

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

MISSION No. **196**

Date: **14 JAN. 45**

TO: **COLOGNE, GER.**

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401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)

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ASSIGNMENT

1. Assigned Target: COLOGNE, GERMANY (Bridge)
2. Commitments: The 401st Group was to furnish the high 12 A/C squadron for the 94th Group formation. Also 3 spares were to be furnished for the entire group.

EXECUTION

1. Target Bombed: COLOGNE, GERMANY (Visual)
2. High Squadron Leader: Capt. S. W. MERCER  
Lead Navigator: 1st Lt. L. E. GASKINS  
Mickey Operator: 1st Lt. J. T. DRESBACK  
Lead Bombardier: 1st Lt. T. J. KLEFISCH
3. Flight Over England:
  - a. Takeoff:

As briefed. Despite low visibility all ships made successful takeoff.
  - b. Squadron and Group Assemblies:

Good assembly on Glatton Buncher. One aircraft missing when the group departed on time, on course.
  - c. Route Over England:

Immediately after leaving buncher the high squadron fell into proper group formation. The group was unable to follow briefed route because of difficulty in getting into Division formation. Control point # 1 was passed 2 miles right of course 4 1/2 minutes late.



Mission Summary Report (Cont'd)

4. Attack:

a. Flight to Target:

Group was in good position and all aircraft in good formation. Division column drifted to right of course about 5 miles but group reached Point # 2 on course, one minute late. Moderate flak encountered over front lines. Group and squadrons took evasive action and no major damage was apparent in high squadron. Reached IP ~~was~~ briefed except group was four minutes early.

b. Bombing Run:

The squadron had two short legs before the bombing run so the bombardier used the bombsight and ABC and got a good wind. The high squadron crossed over the IP on course and the leader set up his interval. The Rhine River was very prominent on the left so that was the main check and it was followed into the target area. There was quite a bit of smoke over the river where the bridges were because of the ~~preceding~~ <sup>preceding</sup> groups' bombing. The bombardier could easily see the railroads which led to the bridge on the right so he aimed at the bridge just south of it which was the assigned target. About three times during the run he could make out parts of the bridge thru the smoke. The cross hairs were on the bridge ~~at~~ the run and the bombs were salvoed when the indices met. Bombs were observed to hit around the MPI. AFCE worked okay, all aircraft salvoed.

c. Flight from Target:

There was moderate flak over target and all squadrons made sharp turn right after "bombs away" and lost 500 feet altitude. Rally was good and group came out right of course with no flak after target area.

d. Return to Base:

The group followed briefed route back, timings about 13 minutes early. The high squadron stayed with the group until it reached New Market. There it received a call from the Air Commander to return to base. Our squadron made an instrument let down on Buncher and all ships returned safely to home base.

e. Weather:

Weather enroute to about 4° E consisted of low clouds, gradually clearing to CAVU from IP to target area. Weather over target was CAVU with some smoke and ground haze. Semi-persistent contrails were encountered in target area.

f. Fighter Support:

Fighter support was adequate.

g. Comments on Formation:

Group formation was good and all ships flew good squadron formation.

Mission Summary Report (Cont'd)

4. h. Conclusions and Recommendations:

None.

5. Aircraft Not Attacking:

All scheduled A/C attacked target.

6. Enemy Opposition:

No air opposition encountered (see Flak Report for flak)

<u>Battle Damage:</u>	<u>Major</u>	<u>Minor</u>	<u>To Flak</u>
	0	7	7

8. Casualties:

None.

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

10. Bombing Data:

a. Observations:

The bombing was excellent, some 98% of bombfall being within 1000 ft. of assigned MPI.

b. Disposition of Bombs:

High Squadron:

94th Group -- All 12 scheduled A/C attacked the primary target, dropping 42 X 1000# GP and 30 X 1000# RDX bombs on target. The 3 spares returning brought back 12 GP's and 6 RDX's to base.



Mission Summary Report (Cont'd)

10. c. Tabular Summary of Disposition of Bombs:

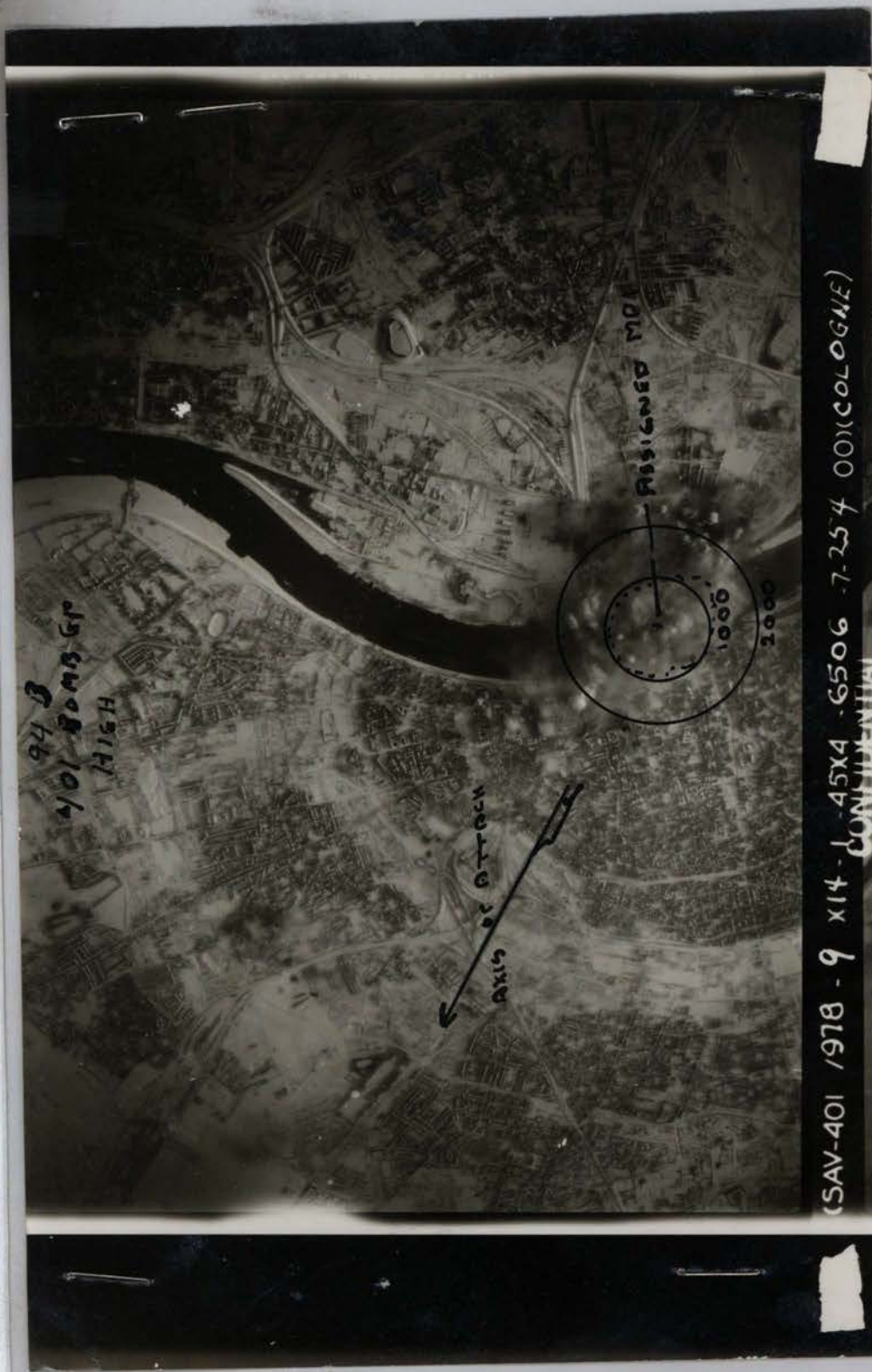
	Aircraft		Bombs				
	Over Target	Bombing	Number	Size	Type	Fusing	
						Nose	Tail
Main Bombfall	12	12	42	1000#	GP	1/10	Non-delay
			30	1000#	RDX	1/10	Non-delay
Other Attacks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Bombs on Target			42	1000#	GP	1/10	Non-delay
			30	1000#	RDX	1/10	Non-delay
Other Expenditures			-	-	-	-	-
Bombs Returned			12	1000#	GP	1/10	Non-delay
			6	1000#	RDX	1/10	Non-delay
Total (Loaded on A/C Taking Off)			54	1000#	GP	1/10	Non-delay
			36	1000#	RDX	1/10	Non-delay

11. Lost Aircraft:

None.

Submitted By:

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 Captain, Air Corps,  
 Statistical Officer.



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HIGH SQDN. 94TH "B" COMPSI GROUP

Combat Sq. Leader: CAPT. MERCER Date: 14 JAN 1945

Deputy Sq. Leader: LT. HUBBELL

Deputy Gp. Leader: \_\_\_\_\_

614 SQDN

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

MERCER

259(PFF)

401st formation at take-off, cruise, and over target.

MAYS

HUBBELL

478

780

SQDN

SQDN

UDY

ROADMAN

779

506

CAMPBELL

CRACRAFT

HUTNALL

SMITH

468

983

398

680

STEELE

947

ST. AUBYN

COX

322

941

SPARES

LONG

738 (SPARE RETURNED)

BLOETSCHER

THORNE

153 (SPARE RETURNED)

706 (SPARE RETURNED)

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

Date 14 January 1945

SUBJECT: Lead Navigator's Narrative of Raid on Cologne Germany

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

1. Flight plan and Log attached.
2. Track chart attached.
3. Narrative:

- a. T/O at 0928 hours.
- b. Group formed at 1006 hours on Glatten buncher.  
at 7000 ft.
- c. Wing assembly was completed at 1118 hours at Dungeness.
- d. Route over England was (not) flown as briefed.

e. Methods of navigation over England.

Gee

- f. Division formation was joined at 1131 1/2 hrs. at C.P. #1.
- g. Flight to I.P. was (not) as briefed.

h. Methods of navigation to the I. P.

Gee and Mickey

i. Bomb run.

- (1) Actual I. P. was (not) as briefed.
- (2) True heading over target 310.
- (3) Actual drift 8 left.
- (4) Altitude over target 25600.
- (5) Time bombs away 1938.
- (6) Wind used for bombing 06/12.
- (7) Method of target identification.

Mickey and Visual



(8) Difficulties on bomb run.

Very slight ran 5 miles right of briefed  
and 2 small Double Drifts to uncover

(9) Weather over Target.

Light Haze No clouds

(10) Axis of withdrawal 64 degrees

- j. Group rally was accomplished at \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ hrs.
- k. Wing rally was accomplished at \_\_\_\_\_ at 1941 hrs.
- l. Division rally was accomplished at \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ hrs.
- m. Flight home was ~~(not)~~ as briefed.

n. Methods of navigation on return route.

o. Winds aloft were (not) called out to the formation.

p. Fighter rendezvous were (not) as briefed.

q. performance of equipment.

- (1) Mickey O.K.
- (2) Gee To be checked
- (3) Radio Compass O.K. needs cal on scale
- (4) Fluxgate OK
- (5) Other equipment. OK

/s/ Leslie E. Gaskins  
1st Lt. AC

Lead Navigator. Hi Squadron



PILOT Capt. E. W. Morser NAVIGATOR 1st Lt. L. E. Caskins DATE 14 Jan 1945

STATIONS	0800	ENCINES	0900	TAXI	0915	T.O.	0930
LEAVE BASE	1030						
COAST OUT	1114						
ENEMY COAST	1127						
I.P.	1329						
TARGET	1341						
ENEMY COAST	1507						
	Eng. Coast 1532				Stn 1611		

SUN		MOON		TWILIGHT	
Rises	Sets	Rises	Sets	AM	PM

Zero Hr - 0930  
Ref alt - 22000  
Bomb alt - 25000  
Oxygen - 3:40

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

Letdown on Cottesmore Buncher - Normal - 010 Mag.

FROM TO	Ass. 6000 Lead Kings Cliffs (W)	W/V USED	HEIGHT	I.A.S. MPH /K	T.A.S. (K)	COURSE	DRI-FT	TRUE HDNG.	VAR.	MAC. HDNG.	G. S.	DIST.	TIME	E.T.A.	CELESTIAL DATA			
															TIME	BODY	ALT.	AZI.
0100	0100	110/31	6000	150	141	066	A	075	10	85	117	14	7	1010	Depart			
0100	0100	110/31	8000	150	146	066	A	075	10	85	117	14	7	1017				
0100	0100	110/31	10000	150	151	066	A	075	10	85	117	14	7	1024				
0100	0100	110/35	10000	150	151	203	-13	190	10	200	149	34	14	1057				
0100	0100		10000			150	-8	142	9	151	123	31	15	1114	English Coast			
0100	0100		10000			100	A	102	9	111	117	25	13	1127	Coast. CP 1 1127			
0100	0100	110/42	17500	150	169	099	A	102	8	110	128	154	1:12	1240	CP 2 1240			
0100	0100	110/40	25000	150	191	128	-4	124	7	131	153	34	13	1255				
0100	0100					090	A	094	7	101	153	20	8	1304				
0100	0100					089	A	093	6	099	153	35	14	1319				
0100	0100					088	A	090	6	096	188	28	9	1329	I. P.			
0100	0100					302	A	305	6	311	230	83	11	1341	TARGET			
0100	0100					066	A	074	6	080	160	14	6	1348				
0100	0100					140	-6	134	6	140	156	37	14	1409				
0100	0100					198	-12	186	6	192	186	28	9	1412				
0100	0100					269	-4	265	6	271	228	35	9	1421				
0100	0100		25000			270	-4	266	7	273	229	20	6	1427				
0100	0100	110/40	25000	150	191	308	A	312	7	319	229	34	9	1436	CP 3 1436			
0100	0100	108/46	21000	170	204	279	-2	277	7	284	249	61	15	1451	Div break-up			
0100	0100	110/39	14000	170	182	309	A	313	8	321	218	56	16	1507	Coast CP 4 1507			
0100	0100	121/31	8000	140	160	309	A	312	9	321	189	50	16	1532	English Coast			
0100	0100	104/21	2000	131	131	309	A	313	9	322	153	23	7	1532				

FLIGHT RECORD (Cont'd next page)

TIME	COURSE	W/V USED &/OR D.R. DRIF.	TRUE HDNG.	MAC. HDNG.	NAVIGATIONAL OBSERVATION	GENERAL OBSERVATION	I.A.S. MPH /K	HEIGHT & AIR TEMP.	T.A.S.	RUN		G.S.	TO RUN		E.T.A.
										DIST.	TIME		DIST.	TIME	
0928					take off on 05.										
0931					Break out of clouds. A/C. 10/10ths			1500							
0951					o Buncher and starting circle		150	2500	145						
1006					Sq. Complete		130	A							
1010			64		5' S-W of Buncher		150	7100	145			126	18	8 1/2	1010 1/2
1013			64				150	7200							
1015			37				150	7200							
1016 1/2			37		52-33N 00-05E		150	7200							
1018			37		A/C to Pt. C 52-32N 00-00		150	7200							
1018			136		Start climb		150	7200							
1021		07/28	131		52-27N 00-07E		150	7800	(av) 148			117	45	23	1044
1027	141	-9	132	142	52-16N 00-19E		150	9000	147	13	6	130	31 1/2	14 1/2	1041 1/2
1033							150	10500							
1034	144	-8	141		52-03N 00-35E		150	11000	151	30 1/2	13	141	16	7	1041
1041		00/22	141		A/C to Pt. D		150	11000							



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	
1045			150				150	11200 -10							
1047			143		51-33N 00-54E cannot get ETA. Not following F. P.		150	11200 -10	154				38		
1052			240		Heading for Pt. D		150	11200							
1053 1/2			244		51-21N 00-42E		150	11200							
1057 1/2	237	110	240		51-13N 00-20E		150	11200	154	14	4	180			
1102			248		A/C again to Pt. Z		150	11200							
1102			94				150	11300 -9							
1105			90		51-06N 00-16E 3/10ths hi. ci. to N.		150	11200				130	28	13	1115
1113		5/33 (no good)	118		Approaching Pt. Z		150	11700 -10							
1118			115		Crossing Coast @ Dungeness Cloud cover 3/10ths ee		150	12500 -13	157						
1121 1/2			95		50-53N 01-04E		150	13900 -15	158			162	20	7 1/2	1129
1125			93				150	13900							
1127 1/2	94		93		50-52N 01-09E		150	14200 -16	(av) 159	10	6	100			
1131 1/2	91/60		97		Over GP 1 2' right of course. 1 1/2 late		150	14900 -17	(av) 164			107	15 1/2	1:26 1/2	125
1140	104	-9	96	95	50-43N 01-57E		150	16000 -18	164	24 1/2	12 1/2	118	139	1:11	1251
1145		73/51	100				150	16300 -18							
1151 1/2	102	-5	95		50-39N 02-30E		150	17300 -22	168	21 1/2	11 1/2	112			
1155		88/6-	95				150	18000 -22	(av) 180			120	117	58 1/2	1250
1209		87/32	100				150	20000 -28							
1205 1/2	102	-3	102		50-32N 03-22E		150	20300 -28	173	33 1/2	14	150 143 1/2	84	33 1/2	1239
1210		97/74	88				150	21900 -33							
1215	84	15	90	89	50-34N 03-49E		150	22000 -33	(av) 181	17	9 1/2	107			
1220			95				150	23000 -33				112	67 1/2	36	1251
1228			95				150	23500							
1230		96/32	95				150	24200 -39							
1235	96		100		50-29N 05-10E		150	25600 -42	187	52	2-	156			
1240			100												
1248			110		Flak ahead, red, white and black moderate, accurate		150								
1248		124	124				150	25500 -42							
1249			112		50-48N 05-58E V2 11 o'clock		150	25500 -42							
1253			112		Turning to new course		150	25500							
1259			112				150	25500 -42	194			161	55 1/2	21	1314
1300		85/92	85		50-01N 06-42 E (10mbight wind)		150	25600 -42							
1307	77	18	85		50-00N 06-59E		150	25600 -42	194	11 1/2	7	101	28 1/2	17	1324
1316					A/C to I. P. , on course		150								
1316		111	33				150	25600	194						
1321		86/42	35		wind by drifts		150	25600							
1329			35		135° - 35° - Down		150		194						
1325					I. P.										
1338		86/42	310		BEING AWAY		150	25500							
1341 1/2			64		A/C		150	25500							



FLIGHT PLAN

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PILOT \_\_\_\_\_ NAVIGATOR \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

STATIONS	ENCINES	TAXI	T.O.
LEAVE BASE			
COAST OUT			
ENEMY COAST			
I.P.			
TARGET			
ENEMY COAST			

SUN		MOON		TWILIGHT	
Rises	Sets	Rises	Sets	AM	PM

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

FROM TO	W/V UESD	HEIGHT	I.A.S. MPH /K	T. A.S. (K)	COURSE	DRI-FT	TRUE HDNG.	VAR.	MAC. HDNG.	G. S.	DIST.	TIME	E.T.A.	CELESTIAL DATA			
														TIME	BODY	ALT.	AZI.
51-57N 01-20E New Market	101/21	2000	150 -1	131	295	A2	297	10	307	155	39	15	1537				
52-15N 00-24E Wisboch	*	2000	*	131	343	A9	352	10	002	142	27	12	1559	Wing	break-up		
52-10N 00-10E Base	*	2000	*	131	250	-6	244	10	254	150	30	12	1611	HTR	Stand off:	Hi-Cott 10 + Impl.	
Base Magenese	110/32	0 to 10000	150 -2	143	149	-8	141	10	151	116	110	57	1017 1114	1370	Takes 25 min to climb.		

FLIGHT RECORD

TIME	COURSE	W/V USED &/OR D.R. DRIF.	TRUE HDNG.	MAC. HDNG.	NAVIGATIONAL OBSERVATION	GENERAL OBSERVATION	I.A.S. MPH /K	HEIGHT & AIR TEMP.	T. A.S.	RUN		G. S.	TO RUN		E.T.A.
										DIST.	TIME		DIST.	TIME	
1343			150				150	25500							
1345			136		W2 @ 1 o'clock		150	25000							
1346			136		17° @ 122° Köln		150	25500				184	251	81	1354
1350			125		20° @ 348 Koblenz		150	25000							
1354			135		38° @ 320 Weisteden		150	25000							
1359			188		A/C Light ground base		150	25000							
1359			188		51-12N 07-57E		150	25000							
1402			290		50-08N 07-25E		150	25000	195			235	44	113	1413
1409	22		273		Doing evasive action		150	26500 -44							
1410			274		50-11N 06-35E		150	26500 -44			13	8			
1414					Starting to A/C		150								
1414			260				150								
1418			270				150								
1421			330		Starting letdown		150								
1422			335		50-23N 05-31E		160	25000 -40							



FLIGHT RECORD

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										DIST.	TIME		DIST.	TIME	
1426			335		A/C		160	25200							
1426			277		1/10th hi clouds		160	25000							
1429			295		50-20N 04-55E light haze		170	22500							
1435			285		Ground fog starting to thicken		150	21400	204			244	36	9	1438
1438			285		A/C from D.B.U.		160	20700							
1438			345				160	20700							
1440			244				160	20200							
1449			334				160	19900							
1447 1/2	75/35		318		5103N 03-28E		160	19000	(av) 190			220	24	6 1/2	1454
1454	305	#9	310		51-15N 03-00E		160	18500	(av) 180			182	73	24	1519
1500			310		s/c 3/10ths 600 tops		170	11000							
1505	42/32		300				170	10600							
1509	298	#10	310		51-35N 01-58E		170	10400		177	14	187			
1518			310				170	8700	(av) 155			155	31 1/2	12	1521
1521			310		Eng. Coast 2' S Harwich		170	7500							
1521			320				170	7000	(av) 155			157	37	14	1535
1525			322				170	5700							
1532 1/2			315		52-03N 00-54E		170	4800		140		142	21	9	1541 1/2
1541			300		Heading to base										
1549					A/C to Cottasmors										
1600					@ Cottasmors										
1613 1/2					Landed.										

FLIGHT DATA

SIGNED

NAVIGATOR



# TRACK CHART

DATE Jan. 14, 1945

TARGETS  
PRIMARY

Cologne, Germany

Blue ROUTE FOLLOWED BY Briefed  
Red .. .. .. 401st B. G. (A)



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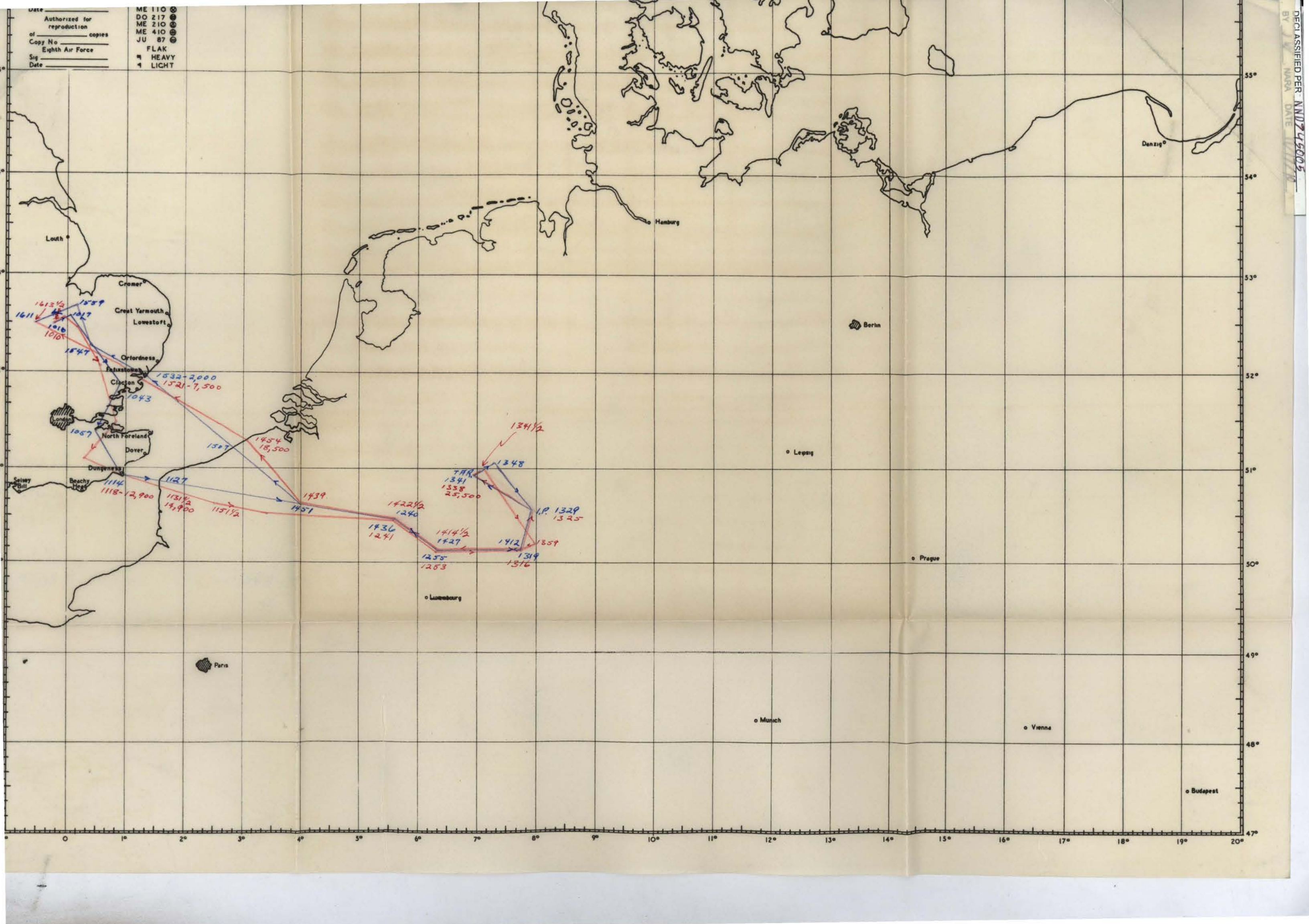
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 FW 190 ○  
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 DO 217 ●  
 ME 210 ●  
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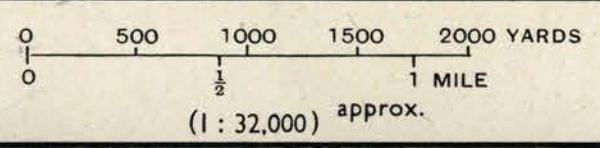
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Area  
5006E (KÖLN)

TACTICAL TARGETS

Illustration No.  
5006E/1

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Illustration No.  
5006E/1



STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

801st Group

1st BD F. O. 605

Date of 14 January 1945

94th Group

	High Sq.	PF -- GH	
1. No. of A/C Failing to Take Off	<u>IX -</u>	<u>--</u>	
2. No. of A/C Airborne	<u>14</u>	<u>1</u>	
3. No. of A/C Airborne Less Spares	<u>11</u>	<u>1</u>	
4. No. of A/C Sorties	<u>11</u>	<u>1</u>	
5. No. of A/C Attacking	<u>11</u>	<u>1</u>	
6. No. of A/C Not Attacking	<u>---</u>	<u>---</u>	
(a) Early Returns Included			
7. Name of Primary Target	<u>COLOGNE, GERMANY</u>		
(a) No. of A/C Attacking	<u>11</u>	<u>1</u>	
(b) No., Size & type of bombs	<u>36</u> <u>100# GP</u>	<u>6</u> <u>100# GP</u>	
	<u>30</u> <u>100# RDX</u>		
8. Name of Secondary Target			
(a) No. of A/C Attacking			
(b) No., Size & type of Bombs			
9. Name of Last Resort Target			
(a) No. of A/C Attacking			
(b) No., Size & type of Bombs			
10. Name of Target of Opportunity			
(a) No. of A/C Attacking			
(b) No., Size, & type of Bombs			
11. Name of Target Opportunity			
(a) No. of A/C Attacking			
(b) No., Size & type of Bomb			
12. No. of A/C Lost - TOTAL	<u>---</u>	<u>---</u>	
13. - to Flak			
14. - to Flak & E/A			
15. - to Enemy A/C			
16. - to Accident			
17. - to Unknown			



STAT SUMMARY (cont'd)

	High Sq.		
18. Time of Takeoff	0928		
19. Time of Attack	1338		
20. Average Time of Flight	618		
21. Altitude of Release	25,200		
22. Visual or PFF	VISUAL		
23. Enemy Resistance - AA	Int. Meager to Mod. Acc. Accurate		
24. - Fighters	----		
25. - Bomber	----		
26. U.S. A/C Engaged by Enemy A/C	----		
27. Degree of Success	Excellent		

PFF A/C Borrowed from Groups as follows:

PFF A/C Loaned to Groups as follows:

NOTES:

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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 14 Jan 1945  
 PILOT CAPT MERCER TAKE OFF 0928  
 NAVIGATOR LT. GASKINS AI RPLANE \_\_\_\_\_  
 WING 94th GROUP 401st SQDL High LANDED 1615  
 OBJECTIVE COLOGNE, 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  
 BOMBS, TYPES AND SIZES 1000 GP FUSING: NOSE 1/10 TAIL Non-Delay  
 BOMBS, TYPES AND SIZES 1000 RDX FUSING: NOSE 1/10 TAIL Non-Delay  
 NUMBER OF BOMBS LOADED 42 GP & 30RDX RELEASED 42GP 30RDX  
 INFORMATION AT RELEASE POINT: VISUAL  
 Altitude of Target 145 Temp Aloft: Metro -45 Actual -45  
 True Altitude above target 25200 Mag Head, order 305 Actual 316  
 Altitude 25600 True Heading 310  
 Pressure alt of target -534 at SL Drift, Est 7L Actual 9L  
 Altimeter setting 29.92 True Track 301  
 C.I.A.S. 150 I.A.S. 150 Actual Range 14,387  
 G.S. Est 265 Actual 260 B.S. Type M-9  
 Wind Direc Metro 110 Actual 86 Time of Release 1338  
 Wind Veloc. Metro 40 Actual 48 Intervalometer Setting Salvo  
 D.S. 128 Trail 43 ATF 41.63 Length of Bombing Run 43miles  
 Tan. D.A. Est .58 Actual .59 C-1 Pilot Yes A-5 --  
 Mean Temp: Metro -16 Actual -19 Manual Pilot ---  
 Type of Release: Lead A/C Salvo Type of Release: Other A/C Salvo







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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 605 .

14 JANUARY 1945

SUBJECT: Communications Report, Operational Mission No 196 .

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>3</u>
Splashers	<u>0</u>	3. HF/DF Bearings	<u>0</u>
Fixed Beacons	<u>0</u>	4. VHF/DF Homings	<u>0</u>
Bunchers, England	<u>19</u>	5. Distress Action	<u>0</u>
Bunchers, Continent	<u>1</u>	6. Total A/C using Gee	<u>15</u>

### SECTION TWO - USE OF PFF

	<u>H2X</u>	<u>Micro-H</u>
1. Total A/C dispatched	<u>1</u>	<u>    </u>
2. Total A/C over target	<u>1</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>11</u>
2. Total A/C releasing Chaff	<u>11</u>
3. Total number of units released	<u>5688</u>

### SECTION FOUR - ACTUAL DEFICIENCIES BY EQUIPMENT

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

### SECTION FIVE - REMARKS

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 Maj, Air Corps,  
 Gp Com O.

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LEAD SQUADRON 94th B Group

Combat Sq. Leader: COL BROWN Date: 13 Jan 45

Deputy Sq. Leader: CAPT STELZER

Deputy Gp. Leader: CAPT STELZER

*6-1000 sq's  
None Delay  
Fail.*

613 SQDN  
612 SC JABCOCK  
613 IN MACRO  
614 IW GOLFCUB  
615 IY BUZZARD

CUSHMAN (BROWN)  
IN Q 8550

NIELSEN  
IN D 6588

BAKER (STELZER)  
GH

613 SQDN

614 SQDN

CAMPBELL  
IN B 6132

BABCOCK  
IW X 8565

GARTON  
IN F 6313

COX  
IN H 8607

KING  
IW A 6508

FONDREN  
IW T 8646

SHELLER  
IN R 6113

CAREY  
IN N 8862

CURRAN  
IN K 1072

SPARES

KEESO  
IN G 8791

Spare Lead PFF IW C 8033 Disp 9  
VIS IW R 7780 Disp 4

Grnd spares SC L 8637 Disp 17  
SC C 9993 Disp 3



Combat Sq. Leader: LT HORLEN Date: 13 JAN 1945

Deputy Sq. Leader: LT LAWRENCE

Deputy Gp. Leader: CAPT STELZER

94th "B" LOW SQDN#

612th SQDN

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

HARLEN

JONES

IN P

8449(PFF)  
LAWRENCE

SC R 2393

SC P 1891

612th SQDN

614th SQDN

CHRISTENSEN

MORON

SC T 8788

IW K 8677

SCHLIEMANN

COMER

RICHARDSON

WHITE

SC J 7790

SC F 8541

IW P 2012

IW Z 8330

COX

SC B 1662

MORTIN

FRENCH

SC D 6992

SC A 7628

SPARES

CAMPBELL

PFF SP LD IW C 8033 disp 9

VIS SP LD IW R 7780 4

GRND SPARES SC L 8637 disp 17

SC C 9993 disp 13

SC M 7039

HOWARD (COAST & RETURN)

SC N 6506



Combat Sq. Leader: CAPT CAMPBELL Date: 13 JAN 1945  
 Deputy Sq. Leader: LT TURK  
 Deputy Gp. Leader: CAPT STELZER

94th "B" HIGH SQDN.

615th SQDN

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

CAMPBELL

IY H 7636# (PFF)

DEEN

TURK

IY K 8425

IY Q 8077

615th SQDN

614th SQDN

McKAY

MORTON

IY B 1730

IW B 7151

DJERNES

HANSEN

SORENSEN

COLE

SC L 993  
~~IY C 2400~~  
 Racks inop.

IY P 8758

SC L 637  
~~IW D 7322~~  
 Mdg. trouble  
 #2 Eng left

IW O 7602

JONES

IY A 7869

GRIMM, A.R.

WOLF

IY N 8810

IY D 8125

SPARES

CROCRAFT

IY G 1983

PFF SP LD IW C 8033 disp 9

VIS SP LD IW R 7780 disp 4

~~GRND SPARES SC L 8637 disp 17~~

SC C 9993 disp 13



Pre Briefing Notes

1. TARGETS - Today's primary target is the Deutz suspension bridge crossing the Rhine river in the center of the city of Cologne. This target will be attacked by either visual or G-H methods.

The secondary and P.F.F. targets is the marshaling yard in the eastern section of Cologne. M.P.I. is a target transshipment shed.

A last resort target has been assigned which is the M/Y in Limbourg.

Preceding this group in the Division column will be the 40th "A" wing and the 94th "A" both of which are attacking the Hohenzollern road and rail bridge just north of this groups target, and following this group will be the 1st "A" and "B" wings which have the same target.

On today's operation the 3rd A.D. is attacking oil targets at Derben and Salzbergen, and the 2nd A.D. is attacking oil targets at Hermingstadt, Ehmen, and Hallendorf

2. Commands - The air commander for the 94th Wing will be Maj. Ropera and the air commander for the 94th "B" Composite Group will be Maj. Havey.

3. FORMATION - This group is putting up <sup>40</sup> ~~12~~ A/C which will fly in the ~~high~~ <sup>low</sup> ~~squadron~~ <sup>group</sup> position ~~of~~ the ~~Comp.~~ <sup>Group. Div. column.</sup>

3. BOMBING INST.\* All A/C will carry 6 X 1000 G.P. 1/10 nose, non delay tail

Intervalometer settings; if visual or G-H: salvoe if H2x: 100 feet.

The field order states that no targets of opportunity west of the Rhine River will be attacked.

The base reference alt. is 22,000

~~Zero hour is 0930.~~

4. FLAK - There are 620 guns in the primary target area, 170 of those are within range on the bomb run and 120 on withdrawal. Field order adds that very meager fire has been encountered recently at the battle line due to undercast conditions and can be expected to increase should weather be clear.

5. SPECIAL INST.- 2 P-51 A/C "Buckeye Red" will scout weather on penetration arriving at the target area 20 minutes prior to Foxhole Able Leader and will pass



target ~~is~~ info.

Meagre e/a ~~opposition~~ opposition is expected.

All bomber aircraft will commence release of chaff when crossing battle line at the discretion of the wing commander. All bomber A/C will commence release of chaff at 4 minutes after I.P. and continue for 15 minutes. Each A/C will carry 648 units.

Fighter support will consist of 6 groups of P-51's, 3 of which will give close area support and the other 3 groups will sweep ahead of the bombers giving mutual area support.



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612th Bombardment Squadron (H)  
 401st Bombardment Group (H)  
 OFFICE OF THE OPERATIONS OFFICER

Mission # 196  
 14 January 1945

SUBJECT : Loading List

TO : Operations Officer, 401st Bomb Group (H).

Plane # 42-102468		
P	Campbell, Charles J.	2nd Lt. 612th
CP	Foy, Phillip W.	2nd Lt. "
N	Gruhn, David B.	F/O "
Tog.	Emery, Robert I.	Sgt "
RO	Feo, Gene M. Jr.	Sgt "
TTG	Kartes, Charles F. Jr.	T/Sgt "
BTG	Sullivan, Earl (NMI)	S Sgt "
TG	Dalton, Charles K.	S Sgt "
FG	Murray, Howard M.	S Sgt "
Plane # 43-37706		
P	Thorne, Walter W.	1st Lt. 612th
CP	MacBain, George (NMI)	2nd Lt. "
N	Tarr, Charles (NMI) Jr.	1st Lt. "
Tog.	Smith, Floyd G.	S Sgt "
RO	Lawson, Harry C.	T Sgt "
TTG	Nimmons, Alston H.	S Sgt "
BTG	Ford,	Sgt "
TG	Munford, John V.	S Sgt "
FG	Zaragoza, Albert R.	S Sgt "
Plane # 44-8153		
P	Bloetscher, Andrew F.	1st Lt. 612th
CP	McElvain, Wilbert H.	2nd Lt. "
N	Threlkeld, Mercer L.	2nd Lt. "
B	MacMahon, John F.	2nd Lt. "
RO	Kobinsky, Charles J.	S Sgt "
TTG	Richards, Carl R.	T Sgt "
TG	Skaggs, Irl R.	S Sgt "
FG	Giles, Otho N.	S Sgt "
Plane # 43-38738		
P	Long, Robert L.	2nd Lt. 612th
CP	Watterson, Stuart E. Jr.	F/O "
N	Crick, Lawrence A.	2nd Lt. "
B	Watson, Reynolds S.	2nd Lt. "
RO	York, Dennis A.	T Sgt "
TTG	Hovezak, Henry (NMI)	T Sgt "
BTG	Cherribini, Peter J.	S Sgt "
TG	Iles, Earl L.	S Sgt "
FG	Williock, Edward L.	S Sgt "



Plane # 43-38680			
P	Smith, Max M.	2nd Lt.	612th
CP	Korwald, Morris N.	2nd Lt.	"
N	VanDuinen, Richard E.	2nd Lt.	"
Tog.	Schamalz, Nyle R.	Sgt	"
RO	Hendrickson, Ernest W.	Sgt	"
TTG	Genga, Pietre J.	Sgt	"
BTG	Laing, John	Sgt	"
TG	Filiatraut, Frank E.	Sgt	"
FG	Bunn, Charles T.	S Sgt	"
Plane # 42-102398			
P	Hudnall, Carl L.	1st Lt.	612th
CP	Mithcell, Frank G. Jr.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Martin, Phillip A.	F/O	"
B	Beardall, Keith E.	S Sgt	"
RO	Knight, Adam (NMI)	S Sgt	"
TTG	Moorman, Loyd F.	T Sgt	"
BTG	Gyles, Alfred R.	S Sgt	"
TG	Parker, Robert H.	S Sgt	"
FG	Parker, Matt M.	S Sgt	"
Plane # 44-6506			
P	Roadman, Julian (NMI)	1st Lt.	612th
CP	Compton, Henry W.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Knuese, Robert H.	F/O	"
B	Whitlock, James P.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Elchisak, Alfred (NMI)	S Sgt	"
TTG	Landers, John A.	S Sgt	"
BTG	Hall, Eugene H.	S Sgt	"
TG	Wood, Donald S.	S Sgt	"
FG	Hill, Earle R. Jr.	S Sgt	"

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613th BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)  
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 AAF STATION 128, APO 557

14 January 1945

LOADING LIST

<u>PLANE NO.</u>	<u>DUTY</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>LAST NAME</u>	<u>FIRST NAME</u>	<u>MI</u>
<del>44-38941</del>	P	2nd Lt.	STEELE	RICHARD	H.
42402947	CP	2nd Lt.	ZEMAN	ROGER	R.
	N	2nd Lt.	ANDERS	WALTER	R.
	B	SGT.	VALDEZ	RAYMOND	(NMI)
	RO	S/SGT.	STROMBERG	ALEXANDER	(NMI)
	TT	S/SGT.	STACHURA	FREDERICK	(NMI)
	BT	S/SGT.	MYERS	ERROL	A.
	TG	S/SGT.	LITZ	LEO	B.
	WG	S/SGT.	WOWAK	CHESTER	A.
<del>42-102947</del>	P	F/O	COX	HERBERT	P.
44-38941	CP	F/O	SHAW	MARVIN	W.
	N	F/O	SCEPER	KENNETH	M.
	B	S/SGT.	LOCKE	LESLIE	E.
	RO	S/SGT.	PAULK	ALBERT	R.
	TT	S/SGT.	MANGUM	JUSTICE	E.
	BT	S/SGT.	TANAZEVIH	ALEXANDER	(NMI)
	TG	S/SGT.	NORRIS	LAMON	(NMI)
	WG	S/SGT.	RAYMOND	LLOYD	A.



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

AAF Station # 128  
 14 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 44-8259

P	Captain	MERCER, ELMER W.	614th Sq
CP	1st Lt.	ODEN, EDWARD C.	"
N	1st Lt.	GASKINS, LESLIE E.	"
B	1st Lt.	KLEFISCH, THEODORE J.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Zubrickas, Joseph S.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Fowler, Cecil V.	"
MO	1st Lt.	DRESBACH, JOHN T.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Gurnicki, Sigmund A.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Grasala, Edward B.	"

PLANE 42-97780

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 42-97478

P	1st Lt.	MAYS, HAL C.	"
CP	1st Lt.	LIVINGSTON, HERMAN	"
N	1st Lt.	KOSKI, MATTHEW F.	"
B	1st Lt.	SCHAEFER, ROBERT L.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Bayes, Willie J.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Gay, Clifford E.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Cole, William I.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Monacella, Joseph L. Jr.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Wilson, Billy J.	"

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.	Tompkins, Harry A.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Dearborn, Harry R.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Lichtenberger, Gustave W.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Hickey, Harold J.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Buckley, John F.	"

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For the Squadron Commander:

ALVAH H. CHAPMAN JR.  
 Major, Air Corps,  
 Operations 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

14 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 # 43-38779

DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
P	1st Lt.	Udy	John	(NMI)	615th
CP	1st Lt.	Hockaday	Billy	S.	"
N	1st Lt.	Youel	Dale	R.	"
B	S/Sgt.	Oviatt	Earl	D.	"
RO	Sgt.	Weinstein	Bernard	D.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Young	Jack	B.	"
BT	Sgt.	Garuth	Merton	A.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Warn	Albert	E.	"
FG	S/Sgt.	Jencks	Robert	L.	"

PLANE # 42-31983

P	1st Lt.	Cracraft	George	K.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Magee	Eldon	C.	"
N	2nd Lt.	King	Jack	L.	"
B	S/Sgt.	Guerin	Roland	L.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Fenwick	Gordon	E.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Jacqhart	Robert	R.	"
BT	Cpl.	Livezey	Lowell	G.	"
TG	Sgt.	Hudson	Leonard	L.	"
FG	S/Sgt.	Allen	Lewis	(NMI)	"



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	N	F/O	SCHEP	KENNETH	M.
	B	S/SGT.	LOGG	LESLIE	E.
	RO	S/SGT.	PAULK	ALBERT	P.
	TT	M/SGT.	HANCOCK	JUSTICE	E.
	BT	S/SGT.	TANAZEVICH	ALEXANDER	(NMI)
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	WG	S/SGT.	WOWAK	CHESTER	A.
42-102947	P	F/O	COX	HERBERT	F.
44-38941	CP	F/O	SHAW	MARVIN	W.
	N	F/O	SCOFFER	KENNETH	H.
	B	S/SGT.	LOCKE	LESLIE	E.
	RO	S/SGT.	PAULK	ALBERT	R.
	TT	N/SGT.	HANGUM	JUSTICE	E.
	BT	S/SGT.	TANASEVICH	ALEXANDER	(NMI)
	TG	S/SGT.	BONNIS	LAMON	(NMI)
	WG	S/SGT.	RAYMOND	LLOYD	A.



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

AAF Station # 128  
 14 January 1945

SUBJECT: Loading List.

TO : Operations Officer, 401st Bomb Gp (H), AAF Station # 128, APO # 567.

1. The following is the loading list for today's mission.

<u>PLANE 44-8259</u>			
P	Captain	MERCER, ELMER W.	614th Sq
CP	1st Lt.	ODEN, EDWARD C.	"
N	1st Lt.	GASKINS, LESLIE E.	"
B	1st Lt.	KLEPISCH, THEODORE J.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Zubrickas, Joseph S.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Fowler, Cecil V.	"
MO	1st Lt.	DRESBACH, JOHN T.	"
TS	S/Sgt.	Gurnioki, Sigmand A.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Grasela, Edward B.	"

<u>PLANE 42-97780</u>			
P	1st Lt.	HUBBELL, RICHARD S.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	GOULET, AMEROSE 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.	"

<u>PLANE 42-97478</u>			
P	1st Lt.	MAYS, HAL C.	"
CP	1st Lt.	LIVINGSTON, HERMAN	"
N	1st Lt.	KOSKI, MATTHEW F.	"
B	1st Lt.	SCHAEFER, ROBERT L.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Bayes, Willie J.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Gay, Clifford E.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Cole, William I.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Monacella, Joseph L. Jr.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Wilson, Billy J.	"

<u>PLANE 42-97322</u>			
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.	Tompkins, Harry A.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Dearborn, Harry R.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Lichtenberger, Gustave W.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Hickey, Harold J.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Buckley, John F.	"

For the Squadron Commander:

ALVAH H. CHAPMAN JR.,  
 Major, Air Corps,  
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612th Bombardment Squadron (H)  
401st Bombardment Group (H)  
OFFICE OF THE OPERATIONS OFFICER

Mission # 196  
14 January 1945

SUBJECT : Loading List

TO : Operations Officer, 401st Bomb Group (H).

Plane # 42-102468			
P	Campbell, Charles J.	2nd Lt.	612th
CP	Foy, Phillip W.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Gruhn, David E.	P/O	"
Tog.	Emery, Robert I.	Sgt	"
RO	Fee, Gene W. Jr.	Sgt	"
TIG	Kartee, Charles F. Jr.	T/Sgt	"
BTG	Sullivan, Earl (NMI)	S Sgt	"
IG	Dalton, Charles K.	S Sgt	"
FG	Murray, Howard M.	S Sgt	"
Plane # 43-37706			
P	Thorne, Walter W.	1st Lt.	612th
CP	MacSain, George (NMI)	2nd Lt.	"
N	Tarr, Charles (NMI) Jr.	1st Lt.	"
Tog.	Smith, Floyd G.	S Sgt	"
RO	Lawson, Harry G.	P Sgt	"
TIG	Hinsons, Alston H.	S Sgt	"
BTG	Ford,	Sgt	"
IG	Munford, John V.	S Sgt	"
FG	Zaragoza, Albert R.	S Sgt	"
Plane # 44-8153			
P	Eloetscher, Andrew F.	1st Lt.	612th
CP	McMivain, Wilbert H.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Threlkeld, Mercer L.	2nd Lt.	"
B	MacMahon, John F.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Kobinsky, Charles J.	S Sgt	"
TIG	Richards, Carl M.	T Sgt	"
IG	Skaggs, Irl R.	S Sgt	"
FG	Giles, Otho H.	S Sgt	"
Plane # 43-38738			
P	Long, Robert L.	2nd Lt.	612th
CP	Watterson, Stuart E. Jr.	P/O	"
N	Orick, Lawrence A.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Watson, Reynolds S.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	York, Dennis A.	T Sgt	"
TIG	Hovesak, Henry (NMI)	T Sgt	"
BTG	Cherribini, Peter J.	S Sgt	"
IG	Ilea, Earl L.	S Sgt	"
FG	Willich, Edward L.	S Sgt	"



Plane # 43-38680			
P	Smith, Max M.	2nd Lt.	612th
CP	Korwald, Morris N.	2nd Lt.	"
N	VanDuinen, Richard E.	2nd Lt.	"
Tog.	Schmalz, Nyle R.	Sgt	"
RO	Hendrickson, Ernest W.	Sgt	"
TTG	Ganga, Pietro J.	Sgt	"
BTG	Laing, John	Sgt	"
TG	Filiatraut, Frank E.	Sgt	"
FG	Sunn, Charles T.	S Sgt	"
Plane # 42-102398			
P	Hudnall, Carl L.	1st Lt.	612th
CP	Mithcell, Frank G. Jr.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Martin, Phillip A.	F/O	"
B	Beardall, Keith E.	S Sgt	"
RO	Knight, Adam (NMI)	S Sgt	"
TTG	Moorman, Loyd F.	T Sgt	"
BTG	Gyles, Alfred R.	S Sgt	"
TG	Parker, Robert H.	S Sgt	"
FG	Parker, Matt M.	S Sgt	"
Plane # 44-6506			
P	Roadman, Julian (NMI)	1st Lt.	612th
CP	Compton, Henry W.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Knudsen, Robert H.	F/O	"
B	Whitlock, James P.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Eichisek, Alfred (NMI)	S Sgt	"
TTG	Landers, John A.	S Sgt	"
BTG	Hall, Eugene H.	S Sgt	"
TG	Wood, Donald S.	S Sgt	"
FG	Hill, Earle A. Jr.	S Sgt	"

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HI SQDN 94 COMPOSITE GP

Combat Sq. Leader: CAPT MERCER Date: 14 Jan 45

Deputy Sq. Leader: LT HUBBELL

Deputy Gp. Leader: \_\_\_\_\_

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1/10 No Delay  
Jail.*

SQDN  
612 SC JANWOCK  
613 IN MACRO  
614 IW GOLFCOLUB  
615 IY BUZZARD

MERCER  
IW G 8259(PFF)

MAYS  
IW Q 7478

HUBBELL  
IW R 7780

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IY O 8779

ROADMAN  
SC N 6506

*Campbell-612*

IY G 2468

CRACRAFT  
IY G 1983

HUDNALL  
SC H 2398

SMITH (612)  
SC S 8680

STEELE  
IN S 2947

ST AUBYN  
IW D 7322

COX (613)  
IN L 8941

SPARES FOR POLEBROOK  
/

LONG  
IW N 8738

SPARE PFF LEAD IW C 8033 disp 9  
GROUND SPARE IY M 8371 disp 31

*Howard*  
~~JOHNSON~~

BLOETSCHER  
SC Q 8153

IN U 7706

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