

DATE 11-18-10  
*MISSION NO. 161*

*To: BIELFELD , GERMANY*

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 # 161

Date 26 October 1944

ASSIGNMENT

- 1. Assigned Target: BIELFELD, GERMANY
- 2. Commitments: The 401st furnished three 12 A/C squadrons comprising the 94th "C" Group. One PFF A/C was included in each squadron and one spare accompanied each formation.

EXECUTION

- 1. Target Bombed: BIELFELD, GERMANY (PFF)
- 2. a. Group Leader: Capt. A.H. CHAPMAN & Major D. G. MC CREE
  - Lead Navigator: Capt. C. M. SMITH (Howard-"Mickey")
  - Extra Navigator: 1st Lt. M. B. JEFFERY
  - Lead Bombardier: 1st Lt. R. R. WINN
- b. Low Sqdn Leader: 1st Lt. W. C. MANNIX (Stelzer)
  - Lead Navigator: 1st Lt. W. T. MALONEY (Strong-"Mickey")
  - Lead Bombardier: 1st Lt. C. L. ROSTROM
- c. High Sqdn Leader: 1st Lt. E. W. MERCER
  - Lead Navigator: 1st Lt. L. E. GASKINS (Winograd-"Mickey")
  - Lead Bombardier: 1st Lt. T. J. KLEFISCH
- 3. Flight Over England:
  - a. Takeoff: The group took off for assembly on Cottesmore buncher. As the lead ship taxied out the assembly altitude was changed from 14,000' to 20,000'. One A/C in the low squadron failed to take off and was replaced by the flying spare.
  - b. Sqdn and Gp Assemblies: The assembly was excellent under the conditions of the increased altitude (20,000') which left barely enough time for all the ships to get in formation. The 94th "C" group departed slightly east of the buncher about 1 minute early with 37 ships in sight, 35 in good formation.

MISSION SUMMARY REPORT (Cont)3. Flight Over England: (Cont)

c. Route Over England: The route over England was as briefed except for altitude (20,000') which put us 6000' above 94th "A" and 4000' above 94th "B". Both 94th "A" and 94th "B" experienced difficulty with clouds because of low altitude on assembly and were late at CP #1. The group arrived at CP # 1 in reverse order (C,B,A) and since 94th "C" was on time 94th "A" and 94th "B" cut in behind 94th "C", but shortly after leaving the CP #1 the division was in good column with 94th "C" about 2 minutes behind 94th "B".

4. Attack:

a. Flight to Target: Flight to target was about as briefed except that all groups climbed to bombing altitude over North Sea instead of going in 1,000' lower. Entered enemy territory with 36 ships in good formation over 10/10ths clouds. No opposition was encountered to target. Squadrons uncovered at IP for individual PFF runs. Squadron's smoke bombs were concentrated over target as there was no flak.

b. Bombing Run:

Lead Squadron: The turn on the IP was made as briefed. The bombing run was made with Mickey due to 10/10ths undercast. AFCE was used on run with no malfunction apparent nor was there any interference on the bomb run. The Mickey Operator aimed for the center of the town which was about 11,000' short of the assigned MPI; The telescope indice was set in motion and checked with the Mickey man. Just before the indices met, the telescope indice was quickly rolled back .44 units of tangency and then allowed to continue on again. Thus, the bomb was done PFF with the aid of the Bombardier's computer grid. The Leader's bombs were salvoed through sight as indices met. The balance of the formation dropped with a 140' intervalometer setting. Results were unobserved.

Low Squadron: We received a call from the Group Air Commander to make the bomb run PFF because of the solid undercast. We turned on the IP and opened the bomb bay doors. The bombardier clutched in when the Mickey man called out 70°. Mickey synchronized on the center of the town. Just before the indices met the telescope indices was moved back .44 units of tangency placing the bombs on the assigned MPI, which was 11,000' over the center of the city where the Mickey Operator was aiming. When the indices met the leader salvoed and the balance of the formation dropped their bombs using a 140' intervalometer setting. AFCE functioned properly. Results were unobserved.

MISSION SUMMARY REPORT (Cont)b. Bombing Run: (cont)

High Squadron: Due to 10/10ths cloud cover the bombing was done PFF. The Mickey Operator brought us in on course and since the target was too small an object to pick up, he aimed at the center of the town, which was directly on course and about 11,000' short of the assigned MPI. With the aid of the Bombarider's Computer Grid the Bombardier delayed the bomb release for about 34 seconds and therefore threw the bombs at the target while the Mickey man was aiming at the city. The AFCE was working efficiently. The bombs were salvoed by the leader and dropped with a 140' intervalometer setting by all others. Results were 'neath the clouds.

c. Flight From Target: The high squadron of 94th "C" became separated from the group on bomb run and withdrew with another group approximately 5 minutes behind 94th "C". 94th "C" came out in proper position in division column, encountering no flak opposition altho some meager flak was shot at 94th "B" & "A". Let down was made over the channel, the group flying a more direct course home than briefed.

d. Return to Base: The lead and low Squadrons of the 94th "C" came back to base together. The two squadrons let down thru a ~~break~~ to 1,000' about 20 minutes East of field and came in for a normal landing. The high squadron made an instrument let down on Cottessmore buncher and came in by individual ships. There were no losses or casualties.

e. Weather: Weather was described as 10/10ths undercast over channel and continent, consisting of alto-cumulus clouds with tops at 12,000' or 15,000' altitude, only one small break observed south of the target area. No contrails over target.

f. Fighter Support: Fighter support was excellent.

g. Comments on Formation: The formation was very good and the proper interval maintained on flight to target. The high squadron dropped back on bomb run to be sure not to overrun preceding squadron; the low squadron was in close to the lead over the target.

h. Conclusions and Recommendations: The practice of having one B-17 group scatter chaff ahead of all groups over a target area seemed to work very well today as flak was not encountered.

5. Aircraft Not Attacking: All scheduled aircraft attacked.

6. Enemy Opposition: No air opposition was seen nor encountered. Also no flak was encountered. (see Flak Report)

7. Battle Damage: None.

MISSION SUMMARY REPORT (Cont)

- 8. Casualties: None.
- 9. Statistical Summary of Operations: (see attached form)
- 10. Bombing Data:

- a. Observations: Due to complete undercast results were unobserved. Good "mickey" work indicated a probability of good results.
- b. Disposition of Bombs:
  - Lead Squadron: All of the 12 A/C E.E.T. attacked the target dropping 72 IB's and 71 GP's. The spare A/C returned 6 I'Bs and 6 GP's.
  - Low Squadron: All of the 12 A/C E.E.T. attacked the target dropping 72 IB's and 71 GP's. The spare had originally filled in for 1 aircraft not taking off - hence there were 12 A/C Taking off and 12 A/C bombing.
  - High Squadron: All of the 12 A/C E.E.T. attacked the target dropping 72 IB's and 71 GP's. The spare returned 6 IB's and 6 GP's.

c. Tabular Summary of Disposition of Bombs:

	Aircraft		Num- ber	Bombs		
	Over Target	Bomb- ing		Size	Type	Fusing Nose Tail
Main Bombfall	36	36	(216 (213	500# 500#	M17 M64	M127 - 1/10 1/40
Other Attacks	-	-	-	-	-	- -
Total bombs on Target			(216 (213	500# 500#	M17 M64	M127 - 1/10 1/40
Other Expenditures			-	-	-	- -
Bombs Returned			( 12 ( 12	500# 500#	M17 M64	M127 - 1/10 1/40
Total (loaded on A/C Taking Off)			228 225	500# 500#	M17 M64	M127 - 1/10 1/40

11. Lost Aircraft: None.

Submitted By:

KEN W. DAUBLE  
 Captain, Air Corps  
 Statistical Officer

STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

801st Group

1st BD F. O. 533

Date of 26 October 1944

	Lead	High		Low	PFF
		PFF - GH	PFF - GH		
1. No. of A/C Failing to Take Off	-	-	-	1	-
2. No. of A/C Airborne	12	1	12	11	1
3. No. of A/C Airborne Less Spares	11	1	11	11	1
4. No. of A/C Sorties	11	1	11	11	1
5. No. of A/C Attacking	11	1	11	11	1
6. No. of A/C Not Attacking	-	-	-	-	-
(a) Early Returns Included					
7. Name of Primary Target	BIELFELD, GERMANY (VISUAL)				
(a) No of A/C Attacking					
(b) No., Size & type of bombs					
8. Name of Secondary Target	BEELFELD, GERMANY (PFF)				
(a) No of A/C Attacking	11	1	11	11	1
(b) No., Size & type of Bombs	66 500# IB	6 500# IB	66 500# IB	6 500# IB	66 500# IB
	66 500# GP	5 500# GP	66 500# GP	5 500# GP	66 500# GP
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	-	-	-	-	-
13. - to Flak					
14. - to Flak & E/A					
15. - to Enemy A/C					
16. - to Accident					
17. - to Unknown					

STAT SUMMARY (Cont'd)

	Lead	High	Low
18. Time of Takeoff	1022	0955	1026
19. Time of Attack	1402	1404	1403
20. Average Time of Flight	6.0	7.0	6.0
21. Altitude of Release	25,500	26,000	24,835
22. Visual or PFF	PFF	PFF	PFF
23. Enemy Resistance - AA Int.&ACC.	None	None	None
24. - Fighters	---	---	---
25. - Bombers	---	---	---
26. U.S. A/C Engaged by Enemy A/C	---	---	---
27. Degree of Success	Unobserved	Unobserved	Unobserved

PFF A/C Borrowed from Groups as follows: -----

PFF A/C Loaned to Groups as Follows: -----

NOTES:

HEADQUARTERS AAF STATION #128  
OFFICE OF THE NAVIGATION OFFICER

26 October

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 1022 hours; Land at 1621 hours.

Sqd  
b. Group formed at 1150 hours at 20000 feet.

Gp  
c. Formed Gp at 1222 hours at 20000 feet.

d. Began climb at 1241 hours; reached alt. at 1315 hours.

e. Weather encountered over England:

(1) Clouds 9-10 / 10th - Visibility unl miles.

(2) Wind at altitude 060 degrees, 16 Knots.

f. Means of navigation over England. Gee and D.R.

g. Means of checking Metro Winds Gee and Mickey

h. Joined task force at 1236 hrs. at Orfordness  
(Splasher, City, Coord.)

i. English Coast out at 1234 hrs.; Enemy Coast in at 1314 hrs.

j. Fighter Rendezvous:

(1) Going in 1320 hrs.

(2) Coming back xx hrs.

k. Wind used for bombing:

(1) 065 degrees, 20 Knots.

(2) Determined by Gee and Mickey  
(Method)

l. Bomb run and Method of Target Identifications:

(1) Reached IP at 1351 hrs.

(2) Mag. heading over target 110 degrees.

(3) Altitude over target 25500 feet.

(4) Bombs away at 1402 hrs.

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

PFF

m. Gee:

(1) Coordinates of furthest fix 52 35 N. 05 42 E.

(2) Obtained at 1325 hours.

n. Difficulties encountered with special equipment.

None

COMMENTS:

N of course to avoid prop-wash of other groups.

/s/ Morey B. Jeffery  
MOREY B. JEFFERY  
1st Lt., Air Corps  
Lead Navigator, Lead Sqd  
SIGNATURE



HEADQUARTERS AAF STATION #128  
 OFFICE OF THE NAVIGATION OFFICER

25 October 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 1026 hours; Land at 1622 hours.

b. <sup>Sqd</sup> Group formed at 1130 hours at 19500 feet.

c. Formed <sup>Gp</sup> GBW at 1222 hours at 19000 feet.

d. Began climb at 1242 hours; reached alt. at 1300 hours.

e. Weather encountered over England:

(1) Clouds 10 / 10th - Visability 10 miles.

(2) Wind at altitude 300 degrees, 15 Knots.

f. Means of navigation over England. Gee and Radio

g. Means of checking Metro Winds Gee and Radio

h. Joined task force at 1235 hrs. at Oxfordness  
 (Splasher, City, Coord.)

i. English Coast out at 1229 hrs.; Enemy Coast in at 1313 hrs.

j. Fighter Rendezvous:

(1) Going in 1313 hrs.

(2) Coming back 1313 hrs.

k. Wind used for bombing:

(1) 60 degrees, 15 Knots.

(2) Determined by Wicker and Metro Ave  
 (Method)

l. Bomb run and Method of Target Identifications

(1) Reached IP at 1357 hrs.

(2) Mag. heading over target 113 degrees.

(3) Altitude over target 24800 feet.

(4) Bombs away at 1403 hrs.

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

FFF Identification 10/10ths

m. Gee:

(1) Coordinates of furthest fix 52 20 N. 06 05 E.

(2) Obtained at 1328 hours.

n. Difficulties encountered with special equipment.

NONE

COMMENTS:

/s/William F. Maloney  
 WILLIAM F. MALONEY  
 1st Lt., Air Corps  
 Lead Navigator, Low Sqd

SIGNATURE

HEADQUARTERS AAF STATION #128  
OFFICE OF THE NAVIGATION OFFICER

26 October 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 0955 hours; Land at 1700 hours.

b. Group formed at 1152 hours at 20000 feet.

c. Formed CBW at 1152 hours at 20000 feet.

d. Began climb at 1234 hours; reached alt. at 1348 hours.

e. Weather encountered over England:

(1) Clouds 10/10th - Visability Unl miles.

(2) Wind at altitude 63 degrees, 11 Knots.

f. Means of navigation over England, Gee

g. Means of checking Metro Winds Gee and Mickey

h. Joined task force at 1238 hrs. at Oxfordness  
(Splasher, City, Coord.)

i. English Coast out at 1238 hrs.; Enemy Coast in at 1313 hrs.

j. Fighter Rendezvous:

(1) Going in 1313 hrs.

(2) Coming back coverage hrs.

k. Wind used for bombing:

(1) 63 degrees, 11 Knots.

(2) Determined by Mickey  
(Method)

l. Bomb run and Method of Target Identifications:

(1) Reached IP at 1352 hrs.

(2) Mag. heading over target 106 degrees.

(3) Altitude over target 26300 feet.

(4) Bombs away at 1404 hrs.

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

10/10ths PFF Ident

m. Gee:

(1) Coordinates of furthest fix 52 20 N. 03 05 E.

(2) Obtained at 1255 hours.

n. Difficulties encountered with special equipment.

Gee strobe oscillated badly but could be used

COMMENTS:

/S/ Leslie E. Gaskins  
1st Lt., Air Corps  
Lead Navigator, High Sqd

SIGNATURE

PILOT NAVIGATOR

DATE 10 26 1944

Table with columns: STATIONS, ENGINES, TAXI, T.O. Rows include LEAVE BASE Cottesmore, COAST OUT, ENEMY COAST, I.P., TARGET, ENEMY COAST, English Coast.

Table with columns: SUN (Rises, Sets), MOON (Rises, Sets), TWILIGHT (AM, PM)

Zero 1230
Ref Alt 25000
Bomb Alt 25500
Oxygen 4 hours
En Ter. 2 hours

WATCH At Fast Slow RATE secs/hour Gaining Losing G.M.T.

Main flight data table with columns: FROM TO, W/V UESD, HEIGHT, I.A.S. MPH/K, T.A.S. (K), COURSE, DRI-FT, TRUE HDNG., VAR., MAG. HDNG., G. S., DIST., TIME, E.T.A., CELESTIAL DATA (TIME, BODY, ALT., AZI).

FLIGHT RECORD

Flight record table with columns: TIME, COURSE, W/V USED &/OR D.R. DRIF, TRUE HDNG., MAG. HDNG., NAVIGATIONAL OBSERVATION, GENERAL OBSERVATION, I.A.S. MPH/K, HEIGHT & AIR TEMP., T.A.S., RUN (DIST, TIME), G. S., TO RUN (DIST, TIME), E.T.A.

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	
1248	50	2	52		52 12N 02 38E		150	22000	187						
1252½	67	3	70		52 18N 02 59E 340/20 (Gee		150			29	9½	183			
1301			60		Gee Wind 60/15										
1307			68		117 degrees 32 miles from Amsterdam										
1314	94	-3	91				150	28500				187	60	19	1334
1317	103	-4	99		Running North of course in Division Formation										
1325	103	-4	99		52 38N 05 42E Gee fix										
1332			119		52 33N 06 15E D. R. 70/20		150	25500 -30							
1334			119		2 miles left of course Zwolle							193	49	15½	1348
1342			130		52 15N 06 59E		150	25500	198					03½	1351
1345			130		52 14N 07 13E		150	25500	198						
1347½			130		Munster 52 08N 07 23E		150	25500	198						
1349			060		52 08N 07 32E		150	25500	198						
1351			060		IP 52 10N 07 42E		150	25500	198						
1354			104		Wind by Mickey and Bombsight 65/20		150	25500	198						
1402	117	-4	113		Bombs Away		150	25500	198			184			
			182		For one minute		150	25500	198						
			291				150	25500	198						
1407			218		51 42N 08 32E		150	25500	198						
1408			218		Turning to next leg 51 45N 08 32E		150	"	"						
1411			325		51 48N 08 16 E		150	25400	198						
1414	330	-5	325		51 56N 08 09E		150	25350	198						1416
1418			325		52 05N 07 56E		150	25400	198						
1419½			270		Munster 215 degrees 12½ miles		150	25400	198						
1420½			270		Munster 11 miles at 204 degrees		150	25300	198			201	14	04	1424½
1425½			300		Munster 130 degrees 52 09N 07 15E		150	25330	197			201	49	15	1439½
1431½	297	0	297		Zwolle 30 miles at 296 degrees 52 18N 06 49E		150	25400	198	18	05½	196			
1440			290		Red Flak Zwolle 5 miles at 270 degrees		150	25800	198						
1442½			275		52 30N 05 58E		150	25500	198			196	51	15½	1458
1449			285		Amsterdam 230 degrees 25 miles 52 38N 05 26E		150	25400	198						
1456½			265		Gee fix 52 38N 04 52E		150	25300	198						
1459			265		Enemy Const Letting down on course		170	25200	197			204	176	35	1534
1501			290		Forced right by wings ahead										
1505			290		descending 52 30N 04 04E		170	23200							
1515	260	0	260		52 32N 03 10E Wind 26/5 Gee		170	19000	207	34	10	204	53	15½	1530½
1525			260		52 23N 02 21E		170	19000	194	31	10	186	26	08½	1533½
1534			245		52 15N 01 38E English Const in		170	8500							
1544			290		52 25N 01 00E			7000							
1556½			275		52 35N 00 07E										
1614½					Base Landed 1621										

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Colonel, Air Corps  
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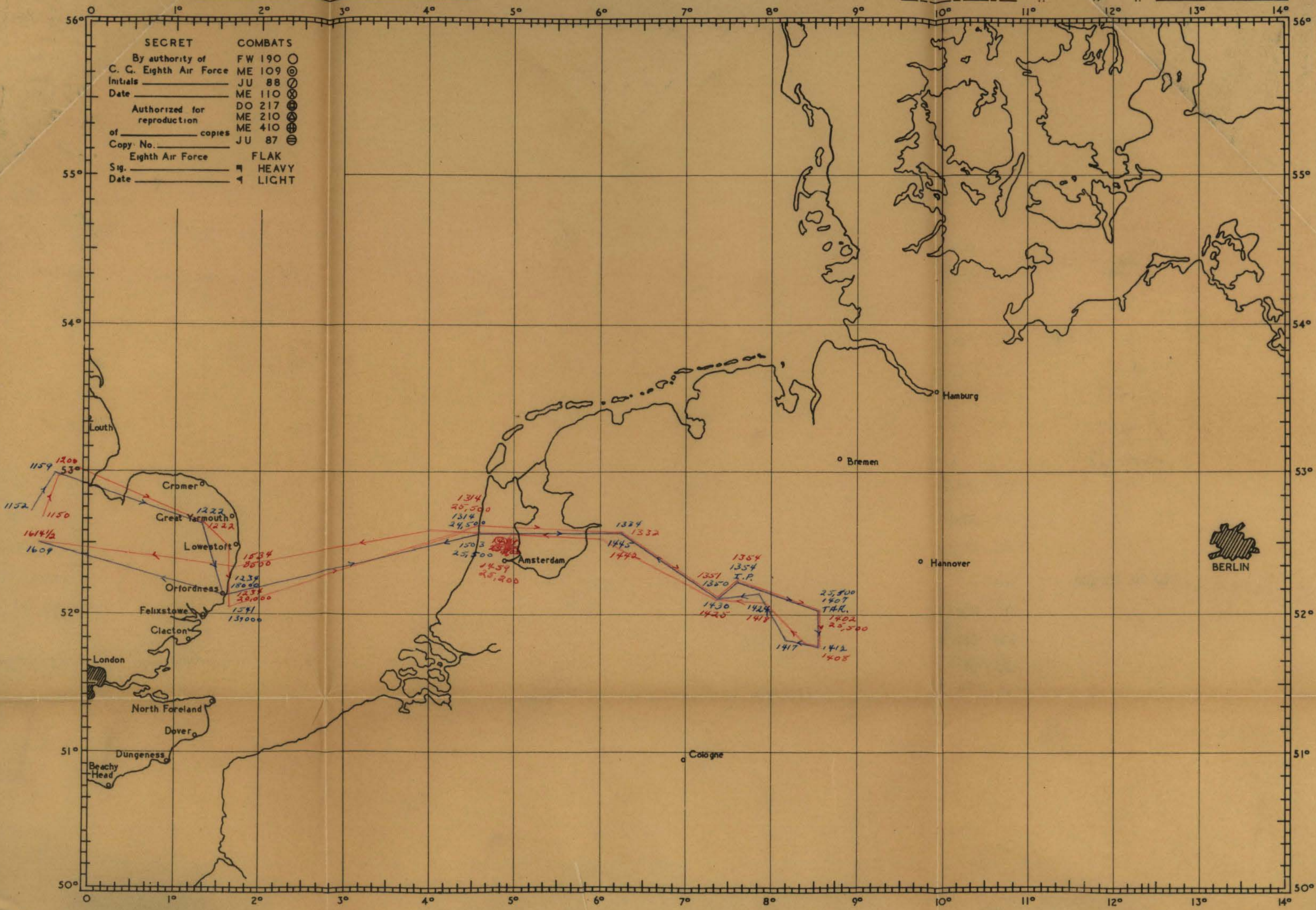
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COMBATS

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JU 87 ⊖

FLAK

HEAVY ⊠  
LIGHT ⊡



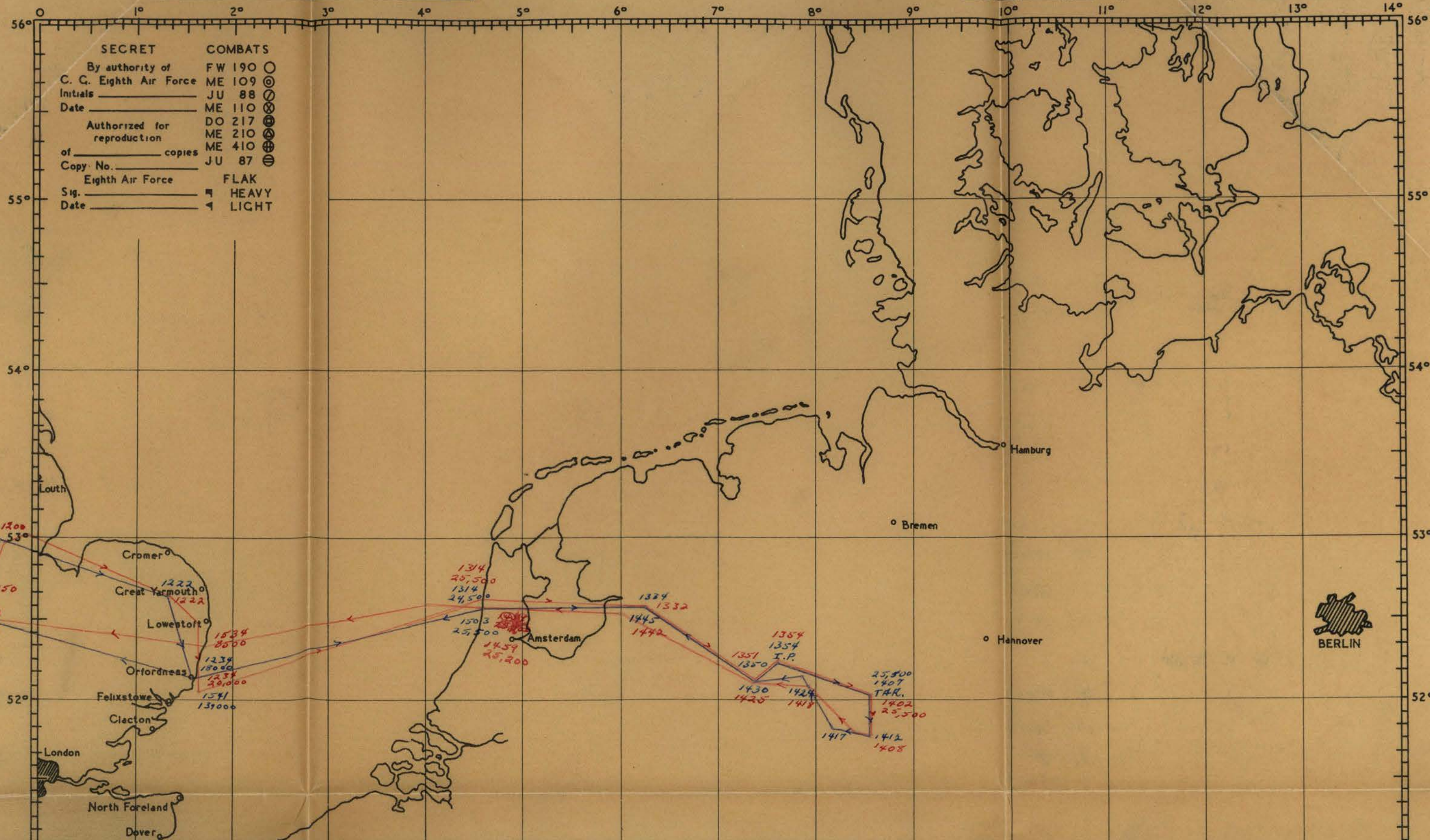
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TARGETS  
PRIMARY Bieffeld Germany

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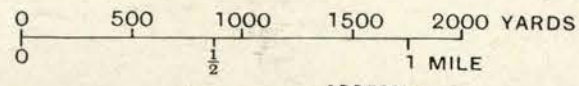
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ORDNANCE DEPOT, Etc. — BIELEFELD (Sieker)  
(GERMANY)

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*Primary*



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A. ORDNANCE DEPOT.  
B. STORAGE DEPOT.

A.I.3c(1)

TYPE A

Illustration No  
3 (k) 16/1

Combat Flight Leader Mc CREE & CHAPMAN Date 26 October 1944

Deputy Flight Leader SCHAUMMAN

401st Lead Sqdn at  
T/O and Cruise.

*E. Ocean Target*

SQDN

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

Mc CREE (CHAPMAN)

947

SCHLIEMANN

SCHAUNAMAN

039

506

SQDN

HOCKING

993

SQDN

SULLIVAN

7113

BONNEY

790

LONG

988

OAS

159

DOW

458

AIKEN

628

JONES

393

COMER

541

SPARES

ROADMAN

992

(RETURNED)



Combat Flight Leader MERCER Date 26 October 1944

Deputy Flight Leader RUNDELL

401st High Sqdn at  
T/O AND CRUISE.

*Lt Du Jarget.*

SQDN

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

MERCER

258

SEDER

RUNDELL

565

468

SQDN

HAYES

SQDN

GALLOWAY

236

6113

ST AUBYN

MORTON

MAIRE

HANSEN

478

151

551

664

SISSON

602

SPUHLER

BABCOCK

738

330

SPARES

WITTMAN

464

(RETURNED)

Combat Flight Leader MANNIX Date 26 October 1944  
Deputy Flight Leader KEELING

401st Low Sqdn at  
T/O and Cruise,

*1000 Target*

SQDN  
MANNIX  
612 SC JAB/OCK  
613 IN MACRO  
614 IW GOLFCUB  
615 IY BUZZARD

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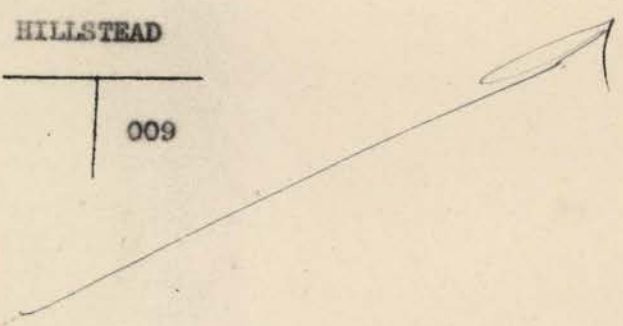
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HOPLEY  
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DOUGLAS  
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COOPER  
146  
TURK  
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CAMPBELL  
931  
KECK  
187  
HILLSTEAD  
009

Mc KAY  
485  
DIDN'T TAKE-OFF

SPARES

Mc GOLDRICK  
104

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W.D.A.G.FORM  
 12 E. Modified  
 1-9-44 401st BG APO 557

COMBAT BOMBING FLIGHT RECORD

BOMBARDIER Lt. Klefisch DATE 26 Oct 1944  
 PILOT Lt. Horcer TAKE OFF 0955  
 NAVIGATOR Lt. Gaskins AIRPLANE \_\_\_\_\_  
 WING 94 CG GROUP 401st SQDN High LANDED 1700  
 OBJECTIVE Bielfield, Germany (MPI) \_\_\_\_\_

METHOD OF ATTACK Individual Flight Squadron Group wing

NUMBER A/C IN GROUP 12 COMPOSITE GROUP \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

BOMBS, TYPES AND SIZES 500 M 17 FUSING: NOSE 1/10 TAIL \_\_\_\_\_

BOMBS, TYPES AND SIZES 500 M 64 FUSING: NOSE 1/10 TAIL 1/10

NUMBER OF BOMBS LOADED 72 IB 71 GP RELEASED 72 IB 71 GP

INFORMATION AT RELEASE POINT:

Altitude of Target 365 Temp Aloft: Metro -34 Actual -35

True Altitude above target 26000 Mag Head, order 109 Actual 106

Ind. Altitude 26500 True Heading 113

Pressure alt of target -293 Drift, Est 4R Actual 3R

Altimeter setting 29.92 True Track 115

C.I.A.S. 150 I.A.S. 150 Actual Range 11700

G.S. Est 211 Actual 220 B.S.Type M-9

Wind Direc Metro 70 Actual 63 Time of Release 1404

Wind Veloc. Metro 174 Actual 123 Intervalometer Setting 140ft

D.S 124 Trail 61 ATF 42.75 Length of Bombing Run 46 miles

Ten. D.A. Est .45 Actual .45 C-1. Pilot Yes A-5 \_\_\_\_\_

Mean Temp: Metro -10 Actual -10 Manual Pilot \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Release: Lead A/C Salvo Type of Release: Other A/C 140ft

W.D.A.G.FORM  
 12 E. Modified  
 1-9-44 401st BG APO 557

COMBAT BOMBING FLIGHT RECORD

BOMBARDIER Lt. Rostron DATE 26 Oct 1944

PILOT Lt. Mannix TAKE OFF 1925

NAVIGATOR Lt. Maloney AIRPLANE \_\_\_\_\_

WING 24 B Gp GROUP 401st SQDN Low LANDED 1928

OBJECTIVE Hilffeld, Germany (MPI)

METHOD OF ATTACK Individual Flight Squadron Group wing

NUMBER A/C IN GROUP 12 COMPOSITE GROUP \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

BOMBS, TYPES AND SIZES 500# M 17 FUSING: NOSE 127 TAIL \_\_\_\_\_

BOMBS, TYPES AND SIZES 500# M 64 FUSING: NOSE 1/10 TAIL 1/40

NUMBER OF BOMBS LOADED 72 LB, 71 GP RELEASED 72 LB 71 GP

INFORMATION AT RELEASE POINT:

Altitude of Target 385 Temp Aloft: Metro -30 Actual -30

True Altitude above target 24835 Mag Head, order 109 Actual 118

Ind. Altitude 24890 True Heading 119

Pressure alt of target -295 Drift, Est 42 Actual 32

Altimeter setting 29.92 True Track 122

C.I.A.S. 150 I.A.S. 150 Actual Range 11058

G.S. Est 208 Actual 202 B.S.Type H-9

Wind Direc Metro 70 Actual 70 Time of Release 1405

Wind Veloc. Metro 25 Actual 25 Intervalometer Setting 140ft

D.S 127 Trail 59 ATF 41.95 Length of Bombing Run 43 miles

Tan. D.A. Est .45 Actual .45 C-1 Pilot Yes A-5 \_\_\_\_\_

Mean Temp: Metro -3 Actual -3 Manual Pilot \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Release: Lead A/C Salvo Type of Release: Other A/C 140ft

W.D.A.G.FORM  
 12 E. Modified  
 1-9-44 401st BG APO 557

COMBAT BOMBING FLIGHT RECORD

BOMBARDIER Lt. Winn DATE 26 Oct 1944  
 PILOT Major McGree TAKE OFF 1022  
 NAVIGATOR Lt. Jeffery AIRPLANE \_\_\_\_\_  
 WING 34th CG GROUP 401st SQDN Lead LANDED 1621  
 OBJECTIVE Bielfield, Germany (MPI) \_\_\_\_\_  
 METHOD OF ATTACK Individual Flight Squadron Group wing  
 NUMBER A/C IN GROUP 12 COMPOSITE GROUP \_\_\_\_\_  
 DEFLECTION AND RANGE SIGHTING GROUP Lead A/C COMPOSITE GROUP \_\_\_\_\_  
 NUMBER A/C DROPPING BOMBS BY OWN SIGHTING OPERATION: 1 A/C  
 BOMBS, TYPES AND SIZES 500# M 17 FUSING: NOSE M127 TAIL \_\_\_\_\_  
 BOMBS, TYPES AND SIZES 500# M 64 FUSING: NOSE 1/10 TAIL 1/40  
 NUMBER OF BOMBS LOADED 72 IB RELEASED 72 IB 71 GP  
 INFORMATION AT RELEASE POINT:  
 Altitude of Target 305 Temp Aloft: Metro -32 Actual -32  
 True Altitude above target 25600 Mag Head, order 109 Actual 119  
 Ind. Altitude 25600 True Heading 125  
 Pressure alt of target -205 Drift, Est 4R Actual 4R  
 Altimeter setting 29.92 True Track 112 129  
 C.I.A.S. 100 I.A.S. 100 Actual Range 11423  
 G.S. Est 203 Actual 210 B.S.Type H-9  
 Wind Direc Metro 70 Actual 65 Time of Release 1402  
 Wind Veloc. Metro 23 Actual 23 Intervalometer Setting 140ft  
 D.S. 125.0 Trail 61 ATF 42.19 Length of Bombing Run 40miles  
 Tan. D.A. Est 23.48 Actual 211.07 1 Pilot Yes A-5 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mean Temp: Metro -9 Actual -11 Manual Pilot \_\_\_\_\_  
 Type of Release: Lead A/C Salvo Type of Release: Other A/C 140ft

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HEADQUARTERS  
401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)  
Office of the Communications Officer  
AAF Sta 128, APO 557

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Reference Field Order 533.

26 OCTOBER 1944

SUBJECT: Communications Report, Operational Mission No 161.

TO : Commanding Officer, 401st Bomb Gp (H), AAF Sta 128, APO 557.

SECTION ONE - USE OF RADIO NAVIGATIONAL AIDS

- |                        |           |                        |                      |
|------------------------|-----------|------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Radio Beacons used: |           | 3. HF/DF Bearings      | <u>0</u>             |
| Splashers              | <u>3</u>  | 4. VHF/DF Bearings     | <u>2</u>             |
| Fixed Beacons          | <u>0</u>  | 5. Distress Action     | <u>0</u>             |
| Bunchers               | <u>50</u> | 6. Total A/C using Gee | <u>36</u>            |
| 2. MF/DF Fixes         | <u>0</u>  | Maximum Fix            | <u>0636E - 5224N</u> |

SECTION TWO - USE OF PFF

- |                                      |          |
|--------------------------------------|----------|
| 1. Total H2X A/C dispatched          | <u>3</u> |
| 2. Total H2X A/C over target         | <u>3</u> |
| 3. Total H2X sets usable for bombing | <u>3</u> |

SECTION THREE - USE OF RCM

- |                                   |              |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| 1. Total A/C releasing Chaff      | <u>33</u>    |
| 2. Total number of units released | <u>9.504</u> |

SECTION FOUR - REMARKS

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*Harold M. Kennard Jr.*  
HAROLD M. KENNARD, JR. *487m*  
Capt, Air Corps,  
Gp Com O.

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S E C R E T

Report on A.A. Gunfire.

401 BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)

Assigned . BIELEFELD . . . . .  
 Target: Bomed . . BIELEFELD . . . . . Date of Mission 26/10/44

Route as Flown:-

(5237 - 0438E) - (5233 - 0615E) - (5207 - 0721E)  
 IP (5212 - 0736E) - Target - (5146 - 0832E) - (5150 - 0809E)  
 (5209 - 0752E) - (5207 - 0721E) - (5233 - 0615E) - (5237 - 0438E)

Weather conditions: (a) At target . . . . . 10/10 . . . . .  
 (b) En route . . . . . 10/10 . . . . .  
 Were our A/C "Seen" or "Unseen" targets? (a) At target . Unseen . . . . .  
 (b) En route . Unseen . . . . .  
 Any condensation trails? . . . . .

Description of Flak at Target, including METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL

This Group encountered no flak at target, but observed that a few bursts came up from target area, several 1 minutes after formation had left.

Flak encountered or observed en route. (In the order experienced)

- 1420 hrs., - meagre, mistak black flak from Osnabruck (observed)
- 1420 hrs., - meagre, black flak from Munster (observed)
- 1440 hrs., - meagre, black flak from Zwolle (observed)

Was CHAFF carried? . . . . . Yes . . . . .  
 How discharged? . . . . . as briefed . . . . .

Position of Group . . . . . 94th "G" Group, third in Division . . . . .

Details:-

up	A/C over enemy territory	A/C Damaged	A/C lost to Flak	Time over Target	Time of Bombs away	Height	Axis of Attack	Bomb Run
Lead	12	0	0	1402	1402	25,500	113°T	187°T
Low	12	0	0	1403	1403	24,800	107°T	188°T
High	12	0	0	1404	1404	26,300	106°T	185°T
als:								

Comments - Phenomena:-  
One large, red burst of flak observed over Zwolle on return.

IE. D. V. McCallum

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

D-E-1

26 October 1944

SUBJECT: Crew Comments and Suggestions.

TO : Commanding Officer, Station 128, APO 557, U.S. Army. (Thru Lt. Col. William T. Seawell).

1. Lt. Jack P. Comer, Pilot A/C 8541, who was flying No. 2 position in Low section of Lead Squadron reported that A/C 8159 (Oas) got out of formation on the bomb run and flew directly over A/C 8541, which had to move out of position in order to avoid being hit by bomb.
2. Lt. Paul J. Sullivan, Pilot A/C 7113 states that members of 614th Squadron crew #2 have piled into 615th Squadron trucks several times after breakfast.
3. Lt. Herbert L. Oas, Jr., Pilot A/C 8159 reported that SOP air speeds were not followed in climbing and upon letting down, and were not constant.
4. Lt. George S. Schaumaman, Pilot A/C 6506, who was flying deputy to Major McCree, reported that A/C 7113 (Sullivan) continually flew too close.
5. Lt. Lawrence E. Lowry, Navigator A/C 7551 (flying in High Squadron) reported that the formation flew too slow; consequently, his pilot was continually essing and he could not get correct drift readings.
6. Lt. Eugene E. Hoemann, Co-Pilot A/C 7602 stated that the High Squadron formation was excellent.
7. Lt. Edwin H. Spuhler, Pilot A/C 8738 praised navigation done by High Squadron Leader.
8. The crew of Lt. Francis E. Rundell, Pilot A/C 2468 were pleased with the excellent cookies in their lunch and suggest a larger supply be provided.

W. B. FRY,  
Major, Air Corps,  
Group S-2 Officer.



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EASTMAN KODAK SAFETY FILM

BRIEFING NOTES.

1. TARGET: BIELEFIELD, GERMANY.

VISUAL + PFF.

L.R. Lippstadt 5143-0822 <sup>ordnance</sup>

BRANCH, DEPOTS, <sup>2 miles S.E. of center</sup> SUPPLYING FRONT

WITH TANKS, GUNS, TRACK VEHICLES, A.F. V's, etc.  
ALSO A REPAIR DEPOT.

YOUR ~~unit~~ <sup>target</sup> IS TRIANGULAR SHAPED <sup>& 1 squad with smaller Bldg around</sup>  
UNIT- 3 LONG BUILDINGS STAND OUT. ~~4th CBW~~

~~ON E EDGE OF TOWN.~~

(MAI for entire 94th CBW).

OTHER TARGET AREA = MAI for 40th CBW.  
REMAINDER OF, 1CBW, ON MUNSTER.

2. FRIENDLY ACTIVITIES:

L/R TARGET -  
LIPPSTADT or  
ANY T NOT  
GERMANY. NOT  
RD or R.R. BRIDGES  
W OF RHINE

1st out a. 12 Gps - 3rd DIV. - { HANOVER  
35 miles N. of route  
essentially same out { MISBURG

2nd out b. 8 Gps - 2nd DIV. - MINDEN.  
Same as 3rd 5218-0857

c. 12 S's. - 2nd DIV. - BOTTROP.  
Same as 1st 5132-0659

d. 41st CBW - GELSENKIRCHEN.  
40th same as 04th Ruhr  
1st Munster

3. FIGHTER SUPPORT:

- 1 Gp 51's - 5-237-0438
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- 1 Sq 51's - 5-237-0438, close support for screening force.

4. SCREENING FORCE

- a. 36 B-17's
- b. 16 P-51's

5. FLAK.

6. EPIDIASCOPE PROCEDURE

7. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.

- a. P/W -
- b. SECURITY -

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612TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)  
 401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)  
 Office of the Operations Officer

26 October 1944  
 Mission # 161

SUBJECT: Loading List

TO: Operations Officer, 401st Bomb Group (H), AAF, Station No. 128, A.P.O. No. 557.

A/C 44-6806

P	Schaunaman, George S.	1st Lt.	612th.
CP	Hobgood, James R.	1st Lt.	612th.
N	Purrier, Robert E.	2nd Lt.	612th.
B	Sandoe, Kenneth E.	2nd Lt.	612th.
RO	Kopitnikoff, Irving G.	T/Sgt.	612th.
TTG	Morris, Thomas P.	T/Sgt.	612th.
BTG	Doogan, Arthur L., Jr.	S/Sgt.	612th.
TG	Williams, Clarence P.	S/Sgt.	612th.
WG	Gurry, Edward A., Jr.	S/Sgt.	612th.

A/C 42-106992

P	Roadman, Julian (NMI)	2nd Lt.	612th.
CP	Compton, Henry W.	2nd Lt.	612th.
N	Knese, Robert H.	P/O	612th.
B	Whitlock, James P.	2nd Lt.	612th.
RO	Elohisak, Alfred (NMI)	Sgt.	612th.
TTG	Landers, John A.	Sgt.	612th.
BTG	Hall, Eugene H.	Sgt.	612th.
TG	Wood, Donald S.	Sgt.	612th.
WG	Hill, Earle R., Jr.	Sgt.	612th.

A/C 45-38541

P	Gomer, Jack P.	2nd Lt.	612th.
CP	Matthes, Francis R.	2nd Lt.	612th.
N	Weinstein, Byron (NMI)	2nd Lt.	612th.
B	Smith, Alvie L.	2nd Lt.	612th.
RO	Hulse, Harold A.	Sgt.	612th.
TTG	Bixby, Joseph (NMI) Jr.	Sgt.	612th.
BTG	Erland, Clotus M.	Sgt.	612th.
TG	Kirchuff, Leonard M.	Sgt.	612th.
WG	Mainprize, Jack E.	S/Sgt.	612th.

A/C 42-107039

P	Schliemann, Donald M.	2nd Lt.	612th.
CP	Piper, Harry L., Jr.	Captain	612th.
N	Schneck, David (NMI)	P/O	612th.
B	Swatosh, Kenneth J.	2nd Lt.	612th.
RO	Pendley, Garland E.	Sgt.	612th.
TTG	Zabel, Bruce H.	Sgt.	612th.
BTG	Eames, Duane H.N.	Sgt.	612th.
TG	Madden, Ted H.	Sgt.	612th.
WG	Kelly, John C.	Sgt.	612th.

A/C 42-59993

P	Hocking, Bert E.	1st Lt.	612th.
CP	Merritt, William R.	1st Lt.	612th.
N	Harris, Elliott S.	1st Lt.	612th.
B	Pinkston, John S.	T/Sgt.	612th.
RO	Moore, Donald J.	T/Sgt.	612th.
TTG	Gannon, James W.	T/Sgt.	612th.
BTG	McGrath, Joseph A.	S/Sgt.	612th.
TG	Thomas, Ernest H.	S/Sgt.	612th.
WG	Garrett, Milton (NMI) Jr.	S/Sgt.	612th.

A/C 42-102393

P	Jones, Dale G.	2nd Lt.	612th
CP	Siepak, Stanley J.	2nd Lt.	612th.
N	Wishnoff, Aaron (NMI)	2nd Lt.	612th.
B	Bennett, Boyd P.	S/Sgt.	612th.
RO	Madrzyk, Chester P.	Sgt.	612th.
TTG	Serafino, Ernest A.	Sgt.	612th.
BTG	Gherubini, Peter J.	Sgt.	612th.
TG	Watters, Kenneth G.	Sgt.	612th.
WG	Wallace, Robert W.	Sgt.	612th.

A/C 43-37938

P	Long, Robert L.	F/O	612th.
CP	Watterson, Stuart E., Jr.	F/O	612th.
N	Crick, Lawrence A.	2nd Lt.	612th.
B	Watson, Reynolds S.	2nd Lt.	612th.
RO	York, Dennis A.	Sgt.	612th.
TTG	Gabhart, Charles R. <i>Chapman, Richard C.</i>	T/Sgt.	612th.
BTG	Hovezak, Henry (NMI)	Sgt.	612th.
TG	Iles, Earl L.	Sgt.	612th.
WG	Willick, <del>XXXXXXXX</del> Edward L.	Sgt.	612th.

A/C 43-37628

P	Aiken, Charles H.	2nd Lt.	612th.
CP	<del>Hanford, Charles J., Jr.</del> <i>Tempkins, David</i>	2nd Lt.	612th.
N	Osborne, Charles R.	1st Lt.	612th.
B	Benton, David (NMI)	2nd Lt.	612th.
RO	<del>XXXXXXXXXXXX</del> Barrow, John D.	T/Sgt.	612th.
TTG	Peterson, Harry A.	T/Sgt.	612th.
BTG	Gaal, Ernest A.	S/Sgt.	612th.
TG	Lambeth, Benson W.	S/Sgt.	612th.
WG	Satter, Howard J., Jr.	S/Sgt.	612th.

A/C 43-37790

P	Bonney, Roy H.	1st Lt.	612th.
CP	Jolley, Edward R.	2nd Lt.	612th.
N	Olsen, John B.	2nd Lt.	612th.
B	Wilde, Earl R.	2nd Lt.	612th.
RO	Pettingsa, Paul S.	T/Sgt.	612th.
TTG	Lensen, Ben (NMI)	T/Sgt.	612th.
BTG	Peters, Winfield E.	S/Sgt.	612th.
TG	Souder, William M.	S/Sgt.	612th.
WG	Dill, Donald B.	S/Sgt.	612th.

A/C 43897947

P	McCree, Donald G.	Major	612th.
CP	Chapman, Alva H., Jr.	Captain	612th.
N	Jeffery, Morey B.	1st Lt.	612th.
N	Smith, Charles M.	Captain	614th.
B	Winn, Roy R.	1st Lt.	612th.
NO	Howard, Robert W.	1st Lt.	612th.
RO	Fuston, William P.	T/Sgt.	612th.
TTG	Lucowles, John (NMI)	T/Sgt.	612th.
TG	Carter, Gerald F.	Captain	612th.
WG	Detweiler, Robert C.	S/Sgt.	612th.

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

26 OCTOBER 1944

## LOADING LIST

PLANE NO.	DUTY	RANK	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MI
FFF 636 (615th)	P	1st LT.	MANNIX	WILLIAM	G.
	CP	CAPT.	STELZER	ROBERT	L.
	N	1st LT.	MALONEY	WILLIAM	F.
	B	1st LT.	ROSTROM	CARL	L.
	V	2nd LT.	STRONG	WILLIAM	W.
	RO	T/SGT.	THOMPSON	JOHN	S.
	TT	T/SGT.	STOKESBERRY	THOMAS	(NSI)
	TG	S/SGT.	EGGLESTON	HENRY	H.
	WG	S/SGT.	PAVLISIN	JOSEPH	K.
42-38267	P	1st LT.	KEELING	CHARLES	P.
	CP	2nd LT.	DONALSON	JEFF	N.
	N	2nd LT.	HUSH	JAMES	M.
	B	2nd LT.	SCANLON	WILLIAM	M.
	RO	T/SGT.	KNACK	ROBERT	C.
	TT	T/SGT.	PRIEST	MAURICE	C.
	BT	S/SGT.	KINAGY	LLOYD	C.
	TG	S/SGT.	MOORE	WAVERLY	M.
	WG	S/SGT.	PAPAZIAN	STEPHEN	A.
43-37706	P	2nd LT.	ANNIS	ROMIE	A.
	CP	2nd LT.	CLARK	FORREST	E.
	N	2nd LT.	MADDER	BERNARD	J.
	B	2nd LT.	JENSEN	JENS	B.
	RO	SGT.	WALKER	LEWIS	L.
	TT	SGT.	CORLISS	JOHN	M.
	BT	SGT.	LARSON	DEAN	C.
	TG	SGT.	JOHNSON	LESLIE	C.
	WG	SGT.	BROOKS	GEORGE	E.
43-38187	P	2nd LT.	KECK	ROBERT	J.
	CP	F/O	ISTEL	LAWRENCE	A.
	N	F/O	FREEMAN	HALLIS	W. JR.
	B	F/O	SHEPARD	SAMUEL	(NSI)
	RO	SGT.	ENGLER	RICHARD	H.
	TT	SGT.	STOEGER	LEONARD	V.
	BT	SGT.	NORR	ELWOOD	W.
	TG	SGT.	METCALF	WILLIAM	T.
	WG	SGT.	FLALKOWSKI	EDWARD	(NSI)
44-6132	P	1st LT.	DOUGLAS	LUTHER	A.
	CP	2nd LT.	LITTLE	RICHARD	H.
	N	2nd LT.	HAVRAN	EDWARD	F.
	B	2nd LT.	GOPMAN	WILLIAM	L.
	RO	S/SGT.	SHEETZ	JOHN	H.
	TT	S/SGT.	LEWIS	RAYMOND	G.
	BT	S/SGT.	AGLIATA	TONY	A.
	TG	S/SGT.	CAIRO	LOUIS	P.
	WG	S/SGT.	MC CRARY	LEON	A.

LOADING LIST - 27 OCTOBER 1944 Cont'd

<u>PLANE NO.</u>	<u>DUTY</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>LAST NAME</u>	<u>FIRST NAME</u>	<u>MI</u>
44-6313	P	1st LT.	BUND	CLAYTON	R.
	CP	2nd LT.	MC LEOD	REGINALD	L.
	N	2nd LT.	KLOTZ	BERNARD	L.
	B	S/SGT.	KISSACK	JOHN	D.
	RO	T/SGT.	SKALA	FRANKLIN	C.
	TT	T/SGT.	OLIVER	ERNEST	S.
	BT	S/SGT.	DESTROISMAISON	ARTHUR	(NMI)
	TG	S/SGT.	ROGEN	HARLEN	(NMI)
	WG	S/SGT.	MURRAY	DALE	S.
	42-97931	P	1st LT.	CAMPBELL	ROBERT
CP		2nd LT.	RANDIE	RICHARD	W.
N		2nd LT.	HURLEY	JIM	D.
B		2nd LT.	ISHAM	LAWRENCE	B.
RO		S/SGT.	CHALUPZYNSKI	VINCENT	M.
TT		S/SGT.	JUSTICE	ANDREW	C.
BT		S/SGT.	BOSTIAN	AUDREY	I.
TG		S/SGT.	SMITH	JAMES	A.
WG		S/SGT.	HAWDAWAY	JAMES	R.
43-37736		P	2nd LT.	GR HOPELY	CHARLES
	CP	2nd LT.	GOETZ	FRANK	V. JR.
	N	2nd LT.	MAC DONALD	RICHARD	E.
	B	SGT.	JACOBS	JOHN	R.
	RO	S/SGT.	DUNNING	CHARLES	R. JR.
	TT	S/SGT.	HARDIN	WILLIAM	A.
	BT	S/SGT.	MERRIMAN	JAY	S.
	TG	S/SGT.	VAN FELT	HAROLD	G.
	WG	S/SGT.	ANDERSON	WAYNE	L.
	42-102009	P	2nd LT.	HILLESTAD	RAYMOND
CP		2nd LT.	EMCH	JOHN	H.
N		2nd LT.	CAMPBELL	FREDERICK	L.
B		S/SGT.	MONTOYA	CHRIS	A.
RO		S/SGT.	KRIZ	RAYMOND	E.
TT		S/SGT.	DRYDEN	JAMES	B. JR.
BT		S/SGT.	ANDREN	ROBERT	M.
TG		S/SGT.	FISHEIN	HAROLD	(NMI)
WG		S/SGT.	DI CICCIO	PATSY	C.
44-6104		P	2nd LT.	Mc GOLDRICK	JOHN
	CP	2nd LT.	MILLER	HENRY	C.
	N	2nd LT.	LEWIS	LESTER	G.
	B	SGT.	LINDSAY	JAMES	R.
	RO	SGT.	BECK	GERALD	L.
	TT	SGT.	SHELDON	JAMES	F.
	BT	SGT.	GRUMANN	JAMES	R.
	TG	SGT.	ST. LEDGER	ROBERT	E.
	WG	SGT.	LUCA	RUDOLPH	C.

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

AAF Station # 128  
 26 October 1944

SUBJECT: Loading List.

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

1. Following is the loading list for today's mission.

<u>PLANE 44-8258</u>			
P	1st Lt.	MERCER, ELMER W.	614th Sq
CP	1st Lt.	HIBBERT, CARL D.	"
N	1st Lt.	GASKINS, LESLIE E.	"
B	1st Lt.	KLEFISCH, THEODORE J.	"
MO	1st Lt.	WINOGRAD, ALFRED A.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Zubrickas, Joseph S.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Fowler, Cecil V.	"
EG	S/Sgt.	Gurnieki, Sigmund A.	"
WG	S/sgt.	Connors, Robert A.	"
<u>PLANE 42-102000 468</u>			
P	1st Lt.	RUNDALL, FRANCIS E.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	JOHNSON, RAYMOND E.	"
N	2nd Lt.	CHAMPAGNE, RENE P.	"
B	2nd Lt.	SHEARER, WILLIAM M. JR.	"
RO	Sgt.	Trojanowski, Arthur J.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Mears, Harold B.	"
BT	Sgt.	Smith, William F.	"
TG	Sgt.	Ice, Robert E.	"
WG	Sgt.	Huffman, James J.	"
<u>PLANE 42-38565</u>			
P	Captain	SEDER, ARTHUR R. JR.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	RUBINOFF, LOUIS W.	"
N	1st Lt.	DUBRAY, JOSEPH J.	"
B	2nd Lt.	CRAWFORD, ALLEN H. JR.	"
RO	Sgt.	Becklin, John F.	"
TT	Sgt.	Antill, Clarence W.	"
BT	Sgt.	Harris, Cecil D.	"
TG	Sgt.	Allison, Carl M.	"
WG	Sgt.	Affel, Richard H.	"
<u>PLANE 42-38236</u>			
P	1st Lt.	HAYES, ISLAND R.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	HAPLEY, WILLIE J.	"
N	2nd Lt.	PETTY, ROBERT J.	"
B	2nd Lt.	LUPOWITZ, HYMAN J.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Tyree, Drsey W.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Dickson, Beattie B.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Lawrence, Sterling S.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Dreon, Louis L.	"
WG	S/sgt.	Kilgore, Edmund W.	"



## Loading List (Con't)

PLANE 42-107151

P	2nd Lt.	MORTON, WALTER L.	614th Sq
CP	2nd Lt.	RITCHEY, RALPH	"
N	2nd Lt.	PINK, JACK T.	"
B	2nd Lt.	HELMS, CHARLES L.	"
RO	Sgt.	Hickey, Robert E.	"
TT	Sgt.	Block, Joseph R.	"
BT	Sgt.	Powers, Willard B.	"
TG	Sgt.	Whittington, Charles S.	"
WG	Sgt.	Bruschwein, Douglas B.	"

PLANE 42-97478

P	2nd Lt.	ST. AUBYN, GLENN H.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	THOMPSON, WALLACE	"
N	F/O	KAHN, CHARLES	"
B	F/O	CROSSMAN, ELMER B.	"
RO	Sgt.	Tompkins, Harry A.	"
TT	Sgt.	Dearborn, Harry R.	"
BT	Sgt.	Lichtenberger, Gustave W.	"
TG	Sgt.	Hickey, Harold J.	"
WG	Sgt.	Buckley, John F.	"

PLANE 42-97602

P	1st Lt.	SISSON, NORMAN L.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	HOEMANN, EUGENE E.	"
N	2nd Lt.	CROSSMAN, LAVERN	"
B	2nd Lt.	PICKER, NATHAN	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Haluck, Andrew S.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Carter, Peter J.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Stevens, Calvin J.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Ritchie, Francis T.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Torres, Jose M.	"

PLANE 43-38330

P	2nd Lt.	BABCOCK, FREDERICK E.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	BONSFIELD, JOHN	"
N	2nd Lt.	STEWART, LEON F.	"
B	2nd Lt.	MENZEL, GEORGE M.	"
RO	Sgt.	Bilby, John F. Jr.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Caldwell, Carroll L.	"
BT	Sgt.	Wilczynski, Walter J.	"
TG	Sgt.	Farnham, Walter R.	"
WG	Sgt.	Casselman, Charles R.	"

PLANE 43-38738

P	2nd Lt.	SPOHLER, EDWIN H.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	CURRENT, DONALD D.	"
N	2nd Lt.	MC ADAMS, ROBERT C.	"
B	2nd Lt.	OSTER, LEWIS H.	"
RO	Sgt.	Hendrick, William J.	"
TT	Sgt.	Wells, Richard D.	"
BT	Sgt.	Benedict, Cloide Jr.	"
TG	Sgt.	Hughes, James E.	"
WG	Sgt.	Power, James E.	"

Loading List (Con't)

PLANE 44-6464

P	F/O	WITTMAN, PAUL F.	614th Sq
CP	2nd Lt.	HOSLEY, ROBERT A.	"
N	2nd Lt.	SCHNEIDER, JAMES M.	"
B	2nd Lt.	O'HERN, MELVIN C.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Mitchell, Joseph G.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Collett, John E.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	STREMEK James, Harold L. Jr.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Kosiba, Frank T.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Schmidt, Edward J.	"
P	Captain	CHAPMAN, ALVAH H. JR.	Flying with 612th Sq
N	Captain	SMITH, CHARLES M.	" " " "

For the Squadron Commander:

DONALD V. KIRKHUFF,  
Capt., Air Corps,  
Actg Ops Officer.

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

26 October 1944

SUBJECT: Loading List.

TO : Operations Officer 401st Bomb Gp (H), Sta - 128, APO 557.

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

PLANE # 42-107113

DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
P	1st Lt.	Sullivan	Paul	J.	615th
OP	2nd Lt.	Cox	Edward	A.	"
N	2nd Lt.	Sassaman	James	R.	"
B	2nd Lt.	Ramsay	John	R.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Brown	George	(NMI)	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Raciti	Anthony	E.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Daley	John	P.	"
TG	Sgt.	Storn	James	L.	"
FG	Sgt.	Cross	William	L.	"

PLANE # 43-38458

P	1st Lt.	Dow	Herbert	V.	615th
OP	2nd Lt.	Rockaday	Billy	S.	"
N	1st Lt.	King	Robert	J.	"
B	S/Sgt.	Nachasiok	Alfred	(NMI)	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Carr	Gene	(NMI)	"
TT	M/Sgt.	Adams	Leroy	E.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Macchietto	Richard	D.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Sokolowski	Edward	A.	"
FG	S/Sgt.	Greenberg	Harold	(NMI)	"

PLANE # 43-38159

P	1st Lt.	Ons., Jr.	Herbert	L.	615th
OP	2nd Lt.	Hayes	Thomas	A.	"
N	2nd Lt.	Green	William	H.	"
B	2nd Lt.	Hancock	William	M.	"
RO	Sgt.	Brereton	William	E.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Cook	Byron	K.	"
BT	Sgt.	Monarsky	Theodore	(NMI)	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Reardon	John	J.	"
FG	S/Sgt.	Dunn	John	G.	"

PLANE # 43-31923

P	1st Lt.	Galloway	Robert	W.	615th
OP	2nd Lt.	Lawson	Robert	S.	"
N	2nd Lt.	Griffin	Warren	S.	"
B	S/Sgt.	LaBelle	Joseph	H.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Dodson	James	G.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Southerland	James	G.	"
BT	Sgt.	Altieri	Alfonso	A.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Roberts	James	D.	"
FG	S/Sgt.	Trendelman	Frederick	S.	"

## LOADING LIST (Continued)

PLANE # 42-97664

P	2nd Lt.	Hansen	Ernest	A.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Coats	Jerry	A.	"
N	F/O	Greenberg	Horton	(NMI)	"
B	2nd Lt.	King	Jack	L.	"
RO	Sgt.	Ferguson	Hugh	R.	"
TT	Sgt.	Miller	Raymond	A.	"
BT	Sgt.	Heiss	Elveer	B.	"
TG	Sgt.	McKnight	Leroy	H.	"
FG	Sgt.	Karcher	Alonso	A.	"

PLANE # 43-37551

P	2nd Lt.	Maire	Frederick	H.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Deen	Robert	H.	"
N	2nd Lt.	Lowry	Lawrence	E.	"
B	2nd Lt.	Honberger	Charles	A.	"
RO	Sgt.	Habrey	William	T.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Barr	Thomas	H.	"
BT	Sgt.	Floyd	Horris	C.	"
TG	Sgt.	Landry	Lawrence	B.	"
FG	Sgt.	Nowak	Frank	J.	"

PLANE # 43-38125

P	2nd Lt.	Turk	Laurel	A.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Sincking	John	H.	"
N	2nd Lt.	Cone	Allan	L.	"
B	2nd Lt.	Moore	Max	L.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	McKenna	Joseph	(NMI)	"
TT	Sgt.	Wieselthier	Simon	(NMI)	"
BT	Sgt.	Grenillion	John	H.	"
TG	Sgt.	Vecchio	Murray	H.	"
FG	Sgt.	Osborne	Peter	J.	"

PLANE # 42-31485

P	2nd Lt.	McKay	George	W.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Higgs	Walter	H.	"
N	2nd Lt.	Rainey	John	L.	"
B	2nd Lt.	Hecker	Robert	L.	"
RO	Sgt.	Richardson	Samuel	T.	"
TT	Sgt.	Butler	William	H.	"
BT	T/Sgt.	Luther	Richard	H.	"
TG	Sgt.	Wiederman	Lars	H.	"
FG	Sgt.	Comizzaro	Ralph	J.	"

PLANE # 44-6146

P	1st Lt.	Cooper	Louis	E.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Spansel	Kaye	H.	"
N	2nd Lt.	Ellis	George	O.	"
B	2nd Lt.	D'Agostini	Benedict	R.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Sherrill	Bascom	B.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Sexton	Myron	W.	"
BT	Sgt.	Maroncelli	Harry	J.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Lawrence	Ralph	I.	"
FG	S/Sgt.	Gus	Charles	H.	"

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

F-B-2

APO 557  
26 October 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  
25 October 1944:

a. A/C # 42-31891 - Returned early because pilot could not get supercharger boost on # 3 engine. Ground inspection revealed that a rubber connector sleeve connecting two segments of the # 3 supercharger air pressure duct had worked loose because the lower collar holding the sleeve to the lower segment had slipped. This caused a loss of supercharger boost to # 3 engine. Pilot said that he could not maintain position in formation and climb to bombing altitude with a setting of 38" Hg. and 2300 RPM on engines 1, 2 and 4. The # 3 engine had a power setting of 19" Hg. at 20,000 ft. with no more boost obtainable and he could expect a drop in manifold pressure of slightly less than one (1) inch for every thousand feet higher to bombing altitude. The supercharger air pressure duct had been modified according to T.M.I. 01-20E-30.

FRANK E. WILSON  
Capt., Air Corps,  
Ass't Group Engineering O.

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

F-C-2

APO 557  
27 October 1944

SUBJECT: Armament Malfunction Mission Report

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

1. Negative Armament Malfunction Mission Report is submitted for the mission of 26 October 1944.
2. There were twenty-seven (27) aircraft equipped with the all-electric bomb release system participating in the mission.

SAM P. BROOMHALL JR.  
Capt., Air Corps,  
Group Armament Officer

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94th C Group  
LEAD

Combat Flight Leader MAJOR MC CREE Date 26 Oct 1944

Deputy Flight Leader LT SCHAUNAMAN

*G-500 220 1/0 1/40*  
*L-M 17 1B's - Chart 12*

612 SQDN

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

MC CREE (CHAPMAN)

SC U 7947

SCHLIEMANN

SC M 7039

SCHAUNAMAN

SC N 6506

612 SQDN

HOCKING

SC C 9993

615 SQDN

SULLIVAN

IY J 7113 ✓

BONNEY

SC N 7790

LONG

SC S 7938

OAS

IY N 8159

DOB

IY P 8458 ✓

AIKEN

SC A 7628

JONES

SC R 2393

COMER

SC F 8541

SPARES

ROADMAN

SC D 6992

Spare PFF 8153 SC Q Disp 14

Gnd spares ~~2468~~ IY C Disp 27

~~6113 IN R Disp 86~~

SECRET

*No abacts*  
*no Battle Damage*

High Sq 94th C Group

Combat Flight Leader Lt Mercer Date 26 Oct 44

Deputy Flight Leader Lt Rundell

614 SQDN

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

MERCER

IY A 8258

SEDER

IW X 8565

RUNDELL

~~IY C 468~~  
~~IW J 2659~~

*exhaust valve sticking #2 Eng.*

614 SQDN

615 SQDN

HAYES

IWM 8236

CALLAWAY

~~IWR 6113~~  
~~IY G 1983~~

*O<sub>2</sub> swivel joint out*

ST AUBYN

IW Q 7478E

MORTON

IW B 7151

MAIRE

IY L 7551

HAUSEN

IY F 7664

SISSON

IW O 7602

SPUHLER

iw n 8738

BABCOCK

IW Z 8330

SPARES

WITTMAN

IW H 6464

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LOW BOX 94th C Group

Combat Flight Leader LT MANNIX Date 26 Oct 1944

Deputy Flight Leader LT KEELING

613 SQDN

- 612 SC JABROCK
- 613 IN MACRO
- 614 IV GOLFCLUB
- 615 IY BUZZARD

MANNIX

IY H 7636

ANNIS

IN U 7706

KEELING

IN M 8267

613 SQDN

615 SQDN

BUDD

IN F 6313 ✓

STEGEMAN

IY D 8125 ✓

HOPLEY

IN T 7736

DOUGLAS

IN B 6132

CODPER

IY R 6146

MC KAY

IY X 1485

CAMPBELL

IN Q 7931

KECK

IN D 8187

HILLESTAD

IN P 7009

SPARES

MC GOLDRICK

IN N 6104

