

SIGNALS OFFICE

13 JAN 1943

**R. A. F.
THURLEIGH**

GPH THU NR THU 23/13 1845A SECRET NOT WT
PASS TO ADDRESSEE
TO- CG, 1ST BOMB WING (ATTENTION A-2)
FROM- 306BG
J-167-D 13 JAN. '43

INTELLIGENCE TELETYPE REPORT:

1. 3 A/C RETURNED EARLY, 1 JETTISONED 5X1000
2 BROUGHT BACK 10X1000
2. 5 A/C DROPPED BOMBS ON HEADING 72 DEGREES TO 80 DEGREES
9 ON HEADING FROM 300 DEGREES TO 320 DEGREES.
HITS OBSERVED ON TARGET B ALSO BURSTS SEEN ON TARGET A.
3. FLAK REPORTED SLIGHT DESPITE 2 A/C APPARENTLY HIT OVER TARGET.
4. NONE
5. 2 OF OUR A/C LOST DUE APPARENTLY TO FLAK AFTER DROPPING BOMBS
ON TARGET 4 TO 5 PARACHUTES REPORTED.
SOME CREW MEMBERS ARE STILL OF OPINION THAT SHIPS ~~XXX~~ COLLIDED
IN AIR BUT AM INCLINED TO BELIEVE FLAK RESPONSIBLE.
6. 20 MEN FROM 2 CREWS ~~XXXXXX~~ MISSING .
7. ONE SUPERCHARGER FAILURE
ONE GASOLINE LEAK IN 2 ENGINES
ONE DUE TO BAD CASE OF BENDS.
8. SMALL HOLES IN 2 A/C FROM FLAK.
9. SAW APPROXIMATELY 12 E/A AT DISTANCE OVER TARGET NO ENCOUNTERS,
NO CLAIMS.
1 E/A SEEN SHOT DOWN BY PRECEDING GROUP.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER.

== J.B.WRIGHT ==
== CAPT S-2 ==

HOLD PLS
TOD1904.....JDM.....VA

THU R 1903 SS VA

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MISSION REPORT

(To be submitted by teletype within three hours after landing)

72-80
300-315

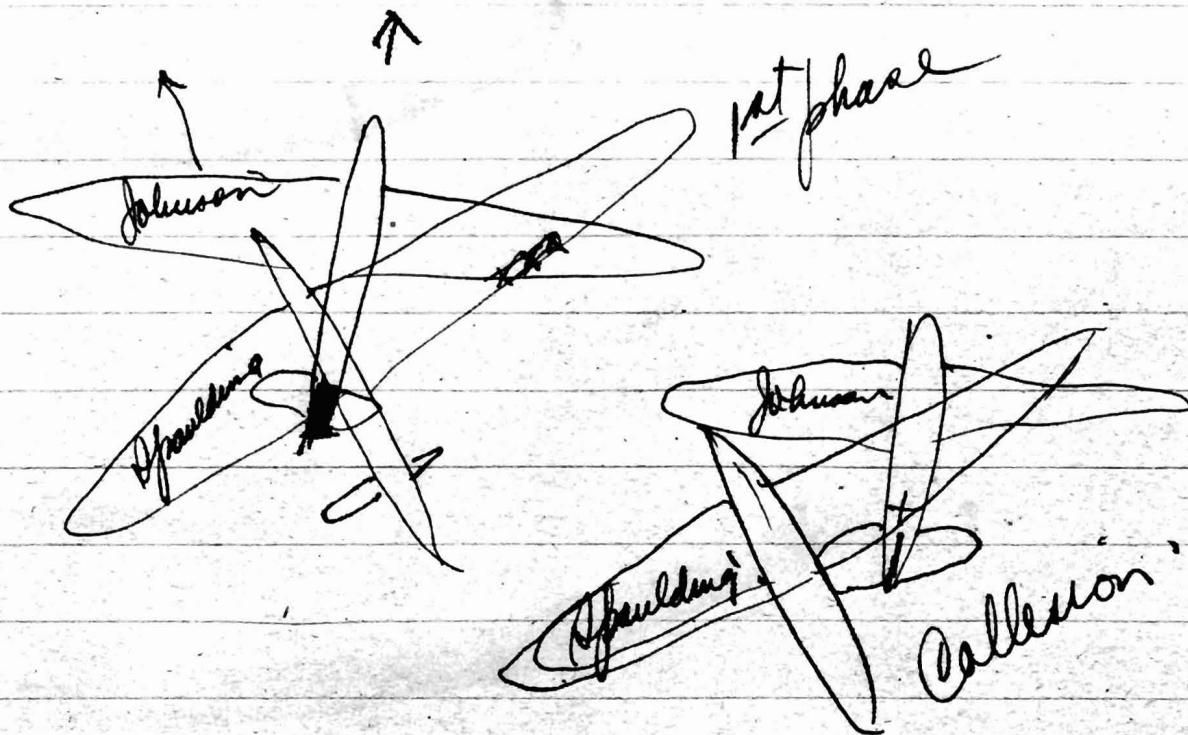
<u>a.</u> Group Participating	<u>b.</u> Primary Target	<u>c.</u> Secondary Target	<u>d.</u> Last Resort Target
306 ^H	Rippe		

<u>a.</u> Sqn.	<u>b.</u> Aircraft Off Grd.	<u>c.</u> Atkd Primy	<u>d.</u> Atkd Secy	<u>e.</u> Atkd L.R.	<u>f.</u> Abor tive	<u>g.</u> Lost Flak	<u>h.</u> Lost E/A	<u>i.</u> Lost Aodt	<u>j.</u> Lost Unkn	<u>k.</u> Time of Attack	<u>l.</u> Alt of Attack	<u>m.</u> HE Bombs		<u>n.</u> Inc Bombs		<u>o.</u> E A/C Destd	<u>p.</u> E A/C Prob	<u>q.</u> E A/C Damd
												No.	Size	No.	Size			
367	3	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	14:30	73000	5	1000	0	0	0	0	0
368	5	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	14:30	73500	18	1000	0	0	0	0	0
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369	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	14:30	73000	25	1000	0	0	0	0	0
473	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14:30	74000	20	1000	0	0	0	0	0
306	17	14	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	14:30	73500	68	1000	2	1100	0	0	0

NOTES: 1. Targets will not be listed unless actually attacked.
 2. l. Average altitude of attack.
 3. m. & n. Bombs dropped at target.
 In case more than one target is bombed by a formation, additional lines will be added under that unit to show how many bombs were dropped on each target, and the time.

Spaulding
Johnson
Flanigan

Squadron made about a 20° turn to left and Spaulding apparently lost lead ship in the sun and began to slide across top of formation. Johnson unaware of this continued on straight course. Spaulding held his altitude and crossed Johnson's ship at about 30° angle. Johnson's vertical stabilizer caught right wing of Spaulding's A/C whereupon Johnson's ship looped and broke in half because Spaulding's props chewed into his ship about waist.



Lambert
Jan. 13
Lille

Johnson

Spaulding

Flanagan

Lambert

Parker

Tunnell

Summary:

HOT NEWS REPORT

Group: 306 A/C No. 124 9 64 No. 13-1-43

saw B-17 go down 10 miles - from
Dunkirk - fighting several F-4s at about
4000-5000 ft. They have made claim
but doubtful.

(Signature)

Phoned by: _____

To: _____ Time: _____

Check List of "Hot News" Items

1. Friendly aircraft down in sea, or in serious distress anywhere.
2. Enemy warships, etc.
3. Enemy troop movements, etc.
4. Dinghies or life rafts.

Check List of Items to be Covered on "Hot News"

1. Location of object reported;
2. Position of plane at time of observation;
3. Time of observation;
4. Height at time of observation.
5. If enemy ships or troop movements:
Type,
Speed,
Course or direction,
Remarks.

9. ENEMY AIRCRAFT

a. Total E/A seen: Number 8 to 12 Place Target Area
Time 1430 Height E/A - above & below 18000' to 25000'

b. E/A which fired at, or were fired upon by this plane:

Number	Time	Place	Height

Notes: no attacks - FW 190 -

c. Claims: DESTROYED _____ PROBABLY _____ DAMAGED _____

d. ENEMY TACTICS OBSERVED:

10. Observations (Always give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT)

(Check list of items: Enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, waterways, R.R. yards, and roads; concentrations of troops, equipment, etc.; decoys, dummies, camouflage and smoke screens; landmarks en route or at target; incidents to friendly A/C; etc.)

none

11. INJURIES to crew: (name, injury, how received.)

no

12. DAMAGE to A/C: (Briefly)

no

13. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

super charger went out on #3 engine over channel

14. CREW COMMENTS: (.ny unusual incidents? any suggestions?)

Group formation too tight
Still measuring a radio fault

#2 ✓

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367th GROUP 306 A/C Number 12466 Date 12-1-43

Position in formation Tail end of Bomb Load 5x1000
lightened bombs

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

CREW

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress? Jennell Pilot

*one very low down-
being attacked by 4 1/2
meas which made almost*

Sgt. E. Collette Co.P.

None Nav.

Friedrich Bomb.

Savage Radio:

Kurby Top T.

Tracy Ball T.

Hill R.Waist.

Martin L.Waist.

Jungstall Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 2:30

Alternate Height: 13000

Last Resort Heading: 30°
(check)

No navigation log.

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 5x1000 Jettisoned: Brought Back:

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

Among Buildings - Big Installations - Target ⊕

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

(Sketch formation, and this plane's position in it, on a separate sheet of paper, giving date, target, number of plane; send to Wing by D. R. L. S.)

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE and results:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered.) (If returned early: time, place, hgt. of turn)

8. 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	Other Data.
	<u>Halfway between Coast & Target</u>		<u>Right and Quadrant</u>			

row 6 or 8 - no attacks -

9. ENEMY AIRCRAFT

a. Total E/A seen: Number _____ Place _____
Time _____ Height _____

b. E/A which fired at, or were fired upon by this plane:

Number	Time	Place	Height

Notes:

Flanagan Johnston
+ + spaulding
I have had from
single on the camp
win

c. Claims: DESTROYED 1/2 PROBABLE _____ DAMAGED _____

d. ENEMY TACTICS OBSERVED:
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10. OBSERVATIONS (always give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT).
(Check list of items: Enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, waterways, R.R. yards, and roads; concentrations of troops, equipment, etc; decoys, dummies, camouflage and smoke screens; landmarks en route or at target; incidents to friendly A/C. etc.)

2
para fighters
acted entire front
formation from
top down

Lambert
+ + Tunnell

11. INJURIES to Crew: (Name, injury, how received.)

no

12. DAMAGE to A/C: (briefly)

Hole in right wing - 2' back
one close burst to right

13. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

2 y gen Regular defective

14. CREW COMMENTS: (any unusual incidents? any suggestions?)

Mainly on Formation
Needs practicing fully -

Must fix join up procedure also
was below instead of on top until
after leaving base

Wingman had
problems
all over
pky

S-2 OFFICER

John A. Baird

Time Completed 4:45

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 368 GROUP 306 A/C Number 124514 Date Jan 13-43
 Position in formation NO 3. left Bomb Load 5-1000lb. H.E.

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

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress ?

CREW

Lt Rob. W. Seabor Pilot
Lt Alex. Kramenicko Co.P.
Sgt R. Off (gun - Nav.
Lt F. G. Daniels Bomb.
T/Sgt W. H. Keskey Radio.
T/Sgt S. P. Slomkowski Top T.
T/Sgt J. R. Curry Ball T.
S/Sgt J. K. Crowther R. Waist.
S/Sgt E. H. Small L. Waist.
S/Sgt W. E. Parker Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time:
 Alternate Height:
 Last Resort Heading:
 (check)

} abortive

Turned back at mouth
 of Thames River about 2 p.m.

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: Jettisoned: Brought Back:

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

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

(Sketch formation, and this plane's position in it, on a separate sheet of paper, giving date, target, number of plane; send to Wing by D. R. L. S.)

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE and results:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered.) (If returned early: time, place, hgt. of turn)

8. 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	Other Data.

c. Claims: DESTROYED _____ PROBABLE _____ DAMAGED _____

d. ENEMY TACTICS OBSERVED:

10. OBSERVATIONS. (always give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT).
(Check list of items: Enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, waterways, R.R. yards, and roads; concentrations of troops, equipment, etc; decoys, dummies, camouflage and smoke screens; landmarks en route or at target; incidents to friendly A/C, etc.)

11. INJURIES to Crew: (Name, injury, how received.)

T/SGT W. H. Keckley failed to report in at 17000. was found lying on floor of radio compl. Turned purple & chewed gum. Mouth had to be open & tongue held, otherwise he would chew it off. Bad case of bends.

12. DAMAGE to A/C: (briefly)

13. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

14. CREW COMMENTS: (any unusual incidents ? any suggestions ?)

S-2 OFFICER

Jeremiah F. O'Sullivan
Capt. D.A.F.

Time Completed _____

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 423 GROUP 306 A/C Number 171 Date 1/13/42

Position in formation 2 in 3rd element 1st 4 Bomb load 5X/100

1. Hot news to be phoned in? Yes No
Details:

Friendlly A/C in any kind of distress?
*Accident at target. 2 B17s out of control
saw 3 parachutes.
Saw 1 B17 go down making ahead of formation
& down long point before getting to ground control
my base.*

CREW

WARRON GOAR Pilot
RO MALIN Co-P
A.V. SIMMONS Nav.
MJ WARNER Bomb.
JH THORNTON Radio
WT. MACGREGOR Top T.
CW RADLINE Ball T.
D BERANS R. Waist
F.S. YOST L. Waist
B.G. LAMB. Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 14.28
alternate Height: 24,000
Last Resort Heading: 70°
(check)

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 5 Jettisoned: _____ Returned: _____

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)
*supplied bombs out on ship ahead. Light observation reported
observation of hit on mines. Clouds just on target. Results depend on
lead wings.*

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken? Yes? No?
(Sketch formation, and this plane's position in it, on a separate sheet of paper, giving date, target, number of plane; send to Wing by D. R. L. S.) *none*

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: *none*

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered.) (If returned early, time, place, height of turn.) *As briefed but slight change in direction.*

8. 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-re-lation to A/C	Other Data
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from 2 minutes after leaving coast saw bursts of white and pink flak ahead and both above and below. Continued for about 3 minutes.

1421	1.P.	24000	Heavy Moderate	Black		to side above right
1422	target	26000	" light	"		ahead and ahead.

No flak on way out

Nov 20

9. ENEMY AIRCRAFT

a. Total E/A seen: Number 1 *No attack just reconnaissance attack formation*
Time 14:22 - 14:40 *above & below from target to Cant*
Place _____ Height 22,000 ft

b. E/A which fired at, or were fired upon by this plane:

Number	Time	Place	Height
<i>none</i>			

Notes:

c. Claims: DESTROYED _____ PROBABLY _____ DAMAGED _____

d. ENEMY TACTICS OBSERVED:

10. Observations (Always give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT)

(Check list of items: Enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, waterways, R.R. yards, and roads; concentrations of troops, equipment, etc.; decoys, dummies, camouflage and smoke screens; landmarks on route or at target; incidents to friendly A/C; etc.)

11. INJURIES to crew: (name, injury, how received.) *None*

12. DAMAGE to A/C: (Briefly) *None*

13. TECHNICAL FAILURES: *None*

14. CREW COMMENTS: (any unusual incidents? any suggestions?)

S - 2 OFFICER _____

TITLE COMPLETED

4/43

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 427 GROUP 306 A/C Number 25180 Date 13-1-43

Position in formation _____ Bomb load 5 X 1000

1. Hot news to be phoned in? Yes No

Details: Large M V or Tanker

Heading S. center of channel at about 1410 hrs.

CREW

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress? Capt. Salada Pilot

1. Just after going in sunny coast, before 1.P. (Outturns) one B-17 left by flash, broke in two. Another ship passed over and went down about same point. 2 ships were in same element 2. midway between hills and channel, 20/40². TARGET ATTACKED: got another, which went down under control to cloud level, where lost view. (Schuttler saw out of ship that broke in two).

- Lt. Kelly Co-P
- Lt. Utter Nav.
- Lt. Tracy Bomb.
- T/Sgt. Kinn Radio
- T/Sgt. Mellillo Top T.
- S/Sgt Wilson Ball T.
- S/Sgt Bauer R. Waist
- S/Sgt W.W. Hart L. Waist
- S/Sgt Counts Tail G.

Loco west, hills.
 Primary A Time: 1434 hrs.
 Alternate Height: ~~24,000~~ 24,000.
 Last Resort Heading: 84° true. (check)

3. number of BOMBS dropped on target: 5 Jettisoned: Returned:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)
See circle on photo, believed all over Douglas Group in back was way short, in a field.

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?
 (Sketch formation, and this plane's position in it, on a separate sheet of paper, giving date, target, number of planes; send to Wing by D: R. L. S.)

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: no.

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered.) (If returned early, time, place, height of turn.) As ordered.

8. 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	Other Data
1418	<u>Enemy Gunfire</u>	24000	H-5 to M	<u>Black</u>	<u>Low</u>	<u>Black High white</u>
1434	<u>Target</u>	24000	H-5 to M	<u>Black</u>	<u>Way low</u>	
1440	<u>Before coast</u>	24000	H-5	<u>white & black</u>	<u>Back and low</u>	



9. ENEMY AIRCRAFT

- a. Total E/A seen: Number 12 to 15 Place near I.P. 23 target
 Time about 1430-1445 Height 24000
 b. E/A which fired at, or were fired upon by this plane:

Number	Time	Place	Height
<u>none</u>			

Notes:

c. Claims: DESTROYED 0 PROBABLY 0 DAMAGED 0

d. ENEMY TACTICS OBSERVED:

10. Observations (Always give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT)

(Check list of items: Enemy signals; activity at airbases, ports, waterways, R.R. yards, and roads; concentrations of troops, equipment, etc.; decoys, dummies, camouflage and smoke screens; landmarks on route or at target; incidents to friendly A/C; etc.)

all chimneys at Lille were emitting dense white smoke. If this was intended as smoke screen, it was not successful.

11. INJURIES to crew: (name, injury, how received.)

none

12. DAMAGE to A/C: (Briefly)

none

13. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

None, exc. intercom line out in top turret.

14. CREW COMMENTS: (.ny unusual incidents? any suggestions?)

a good mission.

S - 2 OFFICER

Pat Sherman

TIME COMPLETED 1645 hrs.

#6

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUAD 423 GROUP 306 A/C Number 124160 Date 12-1-43

Position in formation _____ Bomb load 5x1000

1. Hot news to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

CREW

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress?

5 miles W. of Dunkerque -
5000ft alt. - B-17 with
evading fighters swarming
all over it.
at hill ~~flat~~ flat but kind of

Capt McKray Pilot
Lt. L.P. Johnson Co-P
Lt. E.J. Pollock Nav.
Lt. S.M. Kissebeath Bomb.
T/Sgt. W.T. Johnson Radio
T/Sgt. H.G. Alleman Top T.
Sgt. J.M. Hobbs Ball T.
Sgt. R.J. Smith R. Waist
S/Sgt. R.J. Henn L. Waist
S/Sgt. R.H. Gibson Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1430

Alternate Height: 28000'

Last Resort Heading: 310° magnetic
(check)

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 5x1000 Jettisoned: _____ Returned: _____

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)
Could not see.
Run about 35 sec.
evasive action from coast
to time of run.

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

(Sketch formation, and this plane's position in it, on a separate sheet of paper, giving date; target; number of plane; send to Wing by D. R. L. S.)

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: nil.

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered.) (If returned early, time, place, height of turn.) As ordered.

8. 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	Other Data
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1416	<u>Ameyrice</u> <u>Bethune (opp)</u>	<u>23000'</u>	<u>H-M.</u>	<u>White/Black</u>	<u>horizontal</u>	<u>Direction</u>
1419	<u>Bethune</u>	<u>23000'</u>	<u>H-M.</u>	<u>White/Black</u>	<u>horizontal</u>	<u>Direction</u>
1430	<u>hill</u>	<u>23000'</u>	<u>H-M.</u>	<u>" "</u>	<u>horizontal</u>	<u>Direction</u>

gluing in first column to the outside with another B-17 - Best opening

✓

at Central Point.
Blowing a fight
from there to the coast

9. ENEMY AIRCRAFT

a. Total E/A seen: Number 13 Place _____
Time 1416-1440 Height 27000'

b. E/A which fired at, or were fired upon by this plane:

Number	Time	Place	Height
<u>NONE</u>			

Notes:

c. Claims: DESTROYED PROBABLY DAMAGED

d. ENEMY TACTICS OBSERVED: Attacks appeared to be from below than usual

10. Observations (Always give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT)
(Check list of items: Enemy signals; activity at airdromes; ports, waterways, R.R. yards, and roads; concentrations of troops, equipment, etc.; decoys, dummies, camouflage and smoke screens; landmarks on route or at target; incidents to friendly A/C; etc.)

N. I.

11. INJURIES to crew: (name, injury, how received.) Frozen chin by T/Sgt W.T. Johnson

12. DAMAGE to A/C: (Briefly) Nil

13. TECHNICAL FAILURES: Supercharger regulators (2 of them) did not work.

14. CREW COMMENTS: (any unusual incidents? any suggestions?)
at 1450 over Channel saw 24 Spits.

S - 2 OFFICER Shubert Owen TIME COMPLETED 1645

#7

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 423 GROUP 306 A/C Number 717 Date 13/1/43

Position in formation LEADING Bomb Load 5-1000 lb.

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned? Yes No

Details: ONE B17F in Group ahead attacking FW's at 15000' 10 min from coast going home ward
Friendly A/C in any kind of distress? None

- MAJ. W. WILSON Pilot
- LT. W. H. WARNER Co. P.
- " W. D. BORING Nav.
- " J. E. KOSAKOWSKI Bomb.
- T/S. E. F. ESPITALUER Radio.
- T/S. C. W. WILSON Top T.
- S/S. W. C. MORGAN Ball T.
- S/S. C. E. NEFLEY R. Waist.
- S/S. R. D. KISLING L. Waist.
- S/S. W. E. WILLIAMS Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1432 23400'
 Alternate Height:
 Last Resort Heading: 3250
 (check)

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 5x1000 Jettisoned: Brought Back:

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

Group ahead into A target - not the 91st but were B17's

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

(Sketch formation, and this plane's position in it, on a separate sheet of paper, giving date, target, number of plane; send to Wing by D. R. L. S.)

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE and results:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered.) (If returned early: time, place, hgt. of turn)

5 of course at target otherwise as crashed (4-5 miles SW of course going in)

8. 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	Other Data.
<u>1416</u>	<u>St. Omer</u>	<u>23000'</u>	<u>intense heavy</u>	<u>black</u>	<u>alt. good one closer than 25 yds.</u>	<u>no hits</u>
<u>1432</u>	<u>Target</u>	<u>23400'</u>	<u>moderate blue</u>	<u>black</u>	<u>same</u>	<u>hits massive ones being taken</u>
	<u>Home ward</u>		<u>none</u>	<u>white</u>	<u>off too left</u>	<u>rear salvo</u>

exact per warning



9. ENEMY AIRCRAFT

a. Total E/A seen: Number 1 Place Target Area & leaving
 Time _____ Height _____

b. E/A which fired at, or were fired upon by this plane:

Number	Time	Place	Height

Notes:

*one ~~see~~ attacks - distant - tail
 after target
 8 above mentioned {6 FW 190} attacked
 other groups*

c. Claims: DESTROYED _____ PROBABLE _____ DAMAGED _____

d. ENEMY TACTICS OBSERVED: *none*

10. OBSERVATIONS (always give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT).

(Check list of items: Enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, waterways, R.R. yards, and roads; concentrations of troops, equipment, etc; decoys, dummies, camouflage and smoke screens; landmarks en route or at target; incidents to friendly A/C. etc.)

*RW gunner - saw air collision
 rt wing on one middle of other
 collapsed - 5 eights seen.*

11. INJURIES to Crew: (Name, injury, how received.)

no

12. DAMAGE to A/C: (briefly)

no

13. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

none

14. CREW COMMENTS: (any unusual incidents? any suggestions?)

*23000' 5 flashes - just crossing coast
 were far behind - slight higher - was
 not flak*

#9

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 308 GROUP 306 A/C Number 124493 Date Jan 13-43

Position in formation 103 left lead Bomb load 5-1000 H.E.

1. Hot news to be phoned in? Yes No
Details:

CREW

Friendlly A/C in any kind of distress?

- 1st Lt M.E. Reber Pilot
- 1st Lt J. Kelly Co-P
- Sgt C.H. C. Lammert Nav.
- 2nd W.W. Saunders Bomb.
- Sgt J.R. Graziano Radio
- 1st Sgt G.A. Christian Top T.
- Sgt L.L. Kamberling Ball T.
- Sgt E.H. Protyman R. Waist
- Sgt J.E. Whitehead L. Waist
- Sgt R.J. Krajcik Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 14 30
 Alternate Height: 24,000'
 Last Resort Heading: due North
 (check) (no navigator)

- 1st Sgt G.A. Christian Top T.
- Sgt L.L. Kamberling Ball T.
- Sgt E.H. Protyman R. Waist
- Sgt J.E. Whitehead L. Waist
- Sgt R.J. Krajcik Tail G.

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 5 Jettisoned: Returned:

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

our - did not observe. other - saw results of preceding group's bomb (4) on right & on short & over.

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

(Sketch formation, and this plane's position in it, on a separate sheet of paper, giving date, target, number of plane; send to Wing by U. R. L. S.)

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered:) (If returned early, time, place, height of turn.) as directed

8. 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	Other Data
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on way out:

1430 French coast 24,000' heavy ^{light} light black & ^{low left & some low left} possible high right

at target

1430 Lille 24,000' heavy light black ^{low right} & ^{burst} right

on way home

1500 S. of Dunkirk 23,000' heavy light black low left, ^{about} above 1000'

9. ENEMY AIRCRAFT

a. Total E/A seen: Number 4 (in pairs) Place right after target
 Time _____ Height _____

b. E/A which fired at, or were fired upon by this plane:

Number	Time	Place	Height
<u>was</u>	<u>within</u>	<u>range</u>	

Notes:

c. Claims: DESTROYED none PROBABLY none DAMAGED none

d. ENEMY TACTICS OBSERVED: one E/A shot off all ammunition before range & went back home

10. Observations (Always give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT)

(Check list of items: Enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, waterways, R.R. yards, and roads; concentrations of troops, equipment, etc.; decoys, dummies, camouflage and smoke screens; landmarks en route or at target; incidents to friendly A/C; etc.)

11. INJURIES to crew: (name, injury, how received.)

none

12. DAMAGE to A/C: (Briefly)

none

13. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

bomb racks failed, & bombs had to be salvaged.

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

Sgt. [unclear] saw tail fall off one of plane in another formation, & that plane and another falling.

S - 2 OFFICER

Jeremiah F. O'Sullivan
Capt. D. A. F.

TILE COMPLETED

9. ENEMY AIRCRAFT

a. Total E/A seen: Number 4 (in pairs) Place right after target
Time _____ Height _____

b. E/A which fired at, or were fired upon by this plane:

Number	Time	Place	Height
<u>not within range.</u>			

Notes:

c. Claims: DESTROYED none PROBABLY none DAMAGED none

d. ENEMY TACTICS OBSERVED: one E/A shot off all ammunition beyond range & went back home.

10. Observations (Always give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT)

(Check list of items: Enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, waterways, R.R. yards, and roads; concentrations of troops, equipment, etc.; decoys, dummies, camouflage and smoke screens; landmarks en route or at target; incidents to friendly A/C; etc.)

11. INJURIES to crew: (name, injury, how received.)

none

12. DAMAGE to A/C: (Briefly)

none

13. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

bomb racks failed, & bombs had to be salvaged.

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

2. was seen by other men, saw tail fall off one of plane in another formation, & that plane and another falling.

S - 2 OFFICER

Joseph F. O'Sullivan
Capt. D. A. F.

TIME COMPLETED _____

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 368 GROUP 306 A/C Number 714 Date _____

Position in formation _____ Bomb load 5 x 1000

1. Hot news to be phoned in? Yes No
 Details:

CREW

Friehily A/C in any kind of distress? L.T. Buddenbunne Pilot

1. B-17 at 1440, down at 4000 ft., flew in to overcast with 3 E/A on tail, about 15 mi. from coast coming out; at 1442, came out of overcast, leading for home. 2. B-17, hit by flak, broke in two, after target. Bombs were dropping at the time.

L.T. Judas MW Co-P

Lt. Janhanski Nav.

Capt. Friend !! Bomb.

T/Sgt. Horstmann Radio

T/Sgt. Gutterie Top T.

Sgt. Liscavage Ball T.

S/Sgt. McDowell R. Waist

Sgt. Smith, E. E. L. Waist

S/Sgt. Carriette MB Tail G.

Two slips went down. Seemed to be part of our formation. 5 chutes seen.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:
 Loco whs, Lille.
 Primary A Time: 1431 hrs.
 Alternate Height: 23500.
 Last Resort Heading: 300°.
 (check)

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 5 Jettisoned: 0 Returned: 0

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others) Previous groups, mostly over, same in target toward E. end.

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

(Sketch formation, and this plane's position in it, on a separate sheet of paper, giving date, target, number of plane; send to Wing by D. R. L. S.)

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: no

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered.) (If returned early, time, place, height of turn.) As ordered.

8. 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	Other Data
1417	Inlet of the coast going in at 1500 leading	23,500	H-5	White and black	Black low white high	White bursts looks like stream.
1429	Over bank run	23,500	H-5	Black	Low and pass.	

9. ENEMY AIRCRAFT coming out 1/2 way bet.
 a. Total E/A seen: Number 12 Place target and coast
 Time 1437 approx Height 22,500
 b. E/A which fired at, or were fired upon by this plane:

Number	Time	Place	Height
<u>1</u>	<u>1436</u>	<u>after target.</u>	<u>22,500</u>

Notes: Spite were engaging FWs. FWs not eager today. Saw 1 FW was shot down by preceding group - went down end over end. 2 ~~balls~~ balls of fire seen to hit ground at 1443.

c. Claims: DESTROYED 0 PROBABLY 0 DAMAGED 0

d. ENEMY TACTICS OBSERVED: -

10. Observations (Always give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT)
 (Check list of items: Enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, waterways, R.R. yards, and roads; concentrations of troops, equipment, etc.; decoys, dummies, camouflage and smoke screens; land marks en route or at target; incidents to friendly A/C; etc.)

11. INJURIES to crew: (name, injury, how received.)

no.

12. DAMAGE to A/C: (Briefly)

no.

13. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

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

Keep equipment (concrete mixers) away from runway on take-off. Good raid.

S - 2 OFFICER

Robert Laberman

TIME COMPLETED 1715.

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 368 GROUP 306 A/C Number 129 Date _____

Position in formation Under ship 1st Bomb load 5x 1000

1. Hot news to be phoned in? Yes No
 Details:

~~5x 1000~~
 2x 1100
 3x 1000
 CREW

No

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress? May W.A. Langford Pilot

Daw 2 B17s collide in Lt. H.E. Cuddihoe Co-P

air. Apparently one ship hit Q.W. Frederick Nav.

by flat and was thrown G.W. Owens Bomb.

against other. (4 chutes out of one) Snowden Radio

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1429 Cherry Top T.

~~Altitude~~ Height: 23500 Shoreman Ball T.

Last Resort Heading: 320° Hyke R. Waist

(check) Helbert L. Waist

Garland Tail G.

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 5x 1100 Jettisoned: Returned:

Salvaged 4

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

saw 4 bursts directly on target. Probably own bombs

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No? No

(Sketch formation, and this plane's position in it, on a separate sheet of paper, giving date, target, number of plane; send to Wing by D. R. L. S.)

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: →

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered.) (If returned early, time, place, height of turn.)

as ordered after crossing French coast.

8. 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 of Bursts in relation to A/C	Other Data
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1415 Between coast & target probably at St. Omer.
this was moderate and fairly accurate as to direction.

Over target - Very little and inaccurate.

* On bomb run for 50 seconds. ✓

9. ENEMY AIRCRAFT

a. Total E/A seen: Number 13 Place Lille
Time 1435 Height 24000

b. E/A which fired at, or were fired upon by this plane:

<u>Number</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Height</u>
<i>None.</i>			

Notes:

c. Claims: DESTROYED — PROBABLY — DAMAGED —

d. ENEMY TACTICS OBSERVED: *None attacks again or group ahead*

10. Observations (Always give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT)

(Check list of items: Enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, waterways, R.R. yards, and roads; concentration of troops, equipment; etc.; decoys, dummies, camouflage and smoke screens; landmarks en route or at target; incidents to friendly A/C; etc.)

None.

11. INJURIES to crew: (name, injury, how received.)

None

12. DAMAGE to A/C: (Briefly)

None.

13. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

None.

14. CREW COMMENTS: (.ny unusual incidents? any suggestions?)

S - 2 OFFICER

Burgh

TIME COMPLETED

INTERROGATION FORM

#10 Lambert

SQUAD No 369 GROUP 306 A/C Number 175 Date Jan 13

Position in formation _____ Bomb load 5 X 1000

1. Hot news to be phoned in? Yes No
Details:

CREW

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress? Lambert Pilot

SEE-BACK

- 1st J.A. Downing Co-P.
- 1st W.L. Eulach Nav.
- 1st H.J. Toland Bomb.
- s/sgt F.L. Eastman Radio
- s/sgt C.H. Wendelby Top T.
- Sgt. L. Sanders Bull T.
- Sgt. J.W. Pederson R. Waist
- Sgt. N.R. Phifer L. Waist
- s/sgt W.J. Baumgartner Tail G.

apparently O.K.

2. saw ship lagging over channel coming back

3. TARGET ATTACKED in group

Primary Time: 14:30

Alternate Height: 22,000

Last Resort Heading: (check)-

72° Heading on rail

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: all Jettisoned 5 X 1000

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

Bombs from group ahead on target (Toland)

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

(Sketch formation, and this plane's position in it, on a separate sheet of paper, giving date, target, number of plane; send to Wing by P-R-L-S.)

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

ROUTE (If different than ordered...): Between Coast and Int. P. on way down were to West of course perhaps 5 mi. or so
 8. 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	Other Data
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14:18 St. Omer 22000 Light black Way ahead of a/c ahead
 Generally inaccurate though I chance shot checked ship
also some white puffs way below
Lille 22000 Light only one burst black way in front & below

Overcast blocked Flak over Coast and during most of trip

Also went below Bathurst to Enns before starting B. Run

9. ENEMY AIRCRAFT

F-4's - silver wings

a. Total E/A seen; Number 6 (total) Place Lille
Time _____ Height _____

b. E/A which fired at, or were fired upon by this plane:

Number _____ Time _____ Place _____ Height _____

No a/c attacked 306 Group -
Were attacking group ahead

Notes:

c. Claims: DESTROYED 0 PROBABLY 0 DAMAGED 0

d. ENEMY TACTICS OBSERVED:

10. Observations (Always give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT).
(Check list of items: Enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, waterways, R.R. yards, and roads; concentrations of troops, equipment, etc.; decoys, dummies, camouflage and smoke screens; landmarks on route or at target; incidents to friendly A/C; etc.)

> ACCIDENT Imm. after Bombing Run, Formation

swung left. During swing + much jockeying, left wing a/c (Spaulding) swung up and on top of Johnson (lead) - his R. wing came down forward of Johnson's Fin. J's tail section from waist back broke off, and S.'s wing tip broke off. J. w thrown straight into air + Lambert dove under him -

11. INJURIES to crew: (name, injury, how received.) J. saw fall off behind

None

12. DAMAGE to A/C: (Briefly) + Lambert's T.G. saw 4 men bail out Lambert's W.G. (left)

None

13. TECHNICAL FAILURES: saw S. slip away + 2000 ft; down was in slow spin upside down - names seen to bail -

None

14. CREW COMMENTS: (.any unusual incidents? any suggestions?)

Run ^{from I.P.} of 5 min. too long all Crew agree - Pursuit Escort way ahead on way back

S - 2 OFFICER Weld TIME COMPLETED 20 min?

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 309 GROUP 306 A/C Number 124560 Date 13-1-43

Position in formation #3 in 1st element 1st Squadron (Squad) Bomb load 5X1000

1. Hot news to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

Friehilly A/C in any kind of distress?

- CREW**
- Thompson Pilot.
 - Hendrey Co-P
 - Jones Nav.
 - Colantoni Bomb.
 - Sgt Hagemeier Radio
 - S. Willy Top T.
 - Fairbank Ball T.
 - Spelman R. Waist
 - Adams L. Waist
 - McDonald Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 14:40

Alternate Height: 23,000

Last Resort Heading: Magnetic True North
(check)

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 4 Jettisoned: Returned:

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

Saw seven bombs hit target

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes No

(Sketch formation, and this plane's position in it, on a separate sheet of paper, giving date, target, number of plane; send to Wing by Di. R. L. S.)

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: none

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered.) (If returned early, time, place, height of turn.) as per order

8. 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 of Bursts in relation to A/C	Other Data
<u>14:45</u>	<u>10 miles</u>	<u>23,000</u>	<u>Heavy</u>	<u>Black</u>	<u>Inaccurate height</u>	<u>7</u>
<u>14:46</u>	<u>8 miles</u>	<u>23,000</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>" direction</u>

Base Wilton
 x Wag
 x George
 x Jones
 x Wilkes
 x Rivard
 x Spelman
 x Adams
 x Thompson

9. ENEMY AIRCRAFT

a. Total E/A seen: Number 20 Place before over and after
 Time 10:00 AM Height 17,000
 b. E/A which fired at, or were fired upon by this plane:

Number	Time	Place	Height

Notes:

At 14:30 Collision padding + Johnsons ship. Four
 Chutes came out of 1-4471 Capt Johnson ship when it broke
 in two.

c. Claims: DESTROYED none PROBABLY none DAMAGED none

d. ENEMY TACTICS OBSERVED:

10. Observations (Always give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT)

(Check list of items: Enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, waterways, R.R. yards; and roads; concentrations of troops, equipment, etc.; decoys, dummies, camouflage and smoke screens; landmarks on route or at target; incidents to friendly A/C; etc.)

Between St. Omer Lille scattered large factories
 in operation (saw smoke)

11. INJURIES to crew: (name, injury, how received.) none

12. DAMAGE to A/C: (Briefly) one small flap hole.

13. TECHNICAL FAILURES: Ball turret went out before reaching
 French coast after leaving target
 malfunction supercharger/regulator

14. CREW COMMENTS: (.any unusual incidents? any suggestions?)

S - 2 OFFICER

Capt. W. W. Glass

TIME COMPLETED

20 minutes

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 369 GROUP 306 A/C Number 75086 Date _____

Position in formation #2 Lead Element, 1st Squadron 5 x 1000
Bomb load _____

1. Hot news to be phoned in? Yes No
Details: _____

Friendlly A/C in any kind of 'distress'?

One B-17 - about 75 miles South of Dunkirk in Group ahead shot down blew up close to ground.

St. Riordan ^{CREW} Pilot
St. Ebris Co-P
St. Mellinan Nav.
St. Ratter Bomb.
St. Roberts Radio
St. Santorb Top T.
St. Davis Bull T.
St. Diggins R. Waist
St. Nally L. Waist
St. McMahon Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 14:30 1/2

Alt nate Height: 27,200

Last Resort Heading: True heading 290
(check)

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

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

Group ahead fire pod hit on target

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

(Sketch formation, and this plane's position in it, on a separate sheet of paper, giving date, target, number of plane; send to Wing D. R. L. S.)

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: none

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered.) (If returned early, time, place, height of turn)

To north from here, circled followed prescribed route from here

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out; at target; and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, of heavy), intense or moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in re- lation to A/C	Other Data
14:15	St. Riordan	23,000	Heavy	Black	Accurate altitude not direction	
14:29	St. Davis	23,200	Heavy/moderate	"	"	"

9. ENEMY AIRCRAFT
 a. Total E/A seen: Number 12 Place after leaving target
 Time 11:30 Height 7,000
 b. E/A which fired at, or were fired upon by this plane:

Number	Time	Place	Height

Notes:

c. Claims: DESTROYED none PROBABLY none DAMAGED none

d. ENEMY TACTICS OBSERVED: Most attacks from 2:00 clock

10. Observations (Always give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT)
 (Check list of items: Enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, waterways, R.R. yards, and roads; concentrations of troops, equipment, etc.; decoys, dummies, camouflage and smoke screens; landmarks on route or at target; incidents to friendly A/C; etc.)

Base
 Jones X W. Wilson
 Salada X George
 X Mc Kay
 (X) Rividan X Johnson
 X Flanigan X Spaulding
Down tower

11. INJURIES to crew: (name, injury, how received.) none

12. DAMAGE to A/C: (Briefly) none

13. TECHNICAL FAILURES: none

14. CREW COMMENTS: (any unusual incidents? any suggestions?)

Saw three chutes out of Johnson's plane.
1st. McHugh
Capt W.W. Glass

S - 2 OFFICER Capt W.W. Glass TIME COMPLETED 18 minutes

Information necessary for Submission of Battle Casualty Reports:

1-13-43 (Date)

- (a) Name WILLIAM T. JOHNSON
(First) (Middle) (Last)
- (b) Army Serial Number _____
- (c) Organization: 367th Bomb Sq (H); 368th Bomb Sq (H); 369th Bomb Sq (H);
423rd Bomb Sq (H) (NOTE: Underline words applicable).
- (d) Position in Plane: Pilot; Co-Pilot; Navigator; Bombardier; Aerial Engineer;
Radio Operator; Waist Gunner; Lower Turret Gunner;
Tail Gunner. (NOTE: Underline words applicable).
- (e) Time of Casualty: DURING ALTITUDE FLIGHT
- (f) Locality of Casualty: CHINA
- (g) Nature of Injury: FROZEN
- (h) Cause of Injury: COLD

Officer Submitting Information:

Shubert Owen

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