

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

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25th February, 1944
APO 634.

SUBJECT: Intelligence Narrative
Mission: AUGSBURG, 25 Feb. 1944.

TO : Commanding Officer, 306th Bombardment Group (H), APO 634.

1. Narrative

306th flew low Group to 305th. CBW and Division Assembly considered perfect by our Group leader, but course to target, being south of briefed route, led straight through very accurate Saarbrucken A.A. gun fire. Course home was again somewhat to south, but Saarbrucken was skirted by a swing around to the north this time. Take-off at 0901, Selsey Bill 1040, enemy coast 5003N-0118E at 1118. Target at 1353, enemy coast out 6 miles south of Le Troport at 1612, Beachy Head at 1631, base 1753.

2. Fighter Opposition and Fighter Support

The 306th flew low Group in the 40th Combat Wing. Escort, until the target was spotty with large gaps. As soon as the formation emerged from the accurate and unexpected Saarbrucken A.A. gun fire about 1210, and before it reformed, it was surprised by two sudden diving attacks, perfectly executed, out of the sun, each of which accounted for one of our ships. Each attack was made by a pair of Me109s working together. At 1225 a third attack got another of our A/C. While enemy fighters were always in sight from the first attack to the target, these three were almost the only attacks on this Group, and, as noted above, were made by comparatively few A/C. The majority of the 50 odd enemy fighters seen being content to attack stragglers. Several crews commented on the unusually large number of B-17s straggling on this mission. P-38s were picked up at 1330 shortly before the target and were seen to take care of some MellOs. P-47s were picked up at 1400 hours and Spitfires were met as briefed. There were gaps in fighter support on the way out but no more enemy fighters were seen. We claim 5 destroyed.

3. A.A. Gun Fire

The only severe A.A. gun fire encountered on the mission was seen when the lead group, flying south of course, inadvertently flew over Saarbrucken on the way in. At the target, A.A. gun fire by contrast was practically negligible. One crew felt chaff was helpful. Every ship landing at base had A.A. gun fire damage, 10 serious, 3 slightly.

4. Bombing

305th was first to bomb. Strike photos show the main weight of their bombs probably to the south, but smoke is all over the MFI. 300th bombs are slightly north, with about 12 bombs among parked A/C. A ship from 351st landing at this field carried a camera. Pictures show a huge fire originating in 40th Combat Wing aiming point. Shadow from fire is large enough to obscure entire airrome. There also appear to be hits on right in 41st area, and area to north where 94th had MFI is hit by large concentration.

5. Weather

Overcast stopped at French coast. Weather CAVU thereafter.

6. Observations

Two rockets were seen coming from a wood just west of the airrome at Gunzburg. A white trail of smoke was seen leading to two large bursts at our altitude. As the smoke cleared, ten or twelve small white parachutes about one foot in diameter were observed from each burst. Each parachute supported a small bright red ball which floated slowly downward just behind our formation. Another crew reported the objects below the parachutes as being the size of beer bottles. These did not explode, the idea seeming to be for them to explode on contact with an airplane.

7. Our Aircraft in Distress

At 1210 A/C #245-K, pilot Coleman, was knocked out of formation by C/A. Nine chutes, several report ten.

At 1212, A/C # 728, pilot Day, was attacked by Me109s. Wing broke off and plane went down. Six chutes seen.

At 1225, A/C #979-U, pilot Bayless, was attacked by E/A and went down with one engine smoking. Seven chutes were seen.

8. Other Aircraft in Distress

At 1148, B-17 in 305th. Group was hit by E/A and seen heading toward Switzerland with #4 engine out. One man bailed out.

At 1258 B-17 went down with two E/A after it. Three chutes seen.

At 1318 B-17 went down smoking, followed by E/A. No chutes.

At 1358 two B-17s were losing altitude and heading for Switzerland. Two P-51s were following.

At 1450 B-17 was attacked by 8 Me109s and went down smoking, out under control. No chutes seen.

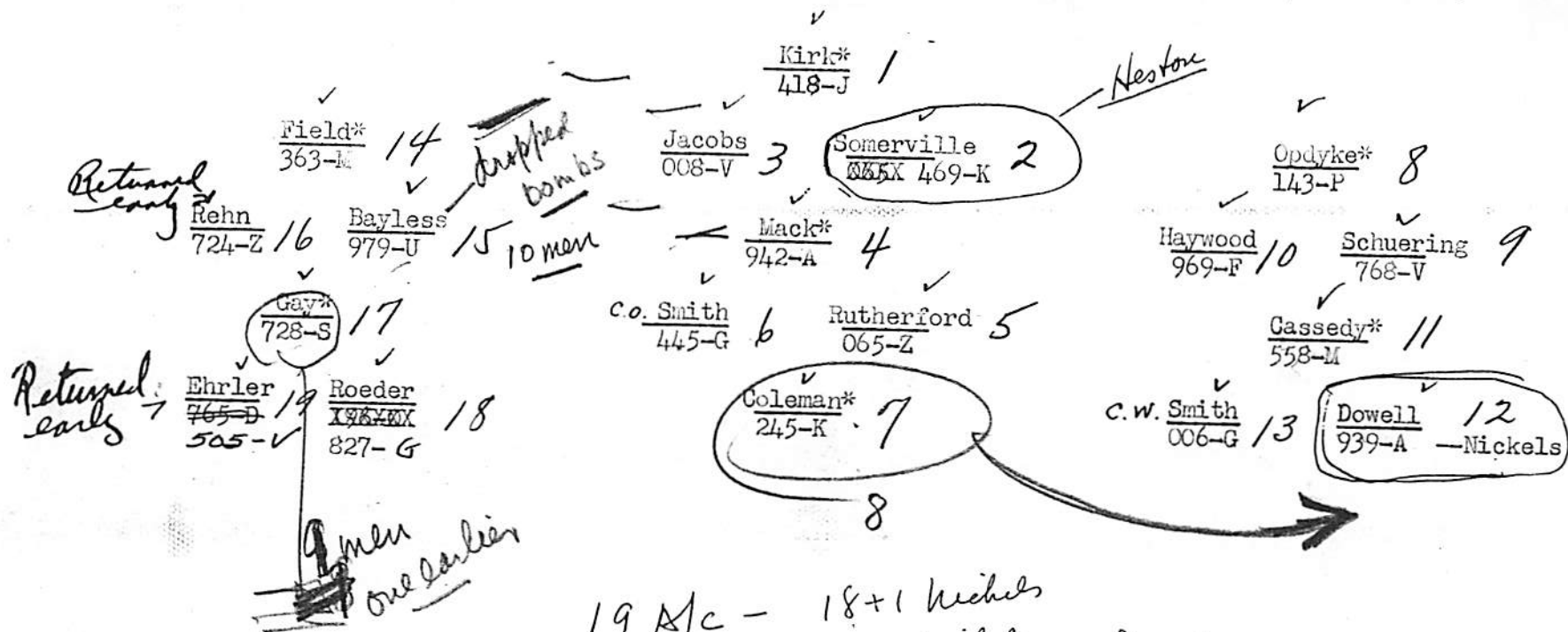
9. A/C Taking off but not Dispatched.

A/C #724-E., pilot Rehn, took off and engine caught fire while over the field. He landed and got a spare, while taxiing got a flat tire.

A/C #505-V, pilot Earler, took off and turned back at 1053 hours, 5030N-0010E. Oil coming out of #2 engine.

JOHN A. BAINSFATHER,
Major, Air Corps,
Group S-2.

FORMATION FOR FEBRUARY 25, 1944



* denotes camera in ship

19 Mc - 18+1 nichels
 16+1 nichels

2
 17

REMARKS

Low 6/p
 4000 cw

Cassedy at Detling

first around
 1708

Field took 3 men
 + locked onto left
 of lead sq

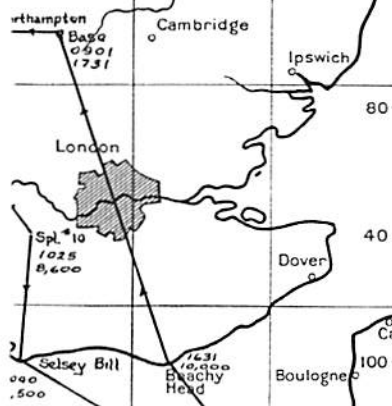
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AUGSBURG
25 February 1944



- Spl. 10
1025
8,600
- Base
0901
1731
- 1210 F.
- 1133 F.
- 1051 F.
- 1366 F.
- 1171 F.
- Laval

Report on A.A.S. Gunfire
306th Bomb Group (H)

1. TARGET... **AUGSBURO** DATE OF MISSION **25 Feb., 1944**..

2. ROUTE AS FLOWN: - **50°03'N - 01°18'E**, slightly south of course to target, south of course here except for turn north of Saarbrucken to avoid flak, 6 miles south of Le Treport.

3. Weather Conditions (a) At Target... **Clear**.....
(b) En Route... **Clear**.....

4. Were our A/C "Seen" or "Unseen" Targets? (a) at Target... **Seen**..... (b) En Route... **Seen**.....
Any Condensation Trails?... **No**.....

5. Description of Flak at Target, including METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL, if possible.
Meager to moderate tracking at target. Only fair for accuracy. Few red bursts observed here.

6. Flak encountered or observed en route. (In the order experienced if possible)
Abbeville - moderate observed.
Poix - meager accurate tracking.
Bous - 6-gun battery.
Saarbrucken - moderate, very accurate tracking.

7. Was CHAFF carried? Was it used as briefed, if not how was it used?
Observation of crews.
Chaff was used as briefed. Crews thought chaff made a lane through the flak.

8. Position of Group and Combat Wing... **Low Group in 40th Combat Wing**.....

9. Details:-

Group	No. of A/C over Territory	A/C hit by Flak	Lost to Flak	T.O.T.	Height	Axis of Bomb run	Bomb run
304	17	10 serious	0	1865	21,100	2769	2 minutes
		3 slight					
		3 unexploded					
		3 missing					
		17					
TOTALS							

10. OBSERVATIONS:.....

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6. Neunkirchen - moderate, accurate, tracking.
Zweibrücken - moderate, accurate tracking.
Karlsruhe - meager, inaccurate tracking.
Augsburg - meager to moderate, tracking, fairly accurate.
Stuttgart - observed to left of formation.
Marie - meager, inaccurate, white bursts observed.
Couvron Airbase - meager tracking accurate.

10. Observations:

Two rockets were seen coming from a woods just west of the airbase at Gumburg. White trails of smoke were seen leading to two large bursts at our altitude. As the smoke cleared, 10 or 12 small white parachutes about one foot in diameter were seen coming out of each burst. These parachutes supported small red balls which floated down slowly just behind our formation. These red balls did not explode and it is thought that they are constructed so as to explode on contact with an A/C. One crew reported the objects as dangling from small parachutes and about the size of a beer bottle.

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BREAKFAST 0500 BRIEFING 0600
 CAMERAS _____
 LUNCH _____ SANDWICHES _____
 CONVOYS NONE

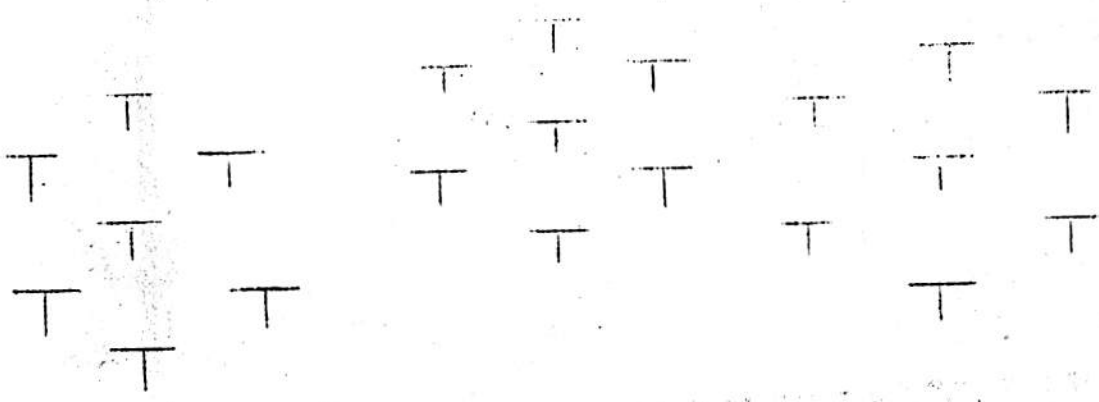
STATIONS 0810 TAXI 0850
 TAKE-OFF 0901 ASSEMBLE AT 5000
 RADIO CHECK 0947 TO _____ AT _____ HRS
 REMD Podington AT 0949 AT _____ FT
 REMD _____ AT _____ AT _____ FT

SPARES : 301 : 827 : 505 : 065 :
 OXYGEN : D : D : D :
 DISP'L : 14 : 29 : 6 :
 AIR COMMANDER Co2, Lawson
 GROUP C.O. Kirk
 GROUP DEPUTY Opdyke
 GROUP DEPUTY _____
 CLIMB AT 150 MPH 200 FPM
 CRUISE AT 155 MPH 21000 FT
 BOMB AT 150 MPH 21000 FT
 DESCEND AT 170 MPH 500 FPM
 SPLASHER NO 10 LET DOWN 024 DEGREES
 ALTIMETERS 29.92 TOP TANKS 2700
 ZERO HOUR 1120 BOMB INT SALVO
 PUNDIT FLASHING LETTERS _____
305 GP LEADS 306-Comp
40 CW LEADS 94, 41, 1, 41 Comp.
305 GP YY-PERIOD 0700-1300 : 1300-1900
306 GP YY FLARE YY : GG
 Comp GP RG ANSWER M : Q
 GP CHALLENGE Q : G
 FIGHTER SUPPORT 1 gp 51 & 1 gp 47 -4957-0200
2 gp 47s - 4947-0340 2 gp 47s 4936-0520
2 gp 47s - 4925-0650 1 gp 38s 4844-1120
3 gp 47s - 4915-0800 3 gp 47s 4934-0540
2 gp 47s - 4934-0549 1 gp 51s 4940-0440
 10 sq Spits 4946-0350 1 gp 47s Doval area
 OTHER EFFORTS 3 CBWs 2nd Div on Furth
departing dunginess - enemy coast 0 plus 15
5 CBWs 3rd Div departing Beach Head
enemy coast zero hour. Regensburg.
41st Comp CBW going to Stuttgart

<u>Podington X</u>	<u>0949</u>	<u>50000</u>
<u>Northampton A</u>	<u>0952</u>	<u>6000</u>
<u>Buckingham B</u>	<u>0959</u>	<u>6000</u>
<u>Oxford C</u>	<u>1007</u>	<u>7000</u>
<u>Spl. 10</u>	<u>1024</u>	<u>11000</u>
<u>Salsay Bill</u>	<u>1040</u>	<u>11000</u>
<u>5000-0117E</u>	<u>1125</u>	<u>17000</u>
<u>4912-0822E</u>	<u>1327</u>	<u>17000</u>
<u>4844-1122E</u>	<u>1417</u>	<u>21000</u>
<u>4820-1121E</u> <u>YP</u>	<u>1426</u>	<u>21000</u>
<u>TARGET <u>Regensburg</u></u>	<u>1431</u>	<u>21000</u>
<u>4810-1042E</u>	<u>1435</u>	<u>19000</u>
<u>4900-0921E</u>	<u>1457</u>	<u>14000</u>
<u>4912-0822E</u>	<u>1510</u>	<u>14000</u>
<u>5000-0117E</u>	<u>1633</u>	<u>14000</u>
<u>BEACHY HEAD</u>	<u>1652</u>	<u>4000</u>
<u>BASE</u>	<u>1740</u>	<u>1500</u>

FIGHTERS _____ RAF
 BOMBERS GOLDSMITH 2-1
S.C. Tackline (RAF-Spicecake)
 VHF-PFF CODE FOR I.P. DOUGH NUT
 VHF-CODE-AUTHENTIC GOLDMINE
 VHF-AIR COMMANDER CALL SIGN Bullpen Leader
 VHF-GROUP CALL SIGN Bullpen White
 VISUAL BOMBING CODE WORD Rapid City
 START ENGINES Frankenstein
 STAND-BY MESSAGE Dracula
 DELAY TAKE-OFF Vampire
 SCRUB Sad Sack
 ABANDON _____

Chaff start I.P. continue for 7 min.



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INTERPOLATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 308 309 315 A/C Number: 392 Letter A Date 25-2-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. INCORR

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0700 Time Landed

X X X X X X X X X X

2. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

1 B17 in target area 25 ft below target hit by 1000 ft
not down until 2000 ft. (1000 ft below a column)
1 B17 hit in low position to hit in nearby
photos. (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

1st Lt. A.W. Mack Pilot

2nd Lt. B.H. Peters Co-P.

2nd Lt. C.G. Eyer Nav.

2nd Lt. P.H. Stiles Bomb.

T/Sgt. P.J. Marquis Radio

T/Sgt. D.E. Woodham Top

S/Sgt. L.A. Glasscock Ball

S/Sgt. C. Walters R. Waist

S/Sgt. O.J. Graham L. Waist

Sgt. Z.C. Riley Tail G.

1 B17 low position 2000 ft. 2 minutes after
duplicate peak of target angle 170. 100
1000 ft. to night

Primary Time: 1353

Alternate Height: 20640

Last Report Heading: 273

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: Hit building in S. of target
1000 ft. more near target

Any Hiccups: Yes No
Number Boxes dropped
Number Boxes returned

Other Bombing

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND-TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUESSING 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 directed
slight descent at England
good contact

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, moderate or slight) Color of Bursts Location of Bursts in relation to A/C Accuracy

1. Hit at 1000 ft. - moderate - moderate
2. Hit at 1000 ft. - moderate + moderate
3. Hit at 1000 ft. - moderate - moderate

Hit in rear + middle by flak

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OFFICER

4 ME 210
1 ME 110

(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

(Types)

1205 just St. Quentin Cherbourg - ME 109, not as to 1300
(Location and length of fight)

then head on attacks, all the way into target. not after target then
tail finis. Course in 1s - 2s + 3s. 1 shot into the
(Tactics of E/A)

(Tactics of E/A)

(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

All center held the OK to 1205 the main target.
P-38s at target 5 minutes before. Then 1400 475 not of time in target.

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

1. Saw fighter plane with about 30 E/A's & 1 gun hit 5 times by Walloren.
20 ships in Rhine River travelling in group of 4 units. See entry 62052X1022

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
1 slight

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

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

good group formation

8-2 OFFICER

TIME COMPLETED

... can trails at an alt.

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 348 358 368 A/C Number: 065 Letter E Date 25-2-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. INCENDIARY Position in Formation

Time Took off 0401 Time Landed 1738

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
Details:
Max Saarbrücken - 3 B-17's down on first fighter attack - 5 minutes -

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)

30 minutes before target 3-B-17; down - believe all crews out safely

- 2nd Lt. B.H. Rutherford Pilot ✓
- 2nd Lt. W.B. Butterfield Co-P ✓
- 2nd Lt. J.C. Fowler Nav. ✓
- 2nd Lt. M.J. Northway Bomb ✓
- T/Sgt. J.B. Snyder Radio ✓
- T/Sgt. R.G. Rockwell Top ✓
- S/Sgt. R.K. Tully Ball ✓
- Sgt. H.D. Wootton R. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. B. Marginsau L. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. H.E. Manie Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1353
Alternate Height: 20900
Last Report Heading: 274
(circle)
Duration-Bomb Run: 40-60 seconds

- T/Sgt. R.G. Rockwell Top ✓
- S/Sgt. R.K. Tully Ball ✓
- Sgt. H.D. Wootton R. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. B. Marginsau L. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. H.E. Manie Tail G. ✓

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on (circle) target: 12500 Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: believe well hit - target arrived with black smoke after leaving target saw two large explosions

Other Bombing: Any Micksis? 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	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Remarks
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Saarbrücken - mod acc tracking target - miss - mod good alt.

Grew observations about Flak:

Large burst at target leaving little fragments of burning material - group flew thru this

10. FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

*to 88 } few
M 109
(Type)*

30/10
(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

(Location and length of fight)

mostly head on attacks - flew from 6 o'clock
(Direction of E/A)

M 109 with yellow nose
M 109 - all white
(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

(Our defensive action)

CLAIMS	
DESTROYED	
PROB. ALI	
DAMAGED	
(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)	

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

didn't see any until we reached target

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

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:

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

Tracer seem to hear E/A away

8-2 OFFICER _____ TIME COMPLETED _____

SQUADRON 367 588 387 383 A/C Number: 445 Letter G Date 25-2-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. INSURE.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0901 Time Landed 1736



1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

1210-B17 - Down in light ball - 3rd Chute
1217-B17 - engine on fire, fighters on him
two chutes came out.

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

1st Lt. G.O. Smith Pilot

2nd Lt. R.V. Stall Co-P

1st Lt. E.H. Wagner Nav.

1st Lt. D.L. Claytor Bomb

2/Sgt. W.A. Lindsey Radio

7/Sgt. C.E. Waller Top 2

3/Sgt. S.G. Downs Tail Gun

Sgt. G.M. Wood R. Waist

3/Sgt. J.W. Byrd L. Waist

3/Sgt. C.E. Pulcifer Tail G.

Primary Time: 1352

Alternate Height: 20,000

Last Resort Heading: 275

Duration Bomb Run: 1 second

Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 12 Detached: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: Good home on MP. Some short and tail off.

Other Bombing: Whole target area smoking. Several large bulley hit. 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 or turn; reason for returning early, and disposition of bombs.)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) Heavy good visibility

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

Table with columns: Time, Place, Height, Type, Color, Location, Accuracy. Rows include 123, 1203, 1302, 1239, 1327, 1407, 1535.

After bomb release 7-1317's coming altitude under control. Controls under control. 1458-B17 attacking badly. 1458-B17 attacking badly. 1458-B17 attacking badly.

Engines on all B17 going down. 1458-B17 attacking badly. 1458-B17 attacking badly. 1458-B17 attacking badly.

(# 827 G Radio support firing at P.47 at 10:45)

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

50 to 60 % a few 1/2.

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

1208-1225 worst attack by 5/8 three or four times.

1447 ^(Location and length of fight) fight over the 1095. attack 10000 high out of sun went through
Attacking mostly on tail and side high out of sun
in pairs or trios me 2106

1748 - About 5 1/2 Came in high attacking from tail.

(Tactics of E/A)

me 210 - white belly

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

(Our defensive action)

CLAIMS	
DESTROYED	_____
PROBABLY	X _____
DAMAGED	_____
(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim. <i>g/f</i>)	

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT 1335 picked up P. 58 - Around Post going in
saw P47 who shot, left and did not see again. P013 at
target and spit on last leg out

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

None

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly) Flak holes.

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES: Radio compass out.

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?)
Want to sleep late tomorrow.

S-2 OFFICER to w. slaw FILE COMPLETED

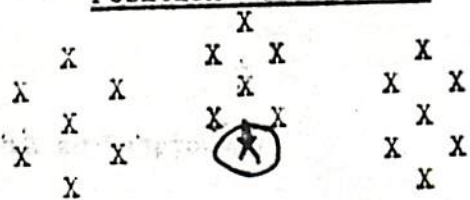
INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~368~~ ~~368~~ ~~400~~ A/C Number 245 Letter K Date 25-2-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. ~~1000~~

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0901 Time Landed _____



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

Down

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

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

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time:

Alternate Height:

Last Report 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?

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8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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INTERROGATION FORM

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SQUADRON 347 348 369 373 A/C Number: 443 Letter P Date 25-2-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. ~~xxxxxx~~

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0901 Time Landed 1743

		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) B-17 at 120 hrs. at 17,000ft at 0420 E on course. (Believed 367th ship. 9 dunes seen). B-17 at 1212 at 17,000 hrs. at 0425 E on course. Ship down in flames. 9 dunes seen.

Lt. J.S. Opatyke Pilot ✓
 Lt. T.C. Olson Co-P ✓
 Lt. L.S. Mussalwhite D.M. May ✓
 Lt. G.L. Couch Bomb ✓
 T/Sgt. W.W. Hunter Chief Tech ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1353
 Alternate Height: 21,200
 Last Report Heading: 280° (circle)
 Duration Bomb Run: 3 minutes

T/Sgt. W.R. Jones Top 2 ✓
 Sgt. R.H. Gates Tail 1 ✓
 S/Sgt. G.J. Mahanna Rudder ✓
 S/Sgt. E.J. Gustafson L. Waist ✓
 S/Sgt. E.R. Moody Tail G. ✓

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

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

Own Bombs: Concentration of bombs on group of bldgs. on S.E. corner of target by woods. Concentration heavy and oval shaped.
 Other Bombing: oval shaped.
 Any Nickels: Yes (No)
 Number boxes dropped
 Number Boxes 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 briefed

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) Better than briefed.

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

Time, Place of A/C	Height of burst	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or light	Color of Bursts	Location of bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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Flak at Abbeville at 1123 Heavy-Moderate. Black bursts inaccurate
 Heavy Flak at 0007 E 20' 25" N Heavy-Intense " " Accurate

Observations about flak: Flak seems to be improving in accuracy. If they track a ship, they often hit it. Flak was seen shot from the ground and opening up with a small chute. They were not seen to explode.

30 small chutes something like Beer bottle chute lost in Schmidt

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

50

(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

ME109 F.W. 190 ME210 JU 88

(Types)

Just East of Hamburg
(Location and length of fight)

10 minutes

Most E/A attacked out of sun and went
after high squadron.

(Tactics of E/A)

F.W.'s had yellow and black noses.
(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)This ship had four attacks
from 2 to 10 o'clock high
(Our defensive action)
Returned fire.

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

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT Good but large gaps between
groups of support.12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations, etc.)
Airfield 8 miles south of bombed target covered with fighter aircraft.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 A/C in distress

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly) NONE16. TECHNICAL FAILURES: Heavy damage by flak.17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? any suggestions?) NONE

Enemy two engined ship seemed to be sending information to E/A concerning fortress formations

S-2 OFFICER (W.D. C. Sullivan) TIME COMPLETED 1830

(check one)
 GROUP LEADER _____
~~HQ~~ SQUADRON LEADER _____
 LOW SQUADRON LEADER _____
 PLANE WITH OTHER GROUP _____
 (Indicate Group and Group Identification)
 SINGLE AIRCRAFT _____

#143
 Peterson

1. Time and Place of crossing English Coast ^{By coast} 1357; 50 45 N
00 17 E

Chetlat; 1420

2. Was Course as Briefed? 5 300° turns trying to
 If not, describe course in detail

*find primary target
 first turn to right carried them near Rouen where
 they got bad flak; next 4 turns to left.*

3. Time and Place of crossing Enemy Coast _____

4. Time over Target _____

Altitude over Target _____

Position of Group on Bomb Run _____

Magnetic Heading of Bomb Run _____

Duration Bomb Run _____

*Waving says just NE
 of Longueville*

5. Time of Landing at Base 1654 4953 N
0050 E
 left enemy coast at 1579 hours;

If landed away from base before return state where and why _____

Chet point, identify target.

Return 1st to I.P.; 2nd to I.P.;

*3 times more; next time saw
 No ball that had been bombed before.*

DATE _____ TIME _____ Sr-2 OFFICER B. H. Pool

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 308 309 300 A/C Number: 418 Letter: 3 Date 25-2-44

Bomb Load 4 x 500 plus Smoke Bombs H.E. Bombs Position in Formation

Time Took off 0901 Time Landed

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

3. 1 chute out of 17 friendly A/C in any way or distress: (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

CRE: Give Rank and Initials

Capt. T.F. Witt Pilot

Capt. W.S. Kirk Co-P

1st Lt. R.V. Honak Nav

1st Lt. H.J. Fahn Bomb

T/Sgt. T.P. Pischowski Radio

2/Sgt. H.J. Perball Top G

3/Sgt. O.O. Dobbs Ball T

3/Sgt. J.F. Shea R. Seat

3/Sgt. M.A. Anderson L. Waist

2nd Lt. W.J. Pithlabe Tail G.

See other sheet

2. TARGET ATTACHED

Primary Time: 13:53

Alternate Height: 21, 100

Last Report Heading: 276

Duration Bomb Run: 2 min.

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 11 plus Smoke Bomb Detached: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: MP 1 clearly visible

Other Bombing: aimed at

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken (Yes?) No? Could not take

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: port ahead

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) Clear

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

Table with columns: Time, Place, Height of A/C, Type (light, heavy), Intense, moderate or light, Color of Bursts, Location of Bursts in relation to A/C, Accuracy

Searchlight (west of island) - V tracking

Own observations about flak: hit lead ship

Flak: negligible

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPERATIONS:

Form 10-1-44
Only 1 seen

(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

①

12:10 First Fighter. ~~Attack by 2 ME109's~~

(Location and length of fight) right by bank of river

~~First 110's~~ ~~St. Quentin~~

are support on way in was visible
off and on

(Types of E/A)

First 110's cleared by 38's at Target
Mostly 38's at Target

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

②

About 2 min. later 1 ME109 (of a pair) dived on
Jays + picked him off

(Our defensive action)

③

Just before T. (first turn)
110 attacked from front
briefly out of view

CLAIMS	
DESTROYED	/
PROB. FLI	/
DAMAGED	/
(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)	

(10 min)

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

right after P. 47's + 38's
passed over
toward rear

1 Pass room
after 109's
from 110's
no damage

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dumies, camouflage, smoke screens, 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 E/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:

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

S-2 OFFICER

Wald

TIME COMPLETED

ADDITIONAL INTERROGATION FORM FOR GROUP AND SQUADRON LEAD AIRCRAFT

KIRK
LIT

(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 10:40 Selby/Bill

2. Was Course as Briefed? _____
If not, describe course in detail _____

3. Time and Place of crossing Enemy Coast 11:18 50 03-01 18 E
~~10:50 50 34-00 19~~

4. Time over Target 13:53
Slightly South of Course from Coast to Target

Altitude over Target 21,000

Position of Group on Bomb Run 2 Low

Magnetic Heading of Bomb Run 276° Mag.

Duration Bomb Run 2 min.

5. Time of Landing at Base _____
tho' ducked N. of Saarbrücken
South on Course back this time

If landed away from base before return state where and why _____

Enemy Coast out
6 mi. S. of Le Treport
16:12

Eng. Coast Beachy 16:31
Base 17:33

DATE _____ TIME _____ S-2 OFFICER _____

7 Lead

6 Hi

10. **ENEMY FIGHTER OPERATIONS:**

6-7 May 1953, 4-15 FWR 4 9:5-20:210's, 1 for 11
(Estimated total number of E/A seen) *(Signed)*

1210

(Location and length of flight)

Black FW's stuck in bay until they showed a fast attack then we broke up & made a few taking advantage of a clear

(Species of E/A)

(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**

Continually flowing in - OK coming out.

210's attacking in target area were not destroyed by F-51's flying in.

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

13. **INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C:** (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

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

15. **DAMAGE TO A/C:** (Briefly)

16. **TECHNICAL FAILURES:**

17. **GENERAL COMMENTS:** (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?)

8-2 OFFICER *(Signature)*

TIME OF PLATE 27-2-44

INTERCOMMUNICATION FORM

SQUADRON 357 353 353 353 A/C Number 2008 Letter V Date 25-3-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. EFFORTS.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0701 Time Landed

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

120
B-17 diving first fighter attack, B-17 was down with 22 landing - 5 chutes
Gay went down in fire 2 chutes

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

1st Lt. D.L. Jacobs Pilot

2nd Lt. P.G. Griswold Co-P.

2nd Lt. P.V. Osburn Nav.

2nd Lt. R.L. Bratton Bomb

T/Sgt. N. Schofield Radio

T/Sgt. A.S. Craft Top T.

S/Sgt. C.G. Smith Ball T.

S/Sgt. G.W. Holland R. Waist

Sgt. R.D. Turner L. Waist

S/Sgt. D.F. Offord Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1350 (3 mins after 1st)
Alternate Height: 20,000

Last Report Heading: 276 (circled)

Duration Bomb Run:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target:

Jettished: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: Dropped on buildings on small road at edge of woods
Return ODELZ HAUSEN + FR 150614

Other Bombing:

Any Nicks: 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) damaged and continued

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

Place of burst, height, type (light, heavy), intensity, color of bursts, location, direction

1536. All converging on target, quite accurate tracking
Target - converging on target, quite accurate tracking
Crew observations about Flak:

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

millions of Me 109's shot 9 Me 210's (24's total broad mass)
(Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Type)

Just after hit attack of Chateaubriault target
(Location and length of fight)

Hit attack was head on, later attacks from all directions. They would hit one group and then attack another group on the same pass.

(Tactics of E/A)

Blue gray.

(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 *as well as many fighters Chateaubriault 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 airbases, ports, waterways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks; new enemy installations,

*COUVRON (in LAC) has 37-38 dispersed areas
DUN (4128,0510) transmits factory & manufacturing plant.*

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. *signified to navigators*

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

Sieve - Me 109's got some through every

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

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

3-2 OFFICER

Hogg

TIME COMPLETED

returned to Base by truck at 1900 hrs on the 27th - A/C still at Headcorn.

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 368 (369) 123 A/C Number 558 Letter M Date 26 Feb

Bomb Load 12x500 H.E. Intend. (Headcorn) Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0904 Time Landed 1710 (51°12'N - 00°42'E)

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

1226 hrs - B-17 (Coleman) Fights set him on fire - at least 9 chutes seen - fight blew him to pieces just E. of Saarbrücken

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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Casseday B. W. 1st Lt. Pilot

1227 - B-17 downed by fighters (out of lead group - 305th) left wing on fire - believe all crew got out

Sixer F. 2nd Lt. Co-P

Bryan J. H. 1st Lt. Nav.

1454 hrs - B-17 downed by fighters - on fire.

Currice D. E. 1st Lt. Bomb.

King Geo. J. Sgt Radio

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1239

Marenbalz Ad. 1st Sgt Top T.

Alternate Height: 17000'

Barnett C. D. 2nd Sgt Ball T.

Last Resort Heading about 100°

Astrawski J. 2nd Sgt R. Waist

Duration Bomb Run: was making a circle in this area to pick out place to drop bombs.

Olmsted W. E. 1st Sgt I. Waist

Ledarka Ad. 2nd Sgt Tail G.

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

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

Own Bombs: This A/C hit by flak and knocked out of formation at Saarbrücken - dropped bombs on Saarbrücken.

Other Bombing: believe bomb took two pictures of Coleman's ship (with K-20) when she was hit.

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

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

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

#4 engine feathered - shell went thru right wing with exploding and this A/C (leaking gasoline) pulled out of formation so as not to endanger the rest of the formation

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) after the danger of fire and explosion was over the pilot brought his A/C back into the formation and stayed with the group on the entire run over the primary target area and back to Base

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out of target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height	Speed	Direction	Color	Location	Accuracy

Extra large brown burst at target - looked like brown cloud cloud with little flashes in centre like broken glass.

Crew observations about Flak:

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74500

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

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

Attacks on way home from just North + East of Saarbrücken
 (Location and Length of Fight)
enemy A/c didn't care for the accurate gun fire from this A/c so weren't so eager in their 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 <u>immediately</u> separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)	

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT *shot red-red flare when knocked out of formation but as the only escort appeared to be German they this A/c dropped their bombs on Saarbrücken + got back into formation*

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.)

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.)

no

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

severe flak damage to right wing - minor flak

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES: *damage to various other parts of A/c. mine phone out -*

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

DECLASSIFIED PER EXECUTIVE ORDER 12356, Section 3.3, BY RLB/JAC WABA Date 1/18/91

745005

SQUADRON ~~362~~ ~~363~~ 369 ~~368~~ A/C Number, 765 Letter V Date 25-2-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. ~~Incendiary~~ Position in Formation

Time Took off 0701 Time Landed _____
X X X X X
X X X X X
X X X X X
X X X X X

1. NOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
Details:

Colours on night after Saabrucken Flak.

CREW: Give rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress: (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
Lt. A.O. Schuring Pilot

F/O. B.R. Price Co-P

Flak passed at Saabrucken knocked 4 out the trail then pulled up again.

Lt. J.M. Hamilton Nav.

Lt. R.J. Flood Bomb

T/Sgt. W. Comarisky Radio

T/Sgt. F.M. Hawthorne Top T

Primary Time: 18:53 S/Sgt. H. S. Ashley

Alternate Height: 21,000 Sgt. W.C. Simpson

Last Report Reading: 275 Sgt. H.S. McAllister

Duration Bomb Run: 4 min. S/Sgt. M.H. Bergen

Cluster out of 17 hit by 5/2 driver into Saabrucken Flak

Number of BOMBS dropped on target: _____ Missions: _____ Returns: _____ Abortive: _____

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

Own Bombs: Right across M.F.I.

Other Bombing: _____

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 light	Color of Bursts	Location Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy

5/2 could see after that he might have been from the group

Other observations about flak:

clear good

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

at 2000
mostly 109's some 110's
around T.
and a 210

(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

(Type)

(Location and length of flight)

1 attack 109's (about 100 mi way back)

(Tactics of E/A)

Escort off and on
Several 12's fired
Red Red no fighters

(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 on France out west Patchy
Some 47 + 51 to Saarbrücken

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

none a lot of planes on Field S. of Target

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

mostly 110's (10 mi South)

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

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

slight

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

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

8-2 OFFICER

TIME COMPLETE

INTERCOMMUNICATION FORM

SQUADRON 369 A/C Number 409 Letter F Date 25-2-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Details. Position in Formation

Time Took off 0904 Time Landed 1345

2. NOT NEAR to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

1. B-17-1200 - Helms flying in hole hit by flak - one eng. fire - 5/8 pm at + (Paris) down in spin smoke & fire - 2 chutes thrown - 1128 friendly A/C in any kind of distress: 7 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

C.O. Give rank and Initials Lt. G.R. Haywood Pilot Lt. Robertson Co-P

2. 8 chutes - B-17 - 1200 - Helms - marked (B0) from lead - hit by flak - 3/4 attack from all sides (12 E/W) fire - 1128

Lt. G.D. Swift Nav. Lt. R.G. Beach Bomb T/Sgt. J.A. Swenson Permitt T/Sgt. B.D. Oldfield Top X

3. Canada hit flak at this time

2. TARGET ATTACHED: Primary Time: 1353 Alternate Height: 21,200 Last Report Heading: 276° M. (circle) Duration Bomb Run:

Cpl. W. Steinhart Bomb Sgt. E.J. Matthews H. Hest S/Sgt. E.M. Johnson Lt. Waist S/Sgt. R.P. Butler Tail G.

4. 1258 - B-17 high speed - next turn

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 ANY PHOTOGRAPHS taken? Yes No

5. 1455 N.9 Sachin (forward) flak 1700 down 90° strike group

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) Better than brief. Haze in

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

Table with columns: Time, Place, Height, Type, Caliber, Location, Accuracy. Rows include 1428 - Paris, 1345 - Sachin, 1455 - Target, 1538 - 20 mi. N

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

1141 - Rome - 10 - 3/E (09) + continued
(Estimated total number of E/A seen) ^(Type)
with 1200. abrupt + attack formation of
all directions. In + out + after
(Location and length of fight)
straggles

Attacked from tail - singles - rockets used.
(Tactics of E/A)

1458 - Saarbrücken - 30 - 3/E - this singly.
Stayed around until land.
(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 B'47's after 1st enemy attack.
P38 over-jet. Not good cover
protected group behind.

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, signals; activity at airdromes, ports, waterways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations, many planes on the field. altitude markers at that yard.

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) 7 lost.

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES: no

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

S-2 OFFICER Brubaker FILE COMPLETED

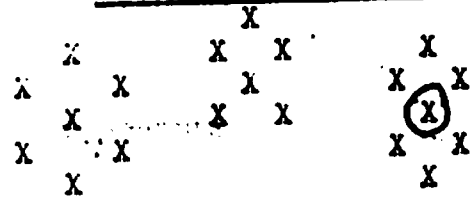
INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~397~~ ~~308~~ 369 ~~409~~ A/C Number: 558 Letter M Date 25-2-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. ~~2000~~

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0901 Time Landed _____



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

Twenty notes from Det. King

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

- Lt. B.W. Caseday Pilot ✓
- Lt. Siner Co-P ✓
- Lt. J.H. Bryan Nav. ✓
- Lt. D.E. Currier Bomb ✓
- Sgt. G.J. King Radio ✓
- T/Sgt. A. Marenholz Top ✓
- S/Sgt. G.D. Barnett Tail ✓
- S/Sgt. J.M. Ostrowski R. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. W.F. Olmstead L. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. A.J. Fedorka Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time:
Alternate Height:
Last Report 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 of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy

SQUADRON ~~397~~ ~~398~~ 399 ~~399~~ A/C Number 939 Letter A Date 25-2-44

Bomb Load Nickels ~~3000~~ ~~20000~~

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0901 Three Engines

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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

*Carried hit at Hamburgh.
Columbus - digging all the time. Ambulance hit
friendly A/C in any kind of distress?
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)
1 fighter at 1400 hrs. about 20 miles open
but other formation not*

Lt. K.F. Dowell	Pilot	✓
Lt. C.W. Young	Com-P	✓
Lt. D.A. Sharkey	Nav.	✓
F/O J. Glosso	Bomb.	✓
Sgt. J.C. Hubbard	Radio	✓
S/Sgt. J.E. Mellyn	Top T.	✓
S/Sgt. T.G. Overn	Ball T.	✓
S/Sgt. H. Yanka	R. Waist	✓
Sgt. B. Heffacker	L. Waist	✓
S/Sgt. E.B. Steinmann	Tail C.	✓

*At 1100 hrs lead element high sp. 9305
E in D hit in 1140 hrs. E/A 1140
left formation & headed towards Hamburgh
either 1500 hrs group aim at 1500 hrs.*

TARGET ATTACKED:
Primary Time: 1349
Alternate Height: 20900
Last Resort Heading 270°
(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: *Nickels went away at 1600 hrs. ground down.
Parcels opened right away. looked like used explosives.*

Other Bombing: *Radio took picture of field at Hamburgh.
where fighter was hit. 4817N
1075E.*

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

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: 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) *as high as possible except on Hamburgh.*

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (light, of heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of bursts	Location of bursts in relation to A/C	accuracy
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*Hamburgh. tracks 20-30 hrs. 57 bursts. accurate.
Circle of bursts at target. 2 or 3 miles West of Birmingham airfield ran inlets from woods followed them up. Smoke trails up. White parachute fort soon with light red fall. 10-12 red balls.
Crew observations about Flak: *about 1000 ft. above ground. May have picture of field.**

half dozen small flak holes

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

Summit 27 of the 109, 190, 210.

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

1140^{and} to Saarbrücken. One attack on squadron got Colman. P-1

(Location and length of fight)

lots of E/A started out. Not too sup. Cielon struggle.

J087 with Gallies out 1200 yds away flying parallel

(Tactics of E/A)

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

(Our defensive action)

CLAIMS	
DESTROYED	<u>0</u>
PROBABLY	<u>0</u>
DAMAGED	<u>0</u>

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

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

42 sent in from Cont. 1130. 215 & 217, not lost.

Big Sup.

470 sent on 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 airbases, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations, ..)

Nov 2 E/A's seen. Saw 470's on Domburg airfield.

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:)

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

none. flak.

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

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

Ernest says again. He was busy with fuel by 9:00.

8-2 OFFICER

Baldwin

FILE COMPLETED

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 397 368 399 ~~000~~ A/C Number: 000 Letter: 0 Date 25-2-44
Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. ~~INCORR.~~ Position in Formation
Time Took off 0900 Time Landed 1742

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
Target → Details: saw 558 hit by flak coming from ^{upton} ~~low~~ ^{change} ~~near gen. border~~
Just after target - B17 straggling
ETA on - 4 chutes seen
CREW: Give Rank and ^{initials} ~~initials~~ when ^{Carryday} ~~was~~ ^{hit} ~~by~~ ^{flak}

12:20 B17 down - near St. Quentin
10 chutes - open seen
2 B17 13:20 plus 3 1/2 chutes
1301 - B17 down low with 5 chutes

- | | |
|--|-------------------------------|
| Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:
(Give position, time, altitude, full details) | 1st Lt. C.W. Smith Pilot |
| | 1st Lt. M.P. Brown Co-P |
| | 1st Lt. S.L. Jansar Nav |
| | Sgt. M.B. Imberman Bomb |
| | T/Sgt. V.R. Marcotte Radio |
| | T/Sgt. G.A. Heuser Top T |
| | S/Sgt. T.E. Stillson Ball T |
| | S/Sgt. D.S. Courassa E. Waist |
| | S/Sgt. H.C. Granger L. Waist |
| | S/Sgt. R.B. Frumble Tail G |

2. TARGET ATTACKED:
- Primary Time: 1355
Alternate Height: 21700
Last Report Heading: 276 MAG.
(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: Dnt into assigned target

Other Bombing: Dnt into target area
which was ^{smoking} ~~smoking~~ from previous hits
Any Nickels: Yes No
Number Boxes dropped
Number Boxes returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: ~~NO~~ ^{NO}
6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS: ~~NO~~ ^{NO (SAU)}

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn, reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)
Good - 1/2 hr. early gain in

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)
Target - clear - smoke screen

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.	C.L.R. of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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In-Contrabike mod. very acc. target mod. red black white acc. fair back-scattered flak - small towns & airfields.

Crew observations about flak
20 mi S. of St. Quentin - very acc flak from air airfield.

rocket flak - more close

10. ENEMY FIGHTER COMBAT

along (to be) me 109
me 110

100
(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

at target mostly T/E
Just inside France, for about 45 min. U.P. Target
(Location and length of fight)
area T/E - covered by P38's } no attacks
conducted to St. Quentin - EW afterwar

attacked head on & from 10 o'clock - thru
(Tactics of E/A) formation tail attack at a straggler

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

(Our defensive action)

CLAIMS	
DESTROYED	_____
PROBABLE	_____
DAMAGED	_____

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

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

no more except for coast in (1/2 hr)
Target - good, but picked up near French
border

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

B17's hit by both flak & fighters

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

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

many small flak holes

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

interphone - poor

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

15:08 - B17 tail gunner (lead Mc hi sqdn) was firing at a P38

S-2 OFFICER: Stakalak Capt Mc TIME COMPLETED

→ Crew would like some Mc recognition on P51, me 109, Spits. - at distance not close - up

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 397 368 309 A/C Number: 363 Letter M Date 25-3-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. PROX

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0701 Time Landed 1744

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

(man Chalkley) HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
 Details: 1208 - prob. Colina - fighter attack - prob
 10 chute - on fire hit ground inflated

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/O in any kind of distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 4946-0411E - May down by fighter
 attack - 7th chute

1st Lt. P.J. Field Pilot ✓

1st Lt. C.M. Granding Co-P ✓

1st Lt. S.W. Isaacs Nav. ✓

1st Lt. B.C. Gustafson Bomb ✓

T/Sgt. E.W. Hupen Radio ✓

T/Sgt. J.G. Brownell Top 2 ✓

Sgt. R.J. Kristoff Ball ✓

S/Sgt. B.L. Jefferies R. Waist ✓

S/Sgt. K.C. Hudson L. Waist ✓

S/Sgt. S.M. Salupsky Tail G. ✓

about 1225. Bay has dropped bombs in field - engine running and they started down - at least 8 chutes

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1553

Alternate Height: 21100

Last Report Heading: 280°

(circle) Duration Bomb Run: 60 seconds

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 62500 Retributed: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: good bomb hit - fire
 could not make from 130 mile away

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 of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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Start track
 Start point - tracking acc also from wave around
 Base 5000 ft
 Start point - mod - in area of this group
 (area observations about Flak)
 Target mod - tracking acc

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPERATIONS

(Estimated total number of E/A seen) _____ (Type) _____

(Location and length of fight) _____

(Tactics of E/A) _____

(Color, markings, etc: of E/A) _____

(Our defensive action) _____

CLAIMS	
DESTROYED	2
RECOVERED	
DAMAGE	
(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)	

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

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

1215 - No 109 down smoking - crashed

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by E/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:

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

S-2 OFFICER *Munthe*

TIME COMPLETED

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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 50°44'N - 0016'W - 1040 hrs.

2. Was Course as Briefed? as briefed.
If not, describe course in detail _____

3. Time and Place of crossing Enemy Coast 50°00'N - 0117'E - 1116 hrs.

4. Time over Target 1353
Altitude over Target 21100
Position of Group on Bomb Run _____
Magnetic Heading of Bomb Run 280°
Duration Bomb Run 60 min.

5. Time of Landing at Base 1754
If landed away from base before return state where and why _____

DATE _____ TIME _____ S-2 OFFICER Mentha

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~368~~ 368 ~~368~~ ~~368~~ A/C Number 919 Letter U Date 25-2-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. ~~INCORP~~

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0901 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	X	X

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

Field pay sheet

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 1st Lt. C.M. Bayless Pilot ✓
- 1st Lt. C.J. Crowl Co-P ✓
- 1st Lt. W. Rafish Nav. ✓
- 2nd Lt. J.H. Laughlin Bomb ✓
- S/Sgt. R.J. Haski Radio ✓
- T/Sgt. G.W. Wallace Top T ✓
- S/Sgt. W.C. Vought Ball T ✓
- S/Sgt. C.E. Hudson R. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. K.E. Willey L. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. W.C. Christian Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: _____
Alternate Height: _____
Last Report 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: _____

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

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 368 359 423 A/C Number 724 Letter _____ Date _____

Bomb Load _____ H.E. Incend. _____

301

Position in Formation

	X		X	X	X
⊙	X		X	X	X
	X		X	X	X
	X	X		X	X
	X				X

Time Took Off _____ Time Landed _____

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)

*circled field in
724 - a lot of smoke & flames
under the pilot's seat. Came
back for spare # 301 which
had a flat tire. Didn't take off.*

Rebn Pilot

_____ Cr.-P

_____ Nav.

_____ Bomb.

_____ Radio

_____ Top T.

_____ Ball T.

_____ H. Waist

_____ I. Waist

_____ Tail G.

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

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

Own Bombs: _____

DID NOT TAKE OFF

Other Bombing: _____

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

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED 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)

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

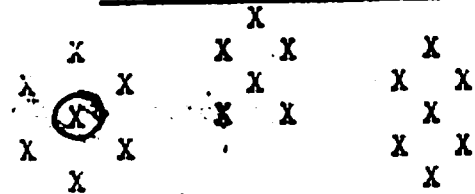
INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~357~~ - 368 ~~357~~ - ~~353~~ A/C Number 720 Letter S Date 25-2-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. ~~FR3373~~

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0901 Time Landed _____



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

Down

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

1st Lt. J.M. Gay Pilot ✓

2nd Lt. I.L. Gordon Co-P ✓

1st Lt. D. McCauley Nav. ✓

1st Lt. H.L. Harmston Bomb ✓

T/Sgt. E.G. Danielsen Radio ✓

T/Sgt. P.F. Hughes Top T ✓

S/Sgt. L. Brofford Ball T ✓

S/Sgt. S.J. Krisko R. Waist ✓

S/Sgt. G.E. Lilja L. Waist ✓

S/Sgt. B.J. Nitti Tail G ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time:

Alternate Height:

Last Report 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 of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy

INTERROGATION FORM

landed at Kenley

SQUADRON ~~367~~ 368 ~~359~~ 423 A/C Number 827 Letter Y Date 25-2-44

Bomb Load 12 X 500 H.E. Incend. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0945 Time Landed at Kenley 1655

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No 27-2-44

1211 4 chutes B-17 - Down, under control. Friendly A/C in any kind of distress? (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

	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. G. M. Roeder Pilot

1st Lt. H. F. I. Endres Co-P

1st Lt. H. M. Farrar Nav.

1st Lt. P. A. Lee Bomb.

1st Lt. L. F. Carter Radio

1st Lt. E. G. Miller Top T.

1st Lt. K. G. Norris Ball T.

1st Lt. V. L. King R. Waist

1st Lt. R. J. Powell L. Waist

1st Lt. C. L. H. ... Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time:

Alternate Height: 20,000'

Last Resort Heading:

Duration Bomb Run:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target? 5min after target Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: Dropped over a small town

Other Bombing:

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

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

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

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) Clear over target, Clear over Europe - Some scatt. clouds

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type of burst	Intensity	Color	Location of bursts	Accuracy
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<u>Bomb hit</u>	<u>Saarbrücken</u>	<u>Heavy</u>	<u>Black</u>	<u>Hit Bombing</u>	<u>Yes</u>
	<u>Bayern</u>	<u>med</u>	<u>"</u>		<u>No</u>

Crew observations about Flak:

DECLASSIFIED PER EXECUTIVE ORDER 12356, Section 3.3, BY RLB/BAC DATE 1/18/91

DECLASSIFIED PER EXECUTIVE ORDER 12356, Section 3.3, BY RUB/JAC MARA Date 1/18/91 745005

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

30- 12:16hr - ME 109's 2- 210's 15- 190's
(Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types)

(Location and length of fight)

Came in in not more than 4 at a time. Went thru formations.

(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

P-38's when about to the target.
1440 P-38's. Support over target + rit.

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.)

Smoke screen over target starting.

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.)

Bombadier seriously injured - Hit in head by flak.

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

Removed to Basingstoke.
Flak. Badly damaged.

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

No. 2 engine oil line out. Hydraulic system out.
Sandbags, etc. to stop.

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

S-2 OFFICER _____

TIME COMPLETED _____

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON ~~307~~ 368 ~~369~~ ~~368~~ #/C-Number: 505 Letter: V Date 25-2-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. ~~INCORR~~

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0901 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	X

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Joined back 15 miles off coast. 5030 H x 0010 W. at 1053 at 13000ft

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

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

- 1st Lt. R.H. Shrier Pilot
- 2nd Lt. D.O. Jones Co-P
- 2nd Lt. J.W. James Nav.
- S/Sgt. J.P. Smith Bomb
- T/Sgt. D.B. Ferns Radio
- T/Sgt. P.J. Pratt Top T
- S/Sgt. M.J. Saj Ball T
- S/Sgt. J.C. Hay R. Waist
- Sgt. C.J. Predko L. Waist
- S/Sgt. E.J. Heints Tail G.

#1 engine oil pressure up around 100 pounds temp was low. Ball turret covered with oil from #2 engine. #1 feathered. SOS was a spare. No shell for Radio quote.

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: *Combat in final approach to target.*
Alternate Height:
Last Report Heading:
(circle)
Duration Bomb Run:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: Jettisoned: Returned: 12x500 Abortive:

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

Own Bombs:

ABORT NOT DISPATCHED

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) 4/10s over channel

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

Thompson

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 _____

*Had to round time made 360 After Ready HA.
Ready Head 1357*

1. Time and Place of crossing English Coast 2 miles east of H. Hagon 1342
2. Was Course as Briefed? Cut short by shot but followed ste. to IP target except.
If not, describe course in detail _____

3. Time and Place of crossing Enemy Coast 1420. Echelet.
1810 8 miles East of Hagon.

4. Time over Target 1430 1444 1457
Altitude over Target 12000
Position of Group on Bomb Run 2
Magnetic Heading of Bomb Run 70 240 70
Duration Bomb Run 7 min. 4. 5.

5. Time of Landing at Base 1628.
If landed away from base before return state where and why _____

DATE _____ TIME _____ S-2 OFFICER Baldwin.

ADDITIONAL INTERROGATION FORM FOR GROUP AND SQUADRON LEAD AIRCRAFT

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Garber

(check one)
GROUP LEADER _____
HIGH SQUADRON LEADER _____
~~LOW~~ SQUADRON LEADER 4 _____
PLANE WITH OTHER GROUP _____
(Indicate Group and Group Identification)
SINGLE AIRCRAFT _____

1. Time and Place of crossing English Coast Beachy Head; 1357
12000

Etretat; 1420

2. Was Course as Briefed? _____
If not, describe course in detail _____

I P, O.K. made first run but didn't see target - turned left
cut N of I P, + made second run, saw target but only 15 sec
away; missed 3rd time, not so near I P.

3. Time and Place of crossing Enemy Coast _____ then to east of
Sandviers &

4. Time over Target _____

Altitude over Target _____

Position of Group on Bomb Run _____

Magnetic Heading of Bomb Run _____

Duration Bomb Run ~~2~~ 2 minutes, but right
had no mercury bubble.

5. Time of Landing at Base _____

If landed away from base before return state where and why _____

Left enemy coast 50' 00 N 0117 E -
Eng coast - 15 45 hours; to right
of Beachy Head.

DATE _____ TIME _____ SER 2 OFFICER B. N. Pool

9. ENEMY AIRCRAFT

a. Total E/A seen: Number 12 Place Before Target
Time 1100 Height 22000

b. E/A which fired at, or were fired upon by this plane:

Number Time Place Height
The E/A were attacked the Course behind

1 1112 Just NORTH OF TARGET 22000 - R

Two other A/c also were fired at but without results

Notes:

c. Claims: DESTROYED _____ PROBABLY _____ DAMAGED _____

d. ENEMY TACTICS OBSERVED:

10. Observations (Always give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT)
(Check list of items: Enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, waterways, R.R. yards, and roads; concentrations of troops, equipment, etc.; decoys, dummies, camouflage and smoke screens; landmarks on route or at target; incidents to friendly A/C; etc.)
/see No 1 -
/see 1 -

11. INJURIES to crew: (name, injury, how received.)
1ST LT. R.L. EDWARDS - cuts round left eye. splinters

12. DAMAGE to A/C: (Briefly) The wearing of the steel came up.
Hole in nose - Hole in No 2 engine cowling - helmet saved more extensive injury

13. TECHNICAL FAILURES:
Interphone failed on way back - Bombs racks not functioning correctly

14. CREW COMMENTS: (.ny unusual incidents? any suggestions?)

See notes re helmet in 11 -
Vapor trails about 10000 feet above (35000), about 45 NW of Wilhelmshaven

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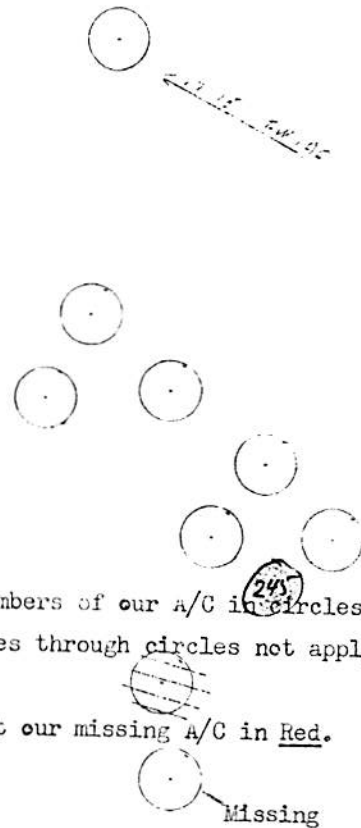
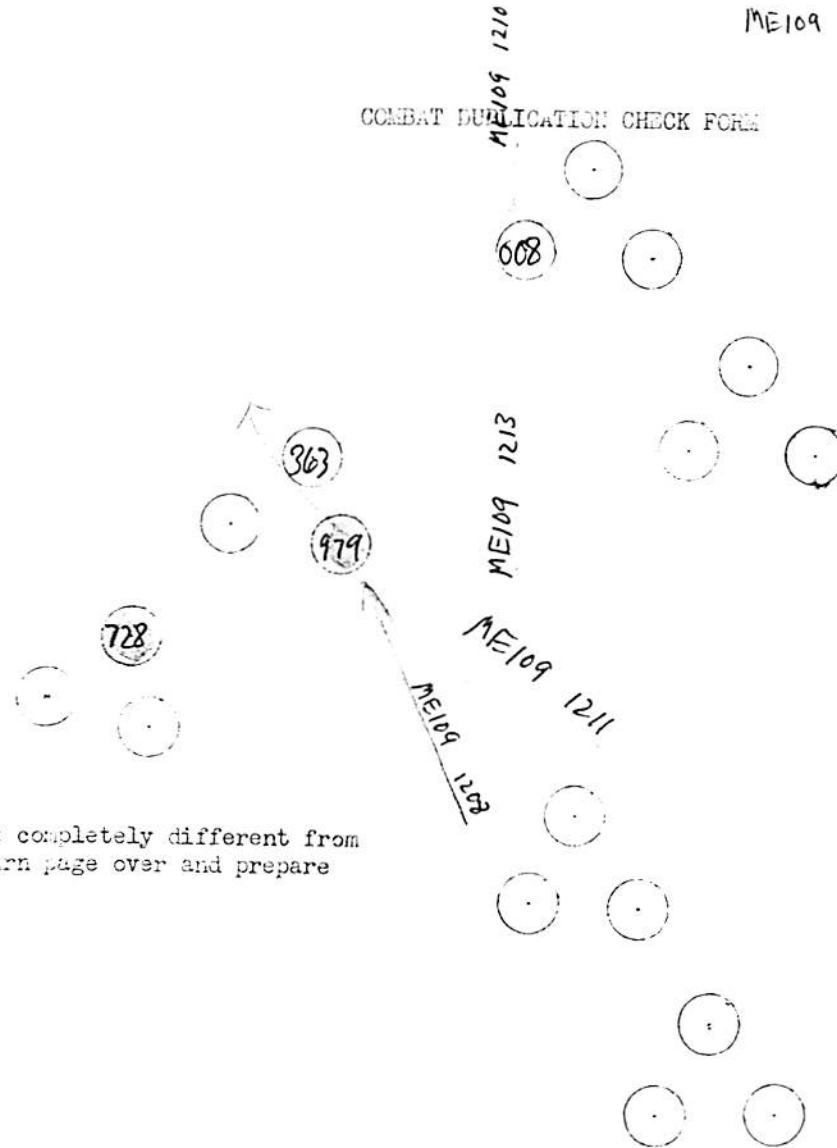
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ME109 1339

COMBAT DUPLICATION CHECK FORM

Show direction, approx. time and type E/A of each attack with arrow. Above with blue arrow - below with green - Level with red.

GROUP 306
DATE 25-2-44



If actual formation is completely different from position of circles turn page over and prepare diagram on back.

Write numbers of our A/C in circles. Draw lines through circles not applying.

Block out our missing A/C in Red.

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COMBAT FORM

Group 306th Date 25-2-44

Squadron 367th Place where attacked Denauworth

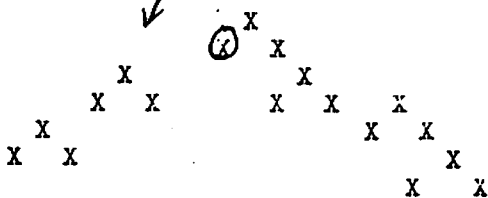
A/C No. 008 - v Time 1839 Height 21,000

1. Story of the attack:- Me 109 was flying in front and across our formation, apparently not attacking anyone. Bombardier started firing at about 500 yards when he was at 12 o'clock and followed him around to 8 o'clock. E/A spun in and pilot bailed out.

DESTROYED
A-2
I.B.W.

(Include above how E/A attacked; how close he came; where he was hit; how much he was damaged; and how he looked and acted going away)

2. Diagram of attack:



On diagram, show:
a. which of our A/C was attacked;
b. Direction of E/A attack;
c. Sun position.

Data on Combat

a. our heading 115°
b. visibility CAVU
c. type of E/A Me 109
d. level of attack;
From high above O'clock
level O'clock
(Check below 12 O'clock
One) very low O'clock

3. Our Gun Positions Firing on E/A.

Names 2nd Lt. E. L. Bratrud

Positions Bombardier

4. If E/A was Shot Down or Damaged:

Corroborated by S/Sgt. C. G. Smith

Position in A/C Ball turret.

Other A/C firing at the same time? No.

5. Comments of the interrogator: Destroyed

If formation was very different from standard, show on back of sheet.

Time Interrogator

Lt. Hegg

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COMBAT FORM

SUPPLEMENTAL CLAIM REPORT

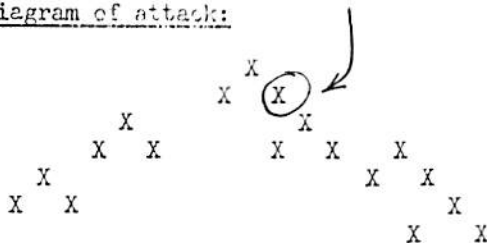
Group 306 Date 25/2/44
 Squadron 367 Place where attacked France
 A/C No: 459-A Time 1215 Height 17,000

1. Story of the attack: - 1 or 5 ME 109's came in from 12 o'clock;
one turned in at 10 o'clock at about 70-800 yds and Top Turret,
Yo. Barrier and Navigator fired at him. Top Turret kept pouring it
into him as he went by. Suddenly his engine burst into flames, and
he was seen to hit the ground and explode.

DESTROYED
 A-2 I.B.W.

(Include above how E/A attacked; how close he came; where he was hit; how much he was damaged; and how he looked and acted going away)

2. Diagram of attack:



On Diagram, show:
 a. which of our A/C was attacked;
 b. Direction of E/A attack;
 c. Sun position.

Data on Combat
 a. our heading 95°
 b. visibility CAW
 c. type of E/A ME 109
 d. level of attack;
 From high above 230 O'clock
 level O'clock
 (Check below O'clock
 One) very low O'clock

3. Our Gun Positions Firing on E/A.

Names S/Sgt. A. E. Jones
 Positions Top Turret

4. If E/A was Shot Down or Damaged:

Corroborated by Sgt. P. Szymanski
 Position in A/C Tail Gunner
 Other A/C firing at the same time? No

5. Comments of the interrogator: Destroyed

If formation was very different from standard, show on back of sheet.

Time 1st Lt. Hogg. Interrogator
27/2/44

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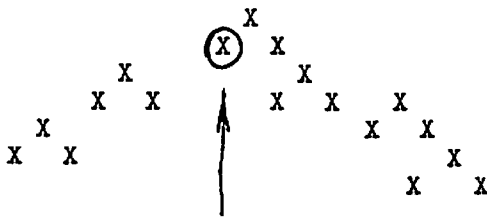
Group 306 Date 25-2-44
 Squadron 367 Place where attacked Charleville
 A/C No: DCU-V Time 1213 Height 16,700

1. Story of the attack:- 4 or 5 Me109s came in from 6 o'clock, attacking low squadron. Tail gunner fired at one about 700 yards, and held down trigger until E/A got by. Engine burst into flame; prop flew off and hit the left wing of this A/C. E/A spun in, covered with flame and was seen to crash on ground.

DESTROYED
A-2. I.B.W.

(Include above how E/A attacked; how close he came; where he was hit; how much he was damaged; and how he looked and acted going away)

2. Diagram of attack:



On Diagram, show:
 a. which of our A/C was attacked;
 b. Direction of E/A attack;
 c. Sun position.

Data on Combat
 a. our heading 120°
 b. visibility CAVU
 c. type of E/A me 109
 d. level of attack;
 From high above 0 o'clock
 level 0 o'clock
 (Check below 6 o'clock
 One) very low 0 o'clock

3. Our Gun Positions Firing on E/A.

Names S/Sgt. D. F. Offord

Positions Tail Gunner

4. If E/A was Shot Down or Damaged:

Corroborated by Sgt. K. D. Turner

Position in A/C Left Waist Gunner

Other A/C firing at the same time? No.

5. Comments of the interrogator: Destroyed.

If formation was very different from standard, show on back of sheet.

Time _____ Interrogator _____

1st Lt. Robert Hogg.

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COMBAT FORM

Group 306

Date 25-2-44

Squadron 367

Place where attacked France

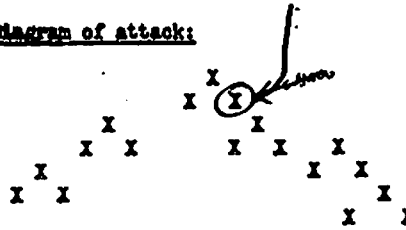
A/C No: 469-K

Time 1215 Height 17000

1. Story of the attack: 4 or 5 Me 109's came in from 12 o'clock; one turned in at this angle at about 700-800 yards and top tank, bombazine navigator fired at him. Top tank kept pouring it into him as he went by. Suddenly his front intake flames, and he was seen to hit the ground and explode.

(Include above how E/A attacked; how close he came; where he was shot; how much he was damaged; and how he looked and acted going away)

2. Diagram of attack:



On Diagram, show:

- a. which of our A/C was attacked;
- b. Direction of E/A attack;
- c. Sun position.

Data on Combat

- a. our heading 95°
- b. visibility 0.50
- c. type of E/A Me 109
- d. level of attack;
From high above 2-30 O'clock
level O'clock
below O'clock
One) very low O'clock

3. Our Gun Positions Firing on E/A.

Names Sgt A.E. Jones
Positions T.T.

4. If E/A was Shot Down or Damaged:

Corroborated by Sgt. P. Szymanski
Position in A/C T.G.
Other A/C firing at the same time? No

5. Comments of the interrogator: destroyed

If formation was very different from standard, show on back of sheet.

Time 1677 Interrogator

Somenille

COMBAT FORM

Group 306

Date 25-2-44

Squadron 367

Place where attacked France

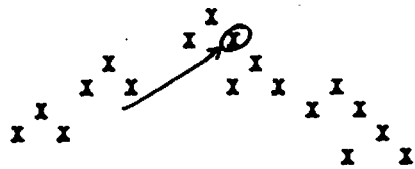
A/C No: 469-K

Time 1450 Height 15,000

1. Story of the attack: M/09 came up through the front from P. 0. 1. but taking advantage of the fact that the ops was attacking from 3 o'clock. Left main gunner fired at his exposed belly point blank. He fell off on our wing & spun down covered with heavy smoke.

(Include above how E/A attacked; how close he came; where he was hit; how much he was damaged; and how he looked and acted going away)

2. Diagram of attack:



On Diagram, show:
a. which of our A/C was attacked;
b. Direction of E/A attack;
c. Sun position.

Data on Combat
a. our heading 280°
b. visibility Good
c. type of E/A M/09
d. level of attack;
From high above _____ 0'clock
level _____ 0'clock
(Check below _____ 0'clock
One) very low 8 0'clock

3. Our Gun Positions Firing on E/A.

Names: S/Sgt. F. R. Seagrove

Positions L. W.

4. If E/A was Shot Down or Damaged:

Corroborated by 1st Lt. R. J. Somenille

Position in A/C Pilot

Other A/C firing at the same time? no

5. Comments of the interrogator: damaged

If formation was very different from standard, show on back of sheet.

Time 1450 Interrogator 27-2-44