

HEADQUARTERS 306TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP
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AFPO 557,
20th January, 1945

SUBJECT: Intelligence Narrative
Mission: Rheine, 20th January, 1945

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

1. Narrative

306th flew 39 a/c including 1 MH-PPF a/c and 3 spares as 40th "B".
Route: 4 miles north of Clacton, 0911; Belgian coast 5119N-0926E, 0933 hours; 5110N-0546E, 0949 hours; 5125N-0544E, 0958 hours; Nijmegen, 1010; I.P. 5205N-0630E, 1015; target Rheine, 1026 hours; substantially back on course 5225N-0710E, 1030; Dutch coast 5237N-0437E, 1112; England 5300N-0120E, 1205; base 1250 hours.
Group leader unable to make contact with Buckeye. Only weather information received was from Division leader and, on way out, from Cycle Relay.

2. Fighter Opposition and Fighter Support

There was no fighter opposition.
P-51s were picked up at 0937 hours, after crossing Belgian coast, and furnished close support throughout mission.

3. A.A. Gun Fire

None at target. Few scattered bursts at front lines. No damage.

4. Bombing

Because Micro-H beacon stayed in normal navigation code instead of delay, 306th as 40th "B" bombed briefed secondary, Rheine, by PPF, lead dropping at 1026. Low and high each made separate runs. Strike photos show no ground detail. Leader made manual run as AFCE was giving trouble.

5. Micro-H

Lead Lead: Ship #443 - Lt. Curran.
Received beacons satisfactorily.

M-101 came in as 1-1

M-102 not received

M-103 came in as 2-1-2

Winterton came in as 3-1

Beachy Head came in as 4

When formation turned at I.P. a Gee Fix showed them to be exactly at the briefed I.P. but the beacons (M-101 and M-103) were not equidistant from the center of the scope. The coding for the M-103 beacon showed that it was undelayed.

Lead operator said the reception of the beacons became progressively worse as formation approached the I.P., leading to the conclusion that someone was sector-scanning the beacons.

Deputy Lead: Ship #658 - Lt. Riley.

Received beacons excellently with same coding as lead operator.

Operator calculated that point of impact of bombs, if beacons were used in their condition at that time would be approximately at 5045N-0715E.

Operator believed Winterton beacon was being used on sector scan since the 3-1 coding appeared several times on the scope at one time.

High Lead: Ship #359 - Lt. Bessler.
Did not pick up beacons. Made separate bomb run on PFF target.
Low Lead: Ship #362 - Lt. Hogan.
Did not pick up beacons. Made separate bomb run on PFF target.

6. Leaflets

A/c 711-D dropped four ZG-97s and six T-276s on Rhine.

7. Weather

5 to 6/10ths over continent to Germany, then 8 to 10/10ths, tops 24,000 feet. Slight breaks before PFF secondary; 10/10ths at target. Dense persistent contrails from 18,000 feet becoming less persistent above 24,000 feet. On return, cloud to 24,000 feet over Channel. Broken clouds and snow over England.

8. Aircraft in Distress

Our a/c 602-S, pilot Erne, landed in France; crew safe. *Returned to base*
Our a/c 384-L, pilot McKinney, crash-landed in France; crew safe. *Both*
probably on way in to target.

9. Early Returns

A/c 376-F, pilot Leigh, flying spare, turned back 5 minutes after takeoff, due to engine failure; brought back 10 x 500.

A/c 446-S, pilot Maenner, turned back at 0938 hours near Ostend, unable to find formation; brought back 10 x 500.

A/c 619-S, pilot Kearney, flying spare, turned back as briefed; brought back 10 x 500.

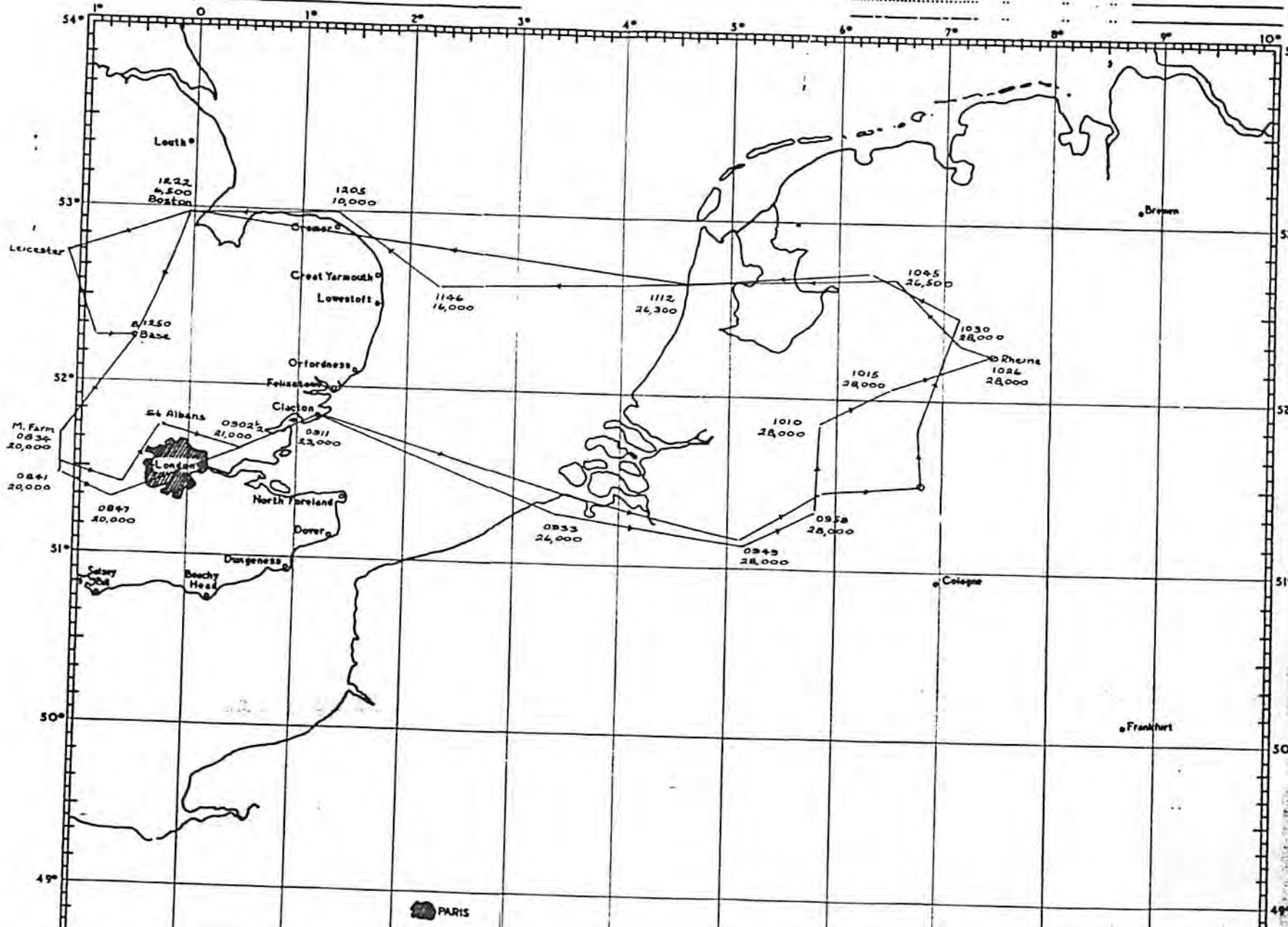
JOHN A. BAIRNSFATHER,
Major, Air Corps,
Group S-2.

TRACK CHART

DATE 20 January 1945

TARGETS
 PRIMARY Starkrad, Germany.
 PFF-Secondary Praine, Germany-(Attacked)

Planned	ROUTE FOLLOWED BY	40th "H" Gp.
<u>Actual</u>
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40th "B"

LEAD

20 January, 1945

1
Mages Pff
443-M

10 Bowley 181-B 3 Hanson 297-M D Denton Pff 658-B 1 Brown 802-F

11 Bowler 198-D 11 Rydor 185-J 4 Erno 600-G 4 Swango 323-M 8 Gleen 512-A

6 Lewis 819-Q 5 Tinkham 301-W

37
Spare - Kearney - 619-S

160

13 Wilke Pff
362-L

22 Tomer 397-O 15 Smith 153-G 14 Hutchinson 807-P 19 Jones 814-G

26 Spencer 616-X 23 Hellum 444-X 16 Gibson 549-D 31 McElroy 384-L 28 McCahan 028-O

18 Tresser 585-K 11 Roth 516-M

38
Spare - Leigh - 376-F

HIG.

25 Hess Pff
359-B

34 Fowler 611-G 1 Overstreet 302-Z 26 Branch 407-P 31 McCaulie 474-F

36 Daisy 578-D 35 Patten 683-4 28 Hatch 412-T 33 Menner 466-Q 32 Whitcomb 711-D (nickels) 4 2097 6 T-276

30 Winslow 840-Y 29 Hodges 133-W

39
Spare - Lissner - 547-F

SQUADRON 201 443 A/C Number 113 Letter () Date 20/1/45

Bomb Load 10/500 12 bombs H.E. Position in Formation

Time took off 1700 Time Landed 1250

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

40th B Lead

CRM: Give Rank and Initials

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

- Captain Magee, E.W.C. F ✓
- Captain McCullagh, F.M. CP ✓
- Captain Osburn, P.V. N
- Captain Vann, A. (GMT) B
- T/Sgt. Chase, C.H. RO
- T/Sgt. Gruff, A.S. E
- 2nd Lt. Fitzsimmons, J.D. FT Nav.
- T/Sgt. Graham, O.J. WG
- 1st Lt. Gurrin, R.D. KA R.Nav.
- 2nd Lt. Shaw, W.F. TG

Magee's left wing man dropped wheels and peeled off at target - after bombs away - all engines going.

2. TARGET ALLOCATION: (P/F or Visual)
- Primary: Time: 1026
 Secondary: Heading: 072
 Last Resort: Height: 28300
 T.O. (Circle One) 300
 Turn off target:

3. Number of B.M.S. dropped on target: ult Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: *Beacons not operating correctly - could get them for a short time then they would go off.* An. Nichols: Yes (W)
 Other bombing: Number and type

5. any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? None was camera turned on None
 Hand _____ Movie _____

6. WEATHER:

3/10 to just W of Brussels - 9/10 the rest of the way - 10/10 over target - could see river thru clear

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FR BUCKEYE?
Couldn't contact
Buckeye all day.

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: *spot 10 miles S.W. of target - dense persistent from 20000 up*

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

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

Crew observations about Flak: _____

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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 _____

0911 - 4 miles N of Chalken 2300

1. Time and Place of crossing English Coast _____

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

3. Time and Place of crossing French Coast _____

~~2600~~ 5119 0326 - 0933

4. Time over target 1026 _____

Altitude over Target 28300 _____

Position of Group on Bomb Run _____

Magnetic Heading of Bomb Run 072 _____

Duration Bomb Run 300 _____

0749 - 5110N 0544E - 28000
0955 - 5105N 0544E -
1010 - Nijmegen 28000
IR 1015 5005N 0630E - 28000
Target 1026 - 28300
1030 - 5025N 0710E 28000
1045 - 5043N 0632E 26500
1112 5037N 0439E 26300
1146 - 5240N 0218E 16000
1205 - 5320N 0120E 10000
3 miles S of Dordrecht

5. Time of Landing at Base 1250 _____

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

DATE _____ TIME _____ Sq2 OFFICER _____

SQUADRON X6X0060069X X A/C Number 658 Letter S Date 20/1/45

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation _____

Time took off 0700 Time landed _____

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

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

40th B Lead

*Hansen got wheelbarrow, pecked
 off our target. No apparent
 trouble - probably Wagon -
 Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether of a/c, E/A action,
 accident or undetermined cause)*

CPT: Give Rank and Initials

- 1st Lt. W.S. Denton P Completely
- 2nd Lt. W.W. Clark CP Fully
- 1st Lt. H.S. Israel N
- 2nd Lt. L.A. Harrison B
- T/Sgt. W.E. Cain RO
- T/Sgt. E.A. Luciani E
- S/Sgt. C.E. Alvitre BT
- S/Sgt. G.A. Waltersdorff WG
- Mt. W. H. RILEY - 92nd MS
- S/Sgt. F. Piepenbrink TG
 (Ret. Nov. - From 92nd)

2. TARGET AREA: (PPF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1027
 Secondary: Heading: 61 Mag
 Last Resort: Height: 28,000
 T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target:

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

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

Own Bombs: 10/wtc an. Nickels: Yes No
 Other Bombing: Number and type: _____

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

6. WEATHER: few breaks in clouds - Average temp. 28700 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKETS? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: Persistent - Dense - all day

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of bursts	Location of bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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No Flak

Crew observations about Flak: "Saw some orange flak over primary, but we haven't seen it"

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SQUADRON ~~2000003~~ ~~XXXX~~ A/C Number 297 Letter N Date 20/1/45

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0700 Time Landed _____

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

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

Hot B Lead

Crew: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 2nd Lt. D.R. Hansen ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. R.E. Powers ✓ CP
- F/O. W.R. Karrasch ✓ N
- 2nd Lt. W.R. Schumacher B
- Sgt. L.D. Connor RO ✓
- Sgt. W.L. Lynch E ✓
- Sgt. M.J. DiGiuseppe BT ✓
- Sgt. J. Stokoe WG ✓
- Sgt. B. E. Harkness TG ✓

~~Extensive~~

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PPF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1026
 Secondary: Heading: 65
 Last Resort: Height: 27500

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

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

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

Own Bombs: on lead all all
 Other Bombing: on lead all all
 an, Nichols: Yes N
 Number and type _____

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

6. WEATHER: Slight Hi. cir. 20,000 all
 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: Continues over + back

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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None seen

Crew observations about Flak: _____

9. ENEMY FIGHTER OBSERVATION:

None
(Estimated total number of EN seen) (T, pos)

(Location and length of fight)

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(Tactics of EN)

(Color, markings, etc. of EN)

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

Good - close
Just after coast -

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

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

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

T.G. had trouble with suit would be tested -

13. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly) W.G. frostbite on face -
Pilot must pay almost another - o.k.

14. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

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

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

SQUADRON ~~XXXXXX~~36 A/C Number 600 Letter Date 20/1/45

Bomb Load 10 x 15 500 H.E. Position Formation

Time Took Off 0700 Time Landed

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

4th "B" Lead

Leaded A89 on way in to Target

CREW: (Give Rank and Initials)

- 2nd Lt. N.A. Erne P
- 2nd Lt. A.H. Miller CP
- 2nd Lt. F.M. Hudson N
- 2nd Lt. G.D. Good B
- S/Sgt. R.R. Gattis RO
- S/Sgt. L.A. Marchese E
- S/Sgt. J.J. Callaghan BT
- S/Sgt. S. G. Parton WG
- S/Sgt. R.L. Tiff TG

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

#3 eng out, #4 runaway, #1 turbo out.
 VHF out, feathering system out causing #3 prop to windmill until ~~completely detached~~
~~eng.~~ planetary gears were burnt out.

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFV or Visual) Therefore

Primary: Time: A/C landed at A89. Ship
 Secondary: Heading: OK except for listed above.
 Last Resort: Height:

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

Landed Away Still in plane

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

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

Own Bombs: did not bomb Am. Nickels: Yes No
 Other Bombing: Number and type

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

6. WEATHER: At Thurleigh 21, 1, 1945
 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE?

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

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

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

Crew observations about Flak:

SQUADRON *300036803* ~~XXXX~~ A/C Number 301 Letter U Date 20/1/45

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E. Position on Formation

Time Took Off 0700 Time Landed

40th "B" Lead

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

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

CREW: Give rank and Initials

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

- 2nd Lt. C.P. Tinkham ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. B.H. Grumbles ✓ CP
- 2nd Lt. W.W. Flanagan ✓ N
- Sgt. J.G. Vickroy ✓ B
- Sgt. D.E. Guttentberg ✓ RO
- Sgt. L.P. White ✓ E
- Sgt. R.L. Motisi ✓ BT
- Sgt. R.J. Hesser ✓ WG
- Sgt. C.F. HITCHCOCK ✓ WG
- ~~Sgt. H.L. Johnson, no~~ TG

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (FFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 10 26
 Secondary: Heading: 78° mag
 Last Resort: Height: 2 26 20
 T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target:

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

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

Own Bombs: not observed an, Nichols: Yes N
 Other Bombing: Red Phone Number and type

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

6. WEATHER: Broke on contact. Pilotage with. Target obscured. WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE?
average top - 20-24, drift.

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: Very persist at on way across strand (20-21 drift)

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

Time	Place	Height of burst	Type (light, heavy), altitude, moderate or slight	Color of bursts	Location of bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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after 1st burst of flak - not accurate -

Crew observations about Flak: "None on us"

SQUADRON XXXXXXXXXX ~~XXXX~~ A/C Number 819 Letter Q Date 20/1/45 6

Bomb Load 10 x 500 * U.S.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0700 Time Landed _____

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

*Ernie left formation just before B.O.
 Between 0906 and 0908 at
 20000 feet.*

NOTE: Give rank and Initials

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

*Changed to #4 position
 from #5 (Ernie's position).*

- Capt. B.S. Lewis P
- 2nd Lt. R.W. Whitelaw CP
- F/O W.A. Becker N
- F/O J.R. Sicard B
- Sgt. H.F. McChesney RO
- T/Sgt. J.F. Standley E
- Sgt. A.S. Lubojacky BT
- Sgt. F.L. McDonough WG
- Sgt. L. Nahmias TG

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PPF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1026 1/2

Secondary: Heading: 70

Last Resort: Height: 28000

T.O.
 (Circle One)

Turn off target: 330°

3. Number of H.M.S. dropped on target: (initials) Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs:

Am. Missiles: Yes No

Other Bombing:

Number and type _____

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

6. WEATHER:

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FR
 BUCKEYE? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of bursts	Location of bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
<u>None</u>						

Crew observations about Flak: _____

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SQUADRON XXXXX68 36 25X A/C Number 512 Letter A Date 20/1/45

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0700 Time Landed

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

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

40th B
Lead

N-van (3) (Humm) left formation after
 B.A. dropped wheels pulled out formation

C.O.: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 2nd Lt. B.L. Olsen P
- 2nd Lt. P.H. Greer CP
- 2nd Lt. J.M. Jaeger N
- S/Sgt. S.M. Mathes B
- Sgt. F.W. Ramsey RO
- Sgt. L. Foster E
- Sgt. J.W. Gerlach BT
- Sgt. H. Reppy WG
- Sgt. G.J. Bowers TG

Several struggles

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1226
 Secondary: Heading: 068
 Last Resort: Height: 28,300

T.O.
 (Circle one)
 Turn of target:

3. Number of Bombs dropped on target: Jettisoned: Returned: abortive:

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

Own Bombs: on lead. Am. Nickels: Yes N
 Number and type

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

6. WEATHER: 10/10 target - WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYES?
7 n. Coast 3/10-7/10 - 17/10 about gain border

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:
Heavy persist

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

Title	Flare	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of bursts	Location of bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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Red 11 o'clock quite a way out - Red just after
T.B. Reptd 3 bursts behind along lines in
 Crew observations about Flak:

SQUADRON ~~XXXX~~ 368 ~~XXXX~~ X A/C Number 323 Letter D Date 20/1/45

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time took off 0700 Time lasted 12 45 hrs.

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

40# B
Lead

1-8-17 Believed to be from this group
 set wheels down pulled out to
 left under control. Used normal

C.O.F.: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in distress:

(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

If lost, state whether P, A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

no chutes, no fire. Believed to

have had malfunction and could not

hold altitude. No apparent reasons for

2nd Lt. B. E. Swango ✓ P

2nd Lt. W.C. Davenport ✓ CP

2nd Lt. G.R. Faulkner N

S/Sgt. L. Ittle ✓ E

Sgt. W.T. Moss ✓ RO

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

T/Sgt. W.J. Schultz ✓ E

Primary: Time: 10 28 ~~hrs.~~

Sgt. J.F. Martinez ✓ BT

P.F.F. Secondary: Heading: 60° M ~~hrs.~~

Sgt. W. Smatlach ✓ WG

Last Resort: Height: 25,000 ~~hrs.~~

WG

T.O. (Circle One)

Turn off target:

Sgt. R. Pekofske ✓ TG

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

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

Own Bombs: B BROUGHT An. Nickels: Yes (No)

Other Bombing: ALL BOMBS BACK Number and type _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? was camera turned on None
 Hand NO Movie NO

6. WEATHER:

Clouds None higher than 10,000
 Cumulus up to 24-25,000 - clear above 25,000

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? Head but could not understand

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

Contrails None persistent all the way to target and most of way back. Started about 18,000 ft.

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight	Color of bursts	Location of bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
<u>None seen</u>						

Crew observations about Flak: _____

9. ENEMY FIGHTER OPERATIONS:

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

(Location and length of fight) _____

(Tactics of E/A) _____

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

10. FLIGHTER SUPPORT: (Include time, place, and color markings)

none

C L A I M S

DESTROYED _____

PROBABLE _____

DAMAGED _____

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

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

*1 - V2 seen 1116 hrs. at coast
off of coast.*

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

13. DAMAGE TO A/C: (briefly)

14. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

Bomb doors & hatch would not open & worked over channel. Not at fault.

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

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

1117 hrs. group

9. ENEMY FIGHTER OPERATIONS:

(Estimated total number of E/F's seen) _____ (Total) _____

(Location and length of fight) _____

(Tactics of E/F's) _____

(Color, markings, etc. of E/F's) _____

10. FIGHTER IDENTIFICATION: (Include time, place, and color markings:)

Good -

C L A I M S

DENIED _____

PROBABLE _____

DUBIOUS _____

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

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

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

None

13. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

not from flak - mechanical failure #4

14. TECHNICAL PROBLEMS:

NO. 4 ENGINE - BOMB BAY DOORS FROZEN

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

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

Followed formation over target. Unable to drop bombs because bomb bay doors frozen. Left formation 1030 and followed formation as close as possible til over North Sea. Jettisoned bombs and returned directly to Thurleigh.

SQUADRON 500096 59 123XX A/C Number 185 Letter J Date 20/1/45 11

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0700 Time Landed 1244

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

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

40th B Lead

2 minutes after target - B-17 from lead - wheels down lost some alt. course parallel to ours - didn't seem in trouble

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 2nd Lt. H.B. Ryder ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. L. Mikles ✓ CP
- 2nd Lt. O.P. Minihand ✓ N
- 2nd Lt. R.C. Huf ✓ B
- Sgt. J.G. Wertenburger ✓ RO
- Sgt. A.H. Ness ✓ E
- Sgt. R.P. Iafrate ✓ BT
- Sgt. J.W. Stright ✓ WG
- Sgt. M.J. Loes ✓ TG

A/c #181-B. Purley - started off ht after bombs away - was following formation

2. TARGET ATTRACTION: (PFI or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1026 1/4
 Secondary: Heading: 71
 Last Resort: Height: 27600
 T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target: 3000

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

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

Own Bombs: unobs Am. Nickels: Yes No. Number and type _____
 Other Bombing: _____

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

6. WEATHER: WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? none

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: none

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

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

Crew observations about Flak: _____

SQUADRON ~~XXXXXX~~ / ~~XXXX~~ A/C Number 198 Lett. D Date 20/1/45

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Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0700 Time Landed 1248

Hot 'B' Lead

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

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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

<u>2nd Lt. A.A. Lomar</u>	✓	P
<u>2nd Lt. D.C. Gray</u>	✓	CP
<u>F/O. I.D. Sandler</u>	✓	N
<u>F/O P. Corvo</u>	✓	B
<u>Sgt. L.R. Ferrell</u>	✓	RO
<u>Sgt. J.W. Mallek</u>	✓	E
<u>Pvt. ^J T. Gorman</u>	✓	BT
<u>Sgt. W.B. Bedsole</u>	✓	WG
<u>S/Sgt. M.C. Angelilli</u>	✓	TG

2. TARGET ATTAINED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1027

PFF Secondary: Heading: 63°M

Last Resort: Height: 27,300

T.O. (Circle no) 300°M
 Turn of target: off

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

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

Own Bombs: 10 an. Nickels: Yes 10
 Other bombing: Number and type _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on NO
 Hand NO Movie NO

6. WEATHER: WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYES: _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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None

Crew observations about Flak: _____

Observed over Panama

SQUADRON 367/368/369 A/C Number 152 Letter 5 Date 20/1/45

Bomb Load 10/500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0700 Time Landed _____

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

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

40th "B" Low

Crew: Give Rank and Initials

- Friendly A/C in distress: (Give position, time, altitude, full details) If lost, state whether O, A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)
- 1st Lt. Wilke, L.A. P
 - 2nd Lt. Merrill, B.B. CP
 - 1st Lt. Bollerup, K.E. N
 - 1st Lt. Dinter, C.R. B
 - T/Sgt. Keye, H.H. RO
 - T/Sgt. McCollum, J.W. E
 - S/Sgt. Persac, L.J., Jr. BT
 - S/Sgt. Capaldi, C.B. WG
 - 2nd Lt. Hogan, R. (NMI) R.Nav.
 - S/Sgt. Dillon, D.W. TG

Separate PFF run

TARGET A/B/C/D: (PFF or Visual)

Time: 1027
 Heading: 064deg
 Secondary:
 Last Resort: Height: 27,600

T.O. (Circle One)

Turn off target: 339

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

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

Own Bombs: Droppful Smoke + 1-500 An. Nickels: Yes No
 Other bombing: Brough back 9x500 Number and type _____

Couldnt pick up beams.

Goodrun

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

6. WEATHER: WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYES? hot on B 7
channel

7. CONDENS. TRAIL: _____

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight	Color of bursts	Location of bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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low burst seen when we turned for secondary -

Crew observations about Flak: _____

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 _____

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

3. Time and Place of crossing enemy Coast _____

4. Time over target _____
Altitude over Target _____
Position of Group on Bomb Run _____
Magnetic Heading of Bomb Run _____
Duration Bomb Run _____

*With lead group
all the way
after we joined
them at 0921 hours
{ 5743 N
0203 E }*

5. Time of Landing at base 1327

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

*We let down off Pt.
you with ~~coast~~
Coast
5755 N
~~5755 N~~
0135 E
at 1302*

DATE _____ TIME _____ S/C OFFICER *Paul*

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SQUADRON ~~B67H/B68H/B~~ 425 A/C Number 907 Letter P Date 20/1/45

Bomb Load 10/500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0700 Time Landed

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

40th "B"
Low

CRP: Give rank and initials

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

- 1st Lt. Hutchinson, H.E. ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. Hiney, W.H. ✓ CP
- F/O. Murphy, R.P. ✓ N
- 1st Lt. Mounts, R.E. ✓ B
- T/Sgt. Schurman, M.W. ✓ RO
- T/Sgt. Mondor, D.O. ✓ E ✓
- S/Sgt. Hayen, C.V. ✓ BT
- S/Sgt. Brooks, E.B. ✓ WG
- S/Sgt. Perry, J.W. ✓ TG

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)
- Primary: Time: 1028
- Secondary: Heading: 059
- Last Resort: Height: 27500
- T.O. (Circle One)
- Turn off target:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: Jettisoned: Returned: Abortives:
- Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)
- Own Bombs: Hung up - frozen (?)
- Other Bombing:

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

6. WEATHER: not as briefed 5/10 w/ 1st to Primary - 10/10 thin
- WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKETS? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: Persistent out + in -

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of bursts	Location of bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
after target 8 low bursts from target						

Crew observations about Flak: _____

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SQUADRON 10/500 A/C Number 130 Letter J Date 20/1/45

Bomb Load 10/500 H.E. Position Information

Time took to 7000 Time landed 1330

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

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

40th B
Law

*2-17 from another group off to own right
 hit by flak at London at 1029 - one engine feathered - coming alt. -*

Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in distress: 2nd Lt. Smith, L.E. P
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details) 2nd Lt. Lord, F.T., Jr. CP
 If lost, state whether to, from, or action, accident or undetermined cause) 2nd Lt. Wolfe, H.D. N

Sgt. Dulworth, J.I. B
Sgt. Chestnut, E.H. RO
Sgt. Anderson, H.M. E
Sgt. Brown, V.L. BT
Sgt. Baffery, R.L. WG
Sgt. Casper, R.C. TG

2. TARGET AREA: (PPF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1027

Secondary: Heading: 063

Last Report: Height: 27300

T.O. (Circle one) 3/0
 Turn off target:

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

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

Own Bombs: unkn. Mr. Nichols: Yes
 Other bombing: Number and type _____

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

6. WEATHER: WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYES?
sun

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:
sun

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

Time	Alt	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), altitude moderate or slight	Color of bursts	Location of bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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new frontal lines scattered

Crew observations about Flak: _____

SQUADRON 367/368/369 42 A/C Number 519 Letter D Date 20/1/45

Bomb Load 10/500 H.E.

Position in Formation

Time took to 2700 Time Dropped 1830

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

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

40th B
Low

CRS: Give Rank and Initials

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

F/O. Gibson, C.H. ✓ P
 1st Lt. Sevour, J.G. CP
 1st Lt. Larson, W.C. N
 F/O. Bess, W.F. ✓ B
 Sgt. Dowd, J.V. ✓ RO
 T/Sgt. Sene, A.D. E
 S/Sgt. Reno, L.C. ✓ BT
 S/Sgt. Odrowaz, C.H. ✓ WG
 S/Sgt. Bonen, J.F., Jr. ✓ TG

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PPF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1027
 Secondary: Heading: 86
 Last Resort: Height: 27000

T.O.
 (Circle One)
 Turn off target: 296

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

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

Own Bombs: unobs. an. Nichols: Yes
 Other Bombing: Number and type _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on no.
 Hand _____ Movie _____

6. WEATHER: same WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYES? no.

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: same

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), altitude, moderate or slight	Color of bursts	Location of bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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seven bursts at times, none

Crew observations about Flak: _____

SQUADRON 447 A/C Number 916 Letter M Date 20/1/45 17

Bomb Load 10/500 H.E. Position in Formation _____

Time took off 0700 Time landed _____

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

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

40th "B"
Law

Crew: Give Rank and Initials

- 1st Lt. Roth, H.G. P O.K.
- 2nd Lt. Campbell, C.G. CP
- 2nd Lt. McGough, L.B. N
- T/Sgt. Bloedel, D.G. B ✓
- S/Opt. Wistener, C.A. RO ✓
- T/Sgt. Barnett, E. (NMI) E ✓
- Sgt. Hurd, J.O. BT ✓
- S/Sgt. Finch, E.L. WG ✓
- S/Sgt. Tieck, F.E. TG ✓

Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether C, A.A., E/A action,
 accident or undetermined cause)
Feathered #3 right after B. A. fuel
fuel pressure.

2. TARGET AREA: (IFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1027
 (Secondary): Heading: 072
 Last Resort: Height: 27100
 T.O. (Circle one)
 Turn off target: 295

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

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

Own Bombs: 10/10 any Nickels: Yes ✓
 Other bombing: Number and type _____

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

6. WEATHER: 15/10 over target - few
breaks before target. About 5/10
until January. Then 8/10 - 10/10.
 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKNEY? Messages
bomb secondary.

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of bursts	Location of bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
<u>obs. after target - merger at altitude.</u>						

Crew observations about flak: _____

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SQUADRON 367 364 36 A/C Number 595 Letter 2 Date 20/1/45
 Bomb Load 10/500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time took off 0700 Time Bombed 132 ✓

1. HCT NE S to be phoned in. Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

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

40th "B"
Low

A/C out of formation 1046 -
 5245N-0631E just losing
 alt. gain under control

CNT: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 2nd Lt. Trease, H.W. ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. Snobble, J.K. ✓ CP
- F/O. Ker, G.W. ✓ ✓ N
- Sgt. Collart, A.A. ✓ ✓ E ✓
- Sgt. Bellet, M. (G.W.) ✓ RO ✓
- Sgt. Lewis, W.J. ✓ E ✓
- Sgt. Scribner, B.F., Jr. ✓ BT ✓
- Sgt. Scannell, J.J. ✓ WG ✓
- Sgt. Frank, I.I. ✓ ✓ TG

no tracks, no fire or smoke

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PIF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1027
 Secondary: Heading: 65°M
 Last Resort: Height: 27,000

T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target: - 330°M

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

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

Own Bombs: An. Michaels: Yes (N-6)
 Other Bombing: Number and type _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on _____
 Hand NO Movie NO

6. WEATHER: WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYES? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

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

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

Crew observations about Flak: _____

SQUADRON ~~XXX~~ 368 ~~XX~~ ~~XXX~~ A/C Number 814 Letter G Date 20/1/45 19

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0700 Time Landed

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

40th B Low

Mr. Kinney pulled up in formation (he was late in joining and was "pulling hard") about 10 minutes after coast. Show fall back; couldn't keep up - (Give position, time, altitude, full details) If lost, state whether by a.a., E/a action, accident or undetermined cause)

NOTE: Give rank and Initials

- 2nd Lt. R.W. Jones ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. D.M. Sandercock ✓ CP
- F/O W.F. Rodgers ✓ N
- 1st Lt. R.G. Wilson ✓ B
- T/Sgt. S. Krauss ✓ RO
- T/Sgt. C.E. Koegel ✓ E
- S/Sgt. L.F. Brown ✓ BT
- S/Sgt. J.L. Gooden ✓ WG
- S/Sgt. R.J. Condrey ✓ TG

Know no more -

2. TARGET AREA: (PPF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1027
 Secondary: Heading: 056 mag
 Last Resort: Height: 27600
 T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target:

3. Number of EGMS dropped on target all Utilized: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: not observed - Yes
 Other bombing: 10/10ths Number and type

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

6. WEATHER: Target obscured - 10/10ths - WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEY?
Rest of route - 6/10ths orange
Target ops: 21000

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: Dense, persistent

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of bursts	Location of bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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"No flak"

Crew observations about flak:

SQUADRON XXX368 XX B A/C Number 028 Letter C Date 20/1/85 20

Bomb Load 10 x 500 n.e. Position in Formation

Time Took 0700 Time Landed _____

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

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

40th B Low

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

- Friendly A/C in distress: 2nd Lt. H.R. McGahan P
- (Give position, time, altitude, full details) 2nd Lt. B.D. Martin CP
- If lost, state whether D, W/A, E/A action, 2nd Lt. M.F. Hepple N
- accident or undetermined cause) S/Sgt. A.J. Stalder B
- McKinney - saw him catching Sgt. J.J. Reilly RO
- up. Informer as leaving Eng coast. Sgt. W.T. Dugard E
- Didn't notice him particularly after Sgt. A.P. Dumenigo BT
- that Sgt. A.R. Dearing WG
- TARGET ATTACHED: (PFI or Visual) Sgt. J.L. Minnucci TG

Primary: Time: 1027
 Secondary: Heading: 060
 Last Resort: Height: 27600
 T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target: 300°

- 3. Number of H. S. dropped on target: Jettisoned: Returned: abortive: all
- 4. Observed SIGNALS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)
 Own Bombs: ✓ an. Nichols: Yes ✓
 Other Bombing: ✓ Number and type _____
- 5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on None
 Hand _____ Movie _____
- 6. WEATHER: ✓ WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? _____
- 7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: ✓
- 8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight	Color of bursts	Location of bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
<u>None</u> <u>Saw 2 bursts in vicinity of T.O.</u>						

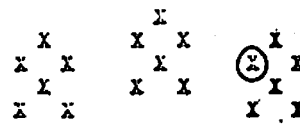
Crew observations about Flak: _____

SQUADRON ~~XXX~~ 362 (X) A/C Number 384 Letter () Date 20/1/45 ²¹

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.A. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0700 Time Landed

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



CP: Give Rank and Initials

- Returned 20/5/45
2nd Lt. N.W. McKinney P
- 2nd Lt. A.J. McCalley CP
- 1st Lt. W.J. Beck N
- S/Sgt. P.J. Hannum TAFE
- Sgt. L.J. Oppen RD
- Sgt. L.F. Warren E
- Sgt. S.H. Eaton BT
- Sgt. T.R. Foley LG
- Sgt. F.E. Newall ^{injured} ^{injury} ^{to} ^{leg} ¹⁰ WG

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

One engine near our Dutch lost on way to target

TARGET ATTITUDE: (IFF or Visual)

- Primary: Time: about 1020
- Secondary: Heading:
- Last Report: Height:
- T.O. (Circle One) *in on belly 3*
- Turn off target: *miles S.W. of A93*
- Number of BOMBS dropped on *(all target)*: Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: *Line 2.P. As engine went out. Couldn't keep up with formation - bugged formation & dropped (on previous smoke bomb) all bombs (R.D. 3). Trained back on heading of 270°. About 20 min later fuel used up. Took heading of 230° home sight on any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? was camera turned on*

flashed our small team at 13000 feet (low) (low) continuously. One hit under 40°. Wind to land at 4-47) field near target. 12:25 (one hit)

WEATHER: *wouldn't come down - couldn't complete circle of field. Had to pull up over telephone wires & clipped by top one, which left wing (90 MPH). Wind to pull up left wing & climbed - 70 ft per*

CONDENSATION: *engine out just before hitting ground with left wing bent. Plane bounced twice - ended up going 180° other way. 7:20 turn*

FLAK: *encountered on way out, at target and on way home. 0/1 - bullet hit top off. left wing smashed - twisted & cracked*

Flak: encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Title	Place	Height of A/C	Time (Altitude, Location, or Latitude or Longitude)	Color of bursts	Location of bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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flashed. had 1st engine, returned. (4 P-47's circled us in air - tried to land).

Stayed in Brunets lat. mile at 8-58. Came in here
Crew observations about Flak:

Sunday night about 2100 - in C-47 to Hampton - truck back to base. McKinney, Beck & Newell still mentioned

Had lost third engine just before hitting phone wire. Could not pull up. Reason for other engine wing no fuel.

When C-47 fuel NW of target all bomb except received by - 30-1-45

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SQUADRON ~~44th~~ 425 A/C Number 397 Letter O Date 20/1/45

Bomb Load 10/500 H.E. _____ Position in Formation _____

Time Took Off 0700 Time Landed _____

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

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

40th B Low

Crew: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 1st Lt. Tomar, C.R. P
 2nd Lt. Ruegger, J.C. CP
 2nd Lt. Casey, D.J. N

F/O. Gerberich, R.C. B

T/Sgt. West, H.C. RO

T/Sgt. Hicklin, J.A. E

S/Sgt. McCormick, L.S. BT

S/Sgt. McGonigle, W.J. WG

S/Sgt. Kieffer, J.C. ^{COOMER} *check this name!*

2. TARGET AREA: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1025

Secondary: Heading: 6875

Last Resort: Height: 27100

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

3. Number of Bombs dropped on target: 6x500 Jettisoned: Returned: abortive:

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

Own Bombs: Brought @ Back An. Nichols: Yes No

Other bombing: Number and type _____

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

6. WEATHER: WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYES? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of bursts	Location of bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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Saw about 8 bursts down low over target.

Crew observations about Flak: _____

SQUADRON ~~267~~ ~~268~~ ~~269~~ A/C Number 444 Letter C Date 20/1/45

Bomb Load 10/500 H.E.: _____ Position in Formation _____

Time took Off 0700 Time Duration _____

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

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

40th B
Low

CR2: Give Rank and Initials

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

1st Lt. Mallon, W.D. ✓ P
 F/O. Bard, R.M. ✓ CP
 F/O. Meyer, C.R. ✓ N
 2nd Lt. Jefferson, L.U. ✓ B
 S/Lt. Masters, A.F. ✓ RO
 T/Sgt. Price, J.E. ✓ E
 S/Sgt. Franklin, G.B. ✓ BT
 S/Sgt. Kinsey, T.E. ✓ WG
 S/Sgt. Priemann, W.W. ✓ TG

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFI or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1027
 Secondary: Heading: 60
 Last Resort: Height: 27000

T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target: 305

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

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

Own Bombs: _____ An. Nichols: Yes No

Other Bombing: _____ Number and type _____

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

5. WEATHER: _____ WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: _____

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight	Color of bursts	Location of bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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Several bursts seen behind course after we left target

Crew observations about Flak: _____

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SQUAD 444588 # 425 A/C Number 616 Lt/ A Date 20/1/45

Bomb 10/500 H.S. _____ Position in Formation _____

Time Took Off _____ Time Landed _____

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

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

40th B
Lan

CRF: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 2nd Lt. Spencer, D.R. P
- P/O Sprunger, R.W. CP
- 1st Lt. Lundberg, M. (W-1) N
- S/Sgt. Kepcho, E.A. B
- T/Sgt. Neppan, J.J. RO
- T/Sgt. Naolonski, J.R. E
- S/Sgt. Hall, H.D. BT
- S/Sgt. Shearn, C.W. WG
- S/Sgt. Slimke, E.F. TG

2. TARGET ALTITUDE: (PPH or Visual)

Primary: Time: 10 25

Secondary: Heading: 75°

Last Report: Height: 27000 ft.

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

Dropped all

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

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

Own Bombs: 70/1000

Rhein

Other bombing:

an, Nichols: Yes
Number and type

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

6. WEATHER: light 10/10 hrs

average for route - 3-4/10 hrs

HAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM
BUCKINGHAM

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

Dense persistent. Tops - 20,000

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

Time	Time of A/C	Height	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of bursts	Location of bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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None

Crew observations about Flak:

9. ENEMY FIGHTER OPERATIONS:

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

(Location and length of flight) _____

(Tactics of E/A) _____

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

10. FIGHTER REPORT: (Include time, place, and color markings:)

*was good - all P51s
 just picked up (5115N)
 (0330E)*

CLAIMS	
DAMAGED	_____
PROBABLE	_____
DAMAGED	_____

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

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

None

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

Tail burner, front hit in chest -

13. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

None

14. TECHNICAL DEFICIENCIES:

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

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

with formation -

S-2 OFFICER

Kavanaugh

TYPE CORRECTED _____

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SQUADRON 367 368/367/1 A/C Number 359 Letter C Date 20/1/45

Bomb Load 10/500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Lock Off 0700 Time Landed _____

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

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

40th B High

no

CNR: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 2nd Lt. Hess, J.N. P
- 2nd Lt. Parrish, A.J. CP
- 1st Lt. Fortman, F.J. N
- 2nd Lt. Haagenson, D.C. B
- S/Sgt. Roosa, R.K. RO
- S/Sgt. Desrochers, A.P. E
- 1st Lt. Wessler, R.H. #1 R.Nav.
- S/Sgt. Harler, C.L. WG
- S/Sgt. Revis, J. (MST) TG

2. TARGET AT _____ Lt: (IFF or Visual)

PRF

Time: 1027
 Heading: 070 long
 Height: 28,500

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

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

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

Own Bombs: Went away near previous smoke bombs An. Nichols: Yes
 Other Bombing: _____ Number and type _____

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

6. WEATHER: tops at target 25,000 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYES? no

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: _____

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

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

Crew observations about Flak: _____

Her 357-S

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 October 0908
91-Farmouth - about 1132

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

3. Time and Place of crossing ~~English~~ Coast 3 miles south of coast 5119
5206-0638, 1016 hours - 1112 - on course 5207-043

4. Time over Target _____
Altitude over Target _____
Position of Group on Bomb Run _____
Magnetic Heading of Bomb Run _____
Duration Bomb Run _____

*after recording,
regained course
at 5208-0710,
1044 hours*

5. Time of Landing at base 1314 -

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

DATE _____ TIME _____ Sq2 OFFICER Pool

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SQUADRON 367 367367 73 A/C Number 407 Letter Date 20/1/45

Bomb Load 10/500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time took off 0700 Time landed

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

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

40 d B High

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 2nd Lt. Brasch, W. N. P
- F/O. Grunski, H.W. CP
- F/O. Le Compie, H.E. N
- Sgt. Dulli, A.F. B
- T/Sgt. Groover, R.H. RO
- T/Sgt. Owens, C.H. E
- Sgt. Miznik, R.E. BT
- Sgt. Doll, J.T. WG
- Sgt. Donohoe, V.D. TG

2. TARGET ATTITUDE: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1027 1/2
 Secondary: Heading: 90
 Last Resort: Height: 28800

T.O. (Circle One)

Turn off target: 355

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 9x500 *Hit on one side of the main tank of target about 1 min. later.*
 Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: An. Nichols: Yes N

Other Bombing: Number and type

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

6. WEATHER: 8/10 & target WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYES?

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: Very heavy, persistent.

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (direction, intensity, moderate or slight)	Color of bursts	Location of bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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None

Crew observations about Flak:

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SQUADRON 367 368 369 A/C Number 302 Letter () Date 20/1/45

Bomb Load 10/500 H.E.

Position in Formation

40th B High

Time took to C700 from launch

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
 If BITCH or wild crew and fill out
 special form in detail.

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

C.R.T.: Give rank and initials

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

1st Lt. Overstreet, R. B. ✓ P
 2nd Lt. Shepard, F.K. ✓ CP
 P/O. Avitt, J.L. ✓ N
 2nd Lt. Demaray, M.N. ✓ B
 T/Sgt. Bearden, W.E. ✓ RO ✓
 T/Sgt. Davis, S.J. ✓ E
 S/Sgt. Petrillo, G.W. ✓ BT
 S/Sgt. Dempsey, W.J. ✓ WG
 Sgt. Yelton, A. (M1) TG

2. TARGET ATTRIBUTES: (SPF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1027
 Secondary: Heading: 70°
 Last Resort: Height: 28,800
 T.O. (Circle one)
 Turn off target: 300

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

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

Own bombs: on lead a/c an. Nichols: Yes 1
 Other bombing: Number and type _____

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

6. WEATHER: 8/10 - 9/10 — WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: worst ever seen — up to 29,500'

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (altitude, intensity), altitude or sight	Color of bursts	Location of bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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Target - behind & high - merger

Other observations about flak: _____

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SQUADRON 367 ~~268/264~~ A/C Number 412 Letter 1 Date 20/1/45
 Bomb Load 10/500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time took off 0700 Time bombed 1310

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

40th B
 High

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

Check with Navigator

CRS: Give rank and Initials

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

- 1st Lt. Hatch, G.L. P
- 2nd Lt. Hoffman, R.S. CP
- 1st Lt. Rubenstein, C.H. 368th sqnd. N
- 2nd Lt. Johnson, W.J. B
- T/Sgt. Whitney, F.S. RO
- T/Sgt. Lothian, J.R. E
- Sgt. Hernandez, H. (NMI) BT
- S/Sgt. Munnery, H.G. WG
- S/Sgt. Fisher, P.R. TG

1030-18-17-5000 feet below our alt - 3 1/2
minutes after target - ~~power~~ A/c on heading
195° mag. not in trouble

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 102 1/2 hr
 (Secondary: PFF) Heading: 060°
 Last Resort: Height: 28,400
 T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target: 330

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

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

Own Bombs: 10/10
 Other bombing:
 an. Nickels: Yes (10)
 Number and type:

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? was camera turned on automatic
 Hand no Movie no

6. WEATHER:

PFF target solid right over cloud target. Low cloud middle & High cloud
 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYES heard but not
Colm... ..

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

Heavy ~~power~~ non persistent. 16,000ft to 29,000ft.

8. 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 in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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PFF Target ~~none~~ burst in trees seen to right
observed heavy ~~power~~ Primary
none at hand

Crew observations about Flak:

SQUADRON 367 ~~259/257~~ ~~77~~ A/C Number 133 Letter C Date 20/1/45 29

Bomb Load 10/500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0700 Time Landed _____

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

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

40 "B" High

*Lead Wilson say walkwest #3
of 4 copies, out of gas. Over
England.*

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

CPI: Give name and Initials

- 1st Lt. Hodges, S.D., Jr. P O.K.
- 2nd Lt. Panolke, R.F. CP
- 2nd Lt. Menenway, N.O. N
- S/Sgt. Crede, R.E. B
- S/Sgt. Rohinsky, A. (NLI) RO
- T/Sgt. Mannerlyn, D.F. E
- S/Sgt. Gibson, O. (NLI) BT
- Sgt. Stafford, R.L. WG
- S/Sgt. Menzie, F.D. TG

2. TARGET AVAILABLE: (PTF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1027
 Secondary: Heading: 80
 Last Resort: Height: 28200
 T.O. (Circle one)
 Turn off target: 10 °

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

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

Own Bombs: an, Nichols: Yes ✓
 Other bombing: Number and type _____

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

6. WEATHER: 10/10 at target WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKING? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: ✓

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of bursts	Location of bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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Crew observations about Flak: _____

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SQUADRON 367 368/369th A/C Number 840 Letter 0 Date 20/1/45

Bomb Load 10/500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0700 Time Landed 1140 on 21 Jan 1945

40th "B" High

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

RAF - Phosquitos
 at West Rayburn getting gas coming back

Gene us
 800 gal gas
 Vaden way all
 case of
 F/O getting

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

Feathered # 3 + 4
 Said out of gas on English coast on way home. Leader
 Took tank in wing would not ditch - rounded 3 pos

2. GIVE: Give Rank and Initials
- | | |
|-----------------------|----|
| 2nd Lt. Winslow, W.B. | P |
| 2nd Lt. Ross, S.J. | CP |
| F/O Lanzito, L.F. | N |
| T/Sgt. Smith, C.G. | B |
| Sgt. Bradley, R.V. | RO |
| Sgt. Romneys, S.G. | E |
| Sgt. Dale, S.E. | BT |
| Sgt. Templeton, R.R. | WG |
| Sgt. Miller, A.C. | TG |

O.K.

3. TARGET ATTITUDE: (PFV or Visual) said to
 Primary: Time: 10:28 Land
 Secondary: Heading: 70
 Last Resort: Height: 28000
 T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target:

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

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

Own Bombs: an, Nichols: Yes
 Other bombing: Number and type

6. Any PHOTOGRAHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on None
 Hand Movie

7. WEATHER: WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKNEY?

8. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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None

Crew observations about Flak:

9. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

(Specify a total number of E/A seen) _____ (Type)

(Location and length of fight)

(Tactics of E/A)

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

10. FIGHTER SIGHT: (Include time, place, and color markings:)

C L A I M S

DESTROYED _____

PROBABLE _____

DAMAGED _____

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

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

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

13. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

14. TECHNICAL FAILURES: Oxygen trouble - pilot & navigator oxygen levels not changed to alt system & only 2 bottles filled - rest were empty.

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

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

Left formation about 1230 at English coast just after start of mission. Did not return & did not return until after.

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SQUADRON ~~XXXXX~~ 683 ~~XXXXX~~ A/C Number 474 Letter V Date 20/1/45

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took 0700 Time Limited _____

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

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

40th B High

Crew: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 2nd Lt. W. T. McCaulie P
- 2nd Lt. R.T. Gregg CP
- 2nd Lt. R.W. Haining N
- 1st Lt. H.L. Hall B
- T/Sgt. J.R. Winborn RO
- T/Sgt. R.W. Roy E
- S/Sgt. L.G. Breeden BT
- Sgt. F. Pospiech WG
- S/Sgt. C.B. White TG

2. TARGET ATTAINMENT: (PPH or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1027
Secondary: Heading: 022 mag
Last Resort: Height: 29200

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

3. Number of B-5 dropped on target: all Retrievable: _____ Returned: _____ Abortive: _____

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

Own bombs: 10/10ths - very heavy any. Nichols: Yes
Other bombing: snore Number and type _____

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

6. WEATHER: 6-8/10ths clouds type target WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYES? _____
much higher than target 25-27 mag

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: seen, persistent.

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), altitude, moderate or slight	Color of bursts	Location of bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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Few high bursts vicinity of runway
NOT near us

Crew observations about flak:

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SQUADRON XXX368 34 XXX A/C Number 711 Letter D Date 20/1/45

Bomb Load 4 ZG97 H.E. Position in Formation
6 T-276 nickels

Time took Off 0700 Time Landed 1327

46th "B" High

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

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

Crew: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 2nd Lt. C.W. Whitcomb ✓ F
- 2nd Lt. F.N. Hales ✓ CP
- 1st Lt. W.L. Gillaspie ✓ N
- S/Sgt. R.E. Cooper ✓ B
- Sgt. G.M. Ringwald ✓ RO
- Sgt. E.E. Nelson ✓ E
- Sgt. R.O. Dinger ✓ BT
- Sgt. F.C. Dusenberry ✓ WG
- Sgt. L.F. Dorenbusch ✓ TG

2. TARGET AREA: D: (PPF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1027

Secondary: Heading: 70

Last Resort: Height: 2800

T.O.
 (Circle One)
 Turn off target: 330

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

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

Own Bombs: none

Any Nickels: Yes

Other bombing:

Number and type: _____

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

6. WEATHER:

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYES? _____

7. CONDENSED TAIL: _____

8. 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 in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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2 units from crew:

Crew observations about flak: _____

SQUADRON ~~XXXX~~ 368 ~~XXXX~~ ~~XXXX~~ A/C Number 466 Letter Q Date 20/1/45

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time took off 0700 Time landed _____

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

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

4000 ft High

Crew: Give rank and initials

Friend: A/C in distress:

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

Turned back at 0938 hours, near Ostend, unable to find formation due to clouds which caused change in sea level altitude. I tried to intercept them

- 2nd Lt. A.J. Maenner ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. A.V. Mura ✓ GP
- 2nd Lt. A. Varnado ✓ N
- 2nd Lt. L.F. Campbell ✓ B
- Sgt. L.N. Goldman ✓ RO
- Pvt. R.W. Circle ✓ E
- Sgt. Conrad ✓ BT
- S/Sgt. W.O. Jacobson ✓ WG
- S/Sgt. A.B. Leavell ✓ TG

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (FFF or Visual)
 Primary: Time: *1 1/2 minutes*
 Secondary: Heading: *left & on group lead*
 Last Resort: Height: *already left*

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

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

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

Own Bombs: an, Nichols: Yes N
 Number and type _____

Other Bombing:

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

6. WEATHER: *Patchy cumulus 6 to 8000 ft over England, a thin layer 12000. From 10 to 25000 dense layer similar to those persistent on target. 6100 low cumulus over channel.*
 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKLEY? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: *Dense 10 to 23000. Above 23,000, light.*

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

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

Crew observations about Flak: _____

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SQUADRON 367 368 369 A/C Number 611 Letter 6 Date 20/1/15

Bomb Load 10/500 H.E. Position Information

Time Took Off 0700 Time Landed 1240

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

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

40 dB High

nil.

Crew: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 1st Lt. Fowler, W.R. P
- 2nd Lt. Christensen, H.L. CP
- 1st Lt. Snoddy, J.D. N
- 2nd Lt. Brecher, M. (NM) B
- Sgt. McCarthy, V.D. RO
- T/Sgt. Smith, L.E. E
- S/Sgt. McCormack, B.J. BT
- S/Sgt. Smith, T.L. WG
- WG
- S/Sgt. Spavak, V.M. TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PF) or Visual

Primary: Time: 1028
 Secondary: Heading: 65
 Last Resort: Height: 28300

T.O. (Circle one) circled to 014 Mag.
 Turn off target: then to 300°

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

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

Own Bombs: none An. Nickels: Yes
 Other Bombing: Number and type

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

6. WEATHER: 3/10 to Brussels - 10/10 over + out. tops about 8000.
 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE?

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: dense persistent - 30000 - up.

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

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

Crew observations about Flak:

S. NUMBER 267/268/269/270 A/C Number 683 Letter Q Date 20/1/45

Bomb Load 10/500 H.E. _____ Position in Formation _____

Time took off 0700 Time landed 315

40th B High

1. NOT NEES to be shown in. Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

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

C.O.: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 2nd Lt. Patten, J.L. P
- 2nd Lt. Clark, G.W. CP
- 2nd Lt. Lopez, R.A. N
- S/Sgt. Richards, L.R. B
- Sgt. Macbrano, J.T. RO
- Sgt. Stoklosa, W.J. E
- Sgt. Stetler, R.P. BT
- Sgt. Scott, T.M. NG
- Sgt. Hall, J.W. TG

Fouler pulled out over target with one engine out. seem to leave 2 out of though

2. TARGET ALTITUDE: (IFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 10 27 1/2

P.F.F.

Secondary: Heading: 30° N

Last Resort: Height: 26,500

T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target: - 360°

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

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

Own bombs: *Hit prop wash just before bombs away lost altitude and Release was 30 sec. late*

an. Nichols: Yes No
 Number and type _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on None
 Hand No Movie No

6. WEATHER: Clouds 20, - 22,000 cumulus over Champion way back. Pale
 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKNEY? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAIL: Down fairly precipitated entirely at alt.

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

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

P.F.F. of bomb came in target area

C.O.'s observations about Flak: _____

9. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

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

(Location and length of fight) _____

(Tactics of E/A) _____

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

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

*Small Peaked report
Big Coast 0933 - P-51K*

C L A I M S

DESTROYED _____

PROBABLE _____

DAMAGED _____

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

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

*Big fire 500' of airbase seen 5 miles
on River. Black smoke not as dense as
at night*

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

13. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

14. TECHNICAL FAILURES: *#3 & #4 propellers away*

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

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

*Dropped fuel at 10:00 & fuel caught
up after bombs away*

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SQUADRON ~~XXXXXX~~ ~~XXXX~~ A/C Number 619 Letter S Date 20/1/45

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0700 Time Landed _____

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

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

*40th B
Space*

CITE: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 2nd Lt. L.T. Kearney ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. V. Moore CP
- F/O G.C. Dickerson -N
- 2nd Lt. A.B. Blair ✓ B
- Sgt. E.C. Thixtun RO
- Sgt. W. Pomykal E
- Sgt. C. Odsterial BT
- Sgt. V.C. Frederick WG
- Sgt. G.E. Wiley TG

*Returned early
Landed 1031*

2. TARGET ATTAINED: (PFF or Visual)

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

Turned back as briefed

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

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

Own Bombs: *Could not find formation opening* An. Nichols: Yes N
 Other Bombing: *Turned back at 976 alt* Number and type _____

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

6. WEATHER: *5146-0777 alt
27500* WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYES? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: *Brought bombs back*

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

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

Crew observations about Flak: _____

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 368 369 423 A/C Number: 376 Letter F Date _____

Bomb Load _____ H.E. Incend. _____

Position in Formation

Time Took off _____ 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

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

F.B. Leigh Pilot

#4 ~~formation~~ engine out, 5 minutes after take-off. Feathered it + came in

_____ Co-P

_____ Nav.

_____ Bomb

_____ Radio

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Landed at 0750

_____ Top T

Primary Time: _____

_____ Ball T

Alternate Height: _____

_____ R. Waist

Last Report Heading: _____
 (circle)

_____ L. Waist

Duration Bomb Run: _____

_____ Tail G.

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 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), altitude in ft or meters	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C

Crew observations about Flak: _____

SQUADRON 367 368 WARB A/C Number 517 Letter F Date 20/1/45

Bomb Load 10/500 H.B. Position and Formation

Time took off 0700 Time bombed _____

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

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

40th B High *[Signature]*

CRT: Give rank and Initials

- 2nd Lt. Lössner, R.A. P
- 2nd Lt. Britton, G.F. CP
- 2nd Lt. Robbins, F.G. N
- S/Sgt. Galengor, C.D. B
- Sgt. Ferrer, V.L. RO
- Sgt. Keller, L.W. E
- S/Sgt. Robinson, S.D. BT
- Sgt. Benets, H.R. WG
- Sgt. Beck, G.W. TG

Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether D, A.A., E/A action,
 accident, suppression and cause)
Patton before RA.
reported undamaged

2. TARGET _____ (PPH or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1028
 Secondary: Heading: 072
 Last Resort: Height: 28,600
 T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target: ~~360~~ 360

3. Number of EGMS dropped on (target) Jettisoned: Returned: abortive:

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

Own Bombs: _____ An. Nichols: _____ Yes No
 Other bombing: _____ Number and type _____

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

6. WEATHER: 8-10/10 towering Cu.
Very heavy cumulus
 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYES: _____

7. CONDENSED TELL TAILS:

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of bursts	Location of bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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3 Bursts off left wing near Rhine in

Crew observations about flak:

Target 2 bursts - 2020