

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

25 April, 1944

SUBJECT: Intelligence Narrative,
 Mission: NANCY, 25 April, 1944

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

1. Narrative

Rendezvous and assembly were O.K. Course to target was generally south of briefed route. Lead and high squadrons of 306th Group did not bomb due to 9/10ths cloud in target area -- radically different from briefed weather. Lead group of 40th Combat Wing left briefed course and swung north well short of briefed point, then announced I.P. 306th Group accordingly took up bombing interval. Lead group apparently then spotted target through cloud and made a sharp correction to the right to bomb, thus passing underneath 306th just at time when bombing might have been possible for our Group. 4 A/C in low squadron and 1 in high, however, dropped on lead group. 306th did 360° to right, found target cloud covered on 2nd pass and rejoined 40th Combat Wing. 10/10ths cloud en route back made identification of any other target impossible. Some crews report seeing bombs of lead group fall in center of runway area and smoke coming from one building in north-east corner of field. Course home as briefed. Beachy Head 0811; French coast 4956N-0106E at 0826; French coast back 3 miles S. of course at 1128; Beachy Head 1156; base 1310.

2. Fighter Opposition

No enemy fighter opposition. We make no claims. Escort was good with no gaps. In addition a few P51s were seen on the way out. At 1118 hours north of Beauvais E/A observed to blow up under attack by 2 P51s after pilot bailed out.

3. A.A. Gun Fire

No flak from target. Heager, inaccurate tracking flak from St. Dizier, Neufchatel. Other flak observed in distance from Paris. No flak damage to any of our A/C.

4. A/C Returning Early-- Not Dispatched.

A/C #36-P, pilot Reeder, turned back over Podington at 0700 hours, oil pressure in number 3 engine low. Brought back 42 x M47A1.

A/C #521-A, pilot Weiland, turned back half way across channel at 0814 hours, unable to keep up with formation. Brought back 42 x M47A1. Both places were filled by 306th flying spares, our A/C #133-W, pilot Peters and #008-V, pilot Matichka.

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

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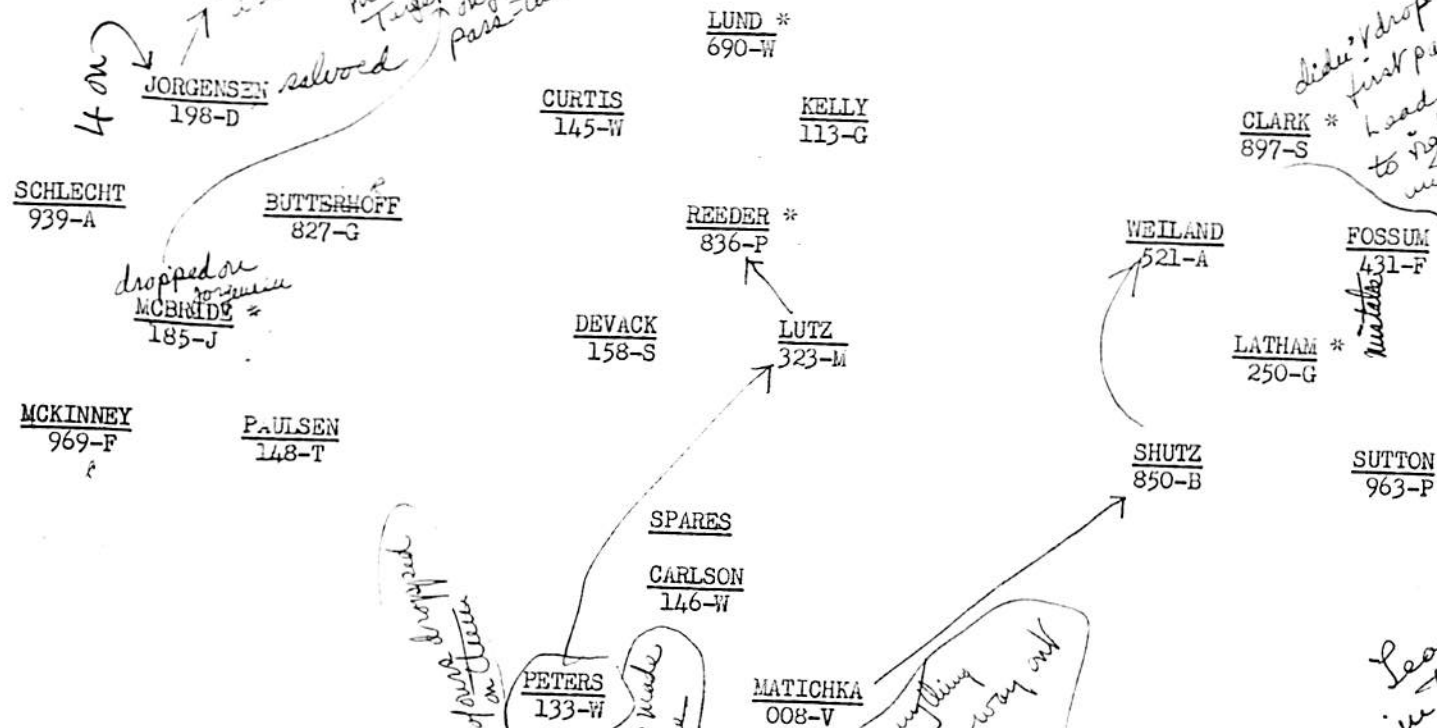
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TO: C.G. 1st Bomb Division
40th Combat Wing
Attention A-2

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 2. Lead and high squadrons of 306th Group did not bomb due to 9/10ths cloud in target area--radically different from briefed weather. Lead group of 40th Combat Wing left briefed course and swung north well short of briefed point, then announced I.P. 306th Group accordingly took up bombing interval. Lead group apparently then spotted target through cloud and made a sharp correction to the right to bomb, thus passing underneath 306th just at time when bombing might have been possible for our group. 4 A/C in low squadron and 1 in high, however; dropped on lead group. 306th did 360 to right, found target cloud covered on 2nd pass and rejoined 40th Combat Wing. 10/10ths cloud en route back made identification of any other target impossible. Some crews report seeing bombs of lead group fall in center of runway area and smoke coming from one building in north-east corner of field.
 3. No enemy fighters ^{position,} ~~observed.~~ We make no claims. Escort was good with no gaps. In addition a few P-51's were seen on the way out. At 1118 hrs. north of Beauvais E/A observed to blow up under attack by 2 P-51's after pilot bailed out.
 4. No flak from target. Meager, inaccurate tracking flak from St. Didier, Neuf Chatel. Other flak observed in distance from Paris. No flak damage to any of our A/C.
 5. Unexpected cloud layer at about 14,000 feet, which started near Paris and thickened to 9/10ths in target area and on way home.
 6. None.
 7. Course. Rendezvous and assembly were O.K. Course to target was generally South of briefed route. Course in target area described in section 2 above. Course home as briefed. Beachy Head 0811; French coast 4956N-0106E at 0826; French coast back 3 miles S. of course at 1128; Beachy Head 1156; base 1310.
- A/C Returning Early--Not Dispatched. Podington
A/C # 836-P, pilot Reeder, turned back over ~~Podington~~ at 1700 hours, oil pressure in number 3 engine low. Brought back 42 x M47AI.
- A/C # 521-A, pilot Welland, turned back half way across channel at 0814 hours, unable to keep up with formation. Brought back 42 x M47AI's.
- Both places were filled by 306th flying spares, our A/C # 133-W, pilot Peters, and # 008-V, pilot Matichka.

John A. Bairnsfather
Major AC
Group S-2.

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* INDICATES CAMERA IN AIRCRAFT

REMARKS:

Bombing

Did lead assembly

Low sq. bomb honey

Went thru smoke

bombs Paulsen

head

group ~~to~~ dropped

part of turn could be

seen

made 2 passes this group made

360 above

5 to 10/10 all way

9/10 at target

Fleak - none

Excellent

very good

Good assembly

Generally good

course.

120mlb-Strikes

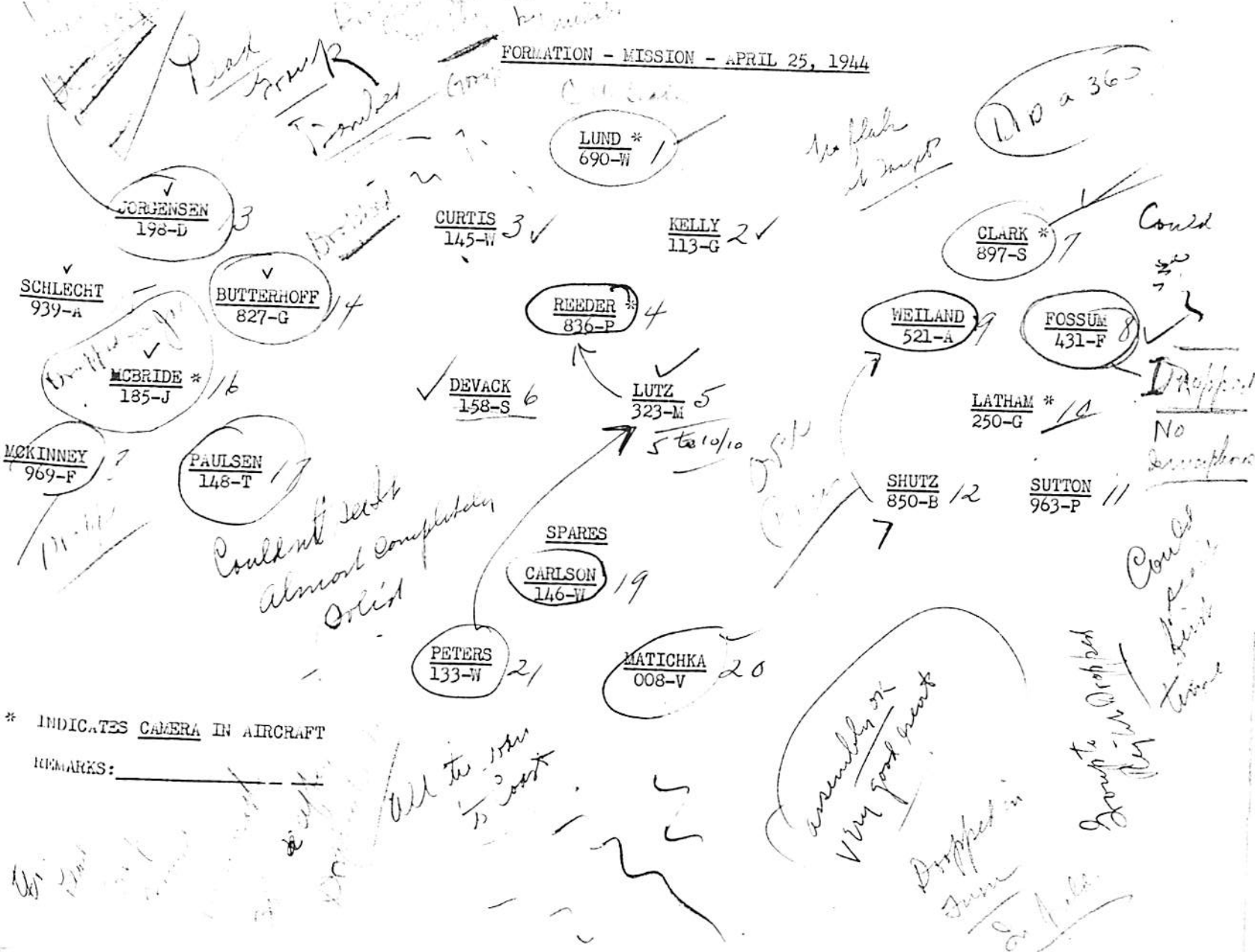
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FORMATION - MISSION - APRIL 25, 1944



- ✓ JORGENSEN 198-D 13
- ✓ SCHLECHT 939-A
- ✓ BUTTERHOFF 827-G 14
- ✓ MCBRIDE * 185-J 16
- ✓ MCKINNEY 969-F
- ✓ PAULSEN 148-T
- ✓ DEVACK 158-S 6
- ✓ LUTZ 323-M 5
- ✓ REEDER * 836-P 4
- ✓ LUND * 690-W 1
- ✓ KELLY 113-G 2 ✓
- ✓ CLARK * 897-S 7
- ✓ WEILAND 521-A 9
- ✓ FOSSUM 431-F 8
- ✓ LATHAM * 250-G 10
- ✓ SHUTZ 850-B 12
- ✓ SUTTON 963-P 11
- ✓ PETERS 133-W 21
- ✓ MATICHKA 008-V 20
- ✓ CARLSON 146-W 19
- ✓ SPARES

* INDICATES CAMERA IN AIRCRAFT
REMARKS: _____

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~XXX~~ 368 ~~XXXXXXXX~~ A/C Number: 690- Letter W Date April 25, 1944

Bomb Load 42 M47A1 XXX. Incend.

Time Took off 06:35 Time Landed _____

Position in Formation

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

10 min. inside Coast
 11:18
 s/a blew up
 under attack
 by 2 51's
 first/last
 this blew

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

- Dapt. R. S. Lund Pilot
- 1st Lt. W. C. Mitchell Co-P
- 1st Lt. A. W. Stillwell Nav.
- 1st Lt. T. Boswell Bomb
- T/Sgt. L. P. Carter Radio
- T/Sgt. P. R. Ward Top M
- S/Sgt. R. M. Bowman Ball T
- S/Sgt. W. D. Jackson R. Waist
- S/Sgt. W. E. Collier L. Waist
- 2nd Lt. D. W. Murphy 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? 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.)

Way down first clear then thickened up about 10,000

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

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

Paris - from left - not close
 Sommers - slight

Crew observations about Flak:

Saw City by reaction - believe right over T. on this
 Black smoke N.E. Corner + other bombs in center of A/D from 305?

a little Curious of 25000

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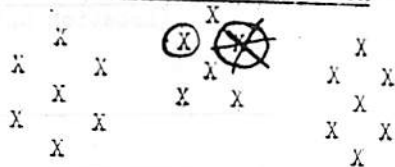
SQUADRON 367 368 ~~662XX128~~ A/C Number 113 Letter G Date April 25, 1944

Bomb Load 42 M47A1 EXEX Incend.

1- Shub bomb

Time Took off 06:35 Time Landed 1315

Position in Formation



CREW: Give Rank and Initials

- Capt. J. M. Kelly Pilot
- 2nd Lt. G. A. Weinel Cc-P
- 2nd Lt. M. W. Brage Nav.
- 1st Lt. C. Fontane Bomb
- T/Sgt. R. L. Kohler Radio
- T/Sgt. D. A. Rockwell Top P
- S/Sgt. M. J. Saj Ball T
- S/Sgt. R. L. Semler R. Waist
- Sgt. G. B. Foster L. Waist
- S/Sgt. S. M. Powell Tail G.

2. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

1. B-17 - followed to about 1000' English coast + turned back toward E coast. seen at about 18000'

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

Was in max. high -
It's high & 2d. temp engine
smoking bright after target.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time:

Alternate Height:

Last Report Heading: (circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

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

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

Own Bombs:

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No
 Number boxes dropped
 Number Boxes returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

Clouds 10/10th on route in with scattered ceiling -
on approaching target area 10/10th practically no clouds
made 360 turn vicinity of target. from course -

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) large amount of rain

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home. from course -
Clouds - 10000 up - Cumulus at 21000'

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

844 21000 - HV. 4 guns - Blk. low accurate
 1018 - Vln - 21000 - HV. (magre - Blk (magn?) low acc
 1118 - New York - 21000 - HV. (5 min) tracking Blk - accurate
 Crew observations about Flak: none at target
dieppe - 21000 - 2 burst - low - accurate

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

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

(Location and length of fight)

(Tactics of E/A)

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

(Our defensive action)

| CLAIMS | |
|-----------|--|
| DESTROYED | |
| PROBABLY | |
| DAMAGED | |

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

None

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

Cover all way - 38, 47; 5/2

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

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) Ill - from breakfast food - all other members affected.

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

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

S-2 OFFICER Capt. McKey TIME COMPLETED

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SQUADRON ~~XXXX~~ 368 ~~XXXXXX~~ A/C Number 148 Letter K Date April 25, 1944

Bomb Load 42 M47A1 XXXX Incend.

Time Took off 06:35 Time Landed _____

Position in Formation

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

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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 | X | X |

Details:

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

*B77 with B in D made contact
headed by Southampton Area. No
mechanical. One tank hit O.K.*

- 1st Lt. J. W. Curtis Pilot
- 2nd Lt. F. L. Krzyston Co-P
- 2nd Lt. W. L. Cullen Nav.
- 1st Lt. P. R. Carsten Bomb
- T/Sgt. C. E. Lane Radio
- T/Sgt. F. J. O'Brien Top P
- S/Sgt. G. Y. Wortham Ball T
- S/Sgt. G. R. Kerley R. Waist
- S/Sgt. J. R. Trigani L. Waist
- S/Sgt. D. V. Cookman Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time:

Alternate Height: 220

Last Report 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) 42 x M47
Own Bombs: *Some target, they burst in clouds on 2nd run. No smoke on
Southern edge of field.*

Other Bombing:

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

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height
of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)
As briefed night 1P. Low flaked bomb. + 2nd run on target.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

| Time | Place | Height of A/C | Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight. | Color of Bursts | Location of Bursts in relation to A/C | Accuracy |
|-----------------|---|---------------|---|-----------------|---------------------------------------|----------|
| <u>At Dixie</u> | <u>low odd runs on way out.</u> | | | | | |
| <u>4:5</u> | <u>flak bursts at runway. Chute on way out. No smoke.</u> | | | | | |

Crew observations about Flak: Not hit.

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SQUADRON 367 (368) 369 423 A/C Number 836-P Letter _____ Date _____

Bomb Load 42 x M 47 H.E. Incand. Position in Formation

Time Took off _____ Time Landed 0730

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

2. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
 Details: *#3 engine oil pressure down.*
Winged Robinson

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

Reeder Pilot _____
 _____ Co-P
 _____ Nav.
 _____ Bomb
 _____ Radio
 _____ Top T
 _____ Ball T
 _____ R. Waist
 _____ L. Waist
 _____ 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:

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

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

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

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~XXX~~ 368 ~~XXXXXXXX~~ A/C Number 323 Letter M Date April 25, 1944

Bomb Load 42 M47A1 XXX. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 06:35 Time Landed _____

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

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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

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

2. TARGET ATTACKED:
 Primary Time:
 Alternate Height:
 Last Report 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: *Might have been able to bomb on first run, but another wing came under. Second run couldn't see anything*

Other Bombing: *One group from this other wing dropped on A/C on runway, not bldg.*

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? (No?) *Handled 0944 2 dropped 0952*

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.)

With Group

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) *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 of Bursts in relation to A/C |
|------|-------|---------------|---|-----------------|---------------------------------------|
|------|-------|---------------|---|-----------------|---------------------------------------|

*Contin + out - low - meager
 Paris - meager inaccurate
 etc*

Crew observations about Flak:

No chaff from this ship -
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SQUADRON ~~267~~ 368 ~~267XXXXX~~ A/C Number 158 Letter S Date April 25, 1944

Bomb Load 42 M47A1 MXX Incend.

Time Took off 06:35 Time Landed 1304

Position in Formation

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

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | A | | |
| X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X |

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 2nd Lt. G. T. DeVack Pilot
- 2nd Lt. H. C. Hutsell Co-P
- 2nd Lt. R. E. Buchanan Nav.
- 2nd Lt. D. Toth Bomb
- S/Sgt. R. W. Church Radio
- S/Sgt. H. Arestie Top Y
- Sgt. D. J. Galvin Ball T
- Sgt. W. S. Bailey R. Waist
- Sgt. P. J. Benore L. Waist
- Sgt. J. Lighthouse Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time:
Alternate Height:
Last Report 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: *Target cloud covered.*

Other Bombing: Any Nickels: Yes
Number boxes dropped: 42 + 7
Number Boxes returned: 7

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACHED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) *8/10 cloud at 8000 ft. - clear above*

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home. *clear over channel - started building up from 40 miles*

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

Blowdown - scattered small masses - abs. - Chalon - sea - mass - message - abs. - Const out - 5 gun battery, alt. good but bursting in front
Crew observations about Flak: *tracking, mass*

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SQUADRON ~~1367~~ ~~1368~~ ~~1369~~ ~~1370~~ ~~1371~~ ~~1372~~ ~~1373~~ ~~1374~~ ~~1375~~ ~~1376~~ ~~1377~~ ~~1378~~ ~~1379~~ ~~1380~~ ~~1381~~ ~~1382~~ ~~1383~~ ~~1384~~ ~~1385~~ ~~1386~~ ~~1387~~ ~~1388~~ ~~1389~~ ~~1390~~ ~~1391~~ ~~1392~~ ~~1393~~ ~~1394~~ ~~1395~~ ~~1396~~ ~~1397~~ ~~1398~~ ~~1399~~ ~~1400~~ A/C Number 897 Letter S Date 25-1-44

Bomb Load 42 M47 Al ~~###~~. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0635 Time Landed _____

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

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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

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

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

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

None dropped.

- S/Sgt. W. Schmidt R. Waist
- S/Sgt. H. M. Jack L. Waist
- S/Sgt. M. C. Crow Tail G.

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

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others) 42 x M47

Own Bombs:

431 dropped.

Other Bombing:

Some smoke bombs from ground. 9/10s down at target.

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

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

Route done to high route except a little late.

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 light. | Color of Bursts | Location Bursts in relation to A/C | Accuracy |
|---|-------|---------------|--|-----------------|------------------------------------|----------|
| <i>Flak encountered about 10000 ft. Misses & low. Tracks.</i> | | | | | | |

Crew observations about Flak:

Not done

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SQUADRON ~~347#1349#1049~~ 423 A/C Number 431 Letter F Date 25-4-44

Bomb Load 42 M47 Al #78. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0635 Time Landed 1305

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

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

1-B-17 - observed on French coast 1135 - 2100' on way

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

out. He then turned back to France -

| | |
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| <u>2nd Lt. H. R. Fossum</u> | Pilot |
| <u>F/O J. M. Lockard</u> | Cc-P |
| <u>2nd Lt. E. O. Jarvie</u> | Nav. |
| <u>2nd Lt. J. A. Horkulic (N.M.I.)</u> | Bomb |
| <u>S/Sgt. K. E. Sutton</u> | Radio |
| <u>S/Sgt. H. F. Chase</u> | Tcp P |
| <u>Sgt. H. J. Torrano, Jr.</u> | Ball T |
| <u>Sgt. J. N. Knight</u> | R. Waist |
| <u>Sgt. J. V. Schember</u> | L. Waist |
| <u>Sgt. R. G. Morton</u> | Tail G. |

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time:

Alternate Height:

Last Report Heading: (circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 948 Jettisoned: None Returned: None Abortive: None

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

Own Bombs: Accidentally hit target results in 1. area and released bombs - 2980 heading -
Any Nickels: Yes No
Number Boxes dropped:
Number Boxes returned:

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

| Time | Place | Height of A/C | Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight. | Color of Bursts | Location of Bursts in relation to A/C |
|------|-------|---------------|---|-----------------|---------------------------------------|
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2 - Rockets - after learn T. area - (2nd)
Bluish -
Redish - Pink - Trail - White Burst -

Crew observations about Flak:
Placed on N/E side of A/D - Missed -
Placed on N.W. side - Slight - Det - several ahead -

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Bomb hit was seen on S side and N.W. side of A/D

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10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

NONE

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

(Location and length of fight)

(Tactics of E/A)

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

(Our defensive action)

| CLAIMS | |
|--|--------|
| DESTROYED | |
| PROBABLY | / None |
| DAMAGED | |
| (Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.) | |

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

Excellent - continuing cover -
47-38 - 2 (5 1/2)

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,

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) Oxygen system has to be very well on safety valve.

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES: Poor supply -

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

S-2 OFFICER Capt. McHugh TITLE COMPLETED

47-829-850 - Target -
P-47 P-38 down 47 - BH.

Not dispatched

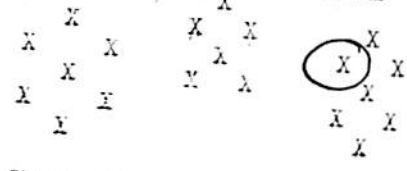
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SQUADRON 367 #368 #369 423 A/C Number 521 Letter A Date 25-4-44
Bomb Load 42 M47 Al #47# Incend.

Time Took off 0635 Time Landed 0940

Position in Formation



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

*Turned back at 8 1/2 hrs leaving
a cross channel 19000'*

Crew: Give rank and initials

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

*nos. 1, 3, 4 oil temp gauges above
85-82-82 -*

*no control over #3 supercharger.
pulling 4 2 in pressure (manifold)
brunch-com. fuel function (pilots
make)*

3. TARGET ATTACKED:

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

- 2nd Lt. W. C. Weiland Pilot
- 2nd Lt. J. G. Seymour Co-P
- 2nd Lt. F. A. Brockway Nav.
- 2nd Lt. J. C. Chambers Bomb
- S/Sgt. M. L. Hodges, Jr. Radio
- S/Sgt. S. J. LaGory Top E
- Pvt. J. D. Subal Ball T
- Sgt. V. A. McQuinn R. Waist
- S/Sgt. J. A. McShaffery L. Waist
- Sgt. A. Berman Tail G.

9. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: Jettisoned:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others;
Own Bombs: Returned: all Abortive:

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No
Number boxes dropped
Number Boxes returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

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

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*Wing - 8th - left coast 11 minutes late -
Group had few stragglers*

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INTERROGATION FORM

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SQUADRON ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ 423 A/C Number 250 Letter G Date 25-1-44

Bomb Load 42 M47 A1 #147. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0640 Time Landed 1305

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

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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 2nd Lt. D. L. Latham Pilot
- 2nd Lt. J. J. O'Brien Co-P
- 2nd Lt. R. L. Raymond Nav.
- 2nd Lt. W. L. Ryan Bomb
- T/Sgt. W. J. Breckers Radio
- T/Sgt. B. E. Epps Top P
- S/Sgt. H. L. Reed Ball T
- S/Sgt. E. W. Smith R. Waist
- Sgt. N. Minniti L. Waist
- S/Sgt. E. D. Walsh Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

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

over target area 0945. 21,500'

- T/Sgt. W. J. Breckers Radio
- T/Sgt. B. E. Epps Top P
- S/Sgt. H. L. Reed Ball T
- S/Sgt. E. W. Smith R. Waist
- Sgt. N. Minniti L. Waist
- S/Sgt. E. D. Walsh Tail G.

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

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

Own Bombs Dn't drop.

ALL

Other Bombing: Some on infield. Some N. of target

any Nickels: Yes No
Number boxes dropped _____
Number Boxes returned _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) 8/10' at run over target; 2+ 10/10's. Clear over channel. 8/10's over land.
9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

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

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|-------|--------------|-------|----|
| 1019- | meager | Black | no |
| 1119- | Coast meager | Black | no |

second run over target about 10/10's.

No chaff dropped. Target as briefed.

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SQUADRON ~~12345~~ 423 A/C Number 963 Letter P Date 25-4-44

Bomb Load 42 M47 AL Incend.

Time Took off 0635 Time Landed 1310

Position in Formation

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

no

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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 | X | X | X |

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 1st Lt. C. J. Sutton Pilot
- 2nd Lt. G. C. Berner Co-P
- 2nd Lt. H. Green Nav.
- 1st Lt. J. H. Weeman, Jr. Bomb
- T/Sgt. E. A. Kiley Radio
- T/Sgt. W. Harper Top P
- S/Sgt. E. D. Creamer, Jr. Ball T
- S/Sgt. R. E. Durrongs R. Waist
- S/Sgt. D. D. Leo L. Waist
- S/Sgt. J. C. Steinwachs, Jr. 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:
ALL

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

Own Bombs:

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No
 Number boxes dropped
 Number boxes returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) top 6000,

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

| Time | Place | Height of A/C | Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight. | Color of Bursts | Location of Bursts in relation to A/C | Accuracy |
|------|-------|---------------|---|-----------------|---------------------------------------|----------|
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Crew observations about Flak: None at target, but 2 rocket trails (or more bombs?)

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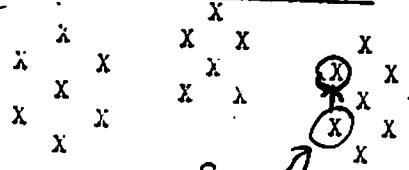
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SQUADRON ~~0601#0601#060~~ 423 A/C Number 850 Letter B Date 25-1-44

Bomb Lead 42 MA7 A1 MIB. Incend.

Time Took off 0635 Time Landed 1305

Position in Formation



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

none

CREW: Give Rank and Initials
Spon 008 (MATIC HKA)

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

none

- 1st Lt. J. P. Shutz, Jr. Pilot
- 2nd Lt. N. R. Troup Co-P
- 2nd Lt. A. E. Telfer Nav.
- 2nd Lt. R. W. Hanson Bomb
- S/Sgt. S. M. Kupferman Radio
- T/Sgt. J. I. Stutts Top E
- Sgt. C. R. Pomidore Ball T
- S/Sgt. H. F. Gramelspacher R. Waist
- S/Sgt. J. P. Clarke L. Waist
- S/Sgt. J. C. Dehler Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 8/10 to 9/10 Cloud
 Alternate Height: Cover prevented
 Last Report Heading: Bombing, never
 Duration Bomb Run: Saw target

- S/Sgt. S. M. Kupferman Radio
- T/Sgt. J. I. Stutts Top E
- Sgt. C. R. Pomidore Ball T
- S/Sgt. H. F. Gramelspacher R. Waist
- S/Sgt. J. P. Clarke L. Waist
- S/Sgt. J. C. Dehler Tail G.

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

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

Own Bombs: no observed

Other Bombing: groups on right dropped bombs 0945
 Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No to right after I.P. many Bldgs.
 any nickels: Yes No
 Number boxes dropped _____
 Number boxes returned _____

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: several hit and 2 fires started.

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

as briefed except 360° turn executed in target area.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)
from coast in 8/10 to 9/10 coverage all the way. Channel Clear
 9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home. Prevented finding 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 |
|---|-------------|---------------|---|-----------------|---------------------------------------|
| 0905 | 4844N-0435E | 2100 | light | Blk | ahead & left good on alt |
| 1018 | 4844N-0414E | 2100 | light | Blk | ahead & low |
| 1118 | 4955N-0122E | 20500 | light | Blk | ahead & right alt |
| Crew observations about Flak: | | | | | |
| 1122 | 4953N-0116E | 21300 | Light | Blk | ahead |
| <u>All in about same altitude in bursts</u> | | | | | |

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SQUADRON ##### 369 ##### A/C Number 198 Letter D Date 25-1-44

Bomb Load 42 M47 A1 Incend.

Time Took off 0635 Time Landed 1253

Position in Formation

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 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:

None

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 1st Lt. P. C. Jorgensen Pilot ✓
- 2nd Lt. W. D. Wills Co-P ✓
- F/O H. J. Meyers Nav. *
- 2nd Lt. H. F. Jenack Bomb ✓
- T/Sgt. G. J. King Radio ✓
- T/Sgt. V. V. Michaelitz Top P ✓
- S/Sgt. B. W. Bennett Ball T ✓
- S/Sgt. R. N. Irwin R. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. W. M. Yager L. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. A. W. Tolmachoff Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 0936:30
 Alternate Height: 20,500
 Last Report Heading: 357° mag.
 (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: 21 first, then 21 a few seconds later, one first run
 2 qps. coming up ahead of us & dropped & we dropped on them.
 Other Bombing: Any Nickels: Yes No
 Number Boxes dropped: _____
 Number Boxes returned: _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)
 4 miles west of Piepp, started to leave coast. Had so we turned right, then finally left 4 miles west of Piepp.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

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

4 gun batteries - coast, out, Piepp - or 10 miles in, other at coast.
 Target - none.

Crew observations about Flak:

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SQUADRON ~~#####~~ 369 ~~###~~ A/C Number 827 Letter G Date 25-4-44

Bomb Load 42 M47 A1 ~~###~~ Incend.

Time Took off 0646 Time Landed 1256

Position in Formation

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

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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 2nd Lt. R. D. Buttorff Pilot
- 2nd Lt. J. D. Corcoran Co-P
- 2nd Lt. M. G. Ewell Nav.
- 2nd Lt. R. E. Fraley Bomb
- S/Sgt. P. E. Clay Radio
- Sgt. R. C. Spry Top P
- Sgt. G. Mason Ball T
- Sgt. J. W. McClanahan R. Waist
- Sgt. L. R. Smith L. Waist
- Sgt. A. L. Smith Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

*Approx. 5 mi. SE target.
 Two bombs dropped in 1st.*

Time: 0937 hours
 Alternate Height: 20,400'
 Last Report Heading: 032°M
 Duration Bomb Run:

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

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

Own Bombs:

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes (No)
 Number Boxes dropped _____
 Number Boxes returned _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? (No)

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

as briefed.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) 9/10 / 10700'

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

| Time | Place | Height of A/C | Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight. | Color of Bursts | Location Bursts in relation to A/C |
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Coast-in & out - meager. Prob 1 battery of 5 + 1076.

Crew observations about Flak:

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SQUADRON ~~#####~~ 369 ~~#####~~ A/C Number 939 Letter A Date 25-4-44

Bomb Load 2 M47 Al ~~###~~. Incend. Position in Formation

Time Took off 0635 Time Landed _____

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

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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

2nd Lt. E. C. Schlecht Pilot

2nd Lt. F. W. Hunt Co-P

2nd Lt. E. W. Gorder Nav.

2nd Lt. J. D. Blum Bomb

S/Sgt. C. B. Pillen Radio

S/Sgt. J. H. Davis Top P

Sgt. S. Michalicki Ball T

Sgt. J. R. Wharton R. Waist

Sgt. C. E. Hinds L. Waist

Sgt. J. D. Haudenschild Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time:

Alternate Height:

Last Report 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: Made 2 runs

Other Bombing: a couple of a dropped on 360 heading
Any Nickels: Yes No
Number boxes dropped 0931
Number boxes returned _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

With Heavy

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

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

in and out

10 min. inside coast - on course (bulk of it a little south of course) - have had it several times from that same point - moderate, tracking - a little low.

4920, 0240
without 49-0345
Crew Observations about Flak:

4840, 0255 - (DR) - moderate, incommensurate 1018

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SQUADRON ##### 369 A/C Number 185 Letter J Date 25-4-44

Bomb Load 42 M47 Al Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0635 Time Landed 1255

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

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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

1st Lt. C. W. McBride Pilot

2nd Lt. G. E. Bryant Co-P

1st Lt. A. H. Jacobs Nav.

2nd Lt. S. Ratner Bomb

Sgt. G. R. Bates Radio

Sgt. H. B. Osterhoudt Top P

Sgt. R. G. Maloney Ball T

Sgt. R. Brand R. Waist

Sgt. B. J. Doubrava L. Waist

Sgt. R. A. Noble Tail G.

3. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 0936

Alternate Height: 21000

Last Report Heading: 140 Mag
(circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

dropped on leader

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 42 x 747 Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: believe landed in middle of A/P

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No
Number Boxes dropped
Number Boxes returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

Coast clear

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) 6-7/10 over target

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home. same enroute - breaks in cloud

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

48 BS-0430 - meager, low mass

Coast on way out - (seen target) meager tracking (500 yds)

Crew observations about Flak:

5 guns, inaccurate

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INTERROGATION FORM

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SQUADRON ~~367~~ 368 ~~XXXXXX~~ A/C Number 145 Letter N Date April 25, 1944

Bomb Load 42 M47A1 XXXX Incend.

Time Took off 06:35 Time Landed _____

Position in Formation

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

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

CREW: Give rank and initials

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

1st Lt. P. R. Paulsen Pilot

2nd Lt. C. A. Johnson Co-P

2nd Lt. R. C. Lewis Nav.

1st Lt. L. P. Blatnica Bomb

T/Sgt. J. J. Zarriello Rail

S/Sgt. J. B. Novak Top P

S/Sgt. R. E. Litherland Ball T

S/Sgt. F. A. Weitzel R. Waist

Sgt. F. L. Arnold L. Waist

S/Sgt. J. Arden Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time:

Alternate Height:

Last Report 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: Didn't see anything that could be bombed

Other Bombing: Could see town - made 360 around

Some of it bombed town of Nancy

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.)

with group

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) Just about 10/10 all the way over the continent. Clouds up to 6000'

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

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

1020 Conventry - orange, inaccurate
Cloud coming out - orange to moderate, inaccurate

Crew observations about Flak: _____

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 MAA Date 1/18/91

INTERROGATION FORM

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SQUADRON ~~#####~~ 369 ~~###~~ A/C Number 969 Letter F Date 25-4-44

Bomb Load 2 M47 A1 ~~###~~ Incend.

Time Took off 0635 Time Landed 1255

Position in Formation

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

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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

3 hour non function over Channel

- 2nd Lt. C. C. McKinney Pilot
- 2nd Lt. W. H. Schaefer Co-P
- 2nd Lt. C. W. Burns Nav.
- 2nd Lt. A. W. Reeves Bomb
- Sgt. O. D. Whelan Radio
- S/Sgt. Z. C. Beal Top P
- Sgt. V. J. Cuozzo Ball T
- Sgt. C. E. Coughlink R. Waist
- Sgt. M. M. Cutugno L. Waist
- Sgt. W. E. Wagoner Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 0937
 Alternate Height: 20,500
 Last Report Heading: 20
 (circle)
 Duration Bomb Run:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target:

on leader plane intercepted
 Jettisoned: all Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: Dropped in vicinity target - no results obs

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No
 Number Boxes dropped
 Number Boxes returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) 8-9 tu th - 10-12 du

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

| Time | Place | Height of A/C | Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight. | Color of Bursts | Location Bursts in relation to A/C | Accuracy |
|----------------------|---------------------|---------------|---|-----------------|------------------------------------|-------------|
| <u>major - first</u> | <u>not accurate</u> | <u>8905</u> | <u>around target</u> | <u>all</u> | <u>none</u> | <u>none</u> |
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INTERROGATION FORM

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SQUADRON ~~267#368#369#~~ 423 A/C Number 2146 Letter W Date 25-1-44

Bomb Load 42 M47 Al #368# Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0635 Time Landed 0920

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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 | X | X |

2. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

*Turned 0818. at 5023N x 0043.
No place to fill in.*

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

*306 formation no p.m.
Wing formation pretty poor.
On return saw escort headed out.*

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

- 1st Lt. R. D. Carlson Pilot
- 1st Lt. K. Yuss Co-P
- 1st Lt. S. Soscia Nav.
- 1st Lt. R. D. Beres Bomb
- Sgt. R. A. Powers Radio
- T/Sgt. W. H. Morgan Top P
- Sgt. S. W. Herritt Ball T
- S/Sgt. V. L. King R. Waist
- S/Sgt. W. T. Morgan L. Waist
- Sgt. S. M. Garza Tail G.

3. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time:
alternate Height:
Last Report Heading:
(circle)
Duration Bomb Run:

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

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

Own Bombs: *None as dropped
bombs in crater*

Other Bombing:

any Nickels: Yes No
Number boxes dropped _____
Number Boxes returned _____

6. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

7. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

9. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) *Some clouds on continent.*

10. 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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INTERROGATION FORM

20

SQUADRON 367 ~~BAR #1267~~ A/C Number 008 Letter V Date 25-1-44

Bomb Load 42 M47 Al #111 Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0635 Time Landed 1306

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

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

hand

SPARE

CREW: Give Rank and Initials (filled in)

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

2nd Lt. L. F. Matichka Pilot

2nd Lt. W. S. Nelson Co-P

2nd Lt. W. D. Morris Nav.

2nd Lt. W. D. Stevens Bomb

S/Sgt. R. T. Morris Radio

S/Sgt. R. B. Goodwin Top P

Sgt. W. H. Johnson Ball T

Sgt. J. F. Watt R. Waist

Sgt. J. E. Lenaghan L. Waist

Sgt. J. P. Watts Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time:

alternate Height:

Last Report Heading:
 (circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

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

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

Own Bombs: *Behind #4 B17s was under us on first run thus preventing our bombing. We did 360° to the right for another run.*

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No
 Number boxes dropped
 Number Boxes returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) *French coast way in, 1900, 7/10.4.*

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

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

Target - none

St. Pizler - slight in bursts of 5 -

Crew observations about Flak: *Cost - due to Pizler - 15 min Eq. accurate.*

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INTERROGATION FORM

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SQUADRON 367 ~~367~~ A/C Number: 133 Letter W Date 25-1-44

Bomb Load 42 M47 Al ~~11111~~ Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0635 Time Landed

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|-----|---|
| | | 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

Spare (Filled in.)

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

- 1st Lt. B. H. Peters Pilot
- 2nd Lt. W. J. Pitblado Co-P
- 2nd Lt. R. Gustafson Nav.
- 2nd Lt. H. R. Legowski Bomb
- S/Sgt. C. F. Piper Radio
- S/Sgt. K. E. Hoffman Top E
- S/Sgt. O. O. Dobbs Ball T
- S/Sgt. V. W. Raymond R. Waist
- S/Sgt. E. F. McGlinchy L. Waist
- S/Sgt. J. D. Tricoglov Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

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

Didn't drop.

- S/Sgt. K. E. Hoffman Top E
- S/Sgt. O. O. Dobbs Ball T
- S/Sgt. V. W. Raymond R. Waist
- S/Sgt. E. F. McGlinchy L. Waist
- S/Sgt. J. D. Tricoglov Tail G.

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

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

Own Bombs:

None dropped on target. A/C in on fire & dropped. No results seen.

Other Bombing:

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? (No)

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

As briefed except for minor variation. 10th

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) 5 to 10/10 at 1600 ft.

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

| Time | Place | Height of A/C | Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight | Color of Bursts | Location Bursts in relation to A/C | Accuracy |
|------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|--|-----------------|--|----------|
| 1018 | Just past (later on way back) | 12 miles | moderate | | just got major cloud + partial pursuit | |
| 10 minutes later | Over on way out | 11.50 | | | | |

Crew observations about Flak: 1 Rocket burst at target.

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