

*MISSION NO. 127*

*To: BREST , FRANCE*

401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)

R E P O R T O F O P E R A T I O N A L  
D A Y

MISSION SUMMARY REPORT

MISSION # 127

Date 11 August 1944

ASSIGNMENT

- 1. Assigned Target: BREST, FRANCE
- 2. Commitments: The 401st was to furnish the Lead and Low 12 A/C boxes of the 94th "B" CBW. One PFF was to accompany each box, being supplied by the 303rd and 305th Groups. One spare was to accompany each box.

EXECUTION

- 1. Target Bombed: BREST, FRANCE
- 2. a. Wing Leader: Lt. Col. E. W. BROWN (Connally)
  - Lead Navigator: 1st Lt. T. H. KRISE
  - Lead Bombardier: 1st Lt. E. E. BOLLER
- b. Low Box Leader: 1st Lt. C. J. PARR -- Deputy: 1st Lt. W. C. MANNIX
  - Lead Navigator: 1st Lt. C. E. HANSE 2nd Lt. W. F. MALONEY
  - Lead Bombardier: 1st Lt. J. V. RIDLEY F/O C. L. ROSTROM
- 3. Flight Over England:
  - a. Takeoff:

Takeoff was without incident. A layer of stratus clouds lay over the base between five and six thousand feet.
  - b. Group and Wing Assemblies:

Assemblies were normal, the Wing being formed over the Cottesmore buncher.
  - c. Route over England:

As briefed. Assembly with 94th "A" CBW was made before Division assembly line. Small deviations in the route were made, but Point "Z" was departed on time, on course.

Mission Summary Report (Cont'd)

4. Attack:

a. Flight to Target:

Low Box trailed behind on climb due to the deputy and leader exchanging places. The 94th "B" CBW went slightly beyond the turning point at 48° N and 5° 20' W and made a gradual turn into the IP. WE crossed the IP. The bomb run was six minutes long and there was no trouble picking up the target. The Low Box picked another MPI and the Lead box bombed the primary. The Deputy of the Low Box had to take over because of inoperative bombsight in Lead aircraft.

b. Bombing Run:

Lead Box:

We came directly over the IP as briefed. As we took up a heading for the target the rugged coast line made it easy to pinpoint and come in on the correct course. The whole target area was clear so the Fort, just 600 yards short of the assigned MPI, could be seen from the IP. Synchronization was made on the Fort until we came close enough to lay the cross hairs on the field where the bombs were away at 1702 on a magnetic heading of 44°. Results were excellent.

Low Box:

The bombsight in the PFF ship went out of order while we were crossing the channel so we called and told to "take over".

As we came in on the IP the peninsula and the small islands just off the coast became visible so we could pinpoint ourselves right in on course. Only very small corrections in course were necessary after we left the IP. Smoke from earlier boxes was past our MPI and didn't bother our visibility. The Fort that was 450 yards to the right of our MPI could be seen a long way off. Synchronization was made and bombs dropped, the results looking good.

b. Flight from Target:

The flight was about as briefed. Assembly was not made with the Low Box, but they were in close trail all the way across the channel. Let down was through a hole in the overcast over England. A "dog leg" was made on the course home to escape some weather.

c. Return to Base:

Return to base was normal and was made below the overcast. All aircraft landed safely at home base.

d. Weather:

CAVU over entire Brest Peninsula, rest of continent was overcast.

Mission Summary Report (Cont'd)

e. Fighter Support:

Was not observed, but none was needed.

f. Conclusions and Recommendations:

None.

5. Aircraft Not Attacking:

Lead Box:

A/C 42-31863 - Not Sortie. Returned early because of runaway # 2 prop. Ground check revealed defective prop governor. (Mechanical)

A/C 42-39993 - Sortie. Bombardier couldn't open bomb bay doors in time. (Personnel)

A/C 42-107151 - Sortie. Bombardier failed to check salvo switch and release safety. (Personnel)

*9/C 42-97931 - Sortie. Bombardier couldn't open bomb bay doors. Ground check revealed no malfunction (PERSONNEL)*

Low Box:

A/C 42-102398 - Sortie. Bombardier couldn't open bomb bay doors. No malfunction. (Personnel)

A/C 43-37736 - Sortie. Bombardier failed to release bombs. (Personnel)

6. Enemy Opposition:

No air opposition. Flak encountered at Brest, meager and fair accuracy - tracking type.

7. Battle Damage:

<u>Major</u>	<u>Minor</u>	<u>Flak</u>
0	10	10

8. Casualties:

None.

9. Statistical Summary of Operations: (See attached form)

Mission Summary Report (Cont'd)

10. Bombing Data:

a. Observations:

Lead Box:

Bombfall was directly on MPI - 90% within 1000' and 100% within 2000'. The pattern, however was very scattered.

Low Box:

The bombfall on the selected MPI was excellent. The pattern being well concentrated.

b. Disposition of Bombs:

Lead Box:

Of the eleven 401st A/C EET eight dropped 128 X 500# SAP on primary. Three ships did not bomb and returned 48 X 500# SAP to base. the aborting A/C returned 16 X 500# SAP to base. The PFF A/C dropped 15 X 500# SAP on primary.

Low Box:

Of the eleven 401st A/C EET, nine dropped 144 X 500# SAP on primary. Two A/C did not bomb and returned 32 X 500# SAP to base. The PFF A/C dropped 16 X 500# SAP on primary. The spare A/C returned 16 X 500# SAP.

c. Tabular Summary of Disposition of Bombs:

	<u>Aircraft</u>		<u>Bombs</u>				
	<u>Over Target</u>	<u>Bombing</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Fusing</u> Nose Tail	
Main Bombfall	22	17*	272	500#	M58-SAP	1/10	1/40
Other Attacks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Bombs on Targets			272	500#	M58-SAP	1/10	1/40
Other Expenditures			†	-	-	-	-
Bombs Returned			112	500#	M58*SAP	1/10	1/40
Total (Loaded on A/C Taking Off)			384	500#	M58*SAP	1/10	1/40

\*Excl 2 PFF A/C dropping 31 X 500# SAP on P. T.

Mission Summary Report (Cont'd)

11. Lost Aircraft:

None.

Submitted By:

KEN W. DAUBLE,  
Captain, Air Corps,  
Statistical Officer.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

401st Group

1st BD F. O. 467

Date of 11 August 1944

94th "B" CBW

	Lead		Low	
		PFF - GH		PFF - GH
1. No. of A/C Failing to Take Off	-	-	-	-
2. No. of A/C Airborne	12	1	12	1
3. No. of A/C Airborne Less Spares	12	1	11	1
4. No. of A/C Sorties	11	1	11	1
5. No. of A/C Attacking	8	1	9	1
6. No. of A/C Not Attacking	4	0	2	0
(a) Early Returns Included	(1)			
7. Name of Primary Target	BREST, FRANCE			
(a) No of A/C Attacking	8	1	9	1
(b) No., Size & type of bombs	128	15	144	16
	500# SAP	500# SAP	500# SAP	500# SAP
8. Name of Secondary Target	-----			
(a) No of A/C Attacking				
(b) No., Size & type of Bombs				
9. Name of Last Resort Target	-----			
(a) No. of A/C Attacking				
(b) No., Size & type of Bombs				
10. Name of Target of Opportunity	-----			
(a) No. of A/C Attacking				
(b) No., Size, & type of Bombs				
11. Name of Target Opportunity	-----			
(a) No. of A/C Attacking				
(b) No., Size & type of Bomb				
12. No of A/C Lost - TOTAL	None	None	None	None
13. - to Flak				
14. - to Flak & E/A				
15. - to Enemy A/C				
16. - to Accident				
17. - to Unknown				

STAT SUMMARY (Cont'd)

	Lead	Low
18. Time of Takeoff	1321	1323
19. Time of Attack	1702	1703
20. Average Time of Flight	5.4	5.5
21. Altitude of Release	25670	25540
22. Visual or PFF	Visual	Visual
23. Enemy Resistance - AA Int.&ACC.	Meager Fair Accurate	Meager Fair Accurate
24. - Fighters	None	None
25. - Bombers	None	None
26. U.S. A/C Engaged by Enemy A/C	None	None
27. Degree of Success	Good	Excellent for selected MPI

PFF A/C Borrowed from Groups as follows: 1 - from ~~303rd~~ 306th  
 1 - from 305th

PFF A/C Loaned to Groups as Follows: None

NOTES:



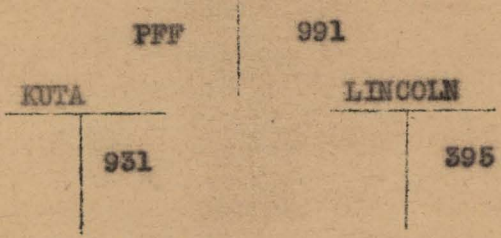
LEAD BOX 94 "B" WING

Combat Flight Leader COL BROWN Date 11 Aug 44  
Deputy Flight Leader \_\_\_\_\_

SQDN  
CONNOLLY (BROWN)

- 612th SC JABWOCK
- 613th IN MACRO
- 614th IW GOLFCLUB
- 615th IY BUZZARD

**401ST LEAD BOX FORMATION  
AT TAKEOFF AND ON CRUISE**



SQDN

SQDN

OCHSENHIRT

LINFORD

872

938

FILBYR

EVANS

HARLAN

GIBSON

394

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LA FAVOR

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SILVERSTEIN

BROWN

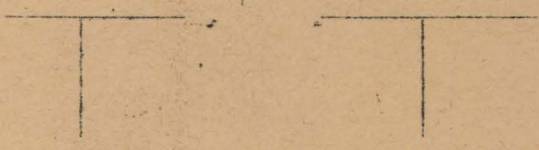
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SPARES

JENNINGS

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Combat Flight Leader COL BROWN

Date 11 Aug 44

Deputy Flight Leader \_\_\_\_\_

SQDN

- 612th SC JABWOCK
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- 615th IY BUZZARD

CONNOLLY (BROWN)

PFF 991

**401ST LEAD BOX FORMATION  
OVER TARGET**

KUTA

LINCOLN

931

395

SQDN

SQDN

OCHSENHIRT

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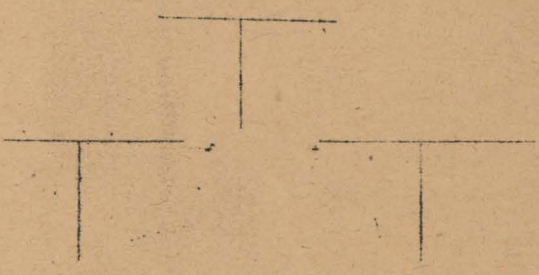
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SPARES



LOW BOX 94 "B" WING

Combat Flight Leader LT PARR Date 11 Aug 44

Deputy Flight Leader \_\_\_\_\_

SQDN

- 612th SC JABWOCK
- 613th IN MACRO
- 614th IW GOLFCLUB
- 615th IY BUZZARD

MARBLE

706

HANSON

PARR

401ST LOW BOX FORMATION  
OVER TARGET

736

PPF

658

SQDN

SQDN

MITCHELL

LONGBLIN

677

962

CALLAWAY

WINGARD

MAXWELL

HILL

146

091

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398

MC ILPATTH

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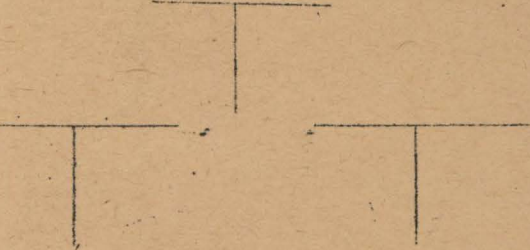
COOPER

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SPARES



LOW BOX 94 "B" WING

Combat Flight Leader LT PARR Date 11 Aug 44

Deputy Flight Leader \_\_\_\_\_

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PFF 658

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**401ST LOW BOX FORMATION  
AT TAKEOFF AND ON CRUISE**

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132(returned)

HEADQUARTERS AAF STATION #128  
OFFICE OF THE NAVIGATION OFFICER

11 August 1944

SUBJECT: Lead Navigator's Narrative

TO : Commanding Officer, 401st Bombardment Group (H)

1. Flight plan, Log, and Track Chart Attached.

2. Narrative:

a. T/O at 1321 hours; Land at 1847 hours.

b. Group formed at 1428 hours at 13000 feet.

c. Formed CBW at 1428 hours at 13000 feet.

d. Began climb at 1441 hours; reached alt. at 1635 hours.

e. Weather encountered over England:

(1) Clouds 7 / 10th - Visibility 10 miles.

(2) Wind at altitude 280 degrees, 30 Knots.

f. Means of navigation over England, GEE DR MICKEY.

g. Means of checking Metro Winds GEE PILOTAGE.

h. Joined task force at 1523 hrs. at 1556 hrs. at MERYTON TOWN  
(Splasher, City, Coord.)

i. English Coast out at 1556 hrs.; Enemy Coast in at \_\_\_\_\_ hrs.

j. Fighter Rendezvous:

(1) Going in --- hrs.

(2) Coming back --- hrs.

k. Wind used for bombing:

(1) 280 degrees, 30 Knots.

(2) Determined by PILOTAGE  
(Method)

l. Bomb run and Method of Target Identification:

(1) Reached IP at 1656 hrs.

(2) Mag. heading over target 044 degrees.

(3) Altitude over target 25000 feet.

(4) Bombs away at 1702 hrs.

(5) Method of target identification and weather over target:

VISUAL

m. Gee:

(1) Coordinates of furthest fix 48 45 N. 05 00 E.

(2) Obtained at 1711 hours.

n. Difficulties encountered with special equipment.

NONE

COMMENTS:

/s/ T. H. Krise  
T. H. KRISE  
2nd Lt. Air Corps  
Lead Navigator - Lead Box  
SIGNATURE

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1. Flight plan, Log, and Track Chart Attached.

2. Narrative:

- a. T/O at 1323 hours; Land at 1845 hours.
- b. Group formed at 1428 hours at 12000 feet.
- c. Formed CBW at 1428 hours at 12000 feet.
- d. Began climb at 1411 hours; reached alt. at 1638 hours.
- e. Weather encountered over England:
  - (1) Clouds 7 / 10th - Visibility 10 miles.
  - (2) Wind at altitude 240 degrees, 55 Knots.
- f. Means of navigation over England. GEE PILOTAGE MICKEY
- g. Means of checking Metro Winds GEE PILOTAGE
- h. Joined task force at 1523 hrs. at MERRIVY TOWELL  
(Splasher, City, Coord.)
- i. English Coast out at 1524 hrs.; Enemy Coast in at \_\_\_\_\_ hrs.
- j. Fighter Rendezvous:
  - (1) Going in \_\_\_\_\_ hrs.
  - (2) Coming back \_\_\_\_\_ hrs.
- k. Wind used for bombing:
  - (1) 240 degrees, 55 Knots.
  - (2) Determined by PILOTAGE GEE  
(Method)
- l. Bomb run and Method of Target Identification:
  - (1) Reached IP at 1658 hrs.
  - (2) Mag. heading over target 48 degrees.
  - (3) Altitude over target 21300 feet.
  - (4) Bombs away at 1703 hrs.
  - (5) Method of target identification and weather over target:

VISUAL

- m. Gee:
  - (1) Coordinates of furthest fix 48 00 N. 05 20 E.
  - (2) Obtained at 1656 hours.

n. Difficulties encountered with special equipment.

BOMBSIGHT POWER OUT

COMMENTS:

*A. E. Hansen*  
14 Aug 44  
SIGNATURE *Lead Navigator*

FLIGHT PLAN LEAD, LOW BOXES, 94TH "B" CBW

Colonel Brown - Air Commander  
 PILOT Lt. Connolly NAVIGATOR Lt. Krise - Lt. Kron DATE 11 August 1944

STATIONS	0955	ENCINES	1155	TAXI	1210	T.O.	1325
LEAVE BASE	COTTESMORE		1432				
COAST OUT			1556				
ENEMY COAST							
I.P.			16 53				
TARGET			1701				
ENEMY COAST							
ENGLISH COAST			1742				
E.T.R.			1901				

SUN		MOON		TWILIGHT	
Rises	Sets	Rises	Sets	AM	PM

Zero Hr - 1700  
 Ref Alt - 20000  
 Bomb alt - 25000  
 Oxygen - 2:45

WATCH.....  
 Letdown on Cottessmore Lead At Low High  
 buncher 360 345 --- Mag  
 Div. Assembly Spl 15 to start point.  
 RATE.....secs/hour  
 Fast Slow Gaining Losing

FROM TO	W/V UESD	HEIGHT	I.A.S. MPH /K	T.A.S. (K)	COURSE	DRIFT	TRUE HDNG.	VAR.	MAC. HDNG.	C. S.	DIST.	TIME	E.T.A.	CELESTIAL DATA TIME BODY ALT. AZI.		
Assemble 13000 (Lead) Cottesmore (Y) Buncher																
52-44N 00-39W Leicester A	250/20	13000 -2	150 130	162	249	0	249	11	260	142	18	:08	1427 1435			
52-37N 01-04W Gloucester B	250/20	16000 -7	170 130	164	222	13	225	11	236	146	61	:27	1502			
51-52N 02-15W Merthyr Tydfil C	"	18000 -8	150 130	174	260	-1	259	11	270	154	43	:18	1520			
51-45N 03-23W Spl. 15 D	"	20000 -10	150 130	180	176	16	182	11	193	173	59	:22	1542			
50-46N 03-17W Start Point Z	"	20000 -10 Begin climb	150 130	184	205	15	210	11	221	169	35	:14	1556	English Coast		
50-14N 03-39W 48-40N 05-20W	250/22	25000 -21	150 155	192 208	215	14	219 219	12 12	231 231	174 187	72 42	114 1/2 14 39	1636			
" " " "	"	25000	155 134	"	180	17	187	12	199	198	40	12	1648			
" " " "	"	25000	155 134	"	090	12	092	12	104	231	13	4 1/2	1653	I. P.		
I. P. TARGET	240/30	25000 -25 Begin desc	150 130	"	038	-3	035	12	47	229	29	8	1701	TARGET		
48-23N 04-33W 48-25N 05-00W	250/32	20500	170	221	322	-5	318	12	330	213	28	08 1/2	1710			
" " " "	250/20	5000 1/2	170	184	031	-4	27	11	38	199	104	32	1742	English Coast		
50-14N 03-39W Spl 15	250/12	2000 1/7	170	159	025	-3	022	11	33	167	35	13	1755			
50-46N 03-17W Base	250/10	2000 1/8	150	136	039	-2	37	11	48	144	154	1:06	1901			
Base Spl. 15	250/20	0 1/6 to	150 130	155 184	219	14 13	223 222	11 11	234 233	137 166	1:14 40 154	50 15 65	1438 1556	LTTO		
50-46N 03-17W Start Point	250/20	20000 -10	150	184	205	14	209	11	220	169	35	13	1556			
50-14N 03-39W																

FLIGHT RECORD

TIME	COURSE	W/V USED &/OR D.R. DRIF.	TRUE HDNG.	MAC. HDNG.	NAVIGATIONAL OBSERVATION	GENERAL OBSERVATION	I.A.S. MPH /K	HEIGHT & AIR TEMP.	T.A.S.	RUN		C.S.	TO RUN		E.T.A.
										DIST.	TIME		DIST.	TIME	
					VHF - Code for authentication - "Gunga Din" Abandon Mission - "Easy does it"										
					Chaff - Discharge 2 min. before IP and continue for 13 min. Emergency Airdrome - Exeter 50-14N 03-24W Interval - 2 min between CBW's. Spares - Turn back at 48-30N Fighter support - Complete area cover, P-38, call sign Balance 6.										
					Bomb line 00-00 00-00 01-15E 01-15E 00-00 01-30W 49-20 48-20 48-20 47-30 47-10 47-10										
					Boundary line West end 48-26-30N East End 48-27-00N of Troops. 04-34-00W 04-28-00W										
					Targets: Lead - 48-23-00N 04-32-48W C-15-908990 Low - 48-22-50N 04-33-12W C-15-902989										

LOG ON REVERSE SIDE

FLIGHT RECORD

TIME	COURSE	W/V USED &/OR D.R. DRIF.	TRUE HDNC.	MAC. HDNC.	NAVIGATIONAL OBSERVATION	GENERAL OBSERVATION	IAS. MPH. /K	HEIGHT & AIR TEMP	T.A.S.	RUN		C. S.	TO RUN		E.T.A.
										DIST.	TIME		DIST.	TIME	
1321					TAKE OFF										
1353 1428	ARR. DEPT.		249		COTTESMORE WING FORMED			13000 -2					18	08	1437
1438			225		LEICESTER (2 mi North) "S"ing for Formation			13000 -2					61	25	1503
1503	240		240		GLOUCESTER (16 Mi North)			18000 -7					43	17 1/2	1522
1520			200		51 45N 03 00W			19000 -9							
1523			196		MERTHYR TYDFIL (10 miles SE of Course) Div Assen. 1 wing ahead - 2 behind			20500 -10					59	21	1543
1542			210		SPLASHER NO. 15			20700					35	13	1555
1550			214		50 30N 03 22W 2 ships joining Group			20700 -11							
1556			219		START POINT ON COURSE ON TIME ENGLISH COAST			20800 -11					114	39	1635
1605		6			49 53N 04 06W		150								
1617		280/30	225		49 35N 04 24W WIND BY PILOTAGE		150	24300 XXXX							
1627	217	8L	225						204	31	10	186	25	08	1635
1635			187		48 40N 05 35W			25000 -18	208				40	12	1647
1652			48 00N	05 20W			150						10	03	1649 1640
1656	038		030		48 00N 05 00W I.P.		150	25000 -18				218	29	08	1704
1702	039		032	044	48 23N 04 33W TARGET BOMBS AWAY			25000 -18				218			
1702			317		TARGET								28	08	1711
1711			031		48 45N 05 00W		155	20000 -8					104	32	1743
1738			025		START POINT 5 miles right English Coast			10000 -8					35	13	1751
					LET DOWN FORMATION TO L. CAN'T GO TO SPLASHER #15										
1751			038		50 43N 02 50W English Coast			3500 -14					137	57	1848
1842					CHELVESTON										
1847					LANDED										



**TRACK CHART**

TARGET  
 Primary West. France  
 Secondary \_\_\_\_\_  
 Last Resort \_\_\_\_\_

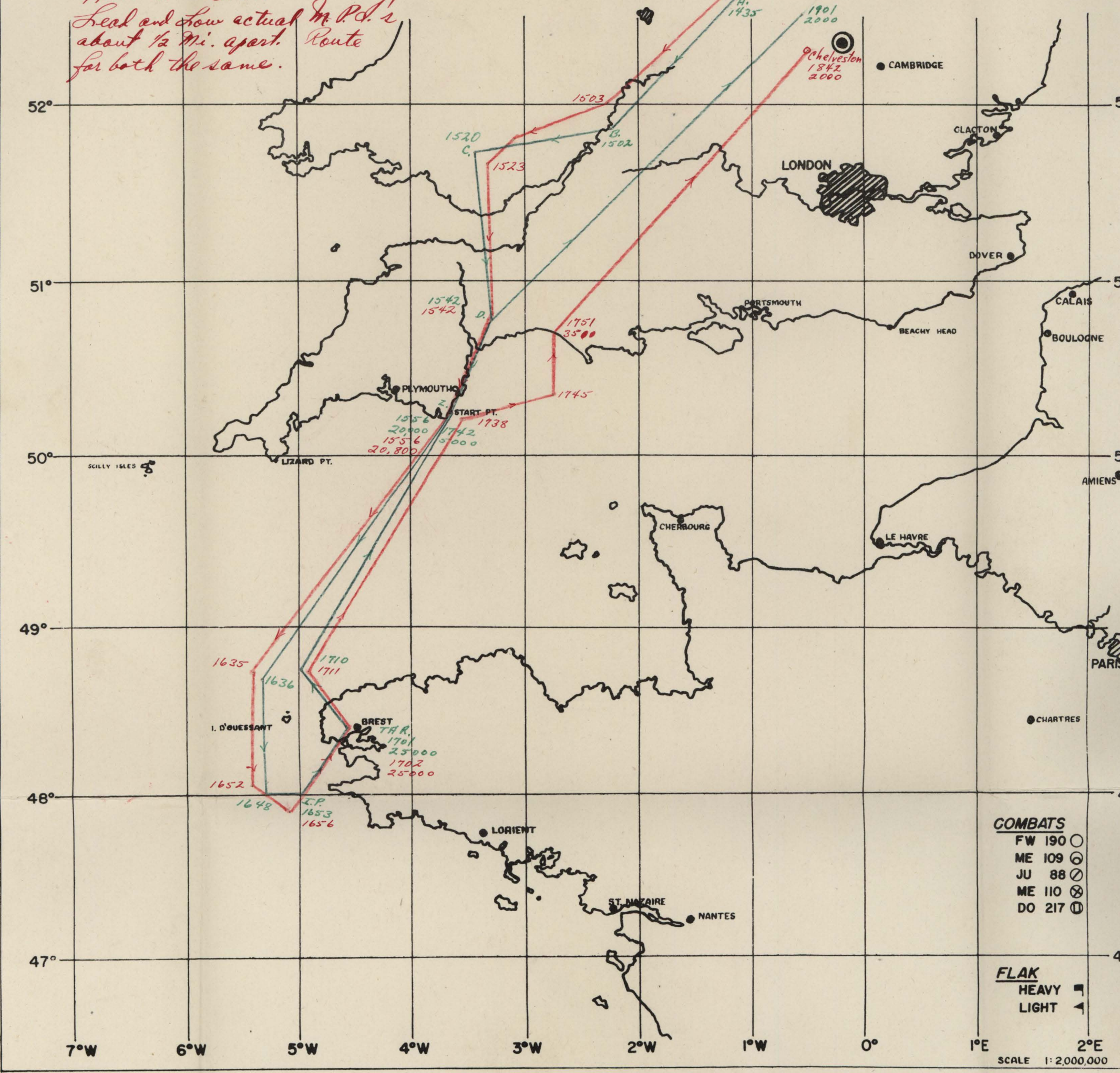
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Green  
Red  
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Route followed by  
 " " "  
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 " " "  
 " " "  
 " " "

Briefed Course  
401st B. C. (H)  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
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*94th "B" C.B.W.  
 Lead and show actual M.P.'s  
 about 1/2 mi. apart. Route  
 for both the same.*



**COMBATS**  
 FW 190 ○  
 ME 109 ⊙  
 JU 88 ⊗  
 ME 110 ⊗  
 DO 217 ⊕

**FLAK**  
 HEAVY ▣  
 LIGHT ◀

SCALE 1:2,000,000

**TRACK CHART**

TARGET  
 Primary Brest, France  
 Secondary \_\_\_\_\_  
 Last Resort \_\_\_\_\_

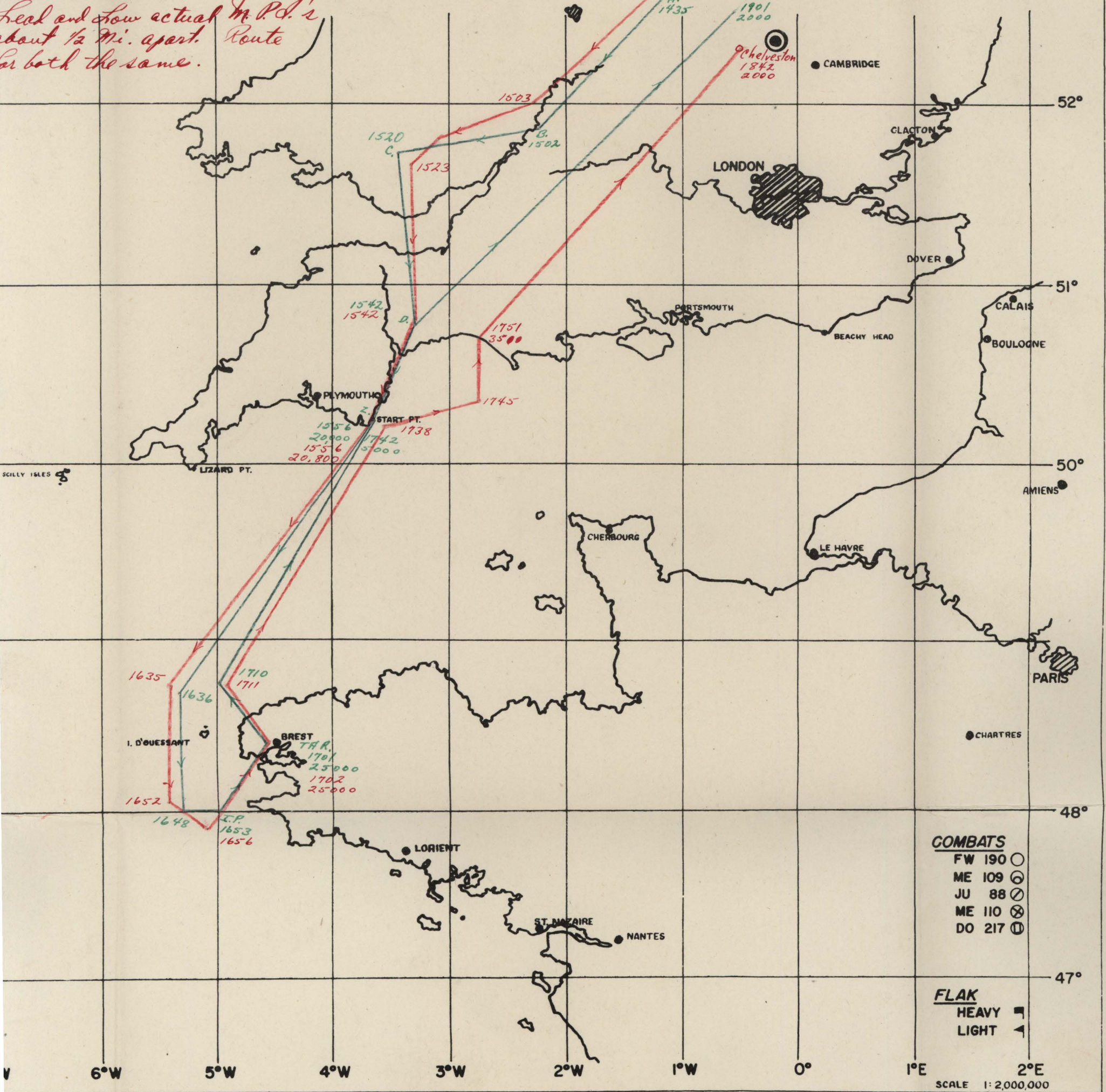
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Red  
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Route followed by  
 " " "  
 " " 1428  
 " " 1427  
 " " 1438  
 " " "

Briefed Course  
401st B. C. (H)  
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**FLAK**  
 HEAVY ▣  
 LIGHT ◀

SCALE 1:2,000,000

W.D.  
 A.G. FORM  
 12 E. Modified  
 25-9-43 BC APO 634

**LEAD BOX**  
 COMBAT BOMBING FLIGHT RECORD

BOMBARDIER Lt. Boller DATE 11 August 1944  
 PILOT Lt. Col. Brown, Capt Connolly TAKE OFF 1321  
 NAVIGATOR Lt. Kriss AIRPLANE \_\_\_\_\_  
 ORGANIZATION \_\_\_\_\_ SQUADRON 613 GROUP 401st LANDED 1847  
 OBJECTIVE East France (MPI) \_\_\_\_\_  
 INITIAL POINT \_\_\_\_\_

METHOD OF ATTACK \_\_\_\_\_  
 Individual Flight Squadron Group Wing

NUMBER A/C IN GROUP 11 (Plus 1 PFF) COMPOSITE GROUP \_\_\_\_\_

DEFLECTION AND RANGE SIGHTING, GROUP Lead Ship COMPOSITE GROUP \_\_\_\_\_

RANGE SIGHTING ONLY, GROUP \_\_\_\_\_ COMPOSITE GROUP \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER A/C DROPPING BOMBS BY OWN SIGHTING OPERATION: 1 A/C

BOMBS, TYPES AND SIZES 500# M58 SAP

NUMBER OF BOMBS LOADED 176 x 500# SAP RELEASED 128 x 500# SAP

FUZING, NOSE 1/10 TAIL 1/40

SYNCHRONIZATION x \_\_\_\_\_  
 On Fast Slow

INFORMATION AT RELEASE POINT:

Altitude of target	<u>290</u>	Mag Head, order	<u>52</u>	Actual	<u>48</u>
True Altitude above target	<u>25670</u>	True Heading			
Ind. Altitude	<u>25000</u>	Drift, Est	<u>1R</u>	Actual	<u>317</u>
Pressure alt of target	<u>-156</u>	True Track			<u>7R</u>
Altimeter setting	<u>29.92</u>	Actual Range		<u>324</u>	
C.I.A.S. <u>150</u>	I.A.S. <u>150</u>	B.S. Type		<u>M-9</u>	
C.S., Est <u>268</u>	Actual <u>248</u>	Time of Release		<u>1702</u>	
Wind Direc. Metro <u>240</u>	Actual <u>280</u>	Intervalometer Setting		<u>Salvo</u>	
Wind Veloc. Metro <u>35</u>	Actual <u>35</u>	Length of Bombing Run		<u>5 min</u>	
D.S. <u>124.5</u> Trail <u>65</u>	ATF <u>47.53</u>	C-1 Pilot	<u>Yes</u>	A-5	
Tan. D.A. EST. <u>.57</u>	Actual <u>.59</u>	Manual Pilot			

TYPE OF RELEASE

Individual Train X Salvo Jettisoned Returned

POINT OF IMPACT IF SEEN

Target Area

NAVIATION DATA:

MEAN TEMP.

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Bombardier making complete sighting operation

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Bombardier making range operation only

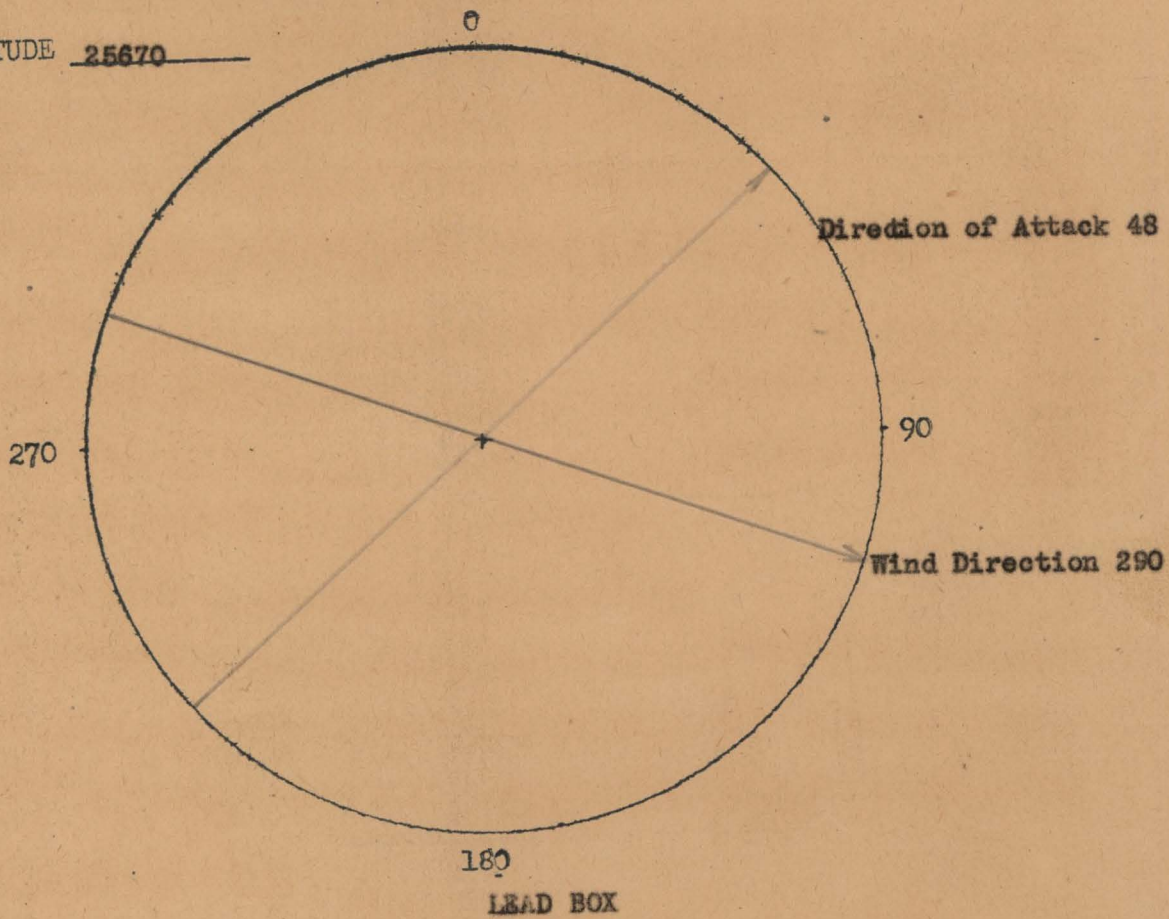
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BOMBARDIER'S INDIVIDUAL PLOT

TARGET Brest, France

METHOD OF BOMBING Visual

ALTITUDE 25670



PLOT

WIND DIRECTION 290

WIND VELOCITY 35

DIRECTION OF ATTACK 48

REMARKS -----

W.D.  
 A.G. FORM  
 12 E. Modified  
 25-9-43 BC APO 634

~~LOW BOX~~  
 COMBAT BOMBING FLIGHT RECORD

BOMBARDIER Lt. Rostrom DATE 11 August 1944  
 PILOT Lt. Minnix TAKE OFF 1524  
 NAVIGATOR Lt. Maloney AIRPLANE \_\_\_\_\_  
 ORGANIZATION \_\_\_\_\_ SQUADRON 613 GROUP 401st LANDED 1856  
 OBJECTIVE Brest, France (MPI) \_\_\_\_\_

INITIAL POINT \_\_\_\_\_  
 METHOD OF ATTACK \_\_\_\_\_  
 Individual Flight Squadron Group  Wing

NUMBER A/C IN GROUP 11 (Plus 1PFF) COMPOSITE GROUP \_\_\_\_\_

DEFLECTION AND RANGE SIGHTING, GROUP Lead A/C COMPOSITE GROUP \_\_\_\_\_

RANGE SIGHTING ONLY, GROUP \_\_\_\_\_ COMPOSITE GROUP \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER A/C DROPPING BOMBS BY OWN SIGHTING OPERATION: 1 A/C

BOMBS, TYPES AND SIZES 500# M 58 SAP

NUMBER OF BOMBS LOADED 176 x 500# M 58 SAP RELEASED 144 x 500# SAP

FUZING, NOSE 1/100 TAIL 1/40

SYNCHRONIZATION  On \_\_\_\_\_ Fast \_\_\_\_\_ Slow \_\_\_\_\_

INFORMATION AT RELEASE POINT:

Altitude of target	<u>260</u>	Mag Head, order	<u>52</u>	Actual	<u>42</u>
True Altitude above target	<u>25540</u>	True Heading	<u>42</u>		
Ind. Altitude	<u>24200</u>	Drift, Est	<u>1R</u>	Actual	<u>1R</u>
Pressure alt of target	<u>-156</u>	True Track	<u>43</u>		
Altimeter setting	<u>29.92</u>	Actual Range	<u>13,260</u>		
C.I.A.S.	<u>150</u>	I.A.S.	<u>1150</u>	B.S. Type	<u>M-9</u>
C.S., Est	<u>268</u>	Actual	<u>258</u>	Time of Release	<u>1702 1/2</u>
Wind Direc. Metro	<u>240</u>	Actual	<u>290</u>	Intervalometer Setting	<u>Salvo</u>
Wind Veloc. Metro	<u>35</u>	Actual	<u>35</u>	Length of Bombing Run	<u>90 sec</u>
D.S.	<u>125.2</u>	Trail	<u>59</u>	ATF	<u>42.38</u>
Tan. D.A. EST.	<u>.57</u>	Actual	<u>.52</u>	C-1 Pilot	<u>Yes</u>
				Manual Pilot	<u>A-5</u>

TYPE OF RELEASE

Individual Train X Salvo Jettisoned Returned

POINT OF IMPACT IF SEEN

Target Area

NAVIATION DATA:

MEAN TEMP.

METRO

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ACTUAL

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WINDS

ALTITUDE

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Bombardier making complete sighting operation

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Bombardier making range operation only

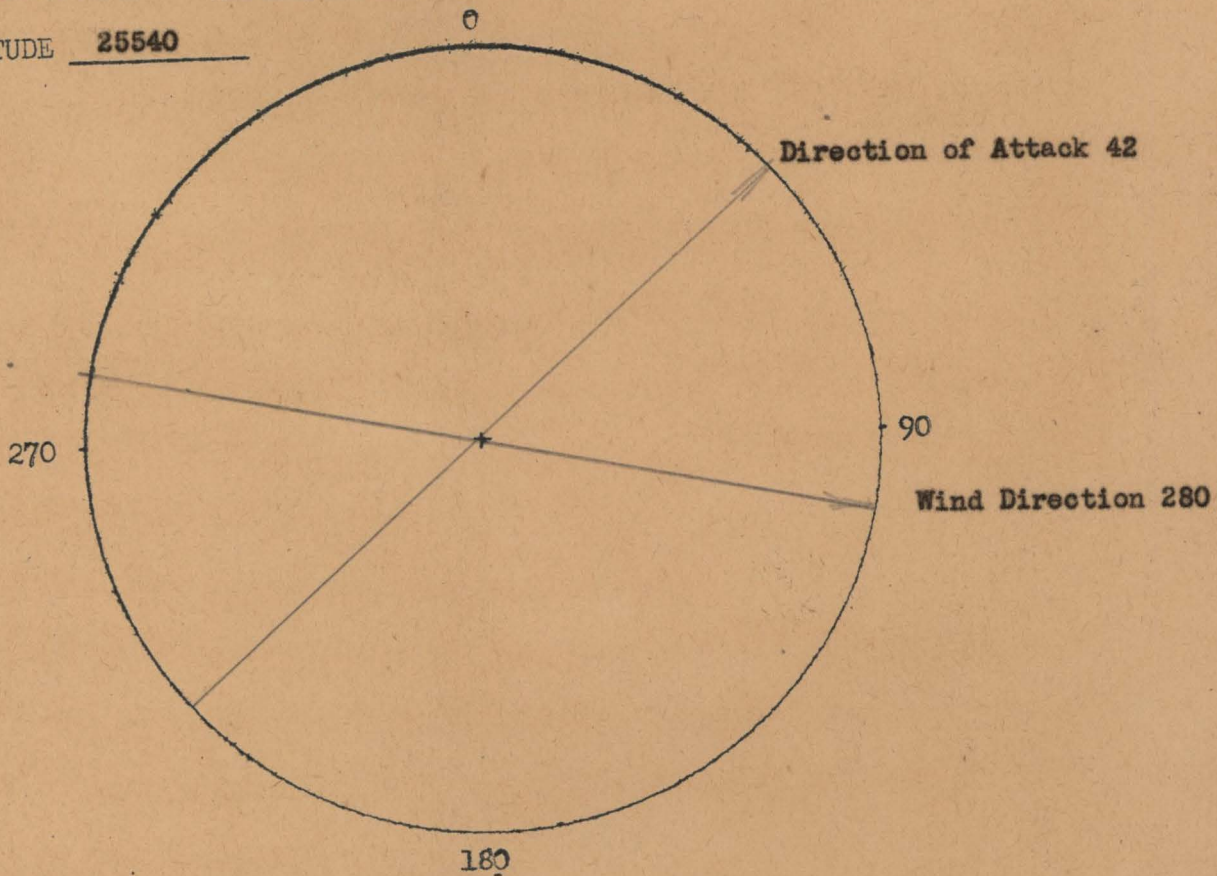
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BOMBARDIER'S INDIVIDUAL PLOT

TARGET Brest, France

METHOD OF BOMBING Visual

ALTITUDE 25540



LOW BOX

PLOT

WIND DIRECTION 280

WIND VELOCITY 35

DIRECTION OF ATTACK 42

REMARKS -----



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

11 August 1944

LOADING LIST

<u>PLANE NO.</u>	<u>DUTY</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>LAST NAME</u>	<u>FIRST NAME</u>	<u>MI</u>
<u>43-37706</u>	P	1st Lt.	MANNIX	WILLIAM	C.
	CP	2nd Lt.	COX	WILLIAM	E.
	N	2nd Lt.	MALONEY	WILLIAM	F.
	B	F/O	ROSTROM	CARL	L.
	RO	T/Sgt.	THOMPSON	JOHN	S.
	TT	T/Sgt.	STOKESBERRY	THOMAS	(NMI)
	BT	S/Sgt.	SCOTT	EDWARD	R.
	TG	S/Sgt.	PAVLISIN	JOSEPH	K.
	WG	S/Sgt.	EGGLESTON	HENRY	H.
	<u>44-6313</u>	P	2nd Lt.	JENNINGS	WILLIAM
	CP	F/O	GARTON	FRED	M.
	N	2nd Lt.	FOLKS	WILLIAM	M.
	B	2nd Lt.	SCHKLOVEN	ISAAC	(NMI)
	RO	S/Sgt.	CURTIS	JAMES	W.
	TT	S/Sgt.	HOWE	ROBERT	R.
	BT	Sgt.	OLIVER	KENNETH	C.
	TG	Sgt.	SELZLE	THOMAS	R.
X	WG	Sgt.	EWEN	DONALD	L.
<u>44-6132</u>	P	1st Lt.	JETTER	ARTHUR	C.
	CP	2nd Lt.	CAIN	ROBERT	W.
	N	2nd Lt.	HIRSH	HARRY	(NMI)
	B	S/Sgt.	FETTERS	WILLIAM	J.
	RO	T/Sgt.	SHERMAN	LEE	(NMI)
	TT	T/Sgt.	NELSON	RICHARD	D.
	BT	S/Sgt.	KNAPP	MARIA	F.
	TG	S/Sgt.	BAIER	JOHN	J.
	WG	S/Sgt.	ROBERSON	ROBERT	E.
<u>PFT-991</u>	P	1st Lt.	CONNOLLY	JOHN	J.
	CP.	Lt. Col.	BROWN	EDWIN	W.
	N	1st Lt.	KRISE	THOMAS	H.
	N	2nd Lt.	KRON	HORACE	E.
	VN	1st Lt.	FINE	STANLEY	(NMI)
	B	1st Lt.	BOLLER	EDWARD	H.
	RO	T/Sgt.	HURLEY	BARCLY	J.
	TT	T/Sgt.	MILLS	CARL	W.
	TG	2nd Lt.	BOGGS	JAMES	B.
	WG	S/Sgt.	FRIEDMAN	MAURICE	(NMI)
<u>42-97931</u>	P	1st Lt.	KUTA	CHESTER	(NMI)
	CP	1st Lt.	CHARTIER	JOSEPH	R.
	N	1st Lt.	FRENCH	VERNON	N.
	B	Cpl.	HOPE	WILLIAM	(NMI)
	RO	T/Sgt.	MINGS	CLYDE	L.
	TT	T/Sgt.	GREENLEAF	ROBERT	L.
	BT	S/Sgt.	NICHOLSON	ROBERT	G.
	TG	S/Sgt.	HUNT	CECIL	S.
	WG	Sgt.	PEAR	JOHN	H.
<u>42-37706</u>	P	1st Lt.	HANSON	ALBERT	L.
	CP	2nd Lt.	CRAYTOR	FREDERICK	A.
	N	1st Lt.	WATSON	HENRY	T.
	B	S/Sgt.	GREEN	BERNARD	K.
	RO	T/Sgt.	SEARS	DONALD	L.
	TT	T/Sgt.	MURRAY	HOMER	G.
	BT	S/Sgt.	KOONS	DONALD	L.
	TG	S/Sgt.	MARTZ	DALE	C.
	WG	S/Sgt.	LYALL	LESTER	D.

612th BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)  
 401st BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)  
 Office of the Operations Officer  
 APO 557

AAF Station 128  
 11 August 1944.

SUBJECT : Leading List.

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

Plane 42-97962

P	Loughlin, David (NMI)	1st Lt.	612th
CP	Meredith, Charles F.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Bernard, Roger L.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Sedlak, Edwin F.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Sommers, James L.	T Sgt.	"
TTG	Livingston, Oliver E.	T Sgt.	"
BTG	Messex, David C.	S Sgt.	"
TG	Bailey, Albert M.	S Sgt.	"
FG	Dralle, Arlo W.	S Sgt.	"

Plane 42-97938

P	Linford, Grant H.	1st Lt.	"
CP	MacMonagle, George A.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Schuermann, Urban H.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Walke, Wallace W.	T Sgt.	"
<del>RO</del> RO	Whitman, William H.	T Sgt.	"
TTG	McNally, Robert G.	S Sgt.	"
BTG	Kimball, Tom E.	S Sgt.	"
TG	Keller, Philip W. Jr.	S Sgt.	"
FG	Dietrich, Ashtur R.	S Sgt.	"

Plane 42-102398

P	Hill, Thomas K.	2nd Lt.	"
CP	Schmedel, Wilbur E.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Block, Theodore S.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Chadwick, Junius W. Jr.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Shewbert, Victor H.	S Sgt.	"
TTG	Mullins, James K.	S Sgt.	"
BTG	Hellenbeck, Edward A.	Sgt.	"
TG	Richardson, Omer G.	Sgt.	"
FG	Giese, Carlton F.	Sgt.	"

Plane 43-37628

P	Maxwell, Charles T.	2nd Lt.	"
CP	McLeod, Lucien P.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Billman, James K.	2nd Lt.	"
B	O'Brien, Eugene B.	Sgt.	"
RO	Searcy, Marion E.	S Sgt.	"
TTG	Thomas, Robert L.	S Sgt.	"
BTG	Minor, Wallace G.	S Sgt.	"
TG	Welborn, Luther B.	Sgt.	"
FG	Lopez, Juan C.	S Sgt.	"
EG		Sgt.	"
ELG		Sgt.	"
LEG		S Sgt.	"
BO		S Sgt.	"
B		Sgt.	"
M		Sgt. Pfc.	"
CB		1st Pfc.	"
B		Sgt. Pfc.	"

Plane 43-108392

Plane 42-102393

P	Harlan, T. J. Jr.	2nd Lt.	612th
CP	Beck, Walter H. Jr.	1st Lt.	"
N	Tarr, Charles	2nd Lt.	"
B	Pepper, J. D.	Sgt.	"
RO	Robinson, P. D.	S Sgt.	"
TTG	Lee, R. L.	S Sgt.	"
BTG	Smith, F. G.	Sgt.	"
TG	Munford, J. V.	Sgt.	"
FG	Zaragoza, A. R.	Sgt.	"

Plane 42-39993

P	Gibson, Roger C.	2nd Lt.	"
CP	Hobgood, James R.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Ligon, Delbert B.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Kemler, Arden C.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Heikkinen, Carl R.	T Sgt.	"
TTG	Williamson, Joseph R.	T Sgt.	"
BTG	Reethler, Roland V.	S Sgt.	"
TG	King, Francis E. Jr.	S Sgt.	"
FG	Welch, Harold M.	Sgt.	"
IG		Sgt.	"
BIG		Sgt.	"
LLG		S Sgt.	"
NO		S Sgt.	"
B		Sgt. Lt.	"
H		Sgt. Lt.	"
CB		Sgt. Lt.	"
B		Sgt. Lt.	"

Plane 48-105288

LG		S Sgt.	"
JG		S Sgt.	"
BIG		S Sgt.	"
LLG		S Sgt.	"
XXM NO		S Sgt.	"
B		S Sgt.	"
H		Sgt. Lt.	"
CB		Sgt. Lt.	"
B		Sgt. Lt.	"

Plane 55-82328

LG		S Sgt.	"
JG		S Sgt.	"
BIG		S Sgt.	"
LLG		S Sgt.	"
NO		S Sgt.	"
B		Sgt. Lt.	"
H		Sgt. Lt.	"
CB		Sgt. Lt.	"
B		Sgt. Lt.	"

Plane 45-82885

TO : SAC, VAW, STATION 158  
 OPERATIONS OFFICER, 707th Bombardment Group (H), VAO

ATTENTION: ROUTING UNIT

11 AUGUST 1944  
 VAW STATION 158

VAO 22A  
 OFFICE OF THE OPERATIONS OFFICER  
 707th BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)  
 STAFF BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)

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

AAF Station # 128  
 11 August 1944.

SUBJECT: Loading List.

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

1. The following is a list of Combat Personnel participating in today's mission.

\*Plane 42-97872

P	2nd Lt.	OCHSENHIRT, HARRY J.	614th
CP	1st Lt.	BRIGHT, WILBUR C.	"
N	1st Lt.	HARDING, JAMES B.	"
CTG	S/Sgt.	Frohman, Howard J.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Russell, James R.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Tweed, Stanley A.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Berg, Edgar M.	"
TG	Sgt.	Meyers, Francis S. Jr.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Jones, Scott D.	"

\*Plane 42-97145

P	1st Lt.	EVANS, JACK B.	"
CP	F/O.	WHITTMAN, PAUL F.	"
N	F/O.	RHINEHART, WILLIAM E.	"
CTG	S/Sgt.	Shanks, Herbert H.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	La Fleur, Delmore H.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Modling, Odom W.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Spatilson, Bruno J.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Croce, Rudolph M.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Koehler, Earl E.	"

\*Plane 42-102394

P	1st Lt.	FILEMYR, GARRETT A.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	CLAXTON, HERBERT W.	"
N	2nd Lt.	ROBINSON, EDWARD F.	"
CTG	S/Sgt.	Tutwiler, David M.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Parkes, James A.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Moll, Robert C.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Reynolds, William H.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Culver, Malcolm J.	"
WG	Cpl.	Campbell, Thomas B.	"

Loading List (Cont)

\*Plane 42-97602

P	1st Lt.	LA FEVOR, GEORGE L.	614th
CP	1st Lt.	HELM, WESLEY H.	"
N & B	1st Lt.	ANDERSON, DON L.	"
CTG	S/Sgt.	Bilyeu, Russell E.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Fidler, Charles K.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Berg, Bernard B.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Stanford, Leland	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Carpenter, William L.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	DeHart, Harold H.	"

\*Plane 42-107151

P	2nd Lt.	SILVERSTEIN, HARRY P.	614th
CP	2nd Lt.	FARQUHAR, JOHN A.	"
N	2nd Lt.	CRICKENBERGER, LAWRENCE H. JR.	"
B	2nd Lt.	SCHNEIDER, JAMES M.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Gravel, Donald A.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Dotson, Glenn	"
BT	Sgt.	Bergstrom, Donald E.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Lendwehr, Carl W.	"
WG	Sgt.	Dias, George V.	"

\*Plane 42-31863

<del>P</del>	<del>2nd Lt.</del>	<del>BROWN, JOHN J. JR.</del>	<del>614th</del>
<del>CP</del>	<del>2nd Lt.</del>	<del>MUSZALSKI, JOSEPH F.</del>	<del>"</del>
<del>N</del>	<del>2nd Lt.</del>	<del>FOWLER, EUGENE K.</del>	<del>"</del>
<del>B</del>	<del>2nd Lt.</del>	<del>SCHIEFER, WILLIAM F.</del>	<del>"</del>
<del>RO</del>	<del>S/Sgt.</del>	<del>Arellano, Garciano J.</del>	<del>"</del>
<del>TT</del>	<del>Sgt.</del>	<del>Hoffman, Leon W.</del>	<del>"</del>
<del>BT</del>	<del>Cpl.</del>	<del>Wells, Cledburne D.</del>	<del>"</del>
<del>TG</del>	<del>Sgt.</del>	<del>Ellis, James (NMI)</del>	<del>"</del>
<del>WG</del>	<del>Sgt.</del>	<del>Martin, Norman D.</del>	<del>"</del>

*Abort*

\*Plane 42-97395

P	1st Lt.	LINCOLN, CLIFFORD A.	614th
CP	1st Lt.	MYERS, JOSEPH H. JR.	"
N	1st Lt.	RICKS, FRANK W.	"
B	1st Lt.	DANILVEZ, STEPHEN J.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Johnson, Oscar M.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Bredelis, Raymond C.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Steitz, Clarence R.	"
TG	1st Lt.	LUCKETTI, HUMBERT	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Haley, Daniel J. Jr.	"

Your targets to day were requested by  
the Army Ground Forces and it is believed  
that they are probably fortified positions  
or concentrations of personnel or materiel.  
By ~~successful~~ successful bombing, our ~~troops~~  
~~troops~~ should be materially assisted in taking  
another important air base for landing  
our troops and supplies - used in last  
war and Americans built the base installation.  
21 other groups are bombing in the same area.  
These are ~~no secondary or last resort~~  
but only 3 groups are ahead of us  
+ targets.

Our forward troops are directly N of the  
targets about 10 miles from the city along  
a road from the town of Doubs.

There are no secondary or last resort  
targets.

Fighter Support - Complete Area covered  
responsible to give accurate flak information  
as some of the flak guns are being used for  
anti tank and infantry. Several ships  
are reported in the harbor which may be  
heavily defended.

Warning Units unable to make ~~re~~ visual  
and accurate visual reporting on positions  
will retain bombs to lose.

In the event the Samoy should make a bailout or crash landing necessary the following general recommendations are made.

If conditions permit, try to crash land or bailout not closer to the main sea coast towns and coastal areas than 10-20 miles. It is felt that if this recommendation is followed there is a very high probability of landing in allied hands.

Convoys

None expected but crews should be on the lookout for friendly convoys at all times.

Tactical Reporting

All pilots, <sup>and navigators</sup> will report as soon as possible to the desk in the hall ~~with the crew~~. Pilots will sign the format worksheet. Navigators will give any Hot News and those who have cameras will turn in the camera report sheet which they will find on their table on the A/C. All crew members taking pictures, <sup>with hand held</sup> ~~use~~ <sup>cameras</sup> report by interphone to Navigators when pictures are taken.

The two lead crews, <sup>only</sup> will be interrogated.

WHERE WAS DECISION MADE TO BOMB BY PFF? NONE

AT WHAT RANGE WAS TARGET IDENTIFIED? ASG 45 H2X 45

TARGET WIND USED 245 @ 48 KTS. TRACK 34 DRIFT -3

GROUND SPEED 237 ALTITUDE USED ON EQUIPMENT 25,000

LENGTH OF BOMB RUN 29 mi.

WAS THERE CROWDING OR INTERFERENCE ON BOMB RUN? EXPLAIN NONE

BOMBS AWAY: TIME 1703 ALTITUDE ~~25,000~~ 24,300 HEADING 037

BOMBS AWAY: ON TIME EARLY LATE 2 min.

BOMB LOAD 10 X 500 SAP BOMBS DROPPED ALL

1 X SMOKE X

ANY OTHER DISPOSITION OF BOMBS: \_\_\_\_\_

DID YOU DELAY DROP? No HOW MANY SECONDS \_\_\_\_\_ WHERE DO YOU THINK BOMBS HIT? \_\_\_\_\_

ASSEMBLY: GROUP ~~Stow 20~~ O.K. ~~20~~ WING O.K. DIVISION \_\_\_\_\_

	TIME	PLACE	ALTITUDE
ENGLISH COAST OUT	<u>1539</u>	<u>5014 - 0339W</u>	<u>20,000</u>
ENEMY COAST IN	<u><del>1702</del> 1702</u>	<u>4822N - 0431W</u>	<u>24,300</u>
ENEMY COAST OUT	<u>1707</u>	<u>4840N - 0430W</u>	<u>22,000</u>
ENGLISH COAST IN	<u>1751</u>	<u>5043N - 0300W</u>	<u>9,000</u>

WHERE DID SIGHTING TEAM TRY TO CENTER BOMBFALL? M.P.I.

WINDS	PLACE	ALTITUDE
<u>240° - 34 kts</u>	<u>5154N - 0245W</u>	<u>18000</u>
<u>245° - 48 kts</u>	<u>5106N - 0311W</u>	<u>20,000</u>
<u>240 - 55 kts</u>	<u>4954N - 0357W</u>	<u>21,000</u>

DID YOU DEVIATE FROM BRIEFED COURSE? From Assembly to ENG.

Coast cut corners to make up time.

After Bombs away took 360° instead of 305° -

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION AFFECTING LEADING OF MISSION NONE



(CORY)

PFF INTERROGATION FORM

615 BOMB SQUADRON, <sup>401</sup>~~506TH~~ BOMB GROUP, 1ST BOMBARDMENT DIVISION

MISSION DATE 8/11/44 TARGET BREST A/C NO. 658-S TYPE B-17

NO. OF PFF A/C USED 2 BOMBING FORMATION:  GROUP  NO OF A/C IN BOX 12  
SQDN \_\_\_\_\_ CBW \_\_\_\_\_

PILOT PARR, C.J. RADAR NAVIGATOR CHAFFEY, C.G.

DR NAVIGATOR HANSEN, G.E. CO-PILOT BLEVINSI, C.H.  
DR NAVIGATOR \_\_\_\_\_

BOMBARDIER RIDLEY, J.V. NO OF H2X MISSIONS 8 MICKY OPERATOR 8

BRIEFED POSITION LEAD (Low Box) COMMENTS ON ANY CHANGE OF LEAD OR POSI-

TION FLOWN Deputy took over just after leaving English Coast.

SATISFACTORY SIGHTING ON TARGET ON PFF EQPT: YES NAV. AID

ASG WORKABLE RANGE 30 ALTITUDE 25,000

MAXIMUM RETURNS 30 ALTITUDE 25,000

H2X WORKABLE RANGE 30 ALTITUDE 25,000

MAXIMUM RETURNS 30 ALTITUDE 25,000

SPECIFIC DIFFICULTIES Little weak

MAXIMUM RANGE ON ENEMY COAST 45 TOWN MORLAIX, BREST

COASTLINE 45 ALTITUDE \_\_\_\_\_

CHECK POINTS USED RANGE BEARING ALTITUDE (EX, GOOD, ETC)  
NONE USED

NO OF SCOPE PICTURES TAKEN NO BEACON No did not try RANGE ALTITUDE

I.P. USED BRIEFED WAS THIS BRIEFED I.P. YES

TARGET ATTACKED BREST VISUAL  PFF H2X ASG PFF VISUAL

ASSIST VISUAL PFF ASSIST DROPPED ON SMOKE BOMBS OF

ANY OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

FLAK AFFECTING LEADING OF MISSION        NO.

MICKEY OPERATOR: WAS DRIFT KILLED? yes

DID YOU SET UP COURSE NO SIGHT FOR RANGE NO SUPPLY DATA FOR  
PRESETTING OF BOLBSIGHT NO DO ANYTHING ELSE?       

Followed through on run

BOMBARDIER: DID YOU SIGHT FOR RANGE NO SIGHT FOR DEFLECTION NO

PRESET BOLBSIGHT WITH DATA FROM MICKEY OPERATOR NO DO ANYTHING ELSE       

Dropped on Deputy

WHAT ASSISTANCE DID DR NAVIGATOR GIVE SIGHTING TEAM NO

CREW OBSERVATIONS       

CASUALTIES OR ILLNESSES NO

WEATHER AFFECTING SUCCESS OF MISSION NO Clear.

CLOUD COVERAGE ON BOMBING RUN AND AT TARGET Clear.

REMARKS

306th A/c. Interrogation at 306 BG.

INTERROGATING OFFICER Morse  
for John A. Barrisfather, Maj.  
Group S-2

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RE: [Faint text]

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Parr's Interrogation

11 Aug Mission - Brest

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

F-A-1

APO 557  
12 August 1944

SUBJECT: Abortive Report.

TO : Commanding Officer, 401st Bomb Group (H), APO 557.  
ATTN: Air Statistical Officer.

1. The following aircraft aborted from the mission of 11 August 1944 due to the reasons stated.

42-31863 - Returned early because of a runaway No. 2 propeller, which could not be controlled. Upon return a ground check revealed that No. 2 Prop Governor was defective.

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

HEADQUARTERS  
91ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (I)  
Office of the Armament Officer  
Station 128

F-C-2

A.P.O. 557  
12 August 1944

SUBJECT: Armament Malfunctions Mission Report

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

1. Date of Mission: 11 August 1944.
2. No gun malfunctions were reported.
3. The following turret malfunctions were reported:
  - a. A/C # 42-31863 - Chin Turret went out due to bad conduit. Being replaced.
  - b. A/C # 42-31863 - Returned with Ball Turret Vickers Unit burned out. Unit being replaced.
4. The following bombing equipment malfunctions were reported:
  - a. A/C # 43-37736 - Bombardier claims bombs would not release electrically. Bombardier did not attempt to salvo. Ground check revealed no malfunction.
  - b. A/C # 42-97931 - Bomb bay doors would not open electrically. Bomb bay doors were not hand cranked. Ground check revealed no malfunction.
  - c. A/C # 42-107151 - Failed to drop bombs. Bombardier claimed he could not get his release handle into salvo. Ground check revealed no malfunction.
  - d. A/C # 42-39993 - Bomb bay doors would not open electrically due to faulty solenoid. Solenoid being replaced.
  - e. A/C # 42-102398 - Bomb bay doors failed to open electrically. Ground check revealed no malfunction.
5. There were ten (10) aircraft equipped with the all-electric bomb release system participating in the mission.

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

LEAD BOX 94th "B" # C.B.W.

Combat Flight Leader : COL BROWN Date 11 August 1944.  
Deputy Flight Leader LT . LINCOLN

SQDN

- 612th SC JABWOCK
- 613th IN MACRO
- 614th IW GOLFCLUB
- 615th IY BUZZARD

IRWIN (BROWN)

PFF

KUTA

LINCOLN

IN Q 7931

IW F 7395 -OK

614th SQDN

612th SQDN

OSHENHIRT

LINFORD

IW A 7872 -OK

SC S 7938 OK

FILEMYR

EVANS

HARLAN

GIBSON

IW D 2394 -OK IW S 6145

SC R 2393 -OK SC C 9993 OK

LAFEVOR

IW O 7602 -OK

SILVERSTEN

BROWN

IW B 7151 -OK	IW X 1863 -
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SPARE LEAD IY L 7551

SPARES

JENNINGS

GROUND SPARES: IN J 1591  
IW G 7084

IN P 6313

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LOW BOX 94TH "B" CBW

Combat Flight Leader LT. PARR Date 11 AUGUST 1944

Deputy Flight Leader LT. MANNIX

*6-500 - SA's  
1/10 - 1/40*

612th SC JABWOCK  
613th IN MACRO  
614th IW GOLFCLUB  
615th IY BUZZARD

QDN  
PARR  
PTF

HANSON      MANNIX  
IN T    7756      IN U    7706

615 SQDN      612 SQDN

MITCHELL      LOUGHLIN  
IY Q    8077 *OK*      SC G    7962 *Sy*

CALLAWAY      WINGARD      MAXWELL      HILL  
IY R    6146      IY O    1091 *OK*      SC A    7628 *OK*      SC H    2398 *OK*

MC ILRAITH  
IY J    7113

COOPER      DOH  
IY F    7664 *OK*      IY M    2674

SPARES

JETTER  
IN B    6132

SPARE LEAD SC P 1891

*Gas load - 1900*

*Breakfast - 10:30  
Briefing - 11:30  
Stations - 12:55*

*W 11*

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

11 August 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
42-97962	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Flak hole in leading edge of right wing near station # 21. Cut Tokio Vent Line.</li><li>2. Flak hole in leading edge of left wing near Sta. # 19. Cut one electrical wire.</li><li>3. Flak hole in top of left wing near Sta # 8.</li><li>4. Flak hole in right side of fuselage just behind bulk-head # 10, cut through bulk-head # 10 and out left side of fuselage at Sta # 7B.</li><li>5. Flak hole in bottom right side of Vertical fin near Sta # 7 A. Out left side at Bulkhead # 7.</li><li>6. Flak hole in bottom center of vertical fin near bulk-head # 10. Out left side.</li></ol>
42-39993	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Negative</li></ol>
42-102393	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Negative</li></ol>
42-102398	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Flak hole in leading edge right wing outer panel sta. # 22.5.</li><li>2. Flak hole in right wing outer panel at Sta. # 33.</li><li>3. Flak hole thru right elevator trim tab.</li><li>4. Flak hole in left waist window.</li></ol>
42-97938	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Negative</li></ol>

*Herbert O. Kimmel*  
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Capt. Air Corp  
Engineering Officer