

This is a picture of B-17 Flown
By Lt. C. McKinney & Crew APR. 24,
1944 TO OBERPFAFFEN, NEAR MUNICH.

THIS WAS ONE OF THE TWO STOPS
OF THE COMPOSITE SQUADRON THAT
RETURNED TO BASE AS THE OTHER
FOUR WENT DOWN BEFORE WE
REACHED TARGET.

AFTER STABILIZER, ENGINE
AND VARIOUS OTHER REPLACEMENTS
WERE MADE IT WAS TEST
FLOWN BY OTHER BASE PERSONNEL
BUT ALAS IT ONLY ATTAINED
APPROXIMATELY 50 FT. ALTITUDE
BEFORE CATCHING FIRE AND LUCKILY
NO FATALITIES

OUR ENGINEER, JOHN W. WELCH,
WAS THE ONLY ONE OF OUR CREW
WOUNDED THAT MISSION. HE WAS
STRUCK IN BACK OF HEAD BY MACHINE
GUN BULLET.

PLEASE RETURN PHOTO WITH REPORTS
AS IT IS THE ONLY ONE I HAVE
THANKS
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