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"MISSION SUMMARY"

MISSION NO. 36
13TH. MARCH, 1944

94TH. COMBAT BOMB WING
401ST. BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)

REPORT OF OPERATIONAL
DAY

MISSION No. **36**

Date: **13 MAR. 44**

TO: **GO RENFLOS , FRANCE**

Target No.
X 37 (a & b)
XI/A/38

NOBALL TARGETS
"A" Constructional Works — GORENFLOS
"A" Constructional Works — AILLY-LE-HAUT-CLOCHER
(FRANCE)

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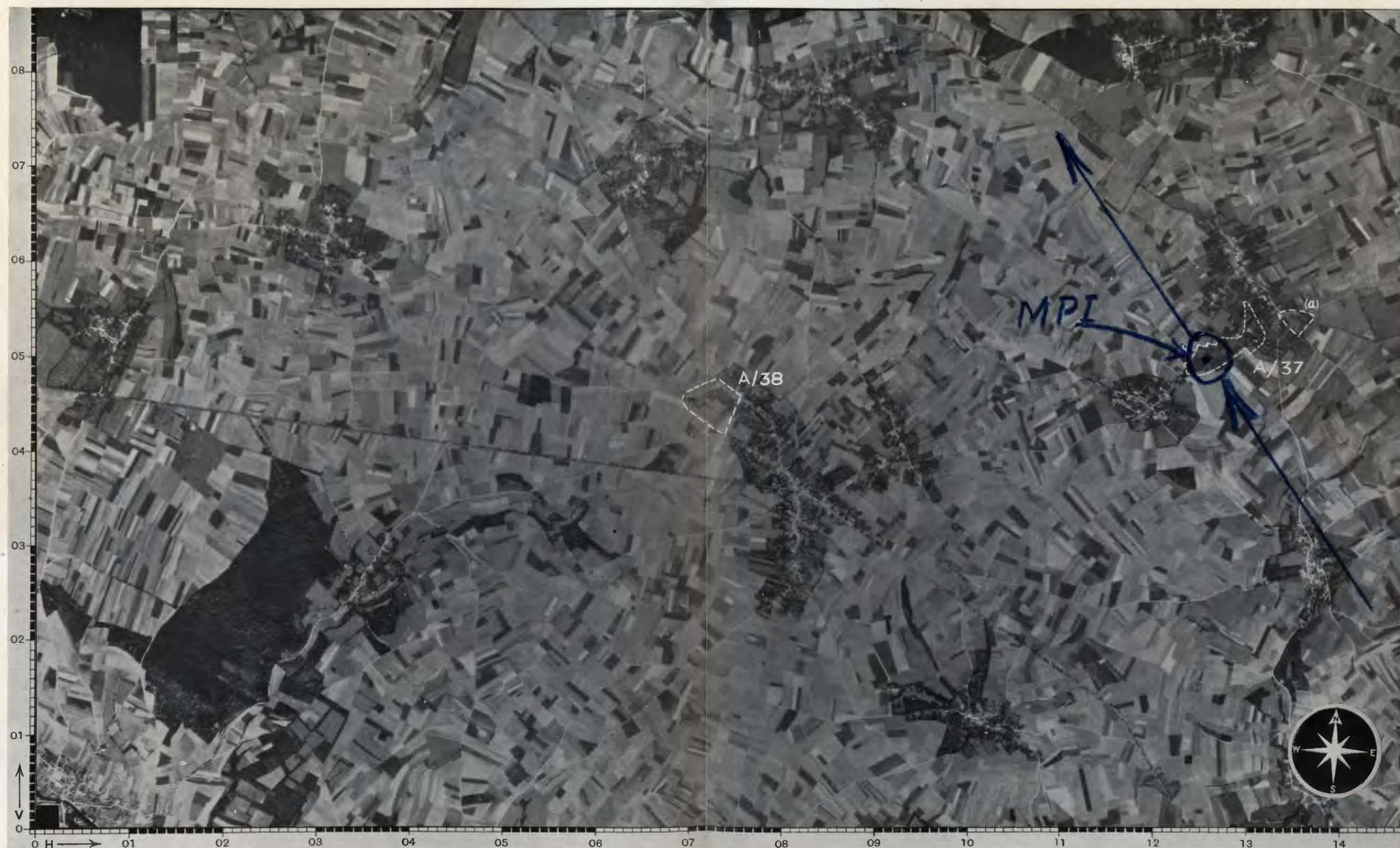
0 500 1000 1500 2000 YARDS
0 1/2 1 MILE

Photographed—Various Dates

(1 : 32,000) approx.

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OFFICE OF THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICER
STATION 128-APO 634

D-6-3

13 March, 1944.

SUBJECT: Crew Comments and Suggestions - Mission 13 March 1944.

TO : COMMANDING OFFICER, 401st Bombardment Group (H), APO 634,
(through Lt. Col. Brooks and Lt. Col. Voorhees)

1. Capt. Ralph J. White, Group leader recommends a sweep over target area by fighter A/C immediately preceding dispatch of bomber force in order to determine the weather and visibility at latest possible moment prior to dispatch of the bombers; Capt. White says weather forecast today was incorrect as to cloud coverage.
2. Lt. Charles F. Hess, (pilot) A/C 3507, stated that his airplane had trouble picking up the buncher before assembly, due to interference from commercial stations.
3. Several crews reported long waits in dispersal areas for trucks to take them to interrogation; Lt. G. C. Byrd, (pilot) A/C 1983, aptly explains the transportation difficulty in this fashion; one truck will be assigned the job of picking up three crews, and then the first crew picked up will monopolize the truck to perform all chores, while the two remaining crews are left waiting. Perhaps this accounts for the comment of Lt. Lawrence F. Pitchett, (pilot) to the effect that truck service for his crew was excellent.
4. Lt. Sandy Lew, (pilot) A/C 9932, reports that there was neither a Gee box/or compass in his A/C today.
5. Lt. James B. Harding, (bombardier) A/C 1662, felt that Chaff was wasted in view of high wind over target area, stating that it was blown away from target areas and couldn't have done any good. Lt. Roger F. Schlieper, (navigator) A/C 9932, thought Chaff was thrown out too early. S/Sgt. Joseph F. Acker, (LWG) A/C 7853, stated that Chaff clogged his gun by hanging on sight.
6. The entire crew of Lt. Stephen J. Lozinski wishes butter for toast at breakfast.
7. The crew of Lt. Lee S. Bartley, (pilot) A/C 0001, stated that the gas truck was driven to their plane even before they could remove their equipment and the driver stepped on bomb bolts and spilled gas on the BTG.

W. B. Fry
W. B. FRY,
Major, Air Corps,
Group S-2 Officer.

OFFICE OF THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICER
STATION 128 - APO 634
U. S. ARMY

D-G-3

13 March 1944.

E X T R A C T

SUBJECT: Crew Comments and Suggestions - Mission, 13 March 1944.

TO : Lt. Ray Sacks, Radar Officer, Sta. 128, APO 634.

(Par. 5)

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WBF
W. B. FRY,
Major, A. C.,
Group S-2 Officer.

OFFICE OF THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICER
STATION 128 - APO 634
U. S. ARMY

D-C-3

13 March 1944.

E X T R A C T

SUBJECT: Crew Comments and Suggestions - Mission, 13 March 1944.

TO : Captain Burton, Transportation Officer, Sta. 128, APO 634.

(Par. 3)

Several crews reported long waits in dispersal areas for trucks to take them to interrogation; Lt. G. C. Byrd, (pilot) A/C 1983, aptly explains the transportation difficulty in this fashion; one truck will be assigned the job of picking up three crews, and then the first crew picked up will monopolize the truck to perform all chores, while the two remaining crews are left waiting. Perhaps this accounts for the comment of Lt. Lawrence F. Fitchett, (pilot) to the effect that truck service for his crew was excellent.

W. B. Fry
W. B. FRY,
Major, A. C.
Group S-2 Officer.

S E C R E T

Report on A.A. Gunfire.

401st BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)

Assigned .GORENFLOS.

Date of Mission .13/3/44 .

1. Target:

Bombed .. None.

2. Route as Flown:-- (These are G fixes)

Ten miles north of briefed route at enemy coast, to (4949-0149E) to ten miles west of Gorenfles to (5037-0120E) to (5008-0150E) to sweeping left turn to coast (5020-0132E)

3. Weather conditions: (a) At target 10/10ths.

(b) En route .8/10ths. to 10/10ths.

4. Were our A.C "Seen" or "Unseen" targets? (a) At target .Unseen.
(b) En route .Seen and Unseen.

Any Condensation trails? .No.

5. Description of Flak at Target, including METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL

Mod, accurate, continuously pointed fire, black bursts

6. Flak encountered or observed en route. (IN the order experienced)

Meg. continuously pointed fire en route from 1040 hours till 1136 hours, one to four gun bursts, fair for alt. and deflection.

Accurate, mod. fire was encountered at - Amiens, Abbeville, and (5000-0208E) one A/C lost at latter area.

7. Was CHAFF carried? .Yes.

How discharged? .From radio windows and chutes as briefed.

8. Position of Group

.. Lead.

9. Details:--

A/C over enemy territory		A/C	A/C lost	Time over Target	Time of Bomb Away	Height	Axis of Attack	Bomb	Run
Group	territory	Damaged	to Flak	Target	Bomb Away	Height	Attack	Bomb	Run
401st	21	7	/		None	20,000	None	None	
Totals									

10. Comments - Phenomena:--

Some flak seemed unusually large

Ground racket, red burst at Amiens, 1104 hours, 20,000 feet.

Lt. D. J. Sutherland.

BRIEFING NOTES

TARGET INFO--- Old Friend-Crossbow--been there before--importance obvious since our AF has bombed ~~for~~ day-in and day-out when weather permitted for approximately three months, reported as rocket sites for some sort of rocket devised attack on English Mainland, etc.

ROUTE: Not specified by Field Order yet. Show point of Departure, ~~xxxx~~ Point of Penetration, and approximate area of I.P. indicating briefed Bomb Run Course and approximately where formation leaves coast.

DIVERSIONS:: 2nd and 3rd BD on similar targets along with other 1st BD Wings.

FRIENDLY FIGHTERS: 5 Gps P-47's giving area Support.

PROJECTIONS: Show British Night Target Chart with bomb run. Comments. Show Photo of Target Area with comments on bomb run. Show FLAK Chart of Whole area. Stress guns just NW and North of MPI. Also 8 guns can be expected from area south of Abbeville and at least 20 from Amiens if the wing goes in too far for I.P. Mention Sq. formation withdrawal will enable Sq. Leader to avoid Flak at coast if alert in observing preceding formations.

LAST MINUTE INTELLIGENCE:

No Convoys expected.

WHEN REQUESTING FIGHTER AID- give as much information as possible regarding altitude, location, Heading, and Number of Enemy Aircraft, attacking if any.

Chaff

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

Poop on Escape kits if landing away. Now S.O.P.
P/W

FLAK INFO FROM WINE

Wind 90 Knots from 310°--Bomb approach up-wind. Also 18 min E and 10 min north of the primary twelve new guns,

Two inches due No. of that point 4 new guns
one inch above th's point 7 new guns.

Lt. J. M. HAMRICK

HEADQUARTERS
401st BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Staff Weather Officer
APO 634, U.S. Army

13 March 1944

WEATHER INTERROGATION SUMMARY FOR MISSION OF 13 MARCH 1944

TAKE-OFF: 0846. 9/10 plus stratocumulus, base 2000'. Visibility 6 mi.

ROUTE OUT: 7-9/10 cumulus, base 2000', top 9,500', over England, becoming and remaining 9-10/10, tops 9500' to 11,000', over the channel and continent. Nil middle cloud. Nil high becoming 2-5/10 cirrus at about 30,000' over the continent. Scattered light rain and snow showers over England. Visibility 1-3 miles, occasionally becoming 4-6 miles, beneath clouds over England, becoming unrestricted above clouds.

TARGET: 1117. 9/10 cumulus, tops 10,000'. Nil middle cloud. 2-5/10 cirrus at about 30,000'. Visibility unrestricted at flight level.

ROUTE BACK: 9-10/10 cumulus, tops 9-11,000', becoming 6-8/10, tops 5-7000', bases 3-4000' over England. Nil middle becoming 9/10 altostratus, base 8000', top 9000' to 9500', over Southern England. 2-5/10 cirrus at about 30,000' over the continent, becoming nil over the channel. Visibility unrestricted above clouds and 3-5 miles beneath clouds.

BASE ON RETURN: 1255. 2/10 cumulus, base 2000'. Nil middle or high cloud. Visibility 6 miles.

REMARKS: No contrails from bombers. Occasional light, non-persistent contrails from fighters. Winds nearly as briefed, except for velocities being a few knots stronger than briefed; over the channel at 20,000' on route out, 315 deg. at 105 knots. Temperatures warmer than briefed: 20,000', -23 deg.; 15,000', -18 deg.

Arthur B. Street
ARTHUR B. STREET
Captain, A. G.
Staff Weather Officer

ROUTE FORECAST

DATE...13 March 1944.....

PERIOD..0730...1330 hrs.....

	(A) <u>Bases to Targets</u>	(B) <u>Targets to Bases</u>	(C)	(D)
WEATHER	(1) <u>Partly Cloudy to Cloudy with Haze becoming Cloudy with Haze.</u>	<u>Cloudy with Haze becoming Cloudy to Overcast with Slight or Moderate Rain Showers.</u>		
CLOUDS	(2) <u>3-5/10 large Cumulus with base 2500 tops 6-7000ft. increasing to 5-7/10 over Channel and Targets 6-7000ft. over Channel and 7-8000ft. over Targets. Patchy Alto-cumulus over Channel increasing to 3-5/10 over Targets North of 50 Deg N. 4-6/10 South of 50 Deg N. base 12,000ft. tops 15,000ft.</u>	<u>5-7/10 Cumulus base 2500 tops 7-8000ft. increasing to 6-8/10 over Channel and 6-9/10 over large Cumulus base 2-3000ft. tops 8-10,000 ft. over Bases. MEDIUM CLOUD AS ON ROUTE OUT TO SOUTHERN ENGLAND 5-7/10 Alto-stratus base 10,000ft. //</u>	<u>tops 16,000 over Bases Nil high Cloud becoming 3-5/10 Cirrus base 22,000ft.</u>	
FREEZING LEVEL AND INDEX	(3) <u>2000ft. Light Rime in Cloud</u>	<u>2000ft. Light Rime In Cloud.</u>		
VISIBILITY	(4) <u>3-5 miles becoming unrestricted at flight level.</u>	<u>Unrestricted at Flight Level becoming 4-6 miles over bases.</u>		
HEIGHT	DIRECTION VELOCITY	DIRECTION VELOCITY	DIRECTION VELOCITY	DIRECTION VELOCITY
SURFACE (5)	<u>Base to Target to Base</u>	<u>Temperature. Plus 03</u>		
5000 FT (6)	<u>320 30</u>	<u>-06</u>		
10000 FT (7)	<u>320 45</u>	<u>-14</u>		
15000 FT (8)	<u>310 60</u>	<u>-24</u>		
20000 FT (9)	<u>310 75</u>	<u>-32</u>		
25000 FT (10)	<u>310 90</u>	<u>-39</u>		
30000 FT (11)	<u>300 100</u>	<u>-46</u>		

BASE ALTIMETER SETTING...29.56... TARGET SURFACE TEMP...plus 03... TARGET MEAN TEMP...-14.5... TARGET SURFACE PRESSURE...1001 mb
29.65 in

PLEASE COMPLETE REVERSE SIDE AND RETURN AT INTERROGATION

Hq SOS USAPP 11-43/15M/17999

AIRCRAFT REPORT

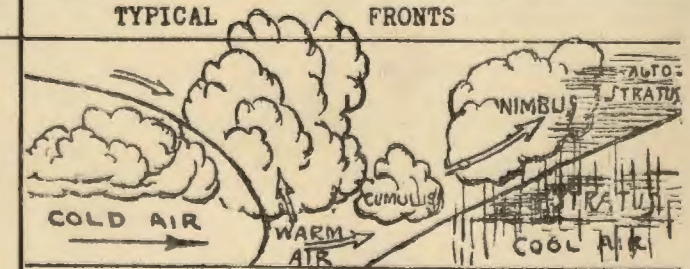
		BASE TO COAST	OVER CHANNEL OR SEA	OVER CONTINENT AND TARGET
TIME				
POSITION				
ALTITUDE				
CLOUD BELOW AIRCRAFT	AMOUNT AND TYPE			
	HEIGHT OF BASE AND TOP			
CLOUD ABOVE AIRCRAFT	AMOUNT AND TYPE			
	HEIGHT OF BASE AND TOP			
VISIBILITY				
AIR TEMPERATURE				
WINDS				
REMARKS AS WEATHER ENCOUNTERED, FRONTAL POSITIONS, ETC.				

NOTE: AT LEAST ONE COMPLETE OBSERVATION SHOULD BE ENTERED IN EACH COLUMN. THE OTHER SIDE OF THIS CARD HELPED YOU—WON'T YOU GIVE THE NEXT FELLOW A BREAK!

CLOUD TYPES AND ABBREVIATIONS

LOW CLOUDS Less than 8000 ft.	ST—STRATUS
MIDDLE CLOUDS 8000 to 20000 ft.	SC—STRATOCUMULUS
HIGH CLOUDS Over 20000 ft.	AS—ALTOSTRATUS
CLOUDS OF VERTICAL EXTENT	AC—ALTOCUMULUS
	CI—CIRRUS
	CS—CIRROSTRATUS
	CU—CUMULUS
	CB—CUMULONIMBUS

TYPICAL FRONTS



COLD FRONT

WARM FRONT

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612th BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
 401st BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
 APO 634
 Office of the Operations Officer

13 March 1944
 AAF Station 128.

SUBJECT : Loading List

TO : Operations Officer, 401st Bombardment Group (H), APO 634,
 AAF Station 128.

Plane 42-31662

P	Dailey, Scribner G.	1st Lt.	612th
CP	Stokes, Alexander G.	1st Lt.	"
N	Harding, James B.	2nd Lt.	614th
B	Hutson, Waymen T.	1st Lt.	612th
RO	Hildreth, Arthur W.	Sgt.	"
TTG	Carr, Maurice A.	T/Sgt.	"
BTG	Van Booven, Donald W.	Sgt.	"
TG	Sanders, Charles W.	S/Sgt.	"
LWG	Plate, Robert B.	Sgt.	"
RWG	K Hagan, Charles T.	T/Sgt.	"

Plane 42-39979

P	Tanner, John R.	1st Lt.	"
CP	Coyne, Daniel J.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Strom, Kenneth L.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Winn, Roy R.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Girogiani, Alex (NMI)	S/Sgt.	"
TTG	Cable, Harvey T.	T/Sgt.	"
BTG	Norris, John B.	S/Sgt.	"
TG	Staley, Phillip C.	S/Sgt.	"
LWG	Daniel, Edward P.	S/Sgt.	"
RWG	Francis, Raymond R.	S/Sgt.	"

Plane 42-39943

P	Johnson, Benjamin H. Jr.	2nd Lt.	"
CP	Waller, Jack E.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Fishbeck, Howard D.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Musso, David M.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Brandt, Melvin A.	S/Sgt.	"
TTG	Sellitto, John M.	S/Sgt.	"
BTG	Schaefer, Donald E.	Sgt.	"
TG	Blaugh, Joseph M.	Sgt.	"
LWG	Shannon, James L.	S/Sgt.	"
RWG	Litchfield, Russell E.	S/Sgt.	"

Plane 42-31087

P	Wells, Kenneth G.	2nd Lt.	"
CP	Guinn, Ewin N.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Gelula, Warren (NMI)	2nd Lt.	"
B	Lingenfelter, Leo I.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Bartlett, Edward M.	S/Sgt.	"
TTG	Larson, Robert D.	Sgt.	"
BTG	Convertino, Rico S.	Sgt.	"
TG	Weatherman, James H.	S/Sgt.	"
LWG	Price, William (NMI)	Sgt.	"
RWG	Chapman, William E.	Sgt.	"

Subj : Loading List, dd 13 March 1944, 612th Sqdn., Con't.

Plane 42-39765

P	Christensen, Mervin J.	2nd Lt.	612th
CP	Kleppe, Fred H.	2nd Lt.	"
N	King, Paul J.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Weiman, Karl K.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Spivey, Marion D.	S/Sgt.	"
TTG	Gibson, Earl G.	Sgt.	"
BTG	Cox, Wade M.	Sgt.	"
TG	KANAN Lopez, Jaun G.	Sgt.	"
LWG	Colluccio, Anthony D.	Sgt.	"
RWG	Maleh, Irvin L.	Sgt.	"

DONALD G. McCREE;
Capt., Air Corps,
Operations Officer.

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613th BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
OFFICE OF THE OPERATIONS OFFICER
AAF STATION 128, APO 634

13, MARCH 1944

SUBJECT: LOADING LIST

TO : OPERATIONS OFFICER, 461st BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H), AAF STATION 128, APO 634

1. FOLLOWING IS THE LIST OF COMBAT CREWS PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S MISSION.

duty	RANK	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MI
<u>PLANE NO. A2-31072</u>				
P	1st LT.	SHOTS	BRYAN	M.
CP	2nd LT.	MAHER	WILLIAM	P.
N	1st LT.	SAVAGE	WILLIAM	F.
B	1st LT.	BRIARTON	HENRY	R.
RO	SGT.	STRONG	ROBERT	L.
TT	T/SGT.	SWOFFORD	HARVEY	W.
BT	S/SGT.	RIEGER	LOLAND	L.
TG	S/SGT.	ISEMINGER	JOHN	R.
LWG	S/SGT.	SONICHSEN	DONALD	H.
RWG	S/SGT.	JONES	WILLIAM	F. JR.

<u>PLANE NO. A2- 99932</u>				
P	2nd LT.	LEW	SANDY	(NMI)
CP	2nd LT.	PRIEST	GORDON	S.
N	2nd LT.	SCHLIEPER	ROGER	F.
B	2nd LT.	KELLY	JOHN	J.
RO	T/SGT.	JOHNSON	ALVIN	A.
TT	T/SGT.	THAYER	BLISS	P.
BT	S/SGT.	EXT FRANKLIN	PAT	H.
TG	S/SGT.	HIBBS	ARLIE	E.
LWG	S/SGT.	ROBINSON	MARSHALL	D.
RWG	S/SGT.	MCCARTHY	WILLIAM	A.

<u>PLANE NO. A2-31374</u>				
P	2nd LT.	HELLMUTH	GEORGE	J.
CP	2nd LT.	HANNON	JAMES	J.
N	1st LT.	COVENTRY	JAMES	A.
B	1st LT.	GIPSON	RAYMOND	E.
RO	T/SGT.	WAGNER	ROBERT	F.
TT	T/SGT.	BAILEY	JAMES	M.
BT	SGT.	BRANDT	GORDON	F.
TG	S/SGT.	DEVITO	MICHAEL	F.
LWG	S/SGT.	MOORE	ROYCE	W.
RWG	SGT.	ALLEN	FRANCIS	G.

<u>PLANE NO. A2-3507</u>				
P	1st LT.	HESS	CHARLES	P.
CP	2nd LT.	MURPHY	WALTER	J.
N	2nd LT.	SCHWARTZ	BERNARD	(NMI)
B	2nd LT.	GOBER	DENE	M C.
RO	SGT.	FAHNESTOCK	JAMES	E.
TT	T/SG T.	TRYBA	ALEXANDER	F.
BT	S/SGT.	MARTINEZ	RICHARD	V.
TG	S/SGT.	KASHNER	CHARLES	D.
LWG	SGT.	HADSELL	DAVID	H.
RWG	S/SGT.	FLOREZ	LOUIS	(NMI)

DUTY	RANK	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MI
<u>PLANE NO. 42-31005</u>				
P	2nd LT.	VOKATY	ALFRED	E.
CP	2nd LT.	GAMERKEL	WILLIAM	L. JR.
N	2nd LT.	SCHACHTER	SHEA	(NMI)
B	2nd LT.	STRODE	CHARLES	R.
EX-RO	T/SGT.	HALPIN	RONALD	G.
TT	T/SGT.	BOROS	JOSEPH	J.
BT	S/SGT.	CRULL	HOWARD	M.
TG	S/SGT.	CANTER	WARREN	(NMI)
LWG	S/SGT.	SANDERS	ROY	G. JR.
RWG	SGT.	CAMPBELL	JOHN	F.

<u>PLANE NO. 42-30855</u>				
P	2nd LT.	FITCHETT	LAWRENCE	E.
CP	2nd LT.	CAMPBELL	BRUCE	M.
N	2nd LT.	PFEIFFER	LAWRENCE	W.
B	2nd LT.	SANCHEZ	LOUIS	T.
RO	T/SGT.	BERGENER	MAX	H.
TT	T/SGT.	PARSLOE	BERTAM	(NMI)
BT	S/SGT.	SASSI	LOUIS	M.
TG	S/SGT.	ROSE	ANTHONY	F.
LWG	S/SGT.	HANNABURY	RALPH	A.
RWG	S/SGT.	PETRO	JOHN	(NMI)

SIX HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
Office of the Operations Officer

March 13, 1944

SUBJECT: loading list.

TO : Operations Officer, 401st Bomb Gp (H), APO # 634.

1. Following is the list of Combat Crews participating in today's Mission.

PLANE # 42-31485

DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
P -	Captain	Runsey	William	M.	615th
CP -	Captain	White	Ralph	J.	615th
N -	1st Lt.	Walsh	Michael	R.	615th
R -	1st Lt.	Arnold	Harold	S.	615th
RO -	T/Sgt.	Carter	William	W.	615th
TT -	T/Sgt.	Roberts	Donald	B.	615th
BT -	S/Sgt.	Lieberman	Irving	I.	615th
TG -	2nd Lt.	Kaercher	Robert	D.	615th
LWG -	S/Sgt.	Rothwell	Frank	A.	615th
RWG -	S/Sgt.	Lee	Ivan	R.	615th

PLANE # 42-31091

DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
P -	1st Lt.	Grinham	Fred	D.	615th
CP -	2nd Lt.	Brown, Jr.	Fred	(NMI)	615th
N -	2nd Lt.	Whitney	Ray	F.	615th
B -	2nd Lt.	Wolfe	Ralph	W.	615th
RO -	T/Sgt.	Lewis	Charles	M.	615th
TT -	T/Sgt.	Cookerham	Roy	W.	615th
BT -	S/Sgt.	Hardy	Charles	E.	615th
TG -	S/Sgt.	Hamilton	James	R.	615th
LWG -	S/Sgt.	Cummings	William	T.	615th
RWG -	S/Sgt.	Housman	Herbert	M.	615th

PLANE # 42-31983

P -	2nd Lt.	Byrd	G. (10)	C.	615th
CP -	2nd Lt.	Galica	Fred	M.	615th
N -	2nd Lt.	Taylor	James	(NMI)	615th
B -	2nd Lt.	Vickrey	Charles	R.	615th
RO -	S/Sgt.	Exowski	Joseph	(NMI)	615th
TT -	S/Sgt.	Patterson	Delbert	L.	615th
BT -	Sgt.	Skalten	Floyd	(NMI)	615th
TG -	S/Sgt.	Holzman	Michael	(NMI)	615th
LWG -	Sgt.	Muscumella	Lawrence	S.	615th
RWG -	S/Sgt.	Hussey	Wayne	T.	615th

PLANE # 45-24822

DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
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DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
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PLANE # 42-37833

P	1st Lt.	Tramble	William	W.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Shantz	Fred	F.	615th
N	2nd Lt.	Lepke	Beryle	L.	615th
B	2nd Lt.	Gury	Enver	C.	615th
RO	S/Sgt.	Bellerose	James	B.	615th
TT	S/Sgt.	Tracey	Edward	(NMI)	615th
BT	Sgt.	Schaeffer	John	B.	615th
TG	S/Sgt.	Asbell	William	R.	615th
LWG	S/Sgt.	Acker	Joseph	R.	615th
RWG	S/Sgt.	Courtad	Paul	R.	615th

PLANE # 42-31619

P	1st Lt.	Ferdyn	Joseph	R.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Enstad	Robert	J.	615th
N	2nd Lt.	Manning	Charles	R.	615th
B	2nd Lt.	Black	J. (io)	Dee	615th
RO	S/Sgt.	Anderson	Martin	A.	615th
TT	T/Sgt.	Agas	Jack	R.	615th
BT	Sgt.	Johnson	Joe	R.	615th
TG	S/Sgt.	Hartzan	Harold	(NMI)	615th
LWG	S/Sgt.	May	William	L.	615th
RWG	S/Sgt.	Bushendorf	Everett	R.	615th

PLANE # 42-39673

DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
P	2nd Lt.	Lorinski	Stephen	J.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Child	Eldon	R.	615th
N	P/P	Rush	Louis	R.	615th
B	2nd Lt.	Hughes	Harold	R.	615th
RO	S/Sgt.	Weber	Bernard	J.	615th
TT	S/Sgt.	Mercurio	Michael	J.	615th
BT	Sgt.	Keller, Jr.	James	R.	615th
TG	S/Sgt.	McElligott	Herbert	R.	615th
LWG	S/Sgt.	Pacaly	Charles	L.	615th
RWG	S/Sgt.	Williams	John	A.	615th
CL	Chief	Wicks	Walter	T.	615th
B	Chief	Burke	William	R.	615th

DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
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PLANE # 43-21492

1. Information in the list of names shall be maintained in regular session.

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REMARKS: [unclear]

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LIST OF THE OBSERVATION OFFICERS
 SIX HUNDRED AND EIGHTEEN EIGHTY-FOUR (18)

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SIX HUNDRED AND FIFTYFIFTH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
Office of the Operations Officer

March 13, 1944

SUBJECT: loading list.

TO : Operations Officer, 401st Bomb Gp (H), APO # 634.

1. Following is the list of Combat Crews participating in today's Mission.

PLANE # 42-31486

DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
P -	Captain	Rumsey	William	M.	615th
CP -	Captain	White	Ralph	J.	615th
H -	1st Lt.	Walsh	Michael	R.	615th
B -	1st Lt.	Arnold	Harold	S.	615th
RO -	T/Sgt.	Carter	William	H.	615th
TT -	T/Sgt.	Roberts	Donald	D.	615th
BT -	S/Sgt.	Lieberman	Irving	I.	615th
TO -	2nd Lt.	Kaercher	Robert	D.	615th
ING -	S/Sgt.	Rothwall	Frank	A.	615th
RNG -	S/Sgt.	Lee	Ivan	R.	615th

PLANE # 42-31091

DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
P -	1st Lt.	Grinham	Fred	D.	615th
CP -	2nd Lt.	Brown, Jr.	Fred	(HMI)	615th
H -	2nd Lt.	Whitney	Ray	F.	615th
B -	2nd Lt.	Wells	Ralph	W. (HMI)	615th
RO -	T/Sgt.	Lewis	Charles	M.	615th
TT -	T/Sgt.	Cockerham	Ray	W.	615th
BT -	S/Sgt.	Harvey	Charles	H.	615th
TO -	S/Sgt.	Hamilton	James	H.	615th
ING -	S/Sgt.	Cummings	William	T.	615th
RNG -	S/Sgt.	Holman	Herbert	M.	615th

PLANE # 42-31988

DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
P -	2nd Lt.	Byrd	G. (10)	C.	615th
CP -	2nd Lt.	Calfee	Fred	M.	615th
H -	2nd Lt.	Taylor	James	(HMI)	615th
B -	2nd Lt.	Tickroy	Charles	R.	615th
RO -	S/Sgt.	Emowski	Joseph	G.	615th
TT -	S/Sgt.	Patterson	Delbert	L. (HMI)	615th
BT -	Sgt.	Malton	Floyd	(HMI)	615th
TO -	S/Sgt.	Holman	Michael	(HMI)	615th
ING -	Sgt.	Munarella	Lawrence	S.	615th
RNG -	S/Sgt.	Rumsey	Wayne	T.	615th

PLANE # 42-31486

DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
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DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
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PLANE # 42-37833

P	1st Lt.	Trimble	William	W.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Shantz	Fred	L.	615th
N	2nd Lt.	London	Beryl	L.	615th
E	2nd Lt.	Cury	Enver	C.	615th
NO	S/Sgt.	Beller	James	E.	615th
TT	S/Sgt.	Tracey	Edward	(HMI)	615th
BT	Sgt.	Schaeffer	John	M.	615th
TO	S/Sgt.	Rebell	William	S.	615th
LWG	S/Sgt.	Loker	Joseph	V.	615th
RWG	S/Sgt.	Courtad	Paul	M.	615th
			G* (10)	G*	615th

PLANE # 42-31619

P	1st Lt.	Ferdyn	Joseph	B.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Enstad	Robert	J.	615th
N	2nd Lt.	Manning	Charles	M.	615th
E	2nd Lt.	Black	J. (10)	Don	615th
NO	S/Sgt.	Anderson	Martin	A.	615th
TT	T/Sgt.	Agos	Jack	S.	615th
BT	Sgt.	Johnson	Joe	W.	615th
TO	S/Sgt.	Hortman	Harold	(HMI)	615th
LWG	S/Sgt.	May	William	M.	615th
RWG	S/Sgt.	Bushendorf	Everett	M.	615th
			G*	G*	615th

PLANE # 42-39875

DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
P	2nd Lt.	Losinski	Stephen	J.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Child	Eldon	R.	615th
N	P/P	Rush	Louis	R.	615th
E	2nd Lt.	Hughes	Harold	M.	615th
NO	S/Sgt.	Seber	Barnard	V.	615th
TT	S/Sgt.	Mercurio	Michael	D.	615th
BT	Sgt.	Keller, Jr.	James	P.	615th
TO	S/Sgt.	McIllicott	Herbert	P.	615th
LWG	S/Sgt.	Pacely	Charles	L.	615th
RWG	S/Sgt.	Williams	John	M.	615th
CL	captain	Wicks	Harvey	G*	615th
S	captain	Wicks	Harvey	G*	615th
			GITTEN	M*	615th

DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
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PLANE # 42-21492

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF
SIX HUNDRED AND EIGHTEEN EIGHTH AVENUE (H)

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SIX HUNDRED AND FOURTEENTH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
 FOUR HUNDRED AND FIRST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
 Office of the Operations Officer.

AAP Station # 128
 13 March, 1944

SUBJECT: Loading List.

TO : Operations Officer, 401st Bomb ^uGp (H) APO # 634.

1. Following is the list of Combat Crews participating in today's mission.

*Plane 42-31369

P-	1st Lt.	WILSON,	SAMUEL	P.	614th
CP-	1st Lt.	GATTIS,	ELGIN	V.	"
N-	2nd Lt.	SUDAKOV, LAWRENCE H.	H.	H.	"
B-	2nd Lt.	DALY	JOHN	J. JR.	"
RO-	Cpl.	Wilber	Maurice	V.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Corley,	Jesse	C.	"
BT-	S/Sgt.	Ames	Ensign	S.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Spkol	Leonard	E.	"
ENG	Pvt.	Morrissey,	John	E.	"
RNG	S/Sgt.	Wolf,	William	G.	"

*Plane 42-31116

P-	2nd Lt.	WEBER	EZRA	S.	615th
CP-	2nd Lt.	PEACOCK	GEORGE	H.	"
N-	2nd Lt.	WIRHEL	CHARLES	H.	"
B-	2nd Lt.	PEDRO	ORLANDO	J.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Krekorian	Ruben	E.	"
TT-	T/Sgt.	Huber	John	A	"
BT-	S/Sgt.	McKendry	Daniel	C.	"
TG-	S/Sgt.	Schellenburg	Clarence	H.	"
LWG-	S/Sgt.	Kinsey,	Robert	S.	"
RNG	S/Sgt.	Banichas	George T.		"

*Plane 42- 31098

P-	2nd Lt.	WALSH	ROBERT	P.	614th
CP-	1st Lt.	KAUFMAN	RICHARD	H.	"
N-	2nd Lt.	MATRICIAN	MICHAEL		"
B-	2nd Lt.	PORTER	GUY	R.	"
RO-	Cpl.	Zapalla	Vincent		"
TT-	T/Sgt.	Stalloup	Mose	H.	"
BT-	S/Sgt.	Collie	Perry	O.	"
TG-	S/Sgt.	Brgoch	Ludvick	J.	"
ENG	S/Sgt.	Cartmill	Charles	L.	"
RNG-	S/Sgt.	Layland	John	M.	"

Lt. Harding riding with Lt. Daily 612th Bomb Sq.

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*Plane 42-39440

P-	1st Lt.	STINE	ROBERT	O.	614th
CP-	2nd Lt.	KEHGE	ROBERT	J.	614th
N-	2nd Lt.	MILLER,	LEE	S. JR.	"
B-	2nd Lt.	EMPRIC	WALTER	P.	"
RO-	S/Sgt.	Keeney	Frank	E	"
TT-	S/Sgt.	Trump	Paul	J.	"
BT-	S/Sgt.	Risi	John	M	"
TG-	S/Sgt.	Prager	Gilbert		"
LNG-	S/Sgt.	Thill	Richard	G.	"
RWG-	S/Sgt.	Cohen	Franklin	C.	"

*Plane 42-40001

P-	2nd Lt.	BARTLEY	LEO	S.	614th
CP-	2nd Lt.	HAMMOND	Howard	W.	"
N-	2nd Lt.	RYAN,	WILLIAM	G.	"
B-	2nd Lt.	CARTER	JAMES	P.	"
RO-	S/Sgt.	Frederick	Eugene	D.	"
TT	Sgt.	Degraff	Andrew	D.	"
BT-	Sgt.	Rader	Richard	A.	"
LNG	Sgt.	Hurd	Robert	O.	"
TG	Sgt.	Hartwell	Dennis	R.	"
RWG-	Cpl.	Sherman	Gilbert		"

*Plane 42-39847

P-	2nd Lt.	SHAW	FRANCIS	L.	614th
CP-	2nd Lt.	COLE	WILLIAM	R.	"
N-	2nd Lt.	ENGELHARDT	Elmer	W.	"
RO	Sgt.	Terroux	Kenneth	A	"
B-	2nd Lt.	AUBRY	ALFRED	L.	"
TT-	S/Sgt.	Macomber	Richard	W.	"
BT-	Sgt.	Hurd	John	L.	"
TG-	Sgt.	Smith	Glen	W.	"
LNG-	Sgt.	Seagren,	Carl	K.	"
RWG	Sgt.	Gordon	Robert	T	"

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OFFICE OF THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICER
AAF STATION 128 - APO 634

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13 March 1944

SUBJECT: Crew Comments and Suggestions - Mission 13 March 1944.

TO : COMMANDING OFFICER, 401st Bombardment Group (H), APO 634,
(Through Lt Col Brooks and Lt Col Voorhees)

1. Capt Ralph J White, Group leader recommends a sweep over target area by fighter A/C immediately preceding dispatch of bomber force in order to determine the weather and visibility at latest possible moment prior to dispatch of the bombers; Capt White says weather forecast today was incorrect as to cloud coverage.
2. Lt Charles F Hess (Pilot) A/C 3507, stated that his airplane had trouble picking up the buncher before assembly, due to interference from commercial stations.
3. Several crews reported long waits in dispersal areas for trucks to take them to interrogation; Lt G C Byrd (Pilot) A/C 1983 aptly explains the transportation difficulty in this fashion; one truck will be assigned the job of picking up three crews, and then the first crew picked up will monopolize the truck to perform all chores, while the two remaining crews are left waiting. Perhaps this accounts for the comment of Lt Lawrence F Fitchett (Pilot) to the effect that truck service for his crew was excellent.
4. Lt Sandy Lew (Pilot) A/C 9832 reports that there was neither a Gee box or compass in his A/C today.
5. Lt James B Harding (bombardier) A/C 1662, felt that Chaff was wasted in view of high wind over target area, stating that it was blown away from target areas and couldn't have done any good. Lt Roger F Schliper (Navigator) A/C 9832 thought Chaff was thrown out too early. S/Sgt Joseph F Acker (LWG) stated that Chaff clogged his gun by hanging on the sight.
6. The entire crew of Lt Stephen J Lozinski wishes butter for toast at breakfast.
7. The crew of Lt Leo S Bartley, (Pilot) A/C 0001 stated that the gas truck was driven to their plane even before they could remove their equipment and the driver stepped on bomb bolts and spilled gas on BTG.

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HEADQUARTERS
 401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
 Office of the Engineering Officer
 Station 128

F-A-2

A.P.O. 634
 13 March, 1944

SUBJECT: Mission Summary Report

TO : Group Operations, Station 128, APO 634.

1. Abortives.

None

2. Battle Damage.

a. 42-31116 - 2" flak hole in center of left bomb bay door; 4" X 1" flak hole in bottom of right wing, outboard of # 4 engine cutting rib and stiffener and into cooler duct; 1" flak hole in left side of fuselage above Navigator's window; (2) Two small flak holes through vertical fin forward of horizontal stabilizer; 2" flak hole through tail gunner's position; 1" flak hole in center window of right side of nose section; 2" flak hole in leading edge of right wing, outboard of landing light; Small flak hole in leading edge of ring cowl on # 3 engine.

b. 42-31072 - Small flak hole through right side of fuselage, just above waist position, causing minor structural damage; Flak hole through fairing of left wing, entering bomb bay and causing damage to bomb rack; Small flak hole in top of # 2 nacelle; Small flak hole in cowl flap of # 4 nacelle.

c. 42-32005 - Small flak hole in top of fuselage, near Navigators' Compartment; 1" flak hole in center of right bomb bay door.

d. 42-3507 - Small flak hole in trailing edge of right aileron; Small flak hole in center of left bomb bay door; Flak hole in bottom cowl flap of # 2 nacelle; Flak hole in left wing, inner panel, behind # 2 nacelle.

e. 42-30856 - Flak hole through right wing root fairing, and out through rear of left bomb bay door.

f. 42-39932 - 4" rip in top of left wing, inner panel, behind # 1 nacelle, caused by flak; 6" hole in leading edge of left wing, between # 1 and # 2 engines, minor structural damage, caused by flak; 3" flak hole through top of left wing, outer panel, causing damage to fuel tank; 4" 2 rip in top of # 1 nacelle, caused by flak. Top turret plexiglass dome broken by flak.

TOTAL NO: OF A/C	MAJOR DAMAGE	MINOR DAMAGE	BY FLAK
6	0	6	6

CHARLES W. HUNT
 1st Lt., Air Corps,
 Group Engineering Officer

HEADQUARTERS
 401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
 Office of the Armament Officer
 Station 128

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A.P.O. 634
 13 March, 1944

SUBJECT: Armament Narrative, Mission No. 36, 13 March, 1944

TO : Commanding Officer, 401st Bombardment Group (H),
 APO 634, U.S. Army

1. The following Armament malfunctions were reported at the conclusion of the mission of 13 March, 1944.

<u>A/C No.</u>	<u>Gun Position</u>	<u>Malfunction</u>	<u>Personnel or Equipment</u>
42-3507	Ball Turret	Solenoid Burned Out	Equipment

BOMB RACK MALFUNCTIONS

1. A negative bomb rack malfunctions reported for the mission of 13 March, 1944.

SAM P. BROWNHALL JR
 1st Lt., Air Corps,
 Group Armament Officer

HEADQUARTERS
401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Engineering Officer
Station 128

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A.P.O. 634
13 March, 1944

SUBJECT: S-4 Combat Mission Report on Mission 13 March, 1944

TO : Commanding Officer, 1st Bombardment Division, APO 634.

1. The following Engineering failures were reported with the number of cases in parenthesis:

Landing Gear Motor Inoperative (1)
Flux Gate Compass Out (3) Supercharger Lags (2)
Automatic Pilot Out (1) Runaway Prop (1)
Faulty Oxygen Regulators (4)
Oil Temperature Gauge Out (1)

2. The following Armament failures were reported with the number of cases in parenthesis:

Solenoid Failure Ball Turret (1)
Bomb Bay Door Electrical Mechanism Inoperative (3)

3. The following failures other than Engineering and Armament were reported with the number of cases in parenthesis:

Hesters Out (2)

CHARLES W. HUNT
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Group Engineering Officer