MISSION NO. 162 To: MUNSTER, GERMANY

401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)

REPORT OF OPERATIONAL

DAY

MISSION SUMMARY REPORT

MISSION # 162

Date 28 October 1944

ASSIGNMENT

1. Assigned Target:

MUNSTER, GERMANY

2. Commitments:

The 401st Group was to furnish three 12 A/C Squadrons for the 94th "B" Group. A PFF A/C was furnished each Squadron and a spare was to accompany each squadron.

EXECUTION

1. Target Bombed:

NUMSTER, GERMANY (Marshalling Yards)

2. a. Group Leader:

Major E. T. DE JONCKHEERE (Coleman)

Lead Navigator:

1st Lt. H. E. KRON (Strong- "Mickey")

Extra Navigator:

1st Lt. H. D. FISHBECK

Lead Bombardier:

1st Lt. E. K. STOUT

b. Low Squadron Leader:1st Lt. B. C. KONZE

Lead Navigator:

1st Lt. O. L. STORK (Walters - "Mickey")

Lead Bombardier:

1st Lt. A. G. KOSSUTH

c. High Squadron Leader: Major J. H. HAVEY (Mercer)

Lead Navigator:

1st Lt. L. E. GASKINS (Winograd - "Mickey")

Lead Bombardier:

1st Lt. T. J. KLEFISCH

3. Flight Over England:

a. Takeoff:

Daylight takeoff and climb to Cottesmore Buncher. Assembly was 'advised by the weather ship to be at briefed plus 8000', but was changed by the tower during climb to briefed minus 3000'. This made assembly at 8000' and was necessitated by weather at the higher altitude.

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b. Squadron and Group Assemblies:

Assembly was commenced with lead Squadron at 8,000', however low squadron was having trouble so altitude was changed to 9,000'. Radio compass was inoperative in lead ship but visual contact was made with Cottesmore Field. Group left buncher on the North side and on time.

c. Route over England:

94th "B" was a little ahead and to the left of 94th "A" from buncher to Wing assembly line. When turn was made on to Wing Assembly line 94th "B" fell in behind and a little to the right of 94th "A" -- interval was about 1 minute. This position was held during flight along Division Assembly line which was from Control Point 1 (English Coast to Control Point 2 (Duthch Coast).

4. Attack:

a. Flight to Target:

94th "B" was 4th Group of 1st Division (contained five Groups) all to bomb at 23,000'. 94th "B's" position was from Division Assembly until target one minute behind and generally to the right of 94th "A". While yet 15 minutes from IP "Buckeye Red" gave target conditions as follows: 3/10 - 8/10 low cloud, heavy haze and cloud at 24,000' and recommendavisual run assisted by Mickey. Squadron's made indivdual runs. All made PFF runs assisted by visual corrections. Flak was moderate and accurate.

b. Bombing Run:

Lead Squadron:

The cloud cover at the IP was about 8/10. We cut just a little short of the briefed IP and leveled out on course with the Mickey Operator in control. The clouds were breaking up allowing more visibility as we drew nears to the target. At one time the Bombardier tried to take the control from the Mickey man but the clouds again intervened making it impossible to synchronize and make the run visually. We were riding in on Mickey's calculations until about 1/2 a minute before bombs away when the clouds broke and the Bombardier could see the target just off to the right. The Bombardier made a correction for course but did not vary the rate. The bombs were dropped PFF with visual assistance. Bombs were away at 1434 on a Mag. Heading of 1260. The AFCE was O.K. The lead salvoed; all others used a 30 ft. intervalometer setting. Results were unobserved.

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4. b. Bombing Run (Cont'd):

Low Squadron

We arrived at the IP 16 minutes late and turned on the bomb run as briefed, falling in trail of the Lead Squadron. The visibility was very poor with 7 - 8/10ths cloud cover. The run was made by Mickey with a slight visual assist a few seconds before bombs away. The Lead ship salvoed; balance of formation dropped with a 30 foot intervalometer setting. A few bomb strikes were seen but they could not be positively identified as ours. The AFCE worked satisfactorily.

This report is contrary to the previously submitted prelimnary report - other factors were discovered that have altered the original bomb run information.

High Squadron:

We came off the IP as briefed. The cloud cover was about 8/10 - 9/10. The Mickey Operator had the ship from the IP for only small patches of unidentified ground could be seen through the breaks in the clouds. Just before bombs away parts of the city and surrounding area could be seen and identified for the cloud cover at that time had dwindled to about 3/10. The bombardier never saw the assigned MPI but from the area that was visible he could see that the Mickey man had brought them in a little to the left so he put in a small correction to the right. Bombs were salvoed by the Leader and dropped with a 30 foot intervolometer setting by all others. The run was made PFF with a visual assist by the Bombbardier. AFCE worked satisfactorily. Results could not be seen.

c. Flight from Target:

During last half of bomb run and for 5 minutes after target contrails and thin cloud conditions were encountered causing the three Squadrons to lose visual contact. Briefed course was followed except that descent was made to 500° below briefed and finally 1,000° below briefed. Visual contact with Squadrons was again made and the Group reformed. Descent was not made at Dutch Coast as planned but altitude of 23,000° was maintained until 1/3 back across channel dut to high clouds over 1st third of channel.

d. Return to Base:

After letdown was initiated it was continued down through by weaving around scattered cloud layers and finally leveling off at 1,500' just inside the English Coast. Lead Squadron was trailed by Low and High in that order until base was reached. All ships landed safely at home base.

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4. e. Weather:

Weather over continent varied from 5/10 to 8/10 in different areas. Target conditions were 3/10 to 8/10 heavy ha e with high thin layer at 23,500'. Persistent contrails where encountered 1/2 way down bomb run.

f. Fighter Support:

Fighter support was excellent.

g. Comments on Formation:

The Squadrons formations and Group formation on a whole were very good. During poor visual conditions at Target and short time afterwards the individual boxes maintained good formation. The Group was split up but regained formation when visual conditions were again encountered.

h. Conclusions and Recommendations:

The mission was successful and accomplished almost as briefed. The ability of the individual squadrons to maintain good formation over the Target can be attributed only to efforts of the individual airplane commanders.

5. Aircraft Not Attacking:

All scheduled aircraft attacked.

6. Enemy Opposition:

No air opposition was encountered. (See flak report for flak)

7. Battle Damage:

Major	Minor	To Flak
2	21	23

8. Casualties:

2 - Slightly Wounded.

1 - Seriously Wounded.

9. Statistical Summary of Operations (See attached form)

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10. Bombing Data:

a. Observations:

Lead Squadron:

A few strikes were seen with within the target area, but they could not be identified. However results were thought good.

High and Low Squadrons:

Due to partial undercast, strikes were not observed. They should have been close to the assigned MPI.

b. Disposition of Bombs:

All the 12 A/C E.E.T. attacked the primary target, dropping 167 GP's and 48 IB'S. The spares A/C returned 14 GP's and 4 IB's.

Low Squadron:

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High Squadron:

Of the 12 A/C E.E.T., eleven attacked the primary target, dropping 151 GP's and 42 IB's. A/C # 160 encountering bomb bay troulbe over the target selected an unknown target of opportunity 9 miles past the target and dropped 14 GP's and 4 IB's. One other A/C jettisoned 1 GP, another returned 2 IB's, and the spare returned 14 GP's and 4 IB's.

c. Tabular Summary of Disposition of Bombs:

	Airo	raft		Во		
	Over Target	Bomb- ing	Num- ber	Size	Туре	Fusing Nose Tail
Main Bombfall	36	35	(484 (138	250# 500#	M57 M17 IB	1/10 1/40 Ml27
Other Attacks (T. of O.)	(1)	1	(14	250# 500#	M57 M17 IB	1/10 1/40 M 127
Total Bombs on Target			(498 (142	250# 500#	M47 M17 IB	1/10 1/40 M 127
Other Expenditures	*))		1	250#	M57	1/10 1/40
Bombs Returned			(42	250# 500#	M57 M17 IB	1/10 1/40 M 127
Total (Loaded on A/C Taking	Off)	- 5 -	541 156	250# 500#	M57 M17 IB	1/10 1/40 M 127

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11. Lost Aircraft:

None.

Submitted By:

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

STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

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3. No. of A/C Airborne Less Spares	11	1	11	1	11	1
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5. No. of A/C Attacking	11	1	n	1	11	1
6. No. of A/C Not Attacking	_					
(a) Early Returns Included	100					
7. Name of Primary Target	MUNSTE	R, GERMANY	(EIE)			
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(b) No., Size & type of bombs	154 250# @P	12 250#GP	154 250# GP	13 250# GP	138 250# GP	13 250#CP
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15 to Enemy A/C					-	
16 to Accident			- F	- 1		
17 to Unknown			T. K.			
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18.	Time of Takeoff	LEAD 1043	10W 1105	HIGH 1055
19,	Time of Attack	1434	14342	14341
27.	Average Time of Flight	5.9	5.8	6.1
21.	Altitude of Release	22,500	21,500	23,500
22.	Visual or PFF	PFF/VIS	PFF/VIS	PFF/VIS
23.	Enemy Resistance - AA Int.&ACC	Meager to Mod	Meager to Mod	Meager to Mod
24.	- Fighters	-	-	
25.	- Bombers			
26.	U.S. A/O Engaged by Enemy A/C	-	_	
27.	Degree of Success	GOOD	UNOBSERVED	UNOBSERVED

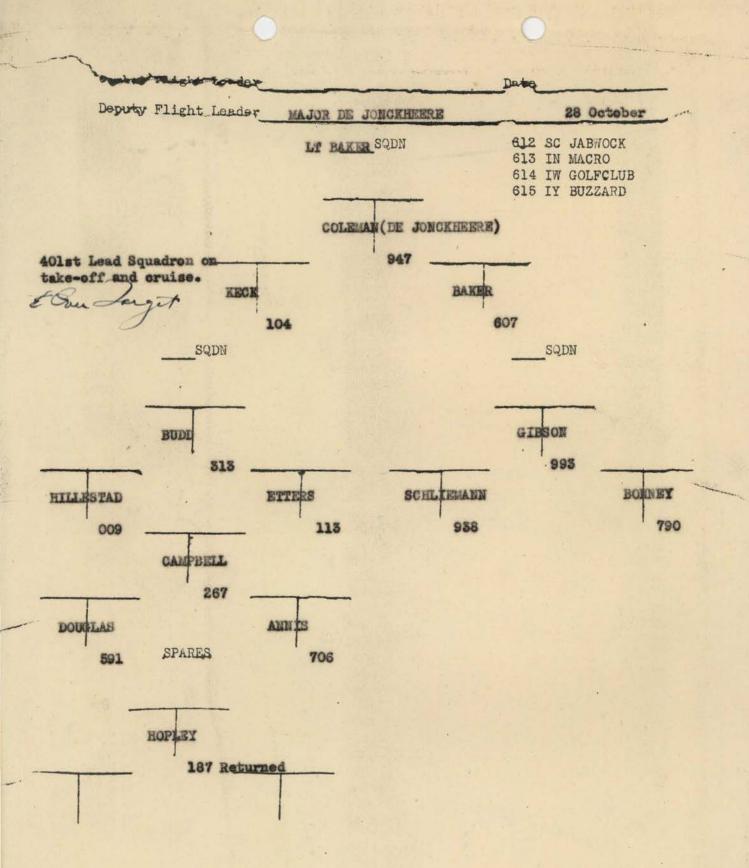
PFF A/C Borrowed from Groups as follows:

PFF A/C Loaned to Groups as Follows:

NONE

NOTES:

PFF bombing run with visual corrections.



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	28 October 1844
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,	Commanding Officer, 401st Bombardment Group (H)
1.	Flight plan, Log, and Track Chart Attached.
2.	Narrative,
	a. T/O at 1043 hours; Land at 1638 hours.
	b. Group formed at 1115 hours at 9000 feet.
	c. Formed CBW at 1228 hours at 14000 feet.
	d. Began climb at 1210 hours; reached alt. at 1320 hours.
	. Weather encountered over England:
	(1) Clouds 6 / 10th - Visability 20 miles.
	(2) Wind at altitude 157 degrees, 38 Knots. @ 18000
	f. Means of navigation over England. D.R. Pilotage Gee
	E. Means of checking Metro Winds Gee, mickey
	he Joined task force at 1246 hrs. at Cromer
	(Splasher, City, Coord.)
	1. English Coast out at 1246 hrs.; Enemy Coast in at 1332
	j. Fighter Rendezvous:
	(1) Going in 1332 hra.
	(2) Coming back hrs.
	k. Wind used for bombing:
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•	k. Wind used for bombing: (1)
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Radio compass out. 10 R.P.M. per min.

COMMENTS: Bombs Away at 1434 on M. H. 126 from 23000. Primary, visual.

/S/ Horace E. Kron
HORACE E. KRON
1st Lt., A. C.
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BJEC	CT: Lead Navigator's Narrative	
	* Commending Officer, 401st Rombardment Group (H)	
1	1. Flight plan, Log, and Track Chart Attached.	
,2,	2. Narrative:	
	a. T/O at 1105 hours; Land at 1653 hours.	
	b. Group formed at 1209 hours at 7000 feet.	
	c. Formed CFW at hours at feet.	
	d. Began climb at 1209 bours, resched alt. at 1330 hours.	
	e. Weather ancountered over England:	
	(1) Clouds 6-8 / 10th . Visability UnRimitedmiles.	
	(2) Wind at altitude 155 degrees65 Knots.	
	f. Means of navigation over Englando Gee and D.R.	_
	g. Means of checking Metro Winds Gee, Pilotage	-
	h. Joined task force at 1230 nrs, at Watton to Cromer (Splasher, City, Coord.)	<u></u>
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	j. Fighter Rendezvous:	-
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	(2) Coming back bre.	
	k. Wind used for bombing:	
	(1) 155 degrees 65 Knots.	
	(2) Determined by Pilotage (Method)	
	1. Bomb run and Method of Target Identifications	
	(1) Reached IP at 1424 hrs. (2) Mag. heading over target 127 degrees. (3) Altitude over target 22300 feet. (4) Bombs away at 14341 hrs. (5) Method of target identification and weather over target.	7
	6-8/10ths cu. Pilotage. PFF approach half way down run.	7
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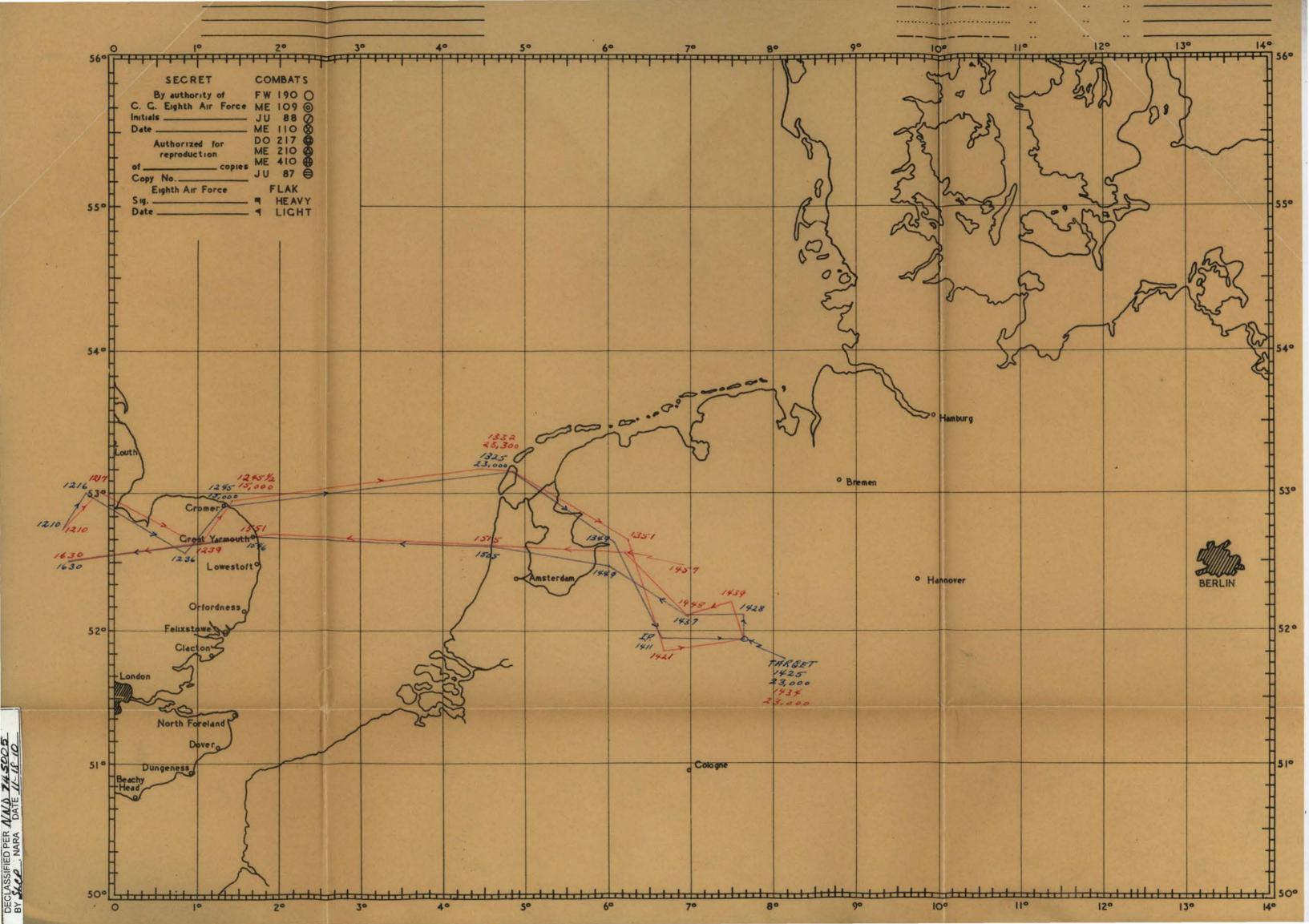
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High Sq.

	28 October	1944
JBJECT: Lead Navigator's Narrative		
commanding Officer, 401st Rombardment Group (H)		
1. Flight plan, Log, and Track Chart Attached.		
,2. Narrative:		
a. T/O at 1055 hours; Land at 1700 hou	rs.	
b. Group formed at 1210 hours at 10000	fest.	
c. Formed CFW at 1210 hours at 9000 fe	et.	
d. Began climb at 1210 hours, resched alt. at	1327 hours.	
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(1) Clouds 5 / 19th " Visability UNL	miles.	
(2) Wind at altitude 160 degrees 32	Knots.	
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j. Fighter Rendezvous:		-
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k. Wind used for bombing		
(1) 160 degrees, 32 Knots.		
(2) Determined by Wickey (Method)		
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COMBAT BOMBING FLIGHT RECORD

BOMBARDIER Lt. Stout	DATE 22 Oct 1944
	TAKE OFF 1084
NAVIGATOR Lt. From	AI RPLANE
HING 94th B Gp GROUP 401st	
OBJECTIVE Hunster, Germany	(MPI)
METHOD OF ATTACK	*
METHOD OF ATTACK Individual Flight	Squadron Group wing
NUMBER A/C IN GROUP 12	COMPOSITE GROUP
DEFLECTION AND RANGE SIGHTING GROUP	od 1/0 COMPOSITE GROUP
NUMBER A/C DROPPING BOMBS BY OWN SIGHT	ING OPERATION: 1 A/C
BOMBS, TYPES AND SIZES 500# # 17	FUSING: NOSE FAIL
, BOMBS, TYPES AND SIZES 2504 1 57	FUSING: NOSE 1/10 TAIL 1/40
NUMBER OF BOMBS LOADED 48 186	GPs RELEASED 48 IBs 166 GPs
INFORMATION AT RELEASE POINT: PER WITH	VISUAL ASSIST:
Altitude of Target 210	Temp Aloft: Metro -51 Actual -55
True Altitude above target 22500	Mag Head, order 107 Actual 126
Ind. Altitude 28000	True Heading 133
Pressure alt of target	Drift, Est 101 Actual 101
Altimeter setting 29192	True Track 123
C.I.A.S. 150 I.A.S. 150	Actual Range 9875
G.S. Est 206 Actual 196	В.S.Туре
Wind Direc Metro 170 Actual 180	Time of Release 1434
Wind Veloc. Hetro 41 Actual 50	Intervalometer Setting 3000
D.S 132.4 Trail 79 ATF 40.42	Length of Bombing Run 37mlles
Tan. D.A. Est Actual	C-1 Pilot Yes A-5
Mean Temp: Metro10.2 Actual13	Manual Pilot
Type of Release: Lead A/C Salvo	Type of Release: Other A/C

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COMBAT BOMBING FLIGHT RECORD

BOMBARDIER	DATE
PILOT LOS ROUSE	TAKE OFF
NAVIGATOR	1085
WING GROUP	SQDN LANDED
OBJECTIVE Mosney, Germany	(MPI)
	Squadron Group Wing
DEFLECTION AND RANGE SIGHTING GROUP	COMPOSITE GROUP
NUMBER A/C DROPPING BOMBS BY OWN SIGHT	MI 2/0
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NUMBER OF BOMBS LOADED	RELEASED 1/40
INFORMATION AT RELEASE POINT:	GPS 68 IBs 167 GP
Altitude of Target	Temp Aloft: Metro Actual
True Altitude above target	Mag Head, orderActual
Ind. Altitude	True Heading
Pressure alt of target	Drift, EstActual
Altimeter setting	True Track
C.I.A.S. I.A.S. 180	Actual Range
G.S. Est Actual Actual	В. S. Туре
Wind Direc Metro Actual	Time of Release
Wind Veloc. Metro Actual Actual	Intervalometer Setting
D.S ATF ATF	Length of Bombing Run
Tan. D.A. Est Actual	C-1 Pilot A-5
Mean Temp: Metro Actual	Manual Pilot
Type of Release: Lead A/C	Type of Release: Other A/C

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COMBAT BOMBING FLIGHT RECORD

BOMBARDIER TA KINESON	DATE 28 Oct 1964
	TAKE OFF
NAVIGATOR	AI RPLANE
	SQDN LANDED 1663
	(NPI)
METHOD OF ATTACK Individual Flight	Squadron Group ding
	COMPOSITE GROUP
	COMPOSITE GROUP
NUMBER A/C DROPPING BOMBS BY OWN SIGHTI	
	FUSING: NOSE TAIL
BOMBS, TYPES AND SIZES	FUSING: NOSE 1/10 TAIL 1/10
NUMBER OF BOMBS LOADED	RELEASED 46 TRO 164 GPs
INFORMATION AT RELEASE POINT: PPF WE THE	A VISUAL ASSIST:
Altitude of Target	Temp Aloft: Metro31
True Altitude above target 23500	Mag Head, order 107 Actual 127
Ind. Altitude 28600	True Heading 184
Pressure alt of target	Drift, Est 10 Actual 94
Altimeter setting 29.92	True Track 123
C.I.A.S. 150 I.A.S. 150	Actual Range 10485
G.S. Est 206 Actual 183	B.S.Type
Wind Direc Metro 170 Actual 160	Time of Release 1454
Wind Veloc. Metro A Actual	Intervalometer Setting 30ft
D.S 129 Trail 79 ATF 41.22	Length of Bombing Run
Tan. D.A. Est Actual45	C-1 Pilot Yos A-5
Mean Temp: Metro Actual	Manual Pilot
Type of Release: Lead A/C	Type of Release: Other A/C

CONTRACTOR TAN 401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)

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Office of the Communications Officer AAF Sta 128, APO 557

Reference Field Order 536.	88 OCTOBER 194/4
SUBJECT: Communications Report, Operational Mission	No 162.
TO : Commanding Officer, 401st Bomb Gp (H), AAF	Sta 128, APO 557.
SECTION ONE - USE OF RADIO NAVIGATI	ONAL AIDS
1. Radio Beacons used: 3. HF/DF	
Splashers 0 4. VHF/DF	Bearings 2
Fixed Beacons 0 5. Distre	ss Action
	A/C using Gee36
2. MF/DF FixesO Maxi	mum Fix <u>0611E-5233N</u>
SECTION TWO - USE OF PFF	
1. Total H2X A/C dispatched	_3
2. Total H2X A/C over target	
3. Total H2X sets usable for bombin	g <u>3</u>
SECTION THREE - USE OF RCM	
1. Total A/C releasing Chaff	_33
2. Total number of units released	7,128
SECTION FOUR - REMARKS	
MANAGE SECURIOR SECUR	
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Harold M. Kennard J. 4em.
HAROLD M. KENNARD, JR. 4em.
Capt, Air Corps,
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Report on A.A. Gunfire.

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LT. P. R. MYERS

Two to three ground gockets were observed on bomb run coming up considerably ahead of formation, bursting high.

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28 October 1944.

SUBLECT: Crow Comments and Suggestions.

TO : COMMANDING OFFICER, AAF Sta. 128, APO 557, US Army. (Thru Lt. Col. W. T. Schwell.)

- 1. Crew of Lt. Romie A. Annis, (P) A/C 7706, was unanimous in saying formation today was good. Lt. Bermard J. Madden, (N), says Cottosmore Exacher comes in and then fades out.
- R. Lt. Glen H. St. Aubyn, (P) A/C S160, (spare A/C), states that flak suits were too short and all the same sizes. P/O Bleer B. Crossman, (B), might not have been injured if he had been wearing the proper sized suit. Sgt. Harry R. Dearborn, (Tr), says left gun was out and also one chin turret (solenoid was out). A/C B160 was a ground spare and this crow flow it at the last minute.
 - 5. The following orividisms were made regarding transportation:
 - a. Lt. Clayton R. Budd, (P) A/C 6515, and craw, (dispersel \$50) Three erows too many for one truck.

b. Lt. Robort B. Campbell, (P) A/C 8267, (dispersal \$48) - weited one

hour, then obtained ride on another truck.

- c. Lt. Roy H. Bonney, (P) A/C 790, (dispersal \$15) waited from 1630 to 1748 for a truck and finally was forced to catch a ride on another truck.
- i. Lt. Robort J. Rock, (P) A/C 6104, (dispersal \$45) waited 45 minutes for a truck at dispersal area. He other eres was in truck.
- e. Lt. John C. Crozier, (P) A/C 8880, (dispersal \$48) and crew, transportation today was again very poor.
- 4. The following navigators suggested that the room used for pre-briefing navigators should have been heated this morning: Lt. Bernard L. Elots, A/C 6215; Lt. Prederick L. Campbell, A/C 2009; Lt. James E. Silliam, A/C 2008 and Lt. Leon P. Stuart, A/C 8256.
- 5. Lt. Clayton N. Hudd. (F) A/C 6515 no lights in both officers and en-
- 6. The reliewing crows requested more rations (especially cookies) for use on missions: Lt. Robert B. Gampbell, (P) A/C 8267; Lt. Francis B. Rundell, (P) A/C 7780 and Lt. Fraderick H. Babcock, (P) A/C 8286.

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









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BRIEFING NOTES

NO SECONDARY OR LAST RESORT TARGET IS MENTIONED IN THE F/O, WHICH MEANS THAT ONLY THE PRIMARY TARGET IS TO BE ATTACKED EITHER VISUALLY OR BY MEANS OF PFF. HOWEVER, IF IT BECOMES NECESSARY TO BOMB ELSEWHERE, THE S.O.P OF BOMBING OF RHINE RIVER RAIL AND ROAD BRIDGES ANDERHOSOF RAIL AND ROAD BRIDGES EAST OF THE RHINE R. WILL BE FOLLOWED. NO OTHER MIL ITARY OBJECTIVES WILL BE BOMBED.

FIGHTER SUPPORT: 2 GPS OF P 51s

EPPIE PROCEDURE:

LAST MINUTE INTELLIGENCE: NO FRIENDLY CONVOYS ON ROUTE IN OR OUT.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: (READ HINTS TO GUNNERS)
P/W PROCEDURE TO BE FOLLOWED:

IF FORCED DOWN MAKE YOUR WAY BACK TO OUR LINES TRAVELLING BY NIGHT.

IF FORCED DOWN IN HOLLAND, GO TO "EARTH" AT ONCE - HIDE AND LIE UP FOR THE FIRST 24 HOURS. YOUR OWN PARTICULAR POSITION WILL BEPEND ON WHITHER YOU WILL ALL OW OUR LINES TO OVERRUN YOU OR TO INFILTRATE BACK TO OUR LINES.

IN HOLLAND NORTHERN PART IS PROTESTANT AND SOUTHERN PART CATHOLIC- SEEK HELP ONLY FROM CATHOLIC.
HELP FROM PARTH POLICEMEN IS TO BE AVOIDED, UNLESS IT IS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY, AND THEN SEEK A YOUNGER TYPE IF POSSIBLE. AVOID ANYONE WHO WEARS A BADGE IN HIS LAPEL, FOR THAT USUALLY DENOTES A QUISLING.
YOUR BEST APPROACH TO A SINGLE HELPER IS TOWARDS EVEN ING.

CHECK CREWS FOR SOP CHECK ITEMS.

LT. H.L. KNOPMAN

Pre Briefing Notes

- Munster, Germany is the primary target for today's operation. The
 assigned M.P.I. is the center of the main marshalling area.
 On Sept. 30th this group paid its last visit to this target and
 did an excellent job of P.F.F. bombing although little damage was done
 to the marshalling area.
- 2. No secondary or last resort targets have been assigned.
- 3. The 401st is the "B" group in the 94th Wing.
 - a) Major De Jonkeere is the 401st Group Air Commander
 - b) Major Carraway will be the 94th Wing Air Commander.
 - c) the 351st is the "A" Group in the Wing and the 457th is the "C" Group.
 - 4. The 401st will be preceded by the 1st A and B groups and the 94th A Gp. and will be followed only by the 94th C Group.
 - a) All 5 groups in the 1st Division are going to the same target.
 - 5. The 3 Division consisting of 5 groups will attack Hamm
 The 2nd Division haz a holiday.
 - 6. Fighter support will consist of 2 groups of P-51s, one group giving close support to the 1st 3 groups and the other giving close support to the last 2 groups
 - 7. Bomb load consists of 14 X 250 lb G.P. with 1/10 nose fusing and 1/40 tail fusing plus 4 m-17's

Intervalometer setting is 30 feet.

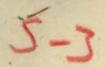
Bombing altitude will be 23,000'

Zero hour is 1030 hours

P.F.F. aircraft will lead weach squadron.

8. There are 68 guns withing range. 71 gund in area, 44 in va

9. Call on Col. Seawell and the operations officers for comments if any Ask if there are any questions then dismiss pilots and co-pilots



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

78 37 October 1944

SUBJECT: Loading List

TO : Operations Officer, 401st Bombardment Group (H), AAF Sta 128, APO 557

A/C 43-57930			
P	Lagemoe, Louis Jr.	2nd Lt.	61247
CP	Stein, William T.	2nd Lt.	612th
H	Hyman, Mathan W.	2nd Lt.	612th
В	Burge, Charles R.	2nd Lt.	612th
ROG	Huskey, Surtis O.	s/Sgt	612th
TTG	Greapman, Richard C.	2/Sgt	612th
BTG	Otherl, Hayes B., Jr.	8/Sgt	612th
TG	Azevedo, Philbert B.	S/Sgt	612th
44-6506	Harold, Lloyd B.	S/Sgt	612th
A/0 42-100002			
P	Raodman, Julian (INII)	2nd Lt.	612th
CP	Compton, Henry W.	2nd Lt.	612th
N	Emusse, Robert H.	F/0	612th
B	Whitlook, James P.	2nd Lt.	612th
ROG	Blehisak, Alfrd (MAI)	Sgt	612th
TIG	Landers, John A.	agt	612th
BTG	Hall, Bugene He	Sgt	612th
TO	Wood, Donald S.	Sgt	612th
FG	Hill, Earle R., Jr.	Sgt	612th
A/0 42-39998			
2	Gibson, Roger C.	1st Lt.	612th
CP CP	Whole Cost of the Amundson, Wen	2nd Lt.	612th
n	Brand, George C.	1st Lt.	612th
В	Memler, Arden G.	lst Lt.	612th
ROG	Heikkinen, Carl R.	T/Sgt	612th
TTG	Williamson, Joseph R.	T/Sgt	612th
BTG	Roothler, Roland V.	S/Sgt	612th
TG	King, Francis E., Jr.	S/Sgt	612th
FG 43-38541	Phelps, Durwood W.	s/sgt	612th
A/G 44-6886			
P	Comer. Jack P.	2nd Lt.	612th
OP .	Matthes, Francis R.	2nd Lt.	612th
N	Weinstein, Byron (NMI)	2nd Lt.	612th
B	Smith, Alvie L.	2nd Lt.	612th
ROG	Hulse, Marold A.	Sgt	612th
TIG	Bixby, Joseph (BMI) Jr.	Sgt	612th
BIG	Erland, Cletus M.	Sgt	612th
TG	Kirkhuff, Leonard M.	Sgt	612th
FG	Mainprize, Jack B.	S/Sgt	612th
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No.	43-37938 43-80607			
	P CP	Schliemarm, Donald M. Meyrowitz, Irving (RMI)	End Lt.	612th 612th
	M	Schmeek, David (MMI)	F/0	612th
	B	Swatosh, Kenneth J.	2nd Lt.	612th
	ROG TTG	Pendley, Garland B. Zabel, Bruce H.	Sgt	612th 612th
	BTG	Rames, Duane H.N.	Sgt	618th
	20	Madden, Ted H.	Sgt	612th
	FG 43-38637	Kelly, John C.	Set	612th
	A/C 49-107080			
,		Long. Robert L.	F/0	612th
	CP	Watterson, Stuart E., Jr.	F/0	612th
	N	Crick, Lawrence A.	2nd Lt.	612th
	B ROG	Watson, Reynolds S. York, Dennis A.	2nd Lt.	612th 612th
	TIG	Gabhardt, Ghalrs R.	Sgt	612th
	19/2G	Hoverak, Henry (MHI)	Sgt	612th
	TG FG	Hos, Farl Lo	Sgt	612th
	42-107393	Williok, Edward L.	Sgt	612th
	A/C 48-80788			
	P	Maxwell, Charles T.	1st Lt.	612th
5	CP	McLood, Incien P.	2nd Lt.	612th
	N B	Billman, James K.	2nd Lt. S/Sgt	612th 612th
	ROG	Searcy, Marion Re	T/Sgt	612th
	TTG	Thomas, Robert L.	T/Set	612th
	BTG	Chanada Me Parate Me GRATH, Joseph A	Sgt	612th
	TG FG	Welborn, Lather B. Buan, Charles T.	S/Sgt S/Sgt	612th 612th
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	A/0 48=97688			
	P	Aiken, Charles H.	2nd Lt.	612th
	GP ,	Hantonin Charles to Trout	2nd Lt.	612th
	B	Senton, David (NMI)	Ist Lt.	612th 612th
	ROG	Barrow, John D.	T/Sgt	612th
	TTG	Peterson, Harry A.	T/Sgt	612th
	ETG TG	Cash, Bross M. Keller, Philip W.	S/Sgt S/Sgt	612th 612th
	PG	Potter, Howard J., Jr.	S/Sgt	612 th
	A/C 43-37790		1	

	CP	Bonney, Roy H. Jolley, Edward R.	1st Lt.	612th 612th
	N	Olsen, John B.	2nd Lt.	612 th
	В	Wilde, Barl R.	2nd Lt.	612th
	ROG TTG	Pettinga, Paul S. Lenzen, Ben (NMI)	T/Sgt T/Sgt	612th 612th
	BTG	Peters, Winfield E.	S/Sgt	612th
	TG	Souder, William M.	S/Sgt	612th
	10 AP-81889	Dill, Donald D.	s/sgt	612th
	A/G 42-81662 P	Ritting, Carl G.	1st Lt.	612th.
	GP .	Cox, Walter H.	2nd Lt.	612th
	N .	Tiffany, Raymond L.	2nd Lt.	612th
	B	Ankron, Lowell J.	Sgt.	612th 612th
85	RO TTG	Hill, Robert H. Warren, Emmitt E.	Sgt.	612th
4 - 3	BTG	Pope, LeRoy, G.	Sgt.	612th
	20	Importe, George (MMI)	Sgt.	612th
MA STATE	NG	Dunn, Dale D.	Sgt.	612th

613th Bombardment Squadron (H) OFFICE OF THE OFFICER AAF STATION 128, APO 557

28 October 1944

LOADING LIST

PLANE NO.	DUTY	RANK	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MI
43-97947	P	1st Lt.	COLEMAN	EDWAFD	W.
	CP	Ma jor	DeJONCKHEERE	ERIC	T.
	N	lst Lt.	FISHBECK	HOWARD	D. (612)
	N	lst Lt.	KRON	HORACE	E.
	V	2d Lt.	STRONG	WILLIAM	WL
	В	1st Lt.	STOUT	BIDRIDGE	K.
	RO	1/8gt.	Garmon	CALVIN	Α.
	TT	T SGT.	LINDHOLM	ALVIN	T.
	TG	2d Lt.	MALONEY	JOSEPH	M
	WG	S SGT.	ANDERSON	EDDIE	W.
THE STREET	1				
43-37706	P A	tentt.	ANNIS	ROMIE	A.
	CP	2d Lt.	CLARK	FORREST	E.
	N	2d Lt.	MADDEN	BERNARD	J.
	B	2d 0t.	JENSEN	JEMS	В.
	RO S	S SOT.	WALKER	LEWIS	L.
	TT	S SGT.	CORLISS	JOHN	M.
	BT	S SGT.	LARSON	DEAN	C.
	TG	S SGT.	JOHNSON	LESLIE	c.
	WG	S SGT.	BROOKS	GEORGE	E.
4-6104	P	2D Lt.	KECK	ROBERT	3.
THE PARTY OF	GP	F/0	ISTEL	LAWRENCE	A.
	N	F/0	FREEMAN	HALLIS	W. JR.
	В	F/0	SHEPARD	SAMUEL	(NMI)
	RO	SOT.	ENGLER	RICHARD	H.
	TT	SGT.	STOEGER	LEGNARD	v.
	BT	SGT.	HORR	ELWOOD	W.
	TG	SOT.	METGALF	WILLIAM	T.
	TIG	SGT.	NACHTIGAL	FRED	c.
12-102009	P	1st Lt.	HILLESTAD	RAYMOND	H.
,	GP	26 Lt.	EMCH	JOHN	H.
	N	2d Lt.	CAMPBRIL	FREDERICK	L.
	B	S SOT.	MONTOYA	CHRIS	A.
	RO	S SGT.	KRIZ.	RAYMOND	E.
	TT	S SOT.	DRYDEN	JAMES	B. JR.
	BT	S SOT.	ANDREN	ROBERT	M.
	TO	S SOT.	FISHERIN	HAROLD	(IMI)
	WG	S SGT.	DIGIGGO	DA TSY	C.
44-6113	P	lst Lt.	ETTERS	ROY	c.
14 -443	CP	1st Lt.	COX	WILLIAM	E.
	N	1st Lt.	NASH	JOSEPH	P.
	B	1st Lt.	ANDREU	ROBERT	Δ.
	RO	T SGT.	SCOLL	EMANUEL	T.
	TT	T SGT.	MC GEE	ELWARD	T.
				BERT	(NMI) JR
	BT	S SGT.	MAES		Annual Property
	TG	S SGT.	WOOD	FREDERICK	A.
	WG	S SOT.	HUCKINS	GARTH	N.

44-6313	P	1st Lt.	BUDD	CLAYTON	R.
	CP	2d Lt.	MC LEOD	REGINALD	L.
	N	24 Lt.	KLOTZ	BERNARD	L.
	В	S SGT.	KISSACK	MOHN	D.
	RO	T SGT.	SKALA	FRANKLIN	G.
	TT	T SGT.	OLIVER	FRNEST	s.
	BT	S SGT.	DESTROISMAISONS	ARTHUR	(NMI)
	TG	S SGT.	ROGEN	HARLEN	Section 1997
	WG	S SGT.	MURRAY	Programme and the second secon	(NMI)
	wer	o sur.	Minter VI	DALE	s.
43-38187	P	1st Lt.	HOPLEY	CHARLES	W.
	CP	2d Lt.	GOETZ	FRANK	V. JR.
	N	2d Lt.	MAC DONALD	RICHARD	E.
	В	MAXIMUSGT.	JACOBS	JOHN	R.
	RO	S SGT.	DUNNING	CHARLES	R. JR.
	TT	S SOT.	HARDIN	WILLIAM	A.
	BT	S SGT.	MERRIMAN	JAY	s.
	TG	S SGT.	WAN PELT	HAROLD	G.
	WG	S SGT.	ANDERSON	WAYNE	L.
	MISS COM			W-MARKET	The said
42-38267	P	lst. Lt.	CAMPBELL	ROBERT	B.
	CP	2d Lt.	RAVDLE	RICHARD	W.
	N	2d Lt.	HURLEY	JIM	D.
	B	2d Lt.	ISHAM	LA WRENCE	B.
	RO	S SOT.	CHALUPZYNSKI	KINCENT	M.
	TT	S SGT.	JUSTICE	ANDREW	G.
Almost to	DE	S SOT.	BOSTIAN	AUDREY	I.
	TG	S SGT.	SMITH	JAMES	A.
	WG	S SOT.	HARLEN	JAMES	J.
43-38607	P	1-4 74	DAPPED	W.W	
43-30001	100	lst Lt.	BAKER	KAY	A.
	CP	2d Lt.	MACKIN	PETER	D.
	N	2d Lt.	KORETSKY	HARRY	(NMI)
	В	2d Lt.	MOORE	CARLTON	R.
	RO	T SGT.	YORIO	FRANCIS	P.
	TT	T SOT.	BACCHUS	GEORGE	B.
	BT	S SCT.	CTOAD	SHIRLEY	E.
	TG	S SGT.	SLATER	HAROLD	H.
	WG	S SGT.	MORRISON	JULIUS	1.
42-31591	P	LS II.	DOUGLAS	LUTHER	A.
	CP	2d Lt.	LITTLE	RICHARD	H.
	N	24 Lt.	HAVRAN	EDWARD	F.
	В	2d Lt.	GORMAN	MALLIEW	L.
	RO	S SGT.	SHEETZ	JOHN	H.
	TT	S SGT.	LEWIS	RAYMOND	Q.
	BT	S SGT.	AGLIATA	TONY	A.
	TO	S SGT.	CAIRO	LOUIS	P.
	WG	S SGT.	CHANCE	BUFORD	D.
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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 28 October 1944

SUBJECT: Loading List.

- TO : Operations Officer, 401st Bomb Gp)H) AAF Station # 128, APO # 557.
 - 1. Following is the Loading list for todays mission.

PLAN数 # 4	4-8033			
P	MERCER, EIMER W.	1st Lt.	P	614 th Sq
CP	HAVEY, JAMES H.	MAJOR	CP	401st HQ
N	GASKINS, LESLIE E.	1st Lt.	N	614th Sq
EO	WINOGRAD, ALFRED A.	1st Lt.	MO	614th Xq
В	KLEFISCH, THEODORE J.			"
RO	Zubrickas, Joseph S.	T/Sgt.		11
TT	Fowler, Cecil V .	T/Sgt.		**
TG	Gurnicki, Sigmund A.	s/sgt.		11
WG	Connors, Robert A.	s/sgt.		n
PLANE # 4	2-97780			
P		DELL, FRANCIS E.		614th Sq
CP		MSON, RAYMOND E.		#
N		MPAGNE, RENE P.		n
В		ARER, WILLIAM M. JR.		11
RO		janowski, Arthur J.		11
TT		rs, Harold B.		11
BT		th, William F.		11
TG		, Robert E.		17
WG		fman, James J.		***
PLANE # 4				
P		COCK, FREDERICK H.		614th Sq
CP		SFIELD, JOHN		11
N		WARD, LEON F.		18
В		ZEL, GEORGE H.		"
RO		by, John F. Jr.		"
TT		dwell, Carroll L.		"
BT	Sgt. Wil	cynski, Walter J.		11
TG	Sgt. Par	nham, Walter R.		11
WG	Sgt. Cas	selman, Charles R.		"
PLANE #	2-07602 43-28160			
P		AUBYN, GLENN H.		17
CP		MPSON, WALLACE		11
M	R/O.Lt. KAH	N, CHARLES		11
В		SSMAN, ELMER B.		II .
RO		pkins, Harry A.		11
TT		rborn, Harry R.		11
				11
BT	Sgt. Lie	htenberger, Gustave W.		
BT TG		htenberger, Gustave W. key, Harold J.		11

PLANE # 42-9	7602		
P		1st Lt.	61th Sq
CP	LIVINGSTON, HERMAN		"
N	KOSKI, MATTHEW R.	2nd Lt.	11
В	SCHAEFER, ROBERT		"
RO	Bayes, Willie J.	T/Sgt.	11
TT	Gay, Clifford E .		11
BT	Cole, William I.		11
TG	Monacella, Joseph		11
WG	Wilson, Billy J.	s/sgt.	11
PLANE # 44-64			-
P	F/0.	WITTMAN, PAUL F.	614 th Sa
CP	2nd Lt.	HOSLEY, ROBERT A.	
N	2nd Lt.	SCHNEIDER, JAMES M.	**
В	2nd Lt.	O'HERN, MELVIN C.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Mitchell, Joseph G.	19
TT	Sgt.	Collett, John E .	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Eaton, Carl E .	11
TG	S/Sgt.	Kosiba, Frank T.	11
WG/	S/Sgt.	Schmidt, Edward J.	"
PLANE # 42-10			
P	1st Lt.	CROZIER, JOHN C.	614th Sq
CP	2nd Lt.	WEBER, MORRIS	"
N	2nd Lt.	POLSTER, ERVING	
В	2nd Lt.	WHITING, RICHARD L.	n
RO	S/Sgt.	Hapner, Clayton	
TT	Sgt.	Ligon, James 8.	
BT	s/sgt.	McCormisk, Edson C.	"
TG	s/sgt.	Kitts, Keith D.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Merrill, Richard E .	"
PLANE # 43-38	77.0		
P	2nd Lt.	SPUHLER, EDWIN C.	614th
CP	2nd Lt.	CURRENT, DONALD D.	#
N	2nd Lt.	Mcadams, Robert J.	11
В	2nd Lt.	OSTER, LEWIS N.	19
RO	Sgt.	Hendrick, William J.	11
TT	Sgt.	Wells, Hichard D.	11.
BT	Sgt.	Bendact, Cloide Jr.	11
TG	Sgt.	Hughes, James E.	11
WG	Sgt.	Bower, James E.	11
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PLANE # 43-38	677		
P	2nd Lt.	MORAN, ROBERT E.	614th Sq
CP	2nd Lt.	WELLMAN, SILAS H.	π -
N	1st Lt.	LE BIANC, JOHN S.	18
В	2nd Lt.	DUNCAN, ROBERT N.	"
RO	Sgt.	Stromberg, Warren B .	11
TT	s/sgt.	Detty, Hilbert J. Jr.	11
BT	Clark, Charles B.	S/Sgt.	**
TG	EXSgt.	Miller, James J.	11
WG	Sgt.	Brown, Arnold P.	"

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	#g List(Cont) # 42-107151		
5	2nd Lt.	MORTON, WALTER L.	614th Sq
CP	2nd Lt.	RITCHEY, RALPH	n
N	2nd Lt.	PINK, JACK T.	**
B	2nd Lt.	HELMS, CHARLES L.	
RO	Sgt.	Hickey, Robert E.	19
TT	Sgt.	Enl Block, Joseph R.	. #
BT	Sgt.	Powers, Willerd B.	
TG	Sgt.	Whittington, Charles S.	
WG	Sgt.	Bruschwein, Douglas S.	17

For the Squadron Commander:

DOMALD V. KIRKHUFF Capt., Air Corps. Operations Officer. BY SACP, NARA DATE 11-18-10

SIX HUNDRED AND FIFTERETH BOMBARDMENT SQUARRON (H) FOUR HUNDRED AND FIRST BOSMANDMENT GROUP (H)

Office of the Operations Officer AAF - Sta - 128 - APO - 557

28 October 1944

SUBJECT: Loading List.

: Operations Officer 401st Bomb Gp (H), Sta - 128, APO 557. 1. Pollowing is the list of Combat Crows participating in today's mission.

PLANE	# 44-SESSFFF RANK	LAST (MANE)	FIRST	(NI)	SQUADRO
2	lst Lt.	Konze	Hodo	G.	sista
IP .	let Lt.	Kolp	Horman	J. (10)	19
	let Lt.	Stork	Oliver	Lo	**
1	2nd Lt.	Walters	Donald	n.	29
1	lat Lt.	Kossuth	Alfred	G.	79
10	T/Sgt.	Grats	Robert	I.	**
2	T/Sgt.	Jones	William	D.	#
103	S/Sgt.	Kolster	Frederick	K.	#
0	s/sat.	Jaranson	David	A.	*
MANN	# 42-107113				
1	Int Lt.	Sullivan	Paul	J.	615th
IP.	2nd Lt.	Cox	Hdward	A.	
	End Lt.	Sassanan	James	R.	
	2nd Lt.	Ransoy	John	R.	**
0	8/86t.	Brown	George	(MAI)	**
T	T/Sgt.	Ragiti	Anthony	E.	11
7	s/sgt.	Daley	John	P.	**
6	Sgt.	Stora	James	l.	**
6	Sgt.	Gross	William	L.	48
LANE	# 43-36077	-	***************************************	**	
CONTACT.	lst Lt.	Kochel	Michael	J.	615th
p	P/0	Callaban		J.	MAGGE
	2nd Lt.	Airley	Raymond Allan		**
			The state of the s	В.	48
	2nd Lt.	Hoffman	Lloyd	A.	
0	s/sst.	Bodima Consino	Joseph	As	
T	Sgt.	Воедон	Churles	Wa	
T	Spt.	Kelly	Thomas	W.	**
G	Pfo.	Smith	Charles	E.	87
G	Sgt.	Wofford	Devely	D.	*
LARR	# 42-102674			The same	
	End Lt.	Hancon	Ernest	A.	615th
P	2nd Lt.	Coats	Jerry	A.	15
F-	F/0	Greenberg	Morton	(max)	- 44
	2nd Lt.	King	Jaok	Lo	W
9	Sgt.	Perguson	Hugh	R.	**
T	Sgt.	Miller	Raymond	A.	**
2	Sgt.	Heiss	Elvoer	B.	*
G	Sgt.	MoKnight	Laray	M.	. 16
Q.	Egt.	Karoher	Alongo	A.	10

LOADI	SG LIST (Continued)				
P	2nd Lt.	Sonbart	George	W.	615th
GP	2nd Lt.	Shapiro	Loo	(mai)	99
30	2nd Lt.	Miley	Junior	B.	**
В	2nd 1/c.	Mrozek	Chester	W.	W
RO	T 8/885.	AND KNOWLES	LOTOY HARRY	(1942) 6	
TT	n forth	Baith	Riser	H.	
BT	8/865.	Blodgett	Clifford	W.	**
	5/5gt.	Dailey	J. (10)	B.	
TG FG	Egt.	Livesey	Lowell	0.	**
20	Sgt.	WAASSA	This way		
PLANS					****
2	let bt.	Ons	Hurbert	Lo	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Hayes	Thomas	A.	**
M	and Lt.	Oreen	William	H.	
B	2nd Lt.	Honoow	William	M.	**
RO	Sgt.	Broreton	William	H.	
TT	8/350.	Gook	llyron	K.	
BT	Bgt.	Monaroky	Theodore	(MAX)	
TO	8/Sgt.	Reardon	John	J.	
FO	8/8gt.	Duna	John	u.	
PLANE					
2	2nd Lt.	Turk	Laurel	As	515th
GP	2nd Lt.	Sinkking	John	N.	
3	2nd Lt.	Cone	Allan	Les	
B	End Lt.	Moore	Heat	Les	
RO	7/8gt.	Malama	Joseph	(MMI)	
77	Sgt.	Wieselthier	Simon	(MEI)	
BT	Sgt.	Grenillion	John	E.	*
70	Sgt.	Vegahio	Nurray	H.	
FG	sgt.	Caborne	Peter	J.	**
PLANE	₩ 42-31485				
P	2nd Lt.	Molley	George	W.	615th
GP.	2nd Lt.	March	Walter	M.	28
N	2nd Lt.	Rainey	John	Les	**
B	2nd Lt.	Heolter	Robert	L.	**
RO	Sgt.	Richardson	Samol	T.	11
77	Sgt.	Consissaro	Ralph	J.	**
BT	2/864.	Lather	Highard	n.	H
70	Sgt.	Wiederman	Lars	H.	19
3/0	Sgt.	Butler	William	H.	
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LOADIS	### AS TO Continued ### 43-38425	1)			
Panen	2nd Lt.	Maire	Frederick	M.	615th
68	2nd Lt.	Doen	Robert	M.	98
H	2nd Lt.	Lowpy	Laurence	R.	#
8	End Lt.	Nomberger	Charles		**
RO	Sgt.	Mabrey	William	A. T.	**
TT	8/8gt.	Barr	Thomas	H.	#
BT	Sgt.	Flayd	Norris	C.	- #
TO	Sgt.	Landry	Lawrence	B.	
FG	ugt.	Novak	Frank	J.	
PLANE	\$ 42-102463				
p	let lite	LERIN Cooper	No Louis	E.	615th
CP	2nd Lts.	Spansel	Kaye	M.	tt
H	2nd Lt.	Ellie	George	0.	
H	2nd Lt.	D'Agostini	Benedict	R.	
RO	7/8gt.	Shorrill	Bascom	3.	**
TT	2/8gt.	Sexton	liyron	W.	**
1877	Sgt.	Merongelli	Harry	J.	**
TO	s/sgt.	Lawrence	Ralph	I.	
PG	8/864.	Gue	Charles	M.	**

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28 October 1944.

NUBBOT: Crew Comments and Suggestions.

: COMMANDENS OFFICER, AAF Sta. 188, APO 657, US Army. (Thru Lt. Col. W. T. Seawell.)

- 1. Orew of Lt. Romie A. Annis, (P) A/C 7708, was unanimous in saying formation today was good. Lt. Bernard J. Mudden, (N), says Cottesmore Empeher comes in and then fades out.
- 2. Lt. Glen H. St. Aubyn. (P) A/C 8180, (spare A/C), states that flak nuits were too short and all the same sizes. 9/0 Almor h. Grossman, (3), might not have been injured if he had been wearing the proper sized suit. Sgt. Harry R. Dearbern, (77), says left gun was out and also one shin turret (selenoid was out). A/O Shio was a ground spare and this eres flow is at the last minute.
 - 5. The following crivicisms were made regarding transportation:
 - Lt. Clayton R. Budd. (P) A/C 6515, and orem, (dispersal #39) Three erows too many for one truck.

Lt. Robert R. Campbell, (P) A/C SECT, (dispersal #45) - waited one

hour, then obtained ride on another truck.

- Lt. May H. Sonney. (P) A/O 790, (dispersal @15) waited from 1830 to 1745 for a truck and finally was forced to catch a ride on amosher truck.
- d. Lt. Mobert J. Rook, (P) A/O Clud, (dispersel \$45) waited 45 minutes for a truck at dispersal area. He other eres was in truck.
- u. Lt. John C. Grozier, (P) A/C 883C, (dispersal \$48) and even. transportation today was again very poor.
- 4. The following navigators suggested that the room used for pre-briefing mavigators abould have been heated this morning: Et. Bernard L. Flots, 4/0 6515; Lt. Prederick L. Campbell, A/C 2009; Lt. Ames K. Billman, A/O 2895 and Lt. Loon P. Stumpt, A/O 8286.
- 5. Lt. Clayton H. Budd. (P) A/C 6515 ne lights in both officers and onlisted mens! washrooms in the 515th Equadron area.
- 6. The relicing cress requested more rations (especially cookies) for use on missions: Lt. Rebert B. Sampbell, (P) A/C SEC7: Lt. Francis H. Rundell, (P) A/C 7780 and Lt. Frederick H. Babcock, (P) A/C 0256.

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

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

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APO 557 29 October 1944

SUBJECT: Armament Malfunction Mission Report.

TO : Commanding General, 1st Bombardment Division, APO 557.

- 1. Date of Mission: 28 October 1944.
- 2. No gun malfunctions were reported.
- 3. The following turret malfunctions were reported:
- a. A/C #44-6113 Vickers Unit Motor burned out in ball turret. This motor has been replaced.
- 4. The following bombing equipment malfunctions were reported:
- a. A/C #44-8033 Two bombs failed to release from stations 18 and 21 due to a faulty A-4 Release. This release has been replaced and forwarded to Division Armament Officer for inspection.
- b. A/C #43-38160 Bombardier stated that bombs went away five minutes late due to a malfunction of salvo and normal release system. This A/C has been checked on the ground and no malfunction was found.

SAM P. BROOMHALL, JR., Sapt., Air Corps, Group Armament Officer. BY SACP, NARA DATE 11-18-10 HIGH SQ 94 "B" GROUP Combat Flight Leader MAJ HAVEY Date 28 Oct 44 Deputy Flight Leader LT RUNDELL 614 SQDN 612 SC JABFOCK 613 IN MACRO 614 IW GOLFCLUB 615 IY BUZZARD MERCER (HAVEY) 8033 -IW C ST AUBYN RUNDELL IN A 6508 - Flattire 7780 4 IW R IN A 160 614 SQDN 612 SQDN AIKEN MAYS 6992 HI Superch out SC K 7602 IW O SC D BABCOCK WITTMAN COX ROADMAN IW M 8236 1662 IW H 6464 -SC В SC N 6506 -CROZIER IW Z 8330 spuhler MORAN 8738 8677 IW IW K SPARES

> MORTON IW B 7151 -

GROUND SPARE LEAD IY \$ 7636(Disp 32) GROUND SPARES SC K 8733 (Disp 17) IN A 8160 (Disp 42)

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SPARE LEAD (PFF) IY H 7636 DISP. 32

GROUND SPARES SC K 8733 DISP. 17 - IN A 8160 DISP. 42

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armoment. 160 - Pital Days salvo switches would not work. Switches were left on and bombo dropped 5 minutes late. helf gun solenord upper tured enop.

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612TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H) 401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H) OFFICE OF THE ENGINEERING OFFICER STATION 128 APO 557

28 October 1944

SUBJECT: Battle Damage Report

TO: Engineering Officer, 401st Bombardment Group (H), Station 128, APO 557, U. S. Army

1. The following is the battle damage report for the airplanes operated by this squadron on the combat mission completed this date.

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AIRPLANE NO.	BATTLE DAMAGE
42-97947	1. Flak hole in top leading edge of right wing, station 29. 2. Flak hole in leading edge of vertical fin. SPARAN station 9. 3. Flak hole in fairing joining right wing to fuselage? 4. Flak hole in leading edge of right wing, station 10.
43-38541	1. Flak hole in left side of verticalfin, station 8. Out right side.
43=37790	 Flak hole in bottom of right horizontal stabilizer, station 112. Out top. Flak hole in right bottom side of fuselage, station 2d. Flak hole in bottom leading edge of left wing, hit # 1 oil cooler. Oil cooler change. Flak hole in bottom of left wing, station 17.
42-102393	1. Negative.
43-36837	1. Negative.
44-6506	1. Negative.
42-31662	1. Negative.
42-39993	1. Negative.
43-38733	1. Negative.
42-97938	1. Crash Landed Herbert O. KIMMEL Capt, Air Corps

HERBERT O. KIMMEL Capt, Air Corps Engineering Officer