

R E P O R T O F O P E R A T I O N A L
D A Y

MISSION No. **208**

Date: **15 FEB. 45**

TO: **DRESDEN, GERMANY**

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401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)

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ASSIGNMENT

1. Assigned Target: BOHLEN, GERMANY (VIS)
2. Commitments: The 401st Group furnished the complete 36 A/C 94th "A" Group. Two PFF A/C were included in lead squadron, and one in each of the other two. A spare accompanied each squadron.

EXECUTION

1. Target Bombed: DRESDEN, GERMANY (PFF Secondary)
2. a. Group Leader: Major W. C. GARLAND (Thompson)
Lead Navigator: 1st Lt. F. W. RICKS (Dresbach - MO)
Extra Navigator: Capt. C. M. SMITH
Lead Bombardier: Capt. W. P. FULGIM
- b. Low Squadron Leader: 1st Lt. J. W. Mc GOLDRICK
Lead Navigator: 1st Lt. L. E. LEWIS (Eaton - MO)
Lead Bombardier: 1st Lt. G. W. PEEK
- c. High Squadron Leader: Capt. J. W. GOODMAN
Lead Navigator: 1st Lt. N. W. HYMAN (Mant - MO)
Lead Bombardier: 1st Lt. C. R. BURGE

3. Flight Over England:

a. Takeoff:

Bad visibility was experienced before takeoff was completed but it caused no trouble. All ships took off successfully.

b. Squadron and Group Assemblies:

Slow, but all ships were in formation as Group departed Buncher. Cottesmore was departed on time, on course.

Mission Summary Report (Cont'd)

3. c. Route Over England:

94th "A" received a call at point "A" from "Beggarmaid" to reach control point 1, three minutes early. It then cut across to point 1, arriving there as requested. 94th "A" was then instructed by Cycle Relay to fall in Division column on reaching point 1 -- this made Group 3rd instead of 7th in column. The coast was departed in such fashion.

4. Attack:

a. Flight to Target:

The only deviations made were to avoid prop wash and to remain in column. The primary target was completely overcast, hence course was set to bomb the secondary in group formation.

b. Bombing Run:

Cloud cover over the primary target was 10/10's so we proceeded to the secondary where the same conditions prevailed. We made a straight PFF run on the target. The mickey operator did all the work on course and rate. The target disintegrated, somewhat, in the mickey man's scope, making it very difficult for him to kill rate so he believes he may have hit over, but no strikes were observed to verify this. The lead salvoed; all others used a 40 foot intervalometer setting. The AFCE was o. K. Bombing was done in group formation. The high squadron dropped on the Lead's smoke marker but the low squadron leader had an accidental release, 4 minutes before the proper point of release, and all the rest of the squadron dropped on him.

c. Flight from Target:

94th "A" was forced south of course by another group near 11° E, otherwise it stuck to course. Letdown was ~~as~~ briefed over Belgium. No flak was experienced.

d. Return to Base:

Individual return from English coast as advised by cycle relay. Low ceiling and bad visibility makes this type return very hazardous. Return uneventful due to good airmanship on pilots' part and a lot of luck in avoiding midair collisions. A/C 43-38425 landed on continent, all others returned. All crews are safe.

e. Weather:

Weather was described as 10/10's with occasional breaks over Zuider Zee area, Erfurt and Frankfurt. Weather over target was 10/10's under-cast. No contrails were reported.

Mission Summary Report (Cont'd)

4. f. Fighter Support:

Fighter support was excellent.

g. Comments on Formation:

Good from control point 1 until let down on return. A little loose on let down.

h. Conclusions and Recommendations:

Unless absolutely necessary advise against individual return from English Coast. In this case all ships could have returned to base at 1500 feet, and let down on tower call. All over England ships were letting down on every conceivable heading.

5. Aircraft Not Attacking:

A/C 43-37706 - No credit. Returned early because of broken cylinder on # 4 engine. Excessive oil coming out - feathered and returned.
(Mech)

6. Enemy Opposition:

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

7. Battle Damage:

None.

8. Casualties:

None

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

10. Bombing Data:

a. Observations:

Due to complete undercast results were unobserved.

b. Disposition of Bombs:

Lead Squadron:

All 12 scheduled A/C of the lead squadron attacked the secondary target, dropping 216 X 250# GP bombs. The spare returned 18 GP to base.

Mission Summary Report (Cont'd)

10. b. Disposition of Bombs: (Cont'd)

Low Squadron:

Of the 12 scheduled A/C EET, eleven attacked the secondary target dropping 197 X 250# GP. A/C 072 having release troubles selected an unknown target of opportunity at 5020 - 1241 E, dropping 18 GP's. Aborting A/C 706 returned 18 bombs to base.

High Squadron:

All 12 scheduled A/C attacked the secondary target, dropping 215 X 250# GP. The spare returned 18 bombs to base.

c. Tabulary Summary of Disposition of Bombs:

	Aircraft		Bombs				
	Over Target	Bomb- ing	Num- ber	Size	Type	Fusing Nose Tail	
Main Bombfall	36	35	628	250#	GP	1/10	1/40
Other Attacks (Unknown T/O)	(1)	1	18	250#	GP	1/10	1/40
Total Bombs on Target			646	250#	GP	1/10	1/40
Other Expenditures			-	-	-	-	-
Bombs Returned			54	250 #	GP	1/10	1/40
Total (Loaded on A/C Taking Off)			700	250#	GP	1/10	1/40

11. Lost Aircraft:

None.

Submitted By:

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

Lead Sq 94 A Gp - 401st

Combat Sq. Leader: MAJ GARLAND

15 Feb 45

Deputy Sq. Leader: _____

Deputy Gp. Leader: _____

SQDN

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

GARLAND

653(pff)

AYRE

SEIER

981
981

259(pff)

SQDN

SQDN

THOMPSON

JONES

646

869

RICHARDSON

FONDREN

JORDAN

MERAN

161

478

758

425

ST AUBYN

322

WHITE

SORENSEN

330

395

SPARES

COLE

637(returned)

at takeoff
Don Jergit.

Lo Sq 94 A Gp - 401st

Combat Sq. Leader: LT MC GOLDRICK

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Deputy Sq. Leader: _____

Deputy Gp. Leader: _____

SQDN

- 612 SC JAWTOCK
- 613 IN MACRO
- 614 IW GOLFCUB
- 615 IY BUZZARD

MC GOLDRICK

449 (pff)

MAY

187

TAUSIG

941

SQDN

SQDN

BAKER

DIENES

~~706~~
706 (aborted)

790

MAHARICK

CURRAN

SMITH

C RACRAFT

591

072

730

988

STERLE

947

our target

SCHILLER

NIELSON

at takeoff *& Our Target..*

862

588

SPARES

COX

607

Combat Squadron: CAPT GOODMAN Date: 15 February

Deputy Squadron: LT BODDIN

Deputy Gp. Leader: CAPT SENDER

COM

- 612 IN JACKSON
- 613 IN LINDEN
- 614 IN SULLY
- 615 IN BULLARD

GOODMAN

947

STEIN

BODDIN

992

891

SQDN

SQDN

BLOETSCHER

GRIMM

788

810

COMER

HUDNALL

BENNETT

STEPHENS

541

680

146

113

JONES

398

FRENCH

LOVELL

506

733

SPARES

HOWARD

662 Spare Returned

High Sqdn - 94th A Group

ON TAKE-OFF AND CRUISE

to Our Target.

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

Date 15 Feb. 1945

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

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

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

- a. T/O at _____ hours.
- b. Group formed at _____ hours on _____ buncher.
at _____ ft. 0826 Cottesmore
- c. Wing assembly was completed at _____ hours at _____.
- d. Route over England was (not) flown as briefed. Sudbury

Out off Knettishall, flew direct to Sudbury, due to change in timings by Division. Leader.

- e. Methods of navigation over England.

See, Pilotage, D.R., Radio

- f. Division formation was joined at _____ hrs. at _____.
- g. Flight to I.P. was (not) as briefed. 0908 Clacton

xxx

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

See, Mickey, Pilotage, D.R.

1. Bomb run.

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

xxx

- (2) True heading over target _____.
- (3) Actual drift 111.
- (4) Altitude over target 14,000.
- (5) Time bombs away 25,000.
- (6) Wind used for bombing 1250.
- (7) Method of target identification 100/500.

Instrument

(8) Difficulties on bomb run.

Mickey difficulties

(9) Weather over Target.

10/10ths

(10) Axis of withdrawal 235 TH.

- j. Group rally was accomplished at _____ at _____ hrs.
- k. Wing rally was accomplished at 50-17N 12-32E at 1223 hrs.
- l. Division rally was accomplished at 50-17N 12-37E at 1223 hrs.
- m. Flight home was (~~not~~) as briefed.

n. Methods of navigation on return route.

Gee, Mickey, D.R., Pilotage, Radio

- o. Winds aloft were (~~not~~) 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. ex

/s/ C. W. Smith

 C. W. SMITH

 Capt., A. C.

Lead Navigator, Lead Sq.

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3. Narrative:

- a. T/O at 0722 hours.
- b. Group formed at 0826 hours on Gottesmore buncher.
at 7,000 ft.
- c. Wing assembly was completed at 0855 hours at Sudbury.
- d. Route over England was (not) flown as briefed.

**Cut off Knettishall, flew direct to Sudbury, due
to change in timings by Division Leader.**

- e. Methods of navigation over England.

See, Radio

- f. Division formation was joined at 0908 hrs. at Glaeton.
- g. Flight to I.P. was (not) as briefed.

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

See, Mickey, D.R.

- i. Bomb run.

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

- (2) True heading over target 123.
- (3) Actual drift -1.
- (4) Altitude over target 24,400.
- (5) Time bombs away 1152.
- (6) Wind used for bombing 299/52.
- (7) Method of target identification.

Instrument

(8) Difficulties on bomb run.

Accidental release of bombs 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ min before rest of group. All Low Sq. dropped with us.

(9) Weather over Target.

10/10ths

(10) Axis of withdrawal 285.

- j. Group rally was accomplished at _____ at _____ hrs.
- k. Wing rally was accomplished at 50-17N 12-32E at 1223 hrs.
- l. Division rally was accomplished at Same at _____ hrs.
- m. Flight home was (~~not~~) as briefed.

n. Methods of navigation on return route.

Mickey, D.R., Pilotage, Gee

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

q. Performance of equipment.

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

/s/ Lester G. Lewis

LESTER G. LEWIS

1st Lt., A. C.

Lead Navigator, Low Sq.

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U. S. Army.

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3. Narrative:

- a. T/O at 0710 hours.
- b. Group formed at 0826 hours on Cottesmore buncher.
at 7,000 ft.
- c. Wing assembly was completed at 0855 hours at Sudbury.
- d. Route over England was (not) flown as briefed.

**Out off Knettishall; flew direct to Sudbury, due
to change in timings by Division Leader.**

- e. Methods of navigation over England.

Gas, Radio, D.R., Pilotage

- f. Division formation was joined at 0908 hrs. at Clacton.
- g. Flight to I. P. was (not) as briefed.

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

Mickey, D.R.

- i. Bomb run.

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

- (2) True heading over target 112.
- (3) Actual drift 0.
- (4) Altitude over target 25,000.
- (5) Time bombs away 1156.
- (6) Wind used for bombing 300/55.
- (7) Method of target identification.
10/10ths cover.

(8) Difficulties on bomb run.

None

(9) Weather over Target.

10/10ths cover

(10) Axis of withdrawal 237 TH.

- j. Group rally was accomplished at _____ at _____ hrs.
- k. Wing rally was accomplished at 50-17N 12-32E at 1223 hrs.
- l. Division rally was accomplished at Same at _____ hrs.
- m. Flight home was (~~not~~) as briefed.

n. Methods of navigation on return route.

Mickey, Gee, D.R., Pilotage

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

q. Performance of equipment.

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

/S/ Nathan W. Hyman
NATHAN W. HYMAN
1st Lt., A. C.

Lead Navigator, High Sq.

Major W. G. Gerlach

PILOT Lt. Tompkins

NAVIGATOR Captain C. K. Smith

DATE 15 February 1945

STATIONS	0550	ENGINES	0650	TAXI	0705	T.O.	0720
LEAVE BASE	Cottesmore 0826						
COAST OUT	0911						
ENEMY COAST	0956						
I.P.	1149						
TARGET	1158						
ENEMY COAST	1516						
English Coast	1552 WFO 1641						

SUN		MOON		TWILIGHT	
Rises	Sets	Rises	Sets	AM	PM

Zero Br - 0900
 Ref alt - 26000
 Bomb alt - 25000
 Oxygen - 5:15

WATCH..... Fast Slow RATE..... secs/hour Gaining Losing

At..... G.M.T. Div assembly - Clacton to Continental Coast

Letdown Cottesmore Puncher. Normal 010 Eng.

FROM TO	W/V UESD	HEIGHT	I.A.S. MPH /K	T.A.S. (K)	COURSE	DRIFT	TRUE HDNG.	VAR.	MAG. HDNG.	C. S.	DIST.	TIME	E.T.A.	CELESTIAL DATA			
														TIME	BODY	ALT.	AZI.
52-44N 00-39N Donnington (A)	260/25	7000	150	144	056	-4	052	10	062	166	20	07	0826 0833	Depart			
52-55N 00-12N Mettishall (C)	"	"	"	144	129	-7	136	10	146	159	49	10 1/2 A 1/2	0853				
52-24N 00-52E Gudbury (D)	"	"	"	144	195	-9	204	10	214	191	22	10	0903				
52-03N 00-13E Clacton (CP 1)	"	7000	"	144	136	-8	144	10	154	156	23	09 -1	0911	Eng Coast, CP 1 0911			
51-47N 01-09E 52-15N 01-37E	265/27	12500	150	158	066	-3	063	9	072	183	141	46 -1	0956	Coast CP 2, 0956			
52-35N 08-00E	-26 290/40	21000	150	182	095	-3	092	6	098	280	70 12 1/2	19 3/4	1030	CP 3, 1030			
52-29N 08-22E	290/40	21500	150	184	126	-3	129	6	135	223	17	5	1035				
51-42N 09-23E	317/53	23500	150	189	139	-1	140	6	146	241	57	10 A	1050				
50-57N 11-00E	320/55	25000	150	193	127	-4	123	5	128	245	76	19	1109	CP 4, 1109			
50-37N 11-26E	"	"	"	193	110	0	110	4	114	248	26	6 A	1116				
50-35N 13-11E	"	"	"	193	089	-13	076	4	080	223	67	18	1134				
50-56N 13-09E	"	"	"	193	356	-10	346	4	350	146	18	7 A	1149	IP			
51-11N 12-33E	320/60	25000	150	192	298	-7	305	4	309	135	32	11 A	1158	TARGET			
51-16N 12-44E	320/58	24000	170	215	069	-15	054	4	058	225	14	4 A	1203				
51-00N 13-11E	320/53	21500	170	207	133	-2	131	4	135	259	23	6 A	1210				
50-36N 13-11E	311/50	20000	150	179	180	-12	192	4	196	206	22	7	1217				
50-17N 12-32E	"	"	150	179	230	-16	246	4	250	164	33	12	1229				
50-25N 09-00E	"	"	"	179	274	-9	289	4	287	136	136	1:00 -1	1328	CP 5, 1328			
50-06N 07-45E	"	"	"	179	249	-14	263	6	269	150	51	21	1349				
50-25N 06-20E	310/50	20000	150	179	290	-6	296	6	302	191	57	26 A	1416				

FLIGHT RECORD

TIME	COURSE	W/V USED &/OR D.R. DRIF	TRUE HDNG.	MAG. HDNG.	NAVIGATIONAL OBSERVATION	GENERAL OBSERVATION	I.A.S. MPH /K	HEIGHT & AIR TEMP	T.A.S.	RUN		G.S.	TO RUN		E.T.A.
										DIST.	TIME		DIST.	TIME	
0717					Take off										
0735					Circling Puncher. CAVU		150	7000	145						
0755		255/25			VHF Wind		150	7000	145						
0800					Unable to get DD wind (APCR)		150	7000	145						
0810		A	310				150	7000	145			166	20	07	0833
0826	256	-4	052		Op. Formed. Depart Cottesmore to Donnington		150	7000	145			166	20	07	0833
0826	052	0	052		Bomb drift 1		150	7000	145						
0830	047	0	047		52-48N 00-25E, Pilotage		150	7000	145	10	04	150	09 1/2	09 1/2	0833 1/2
0833	047	0	047		Donnington		150	7000	145	20	07	166			
0833	129	-2	131		Division calls to subtract 3 min. A/C to Mettishall. Bomb drift wind 230/8		150	7000	145						
0842		-2	131		52-41N 00-19E		150	7000	145						
0842	158	A	162		A/C Direct to Pt. D. Pilotage 281/11		150	7000	145			150	42	17	0859
0846	158	A	162		52-35N 00-20E, G. Fog.		150	7000	145						
0846	165	A	170		52-27N 00-35E, G		150	7000	145			140	34	13 1/2	0859 1/2
0852	165	A	170		52-13N 00-38E, G		150	7000	145						

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TIME	COURSE	W/V USED &/OR D.R. DRIF.	TRUE HDNC.	MAC. HDNC.	NAVICATIONAL OBSERVATION	GENERAL OBSERVATION	I.A.S. MPH. /K	HEIGHT & AIR TEMP.	T.A.S.	RUN		C. S.	TO RUN		E.T.A.
										DIST.	TIME		DIST.	TIME	
0856	165	45	170		52-09N 00-12E, G. wing formed		150	7000	145						
0859 1/2	160	7 253/18	167		52-02N 00-15E, pilotage. 253/18K		150	7000	145	42	17 1/2	144			
0859 1/2	136	43	139		A/C to CP 1		150	7000	145			154	23	09	0908 1/2
0904	136	43 251/18	139		51-52N 00-58E, wind 251/18			7000	145						
0908	136	49	139		CP 1, on course, on time			7000	145	23	08 1/2	162			
0908	066	0	066		A/C to CP 2		150	7000 18000	158			176	141	48	0956
0915	066	0	066		50-57N 01-41E to left, to get in Div. line		150	7500							
0918	066	0	066		52-02N 01-52E, G. wing formed	35	150	8000							
0920	066	0	066				150	8300							
0922	066	0	066		In Div. line. #3 in Div.	150	150	8700							
0923	066	0	066		52-03N 02-11E		150	9600							
0925	066	0	066		V-2 @ 0130, T.O. somewhere around the Hague		150	10000							
0931	056	42	058		52-14N 02-41E, Gee		150	11600 -5							
0935			058		52-19N 02-58E, G		150								
0940	063	-5 335/15	058		52-26N 03-17E wind 335/15K, Gee		150	14800 -11	Av. 161	24	09	160	53	20	1000
0946			064		52-34N 03-42E, Gee		150								
0949			064		52-37N 03-57E, Gee		150	16500 -14		26	09 1/2	176	26	09	0958
0953	067	-3	064		52-41N 04-15E, Gee		150	17500 -17	av. 169	39	13	180			
0957		295/14	064		52-45N 04-34E, Gee 295/14		150								
0958	067	-3	064		CP 2, 5 min late, on course			19000	158	141	50	170			
1058	095	-5 295/25	090		A/C to CP 3 Drift by bomb site 295/25		150	19000 -20	180			204	124	36 1/2	1034 1/2
1000			095				150	19300							
1009			095		52-41N 05-40E, Mickey		150	21200 -25							
1010	097	-2	095		52-39N 05-44E, Gee		150	21700 -26	180	41	12	204	89	24 1/2	1034 1/2
1017			095		52-36N 06-22E, Mickey		150	22000 -26							
1024			088		52-33N 07-02E		150	23000 -29							
1028			090		52-33N 07-28E, Gee		150	23500		64	18	213	20	05 1/2	1033 1/2
1030			075		Gee jammed. A/C to get on course		150								
1034			075		CP 3, 7 min late, on course		150	23500 -30							
1034	126	42	128		Est. wind 295/32		150	23500	190			222	17	04 1/2	1038 1/2
1038 1/2	126	42	128		52-25N 08-20E, Mickey		150	24000	190						
1038 1/2	139	41	143		A/C		150	24000	190			220	57	15	1054
1040			137		52-16N 08-36E, Mickey			24200							
1043 1/2			137		52-10N 08-47E, M			24400							
1046 1/2	136	41	137		52-04N 08-56E, M.			24700	192	18	06 1/2	166	27	09 1/2	1056
1050 1/2			137		51-50N 09-17E, M.			25000 -23							
1052	135	42 305/18	137		Mickey wind 51-42N 09-30E			25000	194	48	12	240			
1052	130	41	131		A/C to CP 4			25000	155			240	72	18	1110
1056			120		51-32N 09-42E, M		150	25000							
1100	122	-2	130		51-20N 10-10E			25000							
1104			130		51-16N 10-25E, Mickey		150	25000	196						

FLIGHT RECORD

TIME	COURSE	W/V USED &/OR D.R. DRIF	TRUE HDNC.	MAC. HDNC.	NAVIGATIONAL OBSERVATION	GENERAL OBSERVATION	IAS. MPH. /K	HEIGHT & AIR TEMP.	T.A.S.	RUN		C. S.	TO RUN		E.T.A.
										DIST.	TIME		DIST.	TIME	
1208			290		22 mi e 194 Dresden		170	23000							
1211			290		A/C 50-43N 19-22E, Mickey		170								
1211	230	A1A	244		18 mi. e 110 Chennitz		170								
1212	230	A1A	244		16 mi. e 116 Chennitz		170	22000 -26			190	39	10 1/2	1224 1/2	
1214		A8	243		20 mi S Chennitz		170	21000							
1219			243		23 mi e 188 Chennitz			20000							
1220 1/2			243		26 mi e 110, Wilson 50-21N 12-45E			20000 -22							
1223			243		34 mi e 205, Chennitz										
1223	274	A3	277		50-17N 12-32E. A/C 255/30K		155	20000 -22	180		150	136	54	1317	
1227			285		50-12N 12-21E										
1230			285		50-11N 12-12E, Mickey		150	20000	180						
1230 1/2			285		50-15N 11-49E		150	20000	180						
1236			285		22 mi. e 216 Flawn		150	20000	180						
1237	274	A3 305/44	285		50-13N 11-40E. Wind 335/44		150	20000	180	27 1/2	10 1/2	156	102	39	1316 1/2
1245			285		wind changed		150	20000	180						
1250			295		50-13N 10-58E. Wing on left is keeping us left.		150	20000	180						
1253			292		50-14N 10-42E		150	20000	180						
1256			285		50-16N 10-27E, Mickey		150	20000	180						
1301			290		27 mi. e 132 Fulda		150	20000	180						
1303			295		Crossed over behind to left rim of wing.		150	20000	180						
1305 1/2			290		50-19N 09-59E		150	20000	180	37	15 1/2	145			
1311 1/2	280	A5 305/40K	285		13 mi e 204 Fulda 50-22N 09-31E		150	20000	180	16	19 1/2	142	21	09	1320 1/2
1320			288		09 5, on course, 5 min early		150	20000	180	136	57	143.			
1326	249	A10	259		A/C wind 305/40		150	20000	180			152	51	20	1340
1327			265		50-22N 08-33E. Right of course to prevent prop wash		150	20000	180						
1335	251	A9	260		50-08N 07-53E, Pilotage		150	20000	180						
1340	251	A9	260		50-06N 07-45E A/C		150	20000	180	51	20	152			
1340	290	A10	300		wind 305/40K, Mickey		150	20000	180			147	57	23	1409
1347	290	A1.	300		50-11N 07-10E, Pilotage		150	20000	180						
1353			310		following other group ahead		150	20000	180						
1400	300	A10	310		50-30N 06-16E		150	20000	180						
1402	300	A10	310		wind used 305/40K, A/C		150	20000	Start let down						
1402	291	A1	292		wind 295/25		170	20000			160	51	19	1421	
1408			292		50-32N 06-06E		170	16000							
1412	283	A7	290		over 1 legs. drift by bomb		150	15000							
1420	291	A7	298				170								
1439			292		50-58N 08-00E			6000							
1442 1/2			292		51-02N 03-43E			5000 A8							
1448 1/2			292		51-07N 03-20E. Left again to keep out of prop wash.			5000							
1452			292		51-15N 03-06E										
1457					Coast out of Ostend										
1502					51-27N 02-33E										

FLIGHT RECORD

TIME	COURSE	W/V USED &/OR D.R. DRIF.	TRUE HDNC.	MAG. HDNC.	NAVIGATIONAL OBSERVATION	GENERAL OBSERVATION	IAS. MPH. /K	HEIGHT & AIR TEMP.	T.A.S.	RUN		C. S.	TO RUN		E.T.A.
										DIST.	TIME		DIST.	TIME	
1506	300	-1	307		51-28N 02-22E		160	3000							
1510			307		51-33N 02-11E			2500	135						
1514					51-40N 01-57E			25000							
1528			295		51-56N 01-20E. English Coast in			2000	130						
1545			300		Port Market		150	2000	130						
1612					Page										
1620					Landed										

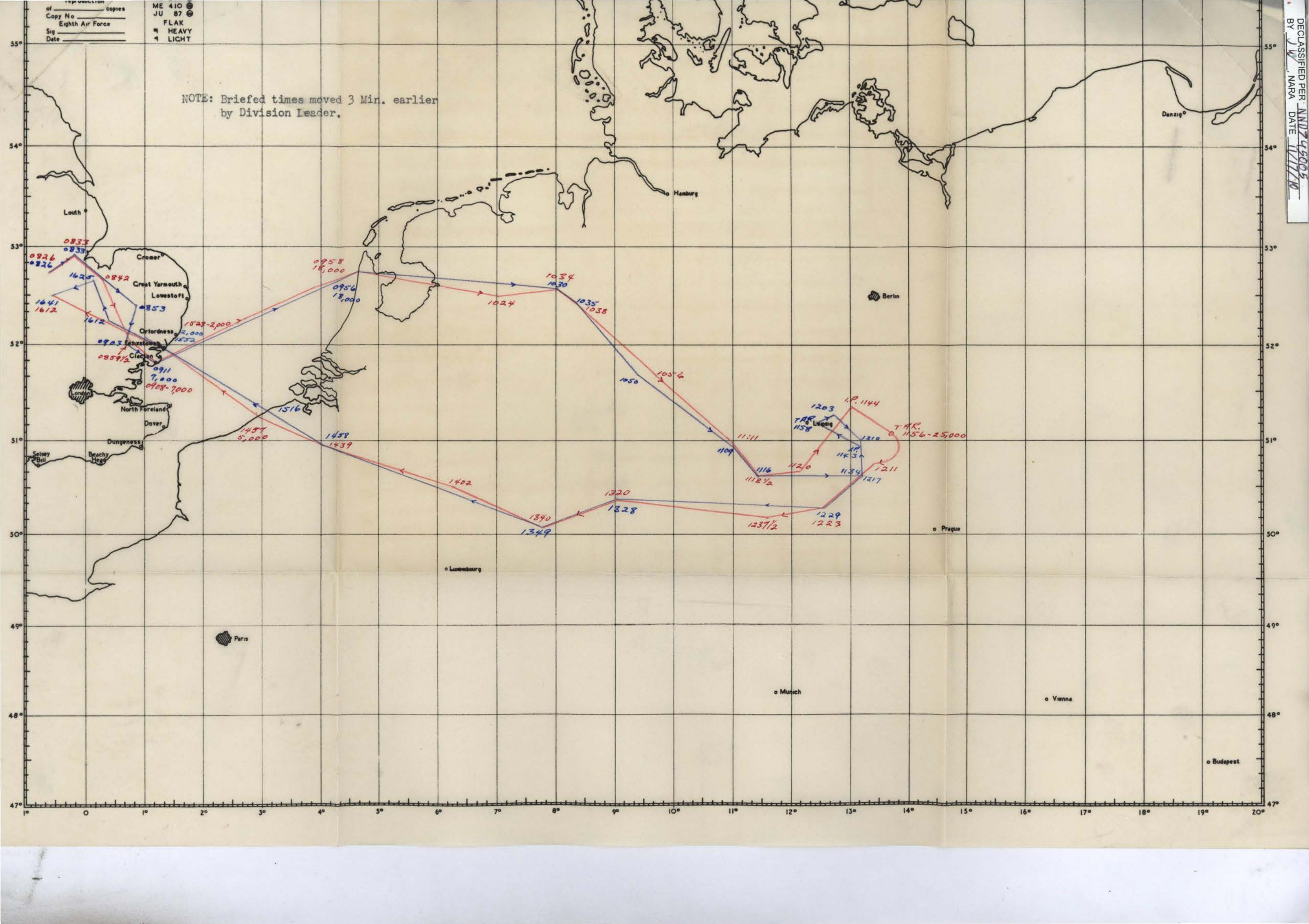
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 Date _____

ME 410
 JU 87
 FLAK
 HEAVY
 LIGHT

NOTE: Briefed times moved 3 Min. earlier by Division Leader.

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Sec. (Vis. or H2X.)

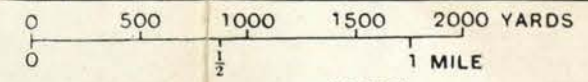
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M.T. DEPOT

DRESDEN (Albert Hafen) (GERMANY)
Lat. 51° 04' N. Long. 13° 43' E

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STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

401st Group

1st BD F. C. 630

Date of 15 Feb 45

94th "A" Group

	LEAD		HIGH		LOW	PFF
		PFF - GH		PFF - GH		
1. No. of A/C Failing to Take Off	--	--	--	--	--	--
2. No. of A/C Airborne	11	2	12	1	12	1
3. No. of A/C Airborne Less Spares	10	2	11	1	12	1
4. No. of A/C Sorties	10	2	11	1	11	1
5. No. of A/C Attacking	10	2	11	1	11	1
6. No. of A/C Not Attacking	--	--	--	--	1	
(a) Early Returns Included					(1)	
7. Name of Primary Target	BOHLEN (Vis)					
(a) No of A/C Attacking						
(b) No., Size & type of bombs						
8. Name of Secondary Target	DRESDEN (PFF)					
(a) No of A/C Attacking	10	2	11	1	10	1
(b) No., Size & type of Bombs	180	35	198	17	180	17
	250#GP	250# GP	250# GP	250# GP	250# GP	250#GP
9. Name of Last Resort Target						
(a) No. of A/C Attacking						
(b) No., Size & type of Bombs						
10. Name of Target of Opportunity	UNKNOWN (50-20-1241E)					
(a) No. of A/C Attacking					1	
(b) No., Size, & type of Bombs					18	
					250# GP	
11. Name of Target Opportunity						
(a) No. of A/C Attacking						
(b) No., Size & type of Bomb						
12. No of A/C Lost - TOTAL	--	--	--	--	--	--
13. - to Flak						
14. - to Flak & F/A						
15. - to Enemy A/C						
16. - to Accident						
17. - to Unknown						

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

J-A- 3/1

Reference Field Order 630 .

15 FEBRUARY 1945

SUBJECT: Communications Report, Operational Mission No 208 .

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

SECTION ONE - USE OF RADIO NAVIGATIONAL AIDS

1. Radio Beacons used:		2. MF/DF Fixes	<u>0</u>
Splashers	<u>0</u>	3. HF/DF Bearings	<u>0</u>
Fixed Beacons	<u>0</u>	4. VHF/DF Homings	<u>0</u>
Bunchers, England	<u>35</u>	5. Distress Action	<u>0</u>
Bunchers, Continent	<u>0</u>	6. Total A/C using Gee	<u>39</u>

SECTION TWO - USE OF PFF

	<u>H2X</u>	<u>Micro-H</u>
1. Total A/C dispatched	<u>4</u>	<u> </u>
2. Total A/C over target	<u>4</u>	<u> </u>
3. Total sets usable for bombing	<u>4</u>	<u> </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>13,184</u>

SECTION FOUR - ACTUAL DEFICIENCIES BY EQUIPMENT

1. Interphone	<u>3</u>	6. Gee	<u>0</u>
2. VHF	<u>0</u>	7. H2X, Micro-H	<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>-</u>

SECTION FIVE - REMARKS

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

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S E C R E T

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

ASSIGNED... Rohlen, Germany.....
 1. TARGET: DATE OF MISSION. 15 Feb 1945..
 BOMBED... Dresden (FTT).....

2. ROUTE AS FLOWN:
Generally as briefed.

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

4. DESCRIPTION OF FLAK AT TARGET:

None

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

- Brux - Moderate - accurate for altitude - Observed
- Frankfurt area - Meager - inaccurate - Observed
- Front Lines - few scattered bursts - Inaccurate
- Hillesheim - Meager - Inaccurate - mixed black & white bursts - Observed*

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

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

8. DETAILS:-

SQDN, POS.	NO. A/C	DAMAGE		A/C LOST TO				AXIS OF		TIME OVER TARGET	HEIGHT
		MAJ.	MIN.	AA	EA	ACC	UK	ATTK	WITH		
<u>Lead</u>	<u>12</u>							<u>115°M</u>	<u>235°M</u>	<u>1136</u>	<u>25,000</u>
<u>High</u>	<u>12</u>							<u>116°M</u>	<u>240°M</u>	<u>1136</u>	<u>25,000</u>
<u>Low</u>	<u>12</u>							<u>127°M</u>	<u>285°</u>	<u>1152</u>	<u>24,400</u>
TOTALS	<u>36</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>				

9. COMMENTS - PHENOMENA:-

* Bursts were reported to be both black & white.

Lt. P. R. Myers.

*Sp Engineering
Sp Assessment*

OFFICE OF THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICER
STATION 126 - APO 887
U. S. ARMY

D-7-1

14 February 1945

SUBJECT: Crew Comments and Suggestions on Mission to Dresden, 14 Feb 45.

TO : Commanding Officer, Station 126, APO 887, U.S. Army.

1. Lt. Alfred R. Grims, Pilot A/C 8610, stated that High Squadron was too close in altitude and Low Section of his High Squadron could not get in proper formation.

2. Lt. Frederick H. Babcock, Pilot A/C 7780, stated that he took off and had to return for a ground spare. Had to call tower twice for landing instructions and circled twice before landing causing him to almost miss formation on account of delay.

3. Lt. John S. Cole, Jr., Pilot A/C 7602, reported that flux gate compass on his aircraft has been "out" on last 7 missions.

4. Lt. E.A. Baker, Pilot A/C 8458, reported that ball turret on A/C IN B (6132) was not operating from 1315 to 1430 hours.

5. Lt. Charles J. Tarr, Navigator A/C 8637, stated that he has found briefing room passes on two occasions. Turned in a 613th Sq. pass found on Navigators briefing room table.

6. The following criticisms on transportation were reported:
- a. Lt. Ralph S. Hayes, Pilot A/C 1891 and crew - Squadron transportation before mission has been exceedingly bad for last 7 missions.
 - b. Lt. Allen D. Aschenbach, Pilot A/C 8832 and crew - Could not get transportation this morning. Has been bad every morning.

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

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LOW SQ 94TH A GROUP

Combat ~~Squad~~ LT HAYES 14 Feb 45
Deputy ~~Squad~~ LT ASCHENBACH
Deputy Gp. Leader LT HASKETT

612 SQDN

612 SC JACKSON
613 IW HASKETT
614 IW COL BRUB
615 IW BULLARD

HAYES
SC P 1891

CAMPBELL

ASCHENBACH

SC K 8733 *

SC D 6992 *Flat Tire*
1 N N 862

612 SQDN

614 SQDN

COX

THOMPSON R

SC B 1662

IW T 8646

NOLAN

STEIN

WHITE

STAUFFER

SC C 9993

SC L 8637

IW Z 8330

IW K 8677

BLOETSCHER

SC T 8788 *

LOVELL

SMITH

SC N 6506

SC A 7628

SPARES

MARTIN

SC M 7039

SPARE LEAD (PFF) SC U 7947 Disp 20
(VIS) IW R 7780 Disp 4

GND SPARES IW N 8862 Disp 45
IY K 8425 Disp 28

WX SHIP IW L 0001 Disp 7

HI SQ 94TH A GROUP

Combat Sq. Leader: **LT HASKETT** 14 Feb 45
Deputy Sq. Leader: **LT GERBER**
Deputy Gp. Leader: **LT HASKETT**

615 SQR
HASKETT
615 SC 13000K
615 IW 12100
614 IW 84200UB
615 IW 84200

IY S 8658 PFF

HANSEN

GERBER

IY J 7115

IY Q 8077

615 SQR

614 SQR

MC KAY

ST AUBYN

IY O 8779 *

IW D 7322

JORDAN

SMITH

COLE

SORENSEN

IY L 7551

IY B 1730

IW O 7602

IW F 7395

GRIMM

IY N 8810 *

KNOWLES

BENNETT

IY C 2468

IY F 7664

SPARES

CRACRAFT

IY G 1983

SPARE LEAD (PFF) SC U 7947 Disp 20
(VIS) IW R 7780 Disp 4

GND SPARES IN N 8862 Disp 45
IY K 8425 Disp 28

WX SHIP IW L 9001 Disp 7

LEAD SQDN 94 A GROUP

Gas load 2780

Combat Sq. Leader: LT COL BROWN

14 Feb 45

Deputy Sq. Leader: LT TAUSIG

Deputy Gp. Leader: LT HASKETT

*Every
6x700 GP 1/10-1/40
4x7M17 loaded as
per chart IV*

615 SQDN

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

REIGLER (BROWN)

~~SU Y~~ 8008 GH (PLAN A)
~~IN P~~ 8449 PFF (PLAN B)

MAY
~~IN C~~ 8187

TAUSIG

~~BK Z~~ 8211 GH (PLAN A)
~~IN M~~ 8648 PFF (PLAN B)

613 SQDN

614 SQDN

SCHELLER

~~IN F~~ 8313

BABCOCK

~~IN B~~ 7151

GEREN

~~* IN C~~ 8791

STEELE

~~IN K~~ 1072

JAMES

~~IN N~~ 8738

PONDREN

~~IN Q~~ 7478

BAKER

~~IN A~~ 8458

NIELSON

~~* IN D~~ 6588

COCK

~~IN H~~ 8607

SPARES

MAHARICK

~~IN B~~ 6132

~~PFF SPARE LEAD SC U 7947 disp 20~~

~~VIS SPARE LEAD IW R 7780 disp 4~~

~~GROUND SPARE IN N 8862 disp 45~~

~~IY K 8425 disp 28~~

~~WX A/C IW L 0001 Capt HARB disp 7~~

1756

DATE: 15 FEB 45

DUTY OFFICER: CAPT COIT

BRIEFING OFFICER: LT REA

1. TARGETS AND MPI'S FOR:

a. 1st AD

(1) 401st Bomb Group: BÖHLEN (N. LEIPZIG) (5111-1223E) 425'

Primary: Upon visual primary is the center of the gas generating plant of this synthetic (brown coal) oil production plant. It will be attacked from 25000 feet. This complex is capable of a 300,000 tons per annum output. Destruction of this unit will halt all production. Remember the Luftwaffe and the Wehrmacht cannot operate without oil, and this is one of the last remaining links in the chain of production.

Secondary: (Visual or H2X) The mission is to cripple this transport center which will be of great value to the Red Army as well as to the Western Allies in preventing the redistribution of troops and material.

Last Resort: PLAUEN (5129-1209) - cellulose plant

(2) Other Groups in 94th CBG: Bomb group 457 (lead & low); 351

(his) comprising 94B to same target.

(3) Order of Bombing and Targets of other units in 1st AD:

- 1. 41A 440A 2. 94A (401) 10. 1B.
 - 2. B 5. B 8. B (457-351)
 - 3. C 6. C 9. 1A
- } BÖHLEN

b. 2nd AD: 360 a/c to MAGDEBURG (5211-1140)

c. 3rd AD: 12 gpn to RUHLAND (5129-1353)
2 gpn to DUISSELDORF AREA

Misc. 1 gpn P-47's will dive-bomb all Division primary targets. O+105 (a little over one hour ahead of 1 Div)

2. ROUTES (ALL THREE AD'S)

a. Points and Times of Departure from English Coast: 1 AD - CLACTON at O+5

2 AD - GT YARMOUTH at O+39; 3 AD Southwold at O-18

b. Fighter Support: 2 groups of P-51's in close support of Division effort.

3. ANTICIPATED ENEMY OPPOSITION:

- a. Flak: Stay on briefed course, especially between IP and T
- b. Enemy Fighters: _____
- c. Smoke Screens: There is a most effective screen at the Primary and probably one at the Secondary.
- d. Camouflage: None known

4. INSTRUCTIONS TO UNITS:

- a. Wing Assembly: _____
- b. Air Commanders: 94A MAJ GARLAND.
- c. Zero Hour and Date: 0900 15 Feb 44.
- d. General Instructions Pertinent to Entire Task Force: _____

5. SUPPLY:

- a. Gas Load: 2780
- b. Bomb Load (and Intervalometer Settings) 18 X 250 GP 1/10 - 1/40
Primary Viz: Salvo, 2nd Viz: salvo - H2X 40'
- c. Chaff Load (Point and Time of Commencing Discharge) 2 minutes before IP
() continue for 15 minutes. 412 units
- d. Screening Force: 3 Mosquito's

6. COMMUNICATIONS:

- a. Flares and Lamps: _____

b. VHF and Other Radio (Reporting Force Information) 40 CBW operating
relay (5230-0300) @ 20,000 give hours to recall
Base signs 94A (401) Vimporye 2-7
B (452-351) " 2-8
10 P-51's Buckley Red 30 minutes prior (5037-1220)
(5118-1308)
5038-1311

7. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

a. Evasion and Escape: _____

b. S.O.P.'s _____

c. Miscellaneous: if land away ^{on continent} beware of Butterfly Bombs!!
Battle-damaged a/c to B-53 only. Russian C-47's, marked with
Red Star may be seen. A/c with French markings (including
JV 88 and DO 24) may be seen.

d. Security: be wary of talk in equipment rooms

→ if close to Russian Lines: cross lines at as high an
altitude as practicable and land as far east as possible.
Do not do east unless unable to 1. Get Home; 2. Land on
west continent bases; 3. Go to Sweden.

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

15 February 1945
 Mission No. 208

SUBJECT: Loading List

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

A/C 43-37947

P	Goodman, James F.	Captain	612th.
CP	McBain, George III	2nd Lt.	"
N	Hyman, Nathan W.	1st Lt.	"
B	Burge, Charles R.	1st Lt.	"
RO	Huskey, Curtis O.	T/Sgt.	"
TTG	Azevedo, Philbert B.	T/Sgt.	"
BS&MO	Munt, Donald	F/O	"
TG	Graupman, Richard C.	T/Sgt.	"
WXG, WG	O'Neal, Hayes B., Jr.	S/Sgt.	"

A/C 43-38541

P	Comer, Jack F.	1st Lt.	612th.
CP	Matthes, Francis R.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Weinstein, Byron	2nd Lt.	"
B	Smith, Alvie L.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Hulse, Harold A.	Sgt.	"
TTG	Bixby, Joseph Jr.	T/Sgt.	"
BTG	Erland, Cletus M.	S/Sgt.	"
TG	Kirkhuff, Leonard M.	S/Sgt.	"
WG	Mainprize, Jack E.	S/Sgt.	"

A/C 43-38680

P	Hudnell, Carl L.	1st Lt.	612th.
CP	Mitchell, Frank G. Jr.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Martin, Phillip A.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Beardall, Keith E.	S/Sgt.	"
RO	Knight, Adam	T/Sgt.	"
TTG	Moorman, Lloyd F.	T/Sgt.	"
BTG	Gyles, Alfred R.	S/Sgt.	"
TG	Parker, Robert H.	S/Sgt.	"
WG	Parker, Matt M.	S/Sgt.	"

A/C 42-102393

P	Jones, Dale G.	1st Lt.	612th.
CP	Siepak, Stanley J.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Wahnonoff, Aaron	2nd Lt.	"
B	Moran, Robert E.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Madrzyk, Chester F.	T/Sgt.	"
TTG	Serafino, XXXXXXXX Ernest A.	T/Sgt.	"
BTG	Rogers, Charles G.	Sgt.	"
TG	Watters, Kenneth O.	S/Sgt.	"
WG	Wallace, Robert W.	Pvt.	"

A/C 43-38733

P	Lovell, Merdis H.	1st Lt.	612th.
CP	Gerant, John M.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Price, George B.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Phinney, Roderick T.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Stevens, Edgar H.	Sgt.	"
TTG	Knower, Russell S.	Sgt.	"
BTG	Balfe, James	Sgt.	"

<u>A/C 43-36733 (Cont'd)</u>			
TG	Broadbooks, Ray	Sgt.	612th.
WG	Martineau, Emile R.	Sgt.	"
RCM	Swanson, Theodore K.	Sgt.	"
<u>A/C 43-38788</u>			
P	Elletscher, Andrew F.	1st Lt.	612th.
CP	McIlvain, Wilbert H.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Threlkeld, Mercer L.	2nd Lt.	"
B	McMahon, John F.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Kobinsky, Charles J.	T/Sgt.	"
TTG	Richards, Carl R.	T/Sgt.	"
BTG	Eames, Duane H.N.	S/Sgt.	"
TG	Skaggs, Irl R.	S/Sgt.	"
WG	Giles, Otho N.	S/Sgt.	"
RCM	Deaner, Charles E.	S/Sgt.	"
<u>A/C 42-31991</u>			
P	Hodgin, Frederick R.	1st Lt.	612th.
CP	Devlin, James H.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Uhrain, Andrew	2nd Lt.	"
B	Miller, Donald A.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	McMinnick, Kornegay, Ryan G.	T/Sgt.	"
TTG	Richardson, Paschal	T/Sgt.	"
BTG	Hobbs, Chester G.	S/Sgt.	"
TG	Elindworth, Louis O.	S/Sgt.	"
WG	Langham, Theodore E.N.	S/Sgt.	"
<u>A/C 42-106992</u>			
P	Stein, William T.	1st Lt.	612th.
CP	Strauss, Joseph D.	Major	"
N	Tarr, Charles Jr.	1st Lt.	"
B	McClendon, Marlon E.	1st Lt.	"
RO	Lawson, Harry G.	T/Sgt.	"
TTG	Himmons, Alston H.	T/Sgt.	"
BTG	Norris, Robert V.	Pvt.	"
TG	Lambeth, Benson W.	S/Sgt.	"
WG	Giese, Carlton F.	S/Sgt.	"
<u>A/C 42-31682</u>			
P	Howard, Louis F.	2nd Lt.	612th.
CP	Wilford, Joseph E.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Wilde, Earl R.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Rossok, Michael R.	Sgt.	"
RO	Carson, Edward N.	Sgt.	"
TTG	Corbo, Frank J.	Sgt.	"
BTG	Ford, Bille M.	Sgt.	"
TG	McQuison, George E.	Sgt.	"
WG	Taylor, Charles F.	Sgt.	"
<u>A/C 44-6506</u>			
P	French, Millard H.	1st Lt.	612th.
CP	McKale, William L.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Cannon, Thomas P.	F/O	"
B	Johnson, Jerry M.	S/Sgt.	"
RO	Allcroft, James W.	S/Sgt.	"
TTG	Hansen, Arthur W.	S/Sgt.	"
BTG	Deck, Floyd J.	Sgt.	"
TG	LaGrance, Wesley	Sgt.	"
WG	Devore, Arthur D.	Sgt.	"

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

15 FEBRUARY 1945

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

PLANE NO.	DETY	RANK	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MI
43-38607	P	2nd Lt.	COX	HERBERT	P.
	CP	P/O	SHAW	MARVIN	V.
	H	2nd Lt.	SUPER	KENNETH	H.
	B	S/SGT.	LOGE	LESLIE	I.
	RO	S/SGT.	SITTON	WILLIAM	C.
	TT	S/SGT.	STEWART	LEONARD	C.
	BT	S/SGT.	TAMATVICH	ALEXANDER	(MHI)
	TO	S/SGT.	SCOWIE	LAMON	(MHI)
	VO	S/SGT.	RAYNOLD	LLOYD	A.
43-37706	P	1st Lt.	BAKER	KAY	A.
	CP	2nd Lt.	LENG	KENNETH	H.
	H	1st Lt.	KOWITSKY	HARRY	V.
	B	1st Lt.	BOONE	CARLTON	H.
	RO	T/SGT.	YORIO	FRANCIS	P.
	TT	T/SGT.	BACCIES	GEO.	B.
	BT	S/SGT.	GLOYD	SHIRLEY	E.
	TO	S/SGT.	SLATER	HAROLD	H.
	VO	S/SGT.	WESPISON	JULIUS	J.
	NCM	SGT.	KANE	WILLIAM	V.
43-31187	P	2nd Lt.	KAY	JAMES	H.
	CP	2nd Lt.	COLLINS	EUGENE	B.
	H	2nd Lt.	ANDERSON	WALTER	R.
	B	S/SGT.	TIGWAN	WILLARD	D.
	RO	SGT.	PAULK	ALBERT	L. JR.
	TT	S/SGT.	BRANBY	ANTHONY	J.
	BT	SGT.	SMITH	ELMER	(MHI)
	TO	SGT.	WATKINS	WILLIAM	J.
	VO	SGT.	KROTEL	JOSEPH	A.
42-31591	P	2nd Lt.	MARSHALL	HATT	(MHI)
	CP	2nd Lt.	ROBINSON	WENDELL	D.
	H	2nd Lt.	BOWLEY (HOWLEY)	DONALD	E.
	B	S/SGT.	LITTLE	JAMES	O.
	RO	SGT.	REED	WILLIAM	H. JR.
	TT	SGT.	LANIER	LESLIE	H.
	BT	SGT.	MOORE	WILLIAM	F.
	TO	SGT.	WEBB	WENDELL	B.
VO	SGT.	MULTON	GEO.	L.	
44-38941	P	1st Lt.	YOUNG	HERMAN	(MHI)
	CP	2nd Lt.	MCKIN	PETER	D.
	H	1st Lt.	WALKER	DENSON	F.
	B	1st Lt.	RICHMAN	ALLEN	S.
	RO	T/SGT.	FITZGERALD	JAMES	J.
	TT	T/SGT.	JOHNSON	DONALD	C.
	BT	S/SGT.	HICKBAUM	ELMER	(MHI)
	TO	S/SGT.	KATE	ALVIN	C.
	VO	S/SGT.	JOHNSON	WARREN	B.

42-10297

P	1st Lt.	STEELE	RICHARD	H.
CP	2nd Lt.	HEMAN	ROGER	H.
N	1st Lt.	HURLEY	JIM	D.
B	SQT.	VALLEE	MATHEW	(NMI)
NO	S/SQT.	STROMBERG	ALEXANDER	(NMI)
TY	S/SQT.	STACHERA	FREDERICK	(NMI)
BT	S/SQT.	MYERS	ERROL	A.
TO	S/SQT.	LOTE	LEO	B.
VO	S/SQT.	WOLKE	CHESTER	A.

44-6588

P	1st Lt.	NIELSEN	HANS	V.
CP	2nd Lt.	THOMAS	JAMES	A.
N	2nd Lt.	TUNNELSON	GENERAL	G.
B	S/SQT.	VIGNETTI	ARNOLD	J.
NO	S/SQT.	HARGRE	FRANK	(NMI)
TY	S/SQT.	SMELLE	FRANK	G.
BT	S/SQT.	EVANS	CAHL	K.
TO	S/SQT.	STAPKA	FRANCIS	S.
VO	S/SQT.	DE PRA	ARTHUR	R.
HCM	SQT.	STITT	JOHN	J.

42-31072

P	1st Lt.	CUNNAN	HOWARD	E.
CP	2nd Lt.	HEILIX	DONALD	J.
N	2nd Lt.	BAUTE	JOHN	J.
B	2nd Lt.	JONES	SEN	F.
NO	S/SQT.	GIBBEN	OPC.	J.
TY	S/SQT.	JOHNSON	BLASH	E.
BT	S/SQT.	ZINCH	HOWOLD	M.
TO	S/SQT.	CLIFTON	JAMES	R.
VO	S/SQT.	HARDIN	RAY	(NMI)

43-38862

P	1st Lt.	SCHILLER	RICHARD	E.
CP	2nd Lt.	VICHS	WALLACE	V.
N	2nd Lt.	HOUSTON	RICHARD	D.
B	P/O	HOLLER	JOHN	E.
NO	S/SQT.	HOWELL	THOMAS	E.
TY	S/SQT.	HARTY	WILLIAM	C.
BT	S/SQT.	BLACK	RICHARD	D.
TO	S/SQT.	SEVENSON	ROHMAN	A.
VO	S/SQT.	NEVBY	CLIFFORD	C.

44-3049

P	1st Lt.	McCOLLICK	JOHN	V.
CP	2nd Lt.	MILLER	HARRY	C.
N	1st Lt.	LEWIS	LESTER	C.
B	1st Lt.	PEEK	OSG.	V.
V	2nd Lt.	BATCH	HARRY	H.
NO	S/SQT.	BECK	GERALD	L.
TY	S/SQT.	SHLECH	JAMES	R.
TO	S/SQT.	ST LEDGER	ROBERT	E.
VO	S/SQT.	LINGSAY	JAMES	R.

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

AAF Station # 128
 15 February 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 44-8653

P	1st Lt.	THOMPSON, HARRY L.	614th Sq
CP	Maj.	GARLAND, WILLIAM C.	"
N	1st Lt.	RICKS, FRANK W.	"
N	Capt.	SMITH, CHARLES M.	"
B	Capt.	FULGIM, WILLIAM P.	"
MO	1st Lt.	DRESBACH, JOHN T.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Mitchell, Joseph G.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Dickson, Beattie B.	"
TG	1st Lt.	HAYES, LELAND R.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Kilgore, Edmund W.	"

Plane 44-8259

P	Capt.	SEDER, ARTHUR R. JR.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	RUBINOFF, LOUIS W.	"
N	1st Lt.	STEWART, LEON F.	"
B	1st Lt.	CONWAY, FRANCIS JR.	"
MO	1st Lt.	GOODMAN, JAMES W.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Becklin, John F.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Antill, Clarence W.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Harris, Cecil D.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Affel, Richard H.	"

Plane 42-97931

P	2nd Lt.	AYRE, LAWRENCE E.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	VIA, JAMES C.	"
N	2nd Lt.	LEASE, GERALD H.	"
CTG	Sgt.	DeLorie, George A.	"
RO	Sgt.	Mandle, Louis I.	"
TT	Sgt.	Brass, Forrest A.	"
BT	Sgt.	Gilbert, Luther F.	"
TG	Sgt.	Myers, John E.	"
WG	Sgt.	Iuni, Andrew E.	"

Loading List, Cont'd.

Plane	<u>45-38646</u>		
P	1st Lt.	THOMPSON, RUSSELL B.	614th Sq
CP	2nd Lt.	CASSIDY, CLARENCE	"
N	2nd Lt.	LUPOWITZ, HYMAN J.	"
CTG	S/Sgt.	Clark, Charles E.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Bede, Robert E.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Willson, Rodney V.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Christensen, James P. Jr.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Heikes, Dale L.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Dana, Edward G.	"
RCM	S/Sgt.	Richey, Leland H.	"

Plane	<u>42-97478</u>		
P	1st Lt.	FONDREN, JOHN E.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	SCHOCK, NORMAN R.	"
N	2nd Lt.	COYNE, JOHN T.	"
CTG	Connors, Robert A.	S/Sgt.	"
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.	Yousmans, Henry A.	"

Plane	<u>42-107151</u>		
P	1st Lt.	RICHARDSON, RICHARD B.	"
CP	1st Lt.	HAPLEY, WILLIE J.	"
N	F/O.	BLADES, LEO L.	"
CTG	S/Sgt.	Racick, John	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Massa, Attilio	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Walsh, Arthur G.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Lunn, Berlyle J.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Patterson, Donald D.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Paluso, Joseph J.	"

Plane	<u>42-97322</u>		
P	1st Lt.	ST. AUBYN, GEENE H.	"
CP	1st Lt.	THOMPSON, WALLACE	"
N	F/O.	KAIN, CHARLES	"
CTG	S/Sgt.	Falkowitz, Irving	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Tompkins, Harry A.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Dearborn, Harry R.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Lichtenberger, Gustave W.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Hickey, Harold J.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Buckley, John F.	"

Plane	<u>42-97395</u>		
P	2nd Lt.	SORENSEN, MELVIN H.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	TROUPE, JOHN T.	"
N	2nd Lt.	ZNEIMER, JOHN T.	"
CTG	S/Sgt.	Lee, William J.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Collins, John G.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Senoric, Steve S.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Leppanen, Calvin E.	"
TG	Sgt.	Nichols, Norman D.	"
WG	Sgt.	Turner, Eldon A.	"

Leading List Cont'd.

Plane 45-38330

P	1st Lt.	WHITE, WYLIE K.	614th Sq
CP	2nd Lt.	POTTER, FRED R.	"
N	2nd Lt.	CRAWFORD, ALLEN H. JR.	"
CTG	S/Sgt.	Harris, John C.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	McCommis, Max I.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Whitney, Paul A.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Viescas, Arturo B.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	McQuade, John B.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Cranz, Edwin R.	"

Plane 45-38637

P	1st Lt.	COLE, JOHN S. JR.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	SPELLMAN, JOHN W.	"
N	2nd Lt.	HANSON, CLIFFORD M.	"
B	P/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.	"

Sgt. Genauer flying with Lt. Gordon 615th Sq.
 Sgt. Rubinson flying with Lt. Cracraft 615th Sq.

For the Squadron Commander:

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

SIX HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
 FOUR HUNDRED AND FIRST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
 Office of the Operations Officer
 AAF - Stat - 128 - APO - 587

15 February 1945

SUBJECT: LOADING LIST.

TO : Operations Officer, 401st Bomb Gp (H), Sta 128 - APO 587.

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

PLANE #43-38425

DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(M/I)	SQUADRON
P	2nd Lt	Moran	Joseph	P.	615th
GP	2nd Lt	Geaton	Jerry	A.	"
N	2nd Lt	Dobrowolsky	Michael	(M/I)	"
B	Pvt	Donald	Robert	H.	"
RO	Cpl	Kalogeras	Chris	G.	"
TF	Cpl	Barnor	Edwin	L.	"
BT	Cpl	Addisson	Cecil	F.	"
TG	Cpl	Youmans	Paul	L.	"
FG	Cpl	Ross	William	(M/I)	"

PLANE #42-108118

P	2nd Lt	Stephens	Lloyd	J.	615th
GP	2nd Lt	Wilt	Elmer	L.	"
N	2nd Lt	Harper	Robert	F.	"
B	Sgt	Whitlock	Howard	D.	"
RO	Sgt	Huzinec	Andrew	(M/I)	"
TF	Sgt	Graham	James	D.	"
BT	Sgt	Winton	Kent	B.	"
TG	Sgt	Breman	William	J.	"
FG	Sgt	Lewelling	Fred	B.	"

PLANE #44-6146

P	2nd Lt	Bennett	Clifton	S.	"
GP	2nd Lt	Stevenson	Joseph	G.	"
N	2nd Lt	Hamilton	Charles	W.	"
B	Sgt	Nly	Calvin	P.	"
RO	Pfc	Kanen	Billy B	B.	"
TF	Pfc	Henley	James	H.	"
BT	Sgt	Speor	Richard	A.	"
TG	Sgt	Hartwick	Frederick	W.	"
FG	Sgt	Joyner	Oliver	H.	"

PLANE # 43-38479

P	1st Lt	Djernes	Carl	P.	615th
GP	2nd Lt	Spiva	Raymond	H.	"
N	2nd Lt	Canale	John	P.	"
NR B	Sgt	Reiher	Gordon	A.	"
RO	S/Sgt	Lacourse	Lucien	(M/I)	"
TF	S/Sgt	Chiu	Donald	(M/I)	"
BT	Sgt	Bill	Richard	H.	"
TG	S/Sgt	Smith	Charles	B.	"
FG	Sgt	Erins	Gra	H.	"

PLANE #42-31955

P	1st Lt	Cracraft	George	F.	615th
GP	2nd Lt	Mages	E.	H.	"
N	2nd Lt	King	Jack	L.	"
B	S/Sgt	Guerin	Roland	L.	"
RO	S/Sgt	Rubinson	Jerome	J.	"
TF	S/Sgt	Jacquart	Robert	B.	"
BT	Sgt	Schemel	Paul	J.	"
TG	S/Sgt	Hudson	Leonard	L.	"
FG	S/Sgt	Allen	Lewis	(M/I)	"

PLANE # 42-38768

Duty	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MCI)	SQUADRON
P	1st Lt.	Jordan	Robert	E.	615th
CP	1st Lt.	Dean	Robert	H.	"
N	F/O	Braunlawsky	Max	(MCI)	"
B	Sgt.	Carlson	Vernor	A.	"
RO	Pvt.	Mauldin	Harold	M.	"
TY	T/Sgt.	Anderson	Howard	E.	"
BT	Sgt.	Garuth	Horton	A.	"
TG	Pvt.	Corwin	Clarence	P.	"
FG	S/Sgt.	Sobley	Dunn	F.	"

PLANE # 42-31780

P	2nd Lt.	Smith	Samuel	E.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Herodith	Robert	G.	"
N	F/O	Amiler	Lyle	B.	"
B	Sgt.	Reckers	Russell	R.	"
RO	Sgt.	Herchenrother	Raymond	A.	"
TY	Sgt.	Bills	Reinhold	J.	"
BT	Sgt.	Molter	Helen	J.	"
TG	Sgt.	Hootman	Robert	J.	"
FG	Sgt.	Hood	Clyde	L.	"

PLANE # 42-33810

P	1st Lt.	Griss	Alfred	R.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Hegun	John	J.	"
N	F/O	Coates	Alvin	B.	"
B	S/Sgt.	Boyer	William	G.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Kapson	George	D.	"
TY	S/Sgt.	Gears	Louis	J.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Cox	Clyde	H.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Chambers	Arthur	R.	"
FG	S/Sgt.	Hempferger	Henry	(MCI)	"

PLANE # 42-27869

P	1st Lt.	Jones	Robert	S.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Dunigan	Maurice	(MCI)	"
N	F/O	Steinman	Philip	B.	"
B	S/Sgt.	Garr	Richard	R.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	DeLong	Billie	D.	"
TY	S/Sgt.	Kozyra	Joseph	J.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Brunson	Wade	T.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Futch	Jesse	H.	"
FG	S/Sgt.	Nelson	Howard	H.	"