

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

APO 557  
18 April, 1944.

SUBJECT: Intelligence Narrative,  
Mission: Cranienburg, 18 April, 1944.

TO : Commanding Officer, 306th Bombardment Group (H), APO 557.

1. Narrative

21 A/C of the 306th Group proper took off at 1011 hours, made satisfactory rendezvous and flew low group in 40th CBW. The Composite group taking off with 9 A/C of the 306th failed to make 40th CBW rendezvous until well out in the channel. Course was as briefed to the target area. Over the target the 40th CBW got broken up in the high cloud. Crews feel that the presence of 5CBW's all closing in to bomb in a target area no larger than one airfield and without sufficient interval between made it too crowded for effective bombing and also largely created the "cloud" over the target out of their own con-trails. This "cloud" was built up thicker by each successive Wing. As a result, the 40th CBW, last in, became split up in the cloud after bombing. 306th Group proper however flew around the cloud and on, well protected in the middle of other formations, eventually lining up behind the group with "J" in triangle and following it home on the briefed course. Composite Group, also separated, flew beyond target somewhat wide of briefed course, circled back and flew entirely alone to near German coast where it rejoined 306th Group Proper again. Both 306th formations crossed English coast at Louth at 1202 hours, German coast on course at 1350 hours, German coast back on course at 1555 hours, English coast at 1747 hours four miles north of Cromer, landed at base at 1830 hours.

2. Fighter Opposition and Fighter Support

No enemy fighters were seen by either our own group or those flying with the composite. Fighter support was generally good. P-47's were picked up at 1347 hours, three minutes before crossing the enemy coast on the way in at 5420N x 0834E. From this point on the 306th Group proper met their escort at all times at the briefed points. The composite group, flying high and led by the 92nd Group, lost the Combat Wing formation at the target and those flying with this group report no visible escort after the target until 1530 hours when P-38's were picked up south of Hamburg and escorted this group until it joined the Combat Wing near the enemy coast.

3. A.A. Gun Fire

A.A. Gun Fire at the target was meager to moderate and generally low. At Wessermunde quite a lot of A.A. Gun Fire came up on group to left.

4. Bombing

306th Group proper bombed on smoke from previous bombing which already obscured aiming point. Crews feel bombs were accurately dropped but results could not be observed and photos do not show this part of target area. Photos do show bomb bursts from other Combat Wings on buildings of 41-B CBW aiming point on North side of field and also big clouds rolling up from 2 concentrations in the Germandorf area; one in the woods just west of the plant and the other on

railway and buildings 3/4 mile north of Germandorf plant. A further scattered group of bombs appears in woods approximately 1 mile north of Annahof field. Composite Group, including nine A/C of 306th bombed late, due perhaps to bombs hanging up in lead A/C, as only two of its bombs came out at first--then the rest. This group's bombs almost certainly overshot target, the results could not be seen. While visibility was good up to target area allowing pilotage to the edge of the airfield. The cloud which hung at altitude over and just in front of target area made formation bombing difficult and somewhat obscured target from directly overhead. At Wittenberge (on Elbe) large buildings on River S.E. of town were burning fiercely. From this and other bombing crews observed that whole of Northern Germany was 10,000 feet high in smoke.

5. Leaflets

50 parcels of G-34's were dropped in target area.

6. Weather

Bank of con-trails piled up like a cloud directly over target by first Combat Wings hampered formation of last Combat Wing over. Weather CAVU outside of target area.

7. Observations

Effective smoke screens were observed at the south end of Lake Murtz, Luneburg, Salzwedel and at approximately 5254N x 1200E. Barrage balloons were over the town of Wittenberge (on Elbe). About 30 A/C were seen on airfield at Bremerhaven. Over 30 S/E aircraft on the airfield at 5312N x 1230E. This latter field was flanked on South-east side by building shaped like race track. A large cleared strip at 5245N x 1140E appearing to be 1/2 mile wide and 3 to 4 miles long. Contained buildings, 15 to 20 ship convoy just off Haligoland headed for the island. Were shooting up flak. 2 P-47's dived to strafe.

8. Other A/C in Distress

1 B-17 seen to lose wing, last seen going down in spin at target. 8 chutes out.

B-17 apparently hit by flak, exploded at target. Four chutes reported. May be same A/C as above.

B-17 at 1503 hours at 5302N x 1205E was seen flying very low. Had friendly escort. 5 or 6 chutes out.

A silver B-17 was seen to burn and crash at 1430 hours near 5300N x 1200E.

At 5410N x 0730E three chutes seen over an oil slick at 1616 hours.

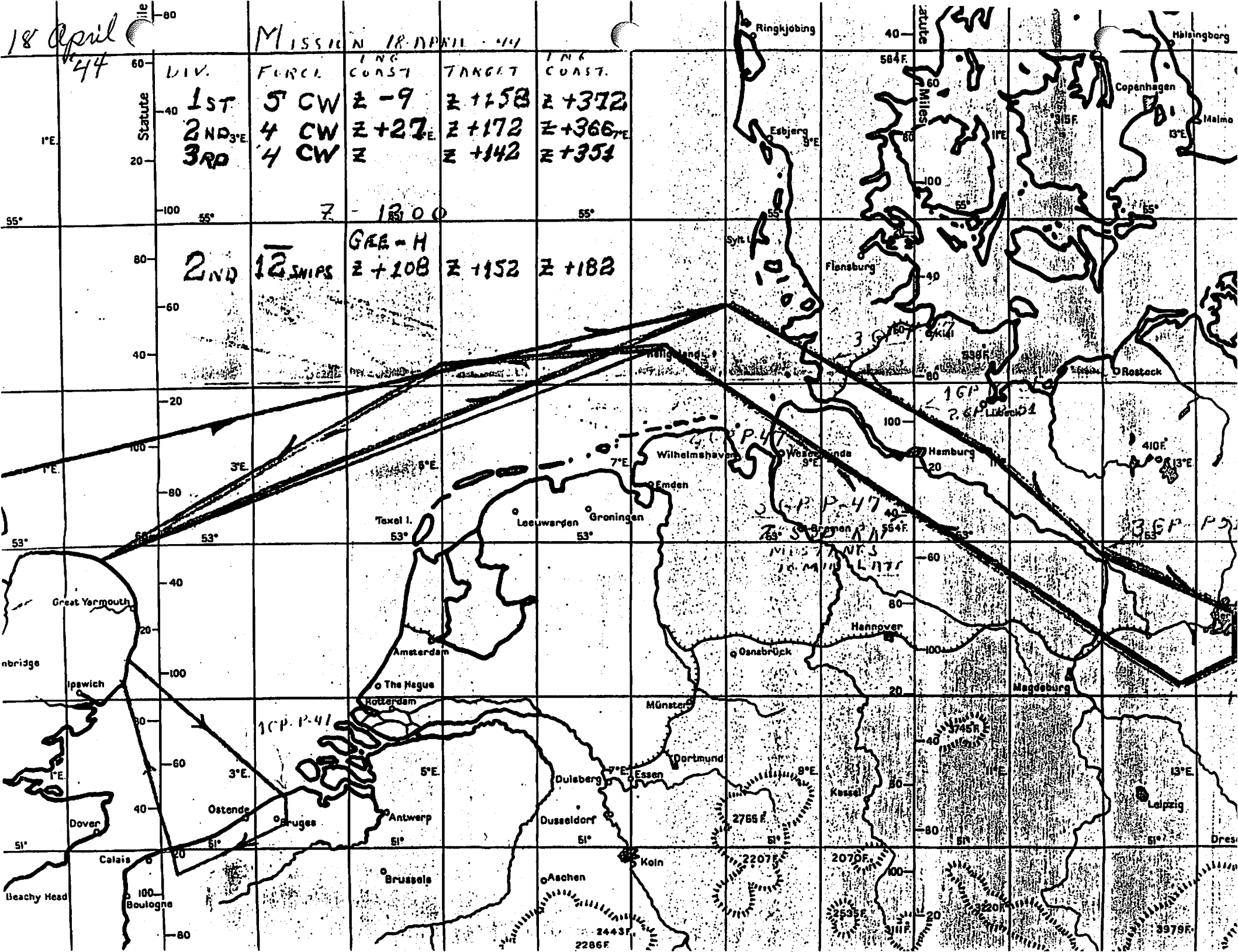
A/C returning early--Not Dispatched

Pilot Carlson, A/C 146-W, turned back at 1245 hours at 5345N x 0305E, personnel failure. Brought back 42 x M47A1.

Pilots McBride A/C 185-S, Clark A/C 250-G and Jones A/C 148-K, all spares, turned back at 5345N x 0300E at 1240 hours and flew back in formation each A/C bringing back 42 x M47A1.

JOHN A. BAIRNSFATHER,  
Major, AC,  
Group S-2.





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DIV.	FUEL	INC CONST	TARGET	INC CONST.
1ST	5 CW	Z -9	Z +158	Z +372
2ND <sup>3°E</sup>	4 CW	Z +27	Z +172	Z +366 <sup>TE</sup>
3RD	4 CW	Z	Z +142	Z +354

Z -1300

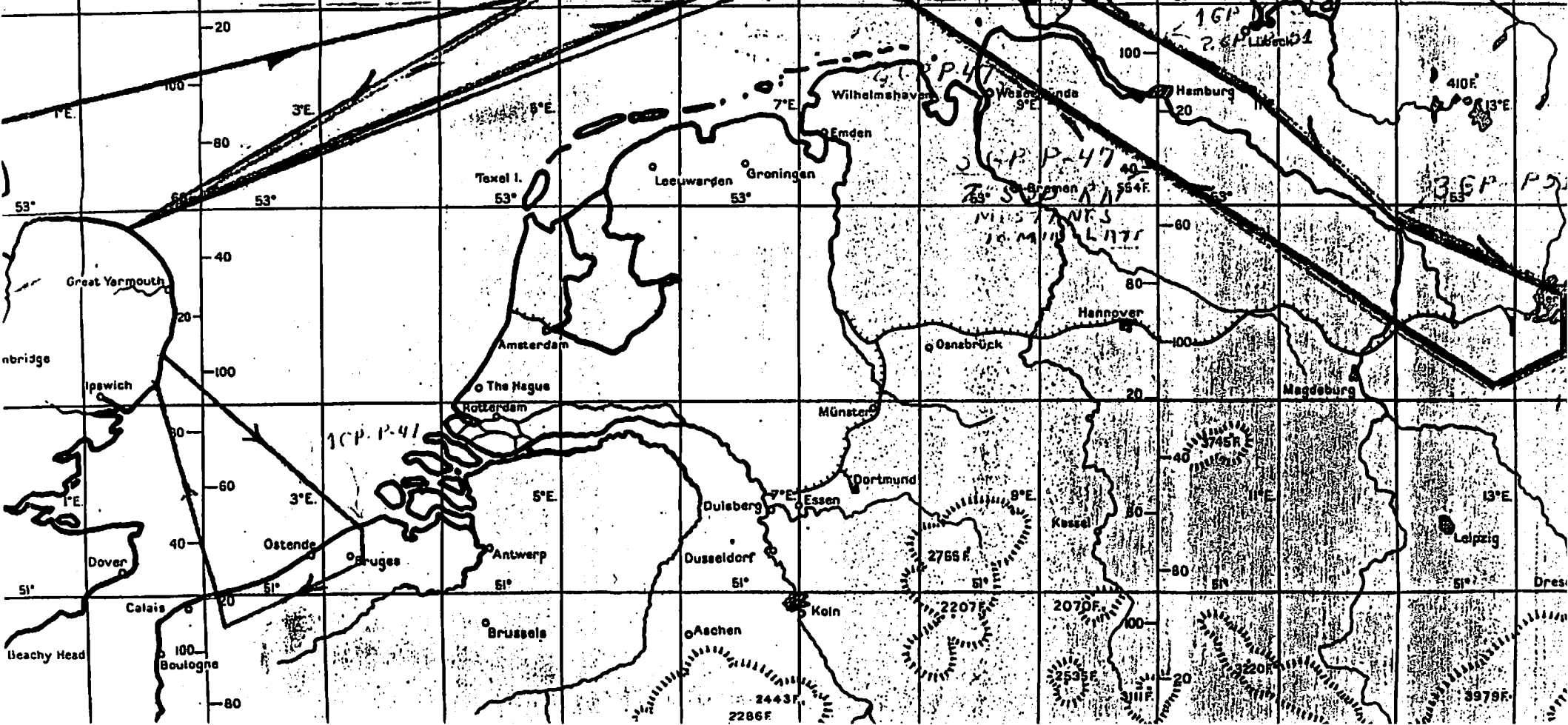
2ND 12 SWIPS

GEE-H

Z +108

Z +152

Z +182



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		<u>MCMAHON</u> *		
		093-V		
	<u>DOWELL</u> *	<u>FAULSEN</u>	<u>LUND</u>	<u>HEAP</u> *
	198-D	323-M	556-D	897-S
<u>SCHLECHT</u>	<u>REED</u>	<u>EHRLER</u> *	<u>WELTER</u>	<u>ERBERT</u>
827-G	939-A	113-G	505-V	539-O
	<u>JORGENSEN</u>	<u>CURTIS</u>	<u>COUGHLIN</u> *	<u>CARLSON</u> *
	558-M	155-J	776-F	146-W
<u>SWITZER</u>	<u>JAMES</u> *	<u>JONES</u>	<u>BALDWIN</u> *	<u>KOCH</u>
768-V	196-O	148-K	055-M	180-K (Nickels)
	<u>MCBRIDE</u>		<u>CLARK</u>	
	185-J		250-G	

\* INDICATES CAMERA IN AIRCRAFT

Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_

COMPOSITE

		<u>92</u>		
	<u>92</u>	<u>92</u>	<u>92</u>	<u>MACK</u> *
				129-L
<u>92</u>	<u>92</u>	<u>92</u>	<u>SCHWEDOCK</u>	<u>MALSON</u>
			172-B	099-S
	<u>HANSON</u> *	<u>92</u>	<u>92</u>	<u>SOMERVILLE</u>
	259-Q			469-K
<u>MATICHKA</u>	<u>MAGEE</u>	<u>92</u>	<u>RASTER</u> *	<u>SCHAEFER</u>
008-V	133-W		445-G	053-U

\* INDICATES CAMERA IN AIRCRAFT

REMARKS: \_\_\_\_\_



No. 17  
Berlin (Germany)  
April 18, 1945

# From Calais to Berlin; The Invasion Imminent

## Capital Blasted For 6th Time By USAAF

American bombers and fighters—between 1,500 and 2,000 of them—plugged their way across German skies to Berlin in daylight yesterday in a resumption of large-scale aerial assault which saw the Luftwaffe and Nazi targets hammered from the Pas de Calais to the heart of the Reich. In a day-long assault, the Allied air command in the ETO threw light and medium bombers, heavies, and fleets of fighters into attacks on Nazi objectives in France, Belgium and straight across Germany. Battered but desperate, the Luftwaffe put up screens of fighters along the route, and some air divisions came home to tell of three-hour battles with as many as 200 Nazi fighters.

Among the day's targets, aside from those in Berlin proper, were the Heinkel bomber works at Oranienburg, some 20 miles northeast of the capital, and an aircraft components plant at Rappenhof, 35 miles northwest.

First official announcements did not list American losses or claims, but German radio broadcasts were much more conservative in tone than in recent raids. Unofficial preliminary indications were that bomber losses would be almost tactically light.

The attack on the Berlin area was the Eighth Air Force's sixth and brought back to the ETO the major share of their three-way air pincer on Germany.

### Bulgar Rail Center Hit

In the south, Allied bombers based in Italy kept up their share of the attack with night blows on Plodiv, Bulgarian rail center linked to the Russian front, and the Soviet Air Force in the east resumed the attack with a blow at Galatz, Danube port and railhead for Nazi reinforcements bound for the Red battlefronts.

The heavy bomber attack from British bases, while including small Liberator raids on military objectives in the Pas de Calais, was aimed straight at the industrial and aircraft manufacturing center of Germany as part of the campaign to destroy the Nazi air force north and south, and at the same time to smash the continent-wide network of rail transport vital to German defenses against Allied invasion and the Russian steamroller as well.

Co-ordinated with the main blow were attacks by Marauder medium bombers against targets in northern France and railway yards at Charleroi, Belgium, while RAF and Allied Bostons, Mitchells and Mosquito bombers hit objectives behind the French coast. Ninth Air Force Thunderbolts and Allied Spitfires supported them, and supplied German fighters.

Way of the Forts and Libs since their first penetration to the Nazi capital on Mar. 4, the Luftwaffe put up masses of determined fighters, and from 1 PM to 4 PM German radio broadcasts gave almost blow-by-blow descriptions of the aerial battle in the clouds above the Reich. Some heavy bomber divisions, however, came back late in the day—it was one of the latest large-scale raids in weeks, and reported virtually negligible fighter opposition.

Liberator formations generally reported few attacks, and meager to moderate flak. Some Fortress units described a fight for their lives with almost endless relays of fighters, while other B17 units, led by Col. Eugene A. Romig, of Dyesville, Ohio, took scant punishment.

"Fighters protected our wing perfectly, and not a single Jerry bothered us," said Col. Romig. "We ran into moderate flak, but it did not interfere with our bombing run."

Surprising to all the formations heading into Germany's heaviest flak belt was the relatively light anti-aircraft defense. A few groups met intense fire, but only for a short time, while most other reports described it as only moderate.

Weather varied, and while the Nazis complained over the radio that heavy clouds interfered with their interceptors, 1 Lt. Warren S. Emerson, Neley, Ind. fighter pilot, came home to report: "Clouds of black smoke covered the city, punctuated by a big red ball of fire."

P38 Lightnings, P47 Thunderbolts and P51 Mustangs, drawn from both the Eighth and Ninth Fighter Commands, flew in relays with the bombers, carrying on their campaign to exterminate the Luftwaffe before invasion, which up to yesterday morning had accounted for 268 enemy aircraft in air combat during April for the loss of 113 U.S. fighters. In addition, scores of enemy planes have been destroyed on the ground, and 220 others shot down by bomber gunners for the loss of 185 four-engined craft, six of them.

The last time Allied bombs fell on Berlin was the night of Mar. 24, when the RAF heaped some 2,750 tons on it. Since the real Battle of Berlin began, the RAF and USSTAF probably have dropped almost 35,000 tons on the Nazi capital and its immediate industrial suburbs.

**INTERROGATION FORM**

SQUADRON ~~XXXI~~ (368) ~~XXXI~~ A/C Number 093 Letter V Date April 18, 1944

Bomb Load 42 M47A1 XXX Incend.  
 Time Took off 10:11 Time Landed \_\_\_\_\_

**Position in Formation**

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

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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

- Capt. J. B. McMahon  Pilot
- 1st Lt. A. J. Johnson  Co-P
- 1st Lt. A. W. Stillwell  Nav.
- 1st Lt. T. Boswell  Bomb
- T/Sgt. J. Alvarez  Radio
- T/Sgt. J. L. Dunten  Top T
- S/Sgt. M. J. Saj  Ball T
- S/Sgt. W. W. Schmeckpepper  R. Waist
- S/Sgt. R. F. Emery  L. Waist
- 2nd Lt. H. C. Hutsell  Tail G.

*1 minute after Target*  
*4 clouds over target (2 Hi. 2 Low)*  
*Saw pieces of B-17 going thru air*

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1449  
 Alternate Height: 24,000  
 Last Resort Heading: 93°  
 Duration Bomb Run: 30°

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

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

Own Bombs: Red Flare + THE for Visual  
 Other Bombing: 305 went across then into clouds  
 Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes No? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Any Nickels: Yes No \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number boxes dropped: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number Boxes returned: \_\_\_\_\_

*Wittenburg 2 mi. N of Vit Big explosion in town?*  
*level our*

*on patch of woods and over field*  
*bonus*  
*west down into mine*

**GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:**

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) 4/10 on Course Heavy Contrail Cloud at T.  
 9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Remarks
	<u>T.</u>		<u>Mod. but low at T.</u>			

Wessermunde - quite a bit of flak - close on group on left.  
 Crew observations about Flak: \_\_\_\_\_

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (Location and length of fight)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (Tactics of E/A)

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (Our defensive action)

C L A I M S	
DESTROYED	_____
PROBABLY	_____
DAMAGED	_____
(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)	

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

*A little less before & after T.*  
*51's & 28's (47's not seen by Powell)*

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

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

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

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

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



INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 368 369 423 A/C Number: 556 Letter D Date April 18, 194

Bomb Lead 42 M741 H.E.V. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 10:11 Time Landed 18:30

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

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details: Collision over target - 10 aunts observed. (2175 apparently)

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

- Capt. R. S. Lund ✓ Pilot
- 2nd Lt. R. E. MacDowell ✓ Co-P
- 1st Lt. J. W. James ✓ Nav.
- Capt. D. A. Logan Bomb
- T/Sgt. L. F. Carter ✓ Radio
- T/Sgt. P. R. Ward ✓ Top F
- S/Sgt. R. M. Bowman ✓ Ball T
- S/Sgt. W. E. Collier ✓ R. Waist
- W. D. Jackson ✓ L. Waist
- S/Sgt. W. W. Semler ✓ Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1449  
 Alternate Height: 24500  
 Last Resort Heading: 95°  
 {circle} Duration Bomb Run:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 11 Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: ... Lead bombs hit short -

Other Bombing: Field had been hit. Withering really on fire. Any Nickels: Yes No  
 Number boxes dropped  
 Number Boxes returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken? Yes? No?

Rock area on fire

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

With lead

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) Better than hoped -

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location in relation to A/C	Remarks
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Moderate ("in significant") at target

Crew observations about Flak:

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

(Estimated total number of E/A seen) \_\_\_\_\_ (Types) \_\_\_\_\_

(Location and length of fight) \_\_\_\_\_

(Tactics of E/A) \_\_\_\_\_

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

(Our defensive action) \_\_\_\_\_

C L A I M S	
DESTROYED	<i>0</i>
PROBABLY	<i>0</i>
DAMAGED	<i>0</i>

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

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT *Very good support at all. constantly in sight. P375 - P371 & P373.*

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (list any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, signals; activity at airbases, ports, water ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations)  
*12 mi. S. of Hethel - 14-16 knots - small*  
*for 4 hrs - heading north*

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

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)  
*see part 1*

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly) *none*  
 15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly) *Slight flex judder*

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES: *none*

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?)  
*"I'm satisfied"*

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 368 369 A/C Number 323 Letter M Date April 18, 1944

Bomb Load 42 M47A1 ~~M47A~~ Incend.

Time Took off 10:17 Time Landed 1848

Position in Formation

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

2. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No  
 Details: Fire +  
over target B-17 exploded. 4  
chutes by Fighter.

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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

- 1st Lt. P. F. Paulsen ✓ Pilot
- 1st Lt. F. I. Endres ✓ Co-P
- 2nd Lt. R. E. Schmielau ✓ Nav.
- 1st Lt. M. K. Antoon Bomb
- S/Sgt. R. W. Church ✓ Radio
- T/Sgt. E. G. Miller ✓ Top T
- S/Sgt. H. M. Haven ✓ Ball T
- S/Sgt. T. A. Donlon ✓ R. Waist
- S/Sgt. E. J. Robinson ✓ L. Waist
- S/Sgt. J. L. Laningham ✓ Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1449 hours  
 Alternate Height: 23,700'  
 Last Resort Heading: 090° M.  
 (circle)  
 Duration Bomb Run:

3. Number of BCMS dropped on target: 1 1/2 min. Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: thought hit primary but such smoke.

Other Bombing: Fires + also other targets

Any Nickels: Yes (N)  
 Number boxes dropped \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number boxes returned \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

as briefed.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) Pin. point ground. Hazy over target. No con. trails.

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location Bursts in relation to A/C
<u>1449</u>	<u>target</u>	<u>23,700</u>	<u>major</u>	<u>Black</u>	<u>low</u>

Cont: only channel from brats  
 Crew observations about Flak: \_\_\_\_\_

Chaff as briefed. No Comput.



10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

1 - 2/A over target.  
(Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types)

Far away  
(Location and length of fight)

(Tactics of E/A)

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

(Our defensive action)

CLAIMS	
DESTROYED	<u>                    </u>
PROBABLY	<u>                    </u>
DAMAGED	<u>                    </u>

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

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT As briefed - no gaps.

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

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

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

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly) None

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

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

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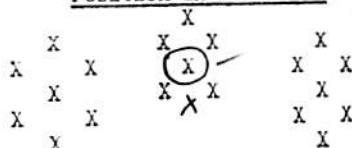
INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~367~~ (368) ~~369~~ ~~370~~ A/C Number 943 Letter L Date April 18, 1944

Bomb Load 42 M47A1 H.W. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 10:11 Time Landed 1830



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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

*2 Chutes - seen target at 1445  
 no planes seen in distress*

1st Lt. R. H. Ehrler Pilot

2nd Lt. F. A. Puckett Jr. Co-P

2nd Lt. R. E. Buchanan Nav.

1st Lt. B. C. Gustafson Bomb

T/Sgt. B. B. Ferns Radio

T/Sgt. P. J. Pratt Top T

S/Sgt. G. C. Abbatiello Ball T

S/Sgt. C. J. Predko R. Waist

S/Sgt. E. J. Heintz L. Waist

S/Sgt. J. C. Hay Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1445/1450

Alternate Height: 24,000

Last Resort Heading: 93  
 (circle)

Duration Bomb Run:       

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 42 Jettisoned: 1 Returned: 1 Abortive:       

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: 70% (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: Target area man on the

Any Nickels:        Yes        No  
 Number boxes dropped         
 Number boxes returned       

Other Bombing:

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

*as briefed*

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) at target high clouds

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy, intense, moderate or slight)	Color of Bursts	Location Bursts in relation to A/C	Remarks
<u>Inaccurate</u>						

Crew observations about Flak:

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

(Estimated total number of E/A seen) \_\_\_\_\_ (Types) \_\_\_\_\_

(Location and length of fight) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

(Tactics of E/A) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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

\_\_\_\_\_

(Our defensive action) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

CLAIMS	
DESTROYED	_____
PROBABLY	_____
DAMAGED	_____

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

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT *Good*

*at least 2 in sight all time 38 at least going in stayed with till picked up 5 3 at 1P.*

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

*Convoy - just left coast a way back near Helgoland*

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

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

*none*

15.

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly) *no*

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES: *Rt. wing flap creeps down in flight*

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

*Twenty five missions is enough*

S-2 OFFICER *More*

TITLE COMPLETED *1938*



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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON B627 368 B69MM230X A/C Number 776 Letter F Date April 18, 1944

Bomb Load <sup>40</sup> 42 x M47A1 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 10:11 Time Landed 1832

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

2. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No  
 Details: None

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 1st Lt. J. F. Coughlin Pilot
- 2nd Lt. G. T. DeVack Co-P
- 1st Lt. F. J. Hall Nav.
- 2nd Lt. G. T. Cretton Bomb
- T/Sgt. C. E. Libby Radio
- T/Sgt. M. C. Beasley Top T
- S/Sgt. T. A. Flores Ball T
- Sgt. R. A. Garner R. Waist
- S/Sgt. C. D. Ladage L. Waist
- S/Sgt. M. T. Tucker Tail G.

Bombers lagged but all OK

Just after giving target two chutes, I came out of B-17 that was hit.

2. TARGET ATTACKED: Exact not known

Primary Time: 1449  
 Alternate Height: 24000

Last Resort Heading: 92° M  
 (circle)

Duration Bomb Run: 12 min

Rainy some evasive  
Settling 40 sec.

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

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)  
ALL but six - these gotten out late

Own Bombs: not observed

Other Bombing: not observed on target

Any Nickels: Yes (No)  
 Number boxes dropped \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number boxes returned \_\_\_\_\_

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

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) 2/10 to 3/10 of about 5,000 over target, areas clear CAVO to 5% better than bright

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C
<u>at tag</u>		<u>24000</u>	<u>slight.</u>		
<u>at tag</u>			<u>slight moderate</u>	<u>Blk.</u>	<u>one hit on wing</u>

Ship was in flak 5 min before tag + 2 min after  
 Crew observations about Flak: seven members 1/12 and

Smoke screen 25,000 ft. also flak slight  
maculate 1444 more flak on I.P. Run  
B-17 seen circling between I.P. + Tag

(Flak at Stade (near Luxembourg) light not on flak map)

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

at 1504 at Konigsberg BT7 west of  
(Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types)  
in flames, one fighter of unknown type  
in Back to back blow up might have  
(Location and length of fight)  
been using rockets

(Tactics of E/A)

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

(Our defensive action)

CLAIMS	
DESTROYED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
PROBABLY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
DAMAGED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

Good - no gaps overlapped perfectly

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (list any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, etc signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water ways, roads, railroad yards; cc concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installation)  
Wittenburg industrial area pit trench East  
Corner against river large fire (factor and equipment)

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

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

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly) Slight flask hole in wing

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES: None

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?)  
much shipping activity in Elba river and  
north of Wittenburg. Boats built up man to  
Flak S-2 OFFICER William A. Schlemmer TIME COMPLETED 1932

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367X 368 369XXXL23X A/C Number 115 Letter J Date April 18, 1945

Bomb Load 42-24741 42E Incend.

Time Took off 10:11 Time Landed 14:25

Position in Formation

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

2. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes  No

Details:

1449 - 3 chutes  
1445 - 3 chutes } Target area

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 1st Lt. J. W. Curtis  Pilot
- 2nd Lt. W. G. Mitchell, Jr.  Co-P
- 2nd Lt. W. L. Cullen  Nav.
- 2nd Lt. P. R. Carsten  Bomb
- T/Sgt. C. E. Lane  Radio
- Sgt. F. J. Benore  Top T
- S/Sgt. G. Y. Northam  Ball T
- S/Sgt. G. R. Kerley  R. Waist
- S/Sgt. J. R. Trigani  L. Waist
- S/Sgt. D. V. Cookman  Tail G.

1657 5359N-0407E - object in water thought to be raft. to far away to see if anyone was on raft

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1449  
 Alternate Height: 24000  
 Last Report Heading: 089° mag.  
 (circle)  
 Duration Bomb Run: 20 seconds

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 42741 Jettisoned: \_\_\_\_\_ Returned: \_\_\_\_\_ Abortive: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Own Bombs: did not see hits - smoke observed hits.  
 Other Bombing: \_\_\_\_\_

Any Nickels: Yes  No   
 Number boxes dropped \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number Boxes returned \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken  Yes?  No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C
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target - mod tracking course  
1st stage - minor - observed  
2nd stage - minor  
 Grey observations about Flak:  
Cuyhaven - meager



10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

(Estimated total number of E/A seen) \_\_\_\_\_ (Types) \_\_\_\_\_

(Location and length of fight) \_\_\_\_\_

(Tactics of E/A) \_\_\_\_\_

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

(Our defensive action) \_\_\_\_\_

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

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

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

*11°10' E - 53°15' N - long runway coming out of woods  
Hambury - smoke screen*

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

*new A/D at Quackborn - Large fires at Hambury*

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

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

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

S-2 OFFICER *Murtha*

FILE COMPLETED

*Span*

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 267 368 269 423 A/C Number 148 Letter K Date April 18, 1944

Bomb Load 42 M47al NEX Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 10:11 Time Landed \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

*Turned back 0200L, 124 1/2 - Span  
 flew back in formation - 8500 ft.*

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

1st Lt. D. C. Jones	Pilot
2nd Lt. W. S. Lutz	Co-P.
2nd Lt. E. P. O'Neill	Nav.
2nd Lt. J. L. Knox	Bomb
S/Sgt. J. D. Reed	Radio
S/Sgt. W. D. Adams	Top T
Sgt. Roy T. Ward	Ball T
Sgt. Ray E. Ward	R. Waist
Sgt. A. Lasak	L. Waist
Sgt. C. H. Lux	Tail G.

2: TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time:

Alternate Height:

Last Resort Heading:  
 (circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

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

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

Own Bombs: *Lead + low groups in good formation, high falling around*

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No  
 Number boxes dropped \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number Boxes returned \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) CAVV

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

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

Crew observations about Flak: \_\_\_\_\_

INTERROGATION FORM

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SQUADRON ~~423~~ 423 A/C Number B77 Letter S Date 18-4-44

Bomb Load 42 MW/AL#E Incend. \_\_\_\_\_ Position in Formation \_\_\_\_\_

Time Took off 1011 Time Landed 1831 1/2

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

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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials.

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

*Silver B17 very low 1503  
 friendly fighters around  
 some chutes out (546) <sup>1510</sup>  
 (53°02'N  
 12°05'E)*

Capt. E. L. Heap Pilot ✓  
 2nd Lt. D. L. Latham Co-P ✓  
 1st Lt. J. J. Valenti Nav. ✓  
 1st Lt. P. G. Coad Bomb ✓  
 T/Sgt. J. A. Park Radio ✓  
 T/Sgt. J. I. Stutts Top T ✓  
 S/Sgt. K. G. Norris Ball T ✓  
 S/Sgt. H. B. McIntyre R. Waist ✓  
 S/Sgt. S. M. Kupferman L. Waist ✓  
 S/Sgt. J. C. Dehler Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1448<sup>50</sup>  
 Alternate Height: 24300  
 Last Resort Heading: 090 MAG.  
 (circle)  
 Duration Bomb Run: \_\_\_\_\_

*On lead*

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

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

Own Bombs: *Think bombs were in target area*

Other Bombing: *Good - along run* Any Nickels: Yes No  
 Number Boxes dropped \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number Boxes returned \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes No? *Good bombing at Antwerp*

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home. *no brided*

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location	Accuracy Bursts in relation to A/C
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*Target mod inacc - level fire*

Crew observations about Flak: \_\_\_\_\_

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

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

(Location and length of fight)

(Tactics of E/A)

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

(Our defensive action)

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

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT *Very good.*

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

*14:33 large landing strip in woods D.R. position (52°45'N) Strip was 1/2 mile wide - 3-4 miles long - parallel to 11°40' E N. end of runway in woods - building areas - ~~runway~~ well camouflaged*

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

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

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

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

S-2 OFFICER *[Signature]*

TIME COMPLETE



Abort.

INTERROGATION FORM

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SQUADRON 367#368#369 423 A/C Number 146 Letter W Date 18-1-44

Bomb Load 42 M4V Al. H.P. Incendi: \_\_\_\_\_ Position in Formation \_\_\_\_\_

Time Took off 1011 Time Landed \_\_\_\_\_

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

*Intercom went out. Turned back 1245  
 5345, 0305 - 9600*

	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

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

<u>1st Lt. R. D. Carlson</u>	Pilot
<u>2nd Lt. H. K. Potsum</u>	Co-P
<u>1st Lt. S. Soxcia</u>	Nav.
<u>2nd Lt. R. D. Beres</u>	Bomb
<u>S/Sgt. C. W. Hanby</u>	Radio
<u>T/Sgt. W. H. Moran</u>	Top T
<u>S/Sgt. B. White</u>	Ball T
<u>S/Sgt. V. L. King</u>	R. Waist
<u>S/Sgt. W. T. Morgan</u>	L. Waist
<u>Sgt. S. M. Garza</u>	Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

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

Alternate: \_\_\_\_\_ Height: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Resort Heading:

(circle)

Duration Bomb Run: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Own Bombs: *Formation damaged good, including high group*

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No  
 Number Boxes Dropped \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number Boxes returned \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) CAVU

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

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

Crew observations about Flak: \_\_\_\_\_

*(Clark says GY from 0700 to 1300)*

*Flares - Nav's flimsy says GG from 0700 to 1300, based on briefing board says GY 0800 4400 RR from 1300 to 1400*

INTERROGATION FORM

12

SQUADRON ~~367~~ 423 A/C Number 180 Letter K Date 11-4-44

Bomb Load Nickels H.E. Incend. Position in Formation

Time Took off 1011 Time Landed 1835

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

1 B-17 - 10 min after target exploded - 2-4 chutes

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:

(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

1st Lt. W.C.B. Koch Pilot

2nd Lt. K. J. Hall Co-P

1st Lt. A. J. Bugni Nav.

2nd Lt. W. Finklestien Bomb

T/Sgt. G. S. Brown, Jr. Radio

T/Sgt. H. W. Lingle Top T

S/Sgt. B. J. Thorialt Ball T

S/Sgt. E. F. Campos R. Waist

S/Sgt. V. D. Campbell L. Waist

Sgt. D. F. Suhayrik Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1 X 50

alternate Height: 2 X 500

Last Resort Heading 090° mag

(circle) Duration Bomb Run:

1 1/2 min.

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target

Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs:

Other Bombings:

Any Nickels: Yes No  
Number boxes dropped  
Number Boxes returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

As briefed

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

9. FLAK: None at target - lower layer clouds - 26000'?  
None encountered on way out, at target and on way home. - 2nd - 25 miles -

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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1424 - 20 ft. Cromis - Cool - H.V. - Slight - Inaccurate  
Target - H.V. - Moderate - Tracking Blk. alt. Bomb  
Heading - H.V. - Slight - Inaccurate

Crew observations about Flak:

Bromine - 20 burst - Blk - Inaccurate  
3 or 4 Rocket - (Campbell) at target - burst yellow then kept rising up - yellow in color and descended slowly

*Spare*

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367#368#369 423 A/C Number 250 Letter G Date 18-1-44

Bomb Load 42 ML7 Al H#7 Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Tock-off 1011 Time Landed X X X X X X SPARE

I. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

*Turned back 0300 est - 1240 hrs.  
7000 ft.*

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 1st Lt. H. F. Clark Pilot
- 2nd Lt. J. G. Seymour Co-P
- 2nd Lt. A. E. Telfer Nav.
- 2nd Lt. W. L. Ryan Bomb
- T/Sgt. L. L. Cannon Radio
- T/Sgt. S. H. Zych Top T
- S/Sgt. E. N. Dillinger Ball T
- S/Sgt. W. Schmidt R. Waist
- S/Sgt. H. M. Jack L. Waist
- S/Sgt. M. C. Crow Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time:  
Alternate Height:  
Last-Resort Heading:  
(circle)  
Duration Bomb Run:

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

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

Own Bombs: *Group formation was good, as was lead group. However, high group was within good formation, not sure they were with the wing.*  
 Other Bombing: Any Nickels: Yes No  
 Number Boxes dropped  
 Number Boxes returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) CAVU

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

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

Crew observations about Flak:

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON X367X368 369 423X A/C Number: 198 Letter D Date April 18, 1944

Bomb Load 42 M7A1 RYEX Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 10:11 Time Landed \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

*7 chutes just about 4 minutes after target.*

- 1st Lt. K. F. Dowell  Pilot
- 1st Lt. C. W. Young  Co-P
- 1st Lt. D. A. Sharkey  Nav.
- 1st Lt. C. M. Frantz  Bomb
- T/Sgt. J. C. Hubbard  Radio
- T/Sgt. J. E. Mellyn  Top T
- S/Sgt. C. E. Shakespeare  Ball T
- S/Sgt. H. Yanka  R. Waist
- S/Sgt. J. E. Cannon  L. Waist
- S/Sgt. E. B. Steinmann  Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1448 1/2  
 Alternate Height: 23,600  
 Last Resort Heading: 100' mag.  
 (circle)  
 Duration Bomb Run:  
2 minutes

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

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

Own Bombs: lot of smoke on Gennantof - smoke on 41<sup>st</sup> target  
0 ones not downed

Other Bombing: Havelange, factory at Wittelange

Any Nickels: Yes No  
 Number Boxes dropped \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number Boxes returned \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) Cirr. stratus at target 10/100 visibility  
plenty good enough to make run

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C
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target - moderate, fairly accurate, tracking  
Carthage - several - inaccurate

Crew observations about Flak: Seemed to hear lot of gunfire in woods at Gennantof



INTERROGATION FORM

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SQUADRON ~~367~~ 369 ~~102~~ A/C Number 939 Letter A Date April 18, 1944

Bomb Load 42 M47al ~~XXXX~~ Incend.

Time Took off 10:11 Time Landed \_\_\_\_\_

Position in Formation

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

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

*3 charts, regn over target from ahead.*

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

- 2nd Lt. M. D. Reed  Pilot
- 2nd Lt. J. L. Murphy  Co-P
- F/O. H. J. Meyer  Nav.
- 2nd Lt. R. E. Fraley  Bomb.
- S/Sgt. E. H. Rees  Radio
- S/Sgt. M. E. Lavoie  Top T
- Sgt. C. B. Dodson  Ball T
- Sgt. J. H. Jenkins  R. Waist
- S/Sgt. D. F. Bohrer  L. Waist
- Sgt. W. A. Cousins  Tail G.

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:  
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details) *no AC seen.*

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1449.  
 Alternate Height: 23700  
 Last Resort Heading: 95 mag.  
 (circle)  
 Duration Bomb Run: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: (2xM4) Jettisoned: \_\_\_\_\_ Returned: \_\_\_\_\_ Abortive: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Own Bombs: *target well hit*

Other Bombing: \_\_\_\_\_

Any Nickels: Yes No  
 Number Boxes dropped \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number Boxes returned \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? (No)

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACHED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

*As tried.*

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

*Very good, but mid off. a layer of clouds at height of target at little under.*

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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*Encountered in us full shot.*  
*diff. little to the R.*  
 Crew observations about Flak: \_\_\_\_\_

*light damage.*

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

(Types)

(Location and length of fight)

(Tactics of E/A)

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

(Our defensive action)

C L A I M S	
DESTROYED	_____
INCUBATED	_____
DAMAGED	_____
(Fill out immediately so make CLAIM FOR each claim.)	

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

*At 10:00 hrs. from east to east*

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

*Millions really hit. biggest fire seen. Bombs in fire apparatus in line 10/2*

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

14. INJURIES TO CRE: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received. PL, CG and T.E.)

15.

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

*D. Each*

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

17. ACTS OF VIOLENCE: (Any unusual incidents? any other significant information?)

*At 10:00 hrs. Bombs in fire apparatus in line 10/2*

*Adlin*

INTERROGATION FORM

17

SQUADRON ~~287X388~~ 369 A/C Number 827 Letter G Date April 18, 1944

Bomb Load 4x 1000 H.E. Incand. Position in Formation

Time Took off	Time Landed	1821	X	X	X	X
1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No			X	X	X	X
Details:			X	X	X	X
			X			X

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

*6 chutes seen at target  
 14:49 - A/C not seen  
 Friendly fighter - about 1 hr in  
 after E coast - seen going down out of control - no reason apparent.*

- 2nd Lt. E C. Schlecht Pilot
- 2nd Lt. F. W. Hunt Co-P
- 2nd Lt. E. W. Gorder Nav.
- 2nd Lt. J. D. Blum Bomb
- S/Sgt. C. B. Pillel Radio
- S/Sgt. J. H. Davis Top T
- Sgt. S. Michalicki Ball T
- S/Sgt. F. A. Hegser R. Waist
- S/Sgt. T. A. Harkin L. Waist
- Sgt. J. D. Haudensfield Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED: 32 / 10

Primary Time: 15:26 / 15:27  
 Alternate Height: 20000  
 Last Resort Heading: 310 MAG  
 (circle)  
 Duration Bomb Run: none

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

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

*Own Bombs: S.E. of Osterburg - vicinity of Waldleben  
 Electric mech. would not open bomb doors.*

Other Bombing: Any Nickels: Yes No  
 Emergency release failed to open left door. Number Boxes dropped  
 Number Boxes returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

*door, cranked doors - dropped salvo - only 32 went  
 6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: dropped - by trigger release to get rid of other 10.*

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

*Other bomb: not observed except for smoke in target area.*

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

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

Crew observations about Flak:

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OFFICION:

(Estimated total number of E/A seen) \_\_\_\_\_ (Types) \_\_\_\_\_

(Location and length of fight) \_\_\_\_\_

(Tactics of E/A) \_\_\_\_\_

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

(Our defensive action) \_\_\_\_\_

C L A I M S	
DESTROYED	_____
PROBABLY	_____
DAMAGED	_____
(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)	

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

*Very good*

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

*Wilhelmshaven - one large vessel escorted by 10-12 small vessels - heads Heligoland. B17 behind / aborted*

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

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

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES: *doors, bomb bay & bomb releases  
Heater out in cockpit.*

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

S-2 OFFICER

*N. Skalik*  
*capt*

FILE COMPLETED



18

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367XX763 369 XXX A/C Number 36558 Letter H Date April 18, 1945

Bomb Load 42 M47A1 XXX Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 10:13 Time Landed 1820

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

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details: Saw 8 chutes over target area.

CREW: Give rank and Initials

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

- 1st Lt. P. C. Jorgenson  Pilot
- 2nd Lt. W. D. Wills  Co-P *2nd*
- 1st Lt. F. M. Sovis  Nav.
- 2nd Lt. H. F. Jenack  Bomb
- T/Sgt. G. J. King  Radio
- T/Sgt. V. V. Michaletz  Top T
- S/Sgt. B. W. Bennett  Ball T
- S/Sgt. W. N. Yeager  R. Waist
- S/Sgt. R. A. Yerak  L. Waist
- S/Sgt. R. N. Irwin  Tail G.

*Several B4's ditched over water on way out.*

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1449  
 Alternate Height: 23500  
 Last Report Heading: 090°M.  
 (circle)  
 Duration Bomb Run: 1 min.

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 1 Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: Hit somewhere on target.

Other Bombing: Well placed.

Any Wickels: Yes  No   
 Number Boxes dropped  
 Number Boxes returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes?  No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

*as briefed.*

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) Saw land in & out. Haze, no con. trails

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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Target			meager black		High	no
	Wesermunde					no
1400	6 miles					no

Crew observations about Flak:

INTERROGATION FORM

19

SQUADRON ~~XXXXXX~~ 369 ~~XXXX~~ A/C Number 196 Letter O Date April 18, 1944

Bomb Load 42 M47A1 Incend. Yes Position in Formation

Time Took off 10:11 Time Landed 1820

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details: At Primary 145 hrs few & chitter

no A/C

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

B17-5284 N x 1200' E headed toward  
throwing out equipment about 1700 alt.  
B-24 5320 N x 0255' E at 500'  
headed toward enemy coast

- Lt. W. R. James Pilot
- 2nd Lt. G. E. Vandermarlier Co-p
- 2nd Lt. W. W. Middigton Nav.
- 2nd Lt. <sup>ST</sup> Strange Bomb
- S/Sgt. W. Elliott Radio
- T/Sgt. G. A. Yeght. Top T
- S/Sgt. E. E. Wynn Ball T
- S/Sgt. E. L. Minto R. Waist
- S/Sgt. J. R. Copeman L. Waist
- S/Sgt. W. W. Lastinger Tail G.

TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1449

alternate Height: 23,400

Last Resort Heading: 070 mag

Duration Bomb Run: About 7 minutes

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

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

Own Bombs:

Other Bombing: Burst and smoke A+B

Any Nickels: X Yes No  
 Number Boxes Dropped  
 Number Boxes Returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken? Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

As ordered

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

Target Clear

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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1449 Target 23400 Heavy Moderate black tracking inaccurate  
1510 Haulburg Area " " " " " " " "

Crew observations about Flak:  
Crossing enemy position way out 18000 " " " " " " " "  
One brown burst size of flak many small gold particles  
coming in air when burst

INTERROGATION FORM

20

SQUADRON 369 A/C Number 768 Letter V Date April 18, 1944

Bomb Load 42 M7AL Incend. XXXX Position in Formation

Time Took off 10:11 Time Landed X

	X	X	X	X
1. <u>HOT NEWS</u> to be phoned in? Yes No	X	X	X	X
Details:	X	X	X	X
	X	X	X	X

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

*3 chutes just before target*

- 2nd Lt. A. J. Switzer ✓ Pilot
- 2nd Lt. W. O. Thompson ✓ Co-P
- 2nd Lt. W. J. Trotter ✓ Nav.
- 2nd Lt. G. M. Krenn ✓ Bomb
- S/Sgt. R. H. Reens ✓ Radio
- S/Sgt. D. A. Newerth ✓ Top T
- Sgt. V. A. Barnett ✓ Ball T
- Sgt. J. T. Justice ✓ R. Waist
- S/Sgt. F. M. Sliva ✓ L. Waist
- Sgt. F. W. Palmer ✓ Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1149  
 Alternate Height: 2400  
 Last Resort Heading: 94  
 (circle):  
 Duration Bomb Run: ?  
*left*

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 42 XM47 Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: *Murphy*

Other Bombing: Any Nickels: Yes No  
 Number boxes dropped  
 Number boxes returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? (No)

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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*lots of it but not wanted for us.*

Grew observations about Flak: *flaming seen - other groups. Remains from some of them. 2nd ship of 4th group.*

*Sl. Dan.*

SPARE

INTERROGATION FORM

21

SQUADRON ~~XXXXXX~~ 369 ~~AEZ~~ A/C Number 185 Letter J Date April 18, 1944

Bomb Load 42 M47A1 ~~XXX~~ Incand.            Position in Formation           

Time Took off 10:11 Time Landed           

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No           

Details:             
Found bomb with clock 1240

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

1st Lt. C. W. McBride	Pilot
2nd Lt. G. E. Bryant	Co-P.
2nd Lt. A. H. Jacobs	Nav.
2nd Lt. J. R. Pedevillano	Bomb
S/Sgt. G. R. Bates	Radio
S/Sgt. E. B. Osterhoudt	Top T
S/Sgt. R. G. Maloney	Bail T
Sgt. R. Brand	R. Waist
Sgt. B. J. Doubrava	L. Waist
Sgt. R. A. Noble	Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time:           

Alternate Height:           

Last Resort Heading:           

(circle):           

Duration Bomb Run:           

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

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

Own Bombs:           

Other Bombing:           

Any Nickels: Yes No             
 Number Boxes dropped             
 Number Boxes returned           

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) CAVV

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

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

Crew observations about Flak:





10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOST

(Estimated total number of E/A seen) \_\_\_\_\_ (Type) \_\_\_\_\_

(Location and length of fight) \_\_\_\_\_

(Tactics of E/A) \_\_\_\_\_

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

(Our defensive action) \_\_\_\_\_

CLAIMS	
DESTROYED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
PROBABLY	<input type="checkbox"/>
DAMAGED	<input type="checkbox"/>
(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)	

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

*From target to close to east no sight but we see  
reported from wing. P47s. 1348. P51s 1429 (5753 1125)  
P38s at 1530. Sd Hamburg.*

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

*Nothing from my own team. From Saltzwecker out of  
hit. None from all the way.*

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

*Charles from 1st page.*

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

15. \_\_\_\_\_

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly) \_\_\_\_\_

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES: \_\_\_\_\_

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

*High Gp lead not so good. Got to see new. Min impression  
Camp Sirs.*

S-2 OFFICER

*Baldwin.*

FILE COMPLETED

ADDITIONAL II. ASSOCIATION FORM FOR GROUP AND SQUADRON LEAD AIRCRAFT

(check one)  
GROUP LEADER \_\_\_\_\_  
HIGH SQUADRON LEADER ✓ \_\_\_\_\_  
LOW SQUADRON LEADER \_\_\_\_\_  
PLANE WITH OTHER GROUP \_\_\_\_\_  
(Indicate Group and Group Identification)  
SINGLE AIRCRAFT \_\_\_\_\_

1. Time and Place of crossing English Coast Out. 1702 1/2 53°23' N at coast.  
IN. 1747 W of corner  
15 miles
2. Was Course as Briefed? Yes.  
If not, describe course in detail \_\_\_\_\_
3. Time and Place of crossing Enemy Coast IN. 1349 As briefed  
Out. 1555 bet. Cuxhaven  
and Bremen
4. Time over Target 1448<sup>50</sup>  
Altitude over Target 24300  
Position of Group on Bomb Run Lo GROUP.  
Magnetic Heading of Bomb Run 090 MAG.  
Duration Bomb Run 8 min. 4 min flat level
5. Time of Landing at Base 1831 1/2  
If landed away from base before return state where and why \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ TIME \_\_\_\_\_ S-2 OFFICE [Signature]



27-C

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 ~~367~~ ~~367~~ ~~367~~ A/C Number 445 Letter G Date 18-4-44

Bomb Load 42 M47 Al Incend. XXXX Position in Formation

Time: Took off 1013 Time Landed 18-19

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

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

COMP.

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

1st Lt. P. E. RASTER  Pilot

2nd Lt. V. W. DINGMAN  Co-P

2nd Lt. G. W. CLEMENTS  Nav.

2nd Lt. R. G. DANKNICH  Bomb

T/Sgt. J. A. SHERIDAN  Radio

T/Sgt. W. P. POWERS  Top T

S/Sgt. W. W. BURROUGHS  Ball T

S/Sgt. R. A. SIMONSON  R. Waist

S/Sgt. R. L. DUQUETTE  L. Waist

S/Sgt. R. J. STARZYNSKI  Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1449<sup>z</sup>

Alternate Height: 25,600

Last Resort Heading: TH 113  
 (circle)

Duration Bomb Run: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 42 X 747A1 Jettisoned: \_\_\_\_\_ Returned: \_\_\_\_\_ Abortive: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Own Bombs: Could see target. Most bombs run in high cloud time bomb

Other Bombing: Some observed after bomb Any Nickels: Yes No  
 Number boxes dropped \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number Boxes returned \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

Lost over target - departed from group about 45 min

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) ci overcast in 25

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

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

Crew observations about Flak: Whitcomb SE and smoking Rd RR hit by other groups - huge fires by side airport - enemy fired on you - near Hellenland



10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

(Estimated total number of E/A seen) \_\_\_\_\_ (Type:)

(Location and length of fight)

(Tactics of E/A)

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

(Our defensive action)

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

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

*groz - met at weatherover -  
Lapse in fighter after target - no more till joined group*

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TITLE, 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, *5309N 1230E - airport many fighters kind unknown*)

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause); *met just before 90E heading opposite 275° met group 9020E*

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

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

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

*High alt flock 4-5 bursts 1000' above formation*

S-2 OFFICER

*None*

TITLE COMPLETED *1927*

INTERROGATION FORM ✓ 123-C

SQUADRON (67) 368 A/C Number 099 Letter S Date 18/4/44

Bomb Load 42xM47A1 H.E. Incand.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 1101 Time Landed 1818

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

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details: K.O. at 1057

CAMP.

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

2nd. Lt. R.B. MALSON ✓ Pilot

F/O R.W. JACKSON ✓ Co-P

1st. LT. A.H. ROTHENBERG ✓ Nav.

2nd. LT. H.R. MARONEY ✓ Bomb

T/SGT. M. GOLDBERG ✓ Radio

T/SGT. E.L. FULMER ✓ Top T

S/SGT. E.L. SEXTON ✓ Ball T

S/SGT. J.J. ROBBINS ✓ R. Waist

S/SGT. R.S. ARGO ✓ L. Waist

S/SGT. J.W. CORCORAN ✓ Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1450

Alternate Height: 25300

Last Resort Heading: 125° mag  
 (circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

14m - 15m

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: all

Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: Good pattern on legs at A/D

Other Bombing:

Any Nicks: Yes  No

Number Boxes dropped:

Number Boxes returned:

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

10 North of course as given - as briefed

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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None before target -  
Two at N.W. Spitz Blk - one counts as flak  
1300m - N.W. Spitz. Blk - one counts as flak

Crew observations about Flak:

S. seen near Oriskany  
None hit on T. of Oriskany

24-C

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 ~~269#269#423~~ A/C Number 172 Letter B Date 18-4-44

Bomb Load 42 M47-11777 Incend.            Position in Formation

Time Took off 1011 Time Landed 1830

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

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:           

COMP.

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

2nd Lt. E. SCHNEIDOK ✓ Pilot

2nd Lt. P. J. GAMBATANA ✓ Co-P

2nd Lt. H. M. PALMER ✓ Nav.

2nd Lt. H. O. HUNTER ✓ Bomb

T/Sgt. C. TSAIRIS ✓ Radio

T/Sgt. E. N. MC NEIL ✓ Top T

S/Sgt. G. L. DUEAU ✓ Ball T

S/Sgt. R. P. TACONA ✓ R. Waist

S/Sgt. M. L. WILLOUGHBY ✓ L. Waist

S/Sgt. B. G. FRISBIE ✓ Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1456

Alternate Height: 27000

Last Resort Heading: 128° MAG.  
 (circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

On group lead.

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

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

Own Bombs: Group - 3 min over - into fields

Other Bombing: Our target not seen to be hit  
 Any Nickels: Yes No

Number Boxes dropped:             
 Number Boxes returned:           

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

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

Very Good

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

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

Out - extremely light and inacc

Crew observations about Flak:



25-C

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON (367) ~~367~~ A/C Number 469 Letter K Date 13/4/44

Bomb Load 4200/7AL ~~KXX~~ Incand.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 1101 Time Landed 1838

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

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:  
 Splashed in water from 11,000 ft heading 85° (Hrs) 347-0150 dupit  
 from 11,000 ft heading 85° (Hrs) dupit  
 Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:  
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

1 unidentified plane seen to burn and crash - black smoke at about 14,300 ft. Silver plane.

- 1st. LT. R.J. SOMMERVILLE Pilot
- 1st. LT. J.G. PARKS Co-P
- 1st. LT. J.M. CARELLA Nav.
- 1st. LT. J.D. WELCH Bomb
- T/SGT. O.W. COOPER Radio
- T/SGT. A.E. JONES Top T
- S/SGT. C.H. GILLESPIE Ball T
- S/SGT. J.D. FUSKAR R. Waist
- S/SGT. F.R. SCARPAGE L. Waist
- S/SGT. P. SZYMANSKI Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1448L  
 Alternate Height: 25,000  
 Last Resort Heading: 25  
 (circle)  
 Duration Bomb Run:

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

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

Own Bombs: All three corners burning  
Bomb in ~~any~~ field of burning  
 Other Bombing: four bombs not observed Any Nickels: Yes NI  
 Number Boxes dropped \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number Boxes returned \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? (No)

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: Written by really on fire

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

With route.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) Better than briefed.

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

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

Flak boats around Fusion Islands

Crew observations about Flak: Berlin damage well thru.

Some rockets (6-8) trails in target area  
no rear flak going on returning.



10. ENEMY FIGHTER POSITION:

*2 F-19s in distance - P513*  
(Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types)

*Done on them*  
(Location and length of fight)

(Tactics of E/A)

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

(Our defensive action)

CLAIMS	
DESTROYED	0
PROBABLY	0
DAMAGED	0

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

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT *"Better than brief" More P582*

*than expected*  
*after target escort not in sight (105 id - 1520 hrs)*  
*perhaps due to late lead.*

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

*16 fighters - escort that. Were shooting at us. 20425*

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

*Support*

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

15. *none*

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly) *1 flat tire.*

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

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

*"Damn good day"*

S-2 OFFICER

TIME COMPLETED

*Lt. Karanayk*

*Blanche AD  
Just above P582 - 1246  
at least 200 A/Cs 1130  
7 fields*

26-C

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 ~~368~~ ~~369~~ ~~423~~ A/C Number 053 Letter U Date 18-4-44

Bomb Load 12 M47 Al W47 Incend. Position in Formation

Time Took off 1011 Time Landed 1820

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

None

COMP.

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

None

2nd Lt. D. J. SCHAEFER Pilot

2nd Lt. F. B. HENRY Cb-P

2nd Lt. W. A. TRANSETH Nav.

2nd Lt. R. A. MC KINNEY Bomb

S/Sgt. S. H. KINBERG Radio

S/Sgt. E. R. BAGWELL Top T

Sgt. J. C. SIMONS Ball T

Sgt. A. R. YASHACK R. Waist

Sgt. D. M. WINTER L. Waist

S/Sgt. W. W. WINANS Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1450

Alternate Height: 25,600

Last Resort Heading: 130° mag.

(circle)  
 Duration Bomb Run:

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

ALL

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

Own Bombs: None & clouds made observation difficult.

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No  
 Number Boxes dropped  
 Number Boxes returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) 4/10 most of way over continent.

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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Behind us & to sides.

9 crew observations about Flak:

Flak guns to N of target.





29-C

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 ~~368~~ ~~369~~ ~~442~~ ~~443~~ W/C Number 113 Letter W Date 18-4-44

Bomb Load 247 lbs. Incend.            Position in Formation           

Time Tock off 1830 Time Landed           

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

Crew: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly W/C in any kind of distress:  
 (Give position, time, altitude, fuel details)

- 1st Lt. E. W. MAGEE ✓ Pilot
- and Lt. P. G. GUNWOLD ✓ Co-P
- and Lt. M. J. NORTHWAY ✓ Bomb
- and Lt. J. A. DINKEL ✓ Bomb Nav.
- T/Sgt. L. G. MANNING ✓ Radio
- T/Sgt. R. R. HOLLISTER ✓ Top T
- S/Sgt. E. H. MOGER ✓ Ball T
- S/Sgt. R. G. ELLINS ✓ R. Waist
- S/Sgt. R. W. RUSSELL ✓ L. Waist
- S/Sgt. W. E. TUCKER ✓ Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1450  
 Alternate Height: 75,200  
 Last Resort Heading: 120 mag  
 (circle)             
 Duration Bomb Run: Several minutes  
Visual leader

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target:            Retained:            Abortive:           

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

Own Bombs: Target area  
 Other Bombing: I.P. on river covered high peaks and plane  
 Any Nickels:            Yes            No  
 Number boxes dropped:             
 Number boxes returned:           

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? (No)

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

As briefed

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) Ground could see faintly through haze

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
<u>450 Target on Heavy Blue Major training inaccurate</u>						

Crew observations about Flak:



10. ENEMY FIGHTER BY TYPE:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Location and length of flight)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Tactics of E/A)

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Our defensive action)

CLAIMS
DESTROYED _____
PROBABLY _____
DAMAGED _____
Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.

11. FLIGHTER SUPPORT: *1000 on ground*

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, a/c's, dumps, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airbases, ports, waterways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations, etc.)

*5510 X 1230 E A/D camp. 30 S/E parked, then on way toward  
position. 1st Lt's take to white smoke screen.*

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

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

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

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

INTERROGATION FORM

30-C

SQUADRON 367 ~~367~~ ~~367~~ ~~367~~ A/C Number CCG Letter V Date 18-6-44

Bomb Load 42 147 Al Mk 81 Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Tock off 1011 Time Landed 1835

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

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

COMP.  
 CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 2nd Lt. L. F. MATICHEK ✓ Pilot
- 2nd Lt. N. S. NELSON ✓ Co-P
- 2nd Lt. W. D. MORRIS ✓ Nav.
- 2nd Lt. W. D. STEWENS ✓ Bomb
- S/Sgt. R. T. MORRIS ✓ Radio
- S/Sgt. R. B. GOODWIN ✓ Top T
- S/Sgt. W. H. JOHNSON ✓ Ball T
- Sgt. J. F. WATT ✓ R. Waist
- S/Sgt. C. WILDSTEIN L. Waist
- Sgt. J. P. WATTS Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1430  
 Alternate Height: 4500  
 Last Report Heading: 120  
 (circle)  
 Duration Bomb Run:

Number of BOMBS dropped on target: all Detonated: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs:

Smoke from Bunk area

Other Bombing: Cloudy at target

any Nickels: Yes No  
 Number Boxes dropped  
 Number Boxes returned

5. ANY PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? (No)

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

low ground

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) thin layer of clouds - not

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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Flak at target - generally in clouds -  
generally not too bad.

Crew observations about Flak:

target and crew must have been fired  
at target  
Flak out from target

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INTERROGATION FORM

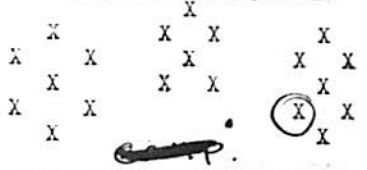
SQUADRON 367##368##369 423 A/C Number 0055 Letter M Date 12-4-44

Bomb Load 42 M47 Al W#E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 1011 Time Landed \_\_\_\_\_

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



CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 1st Lt. J. D. Baldwin ✓ Pilot
- 2nd Lt. W. W. Neddo ✓ Co-P
- 2nd Lt. F. A. Brockway ✓ Nav.
- 2nd Lt. H. A. Bryant Bomb
- S/Sgt. I. L. Johnson ✓ Radio
- S/Sgt. G. B. Grant ✓ Top T
- S/Sgt. T. W. Fowler ✓ Ball T
- S/Sgt. J. McCord ✓ R. Waist
- S/Sgt. H. G. Spence, Jr. ✓ L. Waist
- S/Sgt. C. J. Nasoy ✓ Tail G.

*7 chutes seen over target  
 1457-B-17 down in flames*

2. TARGET ATTACKED!

Primary Time: 1449  
 Alternate Height: 24,400  
 Last Resort Heading: 70°  
 (circle)  
 Duration Bomb Run:  
30-40"

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: all

Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: Warehouses & plant near river in Wittenberge burning furiously

got pictures

Any Nickels: Yes No  
 Number boxes dropped \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number Boxes returned \_\_\_\_\_

*fires 4 or 5 mi. E. of LUNEBURG*

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

*With group*

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C
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*Target - merge to moderate - inaccurate - tracking*

Crew observations about Flak: *locks up spalled up & sploded with no burst  
 bees buzzing - punis dropping*