpler, gentler times. With its lush garden, servants' quarters, and dense adjacent woods, the chateau could have been the estate of eighteenth-century French nobility. So lovely were the surroundings, in fact, that after the war a shrewd entrepreneur bought the site, restored it, and converted the chateau into a luxury hotel and restaurant. The tourists who sit by the pool today cannot image the scene of carnage that took place there on the afternoon of 8 June 1944.<sup>5</sup>

While the prisoners were being escorted onto the grounds of the chateau, Bremer and SS Captain Gerd von Reitzenstein, the commander of the headquarters company, were poring over maps, planning operations. They had arrived at the chateau around noon. A quick tour of the site had convinced them that it was the ideal place to set up battalion headquarters. Located near a crossroads, the chateau had the advantage of being enveloped by foliage, which could provide at least some cover against sighting by Allied aircraft. Without much ado, Bremer had given the order; this would be the spot. While a trooper went to procure food from the kitchen, the headquarters company established a command post behind the chateau, at the edge of an open grassy space, under a giant, low-hanging sycamore tree.<sup>6</sup>

It was in the shade of the sycamore where Bremer and Reitzenstein came face to face with their quarry. Slated for interrogation, the prisoners were brought to the command post in small batches. The first to be called forward were Major Hodge and Lance Corporal Austin Fuller of the Winnipeggs and Private Frederick Smith of the Queen's Own Rifles. Bremer, who spoke English fluently,<sup>7</sup> did most of the questioning.

According to one eyewitness, the interrogations went on for a good fifteen minutes.<sup>8</sup> We do not know what information, if any, Bremer was able to elicit from the three Canadians. It is hard to imagine that Major Hodge would have revealed more

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<sup>5</sup> Carlo d'Este, *Decision in Normandy: The Unwritten Story of Montgomery and the Allied Campaign* (London, 1983), 507n. 1

<sup>6</sup> Statement given by Level, 3 July 1944, NA, RG 24, vol. 10513, file 215A21.009 (D 125), p. 7, and SHAEF Report, *Château d'Audrieu*, part 2, p. 3.

<sup>7</sup> See the file on Gerhard Bremer, NARA, RG 242 BDC A 3433, SS Officer Dossier, roll 104, frame 632.

<sup>8</sup> Statement given by Level, 3 July 1944, NA, RG 24, vol. 10513, file 215A21.009 (D 125), p. 7.

than his name, rank, and military identification number. During a training exercise in February 1942, this brave soldier had been wounded while saving one of his men from the explosion of an errantly thrown grenade.<sup>9</sup> Anyone that cool in the face of danger would not have been easily intimidated, even when confronted by the burly and menacing Bremer. Indeed, Bremer probably had no more success with Fuller and Smith. Just prior to capture, the morale of A Company was reported to have been 'very high.'<sup>10</sup> It seems most unlikely that in the space of less than two hours unit cohesion could have broken down to the point where the men of A Company would have willingly revealed information to their captors.

After getting nowhere with Hodge, Fuller, and Smith, a frustrated and angry Bremer reverted to the method of dealing with enemy prisoners with which he had become familiar as a member of the *Leibstandarte* – he ordered them killed. At around 2:15 PM, the battalion commander beckoned SS First Lieutenant Willi-Peter Hansmann, SS Technical Sergeant Leopold Stun, and two motorcycle dispatch riders. After a brief conference, Hansmann strode along the path that led from the command post to the edge of the woods, where he stopped and waited. Meanwhile, the Canadians, who still had not been permitted to lower their hands, were instructed to get into single file. Flanked by the two SS troopers, with Stun bringing up the rear, Hodge, Fuller, and Smith were then ordered to move out to where Hansmann was standing.<sup>11</sup>

As the scenario unfolded, it bore all the earmarks of a classic execution. The Canadians must have realized what was in store for them, because without exception the eyewitnesses to their lonely death march were struck by the sad and resigned expressions that darkened their young faces. Nevertheless, there were no desperate attempts to escape, nor any pleas for mercy. On the contrary, Hodge, Fuller, and Smith, in the manner of the North Novas at the Abbaye d'Ardenne, would meet their end with courage and dignity. As they approached the edge of the woods, one of the doomed men did falter momentarily, but he resumed the march when Sergeant Stun, who had carried out this kind of duty before and who was obviously enjoying himself,<sup>12</sup> kicked him from behind. Jolted back to reality,

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<sup>9</sup> For more on this incident, see PRU, file 39-03884 (Frederick Edward Hodge).

<sup>10</sup> Captain J. Allen to the Canadian Section (21st Army Group), 31 July 1944, PRU, file 04-67578 (Hilliard John Henry Birston) p. 10.

<sup>11</sup> Statements given by Lanoue, Beatrice Marie Delafon, and Level, 3 July 1944, NA, RG 24, vol. 10513, file 215A21.009 (D 125), pp. 7, 9-10.

<sup>12</sup> Even among the cynical, battle-hardened veterans of Nazi Germany's dirty war on the eastern front, Stun had acquired a reputation as a homicidal thug. See the testimony of SS Second Lieutenant Becker, *Supplementary Report of the SHAEF Court of Inquiry re Shooting of Allied Prisoners of War by 12 SS Panzer Division (Hitler-Jugend) in*

the prisoner moved up directly behind his comrades, whereupon Hansmann directed the entire party onto a path that led to a cluster of shrubs and small trees.

As they got to the patch of undergrowth, Stun ordered the Canadians to halt. Next the NCO had his intended victims turn around, so that they would face away from the firing squad. Then, at his command, the two SS troopers levelled their rifles, aimed, and fired. Stun joined in with his machine pistol. Wounded in the shoulder, Major Hodge fell forward, only to be finished off by several shots to the head. Fuller and Smith, on the other hand, appear to have swivelled around just as the

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Germans opened up, thereby defiantly confronting their murderers as they were shot.<sup>13</sup>

While the grounds of the chateau were still reverberating with the executioner's salvo, a second batch of prisoners was being escorted to the battalion command post. Apprehensively, Privates David Gold, James McIntosh, and William Thomas of the Royal Winnipeg Rifles gathered around Bremer in the shade of the sycamore tree. A stretcher bearer who was wearing a Red Cross armband, Gold was entitled to special treatment as a non-combatant.<sup>14</sup> Having just ordered the murder of three POWs, Bremer, of course, was not likely to begin observing the niceties of international law. Instead, as he had done with Hodge, Fuller, and Smith, he resorted to direct interrogation. Once more he ran up against a stone wall of stubborn resistance. His patience wearing thin, the seething commander only went through the motions of questioning the prisoners. Indeed, as soon as he spotted Stun and his party returning from the woods, Bremer terminated the interrogation session. After exchanging a few words with his trusted henchman, he turned the prisoners over to him, with the same orders as before. At around 2:30 PM, Gold, McIntosh, and Thomas were seen being escorted across the chateau grounds and into the woods.<sup>15</sup>

Once in the ticket, the prisoners were taken along a different path than the one where the martyred Hodge, Fuller, and Smith lay. They walked until

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*Normandy, France, 7-21 June 1944*, Part 4, p. 21 NA, RG 24, vol. 10427, file 205S1.023 (D 9).

<sup>13</sup> This was deduced from the fact that both Fuller's and Smith's bodies bore close-range wounds to the chest, while Smith had also been hit in the armpit. See SHAEF Report, *Château d'Audrieu*, part 2, pp. 3-4.

<sup>14</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 1.

<sup>15</sup> Statements given by Delafon and Level, 3 July 1944, NA, RG 24, vol. 10513, file 215A21.009 (D 125), pp. 6-7,9.

they came to a clearing, whereupon Stun ordered the party to halt. Not wanting a repeat of the defiant display put on by Fuller and Smith, this time the NCO took no chances. First, he ordered the intended victims to lie on their stomachs. Next, apparently to ensure 'clean' kills, he instructed the Canadians to prop up their heads by resting on their elbows. Then each trooper stood directly above his assigned target. On Stun's command, they fired from almost point-blank range. Gold, McIntosh, and Thomas died instantly from massive head wounds.<sup>16</sup> After a short while, the shooters emerged from the woods. Their appetites not the least bit diminished by their detestable and disgusting duty, Stun and his men stopped for food and cider at the chateau kitchen.<sup>17</sup>

For all the entertainment value that he and his staff were deriving from the murderous spectacle, it must have become apparent to Bremer that this was a very inefficient way to dispose of prisoners. To interrogate and then to kill them three at a time could take until evening. The fluid situation at the front simply did not allow for such a protracted procedure. As it happened, shortly after the shooting of Gold, McIntosh, and Thomas, word came in that British tanks were massing on the battalion's left flank.<sup>18</sup> That helped the commander to make up his mind. He had to attend to his defences. The prisoners could wait. On Bremer's orders, the remaining eighteen Canadians and two British, who were sitting around at the rear of

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the chateau, were brought to an adjacent orchard, where they were kept under heavy guard. To the relief of the prisoners, who must have heard the shots of Stun's execution party, they had been granted a reprieve. It would only be temporary.

Under Bremer's reckless but effective leadership, the 12th Reconnaissance Battalion repulsed a frontal attack on the village of Audrieu by advance elements of a British armoured brigade. Although a second British force, which was deployed further west, succeeded in flanking the village and taking the strategically important Hill 103, by 4:00 PM the reconnaissance troops had once more stabilized the front.<sup>19</sup> Bremer returned to his command post shortly thereafter. Probably not by coincidence, the massacre of prisoners resumed upon his arrival.

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<sup>16</sup> SHAEF Report, *Château d'Audrieu*, part 2, pp. 1, 6, and record of the evidence of Reverend A. Inglis, 11 July 1944, *ibid.*, part 3, exhibit no. 7, p. 1.

<sup>17</sup> Statement given by Delafon, 3 July 1944, NA, RG 24, vol. 10513, file 215A21.009 (D 125), p. 9.

<sup>18</sup> Craig W. H. Luther, *Blood and Honor: The History of the 12th SS Panzer Division 'Hitler Youth,' 1943-1945* (San José, CA, 1987), 160.

<sup>19</sup> *Ibid.*, 160-1.

Between 4:30 and 5:00 in the afternoon, Leon Leseigneur, a local farmer, and Eugene Buchart, one of his farm hands, were walking along a dirt road past the hen house of the Château d'Audrieu. Gazing to the right, they noticed thirteen unarmed Canadian soldiers standing in the chateau's orchard. All were members of 9 Platoon of the Winnipeg's A Company. They were Mrs. Jennie Meakin's boys, George and Frank, both of whom were corporals, as well as Privates William Adams, Emmanuel Bishoff, Lawrence Chartrand, Sidney Cresswell, Anthony Fagnan, Robert Harper, Hervé Labrecque, John Lychowich, Robert Mutch, Henry Rodgers, and Steve Slywchuk. The prisoners were being guarded by a detachment of SS troopers. Buchart noted with interest that there were several officers among the guard.<sup>20</sup>

About forty yards past the hen house, Buchart and his employer headed into the pasture where the Leseigneur farm was situated. Just as they turned off the dirt road, the two men heard heavy bursts of gunfire. Buchart and Leseigneur instantly realized what this meant, but, after four years of brutal German occupation, they knew better than to investigate. Instead the two men hurried back to the farm and tried to keep a low profile. A few minutes later, an SS officer and two troopers came by in order to appropriate Leseigneur's ladder. Forcing Buchart to carry the ladder for them, the Germans escorted him back towards their headquarters. As he passed the hen house and glanced left at the orchard, his worst fears were confirmed. The prisoners he had seen earlier were gone.<sup>21</sup>

We now know that the volleys heard by Buchard and Leseigneur were the reports of the guns of the guard detachment in the orchard. Though no one outside the orchard witnessed the actual massacre, it is possible to reconstruct the final moments of the thirteen Winnipeg's from what Buchart and Leseigneur saw and heard, as well as from the forensic evidence. Confined to the orchard by Bremer, the men of 9 Platoon probably milled about, exchanging small talk, bucking up

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each other's spirits. At around 4:30 PM, the guard detail was joined by several officers, with Bremer perhaps among them. A palpable tension would have filled the orchard. On orders from the most senior German officer (Bremer or a subordinate), the prisoners were lined up in a row.

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<sup>20</sup> SHAEF Report, *Chateau d'Audrieu*, part 2, p. 7.

<sup>21</sup> Record of the evidence of Eugene André Leopold Buchart, 14 July 1944, *ibid.*, part 3, exhibit o. 21, p. 2.

Facing them was a rough-and-ready firing squad, consisting of SS troopers with rifles, NCOs with machine pistols, and officers with sidearms.<sup>22</sup>

At the command to fire, the executioners opened up with a murderous fusillade. All of the Canadians went down with the first volley, although some clearly were not killed outright. Hearing the moans of Privates Bishoff, Labrecque, and Mutch, whose wounds were not fatal, an officer walked over to where they lay and finished them off with shots to the head. As he moved down the line of stricken men, kicking each of them to see if he showed signs of life, the officer discovered that Lance Corporal Meakin and Private Slywchuk had not been hit at all. Slywchuk had apparently timed his dive perfectly, whereas Frank Meakin had been saved when George, in a last act of brotherly love, had stepped in front of him, taking a burst of machine-pistol fire across the chest. There would be no more reprieves, however. As Meakin lay waiting next to his lifeless brother, he was given the *coup de grace*. Then the officer emptied his pistol into Slywchuk's head.<sup>23</sup> As the echo of the last shots faded, an eerie silence descended over the orchard.

With the killing of the men from 9 Platoon, the toll of prisoners murdered at Bremer's headquarters had reached nineteen. Shortly afterward, Allied ground and naval artillery began to pound the area around Audrieu in advance of a major British armoured thrust along the western part of (British) 2nd Army's front. Owing to the intensity of the bombardment and the pressure being exerted by the enemy's tanks, Bremer's battalion had to pull back under cover of darkness to positions south of Cristot. They would not return to the chateau until the following evening.<sup>24</sup> But what of the five Canadian and two British POWs unaccounted for? The missing men included Lance Corporal William Poho and Privates Louis Chartrand, Kenneth Lawrence, and Frank Ostir of the Royal Winnipeg Rifles, Private Francis Harrison of the Queen's Own Rifles of Canada, as well as Privates E. Hayton of the Durham Light Infantry and W. Barlow of the 50th Northumbrian Division. Their fate was determined about three weeks later, when British troops found their bodies in the woods adjacent to the chateau, not far from where the first two groups of Canadian prisoners had been murdered.

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<sup>22</sup> Record of the evidence of Captain (Chaplain) Herbert Samuel Griffiths Thomas, 12 July 1944, *ibid.*, exhibit no. 9, p. 2.

<sup>23</sup> *Ibid.*, part 2, pp. 7-8.

<sup>24</sup> The circumstances of the 12th SS Reconnaissance Battalion's withdrawal from Audrieu are recounted in SHAEF Report, 12 SS, part 4, p. 21; Hubert Meyer, *Kriegsgeschichte der 12.SS-Panzerdivision 'Hitlerjugend'* (Osnabrück, 1982), 1:98; and the statement given by Level, 3 July 1944, NA, RG 24, vol. 10e513, file 215A21.009 (D 125), p. 5.

We do not know when the last seven were killed. But we do know how. On the basis of the post-mortems – which revealed that the bodies had sustained small-calibre bullet wounds to the head, face, and chest at close range and were at the same

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stage of decomposition as those of the six other men found in the woods – a military court of inquiry concluded that they had probably been killed on 8 June in a manner consistent with the other murders.<sup>25</sup>

In writing about such horrific events, historians tend to suspend moral judgment, leaving the interpretation of their deeper meaning to theologians or philosophers. The cornerstone of the historian's craft, such detachment is necessary if the past is to be reported accurately and in proper context. Yet there comes a point in every narrative when mere reporting is not enough, when understanding is lost in a sea of facts, when human lives are reduced to so many digits. We may well have reached this point in the story of the marcher of Canadian prisoners of war in Normandy. At the risk of violating the tenets of scholarship, then, it would seem appropriate to pause in order to make a brief digression into the realm of editorial comment. This is not done in order to raise the emotional stakes, but rather to personalize and universalize in some meaningful way what happened at the Château d'Audrieu and at a dozen other crimes scenes in the countryside of northern France.

Of the murders of Canadian prisoners perpetrated by the 12th SS Panzer Division 'Hitler Youth,' surely none is more poignant or as haunting as that of Private Francis Harrison. As was noted in an earlier chapter, army psychiatrists had evaluated Harrison as being 'of insufficient intelligence to complete basic training.' Indeed, his impairment was severe enough to prompt the army to consider his discharge.<sup>26</sup> For reasons unknown, Canadian military authorities changed their minds. Harrison stayed on, and, with the men of his company looking out for him, he got through basic and became a good soldier. A member of the contingent of Queen's Own Rifles that on the evening of D-Day was sent to bolster the depleted Winnipegs, Harrison fought at Brouay, where he was taken prisoner. Escorted to a forward German headquarters along with twenty-five other POWs, he shared their tragic fate.

It may be wrong to single out one prisoner because of his impairment. After all, every murder perpetrated by the 12th SS was a Canadian tragedy, every victim a Canadian hero. Still, it is hard to shake the image of

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<sup>25</sup> SHAEF Report, *Château d'Audrieu*, part 2, pp. 8-10.

<sup>26</sup> See PRU, file 06-85334 (Francis David Harrison).

what Harrison's final moments must have been like. In reviewing the investigative materials relating to the Audrieu killings, one cannot help but wonder to what extent Harrison had been aware of what was about to happen in the minutes before Bremer's thugs shot him down. Certainly he would have seen Private Fred Smith, a fellow member of the Queen's Own Rifles and as such the only familiar face in the crowd of prisoners, being led away. Then he would have heard the shots and the nervous whispers that followed. Had he understood? And if he had not, did that make his remaining moments any easier? Standing amidst a throng of strangers, how did Harrison get along? Did anyone talk to him, explain things to him, calm his fears?

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As no one who was with Private Harrison on 8 June survived to tell his story, these questions afford no definitive answers, only speculation. Nevertheless, a clue may have been provided by the British troops who discovered his body. Among the items found nearby was a letter from home and a photograph of him and his parents back in Owen Sound.<sup>27</sup> The Germans had obviously missed these items during the search they conducted outside Pavie. Whatever else was going through his mind on the afternoon of 8 June, it is at least possible that Harrison spent his last moments reading the letter from home, gazing at the photograph, remembering happier times. We will never know for sure, of course. But it is a thought and a hope in which we may take comfort.

During the initial phase of the Allied investigation into the killings, it was suggested that they had been ordered by SS Captain von Reitzenstein in reprisal for the wounding of Bremer during the Allied bombardment of the Audrieu sector.<sup>28</sup> Certainly it is not the intention here to let Reitzenstein off the hook. After all, witnesses placed him at the scene during the first two sets of shootings. But Bremer was there too, and, as commanding officer, it was he, and not Reitzenstein, who would have had the ultimate authority to order the execution of prisoners. Besides, according to witnesses, the barrage that inflicted Bremer's injuries did not begin to land in the immediate vicinity of the chateau until around 6:30 PM, by which time the shootings would have been completed.<sup>29</sup> Thus, like Kurt Meyer at the Abbaye d'Ardenne, Bremer had no alibi or excuse. He may not have pulled the trigger, but he was responsible. However, as we shall see in a

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<sup>27</sup> SHAEF Report, *Château d'Audrieu*, part 2, p. 9.

<sup>28</sup> SHAEF Report, 12 SS, part 4, p. 21.

<sup>29</sup> Record of the Evidence of Monique Level, 12 July 1944, SHAEF Report, *Château d'Audrieu*, part 3, exhibit no. 12, p. 4.

subsequent chapter, Bremer, unlike Meyer, was never brought to account for his crimes.

## 13 Indictment

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On the evening of 8 June 1944, a ferocious Allied naval and artillery bombardment drove Gerhard Bremer's reconnaissance battalion from its headquarters at the Château d'Audrieu.<sup>30</sup> The following afternoon, elements of the (British) Dorsets Regiment occupied the chateau. Like the Canadian prisoners who had preceded them, the Dorsets could not help but marvel at the beauty of the surroundings. Thinking the place deserted, they were pleasantly surprised when Monique Level, the daughter of the chateau's proprietor, emerged from the main house. Refined in manner and fluent in English, Mlle Level offered food and cider to the new arrivals.<sup>31</sup> After having endured the rough Channel crossing, the bitterly contested landings, and two days of almost incessant close-quarter fighting, the battle-weary British troops must have thought that they had entered Shangri-La. Their good feelings would be short-lived.

While the Dorsets were setting up a command post, Level spoke to Major Lloyd Sneath, the regiment's second-in-command. In vivid detail, she recounted for him the previous day's nightmarish events. The major learned that at approximately 2:00 PM on 8 June, more than two dozen POWs had been escorted onto the grounds of the chateau, interrogated in small groups by the German commander (i.e., Bremer), then ushered into the adjacent woods and shot. Shocked and angered by what he had just heard, Sneath demanded to be shown the execution sites. Level complied, taking him to the orchard near the main house. There he observed thirteen bodies, clad in Canadian battledress, lying more or less side by side, as if they had been standing that way when they were gunned down. As he got closer, Sneath recoiled in horror: he recognized some of the faces.<sup>32</sup>

In one of the sad coincidences associated with this story, it turned out that Major Sneath had served for a time as an NCO with the Royal Winnipeg Rifles before being sent 'Canloan' to Britain. During his stint with the Winnipegs, he had come to

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<sup>30</sup> Statement given by Monique Level, 3 July 1944, NA, RG 24, vol. 10513, file 215A21.009 (D 125), p. 5, and Craig W. H. Luther, *Blood and Honor: The History of the 12th SS Panzer Division 'Hitler Youth' 1943-1945* (San José, CA, 1987), 162.

<sup>31</sup> Report from Captain J. Neil to the 231st Infantry Brigade, 14 June 1944, NA, RG 24, vol. 12842, file 67/Treatment/1 (393/53), p. 132.

<sup>32</sup> Bruce Tascona, *Little Black Devils: A History of the Royal Winnipeg Rifles*.

know many of the men who now lay murdered before him, Unable to bear the sight of his fallen former comrades any longer, Sneath left the orchard and returned to the main house, where he delegated to subordinates responsibility for the preservation of the crime scene and the identification of the bodies. Over the remainder of the afternoon, a small team of Dorsets carried out this difficult but necessary task.<sup>33</sup> They included Captain J. Neil, a medical officer attached to the regiment. Though the fluid battlefield situation did not afford him sufficient time to perform autopsies, Neil did subject the bodies to close visual examination. His findings, which were submitted in a report that eventually ended up on General Montgomery's desk, tended to confirm Level's story. According to Captain Neil, the thirteen Winniepegs had been killed in a manner that ruled out death in combat, and many had sustained head wounds consistent with the application of the *coup de grâce*.

The discovery of thirteen murdered Canadian POWs at the Château d'Audrieu gave the Allies their first inkling of the dirty war that was being waged along the front of the 12th SS Panzer Division 'Hitler Youth.' In the weeks that followed, the lush and picturesque Normandy countryside yielded further grisly evidence of the depths of barbarism to which the 12th SS had descended. Though the Dorsets were forced to withdraw from the chateau on the night of 9 June, two weeks later other British forces liberated it for good. At that time, a more thorough search of the grounds led to the discovery of the bodies of an additional thirteen soldiers – eleven Canadian and two British – whose condition and wounds strongly suggested that they had been shot after capture. During the first week of July, near the village of Galmanche, British troops also came across the body of Captain Brown, the Sherbrooke Fusiliers' chaplain who had been bayoneted to death by his captors late on the night of 7 June. Concurrent with the discovery of the padre, members of a British field artillery regiment happened to stumble upon two shallow graves on the outskirts of Le Mesnil-Patry. When exhumed, the bodies were determined to be those of Privates Angel, Holness, and Baskerville, who had been taken prisoner at the headquarters of Bernhard Siebken's battalion on the right of 8 June and murdered there the next morning, and those of Sergeant Major Forbes and Troopers Bowes and Scriven, who had been captured on the afternoon of 11 June and executed sometime that night.<sup>34</sup>

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<sup>33</sup> Statement given by Beatrice Marie Delafon, 3 July 1944, NA, RG 24, vol. 10513, file 215A21.009 (D 125), pp. 8-9.

<sup>34</sup> Report from Captain J. Neil to the 231st Infantry Brigade, 14 June 1944, forwarded to the headquarters of 21st Army Group, 22 June 1944, *ibid.*, vol. 12842, file 67/Treatment/1 (393/53), p. 132.

## **Soldiers of Canada murdered in Normandy 1944**

We owe a debt of gratitude to Howard Margolian whose book *Conduct Unbecoming: The Story of the Murder of Canadian Prisoners of War in Normandy* puts a human face on a little known facet of Canadian history. In June 1944, during the height of the Allied offensive in Normandy, more than 150 soldiers of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Canadian Division lost their lives after being captured by troops of Nazi Germany's 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division 'Hitler Youth'. Through Margolian's carefully-documented research, we know most of their names and the horrific circumstances of their deaths. They were mainly unmarried young men in their twenties, who came from every province of Canada, although the majority were from Ontario (30%) and Manitoba (28%). 77 percent were of British extraction, 9 percent Cree or Mi'kmaq, and of the remaining 15 percent, there were five francophones, four Ukrainians, three Scandinavians, two Poles, two Rumanians, one Russian, one Dutchman, and one German. They came from different circumstances, but they had some things in common. Like their 3<sup>rd</sup> Division comrades, they had "their unit, their training, and the conviction that their sacrifice, should it be necessary, would be for the greater good." According to Margolian, there was "one other thing that bound these men to one another." They were all Canadians.

In order to honour their sacrifice, we have added their names here for remembrance. Perhaps through the collective memory of Canadians across this country, we can tell their stories in full. Consider this page a beginning.

**Adams**, William Charles, Petersfield, Manitoba. Occupation: Unknown. Military Service: Private, Rifleman, A Company, 9 Platoon, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, served in Normandy, murdered by a firing squad on the order of SS Major Gerhard Bremer, Commander, 12<sup>th</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, at the Château d'Audrieu, 8 June 1944. For further information, see Personal Records Unit [PRU], National Archives of Canada, Ottawa, File 04-13809 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 86-87.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058505](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058505). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XIV.D.8.

**Anderson**, Harry Earl, Prince Albert, Saskatchewan. Military Service: Rifleman, Regina Rifles Regiment, killed by “a machine-pistol burst in the face from very close range” on 9 June 1944 near Bretteville l'Orgueilleuse, by SS soldiers/officers of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, “Hitler Youth” (either from the 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Grenadier Regiment, commanded by Kurt Meyer, or from the 12<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, commanded by Max Wünsche). See *Conduct Unbecoming*, 105-106.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058528](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058528). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: II.G.10.

**Angel**, Harold Sendford, Ottawa, Ontario. Military Service: Private, Cameron Highlanders of Ottawa, shot to death on 9 June 1944 at 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion Headquarters, Moulin Farm, Le Mesnil-Patry, on the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, “Hitler Youth”. See PRU, File 04-23376 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 96-99.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058539](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058539). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XIV.F.12.

**Arsenault**, Joseph Francis “Frank”, Tyne Valley, Prince Edward Island. Military Service: Private, A Company, North Nova Scotia Highlanders, shot to death

along with eight others on 7 June 1944 on Authie-Cussy Road by an SS officer, 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth", commanded of Colonel Karl-Heinz Milius. For further information, see PRU, File 04-28090 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 63.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2626937](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2626937). Memorialised at the Bayeux Memorial [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2060300&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2060300&mode=1). Panel 23.

**Arsenault**, Joseph Ralph, Summerside, Prince Edward Island. Military Service: Lance Corporal, 9<sup>th</sup> Platoon, A Company, North Nova Scotia Highlanders, shot to death on 7 June 1944 on a road north of Authie by an SS officer, 11<sup>h</sup> Company, 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth", commanded of Colonel Karl-Heinz Milius. For further information, see PRU, File 04-28112 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 62.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058560](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058560). Buried at Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: X.E.16. Bailey, Harold W.

**Barker**, Reginald Donald, Toronto, Ontario. Military Service: Lieutenant, 3<sup>rd</sup> Canadian Anti-Tank Regiment, Royal Canadian Artillery, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 04-40918 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058599](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058599). Buried at Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: XIII.F.16.

**Bailey**, Harold Weldon. Sunny Brae, Westmorland Co., New Brunswick. Military Service: Lance Corporal, North Nova Scotia Highlanders, killed 7 June 1944. Listed among the murdered. See *Conduct Unbecoming*, v.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058582](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058582). Buried at Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery,

[http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1)  
Reviere, France. Grave Reference: II.C.6.

**Baskerville**, Ernest Charles, Mayfield, Manitoba. Military Service: Rifleman, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, shot to death on 9 June 1944 at 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion Headquarters, Moulin Farm, Le Mesnil-Patry, on the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 04-44672 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 96-99.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058614](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058614). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XIII.G.16.

**Beaudoin**, Oscar Joseph, Ottawa, Ontario. Military Service: Private, North Nova Scotia Highlanders. Killed 7 June 1944. Listed among the murdered. See *Conduct Unbecoming*, v.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058627](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058627). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: II.A.9.

**Bebee**, Charles Wesley, Winnipeg, Manitoba. Military Service: Rifleman, Regina Rifles Regiment, "machined gun in face from almost point-blank range" on 9 June 1944 near Bretteville l'Orgueilleuse, by SS soldiers/officers of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth" (either from the 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Grenadier Regiment, commanded by Kurt Meyer, or from the 12<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, commanded by Max Wünsche). See PRU, File 04-50979 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 105-106.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058629](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058629). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: IV.E.8.

**Bellefontaine**, Oswald Joseph, West Chezzetcook, Halifax Co., Nova Scotia. Military Service: Private, North Nova Scotia Highlanders. Killed 7 June 1944. Listed among the murdered. See *Conduct Unbecoming*, v.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058643](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058643). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1)

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Reviere, France. Grave Reference: II.A.4.

**Benner**, George A., Simcoe, Ontario. Military Service: Sapper, 6<sup>th</sup> Field Company, Royal Canadian Engineers, shot to death on 11 June 1944 near Le Haut du Bosq, the regimental headquarters, at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See *Conduct Unbecoming*, 100-101.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See Canadian War Graves Commission, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2331567](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2331567). Buried at Bretteville-sur-Laize Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1), Cintheaux, France. Grave Reference: XXIII.G.6.

**Beresford**, William, Arvida, Quebec. Military Service: Lance Sergeant, 3<sup>rd</sup> Canadian Anti-Tank Regiment, Royal Canadian Artillery, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 04-60020 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See Canadian War Graves Commission, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058650](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058650). Buried at Beny-sur-Mer Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XIII.F.4.

**Birston**, Hilliard John Henry. Military Service: Gunner, 3<sup>rd</sup> Canadian Anti-Tank Regiment, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 04-67578 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See Canadian War Graves Commission, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058667](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058667). Buried at Beny-sur-Mer Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XIII.F.13.

**Bishoff**, Emanuel, Arborg, Manitoba. Occupation: Unknown. Military Service: Rifleman, A Company, 9 Platoon, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, served in Normandy, murdered by a firing squad on the order of SS Major Gerhard Bremer, Commander, 12<sup>th</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, at the Château d'Audrieu, 8 June 1944. For further information, see PRU, File 04-67709 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 86-87.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058668](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058668). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: XIV.B.13.

**Bolt**, James Elgin, Collingwood, Ontario. Military Service: Trooper, 27<sup>th</sup> Canadian Armoured Regiment (Sherbrooke Fusilier Regiment), served in Normandy, bludgeoned to death on 7 June 1944 at the Abbaye d'Ardenne, probably by order of SS Colonel Kurt Meyer, Commander, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Grenadier Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Division, "Hitler Youth". For further information, see PRU, File 04-76311 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 67-70.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058685](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058685). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: VI.C.2.

**Booth**, Walter James, Ritchie, Saskatchewan. Military Service: Private, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth",. See PRU, File 04-78490 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058689](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058689). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: XIII.F.2.

**Borne**, Cecil Murray, Oak Lake, Manitoba. Military Service: Rifleman, Regina Rifles Regiment, executed by machine pistol on 9 June 1944 near Bretteville l'Orgueilleuse, by SS soldiers/officers of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth" (either from the 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Grenadier Regiment, commanded by Kurt Meyer, or from the 12<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, commanded by Max Wünsche). See PRU, File 04-79191 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 103-106.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058691](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058691). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: IV.E.11.

**Bowes**, Arnold David, Blyth, Ontario. Military Service: Trooper, 1<sup>st</sup> Hussars, 6<sup>th</sup> Canadian Armoured Regiment, shot to death at close range on 11 June 1944 at the first aid post attached to Siebken's 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion headquarters at Le Mesnil-Patry by unknown 12<sup>th</sup> SS troopers or officers, probably of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Panzer Grenadier Battalion, commanded by Major Bernhard Siebken. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Bn. was part of the 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, commanded by SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, which was in turn part of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 04-86152 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 115.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058705](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058705). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XV.D.15.

**Bradley**, Ernest William, Toronto, Ontario. Military Service: Rifleman, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 03-85937 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058716](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058716). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XIII.H.6.

**Brown**, George Andrew, Baldwinton, Saskatchewan. Military Service: Corporal, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 03-96484 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058745](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058745). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XIII.H.10.

**Brown**, Lorne, Springfield, Nova Scotia. Occupation: Miner. Military Service: 7 Platoon, A Company, North Nova Scotia Highlanders, bayoneted on 7 June 1944 outside of Authie in spontaneous battlefield vengeance by SS trooper, 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth", commanded of Colonel Karl-Heinz Milius. See *Conduct Unbecoming*, 58-59.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058748](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058748). Buried at Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: II.A.11.

**Brown**, (Rev.) Walter Leslie, Orillia, Ontario. Military Service: Captain, Chaplain 4<sup>th</sup> Class, Canadian Chaplains Service, Chaplain of Sherbrooke Fusiliers, captured and bayoneted on 7 June 1944 by SS troopers, 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth", commanded of Colonel Karl-Heinz Milius. See PRU, File 03-98868 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 64-65.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058751](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058751). Buried at Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XIII.C.1.

**Bullock**, Paul. Military Service: Rifleman, Queen's Own Rifles of Canada, shot at point blank range on 17 June 1944 just outside Moeuvres by members of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS Engineering Battalion, which was under the command of SS Major Siegfried Müller, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 04-03718 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 120-121.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058761](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058761). Buried at Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XI.B.5.

**Burnett**, Donald James, Fredericton Junction, Sunbury Co., New Brunswick. Military Service: Private, Cameron Highlanders of Ottawa, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 04-06032 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058765](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058765). Buried at Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XIII.H.7.

**Campbell**, John Ramage, Toronto, Ontario. Military Service: Rifleman, Queen's Own Rifles of Canada, shot at point blank range on 17 June 1944 just outside

Mouen by members of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS Engineering Battalion, which was under the command of SS Major Siegfried Müller, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 04-93390 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 120-121.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058783](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058783). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: XVI.C.9.

**Charron**, Albert A., Detroit, Michigan. Military Service: Trooper, 1<sup>st</sup> Hussars, B Squadron, 6<sup>th</sup> Canadian Armoured Regiment, murdered after capture on 11 June 1944 near Le Mesnil-Patry by SS troopers commanded by trooper Mischke, 7<sup>th</sup> Company, 2<sup>nd</sup> Panzer Grenadier Battalion, commanded by Major Bernhard Siebken. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Bn. was part of the 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, commanded by SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, which was in turn part of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 05-09065 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 112-113.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2045203](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2045203). Buried at [Ryes War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2003700&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2003700&mode=1) Bazenville, France. Grave Reference: II.D.2.

**Chartrand**, Lawrence. Occupation: Unknown. Military Service: Lance Sergeant, Rifleman, A Company, 9 Platoon, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, served in Normandy, murdered by a firing squad on the order of SS Major Gerhard Bremer, Commander, 12<sup>th</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, at the Château d'Audrieu, 8 June 1944. For further information, see PRU, File 05-09689 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 86-87.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058812](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058812). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: XVI.D.9.

**Chartrand**, Louis, Camperville, Manitoba. Military Service, Private, Rifleman, A Company, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, served in Normandy, murdered by a firing squad on the order of SS Major Gerhard Bremer, Commander, 12<sup>th</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, at the Château d'Audrieu, 8 June 1944. For further information, see PRU, File 05-09706 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 87-88.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058813](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058813). Buried at

Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery,  
[http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1)  
Reviers, France. Grave Reference: XIV.B.4.

**Cook**, Etsel John, Orangeville, Ontario. Military Service: Lance Corporal, Queen's Own Rifles of Canada, shot at point blank range on 17 June 1944 just outside Mouen by members of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS Engineering Battalion, which was under the command of SS Major Siegfried Müller, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 05-29368 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 120-121.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058867](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058867). Buried at Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: XVI.C.12.

**Cranfield**, Ernest William, Toronto, Ontario. Military Service: Rifleman, Queen's Own Rifles of Canada, executed by firing squad on 17 June 1944 just outside Mouen by members of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS Engineering Battalion, which was under the command of SS Major Siegfried Müller, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 05-4084 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 120-121.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058893](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058893). Buried at Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: XII.C.9.

**Cresswell**, Sidney J., Vancouver, British Columbia. Occupation: Unknown. Military Service: Private, Rifleman, A Company, 9 Platoon, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, served in Normandy, murdered by a firing squad on the order of SS Major Gerhard Bremer, Commander, 12<sup>th</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, at the Château d'Audrieu, 8 June 1944. For further information, see PRU, File 04-50661 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 86-87.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058898](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058898). Buried at Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: XVI.D.12

**Crowe**, Ivan Lee, Stewiacke, Colchester Co. Nova Scotia. Military Service: Private, C Company, North Nova Scotia Highlanders, served in Normandy, bludgeoned to death on 7 June 1944 at the Abbaye d'Ardenne, probably by order of SS Colonel Kurt Meyer, Commander, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Grenadier Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup>

SS Division, "Hitler Youth". For further information, see PRU, File 05-44719 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 67-70.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2331986](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2331986). Buried at [Bretteville-sur-Laize Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1), Cintheaux, France. Grave Reference: XIV.E.12.

**Culleton**, Stewart. Military Service: Lance Corporal, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 04-46074 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058908](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058908). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XIII.F.8

**Daniels**, Walter. Military Service: Rifleman, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 05-53433 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058934](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058934). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XIII.D.15.

**Davidson**, Thomas Roy, Stellarton, Nova Scotia. Occupation: Miner. Military Service: Corporal, Company C, North Nova Scotia Highlanders, shot to death, then crushed by a tank, on 7 June 1944 at Authie in spontaneous battlefield vengeance by SS troopers, 9<sup>th</sup> Company, 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth", commanded of Colonel Karl-Heinz Milius. For further information, see PRU, File 05-55978 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 60.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058941](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058941). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: II.H.16.

**Doucette**, Charles Military Service: Private, North Nova Scotia Highlanders, served in Normandy, shot in the head on 7 June 1944 at the Abbaye d'Ardenne, probably by order of SS Colonel Kurt Meyer, Commander, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Grenadier Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Division, "Hitler Youth". For further information, see PRU, File 05-79336 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 67-70.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2058989](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2058989). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: VI.A.16.

**Doherty**, Walter Michael. Military Service: Private, North Nova Scotia Highlanders, served in Normandy, shot in the head on 8 June 1944 at the Abbaye d'Ardenne, by order of SS Colonel Kurt Meyer, Commander, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Grenadier Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Division, "Hitler Youth". For further information, see PRU, File 05-75858 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 72-74.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2332082](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2332082). Buried at [Bretteville-sur-Laize Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1), Cintheaux, France. Grave Reference: XIV.E.4.

**Dumont**, John Donald, Lorie, Saskatchewan. Military Service: Trooper, 1<sup>st</sup> Hussars, B Squadron, 6<sup>th</sup> Canadian Armoured Regiment, captured with three others on 11 June 1944 by an unidentified platoon of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS and died of wounds several hours later after being shot from behind by the NCO escorting the prisoners down a road. The German troopers were possibly of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Panzer Grenadier Battalion, commanded by Major Bernhard Siebken. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Bn. was part of the 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, commanded by SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, which was in turn part of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 05-88618 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 114-115.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059007](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059007). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: VI.F.10.

**Fagnan**, Anthony A., Camperville, Manitoba. Occupation: Unknown. Military Service: Private, Rifleman, A Company, 9 Platoon, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, served in Normandy, murdered by a firing squad on the order of SS Major Gerhard Bremer, Commander, 12<sup>th</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, at the Château d'Audrieu, 8 June 1944. For further information, see PRU, File 06-05705 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 86-87.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059043](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059043). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: XVI.G.11.

**Ferguson**, William Stewart, Vancouver, British Columbia. Military Service: Lieutenant, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 06-10340 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059058](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059058). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: XIII.D.8.

**Findlay**, Robert Munro, Toronto, Ontario. Military Service: Rifleman, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 06-12524 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059066](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059066). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: XIII.F.5.

**Firman**, Roger Joseph, Transcona, Manitoba. Military Service: Corporal, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 06-13313 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059071](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059071). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: XIII.D.13.

**Fleet**, Lambert Avery. Military Service: Private, North Nova Scotia Highlanders. Killed 7 June 1944. Listed among the murdered. See *Conduct Unbecoming*, v.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059077](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059077). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Revers, France. Grave Reference: II.A. 14.

**Fontaine**, George, Claydon, Saskatchewan. Military Service: Trooper: B Squadron, 27<sup>th</sup> Armoured Regiment. Sherbrooke Fusilier Regiment. Killed 7 June 1944. Listed among the murdered. See *Conduct Unbecoming*, v.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059082](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059082). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Revers, France. Grave Reference: II.C.3.

**Forbes**, John, Toronto, Ontario. Military Service: Sergeant-Major (Warrant Officer, Class II) Queen's Own Rifles of Canada, shot to death at close range on 11 June 1944 at the first aid post attached to Siebken's 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion headquarters at Le Mesnil-Patry by unknown 12<sup>th</sup> SS troopers or officers, probably of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Panzer Grenadier Battalion, commanded by Major Bernhard Siebken. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Bn. was part of the 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, commanded by SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, which was in turn part of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 06-18587 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 115.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059087](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059087). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Revers, France. Grave Reference: VII.H.2.

**Freeman**, Lant, Fort Frances, Ontario. Military Service: Private, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 06-27336 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059103](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059103). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Revers, France. Grave Reference: XIII.D.6.

**Fuller**, Austin Ralph, New Westminster, British Columbia. Occupation: Unknown. Military Service: Lance Corporal, A Company, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, served in

Normandy, murdered on the order of SS Major Gerhard Bremer, Commander, 12<sup>th</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, at the Château d'Audrieu, 8 June 1944. For further information, see PRU, File 06-29596 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 83-85.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059108](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059108). Buried at Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: XIV.B.1.

**Gilbank**, Ernest N., Owen Sound, Ontario. Military Service: Rifleman, 2 Platoon, B Company, Regina Rifles Regiment, shot after capture east of Norrey on 9 June 1944 by an enemy officer, the incident witnessed by Pte. L. W. Lee, who miraculously survived. The officer was never identified, but his behaviour was all too common among officers and men connected with the 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 06-46473 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 108-109.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2333209](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2333209). Buried at Bretteville-sur-Laize Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1), Cintheaux, France. Grave Reference: XXIV.B.3.

**Gill**, George Vincent, Brockville, Ontario. Military Service: Trooper, 27<sup>th</sup> Canadian Armoured Regiment (Sherbrooke Fusilier Regiment), served in Normandy, bludgeoned to death on 7 June 1944 at the Abbaye d'Ardenne, probably by order of SS Colonel Kurt Meyer, Commander, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Grenadier Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Division, "Hitler Youth". For further information, see PRU, File 06-47462 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 67-70.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059149](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059149). Buried at Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: VI.C.1.

**Gold**, David Sidney, Pine Falls, Manitoba. Military Service: Private, Stretcher Bearer, A Company, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, served in Normandy, murdered on the order of SS Major Gerhard Bremer, Commander, 12<sup>th</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, at the Château d'Audrieu, 8 June 1944. For further information, see PRU, File 06-53798 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 85.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059161](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059161). Buried at Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery,

[http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1)  
Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XV.H.13.

**Gosse**, Silby, Glace Bay, Nova Scotia. Military Service: Private, North Nova Scotia Highlanders. Killed 7 June 1944. Listed among the murdered. See *Conduct Unbecoming*, v.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059168](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059168). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: II.A.7.

**Grant**, Thomas John Douglas, Oba, Ontario. Military Service: Gunner/Bombardier, 3<sup>rd</sup> Canadian Anti-Tank Regiment, Royal Canadian Artillery, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 06-62111 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059176](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059176). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XIII.H.8.

**Guiboche**, Lawrence Roderick, Camperville, Manitoba. Military Service: Private, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 06-70915 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059193](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059193). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XIII.H.1.

**Gurney**, Robert Joseph, Prince Albert, Saskatchewan. Military Service: Rifleman, Regina Rifles Regiment, "machined gun in face from almost point-blank range" on 9 June 1944 near Bretteville l'Orgueilleuse, by SS soldiers/officers of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth" (either from the 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Grenadier Regiment, commanded by Kurt Meyer, or from the 12<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, commanded by Max Wünsche). See PRU, File 06-72398 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 105-106.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059196](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059196). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: IV.G.4.

**Hancock**, Arthur R. H., Haileybury, Ontario. Military Service: Trooper, 1<sup>st</sup> Hussars, 6<sup>th</sup> Canadian Armoured Regiment, murdered after capture on 11 June 1944 near Le Mesnil-Patry by SS troopers commanded by trooper Mischke, 7<sup>th</sup> Company, 2<sup>nd</sup> Panzer Grenadier Battalion, commanded by Major Bernhard Siebken. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Bn. was part of the 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, commanded by SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, which was in turn part of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 06-79658 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 112-113.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2045313](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2045313). Buried at [Ryes War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2003700&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2003700&mode=1) Bazenville, France. Grave Reference: II.D.4.

**Hargreaves**, Jeffrey Douglas, Upper Sackville, Nova Scotia. Military Service: Private, North Nova Scotia Highlanders, shot to death on 7 June 1944 at road between Buron and Authie in spontaneous battlefield vengeance by an SS trooper, 11<sup>th</sup> Company, 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth", commanded of Colonel Karl-Heinz Milius. For further information, see PRU, File 06-82897 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 62.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059224](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059224). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: II.C .1.

**Harkness**, Alvin John James, Sunridge, Ontario. Gunner, 3<sup>rd</sup> Canadian Anti-Tank Regiment, Royal Canadian Artillery, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 06-83039 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059225](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059225). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1)

[http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1)  
Reviers, France. Grave Reference: XIII.D.7

**Harper**, Robert J. Occupation: Unknown. Military Service: Private, Rifleman, A Company, 9 Platoon, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, served in Normandy, murdered by a firing squad on the order of SS Major Gerhard Bremer, Commander, 12<sup>th</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, at the Château d'Audrieu, 8 June 1944. For further information, see PRU, File 39-03884. For further information, see PRU, File 06-83815 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 86-87.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059229](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059229). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: XVI.G.8.

**Harrison**, Francis David, Owen Sound, Ontario. Military Service: Private, Queen's Own Rifles, served in Normandy, murdered on the order of Gerhard Bremer, 12<sup>th</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, at the Château d'Audrieu, 8 June 1944. For further information, see PRU, File 06-85334 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 87-89.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059234](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059234). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: XIV.F.7.

**Henry**, Thomas Haliburton, Georgetown, British Guiana. Military Service: Trooper, 27<sup>th</sup> Canadian Armoured Regiment (Sherbrook Fusilier Regiment), served in Normandy, bludgeoned to death on 7 June 1944 at the Abbaye d'Ardenne, probably by order of SS Colonel Kurt Meyer, Commander, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Grenadier Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Division, "Hitler Youth". For further information, see PRU, File 06-96145 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 67-70.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059271](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059271). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: VI.C.3.

**Hill**, John William, Winnipeg, Manitoba. Military Service: Lance Corporal, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 39-00635 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059286](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059286). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Revers, France. Grave Reference: XIII.H.4.

**Hodge**, Frederick Edward. Occupation: Unknown. Military Service: Major, Commander, A Company, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, served in Normandy, murdered on the order of Gerhard Bremer, 12<sup>th</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, at the Château d'Audrieu, 8 June 1944. For further information, see PRU, File 39-03884 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 83-85.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059296](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059296). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Revers, France. Grave Reference: XIV.B.2.

**Holness**, Frederick William George, Toronto, Ontario. Military Service: Private, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, shot to death on 9 June 1944 at 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion Headquarters, Moulin Farm, Le Mesnil-Patry, on the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 39-07452 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 96-99.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059308](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059308). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Revers, France. Grave Reference: XIII.C.11.

**Horton**, Charles Allan, Wellandport, Ontario. Military Service: Private, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 39-10531 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059316](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059316). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Revers, France. Grave Reference: XIII.D.14.

**lonel**, John, Ormiston, Saskatchewan. Military Service: Sapper, 6<sup>th</sup> Company, Royal Canadian Engineers, shot to death on 11 June 1944 near Le Haut du

Bosq, the regimental headquarters, at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See *Conduct Unbecoming*, 100-101.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2333507](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2333507). Buried at Bretteville-sur-Laize Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1), Cintheaux, France. Grave Reference: XXIII.G.5.

**Izzard**, William Lyall, Barney River Station, Pictou Co., Nova Scotia. Military Service: Private, North Nova Scotia Highlanders. Killed 7 June 1944. Listed among the murdered. See *Conduct Unbecoming*, v.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059356](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059356). Buried at Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Revers, France. Grave Reference: II.A.8

**Jones**, Henry Charles, Cedar Valley, Ontario. Military Service: Private, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 39-36421 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059399](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059399). Buried at Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Revers, France. Grave Reference: XIII.F.12.

**Julian**, Anthony, Sydney Mines, Nova Scotia. Military Service: Private, Company C, North Nova Scotia Highlanders, shot to death, then crushed by a tank, on 7 June 1944 at Authie in spontaneous battlefield vengeance by SS troopers, 9<sup>th</sup> Company, 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth", commanded of Colonel Karl-Heinz Milius. For further information, see PRU, File 39-38804 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 60.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059405](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059405). Buried at Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Revers, France. Grave Reference: II.A.10.

**Keeping**, Reginald, New Waterford, Ontario. Military Service: Private, North Nova Scotia Highlanders, served in Normandy, shot in the head on 8 June 1944 at the Abbaye d'Ardenne, by order of SS Colonel Kurt Meyer, Commander, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Grenadier Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Division, "Hitler Youth". For further information, see PRU, File 39-42975 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 72-74.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059413](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059413). Buried at Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: VI.A.15.

**Kines**, Clare Davidson, Chilliwack, British Columbia. Military Service: Corporal, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 39-49743 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059427](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059427). Buried at Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XIII.H.5.

**Kyle**, James Ferris, Novra, Manitoba. Military Service: Corporal, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 39-60907 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059456](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059456). Buried at Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XIII.F.1.

**Labrecque**, Hervé A. Occupation: Unknown. Military Service: Private, Rifleman, A Company, 9 Platoon, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, served in Normandy, murdered by a firing squad on the order of SS Major Gerhard Bremer, Commander, 12<sup>th</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, at the Château d'Audrieu, 8 June 1944. For further information, see PRU, File 39-62208 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 86-87.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059457](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059457). Buried at Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery,

[http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1)  
Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XVI.G.9.

**Lawrence**, Kenneth Samuel, Crandall, Manitoba. Military Service, Private, Rifleman, A Company, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, served in Normandy, murdered by a firing squad on the order of SS Major Gerhard Bremer, Commander, 12<sup>th</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, at the Château d'Audrieu, 8 June 1944. For further information, see PRU, File 39-83569 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 87-88.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See Canadian War Graves Commission, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059486](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059486). Buried at Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XIV.F.9.

**Leclaire**, Joseph André. Marcel, Montreal, Quebec. Military Service: Trooper, 1<sup>st</sup> Hussars, 6<sup>th</sup> Canadian Armoured Regiment, murdered after capture on 11 June 1944 near Le Mesnil-Patry by SS troopers commanded by trooper Mischke, 7<sup>th</sup> Company, 2<sup>nd</sup> Panzer Grenadier Battalion, commanded by Major Bernhard Siebken. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Bn. was part of the 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, commanded by SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, which was in turn part of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 39-88177 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 112-113.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See Canadian War Graves Commission, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2045406](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2045406). Buried at Ryes War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2003700&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2003700&mode=1) Bazenville, France. Grave Reference: II.D.3.

**Hargreaves**, Jeffrey Douglas, Upper Sackville, Nova Scotia. Military Service: Private, North Nova Scotia Highlanders, shot to death on 7 June 1944 at road between Buron and Authie in spontaneous battlefield vengeance by an SS trooper, 11<sup>th</sup> Company, 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth", commanded of Colonel Karl-Heinz Milius. For further information, see PRU, File 06-82897 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 62.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See Canadian War Graves Commission, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059224](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059224). Buried at Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: II.C.1.

**Lefort**, Elmer Joseph. Military Service: Private, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke,

Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 39-91114 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** Can't find him in [Canadian War Graves Commission](#).

**Lewis**, Gordon James, Winnipeg, Manitoba. Military Service: Private, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 40-00080 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission](#), [http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059527](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059527). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery](#), [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XIII.F.15.

**Lockhead**, Roger, Rock Forest, Quebec. Military Service: Trooper, 27<sup>th</sup> Canadian Armoured Regiment (Sherbrooke Fusilier Regiment), served in Normandy, shot in the head on 7 June 1944 at the Abbaye d'Ardenne, probably by order of SS Colonel Kurt Meyer, Commander, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Grenadier Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Division, "Hitler Youth". For further information, see PRU, File 40-05027 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 67-70.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission](#), [http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2333796](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2333796). Buried at [Bretteville-sur-Laize Canadian War Cemetery](#), [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1), Cintheaux, France. Grave Reference: XIV.E.10.

**Loucks**, William David Clinton, Harlowe, Ontario. Military Service: Trooper, 1<sup>st</sup> Hussars, 6<sup>th</sup> Canadian Armoured Regiment, captured on 11 June 1944 by an unidentified unit of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS and shot shortly thereafter by an SS officer, possibly of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Panzer Grenadier Battalion, commanded by Major Bernhard Siebken. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Bn. was part of the 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, commanded by SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, which was in turn part of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 40-08235 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 114.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission](#), [http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059552](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059552). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery](#), [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: VI.H.3.

**Lychowich**, John Louis, Garson, Manitoba. Occupation: Unknown. Military Service: Private, Rifleman, A Company, 9 Platoon, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, served in Normandy, murdered by a firing squad on the order of SS Major Gerhard Bremer, Commander, 12<sup>th</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, at the Château d'Audrieu, 8 June 1944. For further information, see PRU, File 40-12530 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 86-87.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059566](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059566). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XV.B.16.

**Macdonald**, Charles John, Bay Road Valley, Victoria Co., Nova Scotia. Military Service: Private, North Nova Scotia Highlanders. Killed 7 June 1944. Listed among the murdered. *Conduct Unbecoming*, v.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059623](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059623). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: II.A.15.

**MacDonald**, Hugh Allan, New Glasgow, Nova Scotia. Military Service: Private, North Nova Scotia Highlanders, served in Normandy, shot in the head on 8 June 1944 at the Abbaye d'Ardenne, by order of SS Colonel Kurt Meyer, Commander, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Grenadier Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Division, "Hitler Youth". For further information, see PRU, File 40-23087 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 72-74.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2333885](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2333885). Buried at [Bretteville-sur-Laize Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1), Cintheaux, France. Grave Reference: XIV.E.9.

**McIntyre**, Joseph Francis, Sydney Mines, Nova Scotia. Military Service: Corporal, North Nova Scotia Highlanders, served in Normandy, shot in the head on 7 June 1944 at the Abbaye d'Ardenne, probably by order of SS Colonel Kurt Meyer, Commander, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Grenadier Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Division, "Hitler Youth". For further information, see PRU, File 40-33110 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 67-70.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2333921](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2333921). Buried at [Bretteville-sur-Laize Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1), Cintheaux, France. Grave Reference: XIV.E.9.

[http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1)  
, Cintheaux, France. Grave Reference: XIV.E.5.

**MacKinnon**, James W. Military Service: Private, North Nova Scotia Highlanders. Killed 7 June 1944. Listed among the murdered. See *Conduct Unbecoming*, v.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2628031](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2628031).  
Memorialized at Bayeux Memorial, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2060300&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2060300&mode=1)  
Reviere, France. Grave Reference: Panel 25.

**MacLeod**, Angus Murdo, Dunrea, Manitoba. Military Service: Private, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 40-42884 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059693](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059693). Buried at  
Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1)  
Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XIII.H.2.

**MacRae**, Roderick Norman, Upper Middle River, Victoria Co., Nova Scotia. Military Service: Private, died 7 June 1944 of injuries sustained when deliberately hit by a vehicle with Red Cross markings driven by support personnel of 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth", commanded of Colonel Karl-Heinz Millius. For further information, see PRU, File 40-50059 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 63-64.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059718](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059718). Buried at  
Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1)  
Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XIII.B.11.

**Marych**, Frederick H. Military Service: Rifleman, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 40-64639 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059744](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059744). Buried at  
Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery,

[http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1)  
Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XIII.F.3.

**McGinnis**, William J. Military Service: Private, North Nova Scotia Highlanders. Killed 7 June 1944. Listed among the murdered. See *Conduct Unbecoming*, v.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059649](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059649). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: II.C.8.

**McIntosh**, James D., Headingly, Manitoba. Military Service: Private, Rifleman, A Company, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, served in Normandy, murdered on the order of SS Major Gerhard Bremer, Commander, 12<sup>th</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, at the Château d'Audrieu, 8 June 1944. For further information, see PRU, File 40-32416 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 85.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059661](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059661). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XIV.F.13.

**McKeil**, Hollis L., Truro, Colchester Co., Nova Scotia. Military Service: Private, B Company, North Nova Scotia Highlanders, served in Normandy, shot in the head on 7 June 1944 at the Abbaye d'Ardenne, probably by order of SS Colonel Kurt Meyer, Commander, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Grenadier Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Division, "Hitler Youth". For further information, see PRU, File and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 69-70.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2045434](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2045434). Buried at [Ryes War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2003700&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2003700&mode=1) Bazenville, France. Grave Reference: II.D.1.

**McKinnon**, William Lewis, St. Peters, Prince Edward Island. Military Service: Corporal, North Nova Scotia Highlanders, shot to death on 7 June 1944 at road between Buron and Authie in spontaneous battlefield vengeance by an SS trooper, 11<sup>th</sup>. Company, 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth", commanded of Colonel Karl-Heinz Milius. For further information, see PRU, File 40-39191 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 62.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059681](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059681). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1)

[http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1)  
Reviers, France. Grave Reference: XVI.B.7.

**McLaughlin**, Thomas Charles, Hamilton, Ontario. Military Service: Sergeant, Queen's Own Rifles of Canada, shot at point blank range on 17 June 1944 just outside Mouen by members of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS Engineering Battalion, which was under the command of SS Major Siegfried Müller, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 40-40435 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 120-121.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059685](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059685). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: XI.B.4.

**McNaughton**, George Richard. Military Service: Private, North Nova Scotia Highlanders, served in Normandy, shot in the head on 8 June 1944 at the Abbaye d'Ardenne, by order of SS Colonel Kurt Meyer, Commander, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Grenadier Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Division, "Hitler Youth". For further information, see PRU, File 40-46646 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 72-74.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2333999](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2333999). Buried at [Bretteville-sur-Laize Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1), Cintheaux, France. Grave Reference: XIV.E.7.

**Meakin**, Frank Vernon, Birnie, Manitoba. Occupation: Unknown. Military Service: Lance Corporal, A Company, 9 Platoon, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, served in Normandy, murdered by a firing squad on the order of SS Major Gerhard Bremer, Commander, 12<sup>th</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, at the Château d'Audrieu, 8 June 1944. For further information, see PRU, File 40-70312 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 86-87.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059757](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059757). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: XVI.B.3.

**Meakin**, George Edward, Birnie, Manitoba. Occupation: Unknown. Military Service: Corporal, A Company, 9 Platoon, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, served in Normandy, murdered by a firing squad on the order of SS Major Gerhard Bremer, Commander, 12<sup>th</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, at the Château d'Audrieu, 8 June 1944. For further information, see PRU, File 40-70314 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 86-87.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059758](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059758). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: XIV.F.10.

**Metcalfe**, John, Glace Bay, Nova Scotia, originally of Belle Isle, Newfoundland. Military Service: Private, North Nova Scotia Highlanders, shot to death on 7 June 1944 at Buron by an SS NCO, 11<sup>h</sup> Company, 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth", commanded of Colonel Karl-Heinz Milius. For further information, see PRU, File 40-74180 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 61.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059764](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059764). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: XVI.D.10.

**Millar**, George Edward, Renfrew, Ontario. Military Service: Private, North Nova Scotia Highlanders, served in Normandy, shot in the head on 8 June 1944 at the Abbaye d'Ardenne, by order of SS Colonel Kurt Meyer, Commander, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Grenadier Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Division, "Hitler Youth". For further information, see PRU, File 40-77567 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 72-74.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2334098](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2334098). Buried at [Bretteville-sur-Laize Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1), Cintheaux, France. Grave Reference: XIV.E.3.

**Moloney**, David T. Military Service: Lance Corporal, Regina Rifles Regiment, executed by machine pistol on 9 June 1944 near Bretteville l'Orgueilleuse, by SS soldiers/officers of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth" (either from the 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Grenadier Regiment, commanded by Kurt Meyer, or from the 12<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, commanded by Max Wünsche). See PRU, File 40-84714 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 103-106.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059796](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059796). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: IV.E.13.

**Mont**, Thomas Edward, Amherst, Nova Scotia. Military Service: Private, North Nova Scotia Highlanders, served in Normandy, shot in the head on 8 June 1944 at the Abbaye d'Ardenne, by order of SS Colonel Kurt Meyer, Commander, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Grenadier Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Division, "Hitler Youth". For further information, see PRU, File 40-85673 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 72-74.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2334124](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2334124). Buried at [Bretteville-sur-Laize Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1), Cintheaux, France. Grave Reference: XIV.E.8.

**Moore**, Raymond, Kentville, King's Co., Nova Scotia. Military Service: Private, North Nova Scotia Highlanders, served in Normandy, shot in the head on 8 June 1944 at the Abbaye d'Ardenne, by order of SS Colonel Kurt Meyer, Commander, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Grenadier Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Division, "Hitler Youth". For further information, see PRU, File 40-87968 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 72-74.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2334132](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2334132). Buried at [Bretteville-sur-Laize Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1), Cintheaux, France. Grave Reference: XIV.E.11.

**Morin**, Norman J. Military Service: Rifleman, Regina Rifles Regiment, executed by machine pistol on 9 June 1944 near Bretteville l'Orgueilleuse, by SS soldiers/officers of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth" (either from the 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Grenadier Regiment, commanded by Kurt Meyer, or from the 12<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, commanded by Max Wünsche). See PRU, File 40-91327 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 103-106.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059806](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059806). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1), Reviere, France. Grave Reference: IV.E.9.

**Morrison**, Wesley Kenneth. Military Service: Private, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 40-93928 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059812](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059812). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1), Reviere, France. Grave Reference: IV.E.9.

[http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1)  
Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XIII.H.3.

**Moss**, James Alvin, Stellarton, Nova Scotia. Military Service: Private, North Nova Scotia Highlanders, served in Normandy, bludgeoned to death on 7 June 1944 at the Abbaye d'Ardenne, probably by order of SS Colonel Kurt Meyer, Commander, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Grenadier Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Division, "Hitler Youth". For further information, see PRU, File 40-95286 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 67-70.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059818](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059818). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: VII.H.8.

**Muntion**, George. Military Service: Private, North Nova Scotia Highlanders. Killed 7 June 1944. Listed among the murdered. See *Conduct Unbecoming*, v.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059832](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059832). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: II.C.9.

**Murray**, John Bernard. Military Service: Lance Corporal, Company C, North Nova Scotia Highlanders, shot to death, then crushed by a tank, on 7 June 1944 at Authie in spontaneous battlefield vengeance by SS troopers, 9<sup>th</sup> Company, 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth", commanded of Colonel Karl-Heinz Milius. For further information, see PRU, File 41-01175 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 60.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059843](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059843). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: II.A.6.

**Mutch**, Robert, Reeve, Manitoba. Occupation: Unknown. Military Service: Private, Rifleman, A Company, 9 Platoon, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, served in Normandy, murdered by a firing squad on the order of SS Major Gerhard Bremer, Commander, 12<sup>th</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, at the Château d'Audrieu, 8 June 1944. For further information, see PRU, File 41-02048 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 86-87.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059850](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059850). Buried at Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: XVI.B.4.

**Nichol**, William, Amherst, Nova Scotia. Military Service: Private, North Nova Scotia Highlanders, bludgeoned to death on 7 June 1944 at Authie in spontaneous battlefield vengeance by an SS trooper, 9<sup>th</sup> Company, 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth", commanded of Colonel Karl-Heinz Milius. For further information, see *Conduct Unbecoming*, 59.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059877](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059877). Buried at Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: II.C.10.

**O'Leary**, Gerard James, Glace Bay, Nova Scotia. Military Service: Private, North Nova Scotia Highlanders. Killed 7 June 1944. Listed among the murdered. See *Conduct Unbecoming*, v.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059897](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059897). Buried at Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: II.C.5.

**Orford**, Douglas Sumner, formerly of South Woodford, Essex, England. Military Service: Lance Corporal, A Company, North Nova Scotia Highlanders, shot to death along with eight others on 7 June 1944 on Authie-Cussy Road by an SS officer, 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth", commanded of Colonel Karl-Heinz Milius. For further information, see PRU, File 41-20841 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 63.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059901](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059901). Buried at Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: II.A.3.

**Ostir**, Frank, Shorncliffe, Manitoba. Military Service, Rifleman, A Company, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, served in Normandy, murdered by a firing squad on the order of SS Major Gerhard Bremer, Commander, 12<sup>th</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, at the Château d'Audrieu, 8 June 1944. For further information, see PRU, File 41-21932 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 87-88.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059904](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059904). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: XIV.B.5.

**Owens**, Allan R., Lucky Lake, Saskatchewan. Military Service: Rifleman, B Company, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, shot to death on 11 June 1944 near Le Haut du Bosq, the regimental headquarters, at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See *Conduct Unbecoming*, 100-101.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2335176](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2335176). Buried at [Bretteville-sur-Laize Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1), Cintheaux, France. Grave Reference: XXIII.G.7.

**Parisian**, Percy, Peguis, Manitoba. Military Service: Private, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 41-28851 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059918](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059918). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: XIII.D.4.

**Perry**, Clayton George, Barrie, Ontario. Military Service: Trooper, 1<sup>st</sup> Hussars, (6<sup>th</sup> Armoured Regiment) executed by firing squad on 17 June 1944 just outside Mouen by members of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS Engineering Battalion, which was under the command of SS Major Siegfried Müller, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 41-41443 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 120-121.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059955](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059955). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: XVI.C.5.

**Peterson**, Alfred Martin. Military Service: Rifleman, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm

Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 41-42837 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059961](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059961). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XIII.F.10.

**Philip**, Harold George. Military Service: Trooper, 27<sup>th</sup> Canadian Armoured Regiment (Sherbrooke Fusilier Regiment), served in Normandy, bludgeoned to death on 7 June 1944 at the Abbaye d'Ardenne, probably by order of SS Colonel Kurt Meyer, Commander, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Grenadier Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Division, "Hitler Youth". For further information, see PRU, File 41-45569 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 67-70.

**Additional Biographical Information:** Can't find him at [Canadian War Graves Commission](http://www.cwgc.org/).

**Poho**, William. Military Service, Lance Corporal, A Company, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, served in Normandy, murdered by a firing squad on the order of SS Major Gerhard Bremer, Commander, 12<sup>th</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, at the Château d'Audrieu, 8 June 1944. For further information, see PRU, File 41-21932 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 87-88.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2059987](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2059987). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XIV.B.9.

**Pollard**, George Gerald, Cornwall, Ontario. Military Service: Lance Corporal, D Company, Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry Highlanders Regiment, served in Normandy, shot in the head on 17 June 1944 by unidentified SS men at the Abbaye d'Ardenne, headquarters of the 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Grenadier Regiment, commanded on that date either by SS Colonel Kurt Meyer or SS Lieutenant Colonel Karl-Heinz Milius, of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS Division, "Hitler Youth". For further information, see PRU, File 41-52763 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 118-120.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2628308](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2628308). Memorialised at [Bayeux Memorial http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2060300&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2060300&mode=1), Bayeux, France. Grave Reference: Panel 22.

**Povol**, Ervin. Military Service: Corporal, Regina Rifles Regiment, “apparently found wounded” and killed with “a single pistol shot through the forehead” on 9 June 1944 near Bretteville l’Orgueilleuse, by an SS officer of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, “Hitler Youth” (either from the 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Grenadier Regiment, commanded by Kurt Meyer, or from the 12<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, commanded by Max Wünsche). See PRU, File 41-56488 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 105-106.

**Additional Biographical Information:** Not found at the [Canadian War Graves Commission](#) site.

**Preston**, Lee Irwin, Golden Prairie, Saskatchewan. Military Service: Trooper, 1<sup>st</sup> Hussars, 6<sup>th</sup> Canadian Armoured Regiment, murdered after capture on 11 June 1944 along the road to Le Mesnil-Patry by SS troopers, 7<sup>th</sup> Company, 2<sup>nd</sup> Panzer Grenadier Battalion, commanded by Major Bernhard Siebken. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Bn. was part of the 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, commanded by SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, which was in turn part of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, “Hitler Youth”. See PRU, File 41-58504 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 112-113.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission](#), [http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2060009](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2060009). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery](#), [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: III.D.10.

**Reid**, James Allan, Onanole, Manitoba. Military Service: Sergeant, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, “Hitler Youth”. See PRU, File 41-72960 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission](#), [http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2060054](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2060054). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery](#), [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XIII.F.11.

**Reynolds**, Henry Edward, Port Hawkesbury, Nova Scotia. Military Service: Private, North Nova Scotia Highlanders. Killed 7 June 1944. Listed among the murdered. See *Conduct Unbecoming*, v.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission](#), [http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2060062](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2060062). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery](#), [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: II.A.13.

**Riggs**, Cecil. Military Service: Private, North Nova Scotia Highlanders. Killed 7 June 1944. Listed among the murdered. See *Conduct Unbecoming*, v.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2060076](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2060076). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviens, France. Grave Reference: II.A.5.

**Rodgers**, Henry, Giroux, Manitoba. Occupation: Unknown. Military Service: Private, Rifleman, A Company, 9 Platoon, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, served in Normandy, murdered by a firing squad on the order of SS Major Gerhard Bremer, Commander, 12<sup>th</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, at the Château d'Audrieu, 8 June 1944. For further information, see PRU, File 41-89124 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 86-87.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2060102](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2060102). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviens, France. Grave Reference: XVI.D.7.

**Ryckman**, Frank, Carievale, Saskatchewan. Military Service: Rifleman, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 42-02048 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2060146](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2060146). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviens, France. Grave Reference: XIII.D.16.

**Sawatzky**, John, Osler, Saskatchewan. Military Service: Rifleman, Regina Rifles Regiment, executed by machine pistol on 9 June 1944 near Bretteville l'Orgueilleuse, by SS soldiers/officers of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth" (either from the 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Grenadier Regiment, commanded by Kurt Meyer, or from the 12<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, commanded by Max Wünsche). See PRU, File 42-11134 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 103-106.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2060156](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2060156). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviens, France. Grave Reference: IV.G.5.

**Scott, Robert.** Military Service: Corporal, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 42-17350 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2060168](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2060168). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: XIII.H.9.

**Scriven, Gilbert Harold.** Military Service: Trooper, 1<sup>st</sup> Hussars, 6<sup>th</sup> Canadian Armoured Regiment, shot to death at close range on 11 June 1944 at the first aid post attached to Siebken's 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion headquarters at Le Mesnil-Patry by unknown 12<sup>th</sup> SS troopers or officers, probably of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Panzer Grenadier Battalion, commanded by Major Bernhard Siebken. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Bn. was part of the 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, commanded by SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, which was in turn part of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 42-17996 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 115.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2060169](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2060169). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: XII.H.1.

**Sigurdson, Kjartan, Lundar, Manitoba.** Military Service: Rifleman, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 42-28907 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2060203](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2060203). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: XIII.F.7.

**Silverberg, Frank, Toronto, Ontario. Loucks, William David Clinton, Harlowe, Ontario.** Military Service: Trooper, 1<sup>st</sup> Hussars, 6<sup>th</sup> Canadian Armoured Regiment, captured on 11 June 1944 by an unidentified unit of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS and shot shortly thereafter by an SS officer, possibly of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Panzer Grenadier Battalion, commanded by Major Bernhard Siebken. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Bn. was part of the 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, commanded by SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, which was in

turn part of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 42-29257 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 114.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2060204](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2060204). Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: VI.H.2.

**Simmons**, William E, Timmons, Ontario. Military Service: Sergeant, 1<sup>st</sup> Hussar, 6<sup>th</sup> Canadian Armoured Regiment, executed after capture on 11 June 1944 at the headquarters in Le Mesnil-Patry of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Panzer Grenadier Battalion commanded by Major Bernhard Siebken, of the 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, commanded by SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". For further information, see PRU, File 42-30392 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 112.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2341237](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2341237). Buried at Bayeux War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2033300&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2033300&mode=1), Bayeux, France. Grave Reference: XVI.A.21.

**Slywchuk**, Steve, Ross, Manitoba. Occupation: Unknown. Military Service: Private, A Company, 9 Platoon, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, served in Normandy, murdered by a firing squad on the order of SS Major Gerhard Bremer, Commander, 12<sup>th</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, at the Château d'Audrieu, 8 June 1944. For further information, see PRU, File 42-35393 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 86-87.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2060230](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2060230). Buried at Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XV.B.4.

**Smith**, Edward, Beconia, Manitoba. Military Service: Private, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 42-37716 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2060243](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2060243). Buried at Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery,

[http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1)  
Reviers, France. Grave Reference: XIII.F.9.

**Smith, Frederick.** Occupation: Unknown. Military Service: Private, Queen's Own Rifles, served in Normandy, murdered on the order of Gerhard Bremer, 12<sup>th</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, at the Château d'Audrieu, 8 June 1944. For further information, see PRU, File 42-38215 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 83-85.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2060244](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2060244). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: XIV.B.11.

**Smith, Richard George.** Military Service: Private, Queen's Own Rifles, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 42-41067 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2060251](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2060251). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviers, France. Grave Reference: XIII.D.11.

**Smuck, Harry L.** Military Service: Trooper, 1<sup>st</sup> Hussars, 6<sup>th</sup> Canadian Armoured Regiment, murdered after capture on 11 June 1944 near Le Mesnil-Patry by SS troopers commanded by trooper Mischke, 7<sup>th</sup> Company, 2<sup>nd</sup> Panzer Grenadier Battalion, commanded by Major Bernhard Siebken. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Bn. was part of the 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, commanded by SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, which was in turn part of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 42-42661 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 112-113.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2045589](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2045589). Buried at [Ryes War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2003700&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2003700&mode=1) Bazenville, France. Grave Reference: II.D.5.

**Sutton, Lawrence Francis,** Sudbury, Ontario. Military Service: Trooper, 1<sup>st</sup> Hussars, B Squadron, 6<sup>th</sup> Canadian Armoured Regiment, captured with three others on 11 June 1944 by an unidentified platoon of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS and shot to death from behind by the NCO escorting the prisoners down the road. The German troopers were possibly of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Panzer Grenadier Battalion, commanded by Major Bernhard Siebken. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Bn. was part of the 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer

Regiment, commanded by SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, which was in turn part of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 42-62959 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 114-115.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2060329](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2060329). Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: VI.F.13.

**Taylor**, James Albert, River Herbert, Nova Scotia. Military Service: Lance Corporal, North Nova Scotia Highlanders, died after wounds from machine-pistol shot on 7 June 1944 at road between Buron and Authie in spontaneous battlefield vengeance by an SS trooper, 11<sup>th</sup> Company, 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth", commanded of Colonel Karl-Heinz Milius. For further information, see PRU, File 42-69335 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 62.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2335720](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2335720). Buried at Bretteville-sur-Laize Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1), Cintheaux, France. Grave Reference: VI.H.12.

**Thomas**, William D., Winnipeg, Manitoba. Military Service: Rifleman, A Company, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, served in Normandy, murdered on the order of SS Major Gerhard Bremer, Commander, 12<sup>th</sup> Reconnaissance Battalion, at the Château d'Audrieu, 8 June 1944. For further information, see PRU, File 42-75900 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 85.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2060362](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2060362). Buried at Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, [http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XIV.B.3.

**Thompson**, John Allen, Regina, Saskatchewan. Military Service: Private, Royal Winnipeg Rifles, murdered by SS troopers and military police on 8 June 1944 in a field just north of the Caen-Fontenay road at the order of SS Lieutenant Colonel Wilhelm Mohnke, Commander, 26<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 42-77067 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 90-94.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2060367](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2060367). Buried at Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery,

[http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1)  
Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XIII.F.14.

**Tobin**, Douglas Vincent, North Sydney, Nova Scotia. Military Service: Private, died 7 June 1944 of injuries sustained when deliberately hit by a vehicle with Red Cross markings driven by support personnel of 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth", commanded of Colonel Karl-Heinz Milius. For further information, see PRU, File 42-81148 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 63-64.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2060382](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2060382). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XIII.B.10.

**Vickery**, Nelson J. Military Service: Rifleman, Regina Rifles Regiment, killed by "bursts of machine-pistol fire and chest, in circumstances highly suggestive of an execution" on 9 June 1944 near Bretteville l'Orgueilleuse, by SS soldiers/officers of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth" (either from the 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Grenadier Regiment, commanded by Kurt Meyer, or from the 12<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, commanded by Max Wünsche). See PRU, File 42-99526 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 105-106.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2060431](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2060431). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: IV.C.16.

**Webster**, James Stanley. Military Service: Private, Company C, North Nova Scotia Highlanders, shot to death, then crushed by a tank, on 7 June 1944 at Authie in spontaneous battlefield vengeance by SS troopers, 9<sup>th</sup> Company, 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth", commanded of Colonel Karl-Heinz Milius. For further information, see PRU, File 43-14056 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 60.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2335886](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2335886). Buried at [Bretteville-sur-Laize Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1), Cintheaux, France. Grave Reference: II.A.10.

**Willett**, Gerald Leslie, Toronto, Ontario. Military Service: Rifleman, Queen's Own Rifles of Canada, executed by firing squad on 17 June 1944 just outside Mouen by members of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS Engineering Battalion, which was under the command

of SS Major Siegfried Müller, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Panzer Division, "Hitler Youth". See PRU, File 43-24890 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 120-121.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2060505](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2060505). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: XVI.E.12.

**Williams**, Fred, Cornwall. Military Service: Lieutenant, D Company, Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry Highlanders Regiment, served in Normandy, shot in the head on 17 June 1944 by unidentified SS men at the Abbaye d'Ardenne, headquarters of the 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Grenadier Regiment, commanded on that date either by SS Colonel Kurt Meyer or SS Lieutenant Colonel Karl-Heinz Milius, of the 12<sup>th</sup> SS Division, "Hitler Youth". For further information, see PRU, File 43-25536 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 118-120.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2060507](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2060507). Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: VII.F.11.

**Williams**, James Patrick. Military Service: Lance Corporal, North Nova Scotia Highlanders, killed 7 June 1944. Listed among the murdered. See *Conduct Unbecoming*, v.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2060508](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2060508) Buried at [Beny-sur Mer Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2004600&mode=1) Reviere, France. Grave Reference: II.C.4.

**Windsor**, Thomas Alfred Lee. Military Service: Lieutenant, 27<sup>th</sup> Canadian Armoured Regiment (Sherbrooke Fusilier Regiment), served in Normandy, shot in the head on 7 June 1944 at the Abbaye d'Ardenne, probably by order of SS Colonel Kurt Meyer, Commander, 25<sup>th</sup> Panzer Grenadier Regiment, 12<sup>th</sup> SS Division, "Hitler Youth". For further information, see PRU, File 43-31063 and *Conduct Unbecoming*, 67-70.

**Additional Biographical Information:** See [Canadian War Graves Commission, http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty\\_details.aspx?casualty=2335963](http://www.cwgc.org/search/casualty_details.aspx?casualty=2335963). Buried at [Bretteville-sur-Laize Canadian War Cemetery, http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery\\_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1](http://www.cwgc.org/search/cemetery_details.aspx?cemetery=2032600&mode=1), Cintheaux, France. Grave Reference: XIV.E.2.

***And others known but to God***