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JACKSON M. PHIPPS,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

"MISSION SUMMARY"

MISSION NO. 40
20TH. MARCH, 1944

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

REPORT OF OPERATIONAL
DAY

MISSION No. **40**

Date: **20 MAR. 44**

TO: **FRANKFURT, GER.**

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

D-G-5

20 March, 1944.

SUBJECT: Comments of Crews Participating on Mission of 20 March 1944.

TO : COMMANDING OFFICER, Station 128, APO 557, U. S. Army.
(Thru Lt. Col. B. K. Voorhees and Lt. Col. A. C. Brooks.)

1. Lt. Harry J. Hershey (Pilot) A/C 1496, stated that it was his opinion that the formation climbed too slowly when the overcast was encountered; this caused the second element of the high squadron to fall out of formation, and it was at this point that the A/C piloted by Lt. John A. Dunaway (A/C 8033), stalled out; A/C 8033 was not seen again. Criticisms concerning the slow rate of climb were also made by Lt. Donald A. Currie (Pilot) A/C 9765, Lt. Sandy Lew (Pilot) A/C 9932, Lt. Mervin J. Christensen (Pilot) A/C 1087.

2. Lt. Donald A. Currie (Pilot) A/C 9765, observed that the airplane on the Group Leader's wing "flew all over the sky". This airplane Commander further observed that A/C 237978 (Triangle - G, TXK) filled in #7 position in lead Squadron on way to target whereas he should have filled in the lower Squadron.

3. The crew of Lt. Donald A. Currie (Pilot) A/C 9765, were disappointed upon opening their lunch bags to discover no candy bars.

4. The crew of Lt. Paul F. Scharff (Pilot) A/C 1593, request that they be allotted living quarters in some combat crew barracks; they state that there is too much noise in their present barracks.

5. The crew of Lt. Robert O. Stine (Pilot) A/C 7478, had to wait fifty (50) minutes for transportation from dispersal area to briefing room. An open truck was sent for the crew of Lt. Robert E. Vokaty (Pilot) A/C 2005, and inasmuch as it was raining they feel that their chutes might have been damaged.

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

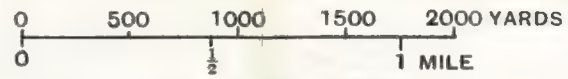
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ALFRED TEVES G.m.b.H.,
Etc.

FRANKFURT am MAIN
(GERMANY)

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Issued November 1943



TARGET A. ALFRED TEVES G.m.b.H.
 TARGET B. ALFRED TEVES G.m.b.H. (Branch Works).
 TARGET C. ADLERWERKE A.G.

TARGET D. J. & C. A. SCHNEIDER (Main Works).
 TARGET E. J. & C. A. SCHNEIDER (Branch Works).
 TARGET F. CONTINENTAL GUMMIWERKE A.G.

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TYPE A

DECLASSIFIED PER NND 7493
BY NARA DATE 21 02/11

Chaff will be carried by all A/C in your CBW.

8. Show nite target chart.
Most likely snow on the ground.
9. Show photo with MPI
Buildings painted with dark paint to blend with the surroundings.

10..Secondary target, if PFF, will be bombed by all CBW and will be the center of the city.

11. Special Instructions.

1. Any military targets in Germany proper, more than 50 miles from Occupied territory may be attacked under any conditions provided the mission instructions are followed.

Military targets in a zone less than 50 miles from Occupied Territory, must be positively identified and bombed visually.

No targets will be bombed in Occupied Territory unless specifically designated.

no convoys expected.

2. Friendly A/C

1. Some 51's may now be seen flying with red spinners and nose stripes.

2. Silver A/C in this Div. will have a black triangle with a white Gp letter. Other markings will be black.

3. P/W

If forced down in France, make your contacts between Amiens and Reims. Avoid the big towns and Paris without help.

If forced down in Germany, Head for France, but from the N avoid Alsace Lorraine; or into Belgium.

Make sure you have your passport photos, your dog tags and GI shoes.

Empty your pockets-of wallets, mail or any other means of identification.

Don't mention the target.

If A/C can't make the base on return, land at Dusseldorf.

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

20 MARCH 1944

SUBJECT: LOADING LIST

TO : OPERATIONS OFFICER, 401st BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H), AAF STATION 128

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

<u>DUTY</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>LAST NAME</u>	<u>FIRST NAME</u>	<u>MI</u>
<u>PLANE NO. 42-31593</u>				
P	2nd Lt.	SCHARFF	PAUL	F.
CP	2nd Lt.	ECKERT	CHARLES	A.
N	2nd Lt.	JAFFE	LEWIS	S.
B	2nd Lt.	ROWE	ROBERT	W.
RO	SGT.	STRONG	ROBERT	C.
TT	T/SGT.	KARL	RICHARD	I.
BT	S/SGT.	HEDELL	CHARLES	H.
TG	S/SGT.	SMALLIN	JAMES	H.
LWG	S/SGT.	TOMLINSON	ROSCOE	D.
RWG	SGT.	PYNIGAR	FREDERICK	G.

<u>PLANE NO. 42-31226</u>				
P	1st Lt.	STELZER	ROBERT	L.
CP	2nd Lt.	JOHNSON	WENDELL	T.
N	2nd Lt.	HOBBS	HERBERT	L.
B	2nd Lt.	WARREN	ROBERT	(NMI)
RO	T/SGT.	HECKER	DONALD	A.
TT	S/SGT.	GRIER	ELMER	C.
BT	S/SGT.	BLACK	JAMES	P.
TG	S/SGT.	NICELY	JOHN	H.
LWG	S/SGT.	RICE	EDWARD	J.
RWG	S/SGT.	HOLLAND	THOMAS	H.

<u>PLANE NO. 42-31005</u>				
P	2nd Lt.	VOKATY	ALFRED	E.
CP	2nd Lt.	GAMBRELL	WILLIAM	L. JR.
N	2nd Lt.	SCHACHTER	SHEA	(NMI)
B	2nd Lt.	STRODE	CHARLES	R.
RO	T/SGT.	HALPIN	RONALD	C.
TT	T/SGT.	BOROS	JOSEPH	J.
BT	S/SGT.	GRULL	HOWARD	M.
TG	S/SGT.	CANTER	WARREN	(NMI)
LWG	S/SGT.	SANDERS	ROY	G. JR.
RWG	SGT.	CAMPBELL	JOHN	F.

<u>PLANE NO. 42-31072</u>				
P	2nd Lt.	FITCHETT	LAWRENCE	E.
CP	2nd Lt.	CAMPBELL	BRUCE	M.
N	2nd Lt.	PFEIFFER	LAWRENCE	W.
B	2nd Lt.	DESHIDER	HAROLD	W.
RO	T/SGT.	BERGENER	MAX	H.
TT	T/SGT.	PARSLOE	BERTRAM	(NMI)
BT	S/SGT.	SASSI	LOUIS	M.
TG	S/SGT.	ROSE	ANTHONY	F.
LWG	S/SGT.	HANNABURY	RALPH	A.
RWG	SGT.	BAEHLER	JAMES	E.

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PLANE NO. 42-99932

P	2nd Lt.	LEW	SANDY	(DMI)
CP	2nd Lt.	FRIEST	GORDON	S.
N	2nd Lt.	SCHLIEPER	ROGER	F.
B	2nd Lt.	KELIN	JOHN	J.
RO	S/SGT.	MARTINEZ	RICHARD	V.
TT	T/SGT.	THAYER	BLISS	P.
BT	S/SGT.	FRANKLIN	PAT	H.
TG	S/SGT.	HIES	ALIE	T.
LWG	S/SGT.	ROBINSON	MARSHALL	D.
RWG	SGT.	MARTINELLI	ALEXANDER	M.

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PLANE NO. 42-31557

P	2nd Lt.	LENKETT	DANA	M.
CP	2nd Lt.	IRWIN	JAMES	R.
N	2nd Lt.	WHITING	MYRICK	J.
B	2nd Lt.	GOBER	DENE	C.
RO	SGT.	FAHNESTOCK	JAMES	E.
TT	S/SGT.	HARP	MORRIS	C.
BT	S/SGT.	GREGORY	DYLIN	C.
TG	SGT.	STREET	VICTOR	P.
LWG	SGT.	KLOIBER	STEPHEN	F.
RWB	SGT.	FETZER	ELMER	M.

WEATHER SHIP NO. 42-31081

P	MAJOR	BROWN	EDWIN EDWIN	W.
CP	1st Lt.	RIEGLER	WILLIAM	F.
N	1st Lt.	ANDERSON	WILLIAM	E.
RO	T/SGT.	LIPA	MILTON	G.

612TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
 401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
 OFFICE OF THE OPERATIONS OFFICER
 APO 634

AAF Station 128
 20 March 1944

SUBJECT: Loading List

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

Plane 42-31087

P	Christensen, Mervin J.	2nd Lt.	612th
CP	Dleppe, Fred H.	2nd Lt.	"
N	King, Paul J.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Weiman, Karl K.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Spivey, Marion D.	S/ Sgt.	"
TTG	Flagg, Robert D.	S/Sgt.	"
BTG	Nalbach, Paul L.	Sgt.	"
TG	Lopez, Juan C.	Sgt.	"
LWG	Coluccio, Anthony D.	Sgt.	"
RWG	Maleh, Irvin L.	Sgt.	"

Plane 42-38033

P	Dunaway, John A.	2nd Lt.	"
CP	Kane, Henry (NMI)	2nd Lt.	"
N	Mock, William J.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Krol, Theodore J.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Mastronardi, Francis J.	S/Sgt.	"
TTG	Horst, Harry C.	S/Sgt.	"
BTG	Rusch, Walter R.	Sgt.	"
TG	Benz, Marvin H.	Sgt.	"
LWG	Katsaros, John (NMI)	Sgt.	"
RWG	Crowley, John W.	Sgt.	"

Plane 42-39765

P	Currie, Donald A.	1st Lt.	"
CP	Johnston, Clayton A.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Jeffery, Morey B.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Graham, Fred E.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	DiPierro, Cosimo A.	T/Sgt.	"
TTG	Simmons, Harry G., Jr.	S/Sgt.	"
BTG	Graf, Cecil L.	S/Sgt.	"
TG	Henson, William W.	Sgt.	"
LWG	Severson, Marvel T.	S/Sgt.	"
RWG	Amber, Joe R.	S/Sgt.	"

Plane 42-40050

P	Smith, Stuart E.	1st Lt.	"
CP	Chmura, Stanislaw R.	1st Lt.	"
N	Reese, Victor S.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Majewski, Louis J.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Andrus, Robert L.	T/Sgt.	"
TTG	Carr, Maurice A.	T/Sgt.	"
BTG	Davies, Leonardo F.	S/Sgt.	"
TG	Parker, Harry C.	S/Sgt.	"
LWG	Scicchitano, Frank J.	S/Sgt.	"
RWG	Hopkins, Calvin W.	S/Sgt.	"

Contd. Loading List, 612th Bomb. Sq., dd. 20 March 1944

Plane 42-31498

P	Hershey, Harry J.	2nd Lt.	612th
PC	Woods, Robert R.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Buder, Eugene H.	1st Lt.	"
B	Montgomery, Thomas B.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Cherry, Noel C.	S/Sgt.	"
TTG	Fugh, Alfred E.	S/Sgt.	"
BTG	Chiccino, Joseph R.	Sgt.	"
TC	Joseph, Meload C.	Sgt.	"
LWG	Civello, Hubert C.	Sgt.	"
RWG	Gulan, Frank, F.	Sgt.	"

Plane 42-39943

P	Kuhl, Frank G.	2nd Lt.	"
CP	Czupryk, Edward J.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Sussman, Armand H.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Urry, William G.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Shaw, Edward (SMI)	S/Sgt.	"
TTG	Robinson, Charles E.	Sgt.	"
BTG	Dziedzic, Ray P.	Sgt.	"
TC	Rister, Kenneth A.	Sgt.	"
LWG	Funk, Robert D.	Sgt.	"
RWG	Terwiske, James G.	Sgt.	"

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

PLANE # 42-31985
 (IM) AAF - Std - 128 - APO - 634 (SEAN) TBAI SHAN YTUQ

20 March 1944

SUBJECT: Leading list.

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

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

PLANE # 42-39904

DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
P	1st Lt	Wysicki	Stephen	(NMI)	615th
CP	2nd Lt	Shelton	Herace	H.	615th
N	2nd Lt	Taylor	James	(NMI)	615th
B	2nd Lt	Gurvin	Robert	M.	615th
RO	T/Sgt	Kenny	Gerald	M.	615th
TT	Sgt	Roundtree	Charles	L.	615th
BT	S/Sgt	Hensley	Ora	H.	615th
TG	Sgt	Finchell	Sherwyn	(NMI)	615th
LWG	S/Sgt	Keen	Ernest	H.	615th
RWG	S/Sgt	Ostrowski	Julius	F.	615th

PLANE # 42-31985

DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
P	2nd Lt	Knight	Don	C.	615th
CP	2nd Lt	Huegin	William	B.	615th
N	2nd Lt	Cummings	Lawrence	T.	615th
B	2nd Lt	Chambers	Edward	C.	615th
RO	S/Sgt	Beller	James	E.	615th
TT	S/Sgt	Breen	Roland	J.	615th
BT	S/Sgt	Mackowiak	William	E.	615th
TG	Sgt	Elliott	Ralph	D.	615th
LWG	S/Sgt	Pacely	Charles	L.	615th
RWG	Sgt	Cope	Frederick	L.	615th

PLANE # 42-31521

DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
P	2nd Lt	Losinski	Stephen	J.	615th
CP	2nd Lt	Child	Elden	R.	615th
N	P/O	Rush	Louis	R.	615th
B	2nd Lt	Hughes	Harold	K.	615th
RO	S/Sgt	Weber	Bernard	J.	615th
TT	S/Sgt	Mercurio	Michael	H.	615th
BT	Sgt	Keller, jr.	James	F.	615th
TG	Sgt	Friedman	Irvin	I.	615th
LWG	Sgt	Crawley	Eugene	F.	615th
RWG	S/Sgt	Williams	John	A.	615th

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PLANE # 42-37745

SIX HUNDRED AND FIFTYTHIRD BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
 FOUR HUNDRED AND FIFTYTHIRD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
 Office of the Operations Officer
 AAF - 84718 - APO - 334

DUTY RANK LAST (NAME) (MI) SQUADRON

30 March 1944

SUBJECT: Leading list.

TO : Operations Officer, Joint Bomb Gr (H), APO # 334

1. Following is the list of Combat Crews participating in today's mission.
 Captain Gould George (MI) 815th

PLANE # 42-39904

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 CP
 N
 B
 RO
 TT
 BT
 TG
 LWG
 RWG

DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
P	1st Lt	Wysocki	Stephen	(MI)	815th
CP	2nd Lt	Shelton	Harold	H.	815th
N	2nd Lt	Taylor	James	(MI)	815th
B	2nd Lt	Gurvin	Robert	M.	815th
RO	P/O	Kenny	Gerald	M.	815th
TT	Sgt	Roundsreeves	Charles	L.	815th
BT	Sgt	Hensley	Ors	W.	815th
TG	Sgt	Finchell	Herwyn	(MI)	815th
LWG	Sgt	Keen	Ernest	H.	815th
RWG	Sgt	Gstrowski	John	V.	815th

PLANE # 42-31983

DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
P	2nd Lt	Knights	Dan	C.	815th
CP	2nd Lt	Huegin	William	H.	815th
N	2nd Lt	Commins	Lawrence	T.	815th
B	2nd Lt	Gunders	Howard	C.	815th
RO	Sgt	Belfer	James	K.	815th
TT	Sgt	Green	Roland	J.	815th
BT	Sgt	MacKowiak	William	E.	815th
TG	Sgt	Elliot	Ralph	D.	815th
LWG	Sgt	Pacejy	Charles	L.	815th
RWG	Sgt	Cope	Fredrick	L.	815th

PLANE # 42-31581

DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
P	2nd Lt	Lecinski	Stephen	J.	815th
CP	2nd Lt	Gillie	Edwin	R.	815th
N	P/O	Hugh	Louis	R.	815th
B	2nd Lt	Hughes	Harold	H.	815th
RO	Sgt	Weber	Bernard	J.	815th
TT	Sgt	Mercutio	Michael	G.	815th
BT	Sgt	Keller, Jr.	James	V.	815th
TG	Sgt	Friedman	Irwin	I.	815th
LWG	Sgt	Crawley	Ernie	V.	815th
RWG	Sgt	Williams	John	A.	815th

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

AAF Station # 128
20 March 1944

SUBJECT: Loading List.

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

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

*Plane 42-59846

P	1st Lt.	STIMSON, BOUDINOT (NMI)	614th
CP	2nd Lt.	TIMBERLAKE, ROBERT H.	"
N	2nd Lt.	CONNERY, JOHN K.	"
B	1st Lt.	PFAPPMAN, JACK L.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Mancuse, Carman L.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Kukurin, Karl E.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Melia, Paul S.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	LeSage, Alfred	"
LWG	Cpl.	Allen, Andrew L.	"
RWG	Cpl.	Amos, Paul J.	"

*Plane 42-40001

P	2nd Lt.	BARTLEY, LEO S.	614th
CP	2nd Lt.	HAMMOND, HOWARD W.	"
N	2nd Lt.	RYAN, WILLIAM G.	"
B	2nd Lt.	GARTER, JAMES P.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Frederick, Eugene D.	"
TT	Sgt.	Rager, Richard A.	"
BT	Sgt.	DeGraff, Andrew D.	"
TG	Sgt.	Hartwell, Dennis R.	"
LWG	Sgt.	Seagren, Carl K.	"
RWG	Pvt.	Sjergan, Gilbert	"

*Plane 42-59478

P	1st Lt.	STINE, ROBERT O.	614th
CP	2nd Lt.	KENOE, ROBERT J.	"
N	2nd Lt.	MILLER, LEE S. JR.	"
B	2nd Lt.	EMPRIC, WALTER P.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Keeney, Frank E.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Trump, Paul W.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Risi, John M.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Prager, Gilbert (NMI)	"
LWG	S/Sgt.	Thill, Richard G.	"
RWG	S/Sgt.	Phillips, Edward J.	"
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B			"
N			"
CL			"
S			"

*Plane 42-59846

***Plane 42-25012**

P	1st Lt.	CHAPMAN, ALVAN H. JR.	614th
CP	Capt.	GARLAND, WILLIAM C.	"
N	1st Lt.	SMITH, CHARLES M.	"
B	Major	PICKOFF, JULIUS	401st Hqs
RO	T/Sgt.	Pyle, Robert E.	614th
BT	T/Sgt.	Wilson, George B.	614th
ST	T/Sgt.	Cohen, Franklin G.	"
TC	Enlft.	HARRINGTON, KENNETH G.	"
IMG	T/Sgt.	Dayton, James E.	"
NWG	T/Sgt.	Brennan, Michael G.	"
NO	T/Sgt.	KEENE, ALBERT E.	"
U	Sgt. 1st	EMERIC, MYRTLE B.	"
H	Sgt. 1st	WITTE, PER C. 4th	"
CB	Sgt. 1st	KENGE, NORMAN J.	"
L	Tec. 1st	BLINE, NORMAN C.	614th

***Plane 42-25013**

HMG	Sgt.	WELLES, MYRTLE	"
IMG	Sgt.	ROCKEN, GUY E.	"
JC	Sgt.	WELLS, DONALD B.	"
BI	Sgt.	DEGLAY, VANCE D.	"
LI	Sgt.	WELLS, MYRTLE V.	"
NO	T/Sgt.	WELLES, DONALD B.	"
B	Sgt. 1st	WELLES, VANCE B.	"
H	Sgt. 1st	WELLS, MITCHELL C.	"
CB	Sgt. 1st	WELLES, DONALD M.	"
L	Sgt. 1st	WELLES, TEO B.	614th

***Plane 42-25001**

HMG	Sgt.	WELLES, TEO B.	"
IMG	Sgt.	WELLES, VANCE B.	"
JC	T/Sgt.	WELLES, VANCE D.	"
BI	T/Sgt.	WELLES, DONALD B.	"
LI	T/Sgt.	WELLES, MITCHELL C.	"
NO	T/Sgt.	WELLES, DONALD M.	"
B	Tec. 1st	WELLES, VANCE B.	"
H	Sgt. 1st	WELLES, JOHN E.	"
CB	Sgt. 1st	WELLES, DONALD M.	"
L	Tec. 1st	WELLES, DONALD (H)	614th

***Plane 42-25002**

I* Bottom of the list of names is corrected in copy, a list of
 10 : observations only of other names (H) via Section 4 221
 SUBJECT: names list.

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 VIA SECTION 4 130

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ROUTE FOR

DEE - 401

20 March 1944

0700 - 1600 hrs.

Change to Operational Forecast:

(1) Base to 02 Deg East

Bases to Target.

Winds

Level direction velocity

WEATHER Partly Cloudy with Base

(2) Nil Low Cloud increasing over Channel and Contin to 3-5/10 Cumulus base 2-3000ft. to 4-6000ft 3-5/10 Cirrus above 25,

2000'	320	15
5000'	320	20
10000'	320	30
15000'	320	40
20000'	320	50
25000'	320	60
30000'	320	70

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---NOTE---

Dense Non Persistent Contrails above 22,000ft. becoming Dense Persistent above 25,000ft.

(3) FUSILLING LEVEL AND INDEX

3000 feet NIL

Moderate to 3000 feet. Heavy Clear ice in Cumulus.

above 25,000ft. becoming 5-7/10 in Target Area

3000 ft. Light Rime in Cloud.

(4) VISIBILITY

2-4 miles becoming unlimited at flight altitude.

Unlimited at Flight Altitude.

Unlimited at Flight Altitude becoming 6-10 miles at surface at Bases.

HEIGHT	DIRECTION Base to 02 Deg East	VELOCITY	DIRECTION 05 Deg East to Target	VELOCITY	DIRECTION to peratures.	VELOCITY	DIRECTION	VELOCITY
SURFACE (5)	320	25	340	20	Plus 02			
2000 FT (6)	320	35	340	30	-06			
10000 FT (7)	330	50	340	40	-15			
15000 FT (2)	330	60	330	50	-25			
20000 FT (9)	340	70	330	60	-31			
25000 Ft (10)	340	80	330	70	-42			
30000 FT (11)	340	90	330	80	-51			

BASE ALTITUDE SETTING. 30.30 TARGET SURFACE TEMP. Plus 02 TARGET MEAN TEMP. -15.5... TARGET SURFACE PRESSURE. 30.18... Sea Level

ROUTE FORECAST

DATE 20 March 1944

PERIOD 0700 - 1600 hrs.

	(A) Base to 02 Deg East	(B) 02 Deg East to Target	(C) Target to Base	(D)
WEATHER (1)	Partly Cloudy with Haze	Partly Cloudy becoming Cloudy with Slight or Moderate Rain Showers at Surface.	Cloudy with Slight or Moderate Rain Showers at Surface over Continent East of 02 Deg East.	NOTE Dense Non Persistent Contrails above 22,000ft. Becoming Dense Persistent above 25,000ft.
CLOUDS (2)	Nil Low Cloud increasing over Channel and Continent to 3-5/10 Cumulus base 2-3000ft. to 4-6000ft. 3-5/10 Cirrus above 25,000ft.	3-5/10 Cumulus base 2-3000 ft. tops 4-6000ft. increasing rapidly to 6-9/10 Towering Cumulus base 1-2000ft. Tops 12-14,000ft. Isolated tops 16,000ft. 3-5/10 Cirrus above 25,000ft. becoming 5-7/10 in Target Area	6-9/10 Towering Cumulus 1-2000ft. tops 12-14,000 ft. Occasional tops 16,000ft. decreasing gradually to 5-7/10 Cumulus base 2-3000ft Tops 5-7000ft. West of 02 Deg East. 5-7/10 Cirrus above 25,000ft. increasing over England to 6-7/10	
FRESHING LEVEL AND INDEX (3)	3000 feet Nil	Moderate to 3000 feet. Heavy Clear ice in Cumulus.	3000 ft. Light Haze in Clouds.	
VISIBILITY (4)	2-4 miles becoming unlimited at flight altitude.	Unlimited at Flight Altitude.	Unlimited at Flight Altitude becoming 6-10 miles at surface at Base.	
HEIGHT	DIRECTION VELOCITY Base to 02 Deg East	DIRECTION VELOCITY 02 Deg East to Target	DIRECTION VELOCITY Sea pressure.	DIRECTION VELOCITY
SURFACE (5)	320 25	340 20	Plus 02	
2000 FT (6)	320 35	340 30	-06	
10000 FT (7)	330 50	340 40	-15	
15000 FT (8)	330 60	330 50	-25	
20000 FT (9)	340 70	330 60	-31	
25000 FT (10)	340 80	330 70	-42	
30000 FT (11)	340 90	330 80	-51	

BASE ALTITUDE SETTING 30.30 TARGET SURFACE TEMP. Plus 02 TARGET MEAN TEMP. -15.5 TARGET SURFACE PRESSURE 30.18 Sea Level

STATION WEATHER OFFICE
 AAF STATION 125
 APO 63, U.S. ARMY

20 March 1944

WEATHER INTERPOLATION SUMMARY FOR MISSION OF 20 MARCH 1944.

BASE AT TAKE OFF: (0615) 7/10 altocumulus and altostratus base 6000' with 9/10 plus altocumulus altostratus above. Visibility 3 miles.

ROUTE OUT: 5-10/10 multilayer cloud between 3500' to 9000'. Solid layer of altocumulus and altostratus bases 9000 tops 14-15,000' over England breaking to 5-6/10 over Southern England with 1-3/10 Cumulus below. 3-5/10 Cirrus. Middle cloud decreased to nil over channel. 1-3/10 Cumulus becoming 5-7/10 building cumulus tops 10-12000' over continent. Layer of thin altostratus started near 49.7°N 4.5°E tops 10,000 at first building up to a bank at 50°N 05°E with tops at 30,000' plus. Visibility unrestricted except in clouds.

TARGET: Turning point 50°03'N 06°35'E in solid cloud at 1130hours and 25,000'.

RETURN ROUTE: Similar to route out except 10/10 altocumulus and altostratus tops 9000' bases 6-7000' and 5-8/10 stratocumulus tops 4000' bases 1500'-2500'. Visibility 3-5 miles in base and light rain over England.

BASE ON RETURN: (1439) 8/10 stratocumulus base 1500' 10/10 altocumulus and altostratus above 6000'. Intermittent light rain. Visibility 2 miles.

REMARKS: Forecast wind direction good, velocity stronger than forecast (20000' 320° 68 knts.). Temperatures were 5° warmer than forecast. Contrails started to form over England at 15000'; at first light non-persistent but became progressively denser and more persistent.

Walter A. Hurley
 WALTER A. HURLEY,
 1st Lt., Air Corps,
 Station Weather Officer.

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

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22 March 1944

SUBJECT: Crew Comments and Suggestions, Mission of 22 March 1944.

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

1. S/Sgt Bernard M Weber, ROG, A/C 1091, "No flare kit for dinghy equipment".
2. Lt Engelhardt, Navigator, A/C 9847, stated there was no fire in navigator room. The entire crew said the chow Tuesday night was bad - a lot of boys had the GI's.
3. Entire crew, A/C 3507, complained of the lack of fires in the mess hall.
4. Capt W E Rumsey, Pilot A/C 9904 stated the landing pattern was three times too large.
5. Lt Jones, pilot A/C 1037 commended Capt Stamm for his leadership of the Group.
6. Lt W J Otton, pilot A/C 1069, said "Transportation poor, had to wait one hour and a half after landing." The entire crew stated "Feed for breakfast bad."

W. B. FRY,
Major, AC,
Group S-2 Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS
AAF STATION 128
APO 557

22 March, 1944

SUBJECT: B-4 Combat Mission Report on Mission 22 March, 1944.
TO : Commanding Officer, 1st Bombardment Division, APO 557.

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

Oil Temperature Gauge Out (1) Generators Out (1)
Oxygen Regulator Failure (4) Hydraulic System Out (20)
Oil Regulator Failures (2) Supercharger Lags (2)

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

None Reported.

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

None Reported.

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

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

A.P.O. 557
 22 March, 1944.

SUBJECT: Mission Summary Report

TO : Group Operations, Station 128, APO 557.

1. Abortive.

a. None.

2. Battle Damage.

a. 42-31081 - Flak hole through vertical stabilizer, near leading edge, damaging stringer.

b. 42-31037 - Flak hole through leading edge of right elevator.

c. 42-39932 - Two small flak holes in top of # 2 nacelle; Flak hole in right side of vertical stabilizer, damaging stringer; Flak hole in right side of fuselage, beneath Navigator's window.

d. 42-31098 - Small flak hole through tip of left horizontal stabilizer; Small flak hole through right horizontal stabilizer; Small flak hole in top of right wing tip.

e. 42-31116 - Small flak hole in bottom of right wing, near tip; Three flak holes in right side of fuselage, near waist position.

<u>TOTAL NO.</u> <u>OF A/C</u>	<u>MAJOR</u> <u>DAMAGE</u>	<u>MINOR</u> <u>DAMAGE</u>	<u>BY</u> <u>FLAK</u>
5	0	5	5

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

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

A.P.O. 557
22 March, 1944.

SUBJECT: Armament Narrative, Mission No. 40, 22 March, 1944.

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

1. The following Armament malfunctions were reported at the conclusion of the mission of 22 March, 1944.

A negative Armament malfunction and Bomb Rack report is submitted for the mission of 22 March, 1944.

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