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MISSION No. **200**

Date: **28 JAN. 45**

TO: **COLOGNE, GERMANY**

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401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)

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MISSION SUMMARY REPORT

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ASSIGNMENT

1. Assigned Target: COLOGNE, GERMANY (M/Y)  
2. Commitments: The 401st Group was to furnish the complete 36 A/C 94th "B" Group. One GH A/C was borrowed from the 379th Group for the lead squadron and one PFF was included in each squadron. Three spares accompanied the formation.

EXECUTION

1. Target Bombed: COLOGNE, GERMANY (PFF with VIS)  
2. a. Group Leader: MAJOR W. C. GARLAND (Mercer)  
Lead Navigator: Capt. L. E. GASKINS  
Mickey Navigator: 1st Lt. J. T. DRESBACH  
Lead Bombardier: Capt. H. P. FULGIM  
b. Low Squadron Leader: Capt. R. L. STELZER (McGoldrick)  
Lead Navigator: 1st Lt. L. E. LEWIS (Peterson - MO)  
Lead Bombardier: 1st Lt. E. W. PEEK  
c. High Squadron Leader: 1st Lt. G. J. SCHAUANAMAN  
Lead Navigator; 1st Lt. R. E. PURRIER (Barnes - MO)  
Lead Bombardier: 1st Lt. K. E. SANDOE

3. Flight Over England:

a. Takeoff:

Takeoff at 0825 -- as briefed. All ships took off successfully even though a snow flurry was being experienced.

b. Squadron and Group Assemblies:

No interference -- Squadrons were trailing lead on last turn at buncher. The group was slow in forming but Cottesmore was departed on time on course.

Mission Summary Report (Cont'd)

3. c. Route Over England:

"A" Group leader advised flying briefed route before 94th "B" left buncher. "A" Group leader then called again when we were at a point between B-D and advised heading for "C". This put "B" group late and behind "C" Group, as "B" Group leader had previously switched course back to briefed route. 94th "B" Group passed coast out three minutes late.

4. Attack:

a. Flight to Target:

94th "B" did not reach wing formation until "dogleg" in middle of channel, where it fell in behind 94th "C". This made 94th "B" in 6th Division instead of 5th as briefed. An "S" was done to properly position "B" group on 94th "C" ahead. 94th "B" and 94th "C" finally caught 94th "A" just before IP and the wing continued on into the target in that position. A point 10 miles north of the IP was reached to pick up tracer line, but at that point the GH set went out.

b. Bombing Run:

As the Scouting Force was not operating it appeared that bombing would be by instruments. The group stayed in group formation for the bomb run. The Mickey began the run and called the bombardier at the clutch in point. Forty seconds from bombs away we broke out; from this point up could see the target. Only one slight correction was necessary, bombs were salvoed at 1159 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Bomb hits were observed in and around the MPI. The Mickey operator performed an excellent job.

c. Flight from Target:

The route from target was slightly west of course from target to CP 3 but "B" Group was in Division column. As groups ahead encountered no flak, "B" Group followed them without trouble. From CP 3 to the continental coast the route was somewhat north of course due to navigational difficulties.

d. Return to Base:

Return was made as advised by Cycle Relay. Letdown was made to 12000' over channel and each squadron found a break over England. All aircraft returned safely to home base.

e. Weather:

Weather enroute was described as 10/10ths cumulus tops approximately 12,000' breaking to 7/10 at IP until approximately nil to 3/10 at target. North of target 3/10 to 4/10 becoming 3/10 to 5/10 to 5200-0800E, then persistant contrails were encountered over target.

f. Fighter Support:

Fighter support was adequate.

Mission Summary Report (Cont'd)

4. g. Comments on Formation:

Group formation good throughout most of route. Strung out slightly over channel on return.

h. Conclusions and Recommendations:

Believe Wing assembly is made more difficult than is necessary. Routes for wing assembly could be selected so the three groups are always in sight of each other, getting into wing formation immediately on leaving bunchers.

5. Aircraft Not Attacking:

Lead Squadron:

PFF A/C 44-8259 - Not Sortie. Returned early when smoke started coming out of # 1 engine. Investigation revealed metal filings and small pieces of compression rings in oil sump. # 1 engine failure.

6. Enemy Opposition:

No air opposition seen or encountered (see Flak Report for flak)

7. Battle Damage:      Major      Minor      To Flak

12            2            14

8. Casualties:

None.

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

10. Bombing Data:

a. Observations:

Bombing was good. Hits were seen in and around the marshalling yards.

b. Disposition of Bombs:

Lead Squadron:

Of the 12 scheduled A/C (incl 1 borrowed GH) only 11 EET and bombed the primary target--they dropped 109 X 500# RDX bombs. A/C 779 had one bomb hang up which it jettisoned past the target. Aborting A/C 259 returned 10 RDX bombs to base, and the spare A/C returned 10 RDX bombs to base.

Mission Summary Report (Cont'd)10. b. Disposition of Bombs (Cont'd)Low Squadron:

All 12 scheduled A/C attacked the primary target, dropping 112 X 500# RDX bombs. A/C 550 had 5 RDX bombs hang up which it jettisoned at 5240-0825E. A/C 862 had 3 RDX bombs hang up which it returned. Spare returned 11 RDX's to base.

High Squadron:

All 12 scheduled A/C attacked the primary target, dropping 55 X 500# RDX bombs and 65 X 500# GP bombs. The spare returned 10 GP's to base.

c. Tabular Summary of Disposition of Bombs:

	Aircraft Over Target	Bomb- ing	Bombs			
			Num- ber	Size	Type	Fusing Nose Tail
Main Bombfall	35 *	35	( 276	500#	RDX	1/10 1/40
			( 65	500#	GP	1/10 1/40
Other Attacks	-	-	-	-	-	- -
Total Bombs on Target			{ 276	500#	RDX	1/10 1/40
			{ 65	500#	GP	1/10 1/40
Other Expenditures			6	500#	RDX	1/10 1/40
Bombs Returned			{ 33	500#	RDX	1/10 1/40
			{ 10	500#	GP	1/10 1/40
Total (Loaded on A/C Taking Off)			{ 315	500#	RDX	1/10 1/40
			{ 75	500#	GP	1/10 1/40

\*Incl 1 GH.

11. Lost Aircraft:

None.

Submitted By:

KEN W. DAUBLE,  
Captaing Air Corps,  
Statistical Officer.

ASSIGNED MPI

2000'

ACTUAL MPI

MX18 OR M774A1

(SAV-401 1998-5 X28.1 -45X4 .8033 -12- 26400)(C0606NE)  
HIGH  
CONFIDENTIAL

401 BOMB GR(M)  
LEAD Sq

PATTERN: 1716X2145

SHORT : 2798

LEFT : 11416

C.E. : 3168

## ID SQ 94 B Gp

Combat Sq. Leader:

**MAJ GARLAND**Date 28 Jan 45

Deputy Sq. Leader:

Deputy Gp. Leader:

SQDN

612 SC JABWOCK

613 IN MACRO

614 IW GOLFCLUB

615 IY BUZZARD

**MERCER (GARLAND)***at takeoff &  
Our Target.***211(gh&pff****MORAN****HUBBELL**

677

**259(abort**

SQDN

SQDN

**MAYS****MC KAY**

602

779

**KING****MORTON****CALLAHAN****STEPHENS**

012

151

425

115

**THOMPSON**

646

**PONDREN****VOLE**

478

758

SPARES

**SORENSEN**IW X **565 (returned**

## 7 Sq 94 B Gp

Combat Sq. Leader: SCHAUNAMANDate: 28 Jan 45

Deputy Sq. Leader:

Deputy Gp. Leader:

SQDN	612 SC JABWOCK
	613 IN MACRO
	614 IW GOLFCLUB
	615 IY BUZZARD

SCHAUNAMAN

at takeoff

I 053(pff)

LONG

ASCHENBACH

537

891

SQDN

SQDN

ROADMANMAIRE

992

468

HUDNALLJONESHANSENGRACRAFT

680

039

758

965

COX

662

COMERSCHLIEMANN

458

506

SPARES

CAMPBELL

733(returned)

## LO SQ 94 B Gp

Combat Sq. Leader: CAPT STELZER Date 28 Jan 45

Deputy Sq. Leader:

Deputy Gp. Leader:

SQDN 612 SC JABWOCK  
 613 IN LACRO  
 614 LW GOLFCLUB  
 615 IY BUZZARD

at takeoff STELZER

550(pff)

CURRANJENNINGS

072

941

SQDN

SQDN

STEELEJONES

847

730

COX

HART

GRIMM

BENNETT

551

706

810

146

SCHELLER

113

BRADLEY

NIELSON

862

568

SPARES

MAY

187 (returned)

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

Date 28 Jan. 1945

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

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

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

- a. T/O at 0821 hours.
- b. Group formed at 1000 hours on Cottesmore buncher.  
at 16,000 ft.
- c. Wing assembly was completed at 1003 hours at CP 1.
- d. Route over England was (not) flown as briefed.

Flew from D to CP 1 to make up time and following 94th G.

- e. Methods of navigation over England.

Pilotage, Gee, Radio

- f. Division formation was joined at 1140 hrs. at Felixstowe.
- g. Flight to I.P. was (not) as briefed.  
19 S of course CP 1, following Div formation. 10 mi. north IP  
searching for G tracer.

- h. Methods of navigation to the I. P.

Mickey, D. R.

- i. Bomb run.

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

N. 10 mi. to look for G tracer line and to lose time to avoid  
overrunning group ahead.

- (2) True heading over target 110.
- (3) Actual drift 16°.
- (4) Altitude over target 25,000.
- (5) Time bombs away 1159<sup>1/2</sup>.
- (6) Wind used for bombing 15/50K.
- (7) Method of target identification.

Mickey, visual assistance.

(8) Difficulties on bomb run.

G-H went out; Compass stuck; Prop wash in latter part of run

(9) Weather over Target.

7-9/10ths S.C., breaking to thick haze.

(10) Axis of withdrawal 66.

- j. Group rally was accomplished at Bombed as Group at \_\_\_\_\_ hrs.  
k. Wing rally was accomplished at 50-58 07-31 at 1211 hrs.  
l. Division rally was accomplished at 50-58 07-31 at 1211 hrs.  
m. Flight home was (not) as briefed.

15 mi north of course to coast, avoiding prop wash of 94th C Group.

n. Methods of navigation on return route.

Mickey, Gee, D.R.

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

Bombers late

q. Performance of equipment.

- (1) Mickey OK  
(2) Gee OK Gee-H was out  
(3) Radio Compass Unreliable  
(4) Fluxgate Sticks  
(5) Other equipment. OK

/s/ Leslie E. Gaskins

LESLIE E. GASKINS

Captain, A. C.

Lead Navigator, Lead Sq.

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3. Narrative:

- a. T/O at 0825½ hours.
- b. Group formed at 1000 hours on Cottesmore buncher.  
at 16000 ft.
- c. Wing assembly was completed at 1043 hours at G.P. #1.
- d. Route over England was (not) flown as briefed.

Flew from D to GP 1 to make up time

- e. Methods of navigation over England.

See Pilottage Radio

- f. Division formation was joined at 1143 hrs. at Felixstowe.
- g. Flight to I.P. was (not) as briefed.

South of course staying in Division formation

- h. Methods of navigation to the I. P.

D.R. See Mickey

- i. Bomb run.

- (1) Actual I. P. was (not) as briefed.  
4 miles north of Briefed

- (2) True heading over target 109.
- (3) Actual drift 9 right.
- (4) Altitude over target 26000.
- (5) Time bombs away 11:59:30.
- (6) Wind used for bombing 297/67.
- (7) Method of target identification.

Visual and Instrument

(8) Difficulties on bomb run.

None

(9) Weather over Target.

10/10ths right up to tgt. Broke at target.

(10) Axis of withdrawal 67 TH.

- j. Group rally was accomplished at bombed as ap at \_\_\_\_\_ hrs.  
k. Wing rally was accomplished at 50-58 07-31 at 1211 hrs.  
l. Division rally was accomplished at same at same hrs.  
m. Flight home was 650 as briefed.  
not

15 N or cse to coast, avoiding prop was of 94th G gp

n. Methods of navigation on return route.

See Mickey Pilotage

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

q. Performance of equipment.

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

//S/Robert E. Purrier  
//T/ROBERT E. PURRIER  
1st Lt., Air Corps

Lead Navigator.

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2. Track chart attached.
3. Narrative:

- a. T/O at 0827 hours.
- b. Group formed at 1000 hours on Cottesmore buncher.  
at 16,000 ft.
- c. Wing assembly was completed at 1042 hours at CP 1.
- d. Route over England was (not) flown as briefed.

Flew from D to CP 1 to make up time following 94th G.

- e. Methods of navigation over England.

Pilotage, Gee, Radio, D.R.

- f. Division formation was joined at 1143 hrs. at Felixstowe.
- g. Flight to I.P. was (not) as briefed.  
19 S. of course to CP 1, following Div formation. 10 mi. N of IP,  
searching for target

- h. Methods of navigation to the I. P.

Gee, D. R.

- i. Bomb run.

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

51-06N 05-34E

- (2) True heading over target 115,
- (3) Actual drift 10 right.
- (4) Altitude over target 24400.
- (5) Time bombs away 1159.
- (6) Wind used for bombing 25/40K.
- (7) Method of target identification.

Visual and instruments.

(8) Difficulties on bomb run.

None

(9) Weather over Target.

9/10ths to target; broke at target.

(10) Axis of withdrawal 85 TH.

- j. Group rally was accomplished at \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ hrs.
- k. Wing rally was accomplished at 50-58 07-31 at 1211 hrs.
- l. Division rally was accomplished at 50-58 07-31 at 1211 hrs.
- m. Flight home was (not) as briefed.

15 mi north of course to coast, avoiding prop wash of 94th C.

n. Methods of navigation on return route.

Gee, DR, Mickey & pilotage

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

q. Performance of equipment.

- (1) Mickey Good
- (2) Gee Good (C signal faded on 27 unit) after 7:30 East
- (3) Radio Compass OK
- (4) Fluxgate OK
- (5) Other equipment. Heated suit resister was out.

/S/ L. G. Lewis

L. G. LEWIS

1st Lt., A. C.

Lead Navigator, Low Sq.

Air Commander - Major Garland

FUCHT PLAN 94th B (Fifth) F.O. 619

DATE 28 January 1945

PILOT Dept. Manager

NAVIGATOR.

Capt. L. E. Gaskins

STATIONS 0655 ENCINES 0755 TAXI 0810 T.O. 0825  
LEAVE BASE Cottesmore 1000  
COAST OUT 1040  
ENEMY COAST 1109  
I.P. 1129  
TARGET 1143  
ENEMY COAST 1323  
English Coast 1416 ETB 1432

SUN		MOON		TWILIGHT		Z. Hr. - 1000
Rises	Sets	Rises	Sets	AM	PM	Ref alt- 25000
						Bomb alt - 25000

Letdown Cottesmore Bunker - normal - 010 Mag.

At ..... G.M.

RATE ..... secs /hour Losing

...secs /hour Gaining  
Losing

FLIGHT RECORD

TIME	COURSE	W/V USED & OR D.R. DRIF.	TRUE HDNG.	MAG. HDNG.	NAVIGATIONAL OBSERVATION	GENERAL OBSERVATION	I.A.S. M.P.H. /K	HEIGHT & AIR TEMP.	T. A. S.	RUN		Q. S.	TO RUN		E.T.A.	
										DIST.	TIME		DIST.	TIME		
Flares: Normal Lead - RY Low - R High - G					VHF - Authentication - "Show Boat" Abandon Mission - "Baker-Tare-Charlie"											
					Chaff - Discharge 14 min before Target; continue 18 min. Spares - Turn back at 03-00E. Interval - 2 min. between Groups Last resort - 51-56N 08-18E											
0821					T.O. on "33". In haze @ 1,000. Out of first layer of haze @ 2,500. Second layer 3,000. Cut at 9,000.											
0914	015/44E				Wind from weather ship											
					Wind by M.D. 030/50K		150	16000	164							
					Wind by M.D. 030/53K			-24								
0955					Advised by air commander to fly straight to GP 1 said fly briefed route to conform 9th A.											
1000	030/53 026				Leaving Cottesmore, on course		150	16000	164				110	15	10	1010
1003		015			A/C 10° for wind		150									
1006		005					150						104	9	42	1010½
1010		005			A/C to Pt. D, over Pt. B		150									
1010	030/55	064			Start climb		150	16000	164				141	47	20	1030
1015		056			52-59N 00-11E		150	17000	164				141	38	16	1031

## FLIGHT RECORD

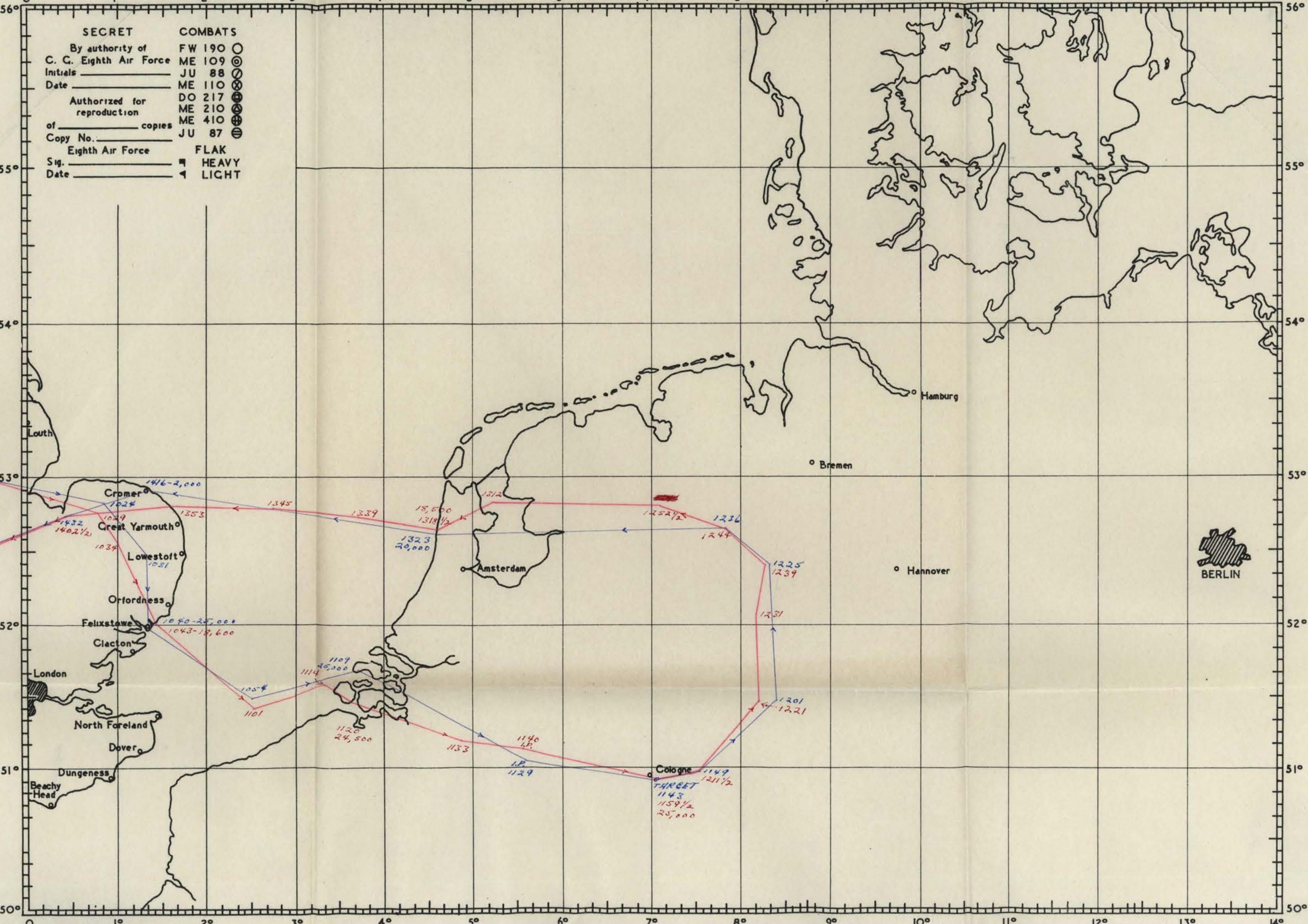
TIME	COURSE	W/V USED \$/OR D.R. DRIF.	TRUE HDNG.	MAC. HDNG.	NAVIGATIONAL OBSERVATION	GENERAL OBSERVATION	IAS. MPH /K	HEIGHT & AIR TEMP.	T.A.S.	RUN		C. S.	TO RUN		E.T.A.
										DIST.	TIME		DIST.	TIME	
1020		031/51 -17	090		52-56N 00-08E. D. by B.S. Wind by GS & drift		150	17000 -25	167	12	5	143	26	11	1031
1025	112	-10	092		Moving over behind 94th A		150	17000 -25							
1029	112	-10	092		A/C to "F". Early to get in div. formation		150	17000 -25	167			143	26	11	1031
1029		124			Sliding into Div formation		150								
1034		140			A/C to CP 1, leave out "P" 51-33N 02-00E		150	17800 -30	168			198	38½	11½	1045½
1036		148					150	18600 -32							
1040		145			52-13N 01-18E 10/10ths sc / haze		150	18600							
1043		149 135			52-03N 01-23E CP 1, 5½ late, 4 mi N course		150	18600 -32	170						
1048		135	137 av.		51-47N 01-43E Cutting across to pick up on 94th C.		150	19800				174	33	11½	1059½
1054	153	-18	135	135 ev.	In Division formation		150	20900 -38	176	13½	6	185			
1056		045/56					150	20900							
1056		85			Weather still same		150	20900							
1101	80	45	85		51-22N 02-33E		150	21500	184	23	7	197			
1101		60					150	22800 -39	184			130	48	22	1123
1106		50			S-ing to clear group ahead	51-07N 03-08E	150	24500 -40	190				27		
1114		110			Compass sticking badly		150								
1114		100					150								
1120		100			CP 2, 11 min late. 19's		150	25000 -40	192						
1121		100					150								
1124½		100			24 @ 110 Flushing		150	25000 -40		8	3	160	56	21	1145½
1129	15/40K	100			27 @ 18° Brussels		150	25000				16	4½	214	
1133	112	15/40	100		17 @ 92 Antwerp. Wind T & GS		150	25000		27½	8½	194	24	8½	1141½
1140		15/50 use for Tgt.			IP. B.B. open. Dis. chaff. G.H. Cut		*	*				194	9	3	1143
1159½	125	-15	110		B. A. on Kola. Mickey, vis. assist. Mickey takes over Flak meager, inaccurate		150	25800	172			170	18	6½	1206
1203		66			10 mi e 98 Kola		150	25000 -40							
1206		60			Suggested turn, following Div.		150	25000 -40							
1208	045/112	54			25 mi e 76 Kola. Wind by T & G.S.		150	25000 -40							
1211½	60	-6	54 (av 54)		32 mi 73° Kola		150	25000 -48	194	7	3½	120	31	15½	1127
1221½		30			27 mi e 270 Dortmund Evasive action from pockets		*	*							
1224		25			15 mi e 102 Hamm		*	*							
1224		355					150	25000 -45							
1227		355			Temp. gauge stuck		150	24100 -48							
1228½		355			23 mi e 276 Munster		150	24100 -46							
1231		360			21 mi e 72 Munster		*	*							
1239		030			Tracking thru Csnabrack		150	24100	184						
1239		325	EICHI				*	*	*						
1242					44 mi e 250 Bremen		150								
1244½	MEWA COV21	325			9 min late. # S. CP 3		150			Tracking to CP 3					
1245	85/100	290			52-40N 07-39E		150	23700 -44	186			111			
1252½	262 MEWA COV21	46	290		33 mi e 186 Baden		150	21000 -38		21	4½	280	92	20	1312½
1301½	263 MEWA COV21	46	270	280	19 mi 20 Zwolle wind by D and GS		150	20500 -38	178	29½	9	197	61½	19	1320½

SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_

NAVIGATOR

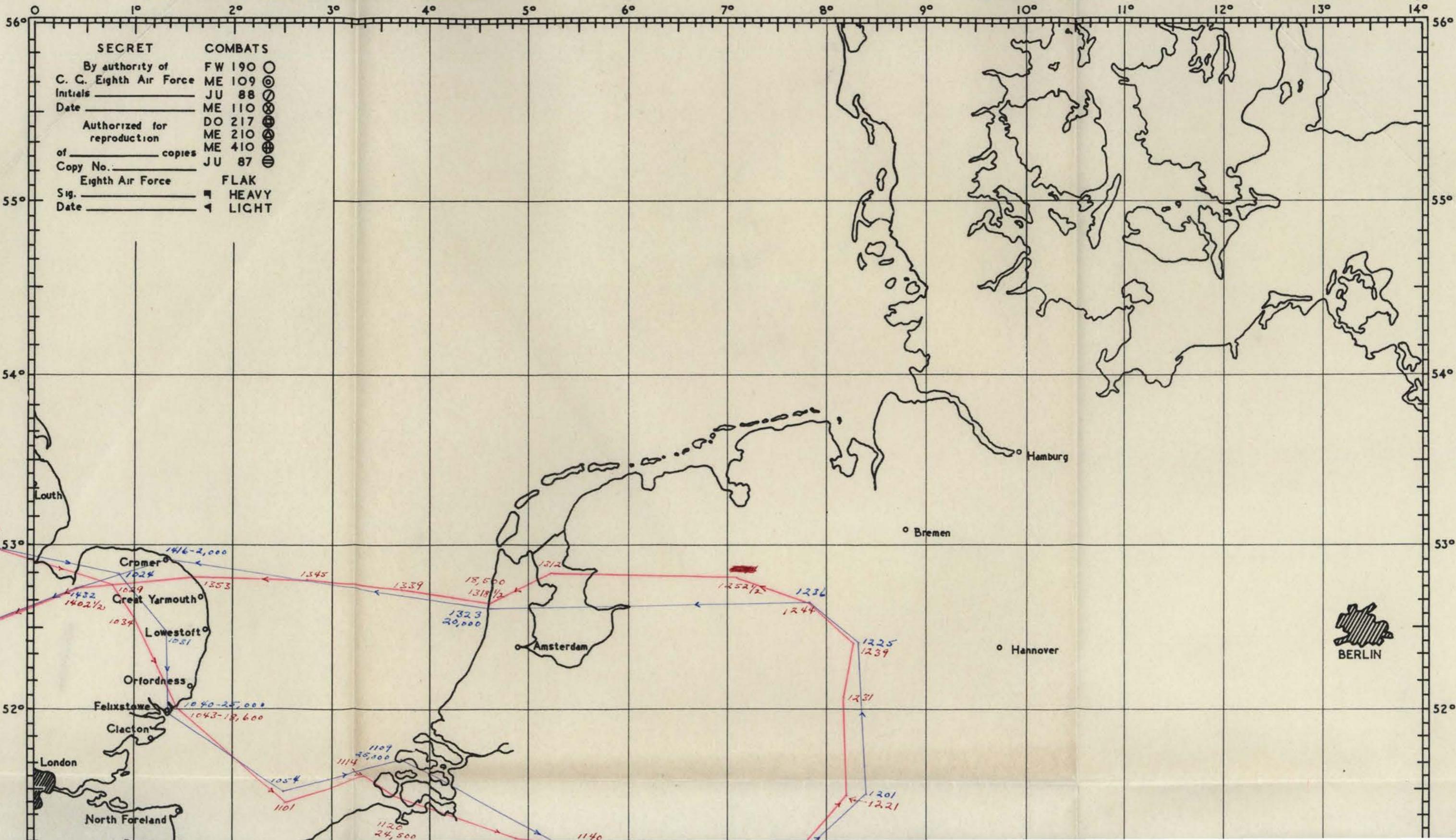
## FLIGHT RECORD

W. G. CARLSON  
Major, A. C.  
Air Commander



## TRACK CHART

DATE Jan. 28, 1945

TARGETS  
PRIMARYCologne, GermanyBlue  
Red  
ROUTE FOLLOWED BY  
401st B. G.H.

Target No.  
6 (d) (vi) 36

## RAILWAY MARSHALLING YARD

Illustration No.  
6 (d) (vi) 36/4  
KÖLN or COLOGNE (Gremberg)  
(GERMANY)

0 500 1000 1500 2000 YARDS  
0  $\frac{1}{2}$  1 MILE  
approx.

Photographed 1942-1943

(1 : 32,000)

Issued March 1944

Illustration No.  
6 (d) (vi) 36/4

DECLASSIFIED PER NND 245005  
BY NARA DATE 11/17/10



A.I.3c (1)

TYPE A

## STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

401st Group

1st BD F. C.

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Date of

28 Jan 45

	lead	Low		High		PFF
		PFF - GH	PFF - GH	PFF - GH	PFF	
1. No. of A/C Failing to Take Off	-	-	-	-	-	-
2. No. of A/C Airborne	11	1	1	12	1	12
3. No. of A/C Airborne Less Spares	10	1	1	11	1	11
4. No. of A/C Sorties	10	-	1	11	1	11
5. No. of A/C Attacking	10	-	1	11	1	11
6. No. of A/C Not Attacking	-	1	-	-	-	-
(a) Early Returns Included		(1)				
7. Name of Primary Target	COLOGNE M/Y (PFF with Vis)					
(a) No. of A/C Attacking	10	1	11	1	11	1
(b) No., Size & type of bombs	99	10	102	10	45 500# RDX 500# GP	10 500# RDX 65 500# GP
	500# RDX	500# RDX	500# RDX	500# RDX		
8. Name of Secondary Target	--					
(a) No. of A/C Attacking						
(b) No., Size & type of Bombs						
9. Name of Last Resort Target	--					
(a) No. of A/C Attacking						
(b) No., Size & type of Bombs						
10. Name of Target - 1000 ft. altitude	--					
11. (a) No. of A/C Attacking						
11. (b) No. of A/C Attacking						
12. Name of Target - 5000 ft. altitude	--					
13. (a) No. of A/C Attacking						
13. (b) No. of A/C Attacking						

## STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

401st Group

1st BD F. C.

615

Date of

28 Jan 45

	lead	Low		High		PFF
		PFF - GH	PFF - GH			
1. No. of A/C Failing to Take Off	-	-	-	-	-	-
2. No. of A/C Airborne	11	1	1	12	1	12
3. No. of A/C Airborne Less Spares	10	1	1	11	1	11
4. No. of A/C Sorties	10	-	1	11	1	11
5. No. of A/C Attacking	10	-	1	11	1	11
6. No. of A/C Not Attacking	-	1	-	-	-	-
(a) Early Returns Included			(1)			
7. Name of Primary Target	COLEGNE M/Y (PFF with Vis)					
(a) No. of A/C Attacking	10	1	11	1	11	1
(b) No., Size & type of bombs	99	16	102	10	45	10
		500#RDX	500#RDX	500#RDX	500#RDX	500#RDX
					65	
					500#GP	
8. Name of Secondary Target	--					
(a) No. of A/C Attacking						
(b) No., Size & type of Bombs						
9. Name of Last Resort Target	-					
(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 Opportunity	--					
(a) No. of A/C Attacking						
(b) No., Size & type of Bomb						
12. No of A/C Lost - TOTAL	None	None	None	None	None	None
13. - to Flak						
14. - to Flak & F/A						
15. - to Enemy A/C						
16. - to Accident						
17. - to Unknown						

## STAT SUMMARY (cont'd)

	LEAD	LOW	HIGH
18. Time of Takeoff	0821	0827	0825 $\frac{1}{2}$
19. Time of Attack	1159 $\frac{1}{2}$	1159 $\frac{1}{2}$	1159 $\frac{1}{2}$
20. Average Time of Flight	6.4	6.3	6.5
21. Altitude of Release	24,400	23,800	25,400
22. Visual or PFF	PFF with VIS	PFF with VIS	PFF with VIS
23. Enemy Resistance - AA Int. Acc.	Meager	Meager	Meager
24. Fighters	-	-	-
25. Bomber	-	-	L
26. U.S. A/C Engaged by Enemy AD	-	--	-
27. Degree of Success	Good	Good $\frac{1}{2}$	Good

PFF A/C Borrowed from Groups as follows:  
1. GH A/C borrowed from 379th Group

PFF A/C Loaned to Groups as follows:

NOTES:

W.D.A.G. FORM  
12 E. Modified  
1-9-44 401st BG APO 557

COMBAT BOMBING FLIGHT RECORD

BOMBARDIER CAPT JULIEN DATE 23 Jan 45  
 PILOT CAPT. HURCH - MAJOR GASKIN TAKE OFF   
 NAVIGATOR CAPT GASKIN AIRPLANE ME 546  
 WING 84th GP GROUP 401st SQDN Group LANDED   
 OBJECTIVE GOLOOM M/T (MPI)

METHOD OF ATTACK X Individual Flight Squadron Group Wing

NUMBER A/C IN GROUP 35 COMPOSITE GROUP

DEFLECTION AND RANGE SIGHTING GROUP  COMPOSITE GROUP

NUMBER A/C DROPPING BOMBS BY O.N. SIGHTING OPERATION: 1-34 on leader

BOMBS, TYPES AND SIZES 500# GP FUSING: NOSE 1/10 TAIL 1/40

BOMBS, TYPES AND SIZES 500# RDX FUSING: NOSE 1/10 TAIL 1/40

NUMBER OF BOMBS LOADED 225 RDX - 65 GP RELEASED 27 RDX - 55 GP

INFORMATION AT RELEASE POINT:

Altitude of Target 105° Temp Aloft: Metro -48 Actual -45

True Altitude above target 24,400' Mag Head,order 108 Actual 116

Ind. Altitude 25,000 True Heading 110

Pressure alt of target 1254' MSL Drift, Est 48 Actual 158

Altimeter setting 29.92 True Track 115

C.I.A.S. 160 I.A.S. 225 Actual Range 12,200

G.S. Est 286 MPH Actual 286 MPH B.S.Type M-9

Wind Direc Metro 300° Actual 180 Time of Release 11:59

Wind Veloc.Metro 57 K/H Actual 58 K/H Intervalometer Setting SALVO

D.S 128.1 Trail 75 ATF 41.23 Length of Bombing Run 15 MINUTES

Tan. D.A. Est .59 Actual .59 C-1 Pilot OK A-5 --

Mean Temp: Metro -25 Actual -24 Manual Pilot --

Type of Release: Lead A/C SALVO Type of Release: Other A/C SALVO

Low Sq.- bombs away at 1150' from true altitude of 25800' on Mag. Head. of 121°.

High Sq.- bombs away at 1150' from true altitude of 25,400' on Mag. Head. of 116°.

I certify that the above is correct.

Major J. Pickoff

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

Reference Field Order 615.

28 JANUARY

1945

SUBJECT: Communications Report, Operational Mission No 200.

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

SECTION ONE - USE OF RADIO NAVIGATIONAL AIDS

1. Radio Beacons used:			
Splashers	<u>4</u>	2. MF/DF Fixes	<u>1</u>
Fixed Beacons	<u>0</u>	3. HF/DF Bearings	<u>0</u>
Bunchers, England	<u>39</u>	4. VHF/DF Homings	<u>0</u>
Bunchers, Continent	<u>0</u>	5. Distress Action	<u>0</u>
		6. Total A/C using Gee	<u>38</u>
		AIRBORNE WITH GEE	<u>38</u>

SECTION TWO - USE OF PFF

	H2X	Micro-H
1. Total A/C dispatched	<u>3</u>	
2. Total A/C over target	<u>2</u>	
3. Total sets usable for bombing	<u>2</u>	
AIRBORNE WITH H2X	<u>3</u>	

SECTION THREE - USE OF RCM

1. Total A/C using Carpet	<u>35</u>
2. Total A/C releasing Chaff	<u>32</u>
3. Total number of units released	<u>15,824</u>
AIRBORNE WITH CARPET	<u>3</u>

SECTION FOUR - ACTUAL DEFICIENCIES BY EQUIPMENT

1. Interphone	<u>0</u>	6. Gee	<u>0</u>
2. VHF	<u>0</u>	7. H2X, XXXXXXXX	<u>0</u>
3. Compass	<u>0</u>	8. Carpet	<u>0</u>
4. Liaison	<u>0</u>	9. IFF	<u>0</u>
5. Command	<u>0</u>	10. SCS-51	<u>NOT USED</u>

SECTION FIVE - REMARKS

**CONFIDENTIAL**  
 HAROLD M. KENNARD, JR.  
 MAJ XXXXX Air Corps,  
 Gp Com O.

~~SECRET~~REPORT ON A.A. GUNFIRE.  
~~422~~ BOMBARDMENT GROUP (HV)ASSIGNED ~~Cologne, Germany~~ .....

1. TARGET:

BOMBED ~~Cologne, Germany~~ .....DATE OF MISSION ~~22/2/45~~ .....

2. ROUTE AS FLOWN:

Generally as briefed

3.	AT TARGET	ENROUTE
WEATHER - - -	Mill to 3/10 - Base	7/10 - 10/10
CONTRAILS - - -	Night-Persistent	None below 24,000 feet
SEEN-UNSEEN - - -	Seen	Seen and Unseen

4. DESCRIPTION OF FLAK AT TARGET:

Heaver fire to good for accuracy. Generally ahead of formation, tracking fire. Duration 1-2 minutes. Two unexploded incendiary pellets (approximately 1 1/2" long, 1/2" diam) lodged in wings of 2 A/C. Pellets are available for inspection if desired.

5. FLAK ENCOUNTERED OR OBSERVED ENROUTE: (IN ORDER EXPERIENCED)

None

6. CHAFF; HOW DISCHARGED: ~~As briefed~~7. POSITION OF GROUP: ~~94th, "P" Group-5th.~~

8. DETAILS:-

SQDN. POS.	NO. A/C	DAMAGE MAJ. MIN.	A/C LOST TO AA EA ACC UK	AXIS OF ATTK WITH	TIME OVER TARGET	HEIGHT
Lead	11	3 1		110M 66M	1150	25,500
High	12	8		115M 75M	1150	25,000
Low	13	2 5		120M 86M	1150	24,400
TOTALS	35	8 12				

9. COMMENTS - PHENOMENA:-

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OFFICE OF THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICER  
STATION 128 - APO 557  
U. S. ARMY

D-E-1

29 January 1945

SUBJECT: Crew Comments and Suggestions on Mission to Cologne, 28 Jan 45.

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

1. Crew of Lt. Raymond J. Callahan, Pilot A/C 425, suggest a change be made in method of securing equipment. Present system of securing equipment after briefing "jams up" equipment room.

2. Lt. George K. Graeraft, Pilot A/C 983, says formation looked good, especially Lead Squadron.

3. Lt. Walter H. Higgs, Co-Pilot A/C 772, requests that some effort be made to keep latrine in briefing room more sanitary. Seats too dirty with excreta to be used.

4. Lt. Hyman J. Lupowitz, Navigator A/C 646 - Not enough food to carry on mission.

5. Lt. Aubrey J. Bradley, Jr., Pilot A/C 862, had considerable difficulty staying with Low Squadron as they were going too fast in his opinion.

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

OFFICE OF THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICER  
STATION 128 - APO 687  
U. S. ARMY

D-2-1

22 January 1945

SUBJECT: Crew Comments and Suggestion, Mission to Sterkrade, 22 January 1945.

TO : Commanding Officer, Station 128, APO 687, U.S. Army.

1. Lt. Robert L. Long, Pilot A/C 8857, observed that there was too much conversation carried on by leaders of 94th "P" and "C" Groups over channel "A". It was also his opinion that these leaders were responsible for too many transmissions "in the clear".

2. Capt. Robert L. Stelzer, Deputy Group Leader, was particularly critical of VHF conversations carried on by 94th "C" Group, stating that the volume of transmissions was such that channels were jammed several times when it became necessary for him to use them.

3. Lt. Ralph S. Hayes, Pilot A/C 8007 (CO) and his Co-Pilot, Lt. Clarence E. Head, reported that "woodcraft charlie" leader was responsible for a large amount of VHF traffic and exhibited an amount of mental confusion in calling Lt. Hayes' aircraft several times when it was apparently his intention to call his own squadron leader. Lt. Head overheard "woodcraft charlie" leader call to his squadron leaders "how did you like the show?" and "how was the show?". Because of this confusion, Lt. Hayes' radio operator was unable to tell whether or not the 94th "A" Group Leader (Deputy) had sent a bomb strike message, and inasmuch as he was leading the Low Squadron, he himself transmitted the bomb strike message when it became known that the message had not been sent. Lt. Hayes believes that his RO, T/Sgt. William P. Fusten deserves to be highly commended for the vigilance that he exhibited in monitoring the peculiarly heavy number of transmissions.

4. Lt. Max M. Smith, Pilot A/C 7628, reported that A/C 2468 (Djernes Pilot) bombed 30 seconds before the Group Leader.

5. Lt. Herman Tausig, Pilot A/C 8850, reported that only one-half the briefed amount of chaff was installed in his A/C.

6. Lt. Myron L. King, Pilot A/C 6508, suggests that tail gunners be equipped with Aldous lamps to make identification easier when A/C are flying in clouds.

7. Lt. Ernest A. Hansen, Pilot A/C 6810, complained that the Group Leader did not advise the Group when climbing, leveling off and letting down.

8. Lt. Jeff M. Donalson, Pilot A/C 706, who was third pilot to land upon returning from the mission, waited over an hour in dispersal 34 for transportation to the briefing room.

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

**AD SQ 94TH A GROUP**Combat Sq. Leader: MAJ DE JONCKHEERE Date: 22 Jan 45Deputy Sq. Leader: CAPT STELZERDeputy Gp. Leader: CAPT STELZER

613 SQDN      612 SC JABWOCK  
613 IN MACRO  
614 IW GOLFCLUB  
615 IY BUZZARD

CUSHMAN (DE JONCKHEERE)(614) X Z 8007  
\*\*\*\*\* (GH)MAYTAUSIG (STELZER)IN B | 6132IN Q | 8550 (FFF)615 SQDN.613 SQDN.MC KAYSTEELEIY C | 8779IN S | 2947HANSENCALLAHANCAREYDONALSONIY N | 8810IY K | 8425IN N | 8862IN U | 7706DEENIY D | 8125SMITH  
IY B | 1730DJERNES  
IY C | 2468

SPARES

CURRANIN G | 8791SPARE LEAD (FFF) IY M | 8371 Disp 31GND SPARES IN H | 8607 Disp 37  
SG B | 1662 Disp 19WK SHIP IW K | 8677 Disp 2 Capt Kirkhuff

Sta 7:30  
Break 9:30  
Brief 3:30

## LOW SQ 94TH A GROUP

Combat Sq. Leader: Lt HAYES Date: 22 Jan 45Deputy Sq. Leader: Lt BODDINDeputy Gp. Leader: CAPT STELZER

612 SQUADRON  
 612 SC JABNOCK  
 613 IN MACRO  
 614 IW GOLFCLUB  
 615 IY BUZZARD

(612) HAYES 8008 G+H  
HOWARD SC S 8680 BODDIN IY 371  
SC Q 8155 (FFF) May drop Eng. 364

614 SQUADRON612 SQUADRONST AUBYNTHORNEIW D 7522SC K 8733SORENSENWHITENOLANLONGIW Q 7478IW N 8738SC N 6506SG L 8637MORTONIW B 7151RICHARDSONKINGIW A 6508

SC T 662  
 IW T 8646 1 ft. Mag.  
 drip #3 Pug.  
 SPARES

SMITHSC A 7628SPARE LEAD IY M 8571 (FFF) Disp 31GND SPARES IN H 8607 Disp 37  
SC B 1662 Disp 19WK SHIP IW K 8677 Disp 2 Capt Kirkhoff

~~SECRET~~BRIEFING NOTESDUTY OFFICER: Capt. MeredickDATE: Jan 26, 1945BRIEFING OFFICER: Capt. Hamrick

## 1. TARGETS AND MPI'S FOR:

## a. 1st AD

## (1) 401st Bomb Group:

Primary: ~~Marshalling yards in the S.E. section of Cologne. The M.P.I. is the sailing piers and will be attacked by ~~other~~ <sup>other</sup> ~~air~~ <sup>as P.O.</sup> methods.~~ This target is important for the reason that there are reports of considerable movement of German troops from the Siegfried front to the Colmar front. This M.Y. is one involved in this process which is now in progress.

Secondary: Same as above but by H-2X units same M.P.I. as for See bombing.

## b. 2nd AD:

Last Resort: German airfield at Guelph. M.P.I. is a building in the hangar area.

(2) Other Groups in 94th CBW: 457th, the "A" group has some target, its M.P.I. being just east of 401st. The 351st has the same target (C group) and same M.P.I. as the 401st.

(3) Order of Bombing and Targets of other units in 1st AD: All groups in the division are going to the same targets and will bomb in following order: 305, 92, 306, 407, 401, 351, 379, 384, 398, 91, 381

b. 2nd AD: 2nd Division is going to go forward to bomb targets, one being a chemical works and the other being a M.Y.

c. 3rd AD: 3rd Division is going to Quiburg to bomb a R.R. bridge and to Hohenbaden to bomb M.Y.

## 2. ROUTES (ALL THREE AD's)

a. Points and Times of Departure from English Coast: 1st. Fis. will depart Felixstowe at zero plus 32 min.

The second Fis. will depart St. Margaret at zero hour and will intercept 1st Fis. route at approx 0800 E and fly same withdrawal — ~~SECRET~~ 3rd Fis. will depart southwes

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following 15+ AIs.

b. Fighter Support: Canons of one group 2-51; for the first 4 groups, one group for second 4 groups, and one group for the last 3 groups.

## 3. ANTICIPATED ENEMY OPPOSITION:

a. Flak: at the primary and secondary targets there are 450 guns in range.  
Notes: There is no mention of guns at the last resort target.

b. Enemy Fighters: Can be expected if weather permits and particularly from area north of the target.

c. Smoke Screens: There is a possibility of a smoke screen at the primary and secondary target.

d. Camouflage: None known

## 4. INSTRUCTIONS TO UNITS:

a. Wing Assembly: 457th will assemble over Glutton bunker at 16,000' - 401st will assemble over Cattermole bunker at 16000' - 351st will assemble over King Cliff bunker at 16000'

b. Air Commanders: 944th A.C. will be Major Doherty  
A. Gp. Comm. will be Maj. Doherty. - "B" Gp. C. will be Major Farland. - "C" Gp. Comm. Maj. Roper

c. Zero Hour and Date: 1000 Hours

d. General Instructions Pertinent to Entire Task Force: \_\_\_\_\_

## 5. SUPPLY:

a. Gas Load: 2600 gallons

b. Bomb Load (and Intervalometer Settings) 10 X 500 Gps - 1/10 N. - 1/40 T.  
Minibomb G-H: salvoe - H21 salvoe

c. Chaff Load (Point and Time of Commencing Discharge) Commence  
release at 14 min. before target and continue for 18 min.

d. Screening Force: 3 Mosquitos will rendezvous with  
Taylors Alley Leader at 5,100 - 0512. from I.P. "Mosquito will  
pull ahead to Stark Cliff hideout and continue through  
target.

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53  
612th Bombardment Squadron (H)  
401st Bombardment Group (H)  
OFFICE OF THE OPERATIONS OFFICER

Mission # 200  
27 January 1945

SUBJECT : Loading List

TO : Operations Officer, 401st Bombardment Group (H), APO 557.

Plane # 43-38733

P Smith, Max M.  
CP Korwald, Morris H.  
N VanDuinen, Richard E.  
Tog. Schmalz, Nyle R.  
RO Hendrickson, Ernest W.  
TTG Genga, Pietro J.  
BTG Laing, John (NMI)  
TG Filistraut, Frank E.  
PG ~~McMullin, Edmund H.~~  
FG Bunn, Charles T.

2nd Lt. 612th  
2nd Lt. "  
2nd Lt. "  
Sgt "

Plane # 43-38788

P Howard, Louis F. Jr.  
CP Wilford, Joseph E.  
N Wilde, Earl R.  
Tog. Rossok, Michael R.  
RO Garson, Edward H.  
TTG Corbo, Frank J.  
BTG Ford, Billie X  
TG McQuiston, George E. Jr.  
FG Taylor, Charles F.

2nd Lt. 612th  
2nd Lt. "  
2nd Lt. "  
Sgt "  
Sgt "  
Sgt "  
Sgt "  
Sgt "  
Sgt "

Plane # 44-6506

P Schliemann, Donald M.  
CP Meyrowitz, Irving (NMI)  
N Schneck, David (NMI)  
B Swatosh, Kenneth J.  
RO Pendley, Garland E.  
TTG Kelly, John C.  
BTG Barnes, Duane H.N.  
TG Madden, Ted H.  
FG Zabel, Bruce H.

1st Lt. 612th  
2nd Lt. "  
1st Lt. "  
2nd Lt. "  
S Sgt "  
S Sgt "  
S Sgt "  
S Sgt "

Plane # 43-38541

P Comber, Jack P.  
CP Matthes, Francis R.  
N Weinstein, Byron (NMI)  
B Smith, Alvie L.  
RO Hulse, Harold A.  
TTG Bixby, Joseph (NMI) Jr.  
BTG Erland, Cletus M.  
TG Kirkhuff, Leonard M.  
FG Mainprize, Jack E.

1st Lt. 612th  
2nd Lt. "  
2nd Lt. "  
2nd Lt. "  
T Sgt "  
S Sgt "  
S Sgt "  
S Sgt "

## Plane # 42-31662

P	Gox, Walter E.	1st Lt.	612th
CP	Ammadson, Glenn R.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Tiffany, Raymond L.	2nd Lt.	"
Tog.	Ankrem, Lowell J.	S Sgt	"
RO	Hill, Robert H.	T Sgt	"
TTG	Warren, Emmitt E.	T Sgt	"
BTG	Pope, Leroy G.	S Sgt	"
TG	Importe, George (NMI)	S Sgt	"
FG	Dunn, Dale D.	S Sgt	"

## Plane # 43-38680

P	Hudnall, Carl L.	1st Lt.	612th
CP	Mitchell, Frank G. Jr.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Martin, Phillip A.	P/O	"
Tog.	Beardall, Keith E.	S Sgt	"
RO	Knight, Adam, (NMI)	S Sgt	"
TTG	Moerman, Loyd F.	T Sgt	"
BTG	Parker, Robert H.	S Sgt	"
TG	Gyles, Alfred R.	S Sgt	"
FG	Parker, Matt M.	S Sgt	"

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Plane #42-102390

P	Jones, Dale G.	1st Lt.	612th
CP	Siepak, Stanley J.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Wishneff, Aaron (NMI)	2nd Lt.	"
B	Moran, Robert E.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Madryszk, Chester P.	S Sgt	"
TTG	Serafino, Ernest A.	S Sgt	"
BTG	Rogers, Charles G.	S Sgt	"
TG	Watters, Kenneth O.	S Sgt	"
FG	Wallace, Robert W.	S Sgt	"

## Plane # 42-106992

P	Roadman, Julian M.	1st Lt.	612th
CP	Compton, Henry W.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Knuessl, Robert H.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Whittleck, James P.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Elehisak, Alfred (NMI)	S Sgt	"
TTG	Landers, John A.	S Sgt	"
BTG	Hall, Eugene H.	S Sgt	"
TG	Wood, Donald S.	S Sgt	"
FG	Hill, Earle R. J.r	S Sgt	"

## Plane # 43-38637

P	Long, Robert L.	1st Lt.	612th
CP	Waterson, Stuart E. Jr.	P/O	"
N	Crick, Lawrence A.	2nd Lt.	"
Watson, Reynolds S. - B		2nd Lt.	"
RO	York, Dennis A.	T Sgt	"
TTG	Hevezak, Henry (NMI)	T Sgt	"
BTG	Cherrubini, Peter J.	S Sgt	"
TG	Iles, Earl L.	S Sgt	"
FG	Willick, Edward L.	S Sgt	"

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Plane # 42-59993

P	Aschenbach, Allen D.	1st Lt.	612th
CP	Althoff, John R.	2nd Lt.	"
H	Brazzil, William R.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Folkerts, Arthur (HMI)	2nd Lt.	"
RG	Fiegenbaum, George J.	T Sgt	"
TTG	Herndon, William R.	S Sgt	"
BTG	Wilson, Ben G.	S Sgt	"
TG	Pearlin, Joseph H.	S Sgt	"
FG	Watson, Robert W.	S Sgt	"

44-8033

Plane # ~~44-38071~~

P	Schauerman, George J.	1st Lt.	612th
CP	Hobgood, James R.	1st Lt.	"
N	Purrier, Robert E.	1st Lt.	"
D	Sandoz, Kenneth E.	1st Lt.	"
RO	Kopitnikoff, Irving G.	T Sgt	"
TTG	Morris, Thomas P.	T Sgt	"
HTG.	Barnes, James H.	2nd Lt.	"
TG	Xxxxxx, xxxxx Curry, Edward A.	S Sgt	"
WG	Williams, Clarence F.	S Sgt	"

Plane #43-58733

P	Campbell, Charles J.	2nd Lt.	612th
CP	Foy, Philip W.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Gruhn, David B.	1/C	"
B	Emery, Robert I.	S/Sgt.	"
RO	Fee, Gene M., Jr.	S/Sgt.	"
TTG	Kartas, Charles P.	T/Sgt.	"
BTG	Sullivan, Earl Jr.	S/Sgt.	"
TG	Dalton, Charles K.	S/Sgt.	"
WG	Murphy, Howard M.	Cpt.	"

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

28 January 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 # 43-38779

DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
P	1st Lt.	McKay	George	W.	615th
CP	1st Lt.	Higgs	Walter	M.	"
N	1st Lt.	Rainey	John	L.	"
B	S/Sgt.	Sullivan	Robert	E.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Richardson	Samuel	T.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Connizzaro	Ralph	J.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Luther	Richard	H.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Wiederman	Lars	H.	"
FG	S/Sgt.	Butler	William	H.	"

## PLANE # 43-38425

P	2nd Lt.	Callahan	Raymond	J.	615th
CP	1st Lt.	Sinkking	John	W.	"
N	2nd Lt.	Connell	Hall	T.	"
B	S/Sgt.	Peltz	Chester	G.	"
RO	Sgt.	Weinstein	Bernard	B.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Luchfeld	Macvin	(NMI)	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Altieri	Alfonso	A.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Swatski	Edward	F.	"
FG	S/Sgt.	Makseyn	Chester	G.	"

## PLANE # 42-107113

P	2nd Lt.	Stephens	Lloyd	J.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Regan	John	J.	"
N	2nd Lt.	Harper	Robert	F.	"
B	Sgt.	Whitlock	Howard	D.	"
RO	Sgt.	Huzinec	Andrew	(NMI)	"
TT	Sgt.	Graham	James	D.	"
BT	Sgt.	Wisdom	Kent	B.	"
TG	Sgt.	Brennan	William	J.	"
FG	Sgt.	Lewelling	Fred	E.	"

## PLANE # 42-102468

P	1st Lt.	Maire	Frederick	N.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Cosden	Bryan	L.	"
N	2nd Lt.	Monberger	Charles	A.	"
B	S/Sgt.	Landry	Lawrence	B.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Mabrey	William	T.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Barr	Thomas	H.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Floyd	Norris	C.	"
TG	Sgt.	Wiegel	Clifford	H.	"
FG	S/Sgt.	Nowak	Frank	P.	"

## PLANE # 43-58758

P	1st Lt.	Hansen	Ernest	A.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Stevenson	Joseph	G.	"
N	2nd Lt.	Greenberg	Martin	(NMI)	"
B	S/Sgt.	Morrison	James	L.	"
RO	Sgt.	Douglass	James	B.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Miller	Raymond	A.	"
BT	Sgt.	Banning	Robert	O.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	McKnight	Leroy	M.	"
FG	S/Sgt.	Karcher	Alonzo	A.	"

## LOADING LIST (Continued)

## PLANE # 42-31985

DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
P	1st Lt.	Craeract	George	K.	615th
GP	2nd Lt.	Magee	Eldon	E.	"
N	2nd Lt.	King	Jack	L.	"
B	S/Sgt.	Guerin	Roland	L.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Fenwick	Gordon	E.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Jacquart	Robert	R.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Albert	Russell	H.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Oviatt	Earl	D.	"
PG	S/Sgt.	Allen	Lewis	(NMI)	"

## PLANE # 42-31750

P	2nd Lt.	Jones	Robert	S.	615th
GP	2nd Lt.	Dunigan	Maurice	(NMI)	"
N	F/O	Steinman	Philip	B.	"
B	S/Sgt.	Carr	Richard	W.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Delong	Billie	D.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Kozyra	Joseph	J.	"
BT	Sgt.	McKenna	James	P.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Foutch	James	W.	"
PG	S/Sgt.	Jencks	Robert	L.	"

## PLANE # 43-38810

P	1st Lt.	Grimm	Alfred	R.	615th
GP	2nd Lt.	Wilt	Elmer	L.	"
N	F/O	Coates	Alvin	B.	"
B	S/Sgt.	Boyer	William	G.	"
RO	Sgt.	Kapson	George	D.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Geers	Louis	J.	"
BT	Sgt.	Cox	Glyde	H.	"
TG	Sgt.	Chambers	Arthur	H.	"
PG	Sgt.	Hunsperger	Henry	(NMI)	"

## PLANE # 44-6146

P	2nd Lt.	Bennett	Clifton	S.	615th
GP	2nd Lt.	Coats	Jerry	A.	"
N	2nd Lt.	Hamilton	Charles	W.	"
B	Sgt.	Ely	Calvin	P.	"
RO	Sgt.	Hanes	Billy	H.	"
TT	Sgt.	Henley	James	H.	"
BT	Sgt.	Spoor	Richard	A.	"
TG	Sgt.	Hartwick	Frederick	W.	"
PG	Sgt.	Joyner	Oliver	N.	"

SIX HUNDRED AND FOURTEENTH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)  
FOUR HUNDRED AND FIRST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)  
Office of the Operations OfficerAAF Station # 128.  
28 January 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:

## PLANE # 8211 GH.

P	Capt.	MERGER, ELMER W.	614th Sq.
CP	Major	GARLAND, WILLIAM C.	"
N	Capt.	GASKINS, LESLIE E.	"
B	Capt.	FULGIM, WILLIAM P.	"
MO	1st Lt.	DRESBACH, JOHN T.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Zubrickas, Joseph S.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Fowler, Cecil V.	"
TG	1st Lt.	HIBBERT, CARL D.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Connors, Robert A.	"
GHO	1st Lt.	HIGHTSBOE, CLARENCE C.	384th Bomb Gp

## PLANE # 43-38677

P	1st Lt.	MORAN, ROBERT E.	614th Sq
CP	1st Lt.	WEILMAN, SILAS H.	"
N	1st Lt.	DUNCAN, ROBERT H.	"
CTG	S/Sgt.	Miller, James J.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Brown, Arnold F.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Stromberg, Warren B.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Betty, Hilert J. Jr.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Clark, Charles B.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Jackson, John A.	"

## PLANE # 44-3259

P	1st Lt.	HUBBELL, RICHARD S.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	GOULET, AMBROS E. E.	"
N	1st Lt.	MOORE, GEORGE J.	"
B	1st Lt.	FLIEG, STANLEY W.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Pool, Slyde W.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Ross, Richard D.	"
MO	1st Lt.	GOODMAN, JAMES W.	"
TG	Pvt.	Bell, W.S.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Harris, John C.	"

## PLANE # 42-97602

P	1st Lt.	MAYS, HAL C.	"
CP	1st Lt.	LIVINGSTON, HERMAN	"
N	1st Lt.	KOSKI, MATTHEW F.	"
B	1st Lt.	SCHAEFER, ROBERT L.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Peneton, Howard E.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Collett, John E.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Cole, William I.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Monacella, Joseph L. Jr.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Smith, William F.	"

Loading List ContinuedPLANE # 42-39012

P	2nd Lt.	KING, MYRON L.	614th Sq.
CP	2nd Lt.	SWEENEY, WILLIAM J.	"
H	2nd Lt.	LOWE, RICHARD I. JR.	"
CTG	S/Sgt.	Pyne, Robert E.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	De Vito, Pasquale A.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Pavlas, Ernest S.	"
BT	Sgt.	Reinisch, Philip A.	"
TG	Sgt.	Atkinson, George E. Jr.	"
WG	Sgt.	Speelman, Hampton K.	"

PLANE # 42-107151

P	1st Lt.	MORTON, WALTER L.	"
CP	1st Lt.	RITCHIE, RALPH	"
H	1st Lt.	FINK, JACK T.	"
B	1st Lt.	HELMIS, CHARLES L.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Hickey, Robert E.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Block, Joseph R.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Powers, Willard B.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Whittington, Charles S.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Bruschwein, Douglas B.	"

PLANE # 43-38646

P	1st Lt.	THOMPSON, RUSSELL B.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	CASSIDY, CLARENCE	"
H	1st Lt.	LUPONITZ, HYMAN J.	"
B	1st Lt.	BRUCE, WILLIAM H.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Bode, Robert E.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Willson, Rodney V.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Christensen, James P. Jr.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Heikes, Dale L.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Dana, Edward G.	"

PLANE # 42-97478

P	1st Lt.	FONDREN, JOHN E.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	VIA, JAMES C.	"
H	1st Lt.	COYNE, JOHN T.	"
B	2nd Lt.	PACKER, JESSE L.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Wensel, John W.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Brobst, Clyde J.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Wickline, John H.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Wilbers, Herman E.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Youmans, Henry A.	"

PLANE # 43-38738

P	1st Lt.	COLE, JOHN S. JR.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	SPELLMAN, JOHN W.	"
H	2nd Lt.	HANSON, CLIFFORD M.	"
B	F/O	BUTLER, THOMAS H.	"
RO	Sgt.	Crespi, Ralph M.	"
TT	Sgt.	Allex, Marvin L.	"
BT	Sgt.	Griggs, Crawford F.	"
TG	Sgt.	Smith, Ralph H.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	McClure, James R.	"

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PLANE # 42-38565

P	2nd Lt.	SORENSEN, MELVIN H.	614th Sq.
CP	2nd Lt.	TROUPE, JOHN T.	"
N	2nd Lt.	ZNEIMER, JOHN N.	"
CTG	Sgt.	Lee, William J.	"
RO	Sgt.	Collins, John G.	"
TT	Sgt.	Senoric, Steve S.	"
BT	Sgt.	Leppanen, Calvin W.	"
TG	Sgt.	Nichols, Norman D.	"
WG	Sgt.	Turner, Eldon A.	"

For the Squadron Commander:

ALVAH H. CHAPMAN JR.  
Major, Air Corps,  
Operations Officer.

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

28 JANUARY 1945

L-O-A-D-I-N-G      L-I-S-T

PLANE NO.	DUTY	RANK	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MI
44-38941	P	1st Lt.	JENNINGS	WILLIAM	R.
	CP	2nd Lt.	MILLER	HENRY	C.
	N	1st Lt.	FOLES	WILLIAM	M.
	B	1st Lt.	SCHIKLOVEN	ISAAC	(NMI)
	RO	T/SGT.	CURTIS	JAMES	W.
	TT	T/SGT.	FORMAN	RICHARD	T.
	BT	S/SGT.	OLIVER	KENNETH	C.
	TG	S/SGT.	SELZLE	THOMAS	R.
	WG	S/SGT.	EWEN	DONALD	L.
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43-37706	P	2nd Lt.	HART	JERALD	E.
	CP	2nd Lt.	TAYLOR	RICHARD	W.
	N	2nd Lt.	ANDREWS	MELVIN	H.
	B	SGT.	CARMICHAEL	WISON	H.
	RO	SGT.	REISS	HERBERT	(NMI)
	TT	SGT.	RANEY	ROBERT	E.
	BT	SGT.	KNIGHT	VICTOR	(NMI)
	TG	SGT.	PICHERING	EDWARD	M.
	WG	SGT.	SMUKLER	MYRON	M.
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42-102947	P	1st Lt.	STEELE	RICHARD	H.
	CP	2nd Lt.	ZEMAN	ROGER	R.
	N	1st Lt.	JENSEN	JAMES	B.
	B	SGT.	VALDEZ	RAYMOND	(NMI)
	RO	S/SGT.	STROMBERG	ALEXANDER	(NMI)
	TT	S/SGT.	STACHURA	FREDERICK	(NMI)
	BT	S/SGT.	MYERS	EPROL	A.
	TG	S/SGT.	ROBERSON	ROBERT	E.
	WG	S/SGT.	WOWAK	CHESTER	A.
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44-6113	P	1st Lt.	SCHELLER	RICHARD	R.
	CP	2nd Lt.	WICKS	WALLACE	W.
	N	2nd Lt.	HOUSTON	RICHARD	D.
	B	F/O	KOLLAR	JOHN	E.
	RO	S/SGT.	GIANNINI	JOSEPH	(NMI)
	TT	S/SGT.	HARTY	WILLIAM	Q.
	BT	S/SGT.	BLACK	RICHARD	D.
	TG	S/SGT.	TRUDEAU	RUSSELL	M.
	WG	S/SGT.	SEVIRSON	NORMAN	A.
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42-31072	P	2nd Lt.	CURRAN	EDWARD	E.
	CP	2nd Lt.	REILLY	DONALD	J.
	N	2nd Lt.	BAUTZ	JOHN	J.
	B.	2nd Lt.	JONES	BEN	F.
	RO	S/SGT.	GIESKEN	GEORGE	J.
	TT	S/SGT.	JOHNSON	ELMO	E.
	BT	S/SGT.	ZENOR	HARROLD	M.
	TG	S/SGT.	CLIFTON	JAMES	R.
	WG	S/SGT.	HARDIN	ROY	(NMI)
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44-6588	P	2nd Lt.	NIELSON	HAN	V.
	CP	2nd Lt.	THOMAS	JAMES	A.
	N	2nd Lt.	TUMMELSON	HURSHALL	G.
	B	SGT.	VIGNETTI	ANGELO	J.
	RO	SGT.	HARROWE	EMANUEL	(NMI)
	TT	SGT.	SWINDEL	FRANK	G.
	BT	SGT.	EVANS	CARL	E.
	TG	SGT.	STEPKA	FRANCIS	S.
	WG	SGT.	DE PRA	ARTHUR	R.
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44-8550	P	1st Lt.	McGOLDRICK	JOHN	W.
	CP	CAPT.	STELZER	ROBERT	L.
	N	1st Lt.	LEWIS	LESTER	G.
	B	1st Lt.	PEEK	GEORGE	W.
	V	1st Lt.	PETERSON	GEORGE	W.
	RO	T/SGT.	BECK	GERALD	L.
	TT	T/SGT.	SHELDON	JAMES	F.
	TG	S/SGT.	GRUMANN	JAMES	F.
	WG	S/SGT.	LINDSAY	JAMES	R.
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43-38607	P	F/O	COX	HERBERT	P.
	CP	F/O	SHAW	MARVIN	W.
	N	F/O	SCHIPPER	KENNETH	M.
	B	S/SGT.	FETTERS	WILLIAM	J.
	RO	S/SGT.	HOWELL	THOMAS	E.
	TT	S/SGT.	McCRARY	LEON	A.
	BT	S/SGT.	TANAEVICH	ALEXANDER	(NMI)
	TG	S/SGT.	NORRIS	LAMON	(NMI)
	WG	S/SGT.	RAYMOND	LLOYD	A.
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43-38187	P	2nd Lt.	MAY	JAMES	H.
	CP	2nd Lt.	COLLISS	EUGENE	B.
	N	2nd Lt.	ANDERS	WALTER	R.
	B	SGT.	BENSON	WILLARD	K.
	RO	SGT.	PAULK	ALBERT	L. JR.
	TT	SGT.	SMITH	DONALD	F.
	BT	SGT.	McKEE	WILLIAM	J.
	TG	SGT.	KROZEL	JOSEPH	A.
	WG	SGT.	HERROLD	DAN	E.
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43-38862	P	2nd Lt.	BRADLEY	AUBREY	J. JR.
	CP	2nd Lt.	FINNELL	JAMES	J.
	N	2nd Lt.	GOLD	ASHLEY	(NMI)
	B	S/SGT.	ELLINS	HERMAN	(NMI)
	RO	S/SGT.	BOWERS	JACOBS	J. JR.
	TT	M/SGT.	MANGUM	JUSTICE	E.
	BT	SGT.	KEMP	JAMES	E.
	TG	SGT.	DEFEBUAUGH	NORMAN	(NMI)
	WG	SGT.	MATLACK	WILLIAM	W.
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LEAD SQDN 94 B Gp

Combat Sq. Leader: MAJ GARLAND

Date 28 Jan

Deputy Sq. Leader: LT HUBBELL

Deputy Gp. Leader: LT HUBBELL

*Opsns*  
614 SQDN612 SC JABWOCK  
613 IN MACRO  
614 IW GOLFCLUB  
615 IY BUZZARD

MERCER (GARLAND)

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MORAN

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IW K | 8677

IW G | 8259

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MAYS

MC KAY

IW O | 7602

IY O | 8779

KING

MORTON

CALLAHAN

STEPHENES

IW P | 2012

IW B | 7151

IY K | 8425

IY J | 7113

THOMPSON, R.

IW T | 8646

FONDREN

COLE

IW Q | 7478

IW N | 8738

SPARES

SORENSEN

IW X | 8565

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IN A 8458 " 46*Ret*

HIGH SQDN 94 B Gp

Combat Sq. Leader: SCHAUNAMAN

Date 28 Jan

Deputy Sq. Leader: ASCHENBACH

Deputy Gp. Leader: HUBBELL

612 SQDN

612 SC JABWOCK

613 IN MACRO

614 IW GOLFCLUB

615 IY BUZZARD

SCHAUNAMAN

LONG

IW C 8033 (PFF)  
ASCHENBACH

SC L 8637

SC P 1891

612 SQUADRON

615 SQUADRON

ROADMAN

MAIRE

SC D 6992

IY C 2468

HUDNALL

JONES

HANSEN

CRACRAFT

SC S 8680

SC M 7039

IY P 8758

IY G 1983

COX

SC B 1662

COMER

SCHLEIMANN

SC F 8541

IN A 8458

SPARES

SC N 6506

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CAMPBELL

SC K 8733

GRND SP IY L 7551 Disp 29  
IN A 8458 Disp 46

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Combat Sq. Leader:

STELZER

Date 28 Jan 1945

Deputy Sq. Leader:

JENNINGS

Deputy Gp. Leader:

HUBBELL

LOW SQDN 94 "B" GP

613th SQDN

612 SC JABWOCK

613 IN MACRO

614 IW GOLFCLUB

615 IY BUZZARD

MC GOLDRICK (STELZER)

IN Q 8550 (PFF)

CURRAN

JENNINGS

IN K 1072

IN L 8941

SQDN

SQDA

STEELE

JONES

IN S 2947

IY B 1730

COX

HART

GRIMM

BENNETT

IN H 8607

IN U 7706

IY N 8810

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IN R 6113

BRADLEY

NIELSEN

IN N 8862

IN D 6588

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