

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

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8 February, 1944

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

SUBJECT: Intelligence Narrative.

MISSION: FRANKFURT, 8 February, 1944.

1. Narrative

20 A/C of 306th Group took off at 0809 hours, and flew Low Group to 305th. The High Group left the Combat Wing formation after crossing English Coast (Hastings 0958 hours) and was not seen thereafter. Our Group crossed enemy Coast at 50°00'N.-01°17'E. at 1013 hours and flew South of briefed course, (as much as forty miles south) between 3 and 5 degrees East, to vicinity of I.P.. The Combat Wing ahead then swung South to cross target at about 90 degrees and could not be located again. The 306th followed the 305th to bomb at 1127 hours on heading of 158 degrees. The formation flew home alone with the 305th on briefed course, crossing enemy Coast at Dieppe at 1338 hours and landing at Base at 1510 hours.

2. Fighter Opposition and Fighter Support

The 306th Group flying Low Group in 40th Combat Wing had an uneventful trip, and no attacks were reported until 1235 hours, over an hour after bombs were away. Between 1235 and 1245 hours there was a gap in the fighter support. The escort that was visible was being engaged in dog fights off to the right. Taking advantage of this gap, two FW 190s popped out of the clouds from below, climbed in a sweeping curve to the front, and swept back through the formation knocking our A/C #499-J out of the hole in the Lead Squadron. Our A/C subsequently seen to explode after 8 or 9 chutes came out, in the vicinity of Charleville, France. Not more than 20 S/E and no T/E fighters seen on entire trip. We claim 2 damaged. Four no claim.

Fighter escort was good except for gap noted above. P-51s overlapped P-47s at 1110 hours and continued beyond the target. P-38s were also over target. Radio call for fighter support was effective, fighters appearing within five minutes.

3. A.A. Gun Fire

Heavy barrage fire was seen over the target but was not encountered by this Group. Several crews feel that chaff operated to benefit of Group, basing their belief that extensive barrage was observed in front, and then to rear, missing this Group completely. The Group however, did encounter accurate tracking fire, seven A/C being seriously damaged and nine being slightly damaged by A.A. gun fire out of twenty A/C over target.

4. Bombing

Bombing was by PFF due to 7/10ths cloud, most of which was concentrated over the target area. Crews saw a city between cloud breaks and feel that they hit Primary. Strike photographs show bomb bursts in fields North of Junction of Rhine and Main Rivers, North of Biebrich and between Russelsheim and Wiesbaden. Nickels - 50 parcels of G 25s dropped over Primary by A/C #406-0.

5. Weather

Cloud observed over target area, ground being visible through breaks.

6. Friendly Aircraft In Distress

At 1236 hours, our A/C #499-J had #1 engine on fire from FW 190 attack. Tail damaged, 8 or 9 chutes. At 1245 hours plane was seen to explode. Friendly A/C in distress.

6 chutes seen from B-17 at 1017 hours.

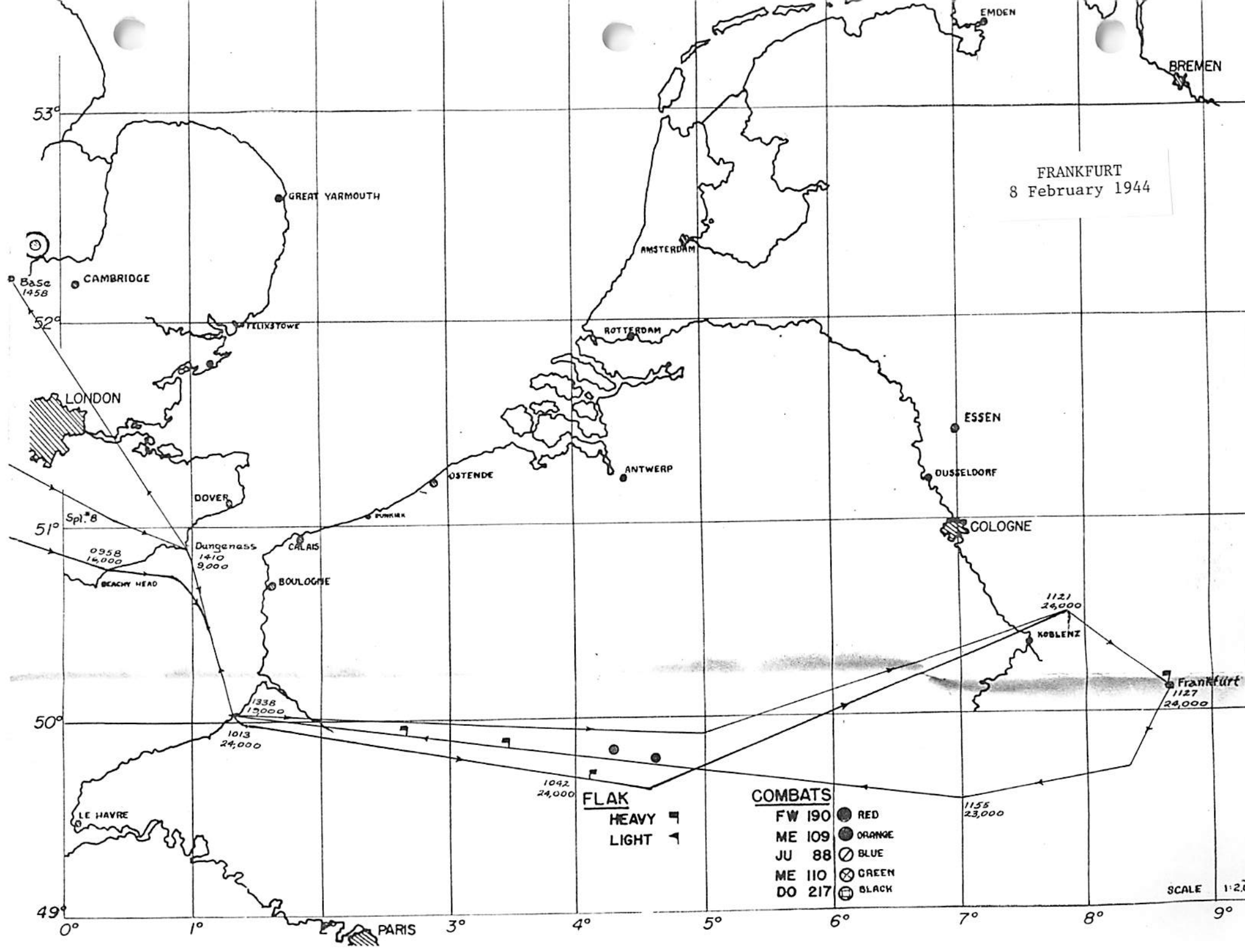
At 1027 hours, a B-17 turned back at approximately 50°00'N.-00°40'E. 9 possibly 10 chutes.

At 1130 hours, a B-17 observed with #4 engine on fire, spiralling down under attack. No chutes.

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FRANKFURT
8 February 1944



FORMATION - MISSION - 8 FEBRUARY, 1944

		<u>Peterson</u>			
		<u>Flanagan *</u>			
		335-U			
		1			
		<u>McAfee *</u>	<u>Haywood</u>	<u>Cassidy</u>	<u>Page *</u>
		139-L	953-L	998-U	445-G
		15	3	2	8
<u>Koch</u>	<u>Clark</u>	<u>Newstreet *</u>		<u>Fussel</u>	<u>Cliver</u>
505-V	515-U	768-V		053-U	827-G
17	16	4		10	9
		<u>Maintenance</u>	<u>Horst</u>	<u>Stolz *</u>	
		850-B	935-V	428-K	
		18	5	11	
<u>Hardin</u>	<u>Cliver *</u>	<u>Snyder *</u>		<u>Rutherford</u>	<u>Genoville</u>
950-K	539-C	499-J		042-P	400-G (nickles)
20	19	7		13	12
				<u>Mack *</u>	
				074-Q	
				14	

* - Indicates camera in aircraft

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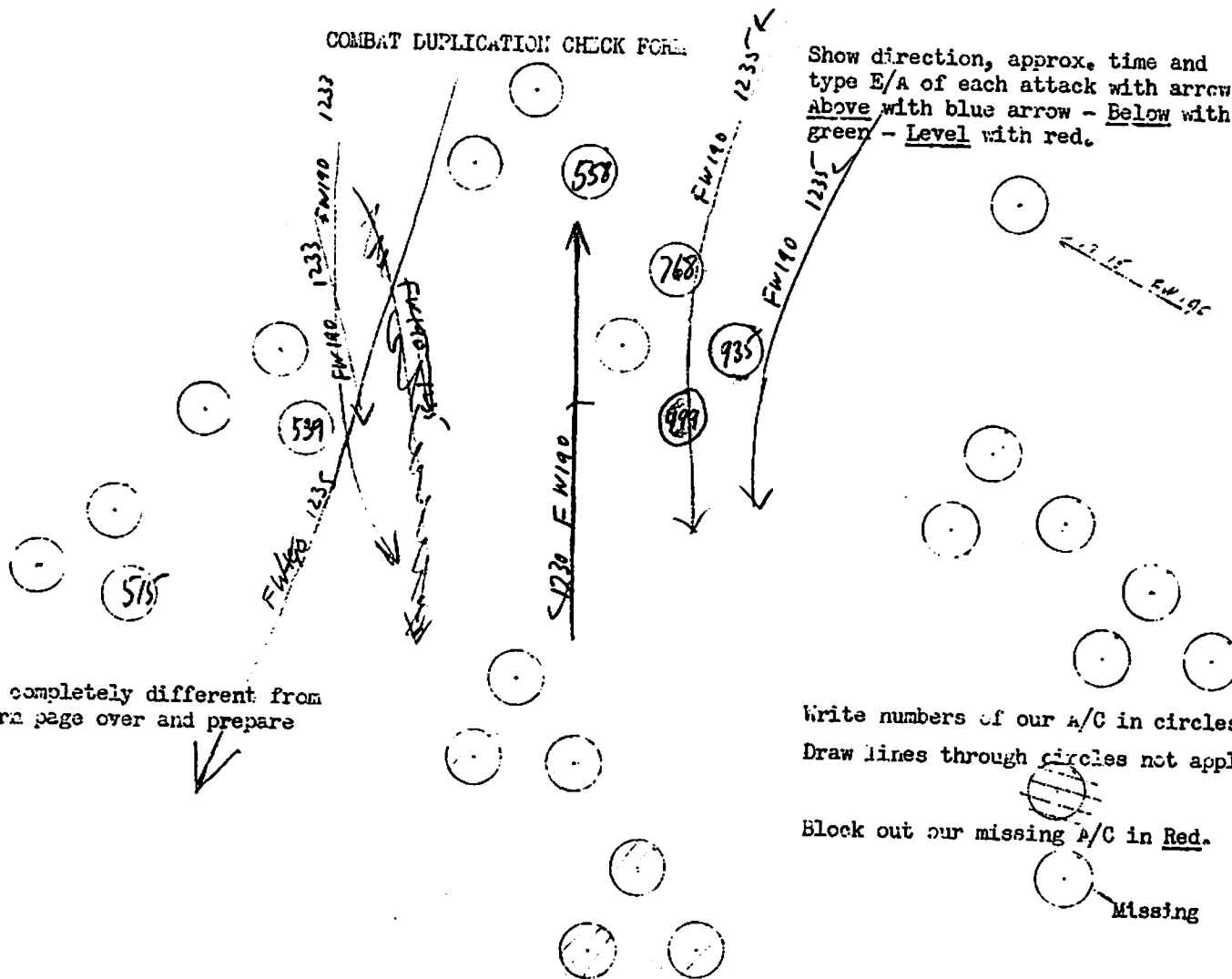
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2 - C
1 - R
1 - G

GROUP 306
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COMBAT DUPLICATION CHECK FORM

Show direction, approx. time and type E/A of each attack with arrow.
Above with blue arrow - Below with green - Level with red.



If actual formation is completely different from position of circles turn page over and prepare diagram on back.

Write numbers of our A/C in circles.
Draw lines through circles not applying.

Block out our missing A/C in Red.

Missing

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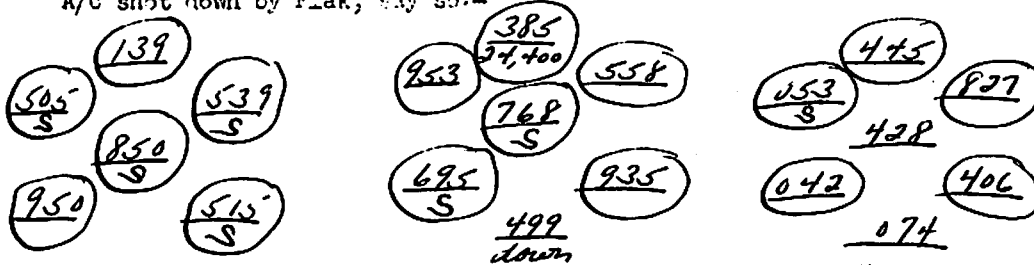
Target Frankfurt

1. Route followed. 50°00'N - 01°17'E flying south of route - as much as 40 miles south between 03 and 05 east, to vicinity of I.P., on briefed course home to Dieppe

2. Visibility at Target (Any condensation trails?) non-persistent con. trails 7/10 to 8/10, cloud cover - excellent visibility

3. No. of A/C over Target. 20 A/C

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



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

158° mag.

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

30 seconds.

7. Turn after bombing. 90° right turn off target

8. Position of Group in relation to other Groups. Low Sp. 40th C.W.

9. What evasive action was taken?

10. A short description of Flak en route (if any) and at the Target, including if possible a suggestion as to type of fire control employed - i.e. Continuous following predicted concentrations, predicted barrages, or fixed barrages.

Dieppe - moderate tracking
Target - very acc. tracking, mod. - Barrage observed.

Wiesbaden - moderate barrage.
49°58'N - 05°18'E - 12 balloons just above clouds.

49°32'N - 04°52'E - 4 white + 1 red burst just before fighter attack

49°45'N - 04°30'E - meager, inacc., tracking.

49°54'N - 03°49'E - meager, low, inacc.

St. Quentin - tracking, meager acc.

49°57'N - 03°19'E - meager, inaccurate

49°55'N - 02°35'E - meager - inaccurate

Amiens - meager fairly accurate, tracking

11. Any other Comments, Phenomena, etc.

Obs - what looked like small white ball coming up from ground, exploded as it started downward arc.

Obs - Ground rockets leaving spiral trail bursts above formations altitude.

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*Alberville - messenger, tracking, over all
Creeg-on-Pentagon - all, work, first come.*

PLANES ON COMBAT MISSION THIS DATE

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367th Squadron (H):

B17G 42-31445 - SLIGHT FLAK: Underneath right inner wing. Upper turret. Left aeliron.

B17F 42-30728 - Failed to Take Off. (Personnel - Pilot not used to A/C with Flame Dampener Tail Jets installed.)

B17G 42-40053 - SEVERE DAMAGE: No. 6 tank in right outer wing hit by flak. FLAK Right wing at landing flap hit.

B17G 42-31428 - NOT DAMAGED ✓

B17G 42-38042 - SLIGHT FLAK: Left side of nose. Right landing light. Plexiglass nose.

B17G 42-38074 - NOT DAMAGED ✓

368th Squadron (H):

B17G 42-31406 - SLIGHT FLAK: Left wing.

369th Squadron (H):

B17G 42-31385 - SLIGHT FLAK: Skin damage by co-pilot position

B17G 42-31558 - SLIGHT FLAK: Right horiz. stab., left side of fuselage close to ball turret.

B17G 42-37953 - SLIGHT FLAK: Right aeliron. Right wing flap. Right side of fuselage. Right horiz. stab.

B17G 42-31768 - SERIOUS FLAK: No. 1 main tank. Elec. power lead to chin turret. Right inner wing. Diagonal in right wing. Left inner wing. Vert. stab. former.

B17G 42-39935 - SLIGHT FLAK: Right horiz. stab. Right outer wing. Slight 50 Cal Shell Case: Left aeliron. Left inner wing.

B17G 42-31695 - SERIOUS FLAK: Right horiz. stab. Right side of nose. Right wing at landing light.

B17G 42-31499 - MISSING IN ACTION

B17G 42-39827 - SLIGHT FLAK: Right flap. Left inner wing between No. 1 and 2 Nacelle

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423rd Squadron (H):

B17G 42-31139 - SLIGHT FLAK: Left aeliron. Rudder.

B17G 42-39963 - Failed to Take Off. (Rear ~~Ruit~~ Row of Spark Plugs fouled ~~6P~~ while engines idling. No. 3 and 4 engines.)

B17G 42-97505 - X SERIOUS FLAK: Left alevator. No. 1 eng. waste gate. Left out wing. Nose. No. 3 gusset plate. No. 4 ring cowl. Right out wing. Eight inner wing. Gusset plate right wing.

B17G 42-39850 - X SERIOUS FLAK: Left inner wing spar. Left out. wing. Right inner wing. Left waist gun position damaging No. 6F bulkhead.

7G 42-3515 - X SEVERE FLAK: Flak damage to right inner wing. Right landing light. Right waist gun position. Right de-icer boot. Flexi nose.

7G 42-39950 - SLIGHT FLAK: Radio room window. Circumferential stiffner. Bulkhead 5. No. 1 ring cowling.

7G 42-31539 - X SERIOUS FLAK: Tail section at tail gun position. Rudder quadrant. Left inner wing. Feeder tank panel.

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ADDITIONAL INTERROGATION FORM FOR GROUP AND SQUADRON LEAD AIRCRAFT

(check one)
 GROUP LEADER L
 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 0758 Harting
2. Was Course as Briefed? Yes
 If not, describe course in detail
Course to T: 5° (Course to T: from 3° E. to 5° (430 to 40 mi) and back from T. on course to England)
cut 10:13 50° 0117 (10 mi. of 20 mi)
3. Time and Place of crossing Enemy Coast Back 13:38 10 mi. N of Dieppe
4. Time over Target _____
 Altitude over Target _____
 Position of Group on Bomb Run _____
 Magnetic Heading of Bomb Run _____
 Duration Bomb Run _____
5. Time of Landing at Base 1510
 If landed away from base before return state where and why _____

Group never dropped out of sight at Engl. Coast

13W ahead cross from target at 90° 306 from 158° Lost lead - 1. w then

done with 305 feet of way back

DATE _____ TITLE _____ S-2 OFFICER _____

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SQUADRON ~~267~~ ~~X368~~ 369 ~~X368~~ A/C Number 558 Letter M Date 8 Feb. 1944

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. ~~Incend.~~

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0809 Time Landed

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

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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

Lt. B. W. Cassaday Pilot

1236 B-17 (Snapper) 5940, 0340 DR. hit by 190's. engine
Smoking + tail shak up pretty badly. Went around in big
360's, finally on AFCE - 4 chutes for sure.
1017 - B-17 turned back, looked OK, but 9 chutes came out.

Lt. M. D. Reed Corp

Lt. J. H. Bryan Nav.

Lt. D. E. Currier Bomb.

- TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1127

T/Sgt. C. H. Moxley Radio

Alternate Height: 23,900

T/Sgt. A. J. Marenholz Top T.

Last Resort Heading 145

S/Sgt. G. D. Barnett Ball T.

(circle)
Duration Bomb Run:

Sgt. J. M. Ostrowski R. Waist

S/Sgt. A. J. Fedorka L. Waist

about 4 minutes

S/Sgt. W. F. Olmstead Tail S.

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

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

Own Bombs: dropped on leader, who dropped on PFF planes

They think bombs dropped on western part of town

Other Bombing:

- Any Photographs taken: Yes? No? Any Nickels: Yes No

Number boxes dropped

- GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: Number boxes returned

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

as briefed

- WEATHER: (If it affected mission) no contrails, no clouds above

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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Target - moderate, accurate - scattered damage (prob. come?)

nr. St. Quentin, both in & out. very accurate, merger. tracking

nr. Amiens - few shots - good altitude - seen target

Crew observations about Flak: Suggested to have fighters drop chaff to

protect 1st wing in. Think that 1st wing's chaff helped us.

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10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

809. 190's 109's
(Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types)

109's attacked low sector of 305th. but not this group
(Location and length of fight)

about 4/190's attacked this formation from 6 o'clock, low-spraying the sector, + got 109's

(Tactics of E/A)

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

(Our defensive action)

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

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT good except at the time of attack
F-51's had red noses.

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

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

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

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly) Ball turret broken by flak, gunner got skinned up a bit.

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES: some flak damage

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

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SQUADRON ~~367~~ ~~368~~ 369 ~~233~~ A/C Number 953 Letter L Date 8 Feb. 1944

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. ~~XXXXXX~~ ~~XXXXXX~~

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0840 Time Landed 1410

		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:

1138 hours - B17 - 9 o'clock down under control
of engine. 1152 hrs. - then overcast under control
45 min with him.

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

Lt. G. R. Haywood Pilot ✓

Lt. P. C. Jorgensen Corp ✓

Lt. J. D. Bailiff Nav. ✓

Lt. R. G. Beach Bcmb. ✓

T/Sgt. J. A. Evenson Radio ✓

T/Sgt. B. D. Oldfield Top T. ✓

Cpl M. Steinhart Ball T. ✓

S/Sgt. E. M. Johnson *L. Waist* ✓

T/Sgt. E. J. Wentworth *R. Waist* ✓

S/Sgt. R. P. Butler Tail G. ✓

1234 hours - B17 - straggling from low sq
FW in area, 1245 plane exploded
(499) flames - hold off
chutes waist back.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1127 hours

Alternate Height: 23,900'

Last Resort Heading 134° M. 128° T.

Duration Bomb Run:

7 min.

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

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

Own Bombs: 1

Other Bombing: 1

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

Number boxes dropped _____

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

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) *8/10 over target. as briefed.*

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of bursts	Location of bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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1127 Target Very Heavy black *L. off & surrounded* yes

1321 near coast *Moderate* black Hit ship yes (H. 7)

Crew observations about Flak: _____

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INTERROGATION FORM

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SQUADRON ~~367XX368X~~ 369 ~~M42XX~~ A/C Number 768 Letter V Date Feb. 8, 1944

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Incend.

Time Took Off 0809 Time Landed 1515

Position in Formation

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

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)

499. Smoky 8 chutes + still smoke control on fire smoke + spinning + hole up. at 1235.
181) original frontal bomb from ops ahead (on land) 2 chutes. No fire one small.

Lt. M. Newstreet Pilot ✓
Lt. F. R. Warner Corp Pl ✓
Lt. W. J. Flynn Nav. ✓
Lt. R. W. Howard Bomb. ✓
T/Sgt. C. R. Staats Radio ✓
T/Sgt. C. T. Harry Top T. ✓
S/Sgt. P. E. Morgan Ball T. ✓
T/Sgt. E. Higham R. Waist ✓
S/Sgt. D. A. Goff L. Waist ✓
S/Sgt. C. W. McGrane Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1127
Alternate Height: 24000
Last Resort Heading 134 mag.
(circle)
Duration Bomb Run: 10t.

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

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)
Own Bombs: Could see main, could see bridge. Bombs would have hit north of main. Perhaps to West of main.

Other Bombing:

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

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

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) 6-7-8/10s on target but could just see it. light on track.

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight	Color of bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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Target lots of it. manual from but CBW did not get it.
Missed on some flak after target.
Cliff on coast on way in stream. Light. mist.

Crew observations about Flak:

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INTERROGATION FORM

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SQUADRON ~~367XXX~~ 369 ~~429X~~ A/C Number 935 Letter Y Date 8 Feb, 1944

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. ~~XXXXXX~~

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0809 Time Landed 1512

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

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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

Lt. Horst, R (N.M.I.) Pilot ✓

10:28 B17 - 10 chutes - fighters

Lt. Wright F. E. ComP ✓

12:36 B17 #499 - 8 chutes open

Lt. Joplin J. C. Nav. ✓

1 caught fire - A/c blew up.

Lt. ~~H.N.~~ Schmitz Bomb. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

S/Sgt. A. G. Cook Radio ✓

Primary

Time: 11:27

S/Sgt. W. I. Csgood Top T. ✓

Alternate

Height: 24,000

Sgt. L. M. Kloster Ball T. ✓

Last Resort
(circle)

Heading 180° about

Sgt. E. R. Justice R. Waist ✓

Duration Bomb Run:

Sgt. E. N. Ryan L. Waist ✓

toggle - min interval
on lead

Sgt. F. H. Hartkopf Tail G. ✓

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

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

Own Bombs: just east of marshalling yards.

Other Bombing:

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

Any Nickels: Yes No
Number boxes dropped
Number boxes returned

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

Good

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

Target - snow on ground, cloud - 6 to 7/10

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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	Target (int ahead)		slight	black		all excellent - good.
	In - 45 mins.		sl. to mod	"		acc - good.
	Amiens (out)		slight	"		all - very good
						acc - good
						slight damage

Crew observations about Flak:

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10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION: (15 in distance) ← Me 109
3-4 FW 190

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

one head on direct attack 17:35 - June 4/44

(Location and length of fight)

shot hit #499
rockets - 4 in a row - white (seen twice)

(Tactics of E/A)

FW - mottled gray

Me bright yellow with black cross on fuselage

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

(Our defensive action)

C L A I M S	
DESTROYED	_____
PROBABLY	1
DAMAGED	_____
(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)	

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

Good except during attack

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

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

2 B17 - fighters

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

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

20 mph in aileron

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES: flak - minor damage

rot hand nose gun out gun heater burned up, microphone - poor

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

S-2 OFFICER *Shalak*

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INTERROGATION FORM

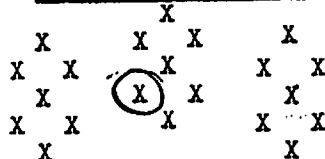
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SQUADRON ~~367~~ ~~368~~ 369 ~~369~~ A/C Number 695 Letter D Date 8 Feb. 1944

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. ~~XXXXXX~~

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0809 Time Landed 15:11



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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

- Lt. W. C. Quaintance Pilot ✓
- Lt. R. L. Jensen Corp ✓
- Lt. A. W. Ostrow Nav. ✓
- Lt. H. R. Levy Bomb. ✓
- S/Sgt. E. X. Driscoll Radio ✓
- S/Sgt. J. F. Strukel Top T. ✓
- Sgt. R. E. Hayes Ball T. ✓
- Sgt. M. W. Williams R. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. A. Markowski L. Waist ✓
- Sgt. R. C. Donohue Tail G. ✓

12:37 - near Clarkville - on way out from target. SHIP #499 (SNYDER) had head on attack by two F.W. 190's 3 ENGINES SMOKING & PILOT PEELLED OFF TO RIGHT - 9 CHUTES SEEN

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 11:28
 Alternate Height: 24000
 Last Resort M Heading 146°
 (circle)
 Duration Bomb Run:
 3 MIN. - DROPPED ON
 GROUP LEADER

- 3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 12 X 500 Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: BOMBS GOING IN TOWN - (LEFT) THIN LAYER OF CLOUD OVER CITY

Other Bombing:

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

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

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

As briefed.

- 8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

Slight contrails - as briefed.

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

10:38 - GUNSE - 24000 HEAVY - ACCURATE - BLACK - TRACKING

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of bursts	Location of bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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OVER TARGET - Heavy accurate burning & tracking

Possible flak from Weisbaden

11:27 - 11:32 (coming out near aimms. not very accurate)

Crew observations about Flak: FAIRLY accurate.

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10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

about 30 E/A - mostly FW 190's
(Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types)

approx - near Charleville (France) 3 hours on attack mission
(Location and length of fight)

on this mission - at which time S-Journe (Snyder) was hit
by 2 FW's & 1 ME.

Came in at 12 O'clock later - came in
(Tactics of E/A) straight & level.

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

evade attack
(Our defensive action)

CLAIMS

DESTROYED _____

PROBABLY _____

DAMAGED _____

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

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT - P-47's - 51's & 38's seen in good support -
engaged in dog fights most of time - 2 E/A seen shot
down by P-47's

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

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

E/A attacked group of B-17's ahead at entrance of enemy coast
& one B-17 of high sqdn of lead group seen to go down - 3 chutes
seen

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

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly).
Navigator hit by flak - not serious -

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

none

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

good support by friendly fighters -

S-2 OFFICER (Capt. Klask)

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10:35 2400
Bombardier reports B-17 going down at target area.

INTERROGATION FORM

LOST

SQUADRON ~~367~~ ~~368~~ 369 A/C Number 499 Letter Date Feb. 8, 1944

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. ~~Droped~~

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0809 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)

- Lt. H. J. Snyder Pilot ✓
- Lt. G. W. Mike ComP ✓
- Lt. R. J. Benninger Nav. ✓
- Lt. R. L. Daniels Bomb. ✓
- Sgt. R. L. Kahler Radio ✓
- S/Sgt. R. K. Holbert Top T. ✓
- Sgt. L. J. Colwart Ball T. ✓
- Sgt. J. Pindroch R.Waist ✓
- T/Sgt. J. J. Musial L.Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. W. Ol Slenker Tail G. ✓

[Handwritten signature]

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

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

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

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

Own Bombs:

Other Bombing:

5. Any Photographs taken: Yes? No?

Any Nickels: Yes No
Number boxes dropped

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

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

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

Crew observations about Flak:

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SQUADRON 367 ~~368~~ ~~369~~ ~~429~~ A/C Number 445 Letter G Date 8-2-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0809 Time Landed 1525

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

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

1 B17 in formation ahead lead off, engine smoking, going down to left undamaged, 1 man came out but no chute - 1020 hours;

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

F/C L. E. Page Pilot

2nd Lt. T. P. Kenny Com

1st Lt. J. M. Carella Nav.

1st Lt. H. B. Holt Bomb.

S/Sgt. L. C. Manning Radio

Sgt. E. E. Harbour Top T.

Sgt. C. Dikmack Ball T.

S/Sgt. R. L. Whiteside R. Waist

S/Sgt. B. E. Ball L. Waist

S/Sgt. T. D. Dixon Tail G.

1 B17 over target, going down undamaged

1 B17 on way out, attacked by 2 fighters, went down in hole of lead off, went into spin, hold up; 1 chute. 1235 hours

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1127

Alternate Height: 24,100

Last Resort Heading 148°

(circle) Duration Bomb Run: 2 minutes

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: all

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

Own Bombs: *Could not see bursts of ours. Could see help of miles but not bursts.*

Other Bombing: *Flashes probably near "A" target.*

5. Any Photographs taken: Yes? No? *Camera door would not open, although gunner tried to open them.* Any Nickels: Yes No

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: Number boxes dropped OK at least 4 had photo there. Number boxes returned

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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Just before target, at the I.P., light but not fl.

Target - seen, but high, & also lots about 1/2

miles to left of us where no A/C were - was

Crew observations about Flak: this result of chaff??

at 1322, before coast, no concentration but about 4 minutes of tracking.

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ADDITIONAL INTERROGATION FORM FOR GROUP AND SQUADRON LEAD AIRCRAFT

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

1. Time and Place of crossing English Coast 1001 hours
right of Dungess; 20,000

2. Was Course as Briefed? mostly understand so could do it
If not, describe course in detail sure, but DR indicated
course was good

3. Time and Place of crossing Enemy Coast 1011, 50° 01' N 01° 15' E

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

5. Time of Landing at Base _____
If landed away from base before return state where and why _____

DATE _____ TIME _____ S-2 OFFICER B. Pool

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INTERROGATION FORM

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SQUADRON 367 ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ A/C Number 827 Letter G Date 8-2-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0809	Time Landed 1515				
		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:

1235 B-17 - wings shot off by fighters - saw 8 chutes open

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

Saw Army dies ship - someone pulled delay and jump out of nose - going down in slow spiral (same as above)

2nd Lt. C. K. Oliver Pilot ✓

2nd Lt. G. E. Dumas Co-P ✓

2nd Lt. G. A. Milburn Nav. ✓

2nd Lt. S. L. Hawkins Bomb. ✓

S/Sgt. G. F. Piper Radi. ✓

S/Sgt. E. C. Swilley Top T ✓

S/Sgt. M. D. Pershing Ball T ✓

Sgt. J. E. Osburn R. Waist ✓

Sgt. R. O. Elkins L. Waist ✓

Sgt. J. D. Tricoglou Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time:

Alternate Height:

Last Resort Heading: (circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive: 6 bombs on target - 6 bombs BOMC. late

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

Own Bombs: exact mal function

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No
Number Boxes dropped
Number Boxes returned

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

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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major flak 30 minutes before T.P.

Crew observations about Flak:

obs - what appeared like small white ball going up from ground - exploded as it started down - hit like ground rockets from before T.P. also. air to air

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Believe flak came from Brunel

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10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION: 5 mm 109
20 E/A in our Group FW 190
(Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types)

(Location and length of fight)

_____ E

(Tactics of E/A)

FW 190 with white bellies - red nose
(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

(Our defensive action)

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

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations,
B-17 escorted by 6 fighters about 12 o'clock

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

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

15. radio op - front bite on face
DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

flak damage
16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

2 engine overheat
3 super charge * # 4 prop ran away
17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? any suggestions?)

rough
S-2 OFFICER Murtha TIME COMPLETED

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 ~~1000~~ ~~1000~~ ~~1000~~ A/C Number 053 Letter U Date 8-2-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0813 Time Landed 1514

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

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

At 1236B-17 at 5 o'clock attack by 2 ME109's - tail end blew off. Fire 3 chutes.

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress: 1st (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

2nd Lt. A. W. Fuessel Jr. Pilot

2nd Lt. R. V. Stoll Cc-P

2nd Lt. C. G. Eyer Nav.

2nd Lt. L. J. MacNeil Bomb

S/Sgt. J. R. Snyder Radi.

S/Sgt. H. J. Pertuit Top T

Sgt. R. A. Osborne Ball T

Sgt. J. T. Shea R. Waist

Sgt. M. A. Anderson L. Waist

Sgt. Z. C. Riley Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1127 hours

Alternate Height: 24,000'

Last Resort Heading: 135° M. (circle)

Duration Bomb Run: 5 min.

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 12

Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs:

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes (No)

Number boxes dropped

Number Boxes returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? (No)

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

As briefed.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) Target 8/10 tops 24,000' then lower.

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
1127	Target		Heavy	Black	Front	Tracking - Yes
1320	Overhead	19500 - mod.		"	Right	"

Crew observations about Flak:

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 ~~BOMBING~~ A/C Number 428 Letter N Date 8-2-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0909 Time Landed

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

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

1502 ~~James H. Anderson~~ Refused
to go 1609: Zaidel Base 1626

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

10 25-1 17 - going - 7 chutes
possibly 10

1st Lt. J. J. Stolz Pilot

1st Lt. B. J. McGuire Cc-P

2nd Lt. E. H. Wiener ^{WIENER} Nav.

2nd Lt. S. F. Tanella Bomb

T/Sgt. J. G. Miller Radic

T/Sgt. A. D. Springer Top T

Sgt. F. R. Rashid Ball T

S/Sgt. O. O. Dobbs R. Waist

S/Sgt. F. M. Shade L. Waist

Sgt. W. E. Van Houtte Tail G.

1235 - on way out -
2 mi 109 ~~slight down~~
1 chute

TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1127

Alternate Height: 24120

Last Resort Heading: 147° mag
(circle)

Duration Bomb Run:
1 run

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

all dropped on leader

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

Own Bombs: 7/10 clouds -

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No
Number Boxes dropped
Number Boxes returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

as briefed until gas ran out low over Jordan
landed in field and came to base

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

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

Crew observations about Flak:

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10. ENEMY FIGHTER POSITION:

6 -
(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

109 - 190
(Types)

(Location and length of fight)

(Tactics of E/A)

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

(Our defensive action)

C L A I M S

DESTROYED _____

PROBABLY _____

DAMAGED _____

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

9 Neal

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

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

Black Ball on clouds - near Frankfurt - that was extremely accurate in pointing out it - did not see today.

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

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

Great bite on Ball turret.

15.

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

Black, Neutral -

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

*Super algo - #3 - mal function
#3 prop -*

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

S-2 OFFICER

*Mc Neal
Capt.*

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NICKELS 12

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 ~~#####~~ A/C Number 406 Letter O Date 0809

Bomb Load Nickles H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0809 Time Landed 1530

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
Details: Went down spiral motors
on fuel - 3 chutes - 2 1/2 A attacking

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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 1st Lt. R. J. Somerville Pilot ✓
- 2nd Lt. P. G. Griswold Co-P ✓
- 2nd Lt. J. E. Feeley Nav. ✓
- 2nd Lt. H. R. Legowski Bomb ✓
- S/Sgt. O. W. Cooper Radio ✓
- S/Sgt. R. H. Hollister Top-T ✓
- Sgt. C. N. Gillespie Ball T ✓
- S/Sgt. J. D. Puskar R. Waist ✓
- Sgt. F. R. Scarpace L. Waist ✓
- Sgt. P. Szymanski Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1127 hrs
Alternate Height: 24,000
Last Resort Heading: 118 mag
(circle)
Duration Bomb Run: P off

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

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

Own Bombs:

Other Bombing:

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

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

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

Probes open about 300 yds from target behind.

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) 7/10 cloud 10 to 20000 at target.

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
<u>1300 hrs</u>	<u> </u>	<u>20400</u>	<u>Heavy</u>	<u>Moderate</u>	<u>Accurate</u>	<u>Tracking</u>
<u>1735</u>	<u> </u>	<u>20400</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>Inaccurate</u>

Crew observations about Flak: Ground rockets (6 or 8) leaving spiral white trail burst above our altitude in distance with white smoke about size of flak burst.

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 ~~#####~~ A/C Number 042 Letter P Date 8-2-44

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

Time Took off 0809 Time Landed X X X X X X X X X X

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

1235 - B-17 going down. #1 engine on fire - went into spin from fighter attack (FW 190) 2 chutes. May or may not be this group.

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

2nd Lt. B. Rutherford Pilot ✓

2nd Lt. W. Butterfield Co-P ✓

2nd Lt. J. C. Fowler Nav. ✓

2nd Lt. R. W. Fry, Jr. Bomb ✓

T/Sgt. T. Piechowski Radi ✓

S/Sgt. R. G. Rockwell Top T ✓

S/Sgt. R. K. Tully Ball T ✓

S/Sgt. J. P. Moloney R. Waist ✓

S/Sgt. B. Margineau L. Waist ✓

S/Sgt. H. E. Masle Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1127

Alternate Height: 24,400

Last Resort Heading: 150 (circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

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

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

Own Bombs: Dropped on PFF planes

town identified but no results seen due to cloud cover

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No
Number Boxes dropped
Number Boxes returned

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

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

as briefed

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) scattered clouds all the way to broken

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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Very fast - accurate - moderate - prohibited concentration
Target - accurate; moderate - no range and cover
Timing off target - a lot of stuff down by coast with various return
Crew observations about Flak:

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10. ENEMY FIGHTER COMPOSITION:

about 20

Me 109s

(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

(Types)

(Location and length of fight)

2 Me 109s came through formation but didn't hit anyone

(Tactics of E/A)

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

(Our defensive action)

C L A I M S

DESTROYED _____

PROBABLY _____

DAMAGED _____

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

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

good - almost shot at P-47's with red nose.

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

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

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

15.

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

3 or 4 flak holes - 1 hole at target, don't know where other came from

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

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

Formation not too good.

S-2 OFFICER

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TIME COMPLETED

1550

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 ~~#####~~ A/C Number 074 Letter G Date 8-2-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0809 Time Landed 1518

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

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

Smyler blew up - 5 chutes possibly 6 chutes.

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

1035-13-17 in dive just before target - one chute.

- 2nd Lt. A. W. Mack Pilot ✓
- 2nd Lt. F. M. McCulagh Co-P ✓
- 2nd Lt. G. L. Feltz Nav. ✓
- 2nd Lt. M. J. Northway Bomb ✓
- S/Sgt. L. Tortora Radio ✓
- S/Sgt. D. S. Needham Top T ✓
- S/Sgt. L. A. Glasscock Ball T ✓
- Sgt. G. M. Johnson R. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. O. J. Graham L. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. P. R. Wood Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: *None*
Alternate Height:
Last Resort Heading:
{circle}
Duration Bomb Run:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: *13000* Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: *could not obs. results.*

Other Bombing:

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

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

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
1125	49570389E		Near Amiens - major		good alt. but	
			target - acc moderate		both tracking + barrage	
1233			20 miles before Amiens		tracking major	

Crew observations about Flak:

Amiens - tracking - good alt. but off to left - major

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~267XXX267XXX~~ 423 A/C Number 139 Letter L Date Feb. 8, 1944

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

Time Took off 0809 Time Landed 1502 1 2 3 4

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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 1st Lt. R. B. Eckles Pilot ✓
- 1st Lt. C. J. Sutton Co-P ✓
- 1st Lt. W. B. Barnes Nav. ✓
- 1st Lt. R. J. Shurilla Bomb ✓
- T/Sgt. J. S. Buzard Radio ✓
- T/Sgt. T. F. Mihelick Top T ✓
- S/Sgt. L. L. Lord Ball T ✓
- S/Sgt. D. NMI Axelrod R. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. H. (NMI) Cappelli L. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. J. C. Steinwachs, Jr Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1127

Alternate Height: 2400

Last Resort Heading: 141 M.

Duration Bomb Run: *At turn gradual.*

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

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others) *12 x 500*

Own Bombs: *Could see top of the bombs avg. Could see 4 fuzes on main. Know we are on city. Should have hit inside old town.*

Other Bombing: *PFF 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) *as briefed. Front was not as highly built up as expected. we went the limit at 25000. Alt. was broken down with 14 on bomb run.*

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location Bursts in relation to A/C.	Accuracy
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Target 1127. 2400. 5 miles & dist. of accurate tracking flak. 2 restricted targets before we got there.

Bomb burst out. 4949 X 0144 E night burst.

Crew observations about Flak: *Rebel on coast off to our left on way in.*

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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 _____

0957 1/2 - 5050 - 0027 E

1. Time and Place of crossing English Coast _____

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

3. Time and Place of crossing Enemy Coast 1011 - 5000E - 0116 E.

4. Time over Target 1127
Altitude over Target 2400
Position of Group on Bomb Run Lo
Magnetic Heading of Bomb Run 141 mag.
Duration Bomb Run 6 min.

5. Time of Landing at Base 1502.
If landed away from base before return state where and why _____

DATE _____ TIME _____ S-2 OFFICER _____

INTERROGATION FORM

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SQUADRON ~~367XXX367XXX~~ 423 A/C Number 515 Letter D Date 8 Feb. 1944

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. ~~FWBAX~~

Position in Formation

Time Tock of 0809 Time Landed 1505

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

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

1-B-17-1026 hrs. near St Quentin at 10000' a ball of fire - 6 chutes out -

1-B-17-1235 - 4932-0452E - ~~2000 J~~

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

in flames - 2 chutes out - saw bank being followed down by 2 ME. shooting it all to pieces.

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

1st Lt. R. F. Clark Pilot

2nd Lt. N. D. Munn Co-PI

2nd Lt. J. J. Valenti Nav.

2nd Lt. J. F. Huistra Bomb

S/Sgt. J. A. Park Radio

S/Sgt. S. H. Zych Top T

S/Sgt. E. V. Dillinger Ball T

S/Sgt. W. (NMI) Schmidt Lt. Waist

Sgt. N. (NMI) Minniti Lt. Waist

S/Sgt. M. C. Crow Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1127

Alternate Height: 23860

Last Resort Heading: 142° mag (circle)

Duration Bomb Run: 40 sec.

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

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

Own Bombs: 4/10's clouds - Bomb strikes appeared clustered Eg in P.I.

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

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

As briefed

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

Clouds 16000 - no contrails nor precipitation

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts	Accuracy
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1036h - 52000 - 23000 - HV - slight Blk - Tracking - accurate

1127 Target - 23860 - HV - Intense - Blk - White - 2000 ft tracking

1224h - 4955-0235 - 19000 - HV - slight Blk - Inaccurate

Crew observations about flak:

Just before fighter attacked. 4 white puff + one red came up - 4932-0452 -

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10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPERATION:

11 - FW-190 -
(Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types)

Out of sun 120 clock - level - passing thru
(Location and length of fight)

formation - w - rolling - two 9/c one behind
the other stepped down -

(Tactics of E/A)

Yellow Nose Red Band on Tail + Mottles +
(Color, markings, etc. of E/A) on Innuage.

(Our defensive action)

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

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

Perfect support for one pass after target
and also for top area and 4932-0457
fighters were helping cripples -

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

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

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

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

* Flap holes - minor

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES: Flap - wiring -
Complete break down - It's had it -

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

5-2 OFFICER M. Nug
Capt. AC

TIME COMPLETED

*non persistent con trails
90° right turn off target.*

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~XXXXXX~~ 423 A/C Number 505 Letter V Date Feb. 8, 1944

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

Time Tock off 0809 Time Landed 1501

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

B-17 (Luyder) 4957-0430E four
 Chutes - #3 & #4 smoking left
 elevator hit - was making wide circle
 Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details) B-24
 1002 - just off coast #4 engine on fire - headed home

- CREW: Give Rank and Initials
- Lt. W. C. B. Koch Pilot ✓
 - 2nd Lt. K. J. Hall Co-P ✓
 - 2nd Lt. O. O. Young, Jr. Nav. ✓
 - 2nd Lt. J. D. Blum Bomb ✓
 - S/Sgt. C. S. Brown, Jr. Radio ✓
 - S/Sgt. H. E. Lingle Top T ✓
 - Sgt. B. J. Theriault Ball T ✓
 - S/Sgt. E. P. Campos R. Waist ✓
 - Sgt. V. D. Campbell L. Waist ✓
 - Sgt. M. N. Ferkash Tail G. ✓

target - B-17 hit on #1 engine
 when down thru clouds under control - not seen again

2. TARGET ATTACKED:
 Primary Time: 1127
 Alternate Height: 23800
 Last Resort Heading: 145 mag
 (circle)
 Duration Bomb Run: 30 seconds.

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 12 x 500 Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)
 Own Bombs: didn't see bombs land but were on west end of town

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken? Yes? No?
 Other Bombing: hitting S. end of town
 Any Nickels: Yes No
 Number Boxes dropped
 Number Boxes returned

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

9. FLAK: 5/10 cloud over target - excellent visibility
 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
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103 4906-0335-23600 - at first mag + low but got to see all just as we rounded - scattered bursts - target - flak appears like a wall 2000 ft deep - both above and below observations about Flak - barrage some tracking - accurate Wiesbaden - mod barrage - all good

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2-B-17s engines started -

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OFFENSE ACTION:

one P-51 109

7. 10 E/A.

(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

P-51 109

(Types)

1235 - FW 190 attack - (no fighter escort for this group from 1235 to 1245)
(Location and length of fight)

attacks from 12 o'clock low -

(Tactics of E/A)

yellow spinners (one ship all yellow)
(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

Excellent defensive action.
(Our defensive action)

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

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT *picked up first fighter escort at 1036 hrs second at 1100 hrs - then P-51's over target -*

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations, *P-47 knocked down fighter at 1234 hrs.*

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

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

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

slak damage
16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

sight on nose turret out
17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? any suggestions?)

S-2 OFFICER *[Signature]* TIME COMPLETED

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INTERROGATION FORM

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SQUADRON 367XX368XX369 423 A/C Number 850 Letter B Date Feb. 8, 1944

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. ~~XXXXXXXX~~

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0809 Time Landed 1504 1/2

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

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

B17-1125 hrs 4995 after target tracking was hit by 2/4 head on low altitude had passed under formation. Went down smoking one chute counted

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

*B17-1029 Went down in flames 10 Chutes out 5000M X 0040E
B17-1030 Went down smoking 10000 X 0040E Saw 2 Chutes*

1st Lt. G. DiBetta Pilot ✓

2nd Lt. E. J. Wolf, Jr. Co-P ✓

1st Lt. M. Borysoff Nav. ✓

1st Lt. J. E. Sanders Bomb ✓

T/Sgt. C. E. Hewitt Radio ✓

T/Sgt. F. V. Chiccarelli Top T ✓

S/Sgt. J. H. Coleman Ball T ✓

S/Sgt. C. H. Golden R. Waist ✓

S/Sgt. L. F. Bergeron L. Waist ✓

S/Sgt. E. G. Wesoloh Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: *112705*

Alternate Height: *23,500'*

Last Resort Heading: *123 True*

Duration Bomb Run: *5 minute run Pft.*

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

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

Own Bombs: *Cloud over target on approach*

Other Bombing: *Smoke from target area* 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.)

Slightly north of briefed course on way in

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) *Overcast*

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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1125 to 1230	Target Area	23,500'	Heavy	Black	Moderate	Accurate tracking and predicted concentration
1323 -	XXXXXX	19,500'	"	"	Moderate	tracking
1338 -	Drepps	18,000'	"	"	Moderate	tracking

Rockets burst red+white bursts in distance blow out to right just after bombs away.

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~X3600X3600X3600~~ 423 A/C Number 539 Letter O Date Feb. 8, 1944

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. ~~XXXX~~

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0809 Time Landed 1503

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

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

5 minutes after coast hit by fighters. 6 minutes. 1017 hrs. Check on attack by W190

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

1317 ~~minutes~~ after target 1130 hrs. NO 4 ~~minutes~~ after target hit by fighters. NO 4 minutes after target hit by fighters.

1st Lt. C. D. Oliver Pilot

2nd Lt. D. (MMI) Ebert Co-P

2nd Lt. A. P. Baltunak Nav.

2nd Lt. J. (MMI) Tobias Bomb

T/Sgt. J. A. Atchley Radio

T/Sgt. K. N. Feltner Top T

Sgt. J. D. Subal Ball T

S/Sgt. E. E. Walker R. Waist

S/Sgt. H. C. Turner L. Waist

S/Sgt. M. J. Knapp Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1122

Alternate Height: 2600

Last Resort Heading: heading from (circle) I.P.

Duration Bomb Run:

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

Note: Accidental release of bomb tank by crew at 10:11, 11:11

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

Own Bombs:

8/10ths - could see river but

Other Bombing:

nothing not observed

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)

8/10ths over target

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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Target Area -> very accurate but moderate. All black & white altitude good. Very much more to left.

Crew observations about Flak: Flak 1032 (4954-4958) light to moderate. Below

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 3670X3680X369X 423 A/C Number 950 Letter K Date 8 Feb. 1944

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. M8922K

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0809 Time Landed 1505

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

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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

2nd Lt. N. W. Hardin Pilot ✓

2nd Lt. R. T. Knowels Co-P ✓

2nd Lt. A. (NMI) Perline Nav. ✓

2nd Lt. L. F. Barrows, Jr. Bomb ✓

T/Sgt. W. W. May Radi. ✓

T/Sgt. E. B. Jackson Top T ✓

S/Sgt. R. E. Moulis Ball T ✓

Sgt. L. T. Jenks R. Waist ✓

Sgt. J. D. Stotts L. Waist ✓

T/Sgt. H. C. Cordery Tail G ✓

12:30 - B17 from 305 fighters - no chutes.

12:36
499 - fighters hit out of formation - finished when A/C made a 360° turn - 5 chutes
10:28 pursuit down - 1 chute.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

PFF Primary Time: 11:27
Alternate Height: 23600
Last Report Heading: 141 MKS
(circle)
Duration Bomb Run:

Salvo on group lead

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

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

Own Bombs: Were over target, could not see bombing due to sharp turn - think they were
Other Bombing: Any Nickels: Yes No
Number Boxes dropped next
Number Boxes returned to river

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No? turned on OK.

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.)

OK

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
	<u>Target (more to left hand)</u>		<u>mod.</u>			<u>alt. good - close</u>
<u>20-30 min after coast in from an airfield</u>			<u>slight</u>			<u>acc - good, alt. good</u>
<u>30 min before coast out</u>			<u>mod</u>			<u>good - close</u>

minor damage

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COMBAT FORM

Group 313

Date 8 February 1944

Squadron 369

Place where attacked Chareville, France

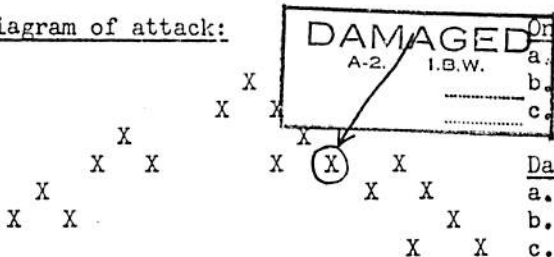
A/C No: 935

Time 1235 Height 24,000 ft

1. Story of the attack: Two P-480's came up from three o'clock climbed above and ahead about 1 mile, dove in firing. Bombadier opened fire at 400 yds.; kept up fire until E/A passed (just underneath). Tail/G. opened fire as E/A came out at 7 o'clock - range 50-100 ft. Last seen enveloped in smoke and going into dive down into clouds. Pieces of A/C were seen in the air.

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

2. Diagram of attack:



On Diagram, show.

- which of our A/C was attacked;
- Direction of E/A attack;
- Sun position.

Data on Combat

a. our heading 293° Mag.

b. visibility Good

c. type of E/A PR 190

d. level of attack;

From high above 1230 O'clock

level _____ O'clock

below _____ O'clock

(One) very low _____ O'clock

3. Our Gun Positions Firing on E/A.

(Check below)

Names Lieutenant Henry H. Schmitz/ Sgt. Frank H. Hartkopf

Positions Bombadier

Tail/G

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

Corroborated by Lieutenant J. C. Joplin / S/ Sgt. W.I. Osgood

Position in A/C Nav.

Top/ Y

Other A/C firing at the same time? Yes

5. Comments of the interrogator: Damaged

If formation was very different from standard, show on back of sheet.

Time _____ Interrogator _____

E. Skalak, Capt., A.C.

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Group 306TH

Date 8 February, 1944

Squadron 369TH

Place where attacked 59°40'N. - 03°40'E.

A/C No: 558-M

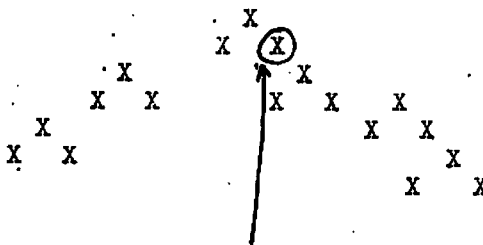
Time 1230 hrs. height 20,000 ft.

1. Story of the attack: - A FW 190 came in from 6 o'clock low to about 500 yds. Tail Gunner fired from 1200 yds. until he passed up over tail out of range. Ball Turret gunner was also firing at him while he was in range. His engine caught on fire and a lot of pieces flew off. He rolled over on his side and then went straight down with his engine flaming.

DAMAGED
A-2 I.B.W.

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

2. Diagram of attack:



On Diagram, show:

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

Data on Combat

- a. our heading 310° Mag.
- b. visibility Good
- c. type of E/A FW 190
- d. level of attack;

From high above O'clock
level O'clock
(Check below 6 O'clock
One) very low O'clock

3. Our Gun Positions Firing on E/A.

Names S/Sgt. Alfred J. Fedorka, S/Sgt. Grover D. Barnett,

Positions Tail Gunner, Ball Turret Gunner

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

Corroborated by S/Sgt. A.J. Fedorka, S/Sgt. G.D. Barnett, Lt. B.W. Cassidy

Position in A/C Tail Gunner Ball Turret Gunner Pilot

Other A/C firing at the same time? No

5. Comments of the interrogator: Damaged

If formation was very different from standard, show on back of sheet.

Time 1620 Interrogator

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Group 306TH

Date 8 February, 1944

Squadron 423RD

Place where attacked After target

A/C No: 539

Time 1233 hrs. Height 19,400 ft.

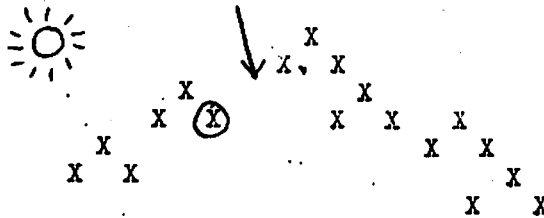
1. Story of the attack:- 2 FW 190s came in at formation right together.

Right Waist Gunner fired at about 200 - 300 feet at one. FW 190 went down in front of plane that was behind. Was on fire and much smoke. Went into uncontrolled dive.

DAMAGED
A-2. I.B.W.

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

2. Diagram of attack:



On Diagram show:
a. which of our A/C was attacked;
b. Direction of E/A attack;
c. Sun position.

Part on Combat

a. our heading 305° Mag.
b. visibility Good
c. type of E/A FW 190
d. level of attack;
From high above O'clock
level 12 O'clock
(Check below O'clock
One) very low O'clock

3. Our Gun Positions Firing on E/A.

Names S/Sgt. Ira E. Walker, Jr.

Positions Right Waist Gunner

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

Corroborated by S/Sgt M.J. Knapp,

Position in A/C Tail Gunner

Other A/C firing at the same time? Possible

5. Comments of the interrogator: Probable duplication of claims.

If formation was very different from standard, show on back of sheet.

Time Interrogator

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Group 36TH

Date 8 February, 1944

Squadron 423RD

Place where attacked After target

A/C No: 599

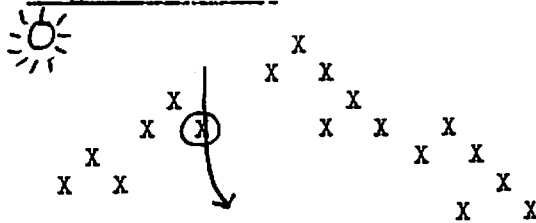
Time 1233 hrs. Height 19,400 ft.

1. Story of the attack:- An 190 came in from 12:00 o'clock, level, broke away in a slow roll. Came within 200 - 300 ft. with tail gunner firing on him. As a result, much smoke and fire. (all crew says it was hit and feel it is definitely destroyed). Didn't even finish slow roll, went right on down.

PROBABLE
A-2 I.B.W.

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

2. Diagram of attack:



On Diagram, show.

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

Data on Combat

- a. our heading 305° Mag
- b. visibility Good
- c. type of E/A P-190
- d. level of attack;
 - From high above O'clock
 - level 12 O'clock
 - (Check below O'clock
 - One) very low O'clock

3. Our Gun Positions Firing on E/A.

Names S/Sgt. Martin J. Knapp,

Positions Tail Gunner

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

Corroborated by T/Sgt. K.N. Feitner,

Position in A/C Top Turret

Other A/C firing at the same time? Other attacks was on this A/C. Tail Gunner feels that he got him.

5. Comments of the interrogator: Destroyed.

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Time Interrogator

Lt. Kavanaugh

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Body of Ross Kahler
Radioman, Snyders crew

MAY 1938

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Body of Louis Colwart

Belly-Turret Gunner Snyders crew

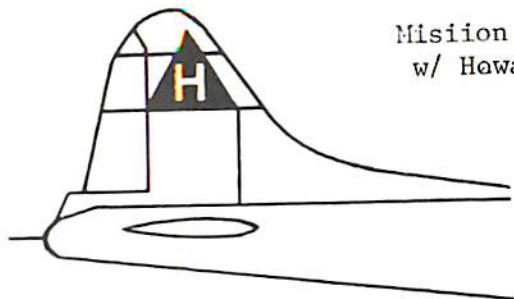
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Pictures of Louis Colwart
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