

R E P O R T O F O P E R A T I O N A L  
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MISSION No. **225**

Date: **10 MAR. 45**

TO: **HAGEN , GERMANY**

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401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)  
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ASSIGNMENT

1. Assigned Target: HAGEN, GERMANY
2. Commitments: The 401st Group furnished the complete 36 A/C 94th "A" Group. One GH A/C was included in the lead and high squadrons, one furnished by 303rd Group and one by the 379th Group. A spare accompanied the lead and high squadrons.

EXECUTION

1. Target Bombed: HAGEN, GERMANY (G-H)
2. a. Group Leader: Major R. J. WHITE (Campbell)  
    Lead Navigator: Capt. R. J. WHITNEY (Tharpe-MO)  
    Extra Navigator: 1st Lt. C. L. HOAG  
    Lead Bombardier: Capt. H. S. ARNOLD
- b. Low Sqdn Leader: Capt. D. V. KIRKHUFF (Hubbell)  
        Lead Navigator: 1st Lt. G. J. MOORE (Dubray-MO)  
        Lead Bombardier: 1st Lt. S. W. FLIEG
- c. High Sqdn Leader: Capt. J. F. GOODMAN  
        Lead Navigator: 1st Lt. N. W. HEYMAN  
        Lead Bombardier: 1st Lt. C. R. BURGE
3. Flight Over England:
  - a. Takeoff:

Normal takeoff was accomplished. All ships took off successfully.
  - b. Squadron and Group Assemblies:

Aircraft were slow to form due to the bright sunlight that caused the flares to be almost invisible. When a few ships formed the Group then formed quickly. Cottemore buncher was departed one minute early.

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3. c. Reute Over England:

As briefed. The 41 "C" Group was a little late at point D and 94th "A" was one minute early. This caused our group to go over 41 "D" but caused no interference because 94th "A" was about 2000' higher. The group was in proper division formation and position as it left the coast on time.

4. Attack:

a. Flight to Target:

Division column was maintained to the IP satisfactory. All timings were made on time and the group followed course about as briefed. Upon reaching the IP the group prepared for a GH run on the primary target.

b. Bombing Run:

Lead and Low Squadron:

The lead squadron made the IP good. Cloud cover was 10/10ths and the GH equipment was working okay so it went in and bombed target #2 as briefed. It was a straight GH run. The sighting angles checked out very well. The GH operator thinks the group hit the target. The lead ship salvoed; all others used a minimum intervalometer setting. The AFCE was okay. Results were unobserved. The Low squadron had no GH ship so they bombed on the lead, in 2 squadron formation, in the same manner as the lead.

High Squadron:

The high squadron had its own GH ship so it uncovered from the lead and low just before the IP. Cloud cover was 10/10ths so it bombed primary target # 2 after making a good GH run. As the high squadron came off the IP the GH operator started killing course okay but had a little trouble getting the rate line to come in. He got straightened out satisfactorily and eventually made a good run. Bombs were salvoed by the leader, dropped with a minimum intervalometer setting by all others. The AFCE was okay. Results were unobserved.

c. Flight from Target:

The flight was as briefed from the target. No flak was encountered anywhere along the route. Letdown was started over Belgium and the continental coast out departed on course.

d. Return to Base:

The course was cut short near London to let down through a large hole in that vicinity. The group then returned normally to base, all ships landing safely.

e. Weather:

Weather was described as solid undercast enroute, low cloud, tops approximately 8,000' with same condition prevailing over target.

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4. f. Fighter Support:

Fighter support was good.

g. Comments on Formation and Interval:

Formation and interval good throughout entire mission.

h. Conclusions and Recommendations:

None.

5. Aircraft Not Attacking:

All scheduled A/C attacked the target.

6. Enemy Opposition:

No air nor ground opposition encountered. There were several flak bursts, inaccurate, in vicinity of target - and several bursts observed in Munster area.

7. Battle Damage:

None.

8. Casualties:

None.

9. Statistical Summary of Operations: (see attached form)

10. Bombing Data:

a. Observations:

Due to complete undercast, results were unobserved.

b. Disposition of Bombs:

Lead Squadron: All 13 A/C airborne attacked the target, dropping 431 X 100# GP and 25 X 500# IB bombs. A/C 842 had 1 X 100# IB hang up which it returned to base, and A/C 767 had 8 GP's and 1 IB hang up because one shackle didn't release and jettisoned them in the channel.

Low Squadron: All 12 A/C scheduled attacked the target, dropping 407 X 100# GP and 24 X 500# IB. A/C

MISSION SUMMARY REPORT (Concl'd)

10. b. High Squadron: All 13 A/C airborne attacked the target, dropping 438 X 100# GP and 26 X 500# IB bombs. A/C 780 and 322 each had 1 GP hang up which they returned.

c. Tabular Summary of Disposition of Bombs:

	Aircraft		Bombs				
	Over Target	Bomb- ing	Num- ber	Size	Type	Fusing Nose Tail	
Main Bombfall	38	38	1276	100#	GP	-	1/40
			75	500#	M-17	-	-
Other Attacks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Bombs on Target			1276	100#	GP	-	1/40
			75	500#	M-17	-	-
Other Expenditures			8	100#	M-17	-	-
Bombs Returned			3	100#	GP	-	1/40
			1	500#	M-17	-	-
Total (Loaded on A/C Taking Off)			1287	100#	GP	-	1/40
			76	500#	M-17	-	-

11. Lost Aircraft:

None.

Submitted By:

KEN W. DAUBLE  
 Captain, Air Corps  
 Statistical Officer

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BY ED, NARA DATE 11-16-10



(SAY-401-HIGH/1171- 1 X 10-3-45 X 2468-7-2530) X HAGEN)  
CONF

HIGH SQ, 94<sup>th</sup>A<sup>th</sup> Gp:

Combat Sq. Leader: CAPT GOODMAN Date: 10 March 1945

Deputy Sq. Leader: \_\_\_\_\_

Deputy Gp. Leader: \_\_\_\_\_

401st at T/O, Cruise &  
OVER-TARGET

SQDN

- 613 SC JAWOCK
- 613 IN MACRO
- 614 IW GOLFOLOB
- 615 IY BUZZARD

GOODMAN

UK Y 8238(GH)

GRAY

SPEER

780

643(PFF)

SQDN

BABCOCK, F.H.

SQDN

DJERNES

565  
(spot)

468

CAMERON

JORDAN

AYRE

SORENSEN

151

551

931

395

HOLMES

SALISBURY

522

350

LINDSEY

STEGMAN

602

738  
(spot)

SPARBS

**LEAD SQDN, "A" Gp:**

Combat Sq. Leader: **Major White** Date: **10 March 1945**

Deputy Sq. Leader: \_\_\_\_\_

Deputy Gp. Leader: \_\_\_\_\_

**401st on T/O, CRUISE &  
OVER TARGET**

SQDN:

- 612 SC JABWOCK
- 613 IN MACRO
- 614 IW GOLFOGUB
- 615 IY BUZZARD

**CAMPBELL (WHITE)**

LF G 8155(GH)

**BRAILEY**

**TAUSEG**

125

550(PFF)

SQDN:

**SCHELLER**

SQDN:

**BAKER**

132

842

**SAEPAERO**

**KELSO**

**YOUNG**

**BERNEBURG**

458

588  
(spot)

146

862

**STEELE**

2947

**LITCHFIELD**

**MAY**

**VERMUR**

758  
(spot)

730

767

SPARBS

LOW SQIN. "A" GP

Combat Sq. Leader: CAPT KIRKHUFF Date: 10 Mar 1945

Deputy Sq. Leader: \_\_\_\_\_

Deputy Gp. Leader: \_\_\_\_\_

401st at T/O, Cruise &  
OVER-TARGET

SQDN

- 612 SC JABWOCK
- 613 IN MACRO
- 614 IW GOLFOJUB
- 615 IY BUZZARD

HUBBELL

8708(PFF)

CAMPBELL

KNOWLES

733  
(spot)

941

SQDN

GRIMM, A.R.

SQDN

BLOETSCHER

810  
(spot)

786

LOVELL

MORAN

FRENCH

LONG

541

398

506

637

SCHLIEMANN

039

HARVESON

HOLT

2393

992

SWANSON

HEADQUARTERS  
FOUR HUNDRED FIRST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)  
Office of the Navigation Officer

Date 10 March 1945

SUBJECT: Lead Navigator's Narrative of Raid on Hagen, Germany

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

1. Flight plan and Log attached.
2. Track chart attached.
3. Narrative:

- a. T/O at 0839 hours.
- b. Group formed at 1100 hours on Cottensere buncher.  
at 21,000 ft.
- c. Wing assembly was completed at 1150 hours at Teophan Green.
- d. Route over England was (not) flown as briefed.

e. Methods of navigation over England.

Geo, D.R.

- f. Division formation was joined at 1210 hrs. at sol. 45.
- g. Flight to I.P. was (not) as briefed.

h. Methods of navigation to the I. P.

Geo, Hickey, D. R.

i. Bomb run.

- (1) Actual I. P. was (not) as briefed.

52-121 07-102

- (2) True heading over target 177.
- (3) Actual drift 3 left.
- (4) Altitude over target 21,800.
- (5) Time bombs away 1210.
- (6) Wind used for bombing 025/00.
- (7) Method of target identification.

(8) Difficulties on bomb run.

None

(9) Weather over Target.

10/10ths

(10) Axis of withdrawal 115.

- j. Group rally was accomplished at 51-131 07-07E at 1924 hrs.
- k. Wing rally was accomplished at " " at " hrs.
- l. Division rally was accomplished at " " at " hrs.
- m. Flight home was (not) as briefed.

As far as English Coast. Got off course over England following Group ahead.

n. Methods of navigation on return route.

Gee, D.P.

- o. Winds aloft were (~~not~~) called out to the formation.
- p. Fighter rendezvous were (~~not~~) as briefed.

q. Performance of equipment.

- (1) Mickey Poor
- (2) Gee Good
- (3) Radio Compass Poor
- (4) Fluxgate Good
- (5) Other equipment. OK

/s/ R. P. Whitney

R. P. WHITNEY

1st Lt., A.C.

Lead Navigator., Lead Sq.

Low

HEADQUARTERS  
FOUR HUNDRED FIRST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)  
Office of the Navigation Officer

Date 10 March 1945

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

1. Flight plan and Log attached.
2. Track chart attached.
3. Narrative:

- a. T/O at 0943 hours.
- b. Group formed at 1100 hours on Cottimore buncher.  
at 14,000 ft.
- c. Wing assembly was completed at 1130 hours at Peophen Green
- d. Route over England was ~~(not)~~ flown as briefed.

e. Methods of navigation over England.

Mickey, D.R.

f. Division formation was joined at 1149 hrs. at Sp1 75

g. Flight to I.P. was ~~(not)~~ as briefed.

h. Methods of navigation to the I. P.

Mickey, D.R.

i. Bomb run.

(1) Actual I. P. was ~~(not)~~ as briefed.

52-121 07-10B

- (2) True heading over target 168
- (3) Actual drift 2 Left
- (4) Altitude over target 24000
- (5) Time bombs away 1320
- (6) Wind used for bombing 338/45
- (7) Method of target identification.

G.H

(8) ~~Difficulties on bomb run.~~

None

(9) Weather over Target.

10/10ths

(10) Axis of withdrawal 99

- j. Group rally was accomplished at 51-13N 07-07E at 1304 hrs.
- k. Wing rally was accomplished at " " at " " hrs.
- l. Division rally was accomplished at " " at " " hrs.
- m. Flight home was ~~(not)~~ as briefed.

As far as English Coast on return, asbriefed. Got off course over England following group ahead.

n. Methods of navigation on return route.

Gee, D.R.

- o. Winds aloft were ~~(not)~~ called out to the formation.
- p. Fighter rendezvous were ~~(not)~~ as briefed.

q. Performance of equipment.

- (1) Mickey OK
- (2) Gee Very poor
- (3) Radio Compass OK
- (4) Fluxgate OK
- (5) Other equipment. OK

/s/ G. J. Moore  
G. J. MOORE  
1st Lt., A. C.

Lead Navigator. 1 Low Sq.

HEADQUARTERS High  
FOUR HUNDRED FIRST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)  
Office of the Navigation Officer

Date 10 March 1945

SUBJECT: Lead Navigator's Narrative of Raid on \_\_\_\_\_  
TO : Commanding Officer, 401st Bombardment Group (H), APO 557,  
U. S. Army. Hagen, Germany

1. Flight plan and Log attached.
2. Track chart attached.
3. Narrative:

- a. T/O at \_\_\_\_\_ hours.
- b. Group formed at \_\_\_\_\_ hours on \_\_\_\_\_ buncher.  
at \_\_\_\_\_ ft. 1055 Cottesmore
- c. Wing assembly was completed at \_\_\_\_\_ hours at \_\_\_\_\_.
- d. Route over England was (not) flown as briefed. Deopham Green  
~~xxx~~

e. Methods of navigation over England.

- f. Division formation was joined at \_\_\_\_\_ hrs. at \_\_\_\_\_.
- g. Flight to I. P. was (not) as briefed 3149 Spl #5  
~~xxx~~

h. Methods of navigation to the I. P.

**D.R., Gee, Mickey**

1. Bomb run.
  - (1) Actual I. P. was (not) as briefed.  
~~xxx~~

**52-12N 07-10E**

- (2) True heading over target \_\_\_\_\_.
- (3) Actual drift \_\_\_\_\_ 175.
- (4) Altitude over target \_\_\_\_\_.
- (5) Time bombs away 2400.
- (6) Wind used for bombing \_\_\_\_\_.
- (7) Method of target identification \_\_\_\_\_.

10/10ths. C-8

(8) ~~Difficulties on bomb run.~~

None

(9) Weather over Target.

10/10ths Undercast

(10) Axis of withdrawal \_\_\_\_\_ 120 \_\_\_\_\_.

- j. Group rally was accomplished at 51-13N 07-07E at 1324 hrs.
- k. Wing rally was accomplished at \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ hrs.
- l. Division rally was accomplished at \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ hrs.
- m. Flight home was (not) as briefed.

As briefed as far as English Coast. Got off course over England following Group ahead.

n. Methods of navigation on return route.

Gee, D.R.

- o. Winds aloft were (not) called out to the formation.
- p. Fighter rendezvous were (not) as briefed.

q. Performance of equipment.

- (1) Mickey
- (2) Gee **Poor**
- (3) Radio Compass **Good**
- (4) Fluxgate **Poor**
- (5) Other equipment. **Good**

\_\_\_\_\_  
 /s/ N. W. Hyman  
 N. W. HYMAN  
 1st Lt., A. C.  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Lead Navigator, High Sq.

PILOT NAVIGATOR

DATE 10 March 1945

STATIONS	0815	ENGINES	0915	TAXI	0930	T.O.	0945
LEAVE BASE	COTTESMORE 1111						
COAST OUT	1150						
ENEMY COAST	1228						
I.P.	1306						
TARGET	1319						
ENEMY COAST	1503						
ENGLISH COAST	1526						STR 1619

SUN		MOON		TWILIGHT	
Rises	Sets	Rises	Sets	AM	PM

L. R. - 1100  
Ref. alt. - 10000  
Coast alt - 25000  
Oxygen - 345

WATCH ..... Fast Slow RATE .....secs/hour Gaining Losing  
At ..... G.M.T. Div. assembly - Grower to 52-44N 04-38E

Intdown Cottesmore Ruzcher, Normal, 010 Reg.

FROM TO	Ass. 11000 Lead	W/V USED	HEIGHT	I.A.S. MPH /K	T.A.S. (K)	COURSE	DRIFT	TRUE HDNG.	VAR.	MAG. HDNG.	G. S.	DIST.	TIME	E.T.A.	CELESTIAL DATA			
															TIME	BODY	ALT.	AZI.
52-44N 00-39E	slanford (A)	332/19	11000	150	163	028	-5	023	10	033	152	18	07 A	1111	Depart			
53-00N 00-35W	Deophan Crown (B)	330/20	16000	150	165	117	-4	113	10	123	161	57	19	1139				
52-34N 01-00E	sp1 15 (cr 1)	330/22	17000	150	170	038	-7	031	9	040	161	25	09 1/2 A	1150	Eng. Coast, CP 1		1150	
52-53N 01-25E	52-44N 04-38E	340/29	25000	150	182	095	-8	087	9	096	193	118	37 A	1228	Coast, CP 2		1228	
52-16N 06-50E		354/40	25000		193	089	-12	077	7	084	192	80	25 A	1254				
52-33N 07-10E		360/50				138	-10	128	6	134	227	18	05 A	1300				
IF 52-11N 07-02E						193	43	196	6	202	241	23	06	1306	IP			
T. 51-23N 07-28E		360/50	25000	150	193	161	-5	156	6	162	239	51	13	1319	TARGET			
51-14N 07-53E		360/48	22000	170	215	120	-11	109	6	115	236	19	05 A	1325				
50-33N 07-58E		360/47	22000	150	184	176	-1	175	6	181	231	41	11	1336				
50-10N 07-43E			22000	150	184	203	46	209	6	215	226	25	07	1343				
50-05N 06-00E		360/39	12000	170	182	266	42	278	6	284	191	66	21	1404	CP 3 1404			
50-32N 01-35E		355/26	8000	150	147	279	46	285	8	293	143	149	172	102	1410	1503	Coast	
Beachy Head		348/13	8000	150	147	284	44	288	9	297	140	59	23	1506	Eng. Coast, Div. Freshup			
50-44N 00-14E	Gulford		8000	150	147	315	43	318	10	328	138	44	19	1545				
51-14N 00-35W	Base	360/10	2000	150	159	360	0	360	10	010	149	30	12	1619	STR			
				150	133		0				123	46	76	22				
Cottesmore sp1 15		330/20	11 to 17000	150	166	084	-7	077	10	087	173	76	27	1123	Last time for Group Departure.			
Base sp1. 15		344/14	0 to 17000	150	149	073	-5	068	10	078	148	76	31 A	1107	LTCO. Takes 13 min. to climb			

FLIGHT RECORD

TIME	COURSE	W/V USED &/OR D.R. DRIF.	TRUE HDNG.	MAG. HDNG.	NAVIGATIONAL OBSERVATION	GENERAL OBSERVATION	I.A.S. MPH /K	HEIGHT & AIR TEMP.	T.A.S.	RUN		G. S.	TO RUN		E.T.A.
										DIST.	TIME		DIST.	TIME	
					WHF - Authentication - "Hard knocks" Abandon mission - "Sugar-Isle-Easy"										L. R. - 50-53N 06-02E (Siegen)
					Chaff - Discharge 9 min before target. Continue 15 min. Spores - Turn back 04-00E. Interval - 2 min between groups										
0939					Base. Take off										
0948			330		52-45N 00-45W		143	5000							
0953	335	-5	330			6000		7000			10	5			
0956	335	-4	331	295/14E	53-00N 00-56W	7000	140	9000	134	161	8	123			
1010					Cottesmore, Circling Ruzcher			11000							
1100					Cottesmore. Group formed										
1100			25		Cott-smore, in course		150	11000							
1116			40		53-00N 00-25W		150	11000							
1118			113		53-00N 00-25W (A), 2' early. Alter course										
1124 1/2			133				150	15000	163						
1131	125	48	133	273/43E	52-47N 00-33E	16000	150	17000	168	22	61	203			

FLIGHT RECORD

TIME	COURSE	W/V USED &/OR D.R. DRIF	TRUE HDNC.	MAC. HDNC.	NAVIGATIONAL OBSERVATION	GENERAL OBSERVATION	IAS. MPH. /K	HEIGHT & AIR TEMP.	T.A.S.	RUN		C. S.	TO RUN		E.T.A.
										DIST.	TIME		DIST.	TIME	
1138			133		52-34N 01-00E (D). Alter course		150	17000 -14							
1138			30		52-34N 01-00E		*	*	160						
1149			15		52-53N 01-25E (OP 1). 1' early. Alter course			18500 -12							
1149			9		52-53N 01-25E		150	*	168						
1156			95		52-57N 01-44E, G.		150	19000 -21							
1202			95		52-54N 02-28E, G.		150	20000 -23							
1205	96	-1	95	295/10K	52-53N 02-42E	20000 -22	150 190	21000 -29	179	29	9 1/2	188			
1211	103	-8	95	335/32K	52-47N 03-16E	21500 -24	150	22000 -25	184	21	6 1/2	202			
1226			80		52-43N 04-27E		150	21000 -30							
1229			80		52-44N 04-38E, OP #2, 1' late		150	*							
1229			80		52-44N 04-38E	2 1/2 right	*	*							
1235			80		Amsterdam 200 - 27 1/2 mi. 2 1/2 right			21000 -32							
1242	90	-5	85	305/27K	Zwolle 330° - 20'		*	*	194	25	7	214			
1253			130		52-44N 06-44E Alter course		*	*	*						
1253			150		52-44N 06-44E. Alter course		*	*	*						
1259			150		52-32N 07-10E		*	*	*						
1259			200		52-32N 07-10E Alter course		*	*	*						
1303			210		52-20N 07-22E		*	*	*						
1307			210	335/32K	52-12N 07-10E I.P.		*	*	*						
1307			152		52-22N 07-10E I.P.		150	21800	194				56		
1319	174	A3	177	335/32K	Target. BOMBS AWAY		150	21800 -32							
1319			115		Target. Alter course		150	21800 -32							
1324	120	-5	115		51-13N 07-45E Alter course		*	*	*						
1324	175	0	175		51-13N 07-45E Alter course		*	*	*			225	44	11	1335
1326			175		Cologne 80° - 33'		150	21000	*						
1330			175		Cologne 110 - 35'		150	21000	*						
1332			175		Coblenz 40° - 28'		150	21000	*						
1335			175		50-34N 07-50E. Alter course		150	*	*						
1335			200		50-34N 07-50E		*	*	*						
1343			200		50-11N 07-55E Alter course		*	*	*						
1343			275		50-11N 07-55E		*	*	*						
1347			275		50-05N 07-15E		167	22000 -24							
1354	269	A6	275	350/24K	50-05N 07-05E	21000 -23	167 145	19500 -21	204	25	7 1/2	200			
1403			270		50-07N 06-00E, OP. #3, 1' early		167	16500 -13							
1403			270		50-07N 06-00E Alter course		167	*							
1407			272		50-09N 05-53E		167	15500 -10							
1417			282		50-07N 05-27E		168	14000 -6							
1417	280	-6	282	130/40K	50-10N 05-10E	13000 -5	168 146	12500 -4	180	12	5	144			
1422			290		50-10N 04-57E		165	11000 -1							
1429	280	A10	290	001/29K	50-13N 04-40E	10000 0	165 143	8500 0	169	19	7	163			
1439			290		50-13N 04-42E		150	8500 0							



TARGET

Primary Hagen, Germany  
 Secondary \_\_\_\_\_  
 Last Resort \_\_\_\_\_

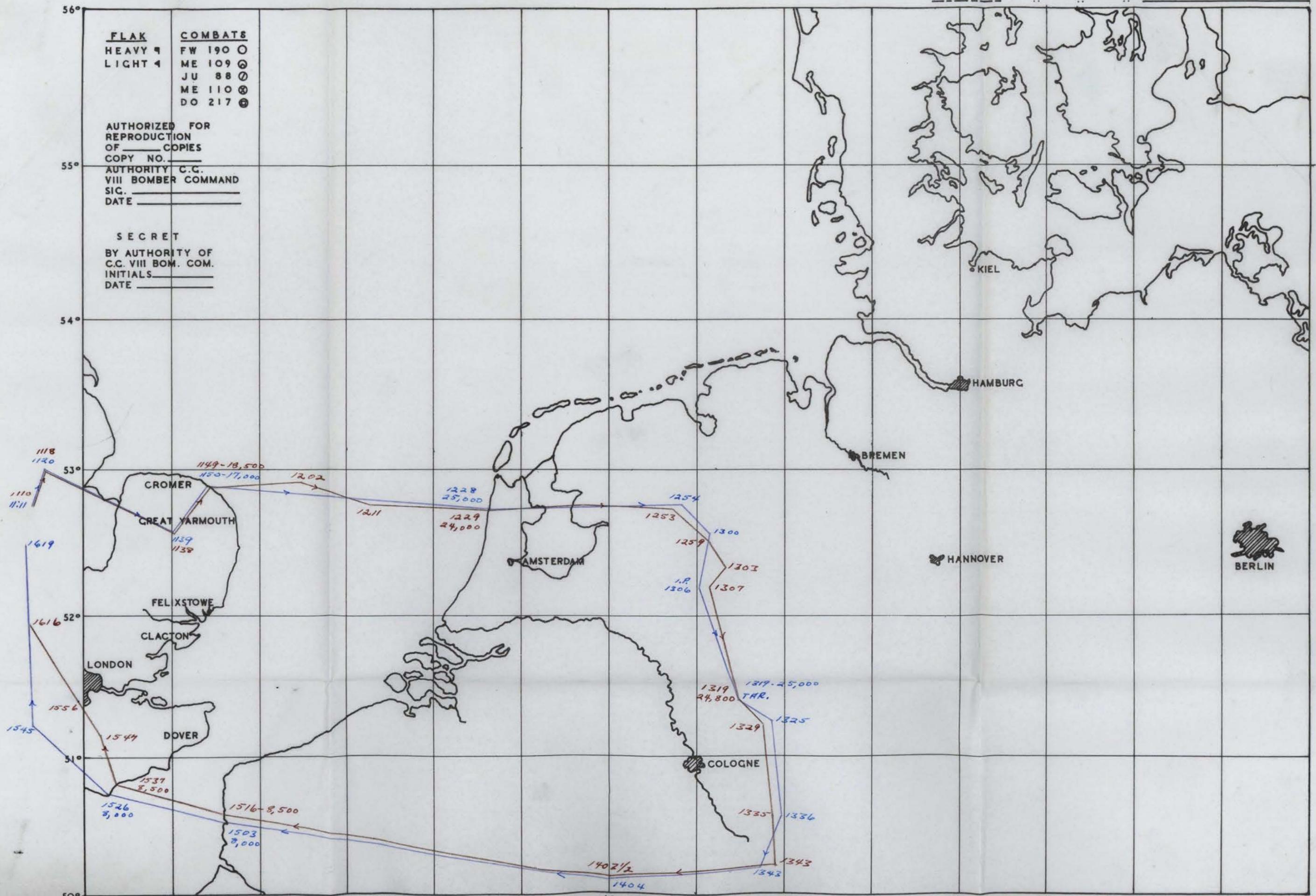
TRACK CHART  
 DATE Mar. 10, 1945

Route followed by Brown  
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FLAK	COMBATS
HEAVY 4	FW 190 ○
LIGHT 4	ME 109 ⊙
	JU 88 ⊙
	ME 110 ⊙
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VIII BOMBER COMMAND - PROPOSED GENERAL PLAN

TARGET

Primary Hagen, Germany  
 Secondary \_\_\_\_\_  
 Last Resort \_\_\_\_\_

TRACK CHART

DATE Mar. 10, 1945

Blue Route followed by Briefed  
Brown .. .. 401st. B. G. (H)  
 .. ..  
 .. ..  
 .. ..



**FLAK**  
 HEAVY 4  
 LIGHT 4

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STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

401st Bomb Group (H)

1st AD P. O. 653

Date of 10 March 1945

PART I - ATTACKS & RESULTS

94th "A"

	Lead		Low		High	
	Borrowed A/C	Borrowed A/C	Borrowed A/C	Borrowed A/C	Borrowed A/C	Borrowed A/C
1. No. of A/C Failing to Take Off	---	---	---	---	---	---
2. No. of A/C Sorties	12	1	12	---	12	1
3. No. of A/C Sorties less Unused Sp	12	1	12	---	12	1
4. No. of A/C Credit Sorties	12	1	12	---	12	1
5. No. of Effective Sorties	12	1	12	---	12	1
6. No. of Non-Effective Sorties	---	---	---	---	---	---
(a) Early Returns Included						
7. Name of Primary Target	HAGEN (VIS - GH)					
(a) No. of A/C Attacking	12	1	12	---	12	1
(b) No., Size, Type of Bombs	431X100#GP 25X500#IB	407X100#GP 24X500#IB	438X100#GP 26X500#IB			
8. Name of Secondary Target						
(a) No. of A/C Attacking						
(b) No., Size, Type of Bombs						
9. Name of Last Resort Target (LRT)						
(a) No. of A/C Attacking						
(b) No., Size, Type of Bombs						
10. Name of Target of Opportunity						
(a) No. of A/C Attacking						
(b) No., Size, Type of Bombs						
11. Name of Target of Opportunity						
(a) No. of A/C Attacking						
(b) No., Size, Type of Bombs						
12. No. of A/C MIA - TOTAL	---	---	---	---	---	---
13. No. of A/C MIA - Flak						
14. No. of A/C MIA - Flak and E/A						
15. No. of A/C MIA - Enemy Aircraft						
16. No. of A/C MIA - Accident over E.T						
17. No. of A/C MIA - Other & Unknown						
18. Time of Take Off	0939	0943	0940			
19. Time of Attack	1319	1320	1329 $\frac{1}{2}$			
20. Total Time for Mission	90.1	83.2	91.3			
21. Altitude of Release	24,800	24,000	24,900			
22. Type of Sighting (Vis, HX, GH, etc)	GH	EH	GH	GH		
23. Enemy Resistance --AA Inten & Acc	None	None	None			
24. Enemy Resistance - Fighters	---	---	---			
25. Enemy Resistance - Bombers	---	---	---			
26. U.S. A/C Engaged by Enemy A/C	---	---	---			
27. No. of Passes made by Enemy A/C	---	---	---			
28. Degree of Success	Unobserved	Unobserved	Unobserved			

2 A/C borrowed from Groups: A/C 155 from 379th Group  
A/C 238 from 303rd Group

A/C loaned to Groups:

STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

401st Gp Mission # 225

Date 10 March 1945

PART II - NON-EFFECTIVE SORTIES

94th "A"

	Lead	Low	High
	<small>Borrowed A/C</small>	<small>Borrowed A/C</small>	<small>Borrowed A/C</small>
29. Non-Effective Sorties	None	None	None
(a) Weather			
(b) Personnel			
(c) Enemy Action			
(d) Other Non-Mechanical			
(e) Mechanical Equipment			
30. Mechanical & Equipment Failures			
(a) Engine			
(b) Oil System			
(c) Fuel System			
(d) Supercharger			
(e) Propeller & Governor			
(f) Communication System			
(g) Guns & Turrets			
(h) Bomb Release			
(i) Bomb Doors			
(j) Electric System			
(k) Instruments			
(l) Oxygen Equipment			
(m) Bomb Sights			
(n) A/C in General			

31. Reasons for Failure to Attack:

**None**

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1-9-44 401st BG APO 557

COMBAT BOMBING FLIGHT RECORD

BOMBARDIER CAPT ARNOLD DATE 10 March 1945  
PILOT CAPT CAMPBELL TAKE OFF 0938  
NAVIGATOR LT. WHITNEY AIRPLANE \_\_\_\_\_  
WING 94th A GROUP 401st SQDN Lead LANDED 1629  
OBJECTIVE HAGEN, GERMANY (MPI)

METHOD OF ATTACK X 2 SqdNs  
Individual Flight Squadron Group wing

NUMBER A/C IN GROUP 25 COMPOSITE GROUP \_\_\_\_\_

DEFLECTION AND RANGE SIGHTING GROUP Lead A/C COMPOSITE GROUP \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER A/C DROPPING BOMBS BY OWN SIGHTING OPERATION: 1 A/C

BOMBS, TYPES AND SIZES 100# GP FUSING: NOSE -- TAIL 1/40

BOMBS, TYPES AND SIZES 500# M 17 FUSING: NOSE -- TAIL --

NUMBER OF BOMBS LOADED 847 GP 501B RELEASED 838GP 491B

INFORMATION AT RELEASE POINT:

Altitude of Target <u>330</u>	Temp Aloft: Metro <u>-37</u> Actual <u>-32</u>
True Altitude above target <u>25000</u>	Mag Head, order <u>162</u> Actual <u>184</u>
Ind. Altitude <u>24900</u>	True Heading <u>177</u>
Pressure alt of target <u>-561 @ SL</u>	Drift, Est <u>SR</u> Actual <u>3 1/2 L</u>
Altimeter setting <u>29.92</u>	True Track <u>173 1/2</u>
C.I.A.S. <u>150</u> I.A.S. <u>150</u>	Actual Range <u>14,000</u>
G.S. Est <u>276</u> Actual <u>257</u>	B.S. Type <u>M-9</u>
Wind Direc Metro <u>360</u> Actual <u>335</u>	Time of Release <u>1319</u>
Wind Veloc. Metro <u>58</u> Actual <u>54</u>	Intervalometer Setting <u>Min</u>
D.S. <u>120.0</u> Trail <u>116</u> ATF <u>44.97</u>	Length of Bombing Run <u>12min</u>
Tan. D.A. Est <u>.58</u> Actual <u>.56</u>	C-1 Pilot <u>OK</u> A-5 <u>--</u>
Mean Temp: Metro <u>-11</u> Actual <u>-10</u>	Normal Pilot <u>--</u>
Type of Release: Lead A/C <u>Salvo</u>	Type of Release: Other A/C <u>Min</u>
Low <u>24000</u> Time of Release <u>1520</u>	Mag Heading <u>175</u>

I certify that the above figures have been checked and are correct.

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1st Lt, Air Corps  
Asst Group Bombing Officer

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COMBAT BOMBING FLIGHT RECORD

BOMBARDIER LT. HURGE DATE 10 March 1945

PILOT CAPT GOODMAN TAKE OFF 0942

NAVIGATOR LT. HYMAN AIRPLANE \_\_\_\_\_

WING 94th A GROUP 201st SQUADRON High LANDED 1638

OBJECTIVE HAGEN, GERMANY (MPI) \_\_\_\_\_

METHOD OF ATTACK \_\_\_\_\_  
X  
Individual Flight Squadron Group wing

NUMBER A/C IN GROUP 12 COMPOSITE GROUP \_\_\_\_\_

DEFLECTION AND RANGE SIGHTING GROUP Lead A/C COMPOSITE GROUP \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER A/C DROPPING BOMBS BY OWN SIGHTING OPERATION: 1 A/C

BOMBS, TYPES AND SIZES 100# GP FUSING: NOSE \_\_\_\_\_ TAIL 1/40

BOMBS, TYPES AND SIZES 500# M 17 FUSING: NOSE \_\_\_\_\_ TAIL \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF BOMBS LOADED 440 GP 26 LB RELEASED 437 GP 26 LB

INFORMATION AT RELEASE POINT:

Altitude of Target 330 Temp Aloft: Metro -37 Actual -35

True Altitude above target 25300 Mag Head, order 162 Actual 162

Ind. Altitude 24900 True Heading 175

Pressure alt of target -561 CSL Drift, Est 6R Actual 1R

Altimeter setting 29.92 True Track 176

C.I.A.S. 150 I.A.S. 150 Actual Range 14,547

G.S. Est 276 Actual 270 B.S. Type M-9

Wind Direc Metro 360 Actual 350 Time of Release 1319.5

Wind Veloc. Metro 58 Actual 45 Intervalometer Setting Min

D.S. 126.2 Trail 116 ATF 44.16 Length of Bombing Run 13min

Tan. D.A. Est .55 Actual .575 C-1 Pilot OK A-5 \_\_\_\_\_

Mean Temp: Metro -11 Actual -10 Manual Pilot \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Release: Lead A/C Salvo Type of Release: Other A/C Min

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Asst Group Bombing Officer

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HEADQUARTERS  
401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)  
Office of the Communications Officer  
AAF Sta 128, APO 557

J-A-2/1

413.44

10 MARCH 1945

SUBJECT: Communications Report, Operational Mission No 225 . (Field Order 653)

TO : Commanding Officer, 401st Bomb Gp (H), AAF Sta 128, APO 557.

### SECTION ONE - USE OF RADIO NAVIGATIONAL AIDS

1. Radio Beacons used:		2. MF/DF Fixes	<u>0</u>
a. MF Beacons	<u>11</u>	3. HF/DF Bearings (QDM's)	<u>0</u>
b. Bunchers, England	<u>41</u>	4. VHF/DF Homings	<u>0</u>
c. Bunchers, Continent	<u>4</u>	5. Distress Action (SOS's)	<u>0</u>

### SECTION TWO - USE OF RADAR

	<u>Airborne</u>	<u>Used</u>		<u>Airborne</u>	<u>Used</u>
1. Gee	<u>36</u>	<u>36</u>	4. Gee-H	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
2. H2X	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	5. Carpet (Barrage)	<u>27</u>	<u>27</u>
3. Micro-H	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	6. Carpet (Spot)	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>
7. Total aircraft releasing Chaff				<u>33</u>	
8. Total number of units released				<u>11,880</u>	

### SECTION THREE - ACTUAL DEFICIENCIES BY EQUIPMENT

1. Interphone	<u>2</u>	7. Gee	<u>0</u>
2. VHF	<u>0</u>	8. H2X	<u>0</u>
3. Compass	<u>0</u>	9. Micro-H	<u>0</u>
4. Liaison	<u>0</u>	10. Gee-H	<u>0</u>
5. Command	<u>1</u>	11. Carpet (Barrage)	<u>0</u>
6. SCS-51	<u>0</u>	12. Carpet (Spot)	<u>0</u>

### SECTION FOUR - REMARKS

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HAROLD M. KENNARD, JR.  
Maj, A C,  
Gp Com O.

S E C R E T

REPORT ON A.A. GUNFIRE.  
401 BOMBARDMENT GROUP (HV)

1. TARGET: ASSIGNED... Hagen, Germany ..... DATE OF MISSION... 10/3/45 ...  
 BOMBED... Hagen, Germany .....

2. ROUTE AS FLOWN:  
 Generally as briefed

3.	AT TARGET	ENROUTE
WEATHER - - -	<u>10/10</u>	<u>10/10</u>
CONTRAILS - -	<u>None</u>	<u>None</u>
SEEN-UNSEEN -	<u>Unseen</u>	<u>Unseen</u>

4. DESCRIPTION OF FLAK AT TARGET:  
 Several inaccurate bursts low and to left and behind of formation.

5. FLAK ENCOUNTERED OR OBSERVED ENROUTE: (IN ORDER EXPERIENCED)  
 Several bursts observed from Munster area.

6. CHAFF; HOW DISCHARGED: ... As briefed .....

7. POSITION OF GROUP: ... 94th, "A" 10th. .....

8. DETAILS:-

SQDN: POS.	NO. A/C	DAMAGE		A/C LOST TO			AXIS OF		TIME OVER TARGET	HEIGHT	
		MAJ.	MIN.	AA	EA	ACC	UK	ATTK			WITH
<u>Lead</u>	<u>15</u>							<u>185M</u>	<u>110M</u>	<u>1519</u>	<u>34,500</u>
<u>High</u>	<u>15</u>							<u>181M</u>	<u>110M</u>	<u>1519 1/2</u>	<u>25,000</u>
<u>Low</u>	<u>12</u>							<u>174M</u>	<u>105M</u>	<u>1520</u>	<u>24,200</u>
TOTALS	<u>38</u>										

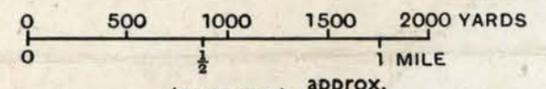
9. COMMENTS - PHENOMENA:-

PRIMARY

Target No.  
6 (d) (ii) 25

RAILWAY MARSHALLING YARD — HAGEN (GERMANY)

Illustration No.  
6 (d) (ii) 25/4



Photographed 1942-1943

(1 : 32,000) approx.

Issued May 1944



A.1.3c (1)

TYPE A

Illustration No.  
6 (d) (ii) 25/4

DUTY OFFICER: Major Fry

BRIEFING OFFICER: 1st Lt. Miller

1. TARGETS AND MPI'S FOR:

a. 1st AD  
(1) 401st Bomb Group: A. Group  
Primary: Hagen - 5123-0728E - M. Y.

M.P.I. northernmost bridge of 3 over Ju y of  
visual (3) G H - center of yard and some  
MPI as 457<sup>th</sup>

All targets are important R.R. targets in  
connection with current interdiction program.

(2) Visual (4)  
Secondary: PTF. Kortmund 5130-0729E

M.P.I. center of same.

Last Resort: 5 Siegen visual of bx  
5053-0802E.

(2) Other Groups in 94th CBW: 351<sup>st</sup> B Group same target MPI  
middle bridge - 457<sup>th</sup> same target - MPI center of yard.

(3) Order of Bombing and Targets of other units in 1st AD: 1st AD 10<sup>th</sup> of  
12 Groups. 1<sup>st</sup> ABSC atiding, Simsen, 40<sup>th</sup> ABSC Coesfeld,  
41<sup>st</sup> ABSC. Schweate

b. 2nd AD: Vicinity of Bielefeld

c. 3rd AD: Kortmund.

2. ROUTES (ALL THREE AD'S)

a. Points and Times of Departure from English Coast: 2<sup>nd</sup> Lev. 0-80

Great Yarmouth 3 Lev. 0 + 30 from Southwold  
1<sup>st</sup> Lev + 32 - 401<sup>st</sup> 0 + 50

b. Fighter Support: 4 Sps P51's for close support of bombers  
1 Group P51's to free lanes in Blumen lake area  
1 " " " " " " " " Kassel area

3. ANTICIPATED ENEMY OPPOSITION:
- a. Flak: Because of flak condition <sup>existing</sup> in target area it is impossible to give accurate info on no. of guns in target area. Intense flak may be encountered if visual conditions exist
  - b. Enemy Fighters: None expected although possible for Jap to use his tactical fighters located in this area for interception
  - c. Smoke Screens: None known - Maybe present.
  - d. Camouflage: None

4. INSTRUCTIONS TO UNITS: Pt. V Cottlesmore, Ft. Sleaprod. D - Keaplan
- a. Wing Assembly: Green - 2 P-1 Splashes  
351<sup>st</sup> Keaplan Green to Splasher 5  
457<sup>th</sup> " " " " "
  - b. Air Commanders: A/C + Capt B A Group C. Major White  
B " " Lt Col. Stewart.  
C " " Major Harvey
  - c. Zero Hour and Date: 1100 hr
  - d. General Instructions Pertinent to Entire Task Force: \_\_\_\_\_

5. SUPPLY:
- a. Gas Load: 2500 Gals
  - b. Bomb Load (and Intervalometer Settings) 34-100 # GP's <sup>100 nose + 100 tail</sup>  
Plus 2 - M-17 500 WIBs. Intervalometer settings min
  - c. Chaff Load (Point and Time of Commencing Discharge) 360 units - start discharge 9 minutes before target for 15 minutes
  - d. Screening Force: 10 P-51's (Budape White) scout target & release chaff. 3 Mosquitos and release chaff in target area

6. COMMUNICATIONS:
- a. Flares and Lamps: \_\_\_\_\_

b. VHF and Other Radio: (Routing Force Information) \_\_\_\_\_

7. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

a. Evasion and Escape: Cyprus - R-390B - R330D.

b. S.O.P.'s \_\_\_\_\_

c. Miscellaneous: Beut - R-535-O.

d. Security: \_\_\_\_\_

612th Bombardment Squadron (H)  
 401st Bombardment Group (H)  
 Office of the Operations Officer

10 March 1945  
 Mission # 226

SUBJECT : Loading List

TO : Operations Officer, 401st Bombardment Group (H).

Plane # 44-8033 (PFF)

P	Goodman, James F.	Capt.	612th
CP	Hobain, George III.	2nd Lt.	"
H	Heyman, Nathan W.	1st Lt.	"
B	Burge, Charles E.	1st Lt.	"
RO	Huskey, Curtis O.	T Sgt	"
TTG	Azevedo, Philbert B.	S Sgt	"
TG	Cragsman, Richard C.	T Sgt	"
FO	Harold, Lloyd B.	S Sgt	"
MC	Barnes, James H.	1st Lt	612th

Plane # 43-36753

P	Campbell, Charles J.	1st Lt	612th
CP	Foy, Philip W.	2nd Lt.	"
H	Gruhn, David B.	2nd Lt.	"
Tog.	Emery, Robert I.	S Sgt	"
RO	Ree, Gene M. Jr.	T Sgt	"
TTG	Hartee, Charles F. Jr.	T Sgt	"
BTG	Sullivan, Earl Jr.	S Sgt	"
TG	Dalton, Charles K.	S Sgt	"
FO	Murray, Howard M.	SSgt	"
HCM	Heaton, Charles E.	S Sgt	"

Plane # 43-38810

P	Grims, Alfred R.	1st Lt.	612th
CP	Began, John J.	2nd Lt.	"
X	<del>XXXXXXXXXXXX</del>	<del>XXXXXXXXXX</del>	<del>XXXXXXXXXX</del>
Hog.	Boyer, William O.	S Sgt	"
RO	Kapton, George D.	S Sgt	"
TTG	Geers, Louis J.	T Sgt	"
BTG	Cox, Clyde H.	S Sgt	"
TG	Chambers, Arthur R.	S Sgt	"
FO	Hunsperger, Henry	S Sgt	"
HCM	Carson, James W.	Sgt	"

XXXXXXXXXXN-Lependorf, Joseph,  
2nd Lt.

Plane # 42-102398

P	Moran, Joseph P.	2nd Lt.	612th
CP	Meredith, Robert C.	2nd Lt.	"
H	Dobrowolsky, Michael	2nd Lt.	"
Tog	Donali, Robert W.	Sgt	"
RO	Kalogeras, Chris G.	Sgt	"
TTG	Barnes, Edwin L.	Sgt	"
BTG	Adriano, Cecil P.	Sgt	"
TG	Lourens, Paul L.	Sgt	"
FO	Ross, William	Sgt	"

Plane # 43-38541

P	Lovell, Morris H.	1st Lt.	612th
CP	Gerant, John M.	2nd Lt.	"
H	Pride, George B.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Phinney, Wadrick T.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Stevens, Edgar H.	S Sgt	"
TTG	Knower, Russell S.	Sgt	"
BTG	Wife, James	Sgt	"
TG	Broadbroke, Ray	Sgt	"
FO	Marinetti, Duile R.	Sgt	"

Plane # 42-107039  
 P Schliemann, Donald M. 1st Lt. 612th  
 CP Mathison, Rex A. 2nd Lt. "  
 N Schneek, David 2nd Lt. "  
 B Swatosh, Kenneth J. 2nd Lt. "  
 RO Carson, Edward M. S Sgt "  
 TTS Kelly, John C. T Sgt "  
 BTG Emma, Duane H. H. S Sgt "  
 TG Hadden, Ted H. S Sgt "  
 FG Ebel, Bruce H. S Sgt "

Plane # 42-102395  
 P Harveson, Lloyd D. 2nd Lt. 612th  
 CP Parsons, Silas P. 2nd Lt. "  
 N Kacany, John R. 2nd Lt. "  
 Tog Moore, Kenneth V. Sgt "  
 RO Hall, Jewell L. Sgt "  
 TTS Brockway, Glenn L. Sgt "  
 BTG Crosby, Lewis A. Sgt "  
 TG Kuhn, Bill W. Sgt "  
 FG Jeter, Kenneth A. Sgt "

Plane # 42-106892  
 P Holt, Howard L. 2nd Lt. 612th  
 CP Gailoy, Ivan L. 2nd Lt. "  
 N Lively, Gay L. 2nd Lt. "  
 B Klapow, Benjamin Sgt "  
 RO Rust, Ray D. Sgt "  
 TTS Chapman, Carl W. Sgt "  
 BTG ~~Green, John J.~~ GREEN, JOHN J. Sgt "  
 TG Cronson, James J. Jr. Sgt "  
 FG Guin, Frederick D. Sgt "

Plane # 43-38738  
 P Kloetscher, Andrew F. 2nd Lt. 612th  
 CP McIlvain, Wilbert H. 2nd Lt. "  
 N Threlkold, Marcor L. 2nd Lt. "  
 B Molahan, John F. 2nd Lt. "  
 RO Kobinsky, Charles J. S Sgt "  
 TTS Richards, Carl R. T Sgt "  
 BTG Ford, Billy H. S Sgt "  
 TG Skaggs, Irl R. S Sgt "  
 FG Giles, Otho H. S Sgt "

Plane # 44-6308  
 P French, Millard H. 2nd Lt. 612th  
 CP McKale, William L. 2nd Lt. "  
 N Moran, Robert E. 1st Lt. "  
 B Johnson, Jerry M. S Sgt "  
 RO Allevoft, James H. S Sgt "  
 TTS Hansen, Arthur W. S Sgt "  
 BTG Deck, Floyd J. S Sgt "  
 TG LaGrange, Wesley Sgt "  
 FG Devore, Arthur D. Sgt "

Plane # 43-38637  
 P Long, Robert L. 2nd Lt. 612th  
 CP Wattersson, Stuart E. Jr. 2nd Lt. "  
 N Crick, Lawrence A. 2nd Lt. "  
 B Watson, Reynolds S. 2nd Lt. "  
 RO York, Dennis A. T Sgt "  
 TTS Nowasak, Henry T Sgt "  
 BTG Cherubini, Peter J. S Sgt "  
 TG Allen, Earl L. S Sgt "  
 FG Willick, Edward L. Sgt "

End.

613th BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)  
 OFFICE OF THE OPERATIONS OFFICER  
 AAF STATION 128, APO # 557

10 MARCH 1945

L-O-A-D-I-N-G L-I-S-T

PLANE NO.	DUTY	RANK	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MI
44-8767	P	2nd Lt.	VERMEER	DAVIS	E.
	CP	2nd Lt.	THOMPSON	THOMAS	J.
	N	2nd Lt.	HOLLEY	EUGENE	E.
	B	2nd Lt.	SITES	JOHN	C.
	RO	SGT.	BASARA	MILAM	(NMI)
	TT	SGT.	CHURCHILL	HAROLD	E.
	BT	SGT.	GERHARDT	FRED	A.
	TG	SGT.	BABCOCK	HAROLD	L.
	WG	SGT.	WILLIAMS	RODNEY	A.
44-6146	P	2nd Lt.	YOUNG	CHARLES	B.
	CP	2nd Lt.	MALONEY	JOSEPH	M.
	N	2nd Lt.	SEAVEY	FRANK	A.
	B	S/SGT.	MOORE	WAVERLY	W.
	RO	SGT.	PETERS	JOHN	W.
	TT	SGT.	BRAMBLE	JOHN	F.
	BT	SGT.	CHANCE	FUFORD	D.
	TG	SGT.	JOHNSON	CARL	(NMI)
	WG	SGT.	HENNIG	CHARLES	J.
44-6313 9125	P	1st Lt.	BRADLEY	AUDREY	J. JR.
	CP	2nd Lt.	FINNELL	JAMES	J.
	N	2nd Lt.	GOLD	ASHLEY	(NMI)
	B	SGT.	ELINS	HERMAN	(NMI)
	RO	S/SGT.	BOWERS	JACOBS	J.
	TT	M/SGT.	MANGUM	JUSTICE	V.
	BT	S/SGT.	KEMP	JAMES	E.
	TG	S/SGT.	MATLACK	WILLIAM	W.
	WG	S/SGT.	DEFEBAGH	NORMAN	(NMI)
44-6132	P	1st Lt.	SCHELLER	RICHARD	R.
	CP	1st Lt.	WICKS	WALLACE	W.
	N	1st Lt.	HOUSTON	RICHARD	D.
	B	SGT.	BUTLIN	ERNEST	J.
	RO	S/SGT.	HOWELL	THOMAS	E.
	TT	S/SGT.	HARTY	WILLIAM	Q.
	BT	S/SGT.	BLACK	RICHARD	D.
	TG	S/SGT.	TRUDEAU	RUSSELL	M.
	WG	S/SGT.	SEVERSON	NORMAN	A.
44-6842	P	1st Lt.	BAKER	KAY	A.
	CP	2nd Lt.	LYNG	KENNETH	H.
	N	1st Lt.	MOORE	CARLTON	T.
	B	S/SGT.	MORRISON	JULIUS	J.
	RO	T/SGT.	GIESKEN	GEORGE	J.
	TT	T/SGT.	BACCHUS	GEORGE	B.
	BT	S/SGT.	CLOYD	SHIRLEY	E.
	TG	S/SGT.	SLATER	HAROLD	H.
	WG	S/SGT.	NACHTIGAL	FRED	C.
42-102947	P	1st Lt.	STEELE	RICHARD	H.
	CP	1st Lt.	ZEMAN	ROGER	R.
	N	1st Lt.	JONES	BEN	F.
	B	SGT.	VALDEZ	RAYMOND	(NMI)
	RO	T/SGT.	STROMBERG	ALEXANDER	(NMI)
	TT	T/SGT.	STACHURA	FREDERICK	(NMI)
	BT	S/SGT.	MYERS	ERROL	A.
	TG	S/SGT.	LUTZ	LEO	B.
	WG	S/SGT.	WOWAK	CHESTER	A.

43-38862	P	2nd Lt.	BERNEBURG	LAFERNE	L.
	CP	2nd Lt.	FUNK	PHILIP	B.
	N	F/O	KOLLAR	JOHN	E.
	B	SGT.	BAILEY	FRANK	W.
	RO	T/SGT.	FERGUSON	HUGH	R.
	TT	SGT.	BUSH	WILBUR	E.
	BT	SGT.	BACKUS	MARVIN	L.
	TG	SGT.	KEY	JAMES	W. JR.
WG	SGT.	DICK	CHARLES	B.	
43-38758	P	2nd Lt.	LITCHFIELD	DONALD	D.
	CP	2nd Lt.	<del>SKIFFINGTON</del> BURTON	FREDERICK	C.
	N	2nd Lt.	<del>WALK</del> DACHYSHYN	HARRY	(NMI)
	B	SGT.	PASCHAL	ROBERT	W.
	RO	SGT.	OGBURN	FRED	N.
	TT	SGT.	SIMONDS	CHESTER	F.
	BT	SGT.	DAVIS	WALTER	A.
	TG	SGT.	JANAKES	NICK	(NMI)
	WG	SGT.	MAURER	FREDERICK	R. JR.
	RCM	SGT.	KARRE	WILLIAM	E.
	44-6588	P	1st Lt.	KELSO	ARTHUR
CP		2nd Lt.	HAGGARD	WILEY	R.
N		2nd Lt.	TONNE	ALVIN	E.
B		S/SGT.	LITTLE	JAMES	O.
RO		S/SGT.	MEYERS	NEIL	P.
TT		T/SGT.	LINDHOLM	ALVIN	T.
BT		SGT.	MORRISON	KENNETH	S.
TG		SGT.	BOND	JACK	D.
WG		SGT.	LUCA	RUDOLPH	C.
RCM		SGT.	STITT	JOHN	J.
43-38458		P	2nd Lt.	SHEPHERD	JACOBS
	CP	2nd Lt.	SKIFFINGTON	THOMAS	J.
	N	2nd Lt.	VAN ECK	HERMAN	C.
	B	SGT.	ALLES	ROBERT	F.
	RO	SGT.	COLLINS	JOHN	F.
	TT	SGT.	DAVIS	ARNOLD	L.
	BT	SGT.	MARGOLIES	MALCOLM	A.
	TG	SGT.	HERROLD	DAN	E.
	WG	SGT.	BELLFOND	MARTIN	(NMI)
	42-31730	P	1st Lt.	MAY	JAMES
CP		2nd Lt.	FREW	JAMES	R.
N		2nd Lt.	ANDERS	WALTER	R.
B		S/SGT.	KENAGY	LLOYD	C.
RO		S/SGT.	PAULK	ALBERT	L. JR.
TT		S/SGT.	SMITH	CHESTER	J.
BT		S/SGT.	KROZEL	JOSEPH	A.
TG		S/SGT.	ZENOR	HAROLD	M.
WG		S/SGT.	McKEE	WILLIAM	J.

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

AAF Station # 128  
 10 March 1945

SUBJECT: Loading List.

TO : Operations Officer, 401st Bomb Gp (H), AAF Station # 128, APO # 557.

1. The following is the loading list for today's Mission.

<u>PLANE 42-97780</u>			
P	2nd Lt.	GARY, CARL M.	614th Sq.
CP	2nd Lt.	SMITH, CHARLES	"
N	2nd Lt.	STEWART, RICHARD E.	"
CTG	Sgt.	Ginthwain, Edward A.	"
RO	Sgt.	Fort, Collins G.	"
TT	Sgt.	Kirby, Lee D Jr.	"
BT	Sgt.	Harrell, Jean F.	"
TG	Sgt.	Saenz, Hector J.	"
WG	Sgt.	Bonanno, Joe M.	"
<u>PLANE 43-38565</u>			
P	1st Lt.	BABCOCK, FREDRICK H.	"
CP	1st Lt.	BOUSFIELD, JOHN	"
N	2nd Lt.	CRAWFORD, ALLEN H. JR.	"
CTG	S/Sgt.	Casselman, Charles R.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Bilby, John F.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Caldwell, Carroll L.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Wilczynski, Walter J.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Zaborsky, Stephan J.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Parnham, Walter E.	"
		Richey, Leland H.	"
<u>RCM PLANE 42-107151</u>			
P	2nd Lt.	CAMERON, ELLIOTT P.	"
CP	F/O	DAVIDSON, ROBERT L.	"
N	2nd Lt.	GUILLERMSTY, FRED A.	"
CTG	S/Sgt.	Fasullo, Thomas G.	"
RO	Sgt.	De Leon, Jarrod J.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Fabsin, Emory P Jr.	"
BT	Sgt.	Hargas, Mike S.	"
TG	Sgt.	Clendain, Charles M.	"
WG	Sgt.	Gabbert, David J.	"
<u>PLANE 43-97551</u>			
P	1st Lt.	JORDAN, ROBERT E.	"
CP	F/O	LOCKE, KENT W.	"
N	2nd Lt.	CONNELL, HALL T. SR.	"
CTG	S/Sgt.	St Peter, Donald A.	"
RO	Sgt.	Nauldin, Harold M.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Anderson, Howard E.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Caruth, Merton A.	"
TG	Sgt.	Corwin, Clarence B.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Seeley, Duane P.	"

Loading List ( Cont )

PLANE 42-102468

P	1st Lt.	DJERNES, CARL P.	614th Sq.
CP	2nd Lt.	SPIVA, RAYMOND H.	"
N	2nd Lt.	CANALE, JOHN F.	"
CTG	S/Sgt.	Reiher, Gordon A.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	La Course, Lucian	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Chiu, Donald	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Bill, Richard H.	"
TG	Sgt.	Wagner, Aloysius E.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Akins, Ora R.	"

PLANE 43-97931

P	2nd Lt.	AYRE, LAWRENCE E.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	SCHOCK, NORMAN R.	"
N	2nd Lt.	<del>FACKRELL, JESSE</del> LEASE, GERALD H.	"
CTG	Sgt.	De Loris, George A.	"
RO	Sgt.	Mandel, Louis I.	"
TT	Sgt.	Brass, Forrest A.	"
BT	Sgt.	Gilbert, Luther F.	"
TG	Sgt.	Myers, John E.	"
WG	Sgt.	Iuni, Andrew W.	"

PLANE 42-97395

P	1st Lt.	SORENSEN, MELVIN E.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	TROUPS, JOHN T.	"
N	2nd Lt.	FACKRELL, JESSE K.	"
CTG	S/Sgt.	Lee, William J.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Gollins, John G.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Senoric, Steve S.	"
BT	Sgt.	Leppanen, Calvin E.	"
TG	Sgt.	Nichols, Norman D.	"
WG	Sgt.	Turner, Eldon A.	"

PLANE 42-96322

P	1st Lt.	NOLMES, GENE H.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	<del>FABRICE FREDRICK</del> , RALPH A.	"
N	1st Lt.	JAMES, KENNETH W.	"
CTG	Sgt.	Watkins, Jack W.	"
RO	Sgt.	Cox, Clyde F.	"
TT	Sgt.	Knight, Eddie R.	"
BT	Sgt.	Jakbowski, Julius J.	"
TG	Sgt.	Kennedy, Jack W.	"
WG	Sgt.	Paverill, Edward S.	"

PLANE 42-97602

P	2nd Lt.	LINDSAY, JOHN E.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	MADLEY, WILLIAM M.	"
N	P/O	BRUBETT, JAMES O.	"
CTG	S/Sgt.	Green, Warren H.	"
RO	Sgt.	Ippolite, Samuel	"
TT	Sgt.	Warner, Carl F.	"
BT	Sgt.	Sanders, William H.	"
TG	Sgt.	Portier, Ellis A.	"
WG	Sgt.	York, John C.	"

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PLANE 43-43738

P	1st Lt.	STEIDMAN, ROBERT H.	614th Sq.
CP	2nd Lt.	BUSH, FRANK R.	"
N	1st Lt.	SACKS, DAVID W.	"
CTG	Sgt.	Petrovsky, Albert P.	"
RO	Sgt.	Eason, George S Jr.	"
TT	Sgt.	Crowe, Harold P.	"
BT	M/Sgt.	Royal, William E.	"
FG	Sgt.	Shaw, Loren P.	"
WG	Sgt.	Bateman, Maurice B.	"
ROM	S/Sgt.	Allison, Carl H.	"

PLANE 43-36330

P	2nd Lt.	SALISBURY, THOMAS E.	"
CP	F/O	WYLIE, RONALD J.	"
N	2nd Lt.	BOUCHER, JAMES D. JR.	"
CTG	Sgt.	Wagner, Norman H.	"
RO	Sgt.	Pinkerton, Oliver	"
TT	Sgt.	Benthall, Clyde T.	"
BT	Sgt.	Walls, Joseph P.	"
FG	Sgt.	Chapman, Guy W.	"
WG	Sgt.	Gain, Robert P.	"

Capt. Donald V. Kirkhuff is flying with 615th Sq ( Lt Hubbell )

For the Commanding Officer

DONALD V. KIRKHUFF  
Capt., Air Corps.  
Operations Officer.

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

10 March 1945

SUBJECT: Loading list.

TO : Operations Officer, 401st Bomb Gp (H), AAF Sta 128 - APO 557.

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

PLANE #	8155 G-H	DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
P	Captain	Campbell	Paul	E.	615th		
CP	Major	White	Ralph	J.	"		
N	1st Lt.	Hoag	Carl	L.	"		
N	Captain	Whitney	Ray	F.	"		
M/O	1st Lt.	Tharpe	Robert	W.	"		
G-H Op	1st Lt.	Baney			379th		
B	Captain	Arnold	Harold	S.	615th		
RO	T/Sgt.	Roberts	Melvin	L.	"		
TT	T/Sgt.	Rowe	Robert	R.	"		
TG	2nd Lt.	Gentry	James	H.	"		
FG	Sgt.	Ely	Calvin	P.	"		
PLANE #	43-38941						
P	2nd Lt.	Knowles	Willis	S.	615th		
CP	2nd Lt.	Cornelius	Carl	J.	"		
N	F/O	<del>EXX</del> Grisham	Cecil	W.	"		
B	2nd Lt.	Kostolni	Walter	G.	"		
RO	Sgt.	McCormick	Thomas	F.	"		
TT	T/Sgt.	Boever	Robert	A.	"		
BT	Sgt.	Wasemiller	Clifford	E.	"		
TG	S/Sgt.	Bucksbaum	Elmer	(NMI)	"		
FG	Sgt.	Settle	John	B.	"		
PLANE #	44-8550						
P	1st Lt.	Tausig	Herman	(NMI)	615th		
CP	2nd Lt.	Stevinson	Joseph	G.	"		
N	1st Lt.	Walker	Denson	F.	"		
M/O	2nd Lt.	Eaton	Harry	M.	"		
B	1st Lt.	Buchanan	Allan	S.	"		
RO	T/Sgt.	Fitzsimmons	James	J.	"		
TT	T/Sgt.	Johnston	Warren	B.	"		
TG	S/Sgt.	Katz	Alvin	S.	"		
FG	S/Sgt.	Johnston	Donald	EX C.	"		
PLANE #	<del>8238</del> G-H 44-8653						
P	2nd Lt.	Speer	Kenneth	D.	615th		
CP	2nd Lt.	Kelly	James	J.	"		
N	2nd Lt.	Simon	Robert	M.	"		
G-H Op	1st Lt.	Magner			303rd		
B	1st Lt.	Scanlon	William	M.	615th		
RO	Sgt.	Yohay	David	(NMI)	"		
TT	Sgt.	Cupp	Gordon	G.	"		
BT	Sgt.	Gross	William	D.	"		
TG	Sgt.	Thompson	Leonard	E.	"		
FG	Sgt.	Everett	Jack	EX C.	"		
M/O	F/O	JENKINS	FREDERICK	S.	"		
PLANE #	44-8708						
P	1st Lt.	Hubbell	Richard	S.	615th		
CP	Captain	Kirkhuff	Donald	V.	614th		
N	1st Lt.	Moore	George	J.	615th		
M/O	1st Lt.	Du Bray	Joseph	J.	"		
B	1st Lt.	Flieg	Stanley	W.	"		
RO	T/Sgt.	Pool	Clyde	W.	"		
TT	T/Sgt.	Ross	Richard	D.	"		
TG	Sgt.	Bill	W. (io)	S. (io)	"		
FG	S/Sgt.	Revette	John	L.	"		
M/O	1st Lt.	Barnes	James	H.	Flying with 612th		

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

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APC 557  
9 March 1945

SUBJECT: Abortive Report, Mission of 8 March 1945.

TO : Commanding Officer, 401st Bomb Gp. (H), AAF Sta. 128.  
ATTN: Air Statistical Officer.

1. Aircraft No. 42-97664 returned early from a combat mission of 8 March 1945 due to an internal engine failure in the No. 3 position.

2. The aircraft had been airborne for approximately 35 minutes when the trouble developed and was flying at an altitude of 15,000 ft. with power settings of 2300 RPM and 38" Hg.

3. Pilot stated that the No. 3 engine started running rough and the oil pressure went up to about 95 P.S.I., then started to drop off. When the pressure reached 45 P.S.I. he feathered the propeller. At the same time the oil pressure started to drop, oil vapor started coming from the engine crankcase breather.

4. Ground inspection revealed that both oil control and compression rings were on the magnetic sump plug. Metal filings were found on the cuno.

FRANK E. WILSON,  
Capt., Air Corps,  
Asst. Gp. Eng. Officer.

*Briefing STATIONS*

LEAD SQDN. 94TH "C" GROUP

Combat Sq. Leader: LT. COL. SILVER Date: 8 MARCH 1945

Deputy Sq. Leader: LT. JENNINGS

Deputy Gp. Leader: LT. JENNINGS

*12x500 sps 1/10 1/40  
+ 2 m 47s  
2500 Gas Load.  
Do NOT fuse til after daylight*

612 SQDN

- 612 SC JAWOCK
- 613 IN MACRO
- 614 IW COLFCUB
- 615 IY BUZZARD

THOMPSON (SILVER)

S 8214 (GH)

*0700-1300 - RR  
1300-1900 - RG.*

NOLAN

SC B 1662

JENNINGS

IY N 8648 (PFF)

612 SQDN

612 SQDN

BLOETSCHER

SC T 8788 (RCM)

STRAUSS

SC H 2398

MARTIN

SC M 7039

CAMPBELL

SC K 8733

FRENCH

SC N 6506

MAIRE

SC X 7664

SCHLIEMANN

SC J 7790

STEPHENS

SC L 8637 (RCM)

AHLERS

SC V 8810

SPARES

HOLT

SC S 8680

SPARE LEAD PFF IY U 7947 DISP 27  
 SPARE LEAD VIS IY Q 8077 DISP 24

GND SPARES IW U 8425 DISP 3  
 IW S 2468 DISP 9

Combat Sq. Leader: CAPT KALINSKI Date: 8 March 1945

Deputy Sq. Leader: LT BODDIN

Deputy Gp. Leader: LT JENNINGS

LOW SQDN: 94"C" Gp:

614th SQDN  
ASCHENBACH (KALINSKI) 618 SC JAWOCK  
613 IN MACRO  
614 IW COLFCOLUB  
615 IY BUZZARD

IY C 8033(PFF)  
LINDSEY BODDIN  
IW A 7931 IY P 1891

SQDN STAUFFER RICHARDSON  
IW O 7602 IW N 8738(RCM)

GRAY JORDAN STEHMAN CAMERON  
IW P 2012 IW Y 7551 IW F 7395 IW B 7151  
**Z 330** HOLMES (RCM)

IW D 7322  
VIEHMAN SALISBURY  
IW Q 7478 IW R 7780

SPARES

GRND SPARES:  
(PFF) IY U 7947 Disp 27  
(VIS) IY Q 8077 Disp 24  
(reg) IW U 8425 Disp 9  
(reg) IW S 2468 Disp 3

Combat Sq. Leader: CAPT UTTER Date: 8 Mar 1945

Deputy Sq. Leader: LT WOLF

Deputy Gp. Leader: LT JENNINGS

HIGH SQDN: 94"C" Gp: 613th SQDN: 612 SC JABWOCK  
UTTER 613 IN MACRO  
614 IW GOLFCLUB  
615 IY BUZZARD

IY D 8550(PFF)

BAKER

WOLF

IN A 8458

IY L 8941

SQDN

SQDN

CRACRAFT

SCHELLER

IN U 7706(RCM)

IN D 6588(RCM)

MAHARICK

KELSO

LITCHFIELD

MAY

IN J 1591

IN S 2947

IN F 6313

IN B 6132

CAREY

IN N 8862

YOUNG

VERMEER

IN R 6146

IN O 1730

SPARES

GRND SPARES:

MC KENNY

(PFF) ~~XX~~ IY U 7947 Disp 27

(VIS) IY Q 8077 Disp 24

(reg) IW U 8425 Disp 9

IN H 8607

(reg) IW S 2468 Disp 3

612

6947 - A

613

8767 - A W

9125 - M

6842 - V

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