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

MISSION No. **224**

Date: **8 MAR. 45**

TO: **ESSEN , GERMANY**

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401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
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ASSIGNMENT

1. Assigned Target: BOTTROP, GERMANY, (Vis)
2. Commitments: The 401st Group furnished the complete 36 A/C 94th "C" Group. One GH A/C was borrowed from the 398th Group for the lead Squadron. A PFF A/C was included in each squadron, with a spare accompanying the lead and high squadrons.

EXECUTION

1. Target Bombed: ESSEN, GERMANY (Sec) - PFF
2. a. Group Leader: LT. COL. D. W. SILVER (THOMPSON)
Lead Navigator: CAPT. F. W. RICKS
"Mickey" Navigator: 1ST LT. J. GOODMAN
Lead Bombardier: CAPT. W. P. FULGIM
- b. Low Squadron Leader: CAPT. F. A. KALINSKI (ASCHENBACH)
Lead Navigator: 1ST LT. W. R. BRAZZIL (Jenkins - MO)
Lead Bombardier: 1ST LT. A. FOLKERTS
- c. High Squadron Leader: CAPT. C. W. UTTER
Lead Navigator: 1ST LT. E. DAMP (HEHIR - MO)
Lead Bombardier: 1ST LT. J. F. HOPE, JR.

3. Flight over England:

a. Takeoff:

Takeoff was as briefed with all scheduled A/C being airborne.

b. Squadron & Group Assemblies:

Assemblies were made good on Cottesmore Buncher and all ships were in formation when the group departed on time, on course.

Mission Summary Report (cont.)3. G. Route over England:

The route over England was as briefed and Wing and Division assemblies were made good. 94 "C" was in proper #6 Division position before leaving the coast. Cromer was departed on time, on course.

4. Attack:a. Flight to Target:

The division was south of course on the route over the channel but the group managed to get back on course at the point just before the IP. Cloud cover was 10/10 so an instrument bombing run was started.

b. Bombing Run:

Before takeoff it was known the GH equipment was out of commission, so when "Buckeye" called 10/10 clouds over the target areas the group immediately proceeded to the # 4 priority target which was to be bombed by PFF. The bombing was done in group formation entirely by PFF, over a complete undercast. The three leads salvoed; all others dropped with a 75 ft. intervalometer setting. The AFCE was O.K. Results were unobserved.

c. Flight from Target:

Group was south of course after the target due to very strong winds and bombing south of the assigned target. Letdown was started over Belgium and the coast out was departed on course, practically on time.

d. Return to Base:

The lead of the group was turned over to the deputy as the Gee box was out in the lead ship and it was necessary to stay directly on course between London and the "diver" areas. Group made an instrument letdown on the buncher and all ships landed safely at home base.

e. Weather:

Weather upon penetrating continent was 10/10 stratus cumulus, tops approximately 9,000 feet, the same condition prevailing over target and on route back.

f. Fighter Support:

Good.

g. Comments on Formation & Interval:

Formation very good and interval was good..as briefed.

h. Conclusions and Recommendations:

None

Mission Summary Report (cont)

5. Aircraft Not Attacking:

A/C 42-97664 - No credit. Returned early with internal failure of #3 engine.

A/C 44-6146 - Credit. When the bomb-bay doors were opened at the IP the bombs accidentally released themselves.

6. Casualties: 1 - LIA

7. Enemy Oppositions:

No air nor ground opposition was encountered (See Flak Report for Flak)

8. Battle Damage: None

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

10. Bombing Data:

a. Observations:

Due to complete undercast, results were unobserved. It may be that the town of Wippertal was bombed, not Essen - plots indicate such.

b. Disposition of Bombs:

Lead Squadron:

Of the 13 A/C sorties, 12 EET and bombed the secondary target, dropping 70 X 500# RDX, 72 X 500# GP and 24 X 100# M47 IB bombs. The abortin A/C 664 returned 12 RDX and 2 IB's to base.

Low Squadron:

All 12 A/C EET and bombed the secondary target, dropping 121 RDX, 14 GP and 22 100# IB bombs. A/C 322 had an A-4 release malfunction and returned 8 RDX and 2 IB bombs to base..having expended 4 RDX on the target.

High Squadron:

Of the 13 A/C EET, 12 bombed the secondary target, dropping 60 X 500# RDX, 82 X 500# GP and 24 X 100# IB bombs. A/C 145 had its bombs fall out when the bombbay doors were opened at the IP -- thereby expending 1 RDX, 11 GP and 2 IB bombs. A/C 132 had 1 GP hang up which it returned.

Mission Summary Report (Cont)

10. c. Tabular Summary of Disposition of Bombs:

	Aircraft		Bombs				
	Over Target	Bomb- ing	Num- ber	Size	Type	Fusing Nose Tail	
Main Bombfall	37	36	251	500#	RDX	1/10	1/40
			168	500#	GP	1/10	1/40
			70	100#	IB	-	-
Other Attacks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Bombs on Target			251	500#	RDX	1/10	1/40
			168	500#	GP	1/10	1/40
			70	100#	IB	-	-
Other Expenditures			11	500#	RDX	1/10	1/40
			1	500#	GP	1/10	1/40
			2	100#	IB	-	-
Bombs Returned			20	500#	RDX	1/10	1/40
			1	500#	GP	1/10	1/40
			4	100#	IB	-	-
Total (Loaded on A/C Taking Off)			282	500#	RDX	1/10	1/40
			170	500#	GP	1/10	1/40
			76	100#	IB	-	-

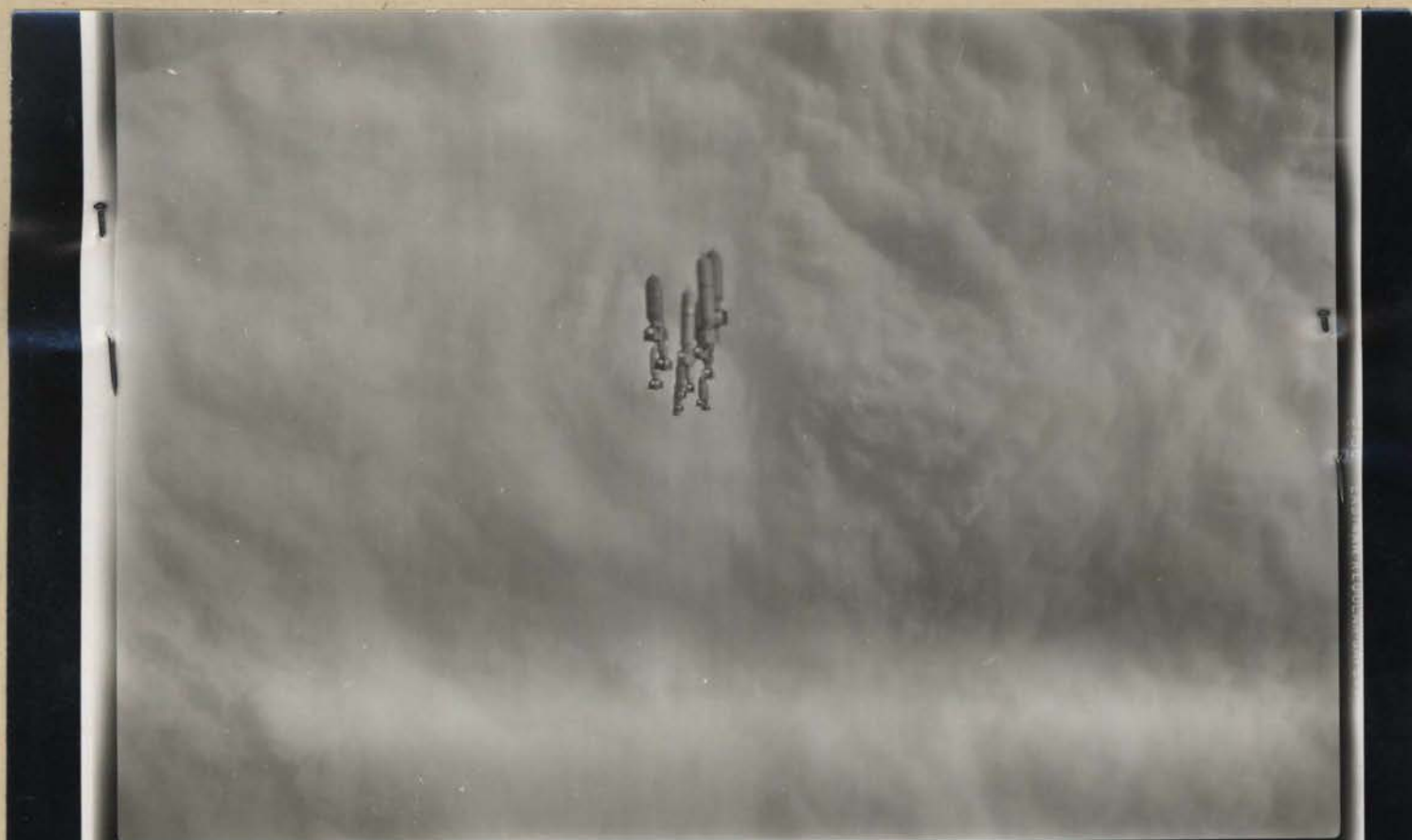
11. Lost Aircraft:

None.

Submitted by:

KEN W. DAUBLE
 Captain, Air Corps
 Statistical Officer.

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(SAU-401/LEAD/1162-1)(B-3-45)(2398-7-2400) ESSEN

CONF.

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

Deputy Sq. Leader: LT JENNINGS

Deputy Gp. Leader: LT JENNINGS

401st Lead Squadron on Take Off
and over Target

612 SQU.

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

THOMPSON (SILVER)

214

NOLAN

662

JENNINGS

648

SQU.

SQU.

BLOETSCHER

788

STRAUSS

398

MARTIN

039

CAMPBELL

733

FRENCH

506

MAIRE

664 Abort

SCHLIMMANN

790

STEPHENS

637

AHLERS

810

SPARRE

HOLT

680

over target

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

Deputy Sq. Leader: LT WOLF

Deputy Gp. Leader: LT JENNINGS

**401st High Squadron on Take Off
and over Target**

618 SQDN
UTTER
550

618 SQ JABWOCK
618 IN MACRO
614 IW GOLFGLOB
615 IW BUZZARD

BAKER

458

WOLF

941

SQDN

SQDN

CRACRAFT

706

SCHELLER

588

MAHARICK

591

KELSO

947

LITCHFIELD

313

MAY

132

CAREY

862

YOUNG

146

VERMEER

730

SPARE

MC KENNEY

607

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

Deputy Sq. Leader: LT BODDIN

Deputy Gp. Leader: LT JENNINGS

401st Low Squadron on Take Off
and over Target

614 SQR
ASCHENBACH (KALINSKI)

612 SC JAWOCK
613 IN MACRO
614 IW GOLFCOLUB
615 IY BUZZARD

033

LINDSEY

BODDIN

931

891

SQDL

SQDL

STAUPFER

RICHARDSON

602

738

GRAY

JORDAN

STEPHAN

CAMERON

330

551

395

151

HOLMES

322

VIHMAN

SALISBURY

478

780

SPARES

LOW

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

Date 8 March 1945

SUBJECT: Lead Navigator's Narrative of Raid on Essen, 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 1104 hours.
- b. Group formed at 1235 hours on Cottesmore buncher.
at 15000 ft.
- c. Wing assembly was completed at 1251 hours at the Wash.
- d. Route over England was (~~not~~) flown as briefed.

e. Methods of navigation over England.

Gee, Radio

- f. Division formation was joined at 1317 hrs. at Cromer.
- g. Flight to I.P. was (not) as briefed.

15 mi. off course over Chamel. Back on course 06-00E.

h. Methods of navigation to the I. P.

Gee, Mickey, D.R.

i. Bomb run.

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

- (2) True heading over target 150.
- (3) Actual drift 3R.
- (4) Altitude over target 23600.
- (5) Time bombs away 1435.
- (6) Wind used for bombing 350/24K.
- (7) Method of target identification.

Mickey (10/10ths)

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

None

(9) Weather over Target.

10/10ths

(10) Axis of withdrawal 240.

- j. Group rally was accomplished at _____ at _____ hrs.
- k. Wing rally was accomplished at 50-27 05-12 at _____ hrs.
- l. Division rally was accomplished at _____ at 1503 hrs.
- m. Flight home was (not) as briefed.

East of course on left before CP #3. Followed Division Formation.

n. Methods of navigation on return route.

Gee, Mickey, D.R., Radio

- 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/ W. R. Brazzil
 W. R. BRAZZIL
 1st Lt., A.C.
 Lead Navigator,
 Low Sq.

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

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

- a. T/O at 1101 hours.
- b. Group formed at 1235 hours on Cottoneer buncher.
at 15000 ft.
- c. Wing assembly was completed at 1251 hours at Wash.
- d. Route over England was (~~not~~) flown as briefed.

e. Methods of navigation over England.

Mickey, D.R., Radio

- f. Division formation was joined at 1317 hrs. at Graver.
- g. Flight to I.P. was (~~not~~) as briefed.
15 mi. off course over Channel. Followed 94th A Group. Back on
course 06.00g.

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 147.
- (3) Actual drift 7 Right.
- (4) Altitude over target 24000.
- (5) Time bombs away 1434.
- (6) Wind used for bombing 347/60.
- (7) Method of target identification.

PTF

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

- a. T/O at 1105 hours.
- b. Group formed at 1228 hours on Gettemore buncher.
at 15000 ft.
- c. Wing assembly was completed at 1256 hours at 52-15N 00-10E.
- d. Route over England was (not) flown as briefed. xxx

e. Methods of navigation over England.

D.R., H2X

- f. Division formation was joined at 1309 hrs. at 52-15N 02-00E.
- g. Flight to I.P. was (not) as briefed.

**15 mi. off course over Channel. Followed 94th A Group.
Back on course at 06-00E.**

h. Methods of navigation to the I. P.

D.R., H2X

i. Bomb run.

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

- (2) True heading over target 151.
- (3) Actual drift -5.
- (4) Altitude over target 24500.
- (5) Time bombs away 1124.
- (6) Wind used for bombing 242/00.
- (7) Method of target identification.

H2X

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

SOP H2X run.

(9) Weather over Target.

10/10ths. strat cumulus

(10) Axis of withdrawal 240.

- j. Group rally was accomplished at _____ at _____ hrs.
- k. Wing rally was accomplished at _____ at _____ hrs.
- l. Division rally was accomplished at 50-27 05-12E at 1503 hrs.
- m. Flight home was (not) as briefed.

East of course on leg before CP #3. Followed Division Formation.

n. Methods of navigation on return route.

D.R., H2X.

- 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 **Inoperative entire flight**
- (3) Radio Compass **OK**
- (4) Fluxgate **OK**
- (5) Other equipment **OK**

 /s/ Edward Damp
 EDWARD DAMP

 1st Lt., A. C.
 Lead Navigator.
 , High Sq.

Air Commander - Lt. Col. Silver

FLIGHT PLAN 94th C (Sixth. F.O. 65)

PILOT 1st Lt. H. I. Thompson NAVIGATOR

Capt. F. J. Ricks

DATE 8 March 1945

STATIONS	0940	ENCINES	1040	TAXI	1155	T.O.	1210
LEAVE BASE	Cott.	1240					
COAST OUT		1316					
ENEMY COAST		1350					
I.P.		1413					
TARGET		1427					
ENEMY COAST		1604					
Eng. Coast		1618					1733

SUN		MOON		TWILIGHT	
Rises	Sets	Rises	Sets	AM	PM

Br. 1200
Ref alt - 22000
Bomb alt - 25000
Oxygen 3:15

WATCH Fast Slow RATE secs/hour Gaining Losing

At G.M.T. Div. assembly - Cromer to 52-44N 04-38E

Letdown Cottesmore Buncher - Normal - 01G Eng.

FROM TO	Ass. Lead (Y)	W/V USED	HEIGHT	I.A.S. MPH /K	T.A.S. (K)	COURSE	DRIFT	TRUE HDNG.	VAR.	MAG. HDNG.	G. S.	DIST.	TIME	E.T.A.	CELESTIAL DATA			
															TIME	BODY	ALT.	AZI.
52-44N 00-39E		150	15000	150	163	028	-10	018	11	029	125	18	08 1/2 A	1240	Depart			
Sleaford (G)														1249				
52-00N 00-24E		350/46	17000	150	166	117	-13	104	10	114	190	58	18	1305				
Neophan Green (B)																		
52-34N 01-00E		350/48	18000	150	169	090	-10	020	10	090	130	25	11 1/2 A	1316	Eng Coast, CP 1		1316	
Cromer (CP 1)																		
52-56N 02-20E		350/51	25000	150	181	096	-15	081	9	090	139	122	39 -5	1350	Coast CP 2			
52-44N 04-38E																		
52-36N 06-14E		340/60	25000	150	192	098	-16	082	7	089	213	59	16 1/2 A 1/2	1408				
IP 52-17N 06-26E		"	"	"	"	159	0	159	7	166	252	20	05	1413	IP			
T. 51-32N 06-59E		"	"	"	"	156	-1	155	7	162	252	30	12 1/2	1427	TARGET			
51-27N 06-30E		"	22000	170	214	254	A26	270	7	277	202	19	06	1433				
50-20N 04-00E	-19 -6	340/56	16000	150	189	235	A17	252	7	257	195	78	11 1/2 A 38	1513		CP 3	1513	
50-40N 01-37E		350/40	10000	150	153	287	A14	301	8	309	131	96	44 1/2	1604	Coast			
Bungness		"	"	"	"	287	A14	301	9	310	131	26	12 1/2	1618	Eng. Coast			
50-55N 00-57E		"	"	"	"	290	A13	303	9	312	129	20	9	1627	Div. Break-up			
51-02N 00-27E	-2 1/2	358/32	6000	170	160	354	A	355	10	005	128	94	16 53	1720	Wing Break-up			
52-40N 00-10E		360/25	2000	150	132	250	A10	260	10	270	139	30	13	1733	STR			
Base																		
Base Cromer	19 -5	352/38	0 to 18000	150	148	070	-15	55	10	065	135	75	33	1231	LTTC	Takes 45 min. to climb to alt.		
Cottesmore Cromer	-16 -20	350/46	15 to 18000	150	166	082	-16	66	10	076	161	73	27	1249	Last time for Group	Departure.		

WT - authentication - "Tom Collins"
Abandon Mission - "Dog-Victor-William"

Chief - Discharge at 06-00E, continue till IP; again discharge 5 min before Target, and continue for 8 min.

Interval - Between Groups - 2 min.
FLIGHT RECORD
Secondary 51-27N 07-01E

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	
1101					Take off										
1154		A10	290		351/80K. Wind called by weather. Doubtful.										
1155		A3	175												
1156		-13	60		337/36K Wind by drifts	See Out.	150	15000	166						
1237 1/2			22		Depart Cottesmore. Complete.		150	15000							
1237 1/2			22		to Sleaford		150	15000	166			148	8	07 1/2	1145
1246			22		Sleaford			15000							
1246	117	-7	110		To Neophan Green		150	15000	168			194	58	18	1304
1251			120		A Wing in position. B coming in late			15400				198	43	13	1304
1251			120		52-57N 00-04W, M.										
1253			85		8-ing right to get position with "B"										
1253		-12	85		52-44N 00-24E, M.			16000	168			186	23	7 1/2	1205 1/2
1303 1/2		342/35	85		52-38N 00-49E, M							16 1/2	05 1/2		
1305 1/2			85		Neophan Green			17000							
1305 1/2	30	-10	20		To Cromer		150	17000	170			142	22	09 1/2	1316

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	
1311			15		52-42N 01-11E, M.			17000				112	15	06 1/2	1317 1/2
1317			20		Crosser (3 south)		150	17500							
1317	96	-12	84		Depart Eng. Coast		150	17500 (181)				195	122	37 1/2	1356
1322	94	-12	82		52-50N 01-45E, M.			18000							
1327 1/2			76		52-45N 02-09E, M. DD to right because	DD to left.		18000 -18		15	51	163	90	33	1357 1/2
1336			120		52-36N 02-51E, M.			20000	180						Eng Cos
1336	83	-15	68					20000 -22				175	66	22	1358
1345 1/2					52-45N 03-12E, M.			21000 -24	190						
1351 1/2	91	-15	76		Correct to CP #2			21000 (190)				192	51	16	1401
1351 1/2			60		52-34N 03-48E			22000 -24							
1354 1/2			65		52-36N 03-20E, M.										
1357 1/2			73		52-33N 04-46E, M. Coast in. 10 S. CP #2			23000 -30							
1357 1/2	85	-12	73		To turning point (52-36N 06-14E)			-30	192						
1407 1/2			60		52-35N 05-29E, M. cannot get wind. Too much SWS.			21000	192						
1414			70		52-38N 06-10E										
1415					Turning Pt. 52-36N 06-14E							252	70	17 1/2	1433
1420		347/60	150		I.P. - to Target		150	24000 -30	192			252	55	19	1433
1434			147		Target. BOMBS AWAY			24000	192						Flek 0200. Meager.
1434	254	A16	270		To Rally Point			21000 -20000				200	19	06	1446
1441			270		Turn pt. 51-22N 06-30E			22000							
1441	244	A16	256		To (50-20N 04-00E)			22000 -12000	(189)			190	78	25	1506
1449			253		51-16N 06-00E, M.			20000							
1455			245		Mickey not able to give fixes.			15000							
1503	210	A10(?)	250		Fix from deputy- 50-27N 05-12E		170	14000		59	19	106			
1506					A/O 50-22N 04-58E										
1506	260	A15	275		To CP #3 (Mickey OK)										
1507			285		50-22N 04-45E, M.		170	14000 -10	178			160	29	11	1518
1517	268	A17	285		50-20N 04-00E, M.		150	(13000)	159	21	10	126	7	3 1/2	1520 1/2
1520		330/52E	285		O. P. #3		150	12000 -6	157						
1520	287	A17	304		To Coast out		150	12000	157			114	96	50	1610
1530			300		50-31N 03-18E, M.		160	9500	150	29	10	110	67	37	1607
1543			295												
1550	290	A5	295		50-46N 02-19E		150	9000	150	31	20	93	26	17	1607
1558		302/55E													
1602		320/29	290		French Coast out			9000	150	67	32	126			
1602			285		To Dungeness			9000	150			126	26	12 1/2	1614 1/2
1605		285	50-52N 01-27E, M.					9000	150						
1613		320/29	285		Dungeness - Eng Coast		150	9000 0	150			126	20	3 1/2	1622 1/2
1622 1/2			285		Splasher #8										
1622 1/2	354	-7	317		To DeMen Buncher deputy taking over to Pass.		150	9000	150			126	58	28	1650 1/2
1700					Arrive Nuthampstead			1000							
1710					Landed										

I certify that this is a true copy of the Lead Navigator's Log.

SIGNED

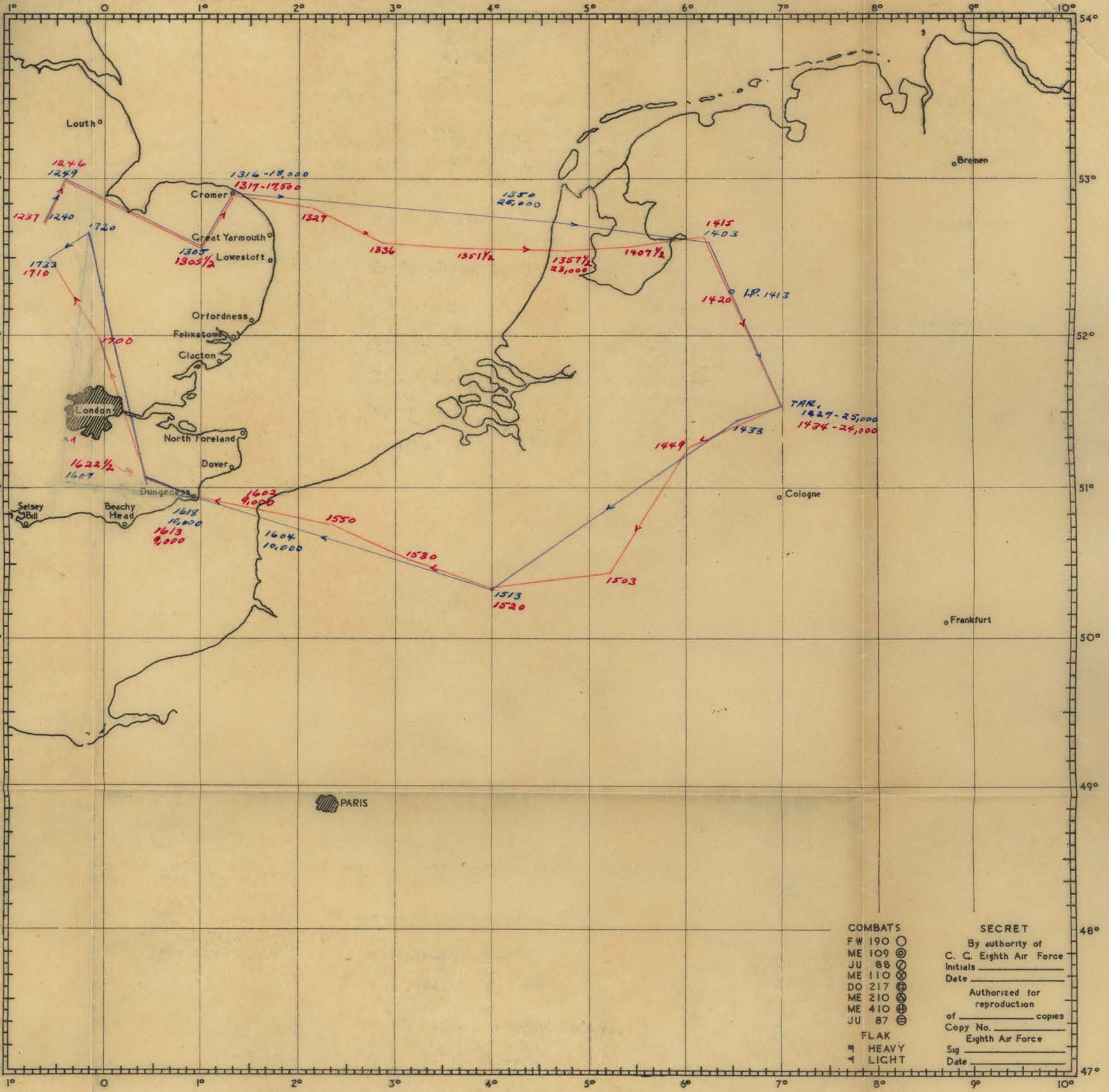
NAVIGATOR

TRACK CHART

DATE Mar. 8, 1945

TARGETS
 PRIMARY Essen, Germany

ROUTE FOLLOWED BY Blue
Red
Briefed
401st B.G.(H)



- COMBATS
 FW 190 ○
 ME 109 ⊙
 JU 88 ⊙
 ME 110 ⊙
 DO 217 ⊙
 ME 210 ⊙
 ME 410 ⊙
 JU 87 ⊙
 FLAK
 ■ HEAVY
 ▲ LIGHT

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STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

401st Bomb Group (H)

1st AD P. O. 651

Date of 8 March 1945

PART I - ATTACKS & RESULTS

94th "C" Group

	LEAD		LOW		HIGH	
		Borrowed A/C		Borrowed A/C		Borrowed A/C
1. No. of A/C Failing to Take Off	*	*	*	-	-	-
2. No. of A/C Sorties	12	1	12	-	13	
3. No. of A/C Sorties less Unused Sp	12	1	12		13	
4. No. of A/C Credit Sorties	11	1	12		13	
5. No. of Effective Sorties	11	1	12		13	
6. No. of Non-Effective Sorties	1				1	
(a) Early Returns Included	(1)				-	
7. Name of Primary Target	BOTTROP (VIS)					
(a) No. of A/C Attacking						
(b) No., Size, Type of Bombs						
8. Name of Secondary Target	ESSEN (PFF)					
(a) No. of A/C Attacking	11	1	12		12	
(b) No., Size, Type of Bombs	70 X 500/RDX 72 X 500/GP 24 X 100/IB		121 X 500/RDX 14 X 500/GP 22 X 100/IB		60 X 500/RDX 82 X 500/GP 24 X 100/IB	
9. Name of Last Resort Target (LRT)						
(a) No. of A/C Attacking						
(b) No., Size, Type of Bombs						
10. Name of Target of Opportunity						
(a) No. of A/C Attacking						
(b) No., Size, Type of Bombs						
11. Name of Target of Opportunity						
(a) No. of A/C Attacking						
(b) No., Size, Type of Bombs						
12. No. of A/C MIA - TOTAL	-	-	-	-	-	
13. No. of A/C MIA - Flak						
14. No. of A/C MIA - Flak and E/A						
15. No. of A/C MIA - Enemy Aircraft						
16. No. of A/C MIA - Accident over E.T.						
17. No. of A/C MIA - Other & Unknown						
18. Time of Take Off	1101		1104		1105	
19. Time of Attack	1434		1435		1434	
20. Total Time for Mission	77:30		77:30		77:30	
21. Altitude of Release	24,000		23,600		24,500	
22. Type of Fighting (Vis, H2X, GH, etc)	H2X		H2X		H2X	
23. Enemy Resistance -- AA Inten & Acc	None		None		None	
24. Enemy Resistance - Fighters	-		-		-	
25. Enemy Resistance - Bombers	-		-		-	
26. U.S. A/C Engaged by Enemy A/C	-		-		-	
27. No. of Passes made by Enemy A/C	-		-		-	
28. Degree of Success	Unob		Unob		Unob	

I A/C borrowed from Groups:

GH A/C 214 borrowed from 398th GP

A/C loaned to Groups:

STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

401st Gp Mission # 224

Date 8 March 1945

PART II - NON-EFFECTIVE SORTIES

94th "C" Group

	LEAD	LOW	HIGH
	Borrowed ed 1/7c	Borrowed ed 1/7c	Borrowed ed 1/7c
29. Non-Effective Sorties	1		1
(a) Weather			
(b) Personnel			
(c) Enemy Action			
(d) Other Non-Mechanical			1
(e) Mechanical Equipment	1		
30 Mechanical & Equipment Failures			
(a) Engine			
(b) Oil System	1		
(c) Fuel System			
(d) Supercharger			
(e) Propeller & Governor			
(f) Communication System			
(g) Guns & Turrets			
(h) Bomb Release			
(i) Bomb Bay Doors			
(j) Electric System			
(k) Instruments			
(l) Oxygen Equipment			
(m) Bomb Sights			
(n) A/C in General			

31. Reasons for Failure to Attack:

A/C 42-97664 - No Credit. Returned early after # 3 engine started running rough and the oil pressure went up to about 95 P.S.I., then started to drop off. When the pressure reached 45 R.S.I. he feathered the propeller. At the same time the oil pressure started to drop, oil vapor started coming from the crankcase breather. Ground inspection revealed that both oil control and compression rings were on the magnetic sump plug. Metal filings were found on the cuno.

A/C 44-6146 - Credit. When the bomb bay doors were opened at the IP, the bombs fell out. Equipment checked out satisfactorily on the ground-possible short in airplane.

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

COMBAT BOMBING FLIGHT RECORD

BOMBARDIER CAPT FULGIN DATE 8 March 1945

PILOT LT. THOMPSON (SILVER) TAKE OFF 1101

NAVIGATOR CAPT RICKS AIRPLANE _____

WING 94th C GROUP 401st SQDN Lead LANDED 1705

OBJECTIVE ESSEN, GERMANY (MPI)

METHOD OF ATTACK X
Individual Flight Squadron Group wing

NUMBER A/C IN GROUP 37 (36 Bombing) COMPOSITE GROUP _____

DEFLECTION AND RANGE SIGHTING GROUP Lead A/C COMPOSITE GROUP _____

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

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

BOMBS, TYPES AND SIZES 100# M 37 IB FUSING: NOSE -- TAIL --

NUMBER OF BOLBS LOADED 252RDX - 169GP - 70IB RELEASED 251RDX - 169GP - 70IB

INFORMATION AT RELEASE POINT:

Altitude of Target 260 Temp Aloft: Metro -38 Actual -35

True Altitude above target 23900 Mag Head, order 163 Actual 154

Ind. Altitude 24000 True Heading 147

Pressure alt of target -375 @ SL Drift, Est 1L Actual 3L

Altimeter setting 29.92 True Track 143

C.I.A.S. 150 I.A.S. 150 Actual Range 17,647

G.S. Est 292 Actual 310 B.S. Type M-9

Wind Direc Metro 340 Actual 347 Time of Release 14:34

Wind Veloc. Metro 69 Actual 69 Intervalometer Setting 75ft

D.S. 130.2 Trail 56 ATF 40.74 Length of Bombing Run 10min

Tan. D.A. Est .65 Actual .75 C-1 Pilot OK A-5 --

Mean Temp: Metro -13 Actual -12 Manual Pilot --

Type of Release: Lead A/C Salvo Type of Release: Other A/C 75ft

Low Time of Release 14:35 Altitude 23600 Mag Heading 157

High Time of Release 14:34 " 24500 " " 158

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

JULIUS PICKOFF
 Major, Air Corps
 Group Bombing Officer

S E C R E T

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

401

1. TARGET: ASSIGNED..... Bettrop, Germany DATE OF MISSION.....
 BOMBED..... Essen, Germany 8 March 45

2. ROUTE AS FLOWN:
(5258 - 0430E) (5256 - 0414E) (5217 - 0326E) (5127 - 0701E)
(5120 - 0705E) (5017 - 0508E) (5020 - 0400E) (5040 - 0228E) (5045 - 0138E)

3.	AT TARGET	ENROUTE
WEATHER - - -	<u>10/10's</u>	<u>10/10's</u>
CONTRAILS - -	<u>None</u>	<u>Light, Non-persistent, 19,500 ft.</u>
SEEN-UNSEEN -	<u>Unseen</u>	<u>Unseen</u>

4. DESCRIPTION OF FLAK AT TARGET:
Several clusters of 6 bursts each to right of formation -- inaccurate.

5. FLAK ENCOUNTERED OR OBSERVED ENROUTE: (IN ORDER EXPERIENCED)
Between IP and Target 5 ground rockets were observed -- inaccurate.

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

7. POSITION OF GROUP:..... With 1st A-Group

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>150°H</u>	<u>250°H</u>	<u>1434½</u>	<u>23,500</u>
<u>High</u>	<u>13</u>							<u>150°H</u>	<u>240°H</u>	<u>1434</u>	<u>24,500</u>
<u>Low</u>	<u>12</u>							<u>150°H</u>	<u>240°H</u>	<u>1435</u>	<u>23,500</u>
TOTALS	<u>37</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>				

9. COMMENTS - PHENOMENA:-

LT. P. R. Myers.

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

413.44

8 MARCH 1945

SUBJECT: Communications Report, Operational Mission No 224. (Field Order 651)
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>5</u>
a. MF Beacons	<u>14</u>	3. HF/DF Bearings (QDM's)	<u>0</u>
b. Bunchers, England	<u>40</u>	4. VHF/DF Homings	<u>0</u>
c. Bunchers, Continent	<u>0</u>	5. Distress Action (SOS's)	<u>0</u>

SECTION TWO - USE OF RADAR

	<u>Airborne</u>	<u>Used</u>		<u>Airborne</u>	<u>Used</u>
1. Gee	<u>57</u>	<u>57</u>	4. Gee-H	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
2. H2X	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	5. Carpet (Barrage)	<u>28</u>	<u>28</u>
3. Micro-H	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	6. Carpet (Spot)	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>
			7. Total aircraft releasing Chaff	<u>33</u>	
			8. Total number of units released	<u>11,880</u>	

SECTION THREE - ACTUAL DEFICIENCIES BY EQUIPMENT

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

SECTION FOUR - REMARKS

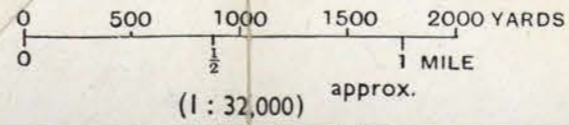
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Maj, A C,
Gp Com O.

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BY ED NARA DATE 11-16-10

DATE: 8 March 1945

DUTY OFFICER: Capt. Meredith

BRIEFING OFFICER: Lt. Knopman

1. TARGETS AND MPI'S FOR:

a. 1st AD

(1) 401st Bomb Group:

Primary: Bottrop, Germany, target is a benzol plant, M.P.I. undetermined

to be attacked visually. This is one of our o/p priority attacks added to your list to destroy.

Secondary: Same as primary except by Gee-H. Mp.p.I. also the same.

Last Resort: Essen-M.P.I. is the goods depot in the M/Y-visual methods

Target (4) Same as L.R. with same M.P.I. except to be attacked by H2X

(2) Other Groups in 94th CBW: All other groups in the Wing have the same targets and the same M.P.I.'s and the targets have been assigned in the same priority.

(3) Order of Bombing and Targets of other units in 1st AD: Preceding this group will be the 41st A,B, and C groups going to Essen, following them will be 94th A, and B on the same target as this group. After this Wing will come the 40th A,B, and C going to Gelsenkirchen, and the 1st A,B, and C going to Huls.

b. 2nd AD: Attacking transportation at Betzdorf, Siegen and Dillenburg.

c. 3rd AD: Attacking an engineering plant at Frankfurt, a chemical works at Dortmund and transportation at Langendreer.

2. ROUTES (ALL THREE AD'S)

a. Points and Times of Departure from English Coast: All three Div. will enter the Continent at the same point, the first will be the 2nd Div. arriving there at zero plus 40, next will come the 3rd Div. at zero plus 75, and last will be the first Div. at zero plus 120. - Subtract 70 min. from all

b. Fighter Support: Will consist of 4 groups of P-51's

3. ANTICIPATED ENEMY OPPOSITION:

a. Flak: Coming into and at the I.P. there are 14 ~~guns~~ to 18 guns in range. At the primary there are 212 guns in range. At the secondary there are 240 guns in range.

b. Enemy Fighters: No enemy opposition is expected.

c. Smoke Screens: No mention of such in the field order, however there is a possibility of one.

d. Camouflage: None

4. INSTRUCTIONS TO UNITS:

a. Wing Assembly: 401st, C group, will assemble at the Cottesmore buncher at 15,000'

b. Air Commanders: Division A/C will be Col. Raper - 94th Wing commander will be Captain Gaylord. 401st Group Commander will be Col. Silver

c. Zero Hour and Date: 1200 hours

* d. General Instructions Pertinent to Entire Task Force: Bomb bay doors will be closed immediately after bombs away to prevent any chance of delayed release bombs falling on friendly troops. - Stragglers or early returns are again warned to avoid the diver area, it is extremely dangerous.

5. SUPPLY:

a. Gas Load: 3x 2500 gals.

b. Bomb Load (and Intervalometer Settings) 12 - 500 G.P.'s plus 2 M-47 I.B.'s
Settings if visual salvo, if Gee-H 50 ft. , if H2X 75 ft.

* c. Chaff Load (Point and Time of Commencing Discharge) All A/C will commence the release of chaff at 0600 E and continue until the I.P. and again from 5 minutes before target and continue for 8 minutes. Each A/C will carry 360 units

d. ~~Screening Force:~~ Special-precautions will be taken when crossing the battle line after leaving the target. No chaff will be discharged while crossing the battle line or after crossing the battle line.

6. COMMUNICATIONS:

a. Flares and Lamps: _____

b. VHF and Other Radio: (Reporting Force Information) For bombers is

Vinegrove 3-6 - VHF codeword for authentication is RUM COLLINS - for abandon
mission is DOG VICTOR WILLIAM

7. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

a. Evasion and Escape: --

b. S.O.P.'s

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c. Miscellaneous: The targets will be attacked as near 25,000' as possible and
beneath the base of the high cloud. In no event will the attack be made lower than
20,000' - Bombardiers may select non-observed M.P.I's in the M/Y when attacking M/Y's
in which the MX assigned M.P.I. is cloud or smoke obscured

d. Security:

- * Read the part of the field order changing the method of reporting the bomb strike.
- * Read annex #3 to the Field Order.

M.R. Brazil
J.W. Pikes
C.L. Hoag
E. Dancy
W.M. Falls
A.J. Whain

SECRET

GROUP OPERATIONS

Loading List Continued

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

AAF Station # 128.
8 March 1945.

SUBJECT: Loading List.

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

1. The following is the Loading List for today's Mission:

PLANE 44-821214 (398th Gp)

P	1st Lt.	THOMPSON, HARRY L.	614th Sq.
CP	Lt. Col.	SILVER, DELWYN E.	Group
N	Captain	RICKS, FRANK W.	614th Sq.
N	F/O	XXXXXX, WXXXXXX A.	"
GHM	2nd Lt.	CROCKER, LAWRENCE F.	398th Gp.
B	Captain	FULGIN, WILLIAM P.	614th Sq.
MO	1st Lt.	GOODMAN, JAMES	615th Sq.
TG	Captain	CONLEY, JOSEPH J.	614th Sq.
RO	T/Sgt.	Mitchell, Joseph G.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Dickson, Beattie B.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Lawrence, Sterling S.	"

PLANE 44-85550

P	Captain	UTTER, CHARLES W.	"
CP	1st Lt.	ODEN, EDWARD C.	"
N	1st Lt.	DAMP, EDWARD	"
B	1st Lt.	HOPE, JOHN P. JR.	"
MO	2nd Lt.	HEHIR, HEWITT G.	615th Sq.
RO	T/Sgt.	Fulton, David W.	614th Sq.
TT	T/Sgt.	La Vigne, Robert N.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Zaborsky, Stephen A.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	St. Peter, Donald A.	"

PLANE 43-97931

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

PLANE 42-97602

P	2nd Lt.	STAUPFER, DAVID H.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	HAAKE, EDWARD C.	"
N	2nd Lt.	CRAWFORD, ALLEN H. JR.	"
CTG	Sgt.	Bidemiller, Wilmer P.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Tuchin, Howard J.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Smith, Howard J.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Wright, Arthur L.	"
TG	Sgt.	Dobson, William J.	"
WG	Sgt.	Laura, Libero L.	"

Loading List ContinuedPLANE 42-107551

P	1st Lt.	JORDAN, ROBERT E.	614th Sq.
CP	1st Lt.	SCHOCK, NORMAN R.	"
N	F/O	BRASLAVSKY, MAX	"
CTG	S/Sgt.	Casselman, Charles R.	"
RO	Sgt.	Mauldin, Harold M.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Anderson, Howard E.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Caruth, Merton A.	"
TG	Sgt.	Corwin, Clarence B.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Cole, Harry L.	"
RCM	S/Sgt.	Richey, Leland H.	"

PLANE 43-58330

P	2nd Lt.	GRAY, CARL H.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	KENNEDY SMITH, CHARLES	"
N	2nd Lt.	STEWART, RICHARD E.	"
CTG	Sgt.	Ginthwain, Edward A.	"
RO	Sgt.	Fort, Collins G.	"
TT	Sgt.	Kirby, Lee D. Jr.	"
BT	Sgt.	Harrell, Jean F.	"
TG	Sgt.	Saenz, Hector J.	"
WG	Sgt.	Bonanno, Joe M.	"

PLANE 42-97322

P	1st Lt.	HOLMES, GENE H.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	FREDERICK, RALPH	"
N	1st Lt.	JAMES, KENNETH W.	"
CTG	Sgt.	Watkins, Jack W.	"
RO	Sgt.	Cox, Clyde F.	"
TT	Sgt.	Knight, Eddie R.	"
BT	Cpl.	Jakubowski, Julius J.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	McCormick, Edson C.	"
WG	Sgt.	Peverill, Edward S.	"

PLANE 42-97780

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

PLANE 42-97478

P	2nd Lt.	VIERMAN, EUGENE A.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	COUTTS, HAROLD K.	"
N	F/O	DOUIS, VICTOR J.	"
CTG	Sgt.	Orlando, Peter	"
RO	Sgt.	Retzlaff, James A.	"
TT	Sgt.	Schwarz, Edwin D.	"
BT	Sgt.	Hobson, Kenneth E.	"
TG	Sgt.	Rutkowski, Joseph E.	"
WG	Sgt.	Hay, David M.	"

Loading List Continued

PLANE 43-54738

P	1st Lt.	RICHARDSON, RICHARD B.	614th Sq.
CP	1st Lt.	CAUHAPE, VICTOR	"
N	2nd Lt.	CORRELL, HALL T. SR.	"
CTG	S/Sgt.	Racick, John	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Massa, Attilio	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Walsh, Arthur G.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Lum, Berlyle J.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Patterson, Donald	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Paluso, Joseph J.	"
RCH	S/Sgt.	Genauer, Lawrence	"

PLANE 42-107151

P	2nd Lt.	CAMERON, ELLIOTT F.	"
CP	F/O	DAVIDSON, ROBERT L.	"
N	2nd Lt.	GULLERMITY, FRED A.	"
CTG	S/Sgt.	Fasullo, Thomas G.	"
RO	Sgt.	De Leon, Jerrod J.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Fabian, Emory P. Jr.	"
BT	Sgt.	Hargas, Mike S.	"
TG	Sgt.	Glendenin, Charles M.	"
WG	Sgt.	Gabbert, David J.	"

PLANE 42-97385

P	1st Lt.	STEHLAN, ROBERT M.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	BUSH, FRANK R.	"
N	2nd Lt.	MENZEL, EDWIN GEORGE H.	"
CTG	Sgt.	Petrowsky, Albert F.	"
RO	Sgt.	Bacon, George S. Jr.	"
TT	Sgt.	Crowe, Harold F.	"
BT	M/Sgt.	Royal, William E.	"
TG	Sgt.	Shaw, Loren P.	"
WG	Sgt.	Bateman, Maurice B.	"

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

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

8 March 1945

SUBJECT: Loading List.

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

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

PLANE # 43-38941

DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
P	2nd Lt.	Wolf	Adolph	K.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Janeczek	Walter	(NMI)	"
N	1st Lt.	Hoag	Carl	L.	"
B	2nd Lt.	Hashimoto	Gene	(NMI)	"
RO	Sgt.	Huzinec	Andrew	(NMI)	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Palmer	Edward	W.	"
BT	Sgt.	Banning	Robert	O.	"
TG	Sgt.	Ely	Calvin	P.	"
FG	S/Sgt.	Elston	Mack	A.	"

PLANE # 44-8033

P	1st Lt.	Aschenbach	Allen	D.	615th
CP	Captain	Kalinski	Felix	A.	"
N	1st Lt.	Brazzil	William	R.	"
M/O	F/O	Jenkins	Frederick	S.	"
B	1st Lt.	Folkerts	Arthur	(NMI)	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Feigenbaum	George	J.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Herndon	William	R.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Wilson	Ben	G.	"
FG	S/Sgt.	Watson	Robert	W.	"

PLANE # 42-31891

P	1st Lt.	Boddin	Frederick	R.	615th
CP	1st Lt.	Devlin	James	H.	"
N	1st Lt.	Uhrain	Andrew	(NMI)	"
B	1st Lt.	Miller	Donald	A.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Kornegay	Ryan	G.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Richardson	Paschal	(NMI)	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Bucksbaum	Elmer	(NMI)	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Noble	Chester	C.	"
FG	S/Sgt.	Langham	Theodore	E. N.	"

PLANE # 44-8648

P	1st Lt.	Jennings	William	W.	615th
CP	1st Lt.	Althoff	John	R.	"
N	1st Lt.	Folks	William	M.	"
M/O	2nd Lt.	Eaton	Harry	M.	"
B	1st Lt.	Schkloven	Isaac	(NMI)	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Freitas	Daniel	D.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Ewen	Donald	L.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Selzle	Thomas	R.	"
FG	S/Sgt.	Oliver	Kenneth	C.	"

M/O 2nd Lt. Hehir Hewitt G. flying with 614th
 M/O 1st Lt. Goodman James W. " " "

612th BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
 401st BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
 Office of the Operations Officer

Mission No. 225
 8 March 1945

SUBJECT : Leading List.

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

Plane 44-6506

P	French, Milard H.	1st Lt.	612th
CP	McKale, William L.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Cannon, Thomas P.	F/O	"
B	Johnson, Jerry M.	S Sgt.	"
RO	Alleroft, James W.	S Sgt.	"
TTG	Hansen, Arthur W.	S Sgt.	"
BTG	Deck, Floyd J.	S Sgt.	"
TG	LaGrange, Wesley	Sgt.	"
FG	Devore, Arthur D.	S Sgt.	"

Plane 42-31662

P	Nolan, James A.	1st Lt.	"
CP	Twiggs, Calvin H.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Hoffman, Lloyd G.	1st Lt.	"
B	Delle Donne, Charles L.	S Sgt.	"
RO	Hathaway, Stanley K.	S Sgt.	"
TTG	Siconolfi, Patrick J.	S Sgt.	"
BTG	Feldman, Warren H.	Sgt.	"
TG	Kuhn, Ball W.	Sgt.	"
FG	Graupman, Richard C.	T Sgt.	"

Plane 43-38738

P	Bloetscher, Andrew F.	1st Lt.	"
CP	McElvain, 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	Rogers, Charles G.	S Sgt.	"
TG	Skaggs, Irl R.	S Sgt.	"
FG	Giles, Othe N.	S Sgt.	"
RCM	Heaton, Charles E.	S Sgt.	"

Plane 43-38733

P	Campbell, Charles J.	1st Lt.	"
CP	Foy, Phillip W.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Gruhn, David B.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Emery, Robert I.	S Sgt.	"
RO	Fee, Gene M. Jr.	T Sgt.	"
TTG	Kartes, Charles F. Jr.	T Sgt.	"
BTG	Sullivan, Earl Jr.	S Sgt.	"
TG	Dalton, Charles K.	S Sgt.	"
FG	Murray, Howard M.	S Sgt.	"

Plane 42-107039

P	Martin, William F.	1st Lt.	"
CP	Matthiesen, Rex A.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Hill, Ben F. Jr.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Milhone, Robert J.	S Sgt.	"
RO	Hague, Kenneth A.	T Sgt.	"
TTG	Delawder, Joseph A.	T Sgt.	"
BTG	Borrer, Norwood E.	S Sgt.	"
TG	Bacon, Charlie M.	S Sgt.	"
FG	Becker, Alex A.	S Sgt.	"

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

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LOADING LIST

PLANE NO.	DUTY	RANK	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MI
43-38607	P	2nd Lt.	McKENNY	WILLIAM	G.
	CP	2nd Lt.	BURDICK	RICHARD	(NMI)
	N	2nd Lt.	LEVIN	HERBERT	A.
	B	SGT.	SUNDERLIN	ROBERT	A.
	RO	SGT.	SIEGEL	ARNOLD	W.
	TT	SGT.	HOLLAND	JOHN	W.
	BT	SGT.	JOHANNES	RICHARD	L.
	TG	SGT.	O'BRIEN	JOHN	W.
	WG	SGT.	FRANZBLAU	IRA	A.
42-31730	P	2nd Lt.	VERMEER	DAVIS	E.
	CP	2nd Lt.	THOMPSON	THOMAS	J.
	N	2nd Lt.	HOLLEY	EUGENE	E.
	B	2nd Lt.	SITES	JOHN	C.
	RO	SGT.	BASARA	MILAM	(NMI)
	TT	SGT.	CHURCHILL	HAROLD	E.
	BT	SGT.	GERHARDT	FRED	A.
	TG	SGT.	BABCOCK	HAROLD	L.
	WG	SGT.	WILLIAMS	RODNEY	A.
43-38458	P	1st Lt.	BAKER	KAY	A.
	CP	2nd Lt.	LYNG	KENNETH	H.
	N	1st Lt.	KORETSKY	HARRY	(NMI)
	B	1st Lt.	MOORE	CARLTON	R.
	RO	T/SGT.	YORIO	FRANCIS	P.
	TT	T/SGT.	BACCHUS	GEORGE	B.
	BT	S/SGT.	CLOYD	SHILEY	E.
	TG	S/SGT.	SLATER	HEROLD	H.
	WG	S/SGT.	MORRISON	JULIUS	J.
43-37706	P	1st Lt.	CRACRAFT	GEORGE	K. JR.
	CP	2nd Lt.	MAGEE	ELDON	E.
	N	2nd Lt.	KING	JACK	D.
	B	S/SGT.	GUERIN	ROLAND	L.
	RO	T/SGT.	FENWICK	GORDON	E.
	TT	T/SGT.	JACQUART	ROBERT	R.
	BT	SGT.	SCHEMEL	PAUL	J.
	TG	S/SGT.	HUDSON	LEONARD	L.
	WG	S/SGT.	BAKER	RICHARD	E.
RCM	SGT.	FRITSCH	HOMER	(NMI)	
44-6588	P	1st Lt.	SHELLER	RICHARD	R.
	CP	2nd Lt.	WICKS	WALLACE	W.
	N	2nd Lt.	HOUSTON	JOHN	E.
	B	2nd Lt.	KOLLAR	JOHN	E.
	RO	S/SGT.	HOWELL	THOMAS	E.
	TT	S/SGT.	HARTY (HARTY)	WILLIAM	Q.
	BT	S/SGT.	BLACK	RICHARD	D.
	TG	S/SGT.	TRUDEAU	RUSSELL	M.
	WG	S/SGT.	SEVERSON	NORMAN	A.
RCM	SGT.	FOGLEMAN	JAMES	(NMI)	
42-102947	P	1st Lt.	KELSO	ARTHUR	D.
	CP	2nd Lt.	HAGGARD	WILEY	R.
	N	2nd Lt.	TONNE	ALVIN	E.
	B	S/SGT.	LITTLE	JAMES	O.
	RO	S/SGT.	MEYERS	NEIL	P.
	TT	S/SGT.	HARPER	JAMES	T.
	BT	S/SGT.	MORRISON	KENNETH	S.
	TG	S/SGT.	BOND	JACK	D.
	WG	S/SGT.	LUCA	RUDOLPH	C.

44-6313

P	2nd Lt.	LITCHFIELD	DONALD	D.
CP	F/O	BURTON	FREDERICK	C.
N	2nd Lt.	DACHYSWYN	HARRY	(NMI)
B	SGT.	BUTLIN	ERNEST	J.
RO	SGT.	OGBURN	FRED	N.
TT	SGT.	DILZ	HEINHOLD	J.
BT	SGT.	DAVIS	WALTER	A.
TG	SGT.	JANAKAS	NICK	(NMI)
WG	SGT.	MAURER	FREDERICK	R. JR.

43-38862

P	1st Lt.	CAREY	KARL	F.
CP	2nd Lt.	FREW	JAMES	R.
N	2nd Lt.	JOHNSTON	WILLIAM	I.
B	SGT.	CROSSLEY	CHARLES	A.
RO	T/SGT.	FLYNN	LEO	M.
TT	T/SGT.	JONES	CHARLES	C.
BT	S/SGT.	SMITH	DONALD	E.
TG	S/SGT.	ODOM	HENRY	T.
WG	S/SGT.	FISHER	MELVIN	C.

44-6146

P	2nd Lt.	YOUNG	CHARLES	B.
CP	2nd Lt.	MALONEY	JOSEPH	M.
N	2nd Lt.	SEAVEY	FRANK	A.
B	S/SGT.	MOORE	WAVERLY	W.
RO	SGT.	PETERS	JOHN	W.
TT	SGT.	BRAMBLE	JOHN	F.
BT	SGT.	ESHAM	GLENN	E.
TG	SGT.	JOHNSON	CARL	(NMI)
WG	SGT.	HENNIG	CHARLES	J.

42-31591

P	2nd Lt.	MAHARICK	MATT	(NMI)
CP	2nd Lt.	ROBERSON	WENDALL	W.
N	2nd Lt.	ROWLEY	RONALD	E.
B	S/SGT.	ROBERSON	ROBERT	E.
RO	SGT.	REED	WILLIAM	H. JR.
TT	SGT.	LANIER	LESLIE	H.
BT	SGT.	MOORE	WILLIAM	F.
TG	SGT.	WEBB	WENDALL	R.
WG	SGT.	MOULTON	GEORGE	W.

44-6132

P	1st Lt.	MAY	JAMES	H.
CP	2nd Lt.	MILLER	WALTER	A.
N	2nd Lt.	ANDERS	WALTER	R.
B	S/SGT.	KIDMAN	WILLARD	D.
RO	SGT.	PAULK	ALBERT	L. JR.
TT	SGT.	SMITH	CHESTER	J.
BT	S/SGT.	MEANEY	ANTHONY	J.
TG	SGT.	KROZEL	JOSEPH	A.
WG	SGT.	McKEE	WILLIAM	J.