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MISSION No. **189**

Date: **1 JAN. 45**

TO: **KASSEL/ELZ, GER.**

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401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)

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ASSIGNMENT

1. Assigned Target: DERBEN, GERMANY (Primary)
KASSEL, GERMANY (Secondary)
ELZ,
2. Commitments: The 401st group furnished three 12 A/C squadrons for the 94th "C" group. One PFF A/C was included in the lead and high squadrons. A spare accompanied the lead and low squadrons.

EXECUTION

1. Target Bombed: KASSEL/^{ELZ,} GERMANY (PFF) -- High and Low Squadrons.
~~HADAMAR~~, GERMANY (T. of O.) -- Lead Squadron.
2. a. Group Leader: MAJ~~OR~~ R. J. WHITE (Kochel)
Lead Navigator: 1st Lt. A. B. AINLEY (Walters - MO)
Extra Navigator: CAPT. R. F. CAUSEY
Lead Bombardier: 1st Lt. C. H. MINOTT
- b. Low Squadron Leader: 1st Lt. E. W. MERCER
Lead Navigator: 1st Lt. L. E. GASKINS
Lead Bombardier: 1st Lt. T. J. KLEFISCH
- c. High Squadron Leader: CAPT. E. W. COLEMAN
Lead Navigator: 1st Lt. J. M. RUSH (Peterson -MO)
Lead Bombardier: 1st Lt. E. K. STOUT
3. Flight Over England:
 - a. Takeoff:

As briefed. All aircraft except one spare took off satisfactorily in the darkness.

Mission Summary Report (Cont'd)

3. b. Squadron and Group Assemblies:

Assemblies were very good, departed Cottesmore buncher 2 minutes early with 38 aircraft.

c. Route over England:

Control points were made early to enable the group to fall into proper # 9 position in the division column. A wide turn was made at Control Point 1 and the group departed the English Coast in good division formation.

4. Attack:

a. Flight to Target:

Flight to the target was almost as briefed--variances from briefed course occurred only to follow groups ahead. The primary (VIS) target was covered and the group cut short at the briefed course to gain time lost when the preceding groups cut short at Heligoland. When it was seen that the secondary (VIS) was also covered a run was made on the secondary PFF. When a break in the clouds showed the MPI the bombardier took over to make a visual assist, but the bomb release point had been passed. The group then went to a last resort target (Hadamar)

b. Bombing Run:

Lead Squadron:

The scouting force could not be contacted due to the Air Commander "B" channel being out. The secondary PFF target was planned to be bombed, but the Mickey Operator did not have sufficient time to set up proper course. Therefore when the leader broke into the clear there was not time enough to set up course or properly synchronize. The bombs were not released and the lead squadron began looking for a target of opportunity. A small rail line was found at Hadamar and bombed with good results. All ships salvoed. The AFCE was OK.

High and Low Squadrons:

As far as can be learned a normal PFF run, with possible visual assist, was made on the secondary PFF target--the lead A/C has landed in Belgium and detailed information is not available. Bombs were away at 1255 $\frac{1}{2}$ -- the lead ship salvoed; all others 50 foot intervalometer setting.

The low squadron began the bomb run expecting it to be PFF. About 20 seconds from the target the leader called for the lead bombardier to give visual assist. But as the squadron broke into the clear it was too late to make a good synchronization on the MPI, due to the fact ground speed (328MPH), and the target being almost directly beneath the ship. Bombs were released at 1255. The lead salvoed; all others used a 50 ft intervalometer setting. The AFCE was OK. Results were unobserved.

Mission Summary Report (Cont'd)

4. c. Flight from Target:

After the low and high squadrons had bombed Kassel the group made a left turn and then came along on course attempting to find a target of opportunity. Rather than form over Koblenz the group turned to the left and selected the Hadamar M/Yards as a target. After the lead squadron bombed the briefed course was followed out--deviating only to follow a group ahead.

d. Return to Base:

As briefed. A normal landing was made in poor visibility. A/C 44-3454 found it necessary to land at A-69 in Belgium -- the crew is safe. All other A/C landed safely at home base.

e. Weather:

Weather was described as generally 8/10 cloud cover over entire continent, with scattered breaks at intervals. 10/10 over primary and visual secondary, and averaging 5/10 to 8/10 over PFF secondary. Light non-persistent contrails were encountered at only two points on the route.

f. Fighter Support:

Fighter support observed at infrequent intervals, appearing to be occupied in fending off enemy A/C.

g. Comments on Formation:

Very good for the most part, despite the confusion over the target.

h. Conclusions and Recommendations:

None.

5. Aircraft Not Attacking:

All scheduled A/C attacked.

6. Enemy Opposition:

No enemy air opposition encountered. (See Flak Report for Flak)

7. Battle Damage:

<u>Major</u>	<u>Minor</u>	<u>To Flak</u>
0	22	22

8. Casualties:

None. 1-SWA

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

Mission Summary Report (Cont'd)

10. Bombing Data:

a. Observations:

High and Low Squadrons:

Results were unobserved.

Lead Squadron:

Results were good--strikes being seen on railway.

b. Disposition of Bombs:

Lead Squadron:

All 12 scheduled A/c of the lead squadron attacked a target of opportunity, dropping 215 X 250# GP's. The spare returned 18 bombs to base.

Low Squadron:

All 12 scheduled A/c bombed the PFF secondary target, dropping 215 X 250# GP's. The spare returned 18 bombs to base.

High Squadron:

All 12 scheduled A/c bombed the PFF secondary target, dropping 470 X 250# GP's.

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>	
						<u>Nose</u>	<u>Tail</u>
Main Bombfall	24	24	(216* (470	250# 200#	M57 M47 IB	1/10 -	1/40 -
Other Attacks: (Hadamar)	12	12	215	250#	M57	1/10	1/40
Total Bombs on Targets			(431 (470	250# 100#	M57 M47 IB	1/10 -	1/40 -
Other Expenditures			-	-	-	-	-
Bombs Returned			36	250#	M57	1/10	1/40
Total (Loaded on A/C Taking Off)			467 470	250# 100#	M57 M47 IB	1/10 -	1/40 -

* Incl long delays as follows: 100 - 6 hr.
 70 - 12 hr.
 27 - 24 hr.
 23 - 36 hr.
 2 - 144 hr.

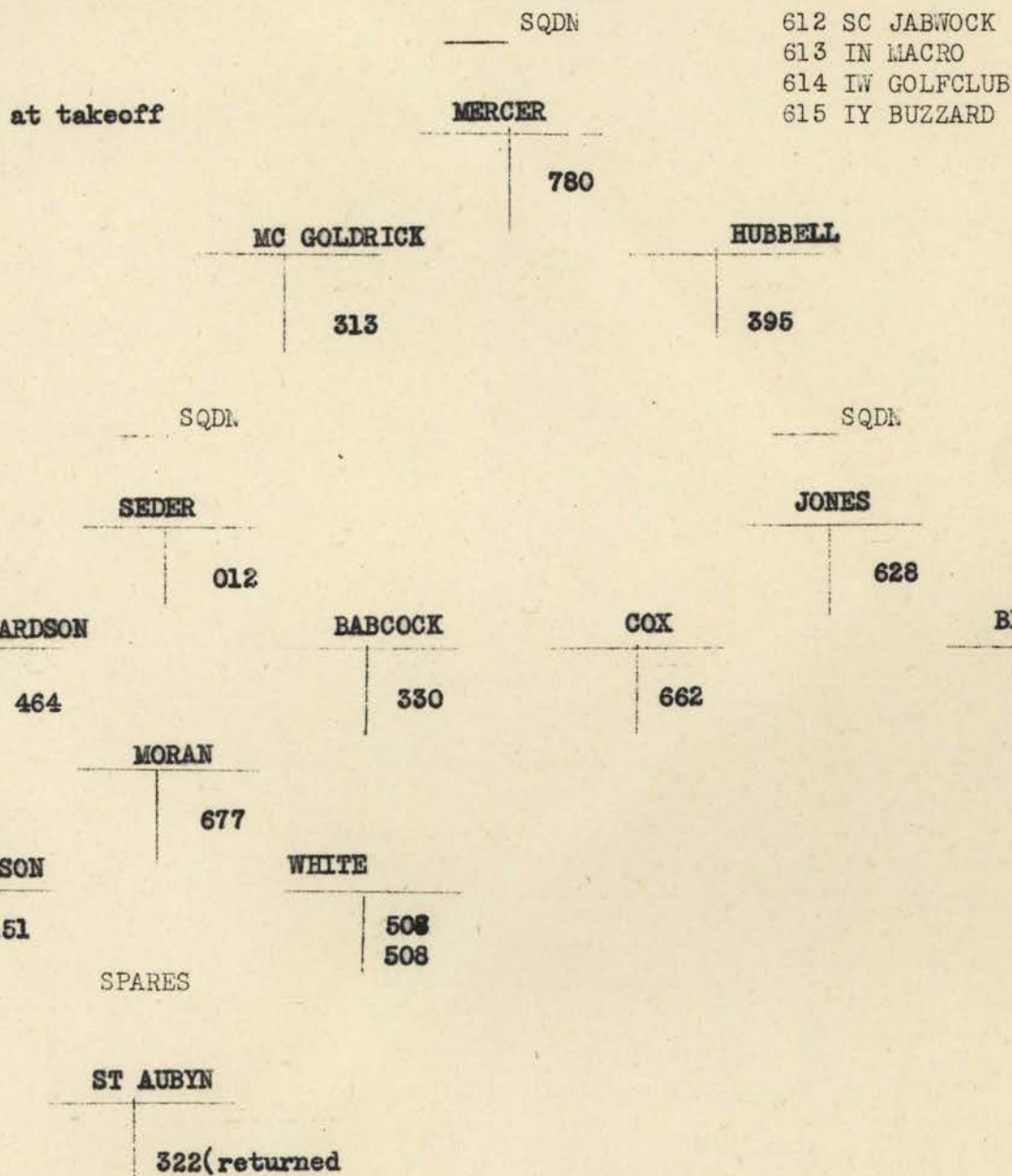
11. Lost Aircraft: PFF A/C 44-845# emergency landed at A-69 in Belgium.

Lo Sq 94 C Gp - 401st

Combat Sq. Leader: LT MERCER Date: 1 Jan 45

Deputy Sq. Leader: _____

Deputy Gp. Leader: _____



Hi Sq 94 C Gp - 401st

Combat Sq. Leader: CAPT COLEMAN Date: 1 Jan 45

Deputy Sq. Leader: _____

Deputy Gp. Leader: _____

SQDN

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

COLEMAN

at takeoff

454

SHELLER

TAUSIG

113

607

SQDN

SQDN

DOUGLAS

ASCHERBACH

591

993

STEELE

HOPLEY

LONG

HUDNALL

588

862

992

506

ANNIS

706

CURRAN

COX

072

160

SPARES

Ld Sq 94 C Gp - 401st

Combat Sq. Leader: MAJ WHITE Date: 1 Jan 45

Deputy Sq. Leader: _____

Deputy Gp. Leader: _____

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

WHITE

636)pff

SPANSEL

TURK

at takeoff

485

033

SQDN

SQDN

UDY

THORNE

468

039

JORDAN

SOMBART

CAMPBELL

BODDEN

664

730

733

398

COOPER

125

CRACRAFT

GRIMM AR

983

810

SPARES

JONES

758(returned)

HEADQUARTERS
FOUR HUNDRED FIRST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Navigation Officer

Date 1 Jan. 1945

SUBJECT: Lead Navigator's Narrative of Raid on Hadamar, Germany.

TO : Commanding Officer, Four Hundred First Bombardment Group (H),
APO 557, U. S. Army.

1. Flight plan and Log attached.
2. Track Chart attached.
3. Narrative.

- a. T/O at 0740 hours.
- b. Group formed at 0835 hours on Cottesmore buncher
at 5,000 ft.
- c. Wing assembly was completed at 0849 hours at Spaulding
- d. Route over England was (~~not~~) flown as briefed.

e. Methods of Navigation over England.
Gee, D.R., Pilotage

- f. Division formation was joined at 0855 hours at Boston.
- g. Flight to IP was (~~not~~) as briefed.

h. Methods of navigation to the I.P.

Gee, Mickey, D. R. , Pilotage

i. Bomb run.

- (1) Actual I. P. was (not) as briefed.

- (2) True heading over target 50.
- (3) Actual Drift 26 R.
- (4) Altitude over Target 25,300.
- (5) Time Bombs Away 1337.
- (6) Wind used for bombing 360/84K.
- (7) Method of target identification.

Visual

- (8) Difficulties on bomb run.
- (9) Weather over Target.
Primary 9-10/10ths, Secondary 6-10/10ths
Opportunity - CAVU
- (10) Axis of withdrawal _____.
- j. Group rally was accomplished at _____ at _____ hrs.
k. Wing rally was accomplished at _____ at _____ hrs.
l. Division rally was accomplished at _____ at _____ hrs.
m. Flight home was (not) as briefed.
- n. Methods of navigation on return route.
Pilotage, Gee, D.R.
- o. Winds aloft were (not) called out to the formation.
p. Fighter rendezvous were ~~(not)~~ as briefed.
- q. Performance of equipment.
- (1) Mickey ~~OK~~ weak
 - (2) Gee OK
 - (3) Radio Compass OK
 - (4) Fluxgate OK
 - (5) Other Equipment Mickey, interphone weak

/s/ R. F. Causey
R. F. CAUSEY
Captain, A. C.

Lead Navigator, Lead Sq.

HEADQUARTERS
FOUR HUNDRED FIRST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Navigation Officer

Date 1 Jan. 1945

SUBJECT: Lead Navigator's Narrative of Raid on Kassel, Germany.

TO : Commanding Officer, Four Hundred First Bombardment Group (H),
APO 557, U. S. Army.

1. Flight plan and Log attached.
2. Track Chart attached.
3. Narrative.

- a. T/O at 0741 hours.
- b. Group formed at 0841 hours on Cottesmore buncher
at 5,000 ft.
- c. Wing assembly was completed at _____ hours at Spaulding
- d. Route over England was (~~not~~) flown as briefed.

e. Methods of Navigation over England.
Gee, Pilotage

- f. Division formation was joined at _____ hours at Louth.
- g. Flight to IP was (not) as briefed.

h. Methods of navigation to the I.P.
Pilotage, D.R.

i. Bomb run.

- (1) Actual I. P. was (not) as briefed.

No I.P. was assigned

- (2) True heading over target 170.
- (3) Actual Drift 6R.
- (4) Altitude over Target 24,000.
- (5) Time Bombs Away 1255.
- (6) Wind used for bombing 10/100K.
- (7) Method of target identification.

Pilotage

(8) Difficulties on bomb run. Announced visual about 3 min before bombs away. We dropped without sufficient time to synchronize. Also target not announced soon enough, and had to D.R. through a lot of turns from original I.P.

(9) Weather over Target.
688/10ths over general area; clear over target itself.

(10) Axis of withdrawal slow 180 to left.

- j. Group rally was accomplished at _____ at _____ hrs.
- k. Wing rally was accomplished at _____ at _____ hrs.
- l. Division rally was accomplished at _____ at _____ hrs.
- m. Flight home was (~~not~~) as briefed.

n. Methods of navigation on return route.

Pilotage as far as Koblenz. Gee from there on in.

- o. Winds aloft were (not) called out to the formation. ~~heard~~ none
- p. Fighter rendezvous were (~~not~~) as briefed.

q. Performance of equipment.

- (1) Mickey none
- (2) Gee out
- (3) Radio Compass OK
- (4) Fluxgate OK
- (5) Other Equipment OK

/s/ Leslie E. Gaskins
LESLIE E. GASKINS
1st Lt., A. G.

Lead Navigator, Low Sq.

HEADQUARTERS
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Office of the Navigation Officer

Date Jan 1, 1945

SUBJECT: Lead Navigator's Narrative of Raid on Kassel, Germany.

TO : Commanding Officer, Four Hundred First Bombardment Group (H),
APO 557, U. S. Army.

1. Flight plan and Log attached.
2. Track Chart attached.
3. Narrative.
 - a. T/O at 0745 hours.
 - b. Group formed at _____ hours on Gottesmore buncher at 6,000 ft.
 - c. Wing assembly was completed at _____ hours at _____.
 - d. Route over England was (not) flown as briefed.

 - e. Methods of Navigation over England.

 - f. Division formation was joined at _____ hours at _____.
 - g. Flight to IP was (not) as briefed.

 - h. Methods of navigation to the I.P.

 - i. Bomb run.
 - (1) Actual I. P. was (not) as briefed.

 - (2) True heading over target 179.
 - (3) Actual Drift 3R.
 - (4) Altitude over Target 25,000.
 - (5) Time Bombs Away 12.55/2.
 - (6) Wind used for bombing 004/80K.
 - (7) Method of target identification.

Pilotage

(8) Difficulties on bomb run.

Undercast until 3 minutes before Bombs Away.

(9) Weather over Target. Clear over target

(10) Axis of withdrawal Right hand turn and 360 to 260.

- j. Group rally was accomplished at _____ at _____ hrs.
- k. Wing rally was accomplished at _____ at _____ hrs.
- l. Division rally was accomplished at _____ at _____ hrs.
- m. Flight home was (not) as briefed.

n. Methods of navigation on return route.

Gee, D.R.

- o. Winds aloft were (not) called out to the formation.
- p. Fighter rendezvous were (not) as briefed.

q. Performance of equipment.

- (1) Mickey
- (2) Gee
- (3) Radio Compass Shot out
- (4) Fluxgate
- (5) Other Equipment VHF shot out

/s/ D. F. Walker
1st Lt., A. C.

Deputy Lead Navigator, High Sq.

FLIGHT PLAN

PILOT Lt. Kochel

NAVIGATOR Capt. R.F. Causey - Lt. A. B. Ainley

DATE 1 January 1945

STATIONS	0615	ENGINES	0715	TAXI	0730	T.O.	0745
LEAVE BASE	Cott		0843				
COAST OUT			0911				
ENEMY COAST			1139				
I.P.			1217				
TARGET			1226				
ENEMY COAST			1500	1500			
Eng Coast In			1532	ETR	1619		

SUN		MOON		TWILIGHT	
Rises	Sets	Rises	Sets	AM	PM

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

FROM TO	ASSESS	W/V UESD	HEIGHT	I.A.S. MPH /K	T.A.S. (K)	COURSE	DRIFT	TRUE HDNG.	VAR.	MAG. HDNG.	C.S.	DIST.	TIME	E.T.A.	CELESTIAL DATA			
															TIME	BODY	ALT.	AZI.
52 44N 00 39W	5000 Lead	360	5000	150	137	080	-8	072	10	082	132	19	09	0843	Depart			
Spaulding "C"		20	-8											0852				
52 47N 00 09W		"	"	"	"	009	-1	008	10	018	117	35	18&1	0911	English Coast CP#1			
Louth CP#1																		
53 22N 00 00		007	5000	150	137	076	-9	067	9	076	127	111	52-1-1	1002				
53 48N 03 00E		23	start	climb														
"		010	10000	150	148	076	-16	060	8	068	125	-73	35-1	1096	C.P. #2			
54 05N 05 00E		45	15000	-17														
"		010	19500	150	174	082	-28	054	7	061	126	107	51-1	1126				
54 20N 08 00E		88	24000	-32														
"		010	25000	150	191	114	-30	084	6	090	190	-38	12&1	1199	Coast In			
54 05N 09 00E		100	-42															
"		010	25000	150	191	114	-30	084	5	089	190	-63	20&2	1201	C.P. #3			
53 40N 10 36E		100	-42															
"		"	"	"	"	119	-30	089	4	093	198	65	20-4	1217	I.P.			
53 09N 12 11E		"	"	"	"	189	0	189	4	193	292	43	09	1226	TARGET			
I.P.		"	"	"	"	266	31	297	4	301	188	14	4-1-1	1232				
TARGET		"	"	"	"	235	20	255	4	259	262	28	6-1-1	1249				
52 26N 12 00E		010	23500	168	206	235	20	255	4	259	262	28	6-1-1	1249				
52 25N 11 37E		97	22000	-39														
"		010	22000	150	182	242	24	266	5	271	222	63	17-2	1259				
52 09N 11 00E		94	-36															
51 39N 09 29E		"	"	"	"	229	19	248	6	254	244	61	15-1	1322	1315			
"		"	"	"	"	202	16	208	6	214	272	55	12-1	1328				
50 59N 08 16E		"	"	"	"	270	30	200	6	306	174	52	18	1346				
50 08N 07 43E		"	"	"	"	231	20	251	7	258	241	34	8-1-2	1355				
50 08N 06 23E		"	"	"	"	231	20	251	7	258	241	34	8-1-2	1355				
"		"	"	"	"	231	20	251	7	258	241	34	8-1-2	1355				
49 46N 05 42E		"	"	"	"	231	20	251	7	258	241	34	8-1-2	1355				
"		10/74	16000	170	186	306	20	326	8	334	142	57	24	1500	Coast Out			
51 09N 02 43E		10/45	10000	150	148	16	322	330	123	84	41							
"		360/25	5000	170	159	314	16	320	9	329	140	38	16	1532	English Coast			
Felixstowe		260/14	2000	150	131	14	318	327	121	39	16							
52 15N 00 24E		360/14	2000	150	131	295	15	300	10	320	125	39	19	1551	Wing break up			
Wisbech		"	"	"	"	343	12	345	10	355	118	27	14	1605	Wing break up			
52 40N 00 10E		360	2000	150	131	250	15	255	10	265	135	30	14	1619	Stand Off			
Base		14		-9														

FLIGHT RECORD

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		TO RUN		E.T.A.
										DIST.	TIME	DIST.	TIME	
0710	Engines				TAKE OFF 0740									
0755			30		Cottesmore		140	5000						
0841					Depart Buncher, 2 min early		150	5000	139		132	09	19	0850
0849					6/10ths c.u. base 6000									
0849		7R	72		Spaulding, Pt. C, 2 min early		150	5000	139		117	35	18	0908
0855		335/18	72		Boston, 6 mi right		150	5000	138					
0900		6L	72		(DD wind, no good)									
0900		250/20K												
0900		1R	005		53-07N 00-10W		150	5000	138					
0909		17/26K	25		Louth, CP 1 2' early		150	5000						
0909		6R			5 groups ahead									
0912							150	5000	139		124			
0915			70		Coast out 53-30N 00-05E		150	5200						
0919		17/26	67		53-31N 00-19E		150	5000	139		124	93	45	1004
0921		9R	90		53-33N 00-30E 4 mi north of course		150	5000	139					
0921		20/25K												
0925														
0925														
0935			75		53-37N 01-23E		150	6200	141		143	58	24	0959
0939		10R	68		53-38N 01-36E 6 groups ahead, 2 behind		148	6200	140		44	20	132	
0939		10/24K	gee											
0945			69		B-17 crashed and burned 53-29N 03-05E		149	6400	3/10ths cu, 7/10ths st cu.					

FLIGHT RECORD

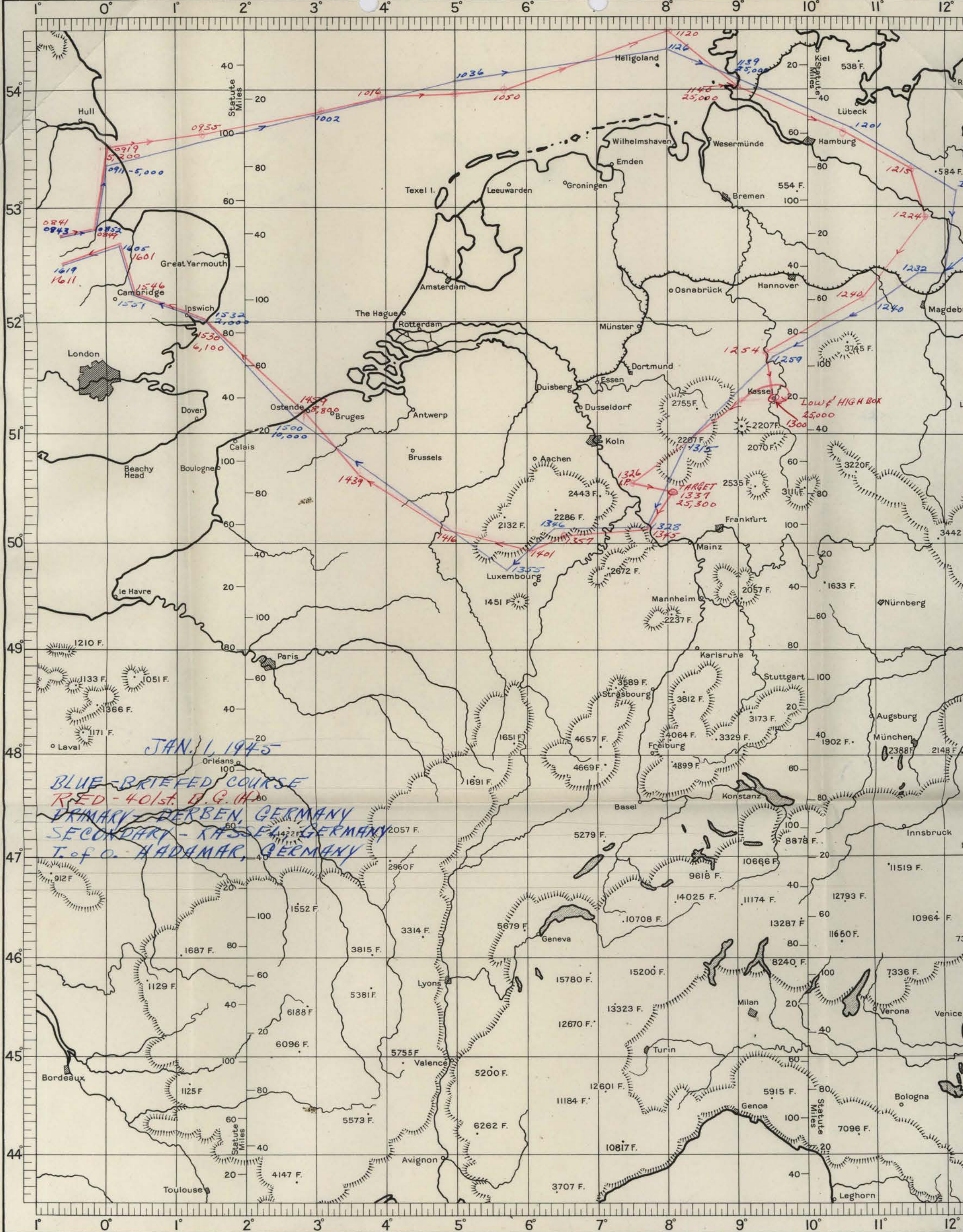
TIME	COURSE	W/V USED &/OR D.R. DRIF.	TRUE HDNC.	MAG. HDNC.	NAVIGATIONAL OBSERVATION	GENERAL OBSERVATION	IAS. MPH /K	HEIGHT & AIR TEMP	T.A.S.	RUN		C. S.	TO RUN		E.T.A.
										DIST.	TIME		DIST.	TIME	
1000					Start climb 53-48N 03-00E		150	6400							
1016	360/17R	42K	65		53-55N 03-55E 360/42 Gee		150	9100 -6	148			135			
1034			70		10/10ths a.c. bottoms 10000										
1034			70		53-58N 05-00E, CP. 2 (contrails)		150	9800	alt. c.u. ended.			1/10ths	5000		
1047	356/48K		40		05-42E 54-00N		150	1300 -12							
1050			45		53-58N 05-40E		150	13600							
1057	17R 350/50		50		06-20E 54-07N 350/50 Mickey		148	16000 -16	163	31	13	144			
1100 1/2	344/49				54-15N 06-30E		150	16000	163			143	51	21 1/2	1122
1112					20 north Heligoland. Smoke at Homburg, Wilhelmshaven										
1120	344/62				Alter course		150	21000 -24							
1140	344/70				Enemy coast 54-02N 09-00E		150	25000 -36							
1145	22R		90		Flak tracking 54-00N 09-18E Cross Kiel Canal		150	25000							
1202			110		PP 53-37N 10-22E							198	53	16	1224
1203			110		CP 3, 2' late, 5 mi s course				191	63	24	150			
1215	355/84		90		Going to secondary 52-30N 11-30E		150	25000							
1216	199 355/84		209							23	07	198			
1224	242/20				Mickey fix 52-55N 11-42E							266			
1230					" " 52-33N 11-48E										
1233	235 355/84		257		52-23N 11-33E							220	25	07	1240
1246			250		Nannover 20 right			25000	191						
1254			232		51-43N 09-23E			25000							
1307	252 29R		250	257	51-17N 09-03E							223	46	17	1324
1325			160		3 left Koblenz. Meager flak. Unable to bomb Kassel.										
1337	75 25R		50	57	BOMBS AWAY 08-03N 50-27N Hadamar		150	25000				182			
1345					CP 4, on course, 17 min late		160	24000							
			295		Alter course 50-08N 07-33E										
1357			270		Flak 50-04N 06-30E		150	22700							
1400	355/84K		250		50-48N 06-33E, Alter course		150	23000							
1406	320		327		49-46N 05-42E, alter course		150	23000	150						
1412	344/49		326		49-56N 05-09E		150	20000 -23	189			149	120	48	1500
1424	28/75		327				170	17000 -17	192			170	83	29 1/2	1454
1445	38/60		330		G. wind		160	10000 -10	161	27	11	148	33	13 1/2	1458 1/2
1459			330		Enemy Coast 51-20N 02-48E, 1 min early			8000 -8				147			
1513												146	40	16	1529
1530			300		English Coast - Felixstowe, on course, 12' early		160	6000						47	1617
1545	340		345		52-15N 00-25E		160	3500							
1601			330		Wisbech			2000							
1614			255		Base, landed										

SIGNED

NAVIGATOR

HULL TO VENICE

CAPTAINS OF AIRCRAFT



O.R. 1373
Spot-height Corrections, 1944.

HEIGHTS IN FEET

Scale - 1: 2,890,000 (approx.) at 56° N.

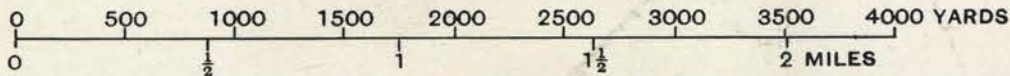
Target No.
6 (d) (vi) 87

ROTHENDITMOLD MARSHALLING YARD,
Etc.
Lat. 51° 20' N. Long. 09° 29' E.

KASSEL
(GERMANY)

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PFF



Photographed 14 September 1944

(1 : 32,000)

approx.

Issued November 1944



- A. ROTHENDITMOLD MARSHALLING YARD.
- B. RAILWAY WORKSHOPS.
- C. HENSCHEL & SOHN G.m.b.H. (WORKS I).
- D. HENSCHEL & SOHN G.m.b.H. (WORKS II).
- E. HENSCHEL & SOHN G.m.b.H. (WORKS III).

Illustration No.
6 (d) (vi) 87/15

STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

601st Group

1st BD P. C. 595

Date of 1 JANUARY 45

94th "C" CBW

	LEAD SQ		HIGH SQ		LOW SQ
		PPF - GH		PPF - GH	
1. No. of A/C Failing to Take Off	--	--	--	--	--
2. No. of A/C Airborne	12	1 PFF	11	1 PFF	13
3. No. of A/C Airborne Less Spares	11	1	11	1	12
4. No. of A/C Sorties	11	1	11	1	12
5. No. of A/C Attacking	11	1	11	1	12
6. No. of A/C Not Attacking	--	--	--	--	--
(a) Early Returns Included					
7. Name of Primary Target	DERBEN (VIS)				
(a) No. of A/C Attacking					
(b) No., Size & type of bombs					
8. Name of Secondary Target	KASSEL (PFF)				
(a) No. of A/C Attacking			11	1	12
(b) No., Size & type of Bombs			433 100# IB	37 100# IB	216 250# M57
9. Name of Last Resort Target	HADAMAR				
(a) No. of A/C Attacking	11	1			
(b) No., Size & type of Bombs	198 250# M57	17 250# M57			
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	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	HIGH	LOW
18. Time of Takeoff	0740	0745	0741
19. Time of Attack	1337	1255 $\frac{1}{2}$	1255
20. Average Time of Flight	8.7	8.6	8.5
21. Altitude of Release	24,160	24,900	24,200
22. Visual or PFF	VIS	PFF with VIS	PFF with VIS
23. Enemy Resistance - AA Int. Acc.	Moderate Fair	Moderate Fair	Moderate Fair
24. - Fighters	---	---	---
25. - Bomber	---	---	---
26. U.S. A/C Engaged by Enemy A/C	---	---	---
27. Degree of Success	Good on T/O	UNOBS	UNOBS

STAT SUMMARY (cont'd)

PFF A/C Borrowed from Groups as follows:

PFF A/C Loaned to Groups as follows:

18. Time of Takeoff			
19. Time of Attack			
20. Average Time of Flight			
21. Altitude of Release			
22. Visual or PFF			
23. Enemy Resistance - AA Int. Acc.			
24. - Fighters			
25. - Bomber			
26. U.S. A/C Engaged by Enemy A/C			
27. Degree of Success			

NOTES: ONE A/C - PFF 44-8554 Landed on continent

PFF A/C Borrowed from Groups as follows:

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

COMBAT BOMBING FLIGHT RECORD

BOMBARDIER LT. KLEFISCH DATE 1 Jan 1945
 PILOT LT. MERCER TAKE OFF 0741
 NAVIGATOR LT. GASKINS AIRPLANE _____
 WING 94th C GROUP 401 t SQDN Low LANDED 1630
 OBJECTIVE KASSEL, GERMANY (MPI) _____
 METHOD OF ATTACK Individual Flight Squadron Group wing
 NUMBER A/C IN ~~GROUP~~ Sqdn 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 250# M57 FUSING: NOSE 1/10 TAIL 1/40
 BOMBS, TYPES AND SIZES _____ FUSING: NOSE _____ TAIL _____
 NUMBER OF BOMBS LOADED 216 GP RELEASED 216
 INFORMATION AT RELEASE POINT:
 Altitude of Target 110 Temp Aloft: Metro -48 Actual -35
 True Altitude above target 24200 Mag Head, order 193 Actual 170
 Ind. Altitude 24000 True Heading 170
 Pressure alt of target -428 Drift, Est 0 Actual 02
 Altimeter setting 29.92 True Track 176
 C.I.A.S. 150 32 I.A.S. 150 Actual Range 17566
 G.S. Est 330 Actual 328 B.S. Type M-9
 Wind Direc Metro 10 Actual 10 Time of Release 1255
 Wind Veloc. Metro 115 Actual 100 Intervalometer Setting 50ft
 D.S. 126.8 Trail 89 ATF 41.80 Length of Bombing Run 15sec
 Tan. D.A. Est .70 Actual .73 C-1 Pilot Yes A-5 _____
 Mean Temp: Metro -24 Actual -15 Manual Pilot _____
 Type of Release: Lead A/C Salvo Type of Release: Other A/C 50ft

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

COMBAT BOMBING FLIGHT RECORD

BOMBARDIER LT. MINOTT DATE 1 Jan 1945
 PILOT LT. KOCHER, MAJOR WHITE TAKE OFF 0740
 NAVIGATOR CAPT CAUSEY AIRPLANE _____
 WING 94 C GROUP 401st SQDN Lead LANDED 1614
 OBJECTIVE HADAMAR, GERMANY (MPI) _____

METHOD OF ATTACK X
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 On Leader: 11

BOMBS, TYPES AND SIZES 250lb M 57 FUSING: NOSE 1/10 TAIL 1/40

BOMBS, TYPES AND SIZES _____ FUSING: NOSE _____ TAIL _____

NUMBER OF BOMBS LOADED 215 RELEASED 215

INFORMATION AT RELEASE POINT:

Altitude of Target 110 Temp Aloft: Metro -48 Actual -36

True Altitude above target 24160 Mag Head, order 195 Actual 57

Ind. Altitude 25300 True Heading 50

Pressure alt of target -428 Drift, Est 0 Actual 26R

Altimeter setting 29.92 True Track 76

C.I.A.S. 150 I.A.S. 150 Actual Range 6507

G.S. Est 330 Actual 170 B.S. Type M-9

Wind Direc Metro 10 Actual 360 Time of Release 1337

Wind Veloc. Metro 115 Actual 84 Intervalometer Setting 50ft

D.S. 126.9 Trail 92 ATP 41.64 Length of Bombing Run --

Tan. D.A. Est .69 Actual .27 C-1 Pilot Yes A-5 _____

Mean Temp: Metro -24 Actual -16 Manual Pilot _____

Type of Release: Lead A/C Salvo Type of Release: Other A/C 50ft

NUMBER OF BOMBS LOADED _____ RELEASED _____

INFORMATION AT RELEASE POINT:

Altitude of Target _____ Temp Aloft: Metro _____ Actual _____

True Altitude above target _____ Mag Head, order _____ Actual _____

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

COMBAT BOMBING FLIGHT RECORD

BOMBARDIER LT. STOUT DATE 1 Jan 1945
 PILOT CAPT COLEMAN TAKE OFF 0745
 NAVIGATOR LT. RUSH AIRPLANE _____
 WING 94th C GROUP 401st SQDN High LANDED _____
 OBJECTIVE KASSEL, GERMANY (MPI) _____
 METHOD OF ATTACK Individual Flight Squadron Group wing
 NUMBER A/C IN GROUP ~~XXXX~~ SQDN 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 100# M 47 IB FUSING: NOSE _____ TAIL _____
 BOMBS, TYPES AND SIZES _____ FUSING: NOSE _____ TAIL _____
 NUMBER OF BOMBS LOADED 470 IB RELEASED 470 IB
 INFORMATION AT RELEASE POINT: (DEPUTY LEAD'S DATA)
 Altitude of Target 110 Temp Aloft: Metro 40 Actual 37 MB
 True Altitude above target 24900 Mag Head, order 195 Actual 180
 Ind. Altitude 25000 True Heading 170
 Pressure alt of target 420 Drift, Est 0 Actual SR
 Altimeter setting 29.92 True Track 182
 C.I.A.S. 150 I.A.S. 150 Actual Range 16185
 G.S. Est 330 Actual 514 B.S.Type M-9
 Wind Direc Metro 10 Actual 5 Time of Release 1255 1/2
 Wind Veloc. Metro 114 Actual 80 Intervalometer Setting 50ft
 D.S. 120 Trail 150 ATF 42.47 Length of Bombing Run _____
 Tan. D.A. Est .74 Actual .65 C-1 Pilot Yes A-5 _____
 Mean Temp: Metro 24 Actual _____ Manual Pilot _____
 Type of Release: Lead A/C Salvo Type of Release: Other A/C 50ft

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

J-A-4

Reference Field Order 595.

1 JANUARY

1945

SUBJECT: Communications Report, Operational Mission No 189.

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

SECTION ONE - USE OF RADIO NAVIGATIONAL AIDS

1. Radio Beacons used:		2. MF/DF Fixes	<u>1</u>
Splashers	<u>4</u>	3. HF/DF Bearings	<u>2</u>
Fixed Beacons	<u>0</u>	4. VHF/DF Homings	<u>0</u>
Bunchers, England	<u>31</u>	5. Distress Action	<u>0</u>
Bunchers, Continent	<u>3</u>	6. Total A/C using Gee	<u>36</u>
		TOTAL A/C GEE EQ'D	<u>38</u>

SECTION TWO - USE OF PFF

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

SECTION THREE - USE OF RCM

1. Total A/C using Carpet	<u>33</u>
2. Total A/C releasing Chaff	<u>32</u>
3. Total number of units released	<u>9216</u>
TOTAL A/C GEE EQUIPPED	<u>35</u>

SECTION FOUR - ACTUAL DEFICIENCIES BY EQUIPMENT

1. Interphone	<u>1</u>	6. Gee	<u>0</u>
2. VHF	<u>0</u>	7. H2X, M2X	<u>0</u>
3. Compass	<u>1</u>	8. Carpet	<u>1</u>
4. Liaison	<u>0</u>	9. IFF	<u>0</u>
5. Command	<u>0</u>	10. SCS-51	<u>0</u>

SECTION FIVE - REMARKS

HAROLD M. KENNARD, JR.
 Capt, Air Corps,
 Gp Com O.

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S E C R E T

REPORT ON A.A. GUNFIRE.
401st BOMBARDMENT GROUP (HV)

ASSIGNED..... **Derben, Germany**

1. TARGET: BOMBED..... **Kassel - Hadamar** DATE OF MISSION..... **1 Jan. 45**

2. ROUTE AS FLOWN: **Generally as briefed except for 360° on Kassel and deviation over Hadamar.**

3.	AT TARGET	ENROUTE	Scattered
WEATHER - - -	8/10 - Breaks	Generally	8/10- Breaks
CONTRAILS - -	None	None	
SEEN-UNSEEN -	Seen	Seen	

4. DESCRIPTION OF FLAK AT TARGET:
KASSEL- Moderate tracking, fairly accurate becoming more accurate as formation left target area. Duration approx. 8-10 minutes.
HADAMAR- Few scattered bursts as formation left target.

5. FLAK ENCOUNTERED OR OBSERVED ENROUTE: (IN ORDER EXPERIENCED)
1127-Heligoland-Moderate, observed-directed against Gp. following this formation.
1147-Elbe Canal Area (5354-0932E) Meager to moderate, inaccurate. Coblenz to approx. 0640E-Meager, scattered tracking fire from 4-8 gun batteries, generally behind this formation.

6. CHAFF; HOW DISCHARGED: **As Briefed**
 7. POSITION OF GROUP: **94th "C" - 9th**

8. DETAILS:-

SQDN: POS.	NO. A/C	DAMAGE		A/C LOST TO				AXIS OF		TIME OVER TARGET	HEIGHT
		MAJ.	MIN.	AA	EA	ACC	UK	ATTK	WITH		
Lead	12		3				1	57° M	180 M	1337	25,300
High	12		10					179 M	90 M	1255	25,500
Low	12	1	10					170 M	90 M	1255	24,000
TOTALS	36	1	23				1				

9. COMMENTS - PHENOMENA:-

* Believed landed in France.

1st Lt. P. R. Myers

OFFICE OF THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICER
STATION 128 - APO 857
U. S. ARMY

D-E-1

1 January 1945

SUBJECT: Crew Comments and Suggestions.

TO : Commanding Officer, Station 128, APO 857, U.S. Army.

1. Lt. Robert L. Long, Pilot A/C 6992, criticized the fact that the Group was off course, made too many 360° and went over Koblenz flak area. Lt. Dale G. Jones, Pilot A/C 7623, seconded this observation, as did Lt. Andrew F. Bloetscher, Pilot A/C 1891 and the crew of Lt. George K. Cracraft, Pilot A/C 1893.

2. P/O Herbert P. Cox, Pilot A/C 160 stated that Lt. Hopley (No. 2, Low section of High Sq.) flew out of position all day.

3. Lt. Herman Tausig, Pilot A/C 8160, criticized the fact that Lt. Aschenbach (No. 1, High Flight, Lead Sq.) kept forcing him out of position, flying too close to the Lead Flight of the Squadron.

4. Lt. Edward E. Curran, Pilot A/C 1072, said that his A/C was riding in prop-wash, making it difficult to fly formation, because the High Squadron Leader was down too close to the Lead Squadron.

5. Lt. Walter E. Cox, Pilot A/C 1662, could not appreciate the necessity of following the Group Leader over the Last Resort target, inasmuch as his Squadron (the Low Sq.) had already dropped their bombs.

6. Lt. Donald R. Scheller, Pilot A/C 8113, also criticized the formation flying of Lt. Aschenbach.

7. Lt. Tausig reported that the weather information which his RO received from the Deenethorpe Weather Station was highly inaccurate. Lt. Tausig's A/C had been hit by flak, his radio compass and VHF were both inoperative, and the incorrect weather information made it exceedingly difficult for him to lead the High Squadron back to this station and land them.

8. Lt. Tausig also reported that his A/C was short two flak suits today.

9. Lt. Alfred R. Grimm, Pilot A/C 8310, stated that breakfast this morning was very poor, his crew-members being unable to eat the poorly cooked eggs and potatoes.

10. Lt. Ronnie E. Annis, Pilot A/C 7706, also confirmed Lt. Tausig's complaint that weather information on conditions at this station was completely wrong.

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

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

F-C-2

APC 557
J January 1945

SUBJECT: Armament Malfunction Mission Report

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

1. Date of Mission: 31 December 1944.
2. The following gun malfunctions were reported:
 - a. A/C # 42-107151 - Sight bulb burned out in tail position. Bulb has been replaced.
3. The following turret malfunctions were reported:
 - a. A/C # 42-107151 - Elevation amplidyne burned out. Amplidyne has been replaced.
4. The following bombing equipment malfunctions were reported:
 - a. A/C # 42-107151 - Bombs were salvoed because of a faulty A-2 release.
 - b. A/C # 42-31485 - Two bombs hung up due to a faulty A-2 release. Release has been replaced.
 - c. A/C # 43-38810 - Three bombs hung up due to a faulty A-4 release. Release has been replaced.
5. There were twenty-eight (28) aircraft equipped with the all-electric bomb release system participating in the mission.

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

LEAD SQDN. 94TH "B" GROUP

Combat Sq. Leader: MAJOR CHAPMAN Date: 12/31/44

Deputy Sq. Leader: CAPT. KIRKHOFF

Deputy Gp. Leader: CAPT. KIRKHOFF

18X250 GPs 1/10 1/40
 +
 2X417 IB's - per chart 7

614 SQDN

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

BROWN (CHAPMAN)

(OH)

~~8230 (OH)~~

~~W G.~~

~~8259 (PFF)~~

COMER

UTTER (KIRKHOFF)

SC P 8541

IW G 8259 (PFF)

~~IN G 8230 (OH)~~

IY M 8371 (PFF)

614 SQDN

615 SQDN

MAYS

STEGEMANN

IW B 7151

IY D 8125

CROZIER

MORAN

SOMDART

HAISEN

IW Z 8330

IW K 8877

IY B 1730

IY P 8758

HABCOCK

IW X 8565

WHITE

THOMPSON, R.

IW P 7395

IW T 8646

SPARES

IY M 8371

~~SPARE PFF LEAD IY M 8371 DISP 51~~

~~SPARE VIS LEAD IW P 2012 DISP 5~~

RICHARDSON

OND SPARES IW P 6313 DISP 39

IW H 6494

IW N 8738 DISP 49

SC A 7828 DISP 15

1329

HIGH SQDN 94 B Gp

Combat Sq. Leader: LT HARLAN Date: 31 Dec
LT LAWRENCE
Deputy Sq. Leader: CAPT KINKHOFF
Deputy Gp. Leader: 612

SQDN

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

HARLAN

SC Q 8185 PFF

HUDNALL

LAWRENCE

SC N 8508

SC P 1891

612

615

SQDN

SQDN

ROBINSON

MC KAY

SC D 8992

IY X 1485

LONG

ASCHENBACH

WOLF

CRACRAFT

SC S 8689

SC C 9995

IY O 8779

IY G 1983

SCHLIMMANN

SC B 1862

JONES

MARTIN

SC M 7889

SC K 8753

SPARES

PFF SP	IY M	8571	Disp	31
VIS SP	IW P	2012	"	6

FRENCH

GRND SPARES:	IN F	8315X	Disp	39
	IW N	8738	"	49
	SC A	7828	"	15

SC H 2398

94TH "B" GROUP LOW SQDN.

Combat Sq. Leader: LT. COLEMAN Date: 12/31/44

Deputy Sq. Leader: LT. MC GOLERICK

Deputy Gp. Leader: CAPT. KIRKRUFF

613 SQDN

612 SC JABWOCK
613 IN MACRO
614 IW GOLFCUB
615 IY BUZZARD

COLEMAN

IN L 8941

KELSO

IN G 8791

MC GOLERICK

IN R 7750

615 SQDN

615 SQDN

HOPLEY

IN N 8862

UDY

IY C 2468

COX

IN R 6113

CAMPBELL

IN A 8160

GRISH, AR.

IY M 8810

JORDAN

IY P 7864

DOUGLAS

IN J 1891

STEELE

IN U 7706

GURRAH

IN K 1072

SPARES

SPARE PFF LEAD IY M 8871 DISP 31
SPARE VIS LEAD IW P 2012 DISP 5

NIELSON

IN D 8588

GEN SPARES IW P 6813 DISP 39
IW E 8736 DISP 49
SC A 7628 DISP 15

Your target is an Underground Oil Storage located in an isolated area. It is just N. of a small village (so small that the name is not carried on this map). A river is on the western edge of the target area separated from the target by a narrow built up area & on the eastern boundary is a railway line running N. & S. There are large forested areas to the N., S.E., & W. and part of the target area is concealed by scattered patches of woods. In addition to these difficulties of spotting the target the ground is covered with snow.

This storage Depot constructed in 1935 is used both by the Army & B.A.F. ~~and in frequency~~ It has an estimated capacity of 192,500 tons having both water & rail communications. The total target area is about 2000 yds. N-S & 1500 yds. E-W

Photographs of this target in May 1944 showed the small buildings in the N. to be disruptively painted and also show dummy roads across the area.

2nd Bonn Area
3rd at 351 at South MP4
1st at 457 at ahead of us
201 at 9th

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

1 January 1945

SUBJECT: Loading List

TO: Operations Officer, 401 Bomb Group (H), Sta. #128, APO #557.

A/C 42-31662

P	Cox, Walter E.	1st Lt.	612th.
CP	Amundson, Glenn R.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Tiffany, Raymond L.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Ankrom, Lowell J.	S/Sgt.	"
RO	Hill, Robert H.	T/Sgt.	"
TTG	Warren, Emmitt E.	T/Sgt.	"
BTG	Pope, LeRoy G.	S/Sgt.	"
TG	Importe, George (NMI)	S/Sgt.	"
WG	Dunn, Dale D.	S/Sgt.	"

A/C 42-39993

P	Aschenbach, Allen D.	2nd Lt.	612th.
CP	Althoff, John R.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Brazzil, William R.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Carson, James W.	Sgt.	"
RO	Feigenbaum, George J.	Sgt.	"
TTG	Herndon, William R.	Sgt.	"
BTG	Wilson, Ben G.	S/Sgt.	"
TG	Pearlin, Joseph M.	Sgt.	"
WGN	Hill, Earle R., Jr.	S/Sgt.	"

A/C 44-6506

P	Hudnall, Carl L.	1st Lt.	612th.
CP	Mitchell, Frank G., Jr.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Martin, Phillip A.	F/O	"
B	Beardall, Keith E.	S/Sgt.	"
RO	Goodman, Martin E.	T/Sgt.	"
TTG	Moorman, Lloyd F.	T/Sgt.	"
BTG	Gyles, Alfred R.	S/Sgt.	"
TG	Parker, Robert H.	S/Sgt.	"
WG	Parker, Matt M.	S/Sgt.	"

A/C 43-37628

P	Jones, Dale G.	1st Lt.	612th.
CP	Siepak, Stanley J.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Wishnoff, Aaron (NMI)	2nd Lt.	"
B	Moran, Robert E.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Madrzyk, Chester P.	S/Sgt.	"
TTG	Peterson, Harry A.	T/Sgt.	"
BTG	Rogers, Charles G.	Cpl.	"
TG	Watters, Kenneth O.	S/Sgt.	"
WG	Harold, Lloyd B.	S/Sgt.	"

A/C 42-106992

P	Long, Robert L.	2nd Lt.	612th.
CP	Watterson, Stuart E., Jr.	F/O	"
N	Crick, Lawrence A.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Watson, Reynolds A.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	York, Dennis A.	T/Sgt.	"
TTG	Hovezak, Henry (NMI)	T/Sgt.	"
BTG	Cherubini, Peter J.	S/Sgt.	"
TG	Eykes, Earl L.	S/Sgt.	"
WG	Willick, Edward L.	S/Sgt.	"

A/C 43-38733

P	Campbell, Charles J.	2nd Lt.	612th.
CP	Foy, Philip W.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Gruhn, David B.	F/O	"
B	Emery, Robert I.	Sgt.	"
RO	Feo, Gene M., Jr.	Sgt.	"
TTG	Kartes, Charles F., Jr.	T/Sgt.	"
BTG	Sullivan, Earl (NMI), Jr.	S/Sgt.	"
TG	Dalton, Charles K.	Sgt.	"
WG	Willet, Edward H.	Sgt.	"

A/C 42-31891

P	Bloetscher, Andrew F.	1st Lt.	612th.
CP	McElvain, Wilbert H.	2nd Lt.	"
N	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	2nd Lt.	"
B	Mercer L. McMahon, John F.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Kobinsky, Charles J.	S/Sgt.	"
TTG	Richards, Carl R.	T/Sgt.	"
BTG	Nickolas, Clint S., Jr.	S/Sgt.	"
TG	Skaggs, Irl R.	S/Sgt.	"
WG	Giles, Otho N.	S/Sgt.	"

A/C 42-102398

P	Boddin, Frederick R.	1st Lt.	612th.
CP	Devlin, James H.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Uhrain, Andrew (NMI)	2nd Lt.	"
B	Miller, Donald A.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Kornegay, Ryan G.	S/Sgt.	"
TTG	Richardson, Paschal (NMI)	S/Sgt.	"
BTG	Noble, Chester C.	S/Sgt.	"
TG	Klindworth, Louis O.	Sgt.	"
WG	Langham, Theodore E.N.	S/Sgt.	"

A/C 42-107039

P	Thorne, Walter W.	1st Lt.	612th.
CP	McBain, George (NMI) III	2nd Lt.	"
N	Tarr, Charles (NMI) Jr.	1st Lt.	"
B	Smith, Floyd G.	S/Sgt.	"
RO	Lawson, Harry C.	T/Sgt.	"
TTG	Nimmons, Alston H.	S/Sgt.	"
BTG	Hall, Eugene H.	S/Sgt.	"
TG	Munford, John V.	S/Sgt.	"
WG	Zaragoza, Albert R.	S/Sgt.	"

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

1 January 1945

LOADING LIST

<u>PLANE NO.</u>	<u>DUTY</u> <u>MARK</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>LAST NAME</u>	<u>FIRST NAME</u>	<u>MI</u>
44-8454	P	CAPT.	COLEMAN	EDWARD	W.
	CP	2nd Lt.	MALONEY	JOSEPH	M.
	N	1st Lt.	RUSH	JAMES	M.
	B	1st Lt.	STOUT	ELBRIDGE	K.
	RO	T/SGT.	CARMON	CALVIN	A.
	TT	T/SGT.	LINDHOLM	ALVIN	T.
	TG	S/SGT.	KIDMAN	WILLARD	D.
	WG	S/SGT.	ANDERSON	EDDIE	W.
43-38160	P	1st Lt.	TAUSIG	HERMAN	(NMI)
	CP	2nd Lt.	CAMPER	DONALD	W.
	N	1st Lt.	WALKER	DENSON	F.
	B	2nd Lt.	LAWSON	EMMERT	E.
	RO	S/SGT.	FITZSIMMONS	JAMES J.	XXXX
	TT	S/SGT.	JOHNSTON	DONALD	C.
	BT	S/SGT.	BUCKSBAUM	ELMER	(NMI)
	TG	S/SGT.	KATZ	ALVIN	C.
43-37706	WG	S/SGT.	JOHNSON	WARREN	B.
	P	1st Lt.	ANNIS	ROMIE	E.
	CP	1st Lt.	CLARK	FORREST	E.
	N	1st Lt.	MADDEN	BERNARD	R.
	B	1st Lt.	JENSEN	JIM	B.
	RO	T/SGT.	WALKER	LEWIS	M.
	TT	T/SGT.	CORLIS	JOHN	M.
	BT	S/SGT.	LNE	WILLIAM	R.
42-31591	TG	S/SGT.	JOHNSON	LESLIE	U.
	WG	S/SGT.	BROOKS	GEORGE	E.
	P	1st Lt.	DOUGLAS	LUTHER	A.
	CP	1st Lt.	LITTLE	RICHARD	H.
	N	1st Lt.	HAVRAN	EDWARD	G.
	B	1st Lt.	GORMAN	WILLIAM	L.
	RO	T/SGT.	SHERTZ	JOHN	H.
	TT	T/SGT.	LEWIS	RAYMOND	G.
44-6588	BT	S/SGT.	AGLIATA	TONY	A.
	TG	S/SGT.	CAIRO	LOUIS	P.
	WG	S/SGT.	CHANCE	BUFFORD	S.
	P	2nd Lt.	STEELE	RICHARD	H.
	CP	2nd Lt.	ZEMAN	ROGER	R.
	N	2nd Lt.	BLANK	SAMUEL	(NMI)
	B	SGT.	VALDEZ	RAYMOND	(NMI)
	RO	SGT.	STROMBERG	ALEXANDER	(NMI)
	TT	SGT.	STACHURA	FREDERICK	(NMI)
	BT	SGT.	MEYERS	ERROL	A.
	TG	SGT.	LUTZ	LEO	B.
	WG	SGT.	WOWAK	CHESTER	A.

PLANE NO.	DUTY	RANK	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MI
44-6113	P	2nd Lt.	SCHELLER	DONALD	R.
	CP	2nd Lt.	WICKS	WALLACE	W.
	N	2nd Lt.	HUSTON	RICHARD	C.
	B	F/O	KOLLAR	JOHN	E.
	RO	S/SGT.	GIANNINI	JOSEPH	(NMI)
	TT	S/SGT.	HARTY	WILLIAM	G.
	BT	S/SGT.	BLACK	RICHARD	D.
	TG	S/SGT.	TRUDEAU	RUSSELL	M.
	WG	S/SGT.	SEVERSON	NORMAN	A.
43-38607	P	F/O	COX	HERBERT	P.
	CP	F/O	SHAW	MARVIN	W.
	N	F/O	SCEPER	KENNETH	M.
	B	SGT.	LOCKE	LESLIE	E.
	RO	SGT.	HOWELL	THOMAS	E.
	TT	SGT.	STEWART	LEONARD	C.
	BT	SGT.	TANAZEVICH	ALEXANDER	(NMI)
	TG	SGT.	NORRIS	LAMON	(NMI)
	WG	SGT.	RAYMOND	LLOYD	A.
42-31072	P	2nd Lt.	CURRAN*	EDWARD	E.
	CP	2nd Lt.	REILLY	DONALD	J.
	N	2nd Lt.	BAUTZ	JOHN	J.
	B	2nd Lt.	JONES	BRN	F.
	RO	S/SGT.	GIESKEN	GEORGE	J.
	TT	S/SGT.	JOHNSON	ELMO	E.
	BT	S/SGT.	ZENOR	HAROLD	M.
	TG	S/SGT.	CLIFTON	JAMES	R.
	WG	S/SGT.	HARDIN	ROY	(NMI)
43-38862	P	1st Lt.	HDFLEY	CHARLES	W.
	CP	1st Lt.	GOETZ	FRANK	V.
	N	1st Lt.	MAC DONALD	RICHARD	E.
	B	S/SGT.	JACOBS	JOHN	R.
	R O	T/SGT.	DUNNING	CHARLES	R.
	TT	T/SGT.	HARDIN	WILLIAM	A.
	BT	S/SGT.	MERRIMAN	JAY	S.
	TG	S/SGT.	VAN PELT	HAROLD	S.
	WG	S/SGT.	ANDERSON	WAYNE	L.
446313	P	1st Lt.	MC GOLDRICK	JOHN	W.
	CP	2nd Lt.	MILLER	HENRY	C.
	N	2nd Lt.	LEWIS	LESTER	G.
	B	1st Lt.	PREK	GEORGE	W.
	RO	S/SGT.	BECK	GERALD	L.
	TT	S/SGT.	SHELDON	JAMES	F.
	BT	S/SGT.	GRUMANN	JAMES	R.
	TG	S/SGT.	ST. LEDGER	ROBERT	E.
	WG	S/SGT.	LINDGAY	JAMES	R.
<u>TO FLY WITH 615th</u>					
	CP	2nd Lt.	MAY	JAMES	H.
	CP	2nd Lt.	SHELPERD	JACOB	N. JR.
	WG	S/SGT.	LUCA	RUDOLPH	C.
	WG	S/SGT.	PIROMALLI	EUGENE	B.
	WG	S/SGT.	EGGLESTON	HENRY	J.

MICKY OPERATOR ON SHIP 454 - CAPT. COLEMAN PILOT - 1st Lt. PETERSON

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

AAF Station # 128
 1 January 1945

SUBJECT: Loading List.

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

1. The following is the Loading List for today's Mission:

PLANE 42-97780

P	1st Lt.	MERCER, EIMER W.	614th Sq.
CP	1st Lt.	HIBBERT, CARL D.	"
N	1st Lt.	GASKINS, LESLIE E.	#
B	1st Lt.	KLEFISCH, THEODORE J.	#
RO	T/Sgt.	Zubrickas, Joseph S.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Fowler, Cecil V.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Grasela, Edward B.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Gurnicki, Sigmund A.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Connors, Robert A.	"

PLANE 42-97395

P	1st Lt.	HUBBELL, RICHARD S.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	GOULET, AMBROSE F.	"
N	1st Lt.	MOORE, GEORGE J.	"
B	1st Lt.	FLIEG, STANLEY W.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Pool, Clyde W.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Ross, Richard D.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Revette, John L.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Bell, W.S.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Harris, John C.	"

PLANE 42-39012

P	Capt.	SEDER, ARTHUR R. JR.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	RUBINOFF, LOUIS W.	"
N	2nd Lt.	STEWART, LEON F.	"
B	2nd Lt.	CONWAY, FRANCIS JR.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Backlin, John F.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Antill, Clarence W.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Harris, Cecil D.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Allison, Carl M.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Affel, Richard H.	"

PLANE 42-38330

P	1st Lt.	BABCOCK, FREDRICK H.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	BOUSFIELD, JOHN	"
N	2nd Lt.	CRAWFORD, ALLEN H. JR.	"
B	2nd Lt.	MENZEL, GEORGE H.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Bilby, John F. Jr.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Caldwell, Carroll L.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Wilcynski, Walter J.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Parnham, Walter E.	#
WG	S/Sgt.	Casselmann, Charles R.	"

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 PLANE 44-6464

P	2nd Lt.	RICHARDSON, RICHARD B.	614th Sq.
CP	1st Lt.	LIVINGSTON, HERMAN	"
N	F/O	BLADES, LEO L.	"
B	1st Lt.	O'HERN, MELVIN C.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Peneton, Howard E.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Walsh, Arthur G.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Lunn, Ber Lyle J.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Patterson, Donald D.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Allaire, Joseph S.	"

PLANE 43-38577

P	1st Lt.	MORAN, ROBERT E.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	WELLMAN, SILAS H.	"
N	1st Lt.	LE BLANC, JOHN S.	"
B	2nd Lt.	DUNCAN, ROBERT N.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Brown, Arnold P.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Stromberg, Warren B.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Detty, Hibert J. Jr.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Clark, Charles B.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Miller, James J.	"

PLANE 44-6508

P	2nd Lt.	WHITE, WYLIE K.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	POTTER, FRED R.	"
N	F/O	BRINER, WILLIAM L.	"
B	2nd Lt.	AUFANCE, RUSSELL L.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Mc Commis, Max I.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Whitney, Paul A.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Viescas, Arturo B.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Mc Quade, John B.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Cranz, Edwin R.	"

PLANE 42-107151

P	2nd Lt.	THOMPSON, RUSSELL B.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	GASSIDY, CLARENCE	"
N	2nd Lt.	LJPOWITZ, HYMAN J.	"
B	2nd Lt.	BRUCE, WILLIAM M.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Bode, Robert E.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Dickson, Beattie B.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Christensen, James P. Jr.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Heikes, Dale L.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Dana, Edward G.	"

PLANE 42-97322

P	1st Lt.	ST AUBYN, GLENN H.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	THOMPSON, WALLACE	"
N	F/O	KAHN, CHARLES	"
B	F/O	CROSSMAN, ELMER B.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Rubinson, Jerome J.	"
TT	S/Sgt./	Dearborn, Harry R.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Lichtenberger, Gustave W.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Hickey, Harold J.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Buckley, John F.	"

SIX HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
 FOUR HUNDRED AND FIRST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
 Office of the Operations Officer
 AAF - Sta - 228 - APO - 557.

1 January 1945

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 # 42-97636

DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
P	1st Lt.	Kochel	Michael	J.	615th
CP	Major	White	Ralph	J.	"
N	1st Lt.	Ainley	Allen	B.	"
N	Captain	Causey	Rufus	F.	"
N	1st Lt.	Walters	Donald	E.	"
B	1st Lt.	Minott	Charles	H.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Concino	Joseph	A.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Beeson	Charles	W.	"
TG	2nd Lt.	Callahan	Raymond	J.	"
FG	S/Sgt.	Kelly	Thomas	E.	"

PLANE # ~~42-97636~~ 8033

P	1st Lt.	Turk	Laurel	A.	615th
CP	Captain	Harb	Wallace	S.	401st
N	1st Lt.	Tharpe	Robert	W.	615th
N	1st Lt.	Cone	Allan	L.	"
B	1st Lt.	Hecker	Robert	L.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Dupuis	Cyraque	J.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Wieselthier	Simon	(NMI)	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Vecchio	Murray	N.	"
FG	S/Sgt.	Osborne	Peter	J.	"

PLANE # 42-31405

P	1st Lt.	Spansel	Kaye	M.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	May	James		613th
N	2nd Lt.	Gross	Eugene	P.	613th
B	Sgt.	Heaton	Charles	E.	"
RO	Sgt.	Piccolillo	Lewis	J.	"
TT	Sgt.	Haackinson	Robert	A.	"
BT	Sgt.	Wagener	Aloysius	E.	"
TG	Sgt.	Baker	Richard	E.	"
FG	Sgt.	Baeho	Alex	(NMI)	"

PLANE# 42-102468

P	1st Lt.	Udy	John	(NMI)	615th
CP	1st Lt.	Hookaday	Billy	S.	"
N	1st Lt.	Youel	Dale	F.	"
B	S/Sgt.	Oviatt	Earl	D.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Knowles	Harry	G.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Young	Jack	B.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Albert	Russell	H.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Warn	Albert	E.	"
FG	S/Sgt.	Jencks	Robert	L.	"

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PLANE # 42-31730

P	1st Lt.	George	W.	EMERALD Sombart	615th
GP	1st Lt.	Shapiro SHEPHERD	Lee-JACK	(NMI) ✓	613th
N	2nd Lt.	Miley	Junior	B.	613th
B	S/Sgt.	Seaton	Clarence	H. C.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Andrews	Leroy	(NMI)	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Smith	Elmer	E.	"
BT	Sgt.	Brunson	Wade	T.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Eggleston	Henry	J.	613th
FG	S/Sgt.	Allen	Lewis	(NMI)	615th

PLANE # 42-97664

P	2nd Lt.	Jordan	Robert	E.	615th
GP	2nd Lt.	Reinhard	Edward	O.	"
N	F/O	Braslawsky	Max	(NMI)	"
B	S/Sgt.	Seeley	Duane	F.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Mauldin	Harold	M.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Anderson	Howard	E.	"
BT	Sgt.	Caruth	Merton	A.	"
TG	Sgt.	Corwin	Clarence	P.	"
FG	Sgt.	Carleson	Verner	A.	"

PLANE # 43-38125

P	1st Lt.	Cooper	Louis	E.	615th
GP	2nd Lt.	Coats	Jerry	A.	"
N	1st Lt.	Schultz	John	J.	"
B	S/Sgt.	Gue	Charles	M.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Mabrey	William	T.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Sexton	Myron	W.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Maroncelli	Harry	J.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Lawrence	Ralph	I.	"
FG	S/Sgt.	Piomalli	Eugene	C.	613th

PLANE # 43-38810

P	2nd Lt.	Grimm	Alfred	R.	615th
C	2nd Lt.	Regan	John	J.	"
N	2nd Lt.	Monberger	Charles	M.	"
B	Sgt.	Boyer	William	O.	"
RO	Sgt.	Kapson	George	D.	"
TT	Sgt.	Geers	Louis	J.	"
BT	Sgt.	Cox	Glyde	H.	"
TG	Sgt.	Chambers	Arthur	R.	"
FG	Sgt.	Hunsperger	Henry	(NMI)	"

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PLANE # 42-31983

P	1st Lt.	Cracraft	George	K.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Magee	Eldon	C.	"
H	1st Lt.	Mrozek	Chester	W.	"
B	Sgt.	Guerin	Roland	L.	"
RO	Sgt.	Fenwick	Gordon	E.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Jacquart	Robert	R.	"
BT	Sgt.	Schemel	Paul	J.	"
TG	Sgt.	O'Donoghue	Henry	J.	"
FG	S/Sgt.	Luca	Rudolph	C.	613th

PLANE # 43-38753

P	2nd Lt.	Jones	Robert	B	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Dunigan	Maurice	(NMI)	"
N	F/O	Steinman	Philip	B.	"
B	Sgt.	Carr	Richard	W.	"
RO	Sgt.	DeLong	Billie	D.	"
TT	Sgt.	Kozyra	Joseph	J.	"
BT	Sgt.	Nelson	Howard	W.	"
TG	Sgt.	Foutch	James	W.	"
FG	Sgt.	Geiger	Lewis	O.	"

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