

SECRET

On 15 May 1944 the 401st Group participated in the Operation to STETTIN, GERMANY. But the 614th Squadron didn't put up a crew on this mission. Bombing of Stettin was visual and crews reported good results.

The following combat crew members of the 614th Squadron participated in the mission to KIEL, GERMANY 19 May 1944:

CLIFFORD A. LINCOLN	2nd Lt.	P
JOSEPH E. MYERS, JR.	2nd Lt.	CP
MICHAEL MATRICIAN	2nd Lt.	N
STEPHEN J. DANIELSON	2nd Lt.	B
Raymond C. Brodell	T/Sgt.	TT
Oscar M. Johnson	T/Sgt.	ROG
Clarence R. Stolts	S/Sgt.	BTG
Robert C. Well	S/Sgt.	INW
Daniel J. Daley	S/Sgt.	HWG
John F. Glansick, Jr.	S/Sgt.	TG
GEORGE L. CEFVOR	2nd Lt.	P
Walter E. Hall	2nd Lt.	CP
JAMES R. HOWELL	2nd Lt.	N
DOV L. ANDERSON	2nd Lt.	B
Bernard S. Borg	Sgt.	TT
Charles H. Fidler	S/Sgt.	ROG
Leland Stanford	Sgt.	BTG
Andrew J. Hayden	Pvt.	INW
Russell E. Bilyeu	Sgt.	HWG
William L. Carpenter	Sgt.	TG
JAMES F. RISHEN	1st Lt.	P
JACK L. REFFENING	2nd Lt.	CP
FRANK W. RICES	2nd Lt.	N
VINCENT E. BROWN	2nd Lt.	B
Robert H. Ockerman	Sgt.	TT
William H. Massetter	S/Sgt.	ROG
Harry R. Baker	S/Sgt.	BTG
Jennings P. Miller, Jr.	S/Sgt.	INW
Rudolph M. Grace	Sgt.	HWG
James T. Baker	Sgt.	TG
JAMES A. GRUMAN	1st Lt.	P
LAWRENCE T. MILTON	2nd Lt.	CP
JACQUES GRIBET	2nd Lt.	N
RICHARD J. ANDREWS	2nd Lt.	B
Ernest H. Snyder	S/Sgt.	TT
Kenneth M. Jacobsen	S/Sgt.	ROG
Wilton W. Harwell	Sgt.	BTG
David H. Campbell	Sgt.	INW
Herbert H. Shanks	Sgt.	HWG
Richard E. Rulmann	Sgt.	TG

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KIEL Mission, 19 May 1944 (cont'd)

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LEWIS S. JAFFE	2nd Lt.	N
WILLIAM P. FULGIN	2nd Lt.	B
Harry C. Garlin, Jr.	S/Sgt.	TT
Emory Orites	T/Sgt.	ROO
Lawren M. Tellefsen	S/Sgt.	BTG
Albert D. Long	S/Sgt.	INF
Allen W. Mack	S/Sgt.	HWG
Dale L. Wright	S/Sgt.	TG

WALLACE R. SMITH	1st Lt.	P
DONALD A. PAULHAR	2nd Lt.	CP
REMERO V. GRAIE	1st Lt.	N
FRANCIS M. FOGARTY	2nd Lt.	B
Charles H. Fair	T/Sgt.	TT
Salvatore L. Costanzo	T/Sgt.	ROO
Daniel C. McEnderdy	S/Sgt.	BTG
Marion E. Roberts	S/Sgt.	INF
Gerald R. Gatzmeyer	S/Sgt.	HWG
David C. Sundburg	S/Sgt.	TG

ALPHUS L. WILGER	2nd Lt.	P
JAMES M. HUNTER	2nd Lt.	CP
WILLIAM F. RYAN	2nd Lt.	N
EUGENE E. FOWLER	2nd Lt.	B
Delois P. Deitch	S/Sgt.	TT
Robert L. Brooks	S/Sgt.	ROO
Edward M. Gornley	Sgt.	BTG
Robert G. Hicks	Sgt.	INF
James S. Alexander	Sgt.	HWG
Dennis H. Hartwell	S/Sgt.	TG

STATION WEATHER OFFICE

AAP STATION 128
 APO 567 - U.S. ARMY

9 May 1944

WEATHER INTERROGATION SUMMARY FOR MISSION OF 9 MAY 1944.

BASE ON TAKE-OFF: 0600. Nil low or middle cloud. 5/10 cirrus high cloud above 20000'. Visibility 2 miles in haze.

ROUTE OUT: Nil low or middle cloud. 3/10 cirrus cloud above 20000' becoming Nil-3/10 at 23000' or above before leaving English coast. Visibility becoming unlimited at altitude.

TARGET: 0956. Nil low or middle cloud. 1/10 cirrus high cloud above 23000'. Downward visibility unlimited.

RETURN ROUTE: Nil low cloud except for traces of thin cumulus forming at 3-4000' in vicinity of bases. Nil middle cloud. Nil-3/10 cirrus increasing to 3-5/10 above 20000' over England. Visibility unlimited at altitude.

BASE ON RETURN: 1202. Trace of cumulus low cloud forming at 3-4000'. Nil middle cloud. 5/10 cirrus high cloud above 20000'. Visibility 3 miles with haze.

REMARKS: Light non-persistent contrails reported above 24000' over target area only. Surface layer of light to moderate haze. Temperatures about as briefed, e.g., 9000' -3, 20000' -22, 22000' -25. Wind reports unreliable over England; winds over continent as forecast, e.g., 19000' 320 21.

WALTER J. SAUKER
 1st Lt., Air Corps
 Weather Officer

OFFICE OF THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICER
Station 128 - APO 557
U S Army

D-G-3

13 May, 1944. /

SUBJECT: Crew Comments and Suggestions On Mission to Stettin, Germany,
13 May 1944.

TO : Commanding Officer, Station 128, APO 557, U. S. Army.
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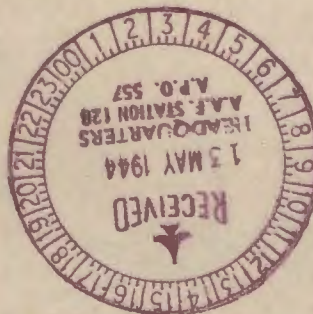
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DISTRIBUTION:

1 cy- Col Bowman
1 cy- Lt Col Voorhees
1 cy- Lt Col Brooks
4 cy- Group Eng
4 cy- Each Sq C.O.



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

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HIGH BOX 94TH BOMB WING

Combat Flight Leader MAJOR WHITE Date 13 MAY 1944
 Deputy Flight Leader CAPT. DAILEY
 Group Call Sign _____ Fighter Call Sign _____
 Ground Control _____

612th SQDN

612th SC JABWOCK
 613th IN MAURO
 614th IW GOLPOLOB
 615th IY BUZZARD

DENCKEY (WHITE)

IY X 1495 ✓

OPIE

DAILEY

SC R

2393 ✓

SC B

1662 ✓

WEST

SC J

0050 ✓

TOUSSAINT

HAGEN

IY L

1619 ✓

IY S

1730 ✓

615 SQDN

615 SQDN

CAMPBELL

SCHAEFF

IY J

7113 ✓

IN L

2581 ✓

PARR

POST

TONTI

Missing

FOX

IY E

7073

IY A

1077 ✓

IY G

9904

IN F

7344 ✓

LOKINSKI

IY E

7092 ✓

LEE

Abont

IN H

9952

SC M

7039

Stalled out of formation

Abont

OCHSMEIER

KELTH

WINDHAM

Crew Sick

IY Q

9873 ✓

IY F

7664 ✓

IN B

7043 ✓

IN Q

2580

SPARES

WELLS

SC K

1087 ✓

Return
 KELLY

TANNER

SC D

6992

SC Q

1496 ✓

SPARE LEAD SC F 1891

GROUND SPARES SC H 7035

"

"

SC C 9993

485 - #2 & Eng Rough at a few times

Camper AFCE Erratic
Bank & Turn ball is off $\frac{1}{2}$ ball to Rt.
Check ~~#2~~ #3 for oil consumption

496 - #4 Eng failed: Prop run away again:

Panner #3 & 4 cyl head temp worked intermittently
Check limit switches on Bomb bay doors
2 motors burnt out in last two missions

050 - Engines run hot

087 - O.K. Wells

730 - #2 turbo lag about 7" Hg. #3 exhaust stack
Hagen brake off; #2 fuel pres. high; #4 turbo
oscillates: throttles need adjusting (5 till)
#3 cyl head temp run high:

619 - O.K. Coussaint

893 - Bombardier oxygen system out;

Mann #2 & 4 turbos lagged #3 cyl head temp 900 deg.

092 - O.K. Loyenski

113 - #1 ~~fuel~~ fuel pres. gage out:

Dailey 462 - #2 throwing oil, also oil pres. dropped to 55
then came up 60 #4 oil temp high, cyl
temp Normal

664 #3 generator burned out, Pilots oxygen
Scharf system goes down too fast

043 - O.K. Keith

393 - O.K. Opie

077 - 3 lug gale compass burned out #3 turbo hunts
Post between 30 & 50" Hg; #1 turbo pulling about
68" Hg about 2 hours; Tail oxygen regulator out
Heater has been out for 2 weeks:

881 - O.K. Scharf

344 - O.K. Fox

HEADQUARTERS
AAF STATION 128
APO 557

13 May, 1944

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

TO : Commanding Officer, 1st Bombardment Division, APO 557
ATTN: Statistical Control Officer.

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

Engine Failure (1) Fuel Pressure Gage Out (1)
Generators Burned Out (1)
Flux Gate Compass Burned Out (1)
Cylinder Head Temperature Gauge Out (1)

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

Faulty Electrical Bomb Release System (1)

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

Oxygen System Out (1)

CHARLES W. HUNT
Capt., Air Corps,
Group Engineering Officer

HEADQUARTERS

SUBJECT: Mission 401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)

Office of the Engineering Officer
Station 128

Small flak hole in top of right wing, outer panel.

1. 42-30073 - Flak hole in leading edge of right wing,
damaging formation system.

A.P.O. 557

13 May, 1944

SUBJECT: Mission Summary Report

TO: Group Operations, Station 128, APO 557

1. Abortives.

a. Airplane No. 42-102580 - Returned early because Navigator and Waist Gunner became ill.

b. Airplane No. 42-107039 - Returned early and Pilot stated that formation was too slow causing ship to stall out and fall out of formation. Ship was unable to catch up with formation again.

2. Battle Damage.

a. 42-31496 - Front section of crankcase split open on # 4 engine. Engine change necessary.

b. 42-102393 - Flak hole in top of right aileron near station 13, out bottom; Flak hole in right bottom side of fuselage, near station 6h; Flak hole in leading edge of right horizontal stabilizer near station 62; Flak hole in left side of fuselage, near station 11b.

c. 42-40050 - Flak hole in leading edge of left wing, near station 24; Flak hole in leading edge of right wing near station 26.

d. 42-97344 - 3" flak hole in right side of fuselage, above Navigators window, damaging stiffener.

e. 42-107133 - Small flak hole in bottom of left wing, puncturing # 1 main fuel tank.

f. 42-31077 - Flak hole through Dorsal Fin above waist position; Flak hole in Bombardier's sighting panel; Flak hole in side of # 1 ring cowl.

g. 42-97644 - Flak hole in left side of fuselage, beneath Navigator's window; Flak hole through left wing, outer panel, near trailing edge.

SUBJECT: Mission Summary Report (continued)

Office of the Bombardier Officer

**h. 42-107092 - Flak hole in side of # 1 ring cowl;
 Small flak hole in top of right wing, outer panel.**

A.P.O. 587

**1. 42-39873 - Flak hole in leading edge of left wing,
 damaging induction system.**

Mission Summary Report			
TOTAL NO OF A/C	MAJOR DAMAGE	MINOR DAMAGE	BY FLAK
9	0	9	9

1. **ADVERTISED.**

**2. Airplane No. 42-108580 - CHARLES W. HUNT, Capt., Air Corps,
 Investigator and Chief Engineer assigned.**
Group Engineering Officer

**3. Airplane No. 42-107033 - Returned early and Pilot
 stated that formation was too slow causing ship to stall out and
 fall out of formation. Ship was unable to catch up with formation
 again.**

2. Battle Damage.

**a. 42-31445 - Front section of greenhouse split open
 on # 4 engine. Engine damage necessary.**

**b. 42-108593 - Flak hole in top of right wing near
 station 15, and bottom; Flak hole in right bottom side of fuselage
 near station 21; Flak hole in leading edge of right horizontal
 stabilizer near station 29; Flak hole in left side of fuselage,
 near station 12.**

**c. 42-107092 - Flak hole in leading edge of left wing,
 near station 21; Flak hole in leading edge of right wing near
 station 21.**

**d. 42-37344 - 3" flak hole in right side of fuselage,
 above Navigator's window, damaging stiffener.**

**e. 42-107133 - Small flak hole in bottom of left wing,
 puncturing # 1 main fuel tank.**

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 position; Flak hole in bombardier's sighting device; Flak hole
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HEADQUARTERS
401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Armament Officer
Station 128

A.P.O. 557
13 May, 1944

SUBJECT: Armament Narrative, Mission of 13 May, 1944.

TO : Commanding Officer, 401st Bombardment Group (H),
APO 557, U.S. Army

1. Negative Armament malfunction report is submitted for the mission of 13 May, 1944.

BOMB PACK MALFUNCTIONS

a. A/C # 42-97344 - Could not salvo bombs. This airplane is equipped with the all electric bomb release system. Considerable difficulty has been encountered with this system on the past three missions.

Three (3) airplanes equipped with all electric bomb release system on to-days mission.

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

R E P O R T O F O P E R A T I O N A L
D A Y

MISSION No. **69**

Date: **13 MAY44**

TO: **STETTIN , GER.**

OFFICE OF THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICER
Station 128 - APO 557
U S Army

D-M-3

13 May, 1944.

SUBJECT: Enemy Opposition and Tactical Analysis Report
on Mission to Stettin, Germany, 13 May 1944.

TO : Commanding General, 1st Bombardment Division,
APO 557, U. S. Army. Attention: A-2

1. Between Triborn and Rixen (5410-1240H) approximately 40 to 50 E/A were observed at approximately 15,000 feet level flying in a large "V" formation, stacked solid three ways. This formation came in as if flying escort to wing below at 12 o'clock low and on outside, then turned in and hit last element of low squadron. P-47 escort with our group went down from approximately 26,000 feet and broke up enemy fighter formation. Immediately afterwards, P-51's also went down and attacked enemy fighters. At least six fighter A/C, unidentified, were last seen to go down to cloud level, no chutes being observed. One P-47 was observed to be destroyed. When last observed numerous dog-fights were in progress.

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

Target No.
I (a) (iii) 40

HYDRIERWERKE
PÖLITZ A.G.

— PÖLITZ near STETTIN
(GERMANY)

Illustration No.
I (a) (iii) 40/10

0 500 1000 1500 2000 YARDS
0 1 MILE

Photographed 28 November 1943

(1 : 32,000) approx

Issued December 1943



Illustration No.
I (a) (iii) 40/10

S E C R E T

Report on A.A. Gunfire.

401st BOMBARD T GROUP (H)

Assigned . . . POLITE
Target: Bomed . . STETTIN Date of Mission 13 May/44

Route as Flown:-
1115 - (5338-0800E) - 1245 - (5426-0851E) - 1314 (5438-0850E)
1351 - (5434-1155E) - 1420 (IP) - 1438 (Stettin) - 1505 (5444-2222E 1331E)
1605 - (5512-0820E)

Weather conditions: (a) At target . . 2/10ths - Undercast
(b) En route . . . 5/10ths
Were our A/C "Seen" or "Unseen" targets? (a) At target . . Seen
(b) En route . . . Seen
Any condensation trails? . . Yes

Description of Flak at Target, including METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL
Moderate to intense and accurate for both height and deflection - some
red bursts observed over target. White bursts observed were at our
level and not high. Our range obtained quickly.

Flak encountered or observed en route. (in the order experienced)					
Observed 1303 hrs. (5430-0835E) - 18,000	Mag. -	Peer -	Peer -	White -	Pred Cen
" 1318 hrs. (Flensburg) - 19,000	" -	" -	" -	Blk. -	" "
" 1326 hrs. (5430-0930E) - 20,000	" -	" -	" -	" -	" "
Encountered 1430 to	Med. to			Blk. &	
1437 hrs. (target area) - 25,000	Int. -	Good -	Good -	White -	Tracking
Observed 1559 hrs. (5450-0910E) - 19,000	Med. -	Peer -	Peer -	Blk -	Barr.
" 1605 hrs. (Rene Island) - 19,000	Mag. -	Fair -	Peer -	Blk -	Tracking

Was CHAFF carried? . . . Yes
How discharged? . . . Not Discharged
Position of Group . . . High Box

Details:-								
Group	A/C over enemy territory	A/C Damaged	A/C lost to Flak	Time over Target	Time of Bombs away	Height	Axis of Attack	Bomb Pun
401st	18	10	0	1435	1436	24,500	145 7	90 sec.
Details:								

Comments - Phenomena:-

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D. V. M. R.
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Group 8-2 Officer.

BRIEFING NOTES FOR 13 MAY 1944 by JMH

TARGET MATERIAL: The TARGET is ~~XXX~~ SYNTHETIC OIL PLANT and it is another important one. This plant is one of the largest in Germany, in fact second in size to the largest being equal in production to one other ranking similar plant. It produces some 600,000 tons of oil per annum which represents an appreciable percent of the total synthetic oil production now available to Germany, particularly since Allied bombings have already knocked out several of the important ones. As a matter of interest the big reason why Germany's synthetic oil is so important to her is because only about 40% of her pre-war needs were supplied from natural sources. Of course, her needs greatly increased with her many war reverses.

The Target is very compactly arranged being approx. 1800 X 1300 yards and roughly rectangular in shape. Although it is located in a sparsely populated area a prominent forest forms the southern boundary and a railroad forms the Eastern Boundary. several

Such a target has many vital components within the area which if properly bombed will suffice to completely stop the whole of production. Normally the bomb patterns would do great damage in the other areas of the target also. Your MPI is ~~not~~ considered the ~~second~~ most vital part to hit, being the ~~compressors~~ *gas generating buildings* which are vital for the operation of the whole works. Your MPI is adjacent to the ~~most~~ *second* vital one which is the ~~gas generating~~ *compressors* buildings. Good bombing should do great damage today, ~~and in the future~~, *which* the Compressors become equally important because they ~~take~~ *take* longer than any other parts to replace.

SECONDARY:

Your Secondary is an EXPERIMENTAL ESTABLISHMENT situated on a tongue of land which is rather conspicuous. THE TARGET is divided into several categories with and experimental station, Electrolytic HYDROGEN-PEROXIDE PLANT, Power Plant area, Electro-Static Hydrogen Peroxide Plant, and Airfield and other installations. YOUR MPI is the ELECTROLYTIC HYDROGEN-PEROXIDE PLANT WHICH IS ONE OF THE TWO IMPORTANT MPI's FOR THE Hydrogen-Peroxide production. THE Hydrogen-Peroxide is the fuel is used for Jet Propelled A/C. — *Secondary PFF - STETTIN*

LAST RESORT: Any Military Objective in Germany or Airdrome in ~~Germany~~ *Occupied Countries* which is not situated near a built up area and which can be attacked without disrupting Fighter Support.

FRIENDLY ACTIVITIES: INDICATE 2nd BD and 3rd BD targets.

INDICATE ROUTE AND FIGHTER SUPPORT:

P-47
P-47
P-51
P-51
P-51
P-38
P-47

EPIDIASCOPE: 250,000 of target area
 British Night Target Chart — *show Secondary*
 PHOTOS — *Secondary*
 Perspectives

FLAK ROUTE: Give poop on places to watch.

Fehmarn Isl.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

P/W Instructions, (mention Rostock, Stettin, Wismar, Lubeck, Danzig.
 No convoys are expected.
 Navigators will have priority Airfield for landings in Sweden.
 Escape Kits,
 G.I. Shoes,
 Empty Pockets,
 DESTROY IFF AND GEE EQUIPMENT IN CASE GOING TO SWEDEN
 Identity Photos.

DON'T MENTION THE TARGET.

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STATION WEATHER OFFICE
AAF STATION 128
APO 557 - U.S. ARMY

13 May 1944

WEATHER INTERROGATION SUMMARY FOR MISSION OF 13 MAY 1944.

BASE ON TAKE-OFF: 0927. Nil low or middle cloud. 8/10 cirrostratus high cloud at 23000'. Visibility 3 miles in smoke and haze.

ROUTE OUT: Nil low cloud becoming 2-4/10 stratocumulus tops 6000' over England becoming nil over channel. 6-8/10 stratus and stratocumulus tops 5-6000' along Danish and continental coasts building to cumulus tops 8-10000' inland; nil low cloud over waters of Baltic Sea. Nil middle cloud except 5-7/10 lenticular altocumulus tops 13-14000' over English coast only. 8/10 cirrostratus high cloud decreasing to 2-4/10 over England. Horizontal visibility at altitude 10-20 miles.

TARGET (HEATHEN AREA): 1438. 6-8/10 cumulus tops 8-10000'. Nil middle cloud. 2-4/10 cirrostratus at 23000'. Downward visibility 10 miles through light haze.

RETURN ROUTE: Low cloud reverse of Route Out but becoming 6-8/10 stratocumulus bases 3-4000' over interior of England. Nil middle cloud to England. 2-4/10 high cloud at 23000' becoming Nil-3/10 over channel. (Note: Flares below low cloud over England; middle and high cloud not observed.) Horizontal visibility above 8000' 10-20 miles decreasing to 3-5 miles in haze on descent.

BASE ON RETURN: 1841. 6-8/10 stratocumulus low cloud at 3-4000'. 10/10 altostratus-altocumulus middle cloud at 8000'. Surface visibility 3 miles with light rain.

REMARKS: Light non-persistent contrails between 80000' and 23000' at Rostock (on German Baltic coast) only. No icing reported. Temperatures as forecast, e.g., 25000' -34, 16000' -10, 10000' -4. Winds to 04 East as forecast; winds 04 East to 08 East reported variable westerly; winds 08 East to target (20-25000') 150 to 170 degrees and speeds as forecast. Heavy haze layer extending to 8-10000' over England and North Sea; light haze east of 08 East.

Walter J. Saucier
WALTER J. SAUCIER
1st Lt., Air Corps
Weather Officer

OPERATIONAL ROUTE FORECAST

DATE 3 May 1944
 PERIOD 1500-2000
 AG P BR HQ SOS 122929

	A Base to 10' East	B 10' East to Target to 10' East	C 10 Deg. East to 180°	D
WEATHER	Cloudy with haze	Cloudy with haze along. Partly clear with haze	Cloudy with haze along. Cloudy to overcast with Is. rated thunderstorms.	
CLOUDS	0-3/10 Stratocumulus base 5,000 Tops 6,000 Bcng. Nil over North Sea but Patchy 4-6/10 Along Danish Coast base 1-2000 Tops 5,000. 4-6/10 Alto-cumulus and Altopstratus base 12,000 Tops 16,000 Bcng. 0-3/10 Patchy Alto-cumulus at 05 Deg. East and Nil at 10 East. 6-8/10 Cirrostratus at 25,000 and Above Bcng. 7/10 Cirrostratus at 25,000 East of 05 Deg. East	4-6/10 Stratocumulus base 1-2000 Bcng. 0-3/10 Cumulus base 3,000 Tops 5,000 Inland. Nil Medium 5/10 Cirrostratus Bcng. 3-5/10 at 25,000 and Above.	Patchy 4-6/10 Stratocumulus on Danish coast Bcng. Nil over North Sea Bcng. 6-8/10 Large Cumulus and Cirrostratus over Inland base 2-3000 Tops 12-15,000. Nil Bcng. 5-7/10 Alto-cumulus and Altopstratus base 12,000 Tops 16,000. 5/10 Cirrostratus Bcng. 8-10/10 Cirrostratus base 18-20,000 tops 25-27,000 over FASER on return.	Note: Heavy haze to 5,000' and Moderate haze to 15,000'. Light non-persistent Contrails 1,000' Below Cirrus level.
ICING	10,000' light ice.	10,000' Nil.	10,000' Nil according Moderate clear.	
VISIBILITY	1500-2500 yds. Bcng. 3-5 Miles over North Sea.	Air to ground Visibility 10-15 Miles.	Air to ground 10-15 Miles according 3-5 Miles.	
HEIGHT	DIRECTION VELOCITY	DIRECTION VELOCITY	DIRECTION VELOCITY	DIRECTION VELOCITY
SURFACE	180 10	180 10	090 05	120 17
5,000 FT	170 15	100 10	090 05	03
10,000 FT	170 20	170 15	080 15	00
15,000 FT	180 25	160 15	070 25	Minus 11
20,000 FT	180 30	150 15	070 30	- 23
25,000 FT	180 35	140 20	070 30	- 35
30,000 FT	190 40	140 20	070 35	- 46

BASE ALTIMETER SETTING 30.00 TARGET SURFACE TEMP Plus 17 TARGET MEAN TEMP Minus 05
 TEMP. AT 26.00 FT. Minus 37 TARGET SURFACE (PRESSURE-ALT) 105

612TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
 401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
 Office of the Operations Officer
 APO 557

AAF Station 128
 13 May 1944

SUBJECT: Loading List
 TO: Operations Officer, 401st Bombardment Group (H),
 AAF Station 128, APO 557.

Plane 42-31619

P	Toussaint, Francis J.	2nd Lt.	612th
CP	Beck, Walter H. Jr.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Griggs, Robert M.	1st Lt.	614th
B	Schmied, James W. Jr.	2nd Lt.	612th
RO	Likins, Robert W.	S Sgt	"
TTG	Greene, William R.	S Sgt	"
BTG	Minor, Wallace G.	Sgt	"
TG	Lockenour, Charles W.	Sgt	"
LWG	Hamer, Robert B.	Sgt	"
RWG	McNicholas, Joseph D.	Sgt	"

Plane 42-102393

P	Opie, Kermit H.	2nd Lt.	"
CP	Lehey, Edward A.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Schwartz, Joseph M.	F/O	"
B	Walke, Wallace W.	T Sgt	"
RO	Simmons, Arnold J.	S Sgt	"
TTG	Fleetwood, Gerald C.	S Sgt	"
BTG	Bodla, John F.	Sgt	"
TG	Parker, Harry C.	S Sgt	"
LWG	Brauer, Harry A.	Sgt	"
RWG	Burns, Ralph F.	Sgt	"

Plane 42-106992

P	Kelly, William J.	1st Lt.	"
CP	Coyne, Daniel J.	1st Lt.	"
N	VanDyke, George R.	1st Lt.	"
B	Weiman, Karl K.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	McCawley, Fred H.	T Sgt	"
TTG	Johnson, Morris W.	T Sgt	"
BTG	Stengel, Percy J.	T Sgt	"
TG	Garity, John B.	S Sgt	"
LWG	Pracock, George P.	S Sgt	"
RWG	Malen, Ervin L.	S Sgt	"

BTG 45-21008

Plane 42-31662

P	Dailey, Scribner C.	Capt.	612th
CP	Hoyt, Richard H.	1st Lt.	"
N	Shapiro, Aaron (NMI)	1st Lt.	"
B	Gervin, Robert M.	1st Lt.	615th
RO	Hildreth, Arthur W.	S Sgt	612th
TTG	Flynn, William B.	T Sgt	"
BTG	Chicino, Joseph R.	S Sgt	"
TG	Sanders, Charles W.	S Sgt	"
LWG	Plate, Robert B.	S Sgt	"
RWG	Hagen, Charles T.	T Sgt	"

Plane 42-31730

P	Hagen, Marion O. Jr.	1st Lt.	"
CP	Dunn, John B. Jr.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Cordell, Wilbur F.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Graham, Fred E.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Barr, Martin A.	T Sgt	"
TTG	Simmons, Harry G. Jr.	T Sgt	"
BTG	Cox, Wade M.	S Sgt	"
TG	Hanson, William W.	S Sgt	"
LWG	Huston, Arthur A.	S Sgt	"
RWG	Stone, James A.	S Sgt	"

Plane 42-31496

P	Tanner, John R.	1st Lt.	"
CP	McDaniel, Robert P.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Strom, Kenneth L.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Szungyi, John P.	1st Lt.	"
RO	Cohen, Weldon B.	T Sgt	"
TTG	Cable, Harvey G.	T Sgt	"
BTG	Norris, John B.	S Sgt	"
TG	Joseph, Meload C.	S Sgt	"
LWG	Carr, Maurice A.	T Sgt	"
RWG	Staley, Phillip C.	S Sgt	"

Plane 42-40050

P	West, George E.	1st Lt.	"
CP	McKinnon, Douglas H.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Nutter, Lloyd A.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Daniel, James P.	S Sgt	"
RO	Andrus, Robert L.	T Sgt	"
TTG	Russell, Francis L.	T Sgt	"
BTG	Womble, John L.	S Sgt	"
TG	Leffin, Michael (NMI)	S Sgt	"
LWG	Russell, Hugh D.	Sgt	"
RWG	Morini, Alfred J.	S Sgt	"

OFFICE OF THE OPERATIONS OFFICER
FOURTH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
EIGHTH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)

Subj. Loading List, dd. 13 May 1944, 612th Squadron Cont'd.

Plane 42-31087

P	Wells, Kenneth C.	1st Lt.	612th
CP	Guinn, Evin 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.	T Sgt	"
BTG	Convertino, Rico S.	S Sgt	"
TG	Weatherman, James H.	S Sgt	"
LWG	Carey, Joe R.	S Sgt	"
RWG	Chapman, William E.	S Sgt	"

613th BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
OFFICE OF THE OPERATIONS OFFICER

13 MAY 1944

SUBJECT : LOADING LIST

TO : OPERATIONS OFFICER, 401st BOMB GP (H), AAF STATIONS 128, APO # 557.

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

DUTY	RANK	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MI
<u>PLANE NO. 42-102581</u>				
P	1st Lt.	SCHARFF	PAUL	F.
CP	2nd Lt.	ECKERT	CHARLES	A.
N	2nd Lt.	SCHWARTZ	BERNARD	(NMI)
B	2nd Lt.	HOOVER	ROBERT	R.
RO	SGT.	STRONG	ROBERT	C.
TT	T/SGT.	KARL	RICHARD	X.
BT	SGT.	BARTAK	FRANK	S.
TG	S/SGT.	SMALLIN	JAMES	M.
LNG	S/SGT.	TOMLINSON	ROSCOE	P.
RWG	SGT.	PYNIGAR	FREDERICK	G.

<u>PLANE NO. 42-97344</u>				
P	2nd Lt.	FOX	MARSHALL	S.
CP	2nd Lt.	BERG	ROY	A.
N	2nd Lt.	WHITING	MYRICK	J.
B	F/O	DRAKE	WALTER	F.
RO	S/SGT.	AVERY	WILLIAM	R.
TT	S/SGT.	PRIEST	MAURICE	C.
BT	SGT.	DALTON	JOHN	B.
TG	SGT.	SANDERS	ROBERT	T.
LNG	SGT.	GUESS	WILLIAM	J.
RWG	SGT.	GUILFOY	THOMAS	P.

<u>PLANE NO. 42-107043</u>				
P	1st Lt.	KEITH	WALTER	B.
CP	2nd Lt.	BARNETT	RICHARD	S.
N	2nd Lt.	WOLIVER	IRVING	(NMI)
B	F/O	LEWIS	GEORGE	R.
RO	PVT.	MAHLER	ARTHUR	P.
TT	S/SGT.	WELLS	JAMES	E.
BT	SGT.	BECKOWITZ	PETER	(NMI)
TG	SGT.	D'AGASTINO	VICTOR	(NMI)
LNG	SGT.	CASS	LEA	C.
RWG	SGT.	BARNES	MERLE	E.

<u>PLANE NO. 42-102580</u>				
P	2nd Lt.	WINDHAM	FREDERICK	H.
CP	2nd Lt.	FERGUSON	DONALD	P.
N	2nd Lt.	FLOTO	CARL	T.
B	2nd Lt.	MELITO	ANGELO	J.
RO	SGT.	JOHNSON	DANA	B.
TT	SGT.	RITTMAYER	ROBERT	W.
BT	SGT.	MIHALICH	LEONARD	A.
TG	SGT.	STEPHENS	CELESTINE	S.
LNG	SGT.	GARCIA	JOSE	G.
RWG	SGT.	IRELAN	CYDE	E.

<u>PLANE NO. 42-9933277039</u>				
P	1st Lt.	LEW	SANDY	(NMI)
CP	2nd Lt.	LEE PRIEST	GORDON	S.
N	2nd Lt.	SCHLIEPER	ROGER	F.
B	2nd Lt.	KELLY	JOHN	J.
RO	T/SGT.	JOHNSON	ALVIN	A.
TT	CPL.	NOVAK	CLEMENT	W.
BT	S/SGT.	FRANKLIN	PAT	H.
TG	S/SGT.	HIEBS	ARLIE	E.
LNG	S/SGT.	ROBINSON	MARSHALL	E.
RWG	S/SGT.	MAC CARTHY	WILLIAM	A.

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PLANE NO 42- 39904

P	2nd Lt.	TONTI	SULLIVAN	N.
CP	2nd Lt.	EVANS	GEORGE	K.
N	2nd Lt.	LA CASSE	WYNDALL	(NMI)
B	2nd Lt.	ROCCO	ROBERT	J.
RO	S/SGT.	HUTCHINSON	ADOPHUS	K.
TT	S/SGT.	BOWER	HARRY	G.
BT	SGT.	SMITH	THOMAS	H.
TG	SGT.	DESSO	MAHLON	W.
LNG	SGT.	PATTERSON	WILLIAM	L.
RWG	SGT.	MOULTRIE	JOHN	R.

SIX HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
FOUR HUNDRED AND FIRST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Operations Officer
AAF - Sta - 128 - APO - 557

13 May 1944

SUBJECT: Loading list.

TO : Operations Officer, 401st Bomb Gp (H), APO # 557.

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

PLANE # 42-31485

DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
P	Major	White	Ralph	J.	615th
CP	Captain	Dempsey	Ralph	M.	615th
N	Captain	Causey	Rufus	F.	615th
B	Captain	Kuening	Arnold	C.	615th
RO	S/Sgt.	Merlino	Frank	A.	615th
TT	T/Sgt.	Tracey	Edward	(NMI)	615th
BT	S/Sgt.	Sweeps	William	H.	615th
TG	2nd Lt.	Shants	Fred	L.	615th
LWG	S/Sgt.	Finchell	Sherwyn	(NMI)	615th
RWG	S/Sgt.	Knapp	Phil	N.	615th

PLANE # 42-97864

P	2nd Lt.	Ochsenhirt	Harry	J.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Ballenger	William	H.	615th
N	2nd Lt.	Bockstans	Ernest	L.	615th
B	S/Sgt.	Hamilton	James	R.	615th
RO	S/Sgt.	McFall	Charlie	A.	615th
TT	Sgt.	Zirbel	Don	D.	615th
BT	S/Sgt.	Martin	Robert	K.	615th
TG	Sgt.	Hussey	Ambrose	W.	615th
LWG	Sgt.	Harley	Jerome	V.	615th
RWG	Sgt.	Martin	Russell	J.	615th

PLANE # 42-107113

P	1st Lt.	Campbell	Paul	E.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	De Siano	Ambrose	(NMI)	615th
N	2nd Lt.	Wilhelm	Andrew	C.	615th
B	2nd Lt.	Malone	Ralph	B.	615th
RO	T/Sgt.	Anderson	Martin	A.	615th
TT	S/Sgt.	Hensley	Ora	N.	615th
BT	S/Sgt.	Brown	Saul	H.	615th
TG	S/Sgt.	Standafer	Stanley	(NMI)	615th
LWG	S/Sgt.	Smith	Alan	E.	615th
RWG	Sgt.	Bush	Robert	J.	615th

PLANE # 42-31077

P	1st Lt.	Post	Edwin	A.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Ledray	Vincent	L.	615th
N	2nd Lt.	Hirsch	Bernard	M.H.	615th
B	2nd Lt.	Walsh	James	V.	615th
RO	T/Sgt.	Casner	Charles	F.	615th
TT	T/Sgt.	Romano	Emanuel	L.	615th
BT	S/Sgt.	Lutzi	Frank	R.	615th
TG	S/Sgt.	Thompson	Walter	R.	615th
LWG	S/Sgt.	Brennan	Lawrence	F.	615th
RWG	S/Sgt.	Bunger	Alva	L.	615th

PLANE # 42-39873

P	2nd Lt.	Mann	William	J.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Root	John	A.	615th
N	2nd Lt.	Mason	Hodge	E.	615th
B	2nd Lt.	Rosenquist	Alfred	A.	615th
RO	S/Sgt.	Amson	William	P.	615th
TT	S/Sgt.	Busher	William	F.	615th
BT	S/Sgt.	Smith	William	A.	615th
TG	Sgt.	De Mauro	Alfonso	A.	615th
LWG	Sgt.	Breggia	Frank	A.	615th
RWG	Sgt.	Lambert	Thomas	N.	615th
				V.	615th

PLANE # 42-37073

P	2nd Lt.	Parr	Clinton	J.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Blevins	Charles	E.	615th
N	2nd Lt.	Hansen	Gerald	E.	615th
B	2nd Lt.	Ridley	John Jr.	(U.)	615th
RO	T/Sgt.	Allen	John	L.	615th
TT	S/Sgt.	Bossley	Emerson	E.	615th
BT	Sgt.	Ternhorst	Arthur	(MII)	615th
TG	S/Sgt.	Holland	James	E.	615th
LWG	Sgt.	Daniels	George	C.	615th
RWG	Sgt.	Perez	Louis	(AI)	615th
				H.	615th

PLANE # 42-107092

P	1st Lt.	Lozinski	Stephen	J.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Shelton	Horace	H.	615th
M/E	F/O	Rush	Louis	R.	615th
B	2nd Lt.	Hughes	Harold	E.	615th
R/O	T/Sgt.	Weber	Bernard	J.	615th
TT	S/Sgt.	Mercurio	Michael	J.	615th
BT	Sgt.	Roundtree	Charles	L.	615th
TG	Sgt.	Dickson Jr.	Jefferson	D.	615th
LWG	Sgt.	Crawley	Eugene	F.	615th
RWG	S/Sgt.	Williams	John	A.	615th
				T.	615th

PLANE # 42-31662 (612th plane & crew)

N	1st Lt.	Gurvin	Robert	M.	615th
CP	S/Sgt.	Lyons	Robert	H.	615th
RO	S/Sgt.	Lyons	Robert	(MII)	615th
TT	S/Sgt.	Lyons	Robert	F.	615th
BT	S/Sgt.	Lyons	Robert	H.	615th
TG	S/Sgt.	Lyons	Robert	(MII)	615th
LWG	S/Sgt.	Lyons	Robert	V.	615th
RWG	S/Sgt.	Lyons	Robert	C.	615th
				H.	615th
				H.	615th
				T.	615th

DATA	NAME	TYPE (GRADE)	LINE	(PT)	REMARKS
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PLANE # 42-21492

1. FOLLOWING IS THE LIST OF CREW MEMBERS ASSIGNED TO THIS PLANE:

2. OBSERVATION OFFICER: (N) TAD & BSA.

3. REMARKS: (N) TAD & BSA.

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