

HEADQUARTERS 306th Bombardment Group  
Office of the Intelligence Officer  
United States Forces

PO 557  
15 March, 1945

SUBJECT: Intelligence Narrative  
Mission: Zossen, Germany

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

1. Narrative

With flow 36 A/C including 1 PFF A/C as 40 "B". Specially satisfactory. Scouts as briefed: English coast 5300-0119E, 1216 hours; Dutch coast 5243-0437E, 1256g. Shortly after control point #3, with 40 "A", "B" and "C" Groups almost line abreast, Charlie Group took interval behind Able Group, thus putting Baker Group third. About 1430 hours, Buckeye had described #1 target as open, but hard to see due to heavy ground haze; reported few middle clouds would not interfere with bombing. I.P., 5213-1219E, 1426 hours; target #1, Zossen, 1441 hours; rally satisfactory behind Able Group. Dutch coast 5243-0437E, 1657 hours; English coast 5242-0132E, 1743 hours; base 1958.

All Siskey equipment worked satisfactorily; used as navigational aid only.

2. Fighter Opposition and Fighter Support

No fighter opposition encountered. P-51s first picked up 1330 hours at Inder See, gave continuous close support throughout mission.

3. A.A. Gun Fire

No A.A. gun fire on this group. Scattered bursts observed from Hannover, Hinton and Genabrunn.

4. Scoring

306th, as 40 "B", attacked target #1 visually. Smoke of previous bombing and very dense haze obscured briefed HPI, obliging lead bombardiers to make sightings from pinpoints around target area. Lead pattern, largely visible in strike photos, at 80457641/1 to south of aiming point. High hits at 80414030/1 to northeast of lead. Low marks, short of target area, in small town to west of Hatten See, 5211E-1025E.

A/C 181-B, pilot Zinkus, did not drop on target #1 due to malfunction. Scouted target of opportunity at 515701292E within permissible 7. of G. area. Photos show strikes on main twin-track R.R. between Juterbog and Wittenberg.

5. \_ticks

A/C 765-M dropped 5 T-332 and 5 T-330 on Zossen.

6. Weather

Takoff 10/10, tops 1500, decreasing to no cloud beyond 0600E. Very hazy in target area. Same on return, but clear at base.

7. A/C in Distress

Our A/C 569-D, pilot Paisley, 1335 hours, before Hammer Lake area, put wheels down and left formation, feathering #3 engine; reported he was remaining in

beaker stream. At 1350 hours, said he was losing an engine. Last seen just after leaving Group.

8. Unidentified Aircraft

About 1525 hours, several crews report hearing Charlie Leader call for fighters saying unidentified B-17 without visible armament had joined their formation.

JOHN A. HARRINGTON,  
Major, AC,  
Group 3-3.

FROM: COMBOMBR 306  
TO : COMAIRDIV ONE  
COMBATWIG FORTY  
ATTN: DIR OF INT.

306th Group Narrative - Mission to Zossen - 15 March 1945

- 5  
765-M  
1. A/C ~~242~~ dropped 5 T-332 and 5 T-330 on Zossen.
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2. 306th as 40<sup>th</sup>B attacked target #1 visually. Smoke of previous bombing and very dense haze obscured brief at MPI, obliging lead bombardiers to make sightings from pinpoints around target ~~xxxx~~ area. Lead pattern, barely visible in strike photos, at H045V044/1 to south of aiming point. High hits at H041V050/1 to north-west of lead. Low bombs, short of target area, in small ~~to~~ west of Hellen See, 5211N-1024E.  
A/C 181-B, pilot Tinkham, did not drop on target #1 due to malfunction. Bombed target of opportunity at 5157N-1232E within permissible T.of O. area. Photos show strikes on main twin-track ~~xxxxxxxx~~ R.R. between Juterbeg and Wittenberg.

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3. None
4. No flak on this group; ~~xxxxxxxx~~ Scattered bursts observed from Hannover, Minden and Osnabruck. Large black puff, believed by some crews to be a "scarecrow", observed in Magdeburg area. beyond
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5. Takeoff 10/10, tops 1500, decreasing to no cloud ~~xxxxxxxx~~ 0600Z. Very heavy in target area. ~~Light, scattered clouds at 20,000 feet. Similar~~  
Same ~~xxxxxxxx~~ on return, but clear at base.

6. None
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7. 306th flew 36 A/C including 4 PFF A/C as 40 "B". Assembly satisfactory. En Route as briefed: English coast 5300-0119E, 1216 hours; Dutch coast 5243-0437E, 1256Z; Shortly after control point #3, with 40<sup>th</sup>A, "B" and "C" Groups almost line abreast, Charlie Group took interval behind Able Group, thus putting Baker Group third. About 1420 hours, Buckeye ~~had~~ described #1 target as open but hard to see due to heavy ground haze; ~~xxxx-xx-xxxx~~ reported few middle clouds would not interfere with bombing. IP 5213-1219E, 1428 hours; target ~~xxxxxxxx~~ #1, Zossen, 1441 hours; rally satisfactory behind Able Group. Dutch coast 5242-0439E, 1659

hours; English coast 5249-0132E, 1743 hours; base 1858.  
P-51's first picked up 1300 hours at Zuider Zee, gave continuous close support throughout mission.  
All Mickey equipment worked satisfactorily; used as navigational aid only. No early returns.  
A/C in Distress: Our A/C 549-D, pilot Paisley, 1395 hours, before Dummer Lake area, put wheels down and left formation ~~xxxx~~ feathering # 3 engine; reported he was remaining in bomber stream. At 1350 hours, said he was losing #4 engine. Last seen just after leaving Group.

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About 1525 hours, ~~xxxxxx~~ several crews report hearing Charlie Leader call for fighters saying unidentified B-17 without visible armament had joined their formation.

40th "B"  
Lead

✓ Verdick 611-G  
 ✓ Pinchback 412-T  
 ✓ Brasch 652-A PFF  
 ✓ Kearney 143-P  
 ✓ Higgenbotham \* 578-B D  
 ✓ Marks 127-L  
 ✓ Goodh 176-V  
 ✓ Powers \* 713-K  
 ✓ Erne 819-Q

✓ Smith, L J \* 604-A  
 ✓ Wear 683-Q  
 ✓ Laughlin 443-M PFF  
 ✓ 20°  
 ✓ NO  
 ✓ Point OK  
 ✓ and of oil  
 ✓ ammunition  
 ✓ with barrels  
 ✓ Big gun on  
 ✓ during 157  
 ✓ Very good  
 ✓ remains  
 ✓ clear

✓ Second Division  
 ✓ on trails  
 ✓ shots burst  
 ✓ opponent  
 ✓ VERY HAZY  
 ✓ Hazy - few  
 ✓ mobile clouds  
 ✓ really  
 ✓ contrails  
 ✓ clouds  
 ✓ 4 / Hazy would be  
 ✓ hard to see - few missiles  
 ✓ - intercept

40th "B"  
Low

✓ Morris 916-N  
 ✓ Burgess 148-K  
 ✓ Carder 466-W  
 ✓ Lamar \* 198-D  
 ✓ Butler 928-B L  
 ✓ Evans \* 802-F  
 ✓ Sandcock \* 914-B  
 ✓ Moore 832-Y  
 ✓ Scheib 896-X  
 ✓ Law 028-O  
 ✓ Forsyth 429-W

✓ Back over  
 ✓ 10:10

✓ 34 on Primary  
 ✓ Tinkham on P.O  
 ✓ Paisley - M.A.A.  
 ✓ did not bomb  
 ✓ Positive Mission  
 ✓ AIR FORCE  
 ✓ ONS  
 ✓ S.P.A.F.  
 ✓ Disarm

40th "B"  
High

✓ Hallum 153-G  
 ✓ Trease 910-B  
 ✓ Engstrom 516-M  
 ✓ Kimball 116-T  
 ✓ Sprunger \* 616-X  
 ✓ Paisley \* 549-D  
 ✓ Woods 619-S  
 ✓ Collins 765-M  
 ✓ Nickels  
 ✓ Shafer 598-Q  
 ✓ Clark 585-K  
 ✓ Horvay 362-L PFF

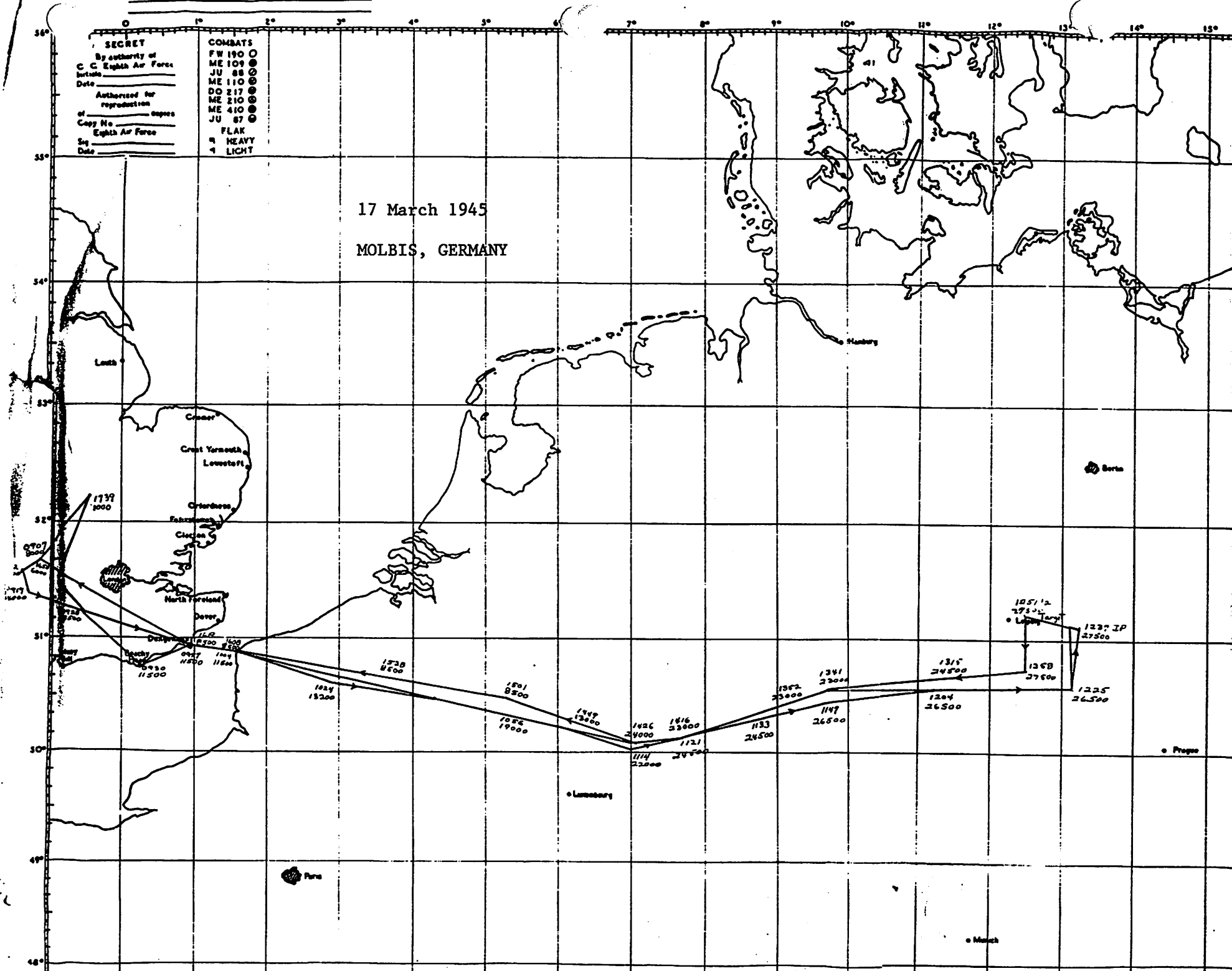
✓ Big in at  
 ✓ formed on  
 ✓ Wing Break  
 ✓ Sub 10,000 feet high

✓ Bombard  
 ✓ individually  
 ✓ Mount Marshalling  
 ✓ rain  
 ✓ Had  
 ✓ Roll  
 ✓ Turned  
 ✓ Ames  
 ✓ Victim  
 ✓ East  
 ✓ part  
 ✓ of film  
 ✓ 10/11/44  
 ✓ Left formation  
 ✓ between 7 miles  
 ✓ and 8 miles  
 ✓ with one engine  
 ✓ cut  
 ✓ #3 engine  
 ✓ shut to left  
 ✓ engine  
 ✓ Ref. 1334  
 ✓ 1442

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 9 LIGHT

17 March 1945  
 MOLBIS, GERMANY



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AIRCRAFT COMBAT MISSION REPORT

15 March, 1945.  
(DATE)

SQDN.	CALL LETTER	SERIAL NO.	FLAK	20MM	.303	50CAL FIRE	50CAL SHELL CASES	DAYS EST IN-OP
367th	M	44-8443	0					
"	T	43-58412	0					
"	V	43-59174	0					
"	Q	43-58683	0					
"	A	44-6604	0					
"	G	43-57681	0					
"	L	42-58129	0					
"	D	42-102578	0					
368th	Q	44-6466	0					
"	K	43-58148	0					
"	B	43-58914	0					
"	W	43-58429	0					
"	O	43-59028	0					
"	N	43-58916	0					
"	F	43-58802	0					
"	L	44-6928	0					
369th	A	44-8652	0					
"	P	42-51143	0					
"	Q	44-6819	0					
"	K	43-58713	0					
"	D	42-58198	0					
"	X	43-57896	0					
"	Y	43-58632	0					
"	B	42-97181	0					
"	M	43-58765	0					
"	S	43-37619	0					
423rd	S	44-8359	0					
"	L	44-8362	0					
"	M	44-8516	0					

TOTAL DAMAGED	SEVERE	SLIGHT	FLAK	20MM	.303	50Cal Fire	50Cal Shell Cases
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MISSING	ABORTIONS						
1	0						0

423rd B 43-38910  
" D 43-37549  
" K 44-6585  
" Q 43-37598  
~~RE~~ R ~~XXXXXXXX~~  
" G 43-38153  
" X 43-37616  
" T 43-39116

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*Outstanding*  
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SQUADRON ~~##~~ ~~##~~ ~~##~~ 38 ~~##~~

a/c Number 443

Letter     

Date 15/3/45

Bomb Load 10/250, 6xM17 H.E.

Position in Formation

Time took Off 1004 Time Landed 1858

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

40th B Seed.

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No  
If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

Thorpork D dog fell out of formation 1800 at Dutch coast. Seemed OK just fell back. Lost rear of him. Seemed OK.

CRW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in Distress: (Give position, time, altitude, full details) If lost, state whether O, A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

- Captain Laughlin, H.L.      P
- Captain Hubbell, L.E.      CP
- 1st Lt. Bush, C.F.      N
- 1st Lt. Gailey, B.S.      B
- T/Sgt. Hickman, W.L.      RO
- T/Sgt. Miller, W.      E
- 1st Lt. Lisec, V.      #1 Nav.
- S/Sgt. Ukele, C.V.      WG
- 2nd Lt. Quan, W.      #1 R.Nav.
- S/Sgt. Keuer, V.N.      TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: #1 Time: 1441  
Secondary: Heading: 98° M  
Last Resort: Height: 23,500  
T.O. (Circle One) 150° M  
Turn off target:     

- T/Sgt. Miller, W.      E
- 1st Lt. Lisec, V.      #1 Nav.
- S/Sgt. Ukele, C.V.      WG
- 2nd Lt. Quan, W.      #1 R.Nav.
- S/Sgt. Keuer, V.N.      TG

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

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

Own Bombs: Could not identify due to haze. in Baracks. Other bombing: area S out of Rainy point. an. Nichols: Yes      N Number and type     

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? was camera turned on

Hand      Movie      in waist took pictures of strike

6. WEATHER:

2/10 clouds formed normally by contrails 20,000ft

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? Said open at target but had to see for haze few scattered middle cloud - no interfer 20 min before target

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

mod. persistent contrails

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

Time	Place	Height of	Type (light, heavy)	Intensity	Color of	Location	Accuracy
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(Location and length of flight)

(Tactics of E/A)

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

10. FIGHTER SUPPORT: (include time, place, and color markings)

*Good 20 min early  
1203 - 5 miles inside Dutch  
coast. (over Zuiden Zeer)  
continuous close support.*

C L A I M S

DESTROYED \_\_\_\_\_

PROBABLE \_\_\_\_\_

DAMAGED \_\_\_\_\_

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

11. 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.)

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

13. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

14. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

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

*Had to ditch behind Charlie later because Able dodged flak and threw us off. "C" cut us off when trying to get back in. Come get behind Able after fuse.*

16. ROUTE: (Note especially any deviations from briefed route. Did Squadron or A/C come back with Group or alone?)

*Squadrons made own runs.  
A.N.A/c <sup>high up</sup> dropped a smoke Bomb in Dummie lee area. No one sb to drop this*

S-2 OFFICER \_\_\_\_\_

TIME COMPLETED \_\_\_\_\_

*Leather*

SQUADRON 367 ~~####~~ ~~###~~ A/C Number 652 Letter A Date 15-3-45

Bomb Load 10 x 250, 6 x M17 H.E.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 1004 Time Landed 1900

*40th B  
Lead.*

- 1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
- If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

	X	X	<u>(X)</u>	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 distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
If lost, state whether v, a.a., E/w action;  
accident or undetermined cause)

- 2nd Lt. W. W. Brasch E
- F/O R. W. Grunski CP
- F/O H. E. LeCompte N
- 2nd Lt. G. W. David B
- Sgt. J. A. Rutledge RG
- Sgt. J. Wabeke E
- F/O R. W. Burley BT
- S/Sgt. C. L. Marler WG
- S/Sgt. E. R. Nunley TG

- 2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1441

Secondary: Heading: 97 S/Sgt. C. L. Marler

Last Resort: Height: 23600

T.O. Alt 155 miles

(Circle One)

Turn off target: 158

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

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

Own Bombs: Tail gunner saw strikes in burning area an. Nickels: Yes N.

Other bombing: Going in & cooling black smoke. 8000 Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? has camera turned on

Hand missy scope shot Movie \_\_\_\_\_

- 6. WEATHER:

Stage on continuing in to target & out.

Clear over channel going - 9/10 back

Stage over England

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D WRC BUCKEYE?

- 7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

- 8. FLAK: encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or	Color of bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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SQUADRON 367 ~~###~~ ~~###~~ A/C Number 412 Letter T Date 15-2-45

Bomb Load 10 x 250, 6 x M17 H.E.

Position in Formation

Time took off 1004 Time Landed \_\_\_\_\_

			X		
X		(X)	X		X
X	X		X		X
	X		X		X
X	X				X

40th B Load

- HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No  
If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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Friendly A/C in distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
If lost, state whether D, A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

2nd Lt. J. W. ~~Pinchback~~ PINCHBACK P

2nd Lt. S. W. Scott CP

F/O W. T. Burke N

Sgt. J. A. Baker B

Sgt. J. M. Stehle RG ✓

Sgt. R. L. Stout E

Sgt. W. A. Dooley BT

Sgt. E. C. Schricker SJ RG

WG

Sgt. B. T. Rohde TG

- TARGET ATTACHED: (IFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1441  
 Secondary: Heading: 103  
 Last Resort: Height: 23,500

T.O. (Circle One)  
Turn off target: 180°

- Number of BOMBS dropped on target: all Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: any Nichols: Yes No

Other bombing: on lead Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

- Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? was camera turned on \_\_\_\_\_

Hand \_\_\_\_\_ Movie \_\_\_\_\_

WEATHER: 7/10 to 8/10 Sky - 5 mi g coast - 10/10 Hazy

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE?

lock 10/10 Channel - 30 mi Eng coast

- CONDENSATION TRAILS:

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (light)	Color	Location	Accuracy
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SQUADRON 367 ~~####~~ ~~####~~ A/C Number 174 Letter V Date 15-3-45

Bomb Load 10 x 250, 6 x M17 H.E.

Position in Formation

*40th B  
Lead*

Time Took Off 1004 Time Landed 1837

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No  
If DITCHING hold crew and fill out  
special form in detail.

	X	X	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 distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
If lost, state whether by A.A., E/A action,  
accident or undetermined cause)

- 2nd Lt. J. E. Gooch ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. V. H. Vick ✓ CP
- 2nd Lt. C. H. Urban ✓ N
- 2nd Lt. J. E. Karfonta ✓ B
- Sgt. G. P. Howard ✓ RO
- Sgt. V. B. Bolton ✓ E
- Sgt. J. R. Powell ✓ BT
- Sgt. J. H. Traeger ✓ TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual) Sgt. V.

Primary: Time: 1440  
Secondary: Heading: 099  
Last Resort: Height: 23,500  
 T.O. 140  
 (Circle One)  
 Turn off target:

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

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

Own Bombs: Too much smoke on target and Nickels: Yes (N)  
 Other bombing: Number and type 10/250 6xM17's

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? was camera turned on None  
Hand \_\_\_\_\_ Movie \_\_\_\_\_

6. WEATHER: Slight ground haze WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE?

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: none

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

Plane	Height	Time (Light)	Color	Location	Accuracy
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SQUADRON 367 ~~####~~ ~~###~~ A/C Number 683 Letter Q Date 15-3-45

Bomb Load 10 x 250, 6 x M17 H.E.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 1004 Time Landed 1906

40th B  
Lead

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes (No)  
If DITCHING hold crew and fill out  
special form in detail.

	X		X	X		X
	X	X		X		X
	X		X	<u>(X)</u>		X
	X	X				X

C.O.F.: Give Rank and Initials 5

Friendly A/C in distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
If lost, state whether by A.A., E/A action,  
accident or undetermined cause)

B-17 at 1450hr, 22,000 ft 1330E  
~~0052N~~ 5200N traveling East alone.

- 1st Lt. W. H. Wear P
- 2nd Lt. F. R. Specht CP
- 2nd Lt. M. S. Oscherwitz N
- Sgt. H. W. Wertz B
- Sgt. H. R. Hall RO
- Sgt. C. D. Petitjean E
- Sgt. C. M. Allred BT
- Sgt. H. D. Gedney WG
- Sgt. R. R. Alledge TG

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (IFF or Visual)

Primary: Title: 1441  
Secondary: Heading: 096°  
Last Resort: Height: 23,500  
 T.O.  
 (Circle One)  
 Turn off target: 122°

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

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

Own Bombs: Too much smoke on ground to observe results. Smoke, black  
 Other bombing: 8,000 feet high.  
 Any Hickeys: Yes ✓  
 Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? has camera turned on None  
Hand \_\_\_\_\_ Movie \_\_\_\_\_

6. WEATHER: As briefed

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM  
BUCKEYE?  
Visual primary.

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: Light - persistent

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

SQUADRON 367 ~~####~~ #23 A/C Number 604 Letter A Date 15-3-45

Bomb Load 10 x 250, 6 x M17 H.E.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 1004 Time Landed 1856

	X				
X	X	X		X	X
X		(X)	X	X	X
X	X			X	X

40th B  
Lead

- HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No  
If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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*nil*

Friendly A/C in distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
If lost, state whether D, A.A., E/A action,  
accident or undetermined cause)

2nd Lt. L. J. Smith ✓ P

2nd Lt. S. G. Cretekos ✓ CP

2nd Lt. F. E. Ballish ✓ N

S/Sgt. C. D. Calengor ✓ B

S/Sgt. R. C. Grimm ✓ RO

Sgt. P. Helenbart ✓ E

Sgt. S. Alowitz ✓ BT

Sgt. J. F. Lowery ✓ WG

\_\_\_\_\_ ✓ WG

Sgt. D. R. Jensen ✓ TG

- TARGET ATTACKED: (IFF or Visual)

Primary:

Time: 1447

Secondary:

Heading: 104

Last Resort:

Height: 23400

T.O.

(Circle One)

Turn off target: 165

- Number of BOMBS dropped on target: All Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs:

an. Nickels: Yes No

Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

Other bombing:

- Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? has camera turned on yes

Hand \_\_\_\_\_ Movie ✓

- WEATHER: Clear all the way from

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? \_\_\_\_\_

mid-channel - hazy but could do pilotage  
all the way in and out to find target - 10/10 minutes out and  
under 3000

CONDENSATION TRAILS:

dense persistent con trails at target at 2000 feet

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

SQUADRON ~~#####~~ 3 ~~###~~ A/C Number 143 Letter P Date 15/3/45

Bomb Load 10/250, 6 x M17 H.E. \_\_\_\_\_ Position in Formation

Time Took Off 1004 Time Landed \_\_\_\_\_

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No  
If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

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

40<sup>th</sup> B  
Lead

CRM: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
If lost, state whether D, A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

- 1st Lt. Kearney, L.T., Jr. P
- 2nd Lt. Norman, A. CP
- F/O. Dickerson, G.C. N
- Sgt. Frederick, V.C. B
- Sgt. Thixtan, R.C. RO
- Sgt. Pomykal, W. E
- Sgt. [unclear], C. BT
- Sgt. Wiley, C.E. TG

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1441

Secondary: Heading: 105

Last Resort: Height: 23400

T.O. (Circle One)

Turn off target: 210

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 000 Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: Saw bombs hitting on target from groups ahead. an. Nickels: Yes  No

Other bombing: \_\_\_\_\_ Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? was camera turned on None  
Hand \_\_\_\_\_ Movie \_\_\_\_\_

6. WEATHER: clear with ground haze over target - lot of smoke in target area. WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? \_\_\_\_\_

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: Contrails at 15000 feet away back after target.

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

SQUADRON ~~#####~~ 369 ~~B#~~ A/C Number 819 Letter      Date 15/3/45

Bomb Load 10/250, 6 x M17 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 1004 Time Landed 1905

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
- |  |   |   |   |   |   |
|--|---|---|---|---|---|
|  | X | X | X | X | X |
| If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form <u>in detail</u> . | X | X | X | X | X |
|  | X | X | X | X | X |

40th B  
Lead

CAD: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in Distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
If lost, state whether O, A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

None

- 1st Lt. Erne, N.A.      P
- 2nd Lt. Miller, A.H.      CP
- F/O. Sopinski, H.J.      N
- Sgt. Johnson, G.R.      B
- T/Sgt. Brown, B.M.      RG
- T/Sgt. Kruger, C.J.      E
- S/Sgt. Callahan, J.J.      BT
- WG
- WG
- S/Sgt. Tiff, R.L.      TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PF or Visual)

Primary: Title: 1441  
Secondary: Heading: 110°  
Last Resort: Height: 23,400

T.O. (Circle One)  
Turn off target: 300

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

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

Own Bombs: Smoke from previous bombings obscured target. an. Nichols: Yes ✓  
Other Bombing: Number and type     

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? was camera turned on No  
Hand      Movie X

6. WEATHER: As briefed. WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? None.

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: At target area group ahead left dense - persistent.

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



SQUADRON ##### 36 (##) # A/C Number 713 Letter O Date 15/3/45

Bomb Load 10/250, 6xM17 H.E.

Position in Formation

Time 'took Off' 1004 Time Landed 1900

X		X	X		X				
X	X		X		(X)	X			
X		X	X			X			
X	X					X	X		

40th B  
Lead.

- HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No  
If DITCHING hold crew and fill out  
special form in detail.

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

9

Friendly A/C in distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
If lost, state whether by A.A., E/A action,  
accident or undetermined cause)

2nd Lt. Powers, R.E. ← P

2nd Lt. Snook, D.L. ← CP

2nd Lt. Woodruff, E.M. ← N

Sgt. Hollo, W. ← B

Sgt. Bateman, R.D. ← RG

Sgt. Husby, E.V. ← E

Sgt. VanSickle, A. ← BT

WG

WG

Sgt. Cox, L. ← TG

- TARGET ATTACHED: (IFF or Visual)

Primary: Title: 1441

Secondary: Heading: 093

Last Resort: Height: 23400

T.O. (Circle One)

Turn off target: 149

- Number of BOMBS dropped on target: all Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs:

an. Nickels: Yes No

Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

Other Bombing:

- Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? has camera turned on yes  
Hand \_\_\_\_\_ Movie \_\_\_\_\_

- WEATHER:

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D WRC  
BUCKEYE?

- CONDENSATION TRAILS:

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

SQUADRON 367 ~~#####~~ A/C Number 611 Letter 1 Date 15-3-45

Bomb Load 10 x 250, 6 x M17 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 1004 Time Landed 1200

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No  
If DITCHING hold crew and fill out  
special form in detail.

(X)	X	X	X
X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X

*40th B Lead.*

CME: Give Rank and Initials 10

Friendly A/C in distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
If lost, state whether D, A.A., E/A action,  
accident or undetermined cause)

*at 1450 saw B-17 landed  
East, low, 10000' below us. Searched  
O.K.*

2nd Lt. H. E. Verdick	P
2nd Lt. P. H. Arnot	CP
F/O G. (NMI) Gutman	N
2nd Lt. R. W. Gannett	B
Sgt. C. F. Larsen	RO
Sgt. M. E. Mook	E
Sgt. L. (NMI) Everson	BT
_____	WG
_____	WG
Sgt. P. E. Steele	TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFV or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1441  
Secondary: Heading: 170  
Last Resort: Height: 23000

T.O. (Circle One)  
Turn off target: 150

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 200 Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: Black smoke rising off target area - very high An. Nickels: Yes X

Other bombing: \_\_\_\_\_

Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? was camera turned on None  
Hand \_\_\_\_\_ Movie \_\_\_\_\_

6. WEATHER: \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? \_\_\_\_\_

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (Mk. 81)	Color	Location	Accuracy
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SQUADRON 367 ~~#####~~ A/C Number 129 Letter      Date 15-3-45

Bomb Load 10 x 250, 6 x M17 H.E.

Position in Formation

40th B  
Lead

Time Took Off 1004 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

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No  
If DITCHING hold crew and fill out  
special form in detail.

NAME: Give Rank and Initials //

Friendly A/C in distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
If lost, state whether O, A.A., E/A action,  
accident or undetermined cause)

- 2nd Lt. R. Marks ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. J. Hahn ✓ CP
- 2nd Lt. H. W. Parker ✓ N
- F/O V. F. Bowen ✓ B
- Sgt. E. H. Ball ✓ RG
- T/Sgt. J. Dolinich ✓ E
- Sgt. R. C. Frederick ✓ BT
- WG
- WG
- S/Sgt. A. Yehoda ✓ TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

#1

Primary: Time: 1441  
Secondary: Heading: 112  
Last Resort: Height: 22,000

T.O.  
(Circle One)  
Turn off target:

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

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

Own Bombs: on leader Any Nickels: Yes 1  
Number and type       
Other bombing:

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? was camera turned on       
Hand      Movie     

6. WEATHER: low clouds over target zone +  
North Sea - no cloud, but down by at target

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM  
BUCKEYE?

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: None

8. FLAK: encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height	Type (light, sound, distance)	Color of	Location of Bursts in re-	Accuracy
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SQUADRON ~~367~~ 368 ~~369~~ ~~151~~ A/C Number 429 Letter \_\_\_\_\_ Date 15-3-45

Bomb Load 10 x 250, 6 x ML7 H.E.

Position in Formation \_\_\_\_\_

40 B  
Low

Time Took Off: 1004 Time Landed \_\_\_\_\_

- 1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No  
If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

		X		X		X		X
X	X		X	X		X	X	X
X			X	(X) ✓		X	X	
X	X					X	X	

CRM: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
If lost, state whether by A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

<u>2nd Lt. W. J. Forsyth</u>	✓	P
<u>2nd Lt. R. H. Curtis</u>	✓	CP
<u>F/O I. Zalusky</u>	✓	N
<u>Sgt. R. F. Dickson</u>	✓	B
<u>Sgt. S. Leon</u>	✓	RO
<u>Sgt. A. R. Tonsing</u>	✓	E
<u>Sgt. H. J. Mullen</u>	✓	BT
_____		WG
_____		WG
<u>Sgt. R. A. Prigg</u>	✓	TG

- 2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFV or Visual)

Primary: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: 1440 1/2

Secondary: \_\_\_\_\_ Heading: 084

Last Resort: \_\_\_\_\_ Height: 23,750

T.O.  
(Circle One)  
Turn off target: 140

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

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

Own Bombs: Low Id

Am. Nichols: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

~~Other~~ bombing: \_\_\_\_\_

- 4. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? was camera turned on not working  
Hand \_\_\_\_\_ Movie BT Film jammed

6. WEATHER: \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? \_\_\_\_\_

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: \_\_\_\_\_

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

SQUADRON 367 ~~344/1838~~ R3 A/C Number 578 Letter D Date 15-3-45

Bomb Load 10 x 250, 6 x M17 H.E.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 1004 Time Landed 1838

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No  
If DITCHING hold crew and fill out  
special form in detail.

	X	X	X	X	
(X)	X	X	X	X	Lead
	X	X	X	X	
	X	X	X	X	

40<sup>th</sup> B

CRM: Give Rank and Initials 17

Friendly A/C in distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
If lost, state whether by A.A., E/A action,  
accident or undetermined cause)

<u>2nd Lt. V. Higgenbotham</u>	✓	P
<u>2nd Lt. D. W. Burton</u>	✓	CP
<u>E/Oml. Levingstone</u>	✓	N
<u>Sgt. R. C. Melling</u>	✓	B
<u>Sgt. P. H. Rueschhoff</u>	✓	RO
<u>T/Sgt. W. A. Davis</u>	✓	E
<u>Sgt. E. F. Roberts</u>	✓	BT
_____		WG
_____		WG
<u>Sgt. R. T. Hauck</u>	✓	TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (IFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1441  
Secondary: Heading: 108  
Last Resort: Height: 23200  
T.O. (Circle One)  
Turn off target: 198

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

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

Own Bombs: bombed on previous smoke Own Nickels: Yes No

Other Bombing: Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? was camera turned on yes  
Hand \_\_\_\_\_ Movie \_\_\_\_\_

6. WEATHER: layer of low cloud from 3-5000 over England breaking at channel mouth out-ground haze over continent + England  
WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? \_\_\_\_\_

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: as briefed

cloud layer on way back 7° E to Base - alt. 3-5000

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

thick persistent con. trails over target meag. thin cirrus at 3000

Time	Place	Height of	Type (light, heavy), intensity,	Color of	Location	Accuracy
					Bursts in re-	

(Location and length of fight)

(Tactics of E/A)

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

10. FIGHTER SUPPORT: (include time, place, and color markings:)

1305 hrs - 5043N 0545 - good close support

C L A I M S

DESTROYED \_\_\_\_\_

PROBABLE ✓ \_\_\_\_\_

DAMAGED \_\_\_\_\_

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

11. 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.)

thick

S/S Lt. 5220N 1125E covering town of Hirschaldenleben  
Nets on W/Y in south of town of Bardeleben, pits in center of town - large fire  
Appeared to be lots of activity in forest at 5227N 1135E  
Heavy black smoke rising to our alt from Amstus area

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

13. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

14. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

#4 prop governor out.

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

16. ROUTE: (Note especially any deviations from briefed route. Did Squadron or A/C come back with Group or alone?)

Had to feather prop. so fell behind at 1602 hrs.  
5224N 0828E - followed briefed course out alone

S-2 OFFICER

*Murtha*

TIME COMPLETED

SQUADRON 368 A/C Number 359 Letter 40 B Date 15-3-45

Bomb Load 10 x 350, 6 x M17 H.E. Position in Formation Low

Time took Off 1004 Time Landed 1920

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in, Yes No  
If DITCHING hold crew and fill out  
special form in detail.

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

*Lots of 24 alone  
many out alone*

CREW: Give Rank and Initials 13

Friendly A/C in distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
If lost, state whether D. A.A., E/A action,  
accident or undetermined cause)

<u>1st Lt. R. H. Claeys</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	P
<u>1st Lt. D. C. Schertz</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CP
<u>1st Lt. A. Varnado</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N
<u>1st Lt. J. A. FREDERICKS</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<u>2nd Lt. L. F. Campbell</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	B
<u>T/Sgt. S. Krauss</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RG
<u>Sgt. B. H. Frazier</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	E
<u>2nd Lt. A. B. Blair</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RN
<u>S/Sgt. J. L. Gooden</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	WG
<u>Sgt. O. K. Hess</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TG

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1447 1/2  
Secondary: Heading: 850  
Last Resort: Height: 23,200  
T.O. (Circle One)  
Turn off target: 1520

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 21 Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: Dropped on just south of aiming point. Set Rate high An. Nichols: Yes (No)  
Other Bombing: rolling ind. Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on   
Hand  Movie

6. WEATHER: WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE?

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

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

Time	Place	Height	Time (i. l. t.)	Color	Location	Accuracy
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SQUADRON ~~###~~ 368 ~~###~~ A/C Number 466 Letter      Date 15-3-45

Bomb Load 10 x 250, 6 x M17 H.E.

Position in Formation 40 B Lead

Time Took Off 1004 Time Landed     

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No  
If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

		X		
X	X	X	(X)	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X

Crew: Give Rank and Initials 141

Friendly A/C in distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
If lost, state whether O, A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

- 1st Lt. W. D. Carder ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. A. V. Mura ✓ CP
- 2nd Lt. R. W. Haining ✓ N
- 1st Lt. Q. T. Conway ✓ B
- S/Sgt. L. N. Goldman ✓ RO
- S/Sgt. R. W. Circle ✓ E
- Sgt. J. M. Bradley ✓ BT
- WG
- WG
- Sgt. M. W. Zahn ✓ TG

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

# Primary: Time: 1440  
 Secondary: Heading: 092  
 Last Resort: Height: 23,000  
 T.O. (Circle One)  
 Turn off target: 6145

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

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

Own Bombs: John made individual run. Misses dropped on own site, on lead's course  
 Other bombing:      Number and type       
 An. Nickels:      Yes      N

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on       
 Hand      Movie     

6. WEATHER: 10' to target - heavy haze - had sight synchronized for about 1 minute

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCCINYE?     

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: no contrails at bombing altitude 2 or 3,000 feet below, some persistent

8. FLAK: encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time      Place      Height



SQUADRON ~~348~~ 363 ~~AAH~~ ~~38~~ A/C Number 148 Letter \_\_\_\_\_ Date 15-3-45

Bomb Load 10 x 250-6 x M7 H.E.

Position in Formation \_\_\_\_\_

*40 2nd Low*

Time Took Off 011004 Time Landed 1917

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No  
If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

		X			
	X	(X)	X		X
X	X		X	X	X
	X	X	X		X
X	X				X

CMB: Give Rank and Initials *15*

Friendly A/C in distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
If lost, state whether D, A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

- 2nd Lt. J. A. Burgess  P
- 2nd Lt. R. A. Bodenhamer  CP
- F/O J. J. Dembowski  N
- Sgt. J. Pinela  B
- Sgt. H. D. Sullivan  RO
- Sgt. R. K. Miller  E
- Sgt. L. F. Harter  BT
- \_\_\_\_\_  WG
- \_\_\_\_\_  WG
- Sgt. P. L. Swift  TG

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: 14400

Secondary: \_\_\_\_\_ Heading: 90

Last Resort: \_\_\_\_\_ Height: 25400

T.O. \_\_\_\_\_

(Circle One)

Turn off target: 200

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

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

Own Bombs: \_\_\_\_\_

Other bombing: \_\_\_\_\_

Am. Nichols: Yes \_\_\_\_\_

Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

4. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? was camera turned on \_\_\_\_\_  
Hand \_\_\_\_\_ Movie \_\_\_\_\_

5. WEATHER:

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE?

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

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

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

(Location and length of fight)

(Tactics of E/A)

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

10. FIGHTER SUPPORT: (include time, place, and color markings:)

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C L A I M S

DESTROYED \_\_\_\_\_

PROBABLE ✓ \_\_\_\_\_

DAMAGED \_\_\_\_\_

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

11. 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.)

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

13. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

14. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

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

16. ROUTE: (Note especially any deviations from briefed route. Did Squadron or A/C come back with Group or alone?)

*Murphy*

SQUADRON ~~###~~ 368 ~~###~~ A/C Number 914 Letter ~~B~~ Date 15-3-45

Bomb Load 10 x <sup>300</sup> 250, 6 x M17 H.E. Position in Formation 40 B Low

Time Took Off 1004 Time Landed \_\_\_\_\_

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No  
If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

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

COPIES: Give Rank and Initials 16

Friendly A/C in distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
If lost, state whether by A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

- 2nd Lt. D. M. Paendercock ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. W. A. Wilson ✓ CP
- 2nd Lt. M. F. Hepple ✓ N
- 2nd Lt. L. R. Dorman ✓ B
- Cpl. J. J. Keilly ✓ RO
- T/Sgt. W. T. Dugard ✓ E
- Sgt. A. P. Dumenigo ✓ BT
- Sgt. J. H. Smatlach ✓ WG
- Sgt. J. L. Minnucci ✓ TG

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1441  
 Secondary: Heading: 082  
 Last Resort: Height: 23000  
 T.O. (Circle One)  
 Turn off target: 150

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

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

Own Bombs: Smoke obs. aiming pt. Any Nickels: Yes No

Other Bombing: 5 sec - 10 sec early almost whole formation dropped on dip. Number and type

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: (Vertical?) was camera turned on yes  
Hand \_\_\_\_\_ Movie \_\_\_\_\_

6. WEATHER: Ground Hoze - Broken over N. Sea. 4/10  
Hazy - A  
Overcast Halfway to Holland  
Clear  
WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE?

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

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

SQUADRON ~~###~~ 368 ~~###~~ ~~18~~ A/C Number 028 Letter      Date 15-3-45

Bomb Load 10 x 250, 6 x ML7 H.E. Position in Formation 40 L Low

Time Took Off 1004 Time Landed 1918

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes  No   
If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

			X		
X		X	X		X
X	X		X	X	X
X		<input checked="" type="radio"/>	X		X
X	X			X	X

CREW: Give Rank and Initials 18

Friendly A/C in distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
If lost, state whether D, A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

- Capt. J. S. Law  P
- 2nd Lt. G. B. Howe  CP
- 2nd Lt. S. Sconberger  N
- S/Sgt. E. J. Feeny  B
- T/Sgt. F. E. Sweet  RO
- T/Sgt. D. C. Lockhart  E
- Sgt. W. O. Timmons  BT
- Sgt. E. H. Trammel  WG
- Sgt. J. H. Shacklett  SJ WG
- Sgt. L. F. Brown  TG

No

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF  or Visual)

Primary: Title: 1441

Secondary: Heading: 094°

Last Resort: Height: 23,000

T.O. (Circle One)

Turn off target: 153

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

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

Own Bombs: An. Nichols: Yes  (A)  
Number and type     

Other bombing:

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on None  
Hand      Movie     

6. WEATHER: Incendiarics observed to strike in target area. Heavy smoke  
WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE?     

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: ~~#~~ Slight.

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

Title	Place	Height	Type (light)	Color	Location	Accuracy
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362th  
SQUADRON ~~362th~~ A/C Number 198 Letter D Date 15/3/45

Bomb Load 300 10/250, 6xM17 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 1004 Time Landed \_\_\_\_\_

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No  
If DITCHING hold crew and fill out  
special form in detail.

X X X  
X X X  
X X  
X X

40th B  
Low

C.R.N.: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
If lost, state whether o, a.a., E/a action,  
accident or undetermined cause)

1st  
2nd Lt. Lomar, A.A. ✓ P  
F/O. Walton, A.P. ✓ CP  
F/O. Sandler, I.B. ✓ N  
Sgt. Slattery, F.J. ✓ B  
Sgt. Ferrell, L.R. ✓ RO  
Sgt. Mallek, J.W. ✓ E  
Sgt. Crayvon, R.G. ✓ BT  
WG  
WG  
Sgt. Bedsole, W.B. ✓ TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1441  
Secondary: Heading: 092  
Last Resort: Height: 23000  
T.O. 092  
(Circle One)  
Turn off target: 150

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

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

Own Bombs: Fire in tar. area. an. Nickels: Yes  
Other Bombing: grey sm. turned to black. Number and type \_\_\_\_\_  
10 m. smoke.

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on On Auto  
Hand \_\_\_\_\_ Movie \_\_\_\_\_

6. WEATHER: No clouds until 0200  
10/10 to 0400. 0/10 all way  
around to 0530 (heavy ground haze)

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM  
BUCKEYE? Haze on  
#1 - Heavy ground

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: no ct. 10/10 to 0300. 0200 - breaks  
after 0/10. 700 - 1500 TO.

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

SQUADRON ~~36~~ 36 A/C Number 896 Letter X Date 15/3/45

Bomb Load 10/250, 6xM17 H.E. Position on Formation 40th B

Time Took Off 1004 Time Landed 1922

1. <u>HOT NEWS</u> to be phoned in. Yes No	X	X	X	X
If <u>DITCHING</u> hold crew and fill out special form <u>in detail</u> .	X	X	X	X <u>(X)</u>
	X	X	X	X



Crew: Give Rank and Initials 20

Friendly A/C in distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
If lost, state whether b, a, a, e/a action, accident or undetermined cause)

2nd Lt. Schieb, R.F.K P

F/O. Lyles, J.D. EP

F/O. Gallagher, A.F. N

2nd Lt. Birkenmeier, A.T. B

Sgt. Thach, J.O. RO

Sgt. Trostle, R.A. E

Sgt. Wright, P.A. BT

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1448 1/2

Secondary: Heading: 094

Last Resort: Height: 22300

T.O. 2AS 150

(Circle One)  
Turn off target: Rt 150

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

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

Own Bombs: flashes in smoke An. Nichols: Yes N

Other Bombing: Smoke on app. Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on \_\_\_\_\_

Hand \_\_\_\_\_ Movie \_\_\_\_\_

6. WEATHER: Scrim clouds. Haze on contin. WHAT MESSAGES REC'D WRC BUCKEYE? \_\_\_\_\_

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: \_\_\_\_\_

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

SQUADRON ~~#####~~ 369

A/C Number

832

Letter

Date

15/3/45

6 x M17

Bomb Load

10/250

H.E.

Position - Formation

Time Took Off 1004

Time Landed 1920

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No  
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out  
 special form in detail.

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

40th B  
Low.

CRM: Give Rank and Initials

2/

*nil*

Friendly A/C in Distress:

(Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
 If lost, state whether b, A.A., E/A action,  
 accident or undetermined cause)

2nd Lt. Moore, V. ✓ P

2nd Lt. Collins, R.S. ✓ CP

F/O. Knight, P.H. ✓ N

2nd Lt. Cook, D.L. ✓ B

Sgt. Rieder, A.A. ✓ RO

Sgt. Dobner, E.J. ✓ E

Sgt. Paglow, L.F. ✓ BT

\_\_\_\_\_ WG

\_\_\_\_\_ WG

Sgt. Clegg, R.J. ✓ TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1733

Secondary: Heading: 085

Last Resort: Height: 23000

T.O.  
(Circle One)

Turn off target: 2

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

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

Own Bombs:

an. Nickels: Yes No

Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

Other bombing:

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on \_\_\_\_\_

Hand \_\_\_\_\_ Movie \_\_\_\_\_

6. WEATHER:

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM  
BUCKEYE? \_\_\_\_\_

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

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

SQUADRON ~~###~~ 368 ~~####~~ A/C Number 916 Letter      Date 15-3-45

Bomb Load 10 x 250, 6 x M17 H.E.

Position in Formation 40 B  
Low

Time Took Off 1004 Time Landed     

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No  
If DITCHING hold crew and fill out  
special form in detail.

	(X)		X	X	X
X	X		X		X X
X	X	X	X		X X
X	X				X X

*After target, saw an Mc go  
down, type unknown*

CREW: Give Rank and Initials 22

Friendly A/C in distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
If lost, state whether by A.A., E/A action,  
accident or undetermined cause)

*Before target, about 1410 hours,  
believe S/E Mc down.*

<u>1st Lt. H. W. Morris</u>	<u>    </u>	P
<u>F/O H. D. Hinckley</u>	<u>    </u>	CP
<u>2nd Lt. W. E. Bouch</u>	<u>    </u>	N
<u>2nd Lt. S. O. Briggs</u>	<u>    </u>	B
<u>S/Sgt. R. H. Reck</u>	<u>    </u>	RO
<u>Sgt. K. J. Gibson</u>	<u>    </u>	E
<u>Sgt. R. M. Fairchild</u>	<u>    </u>	BT
<u>Sgt. G. P. Hicks</u>	<u>    </u>	WG
<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	WG
<u>Sgt. G. G. Olsen</u>	<u>    </u>	TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1444  
Secondary: Heading: 087 mag.  
Last Resort: Height: 23000

T.O.  
(Circle One)  
Turn off target: 160

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

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

Own Bombs:      An. Nickels:      Yes      No       
Other Bombing:      Number and type     

4. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on       
Taken 8/10, 4000ft. Hand      Movie     

5. WEATHER: hazy over continent, no clouds  
8/10 over channel on way out  
4/10 over channel way home.

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM  
BUCKEYE? not heard

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:  
none

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

Time      Place      Height      Type (light)      Color      Location



(Location and length of fight)

(Tactics of E/A)

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

10. FIGHTER SUPPORT: (include time, place, and color markings.)  
First P-57s at 730 hours just after the coast.  
Green-nosed P-57s on way back

CLAIMS	
DESTROYED	_____
PROBABLE	_____
DAMAGED	_____
(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)	

11. 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.)

*Bugs  
Ellis*

Big puff of black smoke after target about 5750  
1440 E, slightly higher than us.  
Big column of smoke rising through clouds near  
~~target~~ or observation on way out.

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

13. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

after turning south  
after target saw vapor  
trail like V-2, 450  
angle of climb, pointed East,  
starting about our altitude,  
on after streamed  
over towards it.

14. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

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

16. ROUTE: (Note especially any deviations from briefed route. Did Squadron or A/C come back with Group or alone?)

Woods { 5228N } had  
          { 1132E }

a big wide swathe cut through it N to S, with at  
least 31 ramps going down into it. Looked as if a cement highway  
ran on each side of it. Looked as if lots of roads and  
through the woods, and  
no trust.

S-2 OFFICER

TIME COMPLETED

(Paul)



SQUADRON ~~###~~ 368 ~~###~~ A/C Number 814 Letter      Date 15-3-45

Bomb Load 10 x 250, 4 x M17 H.E.      Position in Formation 40 B Low

Time Took Off 1004 Time Landed     

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No  
If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

			X		
	X		X	X	X
(X)	X		X		X X
	X		X	X	X
	X	X			X X

CREW: Give Rank and Initials 24

Friendly A/C in distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
If lost, state whether A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

- 2nd Lt. J. H. Butler      P
- 2nd Lt. J. G. Woolbright      CP
- F/O C. R. Lemon      N
- Sgt. G. E. Bosworth      B
- Sgt. J. A. Feigum      RO
- Sgt. C. R. White      E
- Sgt. B. J. Hensley      BT
- WG
- WG
- Sgt. J. E. O'Brien      TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PF or Visual)

Primary:      Time: 1:44 1/2  
Secondary:      Heading: Camp out  
Last Resort:      Height: 23,000

T.O.  
(Circle One)  
Turn off target:     

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

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

Own Bombs: Hit the target An. Nichols: Yes   
 Other Bombing: B-17 hit it too Number and type 10/250 P/M17s

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical?      Was camera turned on above  
Hand      Movie     

6. WEATHER: Buzzy WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE?     

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: None sight

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

Time	Place	Height of	Type (light, heavy). Intense	Color of	Location	Accuracy
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SQUADRON ~~362~~ ~~369~~ A/C Number 362 Letter      Date 15 March, 1945.

Bomb Load 10 x 250 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 10:04 Time Landed     

*40th B High*

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No  
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.
- |  |   |   |   |   |   |
|--|---|---|---|---|---|
|  | X | X | X | X | X |
|  | X | X | X | X | X |
|  | X | X | X | X | X |

*Paisley, D-dog, left formation about 1334, between 3 under 3rd + Onahush, after calling Mc Donald to say engine was out, + he was dropping back.*

CRM: Give Rank and Initials 25

Friendly A/C in distress:  
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
 If lost, state whether b, A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

- Captain P. (NMI) Horvay  P
- 1st Lt. W. A. MacDonald  CP
- 2nd Lt. R. A. Atherton  N
- ~~1st~~ 2nd Lt. D. H. Gorrell  B
- T/Sgt. J. L. Garrett  RO
- T/Sgt. E. C. Hovey  E
- 2nd Lt. R. J. Pope  EXT RN
- S/Sgt. E. B. Brooks  WG
- WG
- Sgt. A. A. Gollart  TG

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (~~None~~ Visual)

Primary: Time: 1440 3/4  
 Secondary: Heading: 103  
 Last Resort: Height: 24,500

*Separate*

T.O.  
 (Circle One)  
 Turn off target: 150 hrs.

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

Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this lane or others)  
*Too much smoke to see you MPT, so aimed just to hit Lt of MPT (buildings in corner of woods)*

Own Bombs:      an. Nickels:      Yes     

*From P to target, either contacts or clouds at our altitude. Made from previous bombing was Number and type*  
 Other bombing: all to left.

4. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical?      was camera turned on       
 Hand      Movie     

5. WEATHER: Stratus on way back, about 10,000 ft.

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE Red: told all leader to stay at reference altitude within 12 crossing channel on way home.

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: None - no contacts from previous ops, during bomb run.

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

Height Time of Day Color Location Accuracy

SQUADRON ~~XXXXXX~~ 41 A/C Number 516 Letter M Date 15 March, 1945.

Bomb Load 10 x 250 6xM17, 1B Position in Formation

Time Took Off 10:04 Time Landed \_\_\_\_\_

*40<sup>th</sup> B. High*

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No  
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.
- |   |   |   |   |     |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|-----|---|---|
|   | 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 26

Friendly A/C in distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
If lost, state whether b, A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

- 2nd Lt. F. (NMI) Engstrom ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. R. W. Moore ✓ CP
- F/O. J. E. Reich ✓ N
- 2nd Lt. K. (NMI) Cooper ✓ B
- Sgt. A. M. Smart ✓ RO
- Sgt. W. E. Skinner, Jr. ✓ E
- Sgt. D. J. Sherman ✓ BT
- Sgt. N. K. Wenger ✓ WG
- Sgt. M. W. Fisher ✓ TG
- S/Sgt. R. K. Zach ✓ SJ

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)
- Primary: Time: 1441  
 Secondary: Heading: 106 m  
 Last Resort: Height: 23500  
 T.O. (Circle One)  
 Turn off target: 160

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 10 Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: \_\_\_\_\_ an. Nickels: Yes \_\_\_\_\_

Other bombing: on High Rd Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? was camera turned on now  
 Hand \_\_\_\_\_ Movie \_\_\_\_\_

6. WEATHER: \_\_\_\_\_ WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? \_\_\_\_\_

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: (PFF or Visual)

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



SQUADRON ~~XXXXXXXX~~ 4 - a/c Number 549 Letter D Date 15 March, 1945.

Bomb Load 10 x 250 H.E.

Position on Formation

Time took off 10:04 Time landed 13:30

*1st wave*  
X X X  
X X X  
X X X  
X X X  
40th B High

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No  
If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

*Left formation between Zielos Ziel  
On dash with #3 out -  
at 13:24 - Aided for fighter support.*

Crew: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in distress: *15 minutes later, according to Helms -*  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details) If lost, state whether D, A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause

2nd Lt. D. C. Paisley

F/O. A. B. Lemmon, Jr. CP

*Left formation at Sumner Lake at 13:40 hrs. #3 engine out - could hold alt. immediately after leaving formation #4 engine went out - mechanical failure - came back to within 5 miles of quarter zone then headed S.W. to Brussels - target at H. Thode (A92) was sent first to G-25 and then Brussels where we got a 47 T.O. extending to (Circle One) dropped on road intersection 10 miles S. of school*

2nd Lt. D. J. Casey N

2nd Lt. E. E. Hodges B

Sgt. R. H. Hitchcock RO

S/Sgt. H. A. Delso E

S/Sgt. J. L. Adams BT

S/Sgt. J. L. Harper, Jr. AG

WG

S/Sgt. S. R. Counts, Jr. TG

Primary: Brussels Time: 13:50  
Secondary: at H. Thode (A92) Heading: 280  
Last Resort: Brussels where we got a 47 T.O. Height: 16300  
Turn off target: used bomb sight and

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

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

Own Bombs: Bombs straddled corner of road intersection an. Hacks: Yes L  
Other Bombing: Number and type

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Has camera turned on yes (camera still in)  
Hand Movie A/C

6. WEATHER: Phoned this info. to Lt. Taylor at Division, 15 March 13:25 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D YRC BUCKEYES

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: B. H. Pool

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

Time	Place	Height of a/c	Type (light, color, altitude, or sight)	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to a/c	Accuracy

Crew observations about Flak:

9. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

2 F.W. 190  
 (Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types)  
 Attacked by 2 FW at about 1440 hrs. 10 miles north of  
 Anhem's attacks from 7 o'clock and 5 o'clock - broke  
 away at about 600 yds - didn't do any damage to  
 A/C -  
 one jet was obs. just before this fighter attack

(Tactics of E/A)

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

10. FIGHTER SUPPORT: (include time, place, and color markings:)

Called for fighter support but Popple Baker  
 leader had to follow bomber stream  
 back which was impossible under  
 conditions.

C L A I M S	
DESTROYED	
PROBABLE	
DAMAGED	

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

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

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

13. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

14. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

# 3 + 4 engines out.

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

16. ROUTE: (Note especially any deviations from briefed route. Did Squadron or A/C come back with Group or alone?)

S-2 OFFICER

*Murtha*

TIME COMPLETED





SQUADRON ~~367368369~~ A/C Number 598 Letter ○ Date 15 March, 1945.

Bomb Load 10 x 250 H.E.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 10:04 Time Landed \_\_\_\_\_

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

40 AB

High

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No  
If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

CMB: Give Rank and Initials

30

*Nothing on Primary*

Friendly A/C in distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
If lost, state whether D, A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

1st Lt. E. W. Schafer  P

2nd Lt. H. C. Hostetter  CP

F/O. A. P. Campagna, Jr.  N

S/Sgt. H. R. Langston  B

S/Sgt. C. A. Whitener  RO

S/Sgt. ~~K~~ D. Morrison  E

S/Sgt. J. C. Hurd  BT

\_\_\_\_\_  WG

\_\_\_\_\_  WG

S/Sgt. W. E. Strawn  TG

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

# 1 Primary: Title: 1441  
Secondary: Heading: 103  
Last Resort: Height: 24,420

T.O. (Circle One)  
Turn off target:

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

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

Own Bombs:

*with spln*

any Nickels:  Yes  No

Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

Other Bombing:

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? was camera turned on \_\_\_\_\_  
Hand \_\_\_\_\_ Movie \_\_\_\_\_

6. WEATHER:

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: *None at altitude*

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

Place of Height Time (light) Color Location Accuracy

SQUADRON ~~#####~~ 369 A/C Number 181 Letter      Date 15/3/45

Bomb Load 10/250, 6 XM17 H.E. Position in Formation 40th B

Time Took Off 1004 Time Landed 1450

- 1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
- If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

	X	X	X	(X)	High
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X

CITE: Give Rank and Initials 31

Friendly A/C in distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
If lost, state whether D, A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

DOG - scattered #3

2nd Lt. Tinkham, C.P.      P

2nd Lt. Grumbles, B.H.      CP

2nd Lt. Burwick, B.      N

Sgt. Vickroy, J.G.      B

Sgt. Guttenburg, D.E.      RO

Sgt. White, P.      E

Sgt. Motisi, F.      BT

- 2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFV or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1458 1/2

Secondary: Heading: 300°

Last Resort: Height: 23,700

T.O. 5159W - 1201E

(Circle One) Turn off target: Int. of 3 RR's  
autobahn

Sgt. Gilmore, M.F., Jr.      TG

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

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

Own Bombs: Int. of 3 RR's - 4  
autobahn

Am. Nickels: Yes (1)

Number and type 10/250  
6/17175

Other bombing:

- 5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? was camera turned on yes  
Hand      Movie

- 6. WEATHER: Pretty good but hazy WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE?

- 7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

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

Time	Place	Height of	Type (light, heavy), altitude,	Color of	Location of Bursts in re-	Accuracy
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(Location and length of fight)

(Tactics of E/A)

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

10. FIGHTER SUPPORT: (include time, place, and color markings:)

1257 - 5248 N - 04405  
G-55-FIX -

C L A I M S

DESTROYED \_\_\_\_\_

PROBABLE \_\_\_\_\_

DAMAGED \_\_\_\_\_

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

11. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT, (list any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummys, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, waterways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations.)

5234 - 1030 E - A/F Below to hell.

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

13. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

14. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

Doors were not completely open  
when toggles hit doors switch.

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

16. ROUTE: (Note especially any deviations from briefed route. Did Squadron or A/C come back with Group or alone?)

with Group.

S-2 OFFICER Schwartz TIME COMPLETED \_\_\_\_\_

SQUADRON ~~XXXXXX~~ 369 A/C Number 765 Letter \_\_\_\_\_ Date 15-3-45

Bomb Load 5 x T 332, 5 x T 330 H.E. Position and Formation

Time Took Off 1004 Time Landed 1916

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No  
If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

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

40th B High

C.O.E.: Give Rank and Initials 32

Friendly A/C in distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
If lost, state whether D, A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

- 2nd Lt. J. E. Collins ✓ P
- F/O R. H. Christensen ✓ CP
- F/O R. P. Geyser ✓ N
- Sgt. J. E. Dudev ✓ B
- Sgt. V. T. Fecht ✓ RO
- Sgt. F. S. McElmon ✓ E
- Sgt. H. E. Dedmon ✓ BT
- \_\_\_\_\_ WG
- \_\_\_\_\_ WG
- Sgt. R. J. Galuska ✓ TG

No

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (IFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1441

Secondary: Heading: 105°

Last Resort: Height: 25,000

T.O. (Circle One)

Turn off target: 330°

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

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

Own Bombs: Target obscured by previous bombings. an. Nickels: Yes

Other Bombing: Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on None  
Hand \_\_\_\_\_ Movie \_\_\_\_\_

6. WEATHER: As briefed WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYES? \_\_\_\_\_

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: None,

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

SQUADRON ~~#####~~ 369 A/C Number 619 Letter      Date 15/3/45

Bomb Load 10/250, 6xM17 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 1004 Time Landed     

- 1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
- If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

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

40th B  
High

C.O.B.: Give Rank and Initials 33

Friendly A/C in distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
If lost, state whether by, A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

*1334 - Paraly - D-Dog left formation - #2 fell out & dropped out of formation & went to High*

- 2nd Lt. Woods, R.E.  P
- 2nd Lt. Sandini, E.J.  CP
- 2nd Lt. McDaniel, L.M.  N
- Sgt. VanDiver, H.D.  B
- Sgt. Tuttle, J.W.  RC
- Sgt. Solano, P.J.  E
- Sgt. Sarver, G.L.  BT
- ~~Sgt. Rogers, G.D. (Janmer)~~  WG
- Sgt. Scherer, S.H.  TG

- 2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary:  Time: 1442

Secondary: Heading: 105

Last Resort: Height: 24,000

T.O. 112  
(Circle One)

Turn off target:     

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

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

Own Bombs: Saw thick low bombs strike rectangular building An. Nichols: Yes

Other Bombing:      Number and type 10/250 6/M17

- 5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on Yes
- Hand      Movie

- 6. WEATHER: Hazy - had to change course on slightly different heading because of slight change formations
- WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE?

- 7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: None

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

SQUADRON ~~XXXXXX~~ X 423 A/C Number 153 Let G Date 15 March, 1945.

Bomb Load 10 x 250 H.E.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 10:04 Time Landed

<u>(X)</u>	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X

40 'B'  
*[Handwritten initials]*

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No  
If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

*Saw 549-D, Peasley put his wheels down at 1335 and left formation of right wing. Puffs of smoke coming out of #3 for 10 min previous, saw him feather #3. radio that he lost out engine & was going to drop back + try along. about 1330 v*

Give Rank and Initials

- Captain W. D. Hallum P
- 2nd Lt. W. H. Baker CP
- 1st Lt. J. (NMI) Hrcnciar N
- 2nd Lt. R. G. Holscher B
- Sgt. C. E. Becraft RO
- S/Sgt. T. E. Kimsey E
- Sgt. A. J. Owsianyn BT
- S/Sgt. J. E. McDonough TG

Friendly A/C in distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
If lost, state whether O, A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

*heard him call O leader for fighters - he was losing #4 - bleed in oil line. Saw him lost when he left formation. said he would try to stay in bomber stream.*

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (IFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1441  
Secondary: Heading: 100  
Last Resort: Height: 24250

T.O. (Circle One)  
Turn off target: 130

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: (000) Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: any Nickels: Yes  
Other bombing: Number and type

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? was camera turned on None  
Hand \_\_\_\_\_ Movie \_\_\_\_\_

6. WEATHER:

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE?

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

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

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SQUADRON ~~XXXXXX~~ ~~XXXX~~ 423 A/C Number 116 Lett T Date 15 March, 1945.

Bomb Load 10 x 250 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 10:04 Time Landed 1822

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No  
If DITCHING hold crew and fill out  
special form in detail.

	X	X	X	X	X	X	40 'B'
X	X	X	X	X	X	X	<del>Lead</del>
X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Hi

Crew: Give Rank and Initials 36

Friendly A/C in distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
If lost, state whether O. A.A., E/A action,  
accident or undetermined cause)

- 2nd Lt. R. S. Kimball P
- 2nd Lt. W. H. Fischer CP
- F/O. J. C. Neighmond N
- 2nd Lt. F. L. Fiora B
- Sgt. N. J. Thomas RO
- S/Sgt. H. J. Goodwin E
- Sgt. L. (NMI) Foster BT
- WG
- WG
- Sgt. E. H. Merrill TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1441

Secondary: Heading: 104

Last Resort: Height: 24 400

T.O.  
(Circle One)  
Turn off target: 150

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

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

Own Bombs: An. Nickels: Yes No

Other Bombing: Bombed through smoke from previous bombs. Smoke to 15000 Number and type

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? was camera turned on  
Hand Movie

6. WEATHER: as briefed vis 3-5 miles

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE?

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

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