

Bombs dabbled
some 2 min. after
I. P. to T.

MISSION 1 DECEMBER, 1943.

Flak 10 to 15 min.
Next acc. 12:04 to 12:06
tracking

(even after T. 12:02 ?)
first noticed from 305 A/C

MURPHY*
993-K

TOOMBS
850-B

HEAP
515-D

MCMAHON*
782-O

SNYDER*
794-V

CASSEDY
~~007-F~~
730

REESE*
714-S

GAY
776-F

GASSLER
768-A

NOACK*
078-R

? MUNGER*
841-R

THOMPSON
431-F

? REED* left Formation
145-G at Enemy Coast

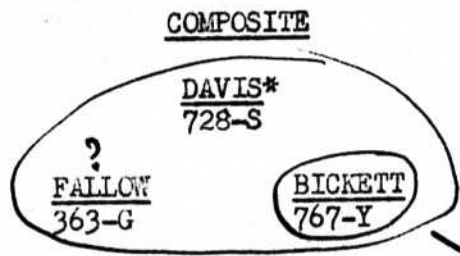
NEWSSTREET
939-A

WINSEY
143-P

GARRETT
139-L

? GRENDING
724-Z
left Formation
at Enemy Coast
still coming

LUND
707-Q



→ 2nd. Element
Hi. Sq.

* INDICATES CAMERA IN AIRCRAFT

REMARKS: _____

714 Crashed 8 Safe 1 Killed 1 Missing

767 Early

50-60 EA

No turns

No attacks Hi Sq.

42 cover high

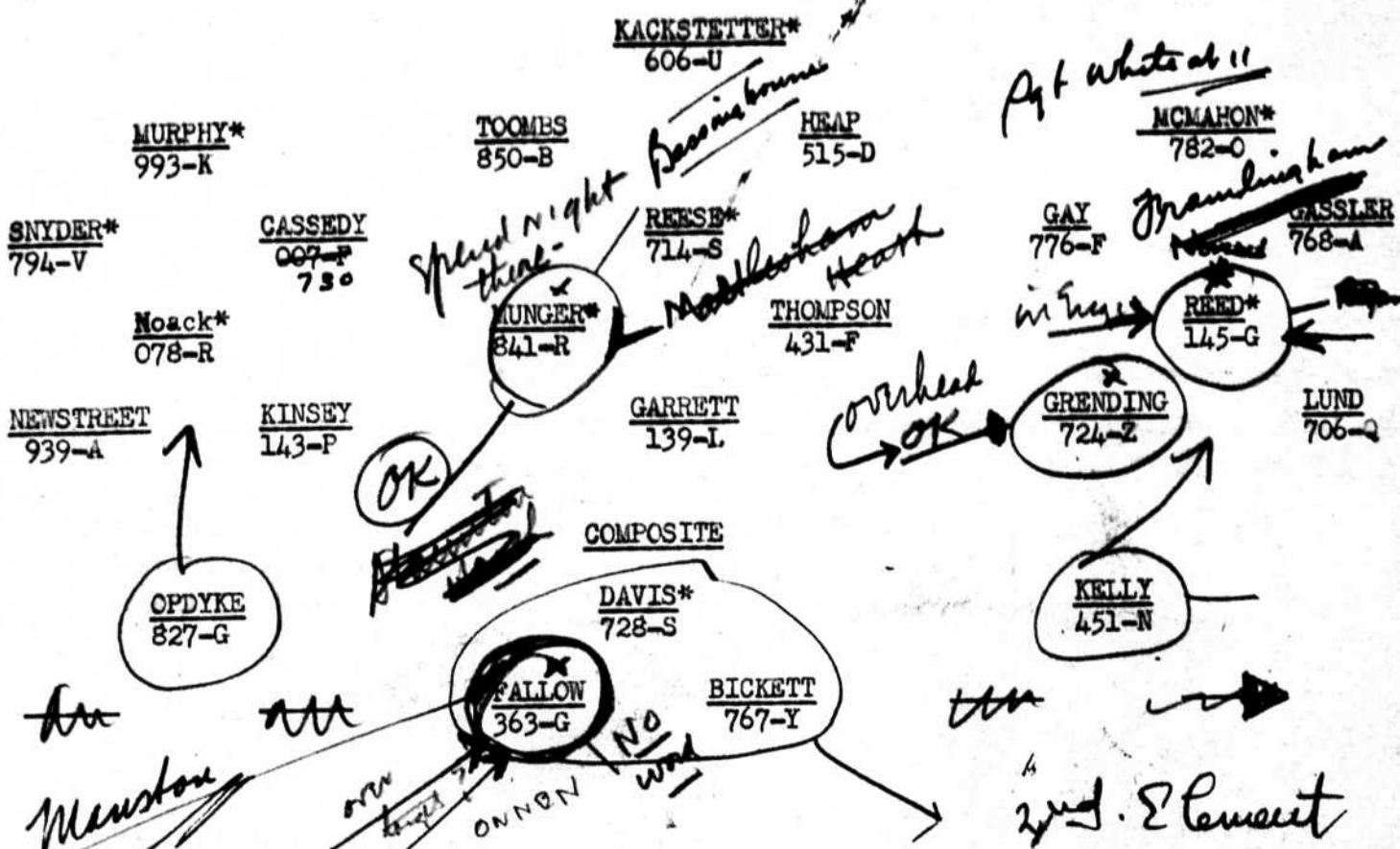
+ good

6/10 Coast

10/10 T.

Flak medium but acc.

Fighters Both S/E's From just before Rhine back out to Enemy Coast



* INDICATES CAMERA IN AIRCRAFT
 REMARKS: _____

714 crash landed
 Bickett early
 Reese crash landed
 100* m 47
 brought back by

17

PLANES ON MISSION FOR 1, DEC., 1943

367th

42-3383 -Missing in Action

42-30767 ~~Aborted~~ ~~No. 3 eng. Slip, chrg. induction pipe split.~~ Oil coming out of oil tank filler neck. Oil dilution solenoid failure.

42-30728 -Not damaged

42-30706 -Not damaged

42-39768 ~~Not damaged~~ Slight damage; Left waist hit by flak.

368th

✓ 42-30451 - Not damaged

✓ 42-37724 -Not damaged

✓ 42-30145 - Landed at Framlingham, out of gas, plane not damaged.

42-39776 -Former in nose and skin damaged by Flak, ~~slight~~ Serious Damage

✓ 42-30782 -Not damaged

369th

- 42-39827 - Empty 50 cal shell hit left horiz stab. Flak hit right side of nose damaging skin. Slight damage
- 42-30939 - No. 2 bulkhead hit by .303. Hydraulic system hit by .303 Serious No. 3 engine nacelle hit by flak. Right horiz stab hit by flak. Left bomb bay door hit by flak, same flak entered radio room.
- 42-31143 - Not damaged.
- 42-31078 - Not battle damaged.
- 42-30794 - Two flak holes in bottom of fuselage just forward of tail gun compt. Slight damage.
- 42-31007 - .303 hole in left outter wing panel damaging No. 1 main tank as well. Serious damage.
- 42-29993 - Left wing tip hit by flak. Fuselage below right life raft door hit by empty 50 cal shell. Slight damage.

423rd

- 42-30606 *Slight damage-Left outter wing panel hit by flak.
- 42-3515 - Not damaged
- 42-39850 - Severely damaged by 100 lb. incendiary bombs dropped by another Gp. Left outter wing panel, left aeliron, l. wing tip, l elevator, R. side fuselage at Nav. compt. No. 3 prop No. 3 eng newing, No. 3 eng.
- 42-30714 - Lost-Hit thunder head. A/C demolished. A/C accident happened $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles N.W. of Lasham.
- 42-30431 - Not damaged
- 42-30841 - Not damaged-A/C at ~~Southbourne~~ Basingbourne, closed in by weather.
- 42-31139 - Slight damage-Flak, Navigator compt., No. 1 prop hit by flak.

- (7) One A/C, No. 724, Pilot Grendling, jettisoned 13 x M47A1 in the Channel because of malfunction, after having dropped 8 x 500 and 7 x M47A1 in target area. One A/C No. 768, Pilot Gassler, brought back 6 x M47A1 after having dropped 8 x 500 and 14 x M47A1 in target area.
- (8) One A/C, No. 767, Pilot Bickett, turned back at Lowestoft at 1021 ~~XXX~~ because of engine failure, and brought back 8 x 500 and 20 x M47A1. One A/C No. 714, Pilot Reese, crashed 2 1/2 miles northwest of Lasham at 0850 hours. 8x500 and 20 x M47A1 exploded in crash.

For the Commanding Officer:

JOHN A. BAIRNSFATHER,
Major, Air Corps,
Group S-2.

Major Bainsfather: 9:20 PM Dec 1,

The 390th Group 1:0 called about Lt. Reed who will fly own ship back morning of December 2. He dropped full load on Levertusen, results unobserved due to 10/10 under cast. There are no claims, no one hurt and no information on photographs. Gas shortage

Sgt. Taft.

Landed at Mauston

Place	Height (your ship)	Location of Bursts in Relation to A/C	Description	Inter city
Course apparently took A/C over parts of Köln (west-side). Flak was intense, accurate, tracking and barrage - three bursts type - cdm and some 10;				
Leverkusen, flak was meagre and accurate				
Munche-Gladbeck-Rheydt, accurate, stopped firing when A/C started evasive action				

FRIENDLY AIRCRAFT LOST OR IN DISTRESS -

(Group and A/C No. - Condition - where down - chutes - any unusual occurrences of interest - your altitude)

1202 hours. (bombing was 1200). B-17 under control, with #3 engine feathered, began to lag with no a/ceron, and was thus when last seen. This was just north-west of target. One (1) chute was seen.

B-17 with letter "B" from this group - probably 429rd squadron, was on left wing by a bomb from 92nd group (probably a straggler who was late dropping his bombs).

OPERATOR OBSERVATIONS -

1210 hours - B-17 on fire in wing tanks and bomb-bay, exploded, near Rheydt. A/C had been attacked by EA/C and caught fire. The tail section behind radio room, twisted and then broke off. A/C went down. One chute (1) was seen. Might have been from low squadron or 306 or 92nd group.

1205 hours - B17 in spin, attacked by EA/C, did two slow rolls, then went down. No chutes seen. About half-way between Leverkusen and Rheydt. Was from wing ahead.

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW
South-west of Rotterdam, saw 5 or 6 very high lights, in 2-shaped pattern. Looked like very high reflectors. This was about 1100 to 1105 hours. In open country 5 or 6 miles south-west of Rotterdam

~~Re: the last 10 minutes of the mission, the crew observed and reported the following:~~

CREW SUGGESTIONS -

Leaders of 1st two combat wings get together and decide who is going to lead.

There was too much turning by the wings at target.

FIGHTER SUPPORT -

Good, except no support for fifteen minutes before target and 10 minutes after.

INTERROGATORS OBSERVATIONS -

INTERROGATOR C.B. Tilton DATE 1-12-43 ENTERED BY _____

310 th B.P.

CONFIDENTIAL

Target, SOLINGEN

1. Route followed. $51^{\circ} 48'N - 03^{\circ} 50'E$, thence making wide sweep over Dutch Islands, reaching point of deepest penetration at $51^{\circ} 38'N - 03^{\circ} 55'E$ at 1057 hours and crossing enemy coast out at $51^{\circ} 35'N - 03^{\circ} 40'E$ to Aldeburgh, England.
2. Visibility at Target (Any condensation trails?) very persistent condensation trails. Towering cumulus clouds, most tops at 24,000', but few up to 28,000'. Visibility unlimited at altitude.

3. No. of A/C over Target. 19 A/C

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

			<u>606</u>				
			28000'				
<u>007</u>	<u>993</u>	<u>794</u>	<u>850</u>	<u>431</u>	<u>776</u>	<u>782</u>	<u>768</u>
	<u>827</u>		<u>841</u>	<u>714</u>		<u>145</u>	
<u>939</u>		<u>143</u>		<u>139</u>	<u>724</u>		<u>728</u>

A/C #363 flew with the 305th Group and was a target for A.A. Fire.

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

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

7. Turn after bombing.

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

9. What evasive action was taken?

10. A short description of Flak en route (if any) and at the Target, including if possible a suggestion as to type of fire control employed - i.e. Continuous following predicted concentrations, predicted barrages, or fixed barrages.
1057 - 1106 Walcheren Island — meager, black, low, inaccurate, continuously pointed fire.

11. Any other Comments, Phenomena, etc.

WALCHEREN — Streak of blue-white smoke seen to come out of clouds with a burst of black smoke that looked like flak on top of it.

305 over In. Territory mostly
flew alongside and (at Bowling) level
alongside 2

Δ K 803 (305) flew all over out in front
of Wing Leader & in front of this group
caused much trouble -

Δ J 773 flew just to right & in front
of Hi Sq. around Coast coming out

Saw 3 PFF planes. led

12 bombs from 2 minutes after IP to T. First from 305th + then from gp (?)

on left.

Bombs were dropping from 5 min. before target - all along route. Most dropped on leader

1 ship from 305th was pulling out of formation + went over this group, dropped bombs + some of our group bombed when they saw his bombs away. (Maybe

A/c referred to as being up even with leader)

Leader dropped on PFF - same boat.

160 400

767 Bickert - Lowestoft factors 1021

714 Reese 0850 - 2 1/2 min NW LASHAM

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 357XXX X 423 A/C Number 606 Lt. U Date 1/12/43

Bomb Load 20 M4 7 ALH.F. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0805 Time Landed 14:34

	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)

Capt. F.A. Kackstetter Pilot ✓

1st Lt. J.H. Lewis Co-P ✓

1st Lt. L.S. Pierce Nav. ✓

1st Lt. W.A. Wick Bomb. ✓

T/Sgt. E.A. Pfister Radio ✓

S/Sgt. A.H. Garrett Top T. ✓

Sgt. L. Stevenson Ball T. ✓

S/Sgt. H.M. Uack R. Waist ✓

Sgt. H. Cappelki L. Waist ✓

1st Lt. R.B. Eckles Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 12:00

Alternate Height: 25,500

Last Resort Heading: 330 mag.
(circle)

Duration Bomb Run: 3 10 min.

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

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

Own Bombs: Dropped on P.F.F smoke bomb

Other Bombing: 10/10 Saw nothing

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

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

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission): 8/10 approx from Coast in and out

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (light, heavy, moderate or slight)	Color of bursts	Location of bursts	Accuracy of Bursts in relation to A/C
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*4 hits
Flak
at 11:28
prob.
Duren
Rachon*

12:02-12:10 → Koln area? quite a lot of white flak
Mod. tracking + Acc

12:20 Acc. Instantaneous Box Barrage on group

approx. Crew observations about Flak: behind

12:40 Fairly acc. slight tracking

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

50 S/E all FW 190's

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

more or less constant from Coast going in to after T.

(Location and length of fight) _____

No attacks this group.

From before I.P. to after T. missed

Fighter Escort - attacks were then (Tactics of E/A) on groups all around.

Camouflage grayish - some white wings

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

After T. unidentified Fighter blew up

(Our defensive action)

02

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

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

Fighters rendezvous at 11:58 after before I.P. ^{losses from}

Only P-47's - kept E/A pretty busy & lots of 47's

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

Just after leaving S enemy Coast on way back B-24 seen to turn back over France -

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)

On Bombing Run got VHF to bomb any T. of O.

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

None

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

Flake hole left wing

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

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

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ADDITIONAL INTERROGATION 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 10:40 Lowestoft

2. Was Course as Briefed? Leverhousen
As Briefed to T. then headed
If not, describe course in detail approx. W. on course coming
Strong N. wind out at Ostend

3. Time and Place of crossing Enemy Coast 11:01 at 51:43-04:00 E.

4. Time over Target _____ + 92
Altitude over Target _____ + + 306 305
Position of Group on Bomb Run Low Group + + + +
Magnetic Heading of Bomb Run 2nd. to Drop probably + + + +
Duration Bomb Run _____

5. Time of Landing at Base 14:34

If landed away from base before return state where and why _____

DATE _____ TIME _____ S-2 OFFICER Weld

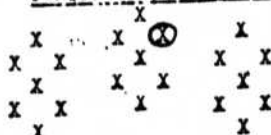
SQUADRON 307 A/C Number 515 Letter D Date 12/13

8 x 500

Bomb Load 20 M/Al H.T. Intend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0805 Time Landro _____



HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Remarks:

237799 - J. Johnson on tail, no other markings on side. DROPPED BOMBS ON TARGETS

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

2nd Lt. E. A. Heap Pilot

2nd Lt. L. M. Loye Com-P

2nd Lt. P. D. Lanxon Nav. ✓

2nd Lt. P. C. Goad Bomb. ✓

T/Sgt. A. R. Erickson Radio

Sgt. A. J. LaBarge Top T. ✓

S/Sgt. A. J. Carrozza Ball T. ✓

CECH R. Waist

Sgt. M. O'Connell R. Waist

Sgt. L. F. Bergeron L. Waist

Sgt. C. A. Kester Tail G. ✓

J.R. No. 2 Collided - 1 chute fully opened. #3 above involvement low spin - land gear DIRECT HIT IN BALL TURRET - FIRE SEEN THROUGH WRIST WINDOWS. Flare about 3 minutes after tail folded around against fuselage & ship went INTO SEA.

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

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

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

Own Bombs: Overcast

Other Bombing: _____

3. Loss of 1 day's dropped bomb. Loss of his wingman.

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

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

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

ON COURSE

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

Better than forecast. Ideal at altitude.

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home. *Target area only as far as target.*

AIRCRAFT - 5170N - 0256E Flak - 3000 or less - Flak - Moderate at the way in.

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

FLAK LIKE SOLID WALL FROM TARGET TO TEN MILES BEYOND
LIGHT FLAK - SMALL WHITE BURSTS - 12T COAST GOING OUT

5117N - 02:03E - TOWN OF OBTEND NEARBY. SOME MODERATE HEAVY FLAK ALSO; AFTER THIS SHIP PASSED COAST - IMPROVING

Crew observations about Flak: _____

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

JME 119 SEEM TO DO UPON THE QUARTER - UNUSUAL 5-17 LET HIM HAVE A BURST AT 6:00 AT 6:00 O'clock

3-NE 109E WENT UNDER ABOUT 4050 METERS. ALL TOLD 2-1050
(Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Type)

NO ATTACKS
(Location and length of fight)

COME OUT OF SUN IN HIGH COVER - IN FORMATIONS OF 2 & 3 PASSER
OVERHEAD - THEN PEEL OFF IN LINE RETURN ATTACKING ENEMY
SHIPS - ATTACKED GROUP ONE TO RIGHT
(Tactics of E/A)

Silver- White Spinners

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

GOOD TIGHT FORMATION
(Our defensive action)
NIGHT EVASIVE ACTION

CLAIMS	
DESTROYED	<u>1</u>
PROBABLY	<u>NONE</u>
DAMAGED	

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

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT - EXCELLENT - NEED MORE

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

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

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

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

16. TECHNICAL MATTERS:

Elevation Power Clutch Went Out. Temp. Gauge IN Nose Out.

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

3-2 OFFICER W. Thomas

TIME COMPLETED 16:00

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~14713388194X~~ 23 A/C Number 850 Letter B Date 1/12/43

8 x 500

Bomb Load 20 M7A1 H.F. incendi.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0805 Time Landed 1540

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

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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 2nd Lt. J.P. Tombs, Jr. Pilot ✓
- 2nd Lt. A.A. Adams Co-P ✓
- 2nd Lt. A.G. Pulver, Jr. Nav. ✓
- 2nd Lt. B.E. Branom Bomb. ✓
- T/Sgt. P.G. Gaire Radio ✓
- T/Sgt. R.H. Wheeler Top T. ✓
- S/Sgt. G.T. Brehd Ball T. ✓
- S/Sgt. G.J. Aubrey Hi. Waist, *shailed out on way* ✓
- S/Sgt. J.C. Foley L. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. V.G. Chapois Tail G. ✓

3 B17s about 20 min before target - no chutes
1 B17 slow slip - no chutes just after target (1205)

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

outhead Primary Time: 1200
slip Alternate Height: 25700
Last Resort Heading 315
(circle)
Duration Bomb Run:

logged

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

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

Own Bombs:

Almost complete undercast

Other Bombing:

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

Number boxes dropped

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

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy, moderate or slight)	Color of bursts	Location of bursts	Accuracy in relation to A/C
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Target			mod	black	close	all good
front 7205 to 1220			mod	black	very close	all good

Crew observations about Flak:

bursts in front of A/C ✓

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:Mc 109 - most
few FW 19050 plus
(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

(Type)

~~1135~~ 1135 until 1200
(Location and length of fight)Were pressing attacks at lead groupno direct attacks this Mc
(Tactics of E/A)

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

(Our defensive action)

CLAIMS

DESTROYED	<u>1</u>
PROBABLY	<u>0</u>
DAMAGED	<u>0</u>

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

11. FIGHTER SUPPORTGood going in until 11.00
Good again after target.

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

A/c was hit by bombs R/W gunner got
paralyzed & jumped (probable expln. by pilot).

- 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.)

L/Waist - check frost bite also neck in hospital

- 15.
- DAMAGE TO A/C:
- (Briefly)

Left wing tip bombed, left aileron gone, #3 engine
hit then exploded bomb - 2 holes in rt. side of fus

- 16.
- TECHNICAL FAILURES

part of chin swept off. left elevator off.

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

About 4 min after bombs away, this A/c was bombed
by another A/c of 305th group (probably). PilotS-2 OFFICER Sheelak Capt AC TIME COMPLETEDperformed unusual feat in burn. A/c back to base
in a severely damaged condition.

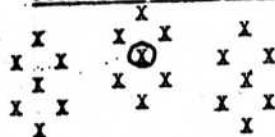
INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~267~~ ~~388~~ ~~423~~ A/C Number 714 Lett S Date 12/43

Bomb Load 20 M47A1 H.E. Incend.

Time Took Off 0805 Time Landed _____

Position in Formation



CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

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

Reese phoned Central tower at 9:10 - 1/2 circle 2 1/2 miles NW of Lasham Crew bailed DEAD.

Capt. G. Reese Pilot

2nd Lt. G. DiBetta Co-P

1st Lt. W.H. Dickenson Nav.

1st Lt. W.S. Ellertson Bomb.

S/Sgt. J.A. Atchley Radio

Sgt. L.G. Dillon Top T.

S/Sgt. K.B. Rood Ball T.

S/Sgt. E.D. Walters R.Waist

S/Sgt. H.R. Shutts L.Waist

Sgt. J.K. Hedberg Tail G.

Dead due to hit not open

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: _____

Alternate Height: _____

Last Resort Heading: _____

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: *check how many definitely accounted for*

Other Bombing: _____

Bombs exploded on impact

5. Any graphs taken? Yes? No?

Any Nicks? Yes No

Number boxes dropped _____

Number boxes returned _____

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) *see over*

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

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

See (over)

Crew observations about Flak: _____

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

Started out with rest. got them over clouds. then hit big clouds
 out was given. Engine pulled engine release. Doors opened but couldn't get
 (Estimated total number of E/A seen) Plane rumbled about with spin & order for low
longly out. Then A/C got ready for combat but ship that damaged. Half of windows
had gone. Engines started then landing but fell in cut make. Couldn't get
 (Location and length of fight) up. took short off & got up & got in front of plane got into second
spin. Tail gunner was busy up in tail door (escape hatch). Ball
turret gunner pulled him up. They both got into front. Then tail gunner
bailed. Ball turret was steady then got out followed by engineer.
 (Tactics of E/A) landed near Capt Nege. Don't think ball turret ever pulled
up again. Engine he pointed as he was white as a sheet when
he started. Plane hit in woods. Well it did no damage.
 (Color, markings, etc. of E/A) then a hell of an explosion. figured he bailed from 2000 feet.
Explosion on impact. then another explosion little later

(Our defensive action)

Didn't look like woods about chute
was even opened. Just top of it broken open
maybe in fall.

CLAIMS

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, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations, etc.)

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

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

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

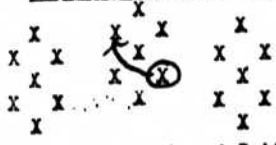
16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

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

Bomb Load 20 M47al H.T. incendi.

Time Took Off 0805 Two London

Position in Formation



CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

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

16:17 looks up 1210 - 10 mins after target Tail
washed off, blew up - no chutes, engine on fire

- 1st Lt. R.B. Thompson Pilot ✓
- 2nd Lt. J.W. Frazer, Jr. Co-P ✓
- 2nd Lt. R.P. Williams Nav. ✓
- 2nd Lt. M. Borvsoff Bomb ✓
- T/Sgt. W.F. Day Radio ✓
- T/Sgt. W.G. Caldwell Top T. ✓
- S/Sgt. C.L. Hamby Ball T. ✓
- Sgt. ~~G. J. ...~~ ^{G.N. GOLDEN} E. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. J. Peto R. Waist ✓
- Sgt. R.A. Richardson Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1159 1/2
Alternate Height: 25800
Last Resort Heading 306°
(circle)
Duration Bomb Run: 1 minute
Left turn about 40°

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

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

Own B.mbs: PFF red flares (about 6)
droppulom kachettha - sqdn. pattern looked good

Other Bombing: High ^{sqdn} ~~flares~~ dropped all over, and 2 ships of low sqdn. droppulom

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

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) light con trails, no clouds above 29,000
alto cumulus about the south target - 10/10 at target

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy, intense, moderate or slight)	Color of bursts	Location	Accuracy
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just after target moderate accurate tracking
before & after target merge.

near Ostend - light flak about 20,000 below H/F - small white bursts.

Crew observations about Flak:

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

about 50 altogether - M² 109's + FW 190's - no losses
 (Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types)

one attack from tail - not persistent
 (Location and length of fight)

attacks were from 11 o'clock to 2 o'clock
no rockets seen

(Tactics of E/A)

FW were carrying long range tanks
mostly black + grey blue - 2 had light blue band around nose
 (Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

(Our defensive action)

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

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT very good - perhaps 30 mins when they were there
in target area

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, suspicious B-17 G & K on tail - #308. stopping all around the formation just after target. Had USAF insignia, but no red outline

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?)

S-2 OFFICER Hogg

TIME COMPLETED 1540

SQUADRON 307 444 189 23 A/C Number 547 Letter R Date 1/12/43
20. VMFSB.S.B.

Bomb Load 4 X 500 H.F. Incom.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0806 Time Landed 13:50
Spanish

	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: Task of 4 bombs at last
has wing out land at Amoy
for water

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

1ST LT. C.E. MUNEEB Pilot

1ST LT. H.J. FARR Cr.-P

1ST LT. R.D. BARTON Nav.

1ST LT. L. FELDMAN Bomb.

1ST LT. E.J. BORLIA Radio

1ST LT. H.W. HAWKES Top T.

1ST LT. M.W. FELSER Ball T.

1ST LT. J.L. BRAMAN M.Waist

1ST LT. A.A. WEEB J.Waist

1ST LT. L.B. PARKS TELL G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1200

Alternate Height: 25800

Last Resort Heading: 300

(circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

Seven minutes

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

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

Own Bombs: 10/10 - No return

Other Bombing:

5. Any Photographs taken: Yes? No?

Any Nickels: Yes No

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

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, reason for returning early; and disposition of bombs) No path of course as my near Amoy

Short return course as my near Amoy

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

As Brief

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

Time	Place	Height	Type of flak	Color	Location	Accuracy
			of heavy intense, or slight	of bursts	Bursts in relation to A/C	

after bombs dropped that encounter
and much before that near Amoy

Crew observations about Flak:

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

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

near target
(Location and length of fight)

Observation - apparently -

(Tactics of E/A)

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

(Our defensive action)

None

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.)

None

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

Good 17:30 to 18:30

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

None

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

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

None

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES: Smoke bomb in lead ship blinded crew

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

S-2 OFFICER McNeely T/E COMPLETE

Time Started 1457

INTERROGATION FORM

1. GROUP 306 SQUADRON 473 A/C No. 841 LETTER R DATE 1-17-43
 Position in formation #3, 7th, lead sq. Time Take-off 0826
 Position over Target #1, 7th, lead sq. Time Landed SPSWICH 135. DALLINGBURG 1435
 PILOT. 1/LT. C.E. MUNGER TOP TURR. 1/LT. H.W. HANKS
 CO P/T. 1/LT H.J. ENGEL BALL TURR. 1/SGT M.W. FIESER
 NAVIG. 1/LT R.D. BARTON R. WAIST. 1/SGT. AA WEED
 BOMB. 1/LT L (NH) FELDMAN L. WAIST. 1/SGT J.L. BRAMAN
 RADIO. 1/SGT. E.J. BORLIK TAIL GUN. 1/SGT L.B. PARKS

2. TARGET ATTACKED 3. NUMBER OF BOMBS

A. Primary ? Time 1700 A. Dropped on Target { 8X 500 GP
 B. alternate Height 75,000' B. Jettisoned { 20X 100 LB.
 C. Last resort Heading 300 Mag C. Brought Back
 D. Length of straight level bomb run 7 min

4. RESULTS OF BOMBING OR REASON FOR ABORTING:

Rebursed - 10/10X.

5. ROUTE: as Briefed? - Yes? - No? Contents of bomb, bomb structure, none of this A/C and from the wing/shield - stayed with formation until reaching targets - ran low on gas - #2 engine but not #1. Came across the channel alone -
 If returned early: TIME _____ PLACE _____ ALTITUDE _____
Could not get in at home base due to weather.

6. CASUALTIES: (Give name, position in A/C. Type of injury and cause.)

none

7. BATTLE DAMAGE TO OUR A/C: Major _____ Minor X

8. PROTECTIVE FLYING EQUIPMENT FAILURES?

none

9. PHYSICAL DISABILITY:

none

10. FIGHTER SUPPORT: (where seen, estimate of height) support was good - just over us.

How long were they in sight? any of their combats observed? yes

from 1130 to 1150 no fighter support - otherwise as briefed

11. NICKELIST When and where dropped:

none

12. CREW OBSERVATIONS: TIME: PLACE: ALTITUDE:

none

13. CREW COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS:

*Smoke from lead ship ~~can~~
is very dangerous to man in hole.*

14. NUMBER OF CLAIMS:

none

Destroyed _____

Probable _____

Damaged _____

Phoned Johnson 1735 hrs

Interrogating Officer *P.S.*

Time Completed *P.S. 1709*

INTERROGATION FORM

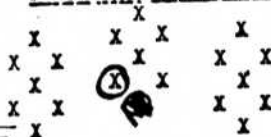
*which 1/2 of bomb
was used, was counted*

SQUADRON 367 A/C Number 139

Date 1/21/43

Bomb Load 20 M73 H.E. incendi.

Position in Formation



Time Trek Off 0805 Two Lines 1440

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
*About 1145y gas attacked group for 20 sec
 4-2-4-1984
 finished down on ship, 2 other chutes, then
 the 4 other chutes, went back & attacked
 group
 Friendly A/C in any kind of distress?
 (Give position, time, altitude, full
 details)
 finished down another, no chutes
 seen, neither on fire.*

2nd Lt. N.L. Garrett Pilot ✓

2nd Lt. C.D. Oliver Co-P ✓

2nd Lt. J. Elgin Nav. ✓

2nd Lt. R.J. Shurilla Bomb. ✓

S/Sgt. R.A. Powers Radio ✓

T/Sgt. J. Hinciguerra Top T. ✓

S/Sgt. J.A. Glenn Ball T. ✓

S/Sgt. W. Carroll R. Waist ✓

S/Sgt. J.B. Poston R. Waist ✓

S/Sgt. L.L. Yator Tail S. ✓

1115 - *one spinning on fire, basket*
attacked by flak fighters, no chutes.
 Another B-17, *just after bomb away*
 was hit by flak by ball turret, flame from
 #2 engine
 going back
 20 feet
 then flange
 went out
 the back
 of plane
 burst off
 + A/C fell
 apart

TARGET ATTACHED

Primary Time: 1201

Alternate Height: 26,000

Last Resort Heading: 300° way.

Duration Bomb Run: long bomb run

Jettisoned: _____ Returned: _____ Abortive: _____

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

Own Bombs: *Dropped on red bombs from bucketette's ship.
 Did not see any flares. Saw bombs from shipboard struts
 towards ship.*
 Other Bombing: *Complete undercast.*

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

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

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

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	Accuracy Bursts in relation to A/C
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*Just after target, flak so close they could see pieces of flak flying thru the air. It was smoggy; white line
 Crew observations about (Flak) *Leaving coast flak was away to the left.**

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

Fifteen F/W 190s. no attacks on this
 (Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types)

squadron. only pilots seemed to
 (Location and length of fight)

veterans. Picked on from ahead with head-on attacks.

(Tactics of E/A)

Two F/W 190s in mid-air; one took off wing
of another, & both crashed down. ~~Head-on attacks~~

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

(Our defensive action)

CLAIMS

DESTROYED 1/0

PROBABLY _____

DAMAGED _____

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

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

None. didn't see P 47s in sight all the time.

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,

branches to road, just as they crossed the coast, shining with
steady light, with one which put out, the other, leaves,
and of the 1600, ~~if all at once~~

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.

16. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

17. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

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

S-2 OFFICER

B. Pool

TIME COMPLETED _____

SQUADRON 367 368 X369XXX11 A/C Number 782 Letter O Date 12/43

Bomb Load 20 M47A1 H.E. Incendi.

Position in Formation

		X		
X		X	X	①
X	X	X	X	X
X		X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X				X

Time Took Off 0805 Time Landed 1239

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

1-1317-1210 hrs. No chutes on fire tail came off, no chutes, fighter.

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

1-13-1213 hrs. Wing shot off went down. No chutes. P47's @ 1230 hrs. Collided. Both went down.

1st Lt. J. B. McMahon Pilot

1st Lt. S. Mowers Co-P

2nd Lt. D. McCauley Nav.

1st Lt. H.F. Ezell Bomb.

T/Sgt. H.E. Gorczyca Radio

Sgt. J.L. Dunten Top T.

S/Sgt. M.J. Saj Ball T.

S/Sgt. A.A. Becker R.Waist

S/Sgt. R.J. Kenny L.Waist

S/Sgt. G. Barnt Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1200 hrs

Alternate Height: 26,000

Last Resort Heading: 330 mag

Duration Bomb Run:

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

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

Own Bombs: Could not see 10/10 cloud

Other Bombing:

Any Photographs taken: Yes? No?

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

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)

Return trip about 30 miles south of briefed course.

WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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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About 75 minutes before and after target. 26,000 Heavy Black Accurate Predicted Clouds

Crew observations about Flak:

1-1317 before I.P. hit by 4 others & fired & down. 1-1317 no chutes. "dang, fell came off west & right down."

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION: SE
About 10 mostly ME 109's
(Estimated total number of E/A seen) (types)

Before and after target
(Location and length of fight)

General attacks on Squadron nearest Camp
in 400 to 500 yds.

(Tactics of E/A)

11 o'clock, low and through formation.

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

(Our defensive action)

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

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

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT 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.)

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

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

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly) none
few flakholes

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES: Oxygen mask not functioning

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

MEMORANDUM

ADDITIONAL INTERROGATION 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 _____

10:38 hrs. out Lowestoft, 1103, in 51430346 2 mile south Lowestoft

2. Was Course as Briefed? Return trip about 30 miles south of course
If not, describe course in detail _____

3. Time and Place of crossing Enemy Coast _____

Return 1310 1/2 hrs 3 miles north of Ostend, 51430346 Oct. 1103

4. Time over Target 1200 hrs

Altitude over Target 16,000

Position of Group on Bomb Run Lead high squad.

Magnetic Heading of Bomb Run 370° mag.

Duration Bomb Run Dropped on pffs

5. Time of Landing at Base 1239 hrs

If landed away from base before return state where and why _____

DATE _____ TITLE _____ S-2 OFFICER [Signature]

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~66X~~ 368 ~~XXXXXX~~ A/C Number 768 Letter A Date 1/12/43
 8 x 500
 Bomb Load 20 M47A1 H.E. Incendi. Position in Formation
 Time Took Off 0805 Time Landed 1735

		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:

1140-8-17 - near immersion in spin shortly
 1133-8-17 - Bkt up - no chutes
 1145-8-17 - down out of control under fighter attack - one man bailed out
 Friendly A/C in any kind of distress?
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 1250-51°N-0°14'E - saw 2 - F/A collide
 one went down - fell apart.

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

2nd Lt. J. Gassler Pilot ✓
 2nd Lt. T.R. Thompson Co-P ✓
 2nd Lt. W.T. Hughes Nav. ✓
 2nd Lt. D.A. Logan Bomb. ✓
 S/Sgt. E.L. Mills Radio ✓
 S/Sgt. W.S. Cieri Top T. ✓
 S/Sgt. D.K. Gollsher Ball T. ✓
 S/Sgt. B.S. Mings R. Waist ✓
 Sgt. T.V. Lenoski L. Waist ✓
 Sgt. R.W. Grothe Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1159
 Alternate Height: 26000
 Last Resort Heading: 331° Mag.
 (circle)
 Duration Bomb Run:

9 minutes straight & level

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

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (for this plane or others) 6 X M47A1 - would not release.

Own Bombs:

bombed on plane

Other Bombing:

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

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

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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	accuracy
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1207 51°N 0°14'E -

Target - Tracking did most damage - also most damage

Crew observations about Flak:

1317 - 51°17'N-0303'E 4-group of flaks on right hand side of

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

40 E/A (?)

(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

(Types)

*Mu 101
190
one 7/8 flew along side level - did not attack.*

(Location and length of fight)

most attacks on groups below & in front of this ship

(Tactics of E/A)

2 E/A (Mu 109) painted white and blue

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

(Our defensive action)

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

None

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

good - did not see any P-47's between F.P. + target.

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.)

at about N. E of 51° 41' 30" E - what appeared to be a search light or some kind of reflector

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)

flat hole in left wing.

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

lost life raft.

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

S-2 OFFICER *Murtha*

TIME COMPLETED

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 101X 368 ~~1340000000~~ A/C Number 776 Letter F Date 1/12/43
 8 x 500

Bomb Load 20 M47A1 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0805 Time Landed 1438

		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)

1st Lt. J.M. Gay Pilot

F/O J.B. Coleman Co-P ✓

1st Lt. J.R. Samway Nav. ✓

1st Lt. M.J. Dmochowski Bomb. ✓

T/Sgt. E.G. Danielson Radio ✓

Sgt. J.G. Brownell Top T. ✓

S/Sgt. L. Brofford Ball T. ✓

S/Sgt. S.J. Krisko R. Waist ✓

S/Sgt. G.E. Lilja L. Waist ✓

S/Sgt. B.J. Hitt Tail C. ✓

Primary Time: 1157

Alternate Height: 25200

Last Resort Heading 345 MAG

Duration Bomb Run:

Toggled

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

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

Own Bombs:

not observed - 9/10th cloud.

Other Bombing:

5. Any Photographs taken: Yes No?

Any Nickels: Yes No

Number boxes dropped

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

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) Good - came back 5 of course & ran into a large flak area.

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy, moderate or slight)	Color of bursts	Location of bursts	Accuracy in relation to A/C
	Target		slight	black	red	alt - good acc - fair
	from 1207					
	to 1222		int.	black	white	very acc alt good acc - fair

Crew observations about Flak:

least coming out

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

*M2109
FW190
few distant E/E E/A
(Types)*

100
(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

1110 - 1120
(Location and length of fight)

*Two direct attacks from below - broke off
when ball/7 opened fire.*

(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 when around - we were
8-10 min late - first seen 1105*

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.)

P47 shot down E/A before target.

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

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

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)
flak hole into AFCE

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:
R/W oxygen, L/W gun froze

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?)
Hoods for waste guns - wanted

S-2 OFFICER

*Belaluk
Capt AC*

TIME COMPLETED

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~XXX~~ 368 ~~BOGXXX~~ A/C Number 145 Letter G Date 1/12/43

8 x 500

Bomb Load 20 M47A1 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0805 Time Landed _____

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      X
    X   X   X   X
  X  X   X   X   X
  X  X   X   X   X
  X  X   X   X   X
  X
  
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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)

Franklinham

- 1st Lt. W.D. Read Pilot ✓
 2nd Lt. T.J. Brady Co-P ✓
 1st Lt. I.E. Glaze Nav. ✓
 2nd Lt. G. W. Baltzer Bomb. ✓
 S/Sgt. C.H. Nichols Radio ✓
 Sgt. C.A. Heuser Top T. ✓
 Sgt. T.E. Stilson Ball T. ✓
 S/Sgt. J.J. Gamberki R.Waist ✓
 S/Sgt. A.C. Schaeffler L.Waist ✓
 S/Sgt. W.H. Cole 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:

Other Bombing:

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

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

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

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

Crew observations about Flak: _____

GROUP 306 SQD 308 LTR G BOMB LOAD 500 D: TEL-12-43 Need 321A5
20047 (Pilots L.Name./C.No)

Position in Formation	Rank	Name	Rank	Name	
<pre> X X X X X X X X X X X X X X (X) X X X X X X X X </pre>	1st Lt	Need, W.D.	F	Sgt Heuser, C.A.	
	2nd Lt	Brady, T.J.	Co-P	Sgt Stillson, T.E.	BT
	1st Lt	Glase, L.E.	K	S/Sgt Cole, W.W.	TG
	2nd Lt	Baltzer, D.W.	B	S.Sgt Gaboraki, J.J.	RW
	S/Sgt	Nichols, C.A.	Lead	S/Sgt Schaeffler, A.G.	LW

CASUALTIES - Designate on above list by following symbols: Killed - (K); Seriously Wounded - (SW); Wounded - (W); Missing - (O).

Illness or disability (Name) None

Failure of Protective Eqpt. (Name) S/Sgt Cole, heated boots out.

TARGET BOMBED (Name)	No & Size	Bombs Type	Results Observed
Leverkuessen	On Target	500 20047	Yours: 10/10 cloud
JETTISONED			
Br't Back			
Un'act For			Others:
If target not bombed			
If returned early point of turning, reason, time, altitude:			

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION (Separate Encounter for Each Combat)

30 21 F4U's - 9 ME109's and 2 transports
(NoE/A Seen) (Numbers and types)

Special Markings and colors: (Not previously reported) Camouflaged 190's (to look like 47's) but did not have white nose. No bright colors as usual. Two 109's were coal black, possibly night fighters.

Description of Attack: (Where & time-altitude) (duration-intensity) No attacks in this A/C

Enemy tactics and our Countermeasures: All attacks from 9 to 3 o'clock (mainly 10 to 2) and all out of sun. Would attack from level of lead group and dive through formation apparently sticking group which was below the 306, then would hide in clouds below the formation, to av old P47's

Air to air bombing - any enemy unusual weapons: None

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~367~~ 368 ~~369XXXX~~ A/C Number 706 Letter Q Date 1/12/43
8 x 500
Bomb Load 20 M47A1 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

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

all way

Time Took Off 0805 Time Landed 1425

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

11:45
B-17 N. of Koblenz in lead group
fell into clouds below out of control

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

Just after Fighters - no
chutes seen

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

- 1st Lt. R.S. Lund Pilot ✓
- 2nd Lt. P.J. Field Co-P ✓
- 2nd Lt. A.W. Stillwell Nav. ✓
- 2nd Lt. B.C. Gustafson Bomb. ✓
- T/Sgt. E.D. Ewing Radio ✓
- Sgt. D.A. Rockwell Top T. ✓
- Sgt. R.L. Semler Ball T. ✓
- Sgt. A.J. Doine R.Waist ✓
- Sgt. E.F. Gramm L.Waist ✓
- Sgt. W.E. Bartel Tail G. ✓

11:12 B-17 just after T. on left below
possibly our own sq. - tail broke off

2. TARGET ATTACKED: 51:08 - 06:13 hit by flak

blowed
Bombs
dropped
way
ahead
after
hit
2/c
possibly
ones
knocked
piece
out of
850 ft
wing

Primary Time: 12:00
Alternate Height: 26,200
Last Resort Heading: 332° Mag. watch longer
(circle)
Duration Bomb Run: 9 min.

Number of BOMBS (all) dropped on target; Jettisoned: Returned: abortive:
Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: Dropped on own lead ship

Other Bombing: From 2 minutes after I.P. to T.
first from 305 A/C and then from group
on left

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

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

7. ROUTE: (If different, than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early; and disposition of bombs)
a little S. of course both down (a little) and back (more)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) about 12,000

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of bursts	Location of bursts	Accuracy
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most acc.
From 12:04 to 12:06

T. Mod. + acc. Barrage + tracking for about 10 to 15 min. in Target.

Crew observations about Flak:

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

*Me 109
FW 190
few distant E/A*

100
(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

1110 - 1120
(Location and length of fight)

*Two direct attacks from below - broke off
when ball/7 opened fire.*

(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 when around - we were
8-10 min late - first seen 1105*

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.)

P47 shot down E/A before target.

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

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

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)
flak hit into AFCE

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:
R/W oxygen, L/W gun froze

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?)
Hoods for waste guns - wanted

3-2 OFFICER

*Alkalak
Capt AC*

TIME COMPLETED

INTERROGATION FORM

52°08' N
10° 20' E

SQUADRON ~~XXX~~ 368 ~~XXXX~~ A/C Number 724 Letter Z Date 1/12/43
8 x 500

Bomb Load 20 M.741 H.E. Incend. Position in Formation
Time Took Off 0805 Time Landing 1448 at 1448 at

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
Retails: 1539 Lindley base 1017

1400 hours
4 B-17 #2 engine burning
4 B-17 #3 engine burning
Another B-17 from head of this Bay attacked by fighters at about 1150 feet
1205, flak hit B-17, tail burning
Unidentified A/C, no chuffs
channel, at about 57° 42' N
101° 40' E

GREW: Give Rank and Initials
2nd Lt. C.N. Grending Pilot down chuffs
2nd Lt. A.F. Rehn Com-PV
2nd Lt. J.C. Wilson Nav. ✓
S/Sgt. G.E. Snyder ~~Radio~~ NG
S/Sgt. F.R. Wernich Radio ✓
S/Sgt. R.L. Hayes Top T. ✓
Sgt. H.N. Milliken Ball T. ✓
Sgt. J.K. Adkins R. Waist ✓
Sgt. W.D. Jackson L. Waist ✓
S/Sgt. ~~W.H. Sumner~~ Tail G. ✓
C.L. Hopkins

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: Unknown
Alternate Height: because
Last Report Heading: unknown
(circle) in target
Duration Bomb Run: both out.

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 2 X M4741 Jettisoned: 3 X M4741 Returned: 1 abortive:

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

Own Bombs: Dropped after leader because top plane was out & water became to, he released bombs.

Other Bombing: 9/10 over target

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

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

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) 5/10 almost to target, then overcast.

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, of heavy), intense, moderate or slight,	Color of bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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flak from boats, it seemed, on way in.
Didn't notice flak on target. Indicates a very inaccurate flak after target. Formation in
Crew observations about flak: near way getting more than we were.

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

10 minutes before, + 10 minutes after

Fourteen ME109s near targets six 109s attacked
 (Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types)

Group to our right, all at one time, line abreast it seems!
 (Location and length of fight)

One, may be a formation T/E's seen below.

One ME109 was hit by flak just before target
 (Tactics of E/A)

wing was torn off.

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

(Our defensive action)

CLAIMS	
DESTROYED	<u>16</u>
PROBABLY	
DAMAGED	
(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)	

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT P 47s good. Right in formation with us.
 saw split over channel on way home.

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

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

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

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

6 flak holes.

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

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

S-2 OFFICER B. H. Pool TIME COMPLETED

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 ~~368~~ 9 ~~1422~~ A/C Number 993 Leader K Date 1/12/43

Bomb Load 20 M47 Al H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0805 Time Landed 1430

			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:

none

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

Lt. E.M. Murphy Pilot ✓

Lt. L.F. Peterson Co-P ✓

Lt. A. Isaac Nav. ✓

Lt. D.B. Dash Bomb ✓

S/Sgt. P.W. Christensen Radio

T/Sgt. H.L. Noyes Top T. ✓

Sgt. G.B. Richardson Ball T. ✓

Sgt. J.W. Bentley R. Waist ✓

Sgt. E.M. Johnson L. Waist ✓

Sgt. C.W. Foley Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1156

Alternate Height: 25,300

Last Resort Heading: 348

(circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

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

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

Own Bombs: *Dropped 4 minutes before jump because he saw plane in ground and dropped in A/C in front of him*

Other Bombing: *missed because of fuel*

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

Number boxes dropped _____

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

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) *Wetter than hoped for at all*

9. FLAK: Encountered on way-out, at target and on way home. *Control not too bad*

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type of light, intensity, moderate or slight	Color of bursts	Location of bursts in relation to A/C	accuracy
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No flak at bomb area. 1206 was first big flak. Dash thought we'd been jumped and got out of our course. He suspect was off course on east at Oxford - not much. (35-40 mi S of course)

Crew observations about Flak: _____

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

40 plus SE fighters all SE. Most FW 190s
 (Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types)

(Location and length of fight)

Woods in 25 + 45

2 direct attacks of FWs painted just like 47s came in together after radio down P47.

(Tactics of E/A)

No shots seen.

FWs Marked like P47.

(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

2nd Group didn't pick us up. We had 20-30 minutes without escort. Diced up again 1215.

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

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

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

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

None. Hole in wing top (50 cal.??)

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

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

2 more planes to look into the information 92nd got in way.
Capt Baldwin

MURPHY

ADDITIONAL INTERROGATION 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 Imrestoff 1039

2. Was Course as Briefed? Imrestoff 7 5148
0352
If not, describe course in detail OK to target area. Bomb but very
cut off by at 1312 loc at 1200ft at 5117N 0300 E (over island)
Southward - home.

3. Time and Place of crossing Enemy Coast 1102 at 5148N 0352E

4. Time over Target 1156

Altitude over Target 25300

Position of Group on Bomb Run 2nd group

Magnetic Heading of Bomb Run 348

Duration Bomb Run 1000

5. Time of Landing at Base 1430

If landed away from base before return state where and why _____

DATE _____ TIME _____ S-2 OFFICER Capt Baldwin

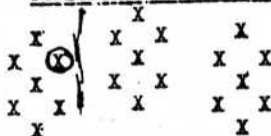
INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~267 XXXX~~ ~~39 XXXX~~ A/C Number 730 Letter B Date 1/12/43

Bomb Load 20 M47A1 H.E., Incendi.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0805 Time Landed 14 32



1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

1817 at 1135 hrs, spinning down.
no chute observed. (5050N-0280E)
aggravated

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

Lt. B.W. Cassaday Pilot ✓

Lt. R.F. Crowley Co-P ✓

Lt. J.H. Bryan Nav. ✓

Lt. D.E. Currier Bomb. ✓

S/Sgt. C.H. Moxley Radio ✓

S/Sgt. A.J. Marenholz Top T. ✓

S/Sgt. G.D. Barnett Ball T. ✓

Sgt. M.T. Ross H.Waist ✓

Sgt. M.F. Hannify L.Waist ✓

Sgt. W.S. Olmstead Tail G. ✓

1817 spinning down at 114 hrs
no chute observed.

1817 at 1140 hrs caught fire (Bent 7/8)
went down. 4-7 hrs bailed out.
tail came off. Came apart.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1156 1/2

Alternate Height: 25,000

Last Resort Heading 340 mag

Duration Bomb Run:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: ~~2~~ partitioned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs:

not observed - overcast

Other Bombing:

5. Any Photographs taken? Yes?

Any Nickels: Yes No

Number boxes dropped

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

Number boxes returned

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

will group

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

9. FLAK: Encountered ~~on~~ way out, at target and on way home.
the coast. 6-7/8 over channel - 8/8 over England

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

Crew observations about Flak:

Some way low, at 9/8

Left before rising coast (5148N-0352E)
no attention to it -

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

Approx 30-40 mostly S/E — this crew
 (Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types) says all S/E more
me 1.0.9.2

(Location and length of fight)

This A/C attack from low 11 o'clock

A few joints made at 3:45 o'clock
 (Tactics of E/A) low

Light grayish - some black (dark green)
yellow speckles - FW 190s
 (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

FW 190's on top being fighter lost.

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

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

see front

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

None

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

Slight flak damage

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

None

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

None.

J. Karand

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

all F.W. 190's

50 (P)

(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

(Type)

E/A stayed from 11:20 to 01:00 hrs -

First attack at 1. P. - as soon as P-47's arrived they

(Location and length of fight)

dropped down low and occasionally attacked from below.

Came in pairs or threes & threes - flanked up and attacked

single - one made direct attack at 12:00 clock hour

2 - F.W. 190's painted like P-47's - white nose - attacked in

(Tactics of E/A)

squadron - as close as 150 feet.

black white cowling - some yellow nose.

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

(no evidence of rockets)

(Our defensive action)

CLAIMS

DESTROYED _____

PROBABLY _____

DAMAGED _____

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

None

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

good visibility but missed first rendezvous with fighters

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.)

ship in 92nd group but by what appeared to be a direct hit from an 88 mm. The shell evidently passed thru the engine without above

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)

fire and went down - 1 shot (see no. 2 on front)

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)

2 flat holes in tail

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

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

formation almost directly above us our target
(dangerous)

S-2 OFFICER

Merritt -

TIME COMPLETED

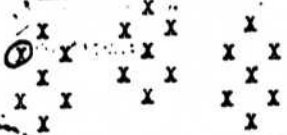
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SQUADRON 359 A/C Number 794 Letter V Date 1/12/43

Bomb Load 20 #47A1 H.T. Incom.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off, 0905 Time, London 1720



(1200) 1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
 Details: all 2000'

B-17 hit by flak down in flames 5 min after bombs away. 1 chute.

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

- Lt. M.J. Snyder Pilot ✓
- Lt. Grisham Com-P ✓
- Lt. R.J. Benninger Nav. ✓
- Lt. R.L. Daniels Bomb. ✓
- S/Sgt. Reed Radio ✓
- S/Sgt. R.K. Halbert Top T. ✓
- Cpl. P. Mundell Ball T. ✓
- Sgt. P. Gagner R. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. J.J. Kusial L. Waist ✓
- Sgt. W.O. Slanker Tail C. ✓

1112 hrs - just inside enemy coast - 25000'

B-17 going down on spin under flight attack - out of control - no chutes.

1239 + 2 B-17s hit deck made enemy coast - had fighter escort.

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 1200
 Alternate Height: 25500'
 Last Resort Heading 330° Mag.
 (circle)
 Duration Bomb Run: (5 minutes)

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

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

Own Bombs:

This group dropped a few seconds after flares from wing leader.

Other Bombing: bombs were dropping from 5 minutes before target - all along route. Most dropped on lead

5. Any Phot. graphs taken: (Yes) No? Any Nicols: Yes No
 Number boxes dropped 700

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

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

as per briefed - excellent map.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home. 10/10 over target

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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1115 hrs - 25 miles inside coast - major flak low ahead under tracking (after target)

1150 (target area) - tracking & barrage accurate - moderate

Crew observations about Flak (in view target)

1311 hrs - 51° 17' N - 03° 02' W - show batteries (23000) both level and above formation, tracking, meager (approx 1-2 per gun battery)

Low altitude flak seen

INTERROGATION FORM

17

SQUADRON ~~147XXXX~~ 59 ~~XXXX~~ A/C Number 078 Letter R Date 12/13

8 x 500
Bomb Load 20 M47A1 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0805 Time Landed 1435

		X		
		X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
⊗		X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
		X		X

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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

Lt. J.P. Noack Pilot ✓

1017 from low sq. of 92nd heavy flak at 1241 after bomb burst down in flames after tail twisted off. He had tried to stay in formation after plane from low group burst but did not see chance.

Lt. W.R. DeWolf Co-P ✓

Lt. D.H. Fay Nav. ✓

Lt. H.H. Bittman Bomb ✓

Sgt. M. Gallagher Radio

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

S/Sgt. F.J. Wesner Top T. ✓

Primary Time: 1200

Sgt. D.W. Turnbaugh Ball T. ✓

Alternate: Height: 25600

S/Sgt. K.H. Smith R. Waist ✓

Last Resort Heading: 328°

Sgt. Hogg L. Waist ✓

Duration Bomb Run:

S/Sgt. T.H. Smith Tail G. ✓

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 leader. We dropped on group leader. Hits dropped short.*

Other Bombing: *Work on one bomber M of B. Victim when we dropped 4 bombs.*

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

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

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) *all out of present. Some going in clouds. Nothing not as bad as noted. Low 8-10 on den.*

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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After bombing we turned to left on course turn + caught flak at 1210. There wasn't much but very accurate in altitude. Looking. There was to his stuff. Observed flak on course turn.

Crew observations about Flak:

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

Lots of S/E over FW 75 over.
 (Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types)

North in target area. From before 10 to after 10:30 am. 443 dropped
 (Location and length of fight)

off + they come in. Didn't pass us or much as a min. below us.

2 separate attacks of FWs who came from 11 and low right thru 473.

All attacks low. except against low min.
 (Tactics of E/A)

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

(Our defensive action)

CLAIMS	
DESTROYED	<input type="checkbox"/>
PROBABLY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
DAMAGED	<input type="checkbox"/>
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11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

None over target.

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

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

None.

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

Ball turret pinned out over target. But came to on my next.

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

One little metal hole in #2 engine. flush.

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

None

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

INTERCOMBAT FORM

SQUADRON ~~367~~ 359 ~~YEXY~~ A/C Number 143 Letter P Date 1/12/43
 8 x 500
 Bomb Load 20 M701 H.F. Intend.
 Time-Trek Off 0805 Time Landed 1433

Position in Formation

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      X X X X X
    X X X X X
      X X X
    
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CREW: Give Rank and Initials

- Lt. C.J. Kinsey Pilot ✓
- Lt. T.J. Czechowski ComP ✓
- Lt. F.M. Sevis Nav. ✓
- Lt. R.⁴ Sweeney Bomb ✓
- S/Sgt. J.W. Ferguson Radio ✓
- S/Sgt. C.T. Slappy Top T. ✓
- Sgt. C.E. Shakespeare Ball T. ✓
- Sgt. W.C. Fann R.Waist ✓
- Sgt. C.E. Weaver L.Waist ✓
- Sgt. R.A. Yerak Tail G. ✓

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:
flak up night after target
no. 2. after change fire. 8 shots
downed. 12.09 hrs. (approx)

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

1817 12.15 hrs flak up
 one shot downed

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 156 1/2
 Alternate Height: 25000
 Last Resort Heading: 330
 (circle)
 Duration Bomb Run:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: (Ad) Detonated: Returned: Abortives:

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

Own Bombs:

not observed - 19/10 overcast

Other Bombing:

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

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

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

10/10 over target, clearing up
 toward coast on way back

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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Very accurate but not as very heavy

Crew observations about Flak: *Flak ships off*

(5'13" - 0 2'52" E) Time 1310 hrs. (light flak on 1817 around 12.00)

1817 at 1131, going home. 1135. 1135. 1135.

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

1 Thin Engine observed

Opinion 50

Mostly S/E Mx 109s

(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

(Type) 7W190s

(Location and length of fight)

Went across from 110' alt - 5" alt mostly below.

(Tactics of E/A)

Light gray with yellow nose

(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

P4 7¹⁵ at 110' alt. In close behind formation. Good support.

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.)

Saw something from ground coming up and 20 ft. from tail; leaves thin blue streak, trail something like that.

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)

see front.

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

none

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

Slight flat damage

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

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

Saw P4's shot down from 7W190's in target area.

Very big good job of low altitude intercept

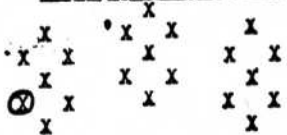
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SQUADRON ~~XXXXXX~~ 09 ~~XXXX~~ A/C Number 939 Letter A Date 1/12/43

Bomb Load 20 M47al H.F. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0805 Two Landings 1450



1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details: 1017 at 1206 hrs by flak. Exploded. 6 men coming out.

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

- Lt. M. Newstreet Pilot ✓
- Lt. F.K. Warner Com-P ✓
- Lt. "J. Flynn Nav. ✓
- Lt. "K. Howard Bomb. ✓
- S/Sgt. R.H. Decker Radio ✓
- S/Sgt. R.W. Harry Top T. ✓
- Sgt. P.H. Morgan Bell T. ✓
- Sgt. J.J. Paganò R. Waist ✓
- Sgt. D.A. Goff L. Waist ✓
- Sgt. "A. Erickson Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1456 1/2
 Alternate Height: 25,000
 Last Resort Heading 340 mag
 (circle)
 Duration Bomb Run:

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

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

Own Bombs:

not observed 10/10

Other Bombing:

5. Any Photographs taken: Yes? (No)

Any Nickels: Yes (No) Number boxes dropped

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

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

with spray -

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) 10/10 at Coast (Army)

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home. only about 4/10.

Time	Place	Height	Type (light, of heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color	Location of bursts	Accuracy Bursts in relation to A/C
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at target accuracy tracking but not intense

Crew observations about Flak: Flak at Coast (over Island)

major -

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

25-40

(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

(Types)

2W19012
17610512

Before target (approx. 6 minutes)

(Location and length of fight)

Low attack at 11 O'clock

(Tactics of E/A)

Light grayish black

(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 SUPPORTThis crew says P42's rest
was enough during attacks before the target.
After target excellent. Seemed to be little later.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.)This crew also noted big red burst. Hardly hit
+ flak.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)

see front

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) Hydraulic system shut out.
Vacuum pump on no. 3. Other engine damage to no. 3.16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

None

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

S-2 OFFICER

TIME COMPLETED

H. Kavanagh

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 ~~XXXXXX~~ A/C Number 728 Letter S Date 1/12/43
 8 x 500

Bomb Load 20 MA7A1 H.T. Incendi.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0914 Type Landco (433)

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

Compo

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

1 B-17 15 mi. off target - blew up & went down
in spin

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

1 B-17 blew up - 1204. target area in clouds
1 B-17 spun in about 30° before target - no clouds
1 B-17 1245 - blew up at about 13000 - no clouds

1st Lt. L.D. Davis Pilot ✓

Capt. F.H. Onnen Co-PI ✓

2nd Lt. R.D. Wright Nav. ✓

1st Lt. W.Z. Morey Bomb. ✓

T/Sgt. L.C. McCullar ✓ Radio

T/Sgt. G.T. Webb ✓ Top T.

S/Sgt. D.J. Foster ✓ Ball T.

S/Sgt. G.R. Anderson ✓ R.Waist

S/Sgt. F.M. Shade ✓ L.Waist

S/Sgt. D.J. Antonelli ✓ Tail G.

CAPT. S.J. Owen (40 CBW) Passenger

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1205

Alternate Height: 27800

Last Resort Heading 265

(circle) Duration Bomb Run: 50"

60° right turn for bombing

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

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

Own Bombs: couldn't see
dropped on 305° leader
XY D-650

Other Bombing:

5. Any Photographs taken: Yes? No?

any Nickels: Yes No

Number boxes dropped

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

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

as briefed

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) as briefed - sparse 5 mi. squares. Stratus clouds at 15000, no cumulus

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

Contrails off on

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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1115 just after coast - meager - about 6 bursts - pred. com. good alt. had deflection target area - behind & to right - barrage - intense

30 mins after target - tracking - very accurate - moderate
coast coming past - (6 mi. S of target) - accurate - few bursts

Crew observations about flak:

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

approx 100 fighters all S/E ... M# 109 + F# 190
 (Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types)

no attacks on this A/C - ball burst fired.
 (Location and length of fight)

fired rockets to the side, fired up ↗

fighters really rough on other groups - worst since Wilhelmshaven
 (Tactics of E/A) came in in large groups

probably black - some O.D.

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

1249 - 2 E/A went down at 10 + 11 o'clock - P-47 got them

(Our defensive action)

CLAIMS

DESTROYED _____

PROBABLY _____

DAMAGED _____

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

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT good - none just before target and after target

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

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

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

15.

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

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

S-2 OFFICER

Hogg

TIME COMPLETED

1520

(146)

ADDITIONAL INTERROGATION 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 1033 - nr Lowestoft

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

3. Time and Place of crossing Enemy Coast 1105 on course

4. Time over Target _____

Altitude over Target _____

Position of Group on Bomb Run high group of 40⁰⁰

Magnetic Heading of Bomb Run _____

Duration Bomb Run _____

5. Time of Landing at Base _____

If landed away from base before return state where and why _____

DATE 1/12/43 TIME 1520 S-2 OFFICER Hagg

Abort.

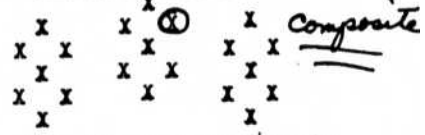
INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 267 868 186 23 A/C Number 767 Letter Y Date 1/12/43
8 x 500

Bomb Load 20 M47A1 H.T. Interd.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0805 Two Landed 1110



CREW: Give Rank and Initials

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
 Details: Turned back at 1021 just N of Forecote at 26000 ft. #3 engine had oil leak plus Friendly A/C in any kind of distress? (Give position, time, altitude, full details) supercharger trouble. Also could not find Composite group. Did see 9 ships of a ride and not in Combat wing formation which might have been 305th

- 1st Lt. K.R. Bickett Pilot
- 2nd Lt. R. Nickalhoff Co-P
- 1st Lt. W.J. Florida Nav.
- 2nd Lt. J.E. Sanders Bomb
- T/Sgt. M.E. Palenica Radio
- S/Sgt. J.T. Adams, Jr. Top T.
- S/Sgt. J.H. Coleman Ball T.
- S/Sgt. D. Axelrod R.Waist
- S/Sgt. H.C. Turner L.Waist
- Sgt. E.H. Askelson 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) all

Own Bombs: One 305th ship (A) was flying in hole of 306th + wouldn't leave

Other Bombing:

5. Any Photographs taken: Yes? No? Any Nickels: Yes No
 Number boxes dropped: Number boxes returned:
 6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:
 7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early; and disposition of bombs)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) Abort as high as exact cloud bands were up to 20000 feet instead of 25000.
 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

Crew observations about Flak:

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

(Type)

(Location and length of fight)

(Tactics and 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

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

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

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

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

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

S-2 OFFICER

Captain Calderin

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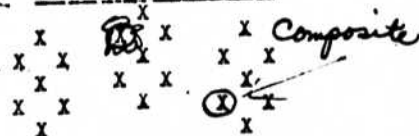
1203 hrs.

2.2
SQUADRON 367, 368 ; ~~XXXX~~ A/C Number 363 ; Lt. : _____ Date 1/12/43

Bomb Load 8 x 500
20 M/1A1 H.F. Interd.

Time Took Off 0805 ; Time Landd 1415 at Munton

Position in Formation



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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

- Lt. R.L. Fallow Pilot ✓
- Lt. G.W. Eike Com-P ✓
- Lt. Crabtree Nav. ✓
- Lt. Whittle Bomb. ✓
- Sgt. J.A. Hobbs Radio ✓
- S/Sgt. A. Picarello Top T. ✓
- Sgt. R.J. Might Ball T. ✓
- Sgt. L.L. Plumbtree R. Waist ✓
- Sgt. J.E. Threlkeld L. Waist ✓
- T/Sgt. R.L. Norris Tail G. ✓

Munton

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 1202
 Alternate Height: 28000
 Last Resort Heading: 300 May
 (circle)
 Duration Bomb Run:

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

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

Own Bombs: Dropped on leader Heard on interphone before
Bombs away - "Drops on army" T. of O.

Other Bombing:

5. Any Photographs taken: Yes? No?

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

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)

with composite with other first, then dropped down to own group. Confusion + went to bomb + low 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, moderate or slight)	Color of intense bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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Flak came after bombs away (4 minutes) allowed course to drift & got into it. Quite a bit of. Coldest track - then predicted course

Crew observations about Flak:

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

(Estimated total number of E/A seen) _____ (Types) _____
Several attacks, lower groups.
 (Location and length of fight)
 1144 2 SE attacked group ahead + low. Saw 1 B17 going to a
 spin. Saw 2 climb. then lost st. Just before turn into bank run.

(Tactics of E/A)
 1B17 hit at 1135 don't know what happened

(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

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

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

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)
above.
none.

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:
Yokair poles closed + couldn't get gas from them.
Port 2 doors wouldn't close.

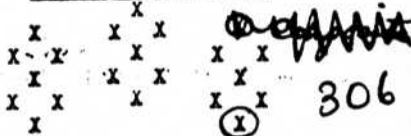
17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents, any suggestions?)
No flash at coast on us out at 17000 ft.
Baldwin *3 Dec. 1700 hrs*

SQUADRON 1367 368 A/C Number 451 Lat: N Date 1/12/43

8 x 500
Bomb Load 20 M79A H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0805 Time Landed 1425



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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

2nd Lt. J.M. Kelly Pilot ✓

C.M.
2nd Lt. G.F. Bayless Co-P ✓

2nd Lt. M. Kalish Nav. ✓

2nd Lt. H.F. Allen Bomb. ✓

S/Sgt. L.F. Carter Radio ✓

T/Sgt. E.C. Spangenberg Top T. ✓

Sgt. O.V. Miltkofer Ball T. ✓

S/Sgt. C.E. Hudson R.Waist ✓

S/Sgt. J.G. Hay L.Waist ✓

Sgt. W.C. Christian Tail G. ✓

B-17-423 sq. hit by bombs

after bombs away.
H. Kelly - 12 miles out of the bomb
one chute - ditched

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1157

Alternate Height: 25000

Last Resort Heading: 325

Duration Bomb Run: 2 minutes

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target (as briefed) all bombs with lead ship
4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: 10/10

Other Bombing: ✓

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

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: none
Number boxes returned _____

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

as briefed till hit channel on way back
1320 - 1st out - 1st hit - 1st out - 1st hit - 1st out

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) As briefed - up to 10/10

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

Time	Place	Weight of	Type (light, moderate or slight, intense)	Color of bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
1115	Holloman	2000	light	black	6 o'clock	fair
1129	Holloman	2600	mod	all	3:30	low
1155	Holloman	2600	mod	all	3:30	low

Grew observations about Flak: Tracking

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

40650

FW-190-ME-109 (Geebe)

(Estimated total number of A/A seen)

(Types)

div from target - ~~FW-190~~ - FW-190

(Location and length of fight)

Head on - 11 o'clock - rolled belly up - below

passed to rear very close

(Tactics of E/A)

Head on 10 o'clock - ME-109 - turned off

streak white on top side, wings, tail

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

(Our defensive action)

CLAIMS	
DESTROYED	_____
PROBABLY	_____
DAMAGED	_____

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

None

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT:

Not much coming in - goal going out for P47's & Spit - No P38's

12. 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, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations, etc.)
Convoy - (British) near opposite - heading north - N/E E/A.

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)
1/2 4th Lt. 1st Lt. - explosion - flak - chute out.

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

None

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

None

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

None

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

More gasoline - more oxygen

8-2 OFFICER

McKee

TIME COMPLETED

SQUADRON 267/333 3d XXXX A/C Number 827 Lett. G Date 1/12/43

Bomb Load 20 M7A1 H.F. Incom.

Time Took Off 0705 Time Landed 1429

Position in Formation



CREW: Give Rank and Initials

- Lt. J.S. Opdyke Pilot ✓
- Lt. Tattershall Co-P ✓
- Lt. L.S. Musselwhite Nav. ✓
- Lt. L.B. Jones Bomb. ✓
- S/Sgt. T.W. Hunter Radio ✓
- T/Sgt. J.T. Ross Top T. ✓
- Sgt. R.N. Gates Ball T. ✓
- T/Sgt. E.J. Wentworth R.Waist ✓
- Sgt. C.S. Hayes L.Waist ✓
- Sgt. E.R. Moody Tail G. ✓

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

1-B-17 spinning down, then tumbling down and, at 1143 hours, no chutes; just before the last turn before the I.P.

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

1138 - 1-B-17 started burning, then went down, pieces coming off; 1 chute.

About 1230, 1-B-17 attacked by two FW190s, just disintegrated; no chutes.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

One 4 1/2 c of unknown identity blowup
 Primary Time: 1200
 Alternate Height: 25,700
 Last Resort Heading 330° mag.
 (circle)
 Duration Bomb Run:

One 4 1/2 c of unknown identity blowup fell in water at 1322 off enemy coast

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

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

Own Bombs: Dropped on P F F flares (saw 3).

At 1157, the 309th bombs went away, so scattered the loss - they dropped with them. This was done because 1 ship from 305 on the right was pulling out of formation & went over the sea. Other Bombing: dropped bombs, some of our group bombed when they saw his bombs away. Couldn't see any, they did to solid.

5. Any Photographs taken: Yes? No

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

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early; and disposition of bombs) Course in was as briefed until after target. Could not see to south.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) Clear over south sea; pretty solid over coast at target. Could see land almost as far as target, then clouds were more in

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or light	Color of bursts	Location Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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At about 1157 some light flares burst.
120 to the target; good altitude
Could tell about flares target as to many bombs were falling around us.

Crew observations about Flak:

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

about 174. FW 190s — first seen at 1131
 (Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Type)

attacking another wing.
 One tail attack on us; two more attacks on
 low squadron.
 (Location and length of fight)

Attached Wing to right of us at 1131
 at 1140 attacked our low squadron.

Enemy fighters last seen at 1300.
 (Tactics of E/A)

at 1200 hours, later
 some were low, apparently waiting for
 stragglers; but 4 or 5 were there too.

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)
 Our fighters did a swell job.

Two FW 190s that went through our squadron had
 red nose spinning and black-
 checked canopy, all very
 shiny, gray fuselage — seemed
 like new ships.

CLAIMS	
DESTROYED	<u>no</u>
PROBABLY	_____
DAMAGED	_____
(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)	

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT P 47s first seen at about 1101 hours.
 We kept mighty busy; none appeared at each incident
 as scheduled. here saw fighters.

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.)
 Vapor trails light over target.

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

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

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly) Little fuel loss.

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

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

S-2 OFFICER B. A. Pool

TIME COMPLETED

COMBAT REPORT
CONFIDENTIAL

Group 306

Date Dec. 1, 1943

Squadron 423

Place where attacked near I.P.

A/C No. 850 B-17G

Time 1148 height 25,700

1. Story of the attack:-- E/A, ME 109, had been attacking lead Group.

In breaking, E/A came towards this A/C from 2 o'clock above going down.

Passed under this A/C peeling off in a turn. Ball turret gunner opened fire at 800 yards. E/A was seen to be hit, smoke came from nose section.

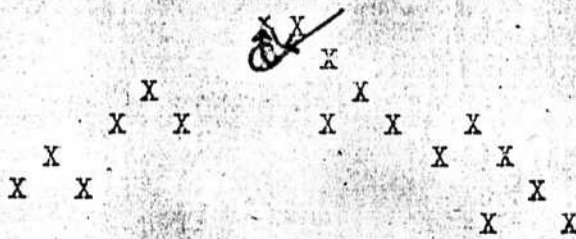
Just above clouds, pilot was seen to bail out as E/A went out of control.

Clouds were from 2000 to 4000 ft. below this A/C.

(Include above how E/A attacked; how close he came; where he was hit; how much he was damaged; and how he looked and acted going away)

DESTROYED

2. Diagram of attack:



On Diagram, show.

- a. which of our A/C was attacked;
- b. direction of E/A attack;
- c. sun position.

Data on Combat

- a. our heading Around 36°
- b. visibility _____
- c. type of E/A _____
- d. ~~letter of attack~~ was not attacking,

From high above _____ O'clock came in
level 2 O'clock level above
below _____ O'clock left low.
One) very low _____ O'clock

3. Our Gun Positions Firing on E/A.

Names Calvin T. Brend

Positions S/Sgt. Ball turret 11103371 Norwich, Conn.

4. If E/A was Shot Down or Damaged:

Corroborated by 2nd Lt. A. G. Pulver

Position in A/C Navigator

Other A/C firing at the same time? No.

5. Comments of the interrogator: Destroyed.