

HEADQUARTERS 306TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Intelligence Officer
United States Forces

APD 634
11 December, 1943

SUBJECT: Intelligence Report.

TO : Commanding Officer, 306th Bombardment Group (H).

1. Hot News

B-17, #078R, Pilot Moack, hit by flak in #2 engine in target area. Left formation under control. One chute seen; then bombs were dropped. Last seen about 1328 hours near Bolsward at 18,000 Ft.

2. Narrative

21 A/C took off at 08:28. The Group Took off on time but unexpectedly heavy winds en route out caused a cumulative time lag of 21 minutes at target. Leading 92nd Group alone, turned short from North Sea leg toward target to make up time, back on course at Langeoog and through target, approximately 4 miles north of course across Holland and slightly more so across Channel on return. One A/C, #827, Pilot Reed, turned back before leaving English Coast due to failure of #2 engine, landing at R.A.F. Station Honiley with 12 x 500 bombs.

3. Fighter Opposition

No enemy fighters were seen.

4. Fighter Support

Fighter escort was good. P-47's provided high cover from target area (bombs were away at 13:02) to coast, and P-51's gave close support from about 13:15 at 5300 N. - 0640 E. to beyond coast at 13:25.

5. A.A. Gun Fire

Extremely accurate, moderate, "continuous following" A.A. Gun Fire over target before bombs away. Meager and accurate at Harlingen; meager and inaccurate at Weener, Groningen, and Texel.

6. Bombing

Photographs confirm accurate bombing report, with numerous bursts in town, on, and north of, aiming point. Heavy clouds of smoke are rising from fires caused by previous bombing on both sides of RAYS BASIN and west of OLD INNER HARBOR.

7. Observations

Smoke screen at target nullified by wind or late start. Another smoke screen, possibly decoy, 8 miles north of Emden, and a heavy screen obscuring Wilhelmshaven, 1 or 2 miles north of Langeoog, large red raft-like object, about 1,000 ft. long, not moving, smoke coming from it. Possibly floating dock. Crossing enemy coast, several crews reported 2 columns of bluish smoke, zigzag, from about 10,000 to 25,000 ft., far ahead. Possibly S.E. of target. No fires or explosions noted, 1 crew reported 2 similar columns, but brownish, later near Winschoten. Airfield at Andorf extended.

For the COMMANDING OFFICER

JOHN A. BAINSPATHER,
Major, Air Corps,
Group 8-2.

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Should be "partly"

JK

TRACK CHART

TARGET

Date 11/12/43

Planned

Route followed by

306th Bombardment C

Primary Essen, Germany

Actual

" " "

Secondary _____

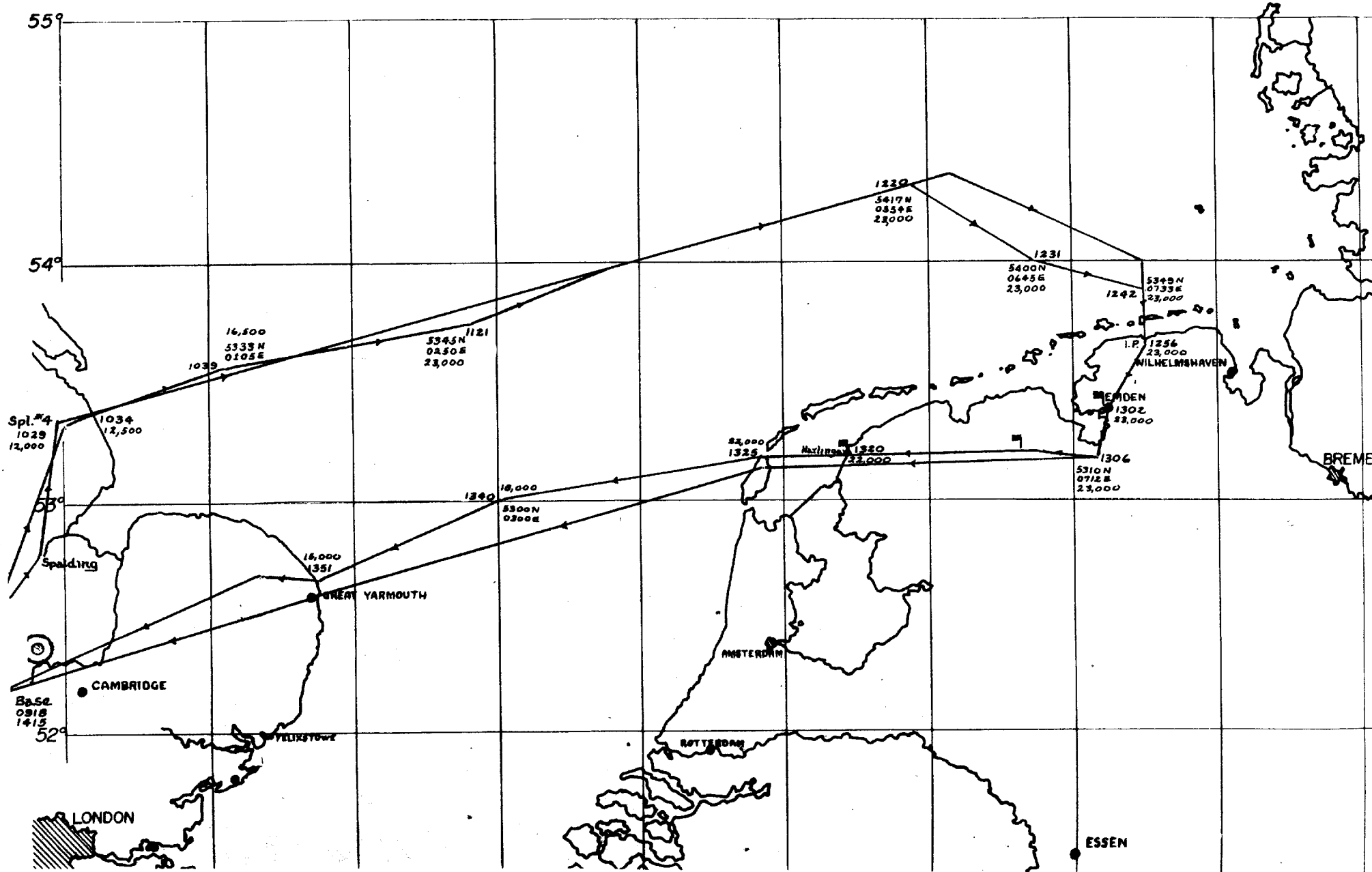
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Last Resort _____

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" " "

" " "



FORMATION - MISSION 11/22/43

ROBINSON*
993-OK

REESE*
606-U

FALLOW
~~939~~ 939-A

CASSIDAY
143-P

ELLIOT*
025-B

ADAMS
812-Q

DEBETTA
515-D

SHARKEY*
794-V

THOMAS
768-A

CRAPSEY
065-Z

THOMPSON*
431-F

NOACK*
078-R

KINSEY
007-F

CAMPERT*
706-Q

TOOMBS
841-R

GARRETT*
139-OL

REED
827-G

SMITH*
728-S

WINTERS
363-G

HEAP
221-G

BRINKLEY
136-D

* INDICATES CAMERA IN AIRCRAFT

REMARKS:

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BREAKFAST 0500 BRIEFING 0600
CAMERAS 606-431-139-993-794-078-728-706-025
LUNCH SANDWICHES YES 0745
CONVOYS

STATIONS 0805 TAXI 0815
TAKE OFF 0828 ASSEMBLE AT 7,000 FT
RADIO CHECK TO Thur AT 0931 HOURS
REND 0917 AT AT 7,000 FT
REND AT AT FT

PARAS 145 : 451 : 776 : : :
OXYGEN D : D : D : : :
DISP'L 48 : 49 : 39 : : :

GROUP C.O. Col. ROBINSON
GROUP DEPUTY
GROUP DEPUTY Capt. REESE

EMB AT 150 AT 200 FPM
CRUISE AT 155 AT 23000 FT
OMB AT 150 AT 23000 FT
RETURN AT 155 AT 23000 FT
DESCEND AT 170 AT 5000 FPM

SPLASHER NO. 6 LET DOWN 280 TDEGREES
ALTIMETERS 2992 TOP TANKS YES
ZERO HOUR 1015 BOMB INT. min

FUNDIT FLASHING LETTERS
306 GP LEADS 92, 305

1 CW LEADS 40th, 92nd and 41st
306 GP YY PERIOD 0700-1300 1300-1900

305 GP R6 FLARE RY : YY
92 GP RY ANSWER Z : B

GP CHALLENGE V : C
LIGHTER SUPPORT 16P-P38 5339-0735

at 1228 to Limit of range (5310-0645)
16P P51's 5310-0645 at 1241 (26Ps

P47's on two CBW's behind us
66Ps P47 covering 2nd and 3rd Div.

OTHER EFFORTS ALL CWS to same target
Last CBW leaves control point at 1201

First leaves 1143-DEPAVT comer O.M.

FIGHTERS Denver Two
BOMBERS Goldsmith Two - Two
S.C. Tack Line

V.H.F. authentication - Moonshine
Weather code A-V-T-I-B
40th Air C.O. BullPen

Thurleigh : 0917 : 7,000
Stoney Stratford : 0925 : 7,000
Daventry : 0932 : 7,000
Spaulding : 0955 : 10,000
Louth #4 : 1014 : 10,000
CP 5420-0610 : 1206 : 23,000
5400-0730E : 1228 : 23,000
I.P. 5339-9736E : 1235 : 23,000
Target : 1241 : 23,000
5310-0712E : 1245 : 23,000
5307-0450E : 1320 : 23,000
Great Yarmouth : 1335 : 15,000
Base : 1405

START ENGINES Hamberger
STAND BY MESSAGE Steak
DELAY TAKE OFF Ice Cream
SCRUB Spam
ABANDON

1 - vary - route to make time good
at control point if necessary

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367th Sqdn.

A/C B-17-F 42-31025 No damage.

A/C B-17-F 42-39768 Slight flak damage to #4 engine nacelle.

A/C B-17-F 42-30728 Slight flak damage to right outer wing. Empty shell cases damaged right outer wing-slight.

A/C B17-F 42-3363 Slight flak damage to right side of vertical stabilizer. Slight flak damage to spar in vertical stabilizer. Slight flak damage to trailing edge of fairing on right inner wing.

A/C B17-G 42-31065 No damage.

A/C B-17-F 42-30706 Slight flak damage to left inner wing. Slight flak damage to nose section underneath #1 oil cooler. Slight flak damage to left aileron.

369th Sqdn:

A/C B-17-F 42-29993 Not damaged.

A/C B17-G 42-31143 Not damaged.

A/C B-17-F 42-30939 Slight flak damage to Dorsal Fin. Serious damage to Right Elevator by flak. Slight flak damage to Left Wing. Serious flak damage to Circumferential Stiffener between station 6K & 7. Serious flak damage to stringers in Waist position. Slight flak damage to Bomb-bay doors.

A/C 42-30794 B-17-F Vertical Stabilizer and Left Horizontal Stabilizer seriously damaged by flak.

A/C B-17-F 42-31007 Slight flak damage to #3 Engine Nacelle. Slight damage to Right Elevator, Left Stabilizer and Elevator by flak. Left outer wing damaged by flak. Fuselage below Radio room and Right Wing Tip damaged by flak.

A/C B-17-G 42-31078 Missing In Action.

A/C B-17-G 42-39827 ABORTED: Landed at RAF Sta Honiley with #2 engine out.

A/C B-17-G 42-31136 No Damage.

423rd Sqdn.

A/C B-17-F 42-30606 Slight flak damage to right horizontal stabilizer.

A/C B-17-G 42-3515 Slight flak damage to left horizontal stabilizer. Slight flak damage to rudder. Slight flak damage to right outer wing tip. Serious flak damage to bulkhead 5, internal brace in bomb-bay, and cut wires in bomb-bay. Serious flak damage to camera well. Slight flak damage to fuselage over radio room

A/C B-17-F 42-30812 Slight flak damage to left inner wing and left outer wing tip.

A/C B-17-F 42-30431 Slight flak damage to right horizontal stabilizer and Dorsal fin.

A/C B-17-G 42-31139 Slight flak damage to left outer wing tip. Slight flak damage to #2 engine nacelle. Slight flak damage to right outer wing tip. Slight flak damage to left horizontal stabilizer.

B17-F 42-30841 Empty .50 cal shell cases slightly damaged to right horizontal elevator & stabilizer.

B-17-F 42-30221 Slight flak damage to right aileron. Serious damage to Sta 6 bulkhead. Serious damage to right inner wing at root. Slight damage to right horizontal stabilizer. Slight damage to fuselage in nose section.

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Target Emden

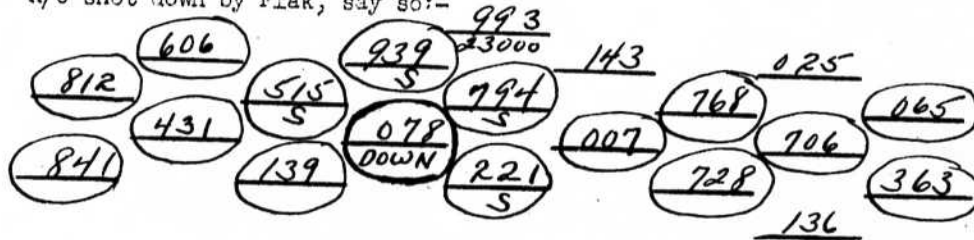
1. Route followed. Langeoog To Esens, to Emden, to Weener, To Lefel to Base

2. Visibility at Target (Any condensation trails?) no con. trails
10/10000 Channel - 2/10 at target

3. No. of A/C over Target. 20 A/C

Bombed at 1302 hours

4. Formation over target, with height of each A/C. Those A/C damaged by Flak to be circled, and if seriously damaged, insert small "S". If any A/C shot down by Flak, say so:-



5. General Axis of attack (from Lead A/C if possible)

229° Magnetic

6. How long did formation fly straight and level before bombing?

6 minutes

7. Turn after bombing. 40 degree right turn

8. Position of Group in relation to other Groups. Lead C. W.

9. What evasive action was taken?

10. A short description of Flak en route (if any) and at the Target, including if possible a suggestion as to type of fire control employed - i.e., Continuous following predicted concentrations, predicted barrages, or fixed barrages.

~~Flak en route, mod. accurate, continuous, fixed~~
 Target - " mod. " " " "
~~Flak en route, mod. accurate, continuous, fixed~~
 Weener - six bursts, low and inaccurate
 Groningen - meager
 Harlingen - meager tracking, accurate
 Lefel - meager inaccurate

11. Any other Comments, Phenomena, etc.

Smoke screens at Emden, Wilhelmshaven, Srooges Lake.
Red bursts at target
Flak bursts at target appeared especially large

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saw 4 small bursts about the size of 20 mm.
at 23500' about 500 feet above lead squadron.

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~367~~ 369 ~~APB~~ A/C Number 993 Letter K Date 11/12/43

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0828 Time Landed 14:30

| | | | |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| X | X | X | X |
| X X | X | X X | X X |
| X X | X X | X X | X X |
| X X | X | X X | X X |
| X | | | X |

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

13:02 Noack No. 2
held then peeled to left
Friendly A/C in any kind of distress?
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)
under control - 1 chute -
then toward Holland

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Major R. P. Reordan Pilot

Col. Robinson Co-P

Lt. J. B. Mazanek Nav.

Lt. D. B. Dash ~~NAVY~~ Nav.

T/Sgt. V. B. Stevens Radio

T/Sgt. J. C. Stoner Top T.

T/Sgt. B. A. Hardy Ball T.

T/Sgt. B. H. Perlmutter H. Waist

T/Sgt. H. J. Sommers L. Waist

Capt. N. M. Haas Tail C.

Lt. A. Isaac ~~NAVY~~ Nav. Bombs

Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 13:02

Alternate Height: 23,000

Last Resort Heading 229°

Duration Bomb Run: 5:8 ³/₁₀ min.

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 12

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: Lined up 2 Lakes with figured MPI on the Canal on Target Map

Other Bombing: could see Earthen Smoke - landed just S of Ear.

5. Any Photographs taken: (Yes?) No?

Any Nickels: Yes No

Number boxes dropped

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: Number boxes returned

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn, reason for returning early; and disposition of bombs)

7000-8000 → 10/10 almost to Germany

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

Clear around.

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

4000 ft → 10/10 S of 53

T. 3/10 from Groningen Ht. then solid W. of Tavel

| Time | Place | Height of A/C | Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight. | Color of bursts | Location | Accuracy |
|------|-------|---------------|---|-----------------|---------------------------|----------|
| | | | | | Bursts in relation to A/C | |

T. Area - Mod. Extremely acc.

Groningen several bursts

Crew observations about Flak:

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 368 369 123 A/C Number 606 Letter U Date 11/12/43

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.F. Intend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0828 Time Landed 1425

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
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| X | X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X | X |
| X | | | | X | |

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:
Proack hit in no. 1 on 2 engine. Going down under control. 1321 hrs lost seen.

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress? (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

- Capt. G. (NMI) Reese Pilot
- 1st Lt. R. B. Eckles Co-P
- 2nd Lt. A. G. Pulver, Jr. Nav.
- 1st Lt. L. (NMI) Feldman Bomb.
- T/Sgt. E. J. Borlik Radio
- Sgt. L. G. Dillon Top T.
- S/Sgt. J. H. Coleman Ball T.
- S/Sgt. J. P. Clarke R. Waist
- S/Sgt. H. C. Turner L. Waist
- S/Sgt. L. B. Parks Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1302
Alternate Height: 2200
Last Resort Heading 210
(circle)
Duration Bomb Run: 5/2

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 13 Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs:

*Bombs fell on left side of target area
"Damon" found hit: fire all in area*

Other Bombing:

5. Any Photographs taken: Yes? No?

Any Nickels: Yes No
Number boxes dropped

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: Number boxes returned

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn, reason for returning early; and disposition of bombs)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) *Good visibility - haze*

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

| Time | Place | Height of A/C | Type (light, heavy); intense, moderate or slight | Color of bursts | Location of Bursts in relation to A/C | Accuracy |
|------|-------|---------------|--|-----------------|---------------------------------------|----------|
|------|-------|---------------|--|-----------------|---------------------------------------|----------|

Target area merger Very accurate

Crew observations about Flak:

Little on way out but nothing much to report. (this side of guide you)

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ADDITIONAL INTERROGATION FORM FOR GROUP AND SQUADRON LEAD AIRCRAFT

(check one)
GROUP LEADER _____
HIGH SQUADRON LEADER _____
LOW SQUADRON LEADER _____ X _____
PLANE WITH OTHER GROUP _____
(Indicate Group and Group Identification)
SINGLE AIRCRAFT _____

1. Time and Place of crossing English Coast approx. 1021 hrs - 1/2 sp. + (Little North)

2. Was Course as Briefed? as ordered
If not, describe course in detail _____

3. Time and Place of crossing Enemy Coast Langeo Island 1252
(exactly as briefed)

4. Time over Target 1302

Altitude over Target 22,700

Position of Group on Bomb Run Little Left of lead Squadron -

Magnetic Heading of Bomb Run 210

Duration Bomb Run 5 1/2 minutes

5. Time of Landing at Base 1425 1/2 hrs
If landed away from base before return state where and why _____

DATE _____ TIME _____ S-2 OFFICER _____

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~167XX3880339~~ 23 A/C Number 431 Letter F Date 11/12/43

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.F. Incend. 29 hrs. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0828 Time Landed 14:20

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details: B17 (noack?) just before bombs away had direct flak hit near engine pieces flew off one engine, about five minutes later crew bled, above cloud under control.

X X X X
X X X X
X X X X
X X X X

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress? (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

1st Lt. R. B. Thompson Pilot ✓

2nd Lt. L. M. Love Cr.-P ✓

2nd Lt. A. (NMI) Borysoff Nav. ✓

2nd Lt. A. A. Bundt Bomb. ✓

S/Sgt. R. A. Powers Radio ✓

T/Sgt. W. G. Caldwell Top T. ✓

S/Sgt. C. W. Hamby Ball T. ✓

S/Sgt. J. (NMI) Peto R. Waist ✓

Sgt. W. A. Sanford L. Waist ✓

S/Sgt. C. T. Schroeder Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary

Time: 1302 hrs

Alternate

Height: 23,000'

Last Resort (circle)

Heading: 180 mag

Duration Bomb Run:

Seven minutes

S/Sgt. C. T. Schroeder Tail G. ✓

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on targets: all Jettisoned... Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: Slightly to right of A.P. Small fires

Other Bombing: Think front group over target.

5. Any Photographs taken: Yes? No?

Any Nickels: Yes No

Number boxes dropped

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: Number boxes returned

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn, reason for returning early; and disposition of bombs)

All briefed except late on schedule.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

Clear with some haze.

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time Place Height Type (light, heavy, intense, moderate or slight) Color of bursts Location accuracy Bursts in relation to A/C

1302 hrs. target 23000 Heavy medium black Accurate Directed Concentration

South of G. 13000 few bursts inaccurate Heavy

5311 N 21 E at 1300 hrs. 23000 Heavy medium Accurate Directed Concentration

Crew observations about Flak:

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10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

(Chart 2 FW 190s)
(Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Type)

Just after target made no attack.
(Location and length of fight)

(Tactics of E/A)

Grey.
(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

(Our defensive action)

C L A I M S

DESTROYED

PROBABLY

DAMAGED

(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

Met P-51's over target ^{near} close down above
About 10 minutes after target near Coast P-51's ^{enemy} ~~over~~ ^{cover}.

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels, landmarks, new enemy installations, etc.)

Near smoke screen at target blowing wrong direction cover.
Near Kiel ^{knowing} saw large grey ship heading East.

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

15.

DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

none.
few flak holes (slight)

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

Interphone out.

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?)

S-2 OFFICER

[Signature]

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SQUADRON ~~367~~ ~~806~~ ~~862~~ 123 A/C Number 139 Letter D Date 11/12/43

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Incend.

Time Took Off 0828 Time Landed 1415

Position in Formation

| | | | | |
|---|-----|---|---|---|
| | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X |
| X | (X) | X | X | X |
| X | | | | X |

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
Details:

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress?
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

- 2nd Lt. N. L. Garrett Pilot ✓
- 2nd Lt. R. (NMI) Nickelhoff P ✓
- 2nd Lt. J. (NMI) Elgin Nav. ✓
- 2nd Lt. R. D. Drenner Bomb. ✓
- T/Sgt. A. E. Dilts Radio ✓
- T/Sgt. J. (NMI) Vinciguerra Top T. ✓
- S/Sgt. J. A. Glenn Ball T. ✓
- S/Sgt. W. J. Carroll R. Waist ✓
- Sgt. W. (NMI) Schmidt L. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. C. L. Yator Tail C. ✓

Raw

raw no. 2 engine of No. 2 plane hit. Followed him down several 1000'. A/C under control. one chute. saw no. 3 prop shot off another A/C of 300' high. almost at same time as about.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary ✓ Time: 1301
 Alternate Height: 23,000
 Last Resort (circle) Heading 240
 Duration Bomb Run: 40 "

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: *all* Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: *looked good.*

Other Bombing: *target covered with smoke screen, but lots of sea smoke at target.*

5. Any Photographs taken: (Yes? No?)

Any Nickels: Yes No
Number boxes dropped

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: Number boxes returned

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early; and disposition of bombs).

as briefed

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) *almost complete overcast to enemy coast. Only clear over target. to cloud.*

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

| Time | Place | Height of A/C | Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight. | Color of bursts | Location | Accuracy |
|------|-------|---------------|---|-----------------|----------|----------|
|------|-------|---------------|---|-----------------|----------|----------|

I.P. 23,000 medium-heavy black level into A/C accurate north behind.

Continuous following

Crew observations about Flak: *pretty accurate.*

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10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

none
 (Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types)

(Location and length of fight)

(Tactics of E/A)

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

(Our defensive action)

| C L A I M S | |
|-------------|-------------------------------------|
| DESTROYED | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| PROBABLY | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| DAMAGED | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT ^{with} just met after target - P-51's 47's; few minutes later
P-51's. Left at mid-channel. 20 P-51's and 20 P-47's.

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations, etc.)
2 crafts heading north at coast when crossing over

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)
1 A/c shot down: 1 prop shot off.

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly) 3/5 of Galon burned on arm by heating system
flak holes - (1) tail (2) 1 bomb bay
(1) wing, (1) no. 3 nacelle.

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?)

Had to be bae'd!

S-2 OFFICER Frederick R. Sullivan FILE COMPLETED

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367XX368XX369K 123 A/C Number 812 Letter Q Date 11/12/43

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0828 Time Landed 1430

| | | | | | |
|-----|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | X | X | X | X |
| (X) | X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X | X |

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

1 B-17 2nd Sq hit by flak. one prop #2 & #3 were knocked off under control 5000 ft below

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress? (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

2nd Lt. A. A. Adams Pilot ✓

2nd Lt. J. B. Mathis Co-P ✓

2nd Lt. W. B. Barnes Nav. ✓

2nd Lt. A. J. Bugni Bomb. ✓

T/Sgt. M. E. Palencia Radio ✓

S/Sgt. L. B. Keene Top T. ✓

Sgt. L. (IMI) Stevenson Ball T. ✓

Sgt. A. E. Kootz H. Waist ✓

Sgt. J. D. Stotts L. Waist ✓

S/Sgt. P. C. Woseloh Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary

Time: 1302

Alternate

Height: 23400

Last Resort (circle)

Heading 220° mag

Duration Bomb Run:

3 minutes

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs:

all around target - good - on lead ship -

Other Bombing:

5. Any Photographs taken: Yes? (No?)

Any Nickels: Yes (No)

Number boxes dropped

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: Number boxes returned

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn, reason for returning early; and disposition of bombs)

23 min lateral south - as given. Initial target 1253 - alt at 52°55'N - 04°43'E. 13100 ft alt - levelled form up as wing

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

as briefed - target clear 1/10 - 8/10 to 10/10 on H. sea.

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

| Time | Place | Height of A/C | Type (light, heavy, moderate or slight) | Color | Intensity | Location | Accuracy |
|-------------|--------------|---------------|---|--------------|----------------|------------|--|
| <u>1300</u> | <u>Enemy</u> | <u>23400</u> | <u>Heavy</u> | <u>Green</u> | <u>Intense</u> | <u>BLK</u> | <u>Tracking all around. Accurate</u> |
| | | | | | | | <u>26 3 minutes of trailing target</u> |
| | | | | | | | <u>Coast - 23000 feet high</u> |

Crew observations about Flak:

Continuous painted

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10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

None
(Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types)

(Location and length of fight)

(Tactics of E/A)

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

(Our defensive action)

| C L A I M S | |
|---|-------|
| DESTROYED | _____ |
| PROBABLY | _____ |
| DAMAGED | _____ |
| (Fill out <u>Immediately</u> separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.) | |

None

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT P 51-10 P-47-10 None type target

5313-0720-422-high + close to coast about 15 min

5300-0650-512 - good to coast. No 38's seen.

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations, etc.)

A/C east 5330-0720 sunny. Good VC and actions Ender Harbor observed. 5 ships of large size

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

None

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

None

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

#2 Central Calcium pump -

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?)

None examine actions at target.

S-2 OFFICER

McCree

TIME COMPLETED

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~357~~ 368 0339 #23 A/C Number 515 Letter D Date 11/12/43

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.F. Incend.

Position in Formation

0828
Time Took Off ~~0820~~ Time Landed 1730

| | | | | |
|---|-----|---|---|---|
| | X | X | X | X |
| X | (X) | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X |
| X | | | | X |

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
Details:

B-17 - hit by flak - prop came off
#1 engine, #2 engine smoking.

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress?
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

2nd Lt. G. NMI DeBetta Pilot ✓

descended to level of 10000'
before under control (bank)
no chutes 1301 hrs. (just before
bombs away.)

2nd Lt. E. J. Wolf, Jr. Co-P ✓

2nd Lt. R. P. Williams Nav. ✓

2nd Lt. P. C. Coad Bomb. ✓

S/Sgt. G. E. Hewitt Radio ✓

S/Sgt. F. V. Chiccarelli Top T. ✓

Sgt. M. W. Fieser Ball T. ✓

Sgt. M. (NMI) Cech R. Waist ✓

Sgt. L. E. Bergeron L. Waist ✓

Sgt. M. D. Heavin Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1302

Alternate Height: 22900

Last Resort Heading 194 May.

(circle)
Duration Bomb Run:

90 sec. Bomb run

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: all Jettisoned. Returned. Abortive.

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: good pattern in center of town.
(ineffective smoke screen)

Other Bombing:

5. Any Photographs taken: Yes No

Any Nickels: Yes No

Number boxes dropped

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACHED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: Number boxes returned

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn, reason for returning early; and disposition of bombs)
as briefed except cut corner because late

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.
2/10 cloud - visibility to 20 miles

| Time | Place | Height | Type (Light, Heavy, Intense, moderate or slight) | Color of bursts | Location of bursts in relation to A/C | Accuracy |
|------|--------|--------|--|-----------------|---------------------------------------|----------|
| | target | | | | | |

first flak 2 minutes before bombs away - tracking (barage on group behind us) moderate acc. black - grey white bursts

Crew observations about Flak:

T. B. Mason

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no com trail. go out turn off target.

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

none
 (Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types)
 (Location and length of flight)
 (Tactics of E/A)
 (Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

(Our defensive action)

| C L A I M S | |
|---|-------|
| DESTROYED | _____ |
| PROBABLY | _____ |
| DAMAGED | _____ |
| (Fill out <u>immediately</u> separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.) | |

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT *no 38's - no fighters until after bombs away - these were 51's - took us almost to coast - also saw 47's escorting other ship.*

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT. (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations, etc.)
none

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)
flak hit pick box putting radio out

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? any suggestions?)

smoke screen ineffective

S-2 OFFICER *Murtha* TIME COMPLETED _____

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SQUADRON 367 ~~368~~ ~~369~~ ~~370~~ A/C Number 025B Letter B Date 11/12/43

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | X | |
| X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X |

Time Took Off 0828 Time Landed 1436

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Retails: #7 in lead sqdn?
hit by flak in engine, i chute bail out;
then a/c dropped bombs before rest of
 Friendly A/C in any kind of distress?
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
formation; they were kept going down
under control.

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

- 1st Lt. I. R. Elliot Pilot ✓
- 2nd Lt. P. J. Pierce Co-P ✓
- 1st Lt. H. V. Houck Nav. ✓
- 2nd Lt. T. P. Cliney Bomb. ✓
- T/Sgt. T. P. Piechowski Radio ✓
- T/Sgt. C. C. Norris Top T. ✓
- S/Sgt. R. K. Tully Ball T. ✓
- S/Sgt. R. G. Rockwell R. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. B. Margineau L. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. H. E. Masle Tail G. ✓
- Lt. Col. Coleman D. R. Passenger

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1301:12
 Alternate Height: 23,500
 Last Resort Heading 220° mag.
 (circle) *
 Duration Bomb Run: 3 minutes.

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: all

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: Hit just north of "between the ears"
same hit in channel "Rats Basin". Good pattern.
#3 sqdn in lead sqdn was 1/2 minute late.
 Other Bombing: None seen.

5. Any Photographs taken: Yes? No?

Any Nickels: Yes No
 Number boxes dropped _____
 Number boxes returned _____

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn, reason for returning early; and disposition of bombs)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) gd - slight haze over target,
then 3 minutes after target clouds fairly heavy, then 10/10.
 9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home...

| Time | Place | Height or A/C | Type (light, heavy); intense, moderate or slight. | Color or bursts | Location Bursts in relation to A/C | Accuracy |
|------|-------|---------------|---|-----------------|------------------------------------|----------|
|------|-------|---------------|---|-----------------|------------------------------------|----------|

Kefted over Frisian Islands at Coast going in although
perfect visibility. Over target accurate, gd alt
altitude; just a few bursts; bl. bursts.

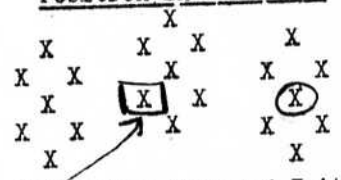
Crew observations about Flak: _____

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Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Incend.

Time Took Off 0828 Time Landed 1430

Position in Formation



CREW: Give Rank and Initials

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
Details:

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress?
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

- 1st Lt. G. Campert Pilot
- 2nd Lt. McCullagh F. M. Co-Pilot
- 1st Lt. J. L. Dougherty Nav.
- 1st Lt. W. Z. Morey Bomb
- T/Sgt. C. E. Lebert Radio
- T/Sgt. P. F. Murray Jr. Top T.
- S/Sgt. A. Graubart Ball T.
- S/Sgt. P. E. Colburn R. Waist
- S/Sgt. W. P. Teston L. Waist
- S/Sgt. K. H. Hudson Tail G.
- 1st. Col. J. F. Munker Passenger

1 B17 from this group hit by flak - #2 engine under control - went SW no chutes (perhaps 1?)

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1301
 Alternate Height: 23200
 Last Resort Heading 212 MAG.
 (circle)
 Duration Bomb Run:

Good run - toggled

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: ALL Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs:

Other Bombing:

Around river bank - smoke from fires & from smoke screen, some previous bombs

5. Any Photographs taken: Yes No? Any Nickels: Yes No *in view*
19 exposures Number boxes dropped: _____

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: Number boxes returned: _____

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn, reason for returning early; and disposition of bombs)

as planned - 20 min late leaving English coast remained 20 min late all the way

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

| Time | Place | Height of A/C | Type (light, heavy, intense, moderate or slight) | Color of bursts | Location of Bursts in relation to A/C | Accuracy |
|------|--------|---------------|--|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| | Target | | mod | black white above | | very acc this A/C - 4 holes |

Crew observations about Flak: *first fire was very acc & kept right on being so*

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 ~~368~~ ~~369~~ ~~370~~ A/C Number 768 Letter A Date 11/2/43

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0830 Time Landed 1436

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | X | |
| X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X |

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
Details: 1

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress?
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

1st Lt. W. W. Thomas Pilot ✓

B-17 going down over target, just after bombs away. Clutch

2nd Lt. D. L. Jacobs Co-Pil ✓

2nd Lt. J. E. Feeley Nav. ✓

2nd Lt. D. L. Clayton Bomb. ✓

S/Sgt. J. R. Petlewski Radio ✓

T/Sgt. A. J. Waine Top T. ✓

S/Sgt. R. F. Fiermuga Ball T. ✓

S/Sgt. J. L. Mitchell R. Waist ✓

S/Sgt. R. C. Payne L. Waist ✓

S/Sgt. W. W. Winans Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1302

Alternate Height: 23400

Last Resort Heading 192

Duration Bomb Run: 5 mins. Straight, then left.

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: Jettisoned Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: released on bombs with stream - very clean

Other Bombing: great pillars of smoke, different from smoke screen, intense

5. Any Photographs taken: Yes? No Any Nickels: Yes No

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: Number boxes dropped Number boxes returned

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn, reason for returning early; and disposition of bombs) as briefed

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) 10/10 before & after target - beautiful visibility over target.

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

| Time | Place | Height of A/C | Type (light, heavy, intense, moderate or slight) | Color of bursts | Location | Accuracy |
|--|-------|---------------|--|-----------------|----------|----------|
| <u>Endless - meager to moderate - very accurate - continuous following</u> | | | | | | |

Crew observations about Flak: Smoke screen blowing away
Some red bursts - not accurate flak in last 5 minutes

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INTERROGATION FORM

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SQUADRON 367 ~~368~~ ~~369~~ ~~370~~ A/C Number ~~0822~~ Letter 2 Date 11/12/43

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E., Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0830 Time Landed 1436

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | X | | X |
| X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X |
| X | | | | X |

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
Details:

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress?
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

2nd Lt. A. N. Crapsey Pilot

17 in target area hit by first bomb off load, prop flew off - going down in control - no chute

2nd Lt. T. J. Bridgeman Co-Pilot

2nd Lt. G. L. Feltz Nav.

2nd Lt. S. F. Tanella Bomb.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Sgt. M. J. Kilcoyne Radio

Primary Time: 1302

Sgt. D. A. Heon Jr. Top T.

Alternate Height: 23,160

Sgt. G. P. Amoroso Ball T.

Last Resort Heading 210

Sgt. J. J. Allie R. Waist

Duration Bomb Run:

Sgt. S. C. Gin L. Waist

45" - steep turn to left - 35"

Sgt. R. W. Collins Tail G.

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: *all* Detonated: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs:

good concentration in town. Group believed would see smoke.

Other Bombing:

5. Any Phot. graphs taken: Yes? *NS?* Any Nickels: Yes No

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: Number boxes returned

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn, reason for returning early; and disposition of bombs)

Came in a little south of course over Frisian
8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) *hazy - clear over target.*

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

| Time | Place | Height of A/C | Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight. | Color of bursts | Location of bursts in relation to A/C | Accuracy |
|------|-------|---------------|---|-----------------|---------------------------------------|----------|
|------|-------|---------------|---|-----------------|---------------------------------------|----------|

Engines very accurate, between low & high - continuous following

Crew observations about Flak: *red flame - black smoke*

burst that hit through was particularly large.

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 ~~368 369 423~~ A/C Number 363 Letter G Date 11/12/43

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Intend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0828 Time Landed 1445

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | X | | X |
| X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X |

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
Details:

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress?
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

| | | |
|-------------------------|-----------|---|
| 1st Lt. J. E. Winter | Pilot | ✓ |
| 2nd Lt. C. A. Mull | Co-P | ✓ |
| 2nd Lt. C. R. Amen | Nav. | ✓ |
| 2nd Lt. J. J. Monticome | Bomb. | ✓ |
| T/Sgt. W. C. Rozanski | Radio | ✓ |
| S/Sgt. A.D. Springer | Top T. | |
| Sgt. J. E. Olson Jr. | Ball T. | ✓ |
| S/Sgt. H. Sall | R. Waist. | ✓ |
| S/Sgt. R. Y. Wilson | L. Waist | ✓ |
| Sgt. O. F. Thomas | Tail G. | |

1 B17 - prop knocked off - last seen low & behind - one man jumped chute was not seen to open.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1302 1/2
Alternate Height: 23200
Last Resort Heading 213 Mag
(circle)
Duration Bomb Run:

Run OK - fogged.

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: ALL Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: not observed

Other Bombing:

5. Any Photographs taken: Yes? No? Any Nickels: Yes No

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: Number boxes dropped _____ Number boxes returned _____

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn, reason for returning early; and disposition of bombs)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

| Time | Place | Height of A/C | Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight. | Color of bursts | Location of bursts in relation to A/C | Accuracy |
|------|---------------|---------------|---|------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------|
| | <u>Target</u> | | | <u>mod black</u> | <u>very acc</u> | |
| | | | | <u>brown</u> | <u>5 holes</u> | <u>this AC</u> |

Crew observations about Flak: large size bursts contin. following - groups to rt seemed

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10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

(Estimated total number of E/A seen) _____ (Types) _____

(Location and length of fight) _____

(Tactics of E/A) _____

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A) _____

(Our defensive action) _____

C L A I M S

DESTROYED _____

PROBABLY _____

DAMAGED _____

(Fill out Immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

*never saw P38's P51's very good
saw 2 P47's - brought in the P51's*

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations, etc.)

*Juggles Lake - smoke pots
& Endera smoke screen not too good*

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

15.

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

6 flake holes in tail, besides ball/17

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

"6" box out

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?)

S-2 OFFICER

Skalak
isth

FILE COMPLETED

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~367~~ 369 A/C Number 007 Letter F Date 11/12/43

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0828 Time Landed 1430

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | X | | |
| X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X |
| X | | X | | X |

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
Details:

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress?
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

| | |
|------------------------|----------|
| Lt. C. J. Kinsey | Pilot |
| Lt. K. F. Dowell | Co-P |
| Lt. F. M. Sovis | Nav. |
| Lt. R. E. Sweeney | Bomb |
| S/Sgt. G. W. Ferguson | Radio |
| Sgt. C. T. Slappy | Top T. |
| Sgt. C. E. Shakespeare | Ball T. |
| Sgt. W. C. Fann | R. Waist |
| Sgt. E. R. Busch | L. Waist |
| Sgt. R. A. Yerak | Tail G. |

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MOACK - prop hit by flak
30 sec before bombs away
A/C pulled away - was way
behind when last seen

TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1300 1/2

Alternate Height: 23500

Last Resort Heading: 195 MAG

Duration Bomb Run:

good - toggled

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 6 Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others) 6 and 6 one min later - still over town

Own Bombs:

Other Bombing: Smoke over target - no hits observed

5. Any Photographs taken: Yes? No? Any Nickels: Yes No

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: Number boxes dropped Number boxes returned

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn, reason for returning early, and disposition of bombs)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home. Target - good about 1/10 cloud

| Time | Place | Height of A/C | Type (light, heavy, intense, moderate or slight) | Color of bursts | Location | Accuracy |
|------|-------|---------------|--|-----------------|----------|----------|
|------|-------|---------------|--|-----------------|----------|----------|

| | | | | | | |
|--------|--|--|-----|----------|--|----------------|
| Target | | | mod | black | | very acc. |
| | | | | few gray | | about 12 holes |

Crew observations about Flak:

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

(Estimated total number of E/A seen) _____ (Types) _____

(Location and length of fight) _____

(Tactics of E/A) _____

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A) _____

(Our defensive action) _____

C L A I M S

DESTROYED _____

PROBABLY _____

DAMAGED _____

(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

*just after target - P51 - & P47
we were late*

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations, etc.)

Wilhelms haven - heavy smoke screens

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

15.

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

scattered minor damage

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

*Bomb bay left hand side didn't
#3 drop from away over target release*

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?)

S-2 OFFICER

Rskalak

TIME COMPLETED _____

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By *RIB/BHC* NARA Date *1/18/99*

13

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~367XXX368X~~ 369 ~~MBX~~ A/C Number 143 Letter P Date 11/12/43

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0828 Time Landed 1430

| | | | | |
|---|---|-------|---|---|
| | | X | | |
| X | X | X (X) | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X |
| X | | | X | X |

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

(no Luftwaffe!)

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress? (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

Lt. B. W. Casaday Pilot ✓

Lt. S. Wolfe Co-P.

Lt. J. H. Bryan Nav. ✓

Lt. D. E. Currier Bomb. ✓

S/Sgt. C. H. Moxley Radio ✓

S/Sgt. A. J. Marenholz Top T. ✓

Sgt. G. D. Barnett Ball T. ✓

Sgt. J. M. Ostrowski R. Waist ✓

Sgt. A. J. Fedorka L. Waist ✓

Sgt. W. F. Olmsted Tail G. ✓

Wreck going down: 1158-59.
23,000 - a minute or so before target.
Wreck dropped his bombs about 20" before his A/C - a minute or so!

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1302

Alternate Height: 23,000

Last Resort Heading 220 (circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

2-3 minutes!

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: all Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: 40

Other Bombing: slight smoke screen obscured results

5. Any Photographs taken: Yes? No? Any Nickels: Yes No

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: Number boxes dropped Number boxes returned

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn, reason for returning early; and disposition of bombs)

as briefed

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) 70' over target - 48' over channel

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

| Time | Place | Height of A/C | Type (light, heavy); intense, moderate or slight. | Color of bursts | Location of bursts | Accuracy Bursts in relation to A/C |
|------|-------|---------------|---|-----------------|--------------------|------------------------------------|
|------|-------|---------------|---|-----------------|--------------------|------------------------------------|

Slight but very accurate.

continuous following. all no individual bursts.

Crew observations about Flak:

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10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

none
(Estimated total number of E/A seen) (types)

(Location and length of fight)

(Tactics of E/A)

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

(Our defensive action)

C L A I M S

DESTROYED _____

PROBABLY _____

DAMAGED _____

(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT *just met fighter support right after target - P-47's
then P-51's. also a few Spit's.
Spit's travel in four like Germans - make things difficult*

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations, etc.)

several Spit's travelling East near ^{public} German Coast

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

15.

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly) *3-4 flat holes, small.*

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES: *note no oxygen holes in regulator in ball turret!*

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?)

S-2 OFFICER *Jeremiah F. Sullivan* TIME COMPLETED _____

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By RLB/BHC
Date 1/18/99
MARA

INTERROGATION FORM

14

SQUADRON ~~367~~ 369 423 A/C Number 939- Letter A Date 11/12/43

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0828 Time Landed 1427

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X |
| X | | | X |

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress? (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

Lt. R. L. Fallow Pilot

Lt. A. G. Schuering Co-P

Lt. D. A. Sharkey Nav.

Lt. C. L. Dunlap Bomb

S/Sgt. J. A. Hobbs Radio

Sgt. Z. C. Beal Top T.

S/Sgt. C. A. Melita Ball T.

S/Sgt. E. Higham R. Waist

S/Sgt. M. M. Maron L. Waist

T/Sgt. R. L. Norris Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1302

Alternate Height: 23100

Last Resort Heading 195

(circle) Duration Bomb Run:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 20 Settled: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: Well about center of town of me Kangaroo head.

Other Bombing:

5. Any Photographs taken: Yes? No? Any Nickals: Yes No

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: Number boxes dropped Number boxes returned

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn, reason for returning early; and disposition of bombs)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) Clear over target - all good in town of mission.

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

| Time | Place | Height of A/C | Type (light, heavy); intense, moderate or slight. | Color of bursts | Location of bursts in relation to A/C | Accuracy |
|------|-------|---------------|---|-----------------|---------------------------------------|----------|
|------|-------|---------------|---|-----------------|---------------------------------------|----------|

target area Moderate down clouds big black bursts.

Crew observations about Flak: None on way out to report.

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 By RLB/BAC MABA Date 1/18/91

15

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 ~~368~~ 369 ~~368~~ A/C Number 791 Letter V Date 11/1/43

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Incend. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0828 Time Landed _____

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|-----|---|---|
| | | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | (X) | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X | X |
| X | | | | | X |

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

*Nav Nostr - hit by flak at target
lost prop - went down under
control - no chute.*

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress?
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

- Lt. H. C. Sharkey Pilot
- Lt. W. C. Quaintance Co-P
- Lt. A. W. Ostrow Nav. ✓
- Lt. R. G. Beach Bomb. ✓
- T/Sgt. O. C. Hill Radio ✓
- T/Sgt. G. A. Vogt Top T. ✓
- Sgt. E. E. Wynn Ball T. ✓
- Sgt. J. R. Copman R. Waist ✓
- Sgt. E. L. Minte L. Waist ✓
- Sgt. W. W. Lastinger Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1301
 Alternate Height: 23000
 Last Resort Heading 195 May
 (circle)
 Duration Bomb Run: 3 minutes str. & level

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: all Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: Could not see
 Other Bombing: Nostr dropped bombs in target area

5. Any Photographs taken: Yes? No? Any Nickels: Yes No No
 Number boxes dropped _____

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: Number boxes returned _____

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn, reason for returning early, and disposition of bombs)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home, as brief

| Time | Place | Height of A/C | Type (light, heavy, moderate or slight) | Color of bursts | Location of bursts in relation to A/C | Accuracy |
|------|-------|---------------|---|-----------------|---------------------------------------|----------|
|------|-------|---------------|---|-----------------|---------------------------------------|----------|

1258 - target - tracking mod. accurate

T. area - blue streak like rocket from ground - did not explode

Crew observations about Flak: _____

saw about 4 min. 1000 burst 1000 - 1000

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

none
(Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types)

(Location and length of fight)

(Tactics of E/A)

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

(Our defensive action)

C L A I M S

DESTROYED _____

PROBABLY _____

DAMAGED _____

(Fill out immediately
separate CLAIM FORM for
each claim.)

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT *two P-38's - P-51 on time came in*

*too close and came in head on - apt to mistake them
for E/A.*

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations, etc.)

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

15.

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

*fuel tank hole
V.H.F. out.*

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?)

No enough gas - all tanks reg. empty on landing

S-2 OFFICER *Murtha*

TIME COMPLETED

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NARA Date 1/18/99

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 By RLB/DHC
 MABA Date 1/18/91

SQUADRON 367 ~~368~~ A/C Number 728 Letter S Date 11/12/43

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.F. Incend. Position in Formation
 Time Took Off 0828 Time Landed 1537

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:
B17 hit by flak before target, prob # regime care off same plane? about 10 minutes later saw friendly A/C in any kind of distress. (Give position, time, altitude, details)

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X |

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

- 2nd Lt. C. O. Smith Pilot ✓
- 1st Lt. J. G. Parks Co-P ✓
- 2nd Lt. E. H. Wiener Jr. Nav. ✓
- 2nd Lt. W. S. Smith Bomb. ✓
- S/Sgt. W. A. Lindsey Radio ✓
- S/Sgt. C. E. Weller Top T. ✓
- Sgt. C. R. Marlow Ball T. ✓
- Sgt. W. C. Maddox R. Waist ✓
- Sgt. J. W. Byrd L. Waist ✓
- Sgt. C. E. Pulcifer Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1301
 Alternate Height: 23,100
 Last Resort Heading: 208 mag
 (circle)
 Duration Bomb Run: 40 seconds

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: all Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: Could not see

Other Bombing: Smoke on target

5. Any Photographs taken: Yes? No?

Any Nickels: Yes No
 Number boxes dropped
 Number boxes returned

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn, reason for returning early, and disposition of bombs)
About as ordered kept behind schedule.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) Clear

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

| Time | Place | Height of A/C | Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight. | Color of bursts | Location | Accuracy |
|------------------|---------------|---------------|---|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|
| <u>1301 hrs.</u> | <u>Target</u> | <u>23,100</u> | <u>Gray Black</u> | <u>Moderate</u> | <u>Accurate</u> | <u>Predicted Concentration</u> |

Crew observations about Flak:

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

Saw about 2 S/E Considerably below formation.
(Estimated total number of E/A seen) (types)

Target area
(Location and length of flight)

(Tactics of E/A)

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

(Our defensive action)

C L A I M S

DESTROYED

PROBABLY

DAMAGED
(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

P47's suit after target (only a few)
P51's as crossed enemy coast on way out. Good close cover.

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations, etc.)

Smoke screen at target, did not obscure target.
Strong ground wind. Large boats (2) at Ender.

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

Right waist gunner (brown leg) (frost bite on face)

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly) (2) Holes leading edge right wing

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES: none

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?)

S-2 OFFICER

W. H. Hais

TIME COMPLETED

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 ~~368~~ ~~369~~ ~~370~~ A/C Number 136 Letter D Date ~~11/12/43~~

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Intend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0828 Time Landed 1455

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | X | | | |
| X | X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X | X |

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
Details:

#3 - lzd. G. engine smoking, out of
under control out of formation

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress?
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

2nd Lt. W. B. Brinkley Pilot

2nd Lt. A. W. Fuessel C-P

2nd Lt. EYLER C. G. Byler Nav.

1st Lt. H. B. Holt Bomb

T/Sgt. T. A. Gold Radio

T/Sgt. W. D. W. Griffith Top T.

S/Sgt. P. L. Wells Ball T.

S/Sgt. L. R. Laney R. Waist

S/Sgt. L. Terry L. Waist

S/Sgt. BILLHEIMER L. W. Billheimer Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 13:01.5

Alternate Height: 23000

Last Resort Heading 2140 mag.
(circle)

Duration Bomb Run: 3 1/2 minutes

Number of BOMBS dropped (on target) Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: A/C obscured

Other Bombing: Lot of bomb burst in total.

5. Any Photographs taken: Yes? (No) Any Nickels: Yes (No)

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: Number boxes dropped: Number boxes returned:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn, reason for returning early; and disposition of bombs)

South - 1033 hq. as briefed - Zargary west target - left
E. Coast - 5332-0640-1314 - then to Yarmouth - late

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) coming in gas burning low

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

| Time | Place | Height of A/C | Type (light, of heavy), intense, moderate or slight. | Color of bursts | Location | Accuracy |
|------|-------|---------------|--|-----------------|----------|----------|
|------|-------|---------------|--|-----------------|----------|----------|

1301 Target - 23000 - Near Mod. Blk. To result of 2nd accuracy

1310 Near Coast - 23000 - Mod. - Blk. - Barrage - accurate.

Crew observations about Flak: Plenty in target

Two trails of smoke appeared from ground - white color.

5320-0640

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By RLB/BHC
Date 1/18/94
MARA
Want more good wing formation
Army Jones good
Many late arrivals

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

None
(Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types)

(Location and length of fight)

(Tactics of E/A)

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

(Our defensive action)

C L A I M S

DESTROYED _____

PROBABLY _____

DAMAGED _____

(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)

None

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT No P-38's

P-47's - after target 1307 - W 8 min. - Done high - good -
P-51's 1310 - for 5 min. - both than 47's - good -

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations, etc.)

5 ships heading east of coast Bengay - no identity.
S/C at target heading N to S in each side of town.

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)

None

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury; how received, PLACE and TIME.)

None

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

3 flat tires

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

Left wing #1 engine
self into radio room
lt. wing tip
no. 1 battery leading edge

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? any suggestions?)

Mc Neely

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By RIB/BAC
Date 1/18/91
NARA

18

SQUADRON ~~267XXX268XXX212~~ 23 A/C Number 841 Letter R Date 11/12/43

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.P. incendi.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0828 Time Landed 1429

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X | X |

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

flak #2 1317 one minute before bombs away hit by prop. came off. Last saw under Baldwark

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress? (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

2nd Lt. J. P. Toombs, Jr. Pilot ✓

2nd Lt. C. D. Oliver Co-P ✓

2nd Lt. O. O. Young, Jr. Nav. ✓

2nd Lt. B. E. Branom Bomb ✓

T/Sgt. P. G. Gaire Radio ✓

T/Sgt. R. H. Wheeler Top T. ✓

Sgt. J. B. Early Ball T. ✓

S/Sgt. W. V. Harris R. Waist ✓

Sgt. F. M. Vrabel L. Waist ✓

S/Sgt. V. G. Chappie Tail C. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1301 hrs.

Alternate Height: 22,600'

Last Resort Heading 220 mag. (circle)

Duration Bomb Run: 40 seconds

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: All Utilized: Returned: abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: Could not see bursts on target.

Other Bombing: Believe first over target

5. Any Photographs taken: Yes? (No?) any Nickels: Yes No Number boxes dropped Number boxes returned

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early; and disposition of bombs) About as ordered but behind schedule.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

| Time | Place | Height | Type (light, of heavy), intense, moderate or slight. | Color of bursts | Location of Bursts in relation to A/C | Accuracy |
|------|-------|--------|--|-----------------|---------------------------------------|----------|
|------|-------|--------|--|-----------------|---------------------------------------|----------|

| | | | | | | |
|--------|---------------|--------|-------|------|----------|----------------------------------|
| 1301 | Target | 22,600 | Heavy | Dark | Moderate | Accurate Predicted Concentration |
| Wiener | 5310N x 0720E | | | | | Subbursts low inaccurate |

Crew observations about Flak:

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10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

Saw no fighters.

(Estimated total number of E/A seen) _____ (Types) _____

(Location and length of fight) _____

(Tactics of E/A) _____

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A) _____

(Our defensive action) _____

C L A I M S

DESTROYED _____

PROBABLY _____

DAMAGED _____

(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

*P47's shortly after target (1310 hrs)
P51's about 1330 hrs Good Close cover.*

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations, etc.)

Smoke Screen over target

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

none

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

*few small flak holes
Ballurret gas out throughout trip.*

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? any suggestions?)

S-2 OFFICER

W. O. Glass

TIME COMPLETED _____

1330N 010E 14000 ft sweep 14000 to left in the bay sector. 27th Air Base as sweep, 29th ATIS

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Date 1/18/91
NARA

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPERATIONS

None

(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

(Types)

(Location and length of fight)

(Tactics of E/A)

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

(Our defensive action)

C L A I M S

DESTROYED _____

PROBABLY _____

DAMAGED _____

(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

P-47's right over T. till P-51's showed up at 13:09 on back.

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations, etc.)

Ring raft? - red object like floating dock, looked 1000' in length, 200' wide off Langley, not smoking

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

Flak holes

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

none serious

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?)

S-2 OFFICER

Old

TIME COMPLETED

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~367~~~~X368~~ 369 ~~103~~ A/C Number 827 Letter G Date 11/12/43

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0828 Time Landed _____

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| | | X | X | X | X |
| | | X | X | X | X |
| | | X | X | X | X |
| | | X | X | X | X |
| | | X | X | X | X |

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress?
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

F/O. M. D. Reed Pilot

Lt. Horst Co-P

Lt. J. Crabtree Nav.

Lt. J. P. Whittle Bomb.

S/Sgt. C. Zubev Radio

S/Sgt. L. Johnson Top T.

Sgt. R. McClule Ball T.

Sgt. R. H. Hogg R. Waist

Sgt. E. J. Sweister L. Waist

Sgt. W. E. Dodson Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time:

Alternate Height:

Last Resort¹ Heading
(circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target? Jettisoned? Returned? Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs:

Other Bombing:

5. Any Photographs taken? Yes? No? Any Nickels: Yes No

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: Number boxes returned _____

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn, reason for returning early; and disposition of bombs)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

| Time | Place | Height of A/C | Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight. | Color of bursts | Location of Bursts in relation to A/C | Accuracy |
|------|-------|---------------|---|-----------------|---------------------------------------|----------|
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Crew observations about Flak: _____

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