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

APO 557
12 June, 1944

SUBJECT: Intelligence Narrative
Mission: Lille/Vendeville, 12 June, 1944

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

1. 40th "B", flying over 10/10 cloud, overshot control point at Dutch coast due to winds heavier than briefed. Swung south, got GEE fix at 5115N x 0423E, just north of Antwerp. Made sharp leg to right to circle Antwerp and did evasive action to 5101N x 0423E. IP and target as briefed. Thence lead and low groups bombed and came home together while high group circled twice before bombing and followed briefed course home.

2. A.A. Gun Fire
Drew barrage fire from Antwerp and cut left to circle the city. Met accurate tracking, despite evasive action, over whole area from there to 5101N x 0425E. Over target, moderate and accurate, chiefly on high group (on first run). On high group's second run it diminished; on third run was heaviest - moderate and accurate.

3. Bombing
Photos show lead group bombs on center of airfield, covering one-half of the area of the field. Photos show low group's bombs covering both dispersal areas at north-east corner of airfield. High group found target obscured by cloud. "S"'d, hoping cloud would drift by. Could not bomb on first run. Made three runs bombing at [illegible]

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ######## 369 ### A/C Number 557 Letter Y Date 12 June 1944

Bomb Load 18 x 250 G.P. ######.

Time Took off 0623 Time Landed _____

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

Position in Formation

X
X X X
X X X X X
X X X
X X X X
X X
Spare 40th "C"

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress: (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
0834 hrs 5112N - 0836E
20,000'

2nd Lt. F. M. Bennett	Pilot
2nd Lt. Mulleuneaux	Co-P
2nd Lt. D.W. Mier	Nav.
2nd Lt. E.P. Berchardt	Bomb
S/Sgt. J.H. Westhues	Radio
S/Sgt. A.H. Kasberg	Top T
S/Sgt. J.V. Lacaruso	Ball T
S/Sgt. N. Chadakeff	R. Waist
##########	L. Waist
Sgt. E.V. Locher	Tail G.

Convoy few guns Just 77 clacton flak on fighter

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

   Primary Time:

   Alternate Height:

   Last Report Heading:
   (circle)
   Duration Bomb Run:

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