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"MISSION SUMMARY"

MISSION NO. 47
9TH. APRIL, 1944

94TH. COMBAT BOMB WING
401ST. BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)

REPORT OF OPERATIONAL
DAY

MISSION No. **47**

Date: **9 APR. 44**

TO: **MARIENBURG, GER.**

OFFICE OF THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICER
STATION 128 - APO 557
U. S. ARMY

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9 April 1944.

SUBJECT: Comments of Crews Participating in Mission to Marienburg, 9 Apr. 44.


TO : Commanding Officer, Station 128, APO 557, U.S. Army. (Thru Lt. Col. B. K. Voorhees and Lt. Col. A. G. Brooks).

1. The crew of Lt. Lawrence E. Fitchett, Pilot A/C 7043, and Lt. Robert P. Walsh, Pilot A/C 1863, think that sandwiches and drink should be provided on long missions.

2. The crew of Lt. Samuel P. Wilson, Pilot A/C 9820, state that truck service was very good.

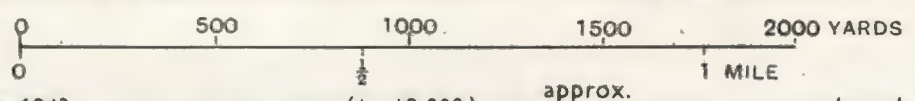
3. Lt. Scribner C. Dailey, Pilot A/C 1662, stated that his crew had to wait 15 minutes for interrogation, no interrogator being present at his table. This airplane commander observed that aircraft piloted by Lt. Alexander R. Livingstone and Lt. Lawrence E. Fitchett flew too far back, causing low squadron to be out of position.

4. Lt. Alexander R. Livingstone, Pilot A/C 1557, stated that the leader of the low squadron flew behind No. 3 ship in the lead squadron, crowding the formation badly.

5. Lt. Lewis S. Jaffe, Navigator A/C 1557, remarked that the Group was formed during the hour when the buncher was not transmitted. 

W. B. FRY,
Major, A. C.,
Group S-2 Officer.

Target No 3/AIR/328 AIRCRAFT ASSEMBLY PLANT & AIRFIELD — MAR 1943 G near ELBING 3/AIR/328/1 (GERMANY)



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Issued August 1943



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HEADQUARTERS
401st BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Staff Weather Officer
APO 557, U.S. Army

9 April 1944

WEATHER INTERROGATION SUMMARY FOR MISSION OF 9 APRIL 1944:

TAKE-OFF: 0717. 10/10 low cloud base 800' in variable layers top 8000'.
10/10 medium cloud base 9000' top 12000'. Nil high cloud. Visibility
1600 yards.

ROUTE OUT: 10/10 low cloud top 8-9000' becoming Nil-2/10 over Denmark and
becoming Nil east of 10 degrees E. 10/10 medium cloud base 9000' top 12000'
breaking to Nil at 10 degrees E. Nil high cloud becoming Nil-2/10 above 25000'
at 8 degrees E and gradually increasing to 6-0/10 over target area. Visibility
unrestricted at flight level.

TARGET: 1331. Nil low and medium cloud. 6-0/10 thin high cloud above 25000'.
Visibility unrestricted.

ROUTE BACK: Nil low cloud becoming 10/10 in layers over North Sea base 3-400'
top 8-9000' becoming over interior of England 3-5/10 base 2-3000' top 5-6000'.
7-9/10 medium cloud in thin layers base 9-10000' top 12-14000' forming over
North Sea and becoming 4-5/10 over England. 6-3/10 high cloud above 25000'
decreasing to Nil over interior England. Visibility unrestricted except in
light showers below 3000' at English coast.

BASE OF RETURN: 1846. 4-5/10 low cloud base 2000' top 5-6000'. 4-5/10
medium cloud base 7-8000' top 12-14000'. Nil high cloud.

REMARKS: No contrails observed. Temperatures about 2 degrees warmer than
briefed at all levels. Winds east of 8 degrees E 10-20 degrees more southerly
and about 10 knots stronger than briefed.

Walter J. Sancier
WALTER J. SANCIER
1st Lt., Air Corps
Weather Officer

OPERATIONAL ROUTE FORECAST

DATE 9 APRIL 1964
 PERIOD 0700-1930 Hrs
 AG P BR HQ SOS 2-44/65M/22929

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 BY NAVA DATE 21 12 11

| | A Base to 06 Deg East | B 06 Deg East to Target to 07 Deg East | C 07 Deg East to Base | D 07 Deg East to Base |
|-------------------|--|---|---|---|
| WEATHER | 1 Cloudy With Base becoming Overcast with Light to Moderate Rain at 03 Deg East and Cloudy at 06 Deg East | Cloudy Becoming Partly Cloudy | Cloudy Becoming Overcast with Light to Moderate Rain Showers | Light Non-persistent Contrails Above 20,000ft Becoming dense Persistent at Cirrus Level |
| CLOUDS | 2 Variable Patches Stratocumulus 6-8/10 Base 500-1000 ft Tops 2000 with 4-6/10 Stratocumulus Base 4000 ft Tops 5000 ft. Lower Deck Dissipating Over North Sea. 6-8/10 Alto-cumulus in Variable Layers 10-16,000 ft increasing to 8-10/10 at 03 Deg East and breaking to 4-6/10 in thin layers 10-16,000ft at 06 Deg East. 6-8/10 Cirrus Above 20,000ft. | 4-6/10 Stratocumulus Base 4,000ft Tops 5000ft Decreasing to NIL-5/10 at Target. 4-6/10 Alto-cumulus in Variable Layers at 10-16,000ft Decreasing to NIL. 6-8/10 Cirrus Above 20,000ft Decreasing to 4-6/10 Fine Cirrus Above 23,000ft in Target Area. SIMILAR ON RETURN | 4-6/10 Stratocumulus Base 4000ft Tops 5000ft Increasing gradually to 8-10/10 Bases 1000ft to 2000ft Over Base 4-6/10 Alto-cumulus in Layers from 10,000ft to 16,000 Increasing and thickening West of 03 Deg East Becoming 10/10 base 8-10,000ft Tops 16-18,000ft over Base | 6-8/10 Cirrus Increasing West of 03 Deg East to 10/10 Cirrostratus Above 18,000ft ---NOTE--- Winds th Same from 08 Deg East to Target to 08 Deg East. |
| ICING | 3 9000ft Light ice in in icicle cloud | 9000ft Light Fine becoming NIL | 9000ft Light Fine becoming moderate Fine aloft | West of 03 Deg East |
| VISIBILITY | 4 1000 to 2000yds becoming 6 Miles Aloft | Unrestricted Aloft Vertical Visibility 10 Miles Plus | Unrestricted Becoming 3-5 Miles except 1-2 Miles in Rain Showers | |
| HEIGHT | DIRECTION VELOCITY | DIRECTION VELOCITY | DIRECTION VELOCITY | DIRECTION VELOCITY |
| SURFACE | Base to 08 Deg East | 08 Deg East to Target | 08 Deg East to Base | Sea surface Plus 10 |
| 5000 FT | 160 25 | 250 10 | 180 25 | Plus 08 |
| 10,000 FT | 200 25 | 240 15 | 190 25 | |
| 15,000 FT | 200 25 | 250 20 | 200 40 | -12 |
| 20,000 FT | 210 30 | 250 25 | 210 45 | -12 |
| 25,000 FT | 230 30 | 260 30 | 220 50 | -21 |
| 25,000 FT | 240 25 | 280 35 | 230 55 | -33 |
| 30,000 FT | 260 25 | 290 40 | 230 60 | -45 |

BASE ALTIMETER SETTING 29.53 TARGET SURFACE TEMP PLUS 10 TARGET MEAN TEMP PLUS 01
 TEMP. AT 16,000 FT. -14 TARGET SURFACE (PRESSURE-ALT) -133ft
Sea Level Pressure 30.12

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8th BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
401st BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
APO 557
Office of the Operations Officer

AAF Station 128
9 April 1944.

SUBJECT : Loading List

TO : Operations Officer, 401st Bombardment group (H), APO 557, AAF Station 128

Plane 42-31891

| | | | |
|-----|----------------------|---------|-------|
| P | Goodman, James F. | Capt. | 612th |
| CP | McGree, Donald G. | Capt. | " |
| H | Reberer, Walter E. | Capt. | " |
| B | Anderson, Donald H. | 2nd Lt. | " |
| RO | Graham, James J. | T/sgt. | " |
| TTG | DeWees, Foster E. | T/sgt. | " |
| BTG | Farmer, John C. | T/sgt. | " |
| TG | Chmura, Stanislaw R. | 2nd Lt. | " |
| LWG | Henderson, Pete D. | S/sgt. | " |
| RWG | Markle, Burtob A. | S/sgt. | " |

Plane 42-31662

| | | | |
|-----|------------------------------------|---------|---|
| P | Dalley, Scribner G. | 1st Lt. | " |
| CP | Stokes, Alexander G. | 1st Lt. | " |
| N | Stokes Reese, Victor B. | 2nd Lt. | " |
| B | Winn, Roy R. | 1st Lt. | " |
| RO | Hildreth, Arthur W. | Sgt. | " |
| TTG | Hagan, Charles T. (T) | T/sgt. | " |
| BTG | Davies, Leonardo F. | S/sgt. | " |
| TO | Sanders, Charles W. | S/sgt. | " |
| LWG | Piate, Robert A. | S/sgt. | " |
| RWG | Litchfield, Russell E. | S/sgt. | " |

Plane 42-107033

| | | | |
|-----|-----------------------|---------|---|
| P | Fox, Gaston H. | 1st Lt. | " |
| CP | Waller, Jack Eric | 2nd Lt. | " |
| H | Wilson, Darrell D. | 2nd Lt. | " |
| B | Mandelson, Leonard J. | 1st Lt. | " |
| RO | Brandt, Duane G. | T/sgt. | " |
| TTG | Brown, Allen D. | T/sgt. | " |
| BTG | VanBooven, Donald W. | S/sgt. | " |
| TG | Estess, Cecil C. | S/sgt. | " |
| LWG | Gallas, Joseph (MIL) | S/sgt. | " |
| RWG | Sierra, Charles P. | S/sgt. | " |

Plane 42-31496

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|-----|-----------------------|---------|---|
| P | Hagan, Marion O. Jr. | 1st Lt. | " |
| CP | Dunn, John B. Jr. | 2nd Lt. | " |
| H | Cordell, Wilbur F. | 2nd Lt. | " |
| B | Graham, Fred E. | 2nd Lt. | " |
| RO | Harr, Martin A. | T/sgt. | " |
| TTG | Bissona, Harry G. Jr. | T/sgt. | " |
| BTG | Cox, Wade H. | S/sgt. | " |
| TO | Henson, William W. | S/sgt. | " |
| LWG | Solichitano, Frank J. | S/sgt. | " |
| RWG | Stone, James A. | S/sgt. | " |

Plane 42-31891

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Plane 42-70979

P Kelly, William J.
 CP Coyne, Daniel J.
 N VanDyke, George R.
 B Hajewski, Louis J.
 RO VanDuren Paul R.
 TIG Johnson, Morris W.
 BTG Stengel, Percy J.
 TG Garity, John B.
 LIG Peacock, George T.
 RIG Connor, Jay L. Jr.

1st Lt.
 2nd Lt.
 2nd Lt.
 2nd Lt.
 S/Sgt.
 T/Sgt.
 T/Sgt.
 S/Sgt.
 S/Sgt.
 T/Sgt.

612th

Plane 42-71497

P West, George J.
 CP McKinnon, Douglas H.
 N Muttter, Lloyd A.
 B Montgomery, Thomas B.
 RO Andrus, Robert L.
 TIG Russell, Francis L.
 BTG Rumble, John L.
 TG Lefkin, Michael (NMI)
 LIG Russell, Hugh D.
 RIG Morini, Alfred J.

1st Lt.
 2nd Lt.
 2nd Lt.
 2nd Lt.
 T/Sgt.
 T/Sgt.
 S/Sgt.
 S/Sgt.
 S/Sgt.
 S/Sgt.

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Plane 42-70993

P Bingham, George F.
 CP Road, Francis W.
 N Tomlinson, Harvey G.
 B Latt, Eugene F.
 RO Girogiani, Alex (NMI)
 TIG Dunn, Johnny K.
 BTG Johns, Carl W.
 TG Yeatts, Lawson K.
 LIG Shannon, James L.
 RIG Callahan, Michael (J.)

1st Lt.
 2nd Lt.
 2nd Lt.
 2nd Lt.
 T/Sgt.
 T/Sgt.
 S/Sgt.
 S/Sgt.
 S/Sgt.
 S/Sgt.

Plane 42-21003

WAG
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S/Sgt.
 S/Sgt.
 S/Sgt.
 S/Sgt.
 S/Sgt.
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 S/Sgt.
 S/Sgt.

612th

Plane 42-21001

TO :
 SUBJECT :

U.S. AIR FORCE
 WASHINGTON, D.C.

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613th BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
 OFFICE OF THE OPERATIONS OFFICER
 AAF STATION 128, APO # 557

9 APRIL 1944

SUBJECT : LOADING LIST

TO : OPERATIONS OFFICER, 401st BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON, AAF STATION 128, APO # 557

1. FOLLOWING IS THE LIST OF COMBAT CREWS PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S MISSION.

| <u>POS</u> | <u>RANK</u> | <u>LAST NAME</u> | <u>FIRST NAME</u> | <u>MI</u> |
|---------------------------|-------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------|
| <u>PLANE NO. 42-31072</u> | | | | |
| P | 1st Lt. | LOCHER | JAMES | R. JR. |
| CP | 2nd Lt. | FRUITT | DON | C. |
| N | 1st Lt. | DUQUETTE | FRED | D. |
| B | 1st Lt. | BROWN | JOHN | F. |
| RO | T/SGT. | BRADY | OTHO | H. |
| TT | T/SGT. | KENNEDY | GEORGE | L. |
| BT | S/SGT. | DEWITT | FRANK | G. |
| TG | S/SGT. | MERRILL | CLARK | G. |
| LWG | S/SGT. | KLIMEK | JOHN | C. |
| RWG | S/SGT. | DOMM | HAROLD | N. |

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|---------------------------|---------|---------|---------|-------|
| <u>PLANE NO. 42-31226</u> | | | | |
| P | 1st Lt. | STELZER | ROBERT | L. |
| CP | 2nd Lt. | JOHNSON | WENDELL | T. |
| N | 2nd Lt. | HOBBS | HERBERT | L. |
| B | 2nd Lt. | WARREN | ROBERT | (NMI) |
| RO | T/SGT. | HECKER | DONALD | A. |
| TT | T/SGT. | PACK | JESSE | O. |
| BT | S/SGT. | BLACK | JAMES | P. |
| TG | S/SGT. | FERLAND | ARTHUR | W. |
| LWG | S/SGT. | RICE | EDWARD | J. |
| RWG | S/SGT. | HOLLAND | THOMAS | H. |

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|---------------------------|---------|-------------|-----------|----|
| <u>PLANE NO. 42-31557</u> | | | | |
| P | 2nd Lt. | LIVINGSTONE | ALEXANDER | R. |
| CP | 2nd Lt. | O'NEIL | EDWARD | T. |
| N | 2nd Lt. | JAFFE | LEWIS | S. |
| B | 2nd Lt. | DERSHIMER | HAROLD | W. |
| RO | S/SGT. | MUNCH | ELMER | C. |
| TT | S/SGT. | GREER | CECIL | B. |
| BT | S/SGT. | O'BRIEN | JOHN | D. |
| TG | S/SGT. | FETZER | ELMER | M. |
| LWG | S/SGT. | BAEHLER | JAMES | E. |
| RWG | S/SGT. | MARTINELLI | ALEXANDER | M. |

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|---------------------------|---------|-----------|---------|--------|
| <u>PLANE NO. 42-31005</u> | | | | |
| P | 2nd Lt. | VOKATY | ALFRED | E. |
| CP | 2nd Lt. | GAMBRELL | WILLIAM | L. JR. |
| N | 2nd Lt. | SCHACHTER | SHEA | (NMI) |
| B | 1st Lt. | STRODE | CHARLES | R. |
| RO | T/SGT. | HALPIN | RONALD | C. |
| TT | T/SGT. | BOROS | JOSEPH | J. |
| BT | S/SGT. | CRULL | HOWARD | M. |
| TG | S/SGT. | CANTER | WARREN | (NMI) |
| LWG | S/SGT. | SANDERS | ROY | G. JR. |
| RWG | SGT. | CAMPBELL | JOHN | F. |

PLANE NO. A2-107043

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|-----|---------|-----------|----------|-------|
| P | 2nd Lt. | FITCHETT | LAWRENCE | E. |
| CP | 2nd Lt. | CAMPBELL | BRUCE | M. |
| N | 2nd Lt. | PFEIFFER | LAWRENCE | W. |
| B | 2nd Lt. | SANCHEZ | LOUIS | T. |
| RO | T/SGT. | BERGNER | MAX | H. |
| TT | T/SGT. | PARSLOE | BERTRAM | (NMI) |
| BT | S/SGT. | SASSI | LOUIS | M. |
| TG | S/SGT. | ROSE | ANTHONY | F. |
| LWG | S/SGT. | HANNABURY | RALPH | A. |
| RWC | SGT. | COLE | THOMAS | B. |

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SIX HUNDRED AND FOURTEENTH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
FOUR HUNDRED AND FIRST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Operations Officer

AAF Station # 128
9 April 1944.

SUBJECT: Loading List.

TO : Operations Officer, 401st Bomb Gp (H), AAF Station # 128,
APO # 557.

1. Following is the list of Combat Crews participating in today's
Mission.

*Plane 42-59440

| | | | |
|-----|---------|-------------------------|-------|
| P | 1st Lt. | STIMSON, BOUDINOT (NMI) | 614th |
| CP | 2nd Lt. | TIMBERLAKE, ROBERT H. | " |
| N | 1st Lt. | O'NEAL, JOHN E. JR. | " |
| B | 1st Lt. | PFAPPMAN, JACK L. | " |
| RO | T/Sgt. | Mancuse, Carmon L. | " |
| TT | T/Sgt. | Kukurin, Karl E. | " |
| BT | S/Sgt. | Melia, Paul S. | " |
| TG | S/Sgt. | LoSage, Alfred (NMI) | " |
| LWG | Cpl. | Amos, Paul J. | " |
| RWG | Cpl. | Allen, Andrew L. | " |

*Plane 42-31863

| | | | |
|-----|---------|--------------------------|-------|
| P | 2nd Lt. | WALSH, ROBERT P. | 614th |
| CP | 2nd Lt. | LONG, JOHN C. | " |
| N | 2nd Lt. | MATRICIAN, MICHAEL (NMI) | " |
| B | 2nd Lt. | PORTER, GUY R. | " |
| RO | Cpl. | Zappala, Vincent | " |
| TT | T/Sgt. | Stallcup, Mose H. | " |
| BT | S/Sgt. | Collie, Perry O. | " |
| TG | S/Sgt. | Brgoch, Ludvick J. | " |
| LWG | S/Sgt. | Cartmill, Charles L. | " |
| RWG | S/Sgt. | Layland, John M. | " |

PLANE 42-59820

| | | | |
|-----|---------|--|-------|
| P | 1st Lt. | WILSON, SAMUEL P. | 614th |
| CP | 2nd Lt. | Gattis, ELGIN V. | " |
| N | 2nd Lt. | SUDAKOV, LAWRENCE H. | " |
| B | 2nd Lt. | VANDERKAM, ROBERT DALY JOHN J. JR. | " |
| RO | T/Sgt. | Kelley, Homer C. | " |
| TT | T/Sgt. | MORRISSEY, JOHN E. Corley, Jesse C. | " |
| BT | S/Sgt. | Corntassel, Beryle A. | " |
| TG | S/Sgt. | Sokol, Leonard E. | " |
| LWG | Cpl. | Morrissey, John E. | " |
| RWG | S/Sgt. | Wolf, William B. | " |

***PLANE 42-38162**

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|-----|---------|--|-------|
| P | 1st Lt. | DAVES, WILLIAM R. JR. | 614th |
| CP | 2nd Lt. | PRATT, JOHN D. | " |
| N | 2nd Lt. | SCHUBERG, JOHN A. | " |
| B | 2nd Lt. | VAN NOY, RUSSELL N. | " |
| RO | T/Sgt. | Brown, Walter L. Jr. | " |
| TT | T/Sgt. | Norell, Olie A. | " |
| BT | S/Sgt. | XXXXXXXXXXXX LaFountain, Louis M. | " |
| TG | S/Sgt. | Gentry, Ray A. | " |
| LWG | S/Sgt. | Arcenson, Aryn C. | " |
| RWG | S/Sgt. | Mooney, William R. | " |

***PLANE 42-40001**

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|-----|---------|----------------------|-------|
| P | 2nd Lt. | BARTLEY, LEO S. | 614th |
| CP | 2nd Lt. | HAMMOND, HOWARD W. | " |
| N | 2nd Lt. | RYAN, WILLIAM F. | " |
| B | 2nd Lt. | CARTER, JAMES P. | " |
| RO | S/Sgt. | Frederick, Eugene D. | " |
| TT | S/Sgt. | Rader, Richard A. | " |
| BT | S/Sgt. | Berg, Edgar M. | " |
| TG | S/Sgt. | Hartwell, Dennis R. | " |
| LWG | S/Sgt. | DeGraff, Andrew D. | " |
| RWG | Cpl. | Sherman, Gilbert | " |

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***PLANE 42-39847**

| | | | |
|-----|---------|----------------------|-------|
| P | 2nd Lt. | SHAW, FRANCIS L. | 614th |
| CP | 2nd Lt. | COLE, WILLIAM R. | " |
| N | 2nd Lt. | ENGELHARDT, EIMER W. | " |
| B | 2nd Lt. | AUTRY, ALFRED L. | " |
| RO | S/Sgt. | Terroux, Kenneth A. | " |
| TT | S/Sgt. | Macomber, Richard W. | " |
| BT | S/Sgt. | Hurd, John L. | " |
| TS | S/Sgt. | Brennan, Michael G. | " |
| LWG | S/Sgt. | Seagren, Carl K. | " |
| RWG | S/Sgt. | Gordon, Robert T. | " |

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SIX HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
 FOUR HUNDRED AND FIRST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
 Office of the Operations Officer
 AAF - Sta - 128 - APO - 557

9 April 1944

SUBJECT: Loading List

TO : Operations Officer, 401st Bomb Gp (H), APO # 557.

1. Following is the list of Combat Crews participating in today's mission.

PLANE # 42-97496

| DUTY | RANK | LAST (NAME) | FIRST | (MI) | SQUADRON |
|------|---------|-------------|----------|-------|----------|
| P - | 2nd Lt. | Byrd | G. (10) | C. | 615th |
| CP - | 2nd Lt. | Calfee | Fred | M. | 615th |
| N - | 2nd Lt. | Patterson | Wayne | D. | 615th |
| B - | 2nd Lt. | Vickrey | Charles | R. | 615th |
| RO - | S/Sgt. | Exnowski | Joseph | C. | 615th |
| TT - | T/Sgt. | Patterson | Delbert | L. | 615th |
| BT - | Sgt. | Skelton | Floyd | (NMI) | 615th |
| TG - | S/Sgt. | Holzman | Michael | (NMI) | 615th |
| LWG- | Sgt. | Muscarella | Lawrence | S. | 615th |
| RWG- | S/Sgt. | Hussey | Wayne | T. | 615th |

PLANE # 42-81983

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|------|---------|-----------|-----------|----|-------|
| P - | 2nd Lt. | Knight | Dan | C. | 615th |
| CP - | 2nd Lt. | Huegin | William | D. | 615th |
| N - | F/O | Rush | Louis | R. | 615th |
| B - | 2nd Lt. | Chambers | Edward | C. | 615th |
| RO - | S/Sgt. | Mackey | Jack | L. | 615th |
| TT - | T/Sgt. | Sartor | William | D. | 615th |
| BT - | S/Sgt. | Mackowiak | William | E. | 615th |
| TG - | S/Sgt. | Pacely | Charles | L. | 615th |
| LWG- | S/Sgt. | Wilson | Charles | J. | 615th |
| RWG- | Sgt. | Gops | Frederick | L. | 615th |

PLANE # 42-97073

| | | | | | |
|------|---------|---------|---------|-------|-------|
| P - | 2nd Lt. | Otton | Walter | J. | 615th |
| CP - | 2nd Lt. | Line | Frank | (NMI) | 615th |
| N - | 2nd Lt. | Wade | Jay | A. | 615th |
| B - | 2nd Lt. | Lotz | Robert | F. | 615th |
| RO - | S/Sgt. | Weber | Bernard | J. | 615th |
| TT - | S/Sgt. | Gould | George | F. | 615th |
| BT - | S/Sgt. | Warlow | Charles | R. | 615th |
| TG - | Sgt. | Campson | John | A. | 615th |
| LWG- | Sgt. | McGaha | James | H. | 615th |
| RWG- | Sgt. | Meeks | Ralph | W. | 615th |

TARGET- Marienburg

1. The target is the airfield and fighter A/C assembly plant situated 3 3/4 miles East of Marienburg

The buildings here form a compact group on the N boundary of the field and there are strong indications that assembly of FW 190's has been going on on an increasing scale.

This same target was hit Oct. 9 and all but one building was destroyed and even this was severely damaged. That this plant is once more in operation is just another example of the rapidity of German recuperation and reconstruction.

At the time it was hit, it was estimated that this plant was responsible for more than 50% of the production of 190's.

Your MPI is the power plant right in the middle of the group of buildings and a nice pattern should get some of the surrounding ones.

Bombing is expected to be visual-cloud cover is estimated to be 1 to 3/10's over the target and your altitude will be 15,000'.

2. Show route on 1:500,000

3. There are no diversions as such, but:

- a. The 2nd. Div. will be hitting Tutow
- b. The 3rd. Div. will be hitting Warnemunde
- c. Portions of the 3rd. Div. will also be hitting Krzesinki and ~~Marienburg~~ Poznan.

- incl Divs*
- d. 2 Wings from the 1st. Div. will be hitting Marienburg 41st.
 - 2 Wing " " " " Rahmel 94th. and 40th.
 - 1 Wing " " " " Gdynia 1st.

4. Fighter Support.

- a. Going in
 - 1 Gp 47's to limit of range.

In the area, supporting the 2nd. Div. will be 9 Gps of friendly A/C, and in support of the 3rd. Div. on Warnemunde will be 7 Gps.

- b. Coming out, you will have 1 Gp of 51's

5. Show route on 1:250,000

6. Show Flak

(chaff o.k.)

There should be very little flak encountered. Going in, if the course is flown as briefed, the heavy area around Flensburg will be avoided and Kiel. Around the target there is none reported, altho there is the possibility of mobile units having moved in.

Coming out, again if the briefed route is flown, the heavy areas around Danzig and across Jutland will be avoided.

7. Show Nite target chart

8. Show photo with MPI

9. Secondary T-Shipbuilding yard at Danzig . (Show photo)

10. Last resort-Naval Armament works in Danzig.

11. Special instruct ons.

a. There may possibly be one convoy S bound and one N bound on the way out.
None are expected on the way back.

b. P/W instructions.

If forced down around the target, head into Poland or head for the Baltic ports and try to get a ship for Sweden.

If forced down around Jutland, head up into Denmark and try to get across into Sweden.

If forced down in Sweden itself, give no information to anyone. State that you were only on a nonOperat onal flight. It will not be necessary to destroy your plane, but do destroy all maps and papers and classified equipment.

The Swedes are very friendly towards our Air Force.

If in trouble, the following fields are recommended:

Gothenburg *NW*

Sauternes

Malmo - *SW*

Kalmar - *E*

Ljungbyed *middle*

Stockholm - *NE*

These fields are short, but adequate for heavy bombers. To avoid A/A fire, it is advised to enter thru the S corridor which is the route flown by the British Overseas A/C.

c. Be careful ot to mention the name of the target after the briefing.

d. Be sure each man has his identify photos, GI shoes and dog tags.

e. Any A/C unable to make it back to the base here, will, if possible, try to land at Kelstern.

HEADQUARTERS
AAF STATION 128
APO 557

9 April, 1944

SUBJECT: S-4 Combat Mission Report, 9 April, 1944.

TO : Commanding Officer, 1st Bombardment Division, APO 557.

1. The following Engineering failures were reported with the number of cases in parenthesis:

Cylinder Head Temperature Gauge Out (1)
Tachometer Out (2)

2. The following Armament failures were reported with the number of cases in parenthesis:

None Reported.

3. The following failures other than Engineering and Armament were reported with the number of cases in parenthesis:

None Reported.

CHARLES W. HUNT
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Group Engineering Officer

HEADQUARTERS
401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H) F-A-1
Office of the Engineering Officer
Station 128

A.P.O. 557
9 April 1944

SUBJECT: Mission Summary Report.

TO : Group Operations, AAF Station 128.

1. Abortives.

a. Airplane No. 42-97487 returned early due to internal failure of No. 2 Engine. This airplane did not land at its home base, so no further information is available.

b. Airplane No. 42-40001 returned early due to a drop of oil pressure and increase of oil temperature on No. 3 Engine. This airplane was unable to land at its home base and no further information is available.

c. Airplane No. 42-31226 returned early because the Pilot received a radio message that the operation was being recalled. Also the No. 4 supercharger was erratic. Ground check of the supercharger revealed no malfunction but no crew was available for altitude test hop.

2. Battle Damage.

a. 42-31891 - Flak hole in left side of fuselage at station 6B.

b. 42-39979 - Flak hole in leading edge of fairing joining left wing to fuselage.

c. 42-31557 - Flak hole in leading edge of right horizontal stabilizer, near tip, damaging spar and rib.

| <u>TOTAL NO. OF A/C</u> | <u>MAJOR DAMAGE</u> | <u>MINOR DAMAGE</u> | <u>BY FLAK</u> |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| 3 | 0 | 3 | 3 |

CHARLES W. HUNT

1st Lt., Air Corps,
Group Engineering Officer.

HEADQUARTERS
401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Armament Officer
Station 128

A.P.O. 557
9 April, 1944

SUBJECT: Armament Narrative, Mission No. 46, 9 April, 1944.

TO : Commanding Officer, 401st Bombardment Group (H)
APO 557, U.S. Army.

1. Negative Armament and Bomb Rack malfunction report is submitted for the Mission of 9 April, 1944.

SAM P. BROOMHALL JR.
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Group Armament Officer

612TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
OFFICE OF THE ENGINEERING OFFICER
STATION 128
APO 557

9 April, 1944

SUBJECT: Battle Damage Report

TO : Engineering Officer, 401st Bombardment Group, Station 128,
APO 557, U.S.Army.

1. The following is the battle damage report for the aircraft operated by this Squadron for the combat mission completed this date:

| AIRPLANE NO. | BATTLE DAMAGE |
|--------------|--|
| 42-31891 | 1. Flak hole in left side of fuselage at station 6B. |
| 42-39979 | 1. Flak hole in leading edge of fairing joining left wing to fuselage. |
| 42-107039 | Negative |
| 42-31496 | Negative |
| 42-31662 | Negative |
| 42-39993 | Negative |

Herbert O. Kimmel
HERBERT O. KIMMEL
1st Lt, Air Corps
Engineering Officer

HEADQUARTERS
401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
AAF STATION 128

A.P.O. 557
10 April, 1944

SUBJECT: 3-4 Combat Mission Report on Mission 19 April, 1944
TO : Commanding Officer, 1st Bombardment Division, APO 557.

1. The following Engineering failures were reported with the number of cases in parenthesis:

Engine Failure (1) Flux Gate Compass Out (1)
Cylinder Head Temperature Guage Out (1)
Flight Indicator Out (1)

2. The following Armament failures were reported with the number of cases in parenthesis:

None Reported.

3. The following failures other than Engineering and Armament were reported with the number of cases in parenthesis:

None Reported.

CHARLES W. HUNT
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Group Engineering Officer

HEADQUARTERS
401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Engineering Officer
Station 128

A.P.O. 557
10 April, 1944

SUBJECT: Mission Summary Report

TO : Group Operations, Station 128, APO 557.

1. Abortives.

a. Airplane No. 42-40050 returned early because of failure of # 2 engine due to enemy action and two crew members were wounded.

2. Battle Damage.

a. 42-40050 - Push rod housing on # 9 cylinder of # 3 engine damaged by flak; Flak hole in bottom of right wing near station 31; Flak hole in bottom of right wing near station 24; Flak hole in right bomb bay door, shot salvo bar in half; Flak hole in fairing joining left wing to fuselage; Flak hole in fairing of right wing to fuselage; Flak hole in left side of fuselage near station 3b; Flak hole in bottom of left wing near station 19; Flak hole in bottom of left side of fuselage near station 3c; Flak hole in bottom of right side of fuselage near station 6c; Flak hole in bottom of left waist window structure; Flak hole in bottom of left elevator, leading edge, out top; Flak hole in bottom of left horizontal stabilizer near station 78, in bottom out top; Left rudder cable cut by flak change necessary; Flak hole in left side of fuselage near station 7b; Flak hole in left side of vertical fin near station 7, in left side out right; Flak hole in left side of vertical fin just above station 12, out right side; Flak hole in right elevator near station 130; Flak hole in leading edge of left horizontal stabilizer near station 208; Flak hole in bottom right side of fuselage at station 6g.

b. 42-39993 - Flak hole in bottom left side of fuselage near station 6g.

c. 42-31662 - Flak hole in top of right wing near station 25; Flak hole in right side of fuselage near station 3g.

d. 42-39979 - Flak hole in bottom of left wing near station 31; Flak hole in bottom of right aileron near station 23; Flak hole in bottom of right aileron near station 29, aileron change necessary.

SUBJECT: Mission Summary Report (continued)

e. 42-32005 - Small flak hole in Plexiglass Nose Section; Small flak hole in leading edge of right wing, between # 3 nacelle and fuselage.

f. 42-31226 - Flak hole in top of # 2 nacelle causing slight structural damage; 3" flak out in top of left horizontal stabilizer, near fuselage.

g. 42-107092 - Large hole through right wing inner panel behind # 3 nacelle caused by unexploded 88mm shell; Small flak hole in left side of vertical fin.

h. 42-39843 - 3" flak hole through upper turret; Small flak hole through fuselage, above ball turret; Small flak hole in bottom of fuselage, in front of ball turret; Small flak hole in # 1 nacelle; Flak hole in top of # 4 nacelle; Small flak hole in top of left horizontal stabilizer.

i. 42-39904 - Several flak holes in bottom of right wing, outer panel; Small flak hole in leading edge of left wing, between fuselage and # 2 nacelle.

| <u>TOTAL NO.</u> <u>OF A/C</u> | <u>MAJOR</u> <u>DAMAGE</u> | <u>MINOR</u> <u>DAMAGE</u> | <u>BY</u> <u>FLAK</u> |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 9 | 2 | 7 | 9 |

CHARLES W. HUNT
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Group Engineering Officer

HEADQUARTERS
401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Armament Officer
Station 128

A.P.O. 557
10 April, 1944

SUBJECT: Armament Narrative, Mission No. 47, 10 April, 1944.

TO : Commanding Officer, 401st Bombardment Group (H)
APO 557, U.S. Army.

1. Negative Armament and Bomb Rack malfunction report is submitted for the mission of 10 April, 1944.

SAM F. BROOMHALL JR.
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Group Armament Officer

612TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
OFFICE OF THE ENGINEERING OFFICER
STATION 128
APO 557

10 March 1944

SUBJECT: Battle Damage Report

TO: Engineering Officer, 401st Bombardment Group (H),
Station 128, APO 557, U. S. Army

1. The following is the battle damage report for the airplanes operated by this Squadron on the combat mission completed this date.

| AIRPLANE NO. | BATTLE DAMAGE. |
|--------------|---|
| 42-40050 | <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Push rod housing on # 9 cylinder of # 3 engine damaged by flak.2. Flak hole in bottom of right wing near station 31.3. Flak hole in bottom of right wing near station 24.4. Flak hole in right bombay door; shot salvo bar in half.5. Flak hole in fairing joining left wing to fuselage (leading edge).6. Flak hole in left side of fuselage near station 3b.7. Flak hole in bottom of left wing near station 19.8. Flak hole in bottom left side of fuselage near station 3c.9. Flak hole in bottom right side of fuselage near station 6c.10. Flak hole in bottom of left waist window structure.11. Flak hole in bottom of left horizontal stabilizer near station 78, in bottom out top.12. Flak hole in bottom of left elevator, leading edge, out top.13. Left rudder cable cut by flak, requires changing.14. Flak hole in left side of fuselage near station 7b.15. Flak hole in left side of vertical fin near station 7, in left side out right side.16. Flak hole in left side of vertical fin just above station 12, out right side.17. Flak hole in right elevator near station 130.18. Flak hole in leading edge of left horizontal stabilizer near station 209.19. Flak hole in bottom right side of fuselage at station 6g. |

42-39993

1. Flak hole in bottom left side of fuselage near station 6g.

42-31662

1. Flak hole in top of right wing near station 23.
2. Flak hole in right side of fuselage near station 3g.

42-39979

1. Flak hole in bottom of left wing near station 31.
~~2. Flak hole in bottom of right aileron near station 23.~~
~~3. Flak hole in bottom of right aileron near station 29.~~
2. Flak hole in bottom of right aileron near station 23.
3. Flak hole in bottom of right aileron near station 29.
(requires aileron change.)

42-39943

1. Negative.

Herbert O. Kimmel
HERBERT O. KIMMEL
1st Lt, Air Corps
Engineering Officer

HEADQUARTERS
401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Armament Officer
Station 128

F-C-2

A.P.O. 557
10 June 1944

SUBJECT: Armament Narrative on Mission 10 June 1944

TO : Commanding Officer, 401st Bombardment Group (H),
APO 557, U.S. Army

Negative Armament and Bomb Rack malfunction reports is
submitted for the mission of 10 June 1944.

SAM P. BROOMHALL JR.
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Group Armament Officer

HEADQUARTERS
AAF STATION 128
APO 557

F-A-2

10 J une 1944

SUBJECT: 8-4 Combat Mission Report on Mission 10 June 1944

TO : Commanding General, 1st Bombardment Division, APO 557
ATTN: Statistical Control Officer

1. The following Engineering failures were reported with the number of cases in parenthesis:

None Reported.

2. The following Armament failures were reported with the number of cases in parenthesis:

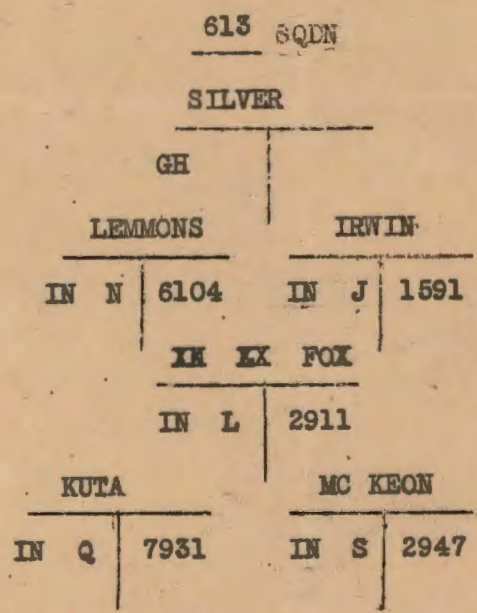
None Reported.

3. The following failures other than Engineering and Armament were reported with the number of cases in parenthesis:

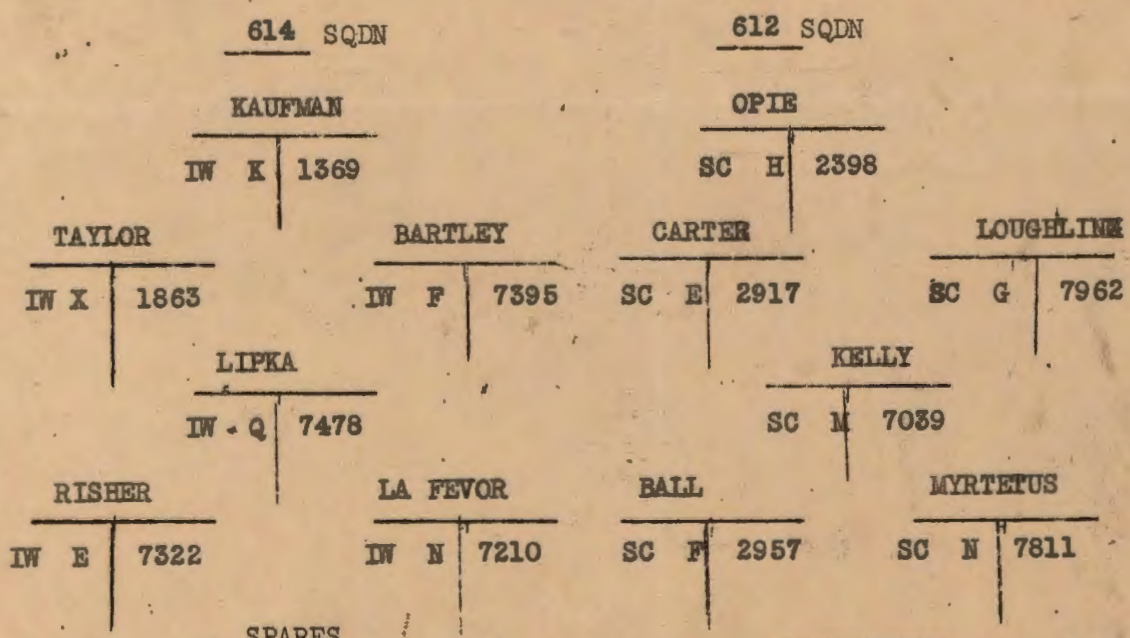
None Reported.

CHARLES W. HUNT
Capt., Air Corps,
Group Engineering Officer

Combat Flight Leader MAJOR SILVER Date 10 June 1944
 Deputy Flight Leader LT IRWIN
 Group Call Sign _____ Fighter Call Sign _____
 Ground Control _____



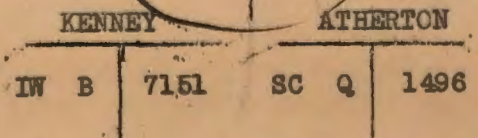
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 614th IW GOLFCLUB
 615th IY BUZZARD



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