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TARGET HAMELN M/Y DATE 30 Apr 45 NO. 1038 MISS. # 260
 COORD. C-129908 F.O. # 236-181 STATUS ATTACKED
 BRIEFING OFFICER CAPT. SHERIDAN

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84.

ITA JJF JKI V JEA JEA 2/03 OP OP

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 03/0015B
 TO COMBOMDIV NINE
 COBOMGP 416
 1ST PROV PATHFINDER SQDN

SECRET SENT IN THE CLEAR AUTH : COL. MC AFEE

BT P-22-E

INTELLIGENCE SUPPLEMENT NO.2 TO FIELD ORDER NO.236-831

1. TARGET - HAMELN M/Y (C-129908)
2. PHOTO COVERAGE :
 5209E/3822
 6 (D) (VI) 136/4 AND 5
 3 (F) 35/1
 106G/2861 PRINTS 7068, 3396, 3397, 4404

MAP COVERAGE :
 4414 SHEETS 3822 AND 3922

3. FLAK : BOTH YOUR TARGET AND COURSE ARE IN FLAK FREE AREAS BUT
 THE RAPID ADVANCE OF OUR TROOPS MAKE THE FLAK PICTURE
 VERY UNCERTAIN.

COMCBTWIG 97
 BT 03/0015B
 AR CES
 BB TO ITA

JJF R.....03/0047 A WF AR K
 JKI R.....03/0047A WJF AR K
 ITA R..... 03/0047A LBC AR

Bad PVRMONT
 C-0578

85

ITA JES JKI V JEA JEA 3/03 (INFO)

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 03/0040B

TO COMBOMDIV IX

COBOMGP 409

COBOMGP 416

ATTN: SIGNALS OFFICER

ADVANCED INFORMATION COPY OF PARA. 5. OF FIELD ORDER TO FOLLOW:

5. COMMUNICATIONS

PLAN "A" OR "B"

A. 409TH BOMB GROUP (185595)

(2) FREEMAN

(3) SHOWDOWN

(4) SWEEPSTAKE

B. 416TH BOMB GROUP (129908)

(2) MORTGAGE

(3) SLEEPY

(4) SWEEPSTAKE

COMCBTWIG 97

BT 03/0040B

LCB AR

ITA R. 03/0049B LBC AR

JES R. 03/0050B DC AR

JKI 03/0050B WJF B TO ITA AND JEA

ITA JJF JES JPO JKI V JEA JEA 4/03 OP OP
T - ITA PASS TO JJF

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 03/0100B
TO COMBOMDIV IX
CO 1ST PPF SQDN.
COBOMGP 409
COBOMGP 410 (INFO)
COBOMGP 416

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY BT
SECRET SENT IN CLEAR AUTH. COL. MC AFEE

97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
A P O 140
3 APRIL 1945

FIELD ORDER NO. 236-831

MAPS: NORMAL

1. B. (1) REF. CURRENT BOMBLINE
(2) THE IX TAC WILL FURNISH AREA COVER FOR THE 409TH GROUP
AND THE XXIX TAC WILL FURNISH AREA COVER FOR THE 416TH GROUP

2. THIS WING WILL ATTACK TARGETS IN GERMANY

ZERO HOUR PLAN "A" - 03/1400B
ZERO HOUR PLAN "B" - 03/1400B

PLAN "A" VISUAL

3. A. 409TH BOMB GROUP

- (1) HOLZMINDEN M/Y (C-185595)
- (2) MAXIMUM EFFORT BOMBING BY FLIGHT OF 6 A/C
- (4) BASE TO F-8004 TO G-7346 TO G-8288 TO I.P. TO TARGET
- (5) TARGET TURN RIGHT TO R.P. TO G-8288 AND RETRACE ROUTE TO BASE
- (6) BOMB 11,000 FEET OR BELOW CLOUDS DOWN TO BUT NOT BELOW
5,000 FEET. LOSE 1,000 FEET AFTER BOMBING
- (7) C-0148
- (8) GENERALLY SW TO NE
- (9) MPI - GSGS 4414 SHEET NO. 4122. COVER M/Y BETWEEN THE
FOLLOWING GRID COORD. 18305890 AND 18605985.
INTERVALOMETER SETTING 50 FEET.
- (10) 4 X 1000 LB. G. P. FUSED 1/10 SEC. NOSE 1/100 SEC. TAIL
- (11) C-1343
- (12) T.O.T. - ZERO HOUR PLUS 65 MIN.
- (13) IF CLOUDS OBSCURES PRIMARY TARGET, GROUP WILL BOMB IN
FOLLOWING PRIORITY
A. ALTERNATE VISUALLY
B. ALTERNATE ON GEE
C. ALTERNATE ON E.T.A.

B. 416TH BOMB GROUP

- (1) HAMELN M/Y (C-129908)
- (2) MAXIMUM EFFORT BOMBING BY FLIGHTS OF 6 A/C
- (4) BASE TO F-8004 TO G-7346 TO G-8288 TO I.P. TO TARGET
- (5) TARGET TURN LEFT TO R.P. AND RETRACE ROUTE TO BASE
- (6) BOMB 11,000 FEET OR BELOW CLOUDS DOWN TO BUT NOT BELOW
5,000 FEET. LOSE 1,000 FEET AFTER BOMBING
- (7) ~~B-9669~~ B-9669
- (8) GENERALLY SW TO NE
- (9) MPI - ILL. 6(D)(VI)136/5. COVER M/Y BETWEEN THE FOLLOWING
REF. 053026 AND 024016. INTERVALOMETER SETTING 50 FEET
- (10) 4 X 1000 LB. G.P. FUSED 1/10 SEC. NOSE 1/100 SEC. TAIL
- (11) B-9669
- (12) T.O.T. - ZERO HOUR PLUS 20 MIN.
- (13) IF CLOUDS OBSCURE PRIMARY TARGET, GROUP WILL BOMB IN
FOLLOWING PRIORITY
A. ALTERNATE VISUALLY
B. PRIMARY ON GEE
C. ALTERNATE ON GEE
D. PRIMARY ON E.T.A.
E. ALTERNATE ON E.T.A.

X. (1) - (4) NO CHANGE

- (5) GROUPS ARE CAUTIONED THAT ALTERNATE TARGETS WITHIN
5 MILES OF P/W CAMPS WILL NOT BE SELECTED.

PLAN "B" PATHFINDER

3. A. 409TH BOMB GROUP

(1) HOLZMINDEN M/Y (C-185595)

(2) 2 BOXES OF 18 A/C BOMBING ON 2 PPF A/C

(3) TARGET TURN LEFT TO C-0148 TO G-8288 AND RETRACE ROUTE TO BASE.

(6) BOMB : 1ST BOX 13,500 FEET
2ND BOX 13,000 FEET

MINIMUM ALTITUDE FOR VISUAL BOMBING 5,000 FEET. LOSE 1,000 FEET AFTER BOMBING.

(9) M.P.I. G.S.G.S. 4414 SHEET NO.4122. COVER M/Y BETWEEN THE FOLLOWING COORD.: 18305890 AND 18605985 IF BOMBING IS VISUAL BY FLIGHTS OR BOXES.

P.P.F. M.P.I. COORD. 18405915

INTERVALOMETER SETTING 50 FEET.

(10) 4 X 1,000 LB. G.P. FUSED 1/10 SEC. NOSE 1/100 SEC. TAIL.

(12) T.O.T. ZERO HOUR PLUS 45 MIN.

(13) IF VISUAL CONDITIONS EXIST AT TARGET BOMBING WILL BE BY VISUAL MEANS. THE DECISION TO BOMB VISUALLY WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE A-26 BOX LEADERS AND THEY WILL DO SO WHETHER THEY CAN CONTACT THE PPF A/C OR NOT. IF BOMBING IS VISUAL GROUPS WILL BOMB BY (A) FLIGHTS (B) BOXES AND USE C-0148 AS A VISUAL I.P. IF CLOUDS PREVENT VISUAL BOMBING GROUP WILL BOMB IN THE FOLLOWING PRIORITY :

(A) PRIMARY ON PPF A/C

(B) ALTERNATE VISUALLY

(C) ALTERNATE ON "GEE"

KD) ALTERNATE ON TARGET E.T.A.

B. 416TH BOMB GROUP

(1) HAMELN M/Y C-129908

(2) 2 BOXES OF 18 A/C BOMBING ON 2 PPF A/C.

(4) BASE TO F-8004 TO G-7346 TO G-8288 TO C-2241 TO TARGET.

(5) TARGET TURN LEFT TO B-9669 TO G-8288 AND RETRACE ROUTE TO BASE

(6) BOMB 1ST BOX 13,500 FEET, 2ND BOX 13,000 FEET.

MINIMUM ALTITUDE FOR VISUAL BOMBING 5,000 FEET. LOSE 1,000 FEET AFTER BOMBING.

(9) M.P.I. ILL. 6(D)(VI) 136/5. COVER M/Y BETWEEN THE FOLLOWING REF.: 053026 AND 024016 IF BOMBING IS VISUAL BY FLIGHTS OR BOXES.

PPF M.P.I. GSGS 4414 SHEET NO.3822. COORD. 12959083

INTERVALOMETER SETTING 50 FEET.

(10) 4 X 1000 LB. GP. FUSED 1/10 SEC. NOSE 1/100 SEC. TAIL.

(12) T.O.T. ZERO HOUR PLUS 75 MIN.

(13) IF VISUAL CONDITIONS EXIST AT PRIMARY TARGET BOMBING WILL BE BY VISUAL MEANS. THE DECISION TO BOMB VISUALLY WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE A-26 BOX LEADERS, AND THEY WILL DO SO WHETHER THEY CAN CONTACT THE PPF A/C OR NOT. IF BOMBING IS VISUAL GROUPS WILL BOMB BY (A) FLIGHTS (B) BOXES AND USE B-9669 AS A VISUAL I.P. IF CLOUDS OBSCURE PRIMARY TARGET, GROUP WILL BOMB IN THE FOLLOWING PRIORITY :

(A) PRIMARY ON PPF A/C

(B) ALTERNATE VISUALLY

(C) PRIMARY ON "GEE"

(D) ALTERNATE ON "GEE"

(E) PRIMARY ON TARGET E.T.A.

(F) ALTERNATE ON TARGET E.T.A.

X. (1) - (4) NO CHANGE

(5) GROUPS ARE CAUTIONED THAT ALTERNATE TARGETS WITHIN 5 MILES OF P/W CAMPS WILL NOT BE SELECTED.

4. NO CHANGE

5. COMMUNICATIONS

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(2) FREEMAN

(3) SHOWDOWN

(4) SWEEPSTAKE

B. 416TH BOMB GROUP (129908)

(2) MORTGAGE

(3) SLEEPY

(4) SWEEPSTAKE

COMCBTWIG 97

BT 030100B

AR LCB/CES

CC PLAN "B" 3. A. (13) TO READ: (D) ALTERNATE ON TARGET E.T.A.

ITA R..... 030220B DD AR

BBB TO GROUPSOM

JES R.....03/0220B DC AR

JPO R.....03/1220B AR K

INTS PLS JPO

JKI R.....03/0220B WJF KK

ITA JJF JES JKI JPO V JEA JEA 05/03 OP OP
T (ITA T JJF)

FROM: 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 03/0925B
TO : COMBOMBIV NINE
COBOMGPS 409, 410 (INFO), 416
1ST PROV. PATHFINDER SQUADRON

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY BT
SECRET SENT IN THE CLEAR AUTH: COL. MC AFEE

97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
A P O 140
03 APRIL 1945

P-24-E

ANNEX NO. 1 TO FIELD ORDER NO. 236-031

CANCEL PLAN "A". PLAN "B" IN EFFECT WITH ZERO HOUR 03/1630B



COMBOMBIV 97

BT 03/0925B

AR

SS

ITA R ...	03/0938A	NZ	KK
JES R ...	03/0938B	JW	K
JKI R ...	03/0938A	EW	AR
JPO R ...	03/0938B	NJS	AR
OT			

JEA V JKI JKI 05/03 OP 0P

FROM HQS 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 031630A
TO 97TH COMBAT WING ATTN: A-2

BT
SECRET 41600 P-51-D XXXXX APRIL 3 1965.

IF VISUAL CONDITIONS EXIST, THE FOLLOWING M.P.I.'S WILL BE USED:

02590165

03300170 - M.P.I. IF VISUAL BOMBING IS BY BOXES.

03300206

04100205

04700200 - M.P.I. IF VISUAL BOMBING IS BY GUNES.

05370270

ILLUSTRATION NO. 5(D) (VI) 136/5
ALTERNATE TARGET IS BAD PYRMONT C-048700.

SIGNED
SIDNEY A. LURIA.
CAPTAIN, A.C.

---AYLESWORTH COBOMB 416---

BT 031630

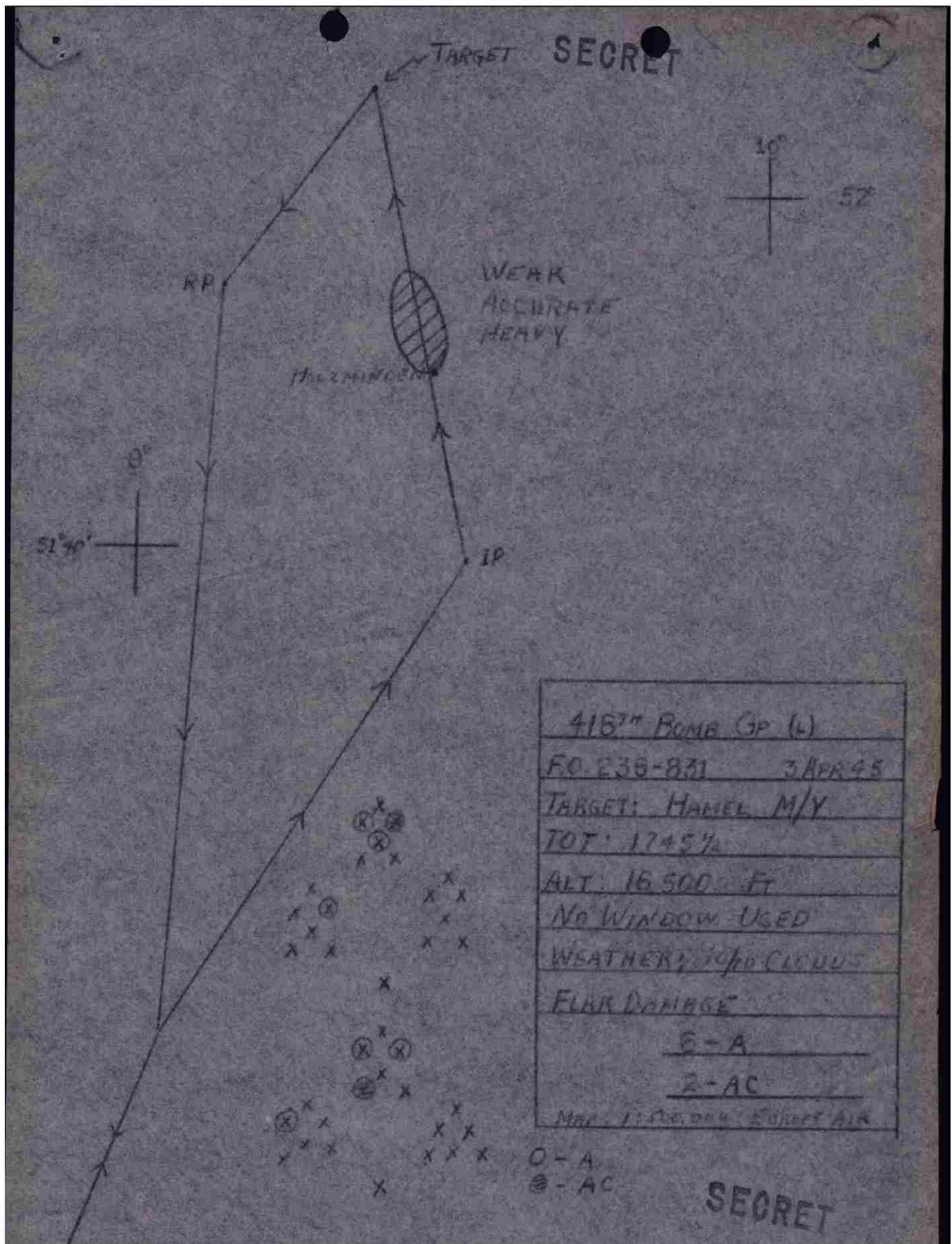
B

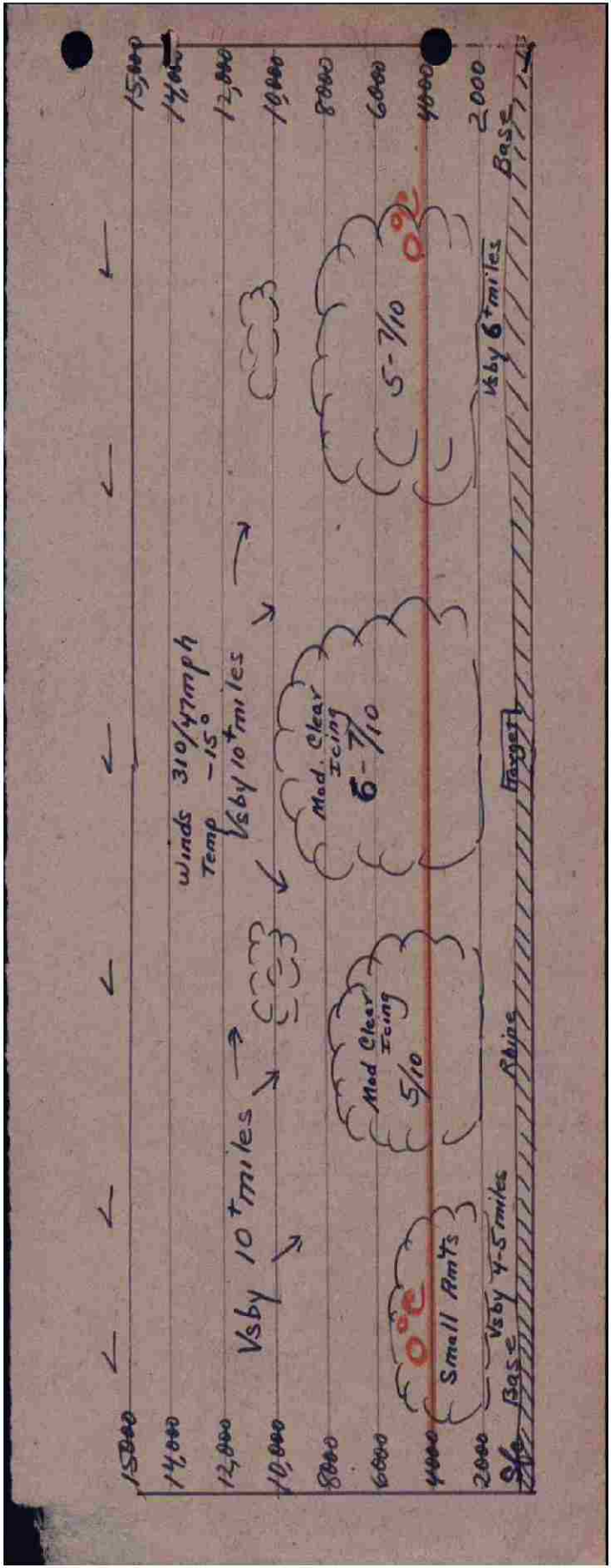
DM BB

JEA R....A03/1655B

SH

JNK





MISSION NO. 260

LOADING LIST

3 APRIL 1945

BOX I
FLIGHT I

1. 508 Z
LT COL D L WILLETTS
LT V H POWELL
S/S D H BENTZLER
LT F A KEEVES

2. 233 F
LT L E GANNON
S/S L V METZLER

3. 385 D
LT J W WRIGHT
S/S W E LEMONDS

4. 305 U
LT F W HARRIS
S/S W F FUERNER

5. ~~240 F-1~~
~~LT A S MATHANSON~~
~~SGT O J KAMINSKI~~

6. 328 U-1
LT A V EVARIS
SGT D YOULIOS
S/S D W JORDAN

FLIGHT II

1. 528 T
LT D B GRUNIG
LT B G MORRIS
S/S L R FRIDAY

2. 469 A
LT M ERROTABENE
LT M F WILBUR
S/S M HALL

3. 2315 L-1
LT W D CHITTY
SGT P H RIGGS

4. 416 O
LT R B SINGLETARY
S/S A A CIANCIOSI
S/S F E ELLIOTT

5. 9315 F-2
LT J O CURTIS
SGT OR MULET

6. 334 G
F/O S B BORMER
CPL M W SHOWERS

FLIGHT III

1. 501 W
LT W R BEJNEE
LT A E ROSENQUIST
S/S D E BURNS

2. 212 K
LT R S BOWER
S/S R J GATTI

3. 205 M
LT E G BISHOP
S/S M C HARRIS

4. 224 E
LT E O TURNER
S/S J SIERKIEWICZ

5. 330 P
LT S H SHIRLEY
S/S D V PALADINO

6. 206 D-2
LT J F WALLACE
S/S J A HERRER

SPARE

351 F-3
LT F G DUNN
SGT L G STEIN

MISSION NO. 260

Box I

3 April 1945

MISSION NO. 260

LOADING LIST
BOX II
FLIGHT I

3 APRIL 1945

1. 640 N
CAPT H M EVANS
LT T M MCCARTNEY
LT H E MYROLD
SGT F NEWMAN
LT W R LA HAYE (WEATHER)

4. 259 H
LT W ARNIN
S/S L E SINGLETON

2. 352 J
LT W H ROBERTS
S/S R P WINDISCH

5. 300 K
LT R J LACKNER
SGT W H FIDLER

3. 274 S
LT L J PRUCHA
S/S R M CROSS

6. 321 T
LT J P PHILLIPS
S/S C L CALABRESE

FLIGHT II

1. 609 K-1
LT COL J G HAPIER
LT D L MOORE
S/S H B McCLAIN

4. 338 O
CAPT H L SOMERS
S/S K HEATH

2. 244 I
LT R W VAN ROYE
S/S W H KLINSMAN

5. 229 B
LT C H HOUSLEY
SGT F J BLOCK

3. 314 K-1
LT C E WEINERT
SGT R DUBI

6. 263 G
LT R B HARPER
SGT R M BLACK

FLIGHT III

1. 498 R
CAPT R J TUTT
LT L A ORR
SGT D SCHWARTZMAN

4. 297 T-1
CAPT A C SEARS
SGT K W SCHMIDT

2. 352 J-1
LT S MOONEY
SGT W C BUCKLEY

5. 313 B-1
LT J J R WRIGHT
SGT J J RUSKIEWICH

3. 360 L
LT D L WILKINGTON
SGT B F CROSS

6. 209 M
CAPT Z R MOORE
SGT E W FIDLER
T/S H. CHILDS (4TH COU)

SPARE

362 Y
LT B A SMITH
SGT R P WILSON

CAMERA AIRCRAFT

492 E
LT D A FERO
W/O C B SCHEUERMAN (4TH COU)
SGT S J SNIDER
S/S H K MILLER

MISSION NO. 260
BOX II
3 April 1945

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PILOT Smith, B.A. A/C# 362 BOX Y FLT (spare)

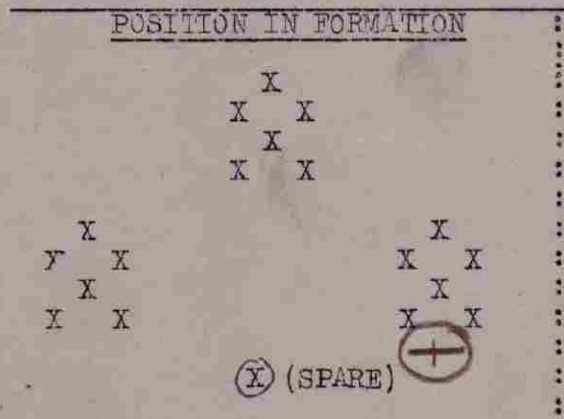
CASUALTIES nil

BOMBS :		BATTLE DAMAGE		
		"A"	"A-C"	"E"
X	RETURNED			
X	JETTISONED			

FLAK : meagre - trace - 1740

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS : nil

OBSERVATIONS : Bombs hit in town - couldn't tell whether near m/y or not



L.L. Rogers
INTERROGATOR

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PILOT Bishop A/C# 205 BOX V FLT 3

CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :			BATTLE DAMAGE		
<u>4</u>	X	<u>1000</u> ON <u>P.P.F.</u>			
	X	RETURNED	<u>"A"</u>	<u>"A-C"</u>	<u>"E"</u>
	X	JETTISONED			

FLAK : X H1 - after I.P.
+ same place out X H1

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS : X P-47's

OBSERVATIONS : 2 lfts on T. + 4 lfts NW
good sigs tower during circling
that appeared untouched.

POSITION IN FORMATION

X

X X

X

X X

X X

X X

X X

X (SPARE)

X

X X

X X

X X

X X

X X

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PILOT Boerner A/C# 334 BOX Y FLT 2

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : <u>4 X 1000 ON PLS</u>		BATTLE DAMAGE		
<u>X</u>	RETURNED	<u>"A"</u>	<u>"A-C"</u>	<u>"E"</u>
<u>X</u>	JETTISONED			

FLAK : X HI to left.. 5 minutes before target.
XX HI just before crossing Doublin on route out.

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS- :

Bombs hit in end of city where target was located. - Smoke & fire in tgt area

POSITION IN FORMATION

X
X X
X
X X

X X X
X X X
X X X

X (SPARE)

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PILOT Singletary A/C# 416 BOX I FLT 2

CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :	<u>4</u> X <u>1000</u> ON <u>P</u>	BATTLE DAMAGE		
	X RETURNED	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
	X JETTISONED	<u>Kil.</u>		

FLAK : 3 bursts (10/10)
XXH (at another position some
place in front)

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :
Kil

OBSERVATIONS :
Observed bursts in edge of
town (thru break at light)

<u>POSITION IN FORMATION</u>		
	X	
	X X	
	X	
	X X	
X		X
X X		X X
X		X X
	X (SPARE)	
		<u>16400</u>
		<u>in 10/10 clouds</u>

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CASUALTIES

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

TOT	1746
alt	15,000
at is	3490
IAS	no

Good results
seen thru breaks

X (SPARE)

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PILOT Curtis A/C# 9375 BOX 1 FLT 2

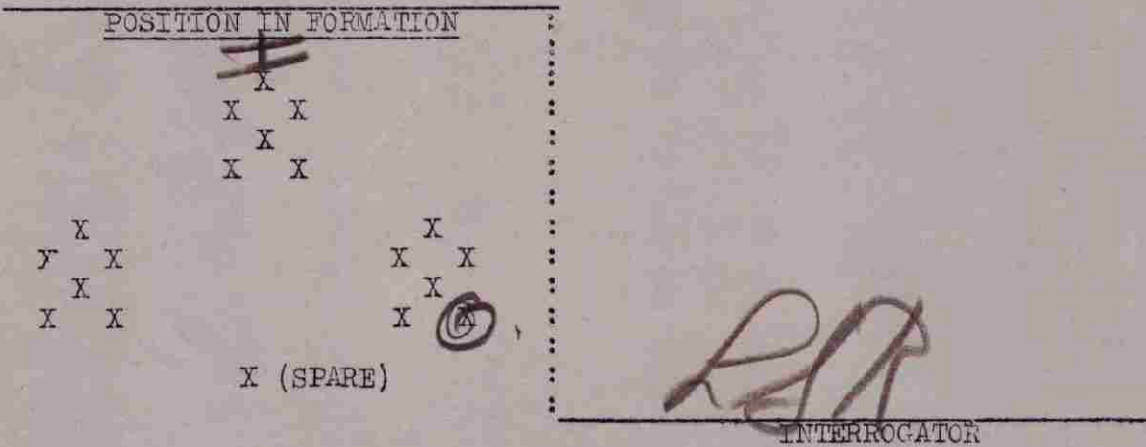
CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS : <u>4</u> X <u>1000</u> ON _____		BATTLE DAMAGE		
<u>X</u>	RETURNED	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
<u>X</u>	JETTISONED			

FLAK : meagre enemy -
30 minutes
before + after

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS : nil

OBSERVATIONS :



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PILOT Sheley A/C# 330 BOX Y FLE 3

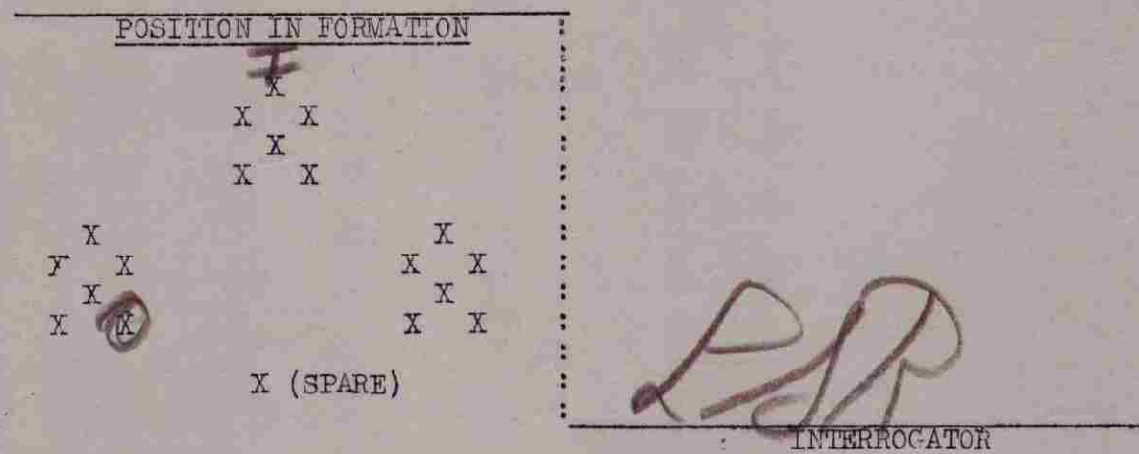
CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS : <u>4</u> X/000 ON _____		BATTLE DAMAGE		
X	RETURNED	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
X	JETTISONED	<u>nil</u>		

FLAK : meagre shrapnel
3 minutes before & after

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS : nil

OBSERVATIONS :



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PILOT Everts A/C# 360 BOX 1 FLT 1

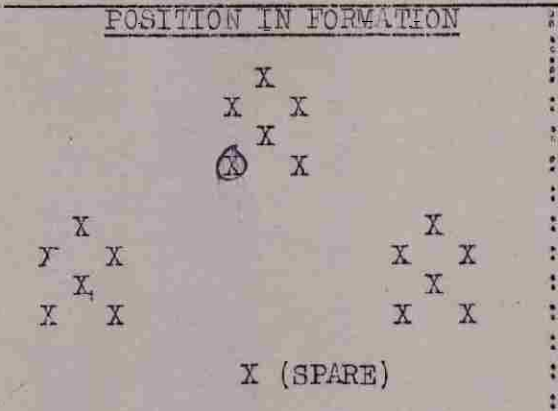
CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS : <u>14</u> <u>X10000</u> ON _____		BATTLE DAMAGE		
<u>X</u>	RETURNED	<u>"A"</u>	<u>"A-C"</u>	<u>"E"</u>
<u>X</u>	JETTISONED			

FLAK : X H/A 94

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS :



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PILOT Bower A/C# 212 BOX I FLT 3

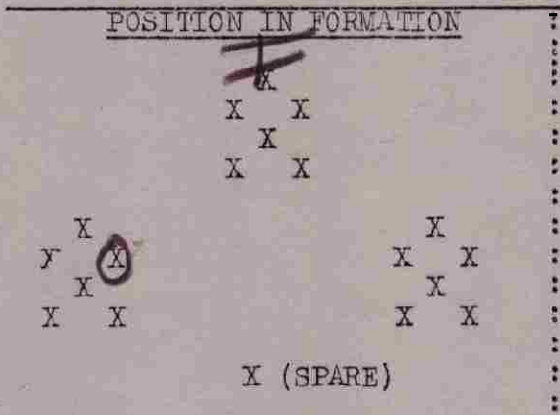
CASUALTIES nil

BOMBS : <u>4 X 1000</u> ON <u>PFF</u>		BATTLE DAMAGE		
<u>X</u>	RETURNED	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
<u>X</u>	JETTISONED	<u>✓</u>		

FLAK : in edge of area
3 minutes before + after

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS : nil

OBSERVATIONS : Believe bombs hit in tgt -
tgt covered by smoke



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PILOT Cannon A/C# 233 BOX I FAP 1

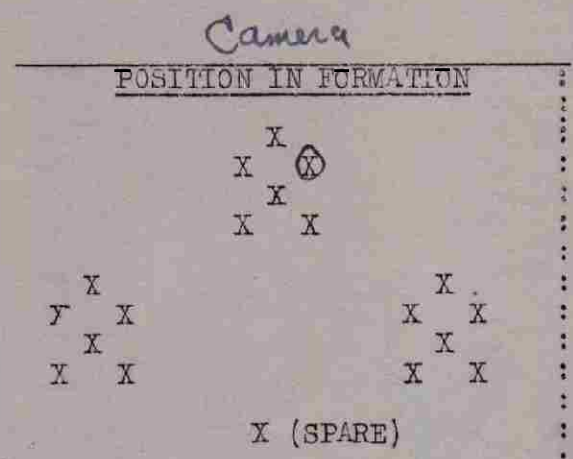
CASUALTIES

BOMBS :		ON	BATTLE DAMAGE		
	X	RETURNED	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
	X	JETTISONED		✓	

FLAK : B/L XHA

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :
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OBSERVATIONS : Bombs in town



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Check waltis ops

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PILOT Dunn A/C# 351 BOX Y FLT (Spare)

CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :		BATTLE DAMAGE		
		"A"	"A-C"	"E"
<u>4</u> X <u>1000</u> ON <u>P.P.F.</u>				
X	RETURNED			
X	JETTISONED	<u>see observations</u>		

FLAK : 2 min. before T/A XXHA

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS :

*fire in ex. engine on turning off stop.
supercharger drain cock stuck, caught
a fire when pulled back the throttle.
fire truck put it out.*

POSITION IN FORMATION

```

      X
     X X
    X X
   X (X) for bombing
      X
  F  X X
    X X
   X X
      X
   (X) (SPARE)
  
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PILOT Nathanson A/C# 249 BOX Y FILE 1

CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :	<u>X</u>	<u>ON</u>	BATTLE DAMAGE			
	<u>X</u>	<u>RETURNED</u>	<u>"A"</u>	<u>"A-C"</u>	<u>"E"</u>	
	<u>X</u>	<u>JETTISONED</u>				

FLAK :
NOT AIRBOENE

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS :
15 2 bombs
6 "A"
2 "Ac"

POSITION IN FORMATION

X

X X

X X

X

X X

X X

X X

X (SPARE)

1 7

4

80

15

4

72

80

72

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PILOT Willets A/C# 585 BOX I FLT 1

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : 4 X 1 ON

BATTLE DAMAGE

X RETURNED

"A"

"A-C"

"E"

X JETTISONED

Nil

FLAK :

XH1 - after 1P - one min on run,
 heard some - no evas. act 1st time
 evasive action on return to same spot

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

Nil

OBSERVATIONS :

TOT 1745 1/2
 Alt 16,500.

345
 200 MPH
 7 1/2 min run

PFF released
 through this flight

below west

POSITION IN FORMATION

X
 X
 X

X
 X
 X

X
 X
 X

X (SPARE)

of course.
 Released on sight
 Geo & ETA.

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Make descent to
 get below cloud
 & avoid high alt.

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 Bunker
 also flak area

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PILOT Hewle A/O# 501 BOX I FLIP 3

CASUALTIES

BOMBS :	<u>4</u>	X	<u>1000</u>	ON	<u>P</u>	BATTLE DAMAGE		
		X		RETURNED		"A"	"A-C"	"E"
		X		JETTISONED		<u>Nil</u>		

FLAK : Thin cloud layer underneath

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

Nil

OBSERVATIONS :

- Holzminde C-180-610

PFF dropped almost on top of
 Quaker - appeared to be over.

Flak at - { 3 minigBeverungen (BL)
 { 35.47 - 5.7 (MUNSTER)

POSITION IN FORMATION

		X		
	X		X	
		X		
	X		X	
(X)				X
X	X		X	X
	X		X	
X	X		X	X
		X (SPARE)		

TOT - 1745

Alt - 16,000

20°

200

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Let down at Kolbe

Cloud Top - 15000
 bot - 1500-2000

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PILOT Evans A/C# 676 BOX IV FLT 1

CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :		BATTLE DAMAGE		
		"A"	"A-C"	"E"
<u>4</u> X <u>1000</u> ON <u>PFS</u>				
X	RETURNED			
X	JETTISONED			

FLAK : X H.A. 21 minutes before dropping bombs.

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS : 1 run

Tot. - 1745

alt - 15400

IAS - 195

Head. 350

Both boxes on 1 PPF.

2nd pfc about on route out.

POSITION IN FORMATION

```

      (X)
      X  X
      X
      X  X

X      X
X  X
X  X
X  X

X (SPARE)

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Heard P.F.F. contact
EGC. OK.

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PILOT Wapier A/C# 609 BOX II FLT 2CASUALTIES subBOMBS : 4 X 1000 ON PPF

BATTLE DAMAGE

X RETURNED

"A"

"A-C"

"E"

X JETTISONED

FLAK : Left (west of IP) X H1 - possibly 105mm

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

nil

OBSERVATIONS :

alt 15,000
TOT 1745 1/210/10 target
8/10 elsewhereTarget seen after turn off - 2 patterns
in M/Y - others in town.POSITION IN FORMATION

		X		
	X		X	
		X		
	X		X	
X	X		X	X
			X	
X	X		X	X
		X (SPARE)		

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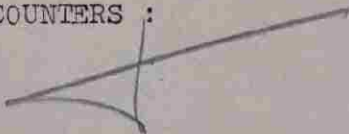
PILOT Phillips A/C# 321 BOX IV FLT 1

CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :		BATTLE DAMAGE		
		"A"	"A-C"	"E"
<u>4</u> X	ON <u>P.P.F.</u>			
X	RETURNED		<u>✓</u>	
X	JETTISONED			

FLAK : at R.P. (circling) X HA

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :



OBSERVATIONS :

feathered engine after R.P. & S/Ebadi
to field landed with it but little pressure for landing
no S/P. - but in engine dome

POSITION IN FORMATION

	X				
	X		X		
		X			
	(X)		X		
X			X		
X	X		X	X	
	X		X		
X	X		X	X	

X (SPARE)

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PILOT Wright, J.R. A/C# 313 BOX IV FILE 3

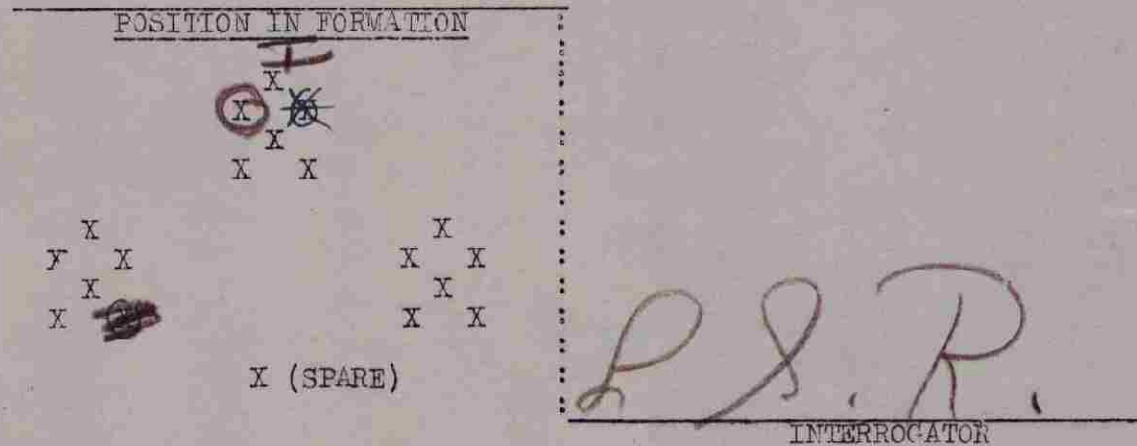
CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :		BATTLE DAMAGE		
		"A"	"A-C"	"E"
X	RETURNED	✓		
X	JETTISONED			

FLAK : mod - dense - 1740 -

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS : nil

OBSERVATIONS : ~~2~~ 1



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PILOT Wilkinson A/C# 328 BOX IV FLT 3

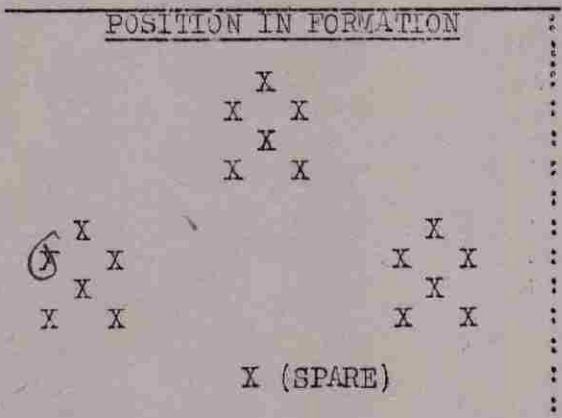
CASUALTIES

BOMBS : <u>4</u> X <u>1000</u> ON		BATTLE DAMAGE		
<u>X</u>	RETURNED	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
<u>X</u>	JETTISONED	✓		

FLAK : XX #A after turn on run

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS : nil

OBSERVATIONS : nil



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PILOT Annin A/C# 259 BOX IV FLT I

CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS : <u>4</u> X <u>1000</u> ON _____		BATTLE DAMAGE		
X	RETURNED	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
X	JETTISONED			

FLAK : 5 miles from Tgt XXNA

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS : _____

OBSERVATIONS : _____

1.000

Position in Formation

X
X X
X X
X X
X X
X X
X X
X X
X X
X (SPARE)

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mil.

10-15 bursts accurate for alt. &
for range - also at RF - when
abt 5 bursts seen.

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Cloud up to 16000 + solid
cylinder with stratus on top.

bow cost was solid when
fluke appeared. at
2d time it was
only misty underneath

X (SPARE)

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PILOT Sommetz A/C# 338 BOX IV FET 2

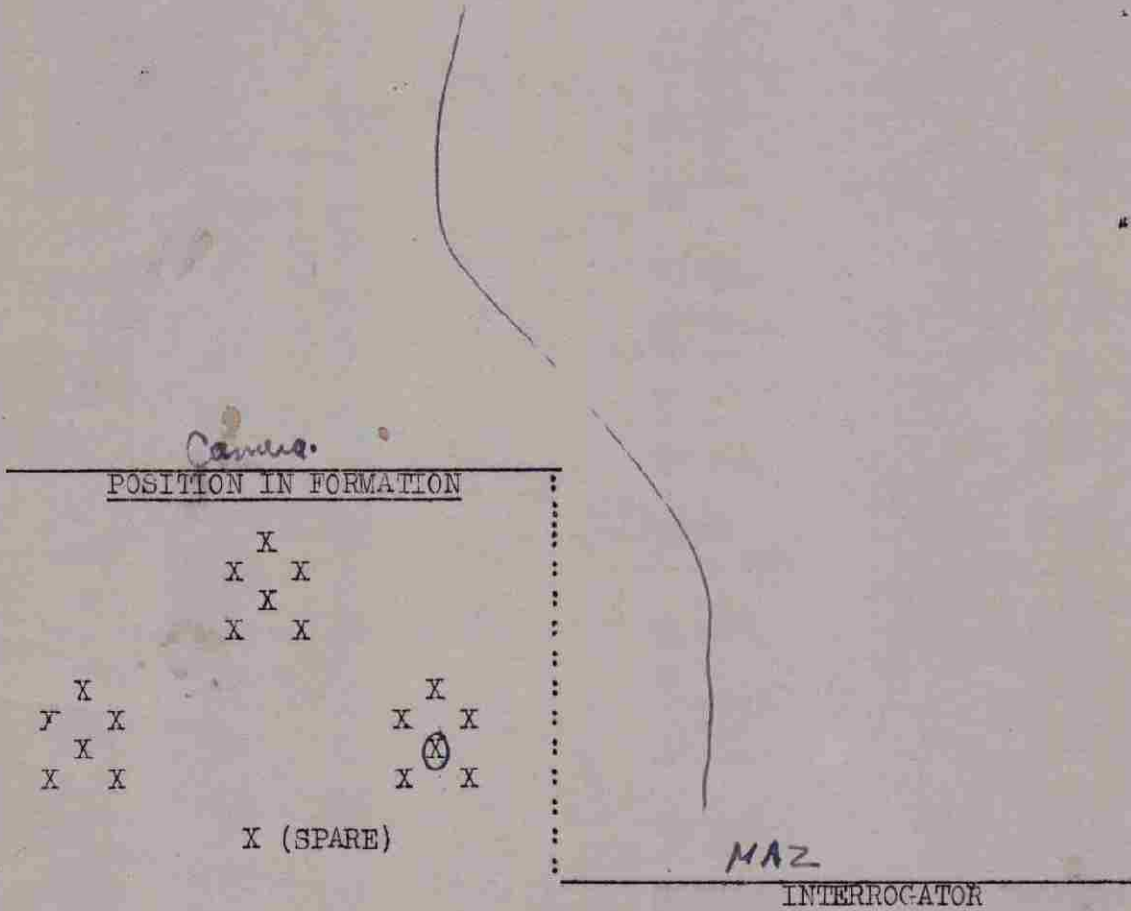
CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS : <u>4 X1000</u> ON <u>P</u>		BATTLE DAMAGE <u>W, I</u>		
<u>X</u>	RETURNED	<u>"A"</u>	<u>"A-C"</u>	<u>"E"</u>
<u>X</u>	JETTISONED			

FLAK : XXXXIA 5' from T9T
XXXXL 1A 15' from B/B 5' in duration

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS : 100 rds expended at light gun flashes.



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PILOT T. H. A/C# 498 BOX IV FLT 3

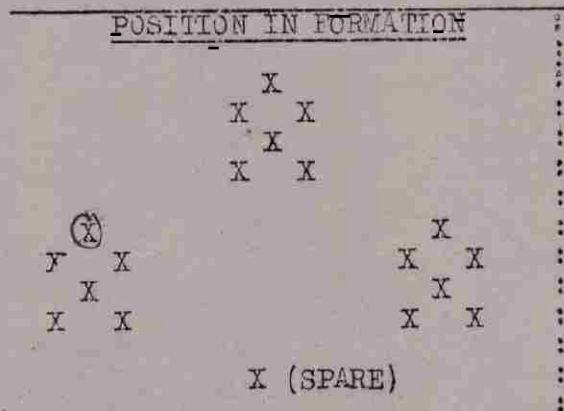
CASUALTIES -

BOMBS : <u>4</u> <u>X/100</u> ON <u>P55-</u>		BATTLE DAMAGE		
<u>X</u>	RETURNED	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
<u>X</u>	JETTISONED			

FLAK : XXHI in 4 Ng. I.P.

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS : 1 run
no obs.
140 clouds,
tot. 1745
alt - 14500
WS - 220
Head - 335.



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PILOT Wright A/C# 385 BOX 6 FLT 3

CASUALTIES

BOMBS :		BATTLE DAMAGE		
		"A"	"A-C"	"E"
X	RETURNED			
X	JETTISONED			

FLAK : X-X-X-H-I at 1742ⁱⁿ & 1749 out.

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS :

10/10 clouds at tgt
no obs

POSITION IN FORMATION

X
X
X
X X

X X X
X X X
X X X
X (SPARE)

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BATTLE DAMAGE

99 A 10

"A-C"

'E'

JETTISONED

FLAK : XYH1 — on run

mit

OBSERVATIONS :

and

POSITION IN FORMATION

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & X & \\ X & & X \\ & X & \\ X & & X \end{array}$$

	X	
Y		X
	X	
(X)		X

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & X & \\ X & & X \\ & X & \\ X & & X \end{array}$$

X (SPARE)

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Will

FLAK : XH1 to A - left & R of ft.
35 bursts (acc for alt.) 4 min before test.

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :



OBSERVATIONS :

Conroy and general
movement to North - Truckee side
at 1754 -

POSITION IN FORMATION

X (SPARE)

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PILOT Barber A/C# 263 BOX II FLE 2

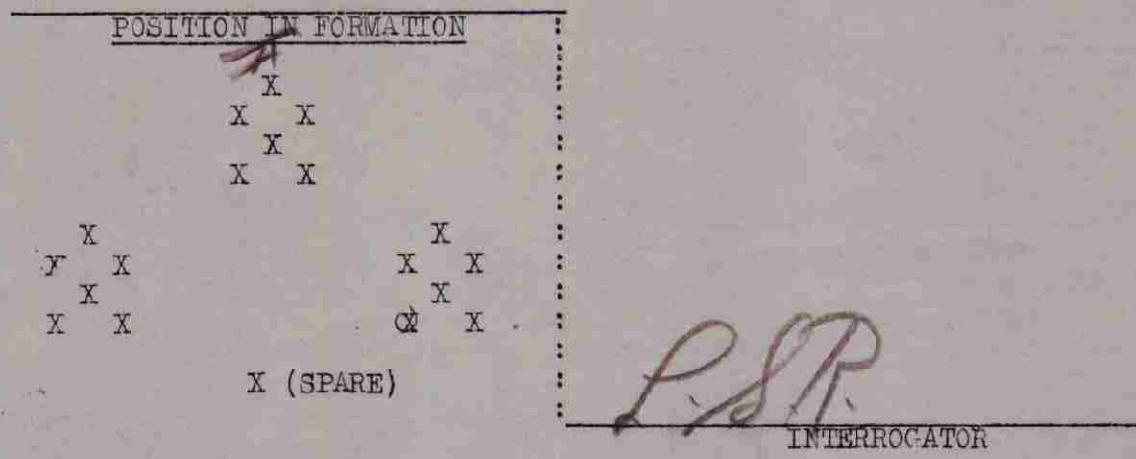
CASUALTIES nil

BOMBS :		<u>4</u> X <u>1000</u> ON <u>Prin. only</u>	BATTLE DAMAGE		
	X	RETURNED	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
	X	JETTISONED			

FLAK : mod - chance -
35 to 40 bursts - near IP - down out of spec
Light flak in Rhine -

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS : nil

OBSERVATIONS : nil



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PILOT Fero A/C# 492 BOX _____ Camera Ship FLT _____

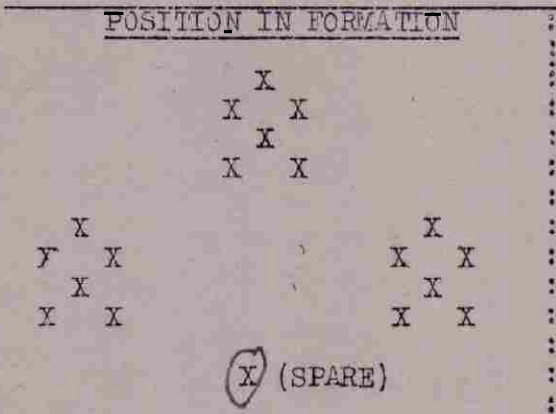
CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :	<u>4</u> X <u>1000</u> ON _____	BATTLE DAMAGE		
	X RETURNED	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
	X JETTISONED			

FLAK : X 141A 8 1/2 before 10

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS :



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Box #	CpsFl	Date	F/O	Target	Alt	Box Leader	T/O	15 min.
✓		3 April 45				W:lls	TOT L/D	
A/C	Rel to Bomb	ATP	Bomb lisp	A/C Dam	E/A	Pers.		
Box No.	Reason	P	S	M	D	A	B	E
1. 505			✓					
2. 233			✓					
3. 385			✓					
4. 305			✓					
5. 249	76st Airborne							
6. 360			✓					
1. 528			✓					
2. 469			✓					
3. 2315			✓					
4. 416			✓					
5. 9315			✓					
6. 334			✓					
1. 501			✓					
2. 212			✓					
3. 205			✓					
4. 224			✓					
5. 330			✓					
6. 286			✓					
351			✓					

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W:lls 505	Wright 385	Cannon 233	Harris 305	Everts 310	Mathanson 249	Heinke 501	Grung 528	Bishop 208	Bauer 212	Chitty 2316	Fretsbere 469	Turner 224	Singleton 416	Wallace 286	Shelley 330	Borner 334	Curtis 9315	(Spare) Dunn 351
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TOTALS FOR MISSION

B.

- (2) No. a/c off by type: _____
 A-20G's _____ A-20J's (obtained from Opns)
- (3) No. of a/c failing to bomb _____ explain each failure.
 Recall due to weather _____
 Personnel _____
 Mechanical _____
 Other Reasons _____
- (4) No. a/c bombing. _____
 Primary. _____
 Secondary. _____
 Other. _____
 (Obtained from recaps.) _____

C.

- (1) Time up _____
 T.O.T. _____ (Obtained from Tower).
 Time Down _____

D.

- (1) No. a/c _____
 Missing _____
 Destroyed _____
 Damaged _____ (cat. B/C)
 Damaged _____ (cat. A)
- (3) No. Crew _____ Killed _____ Wounded _____ Missing _____
 (Obtained from Recaps.) _____

E. Results of Bombing. (Obtained from Group Bombardier).

	No.	Type
I. Bombs on Primary	_____ X	_____
Bombs on Secondary	_____ X	_____
Bombs on Other	_____ X	_____
Bombs Returned	_____ X	_____
Bombs Jettisoned	_____ X	_____ Where _____
(Obtained from Recaps)		

(The NCO in charge should fill this out immediately finishing taking the recaps and hand to the Officer making up the Ops Report).

(Camera Ship) 492

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Box #	Opswl	Date	F/O	Target	Alt	Box Leader
4		3 April 45				Evans

A/C	Rel to Bomb	ATT	Bomb	Disp	A/C Dam	E/A	Pers.									
Rel No.	Reason	F	S	T	R	M	D	A	B	E	D	P	D	K	W	M
1. 646			4													
2. 352			4													
3. 274			4													
4. 259			4													
5. 306			4													
6. 321			4													
1. 609			4													
2. 244			4													
3. 314			4													
4. 338			4													
5. 229			4													
6. 263			4													
1. 497			4													
2. 352			4													
3. 328			4													
4. 297			4													
5. 313			4													
6. 269			4													
362			4													

Evans

640
Rocha Roberts
274 352

Annun

Phillips Backney
321 306

TuH
498

Mapier
689

Wilmington Mooney
328 352
Weinert VanRope
314 244

Sears
297

Sommers
338

Moore Wright JR. Harper Housley
269 313 283 229

Camera Ship

(Spare) Smith, B.A.
362

Ferd
492

TOTALS FOR MISSION

B.

- (2) No. a/c off by type: _____
 A-20G's _____ A-20J's (obtained from Opns) _____
- (3) No. of a/c failing to bomb _____ explain each failure.
 Recall due to weather _____
 Personnel _____
 Mechanical _____
 Other Reasons _____
- (4) No. a/c bombing. _____
 Primary. _____
 Secondary. _____
 Other. _____
 (Obtained from recaps.) _____

C.

- (1) Time up _____
 T.O.T. _____ (Obtained from Tower).
 Time Down _____

D.

- (1) No. a/c _____ Missing _____
 Destroyed _____
 Damaged _____ (cat. B/C)
 Damaged _____ (cat. A)
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Bombs on Secondary	_____	_____
Bombs on Other	_____	_____
Bombs Returned	_____	_____
Bombs Jettisoned	_____	_____
(Obtained from Recaps)		Where _____

(The NCO in charge should fill this out immediately finishing taking the recaps and hand to the Officer making up the Ops Report).

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FROM COBOMGR 416 03/1935B
TO COMBOMDIV NINE ATTN: SIG O
COMBOMIG 97 (INFO)

BT

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A - VS - 87
B - 3 APRIL 1945 (1943-1989)
C - W-141 AND Y-YOKE REPORTED OPERATIONS COMPLETED TO PARADE
D - PPT MISSION
E - NONE
F - NONE
G - NONE
H - NONE
I - NONE
J - NONE
K - NONE

AYLESWORTH COBOMGR 416
BT 03/1935B

ED BEBB TO ITA ONLY
ITA R.....03/01.....032230B CJD K
JEA R.....03/2230B SH AR FOR
JEA AR FOR YOU

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HQS. 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) S-2 P.I. 03/2100B
TO HQS. 9TH BOMBARDMENT DIV. ATTN/ A-2 P.I.
HQS. 97TH COMBAT WING ATTN: A-2 DUTY OFFICER
BT

SECRET 416BG P-58-D

B. NAMELN M/Y
J. NO STRIKE PHOTOS DUE TO CLOUD COVER

CLAYTON W. ZESIGER
CAPTAIN AIR CORPS
PHOTO INTELLIGENCE OFFICER

BT 03/2100A B
RSS BBBBB

ITA R..... 032134B CJD KK
JEA R.....

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JEA V JKI JKI 12/03 OP-OP

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TO HQS 9TH BOMBARDMENT DIV. ATTN: A-2 P.I.
HQH 97TH COMBAT WING ATTN: A-2 DUTY OFFICER
BT

SECRET 416BG P-58-D

B. NAMELN M/Y
J. NO STRIKE PHOTOS DUE TO CLOUD COVER

CLAYTON W. ZESIGER
CAPTAIN AIR CORPS
PHOTO INTELLIGENCE OFFICER

BT 03/2100B
RSS AR

JEA R.....03/2155B SH AR
V5

PRIORITY

FROM: 416TH BOMB GROUP (L)
TO : 9TH BOMB DIVISION (M)
97TH COMBAT WING (L)
1ST PATHFINDER SQUADRON PROV.

416 BE P _____

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2100 3 April 1945

THE FIRST PATHFINDER LEAD WAS GOOD HOWEVER THE LATTER PART OF THE BOMB RUN WAS TOO SLOW. THE SECOND PATHFINDER WAS FORCED TO ABORT BECAUSE OF ENGINE TROUBLE SOON AFTER SETTING COURSE. BOTH BOXES DROPPED ON LEAD PATHFINDER.

AYLESWORTH COBCHER 416

I certify that this is official bus iness

RICHARD V. WHEELER,
Captain, Air Corps.
Asst. Opns. Officer.

ITA JEA V JKI JKI 15/23 P P
T (ITA PASS TO KF JJE)
FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 03/2120B
TO 9TH BOMB DIVISION (ND)
97TH COMBAT WING (L)
1ST PATHFINDER SQUADRON PROV.
BT

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THE FIRST PATHFINDER LEAD WAS GOOD HOWEVER THE LATTER PART OF THE
BOMB RUN WAS TOO SLOW. THE SECOND PATHFINDER WAS FORCED TO ABORT
BECAUSE OF ENGINE TROUBLE SOON AFTER SETTING COURSE. BOTH BOXES
DROPPED ON LEAD PATHFINDER.

AYLESWORTH COBOMGR 416

BT 03/2120B
RSS BUDD

ITA R.....	022158B	CJ	K
JE A R.....	03/2200B	SH	KKK

TO- CG 94th Bomb Division ~~AH~~ A-2
 CG 97th Combat Wing ~~AH~~ A-2. 236-831

FROM- 416 Bomb Group-

Secret Operational Priority-

Opflash for 3 April 1945

A 416th Bomb Group

B. Hameln M/Y (C-129908)

C. 38 - A-26.

D- 38 A-26 Attacked Primary on P.P.F.

E. None

F 152 x 1000 G.P. on Primary

G- Good on Primary - one run made,

H. ~~None~~ 6 Damaged Cat A 1st Flk.
 2 Damaged Cat Ae 1st Flk.

I None

J. Target - none

J. WAHFF AT Holzminde (C-180160) ~~and~~

K ~~WAHFF AT~~ None

L. 16,500 ft ~~Bar I~~

M. 1745 1/2 Hours ~~Bar I~~

X- Both boxes dropped on one P.P.F. 2nd ~~Box~~ ^{Box}
 P.P.F. lead aborted, because of engine trouble
 soon after setting course from ~~field~~ ^{S.W. Dampson}
 Lts A.C.

A- 38- A, 21
 B, 30 on P.t
 C 76 tons.
 D- Good to Ex-
 E None
 F None
 G None
 H- 6 C&H A
 2 " A-C
 I None
 J None -
 K- 2120

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2/152
 76
 2
 152

20-20
 12
 9
 21-20

ITA JEA V JKI JKI 17/03 OP OP

FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 03/2132A
TO CG. 9TH BOMB DIVISION ATTN: A-2
CG. 97TH COMBAT WING ATTN: A-2
BT

SECRET 416BG P-63-D
OPFLASH FOR 3 APRIL 1945

- A. 416TH BOMB GROUP
- B. HAMELN M/Y (C-129908)
- C. 38 A-26
- D. 38 A-26 ATTACKED PRIMARY ON PPF
- E. NIL
- F. 152 X 1000 G.P. ON PRIMARY
- G. GOOD ON PRIMARY - ONE RUN MADE
- H. 6 DAMAGED CAT. A FLAK
2 DAMAGED CAT. AC FLAK
- I. NIL
- J. TARGET - NIL
WAHFF AT HOLZMINDEN (C-180160)
- K. MIKE NONE
- L. 16,500
- M. 1745 1/2 HOURS
- X. BOTH BOXES DROPPED ON ONE PPF, 2ND BOX KK PPF LEAD ABORTED BECAUSE
OF ENGINE TROUBLE SOON AFTER SETTING COURSE FROM FIELD.

T. W. SAMPSEN
BT 03/2132A
RSS BBBB

ITA R.....03/2145A CLEV KKKK
JEA R.....03/2145B SH KKKK

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HEADQUARTERS
416TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)
Office of the Commanding Officer

AUTH: CO Sta

A-69

DATE: 4 April 1945

INIT: _____

4 April 1945

SUBJECT: A-26 OPREP No. 3 for 24 hours ending sunset 3 April 1945

TO : Commanding General, 9th Bombardment Division (M), APO 140, U. S. Army. Attn: Statistical Control Officer.

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Mission No. 260, 97th Combat Wing Field Order No. 296-311.

1. Operational Factors:
Place of take-off Station A-69 Place of landing Station A-69
Take-off time 1543 type mission Bombing T.O.T. 1745 L
Targets Wanda H/T (primary) Red Forest H/T (secondary)
Landing time 1957 Oper. hours (a) 1543-1957 Oper. hours (b) None
Weather 19/10 clouds
2. Effort:
Dispatched 38 A-26 Sorties 38 Effective sorties 38
A/C expending bombs 38 Non-effective sorties None

A/C returning early None
3. Bombs carried into air: 152 x 1000 lb GP 1/10 N 1/100 ?
Expended 152 x 1000 lb GP fused 1/10 N 1/100 T Alt. 16,500
target Wanda H/T results Unobserved due to cloud cover
Expended _____ fused _____ N _____ T Alt. _____
target _____ results _____
Expended _____ fused _____ N _____ T Alt. _____
target _____ results _____
4. Ammunition carried: 71,600 x 50 cal.
Ammunition expended: 930 x 50 cal. (testing)
5. None.
6. Flak encountered:
Location Bolmaladen amount Weak accuracy Accurate type Heavy
7. Enemy a/c encountered:
a. type and model of a/c None
b. individual air claims None
c. individual ground claims None
8. Claims against miscellaneous ground targets: None
9. U. S. Aircraft casualties:
Destroyed None Missing None
Damaged 6 category A - Flak
2 category A0 - Flak
10. U. S. Personnel casualties:
No. None type _____ cause _____
11. Remarks: None

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1. Effort:

Dispatched _____ Sorties _____ Effective Sorties _____
 Non-effective sorties _____

2. Bombs carried into air: 152 x 1000 lb GPfused 1/10 N 1/100 T

fused _____ N _____ T

fused _____ N _____ T

fused _____ N _____ T

Expended on operations: 152 x 1000 lb GPfused 1/10 N 1/100 T

fused _____ N _____ T

fused _____ N _____ T

fused _____ N _____ T

Jettisoned : NoneLost on wrecked a/c : NoneReturned : None3. Ammunition expended : 950 x 50 cal. (testing)Ammunition lost on : None
wrecked or missing a/c _____

For the Commanding Officer:

GEORGE SCHENKLEN,
 Captain, Air Corps.
 Adjutant.

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Mission #260--5 April '45.

The first mission in April was a PPF attack on railroad yards at Hammeln. Extremely bad weather forced the formation up to as high as 16,000 feet, at the IP. Coming off the IP, the PPF plane began to lose altitude and dropped its bombs as it was descending. Several of the crews were able to see the target on the turn-off and reported bomb bursts in the yards and in the town itself.

The formation encountered weak to moderate flak between the IP and the target. Coming back, the formation was split up by the weather. Several planes were fired at along the route back. Lt. Philipps' plane was hit at the RP. He feathered his engine and returned to the base. He was able to get the engine operating over the base, and he landed with both engines although he got very little power from his bad engine. Capt. Sommers, separated from the formation, came back over the Ruhr pocket and was fired at by light flak guns. His gunner returned their fire but made no claims.

There were no enemy fighters reported.

Lt. Col. Willetts and Capt. Evans led the two boxes.

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FROM 1ST PATHFINDER SQ PROV 03/2100A
 TO : CG, IX BOMB DIVISION ATT : A-2
 CG, 97TH COMBAT WING
 CG, 98TH COMBAT WING
 CG, 99TH COMBAT WING
 CO'S ~~XXX~~ 397, 323, 387, 409, 322, 416, 386, 391. GROUPS

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1ST PPF SQ PROV P-52-D

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- A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 322ND BOMB GROUP
 - B. HAMELN M/Y RC12759077
 - C. TWO B-26'S
 - D. NONE
 - E. TWO B-26'S ABORTED 15 MILES EAST FLORENNES VO-985890 DUE TO WEATHER AT 1637 HOURS AS DIRECTED BY PARADE
 - F. 4 X 500 GP AND 4 X 260 FRAGS RETURNED
 - G. THRU M. NONE

- A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 397TH BOMB GROUP
- B. HOLZMINDEN M/Y RC-18485945
- C. TWO B-26'S
- D. TWO B-26'S PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT.
- E. NONE
- F. 8 X 500 G.P. PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT
- G. UNOBSERVED 10/10TH
- H. NONE
- I. NONE
- J. WIFF AT TRENDENBURG RC-142325
- K. NONE
- L. 15000 AND 13000 PRIMARY
- M. 1629 1/2 AND 1631 PRIMARY

REMARKS : GROUP FORMATION VERY GOOD AND WINDOW SHIP GOOD.

- A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQ WITH THE 323RD BOMB GROUP
- B. HOLZMINDEN M/Y RC-18405915
- C. TWO B-26'S
- D. TWO B-26'S PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT
- E. NONE
- F. 8 X 500 G.P. PRIMARY
- G. UNOBSERVED 10/10TH
- H. NONE
- I. NONE
- J. MIHFF AT IMMENHAUSEN RC-193162,
MIHFF AT BORGENTRIETH RC-042313
- K. NONE
- L. 13500 AND 13000 PRIMARY
- M. 162XXXXX 1642 AND 1643 1/4 PRIMARY

REMARKS : GROUP FORMATION GOOD TO EXCELLENT. WINDOW SHIP 'S POOR.

- A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQ WITH THE 409TH BOMB GROUP
- B. HOLZMINDEN M/Y RC-18405915
- C. TWO B-26'S
- D. ONE B-26' PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT.
- E. ONE B-26 SECOND BOX DID NOT SHOW UP AFTER TAKEOFF. PPF FOLLOWED FIRST BOX TO THIRD TURNING POINT WHERE HE WAITED UNTIL 1725 AND THEN RETURNED TO BASE. FROM NW KASSEL RC-201123
- F. 3 X 500 G. P. PRIMARY. 1 X 500 G. P. RETURNED DUE TO MALFUNCTION OF BOMB BAY DOOR. 4 X 500 G. P. RETURNED TO FAILURE TO RENDEZVOUS WITH SECOND BOX.
- G. UNOBSERVED 10/10TH CLOUDS.
- H. NONE
- I. NONE
- J. NONE
- K. NONE
- L. 14000 PRIMARY
- M. 1718 PRIMARY.

A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQ WITH THE 386TH BOMB GROUP
 B. HOLZMINDEN M/Y RC-18155868
 C. TWO B-26'S
 D. ONE B-26 PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT.
 E. ONE B-26. 1ST BOX BROKE FORMATION AND DROVE SECOND BOX OFF BOMB RUN. THEN THEY WERE JAYED OFF THE BEAM AFTER PASSING TARGET.
 F. 4 X 500 G. P. ON PRIMARY AND 4 X 500 RETURNED.
 G. UNOBSERVED 10/10TH
 H. NONE
 I. NONE
 J. WIFF AT TARGET.
 K. NONE
 L. 14300 PRIMARY.
 M. 1701 PRIMARY.

REMARKS : GROUP FORMATION GOOD. WINDOW SHIPS FAIR.

A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQ WITH THE 416TH BOMB GROUP.
 B. HAMELN M/Y RC 12959083
 C. TWO B-26'S
 D. ONE B-26 PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT.
 E. ONE B-26 ENGINE TROUBLE. TURNED BACK 1630 AT REVIN NO-775538
 F. 4 X 500 G. P. PRIMARY. AND 4 X 500 RETURNED.
 G. UNOBSERVED 8/10TH
 H. NONE
 I. NONE
 J. MIHFF - BOMBLINE TO TARGET.
 K. NONE
 L. 15000 PRIMARY
 M. 1745 1/2 PRIMARY.

REMARKS : GROUP FORMATION GOOD.

A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQ WITH THE 386TH BOMB GROUP
 B. HAMELN M/Y RC-13359100
 C. TWO B-26'S
 D. ONE B-26 PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT.
 E. ONE B-26 EQUIPMENT FAILURE.
 F. 4 X 500 G. P. ON PRIMARY. 4 X 500 RETURNED.
 G. UNOBSERVED 10/10TH
 H. NONE
 I. NONE
 J. MIHFF ON BOMB RUN.
 K. NONE
 L. 16300 PRIMARY
 M. 1800 PRIMARY

REMARKS : GROUP FORMATION GOOD. WINDOW SHIP-NONE

A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQ WITH THE 391ST BOMB GROUP.
 B. HAMELN M/Y RC-13709112
 C. TWO B-26'S
 D. TWO B-26'S PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT.
 E. NONE
 F. 8 X 260 FRAGS M-81 PRIMARY
 G. UNOBSERVED 10/10TH
 H. NONE
 I. NONE
 J. WIFF AT TARGET
 K. NONE
 L. 12600 AND 12000 PRIMARY
 M. 1816 AND 1816 PRIMARY

REMARKS : GROUP FORMATION GOOD. WINDOW SHIPS GOOD.

COMPILED BY CAPT. B. F. WATSON.

- - - CO 1ST PATHFINDER SQ PROV - - -

BT 03/2100B
 WF/DILL B
 RELATED MMNMBY DJP BBBB
 JES R.....03/2230B DC K
 JKI R.....03/2230B RSS TIC FOR PAPER
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FROM 1ST PATHFINDER SQ PROV 03/2330B

TO : CG, IX BOMB DIVISION ATT A-3

CG, 97TH COMBAT WING ATT A-3

CO, 416TH BOMB GROUP ATT S-3

SECRET QOX BT

1ST PPF SQ PROV P-55-E

PPF PILOT JOHNSON

TIME PM

DATE 3 MARCH 45

A. FORMATION

1. CLASSIFICATION : GOOD

2. REMARKS

B. WINDOW SHIPS

1. CLASSIFICATION : NONE

2. REMARKS

C. NAVIGATION

1. CLASSIFICATION : GOOD

2. REMARKS

D. INTERPLANE COMMUNICATIONS : GOOD

E. BRIEFINGS : EXCELLENT

F. MISCELLANEOUS REMARKS : ABORTED

CO 1ST PATHFINDER SQ PROV

BT 03/2330B

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ITA R.....032334B

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ITA JES JKI V JJF NR 10/03 OP OP

FROM 1ST PATHFINDER SQ PROV 03/2335B

TO : CG, 1X BOMB DIVISION ATT A-3

CG, 97TH COMBAT WING ATT A-3

CO, 416TH BOMB GROUP ATT S-3

SECRET QOX BT

1ST PPF SQ PROV P-56-E

PPF PILOT GRUBLE

TIME PM

DATE 3 APRIL 45

A. FORMATION : GOOD

1. CLASSIFICATION

2. REMARKS

B. WINDOW SHIPS : NONE

1. CLASSIFICATION

2. REMARKS

C. NAVIGATION

1. CLASSIFICATION : GOOD

2. REMARKS

D. INTERPLANE COMMUNICATIONS : OK

E. BRIEFINGS : EXCELLENT

F. MISCELLANEOUS REMARKS :

CO 1ST PATHFINDER SQ PROV

BT 03/2335B

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CC : CHANGE NR TO READ JJF NR 11/03 NOT AS SENT

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JEA R.....03/2340B

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ITA R.....032341B CJD

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HEADQUARTERS
9TH BOMBARDMENT DIVISION (M)

Field Order Nos. 831, 832.

APO # 140
3 April 1945MISSION SUMMARY #99Section IGROUP TARGETMISSION RESULTS **P.R.C.A.**397 BG: Holzminden (C-185595)
 Marshalling Yard

Undet. (PTF)

323 BG: " "

Undet. (PTF)

387 BG: " "

Box I - Undet. (PTF)

Box II - No Attack

409 BG: " "

Box I - Undet. (PTF)

Box II - N.A.O. (GEM)

416 BG: Hameln (C-129908)
 Marshalling Yard

Undet. (PTF)

386 BG: " "

Box I - Unsat. (PTF)

Box II - N.A.O. (ETA)

391 BG: " "

Undet. (PTF)

322 BG: " "

No attack

394 BG: Leaflet Mission:

Satisfactory

Iserlohn (A-980080)
Hohenleimoure (A-840050)
Hagen (A-810070)
Hardecke (A-780110)
Schwerte (A-880160)

One full group was recalled by Parade from friendly territory, after climbing to 17,000 feet without penetrating overcast.

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GROUP NARRATIVE

Seven groups attacked two marshalling yards, recording UNSATISFACTORY to UNDETERMINED results. An eighth group dropped leaflets with SATISFACTORY results.

Holzminden (Marshalling Yard)

397 BG: 36 a/c dispatched (including 2 PFF), 28 dropping 103 x 1000, 8 x 500 GP on Primary. 1 of the above a/c released 1 x 1000 GP accidentally 1-1/2 miles S of Andernach, (F-761024) - friendly territory. Bomb hung up at target. Pins were replaced but bomb fell out, due to probable rack malfunction. Bomb disposition unknown of 1 a/c which landed at Andernach. 3 window a/c.

4 a/c failed to bomb: mechanical failures.

No losses, damage, casualties.

Bombing by boxes on PFF lead from 12,000 - 15,500 feet.

No photo coverage or visual observation of results due to cloud cover.

323 BG: 35 a/c dispatched (including 2 PFF), 32 dropping 119 x 1000, 3 x 500 GP on Primary. 1 of the above a/c jettisoned 1 x 1000 GP, which hung up at target, at P-490670 - friendly territory. Bomb did not explode. 3 window a/c

1 window a/c is missing; last seen entering clouds at G-179640, target area 6 crewmen missing.

7 a/c flak battle-damaged; no losses, further casualties.

Bombing by boxes on PFF lead from 12,700 - 13,800 feet.

No photo coverage or visual observation of results due to cloud cover.

387 BG: 37 a/c dispatched (including 2 PFF), 14 dropping 52 x 1000, 4 x 500 GP on Primary. 3 window a/c.

20 a/c failed to bomb: 18, weather; 2, other (1 - Box II PFF driven off course by Box I; ground station signaled a/c to hold bombs. 1 - could not keep up with formation).

2 a/c flak battle-damaged; no losses, casualties.

Box I dropped on PFF lead from 14,000 feet.

Box I - RF - UNDETERMINED. No photo coverage or visual observation of results due to cloud cover.

Box II - NO ATTACK. PFF did not receive release signal at Primary. Box leader attempted to attack briefed secondary target, but clouds rose above 14,000 feet so he abandoned operations.

409 BG: 43 a/c dispatched (38 A-26, 3 A-20, 2 PFF), 21 (20 A-26, 1 PFF) dropping 80 x 1000, 3 x 500 GP on Primary. 17 A-26 a/c dropped 68 x 1000 GP on briefed secondary target. Due to late take-off, 1 A-26 a/c joined 416 BG and dropped 4 x 1000 GP at Hameln, G-129908. 3 A-20 window a/c.

1 a/c failed to bomb: other (Box II PFF did not make rendezvous with formation over base due to weather; a/c followed Box I to third burning point and then abandoned operations).

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No losses, damage, casualties.

Bombing by boxes (Box I on PFF lead, Box II on group GEE) from 13,900 - 15,500 feet.

Box I - PFF - UNDETERMINED. No photo coverage or visual observation of results due to cloud cover.

Box II - J.A.O. (GEE). No rendezvous with PFF. Primary was obscured by clouds so box leader proceeded to briefed secondary target (Gottingen, C-530280) dropping on GEE. No photo coverage or visual observation of results due to cloud cover.

Hameln (Marshalling Yard)

416 BG: 40 a/c dispatched (38 A-26, 2 PFF), 39 dropping 152 x 1000, 4 x 500 GP on Primary.

1 a/c failed to bomb: Box II PFF mechanical failure.

8 a/c flak battle-damaged; no losses, casualties.

Bombing by boxes on single PFF lead from 16,500 feet.

No photo coverage due to cloud cover. Crews report good results by visual observation.

386 BG: 33 a/c dispatched (31 A-26, 2 PFF), 29 dropping 168 x 500 Comp. B, 4 x 500 GP on Primary. Bomb disposition unknown of 1 missing a/c.

3 a/c failed to bomb: 2, weather (these 2 a/c jettisoned 12 x 500 Comp. B on Rheims bombing range, as directed by Parade); 1, other (Box II PFF equipment failure).

Missing a/c was last contacted by formation leader, on VHF, 30 minutes from base upon return from enemy territory. There was no indication at that time of any difficulty. 2 crewmen missing.

1 a/c flak battle-damaged; no losses, further casualties.

Bombing by boxes (Box I on PFF lead, Box II on group EFA) from 14,500 - 16,000 feet.

Box I - PFF - UNSATISFACTORY. No bombs within 1000' radius of DMPI. Bursts occur in scattered pattern. Bombs of Flt. A fell 3,200' ESE of DMPI, in fields paralleling a R.R. track. Bursts of Flt. B occur 3,800' E of DMPI, across a secondary road, and Flt. C's bursts are in a field 4,800' SE of DMPI. Cloud cover makes assessment and interpretation difficult.

Box II - N.A.O. (EFA). After PFF equipment failure, bombardier was not able to identify target due to cloud cover, and dropped on EFA. Bursts occur in a split pattern 2-3/4 miles SE of DMPI, in fields and across a secondary road. No military damage apparent. Box leader believed that GEE run would be impossible, due to abnormally high altitude necessitated by cloud cover.

391 BG: 35 a/c dispatched (including 2 PFF), 32 dropping 60 x 2000 GP, 8 x 260 Fr on Primary. Bomb disposition unknown of 2 missing a/c.

1 a/c failed to bomb: personnel failure.

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2 a/c are missing: 1 peeled out of formation, with one engine smoking, in vicinity of Friedburg (G-409832); the second was last seen in target area, apparently under control. 12 crewmen missing.

7 a/c flak battle-damaged; 3 crewmen wounded, 1 injured. No losses.

Bombing by boxes on HTF lead from 12,400 - 13,500 feet.

No photo coverage or visual observation of results due to cloud cover.

322 BG: 35 a/c dispatched (including 2 HTF); none bombed.

All a/c failed to bomb: weather (formation was recalled by Parade in vicinity of Givet (G-930750) - friendly territory, after failing to penetrate overcast at 17,000 feet).

No losses, damage, casualties.

Leaflet Mission:

Iserlohn (A-980080)
Hohenlamoure (A-8-1090)
Ragen (A-180070)
Herdecke (A-780110)
Schwerte (A-380160)

394 BG: 5 a/c dispatched, all dropping 100 x T-3 leaflet bombs on Primaries.

No losses, damage, casualties.

3 a/c dropped visually, 2 on HTA, from 13,500 - 15,000 feet.

Crows report satisfactory results.

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Section II

A/C Off		299
A/C Bombing	218	
A/C Failing to Bomb	10	
A/C Recalled (Weather)	55	
Other		
Window 12		
Bombs of 4 A/C Unaccounted for	16	
Total		299

Bombs on Enemy Territory	399.790
Total Bombs to Date	139,055.525

A/C Lost	0
A/C Missing (391 BG - 2, 386 BG - 1, 323 BG - 1)	4
A/C Crash-Landed	0
A/C Battle Damaged	25 (9.77%)
Killed	0
Wounded	3
Missing	20
Injured	1
Claims	0

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FAILURE TO BOMB

<u>GROUP</u>	<u>NO. A/C</u>	<u>CLASSIFICATION</u>	<u>REASON</u>
397	4	Mechanical	2 - Engines cutting out. 1 - Gas leak. 1 - Fuel pressure out.
387	2	Other	1 - (FF) Box II FF driven off course by Box I. Ground station signaled a/c to hold bombs. 1 - Could not keep up with formation.
409	1 (FF)	Other	Box II FF never made contact with formation.
416	1 (FF)	Mechanical	Engine trouble.
386	1 (FF)	Mechanical	Equipment failure.
391	1	Personnel	Rail gunner froze hand.

OBSERVATIONSWEATHER: Holzminde

397 BG: 6-7/10 cumulus, base estimated 2000', tops 8-10,000 feet. 8/10 alto-cumulus, base 12,000', tops 15,000'. Visibility 20 miles aloft and 8-10 miles air-to-ground.

325 BG: 10/10 swelling cumulus, tops 13,000 to 14,000'. 5-6/10 alto-stratus, base estimated 16,000'. Visibility unlimited.

387 BG: 10/10 cumulus, tops 12,700' with one large cumulus on bomb run with top 14,000'. Visibility above cloud unlimited.

409 BG: 10/10 cumulus, tops 12,000', some tops to 13,500'. Few breaks in area. Visibility unlimited.

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416 BG: 5-6/10 cumulus, strato-cumulus and alto-cumulus in layers. First layer base 2,500, tops 7,000'. Second layer base 7,000' top 14,000' with bulge, tops to 17,000'. Air-to-air visibility 20 miles. Air-to-ground visibility 10 to 20 miles.

386 BG: 10/10 multi-layer cloud with some tops to 16,000'. Visibility unlimited above cloud.

391 BG: 9/10 cumulus, base estimated 2-3,000', tops 15-16,000'. Patchy thin alto-cumulus off cumulus tops. Visibility excellent. Scattered showers.

322 BG: Did not reach target due to cumulus clouds to 17,000' enroute.

Ruhr Area

394 BG: 7-10/10 cumulus, tops 12,000', with scattered tops to 14,500'. 2-3/10 medium cloud, base 12,000'. Visibility excellent.

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FLAK ANALYSIS ANNEX

A/C Over Enemy Territory	256
A/C Lost to Flak	0
A/C Missing	4
A/C Battle Damaged	25
% A/C Battle Damaged	9.77%

Holzminde n Marshalling Yard 397, 323, 387, 409 Gp.

A/C Lost to Flak	0
A/C Missing	1
A/C Battle Damaged	9
% A/C Battle Damaged	6.21%

The 397 Gp. reported no flak at the target. Moderate, inaccurate heavy flak fire (about 20 to 30 bursts) was experienced in the vicinity of Volkmarsen (B-960135). No damage was sustained.

The 323 Gp., also experiencing no flak at the target, reported weak to moderate, fairly accurate, heavy flak fire at the Weser River (C-200400) enroute in, and at the Nethe River (C-060480) enroute out.

The 387 Gp. met weak, inaccurate, heavy flak fire at the target, and none elsewhere.

The 409 Gp. reported no flak enroute or at the target.

Hameln Marshalling Yard 416, 386, 391, 322 Gp.

A/C Lost to Flak	0
A/C Missing	3
A/C Battle Damaged	16
% A/C Battle Damaged	15.09%

No flak was experienced at the target. The 416, 386, and 391 Gp. reported weak heavy flak fire from Holzminde n (C-186605), accurate only for the 416 Gp. The 391 Gp., at Fredelburg (G-400882), experienced intense, accurate, heavy, and light flak fire at 5000 foot altitude.

Ruhr Area - Leaflet Missions 394 Gp.

A/C Lost to Flak	0
A/C Battle Damaged	0
% A/C Battle Damaged	0

Flak was neither experienced nor observed at, or enroute to, any of the five targets attacked. Flak gunners have rarely fired at single aircraft, even under conditions favorable for visual engagement.

ENEMY AIRCRAFT REACTION

T.O.T.'s: 1629 to 1816
1515 to 1527 (leaflets)

No e/a encountered during missions.

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S/A PHOTO REPORT

<u>GROUP</u>	<u>CAMERA PHOTOGRAPHING</u>	<u>MECHANICAL FAILURE</u>		<u>PERSONAL FAILURE</u>	
		<u>NO.</u>	<u>PERCENT</u>	<u>NO.</u>	<u>PERCENT</u>
383	100%	0	0	0	0

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PUBLIC RELATIONS
PRESS RELEASE

NINTH BOMBARDMENT DIVISION HEADQUARTERS, France, April 3 — More than 225 medium bombers, employing pathfinder bombing technique, struck through clouds at two railway yards on lines leading from Paderborn to the north and east late today.

The attacks, designed to delay reported movement of German troops out of Holland to the defense of central Germany, were against yards at Holzminden, 30 miles east of Paderborn, and at Hammeln, 24 miles southwest of Hannover. Crewmen in one formation saw results of their bombing, reported as excellent, through a break in the clouds at Hammeln. All other bombing results were unobserved.

Marauders and Invaders of Major General Samuel E. Anderson's Ninth Bombardment Division engaged in the bombings to destroy wagons, supplies and installations, including locomotive and supply depots. Most formations encountered flak over the targets and enroute and four aircraft were reported missing.

Earlier in the afternoon, five Marauders released copies of "Front Post", a German language newspaper, over the Ruhr Valley to inform encircled Nazi troops of the progress of the Allied offensive.

--30-- Press Camp 2100, News Room 2130.

NINTH BOMBARDMENT DIVISION HEADQUARTERS, France, April 3 — Following are operational statistics for combined missions of B-26 Marauders, A-20 Havocs and A-26 Invaders of the Ninth Bombardment Division today:

Aircraft dispatched	299
Aircraft over enemy territory	256
Bomber losses	0
Bomb tonnage	399.79
Marshalling yards attacked	2
Communications centers attacked	1
Road cuts	1

Damage could not be ascertained because of clouds which hid target areas, preventing observations and the taking of strike photographs.

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