

# Forts blast Frankfurt: win 37-20

**S**TRONG formations of U.S. Flying Fortresses, escorted by AAF fighters, attacked Frankfurt in S.W. Germany yesterday in the eleventh Strategic Air Force operation in fourteen days.

Other targets in West Germany were also bombed. Fighter opposition was comparatively weak, but flak was strong.

Three enemy aircraft were destroyed by the heavy bombers and thirty-two by the escorting fighters.

RCAF and Allied Spitfires flew supporting sweeps, and two more enemy aircraft were shot down.

Military objectives in Northern France were attacked by heavy, medium and light bombers.

From these operations five heavy bombers and fifteen fighters are missing.

Yesterday's operation included the greatest number of fighter sorties ever made by U.S. fighters from bases in England.

# Forts Hit Frankfurt 2nd Time in 4 Days: Calais Gets It Again

## Fighter Opposition Nil in Comparison With Thursday Battle, Fatal to 29 Forts; Direct Hits on Rail Center

Flying Fortresses carried on the ever-growing Allied aerial offensive against the Luftwaffe and its supporting factories yesterday with a strong blow at Frankfurt, railway center of southwestern Germany and site of important aircraft and other military manufacturing plants.

Simultaneously formations of Liberators and Marauders again struck the unidentified military objectives in the Pas de Calais area of France.

The assault on Frankfurt was in sharp contrast to the mission the previous day against Brunswick, when the Fortresses and their escorting fighters ran into what was probably the heaviest fighter opposition yet encountered against Germany.

Only five bombers were lost yesterday—the lowest toll recorded for a major operation against Germany. One Liberator failed to return from the Pas de Calais operations. None of the Marauders was lost. At the same time, U.S. fighters claimed 32 German planes against a loss of 14 of their own. Mustang pilots alone claimed 14.

### 29 Lost Thursday

In the assault on Brunswick Thursday despite a 24-hour air battle described by many Fort crewmen as the worst ever experienced over Europe, American losses were held to 29 bombers and eight fighters. In the Jan. 11 attack on Brunswick, Ochersleben and Halberstadt, the

60 bombers and 152 fighters. The Thursday score for American planes, according to Eighth Air Force figures yesterday, was 84 enemy aircraft destroyed, 29 by the heavies and 55 by fighters.

The Fortresses yesterday were reported unofficially to be approximately the same strength as in the Brunswick operation, but the fighter cover was far heavier, and many of the early returning crews reported that German fighters would poke their noses out of the clouds only to duck back again. Some Fort crews did not encounter a single enemy fighter.

The attack on Frankfurt yesterday was the USAAF's second in four days, with since operations against Germany began. The first U.S. raid on the industrial and transportation city was on Oct. 4, but the great assault obviously designed to flatten the city got underway Jan. 29, when 800 bombers, escorted by 200 fighters, deluged the city with tons of explosives.

Dense masses of smoke billowed up from Frankfurt, according to crewmen back from the 900-mile round trip over snow-covered Germany. The city was fully covered by clouds, and some bomb-ardiers had to use the new technique for bombing through overcast. Others were able to watch their bombs, reported direct hits.

### 12 Raids in 15 Days

Mustangs, Lightnings and Thunderbolts escorted the four-engine bombers to Germany, while other Thunderbolts covered the Liberators in their run to France. Heavy bombers of the U.S. Strategic Air Forces in Europe have now struck Continental objectives in 12 of the last 15 days.

This exceeds by one the largest total of raids in any one month since the heavies began operating in this theater—and the best evidence of their new striking power.

Operations over the Pas de Calais area of France, including the 11th attack on enemy plants in the area, were reported to have encountered no German fighters, but flew through considerable flak over some of the targets.

"I'd rather take on Bremen than another deal like today," related 1/Lt. Walter McCarty, of Osaloosa, Iowa, pilot of "Heavenly Dave II," which returned from her maiden mission with numerous flak holes.

2 Lt. Charles Young, of Dayton, Tex.,

# Forts hammer Frankfurt again, shoot down 37

**T**HE Luftwaffe lost 37 more aircraft yesterday in the defence of Frankfurt, which had its second daylight pounding by U.S. Fortresses in four days and the fourth in less than a fortnight.

The Fortresses destroyed three enemy planes, the fighter, escort 32, and Norwegian Spitfire pilots in supporting sweeps another two.

U.S. losses were five heavy bombers and 15 fighters. The R.A.F. lost one Spitfire during the day's operations, which included another dawn-dusk offensive against the Pas de Calais objectives.

In two days the Luftwaffe has lost at least 123 fighters over the Reich and Northern France.

Yesterday's operation included the greatest number of fighter sorties ever made by U.S. fighters from bases in England.

### OUT-LAST NIGHT

Enemy fighters did not challenge the formations of U.S. Liberators and British and American medium bombers which bombed the city Friday: Home, 8.0. Thank you, Wednes Bell's, Ltd. Thursday: Home, 8.55. Arthur Marshall in: Ralph Wighman. Wednesday: Report of County Magazine, with Compositors. Home, 10.25 p.m. Day: Home, 7.30 a.m., Elizabethan

HEADQUARTERS 306TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)  
Office of the Intelligence Officer  
United States Forces

(D-A-4)

APO 654  
11th February, 1944

SUBJECT: Intelligence Narrative.  
Mission: SAARBRUCKEN AREA, 11th February, 1944.

TO.....: Commanding Officer, 306th Bombardment Group (H).

1. Narrative

306th flew high on left of 40th CBW. Seven miles north of Orfordness, 22,800', 1001 hours; enemy coast, 5108N-0240E, 24,000' 1021 hours; turned right 1202 hours at least thirty miles WSW of IP, passed over Mannheim, and went to east of heavily defended flak area while two other groups flew to west of it; turned westward at 1219 hours; sighted town at 1237 and synchronized on it, then spotted another larger town ahead and bombed that at 1244 hours; believed at or near Saarbrucken. Fifteen miles north of Sedan, 1315 hours; north of Dieppe, 21,000' 1355 hours; Worthing, 9,000', 1429 hours.

2. Fighter Opposition and Fighter Support

The only air opposition experienced by this group was a single, non-persistent attack by alone F 190. Fighter escort was excellent,--- was met as briefed, and overlapped except for a slight gap at the time bombs were away. We make no claims.

3. A.A. Gun Fire

A.A. gun fire from Frankfurt, Mannheim area was barrage type, inaccurate as to altitude. Over the target moderate but very accurate tracking A.A. gun fire hit 19 out of the 19 aircraft which returned, damaging four seriously, fourteen slightly, only one suffering no damage. Meager, inaccurate fire was met at French coast on the way out.

4. Bombing

Due to failure of PFF equipment, 40th Combat Wing turned on IP on DR at approximately 1202 hours and probably passed to west of Frankfurt. Crews saw a city which they took to be Frankfurt, but judging by elapsed time almost had to be Mannheim. One picture taken by 306th positively places formation over that city. 306th saw neither of other groups drop bombs, and rather than bring bombs home looked for a last resort target. Bombs were dropped visually on a town believed to be in the Saarbrucken area at 1244 hours. Available strike photos show target as yet unidentified covered by 6/10ths clouds.

5. Weather

Enemy territory covered by 9/10ths cloud with occasional extensive breaks.

6. Friendly Aircraft in Distress

Our A/C #388-A, pilot DiBetta, missing; started lagging after target, last seen alone twenty minutes from French coast.

One B-17, 1244 hours, gliding down under control, no chutes.

One B-17, 1300 hours, 5 miles north of Luxembourg, going down in slow spiral, no chutes.

One B-17, 1355 hours, from formation ahead, circled back towards enemy coast, circled several times, hit ground and exploded, from one to four chutes reported.

7. Aircraft Returning Early

A/C #431-F, pilot Barrett, turned back at Luton, 0914 hours, because linkage broken on #4 supercharger. Brought back 42 x M47A1. Two other A/C each brought back 9 x M47A1.

JOHN A. BALRNSPATHER,  
Major, Air Corps.

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TO:- COMBOMDIV - ONE.  
COMBATWIG - FORTY.  
ATTN:- A-2.

306 BG F-154-D 11 FEB, 1944.

OPERATIONAL REPORT.

NARRATIVE SECTION "B".

1. NO LEAFLETS AVAILABLE.
2. DUE TO FAILURE OF P.F.F. EQUIPMENT, 40TH COMBAT WING TURNED ON IP ON DR AT APPROXIMATELY 1202 HOURS AND PROBABLY PASSED TO WEST OF FRANKFORT. CREWS SAW A CITY WHICH THEY TOOK TO BE FRANKFORT, BUT JUDGING BY ELAPSED TIME ALMOST HAD TO BE MANNHEIM. ONE PICTURE TAKEN BY 306TH PSEX POSITIVELY PLACES FORMATION OVER THAT CITY. 306TH SAW NEITHER OF OTHER GROUPS DROP BOMBS, AND RATHER THAN BRING BOMBS HOME LOOKED FOR A LAST RESORT TARGET. BOMBS WERE DROPPED VISUALLY ON A TOWN BELIEVED TO BE IN THE SAARBRUCKEN AREA AT 1244 HOURS. AVAILABLE STRIKE PHOTOS SHOW TARGET AS YET UNIDENTIFIED COVERED BY 6/10 CLOUDS.
3. THE ONLY AIR OPPOSITION EXPERIENCED B XXX BY THIS GROUP WAS A SINGLE, NON-PERSISTENT ATTACK BY A LONE F.W. 190. FIGHTER ESCORT WAS EXCELLENT, -- WAS MET AS BRIEFED, AND OVERLAPPED EXCEPT FOR A SLIGHT GAP AT THE TIME BOMBS WERE AWAY. WE MAKE NO CLAIMS.
4. FLAK FROM FRANKFORT, MANNHEIM AREA WAS BARRAGE TYPE, INACCURATE AS TO ALTITUDE. OVER THE TARGET, MANNHEIM AREA WAS BARRAGE TYPE, INACCURATE AS TO ALTITUDE. OVER THE TARGET MODERATE BUT VERY ACCURATE TRACKING FLAK HIT 18 OUT OF THE 19 A/C WHICH RETURNED DAMAGING FOUR SERIOUSLY, FOURTEEN SIXXX SLIGHTLY, ONLY ONE SUFFERING NO DAMAGE. MEAGER INACCURATE FIRE WAS MET AT FRENCH COAST ON THE WAY OUT.
5. KMEK ENEMY TERRITORY COVERED BY 9/10 CLOUD WITH OCCASIONAL EXTENSIVE BREAKS.
6. NONE.
7. ROUTE - 306TH FLEW HIGH ON LEFT OF 40TH C.B.W. SEVEN MILES NORTH OF ORFORDNESS 22,800 FEET, 1001 HOURS; 51 DEGS. 08 MINS. N., 02 DEGS. 40 MINS. E, 24,000 FEET, 1021 HOURS; TURNED RIGHT 1202 HOURS AT LEAST THIRTY MILES W.S.W. OF IP, PASSED OVER MANNHEIM, AND WENT TO EAST OF HEAVILY DIFENDED FLAK AREA WHILE TWO OTHER GROUPS FLEW TO WEST OF IT; TURNED WESTWARD AT 1219 HOURS; SIGHTED TOWN AT 1237 AND EXNHREXXI SYNCHRONIZED ON IT, THEN SPOTTED ANOTHER LARGER TOWN AHEAD AND BOMBED THAT AT 1244 HOURS; BELIEVED AT OR NEAR SAARBRUCKEN. FIFTEEN MILES NORTH OF SEDAN, 1315 HOURS; NORTH OF DIEPPE, 21,000 FEET, 1355 HOURS; WORTHING, 9,000 FEET, 1429 HOURS.

B-17S IN DISTRESS: OUR A/C NO. 388-A, PILOT DI BETTA, MISSING; STARTED LAGGING AFTER TARGET, LAST SEEN ALONE TWENTY MINUTES FROM FRENCH COAST.

ONE B-17, 1244 HOURS, GLIDING DOWN UNDER CONTROL, NO CHUTES,  
ONE B-17 1300 HOURS, 5 MILES NORTH OF LUXEMBOURG, GOING DOWN IN SLOW SPIRALS. NO CHUTES.

ONE B-17, 1355 HOURS, FROM FORMATION AHEAD, CIRCLED BACK TOWARDS ENEMY COAST, CIRCLED SEVERAL TIMES, HIT GROUND AND EXPLODED, FROM ONE TO FOUR CHUTES REPORTED.

A/C RETURNING EARLY: A/C NO. 431-F, PILOT GARRETT, TURNED BACK AT LUTON, 0914 HOURS, BECAUSE LINKAGE BROKEN ON NO. 4 SUPERCHAI XXXXX SUPERCHARGER. BROUGHT BACK 42 X M47A1. TWO OTHER A/C EACH BROUGHT BACK 9 X M47A1.

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CC IN PARA 4., FIRST FOUR LINES HOULD READ.....

4. FLAK FROM FRANKFORT, MANNHEIM AREA WAS BRXXX BARRAGE TYPE, INNACURATE AS TO ALTITUDE. OVER THE TARGET MODERATE BUT VERY ACCURATE TRACKING FLAK HIT 18 OUT OF THE 19 A/C WHICH RKIHRK RETURNED, DAMAGING FOUR SERIOUSLY. FOURTEEN SLIGHTLY, ONLY ONE SUFFERING NO DAMAGE .. AND ETC.

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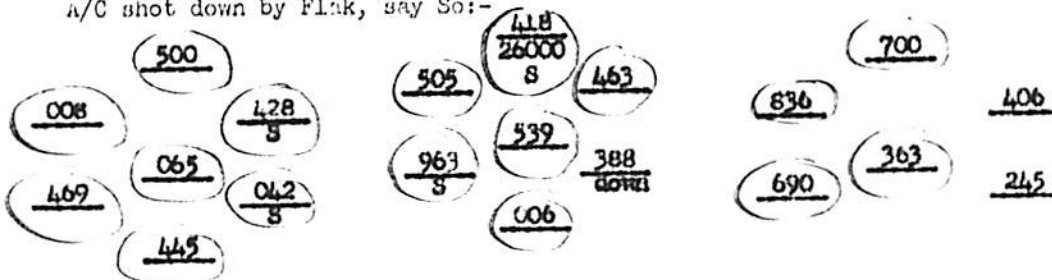
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FLAK REPORT

Date 11th February, 1944

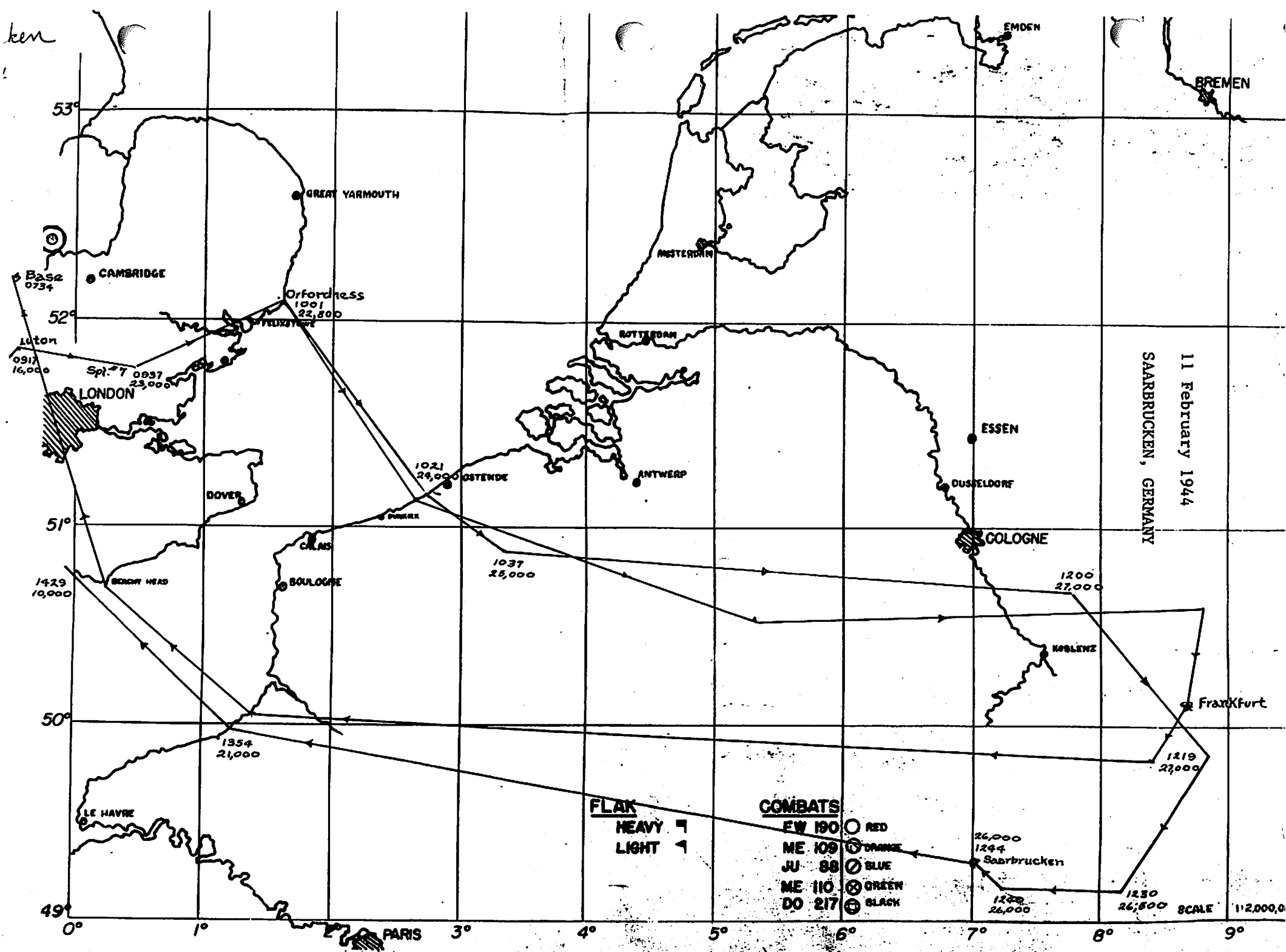
Target SAARBRUCKEN Area

- Route followed. 5100N-0240E, 5004N-0500E, 5040N-0750E, 4948N-0850E, 4930N-0833E, 4918N-0817E, Saarbrucken, 4956N-0455E, 4952N-0110E.
- Visibility at Target (Any condensation trails?) No con trails at altitude. But some at 14,000 feet on way home. 7/10ths cloud cover with large holes at the target.
- No. of A/C over Target. 20 A/C bombed at 1244 hours.
- Formation over target, with height of each A/C. Those A/C damaged by Flak to be circled, and if seriously damaged, insert small "S". If any A/C shot down by Flak, say So:-



- General Axis of attack (from lead A/C if possible) 335 degs. Magnetic.
- How long did formation fly straight and level before bombing? 60 seconds
- Turn after bombing. 90 degree left turn.
- Position of Group in relation to other Groups. 40th Combat Wing, High.
- What evasive action was taken?
- A short description of Flak en route (if any) and at the Target, including if possible a suggestion as to type of fire control employed - i.e. Continuous following predicted concentrations, predicted barrages, or fixed barrages.  
Frankfurt - Intense, low inaccurate barrage. Some fairly accurate tracking.  
Mannheim - Moderate, accurate, tracking.  
Saarbrucken - Moderate, very accurate tracking.  
Abbeville - Obs.  
Dieppe - Henger, black inaccurate.
- Any other Comments, Phenomena, etc.
  - Few red bursts observed at target.
  - Two very large bursts at Frankfurt. Rockets?
  - B-17 down vicinity of Frankfurt - flak.
  - B-17 down vicinity of Abbeville - flak, two chutes seen.

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~#####~~ 423 A/C Number 418 Letter J Date 11-2-44

Bomb Load 42 M47 Al. H.E. Incend.

Time Took off 0744 Time Landed \_\_\_\_\_

Position in Formation

	X	X	X	X	X
1. <u>HOT NEWS</u> to be phoned in? Yes No	X	X	X	X	X
Details:	X	X	X	X	X
	X	X	X	X	X

*at Fr. coast, 1355 hours, B17, steep  
 spiral out of control, after peeling off formation.*

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:  
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

*Just saw P. Betta about 10 mins before  
 leaving coast, he was about 17000 ft.  
 (we at 21000). Our fig. plane was  
 in vicinity.*

- 1st Lt. R. B. Thompson Pilot ✓
- 1st Lt. L. M. Love Co-P ✓
- 1st Lt. A. G. Pulver, Jr. Nav. ✓
- 1st Lt. P. C. Coad Bomb ✓
- T/Sgt. J. A. Park Radio ✓
- T/Sgt. W. G. Caldwell Top T ✓
- Sgt. J. D. Subal Ball T ✓
- S/Sgt. E. D. Walters R. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. H. F. Gramelspancher L. Waist ✓
- 1st Lt. J. W. Frazer, Jr. Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1244  
 Alternate Height: 26,000

Last Resort Heading: 335°  
 (circle)

Duration Bomb Run: 7 mins.

Number of BOMBS dropped on target: all

Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. OBSERVED RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: Dropped - good pattern except 3 ships in high in garden & hit  
2 hit to north of town, ring almost thru town, perhaps to north.

Other Bombing: A.P. - Conglameration of low buildings. Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No? wounded part of town - no photos  
 Number Boxes dropped: \_\_\_  
 Number Boxes returned: \_\_\_

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)  
300m right after bombs away, then generally N.W.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) 9/10 vis, intermittent breaks.

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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*little warning at Frankfurt - some 5-6000 above;  
 Over our target - 1244 - 46 very accurate; 90% altitude.  
 black bursts.*

Grew observations about Flak: \_\_\_\_\_

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10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPERATION:

Four  
(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

(Types)

(Location and length of fight)

(Tactics of E/A)

4 enemy fighters attacking straggler from 99 on right  
but they didn't get him. of us.

So W hit ground. 2 47 after it (?)

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

(Our defensive action)

CLAIMS

DESTROYED \_\_\_\_\_

PROBABLY \_\_\_\_\_

DAMAGED \_\_\_\_\_

(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim)

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

47's left - they was 99A to support P 28's appeared.

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations, Chaff from all straggler 99.

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

15. Two heads up + waist gunner - flesh.

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?)

S-2 OFFICER \_\_\_\_\_

TIME COMPLETED \_\_\_\_\_

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~#####~~ 423 A/C Number 505 Letter V Date 11-2-44

Bomb Load 42 MA7 A.H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0744 Time Landed 1538

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No	X	X	X	X	X
Details:	X	X	X	X	X
1. B-17 - after bomb run 1244 maneuvered down.	X	X	X	X	X
1300 - B-17 - engine problem at 10.12 thrust 370° mag.	X	X	X	X	X

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress: (Give position, time, altitude, full details) 1410 - 3000ft 0137 E 1-B-17 from group ahead turned back & coast and circled 6 times then blew up. P. 47 assumed this ship.

- 1st Lt. C. J. Sutton Pilot ✓
- 2nd Lt. F. L. McIntyre Co-P ✓
- 2nd Lt. H. Green Nav. ✓
- 2nd Lt. J. H. Weeman, Jr. Bomb ✓
- S/Sgt. E. A. Kiley Radio ✓
- S/Sgt. W. Harper Top T ✓
- Sgt. E. B. Creamer, Jr. Ball T ✓
- Sgt. R. F. Burroughs R. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. D. D. Leo L. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. J. C. Steinwachs, Jr. Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary ? Time: 1244

Alternate Height: 25500'

Last Resort Heading: 360° mag

Duration Bomb Run:

3. Number of BCMBS dropped on target: all Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: Visual 6/10 th - place unknown - good smoke - sig

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes  No   
Number Boxes dropped \_\_\_\_\_  
Number Boxes returned \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken? Yes?  No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

Not by I.P. (mine) came to Frankfurt (Black heavy) - 90° heading (40V 5m) S-heading - then N.W. behind central Mannheim area.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts	Accuracy
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(?) Frankfurt - HV intense - Blk + white with good tracking - Very accurate. Crew observations about Flak:

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10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

None  
(Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types)

(Location and length of fight)

(Tactics of E/A)

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

(Our defensive action)

C L A I M S

DESTROYED \_\_\_\_\_

PROBABLY \_\_\_\_\_

DAMAGED \_\_\_\_\_

(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)

*None*

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

*Perpet - all the way -*

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads; railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations,

*Rockets wound at target (?)*

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

*None*  
*12 + minor holes -*

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

*perpet*

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?)

S-2 OFFICER

*McNulty*  
*Capt.*

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ 423 A/C Number 539 Letter 6 Date 11-2-44

Bomb Load 42 M47 A1 H.E. Incend. Position in Formation

Time Took off 0744 Time Landed 1528 1/2  
X X X X X  
X X X X X  
X X X X X  
X X X X X

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Detail: *317 just before crossing French coast on way home spiraled down out of control.*

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress: (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

1st Lt. J. P. Toombs, Jr. Pilot ✓

1st Lt. H. C. Taunton Co-P ✓

2nd Lt. J. J. Valenti Nav. ✓

1st Lt. B. E. Branom Bomb ✓

T/Sgt. P. G. Gaire Radio ✓

T/Sgt. R. H. Wheeler Top T ✓

S/Sgt. C. T. Brend Ball T ✓

S/Sgt. W. V. Harris R. Waist ✓

S/Sgt. J. C. Foley L. Waist ✓

S/Sgt. V. G. Chappie Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1732, 45

Alternate Height: 26,000

Last Resort Heading: 290 mag (circle)

Duration Bomb Run: *Did not drop on London*

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: *Salvaged* Reasoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane, or others)

Own Bombs: *Could not see any bombing.*

Other Bombing: Any Nickels: Yes No  
Number Boxes dropped  
Number Boxes returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No? *No?*

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered). (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early and Disposition of bombs)

*Went in South of Rouze, Don't think over Frankfurt believe came over Mannheim*

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) *5/10 Cloud near target.*

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts	Accuracy
1720	Mannheim?	26,000	Heavy	Black + Red	White above	Moderate Accuracy
1750-5050	X 6732	26,000	"	White	Black + White	Tracking Accuracy

Crew observations about Flak:

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10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

1 - J488, about 1205 hrs. in distance below  
(Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types)

(Location and length of fight)

(Tactics of E/A)

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

(Our defensive action)

CLAIMS	
DESTROYED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
PROBABLY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
DAMAGED	<input type="checkbox"/>

(Fill out immediately  
separate CLAIM FORM for  
each claim.)

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT Damned Good.

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations,

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly) none About 10 fleetholes.

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES: none

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?)

S-2 OFFICER W. J. Glass TIME COMPLETED

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INTERCOMMUNICATION FORM

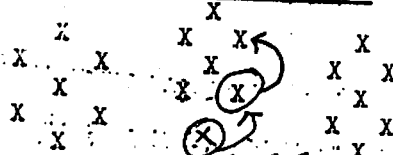
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SQUADRON ~~447~~ 423 A/C Number 163 Letter Z Date 11-2-44

Bomb Load 42 M47 A1 H.E. Incend.

Time Took off 0746 1/2 Time Landed 1522

Position in Formation



1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No  
 Details:

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:  
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

FRANKFORT  
*B17 over target - down into clouds - no chutes.  
 B17 coast of France - exploded no chutes.*

- 1st Lt. H. G. Richard Pilot
- F/O J. Guthbertson Co-P
- 2nd Lt. M. S. Greenberg Nav.
- 2nd Lt. R. R. Hale Bomb
- S/Sgt. E. S. Baker Radio
- S/Sgt. J. L. Crouse Top T
- S/Sgt. F. L. Smith Ball T
- Sgt. C. E. Cretton Waist
- Sgt. D. L. Kennedy Waist
- Sgt. J. E. Hall Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 12:44  
 Alternate Height: 25600  
 Last Resort Heading: 358 MAG.  
 (circle) Duration Bomb Run: 4-5 min

*Think Saarbrücken*

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target ALL Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: not observed

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No  
 Number Boxes dropped \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number Boxes returned \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered). (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

To Frankfurt OK - then changed

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home. Frankfurt - 8 to 9/10 lb Target - large hole other. wide solid

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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	<u>target bombed</u>		<u>mod. intense</u>	<u>black</u>	<u>all good - very acc.</u>	
	<u>Frankfurt</u>		<u>mod. red black</u>		<u>not too acc. bright and behind, all good</u>	

Crew observations about Flak: very large bursts over Frankfurt.

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

5  
(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

FW190  
(Types)

no direct attacks  
(Location and length of fight)

Frankfurt - hit a radar from another group (which radar was straggling)  
(Tactics of E/A)

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

(Our defensive action)

C L A I M S

DESTROYED \_\_\_\_\_

PROBABLY \_\_\_\_\_

DAMAGED \_\_\_\_\_

(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

Good especially 47's  
saw P51's, P38's

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations,

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)

2 B17's - flak

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

Flak - Control cable, plus minor damage,

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

#4 prop ran away - possibly due to flak

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? any suggestions?)

Flak was too acc

S-2 OFFICER

R. Kalak

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Capt R

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 By RLB/JAC  
 MARA Date 11/8/91

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 368 ~~368~~ A/C Number 363 Letter M Date Feb. 11, 1944

Bomb Load 42 M47 Al EKE. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0744 Time Landed 1648

			X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

*Gas running out landed at  
Bovingdon 1450 refueled and T.O.  
1630 - landed loss 1648 -*

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

*1352 - 1. B17 4259 N-0131 E  
going down - 6' shutes out - heading  
toward France. P. 47 escort and  
went into clouds -  
383 A. going down off coast - under  
control - no chutes out.*

1st Lt. J. M. Gay. Pilot

1st Lt. I. L. Gordon. Co-P

1st Lt. D. McCauley. Nav.

1st Lt. R. F. Proctor. Bomb

*E. G. DANIELSON*  
T/Sgt. ~~P. F. Hughes~~

Sgt. P. F. Hughes. Top T

S/Sgt. L. Brofford. Ball T

S/Sgt. G. E. Lilja. R. Waist

S/Sgt. S. J. Krisko. L. Waist

S/Sgt. B. J. Mitti. Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1244  
Alternate Height: 26500  
Last Resort Heading: 3300 mag  
(circle)  
Duration Bomb Run: 2 min

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: all

Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs:

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes  No   
Number Boxes dropped: \_\_\_\_\_  
Number Boxes returned: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken:  Yes?  No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)  
*Tuned back, heading toward Worms (150 guns) then to Saarbrücken and landed - R.N. out.*

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy, moderate or slight)	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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*Worms. H. intense 150 guns - Accurate*

Crew observations about Flak:

10. ENEMY FIGHTER POSITION:

(Estimated total number of 3/4 seen)

(Types)

(Location and length of flight)

(Tactics of E/A)

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

(Our defensive action)

C L A I M S

DESTROYED \_\_\_\_\_

PROBABLY \_\_\_\_\_

DAMAGED \_\_\_\_\_

(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)

None

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

Very Good

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations, 1117 1/2 P. 47 shot down M.E. 109 - P. 51 - 1st Lt. F.V. - 5029-0526)

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

Shot thru Radio Compass - one prop hit - several holes -

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? any suggestions?)

S-2 OFFICER

McKeely  
Capt

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INTERROGATION FORM

DECLASSIFIED PER EXECUTIVE ORDER 12356, Section 3.3, BY RLB/BAC MARA Date 1/18/91 745002

368th SQUADRON ~~367XX368XX369XX43X~~ A/C Number 006 Letter G Date 11 Feb. 1944

Bomb Load 42 M47-A1 ~~XXXX~~ Incend.

Time Took off 0744 Time Landed 1522 1/2

Position in Formation

	X	X	X	X
	X	X	X	X
1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No	X	X	X	X
Details:	X	X	X	X

at target

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress: (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

- 1st Lt. G. M. Roeder Pilot ✓
- 1st Lt. F. I. Endres Co-P ✓
- 1st Lt. K. M. Farrar Nav. ✓
- 1st Lt. M. K. Antoon Bomb ✓
- S/Sgt. D. R. Mills Radio ✓
- S/Sgt. E. G. Miller Top T. ✓
- Sgt. H. M. Haven Ball T ✓
- Sgt. E. L. Robinson R. Waist ✓
- Sgt. R. A. Sanchez L. Waist ✓
- Sgt. J. T. Lanningham Tail G. ✓

B17 - over France - coast out. 13:56 - one chute - last seen losing alt.

D. Beta - hit at target last seen dropping back out of control. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 12:45

Alternate Height: 25700

Last Report (circle) Heading: 360°

Duration Bomb Run:

mal-funct. - dropped late

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 33 Jettisoned: Returned: 9 Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: not observed

Other Bombing: Any Nickels: Yes No Number Boxes dropped Number Boxes returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

OK to Frankfurt - all over thereafter.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home. As briefed Target bombed - 7800' - breaking clouds.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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Target Bombed mod. black very acc, all good

Frankfurt mod to int. jet blackwhite - none close ahead

Crew observations about Flak: Very large red bursts - rockets

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

(Types)

*few low (2-3+)*

*Me109*

(Location and length of fight)

*Frankfurt*

*no direct attacks*

(Tactics of E/A)

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

(Our defensive action)

C L A I M S

DESTROYED \_\_\_\_\_

PROBABLY \_\_\_\_\_

DAMAGED \_\_\_\_\_

(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

*Saw P47 shot down W near I.P.*

*Very good in Out to few*

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations,

*Snow in Germany*

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)

*Flak*

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

*Minor frostbite - Lt. Waist (suit went out)*

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

*3-4 flak holes - minor, one 50 cal hole whole shell (in rudder)*

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

*Flt. gate compass out, bomb racks malfunction, #2 supercharger regulator - poor, #1 generator didn't charge*

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?)  
*Interphone - poor at all, #1 generator didn't charge  
→ All over the place - very poor - could use more gas.*

S-2 OFFICER

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*Rskalak  
Capt*

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**INTERROGATION FORM**

SQUADRON 367X368 ~~369X363~~ A/C Number 406 Letter 0 Date 11 Feb. 1944

Bomb Load 42 m47 Al H.E. Incend. Position in Formation

Time Took off <u>0744</u>	Time Landed <u>Out</u>				
		X	X	X	X
1. <u>HOT NEWS</u> to be phoned in? Yes No		X	X	X	X
Details:		X	X	X	X
		X			X

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

1. B-17 turned back to base court. 4 shots at.  
 Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:  
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

1st Lt. A. F. Rehn	Pilot	✓
Maj. Chalfant	Co-P	✓
1st Lt. J. C. Wilson	Nav.	✓
F/O. G. W. Tapper	Bomb	✓
T/Sgt. P. R. Wenrich	Radio	✓
T/Sgt. J. R. Borchers	Top T	✓
Sgt. R. W. Milton	Ball T	✓
Sgt. J. K. Adkins	R. Waist	✓
S/Sgt. L. A. Hudging	L. Waist	✓
Sgt. G. L. Hopkins	Tail G.	✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1245  
 Alternate Height: 26000  
 Last Resort Heading: 280  
 (circle)  
 Duration Bomb Run:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: all Lattisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: Loaded like, pretty good pattern. - some hits. Sparrows. Bombs more in the city.

Other Bombing: Any Nickels: Yes No  
 Number Boxes dropped \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number Boxes returned \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? Yes?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) 6-7/10 clouds at bomb drop. Visual on 1st target.

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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Target. Ray concrete walls. Moderate as to guns. Blank shot. Missed to internal. Low image. Crew not out. seen on.

Crew observations about Flak: Some low flak on way out.

Crew observations about Flak:

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Aborted.

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 368 369 (23) A/C Number 431 Letter F Date 11/2/44

Bomb Load 42 M473 H.E. incendi. Position in Formation 2

Time Took Off: 0735 Time Landed: 1015

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Turned back at Linton at 0914 at 12,000 ft.  
because No 4 engine went out due to  
a lock nut on being loose.

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress?  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

Go and King from up ground.  
Good formation when aborted.

X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

- 1st Lt. N.L. Garrett Pilot
- 1st Lt. R. N. Kuri Co-P
- 1st Lt. J. Elgin Nav.
- 1st Lt. R. J. Shurilla Bomb.
- T/Sgt. A. E. Dilts Radio
- T/Sgt. J. Vinciguerra Top T.
- S/Sgt. J. A. Glenn Ball T.
- S/Sgt. W. J. Carroll R. Waist
- S/Sgt. A. A. Weed J. Waist
- S/Sgt. L. L. Yator Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time:  
Alternate Height:  
Last Resort Heading  
(circle)  
Duration Bomb Run:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: Jettisoned. Returned. Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others) all 42 x M47

Own Bombs:

Other Bombing:

5. Any Photographs taken: Yes? No? Any Nickels: Yes No

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACHED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: Number boxes dropped  
Number boxes returned

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn, reason for returning early; and disposition of bombs)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) On track.

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	PLATE	Height	Type	Weight	Color	Location	Accuracy
				of heavy intense, moderate or slight.	of bursts	Bursts in re-lation to A/C	

Crew observations about Flak:

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ 423 A/C Number 963 Letter P Date 11-2-44

Bomb Load 42 M47 A1 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Tock off 0744 Time Landed \_\_\_\_\_

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No.  X  X  X  X

Details:

1 B17 at 13500 ship hit by flak  
Athenille. Went down smoking  
Two units observed.

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:  
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

Strong straggles  
DiBetto dropped bombs, trailed  
down to beach coast; then  
lost to sight.

2nd Lt. W. C. B. Koch Pilot

2nd Lt. K. J. Hall Co-P

2nd Lt. O. O. Young, Jr. Nav.

2nd Lt. J. B. Blum Bomb

S/Sgt. C. S. Brown, Jr. Radio

S/Sgt. H. W. Lingle Top T

Sgt. B. J. Theriault Ball T

S/Sgt. E. P. Campos R. Waist

Sgt. V. D. Campbell L. Waist

Sgt. M. N. Farkash Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1244  
Saarlucken  
 Alternate Height: 26,500

Last Resort Heading: 360  
 (circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

30 sec. - all on Saarlucken  
except Toombs.

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: Jettisoned: (Returned: 9) Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others) Dropped 33

Own Bombs: no results observed  
but target clear. I feel they were on it.

Other Bombing: Any Nickels: Yes No  No  
 Number Boxes dropped \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number Boxes returned \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes?  No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

With leader

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) Target clear - Visual bombing

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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at target, light but accurate black high white -  
seen at Frankfurt - accurate

Grew observations about Flak: One big black burst that  
exploded with red flash -  
One ship hit at Athenille by flak  
on lead group - Two units See Wm. 1

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INTERROGATION FORM

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SQUADRON ~~#####~~ 423 A/C Number 388 Letter A Date 11-2-44

Bomb Load 42 MA7 Al H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0744 Time Landed \_\_\_\_\_

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No  
 Details:

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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:  
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

- 1st Lt. G. DiBetta Pilot ✓
- 2nd Lt. E. J. Wolf, Jr. Co-P ✓
- 1st Lt. R. F. Feilbach Nav. ✓
- 1st Lt. J. E. Sanders Bomb ✓
- T/Sgt. C. E. Hewitt Radio ✓
- T/Sgt. F. V. Chiccarelli Top T ✓
- S/Sgt. J. H. Coleman Ball T ✓
- S/Sgt. C. H. Golden R. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. L. F. Bergeron L. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. E. C. Weseloh Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time:  
 Alternate Height:  
 Last Resort Heading:  
 (circle)  
 Duration Bomb Run:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs:

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No  
 Number Boxes dropped \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number Boxes returned \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy

Crew observations about Flak: \_\_\_\_\_

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90° left turn of target  
no con trails at alt. some  
at 14,000 ft on way out.

INTERROGATION FORM

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SQUADRON 367XX368 ~~369XX422~~ A/C Number 700 Letter U Date 11/2/44

Bomb Load 42 M47-A1 XXX Incend. ..... Position in Formation

Time Took off 0744 Time Landed 1526  
X X X X X  
X X X X X  
X X X X X  
X X X X X

(1355 hrs.)

B-17 - circling going down under control just before coast on way home - 4 chutes. (may not have been chutes because ship was in distance)

HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No  
Details: X X X X X  
CREW: Give Rank and Initials  
1st Lt. J. B. Kelly Pilot ✓  
1st Lt. C. M. Bayless Co-P ✓  
1st Lt. M. Kalish Nav. ✓  
1st Lt. H. F. Allen Bomb ✓  
T/Sgt. E. C. Smartt Radio ✓  
T/Sgt. G. W. Wallace Top T ✓  
Sgt. W. Benningfield Ball T ✓  
S/Sgt. W. C. Christian R. Waist ✓  
Sgt. E. E. Willey L. Waist ✓  
S/Sgt. C. E. Hudson Tail G. ✓

TARGET ATTACKED:

Saarbrucken Time: 1244 hrs.

Alternate Height: 26400

Last Resort Heading: 360°  
(circle)

Duration Bomb Run: 60 seconds.

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive: all

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: Saw bombs hit in city - bursts among buildings

Other Bombing: Saw group on our right Any Nickels: Yes No  
dropped bombs on Frankfurt - P.F. dropped Number Boxes dropped  
flares here. Number Boxes returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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Frankfurt - black + white at all alt. - also tracking not acc. on bomb group.

(P) Saarbrucken - tracking very acc. - poss. pred. conc intense  
Crew observations about Flak:

(9 minutes before coast coming out - off to right)

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

*Mu 210*  
(Types)

*Just before Frankfurt*  
(Location and length of fight)

*Formation wasn't attacked*  
(Tactics of E/A)

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

(Our defensive action)

C L A I M S

DESTROYED \_\_\_\_\_

PROBABLY \_\_\_\_\_

DAMAGED \_\_\_\_\_

(Fill out immediately  
separate CLAIM FORM for  
each claim.)

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

*Excellent*

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations,

*B-17 straggler - without markings followed formation to French coast then turned back into France.*

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)

14. INJURIES TO CRE: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

*none*

15.

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

*few small flak holes*

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

*immaphone out of alt.*

17. CRE COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? any suggestions?)

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*Ornuth*

TIME COMPLETED

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*St. Kelly #700*

ADDITIONAL INTERROGATION FORM FOR GROUP AND SQUADRON LEAD AIRCRAFT

(check one)  
GROUP LEADER \_\_\_\_\_  
HIGH SQUADRON LEADER ✓ \_\_\_\_\_  
LOW SQUADRON LEADER \_\_\_\_\_  
PLANE WITH OTHER GROUP \_\_\_\_\_  
(Indicate Group and Group Identification)  
SINGLE AIRCRAFT \_\_\_\_\_

1. Time and Place of crossing English Coast 1001 hrs - Orfordness.  
*as briefed to Frankfurt. Was about 20*
2. Was Course as Briefed? miles south of course on way out after  
If not, describe course in detail combining Scarborough.
3. Time and Place of crossing Enemy Coast 1357 hrs. ?
4. Time over Target 1244 hrs.  
Altitude over Target 26 400  
Position of Group on Bomb Run High in 40 C.W. (bombed alone)  
Magnetic Heading of Bomb Run 360°  
Duration Bomb Run 60 seconds.
5. Time of Landing at Base 1526  
If landed away from base before return state where and why \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ TIME \_\_\_\_\_ S-2 OFFICER Murtha.

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Date 1/8/91

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~XX367~~ 368 ~~369~~ A/C Number B36 Letter MP Date Feb. 11, 1944

Bomb Load 42 M47-A1 ~~BOB~~ Incendi.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0744 Time Landed \_\_\_\_\_

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

				X	
	X	X	X	X	X
	X	X	X	X	X
	X	X	X	X	X
	X	X	X	X	X

Details:

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

1 B-17-5105, 0230-1359 crashed + burned - 1 chute from wing ahead

1st Lt. R. D. Tripp Pilot ✓

2nd Lt. R. C. McDaniel Co-P ✓

1st Lt. F. E. Tingler Nav. ✓

1st Lt. J. H. Laughlin Bomb ✓

S/Sgt. R. J. Manski Radio ✓

S/Sgt. S. A. Lesniewski Top T ✓

Sgt. E. Goldbarst Ball T ✓

S/Sgt. P. A. Lee R. Waist ✓

Sgt. P. R. Shadel L. Waist ✓

Sgt. C. L. Hum Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1244

Alternate Height: 25,500

Last Resort Heading: 000  
(circle)

Duration Bomb Run:  
about 1 1/2 min

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: all Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING. (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: no bombard visually

Other Bombing: Any Nickels: Yes No  
Number Boxes dropped \_\_\_\_\_  
Number Boxes returned \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) with group clouds 15,000 tops

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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Target - tracking, very accurate - moderate  
Flakburst - high + low - barrage - moderate

Grew observations about Flak: black, gray + white

They think Saboteur

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INTERCOMBAT FORM

SQUADRON 367 ~~367~~ A/C Number 008 Letter V Date 11-2-44

Bomb Load 2 M47 A1 H.E. Incend. Position in Formation

Time Took off 0744	Time Landed						
		X	X	X	X	X	X
1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No		X	X	X	X	X	X
Details:		X	X	X	X	X	X

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

*1 B-17 at coast coming out from Wing ahead had engine feathered & smoking - turned back to enemy territory 4 minutes*

*Di Betta must have left after target, as all of us were with group at target.*

*They think it was flying over Wehrmacht*

TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1244

Alternate Height: 25000

Last Resort Heading: 320 true (circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

- 2nd Lt. B. H. Rutherford Pilot ✓
- 2nd Lt. W. B. Butterfield Co-P ✓
- 2nd Lt. J. C. Fowler Nav. ✓
- 2nd Lt. R. W. Fry Bomb ✓
- T/Sgt. T. P. Piechowski Radio ✓
- S/Sgt. R. G. Rockwell Top T ✓
- S/Sgt. R. K. Tully Ball T ✓
- S/Sgt. J. M. Moloney R. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. B. Margineau L. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. H. E. Masie Tail G. ✓

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: all Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: *couldn't see - bombed about 15 mins of the Frankfurt clear over Frankfurt*

Other Bombing: Any Nickels: Yes No  
Number Boxes dropped  
Number Boxes returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? (No)

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

*circled Frankfurt, then headed 230, 275, 300, 330 then straightened out at 330, bombed*

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) *9-10% except for a few big holes*

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home. *controls not heavy or persistent*

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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*Frankfurt - intense - accurate target - moderate, accurate (hit the flak) (intense flak seen at 5 o'clock at target (Frankfurt?))*

Crew observations about Flak:



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**INTERROGATION FORM**

SQUADRON ~~367X 368~~ ~~365X 363~~ A/C Number 943 Letter L Date Feb. 11, 1944

Bomb Load 42 M47 A1 ~~M47~~ Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0744 Time Landed \_\_\_\_\_

	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

17 down 4 chutes  
at Coast 13.52  
49.54 N 0127 E.  
 Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:  
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

F/O. J. R. Coleman	Pilot	✓
1st Lt. C. B. Bourn	Co-P	✓
1st Lt. X. Rodrigues	Nav.	✓
1st Lt. D. W. Baltzer	Bomb	✓
T/Sgt. C. G. Garrison	Radio	✓
T/Sgt. R. L. Hayes	Top T	✓
S/Sgt. O. V. Bittikofer	Ball T	✓
S/Sgt. F. T. Organ	R. Waist	✓
S/Sgt. C. E. Snyder	L. Waist	✓
S/Sgt. A. J. Doine	Tail G.	✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Saarbrücken - S.R.  
 Primary Time: 12.43.

Could see town.  
Saw parachute flares  
 Alternate Height:  
 Last Resort Heading:  
 (circle) over Frankfurt  
 Duration Bomb Run:

Bomb Bay door not opened  
Flare on left heading 110

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 42 Jettisoned: 17 Returned: \_\_\_\_\_ Abortive: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs:

could not see - cloud cover

Other Bombing:

Fires from building in  
any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No? Yes  
NO

Any Nickels: Yes NO  
 Number Boxes dropped \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number Boxes returned \_\_\_\_\_

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

As briefed - S.E. from Frankfurt 40 miles  
South turn S.W. - South

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) of Saarbrücken turned

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home. route crossed  
at 49.56N 0127E

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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12.16 Frankfurt 26700 Black-grey - tonight

Crew observations about Flak: \_\_\_\_\_

Black-grey - tonight - @ 11.45  
for other way

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10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPERATION:

Few

(Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types)

P-47 shot down 190 West of ground  
(Location and length of fight)

(Tactics of E/A)

Dropped bombs - smoking and noise  
in front of each of 4 planes  
at least 1000 yds.

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

usual

(Our defensive action)

CLAIMS	
DESTROYED	<u>No</u>
PROBABLY	<u>No</u>
DAMAGED	<u>No</u>

(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

Perfect

5/1's there over target

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations,

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)

B-17 front

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

None - front left ball turret

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

None

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

1-2-3 Superchargers lag -  
blow out

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?)

Went in too fast - more Oxygen  
160 - 410"  
more Gas

S-2 OFFICER

W.P. [Signature] FILE COMPLETED 16.5.55

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 ~~#####~~ A/C Number 500 Letter L Patell-2-44

Bomb Load 42 M47 Al H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0744 Time Landed \_\_\_\_\_

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No  
 Details: \_\_\_\_\_

	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:  
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

*Dropped with target but didn't see bomb later. No other info.*

- F/O L. E. Page Pilot ✓
- 2nd Lt. T. P. Kenny Co-P ✓
- 2nd Lt. G. L. Feltz Nav. ✓
- 1st Lt. H. L. Holt Bomb ✓
- T/Sgt. J. R. Merson Radio ✓
- S/Sgt. A. E. Jones Top T ✓
- S/Sgt. O. O. Dobbs Ball T ✓
- Sgt. F. R. Scappace R. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. B. E. Ball L. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. T. D. Dixon Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1244  
 Alternate Height: 28,500  
 Last Report Heading: 353°  
 Duration Bomb Run: 6 minutes

*Mainly minutes*

3. Number of Bombs dropped on target: Jettisoned: \_\_\_\_\_ Returned: \_\_\_\_\_ Abortive: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: *Think bombs were in a turn to Mannheim by radio some dropped on target*  
 Other Bombing: *that far north. No hits seen.*  
 Any Nickels: Yes No  
 Number Boxes dropped \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number Boxes returned \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered). (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) *Some scattered clouds over Frankfurt and have individual cum on primary. Clear at low alt.*

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location	Accuracy
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*Light flak at low alt, accurate. Frankfurt. Range for 10 minutes. Not*

Crew observations about Flak: \_\_\_\_\_

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10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

2 ME109s After Bombing, N.W. France  
(Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types)

Mr. Attester  
(Location and length of fight)

(Tactics of E/A)

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

(Our defensive action)

<u>C L A I M S</u>	
DESTROYED	_____
PROBABLY	_____
DAMAGED	_____
(Fill out <u>immediately</u> separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)	

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT Perfect. Out on Tripel. see order. P47s.  
P51s + P28s.

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations,

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A. E/A action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)  
1 B17 pulled off on ground. 2 chutes went on way down. 2 chutes stuck from engine. Blown up when hit ground but in time cloud drained near. Maybe more chutes.

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly) none. flak damage in wings + cockpit.

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?)

S-2 OFFICER \_\_\_\_\_ TIME COMPLETED \_\_\_\_\_

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INTERROGATION FORM

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SQUADRON 367 ~~741899777~~ A/C Number 428 Letter N Date 11-2-44

Bomb Load 2 M47 A1 H.E. Incend. Position in Formation

Time Took off 0745 Time Landed 1520

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

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

*B-17  
Down*

1. B-17 - one chute - 1300 -

*slow spiral 42°42'N 06°10'E by  
Saw it off way down. Superb.*

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

- 2nd Lt. C. K. Olivier Pilot ✓
- 2nd Lt. C. E. Dumas Co-P ✓
- 2nd Lt. G. A. Milburn Nav. ✓
- 2nd Lt. S. L. Hawkins Bomb ✓
- S/Sgt. L. Tortoro Radio ✓
- S/Sgt. E. C. Swilley Top T ✓
- Sgt. M. Pershing Ball T ✓
- Sgt. J. E. Osburn R. Waist ✓
- Sgt. W. L. Huddelston L. Waist ✓
- Sgt. W. E. Van Houtte Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1245 h.

Alternate Height: 25200'

Last Resort Heading: 359° M.  
(circle)

Duration Bomb Run:  
? mi.

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: All Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: no

Other Bombing: no

Any Nickels: Yes No  
Number Boxes dropped \_\_\_\_\_  
Number Boxes returned \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

*NE of target. Part. bombed Saarbrücken.*

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) *Very clear over Frankfurt 6/10000 over Europe.*

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
1215	Frankfurt	26,000	Heavy	Black		yes
1240		25,200	Med.	Black	Right	no
1345	Brunels	23,000	heavier			no

Grew observations about Flak: \_\_\_\_\_

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 ##### A/C Number 065 Letter Z Date 11-2-44

Bomb Load 42 M47 A1 ##### Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Tock off 0744 Time Landed \_\_\_\_\_

		X			
	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No  
Details:

No report with the

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

- 1st Lt. F. J. Rector Pilot ✓
- 2nd Lt. P. J. Pierce Co-P ✓
- 1st Lt. A. Rothenberg Nav. ✓
- 2nd Lt. J. E. Caldwell Bomb ✓
- S/Sgt. W. N. Russell Radio ✓
- S/Sgt. E. G. Waibel Top T ✓
- S/Sgt. R. A. Osborne Ball T ✓
- S/Sgt. R. F. Fiermuga R. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. J. M. Elliott L. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. W. J. Bell Tail G. ✓

70° to 7 by turn  
270 around by T  
300

2. TARGET ATTACKED: Frankfurt  
Primary Time: 12.43 12.15  
Alternate Height: 12.25  
Last Resort Heading: Headed 275  
(circle) here  
Duration Bomb Run: 300-320

Bombs away 360 wing AR line  
higher in Wübbaden or Saarbrücken

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

42-100 M47

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs:

arrived at manufacturing yard

Other Bombing: 539 dropped  
None some of Frankfurt

Any Nickels: Yes No  
Number Boxes dropped  
Number Boxes returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

No camera

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

keep - Bonn - swung back & forth 30° -  
short - out south Munich, Dierp on left to  
south Munich

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) heading 300-330 - drift

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home. Co. brack. not bad

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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12.15 Frankfurt 26000, accurate Black  
black when bombs were dropped accurate

Grew observations about Flak:

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10. ENEMY FIGHTER POSITION:

None 1 attack outside of our area of ops  
(Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types)

(Location and length of flight)

Saw FW going down from US F-4E  
(Tactics of E/A)

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

(Our defensive action)

CLAIMS	
DESTROYED	<u>NO</u>
PROBABLY	<u>NO</u>
DAMAGED	
(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)	

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

Good  
Contributions 1 short break over fight  
40 come in out of screen through night

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations, etc.)

None

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)

None

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

NO

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

Flak 1st waist #3 handle

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

#2 Oxygen failure ball turret -  
#2 oil dipper  
17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?)  
usual waste  
arrow at  
High pressure  
boiler control  
2 bottles

S-2 OFFICER W.R. O'Brien TIME COMPLETED

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INTERROGATION FORM

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SQUADRON 367 ~~BARHHBHHHHHH~~ A/C Number 042 Letter P Date 11-2-44

Bomb Load 42 M47 Al. H.E. Intend.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0744 Time Landed 1657

X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

Crew: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:  
(Give position; time, altitude, full details)

- 2nd Lt. F. D. Brewer Pilot ✓
- 2nd Lt. D. L. Spelman Co-P
- 2nd Lt. C. G. Eyer Nav. ✓
- 2nd Lt. L. J. MacNeil Bomb ✓
- S/Sgt. L. C. Manning Radio ✓
- S/Sgt. H. W. Karol Top T. ✓
- Sgt. E. Boharty Ball T. ✓
- Sgt. O. A. Shafer R. Waist ✓
- Sgt. R. E. Weed L. Waist ✓
- Sgt. L. P. Thomas Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1247 1/2

Alternate Height: 26,300

Last Report Heading: 355°  
(circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

Saarbrücken?

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 20 Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (for this plane or others)

Own Bombs:

White smoke coming up from target

Other Bombing: Did hit town. Any Nickels: Yes No  
Number Boxes dropped \_\_\_\_\_  
Number Boxes returned \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? (No?)

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered). (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

Dropped at about 30 miles in from coast & got gone.  
(Famovota)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) Clear over target

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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intense flak at Saarbrücken - accurate

Occurred as well on lower squadron

Crew observations about Flak:

"Most accurate yet encountered"

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 ~~#####~~ A/C Number 469 Letter K Date 11-2-44

Bomb Load 2 M47 Al H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0750 Time Landed 1835

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No  
 Details:

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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:  
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

- 2nd Lt. A. W. Mack Pilot ✓
- 2nd Lt. F. M. McCullagh Co-P ✓
- 2nd Lt. J. E. Feeley Nav. ✓
- 2nd Lt. J. D. Welch Bomb ✓
- S/Sgt. P. J. Marquez Radio ✓
- S/Sgt. D. F. Needham Top T ✓
- S/Sgt. L. A. Glascock Ball T ✓
- S/Sgt. C. Walters R. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. O. J. Graham L. Waist ✓
- Sgt. E. Karpinski Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1244 hours

Alternate Height: 25,100'

Last Resort Heading: 365°M.  
 (circle)

Duration Bomb Run:  
 3 min.

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on ALL: Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: No.

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No  
 Number Boxes dropped \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number Boxes returned \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

Didn't drop on Frank but possibly on Saarbrücken in center of town So. of route back E of target.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) No clouds. Clear when dropped bombs.

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
1215	Frankfurt (NE of city)		Heavy	Right Black & white		Yes
1244	Saarbrücken		Heavy	Black	Too late	Yes
1	Driffler		meager	Black		No

Grew observations about Flak:

From coast meager

1355-B-17. Three mi from coast - under control - one chit

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10. ENEMY FIGHTER POSITION:

1118 - 4 - Ponilly JW. 88.  
(Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Type)

(Location and length of fight)

(Tactics of E/A)

High - Straight & fired rocket

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

Straight the formation

(Our defensive action)

C L A I M S	
DESTROYED	
PROBABLY	✓
DAMAGED	

(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT 47' - 38' over target 51/20 back.

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations,

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

Left my top sailer small holes.

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? any suggestions?)

S-2 OFFICER

Brasbaen

TIME COMPLETED

16:27

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 ~~BAR#0000000000~~ A/C Number 445 Letter G Date 11-2-44

Bomb Load 2 M47 A1 H.E. Incend. Position in Formation

Time Took off 0744 Time Landed 1535

- 1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
  - Details:
    - X X X X X
    - X X X X X
    - X X X X X

*Believe  
wing  
ahead*

*1 B17 just before coast at  
1355 (Aldentle) - Two  
units. Smoke on tail  
No. 3 engine*

CHEW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

*1 B17 1207 alt 1 P only  
down. No smoke. No  
smoke fire*

- 1st Lt. C. O. Smith Pilot ✓
- 2nd Lt. R. V. Stoll Co-P ✓
- 2nd Lt. P. V. Osburn Nav. ✓
- 2nd Lt. D. L. Claytor Bomb. ✓
- T/Sgt. W. A. Lindsey Radio ✓
- T/Sgt. C. E. Weller Top T ✓
- Sgt. G. A. Morehead Ball T ✓
- S/Sgt. W. C. Maddox R. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. J. W. Byrd L. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. C. E. Pulcifer Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1244  
 Alternate Height: 25000  
 Last Resort Heading: 350 mag.  
 (circle)  
 Duration Bomb Run:

*Not sure  
Don't believe  
anybody else's  
reports*

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: all Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: *Scattered in turn - some over*

Other Bombing: Any Nickels: Yes No  
 Number Boxes dropped  
 Number Boxes returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered). (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) *With leader snow on ground over enemy. - contrails (not guaranteed) usual bomb*

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home. *7/10ths clear over target. Clear over Frankfurt*

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*at Frankfurt. Flak, accurate, tracking intense (last ship over) at bombed area moderate but accurate.*

Crew observations about Flak:

*Perhaps rocket flak - (two) Frankfurt*

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