

HEAD OFFICES 306TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP
Office of the Intelligence Officer
United States Forces

D-4-5

APO 557,
15 October, 1944.

SUBJECT: Intelligence Narrative
Mission: Cologne.

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

1. Narrative

The 306th flew 22 A/C plus two PFF plus two spares as lead and low of 40th "B". Route was substantially as briefed. Clacton 0836; 5116-0259, 0851; beyond control point 3 to I.P. at 5100-0612E, 0932; Target Cologne 0938; about ten miles south of course from Moselle River to Belgian coast 5109-0242, 1126 hours; English coast 5150-0115E, 1153; base 1225.

Buckeye Red reported persistent contrails at reference plus 2; also stated that bombing would be on instruments.

All Mickey equipment on both PFF A/C functioned satisfactorily.

2. Fighter Opposition and Fighter Support

There was no fighter opposition. Fighter support was excellent, P-51's appearing at Eindhoven, 0920, and remaining throughout mission.

3. A.A. Gun Fire

Fire was accurate and intense on lead squadron, 3 failing to return. Damage to 10 remaining, 5 severe, 5 slight. Low squadron moderate tracking. Damage: 3 slight, 1 severe. Firing felt to be at seen target. A.A. Gun Fire near I.P. Also from batteries at 5005-0745, and 5000-0708.

4. Bombing

Lead 40th "B" was making PFF run with equipment working satisfactorily, when lead ship was hit by flak and knocked temporarily out of control just 30 seconds before bombs away. Deputy took over (no PFF) dropped on smoke bombs of previous groups over visible built up area which photos indicate was probably at 028057/4. Low squadron leader saw enough of river on run up to be sure he could get in visually. Ground obscured by previous bombing and dropped on unhit built up area. Photos show strikes probably at 038039/4.

5. Micals

A/C 384-L dropped ten F-177 on Cologne.

6. Weather

Clear over England and channel; 2/10 over continent increasing to 5/10 at target, tops 10,000 feet. Smoke screen and smoke from previous bombing plus haze gave equivalent of 8 to 9/10 coverage with open spots.

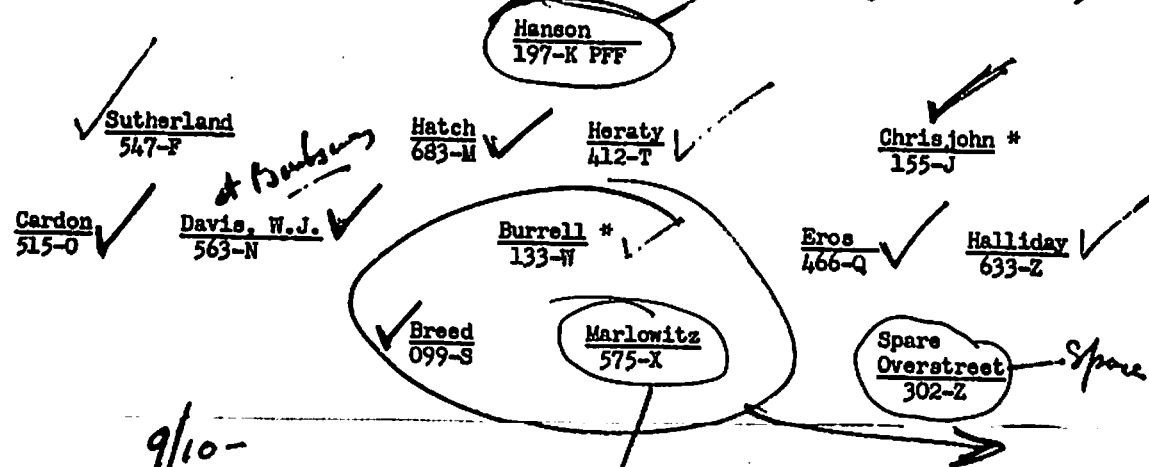
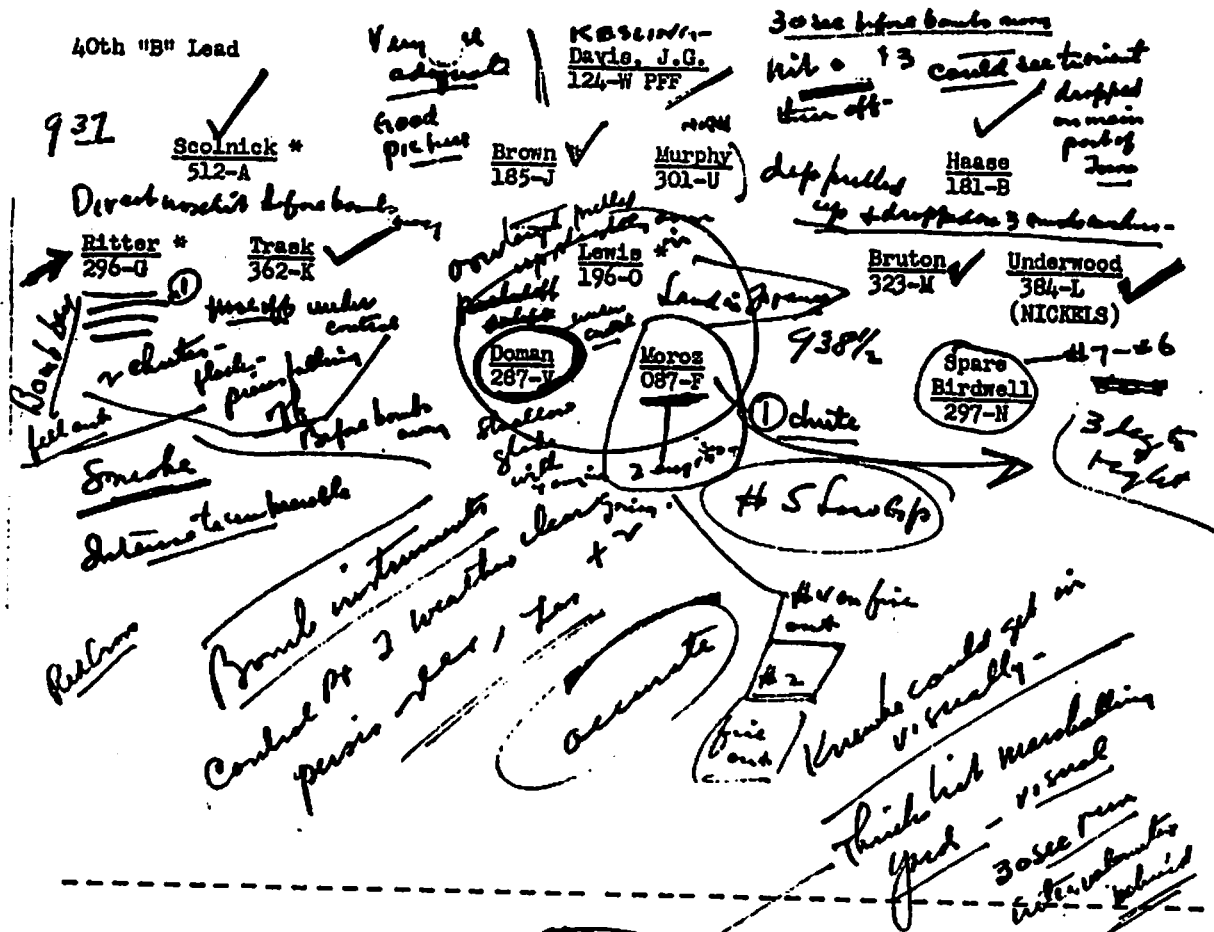
7. A/C in Distress

Cur A/C # 296-G, pilot Ritter, nose blown off by flak at target, one or two chutes seen. # 087-F, pilot Moros, feathered #2 and #4 engines at target, asked permission to land in France, last seen under control. # 287-V, pilot Doman, left formation at target in shallow glide, under control.

8. A/C Returning Early
A/C 575-Z, pilot Marlowitz, turned back 0938 after dropping bombs;
A/C 302-Z, pilot Overstreet, spare, turned back as briefed. Brought back
6 x 500 and 6 x M17.

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By RLB/NM NARA, Date 7-14-92



* Indicates CAMERA in Aircraft.

16 October 1944
(DATE)

SQDN.	TYPE A/C	SERIAL NO.	FLAK	20MM	.303	50CAL. FIRE	50CAL SHOUL. CASES	DAYS EST IN-OP
869th	P.F.F.	44-8187	0	(8)				
	T	44-8843	0					
	R	44-8888	SLI					1w
	W	44-87185	0					
	R	44-88099	0					
	V	44-108547	SER					2 days
	I	44-8568	SLI					1w
	Q	44-8518	SLI					1w
87.	Z	44-88808		NOT USED				
88th	P	44-6087		(8)				
	A	44-108818	SLI					1w
	L	44-88884	SLI					1w
	M	44-87888	SLI					1w
	X	44-87878	0	ABORT. # 2	Internal Failure:			
	J	44-88165	0					
	K	44-87688	0					
	Q-Q	44-8488	0					
889th	P.F.F.	44-8124	SER					3 days
	U	44-87801	SLI					
	J	44-87185	SER					
	Q	44-81196	SER					
	V	44-88287						
	R	44-87182	SER					4 days
	K	44-88808	SER					2 days
	G	44-88288	Missing					
89.	H	44-87887	SLI					

TOTAL DAMAGED	SEVERE	SLIGHT	FLAK	20MM	.303	50Cal Fire	50Cal ShoUL Cases	<i>Outfitted</i>
14	6	8	14	0	0	0	0	25
MISSING	ABORTIONS							
1	1							

FORMATION - MISSION - 15 OCTOBER, 1944

40th "B" Lead

Davis, J.G.
124-W PFF

Scolnick *
512-A

Brown *
185-J

Murphy ✦
301-U

Haase
181-B

Ritter *
296-G

Trask *
362-K

Lewis *
196-O

Bruton
323-M

Underwood
384-L
(NICKELS)

2 chutes, flak

Doman
287-V

Moroz
087-F

Spare
Birdwell
297-N

Ramb. col. suff to
identify -

accurate moderate
flak - a lot just after
bombing, tracking,

Target - #10 undercast from previous bombing.

Visual synchronization

Buckeye Red - ^{1st} aimed at target 2, clear,
then ^{2nd} ^{3rd} ^{4th} ^{5th} ^{6th} ^{7th} ^{8th} ^{9th} ^{10th} ^{11th} ^{12th} ^{13th} ^{14th} ^{15th} ^{16th} ^{17th} ^{18th} ^{19th} ^{20th} ^{21st} ^{22nd} ^{23rd} ^{24th} ^{25th} ^{26th} ^{27th} ^{28th} ^{29th} ^{30th} ^{31st} ^{32nd} ^{33rd} ^{34th} ^{35th} ^{36th} ^{37th} ^{38th} ^{39th} ^{40th} ^{41st} ^{42nd} ^{43rd} ^{44th} ^{45th} ^{46th} ^{47th} ^{48th} ^{49th} ^{50th} ^{51st} ^{52nd} ^{53rd} ^{54th} ^{55th} ^{56th} ^{57th} ^{58th} ^{59th} ^{60th} ^{61st} ^{62nd} ^{63rd} ^{64th} ^{65th} ^{66th} ^{67th} ^{68th} ^{69th} ^{70th} ^{71st} ^{72nd} ^{73rd} ^{74th} ^{75th} ^{76th} ^{77th} ^{78th} ^{79th} ^{80th} ^{81st} ^{82nd} ^{83rd} ^{84th} ^{85th} ^{86th} ^{87th} ^{88th} ^{89th} ^{90th} ^{91st} ^{92nd} ^{93rd} ^{94th} ^{95th} ^{96th} ^{97th} ^{98th} ^{99th} ^{100th} ^{101st} ^{102nd} ^{103rd} ^{104th} ^{105th} ^{106th} ^{107th} ^{108th} ^{109th} ^{110th} ^{111st} ^{112nd} ^{113rd} ^{114th} ^{115th} ^{116th} ^{117th} ^{118th} ^{119th} ^{120th} ^{121st} ^{122nd} ^{123rd} 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40th "B" Low

Hanson
197-K PFF

Sutherland
547-F

Hatch
683-M

Heraty
412-T

Chris John *
155-J

Cardon
515-O

Davis, W.J. *
563-N

Barrell *
133-W

Eros
466-Q

Halliday
633-Z

Breed
099-S

Marlowitz
575-X

Spare
Overstreet
302-Z

HEADQUARTERS 306TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
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SUBJECT: Our A/C in Distress

TO : S-4 Section,
Attention: Major VENABLE

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Major, AG,
Group S-2.

INTERCOMMUNICATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~###~~ 369 ~~###~~ A/C Number 124 Letter W Date 15-10-44

6 x 500

Bomb Load 6 x M17 H.E. Incendi.

Position in Formation

Time Tack Off 0640 Time Landed _____

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

40 B
Lead

1. HOT KEYS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

*Letter got direct nose hit - 0937 - over target
Shot nose off back to cockpit - spiralled down out of control - no fire - 4 chutes.*

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

NAME: Give rank and initials

1st Lt. J. G. Davis / Pilot

Major Keeling E. W. / Co-r

1st Lt. J. A. Wright / Nav.

Capt. Lt. Miersbach / Bomb

T/Sgt. G. J. Coghlan / Radi

T/Sgt. L. J. Yearous / Top

2nd Lt. I. L. Greenberg / Nav.

S/Sgt. E. L. Nofsinger / R/W

L/W

1st Lt. C. T. Bennett / Tail

1st Lt. G. A. SPENCER / R.N.

*B-17 down in flames at target
B-17 down in flames at target*

F-Fredlie was hit in #4 engine after bombs away - asked for permission to land in France as he had two engines out.

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 0938

alternate Height: 27,000

Last Resort Heading: 104°
(circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

to 119 mag.

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: Jettisoned: returned: abortive:

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

Own Bombs: *Hit in #3 engine 30 sec. before bombs away - A/C out of control for about 10 sec.*

*Bombed PPF secondary
Other bombing:*

Any Nickels: Yes No

Number bombs dropped _____

Number Bombs returned _____

Course was set up perfectly by timely visual rate correction

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

Deputy took over lead after bombs away as this a/c was out of formation. This a/c flew back in #5 position in low order.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) *10/10 all around target - 5/10 at target.*

Clouds to about 30,000 ft.

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

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~#####~~ 369 ~~###~~ A/C Number 301 Letter U Date 15-10-44

Bomb Load 6 x 500 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0640 Time Landed

	X	X	X	X	X	40 B
X	X	X	X	X	X	Lead
X	X	X	X	X	X	
X	X			X	X	

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

B-17 from lead - 1 chute

CHK: Give rank and initials

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

1st Lt. J. L. Murphy Pilot

2nd Lt. E. P. Fields Co-P

1st Lt. D. L. Stein Nav.

2nd Lt. L. A. G. Oldenburg Bomb *

S/Sgt. L. W. Jagnow Radi:

T/Sgt. A. R. Cecere Top T

S/Sgt. W. J. McGue Ball

S/Sgt. D. F. Bohrer R/W

L/W

Sgt. W. A. Liles Tail

Started on PFF run.

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 0938

Alternate Height: 27,300

Last resort Heading: 100 mag.

Duration Bomb Run: turned off 5:123

Lead A/C hit 1 minute before bombs away

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

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

Own Bombs: Took over at 0937 - Behind hit near primary.

Dropped partly on smoke markers of other bombing: pairing bombs, partly on sighting.

Any Nickels: Yes No

Number bombs dropped

Number Bombs returned

Really close of preceding CBW?

Lead A/C dropped on Keeling (185 yes)

5. any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY CONFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

Left Belg Coast - 5708N - 0241 E at 1126. North of Clacton - 1152. Lat 1242.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

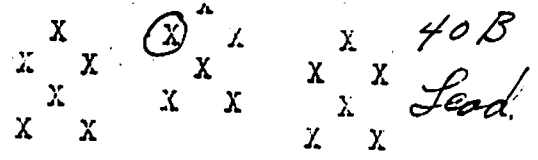
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SQUADRON ~~#####~~ 369 ~~###~~ A/C Number 185 Letter J Date 15-10-44

Bomb Load 6 x 500 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation



Time Took Off 0640 Time Landed _____

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

296 - rose thru off -
1 chute - in target area just
before bombs away -
friendly A/C in any kind of distress:
(Give position, time, altitude, full
details)

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

- 1st Lt. R. G. Brown Pilot
- 2nd Lt. W. F. Giglio Co-r
- 2nd Lt. J. B. Walden Nav
- 2/Sgt. L. J. Peterson Bom
- 3/Sgt. R. A. Ohm Rec
- T/Sgt. J. J. Farn Top
- Sgt. J. W. Keheley Bal
- S/Sgt. S. Schnell R/W
- _____ L/W
- Sgt. J. W. Bollard Tail

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 0939
Alternate Height: 27000
Last Rescrt Heading: 95 mag
(circle)
Duration Bomb Run:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target (all) Detonated: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)
Own Bombs: not observed - but probably visual target.

Any Nickels: Yes No
Broken bombs dropped _____
Number Bombs returned _____

Other bombing:

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No? pictures

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.)
high formation

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) Target about 4 - 6/10 obs - Overcast

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

Time	Place	Height (if A/C	Type (light heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location Bursts in re- lation to A/C	Accuracy
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Flak at target moderate, accurate tracking

(Tactics of E/A)

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

C L A I M S

DESTROYED

PROBABLY

DAMAGED

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

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

*Good support in not many
after "burst up" over target.*

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, balloons, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, and signals; activity at airdromes, ports, waterways, trails, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landings, new enemy installations,

none - mostly heavy -

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C is shot, state whether by A.A., E/A action, accident or Undetermined Cause)

see front

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

Lt. Brown hit in arm - not severe - stayed in seat.

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly) #3 tank big hole - one in

front bay -

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

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

S-2 OFFICER

Kavanaugh

TIME COMPLETED

INTERROGATION Form

SQUADRON ~~369~~ 369. # ~~98~~ A/C Number 196 Letter 0 Date 15-10-44

Bomb Load 6 x 500 6 x M17 H.S. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0640 Time Landed

X	X	X	X	40 B
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:

Domian pulled off over target, out of formation, shallow glide, no chutes. Apparently all OK. no flames, etc.

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

CLERK: Give rank and initials

- 2nd Lt. J. R. Lewis Pilot
- 1st Lt. E. F. Shoop Co-ur
- 2nd Lt. A. J. Silvasy Nav.
- 2nd Lt. L. A. Harrison Bomb.
- S/Sgt. G. A. Schuster Radi
- S/Sgt. R. T. Patterson Top
- S/Sgt. F. H. Geitz Ball
- S/Sgt. R. L. Geitz R/W
- S/Sgt. J. C. Bunn Tail

087 No 4 engine - feathered & dropped out of formation over target. no chutes. Under control

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 0938
 Alternate Height: 27000
 Last Resort Heading: 707° mag
 Duration bomb Run:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: all Detonated: Returned: abortive:

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

Own Bombs: Half PFF; Half round

Other bombing: Run was PFF

Any Nickels: Yes No
 Number bombs dropped
 Number Bombs returned

5. any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

with pointer

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission. Try to describe weather about 3/4 hr before start of mission)

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

Essentially clear this morning. Davis had to keep us with.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light or heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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Route = (51224-0612 E) flt. (can read too near to)

at target flak was very accurate

INTERCOMBAT FLAK

SQUADRON #359 #48B n/c Number 287 Letter V Date 15-10-44

Bomb Load 6 x 500 6 x M17 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0640 Time Landed

Formation grid with 'X' marks and handwritten '40B' and 'Lead'.

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

Lewis says: Pulled out over target, shallow glide, no chutes, no flames.

CREW: Give rank and initials

Friendly n/c in any kind of distress: (Give position, time, altitude, full details) Strip A-87

- 2nd Lt. W. M. Doman Pil
2nd Lt. R. M. Wood Co-1
2nd Lt. J. J. Fitzsimmons Nav
2nd Lt. W. M. Lanus Bomb
Sgt. J. E. Thwaite Rad.
Sgt. L. D. Hardin Top
Sgt. E. P. Richards Ball
Sgt. B. Parker R/W
Sgt. S. Stojkov Tail

Landed Gosselles (nr. Charleville) - Col Park c.o. 67th Tactical Recon Sq. - APO-595-98AF

Still at same field under com of 85 AFSC, being revised. When last seen this was a 24 hr. guard. 3 Nov 11' at field #1024 Reported to S-2 first & gave all pertinent information. My. Rankers

TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 0938h WOUNDED
Alternate Height: 26,000 ft.
Last Resort Heading: 070°
Duration Bomb Run: in train.

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

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

Crew Bombs: Upper local hit at bombs away - engines wounded, oxygen, hydraulics & electrical system knocked out. Followed formation for short time, but had no intention & no oxygen, so had to let down after burning 10 mins. Covered bomb line south of location reported by P-47's. First killed after mission possibly territory to indicate wounded aboard, as 47's led them in to this field.

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.)

Navigator gave engine morphine & started patching up right leg, then packed wound on inside of left knee which was bleeding profusely. Packed up 3 holes on right leg & 2 on left, then applied tourniquets. Medics say he couldn't have lived for 10 minutes longer. Crew feels that Copilot is responsible for saving engine's life by pulling him out of turn quickly.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

Table with columns: 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.

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~369~~ 369 ~~400~~ A/C Number 181 Letter B Date 15-10-44

Bomb Load 6 x 500

H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0640 Time Landed 12 43

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

*40 B to B.A
I gave the Dept of
Lead 3. Lead 4.*

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

*2 more after B.A. 1 B-17 over target
down - two pieces - no chutes
seen -*

NAME: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 1st Lt. W. J. Haase Pilot
- 2nd Lt. H. W. Pearce Co-P
- 2nd Lt. J. W. Barkwill Nav.
- 2nd Lt. E. A. Sandberg Bomb
- S/Sgt. L. N. Gibson Radi.
- S/Sgt. W. Miller Top T
- Sgt. M. D. Wood Ball
- Sgt. N. C. Sulser R/W
- Sgt. R. C. Zimmerman Tail

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 0938
Alternate Height: 27000
Last Resort Heading: 112° mag
(circle)
Duration Bomb Run:

T.O. 122° mag

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 bombs dropped _____
Number Bombs 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
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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~367~~ 368 ~~369 XXXX~~ A/C Number 384 Letter L Date 15 October, 1944

NICKELS
Bomb Load 10 - T177 H.E. Incend.

Time Took Off 06:40 Time Landed 1250

Position in Formation

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

40B
Lead

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

1 chute at target.

CHECK: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 2nd Lt. H. E. Underwood Pilot
- 2nd Lt. W. D. Carder Co-rt
- 2nd Lt. J. G. Weber Nav.
- 1st Lt. H. L. Hall Bomb
- S/Sgt. H. (NMI) Leventhal Radi
- S/Sgt. F. T. Davelly Top
- Sgt. H. P. Meszar Ball
- Sgt. L. E. Kelly R/W
- Sgt. N. J. Tanno Tail

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 0937.
 Alternate Height: 27,000.
 Last resort Heading: 111° M.
 (circle)
 Duration Bomb Run:

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

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

Own Bombs:

didn't see 'em.

Any Nickels: (Yes) No
 Number bombs dropped _____
 Number Bombs returned _____

Other bombing:

*Chaff
ok*

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.)

as is.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) - 8/10 - non - Pers. on this at target.

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

Time	Place	Height of	Type (light heavy), intense,	Color of	Location Bursts in re-	Accuracy
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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~30X~~ 368 ~~369~~ A/C Number 323 Letter M Date 15 October, 1944

Bomb Load 6 x 500 6 x M17 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 06:40 Time Landed 1240

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

40 B
Lead

HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

Crew: Give Rank and Initials

- 2nd Lt. M. J. Bruton Pilot
- 2nd Lt. R. F. Maden Co-pil
- 2nd Lt. C. O. Holt, Jr Nav.
- T/Sgt. H. A. Polderman Bomb
- T/Sgt. A. W. Chominski Radi
- T/Sgt. E. L. Findley Top T
- S/Sgt. K. J. Thompson Ball
- S/Sgt. J. P. Lighthouse R/W
- L/W
- S/Sgt. J. J. Fredericks Tail

Pitter
296

087 - 0936 hrs. Hit by flak
pieces of wire - 2 chutes

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

087 - down into clouds at 0936.

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: *0938*

Alternate Height: *27,000*

Last resort Heading: *100°*

(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: *W. side of River*

Chaff ok

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No

Number bombs dropped _____

Number Bombs returned _____

5. any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY CONFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

as is.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) *Pers. con - trails - 6/10 over.*

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (light)	Color	Location	Account
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Believe Luman turned left at target to follow Kessling 10
 INTERCOMBAT Form

SQUADRON ~~XXX~~ 368 ~~XXXXXXXX~~ A/C Number 512 Letter A Date 15 October, 1944

Bomb Load 6 x 500 6 x M17 H.E. Incend.

Time Tack Off 06:40 Time Landed 1310

Position in Formation

(X)	X	X	X	40 B
X	X	X	X	Lead
X	X	X	X	

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

Target - Ritter direct hit in nose, one chute.

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

Target - B-17 down in flames no chute.

intermittent contacts

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 0938
 Alternate Height: 27000
 List resort Heading: 120 (circle)
 Duration Bomb Run: no turn.

1st Lt. R. J. Scolnik	Pilot
Major Hulings	Co-P
2nd Lt. I. (NMI) Dorushkin	Nav.
F/O. R. C. Urich, Jr.	Bomb
T/Sgt. R. F. Combs	Radi
T/Sgt. R. E. Dobbs	Top E
S/Sgt. C. B. Culp	Ball
Sgt. J. A. Lawrenz	R/W
	L/W
S/Sgt. G. L. Barber	Tail
1st Lt. E. T. Murtha Jr.	S-2 (X)

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

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

Own bombs: misses

Other bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No No
 Number bombs dropped _____
 Number Bombs returned _____

5. any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACHED BY COMPLETE AIR 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.

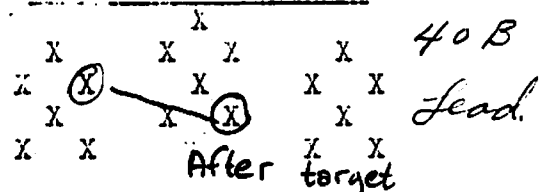
Time	Place	Height of	Type (light heavy), intense,	Color of	Location	Bursts in re-	Accuracy
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INVESTIGATION REPORT

SQUADRON ~~#####~~ 3 ~~###~~ a/c Number 362 Lett K Date 15-10-44 11.
Bomb Load 6 x 500 H.E. Incend.

Time Took Off 0640 Time Lande! _____

Position in Formation



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

A/C Ritter. Hit in Bomb bays
Several parts falling out. Before BA 2 min.
No chutes. Peeled out of formation and possibly seemed under control.

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 2nd Lt. R. E. Trask ✓ Pilot
- 2nd Lt. Morere, H. J. / Co.
- 2nd Lt. G. J. Lateano ✓ Nav.
- 2nd Lt. G. T. Kerr, Jr. / Bomb
- Sgt. J. S. Belker ~~_____~~ Radi
- Sgt. C. H. Nuessen ~~_____~~ Top
- Sgt. C. C. Krone ~~_____~~ Ball
- Sgt. Elmer R. Wilke ~~_____~~ Tail
- _____ L/W
- Sgt. Emil R. Wilke ~~_____~~ RW Tail

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 0938
Alternate Height: 26500
Last Resort Heading: 95 M
(circle)
Duration Bomb Run:

3. Number of BOMBS (All 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 bombs dropped _____
Number Bombs 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.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) Partially covered. 5/10. Et 2-3/10
on rest of continent. Contrails non-persis. 26000
9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of a/c	Type (light heavy), intense, moderate or light	Color of Bursts	Location Bursts in relation to a/c	Accuracy

(Tactics of E/A)

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

C L A I M S

DESTROYED _____

PROBABLY _____

DAMAGED _____

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

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

Good
~~Fair~~ P-51

Saw them most of time

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummys, camouflage, smoke screens, and 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 lose, 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) Rt. Oxy. system shot out. Nose inter cable cut
Instru. panel on Copil. side out. 20 holes.

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

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

S-2 OFFICER

Esper

TIME COMPLETED

1337

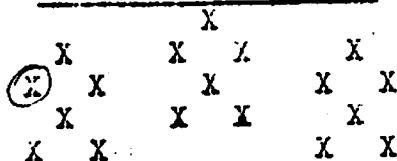
INTERROGATION FCUs:

SQUADRON ~~#####~~ S1 4887 A/C Number 296 Lt. G. Date 15-10-44

Bomb Load 6 x 500 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0640 Time Landed _____



40 B

Lead.

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

Trank says: Hit - bombays, out of form, under control.

Hatch: 1 chute - 0939 - spiraled.

Burrell: Down after bomb away; flak hit - nose. Down in glide under control.

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

CRE.: Give Rank and Initials

2nd Lt. R. G. Ritter ✓ MIA Pilot

Brown says: nose blown off.

2nd Lt. R. W. Duncan ✓ Co-r

Boniton says: Hit by flak - pieces off nose. 2 chutes.

2nd Lt. J. A. Seibert ✓ Nav.

Seolnick says: Direct hit - nose - one chute.

2nd Lt. R. A. Stalker ✓ Bomb

Birdwell says: 0938 7/8 disintegrated - Down

Sgt. J. J. Daly ✓ Radi

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Heraty says: Direct nose hit - 1 chute. under control.

Sgt. S. J. Bussieres ✓ Top

Primary Time:

Sgt. K. D. Ross ✓ Tail

Alternate Height:

Sgt. D. F. Callahan ✓ R/W

Last Resort Heading:

(circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

back to cockpit.

_____ L/W

Davis says: Direct nose hit - 0937 - spiraled down out of control. 4 chutes.

Sgt. J. W. Tomke ✓ Tail

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

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

Own Bombs:

Any Nickels: Yes No

Other bombing:

Number bombs dropped _____

Number Bombs 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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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~#####~~ 369 ~~###~~ A/C Number 297 Lat. N Date 15-10-44
Bomb Load 6 x 500 H.E. Incend.

Time Took Off 0640 Time Landed

Position in Formation

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

Spar

Give Rank and Initials

- 2nd Lt. H. S. Birdwell Pilot
- 2nd Lt. N. H. Perkins Co.
- 2nd Lt. S. A. Goldberg Nav.
- 2nd Lt. A. F. Barulich Bomb
- S/Sgt. A. A. Burns Radi
- S/Sgt. R. F. Roach Top
- Sgt. P. O. Luthi Ball
- S/Sgt. R. J. Montague R/W
- S/Sgt. T. W. Parker L/V
- S/Sgt. T. W. Parker Tail

NOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No *see before*
 Details: *2000 bomb away*
 → Ritter got direct hit over target - one man out
 few sec. after hit - did not look like he was jumping
 no chute seen. List all going down under control -
 stuff scattered everywhere - no fire
 Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

Damon, mory, Ritter got direct hits
formation pretty well split up. Dropped
rest of formation - under control -

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 0938
 Alternate Height: 27,000
 Last Resort Heading: 120
 (circle)
 Duration Bomb Run:
Rt turn - 125 mag.

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

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

Own Bombs:

Other Bombing:

Dropped on level

Any Nickels: Yes No
 Number bombs dropped
 Number Bombs 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)

5/10 target area -

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

Time	Place	Height of	Type (light heavy), intense.	Color of	Location	Accuracy
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INTERROGATION FORM

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SQUADRON 367 ~~#####~~ A/C Number 197 Lett K Date 15-10-44

Bomb Load 6 x 500 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0640 Time Landed _____

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

40 B
Low

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

B-17 from our lead, steep climb into clouds, 2 chutes, just after our bombs away.

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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Capt. H. E. Hanson Pilot

1st Lt. F. M. McCullagh Co-pilot

1st Lt. G. L. Feltz Nav.

2nd Lt. W. P. Guy Bomb

T/Sgt. T. P. Piechowski Radio

T/Sgt. H. (NMI) Vitale Top

1st Lt. L. F. Peters ~~#####~~ RN

S/Sgt. O. J. Graham R/W

L/W

S/Sgt. C. (NMI) Walters Tail

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 0938 *1/2*

Alternate Height:

Last Resort Heading:
(circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

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

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

Own Bombs: *Visual, although he started run on idea that it would be PFF*

Other bombing: *but after a min or so, bomb took over.*

Any Nickels: Yes No
Number bombs dropped _____
Number Bombs 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

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 ~~#####~~ A/C Number 412 Letter T Date 15-10-44

Bomb Load 6 x 500 ✓
6 x M17 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0640 Time Landed 1230

X	X	X	X	X	40B
X	X	X	X	X	Low
X	X	X	X	X	

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

CMS.: Give Rank and Initials

- 1st Lt. J. P. Heraty ✓ Pilot
- 2nd Lt. C. E. Cushing ✓ Co-P
- 2nd Lt. W. J. McKenna ✓ Nav.
- 2nd Lt. G. H. Bower ✓ Bomb
- T/Sgt. W. A. Nelson ✓ Radi
- T/Sgt. F. A. Clites ✓ Top 5
- S/Sgt. H. W. Nelson ✓ Ball
- S/Sgt. H. M. Mondsheim ✓ R/W
- S/Sgt. W. T. Gillespie ✓ Tail

Moroy, 087-F, 2 engines out at 0955 bef. Rhine.

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

Ritter 296-G - 0937 - 1 chuto, direct nose hit.

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 0938 1/2
Alternate Height: 26,500
Last resort Heading: 091°M
(circle)
Duration Bomb Run: 130°M.

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

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

Own Bombs: W of R. River

Any Nickels: Yes (No)
Number bombs dropped _____
Number Bombs returned _____

Chaff old

0935: any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? (No)

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

As be.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) 8/10 - Target - Non-Per. con-t.

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

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

SQUADRON 367 ~~#####~~ A/C Number 683 Letter M Date 15-10-44

Bomb Load 6 x 500 ✓
6 x M17 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0640 Time Landed 1240

	X	X	X	X	X	40 B
X	X	X	X	X	X	Low
X	X	X	X	X	X	
X	X			X	X	

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

2 feathered prop, 0939, silver tail marking, falling

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

*Belch
Pitter - 1 chute - 0939 - down in spiral & lost to sight.*

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

- 2nd Lt. G. L. Hatch ✓ Pilot
- 2nd Lt. W. E. Miessler ✓ Co-p
- 2nd Lt. E. A. Skonieczny Nav.
- 2nd Lt. C. C. Day Bomb
- Sgt. R. W. Search Radi
- Sgt. J. S. Regulla Top
- Sgt. F. R. Mitchell Ball
- Sgt. J. K. Young R/W
- L/W
- S/Sgt. D. F. Offord Tail

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 0939
 Alternate Height: 26,400
 Last resort Heading: 090° M
 (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: *w. of River*

*Chaff
ole*

Other bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No
 Number bombs dropped _____
 Number Bombs returned _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACHED 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 br.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) *Smoke - 7/10ths - 12,000'*

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home. *None. Per Con trails.*

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

SQUADRON 367 ~~#####~~ A/C Number 133 Letter W Date 15-10-44

Bomb Load 6 x M17 H.E. Incend.

Time Took Off 0640 Time Landed 1235

Position in Formation

	X	X	X	X	40 B
X	X	X	X	X	Low
X	X	X	X	X	
X	X	X	X	X	

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

1-B-17 - Ritter down right at Bombs away. Flak hit in nose of A/C. Was rep on fire! ~~spotted~~ seen went down in glide apparent. Friendly A/C in any kind of distress: (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
under control.

NOTE: Give Rank and Initials

- 2nd Lt. E. J. Burrell ✓ Pilot
- 2nd Lt. J. L. Davis ✓ Co-p
- 2nd Lt. D. J. Holland ✓ Nav.
- T/Sgt. W. C. Starbuck ✓ Bomb
- B/Sgt. R. L. Fistos ✓ Radi
- T/Sgt. E. (NMI) Zbasnick ✓ Top
- S/Sgt. T. (NMI) Dykstra ✓ Ball
- S/Sgt. V. (NMI) Ray ✓ R/W
- S/Sgt. R. J. Baylson ✓ Tail

7 - Freddie white tail. Feathered two engines and said he was going to land in front. Had contact with hijacking.

TARGET ATTACHED:
Vis. Primary Time: 0938
Alternate Height: 26,300
Last Resort Heading: 113° M
(circle)
Duration Bomb Run: 120° M

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

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

Own Bombs:

Other bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No
Number bombs dropped
Number Bombs returned

5. any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFLIGHT 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 group

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home. Clear up to cl.P. - I.P. to Target Patch clouds 4/10

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light heavy), intense, moderate or	Color of	Location of Bursts in re-	Accuracy
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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~367~~ 368 ~~XXXXXXXX~~ A/C Number 575 Letter X Date 15 October, 1944

Bomb Load 6 x 500
6 x M17 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 06:40 Time Landed 1147

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

40 B
Low

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

NOTE: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 1st Lt. J. C. Marlovitz Pilot
- 2nd Lt. G. W. Purnell Co-r
- 2nd Lt. Hon. T. Chee Nav.
- S/Sgt. R. G. Atwood Bomb
- T/Sgt. M. D. Houston Radi
- T/Sgt. J. M. Hoffman Top
- S/Sgt. R. A. Russo, Jr. Ball
- Sgt. F. (NMI) Pospiech R/W
- L/i
- S/Sgt. R. E. Cooper Tail

~~#1~~ Turned 0938 at 5055-0640
#2 Oil leak - broken line
Pressure down to 0.
Could not keep with formation
Came back alone

2. TARGET ATTACHED:
Primary Time: 0938
Alternate Height: 24,000
Last resort Heading: 280°
(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: Flak battery Salvo
Other Bombing:
Any Nickels: Yes No
Number bombs dropped _____
Number Bombs 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
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(Tactics of E/A)

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

C L A I M

DESTROYED _____

PROBABLY _____

DAMAGED _____

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

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

good

4 ST's come back with AC

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, and 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)

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

one engine feathered

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

S-2 OFFICER

None

TIME COLLECTED

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 ~~367~~ A/C Number 099 Letter S Date 15-10-44

Bomb Load 6 x 500 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0640 Time Landed 1228

X	X	X	X	X	40 B
X	X	X	X	X	Low
X	X	X	X	X	

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

NOTE: Give Rank and Initials

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

0945

W. Willie with silver tail 2 engines feathered called back said he was landing in Brussels

- 2nd Lt. R. H. Breed Pilot
- 2nd Lt. J. D. Smith Co-P
- 2nd Lt. F. W. Anderson Nav.
- F/O E. R. Clark Bomb
- T/Sgt. R. W. Grahler Radi
- T/Sgt. G. R. Lothian Top
- S/Sgt. J. C. Tynan Ball
- S/Sgt. R. (NMI) Ursel R/W
- S/Sgt. C. E. Paine Tail

B-17 - forgot - going down one chute reported out just after bombs away

2. TARGET ATTACHED: ~~it~~ unknown.

Primary Time: 0938

Alternate Height: 95

Last Resort Heading: 26,500 (circle)

Duration bomb run: Turn 130°

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

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

Own Bombs:

Other bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No
Number bombs dropped
Number Bombs returned

5. any PHOTOGRA... taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ALERTIVE 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 ...

INTERCOMMUNICATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~367~~ 368 ~~369~~ ~~370~~ A/C Number 155 Letter J Date 15 October, 1944

Bomb Load 6 x 500 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 06:40 Time Landed

X	X	X	X	(Y)	40 B
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	Lower

1. HOT ITEMS 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. R. J. Chrisjohn Pilot
- 2nd Lt. W. (NMI) Rizzo Co-P
- 2nd Lt. C. N. Levy Nav.
- F/O. J. W. Johnson Bomb
- T/Sgt. L. R. Gilbert Radi
- S/Sgt. A. G. Trobaugh Top 5
- S/Sgt. H. (NMI) Gadarian Ball
- S/Sgt. B. R. Fuller R/W
- S/Sgt. A. E. Jacobson Tail

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 0938
 Alternate Height: 26,500
 List Resort Heading: 091°
 (circle)
 Duration bomb Run:

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 bombs dropped
 Number Bombs returned

5. any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY CONFUSE AND RESULTS:

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

With Group

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	Color of Bursts	Location Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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SQUADRON ~~300~~ 368 ~~300000000~~ A/C Number 633 Letter Z Date 15 October, 1944

Bomb Load 6 x 500 H.E. Incand.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 06:40 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

40 B
Low

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

087 - F going down with 2 engine feathered leaving target - #4 was on fire. put out fire & feathered #4 also feathered #2 losing alt fast but under control

Give Rank and Initials

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

- 2nd Lt. C. L. Halliday Pilot
- 2nd Lt. B. D. Martin Co-P
- F/O. I. B. Holden, Jr. Nav.
- 2nd Lt. E. F. Miller, Jr. Bomb
- S/Sgt. D. B. Hawkins Radi
- S/Sgt. C. H. Crane Top
- Sgt. R. H. MacGillivray Ball
- Sgt. H. C. Trimmer R/W
- Sgt. C. O. Rasmussen Tail

Hi 5g. Hit flak just after bombs away
was heading to n. under control

0935 on ship me 17 behind went back on fire white steam open - on bomb run. prob hit from above

TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 0938
Alternate Height: 26,400
Last Resort Heading: 90
(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 bombs dropped
Number Bombs 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.)

controls - light non persistent at alt.

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
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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~827X~~ 368 ~~829XX128X~~ A/C Number 466 Letter Q Date 15 October, 1944

Bomb Load 6 x 500
6 x M17 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 06:40 Time Landed 1230

X X X X X 40 B
X X X X X
X X X X X Low

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details: (over target)

A/C from lead squadron dropped back then went down in steep dive, no fire, 1 chute

NOTE: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 2nd Lt. K. N. Eros Pilot
- 2nd Lt. A. J. Maenner Co-r
- 2nd Lt. J. M. Pavin Nav.
- 2nd Lt. D. S. Townsend Bomb
- T/Sgt. R. A. Ozee Radi
- T/Sgt. S. (NMI) Disko Top
- S/Sgt. R. F. Tennant Ball
- S/Sgt. J. W. Inman R/W
- S/Sgt. R. V. Swindle Tail

one 368th sq. white on tail of engine feathers and streaming white smoke from engine. was under control. no chutes

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 0938
Alternate Height: 26,400
List Resort Heading: 086°M
(circle)
Duration Bomb Run: 100°M

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: All Jettisoned: Returned: abortive:
4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others) all salvo because of B.Bay door half shut

Own Bombs: Too much smoke
Other Bombing: Any Nickels: Yes No
Number bombs dropped
Number Bombs returned

5. any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

with group

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

1 A/C from group behind down in flames (over target) no chutes

INTERCOMBAT REPORT

SQUADRON 367 ~~#####~~ A/C Number 547 Letter F Date 15-10-44

Bomb Load 6 x 500 6 x M17 H.E. Incert.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0640 Time Landed 1235

①	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X

40 B ✓
Low

1. HOT LINES to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:
1-B-17. over target area after
B.A. (Ritter) - 1 chute - no fire
no smoke -

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

2nd Lt. E. B. Outherland	Pilot
2nd Lt. J. K. Field	Co-ord
^{1st} Lt. F. W. Shipman	Nav.
2nd Lt. E. F. Smythe	Bomb
T/Sgt. H. E. Beistling	Radi
T/Sgt. G. M. Maddock	Top
S/Sgt. W. H. Sanders	Ball
S/Sgt. G. A. Vicknair	R/W
	L/W
Sgt. J. (NHI) Revis	Tail

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 0938 1/2
Alternate Height: 26100
Last resort Heading: 090° mag
(circle)
Duration bomb run:
T.O. 120° mag

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 bombs dropped _____
Number Bombs returned _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACHED BY CONFUSE AND RESULTS:

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

Except on log our line towards target - 210' Alt -
instead of 150' - 2

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

5/10 - overcast - Clouds - 8/10 - haze very thick -

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

Yes - below 10000'

Time	Place	Height	Type (Light)	Color	Location	Accuracy
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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 307 ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ A/C Number 563 Letter N Date 15-10-44

Bomb Load 6 x 500 6 x M17 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0640 Time Landed

1	X	X	X	X
2	X	X	X	X
3	X	X	X	X
4	X	X	X	X
5	X	X	X	X
6	X	X	X	X

1. HOSTILES to be phoned in? Yes No

Details: (B1) in target area in semi-spin about 30 minutes before bomb away. Flew hit all in one piece.

NOTE: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 2nd Lt. W. J. Davis Pilot
- 2nd Lt. V. F. Daley Co-r
- 2nd Lt. C. E. Putt Nav.
- 2nd Lt. C. W. Tuohy Bomb.
- T/Sgt. T. M. Mahoney Radi.
- T/Sgt. P. H. Hammond Top
- S/Sgt. F. E. Fyksen Ball
- S/Sgt. J. L. Martinez R/W
- L/W
- Sgt. J. F. D. Menzie Tail

Targeting: This man in formation #4 engine on fire, feathered it. also feathered #2 - under control. Way down below.

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 0939
Alternate Height: 25500
Last Resort Heading: 86° mag
(circle)
Duration bomb Run:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: (all) Detonated: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: Hit small RR yds - say Bombardier

Other bombing: Bombing was visual - any Nickels: Yes No
Number bombs dropped
Number Bombs returned

But made 8 FF run -
5. any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY CONFIRE AND RESULTS:

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

with formation -

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home. Target 4 - 5/10ths overcast - Rest of route: In clear enough for pilotage. Way out: more coverage. "bang" in 35-40 minutes near Rhein.

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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at target flak was moderate accurate both lanes.

(Tactics of E/A)

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

CLAIMS

DESTROYED 9

PROBABLY 0

DAMAGED 0

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

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

Fights support first ordered up as hoped. Then fire about 20 minutes lost it just after supply line - Right after target.

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, and signals; activity at airbases, 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)

see front

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

None

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

Six or eight holes probably severe damage

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

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

S-2 OFFICER

Karven

TIME COMPLETE

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 307 ~~REDACTED~~ A/C Number 515 Letter O Date 15-10-44

6 x 500

Bomb Load 6 x M17 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0640 Time Landed 1300

X	X	X	X	40 B
(2) X	X	X	X	Low
X	X	X	X	
X			X	

1. HOT KEYS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

2-B-17 over target down one chute out of one spread at once about 26,000 ft. this C/P/C was down and initial planes, other in plane broke in half - no chutes - Flak for fuel.

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

2nd Lt. R. L. Cardon	✓	Pilot
2nd Lt. D. R. Lenn	✓	Co-p
2nd Lt. R. D. Allen	✓	Nav.
2nd Lt. E. L. Todd	✓	Bomb
T/Sgt. E. S. Fox	✓	Radi
T/Sgt. L. A. Glasscock	✓	Top
Sgt. R. E. Crede	✓	Ball
T/Sgt. J. (NMI) Coleman	✓	R/W
		L/W
T/Sgt. H. I. Miller	✓	Tail

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 0938:15

Alternate Height: _____

Last resort Heading: 090° N

Duration Bomb Run: _____

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 bombs dropped
Number Bombs returned

5. any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY CONFUSE AND RESULTS:

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

with group.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home. Out. off target Broken x-5/10 - 24, down to 15,000 hgt.

Time	Place	Height of	Type (light heavy), intense,	Color of	Location Bursts in re-	Accuracy
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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 307 ~~#####~~ A/C Number 302 Letter Z Date 15-10-44
6 x 500
Bomb Load 6 x M17 H.E. Incend.

Time Tack Off 0640 Time Landed _____

Position in Formation

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

Share

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

*0200 E
0844*

NOTE: Give rank and initials

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

- ~~2nd Lt. R. E. Overstreet Pilot~~
- ~~2nd Lt. F. H. Shepard Co-P~~
- ~~2nd Lt. F. J. Fortman Nav.~~
- ~~2nd Lt. J. A. Stauber Bomb~~
- ~~Sgt. W. B. Beardsen Radi~~
- ~~Sgt. S. F. Davis Top~~
- ~~S/Sgt. G. M. Cresswell Ball~~
- ~~Sgt. M. J. Dempsey R/W~~
- ~~_____ L/W~~
- ~~Sgt. L. E. Richards Tail~~

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time:
Alternate Height:
List 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)

*Formation ok
Weather ok-ahead-clear*

Own Bombs:

Other bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No
Number bombs dropped _____
Number Bombs returned _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ALIVE 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
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MISSION NUMBER 245

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A/C Number 42-8287

Total Flying Time MISSING IN ACTION

A/C Number 4297301

Total Flying Time 6:25

- (P) Doman, W. M. 2nd. Lt.
- (CP) Wood, R. M. "
- (N) Fitzsimmons, J. J. 2nd. Lt.
- (B) Ianus, W. M. "
- (E) Hardin, L. D. Sgt.
- (RO) Thwaite, J. E. "
- (G) Richards, E. P. "
- (G) Parker, B. Sgt.
- (G) Stojkov, S. "

- (P) Murphy, J. L. 1st. Lt.
- (CP) Fields, E. P. "
- (N) Stein, D. L. "
- (B) Oldenberg, L. A. 2nd. Lt.
- (E) Cecere, A. R. T/Sgt.
- (RO) Jagnow, L. W. S/Sgt.
- (G) McCue, W. J. "
- (G) Bohrer, D. F. "
- (G) Iiles, W. A. Sgt.

MISSING IN ACTION

A/C Number 42-8296

Total Flying Time MISSING IN ACTION

A/C Number 42-97297

Total Flying Time 6:35

- (P) Ritter, B. G. 2nd. Lt.
- (CP) Duncan, R. W. "
- (N) Seibert, J. A. "
- (B) Stelker, B. A. "
- (E) Bussieres, S. J. Sgt.
- (RO) Daly, J. J. Sgt.
- (G) Ross, K. D. "
- (G) Callahan, D. F. Sgt.
- (G) Tomke, J. W. "

- (P) Birdwell, R. S. 1st. Lt.
- (CP) Perkins, N. H. 2nd. Lt.
- (N) Goldberg, S. A. "
- (B) Barulich, A. F. "
- (E) Roach, R. E. S/Sgt.
- (RO) Burns, A. A. T/Sgt.
- (G) Luthi, P. O. S/Sgt.
- (G) Montague, R. J. "
- (G) Parker, T. W. "

MISSING IN ACTION

A/C Number 44-8124

Total Flying Time 6:20

A/C Number 42-97181

Total Flying Time 6:30

- (F) Davis, J. G. 1st. Lt.
- (CP) Kesling, E. W. Maj.
- (N) Wright, J. A. 1st. Lt.
- (P) Niersbach, N. G. Capt.
- (RN) Spencer, G. A. 1st. Lt.
- (E) Yearous, L. J. T/Sgt.
- (B) Coghlan, G. J. "
- (G) Nofsinger, E. L. S/Sgt.
- (G) ~~KeKALM E. AK~~ ~~AKK/~~
- (G) Bennett, C. T. 1st. Lt.
- (N) GREENBURG, I. I. 2nd Lt.

- (P) Haase, W. J. 1st. Lt.
- (CP) Pearce, H. W. 2nd. Lt.
- (N) Barkwill, J. W. "
- (B) Sandberg, E. A. "
- (E) Miller, W. S/Sgt.
- (RO) Gibson, L. N. "
- (G) Sulser, N. C. Sgt.
- (G) Wood, M. D. Sgt.
- (G) Zimmerman, R. C. Sgt.

369th - 15/LOWN

MISSION NUMBER 245

Oct. 15, 1944

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SQUAD NO. 369th.

A/C Number 43-38362
Total Flying Time 6:35

A/C Number
Total Flying Time

- (P) Trask, R. E. 2nd. Lt.
- (CP) Morere, H. J. "
- (N) Lateano, G. J. "
- (B) Kerr, G. T. "
- (E) Nuessen, C. H. Sgt.
- (RO) Belker, J. S. "
- (G) Krone, G. C. "
- (G) Wilke, Emil R. "
- (G) Wilke, Elmer R. "
- (G)

- (P)
- (CP)
- (N)
- (B)
- (E)
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A/C Number ~~42-31196~~ 42-31196
Total Flying Time 6:30

A/C Number
Total Flying Time

- (P) Lewis, J. R. 2nd. Lt.
- (CP) Shoop, J. E. "
- (N) Silvasy, A. J. "
- (B) Harrison, L. A. 2nd. Lt.
- (E) Patterson, E. T. S/Sgt.
- (G) Schuster, G. A. "
- (G) Goetz, R. L. "
- (G) Geitz, F. H. "
- (G) Bunn, J. C. "
- (G)

- (P)
- (CP)
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A/C Number 42-97185
Total Flying Time 6:25

A/C Number
Total Flying Time

- (F) Brown, R. H. 1st. Lt.
- (CP) Giglio, W. F. 2nd. Lt.
- (N) Walden, J. B. "
- (B) Peterson, L. J. T/Sgt.
- (E) Fann, J. J. "
- (RO) Ohm, R. A. "
- (G) Bollard, J. W. Sgt.
- (G) Schnoll, S. S/Sgt.
- (G) Keheley, J. W. Sgt.
- (G)

- (P)
- (CP)
- (N)
- (B)
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