

FRIDAY - 31 December 1943.

0645 Ops advice briefing for 0500 - breakfast 0400

0500 Briefed pilots, navigators - data follows:

| | | O.C.S. | SPARES |
|-------------------|------------------------|-----------|----------|
| STATIONS - 0750 | Start Engines - SCOTCH | 367 - KFL | 606 |
| START ENGS - 0750 | Standby - GIN | 368 - WDA | 418 |
| TAXI - 0755 | Delayed - RUM | 369 - MVN | 515 |
| TAKE OFF - 0800 | Scrubbed - WINE | 423 - TPZ | ETA-1609 |

NAVIGATORS GIVEN Predannack, Exeter, Warmwell, HURN, and Thorney Island as EMERGENCY AERODROMES

0700 Arranged for M.P.'s, Cletracs, Ambulance, crash tender for 0745

0710 Green passed to ops, division

0900 Routine inspection of aerodrome area - all in order.

0915 Reported beacon telephone w/s to signals - to be repaired

1230 on duty Capt. Haley.

1235 Wind - west. 10 mph.

1335 yellow to ops.

1A15 made routine inspection of drome. Note that short perimeter is broken up very badly - viz now. 1400 yds.

1A45 issued coms "AX" to pundit crew

Made arrangements for cletracs - M.P.'s

1A50 extra Amb + C-tender to be here at 1545-

1610 Wing F/C advises that they are diverting
our A/c to Beaulieu - or to Witchford.
However if A/c come over head having not
received the diversion message that we may
land them - if not, then send them to Witchford.
ops. at wing says if Col. Robinson lands A/c here. He does so at his own risk.

1900 Flare path laid QFUH 2A not consulted

1930 Pundt. crew reports "OK!"

2045 Lt. Boorman H.Q. advises that 327 crashed
near Hitchin - crew safe. all concerned notified

2200 Routine inspection of perimeter, lighting - all in order.
No A/c will leave ground except

1800 368th Gasster on test flight.