

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

APO 557
22 February, 1945

SUBJECT: Intelligence Narrative
Mission: Wittstock, Germany

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

1. Narrative

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3. A.A. Gun Fire
None.

4. Bombing

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5. Nickels

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6. Weather

Channel overcast, base 16,500. Heavy Coast 16,000 feet; 9/10 undercast over Zuider Zee breaking to scattered low clouds and haze over Holland. Target: scattered low clouds and ground haze. Light nonpersistent contrails at bombing altitude. Vertical visibility good. Same on route out. Lead navigator reports pilotage possible at all times over Continent.

7. A/C In Dist 38

Ques: None.

Others: At 1215 hours P-51 seen to go down on fire after strafing Osterburg.

8. Observations

Army camp observed at Salzwedel.

A/D not on map 5322N x 1035E.

Possible camouflaged dump at app. 5235N x 0933E.

App. 40 S/E A/C on A/F at Lubs, 5328N x 1200E.

A/F at 5249N x 0910E with 20-30 B/A on ground being strafed by our fighters.

25 S/E A/C on A/F at 5321N x 1205E.

50-60 S/E A/C on field at 5326N x 1147E.

A/C observed burning on A/F at 5316N x 1028E.

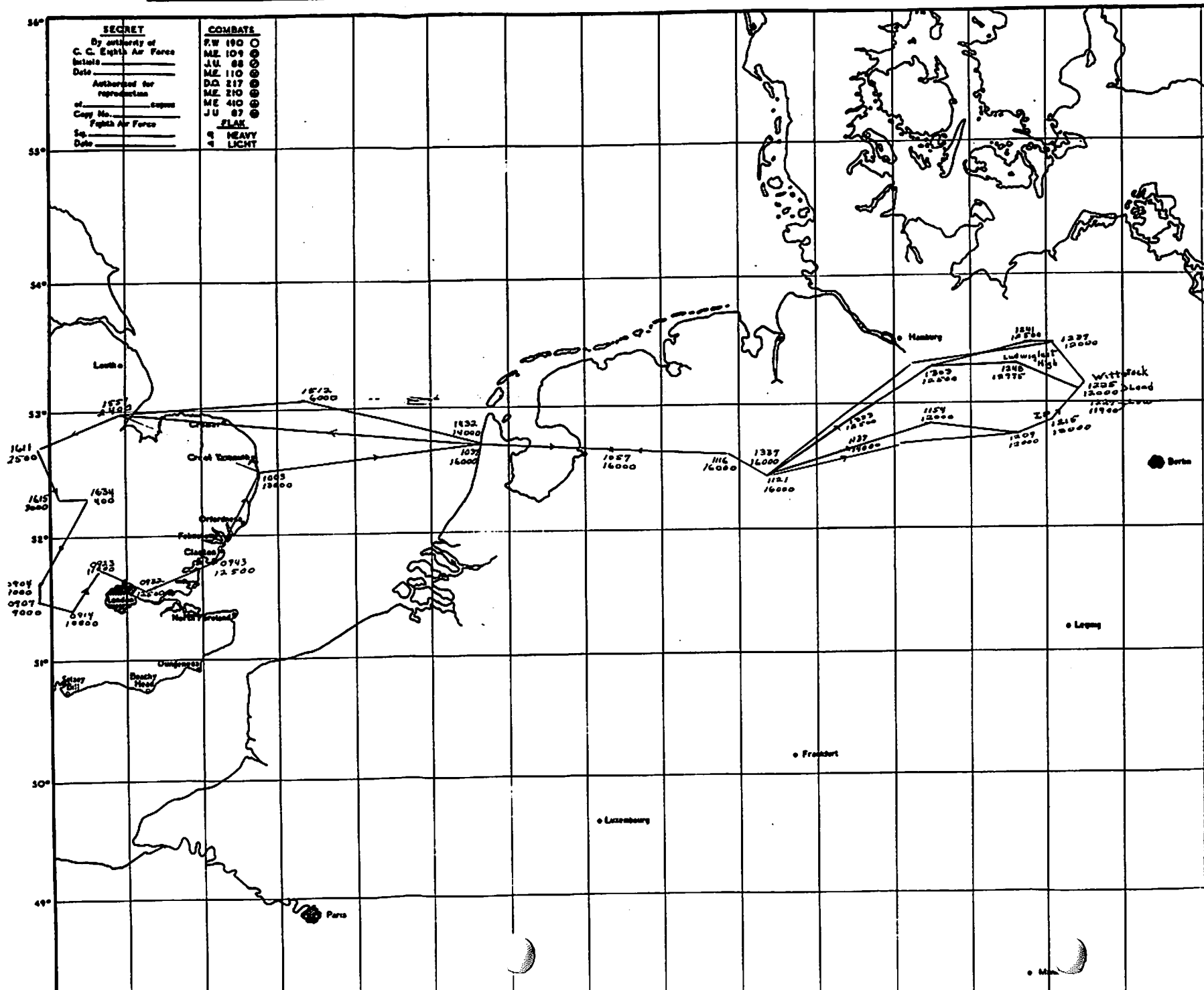
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JOHN A. BAINSPATHINI,
Major, AC,
Group S-2.

TARGETS:

PRIMARY Hittstock, Germany - Attacked by Low Sq.
Grafow, Germany - Attacked by Lead Sq. & 1 plane of Low Sq.
Ludwigslust, Germany - Attacked by High Sq.

DATE 22 February, 1945.



FROM:- COMBOMGR 306 - 222100A FEB. 45.
TO :- COMAIRDIV - ONE.
COMBATWIG " FORTY.
ATTN:- DIR. OF INT.

306 BG F-360-D. 22 FEB. 1945.

306TH GROUP NARRATIVE - 300TH MISSION TO WITTSTOCK - 22ND FEB. 1945.

1. A/C NO. 133-W, PILOT BRASCH, DROPPED 6 T-307, 2-WG-27, 2 WG-35, ON LUDWIGSLUST.
2. LEAD MADE I.P. AT HAVELBERG GOOD, AND STARTED RUN ON PRIMARY. NEAR TARGET, BOMBARDIER HAD A MALFUNCTION AND BOMBS WENT AWAY. PICTURES SHOW STRIKES AT 5304-1224, GRADON, NEAR KONIGSBERG, SOUTH OF PRIMARY. LOW BOMBED PRIMARY, PICTURES SHOWING COMPACT PATTERN A FEW HUNDRED YARDS SHORT OF BRIEFED M.P.I. HIGH INTERPHONE NOT WORKING PROPERLY. LEADER MISUNDERSTOOD LOMBARDIER AND TURNED OFF TARGET THINKING BOMBS AWAY. BOMBARDIER HELD BOMBS AND HIGH MADE ANOTHER RUN ON LUDWIGSLUST, PICTURES SHOWING BEST BOMBING OF DAY ON CHOKE POINT OF RAILROAD SOUTHEAST EDGE OF TOWN.
3. ABOUT 1215 HOURS NEAR BRIEFED I.P. 2 ME 262'S MADE ONE PASS WITHOUT FIRING FROM 12 O'CLOCK HIGH TO 6 O'CLOCK PASSING JUST UNDER HIGH ELEMENT.
4. NONE.
5. CHANNEL OVERCAST, BASE 16,500 ENEMY COAST 16,000 FEET; 9/10 UNDERCAST OVER SUIDER ZEE BREAKING TO SCATTERED LOW CLOUDS AND HAZE OVER HOLLAND. TARGET: SCATTERED LOW CLOUDS AND GROUND HAZE. LIGHT NON-PERSISTENT CONTRAILS AT BOMBING ALTITUDE. VEX VERTICAL VISIBILITY GOOD. SAME ON ROUTE OUT. LEAD NAVIGATOR REPORTS PILOTAGE POSSIBLE AT ALL TIMES OVER CONTINENT.
6. ARMY CAMP OBSERVED AT SALZSEDAL.
A/D NOT ON MAP 5322N X 1035E.
POSSIBLE CAMOUFLAGED DUMP AT APP. 5235N X 0933E.
APP. 40 S/E A/C ON A/F AT LUBZ, SZ 5328N X 1200 E.
A/F AT 5249N X 0910E WITH 20/30 E/A ON GROUND BEING STRAFFED BY OUR FIGHTERS.
25 S/E A/C ON A/F AT 5321N X 1205E.
A/C OBSERVED BURNING ON RXE A/F AT 5318N 1028E.
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P-51'S WERE SEEN TO BE STRAFFING LOCOMOTIVES, FLAK POSITION AND ENEMY AIRFIELDS, WITH EXCELLENT RESULTS.

7. 306TH FLEW DIVISION LEAD, 36 A/C INCLUDING 4 PFF A/C AS 40 TH "A" ROUTE ESSENTIALLY AS BRIEFED. ASSEMBLY SATISFACTORY; LOWESTOFT, 1003 HOURS ENTERED DUTCH COAST 5243N X 0438E, 1037 HOURS, 16,000 FEET; SLIGHTLY LEFT OF COURSE NORTH OF HANNOVER TO 5252N X 1033E, 1154 HOURS; I.P. 5250N X 1203E, 1216 HOURS; TARGET 1225; SLIGHTLY LEFT OF COURSE S.E. OF HANLURC: DUTCH COAST 5243N X 0438E, 1432 HOURS; BOSTON 1551 HOURS; BASE, 1634 HOURS. HIGH LEFT FORMATION AT PRIMARY TOOK I.P. AT LUBZ, 5327N X 1201E, 1240 HOURS; BOMBED LUDWIGSLUST, 1248 HOURS REJOINED GROUP 5323N X 1045E, 1256 HOURS; OUT ON COURSE.

BUCKEYE RED CAVE INTERMITTENT WEATHER REPORTS COVERING ROUTE FROM ENGLISH EAST COAST. 10 MINUTES BEFORE I.P. REPORTED SCATTERED CLOUDS AND HAZE IN TARGET AREA WITH PROBABLE VISUAL RUN AT BRIEFED ALTITUDE.

FIGHTER SUPPORT:- P-51'S FIRST SEEN AT 0530E GAVE GOOD SUPPORT THROUGHOUT MISSION WITH ONLY SHORT PERIODS IN WME WHICH NONE WAS VISIBLE.

OUR A/C IN DISTRESS: NONE.
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B-24'S ASSEMBLING SOUTH OF LOWESTOFT AS FIRST DIVISION RE COLUMN APPROACHED CONTROL POINT 1.

"C U T T O N - COMBOMGR 306"

STATISTICAL SECTION:
"A"

OPERATIONAL REPORT

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

The information contained in this section will be telephoned within (5 1/2) hours after planes have landed to Div. H.Q., A-2 Duty Officer. It will be submitted for each primary target.

22 February, 1945

1. Designation of Group, 1. 906th - 40th "A"
2. Total number of airplanes dispatched (airborne) per Group, including spares. 2. 36 including 4 PFF
3. Total number of sorties (missions) per group 3. 36
4. Total number of airplanes attacking per Group. (If targets other than the primary are attacked, this information will be given on each.) 4. 11 A/C on Primary
12 A/C on Ludwiglust
13 A/C on Grabow - near Konigsbe
short of primary (590 1/2 N-1224E)
5. Number of airplanes dispatched which failed to attack per Group.
 - (a) Due to mechanical failure (a) 0
 - (b) Due to weather. (b) 0
 - (c) Due to enemy action (lost before target reached, etc.) (c) 0
 - (d) Other (Include spares) (d) 0
6. Number of airplanes lost.
 - (a) To anti-aircraft fire. (a) 0
 - (b) To enemy fighters (b) 0
 - (c) To anti-aircraft fire & enemy fighters (c) 0
 - (d) To accident, etc., over enemy territory (d) 0
 - (e) By reasons unknown. (e) 0
7. Times of attack of each group 7.

Lead	Low	High
<u>1228</u>	<u>1227</u>	<u>1248</u>
<u>033⁰</u>	<u>039⁰</u>	<u>259⁰</u>
8. Altitudes of attack of each group 8. 12,000 11,500 12,500
9. Bombs on each target per group
 - (a) Number 9. (a) 156 x 500 M43 GP's, 4 smoke.
 - (b) Size (b) 132 x 500 M43 GP's, 1 smoke.
 - (c) Type (c) 132 x 500 M43 GP's, 1 smoke.

TOTAL 35 A/C dropped

(d) 480 x 500 M43 GP's, 6 smoke.
9. Personnel casualties
 - (a) Number killed (a) 0
 - (b) Number wounded (b) 0
 - (c) Number missing. (If any personnel are known to have been rescued from the water, the number will be stated here. If rescues are made subsequent to the time the report is rendered, the information will be forwarded by teletype as soon as possible.) (c) 0
 - (d) Number rescued from the water (d) 0
10. Airplanes suffering battle damage. (This will be an estimate only. Detailed report covered under Group Statistics).
 - (a) Minor (Category A and AC) (a) 0
 - (b) Major (Category B) (b) 0
 - (c) Salvage (Category C) (crash landings, crashes on takeoff, collisions over England, etc.) (c) 0
11. Claims 0 11.
12. Leaflets A/C #133-7, pilot Brusch dropped
2 - W027, 2 - W035, 6 - T-307 on
Ludwiglust. JOHN A. BALDWINPATENT,
Major, AC,
Group S-2.

For the COMMANDING OFFICER:

JOHN A. BALDWINPATENT,
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From: COMBOMGR 306
To : COMAIRDIV - ONE
COMBATWING # FORTY
Attn: Dir. of Int.

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40th "A"

LEAD

Formation 22 February, 1945

assembly H.C.
B ref's
assembly
South of front
at front
concrete net

Gatten
Hanson
443-M Pff

Smith
Waltfunction
stopped to refuel
5 to 10 miles

✓ Schafer 398-Q ✓ Daniel 516-M ✓ LaVier 362-L Pff ✓ Parolka 412-T
✓ Wills* 585-X ✓ Klaball 549-D ✓ Hiney* 397-Q ✓ Smith, Ind. 840-Y ✓ Near 174-Y

3 minutes only
bombed early
Don't bomb on
our guide bomb

✓ Roesger 807-P ✓ Rich 376-F

Made 1st start to
run on long line
Loaded trigger
missed west of
Grabow

12. Koenigsberg
just about
get jets
100 feet

LCW

Primer

High
start of
Mittelstadt

McKinney
Rowley
652-A Pff out

Puckey said
was
out

✓ Callahan 143-P ✓ Carakostas 619-S ✓ Ryder* 181-B ✓ Patten 683-Q
✓ Lomar* 713-X ✓ Hansen 832-Y ✓ Kearney* 287-Y ✓ Verdick 611-G ✓ Rowley 908-Y

No Pakatall
just one burst
Heavy ground by
US school
By good effort

✓ Christiansen* 297-W ✓ Smith 765-M

Fire
coming out

Wittstock
Baker High
C. Lot
so jets in
cellar 1 & 2

F.D.
HIG:

Miss under
between
between
between

Kesling
Glaze
662-S Pff OK

None on
was hit but not
properly

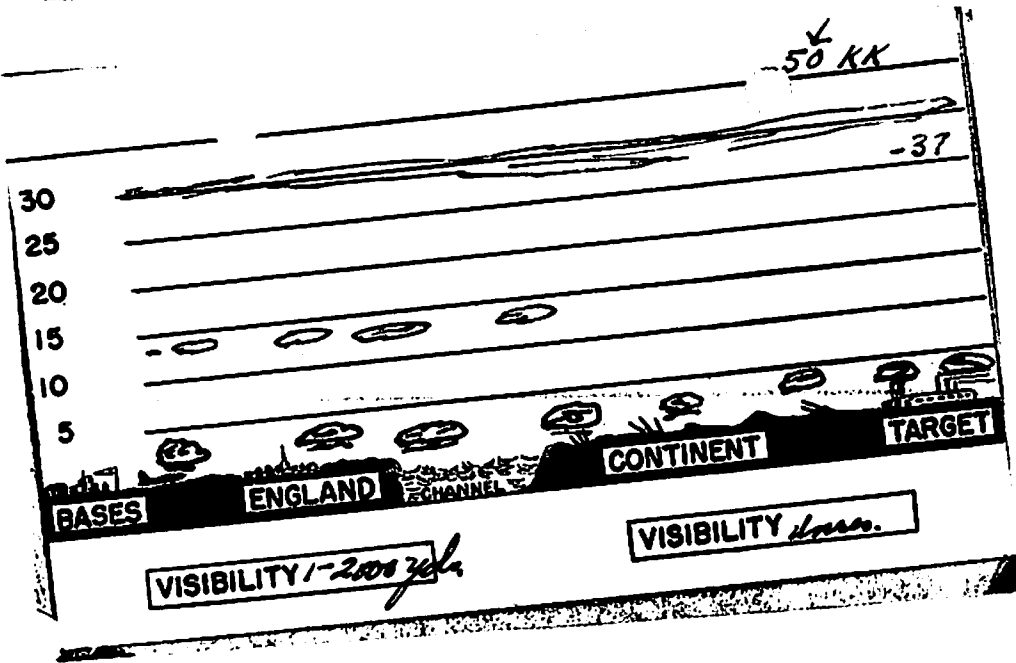
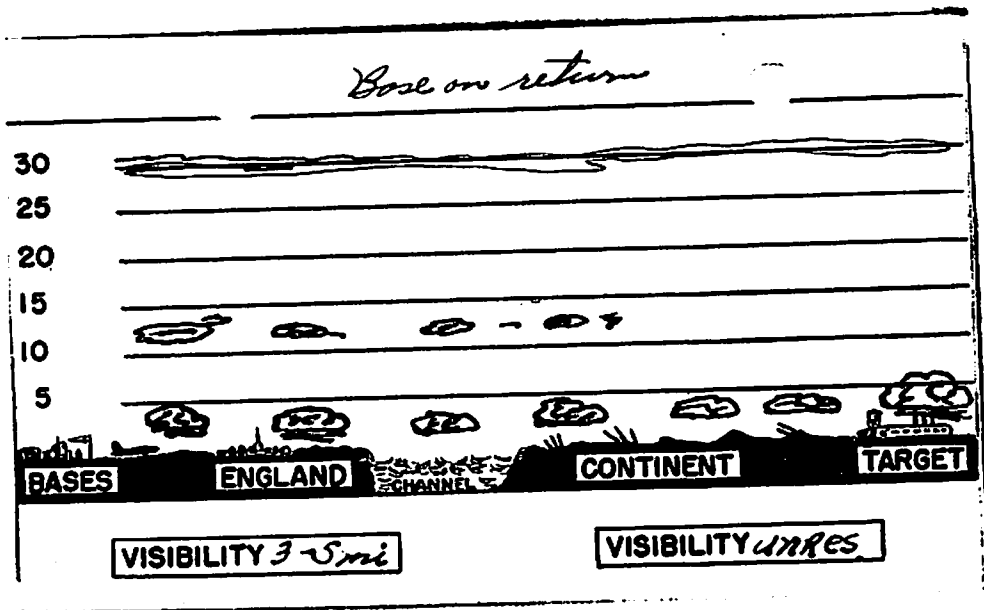
✓ Whitecomb 711-D ✓ Brown 802-F ✓ Cohn 928-L ✓ Higgenbotham* 578-D
✓ Hartshorn* 323-M ✓ Alshuler 148-X ✓ Swango* 916-N ✓ Mitchell 515-D ✓ Erach 139-M (nickals) 2 W27 2 W35 6 T-307

AW
3000
3000
7500

✓ Gregg 828-O ✓ Butler* 914-B
Sunderland

✓ Adams
Primer

Prop jets
almost hit me
10 feet



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HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH AIR FORCE
APO 634
Operational Analysis Section

8 March 1945

REPORT ON ATTACKS AGAINST ENEMY RAIL COMMUNICATIONS - 22 February 1945

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to furnish a summary of the bombing accuracy achieved on the attacks against enemy rail communications conducted by heavy units of the Eighth Air Force on 22 February 1945. These attacks were made at relatively low altitudes with small forces and hence are of particular interest from the point of view of bombing accuracy.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE OPERATION

With a view to cutting and disrupting enemy rail communications as much as possible, the Eighth Air Force, on 22 February 1945, dispatched 124 squadrons (9-13 aircraft each) of heavy bombers to attack a number of small railway marshalling yards in Germany. There were 25 targets assigned as primaries, with 3 to 6 squadrons ordered on each. In addition, 5 secondaries were assigned. Last resort targets were ordered as "any marshalling yard, railroad bridge, main rail line, rail or road viaduct, positively identified as being in Germany and east of the current bomb line."

Because the assigned targets were either undefended by heavy anti-aircraft guns, or were defended by comparatively few such guns, most of the bombing was done at altitudes from 6,000 to 12,000 feet.

The targets in the areas assigned to First and Second Air Divisions were clear, permitting visual bombing. However, the Third Air Division's assigned targets were cloud covered, with the result that the only visual bombing accomplished by Third Division was on certain last resort targets.

In all, 32 rail communication targets were attacked, consisting of 15 primaries, 2 secondaries, and 15 last resorts.

SUMMARY OF BOMBING ACCURACY

Of the 124 squadrons dispatched, 96 attacked visually. Of this number, 65 squadrons attacked an assigned primary or secondary target and the remainder, 31, attacked last resort targets.

It has been possible to analyze from strike attack photographs the results achieved by 76 of the 96 squadrons which attacked visually. On the basis of

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this sample the accuracy achieved on this operation was substantially higher than the average achieved in reasonably good visibility during the preceding five months. This contrast is shown by the following table where results are expressed in terms of average per cent of bombs estimated to have fallen within standard distances (1) for the operation under review and (2) for all visual operations under conditions of good visibility for the preceding five months.

	Average % of Bombs Which Fell Within			Average Altitude	Average Size Force*
	500' of AP	1000' of AP	2500' of AP		
Operation of 22 Feb. 1945	26	57	82	9,300	3 1/5
All Operations of good visibility 1 Sept. 1944 to 31 Jan. 1945	12	31	57	22,600	7 1/4

The two factors of lower altitude and smaller attacking force undoubtedly explain in large measure the marked difference in results. Just how much each contributed, however, it is impossible to say. In any event, the larger percentage of bombs within close distances to the aiming point are a direct consequence of (1) a smaller proportion of gross errors, (2) smaller aiming errors, and (3) substantially smaller patterns, all factors which contribute directly to increased percentage of bombs near the aiming point and each of which is affected by altitude and size of force. The following table gives the comparison between the present operation and our average operation during the preceding five months in terms of these latter variables.

	Ave. Circular Error of Pattern Centers	Average Pattern Dimensions		Per Cent Gross Errors
		Length	Width	
Operation of 22 Feb. 1945	790'	1050'	1250'	8%
All Operations of good visibility 1 Sept. 1944 to 31 Jan. 1945	1090'	2000'	1750'	28%

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* The average number of squadrons attacking a single target.

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BRITISH SHIP

Date 22 February, 1945

1. Breakfast

Briefing

"A" Group	Time	Time	Time	Flares	"B" Group	Time	Time	Time	Flares
Start Eng.	0726	0732	0738		Start Eng.				
Taxi	0743	0747	0753		Taxi				
Take-Off	0751	0757	0803		Take-Off				
Scrub					Scrub				
Standby					Standby				

3. Take-Off and Assembly Plan

Runway 24

"A" Group	Mag. for	min.	"B" Group	Mag. for	min.
245		026			
109		004			

Homeing on Mt. Farm at 9000 ft. Homeing on _____ at _____ ft.

Fighters	Call Signs	Type	Rv Coordinates	Time
	Belabas 2-1, 2-2, 2-3, 2-4, 2-5,	B-51	5240-0600	
	2-6, 2-7, 2-8, 2-9, 2-10			
	2 sps. giving area support	1 sp. area for 2nd Div.		
	Ref. Points	Control Point		
		1. Lowestoft		
		2. 5244-0438		
		3. 5234-0755		

5. Friendly Activities: 15 sps 3rd Ostend 0900
12 sps 2nd Div. 0438 1055

7. 1st Division Formation: 40 A,B,C, 1 A,B,C, 9/4 A,B,C, 41 A,B,C,

Route: "A" Group	at	at	ft	"B" Group	at	at	ft
Mt. Farm	at 0900	at 9000	ft		at	at	ft
5130-0109W	at	at	ft		at	at	ft
Winkfield	at	at	ft		at	at	ft
St. Albans	at	at	ft		at	at	ft
Brentwood	at	at	ft		at	at	ft
Glaston	at	at	ft		at	at	ft
Lowestoft	at 1009	at 19000	ft		at	at	ft
5244-0438	at 1035	at 20000	ft		at	at	ft
5234-0755	at 1113	at	ft		at	at	ft
5224-0820	at 1119	at	ft		at	at	ft
5238-1005	at 1141	at 12000	ft		at	at	ft
5240-1133	at 1203	at	ft		at	at	ft
5250-1205	at 1219	at	ft		at	at	ft
Target 5312-1231	at 1226	at 12000	ft		at	at	ft
5327-1202	at 1238	at 14000	ft		at	at	ft
5321-1014	at 1301	at 16000	ft		at	at	ft
5224-0820	at 1332	at	ft		at	at	ft
5234-0756	at 1340	at	ft		at	at	ft
5244-0438	at 1429	at 16000	ft		at	at	ft
Boston	at	at	ft		at	at	ft
Leicester	at	at	ft		at	at	ft
Wimthampton	at	at	ft		at	at	ft
Rose	at 1622	at	ft		at	at	ft
	at	at	ft		at	at	ft
	at	at	ft		at	at	ft
	at	at	ft		at	at	ft
	at	at	ft		at	at	ft

Zero Hour 0900 "A" Bombs 12 x 500 Int Salvo "B" Bombs Int

Gas 2800 Chaff Between 0720 and 0820 in and out

6 min before Target for 9 min.

Group C. O. Col. Sutton and Capt. Hanson Group C. O.

Group Deputy 1st Lt. Hal. [unclear] and Capt. [unclear] Group Deputy

Bombers Vingrove 2-1 Bombers

G. S. O. Colgate G. S. O.

VHF Code Words Recall NIVM Authentication on Jail Bait

40th CH Abandon Ops Three little Bears

Letdown deg. mag.

Call Sign 15 Spare Aircraft

40	CH	<u>Foxhole</u>	Number:	<u>804</u>	<u>466</u>	<u>303</u>	<u>616</u>	<u>671</u>
41	CH	<u>Cowboy</u>	Letter:					
94	CH	<u>Woodcraft</u>	Dispsl:	<u>15</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>11</u>
1	CH	<u>Swordfish</u>	Sqdn.:	<u>367</u>	<u>368</u>	<u>369</u>	<u>423</u>	

Special Instructions: Base reference altitude 10,000 Div. Assembly Line
Lowestort to 5244-0439, 2 min between Groups, Buckeye Red 8 x P51 20 min ahead

Target letter "8"
Weather ship Bloater Code BAFIV

INTOPS SUMMARY NO. 298

PERIOD: 0001 HOURS 22 FEBRUARY 1945 TO 2400 HOURS 22 FEBRUARY 1945

A. STATISTICS

	TOTAL SORTIES	EFFECTIVE SORTIES	TONNAGE	CLAIMS
HEAVY BOMBER ATKS.	1428	1372	3895.1	0-0-1A
FIGHTER ESCORT (A)	714	677	0	(B) 4-2-18A 22-0-22G
FIGHTER SWEEPS	103	99	0	(C) 2-0-0A
FIGHTER BOMBING	0	0	0	0-0-0
PHOTO RECON.	31	31	0	0-0-0
WEATHER RECON.	42	38	0	2-0-3G
AIR/SEA RESCUE	24	24	0	0-0-0
SPECIAL OPERATIONS	26	24	0	0-0-0
TOTALS	2368	2265	3895.1	6-2-19 24-0-25G

(A) INCLUDES THE 352ND AND 361ST GROUPS BASED ON THE CONTINE
 (B) INCLUDES 2-0-13 ME-262S.
 (C) ME-262S

	E/A	AA	LOSSES		
			OT	TOTALS	NYR
HEAVY BOMBER ATKS.	1	2	5	8	0
FIGHTER ESCORT (A)	0	4	6	10	5
FIGHTER SWEEPS	0	0	0	0	1
FIGHTER BOMBING	0	0	0	0	0
PHOTO RECON.	0	0	0	0	0
WEATHER RECON.	0	0	0	0	0
AIR/SEA RESCUE	0	0	0	0	0
SPECIAL OPERATIONS	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	1	6	11	18	6

TWELVE GROUP FORMATIONS (454 B-17S - 1ST AIR DIVISION) SORTIED AGAINST EIGHT RAIL AND COMMUNICATION CENTERS IN NORTHERN GERMANY. 437 A/C DROPPED 1310.4 TONS GP ON ASSIGNED TARGETS AND FOUR T/OS AT 1215-1248 HOURS FROM 9,300-13,000 FEET. ALL BOMBING VISUAL. LEAFLETS DROPPED ON ULZEN, STENDAL, SALZWEDEL AND LUDWIGSLUST. WEATHER: CAVU TO 2/10 CLOUDS OVER ASSIGNED TARGETS. FLAK: NIL. BATTLE DAMGE: NIL E/S OPPOSITION: STRAGGLER ATTACKED BY 1 ME-262 NEAR STENDAL. ONE ME-262 SIGHTED NEAR LUDWIGSLUST-NO COMBAT. CLAIMS: NIL. LOSSES: 1 B-17 TO E/A. NYR: NIL.

FIGHTER SUPPORT: FIVE GROUPS (280 P-51S) INCLUDING THE 352ND GROUP BASED ON THE CONTINENT, SORTIED. UP 0925-1023 HOURS. DOWN 1453-1515 HOURS. 268 EFFECTIVE SORTIES. E/A OPPOSITION: ENCOUNTERS WITH 12 PLUS ME-262S IN STENDAL-BRANDENBURG AREA; 25 PLUS FW-190S AND A FEW ME-109S SW. OF BREMEN; 6 ME-262S IN STETTIN AREA; 4 ME-262S VICINITY STENDAL; 1 ME-262 SE OF SALZWEDEL. CLAIMS: 4-2-18 AIR (INCLUDES 2-0-13 ME-262S); 3-0-5 GROUND. THREE GROUPS STRAFED. LOSSES: 2 P-51S (TO UNKNOWN CAUSES). NYR: 5 P-51S.

DETAILS OF BOMBER ATTACK AS FOLLOWS:

ASSIGNED TARGETS	SORTIES	EFFECTIVE SORTIES	TONNAGE	RESULTS
WITTENBERGE	73	72	216.0	GOOD
STENDAL	74	73	214.2	FAIR-GOOD
SALZWEDEL	78	59	197.5	GOOD
ULZEN	78	73	214.3	GOOD
WITTSTOCK	36	11	33.0	FAIR
LUNEBURG	39	39	115.5	GOOD
LUDWIGSLUST	39	48	136.2	FAIR-GOOD
GARDELEGEN	37	DID NOT ATTACK		
OTHER TARGETS				
GRABOW		13	39.0	FAIR-GOOD
KOBBELITZ		24	70.5	POOR
DANNENBERG		12	35.7	FAIR
KLOTZE		13	38.5	POOR-FAIR
TOTALS	454	437	1310.4	

LEAD

Sutton
Hanson
449-N PFF

Schafer
598-Q

Daniel
516-M

Lavie
362-K PFF

Faville*
512-T

Wills*
585-E

Kisball
519-D

Hing*
397-O

Smith, L.J.
810-T

Wag
178-N

Emery
575-P

Rick
576-P

*Lead dropped
3 min early
not a puff*

LOW

McKinney
Bowley
652-S PFF

*no flak
not one puff*

*hit in train
Bashed Primary*
Callahan
119-P

Carakostas
619-G

Ryder*
181-E

Fatten
682-Q

Lamar*
719-V

Rosen
832-Y

Kearney*
287-V

Vardick
611-G

Howley
908-J

*via check upon
down good
support good
Bisher reported
(262) jets not
near 2nd.*

Christianson*
305-M

Smith
145-M

H.I.D
HIGH

ISSING
Clays
663-S PFF

*misunderstanding
between a*

Whiteomb
711-D

Brown
803-E

Cohn
928-M

Higgenbotham*
578-D

Hartshorn*
389-N

Altshuler
118-K

Swango*
916-N

Mitchell
515-D

Brace
113-S
(nickels)
8 5827
8 5825
6 7-207

Gragg
608-O

Butler*
814-D

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306TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
PFF BO BOMB REPORT

This report is to be submitted by each PFF A/C which makes a sortie and shall include, in the diagram at the end, the position and serial number of all PFF A/C in the bombing formation.

Formation led: Lead Group 40th-A Combat Wing. Date 22/2/45

Mickey Operator Captain Spencer, G.A. No. of PFF missions 26
Col. Sutton, J.B.

Pilot Captain Hanson, H.E. D/N Navigator Captain Osburn, P.V.
Captain, Olenik, G.C.

Bombardier Captain Ross, D.

Airplane B-17 443-M Briefed Position I If
(Type) (Serial No.) (Lead) (Dep. Lead)

Deputy Lead assumed the lead, state when and why

Where was the decision made to bomb by PFF? NO NAME - VISUAL

Initial Point used 5250 1207 Was this the briefed I.P.? YES
CHORE

Distance at which the mickey operator first identified the target: 20

Length of the bombing run: Visual 19 PFF 19 miles.

Was there crowding or interference by other formations on the bombing run? NO
If so, explain:

In the opinion of the mickey operator, was drift killed? YES If not, explain why:

Were bombs released early, on time, or late, according to the mickey equipment?

EARLY!

Was the mickey equipment operating so that a satisfactory sighting could be made on the target: Yes No Explain

What was the bombing formation? (Combat Wing) (Group) (Squadron)

Target attacked: KOENIGSBERG

Where did the sighting team try to center the bombfall? BRIERLEY M.P.I.

Where do you think the bombs hit? KOENIGSBERG

Bombs away: Altitude 12,000 Track MAG 33° 20' 15" O.S. 20° 15' Time 1225

Type of sighting made: (check one) 1. PFF 2. Visual 3. PFF (Visual assist) 4. Visual (PFF assist) 5. Dropped on smoke bombs of Group.
PFF sighting for range only Visual sighting for range only
Any other (explain): VISUAL BOMB RUN ALL THE WAY

In making the sighting did the mickey operator: Set up course? NO Sight for range? NO Supply data to bombardier for pre-setting bombight? NO

Do anything else? YES If so, what? ASSISTED NAVIGATION

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PFF Bombing Report (cont'd)

In making the sighting did the bombardier: Sight for deflection YES Sight for range? YES Preset bombsight with data from mickey operator? NO Do anything else? YES If so, what? MADE COMPLETE RUN

What assistance did the navigator give the bombardier and mickey operator? WIND ETC

If the weather interfered with the success of this mission, state how: NO

What was the nature of the cloud coverage on the bombing run and at the target? NONE - HAZE

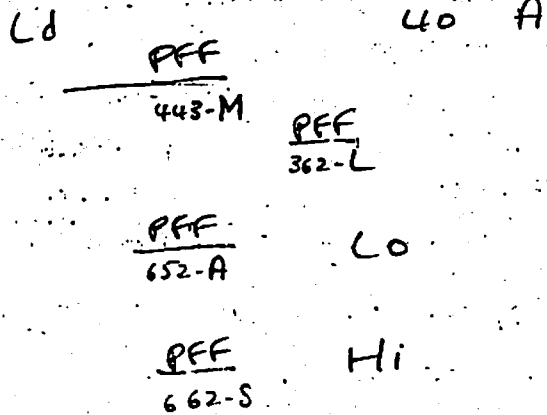
Were scope photographs taken? Yes NO No ✓ If not, why not CAMERA

Did mickey try beacon? YES - COULDN'T GET THEM

Beacons received	Range	Altitude
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Remarks and recommendations:

Draw below the bombing formation (i.e. Combat Wing, Group or Squadron) and give, in the appropriate space, the serial number of each PFF A/C at the target.



Lead made I.P. at Havelberg good and started run
on primary. Near ~~Königsberg~~ ^{Platz}, lead bombardier had
a malfunction and bombs went away. ~~2~~

Pictures show ~~accidental hits on ground~~

strikes at 5304-1224, Grabow near Königsberg,

south of Primary. Low bombed Primary, pictures
showing strikes as compact pattern a few hundred

yards short of briefed M.P.T. High ~~lead~~ ~~was~~ phone
not working properly. ~~leader,~~
~~was~~ misunderstood bombardier, ~~was~~ ~~was~~ ~~for~~

~~incapable~~ ~~and~~ ~~was~~ ~~off~~ ~~target~~ and turned
off target ~~and~~ thinking bombs away. Bombardier
held bombs and high made ~~run~~ ~~on~~ another run
on Ludwigskuh, pictures showing best bombing
of day on choke point of railroad southeast edge
of town.

SQUADRON 367 ~~247th~~ ~~247th~~ A/C Number 113 Letter Y Date 22/2/45
 Bomb Load 12/500 H.S. Position on Formation LEAD
 Time took Off 0751 Time Landed 1710

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

3-min before T.O. saw explosion in air. Believed it was fighter by engine for Bomber.

CIG: Give Rank and Initials

Colonel Sutton, J.S. ✓ P
 Captain Hanson, H.E. ✓ CP
 Captain Osburn, P.V. N
 Captain Ross, D. B
 T/Sgt. Chase, E.R. ✓ RO
 T/Sgt. Vitale, H. ✓ E
 Captain Olenik, C.C. ✓ RNav.
 S/Sgt. Crosswell, C.M. ✓ AG
 Captain Spencer, G.A. ✓ R.Nav.
 2nd Lt. Spacht, F.R. ✓ TG

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

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (FFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1223
 Secondary: Heading: 033° M
 Last Resorts: KONIGSERG Height: 12,000
5304-1226
 T.O.
 (Circle One) Turn off target: 335° M

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

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

Own Bombs: Bomb sight malfunction caused. Lead Dropped on A/C. An. Nickol: Yes (1)
 Other Bombing: Number and type

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

6. WEATHER: assembly OK - haze comes down to 16,000 broke up about 8° 25/10
 WHAT MESSAGES RECEIVED FROM BUCKEYE? Red 10 before I.F. Lot of Buckeye Cloud. 4 passed U.S.

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: Buckeye Red reported buffed all good for crossing coastal weather off to side at control P.3. could see I.P. Buckeye said stayed

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home, 12,000

Title	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:

9. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

(Loss)

Possibly 2 262 - One thunders

(Location and length of fight)

Heard High sound say 2 jet went through formation Balance 2-7
Balance 2-7 answered call for fighters
(Tactics of E/A)

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

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

Very few gaps. Came as soon as called. First at coast.

CLAIMS

DESTROYED _____

PROBABLE _____

DAMAGED _____

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

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

Saw explosions in front edge - not bombs but of high target - Staffing train being Staffed at D. lake, could see stick on train stopped

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

13. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

14. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

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

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

S-2 OFFICER _____

TIME COMPLETED _____

SQUADRON ~~23~~ 23 A/C Number 362 Letter Date 22/2/45

Bomb Load 12/500 H.E. Position in Formation 40A Lead

Time Took Off 0751 Time Landed 1715

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

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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

- Captain Horvay, P. (NMI) ✓ P
- Lt. Col LaVier, E.C. ✓ CP
- 2nd Lt. Wolfe, H.D. ✓ N
- 1st Lt. Dinter, C.R. ✓ B
- T/Sgt. Garrett, J.L. ✓ RO
- T/Sgt. Hovey, E.C. ✓ E
- 2nd Lt. Kuhn, E.C. ✓ R
- S/Sgt. Brooks, E.B. ✓ AG
- F/O. Murphy, R.P. ✓ Na
- S/Sgt. Coomer, J.A. ✓ TG

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

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

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

All with lead.

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

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

Own Bombs: Not observed. an. Nickels: Yes No
Number and type _____

Other bombing: _____

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

6. WEATHER: 9/10ths Clouds over Amber Lee area WHAT MESSAGES REC'D WRC BUCKEYE? No

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: Hazy but open at target area - Hazy level 13000ft

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

SQUADRON ~~00000000~~ 23 A/C Number 516 Letter Y Date 22/2/45

Bomb Load 12/500 H.E.

Position in Formation 40 A Lead

Time took Off 0751 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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials 3

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

- 2nd Lt. Daniel, R.W. ✓ F
- 2nd Lt. Clark, J.R. ✓ CP
- 2nd Lt. Larson, V.C. ✓ N
- S/Sgt. Langston, H.R. ✓ B
- Sgt. McGuire, A.C., Jr. ✓ RO
- Sgt. Hatton, A.E. ✓ E
- Sgt. Diffendaffer, C.A. ✓ BT
- Sgt. Figone, A.D. ✓ RG
- S/Sgt. Maphis, R.W. ✓ ### S.J.
- Sgt. Dryden, R.W., Jr. ✓ TC

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1225
 Secondary: Heading: 03 only
 Last Resort: Height: 12,000

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

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

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

Own Bombs: hit town Am. Nickels: Yes No

Other Bombing: Number and type _____

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

6. WEATHER: Good bombing weather WHAT MESSAGES REC'D ERC BUCKEYE? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (light)	Color	Location	Remarks
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SQUADRON ~~423rd~~ ^{423rd} A/C Number 397 Letter 7 Date 22/2/45

Bomb Load 12/500 H.E.

Position and Formation

Time Took Off 0751 Time Landed 17⁰⁰

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

40°

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

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)

- 2nd Lt. Hiney, W.H. ✓ P
- F/O. Bard, E.M. ✓ CP
- 2nd Lt. McLaugh, L.B. ✓ N
- F/O. Garberich, R.C. ✓ B
- Sgt. Dowd, J.V. ✓ RO
- S/Sgt. Cathey, J.J. ✓ E
- S/Sgt. Adams, J.S. ✓ BT
- Sgt. Carter, H.V. ✓ WG
- Sgt. Olson, W.H. ✓ TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFV or Visual)

Primary: Time: 12⁰⁵
Secondary: Heading: 28
Last Resort: Height: 11900

T.O. 5307N 0227E - ✓
(Circle One)
Turn-off target: 360

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: (2) Jettisoned: Returned: abortive:

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

Own Bombs: Hit town of Papenburg and Nickels: Yes NO

Other Bombing: Number and type _____

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

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

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (light)	Color	Location	Accuracy
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SQUADRON ~~#####~~ 23 A/C Number: 376 Letter F Date 22/2/45

Bomb Load 12/500 H.E.

Position in Formation 40A Lead

Time Took Off 0751 Time Landed 1705

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

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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

- 2nd Lt. Rich, W.M. P
- F/O. Lemmon, A.H., Jr. CP
- F/O. Eggleston, G.R.P. N
- 2nd Lt. Hodges, E.E. B
- Sgt. Teets, W.M. RO
- Sgt. Towmley, J.H. E
- Sgt. Hiha, E.L. BT
- Sgt. Freeman, L.L. WG
- _____ WG
- Sgt. Ryan, T.M. TG

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

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1225
Secondary: Heading: 200M
Last Resort: Height: 12000

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

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

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

Own Bombs: Good

Any Nickels: Yes No

Number and type _____

Other Bombing:

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

Hand _____ Movie _____

6. WEATHER:

haze & low overcast
 3/10

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

heavy & persistent
 on way home

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (light, heavy)	Color	Location	Accuracy
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SQUADRON ~~###~~ ~~###~~ ~~###~~ 23 A/C. Number 807 Letter Date 22/2/45
 Bomb Load 12/500 H.E. Position in Formation 40A
Lead

Time Took Off 0751 Time Landed 1700

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 b, A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

- 1st Lt. Ruegger, J.E. P
- 2nd Lt. Engstrom, F. (NMI) CP
- F/O. Reich, J.E. N
- Sgt. Collart, A.A. E
- Sgt. Skinner, W.E., Jr. RO
- Sgt. Smart, A.M. E
- Sgt. Sherman, D.J. BY
- S/Sgt. Kimsey, T.E. WG
- S/Sgt. Zach, R.K. S.J.
- S/Sgt. Craig, E.D. TG

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 12 25
Secondary: Heading: 020
Last Resort: Height: 12,000'
T.O.
 (Circle One)
Turn off target:

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

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

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

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

6. WEATHER: Haze - 7/10 - overcast.
 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: Lt run - per.

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

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

Time Place Height Type (light, heavy), intensity, of Color Location Accuracy

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

It was poor

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

6. WEATHER: *No target - clear up.*

5. ANY PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Has camera turned on? Hand Movie

Other Bombing: *Some over water*

Own Bombs: *Enter part 2 for*

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

Number of BOMBS dropped on target: *over* Detonated: Returned: Abortive:

Turn off target: (Circle One)

T.O. *ended on lead.*

Last Resort: Height: *12,000*

Secondary: Heading: *026*

Primary: Time: *12:25*

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or VISUAL)

1st Lt. Search, R.W.

2nd Lt. Lynch, F.R.

2nd Lt. Skonieczny, E.A.

2nd Lt. Messler, W.E.

2nd Lt. Pawelke, R.F.

3rd Lt. Search, R.W.

4th Lt. Lynch, F.R.

5th Lt. Skonieczny, E.A.

6th Lt. Messler, W.E.

7th Lt. Pawelke, R.F.

8th Lt. Search, R.W.

9th Lt. Lynch, F.R.

10th Lt. Skonieczny, E.A.

Friendly A/C in address: *None*
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details) If lost, state whether by a.a.s., E/a action, accident or undetermined cause)

P-51 fighting it by itself 12:15 hr. 5224N 0220E loaded

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

Time Look Off: *0751* Time Landed: *1705*

Bomb Load: *22/2/45* H.E.

SQUADRON 367 *12 25 00* A/C Number *412* Letter *0* Date *22/2/45*

Give Rank and Initials

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

40A Position - n Formation *Lead*

SQUADRON 367 ~~367~~ A/C Number 174 Letter Date 22/2/45

Bomb Load 12/500 H.E.

Position in Formation 40A Lead

Time Took Off 0751 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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

1st Lt. Wear, W.H. ✓ P

2nd Lt. Kingsley, D.G. ✓ CP

2nd Lt. Olson, R.W. ✓ N

Sgt. Wertz, H.W. ✓ B

Sgt. Hall, H.R. ✓ RO

Sgt. Petitjean, C.D. ✓ E

Sgt. Allred, C.M. ✓ BT

Sgt. Kwiethiewski, S.T. ✓ WG

Sgt. Arledge, R.R. ✓ TG

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

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1225

Secondary: Heading: 032 mag

Last Resort: Height: 13000

T.O.

(Circle One)

Turn off target:

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

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

Own Bombs: Crew says 80% coverage an. Nickels: Yes No

Other bombing: 7 ~~town~~ town Number and type

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

6. WEATHER:

Cloud

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 re- lation to A/C	Accuracy

SQUADRON 367 ~~#####~~ A/C Number 840 Letter Y Date 22/2/45
 Bomb Load 12/500 H.E. Position in Formation 40A Lead

Time Took Off 0751 Time Landed _____

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

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

- CREW: Give Rank and Initials
- 2nd Lt. Smith, L.J. P
 - F/O. Walsh, W. CP
 - 2nd Lt. Brecher, N. N
 - T/Sgt. Regulla, J.S. B
 - S/Sgt. Grimm, R.C. BO
 - Sgt. Helenbart, P. E
 - Sgt. Alowitz, S. BT
 - Sgt. Cronin, J.V. WG
 - Sgt. Jensen, D.R. TG

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

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)
 Primary: Time: 1225 1/2
 Secondary: Heading: 40
 Last Resort: Height: 11,700
 T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target:

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

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

Own Bombs: An. Nichols: Yes No

Other Bombing: Hit target Number and type _____

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

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

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (light)	Color	Location	Accuracy
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SQUADRON ##### 23 A/C Number 598 Letter Q Date 22/2/45

Bomb Load 12/500 H.E.

Position in Formation 40 A Lead

Time Took Off 0751 Time Landed

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

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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 2nd Lt. Schafer, E.W. P
- 2nd Lt. Hostetter, H.C. CP
- F/O. Meyer, C.R. N
- 2nd Lt. Hillabrand, R.G. B
- S/Sgt. Whitener, C.A. BO
- S/Sgt. Morrison, E.D. E
- S/Sgt. Hurd, J.C. BT
- S/Sgt. Strawn, W.E. WG
- S/Sgt. Lewis, U.J. TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1225
Secondary: Heading: 029
Last Resort: Height: 12000

T.O. 339
(Circle One)
Turn off target:

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

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

Own Bombs: Papenbruch.

Any Nickels: Yes (X)
Number and type

Other Bombing:

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on K 20 - worked
Hand Movie didn't work.

6. WEATHER: Clear at target.

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE?

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

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

Time	Place	Height of	Type (light, heavy), intensity	Color of	Location of Bursts in relation to	Accuracy
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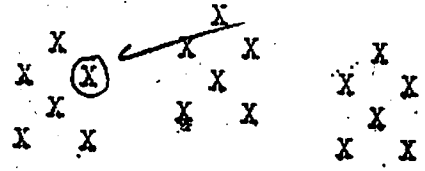
SQUADRON ~~23~~ 23 A/C Number 542 Letters Date 22/2/45

Bomb Load 12/500 H.E.

Position and Formation 40A Lead

Time Took Off 0751 Time Landed

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



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)

751 OVER TARGET IN SPIN

- 2nd Lt. Kimball, R.S. ✓
- 2nd Lt. Fischer, W.H. ✓ OP
- F/O. Neighmond, J.C. ✓ N
- 2nd Lt. Flora, F.L. ✓ B
- S/Sgt. Thomas, H.C.J. ✓ RO
- S/Sgt. Goodwin, S.L. ✓ E
- Sgt. Foster, L. (NMT) ✓ BT
- Sgt. Clark, W.C. ✓ KG
- WG
- Sgt. Merrill, E.H. TG

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1251
Secondary: Heading: 030°
Last Resort: Height: 12000
T.O.
 (Circle One)
Turn off target: 342

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

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

Own Bombs: left side of MRR YARD An. Nickels: Yes N
 Other Bombing: Number and type

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

6. WEATHER: AS BRIEFED WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? NONE

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: light

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home. NONE

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or	Color of	Location of Bursts in re-	Accuracy

SQUADRON ~~#####~~ 23 A/C Number 585 Letter Date 22/2/45

Bomb Load 12/500 H.E. Position in Formation 40 A Lead

Time Took Off 0751 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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 2nd Lt. Wills, H.L. ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. Brandstrom R.R. ✓ CP
- 2nd Lt. Manthey, S. (NMT) ✓ N
- 2nd Lt. Orr, C.D. ✓ B
- Sgt. Grimes, J.O. ✓ RO
- Sgt. Williamson, H.L. ✓ E
- Sgt. Allen, V. (NMT) ✓ BT
- Sgt. Nance, R.F. ✓ WG
- S/Sgt. Nokes, R.E. ✓ TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1213 1225 hrs
 Secondary: Heading: 035°
 Last Resort: Height: 12000
 T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target:

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

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

Own Bombs: Definitely on the target - An. Nickels: Yes No
 Other Bombing: but not briefed target Number and type

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

6. WEATHER: Patrol of stratus cloud target - not saw briefed primary
WHAT MESSAGES REC'D ERC BUCKEYE?

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: Good bombing weather ✓

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (light, heavy)	Color	Location	Accuracy

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E.

Position and Formation

Time Took Off 0751 Time Landed 1645

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 A
Low

nil

CIA: Give Rank and Initials 13

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

- Major J.A. McKinney ✓ P
- 1st Lt. A.J. Bowley ✓ CP
- F/O R. Kurrasch ✓ N
- 1st Lt. B.S. Gailey ✓ B
- T/Sgt. W.E. Cain ✓ RO
- T/Sgt. C.J. Kruger ✓ E
- Sgt. R.D. Weir ✓ BT
- Sgt. C.J. Slepicka ✓ KG
- 2nd Lt. H.R. Brandt ✓ RN W&
- Sgt. G.A. Weber ✓ TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 11500

Secondary: Heading: 24

Last Resort: Height:

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

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

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

Own Bombs: leaders bombs just short of target - good pattern in area an. Nickels: Yes No

Other Bombing: 700 yds. - short - some bomb Number and type
knock up and hit in city

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? was camera turned on
Hand K-20 Movie

6. WEATHER: clear at bombing -

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE?

7/10 coverage at I.P. could do jiltage all the way back middle cloud at 16000 ft most of the way

CONDENSATION TRAILS:

non persistent at 13000 on route back

7. 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

9. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION

Hostile reported in target area -

(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

(Types)

appeared to be dog fights between target & Hummer Lake

(Location and length of fight)

P. 51 - shot plane down at 0942L - 5310N.

(Tactics of E/A)

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

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

first P. 51 - shortly after crossing Dutch Coast - good cover

	C	L	A	M	S
DESTROYED					
PROBABLE					
DAMAGED					

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

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

S/E
34 A/C at 10 at 5325N 7828E (may have be dummy)
Neustadt - fire at a/o 5248N - 0913E - fire in woods.
5320N - 0028E - marshalling yd fire V-2 at 5230N 0650E (D.R.) - 15 miles away.
5255N - 0918E - fire on R.R. track

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

Engineer broke his hand while checking the landing gear

13. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

14. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

✓ Mickey set out

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

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

SQUADRON ~~367~~ 369 A/C Number 181 Letter Date 22/2/45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E.

Position and Formation

Time Took Off 0751 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

40 ft
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)

- 2nd Lt. H.P. Hyder P
- 2nd Lt. L. Mikles OP
- 2nd Lt. O.R. Minihane N
- 2nd Lt. H.C. Huff B
- S/Sgt. J.G. Wurtenburger RO
- S/Sgt. A.H. Ness VE
- Sgt. R.P. Lafrate BE
- Sgt. J.W. Stright WG
- WG
- Sgt. M.J. Less TG

TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1227 1/2
Secondary: Heading: 24 mag
Last Resort: Height: 12,500

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

MOORE, H.P. Camera man

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

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

Own Bombs: An. Nickels: Yes No

Other Bombing: Number and type

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

6. WEATHER: Clear tonight

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM PLANE
BUCKEYE? 1150 - 5234N.
1046
Reported ground
have via com

CONDENSATION TRAILS:

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or	Color of	Location Bursts in re-	Accuracy

9. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

(Types)

2 jets ms 262 reported
 (Location and length of fight) attacking Hi sq before B.A.

(Tactics of E/A)

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

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

Fighters 1037 1/2 just inside coast.
 no fighter support at target

C L A I M S

DESTROYED _____

PROBABLE _____

DAMAGED _____

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

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

1244 - Parcham A/D 5325-1138E 43 planes on ground T.G. thought ms. 109 - no fighter staffing
 513 staffing locomotives 1244 (Parcham?)

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

1305 - 15317N 1018E large cal. smoke ~~bullet~~ returned 5306-0

13. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly) 1325 - 5248N - 0913 large fire + smoke

14. TECHNICAL FAILURES: 1333 1/2 rd low Hi sq; clipped lumber -

15. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? any suggestions?) 5222 - 04

515 shooting up locomotive. Summer hope area 5231 - 0

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

SQUADRON ~~367~~ 369 A/C Number 619 Letter Date 22/2/45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E.

Time Took Off 0751 Time Landed

Position in Formation

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

40
Low

CITE: 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. K. Carakostas ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. A.H. Miller ✓ CP
- F/O. P.J. Butucel ✓ N
- S/Sgt. S.G. Parton ✓ B
- S/Sgt. R.R. Gattis ✓ BO
- S/Sgt. L.A. Marchese ✓ E
- S/Sgt. I.H. Fitterman ✓ BT
- S/Sgt. M.C. Angelilli ✓ KG
- S/Sgt. R.L. Tiff ✓ TG
- Sgt. W. Tulcus ✓ SJ

TARGET ATTACKED: (PFE or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1227
 Secondary: Heading: 005
 Last Resort: Height: 11300
 T.O. 326
 (Circle One)
 Turn off target:

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

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

Own Bombs: Pass over. None Yes No

Other Bombing: Number and type

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? has camera turned on Worked
Hand Movie ✓

6. WEATHER: 5/10 No Sea Haze.
10/10 Holland. 10 Clear.
6000

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM
BUCKEYE?
None

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: None

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

SQUADRON ~~XXXXXX~~ 369 ~~XXX~~ A/C Number 251 Letter ○ Date 22/2/45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E.

Position - n Formation

Time Took Off 0751 Time Landed 1655

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

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

40 A
Low

CITE: 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. L.T. Kearney ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. V. Moore ✓ CP
- F/O G.C. Bickerson ✓ N
- T/Sgt. J.A. Mathews ✓ B
- Sgt. E.V. Thixton ✓ RO
- Sgt. W. Pomykal ✓ E
- Sgt. C. Oosterlaak ODSTRAC ✓ BT
- Sgt. V.C. Frederick ✓ WG
- Sgt. V.C. Wiley ✓ WC
- Sgt. V.C. Wiley ✓ TG

TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1228

Secondary: Heading: 014

Last Resort: Height: 11,500

T.O.
(Circle One)
Turn off target: 326

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

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

Own Bombs: "Low & Bunt loads"
"Straddle tracks" an, Nickels: Yes No

Other Bombing: all seemed to hit Number and type 12/500
in target area (some in built up area)

Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical has camera turned on Yes
Hand Movie

WEATHER: Clear unlimited visibility WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? Reported
CAVU no other messages
were received

CONDENSATION TRAILS: None present

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

SQUADRON ~~268~~ 369 A/C Number 765 Letter _____ Date 22/2/45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E.

Position and Formation

Time Took Off 0751 Time Landed 1605

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

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

40 A
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)

2nd Lt. E.A. Smith	P
2nd Lt. W.T. Peckham	OP
2nd Lt. W.H. Exley	N
2nd Lt. M.D. Cooper	B
Sgt. R.L. Brown	BO
Sgt. S.D. Lynn	E
Sgt. J.E. Michel	BZ
Sgt. J.W. McCoy	KG
	WG
Sgt. H. Moxem	TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1228
Secondary: Heading: 026
Last Resort: Height: 12,600.
T.O.
(Circle One)
Turn off target:

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

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

Own Bombs: Around East side of town. Any Nickels: Yes No

Other Bombing: Smoke. Number and type _____

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

WEATHER: Hazy at target - 710 high. WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? _____

CONDENSATION TRAILS: Lt. non-pers. as entering Germ.

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

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

SQUADRON ~~5020668~~ 369 X A/C Number 297 Letter _____ Date 22/2/45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0751 Time Landed _____

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

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

*40 A
low*

CITE: 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)

- F/O R.H. Christensen ✓ P
- F/O A.P. Walton ✓ CP
- F/O R.P. Geyser ✓ M
- Sgt. J.E. Eudey ✓ B
- Sgt. F.S. McKlmon ✓ RO
- Sgt. M. Hasinsky ✓ E
- Sgt. H.E. Dedmon ✓ BT
- Sgt. V.T. Fecht ✓ WG
- Sgt. R.J. Galuszka ✓ TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: _____ Time: _____
Secondary: _____ Heading: _____
Last Resort: _____ Height: _____

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

*8 x 500 out at 1223, 3500 yds, 11,400 ft
4 x 500 " " 1224, " " 11,400 ft*

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

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

Own Bombs: _____ An. Nickels: Yes No

Other Bombing: *In my sights ball turret* Number and type _____

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

6. WEATHER: *Good vis. ability at target -* WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM
Photage possible on route in and BUCKEYE? _____
out

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

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

Time	Place	Height of	Type (light, heavy), intensity,	Color of	Location Bursts in re-	Accuracy
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SQUADRON 367 ~~367~~ A/C Number 683 Letter Date 22/2/45
 Bomb Load 12/500 H.E. Position in Formation 40 A Low

Time took Off 0751 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

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)

<u>2nd Lt. Patten, G.L.</u>	P
<u>2nd Lt. Hopkins, R.</u>	CP
<u>F/O. Avitt, J.L.</u>	N
<u>2nd Lt. Ridgeway, R.F.</u>	B
<u>T/Sgt. Porozinski, W.J.</u>	RO
<u>Sgt. Hansen, N.C.</u>	E
<u>Sgt. Stetler, R.F.</u>	ET
<u>Sgt. Scott, I.W.</u>	WG
<u>S/Sgt. Hall, J.W.</u>	VTG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFV or Visual)
 Primary: Time: 122.7 1/2
 Secondary: Heading: 250 mag
 Last Resort: Height: 11500
 T.O. (Circle One) 325
 Turn off target:

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

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)
 Own Bombs: fuel dropped short only Am. Nickels: Yes No
 Other Bombing: Number and type

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

6. WEATHER: Good pilotage weather - but around 2 walls 6-8/10ths WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE?

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: Cloud coverage - faint non persistent contrails in 2 walls over

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

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

367th SQUADRON ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ A/C Number 908 Letter Date 22/2/45
 Bomb Load 12/500 H.E. Position in Formation 40A
Low

Time took off 0805 Time Landed 16:55

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

Airfield with 40 FW 190's lined up on strip (Engines Dead) Luby @ 1240 (1202E - 5328-N)

CREW: Give Rank and Initials 20

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

None

<u>1st Lt. Rowley, K.R.</u>	<u>P</u>
<u>2nd Lt. Marks, R.</u>	<u>CP</u>
<u>F/O. Levingstone, L.</u>	<u>N</u>
<u>S/Sgt. Yekoda, A.</u>	<u>E</u>
<u>Sgt. Searles, W.E.</u>	<u>RO</u>
<u>Sgt. Baughman, M.D.</u>	<u>E</u>
<u>Sgt. Baker, J.A.</u>	<u>BT</u>
<u>Sgt. Frederick, R.C.</u>	<u>WG</u>
<u>Sgt. Harrison, R.E.</u>	<u>YG</u>

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (or Visual)

Primary: Time: 12:28
 Secondary: Heading: 020° M.
 Last Report: Height: 11,400
 T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target: 310° M.

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 12 in Salvo Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: Good an. Nickels: Yes No

Other bombing: Lots of fires in M.Y.s @ Limberg @ 1300 Number and type at 1300 saw fire in M.Y. @ Sulingen

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on?
 Hand None Movie Fighters Strafing @ Nienburg @ 1315

6. WEATHER: Patchy to clear with haze WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE?

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: Very light & nonpersistent

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.
None all day except light stuff down on fighters
 Time Place Height Type (light, heavy), Intense, Color Location Accuracy
 of Bursts in re-

SQUADRON 367 ~~34400000~~ W/C Number 611 Letter G Date 22/2/45 40 A
 Bomb Load 12/500 H.E. Position in Formation Low

Time Took Off 0751 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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials 21

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. Verdick, H.A. P
- 2nd Lt. Arnot, P.H. CP
- F/O. Guttman, G. N
- Sgt. Tittsworth, L.L. S
- Sgt. Larsen, C.F. RO
- Sgt. Mook, M.E. E
- Sgt. Everson, L. BT
- Sgt. Childers, M.D. WG
- Sgt. Steele, P.E. TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF. or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1228
 Secondary: Heading: 030
 Last Resort: Height: 11500
 T.O. (Circle One) 320
 Turn off target:

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

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

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

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

6. WEATHER: Caro. at target.
* most of Germany.
 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? Conditions at Control points.
* target.

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: Light non persis. 15000'

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (Light,	Color	Location	Accuracy
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SQUADRON ~~XXXXXX~~ 369 ~~XXXX~~ A/C Number 143 Letter ○ Date 22/2/45
 Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0751 Time Landed 1646

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

401
Low

nil.

CITE: 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)

- 2nd Lt. J.A. Callahan ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. S.U. David, Jr. ✓ CP
- F/O R.K. Kane ✓ N
- Sgt. F.J. Slattery ✓ B
- Sgt. W.O. Eldrige ✓ BO
- Pvt. G.L. Nelson ✓ E
- Sgt. L.V. Siler ✓ BT
- Sgt. F.W. Lucas, Jr. ✓ WG
- Pvt. D.J. Bannell ✓ TG

Low made own run

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1227 1/2
 Secondary: Heading: 028
 Last Resort: Height: 11200

T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target: 315

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

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

Own Bombs: on target An. Nickels: Yes No

Other Bombing: Pran - fires Haya - fires 5244-0910 Number and type

Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? 53°00 09328 - fires 5244-0820 (one of our high element to turn) was camera turned on none

Hand _____ Movie _____

WEATHER: 5-6/8 above at 16000 at target
ground haze with holes - at target
middle broken cloud at 16000 ft all the way - above it at 20000 - below it at 12000

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? Reported ground haze - visual bomb

CONDENSATION TRAILS: light non persistent over channel - starting at 16000

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

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

SQUADRON ~~XXXXXX~~ 369 ~~XX~~ A/C Number 832 Letter Y Date 22/2/45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E.

Time Took Off 0751 Time Landed 1647

Position in Formation

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

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

40 A
Low

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

2nd Lt. D. Hansen ✓

F/O I.J. Zukowski ✓ CP

2nd Lt. F.M. Hudson ✓ N

Sgt. J. Stokoe ✓ B

Sgt. L.D. Connor ✓ RO

Sgt. W.L. Lynch ✓ E

S/Sgt. C.E. Alvitre ✓ BT

Sgt. S. Beigel ✓ WG

Sgt. B.E. Harkness ✓ TG

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

1216 - ~~Red Bull~~

~~reported: going down~~

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary:

Time: 1228

Secondary:

Heading: 022

Last Resort:

Height: 10,000

T.O.

(Circle One) 322

Turn off target:

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

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

Own Bombs: Tooked hit, crunks
fell short.

Are Nickels: Yes No

Number and type 18/500

Other Bombing:

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

6. WEATHER:

clear over target

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE?

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

2. non persistent

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (light, color)
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SQUADRON ~~XXX~~ 369 XXX A/C Number 713 Letter Date 22/2/45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0751 Time Landed 1645

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

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

40 A
Low

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)

<u>2nd Lt. A. Lomar</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	P
<u>2nd Lt. J.E. Collins</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CP
<u>F/O I.J. Sandler</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N
<u>Sgt. G.E. Johnson</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	B
<u>Sgt. L.A. Ferrell</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RO
<u>Sgt. J.W. Mallek</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	E
<u>Sgt. R. Crayou</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	BT
<u>Sgt. W.B. Bedsole</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	WG
<u>S/Sgt. C.E. Smith</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TG
<u>Sgt. W.M. Quinn</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	SJ

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1225
Secondary: Heading: 025
Last Resort: Height: 11,200

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

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 7 Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: Hits center of town - later bombs hit to target. Hit: Misses: Yes No

Other Bombing: Smoke. Number and type

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

5. WEATHER: Render ok - clouds 17,000' - patchy. WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM 'BUCKEYE'? Target visual.

6. CONDENSATION TRAILS: tops 4,000' on return

Lt. non-perd.

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

SQUADRON ~~368~~ ~~368~~

A/C Number

662

Letter

Date 22/2/45

Bomb Load 12 x 500

H.E.

Position and Formation

Time Took Off 0751

Time Landed 1720

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 A
High

Crew: Give Rank and Initials

25

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

Major E.H. Keeling	P
1st Lt. R.H. Clave	CP
1st Lt. K.L. Warner	N
1st Lt. S.J. Hatton	B
T/Sgt. M.D. Houston	RO
T/Sgt. D.G. Lockhart	E

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Ludwigslust

Time: 1248

Secondary:

Heading: 259°M

Last Resort:

Height: 12,600

T.O.

(Circle One)

Turn off target:

280°M

I.P. Lüby - 1240

XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	BT
Sgt. E.H. Trammel	WG
2nd Lt. W. Quan	RN
S/Sgt. W.M. Bowers	TG

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

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

Own Bombs: may be thought bombs away before they were taken over and turned off. An. Nickels: Yes No

Other Bombing:

Number and type

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

5. WEATHER:

Low cloud - middle & High
Very haze up to 10,000

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE?

6. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

Sight Present over contact

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

SQUADRON ~~368~~ ~~368~~ A/C Number 928 Letter L Date 22/2/45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0751 Time Landed 1740

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

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

40 A High

CITE: Give Rank and Initials 26

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)

<u>2nd Lt. H.B. Gohn</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<u>2nd Lt. G.B. Howe</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<u>2nd Lt. W.E. Blouch</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<u>S/sgt. A.B. Dearing</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<u>Sgt. L.R. Curry</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<u>Sgt. K.J. Gibson</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<u>Sgt. A.J. Conroy</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<u>Sgt. R.W. Latka</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<u>Sgt. G.G. Olsen</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFV or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1149
Secondary: Heading: 260
Last Resort: Height: 12,000
T.O. Juden
(Circle One)
Turn off target:

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

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

Own Bombs: 2 in m/y an. Nickels: Yes No
Other Bombing: Number and type _____

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

6. WEATHER: Haze at target - overcast
18,000'
WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:
Lt. non-per.

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

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

SQUADRON ~~367~~ 868 ~~368~~ A/C Number 802 Letter F Date 22/2/45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0754 Time Landed 1720

40 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

CIR: Give Rank and Initials 27

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

- 1st Lt. M.P. Brown P
- 2nd Lt. D.C. Schertz GP
- 1st Lt. C.R. Rubenstein N
- 2nd Lt. R.G. Wilson B
- T/Sgt. R.J. Yoder BO
- T/Sgt. S.J. McGillberry E
- Sgt. W.O. Timmons BT
- S/Sgt. R.J. Bocian WG
- S/Sgt. R.G. Atwood TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1247
 Secondary: Heading: 260
 Last Resort: Height: 12500
 T.O. LUDWIGSBACH
 (Circle One)
 Turn off target:

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

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

Own Bombs: WASHED OUT WATER BRIDGE, RR TRACKS, BUILT UP - AREA HIT - AUTOBANN an. Nickels: Yes No
 Other Bombing: Number and type 12 500

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

6. WEATHER: - E A - 3000 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: Slight - at 12500 - NONE OVER TARGET.

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

Time	Place	Height of	Type (light, heavy)	Color	Location	Accuracy
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SQUADRON ~~100~~ 368 ~~169~~ A/C Number 916 Letter Date 22/2/45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0151 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						

40A High

Fighter going down in flames
No chutes. Crashed in stream. CHIEF: Give Rank and Initials
River. Another AC behind.

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. B.L. Swango ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. W.V. Davenport ✓ CP
- 2nd Lt. R.L. LeKashman ✓ N
- 2nd Lt. S.O. Briggs ✓ B
- T/sgt. W.T. Moss ✓ RO
- T/Sgt. W.J. Schultz ✓ E
- Sgt. J.F. Martinez ✓ BY
- Sgt. W. Sattlach ✓ WG
- _____ ✓ WG
- Sgt. R. Pekofske ✓ TG

TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1248 1/2

Secondary: Heading: 285

Last Resort: Height: 12600

T.O. 243

Turn off target:

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

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

Own Bombs: Ludwigsluft.

an. Nickels: Yes No

Other Bombing:

Number and type

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

WEATHER:

Clear at target.

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE?

3/5 general lower broken. Heavy mist on ground.

CONDENSATION TRAILS:

light non persis. 17500

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (light,	Color	Location	Account
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SQUADRON ~~XXX~~ 368 ~~XXX~~ A/C Number 914 Letter _____ Date 22/2/45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.B.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0/51 Time Landed _____

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

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

40 A High

CITE: Give Rank and Initials

29

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

- 2nd Lt. J.H. Butler P
- 2nd Lt. J.G. Woolbright CP
- F/O C.R. Lemon N
- Sgt. J. Pineis B
- Sgt. H.D. Sullivan RO
- Sgt. R.K. Miller E
- Sgt. C.R. White BT
- Sgt. J.K. O'Brien KG
- Sgt. B.J. Hensley TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1248

Secondary: Heading: 265° mag

Last Resort: Height: 12000

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

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

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

Own Bombs: B.T. says just Man, Nickels: Yes No

Other Bombing: Number and type 12/500

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

6. WEATHER:

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE?

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: Good visibility

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (light,	Color	Location	Accuracy
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SQUADRON ~~368~~ 368 ~~BOMB~~ A/C Number 028 Letter ^ Date 22/2/45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0751 Time Landed 1718

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

40 A High

CME: Give Rank and Initials

30

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

- 1st Lt. R.T. Gregg ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. W.J. Forsyth ✓ CP
- F/O I. Zalusky ✓ N
- Sgt. P.J. Hannum ✓ B
- Sgt. S. Leon ✓ RO
- Sgt. A.H. Tonsing ✓ E
- Sgt. H.J. Mullen ✓ BT
- Sgt. H.F. Hickson ✓ WG
- Sgt. R.A. Prigg ✓ TG
- Sgt. J.H. Shacklett ✓ SJ

TARGET ATTACKER: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 124812

Secondary: Heading: 255

Last Resort: Height: 12,000

T.O. Ludwigshut
(Circle One)

Turn off target:

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

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

Own Bombs:

file

Am. Nickels: Yes No

Other Bombing:

Number and type _____

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

6. WEATHER:

Hoze - 4/10 -

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? _____

Summer Lts - the overcast

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

Lt. - 18,000! (L)

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

Time	Place	Height of	Type (light, heavy), intensity	Color	Location	Accuracy
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SQUADRON 367 ~~#####~~ A/C Number 578 Letter F Date 22/2/45

Bomb Load 12/500 H.E.

Position in Formation 40A High

Time Took Off 0751 Time Landed _____

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

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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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)

*1 fighter down just before 11.17
1210 hit ground & exploded
not necessarily friendly or enemy*

- 2nd Lt. Higginbotham, V.E. P
- 2nd Lt. Burton, J.W. CP
- 2nd Lt. Ballish, F.E. N
- 2nd Lt. Streeter, T.E. B
- /Sgt. Rueschhoff, P.H. RO
- T/Sgt. Davis, W.A. E
- Sgt. Roberts, E.F. BT
- Sgt. Gedney, H.D. WG
- Sgt. Hauck, R.T. TG

- 2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFV or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1248
Secondary: Heading: 265
Last Resort: Height: 12300

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

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

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

Own Bombs: Bombed on lead, hit

Am. Nickels: Yes No

Other Bombing:

Number and type _____

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

- 6. WEATHER:

Clear ground haze target
gimmory 7/10 - clear target - work

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D ETC
BUCKEYE?

- 7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: to summer 10/10 to just before coast
16000 1' 10/10 channel - 9.10/10 England

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

Time Place Height Time (if lit)

SQUADRON 367 ~~#####~~ # a/c Number 133 Letter Date 22/2/45

Bomb Load 6/T307-2/WG27-2/WG35 H.E.
(NICKELS)

Position in Formation 40 ft High

Time Took Off 0751 Time Landed 1720

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

CIDR: Give Rank and Initials 32

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

2nd Lt. Brasch, W.W. P

F/O. Grunski, R.W. CP

2nd Lt. Oschewitz, M.S. N

Sgt. Dulli, A.E. B

Sgt. Rutledge, J.A. RO

Sgt. Wabeke, J. E

Sgt. Niznik, R.E. BT

S/Sgt. Marler, C.L. WG

S/Sgt. Donohoe, V.D. TG

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1249
Secondary: Heading: 270 Mag.
Last Resort: Height: 12500

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

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

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

Own Bombs:

an. Nickels: Yes No

Other Bombing: BT said all nickel Number and type not known

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

6. WEATHER:

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM
BUCKEYE? None

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: yes - in Zuidoozee
area - dense present!

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

Time	Place	Height of	Type (light, heav.)	Color	Location	Accuracy

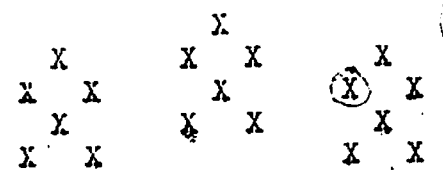
SQUADRON 367 ~~308#300H~~ A/C Number 515 Letter Date 22/2/45

Bomb Load 12/500 H.E.

Position in Formation 40A High

Time Took Off 0751 Time Landed 1720

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



CITE: Give rank and initials 33

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)

- 2nd Lt. Mitchell, P.W. P
- 2nd Lt. Burns, S.D. CP
- 2nd Lt. Nielson, W.R. N
- Sgt. Gregg, W.J. B
- Sgt. McIntyre, B.G. RO
- Sgt. Schwieder, R.M. E
- Sgt. Pierce, S.E. BT
- Sgt. Keizer, J.W. WG
- Sgt. Hammer, J.K. TG

- 2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1248
 Secondary: Heading: 265
 Last Resort: Height: 12,550
 T.O. Lutz
 (Circle One)
 Turn off target:

- 3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 17 Jettisoned: Returned: abortive:

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

Own Bombs: Short An. Nickels: Yes 0
 Number and type

Other Bombing:

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

- 6. WEATHER: Clear target with haze. WHAT MESSAGES REC'D ERC BUCKEYE?

- 7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: St. run - per

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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SQUADRON ~~368~~ 368 ~~368~~ A/C Number 711 Letter D Date 22/2/45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position on Formation

Time took Off 0751 Time Landed 1510

40 A 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

CHIEF: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 1st Lt. C.W. Whitcomb ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. F.M. Hales ✓ CP
- 1st Lt. W.L. Gillespie ✓ N
- 2nd Lt. J.W. Long ✓ B
- Sgt. G.M. Ringwald ✓ BO
- Sgt. E.E. Nelson ✓ E
- Cpl. R.O. Dinger ✓ BT
- Sgt. F.C. Dusenberry ✓ LG
- Sgt. R.N. Gustafson ✓ SJ WG
- Sgt. L.F. Derenbush ✓ TG

TARGET ATTACKED: (PF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1333
Secondary: Heading: 247
Last Resort: Height: 15700

T.O. Bombed R.R. South
(Circle One) DUMMER LAKE
Turn off target: all at

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 12 Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: Scanned to hit R.R. South of DUMMER LAKE An. Nickels: Yes No

Other Bombing: LAKE Number and type 12/500

Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Has camera turned on _____
Hand _____ Movie Didn't work.

WEATHER: Stage 4 about 4000' in Area where this plane Bombed WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? _____

CONDENSATION TRAILS: Heavy persistent at about 21000 - going in

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

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

9. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

Saw 2-40 26 Y's at 10'clock
(Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Times)

seen to try & hit L - LOVE
(Location and length of fight)

at 1200 - came over formation

(Tactics of E/A)

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

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

Yellow markings & some with 'T' on F/R.

Fair - meager in target area

CLAIMS

DESTROYED _____

PROBABLE _____

DAMAGED _____

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

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

Saw P-51 near Des Moines, Iowa at 12:15 - Saw silver - football like objects dropped on formation - did not explode - no noise - seen a drop from anything

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:

Pilot also used "salvo" Bombs did not release over target due to salvo fuse being blown

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

reported fuel exhausted later

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

with Group

SQUADRON ~~368~~ ~~369~~ A/C Number 148 Letter Y Date 22/2/45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E.

Position and Formation

Time Took Off 0751 Time Landed _____

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

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

40 A High

PS! down over target area - probably by jet -

NAME: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 2nd Lt. H.P. Altshuler P
- 2nd Lt. R.J. Forsyth CP
- P/O A.J. Remal N
- Sgt. F.K. Alston B
- S/Sgt. L.J. Opper RO
- Sgt. C.D. Stewart E
- Sgt. P.L. Swift BT
- _____ KG
- _____ WC
- Sgt. T.A. Foley TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: *1248*
Secondary: Heading: *255 mag*
Last Resort: Height: *12500*

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

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

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

Own Bombs: *Bombs in M/K -* Any Nickels: Yes No

Other Bombing: *Ludwigs lost* Number and type _____

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

6. WEATHER:

Good bombing 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

SQUADRON ~~368~~ ~~369~~ A/C Number 323 Letter M Date 22/2/45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0751 Time Landed _____

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

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

40 A High

CITE: 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. R.A. Hartshorn ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. E.K. Hunt ✓ CP
- 2nd Lt. R.W. Haining ✓ N
- S/Sgt. L.B. Davisson ✓ B
- Sgt. L.J. McDonald ✓ BO
- Sgt. M.L. Blakey ✓ E
- Sgt. S.P. Conrad ✓ BT
- Sgt. W.O. Jacobson ✓ WG
- Sgt. A.B. Leavell ✓ TG

- 2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1247
 Secondary: Heading: 264
 Last Resort: Height: 12100

T.O. (Circle One) Stayed on same heading
 Turn off target:

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

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

Own Bombs: Ludwigslust An. Nickels: Yes No
5321 1014 Number and type _____

Other Bombing:

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

- 6. WEATHER: Clear at target. WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? _____

- 7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

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

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