

**SORTIE REPORT**  
(Part A)

R.A.F. Form 441 A.

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 1/8/43	Squadron 328
Type of Aircraft B-24 D		Captain Lt. Avandano	
Aircraft No. 192	Crew F/O Walker, Lt. Hall (N), S/Sgt. Keeling (B), S/Sgt. Denbin, T/Sgt. Martin E, S/Sgt. Robinson, Sgt. Workman (R), S/Sgt. Geith S/Sgt. Claflin,		
Aircraft Letter A			
Time Up			
Time Down			
Total Time	Aerodrome or L.G. Sitem No. 7		
Type of Cloud	Map or Chart		
Amount of Cloud	Reference		Special
Base of Cloud			
Visibility			
General Weather			

Task or Duty II Concordia Vega Refinery, Ploesti, Roumania

Time	Height	Place	Narrative <i>4 x 1000 2 x 100</i>
1150	200	Either	<p>Ok until off coast of Greece, Merrill reports him short of gas heading for another field.</p> <p>Axis of 40°</p> <p>Iv or V Dropped on cracking or distillation plant. Saw 5 ships go down in target. Col Baker, Lt. Porter, 3 men out of one of ships.</p> <p>Flak: intense pink flak M.G. on top of Bldgs. Pits for guns around refinery.</p> <p>Fighters -- saw 2 no attacks, Gunners fired at flak batteries</p> <p>Oil tank blew up underneath this A/C.</p> <p>Flak -- 20 mm hit left side bomb bay, in elevator cable and turn tab cables cut.</p> <p>Two hurt -- S/Sgt. Claflin Not seriously Sgt. Workman</p> <p>Landed Pachino A/D at 1630 GMT. 1110 for base -- 1355 home.</p> <p>Engineer did good job patching plane up.</p> <p>First two waves did well in bombing.</p>

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Task or Duty II Concerdia Vega Refinery, Floesti, Roumania.

Time	Height	Place	Narrative 4 x 1000; 2 x 100
			Over target Missing.

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Type of Aircraft B-24 D		Captain <del>1st Lt.</del> Capt. Brown, L. L.	
Aircraft No. <del>611</del> 298		Crew 1st Lt. Moran (CP), 1st Lt. Hunt (M), 2nd Lt. Huffman (B), T/Sgt Norwood (E), T/Sgt. Mann (R), S/Sgt Sandish (WG), Sgt Fanner (WG), S/Sgt Ashell (TT), Sgt. Roberts (TT) Sgt Kelleher (BG).	
Aircraft Letter <del>111</del> V			
Time Up			
Time Down		Aerodrome or L.G. Site 7	
Total Time			

Type of Cloud	Map or Chart Reference Special
Amount of Cloud	
Base of Cloud	
Visibility	
General Weather	

Task or Duty Concordia Vega Refinery, Ploesti, Roumania.

Time	Height	Place	Narrative 6 x 500
1503	220	1V	<p>Attack at 46 deg. Fell in or near fractionating columns. Oil tanks on fire, explosions fires all around. Saw Stampolis, Col. Baker - 3 chutes from his ship. Four ships in all. Roper OK after the Danube. One B-24 landed about 10 miles after target. Flak - Rough along RR to Bucharest. Flak from oil fields - light and heavy. Fighter - 6 altogether; one made a pass. 2025 landed Pachino in Sicily. Short on fuel. Engine ran away at <del>10</del> altitude coming over hits. Left at 1125 landed 1400 Site 7. No one hurt on crew.</p>

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# **SORTIE REPORT** (Part A)

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Sheet No.		Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 1/8/43	Squadron 328
Type of Aircraft B-24 D Aircraft No. 729 Aircraft Letter D			Captain Lt. Black, Lt. Barrett (CP), Crew Lt. Latane, Lt. White, T/Sgt Mabee (E), S/Sgt. Cowan, T/Sgt. Statte; S/Sgt. Cressey, S/Sgt. Hastak, S/Sgt. Foster, Lt. Wilkinsen Extra Co-Pilot.	
Time Up 0455 Time Down 1215 Total Time			Aerodrome or L.G. Site No. 7	
Type of Cloud Amount of Cloud Base of Cloud Visibility General Weather			Map or Chart Reference Special	
Task or Duty II Concerdia Vega Refinery, Ploesti, Roumania,				

Time	Height	Place	Narrative
			4 x 1000
0900	9900	4010 1950	No 2, 2nd Element, 2nd flight. Turnback due to No 4 engine, quit. 4x1000 jettisoned. Saw B-24 crash into water. Went in straight down from 2500. No possible survivors in crews opinion. Fire enveloped area of crash. It was a Pink B-24. It was from 376 Group over to our right and slightly ahead. Large naval vessel headed 173 deg looked like a cruiser. Saw a ship from formation on our Right drop 2 large bombs and cluster of incendiaries, but it kept right on going. No. 3 engine had fuel pressure trouble on way back; lost it for 15 - 20 seconds.
0825	2000	3857 1935	
0725	2000	3650 1950	
0840	9000	3940 1930	

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# **SORTIE REPORT** (Part A)

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Type of Aircraft B-24 D	Major Brown Captain Lt. Walker (CP), Lt. Barthel H Crew Lt. McDonald, (B), T/Sgt. Ross, S/Sgt. Garachino, S/Sgt. Gilbert RW, S/Sgt. Adelsberger LW, S/Sgt. Tredway TG, T/Sgt. Musser (R)		
Aircraft No. 682			
Aircraft Letter Q			
Time Up			
Time Down			
Total Time	Aerodrome or L.G. Site No. 7		
Type of Cloud			Map or Chart
Amount of Cloud			Reference
Base of Cloud			Special
Visibility			
General Weather			

Task or Duty II Concordia Vega Refinery, Ploesti, Roumania.

Time	Height	Place	Narrative 4xxx500x 4 x 1000
			Flak: Light but accurate. Hit lead ship and two on left. 2 to 5 A/C down at target. Saw Col. Bakers. 4 e/a - no attacks Numerous unmanned flak guns. 6 to 8 balloons Target (?) was completely destroyed.

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Type of Aircraft B-24 D	Aircraft No. 111	Captain 1st Lt. Collins	
Aircraft Letter P		Crew Lt. McKittrick (CP), Lt. Stamper (N), Lt. Rudgers (B), T/Sgt. Sharp (TOP T), S/Sgt. Poe (LWG), S/Sgt. Culin (RWG), S/Sgt. Caruso (TAIL G), S/Sgt. Benson (TURN G), Sgt. Withers (R).	
Time Up 0525			
Time Down 0840			
Total Time		Aerodrome or L.G. Site 7	
Type of Cloud	Amount of Cloud	Map or Chart Reference	
Base of Cloud	Visibility	Special	
General Weather			

Task or Duty standard Petrol and Unirea Refinery, Ploesti, Roumania.

Time	Height	Place	Narrative <i>6x500 6x100 M3 inc Clusters</i>
0704	2300	3613N 2016E	Tail Turret out. Left gun charging; cable broke. Right gun would not fire. Bombs jettisoned.

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Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 1/8/43	Squadron 329
Type of Aircraft B-24 D	Aircraft No. 765	Captain Lt. Demont, Lt. Murray CP, Lt. Everhart (N), Crew Lt. Stewart (B), T/Sgt. bergkamp S/Sgt. Eydeley, S/Sgt. Coburn, S/Sgt. Nelson, S/Sgt. Russell, T/Sgt. Homnick (R)	
Aircraft Letter T			
Time Up 0730	Time Down <del>0730</del> 2030	Aerodrome or L.G. Site No. 7	
Total Time			
Type of Cloud	Amount of Cloud	Map or Chart Reference Special	
Base of Cloud	Visibility		
General Weather			

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Task or Duty

Time	Height	Place	Narrative 4 x 1000 2 x 100
1450			<p>Bomb load toggled. Building with 4 stacks - to east of large stack. <del>Dropped</del> <sup>Baker</sup> bombs in field before reaching target. Big red flames over place bombed either V or IV.</p> <p>Only saw 3 balloons 2000 ft to SE of town. 1 to South on Ground. Machine guns on flak tower South of town 500 yards (Water tank). 376 not seen - too much smoke.</p> <p>Smoke pots obvious; just started.</p> <p>RR on right probably V.</p> <p>Baker hit just before reach Floesti. Second hit town. One lost tail, raised to 800 feet - two chutes. Fourth A/C also. Saw ship burning near Floesti. Three fighters followed formation. No attacks.</p>

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# **SORTIE REPORT** (Part A)

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Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 1/8/43	Squadron 409
Type of Aircraft B-24 D	Captain Major Dessert Crew Capt. Epting (P), F/O Young (CP) 1st Lt. Weir (N), 1st Lt. Naum (B) M/Sgt. Wierciszewski (E), T/Sgt. Kettering (R), Sgt. Wightman (WG) Sgt. Wisniewski (BG), S/Sgt. Kuroki (TM), S/Sgt. Daffoe (TM).		
Aircraft No. 105			
Aircraft Letter Q			
Time Up 0435	Aerodrome or L.G. Site 7		
Time Down 1740			
Total Time 1305			

Type of Cloud  
Amount of Cloud  
Base of Cloud  
Visibility  
General Weather

Map or Chart  
Reference  
Special

Task or Duty Concordia Vega Refinery, Ploesti, Roumania.

Time	Height	Place	Narrative 6 x 500
1150	200'	Target	<p>No. 1, 4th Wave. Saw plane burning on water as others did - no possible survivors. Attacked 30 deg heading. Hit target with 5 smoke stacks with RR siding before we got there. Went right over center of town after attack. AP base of two middle chimneys on Columbia Aquila Refinery. Know we hit target. Saw large explosion M-12. Flak: Intense, especially machine guns. Mostly S of town. Were in fire 2 minutes before target and 2 minutes after. Saw Stampolis plane go down right in center of town after dropping bombs before reaching target. No survivors. Saw * * . Saw another B-24 go down 19 H in 3 chutes; at least one survivor. Saw B-24 crash at 20 F; no possible survivors. Saw at H 12 hit house and crash - no possible survivors. Saw H with elevator shot, seemed OK. Saw R with top of L rudder shot - OK. Destroyed 2 personnel of AA 88 MM battery and blew up stack of sheds. all at 0+12. Saw three fighters in target area; didn't <del>prep</del> pren attack. Comments: Poor job in leading navigation. B-24 no good in low alt bomb. Bombay tanks do blow up when hit, this got Stampolis. Smoke screen very effective. All woods and derricks full of machine guns. Saw balloons at I-14 Machine guns and light flak in center of town, in fact all over it. Shot 2200 rounds.</p>

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# SORTIE REPORT (Part A)

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 1/8/43	Squadron 330
Type of Aircraft Aircraft No. Aircraft Letter	B-24 D 969 A	Captain Crew	1st Lt. Emmons F/O. Conley (CP), 1st Lt. Ahlquist (N), 2nd Lt. Warner (B), T/Sgt Boyle (TOP T), 1st Lt. Weiss (XO), S/Sgt Lee (RWG), S/Sgt. Hegge (LWG), S/Sgt Lindsey (TAIL G), S/Sgt. Dagon (TUN G) S/Sgt. Olezeski (R).
Time Up Time Down Total Time	0510 1151 6 Hours 41 Min	Aerodrome or L.G.	Site 7
Type of Cloud Amount of Cloud Base of Cloud Visibility General Weather	Some cumulus off shore.	Map or Chart Reference Special	
Task or Duty	Standard Petrol and Unirea Refinery, Ploesti, Roumania.	4 x 1000 2 x 100 MB Clusters	

Time	Height	Place	Narrative
			# 3, 1st Element C force.
0930	11000	3950 N 1955 E	Turnback gas leak left wing.
0823	4500	3855 1940	B-24 down hit water and blew up pillar of smoke 1500 ft high. Was slightly ahead and to R. of us. We thought it was one of B flight though its possible it could have been 98th. He flew low all the time for 16 or 20 min. before crash. Someone in B-24 circles him. no possible survivors in crews opinion.
0640	3000	35 30 N 20 E	Saw B-24 behind us do steep spiral dive as though to turn back, view blocked before seeing results. 4 X 1000 and 2 bundles incendiaries jettisoned.  Radio <del>operator</del> operator heard B-24 receipt for message <del>from</del> from 409th ship.

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Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 1/8/43	Squadron 328
Type of Aircraft B-24 D		Captain Lt. Ford, Lt. McCaffery (CP)	
Aircraft No. 604		Crew F/O Myres (N), Lt. Norman (B)	
Aircraft Letter C		Lt. Hinchman, T/Sgt Randles (E), S/Sgt. Eckert, T/Sgt Kobler, S/Sgt. Demate, S/Sgt. Craig, S/Sgt. Hamilton,	
Time Up		Aerodrome or L.G. Site No. 7	
Time Down			
Total Time			
Type of Cloud		Map or Chart	
Amount of Cloud		Reference	
Base of Cloud		Special	
Visibility			
General Weather			

Task or Duty II Concordia Vega Refinery, Pleesti, Roumania,

Time	Height	Place	Narrative
			4X1000 2X100
1455	150	Target	<p>Went to Targoviste then turned right towards Burcharest then North.</p> <p>HIT was IV lumber yard to right saw bombs go off between stacks saw fires -- tank blew up.</p> <p>Saw two #994 before target nose fire also Turner one in chute landed OK 2 others jumped up no one out of Col Ship.</p> <p>Intense Light Flak</p> <p>Saw fighters.</p>

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Sheet No.		Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 1/8/43	Squadron 529
Type of Aircraft	B-24 D	Captain 1st Lt. Freese Crew 1st Lt. Kemp (CP), 1st Lt. Yerman (H), 1st Lt. Reynolds (B), T/Sgt. Lunt (TOP T), S/Sgt. Street, (RWG), S/Sgt. Finnarn (LWG), S/Sgt. Sutter (TAIL G), T/Sgt. McBryan (R).		
Aircraft No.	259			
Aircraft Letter	30			
Time Up		Aerodrome or L.G. Site 7		
Time Down				
Total Time				
Type of Cloud			Map or Chart Reference  Special	
Amount of Cloud				
Base of Cloud				
Visibility				
General Weather				

Task or Duty Standard Petrol and Unirea Refinery, Ploesti, Roumania.

Time	Height	Place	Narrative 4 X 1000
			Immediately after take off - gas leak. Bombs jettisoned.

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# SORTIE REPORT (Part A)

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 1/8/43	Squadron 409
Type of Aircraft B-24 D	Captain 1st Lt. Geron		
Aircraft No. 611	Crew 2nd Lt. Liscomb (CP), 2nd Lt. Simpson (M), 2nd Lt. Todd (B), F/O Thompson (CP), T/Sgt. Powers (E), S/Sgt. Weden (R), S/Sgt. Osborn (TT), Sgt. Sroubek (BG), Sgt. Sullivan (TG), Sgt. Daugherty (WG).		
Aircraft Letter W			
Time Up			
Time Down			
Total Time	Aerodrome or L.G. Site 7		
Type of Cloud	Map or Chart		Reference  Special
Amount of Cloud			
Base of Cloud			
Visibility			
General Weather			

Task or Duty Concordia Vega Refinery, Floesti, Roumania.

Time	Height	Place	Narrative 6 x 500; 5 x 100
1124			<p>Sgt. Daugherty - Flak at Target KIA.  Sgt. Powers - Flak at target WIA  Sgt. Sroubek - Flak at target WIA.  No 1 and 3 engine supercharger out. Flat tire. Electrical system, radio out. Jettisoned all ammunition and some radio (loose) equipment.  E/A saw 8. Shot one down, just before dropping bombs. Me 109E. Claimed by Osborne. Weilder saw it hit.  Flak: Heavy flak was inaccurate but <del>xxxxx</del> medium <del>at</del> approach too short. Light flak and machine gun. One odd twirling circular flak or machine gun gadget.  Flew at 200 feet, came out on the deck. Maystack whirling.  Saw 3 B-24's down at target.  White 11 Last flight, 2nd from right end.  Navigator says: Came into town on about 100 deg heading. Turned to left, then turned to right and came in at about 100 deg.  Dropped bombs on right hand stack at target. Bombs went right into power house. Saw (tail gunner) it go up (45 Sec).  Saw convoy of trucks headin<sup>g</sup> for port in Greece 62 vehicles.  9500 feet 1728. Coordinates 4023N, 1940 E.  Fire on water, 3850N 1940 E.  As to White 11, RR tracks.  Saw 26 B-24 leave target. Believe this group.</p>

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Task or Duty III Standard Petrol & Unireca Refinery.

Time	Height	Place	Narrative
			6 x 500; 5 x 100
			Over Target Missing.

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Task or Duty Standard Petrol and Unirea Refinery, Ploesti, Roumania.

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Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 1/8/43	Squadron 328
Type of Aircraft B-24 D Aircraft No. 611 Aircraft Letter B		Captain 1st Lt. Hickman Crew Lt. W.F. Stein, Lt. W.W. Sykes (N) Lt. J.M. McDough (B), T/Sgt. Kasparian T/Sgt. White (R), S/Sgt. Diltz, S/Sgt. K.R. Morris, S/Sgt. Biedwell, S/Sgt. W.G. Anderson	
Time Up		Aerodrome or L.G. Site No. 7 <del>Special</del>	
Time Down			
Total Time			

Type of Cloud	Map or Chart Reference Special
Amount of Cloud	
Base of Cloud	
Visibility	
General Weather	

Task or Duty II Concordia Vega Refinery, Ploesti, Roumania.  
 III Standard Petrol & Unirec Refinery.

Time	Height	Place	Narrative /# 4 x 1000
			Landed at Pachino, Sicily.
0822	1300	3354-1928	Saw B-24 go down and burn - no possible survivors.
0837			Saw a plane in front and to right jettison some bombs.
1156	300	Target	Approached Orion and Astra Romana Refinery at 360 deg. Dropped 4 x 1000 on large cracking plant. The navigation was all screwed up. Went over target with Roche and Long. After target stayed on Roche's wing.
1252	8000	4347-2348	Turned off and headed directly to Sicily as right bombay had no gas. Landed in Sicily with 320 gals. All oil out of No. 3, it was hit; No 1 also hit.
0800			Left Sicily
1053			Landed base.
612E TELTSEK			U - No. 4 engine on fire just after we made left turn after target. Kept getting a little further behind.
			Pudgy - No. 1 on fire after target - was falling.
			Tail G. Sgt. Anderson thinks U was ship which went up, tail came off; no possible survivors. Exploded when hit.
			Both I's got past target. No 4 on fire on one I. Didn't see him crash.
			Thanks to English Personnel who treated us so courteously and who managed with such efficiency while we were at Pachino, Landing Field, which is converted Dummy Air Drome.

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# **SORTIE REPORT** (Part A)

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Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 1/8/43	Squadron 329
Type of Aircraft B-24 D	Aircraft No. 810	Captain Lt. Hurd Lt. Clements CP, Lt. Steeg N Crew Lt. Dick (B), T/Sgt. Sullivan (E), S/Sgt. Davis, S/Sgt. Gilbert, S/Sgt. Demas, S/Sgt. Wolf, S/Sgt. Lang.	
Aircraft Letter S			
Time Up 0733			
Time Down <del>0833</del> 2256			
Total Time		Aerodrome or L.G. Site No. 7	
Type of Cloud	Amount of Cloud	Map or Chart	
Base of Cloud	Visibility	Reference	
General Weather		Special	

Task or Duty II Concerdia Vega Refinery , Ploesti, Roumania

Time	Height	Place	Narrative
			4 x 1000
1500			<p>Went into target from S to N.            Bombs dropped in fields, electrical system out.            Four down over target.            1. Col. before target.            2. K on Colonels' wing - Potter - saw one chute.            3. One right after crossing town.            4.            Wounds: 3 slightly; Demas, Davis and Gilbert (new man).            Balloons at 3000 feet.            Light Flak, accurate.            From Danube on people were waving.</p>

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Type of Aircraft B-24 D	Aircraft No. 215	Captain 1st Lt. Kendall	
Aircraft Letter S		Crew 2nd Lt. Colvin (CP), 2nd Lt. Kennedy (N), 2nd Lt. Fitzsimmons (B), T/Sgt. Zielaskowski (E), S/Sgt. <del>Waxing</del> Hastings (R), Sgt. Saltzman (WG), S/Sgt. Goodgion (TT), S/Sgt. Dawley (TT) S/Sgt. Miller (TG), P/O Krause (CP).	
Time Up		Aerodrome or L.G. Site 7	
Time Down			
Total Time			
Type of Cloud		Map or Chart	
Amount of Cloud		Reference	
Base of Cloud		Special	
Visibility			
General Weather			

Task or Duty Concordia Vega Refinery, Ploesti, Roumania.

Time	Height	Place	Narrative 6 x 500
1152	200	Target	Landed at Pachino, Sicily. 3 x 500 toggled; 3 salvoed just back of White 11 Target at 17F landing in Storage Tanks. Saw one plane bomb main boiler plant in White 11. This is only ship besides ourselves which attacked White 11 that we saw. Wilkinson dropped behind before target - No apparent trouble. Olliffe in front of us on run. No. 1 engine started smoking. He feathered it over target or shortly thereafter Continued on his bomb run though slowed up. We passed him; never saw him after.
1330		4155N 2330E	Saw 2 crashed planes burning about a mile apart. Saw 3 chutes floating down, 1 good sized town and 2 small towns in valley nearby. One partially opened. Saw 2 in first group we caught up with - was in formation. This was 10 minutes before we started to climb. Tail Gunner E.W. Dawley: le/a coming in level at 6 o'clock got in close before observed. Gave him a bust point blank at 50 yards. He plowed right into ground. Witnessed by W.G. Zieloskowski and by Tun G. Miller. Couldn't identify plane. Yellow ring around radial engine nose. Saw 2 other fighters who attacked us, 1 from 11 o'clock, one from 3 o'clock. Bombardier W.V. Fitzsimmons and Top Turret Jones Goodgion fought fire in nose even after bell had rung for bale out. Put the fire out by tearing out padding and pounded out fire. Couldn't get at fire with extinguisher. Top Turret man took off chute to get down to fight fire. Al Zieloskowski went out on Bombay with bombay doors open, bombay full of hydraulic fluid and gas sprays, patched up hole in bombay tubing leading to bombay tank. Patched up as well as possible and put all 4 engines on leading bombay to get best possible use of gasoline. Cranked down wheels for emergency landing. Patched up hydraulic system with bombay doors open and got enough pressure to lower bombay doors and flaps. Directed fixing up plane in Sicily where expert knowledge was unavailable. Trim tabs spliced.

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Sgt. Warner reported prisoner in Romania  
Bgt. Vest " " " (Sg 328)  
" Reed " " " (Sg 409)

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Type of Aircraft B-24 D	Aircraft No. 610	Captain 1st Lt. League	
Aircraft Letter Y		Crew 2nd Lt. Sumstrong (CP), 2nd Lt. Fox (N), 2nd Lt. Their (B), T/Sgt. Gregory (E), S/Sgt. Daves (R), Sgt. Calcutt (TT), Sgt. Bernhardt (WG), Sgt. Hurlburt (TG), Sgt. Hubert (WG).	
Time Up 0753		Aerodrome or L.G. Site 7	
Time Down 2045			
Total Time			
Type of Cloud <del>/0753/</del>	Amount of Cloud <del>//7045/</del>	Map or Chart	
Base of Cloud	Target clear	Reference	
Visibility		Special	
General Weather			

Task or Duty Concordia Vega Refinery, Ploesti, Roumania.

Time	Height	Place	Narrative	6 x 500	6 x 1000
1500	250	No. 2	<p>Axis 10 deg. Dropped on No. 2 after crossing town. End storage tanks - No. 1 was hit. Bombs in oil pools. Dropped 4 in <del>0753/</del> incendiaries on Booster Station near I.P. Saw N of pumping station rectangular patch of woods. Brick and concrete wall with RR tracks. Flak: Accurate; batteries between 3 and 4. 4 B-24's down. 1 N - Stampolis - dropped bombs. Gas in bomb bay; no chutes. 2. 2 chutes out of one ship. Turned after Craiova, went near Bucharest, then up S to N. Balloons at 3000 feet. Saw 6. Airfield South of Elbassan. Shipping Valona - 4 M/V Hit gun battery Calent-Gunner.</p>		

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Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 1/8/43	Squadron 330
Type of Aircraft B-24 D	Aircraft No. 609	Captain W. A. Long	
Aircraft Letter I		Crew Lt. Lockhart (CP), Lt. Lipten (N), Lt. Adams (B), Sgt. Peterson (Top T) Sgt. Crumley (RMG), Sgt. Szaras (LWG), Sgt. Havens (TAIL G), Sgt. Deicidue (Tun G), Sgt. Fagan (R).	
Time Up			
Time Down			
Total Time		Aerodrome or L.G.	
Type of Cloud		Map or Chart	
Amount of Cloud		Reference	
Base of Cloud			
Visibility		Special	
General Weather			

Task or Duty      Standard Petrol and Unirea Refinery, Ploesti, Roumania.

Time	Height	Place	Narrative 4 x 1000; 2 x 100.
			Over Target Missing.
			<div> <div> Lt Lockhart Lt Long Sgt. Deicidue </div> <div> } reported hospitalized in Roumania. </div> </div>

PART B (on reverse) to be completed according to relevant pro-forma in H.Q. R.A.F. M.E. Instruction 34.

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# **SORTIE REPORT** (Part A)

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 1/8/43	Squadron 328
Type of Aircraft B-24 D	Aircraft No. 246	Captain Lt. Longnecker, F/O Olsen (CP)	
Aircraft Letter F		Crew Lt. Valcik, Lt. Wm. Schrampf, S/Sgt. Cunningham, T/Sgt. Pinson (E) S/Sgt. Teague, S/Sgt. Strnad, S/Sgt. Sands, S/Sgt. Dougal, F/O Jones	
Time Up 0450			
Time Down 1340		Aerodrome or L.G. Site No. 7	
Total Time			
Type of Cloud		Map or Chart	
Amount of Cloud		Reference Special	
Base of Cloud			
Visibility			
General Weather			

Task or Duty **II Concordia Vega Refinery, Ploesti, Roumania.**

Time	Height	Place	Narrative 6 x 500
0622	2000	3940 1930	<p>No 3, 3rd flight. B-24 down in Sea, crashed, burst in flames; no possible survivors. Turned on I.P. too soon and flew on heading of 120 degrees for 10 minutes; no target so turned N - hit target from S at 340 deg and hit target ly then turned left. Aimed at cluster of buildings in same boiler house. Am sure we hit vital target but could not observe results. We saw a lot of smoke and a lot of fires. At least 10 minutes after we left target we saw one group going into target just before they reached I.P. All 12 planes in front of us briefed for <del>the</del> white ll we believe attacked white ly. Flak: Some heavy guns and lots of light guns and machine guns. 30 calibre, Batteries concentrated S of town - Some N. Flak gunners left guns in many cases. Two storage tanks blew up just before we reached target. There was a smoke screen. Balloons to S of town in line running E and W. Saw one B-24 crash and explode in the town 2 chutes opened. One did not, but landed very fast in opened chutes. This ship was off our right wing and ahead. 4 Me 109's attacked; only one pressed. Came in from 9 o'clock but turned away. S/Sgt. Dugah, Tail T. fired at e/a yellow nose FW 190 opened fire at 500 yds. Saw e/a crash and explode witnessed by S/Sgt. Cunningham. There were 3 planes in the e/a attack. The other two turned away.</p>
1200	300	Target	
1202			
1217			
1150			

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# SORTIE REPORT (Part A)

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 1/8/43	Squadron 328
Type of Aircraft B-24 D Aircraft No. 722 Aircraft Letter C	Captain Lt. Martin, Crew Lt. Bird, Lt. Dahl (CP) Lt. Reid, Lt. Roach, S/Sgt. Strand, T/Sgt. Sullivan, S/Sgt. Kelly, S/Sgt. Melina, S/Sgt. Dodd, S/Sgt. Sparks.		
Time Up 7:39 Time Down 21:40 Total Time 1402	Aerodrome or L.G. Site No. 7		
Type of Cloud Cumulus (Fractor) Amount of Cloud .5 to .7 Base of Cloud 5000-7000 Visibility 10-15 miles General Weather	Map or Chart Reference Special		

Task or Duty II Concordia Vega Refinery, Pleesti, Roumania. 4/1000

Time	Height	Place	Narrative
8:45 11:20		33° 10' N 37° N 19° 34' E	<p>Large cruiser and torpedo heading south.</p> <p>Plane crashed burned ( exploded ) no survivors.</p> <p>F-8GQ Distress signal 39° 50' N. 19° 30' E. Contact KT-1 Malta.</p> <p>Good job of camouflage on all gun batteries. 25 miles from target magnesium smoke pots apparently tracking course of flight. Smoke screen great aid-- did not hinder bombing Pictures completely out of date. Trees and shubbery around target- residential districts have since been constructed.</p> <p>4 ships of 93rd lost at target Axis of attack approximately 300 No 3 on Major Tate 2nd wave . Bombs in target.</p> <p>Saw two fighters ME -109Is no trouble or attack</p> <p>16:20 42° 59' N 22° 27' E two ships collided .</p> <p>C flight of 93rd.</p> <p>20:00 ship going East position 33° 32' N 19° 32' E 6000</p> <p>C-IAB Distress Signal 16:57 True Course 36° 41' N 20° 6' E</p> <p>KT-1 Malta Received.</p>

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# **SORTIE REPORT** (Part A)

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Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 1/8/43	Squadron 409
Type of Aircraft B-24 D		Captain 1st Lt. McFarland	
Aircraft No. 742		Crew F/O Podgurski (CP), F/O Mor-	
Aircraft Letter R		dovangy (N), M/Sgt. Slade (B), T/Sgt. Hayes (E), T/Sgt. Smathers (R), T/Sgt. Brown (TT), S/Sgt. Angevinl (WG), S/Sgt. Frausto (BG), Sgt. Kuhn (TG), Sgt. Wilson (WG).	
Time Up 0430		Aerodrome or L.G. Site 7	
Time Down 0630			
Total Time 14 hours			
Type of Cloud		Map or Chart	
Amount of Cloud		Reference	
Base of Cloud		Special	
Visibility			
General Weather			

Task or Duty Concordia Vega Refinery, Ploesti, Roumania.

Time	Height	Place	Narrative 6 x 500
1200	200		No 1, 2nd ele, 4th Wave Attacked white 11 from W; dropped 6 x 500 on Columbia Aquila Refinery aimed at distillation plant. Know bombs hit there. Flak - every where in area with machine guns.
1200		Target	Believe we saw Womble's plane crash in center of Ploesti. Saw another plane crash at 18 H. Altogether saw at least 4 crashes in target area.
0415	6500	Carfu	Saw pink ship 1/2 hour away from target crash. No survivors. No 1 and 2 cut out and pilot flew 2 hours 15 minutes on Nos 3 and 4 and landed plane on 3 and 4 at 370th. Both rudders badly damaged trim cables were broken, instruments shot away, inter com out, left side oxygen went out at target, Radio Op tho wounded in leg, head and throat repaired radio and sent out SOS's and QDM's. Would not quit his work; probably could not have made it without his QDM's. Electrical system went out as we circled to land. Avendano was with us on return as we crossed coast of Greece. Had hole in bombay - all four engines running.

PART B (on reverse) to be completed according to relevant pro-forma in H.Q. R.A.F. M.E. Instruction 34.

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# **SORTIE REPORT** (Part A)

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Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 1/8/43	Squadron 329
Type of Aircraft B-24 D Aircraft No. 127 Aircraft Letter O		Captain Merrill, Lt. O'Brien (CP) Lt. Gregory (N), Lt. Chadwick (B), Crew T/Sgt. Morre, S/Sgt. Osew RW, S/Sgt. Regan LW, S/Sgt. Way TG, S/Sgt. Szezepanski, T Sgt. Grimes (R),	
Time Up 445 Time Down 1745 Total Time		Aerodrome or L.G. Site No. 7	
Type of Cloud Amount of Cloud Target clouds Base of Cloud Visibility Good, 3000 feet. General Weather		Map or Chart Reference Special	

Task or Duty III Standard Petrol & Unireca Refinery.

Time	Height	Place	Narrative 6 x 500; 5 x 100
1155	100 ft	Target	<p>Saw Pink B-24 go down.            2 Bombs right in 3. Tanks in back of 3 blew up - 40 deg 200 IAS.            Route - short of Petisti, turned off at Targevesto, went toward Bucharest to lake North (Snagov) then circled left, then attack on 40 deg.            Saw four B-24's go down at target; maybe N and X.            Flak; Very heavy in target area; 20 mm.            Fighters;            Incendiaries set off oil tanks near 3.            Ship X bombed - all four probably bombed.            1 Flak in gas tank            1 flak twisted tail off.            No 1 appeared to be well hit            Gunners hit fractionating columns.            Saw 3 to 6; didn't bother much.            Balloons were up, about 3000; went right through            Crew chief reports left wing leading edge cut through. Must be balloon; cut back four to six inches cable 1/8 inch.</p>

**PART B** (on reverse) to be completed according to relevant pro-forma in H.Q. R.A.F. M.E. Instruction 34.



# SORTIE REPORT (Part A)

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Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 1/8/43	Squadron 329
Type of Aircraft B-24 D Aircraft No. 804 Aircraft Letter X		Captain Lt. W.E. Meehan, Lt. Egle (CP), Lt. Weekley (N), Crew Lt. Israel (B) T/Sgt. Johnson (E), S/Sgt. Kramp, S/Sgt. Baron, S/Sgt Yates, S/Sgt. Parker TG, S/Sgt. Galasso (R),	
Time Up Time Down Total Time		Aerodrome or L.G. Site No. 7	
Type of Cloud Amount of Cloud Base of Cloud Visibility General Weather		Map or Chart Reference Special	

Task or Duty III Standard Petrol & Unireca refinery.

Time	Height	Place	Narrative 6 x 500
			Over target missing.
			<p><i>A.C. Galasso - identity card found;  but whereabouts unknown.  Sgt Yates hospitalized in Rumania</i></p>

PART B (on reverse) to be completed according to relevant pro-forma in H.Q. R.A.F. M.E. Instruction 34.

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Task or Duty	III Standard Petrol & Unireca Refinery.
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### (Part A)

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 1/8/43	Squadron 330
Type of Aircraft B-24 D		Captain Olliffe,	
Aircraft No. 121		Crew Lt. Ipher (CP), Lt. Savage (N)	
Aircraft Letter J		Lt. Nicholson (B), Sgt. Haller (TOP T)	
		Sgt. Crimmins (R), F/O Collins (XO),	
		Sgt. Koen (RWG), Sgt. Engdahl (LWG)	
		Sgt. Pearson (MAIL G), Sgt. Murray,	
		(Tun G).	
Time Up		Aerodrome or L.G. Site 7	
Time Down			
Total Time			
Type of Cloud		Map or Chart	
Amount of Cloud		Reference	
Base of Cloud		Special	
Visibility			
General Weather			

Task or Duty	Concordia Vega Refinery, Ploesti, Roumania.
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Time	Height	Place	Narrative 6 x 500; 6 x 100.
			<p data-bbox="558 974 815 1005">Over Target Missing.</p>

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Task or Duty	II Concordia Vega Refinery, Ploesti, Roumania
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# **SORTIE REPORT** (Part A)

Sheet No.	Oprel. Ref. No.	Date 1/8/43	Squadron 330
Type of Aircraft B-24 D	Captain Major Potts		
Aircraft No. 147	Crew Lt. Timmer (CP), 1st Lt. stormer (N), Lt. Capt. Culpepper (N), T/Sgt. Clay (TOP T), S/Sgt. Bagby (RWG) S/Sgt. Sherman (LWG), S/Sgt. Croswell (Tail G), S/Sgt. Smith (TUN G), S/Sgt. Chuffman (R).		
Aircraft Letter <u>A</u>			
Time Up 0800			
Time Down 2045			
Total Time	Aerodrome or L.G. Site Z		

Type of Cloud	Map or Chart
Amount of Cloud Leading section of 8	Reference
Base of Cloud	Special
Visibility	
General Weather	

4 x 1000 2 x 100

Task or Duty standard Petrol and Unirea Refinery, Ploesti, Roumania.

Time	Height	Place	Narrative
			Saw 12 Ballons
			Missed Pitesti got to within 10 min of Bucharest turned W. Bombed 35° in train & hit power house in center of Astia with seven ships
			Balloons up.
			Shot at by heavy as well as light flak. All along Buch. Ploesti railroad.
			Shot at building 10 Min NW of Ploesti blew it up.
			Two attacks by seven or eight A/C near Bucharest.
			Very little smoke on Ploesti, Ballons up.
			Nobody bombed II
			Shot at by heavy AA E and S of Albania Capitol.
			25 A/C on field 15 Mile convoy of truck
			Ships hit N of target. Baker.
			Saw Telser landing near target with engine smoking.

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Task or Duty      Concordia Vega Refinery, Ploesti, Roumania.

Time	Height	Place	Narrative 6 x 500
			Over Target Missing.

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# SORTIE REPORT (Part A)

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 1/8/43	Squadron 330
Type of Aircraft B-24 D	Aircraft No. 109	Aircraft Letter C	Captain Roche Crew F/O Avery (CP), 1st Lt. Bilyeu (H), 2nd Lt. Sargent (B), T/Sgt. Anderson (E), S/Sgt. Carroll, RL (G), T/Sgt. Potts (R), S/Sgt. Zettlemoyer (G), S/Sgt. Doerner (G) Lt. Col. Beightol (XO).
Time Up	Time Down	Total Time	Aerodrome or L.G.
			Site 7
Type of Cloud	Amount of Cloud	Base of Cloud	Map or Chart
Visibility	General Weather		Reference
			Special

Task or Duty Standard Petrol and Unirea Refinery, Ploesti, Roumania. 4 X 1000

Time	Height	Place	Narrative
1430			<p>Hit IV Potts to right aimed at high tower saw five explosions.</p> <p>Saw one A/C in water</p> <p>" " burning N of Ploesti.</p> <p>2 Oil tanks burning N of town.</p> <p>Engineer &amp; wounded Bofors heavy and light.</p> <p>Saw no one</p> <p>Flak from <del>Brazi</del> <sup>Brazi</sup> area.</p>

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## SORTIE REPORT

### (Part A)

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 1/8/43	Squadron 409
Type of Aircraft B-24 D		Captain 1st Lt. Stampolis	
Aircraft No. 617		Crew 1st Lt. Canfield (CP), Lt. Dailey (H), Lt. Micheneau (B), T/Sgt. Gomillion (E), S/Sgt. Nelson (R), Sgt. Rogers (WG), Sgt. White (TR), S/Sgt. Newport (TG), Sgt. McCarty (BG).	
Aircraft Letter N			
Time Up			
Time Down			
Total Time		Aerodrome or L.G. Site 7	
Type of Cloud		Map or Chart	
Amount of Cloud		Reference	
Base of Cloud			
Visibility		Special	
General Weather			

Task or Duty	Concordia Vega Refinery, Ploesti, Roumania.
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Time	Height	Place	Narrative 6 x 500; 5 x 100.
			Over Target Missing.

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# **SORTIE REPORT** (Part A)

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date <b>1/8/43</b>	Squadron <b>330</b>
Type of Aircraft <b>B-24 D</b>	Aircraft No. <b>226</b>	Captain <b>1st Lt. Stewart</b>	
Aircraft Letter <b>L</b>		Crew <b>F/O Koon (CP), 2nd Lt. Werts (N), 2nd Lt. Cummings (B), T/Sgt. Connolly (E), T/Sgt. Steiner (R), S/Sgt. Bartlett (G), S/Sgt. Johnston S/Sgt. Terry, S/Sgt. Major.</b>	
Time Up			
Time Down			
Total Time		Aerodrome or L.G. <b>Site 7</b>	
Type of Cloud		Map or Chart	
Amount of Cloud		Reference	
Base of Cloud		Special	
Visibility			
General Weather			

Task or Duty **Concordia Vega Refinery, Ploesti, Roumania.**

Time	Height	Place	Narrative <i>4X1000 2X100 M3 inc Clusters</i>
			<p>E/A Saw 1 no encounters Saw 4 A/C down at target Incl. Col Baker, Parter A/C on Col. Bakers left wing. At target were left A/C, just wave. Heavy Flak active but over there head. Stewart altitude was just except at the target, altitude 100 Thick heavy flak got Col. Baker, since he was 30 feet higher. First flak 8 minutes before target, lasted 3 or 4 minutes after target. Dropped 2 bombs and bundle incendiaries at target. Plane at 350 / 400 but flew across town afterwards. People waved except at target. Dropped 2 bombs and incendiaries 20 min after target. People waved after seeing insignia. No flak until target. Put out One balloon on ground. Saw 6 balloons up. Flak gunners would run if fired at. 1 1000 lb inside cracking plant. Explosion. Saw Porters bombs in Staff Silo affairs. Tower with guder blew. Saw 2 parachutes. A/C Left Ailerion <math>\frac{1}{2}</math> shot off, rudder hole, 2 holes in bomb bay, hole in left wing, Nobody hurt except Steiner, Radio operator, flak sliver through head.</p>

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**SORTIE REPORT**  
(Part A)

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Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 1/8/43	Squadron 328
Type of Aircraft B-24 D Aircraft No. 128 Aircraft Letter J		Captain Major Tate Crew Lt. Huberty, F/O Rose, Lt. Janic Capt. Rantala, T/Sgt. Wright, T/Sgt. Scott, Lt. Schuler, S/Sgt. Cuellar, S/Sgt. Anderhalt, S/Sgt. Rubin	
Time Up 7:30 Time Down 2050 Total Time 1325		Aerodrome or L.G.	
Type of Cloud Cumulus Cloud Amount of Cloud .8-.10 Base of Cloud 8000--10000 Visibility Good five miles General Weather			Map or Chart Reference  Special

**Task or Duty**

Time	Height	Place	Narrative <i>4X1000 2X 100MB inc Clusters</i>
12:25			376Th Blew Up AA 10 miles from target High and left. Light flak 40 mm Positions on hillsides surrounding valley. Axis of attack 50° --- almost in Bucharest. Probably 4 ships out of 93rd Col. Baker definitely 3 chutes 2nd Wave Target blazing -- bombs in target. Smoke screen effective 6 minutes before reached target. Distinctly saw 4 storage tanks blow up. Two fighters at target (Macchis) Airfield 40° 30' N 19° 45' E All AA well concealed mostly Heavy.

**PART B** (on reverse) to be completed according to relevant pro-forma in H.Q. R.A.F. M.E. Instruction 34.

# **SORTIE REPORT** (Part A)

R.A.F. Form 441 A.

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 1/8/43	Squadron 330
Type of Aircraft B-24 D	Captain 1st Lt. Teltser		
Aircraft No. 613	Crew 2nd Lt. Bassett (CP), 2nd Lt. Reback (N), 2nd Lt. Ward (B), T/Sgt. Higgins (TOP T), 2nd Lt. Beaumont (XO)		
Aircraft Letter E	S/Sgt. Locky (RWG), S/Sgt. Doll (LWG)		
Time Up	S/Sgt. Murray (TAIL G), S/Sgt. Taylor (TON G), T/Sgt. Milligan (R).		
Time Down	Aerodrome or L.G. Site 7		
Total Time			

Type of Cloud	Map or Chart
Amount of Cloud	Reference
Base of Cloud	Special
Visibility	
General Weather	

Task or Duty Standard Petrol and Unirea Refinery, Ploesti, Roumania.

Time	Height	Place	Narrative 4 x 1000 2 x 100
			Over target missing.
			<i>1st Teltser } reported hospitalized in Roumania</i> <i>1st Beaumont }</i>
			<i>1st Bassett reported prisoner in Roumania</i> <i>Sgt Locky " " "</i> <i>Sgt Doll " " "</i>

PART B (on reverse) to be completed according to relevant pro-forma in H.Q. R.A.F. M.E. Instruction 34.

# **SORTIE REPORT** (Part A)

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Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 1/8/43	Squadron 328
Type of Aircraft B-24 D	Aircraft No. 608	Captain Lt. Turner, Lt. Holbrook (CP) Crew Lt. Marquis, Lt. DeArmond, T/Sgt. Long, T/Sgt. Wienberg, S/Sgt. Rudell, S/Sgt. Hobson, S/Sgt. Dunckel, Pvt. Hood	
Aircraft Letter M			
Time Up			
Time Down			
Total Time		Aerodrome or L.G.	Site No. 7
Type of Cloud		Map or Chart	
Amount of Cloud		Reference	
Base of Cloud		Special	
Visibility			
General Weather			

Task or Duty II Concerdia Vega Refinery, Ploesti, Roumania.

Time	Height	Place	Narrative 2 x 100; 4 x 1000
			<p>Over Target Missing.</p> <p><i>Landed in Turkey.</i></p> <p><i>Sgts Rudell &amp; Johnson hospitalized</i></p>

PART B (on reverse) to be completed according to relevant pro-forma in H.Q. R.A.F. M.E. Instruction 34.



# **SORTIE REPORT** (Part A)

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Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 1/8/43	Squadron 409
Type of Aircraft B-24 D	Captain 1st Lt. Wilkinson ✓		
Aircraft No. 754	Crew Capt. Baker (P), 2nd Lt. HOOVER (CP), Capt. Hebert (W), Lt. Silverman (B), T/Sgt. Rolley (E), T/Sgt. Kim-tantas (R), S/Sgt. Fultz (WG), Sgt. Altizer (TG), S/Sgt. Butler (WG), S/Sgt. Maske (TG).		
Aircraft Letter U			
Time Up			
Time Down			
Total Time	Aerodrome or L.G. Site 7		
Type of Cloud	Map or Chart		
Amount of Cloud	Reference		
Base of Cloud	Special		
Visibility			
General Weather			

Task or Duty Concordia Vega Refinery, Ploesti, Roumania.

Time	Height	Place	Narrative 6 x 500
			Over Target Missing. <i>Landed in Turkey -</i> <i>Crew OK interned</i>

PART B (on reverse) to be completed according to relevant pro-forma in H.Q. R.A.F. M.E. Instruction 34.

# **SORTIE REPORT** (Part A)

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 1/8/43	Squadron 409
Type of Aircraft B-24 D	Captain 1st Lt. Womble		
Aircraft No. 265	Crew 2nd Lt. Lancashire (CP), 2nd Lt. Thompson (N), 1st Lt. Little (B), T/Sgt. Fitzgerald (E), T/Sgt. Ford (R), W/Sgt. Shorn (WG), S/Sgt. Reed (WG), Sgt. Barker (TG), Sgt. English (BG).		
Aircraft Letter W			
Time Up			
Time Down			
Total Time	Aerodrome or L.G. Site 7		

Type of Cloud	Map or Chart
Amount of Cloud	Reference
Base of Cloud	Special
Visibility	
General Weather	

Task or Duty Concordia Vega Refinery, Ploesti, Roumania.

Time	Height	Place	Narrative 6 x 500; 6 x 100.
			Over Target Missing.
			<p>Sgt Barker } Reported hospitalized in Roumania.</p> <p>Sgt English }</p> <p>Sgt Ford }</p> <p>Sgt Fitzgerald }</p> <p>Lt Womble reported prisoner of war in Roumania</p> <p>Lt Lancashire " " " " " "</p> <p>Sgt Reed " " " " " "</p> <p>Lt. Thompson " " " " " "</p>

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