HEADQUARTERS 306TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
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APO 557
27 October, 1944

SUBJECT: Intelligence Narrative
Mission: BIELEFELD, 26 October, 1944.

TO : Commanding Officer, 306th Bombardment Group (H), APO 557

1. Narrative

306th flew 11 A/C plus 1 PFF plus 1 spare as 40 "A" High squadron and 11 A/C plus 1 PFF plus 1 spare as 40 "B" High squadron. 306th also flew 10 A/C plus 2 PFF on Screening Operation which is covered in separate report.

Route of 40th "A" High was approximately as briefed. Orfordness 1240 hours; 5241N-0438E at 1317 hours; target, 1404; 5241N-0438E, 1500 hours; 5217N-0138E at 1534 hours. Route of 40 "B" High was substantially as briefed; 4 miles south of Orfordness; Dutch coast 5237-0437, 1321; IP 1356; target Bielefeld 1410; Dutch coast 5333-0446, 1505; English coast 5157-0121, 1545; over base 1626, landed 1735.

Buckeye Blue was heard very faintly reporting 10/10 at target.

Mickey equipment of both 40 "A" and "B" high squadron leads functioned satisfactorily.

2. Fighter Opposition and Fighter Support

No fighter opposition encountered. 40th "B" reports two contrails seen 8 miles north of Zwolle, 1336 hours, climbing at steep angle, about three miles away. Fighter support of P-51s was continuous from coast.

3. A.A. Gun Fire

Both "A" and "B" found no A.A. Gun Fire at target or enroute. Barrage observed at Munster. No damage.

4. Bombing

40th "A" leader made his own run on Bielefeld. [illegible] brought back 6 x 500 M43 and 6 x 500 M17. A/C 430-U, pilot Lt. McCaulie, turned back at Honeybourne Buncher at 1045 hours, materiel failure. Brought back 6 x 500 M43 and 6 x 500 M17.

8. A/C in Distress

None.

JOHN A. BAIRNSFATHER,
Major, AC,
Group S-2.

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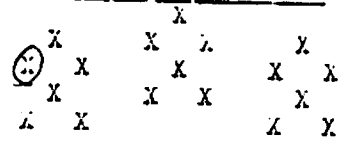
INTERROGATION FORM

Squadron ~~367 368 369 423~~ A/C Number 362 Letter K Date 26 Oct. 1944

Bomb Load 50 cartons CHAFF H.E. Incend.

Time Took Off 10:16 Time Landed 1543

Position in Formation



Lead Chaff Screening

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

   Nil.

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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

2nd Lt. A.F. Glynn	Pilot
2nd Lt. W.L. Rogers	Co-P
2nd Lt. G.J. Lateano	Nav.
2nd Lt. ~~W.C.~~ C.W. Greeninger	Bomb
S/Sgt S. Keren	Radi
S/Sgt G. Coker Jr.	Top
Sgt J.W. Kehelley	Ball
~~Sgt J. Galgath~~	R/W
Sgt F. PIEPENBRINK	L/W
Sgt W.A. Liles	Tail

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

   Primary Time: 1322 - 1340

   Alternate Height: 27000

   Last Resort (circle) Heading: 90 mag.

   Duration Bomb Run: over target and right turn to 025 mag.

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

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others) all 50 cartons chaff.

   Own Bombs: effect unobs.

   Any Nickels: Yes No
   Number bombs dropped
   Number Bombs returned

   Some ~~Group~~ didn't open as ball turret turned his guns around so that the ~~bogies~~ hit the guns and burst open -

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) 10/10 all the way except for one break on east side of Zuider Zee.

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
target - 20 bursts obs. 5 straight probably Munster -						
10 rocket - no burst 20 miles in distance (N.W. of Ruhr.)						

Crew observations about Flak:

Merger - non-existant con Trail while climbing enroute.