

HEADQUARTERS 306TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Intelligence Officer
United States Forces

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23 February, 1945

SUBJECT: Intelligence Narrative
Mission: PLAUEM, Germany

TO : Commanding Officer, 306th Bombardment Group (H)

1. Narrative

The 306th flew 39 A/C including 4 PFF and 3 spares as 40th "C". The route was flown as briefed: Felixstowe, 0911; 5245N - 0437E, 0953; IP 5009N - 1308E, 1144; Plauen 1203; Rhine River 4820N - 0745E, 1332; Ostend, 1535; North Foreland, 1600; Base, 1703.

Shortly before the I.P. Buckeye Red reported the target areas entirely overcast and said bombing would be by instruments.

PFF: Deputy lead, high and low lead equipment worked satisfactorily.

A/C 914-B, pilot Cohn, flew and bombed with the 384th Group.
Eleven A/C landed away. All are safe in England.

2. Fighter Opposition and Fighter Support

P-51s gave excellent close support in and out, first appearing at about 0400E, 0940 hours. There were no attacks on this Group. Several P-51s were seen engaged in dog fights on deck south of Stuttgart between 1309 and 1317 hours. One S/E enemy aircraft was shot down by P-51s at approximately 4840N - 0944E, 1309 hours. The pilot was seen to bail out.

3. A.A. Gun Fire

There was none at the target. Flak was observed at Chemnitz, Mersburg, Leipzig and Erfurt. Damage: nil.

4. Bombing

Shortly before I.P. the Deputy's VHF and Command went out momentarily. "C" leader motioned for deputy to take over. Because of 10/10ths coverage on entire route in and because Buckeye had reported bombing would be by instruments, deputy made a PFF run on the Primary, dropping at 1203 1/2 hours. Low and high made separate runs. Photos show no ground detail. 3 minutes after bombs away, 40th "A" relayed a message from Buckeye stating there were visual targets on the return route.

5. Nickels

A/C 376-F, pilot Ruegger, dropped 1-BRL, 4-T307, 4-T312 on the Primary.

6. Weather

Clouds were in layers up to 12,000 feet and assembly and rendezvous were made at 13,000 feet. There was a solid undercast to target and back to 1100 degrees East, breaking to CAVU. Scattered clouds at 5030N - 0400E became 10/10ths over the Channel. Thick soup from 5,000 feet down to 600 feet forced the formation to break up over the Channel, and A/C came to the Base individually.

7. A/C returning Early
None

8. A/C in Distress
None

9. Observations

Fires were observed at 4838H - 0907E, 4905H - 0907E, 4919H - 0958E. An oil fire with black smoke 2,000 feet high was observed at 4910H - 0954E. Kitzingen I/Y was well hit. Strikes were also observed in I/Ys at Bamberg, Wurzburg, and Crailsheim. Three He-163s were seen taking off from Neustadt AFB. Two or three A/C were observed on an A/D at 4834H - 0902E, 10 or 12 A/C on Hall A/D, and 30 B-2 aircraft on the ground at approximately 4910H - 0955E.

JOHN A. BALDWIN, JR.,
Major, AC,
Group S-2

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LEAD

Risk - *land at*
Matake *Reported due to weather*
443-M PFF *everything O.K.*

575
773
975

- ~~Olsen~~ *landed at Report*
- ~~Forsyth~~ 814-G
- ~~Glavin~~ 362-L PFF
- ~~Trease~~ 910-B
- ~~Cohn #~~ 911-B
- ~~Harshorn~~ 429-W
- ~~Swango~~ 916-H
- ~~Clark #~~ 616-X
- ~~Wills~~ 585-K
- ~~McKinney~~ 512-A
- ~~Law~~ 028-Q
- Dorich 466-Q Spare

10th "C"
LEW

~~Ducom~~
662-S PFF

- ~~Rowley~~ 683-Q
- ~~Marks~~ 129-L
- ~~Winnlow #~~ 412-T
- ~~Hiney~~ 397-O
- ~~Mitchell #~~ 515-Q *landed at Report*
- ~~Wear~~ 171-V
- ~~Higginbotham~~ 578-D
- ~~Rish~~ 516-M
- ~~Kimball~~ 549-D
- ~~Smith, T. J.~~ 612-G
- ~~Kingley~~ 193-W
- Vicille 913-P Spare

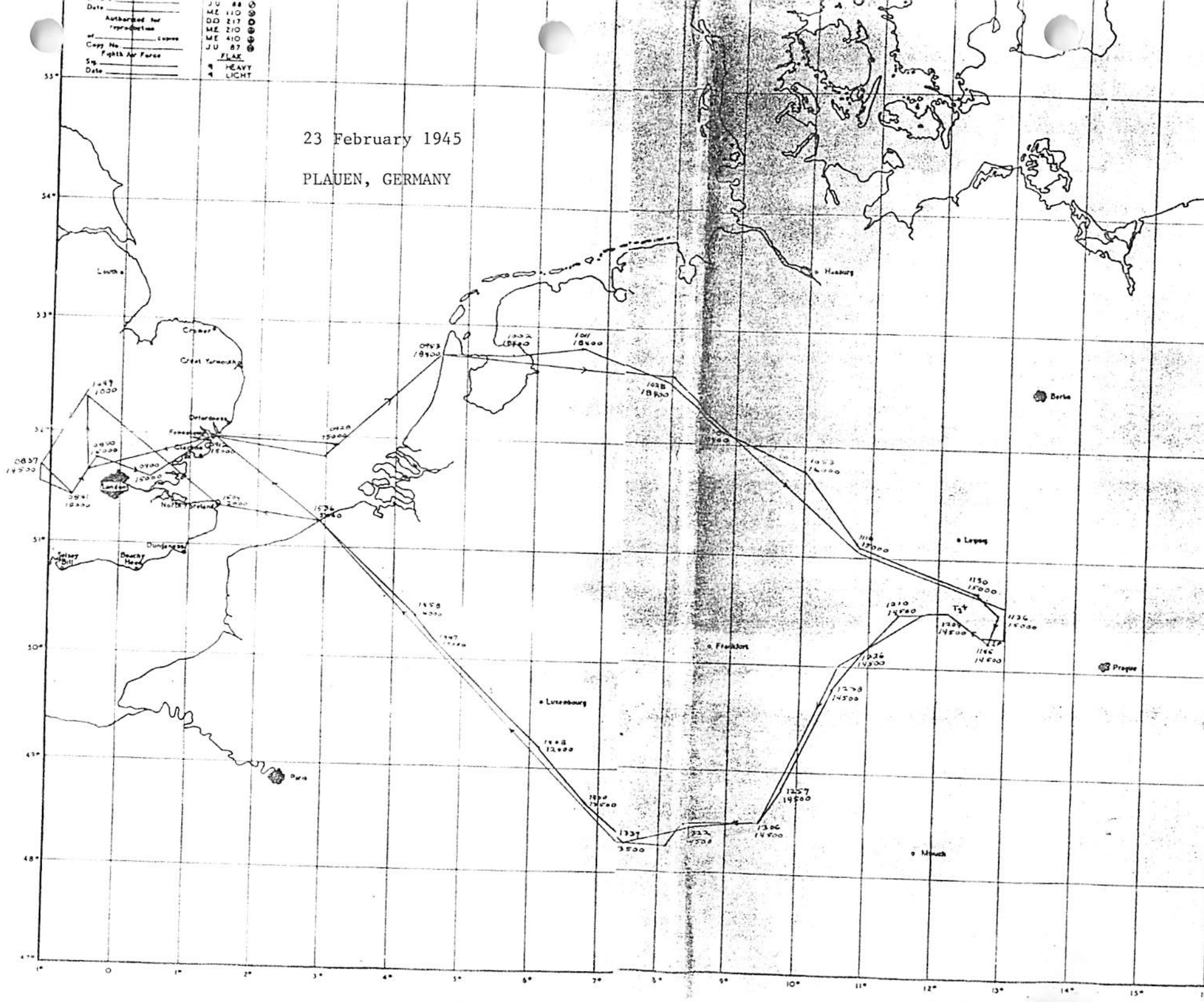
11th "C"
HIGG

~~Hubbell~~
359-S PFF

- ~~Callahan~~ 143-P
- ~~Ryder #~~ 181-B
- ~~Smith, B R~~ 619-S
- ~~Mullen #~~ 807-P
- ~~Charney #~~ 713-K
- ~~Hansen~~ 832-Y
- ~~Kearney~~ 287-V
- ~~Schafer~~ 598-Q
- ~~Ruegger~~ 376-F
- ~~Nickels~~
- ~~Strode~~ 765-M
- ~~Pover's~~ 301-U
- ~~Christensen~~ 297-M Spare

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 Date _____ 4 HEAVY
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23 February 1945
 PLAUEN, GERMANY



SQUADRON *368* A/C Number *443* Letter *M* Date *23-2-45*

Bomb Load *12 x 500* H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off *0707* Time Landed _____

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X

40th C Lead

at Bortstead

CIA: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether b, a.n., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

- 1st Lt. L. A. Risk ✓ P
- Capt. R. G. Matzke ✓ CP
- 1st Lt. C. R. Rubenstein ✓ M
- F/O M. Rosen ✓
- 1st Lt. R. H. Thayer ✓ B
- T/Sgt. S. Gomez ✓ RO
- T/Sgt. D. G. Smith ✓ E
- F/O E. C. Kuhn ✓ RM
- Sgt. L. F. Dorenbusch ✓ WG
- 2nd Lt. W. E. Correl ✓ TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

PFF
 Primary: Time: *1203 1/2*
 Secondary: Heading:
 Last Resort: Height:
 T.O.
 (Circle One)
 Turn off target:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: Jettisoned: Returned: Abortives:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: *H2X went out right after take off*
Turned over to deputy just before I.P.
 Other bombing: *an. Nichols: Yes No*
 Number and type _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on _____
 Hand _____ Movie _____

6. WEATHER: WHAT MESSAGES RECEIVED ETC BUCKEYES? *Before I.P. Buckeyes recommended PFF bombing.*

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of a/c	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to a/c	Accuracy

Crew observations about Flak: _____

SQUADRON ~~###~~ 368 A/C Number 362 Letter L Date 23-2-45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation _____

Time Took Off 0707 Time Landed _____

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
 If BITCHING hold crew and fill out
 special form in detail.

*40th "C"
Lead*

X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X

CHIEF: Give Rank and Initials 2

Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether U, A.N., E/A action,
 accident or undetermined cause)

- 1st Lt. R. H. Claeys ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. G. B. Howe ✓ CP
- 2nd Lt. J. M. Jaeger ✓ N
- 1st Lt. R. G. Wilson ✓ B
- T/Sgt. R. J. Yoder ✓ RD
- T/Sgt. S. J. McGillberry ✓ E
- 2nd Lt. J. F. Thompson ✓ RN
- S/Sgt. R. J. Bocian ✓ NG
- Sgt. R. L. McQuain ✓ SJ
- S/Sgt. R. G. Atwood ✓ TG

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

PFF
 Primary: Time: 1203 1/2
 Secondary: Heading: 304°
 Last Resort: Height: 14,000
 T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target: t 261°

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: _____ Jettisoned: _____ Returned: _____ Abortive: _____

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: Before I.P. VHF's Command was broken. Leads any Nickels: Yes No
signed this off to take over. Did not know about weather conditions
 Other bombing: _____ Number and type _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on _____
 Hand _____ Movie _____

6. WEATHER:

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM
 BUCKEYE? about 30 sec at 10 min
before broke away Buckeye
reported possibility of unusual
conditions for the day.

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

16,000 - dense persistent - none at 14,000'

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
<u>Nothing observed</u>						

Crew observations about Flak: _____

SQUADRON *368* A/C Number *814* Lett. *G* Date *23-2-45*

Bomb Load *12 x 500* H.E.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off *0707* Time Landed _____

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out
 special form in detail.

	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X

40th C
Lead

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether D, A.A., E/A action,
 accident or undetermined cause)

- 2nd Lt. W. J. Forsyth P
- 2nd Lt. F. N. Hales CP
- F/O I. Zalusky N
- S/Sgt. P. J. Hannum E
- Sgt. S. Leon RO
- Sgt. A. R. Tensing E
- Sgt. H. J. Mullen BT
- Sgt. R. A. Prigg WO
- Sgt. R. F. Dickson TG

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: *1203*
 Secondary: Heading: *309*
 Last Resort: Height: *14,100*
 T.O. (Circle One) *253*
 Turn off target:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: *all* Jettisoned: Returned: abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: *DR - Triptis 5041-1154*

an. Nichols: Yes No

Other Bombing: _____

Number and type _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on _____
 Hand _____ Movie _____

6. WEATHER: *10/10 enroute out*

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? _____

10/10 target break 20 min after target - 10/10 from middle of channel

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

8. FLAK: Encountered en wa. out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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Obs - part control pt 3 1045-1050 -

Crew observations about Flak: _____

SQUADRON ~~368~~ 368 A/C Number 916 Lett N Date 23-2-45
 Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position on Formation

Time Took Off 0707 Time Landed 1652

X - X X X X X
 X X X X X X
 X X X X X X

*40th C
Lead*

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

nil.

Crew: Give Rank and Initials /4

- 1st Lt. A. EVANS ✓
- 2nd Lt. B. J. Swang ✓
- 2nd Lt. W. C. Davenport ✓
- 2nd Lt. R. J. LeKashman ✓
- 2nd Lt. J. E. Shook ✓
- Sgt. W. T. Meas ✓
- T/Sgt. W. J. Schultz ✓
- Sgt. J. F. Martinez ✓
- Sgt. W. Smatlach ✓
- Sgt. R. Pakofaka ✓

Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether b. A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1204
 Secondary: Heading: 310
 Last Resort: Height: 14000
 T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target: 278

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: cell Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: incob. An. Nichols: Yes
 Number and type _____

Other Bombing: _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? was camera turned on _____
 Hand _____ Movie _____

6. WEATHER: 10/10 entirely in until after target
 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? _____

Cleared up in vicinity of target - clear until 4° E - then lower broken increasing to 19.0 tops 4000 feet

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

17 000 - con trails

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
<u>513N 1122 E - 5 miles to left of target position - range etc.</u>						

Crew observations about Flak: _____

SQUADRON ~~447~~ 368 ~~CG~~ ~~AW~~ A/C Number 028 Letter O Date 23-2-45

Bomb Load 12 x 5 H.E. Location - Formation

Time took Off 0707 Time Landed _____

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X

40th^c
Lead

Saw P-51 shoot FW 190
 down - about 1310 hrs.

CRW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether b, A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

Capt. J. S. Law ✓
 2nd Lt. D. B. Clockson CP ✓
 F/O J. V. Casino ✓
 S/Sgt. A. R. Dearing ✓
 Sgt. A. R. Berglund RO ✓
 T/Sgt. D. C. Lockhart ✓
 Sgt. G. P. Hicks ✓
 Sgt. E. H. Trammel NG ✓
 Sgt. R. N. Gustafson SJ ✓
 Sgt. W. O. Timmons ✓

B17 Capt. Flak. Said it was
 landing in contact. That it
 was Deputy of Hi.

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (FFF or Visual)

Primary: Title: 1204
 Secondary: Heading: 270 mag
 Last Resort: Height: 14000
 T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: all Jettisoned: Returned: abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: 10/10 hits An. Nichols: Yes N
 Other Bombing: _____ Number and type _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on _____
 Hand _____ Movie _____

6. WEATHER: Covered to target -
 Cleared beautifully later -

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKINGE? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

Received call that other targets were visible, but too late.

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Title	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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"None on us"

Crew observations about Flak: Saw some flak 1116 hrs 2 bursts - way

9. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

(Estimated total number of E/A seen) _____ (T,os)

(Location and length of fight) _____

(Tactics of E/A) _____

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A) _____

10. FIGHTER SUPPORT: (include time, place, and color markings)

None

CLAIMS	
DESTROYED	_____
PROBABLE	_____
DAMAGED	_____

(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for such claim.)

11. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT, (List all observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airbases, ports, waterways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations.)

None

12. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

13. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

14. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

15. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?)

16. ROUTE: (Note especially any deviations from briefed route. Did Squadron or A/C come back with Group or alone?)

Lost formation in bad weather, was dumped on return. Home down

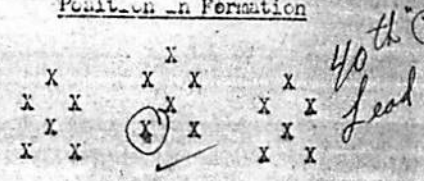
S-2 OFFICER [Signature] TIME COMPLETED _____

SQUADRON 368 W/368 A/C Number 512 Lett A Date 23-2-45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0707 Time Landed 1710

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.



CITE: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether b. a.a., E/a action, accident or undetermined cause)

- 2nd Lt. N. W. McKinney P
- 2nd Lt. A. J. McCalley CP
- 2nd Lt. G. R. Faulkner Y
- T/Sgt. L. B. Davison B
- Sgt. L. J. Opper RO
- Sgt. L. F. Warren E
- Sgt. S. H. Eaton ET
- Sgt. T. R. Foley HG
- Sgt. J. E. O'Brein TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1204
 Secondary: Heading: 306 M
 Last Resort: Height: 14,000
 T.O.
 (Circle One)
 Turn off target:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: 1910 an. Nichols: Yes
 Other Bombing: Number and type

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Has camera turned on
 Hand no Movie no

6. WEATHER: 1910 cont to 1030 E WHAT MESSAGES REC'D ETC
breaks CAVD to 5710. Long at 0300 E BUCKEYE?

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: no

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), altitude, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy

Crew observations about Flak: _____

SQUADRON ~~237~~ 423 A/C Number 910 Letter B Date 23/2/45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position on Formation

Time Took Off 0707 Time Landed _____

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

X X X X
X X X X
X X X X
X X X X

40th C Lead.

Please for friendly territory. Carls Boone

Crew: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in distress:
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)
If lost, state whether b. A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

1604 hr. 1554 hr. Over No See
360° turn to rt then under.
1 mi No. Clacton to E.C.

- 2nd Lt. H.W. Trease ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. J.K. Snobble ✓ CP
- F/O G.W. Key ✓ N
- F/O W.G. Murray ✓ B
- S/Sgt. H. Bellet ✓ RO
- S/Sgt. W.I. Lewis ✓ E
- S/Sgt. B.F. Scribner, Jr. ✓ BT
- S/Sgt. J.J. Scannell ✓ NG
- _____ ✓ WG
- S/Sgt. I.I. Frank ✓ TG

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1204
Secondary: Heading: 310
Last Resort: Height: 14100
T.O. (Circle One) 250
Turn off target:

3. Number of BOMBS All dropped on target. Jettisoned: Returned: abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: any Nickels: Yes (X)

Other Bombing: Number and type _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Has camera turned on _____
Hand _____ Movie _____

6. WEATHER: WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy

Crew observations about Flak: _____

9. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

(Estimated total number of E/A seen) _____ (Total) _____

(Location and length of fight) _____

Fighter going down

(Tactics of E/A) _____

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A) _____

10. FIGHTER SUBJECT: (include time, place, and color markings:)

Good

C L A I M S	
DESTROYED	_____
PROBABLE	_____
DAMAGED	_____
(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)	

11. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT, (list an observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummys, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, waterways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations.

*Crailsheim hit.
M/Y*

12. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

13. DAMAGE TO A/C: (briefly)

14. TECHNICAL FAILURES: *landing gear elec. sys. Manual*

15. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? any suggestions?)

16. ROUTE: (Note especially any deviations from briefed route. Did Squadron or A/C come back with Group or alone?)

With 'grp.

SQUADRON ~~XXXXXX~~ 423 A/C Number 585 Letter K Date 23/2/45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position on Formation _____

Time Took Off 0707 Time Landed 1648

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.
- | | | | | | |
|--|---|---|---|---|---|
| | X | X | X | X | X |
| | X | X | X | X | X |
| | X | X | X | X | X |
- 40th C Lead*

CIGAR: Give Rank and Initials 8

Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether by A.A., E/A action,
 accident or undetermined cause)

- 2nd Lt. H.L. Wills ✓/P
- 2nd Lt. R.R. Brandstrom ✓/OP
- 2nd Lt. S. Manthey ✓/N
- 2nd Lt. C.D. Orr ✓/E
- Sgt. J.O. Grimes ✓/RD
- Sgt. H.L. Williamson ✓/S
- Sgt. V. Ellen ✓/ET
- Sgt. R.F. Nance ✓/WG
- S/Sgt. R.E. Nokes ✓/TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PPF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1203 1/2
 Secondary: Heading: 310
 Last Resort: Height: 14200
 T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target: 275

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: All Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: an. Nichols: Yes N
 Number and type _____

Other Bombing: _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? was camera turned on ✓
 Hand _____ Movie _____

6. WEATHER: Overcast Coverage heavier than briefed.
 Clear about 10 min after BA.
 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: forming England 18000 dense persistent. None about 16000 on way home.

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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N/A

Crew observations about Flak: _____

SQUADRON 3 A/C Number 616 Letter Date 23/2/45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0707 Time Landed

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.
- | | | | | | |
|--|---|---|---|---|---|
| | X | X | X | X | X |
| | X | X | X | X | X |
| | X | X | X | X | X |
| | X | X | X | X | X |
- 40th C Lead*

*Fights down 1309 approx 5830-0930
 3-4 closing - crashed burst into flames
 (Lullin's ME 109)*

Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether b, a.n., E/a action, accident or undetermined cause)

- CITE: Give Rank and Initials
- 2nd Lt. J.R. Clark ✓ P
 - 2nd Lt. W.A. Carnicem ✓ CP
 - 2nd Lt. V.C. Larson ✓ N
 - Sgt. A.A. Collart ✓ H
 - Sgt. A.C. McGuire, Jr. ✓ BO
 - Sgt. A.E. Hatton ✓ E
 - Sgt. C.A. Diffendaffer ✓ BT
 - Sgt. A.D. Figone ✓ WG
 - Sgt. R.W. Dryden, Jr. ✓ TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1204
 Secondary: Heading: 305
 Last Resort: Height: 14200
 T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target: 270 mag

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: all Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: and, Nichols: Yes No
 Other bombing: Number and type

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on None
 Hand Movie 10-12,000 (two layers on tubes)

6. WEATHER: 10/10 to target - birds out approx 1 hr past target clear to middle France - overcast to horizon WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? 10,000

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: in sweep at channel 5000' formation built up - 500'

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
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Crew observations about Flak:

SQUADRON ~~448~~ 368 ~~448~~ 448 A/C Number 928 Letter L Date 23-2-45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0707 Time Landed 1645

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in: Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

(X)		X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X				

40th C Lead

*Loaded at base because of weather
 Instead - Pinned in
 1. Took off 1900 - 1930 at base*

Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details if lost, state whether D, A/A, E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

- CREW: Give Rank and Initials 10
- 2nd Lt. B. L. Olsen ✓ P
 - 2nd Lt. P. H. Greer ✓ CP
 - 1st Lt. J. T. Dobkowski ✓ N
 - 2nd Lt. S. O. Briggs ✓ B
 - Sgt. F. W. Ramsey ✓ HQ
 - Sgt. L. Foster ✓ E
 - Sgt. J. W. Gerlach ✓ FT
 - Sgt. H. Reppy ✓ HQ
 - S/Sgt. E. J. Feeney ✓ TG

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1204
 Secondary: Heading: 300°
 Last Resort: Height: 14000
 T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: all Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others).

Own Bombs: _____ An. Nichols: Yes N

Other Bombing: _____ Number and type _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on _____
 Hand _____ Movie _____

6. WEATHER: _____ WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: _____

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Title	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy

Crew observations about Flak: _____

SQUADRON ~~368~~ 368 ~~TH~~ TH A/C Number 429 Letter W Date 23-2-45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0707 Time Landed 1120

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes (No)
If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X

40th Lead

CIDR: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in distress:
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)
If lost, state whether b. a.n., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

- 2nd Lt. R. T. Hartshorn ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. E. E. Hunt ✓ CP
- 2nd Lt. R. W. Haining ✓ N
- Sgt. F. F. Alston ✓ B
- Sgt. L. J. McDonald ✓ PO
- S/Sgt. M. L. Blakey ✓ B
- Sgt. E. P. Conrad ✓ BT
- Sgt. W. O. Jacobson ✓ WG
- Sgt. A. B. Leavell ✓ TG

No

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (IFF or Visual):

Primary: Time: 1204
Secondary: Heading: 307°
Last Resort: Height: 14,400

T.O.
(Circle One)

Turn off target: 273°

3. Number of BOMBS dropped 12 x 500 on target: Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: 10/10 None an. Nichols: Yes No
Other bombing: Number and type _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on None
Hand _____ Movie _____

6. WEATHER: 10/10 at target. WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKETS? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: Across channel on way out - dense, persistent.

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
1115	Merseburg	14,000	Heavy - Moderate	Black	Left	Inaccurate

Crew observations about Flak: Highly inaccurate, barrage type.

Hq 8 384th S.G.

SQUADRON # 368 31 A/C Number 914 Letter B Date 23-2-45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0707 Time Landed 1636

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.



FLEW WITH P-HIGH SQDN.
384th

Crew: Give Rank and Initials 12

Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details) F/O H. D. Hancock CP
 If lost, state whether by A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause) 2nd Lt. W. E. Blough N

Couldn't catch group so joined 384th over channel

- S/Sgt. F. Pospiech B
- Sgt. R. W. Awe RO
- Sgt. K. J. Gibson E
- Sgt. R. M. Fairchild BT
- Sgt. J. H. Boring WG
- Sgt. G. G. Olsen TG

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

ERFURT Primary: Time: Off 12:15 hrs.
 Secondary: Heading: 325
 Last Resort: Height: 14200

T.O.
 (Circle One)
 Turn off target: 260

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: all Jettisoned: Returned: abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: 1 under. An. Nichols: Yes
 Other Bombing: Number and type _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? was camera turned on none
 Hand _____ Movie _____

6. WEATHER: 10/10, all the way in - broke up - 9° Celsius out. WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: meager non-persistent at 19000 altitude in.

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
<u>none</u>						

Crew observations about Flak: _____

SQUADRON 367 ~~XXXX~~ ~~XXXX~~ A/C Number 662 Lett S Date 23/2/45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation 40th C

Time Took Off. 0707 Time Landed _____

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.
- | | | | | |
|--|---|---|---|---|
| | X | X | X | X |
| | X | X | X | X |
| | X | X | X | X |
| | X | X | X | X |

CREW: Give Rank and Initials 13

Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether b. A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

- 1st Lt. H.O. Balcom ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. W.W. Search ✓ CP
- F/O H.E. LeCompte ✓ N
- 1st Lt. G.H. Bower ✓ B
- T/Sgt. R.G. McKay ✓ RO
- T/Sgt. R.E. Waldron ✓ E
- 2nd Lt. Burley L W ✓ RN
- S/Sgt. R.S. Sircy ✓ NG
- S/Sgt. J.G. Beach ✓ TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: _____ Time: _____
 Secondary: _____ Heading: _____
 Last Resort: _____ Height: _____

T.O. _____
 (Circle One)
 Turn off target: _____

3. Number of BOMBS All dropped on target: Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this lane or others)

Own Bombs: _____ Any Nickels: Yes No

Other Bombing: _____ Number and type _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on _____ None
 Hand _____ Movie _____

6. WEATHER: 10/10 to beyond target. WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYES? Visual targets on return relayed.
Started to clear 1100 & west.
Clear to chan. for pilage.

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: light non persis. 17000'

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Title	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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Observed in Leipzig area.

Crew observations about Flak: _____

ADDITIONAL INTERROGATION FORM FOR GROUP AND SQUADRON LEAD AIRCRAFT

(check one)
GROUP LEADER _____
HIGH SQUADRON LEADER _____
LOW SQUADRON LEADER _____
PLANE WITH OTHER GROUP _____
(Indicate Group and Group Identification)
SINGLE AIRCRAFT _____

0911 hr 5157 0123 E 13000
1645 Clacton 5000

1. Time and Place of crossing English Coast _____

2. Was Course as Briefed? _____
If not, describe course in detail _____

0956 5245 0500 17000
1537 5116 0248 5500

3. Time and Place of crossing Enemy Coast _____

4. Time over Target 1204 $\frac{1}{2}$ ^{IP} 1128 hr.
Altitude over Target 14100 5044 1229
Position of Group on Bomb Run Lo 14000
Magnetic Heading of Bomb Run 310
Duration Bomb Run 13 mi.

5. Time of Landing at base 1722

If landed away from base before return state where and why Hit
Clacton $\frac{3}{4}$ of in No Sea. then Foxhole 'A'
announced to come in individually under
cloud base. 360 to rt. and in 600'
it was briefed

DATE _____ TIME _____ Sy2 OFFICER Esper

SQUADRON 367 ~~XXXX~~ ~~XXXX~~ A/C Number 412 Letter T Date 23/2/45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0707 Time Landed _____

			X						
	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

40 C
Low

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

CIGR: Give Rank and Initials 17

Friendly A/C in distress:
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)
If lost, state whether v. h.a., E/w action, accident or undetermined cause)

- 2nd Lt. W. B. Winslow ✓ B
- 2nd Lt. S. J. Ross ✓ CP
- P/O L. P. Iansite ✓ N
- 2nd Lt. E. M. Duran ✓ B
- S/pt. R. V. Bradley ✓ RD
- Sgt. E. G. Rommels ✓ E
- S/pt. C. M. Crosswell ✓ BT
- Sgt. R. A. Templeton ✓ WD
- S/pt. A. C. Miller ✓ TG
- Sgt. W. H. Cranford ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1205
Secondary: Heading: 310
Last Resort: Height: 15850
T.O. (Circle One) 270
Turn off target:

3. Number of BOMBS dro. on target: Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: 3 Sqdn made sep. run. an. Nichols: Yes (1)
Smoke bombs in same place. Number and type _____
Other bombing:

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Yes - on was camera turned on _____
Hand _____ Movie _____

6. WEATHER: 10/10 clear to chan. 5000 1150 (pikage) 4000' tops
WHAT MESSAGES REC'D BY BUCKEYE? Relay from 40 A After BA
A said clear in another section. 17000

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: light non pers.

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
		<u>None</u>	<u>on</u>	<u>Grp.</u>	<u>Observed at Merseberg + Leipzig</u>	

Crew observations about Flak: _____

SQUADRON 367 ~~XXXX~~ ~~XXXX~~ A/C Number 129 Letter L Date 23/2/45
 Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation 40 C

Time took Off 0707 Time Landed _____

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X

Low

Great Dumbo

Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether D, A.M., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

left 15 1440 20 m. So

Charleroi. Fuel low. Due to insistence, stayed in p. stream to 10 m. G-1. Dumbo

TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)
 Primary: Time: 1204 ³/₄
 Secondary: Heading: 300
 Last Resort: Height: 3600

- CIGR: Give Rank and Initials JS
- 2nd Lt. R. Marks P
 - 2nd Lt. E.R. Gary CP
 - 2nd Lt. J.S. Pappas N
 - 2nd Lt. H. Burr B
 - T/Sgt. W.D. Searles HO
 - Sgt. M.D. Baughman S
 - Sgt. J.A. Baker BT
 - Sgt. F.R. Frederick WG
 - Sgt. R.L. Harrison TG

T.O.
 (Circle One)
 Turn off target:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: Jettisoned: Returned: abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this lane or others)

Own Bombs: _____ an. Nichols: Yes
 Other bombing: _____ Number and type _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on _____
 Hand _____ Movie _____

6. WEATHER: _____ WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: _____

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Title	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy

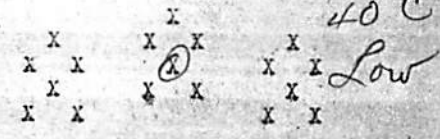
Crew observations about Flak: _____

SQUADRON 367 ~~XXXX~~ ~~XXX~~ A/C Number 578 Letter D Date 23/2/45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time took Off 0707 Time Landed 1654

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.



133 - W Ringley last seen over channel before left formation was O.K.

CIRCL: Give Rank and Initials 16

Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether by A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

- 2nd Lt. V.M. Higginbotham P
- 2nd Lt. H.A. Verdick CP
- F/O L. Levinstone N
- F/O T.D. Streeter B
- Sgt. P.H. Ruesha RO
- T/Sgt. W.A. Davis E
- Sgt. E.F. Roberts BT
- Sgt. H.D. Gedney NG
- Sgt. R.T. Hauck TG

No

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1205
 Secondary: Heading: 310°
 Last Resort: Height: 12,700
 T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target: 270°

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 12 x 500 Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: 10/10 None An. Nichols: Yes
 Other Bombing: Number and type

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Has camera turned on NONE
 Hand _____ Movie _____

6. WEATHER: 10/10 at target. 18 min. from target weather broke up. WHAT MESSAGES REC'D ETC BUCKEYE?

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: Slight.

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
<u>1141</u>	<u>Chemnitz</u>	<u>12,700</u>	<u>Heavy-Moderate</u>	<u>Black</u>	<u>Left</u>	<u>Inaccurate</u>

Crew observations about Flak: Flak was far off to left, totally ineffective. Barrage type.

SQUADRON 367 ~~XXXX~~ ~~XXXX~~ A/C Number 133 Lett W Date 23/2/45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0707 Time Landed 1020

	X	X	X	X	40° C
1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No	X	X	X	X	Low
If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.	X	X	X	X	
	X	X	X	X	

One basket
Wormingford
 53-2-45
 Landed 1632
 Took off 0942
 24-2-45

- CREW: Give Rank and Initials
- 2nd Lt. D.G. Kingley ✓ B
 - 2nd Lt. S.G. Cretekos ✓ CP
 - 2nd Lt. R.W. Olson ✓ M
 - 2nd Lt. F.H. Lynch ✓ B
 - Sgt. K.E. Wesner ✓ RO
 - Sgt. W.H. Kennedy ✓ E
 - Sgt. E.E. Hartley ✓ BT
 - Sgt. S.A. Anguilano ✓ WG
 - Sgt. N.R. Norquist ✓ TG

Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether by A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause

at 55th Fighter Gp -
Wormingford

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: PFF Time: 1205
 Secondary: Heading: 306° M
 Last Resort: Height: 13000
 T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target: Plum 1705
272° M

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 11 Jettisoned: Returned: abortive:

Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: *Wicker no damage* No. Nickels: Yes 1
 Other bombing: *no casualties* Number and type _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? has camera turned on None
 Hand No Movie No

6. WEATHER: 0850 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE?
B-17 coast landed at 5005-500
appeared to have been there for some time no one
1445

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: around
10/10 at target opened to carry new weighting

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
	<i>Wormingford</i>		<i>Wicker</i>			

Crew observations about Flak: 2 of our A/c dropped
3-4 mins. W-Victor - one other A/c

9. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

(Estimate total number of E/A seen)	(Times)
(Location and length of fight)	
(Tactics of E/A)	
(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)	

10. FIGHTER SUPPORT: (include time, place, and color markings:)

OP good - gave close support all the way

CLAIMS	
DESTROYED	_____
PROBABLE	_____
DAMAGED	_____
(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)	

11. OBSERVATION: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT, (list any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummys, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, waterways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations.)

Light flak being seen in edge of wood near Stuttgart. est. 15 guns. No bullets in sky just shrapnel wood

12. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

13. DAMAGE TO A/C: (briefly)

14. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

#4 amplifier out. See Box not too good. Oxy leak

15. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? any suggestions?)

16. ROUTE: (Note especially any deviations from briefed route. Did Squadron or A/C come back with Group or alone?)

Had lost signal and flying under 200 foot ceiling. Saw this field and came in for softy stake. Bombed with gun

66th F

55th F. Gp.

WORMINGFORD

A/C F 33 - W - Kingsley.

Plausen 1205

richer

1870

no damage

no Ca.

SQUADRON 367 ~~XXXX~~ ~~1234~~ A/C Number 611 Letter G Date 23/2/45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time took Off 0707 Time Landed 17²⁵

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

X X X X X
 X X X X X
 X X X X X
 X X X X X
 40 C
 Low

nil.

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether b. A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

- 2nd Lt. L.J. Smith P
- F/O R.W. Grunski GP
- F/O G. Gutman N
- Sgt. W.J. Gregg B
- Sgt. R.C. Grimm RO
- Sgt. P. Helenhart E
- Sgt. S. Alowitz BT
- Sgt. J.V. Cronin WG
- Sgt. D.R. Jensen TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PF) or Visual

Primary: Time: 1200 1/2
 Secondary: Heading: 320
 Last Resort: Height: 13700

T.O.
 (Circle One)
 Turn off target: 280

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: all Jettisoned: dropped one minute early Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: none. any Nichols: Yes ka.
 Other Bombing: Number and type

5. any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on none.
 Hand Movie

6. WEATHER:
 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE?

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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none on this group.

Crew observations about Flak:

SQUADRON ~~XXXXXX~~ 423 A/C Number 397 Letter: 10 Date 23/2/45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position on Formation

Time Took Off 0707 Time Landed 1830

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

			X		
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X

4000c
Low

1635 home
Aviation - may be
Coming home Took off 1800

CIDR: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether b, a.n., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

- 2nd Lt. W.H. Hiney ✓ P
- F/O R.M. Bard ✓ CP
- 2nd Lt. L.B. McGough ✓ N
- F/O W.F. Ross ✓ E
- Sgt. J.V. Dowd ✓ RO
- T/Sgt. D.D. Erwin ✓ E
- Sgt. A.L. Swire ✓ BT
- Sgt. H.V. Carter ✓ NG
- Sgt. W.H. Olson ✓ TG

Saw at 1308 fighter down
Special Stuttgart in flames
no chute

2. TARGET ATTAINED: (FFF or Visual)

PFF Primary: Time: 12 04 1/2
 Secondary: Heading: 30 x M
 Last Resort: Height: 13,800
 T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target: 250°

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: 211 An. Nichols: Yes (1)
 Other bombing: Number and type _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Has camera turned on _____
 Hand _____ Movie P.T. inoperative

6. WEATHER: WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
<i>Saw flak at 5130 - 1000E observed</i>						

Crew observations about Flak: _____

SQUADRON 444 :23 A/C Number 549 Letter D Date 23/2/45
 Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0707 Time Landed 1650

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.
- | | | | | | | |
|--|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | X | X | X | X | X | X |
- 404C
Low

Rich - in friendly territory, may have landed - Brussels
 CREW: Give Rank and Initials 20

- Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether by A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)
- | | |
|------------------------------|----|
| <u>2nd Lt. R. S. Kimball</u> | P |
| <u>2nd Lt. W.H. Fischer</u> | OP |
| <u>F/O J.C. Neighmond</u> | N |
| <u>2nd Lt. F.L. Fiora</u> | B |
| <u>Sgt. H.J. Thomas</u> | HO |
| <u>S/Sgt. S.L. Goodwin</u> | E |
| <u>Sgt. L. Foster</u> | BT |
| <u>Sgt. W.C. Clark</u> | WG |
| <u>Sgt. E.H. Merrill</u> | TG |

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)
 Primary: Time: 12:05
 Secondary: Heading: 310M
 Last Resort: Height: 13,800
 T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 19710 Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:
 Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)
 Own Bombs: 19710 an. Nichols: Yes
 Other bombing: Number and type _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on _____
 Hand _____ Movie _____

6. WEATHER: Cloud 8,000' - Visual at 1100 E 710 -
Cloud 20,000'
 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: no

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy

Crew observations about Flak: _____

SQUADRON ~~XXXXXXXX~~ 423 A/C Number 516 Letter M Date 23/2/45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0707 Time Landed _____

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

	X	X	X	X	X	
	X	X	X	(X)	X	40th C
	X	X	X	X	X	Low.
	X	X		X	X	

Smoking outside Bussells with bomb bay doors open

CIDR: Give Rank and Initials 21

Friendly A/C in distress: (Give position, time, altitude, full details) If lost, state whether b, a.m., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

- 2nd Lt. W.M. Rich P
- F/O A.H. Lemon, Jr. CP
- F/O G.R.P. Eggleston N
- 2nd Lt. R.E. Hodges B
- Sgt. W.M. Teets BO
- Sgt. J.H. Tommley E
- Sgt. E.L. Riha BT
- Sgt. L.L. Freeman WG
- Sgt. T.M. Ryan TG
- S/Sgt. R.K. Zach SJ

at 55th fighter base

Wormingford

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (IFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1204
 Secondary: Heading: 300
 Last Resort: Height: 13700

T.O. 270 *No damage*
 (Circle One)
 Turn off target: *or casualty*

3. Number of BOMBS All dropped on target: Jettisoned: Returned: abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: *Bombed Plauen at 1204* any Nickels: Yes No
 Other bombing: Number and type _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? has camera turned on _____
 Hand _____ Movie _____

6. WEATHER: 1530 hr. st thru to Clacton. St. to Wormingford WHAT MESSAGES REC'D ERC BUCKEYE? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

8. FLAK: #encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy

Crew observations about Flak: _____

9. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

(Estimated total number of E/A seen) _____ (Type) _____

(Location and length of fight) Fighter going down down.

Poss. Me 109

(Tactics of E/A) _____

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A) _____

10. FIGHTER SUPPORT: (include time, place, and color markings:)

CLAIMS	
DESTROYED	_____
PROBABLE	_____
DAMAGED	_____
(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)	

11. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT, (List an observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummys, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airbases, ports, waterways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, now enemy installations.

12. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

13. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

14. TECHNICAL FAILURES: Bombay doors wouldn't close.
Salvo motor poss

15. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? any suggestions?) - poss

16. ROUTE: (Note especially any deviations from briefed route. Did Squadron or A/C come back with Group or alone?)
with grp

Wormingford
55th Fighter Base
516-M (Rich)

No Remise or Casualties
P77 Bombing
Planes - 1204
~~Rail Road~~

at East W Rudolph



216

16 9/1
4299
2/6 91

SQUADRON 367 220000 000 A/C Number 683 Letter 1 Date 23/2/45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position - Formation 40 C

Time Took Off 0707 Time Landed _____

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.
- | | | | | | | | | | | |
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*Parachute from P. 51-4834-0913. 1308. T.G.
 says plane hit ground beneath.*

CHIEF: Give Rank and Initials 22

Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether C. A.A., E/A action,
 accident or undetermined cause)

- 1st Lt. K.R. Rowley P
- 2nd Lt. R. Hopkins GP
- 1st Lt. E. Skonieczny N
- 2nd Lt. M.M. Demoray E
- T/Sgt. W.J. Porozinski PG
- S/Sgt. M.C. Hansen E
- Sgt. R.F. Stetler BT
- Sgt. I.W. Scott WG
- S/Sgt. J.W. Hall TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

PFF Primary: Time: 1204 1/2
 Secondary: Heading: 312
 Last Resort: Height: 13,700
 T.O.
 (Circle One)
 Turn off target:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target Jettisoned: Returned: abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)
 Own Bombs: Report was leading lead. Each approx. 1/2 mile on. Nichols: Yes
 Other Bombing: Number and type _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Has camera turned on _____
 Hand _____ Movie _____

6. WEATHER: Layer at 11,000, another layer at 5,000
10/10 until target, when upper layer broke up. About 20 mins after target, lower layer broke up, then CAVU.
 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D ERC BUCKEYE? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:
light to heavy, persistent at altitude.

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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None - observed.

Crew observations about Flak: _____

SQUADRON 367 ~~368~~ 369 ~~370~~ 371 a/c Number 174 Letter Date 23/2/45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position - n Formation

Time took Off 0707 Time Landed 1725 40 C

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

	X				
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X

Saw P-51s firing on SFE/17 then it went up pilot bailed out then plane went down and crashed in woods

Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether D, A.N., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

- CIDR: Give Rank and Initials J.B.
- 1st Lt. W.H. Wear ✓ P
 - 2nd Lt. F.R. Spacht ✓ CP
 - 2nd Lt. F.E. Ballish ✓ N
 - Sgt. H.W. Wertz ✓ E
 - Sgt. H.R. Hall ✓ RO
 - Sgt. C.D. Pettigrew ✓ E
 - Sgt. C.H. Allred ✓ E
 - Sgt. S.T. Kwiatkowski ✓ MG
 - Sgt. R.A. Arledge ✓ TG

4835-0905

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

PFF Primary: Time: 1203
 Secondary: Heading: 300
 Last Resort: Height: 13,700
 T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target: 270

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 17 Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: 10/10 Any Nickels: Yes No
 Other Bombing: Number and type

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on
 Hand Movie

6. WEATHER: WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE?

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

Continuously slight 17,000 near 3.3

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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Obs. 11/10000 ER fuel obs.

Crew observations about Flak:

SQUADRON 367 ~~XXXXXXX~~ ~~XXX~~ A/C Number 515 Letter 10 Date 22/2/45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation _____

Time Took Off 0707 Time Landed _____

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

X X X X
 X X X X
 X X X X
 X X X X

40° C
 Low

Booster - [Signature]

CREW: Give Rank and Initials 24

Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether by A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

- 2nd Lt. F.W. Mitchell ✓ Y
- 2nd Lt. S.D. Burns ✓ OP
- 2nd Lt. R.R. Nielson ✓ N
- Sgt. A.E. Dull ✓ B
- Sgt. R.W. McIntyre ✓ RO
- Sgt. R.E. Schneider ✓ E
- Sgt. S.F. Pierce ✓ BF
- Sgt. J.W. Keizer ✓ WG
- S/Sgt. V.D. Donohoe ✓ TG

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

PFF Primary: Time: 1205
 Secondary: Heading: 315
 Last Resort: Height: 13,700
 T.O.
 (Circle One)
 Turn off target:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)
 Own Bombs: on lead an. Nichols: Yes No
 Other Bombing: Number and type _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Has camera turned on _____
 Hand _____ Movie _____

6. WEATHER: WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE?

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
<u>None observed</u>						

Crew observations about Flak: _____

SQUADRON 369 n/c Number 359 Letter 2 Date 23-2-45
 Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time took off 0707 Time Landed 1653

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.
- | | | | | |
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| X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X |
| X | X | X | X | X |

40th C High

*P-51 down - Reutlingen
 hit in wood S.E. corner of town
 and blew up - 4827-0919 -
 no chutes seen Smoking on wing*

CREW: Give Rank and Initials 25

- Friendly A/C in distress: down
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether by A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)
- 1st Lt. L. E. Hubbell P
 - 2nd Lt. R. E. Woods CP
 - 2nd Lt. V. Lisec N
 - 1st Lt. L. E. Carroll B
 - S/Sgt. C. E. West RC
 - S/Sgt. B. S. Moody E
 - Sgt. C. W. Hunter, Jr. BT
 - Sgt. W. A. Leopold LB
 - 2nd Lt. ^{H. R.} ~~E. E.~~ Brandt WP RN
 - T/Sgt. L. C. Morganroth TC

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

PFF Primary: Time: 1204
 Secondary: Heading: 302°4
 Last Resort: Height: 14,500
 T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target: 2440H

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: 10/10 An. Nichols: Yes
 Other bombing: Number and type _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on None
 Hand NO Movie NO

6. WEATHER: WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE?
5000 - 1000E began to break

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: our Bombs away 1st message from
 few sec. before the 40 "A" that they would
 none at target Bombs on Jettison and
 over Holland and Western Germany, Pense P.

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heav.), altitude, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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over at Reutlingen and large towns in area

Crew observations about Flak: _____

ADDITIONAL INTERROGATION FORM FOR GROUP AND SQUADRON LEAD AIRCRAFT

(check one)
GROUP LEADER _____
HIGH SQUADRON LEADER _____
LOW SQUADRON LEADER _____
PLANE WITH OTHER GROUP _____
(Indicate Group and Group Identification)
SINGLE AIRCRAFT _____

1. Time and Place of crossing English Coast 7.15 Stone 0912
5245-0437 0953

2. Was Course as Briefed? _____
If not, describe course in detail I.P. 5020-1242-1145

3. Time and Place of crossing Enemy Coast Tues 1204
Ostend - 1536

4. Time over Target slow 5120-0125-1604
Altitude over Target _____
Position of Group on Bomb Run _____ Break up just prior
Magnetic Heading of Bomb Run _____ to coast on order of
Duration Bomb Run _____ and came home

5. Time of Landing at base _____ Home 1653
If landed away from base before return state where and why _____

DATE _____ TIME _____ S-2 OFFICER _____

SQUADRON 000000 3 A/C Number 619 Letter S Date 23-2-45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0707 Time Landed 1700 @ Auk.

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.
- | | | | | | |
|--|---|---|---|---|---|
| | X | X | X | X | X |
| | X | X | X | X | X |
| | X | X | X | X | X |

40th's High

Andrews Field

CREW: Give Rank and Initials 26

Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether b, n.a., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

- 2nd Lt. E. R. Smith ✓
- 2nd Lt. W. T. Peckham ✓ CP
- 2nd Lt. W. H. Exley ✓ N
- 2nd Lt. M. D. Cooper ✓ B
- Sgt. R. L. Brown ✓ BO
- Sgt. S. D. Lynn ✓
- Sgt. J. E. Michel ✓ EX
- Sgt. J. W. McCoy ✓ W
- Sgt. W. M. Quinn ✓ SI WO
- Sgt. H. Moxen ✓ TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PRF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1204
 Secondary: Heading: 305
 Last Resort: Height: 14600
 T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target: 0778

- 2nd Lt. E. R. Smith ✓
- 2nd Lt. W. T. Peckham ✓ CP
- 2nd Lt. W. H. Exley ✓ N
- 2nd Lt. M. D. Cooper ✓ B
- Sgt. R. L. Brown ✓ BO
- Sgt. S. D. Lynn ✓
- Sgt. J. E. Michel ✓ EX
- Sgt. J. W. McCoy ✓ W
- Sgt. W. M. Quinn ✓ SI WO
- Sgt. H. Moxen ✓ TG

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target. Jettisoned: Returned: abortive:

Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: All an. Nickels: Yes EX

Other Bombing: Number and type _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on _____
 Hand _____ Movie _____

6. WEATHER: WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy, moderate or slight)	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy

Crew observations about Flak: _____

9. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

(Estimate a total number of E/A seen) _____ (Types) _____

48 44-0937 saw S.F. A/C hit ground & burst into flames. (Location and length of fight)

(Tactics of E/A)

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

10. FIGHTER SUPPORT: (include time, place, and color markings:)

C L A I M S	
DESTROYED	_____
PROBABLE	_____
DAMAGED	_____
(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)	

11. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT, (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airbases, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations.)

B-17 in conflict was met on air midlines. message heard "Mayday" repeated. other A/C called back to get fix which was apparently done

12. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

13. DAMAGE TO A/C: (briefly)

14. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

15. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? any suggestions?)

16. ROUTE: (Note especially any deviations from briefed route. Did Squadron or A/C come back with Group or alone?)

over channel in formation. message to break up in flight & come in individually. In heavy clouds but deal of low or gas (psychorelay message) land at nearest field. Low on gas

S-2 OFFICER _____ TIME COMPLETED _____

SQUADRON ~~369~~ 369 #408 A/C Number 183 Letter B Date 23-2-45
 Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0707 Time Landed _____

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X

40th C High

*Landed
 W. R. Russell due to weather
 after landing due to internal
 failure
 Back 23/2/45*

CIGL: Give Rank and Initials *J7*

Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether b, a.a., E/a action,
 accident or undetermined cause)

- 2nd Lt. H. B. Ryder P
- 2nd Lt. L. Mikles CP
- 2nd Lt. O. R. Minihane N
- 2nd Lt. R. C. Huf B
- S/Sgt. J. G. Wartenburger RO
- S/Sgt. A. H. Hess E
- Sgt. R. P. Iafrate BT
- Sgt. J. W. Stright WG
- Sgt. M. J. Loos TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (IFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: *dropped*
 Secondary: Heading: *High*
 Last Resort: Height: *Squadron*
 T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: *2* Jettisoned: Returned: abortive:

Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: *Put him on target* an. Nichols: Yes No
 Other Bombing: Number and type _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on _____
 Hand _____ Movie _____

6. WEATHER: WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

3. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy

Crew observations about Flak: _____

SQUADRON ~~12345~~ 369 ~~EF~~ A/C Number 287 Letter V Date 23-2-45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0707 Time Landed _____

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

			X		
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X

40th High

See #9 over for up S/E going down

CIGR: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in distress:
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)
If lost, state whether b. a.a., E/a action, accident or undetermined cause)

- 2nd Lt. L. T. Kearney P
- 2nd Lt. V. Moore CP
- F/O G. C. Dickerson N
- F/O H. J. Sopinski E
- Sgt. E. C. Thixton RO
- Sgt. W. Pomykal E
- Sgt. C. Odstertal ODSTACIL BT
- Sgt. V. G. Fredrick WG
- Sgt. C. E. Wiley TG

A/C 181 (Ryder) fastest person target, stayed with us till about 4817 - 0723 at 1340 hours, friendly territory

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1204
Secondary: Heading: 321
Last Resort: Height: 14,700
T.O. (Circle One)
Turn off target:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 125 Jettisoned: Returned: abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: an. Nichols: Yes N

Other Bombing: Kitzinger 4942-1018 E burst at 1237 nearby another group hit square on M/Y, knocked bell out of it Number and time

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Hand Was camera turned on Hand Movie

6. WEATHER: 10/10 over continent till 1250 E where it was clear with only slight haze. WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKINYE? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight	Color of bursts	Location of Bursts, in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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none at target
none at 5123-1044 E from right or left, 1105 hours.

Crew observations about Flak: at 5103 N-1142 E, from 8090' clock, at 1120 hours

SQUADRON 36 A/C Number 301 Letter U Date 23-2-45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0707 Time Landed 1025

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.
- | | | | | | |
|--|---|---|---|---|---|
| | X | X | X | X | X |
| | X | X | X | X | X |
| | X | X | X | X | X |

40 ft "C" High

*At Castle Camps - Phoned in
 Sunk at 1705 - ~~1140~~ 1140*

CHIEF: (Give Rank and Initials) 29

Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether by A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

- 2nd Lt. R. E. Powers ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. A. J. Norman ✓ CP
- 2nd Lt. H. Corigliano ✓ N
- Sgt. W. R. Mc Killop ✓ H
- Sgt. M. D. Ernest ✓ RO
- Sgt. G. A. Stephens ✓ E
- Sgt. C. R. Crook ✓ ST
- Sgt. C. J. Slepicka ✓ WG
- Sgt. W. B. Wilson ✓ TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)
- Primary: 304 Time: 1004
 Secondary: Heading: 313
 Last Resort: Height: 14500
 T.O.
 (Circle One)
 Turn off target: 305 all

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: any Nichols: Yes (E)

Other bombing: Number and type 12/120

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? yes was camera turned on
 Hand _____ Movie _____

6. WEATHER: 10/10ths - some - cumulus - cirrus at about 20,000 - 25,000 ft WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: none

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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none at target

Crew observations about Flak: control pt. #3 at 1035
saw flak - about 5 bursts

SQUADRON *00000000369* A/C Number *765* Letter *M* Date *23-2-45*

Bomb Load *12 x 500* H.E. Position and Formation

Time took off *0707* Time Landed _____

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.
- | | | | | |
|--|---|---|---|---|
| | X | X | X | X |
| | X | X | X | X |
| | X | X | X | X |
- 40th High*

Fights down - Saw one white chute around Stuttgart.

Friendly A/C in distress: *JW 190 in distress see No. 9.*
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether by A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

- CIGL: Give Rank and Initials *30*
- 1st Lt. Li L. Strode* ✓ *P*
 - 2nd Lt. J. E. Collins* ✓ *CP*
 - 2nd Lt. W. F. Shaw* ✓ *N*
 - T/Sgt. H. E. Parks* *Completing tour* ✓
 - S/Sgt. R. R. Gattis* ✓ *RO*
 - T/Sgt. M. D. Wood* ✓ *E*
 - S/Sgt. I. H. Fitterman* ✓ *ET*
 - S/Sgt. M. C. Angelilli* ✓ *KG*
 - S/Sgt. C. E. Smith* ✓ *TG*

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)
- Primary: Time: *1205*
 Secondary: Heading: *328 mag*
 Last Resort: Height: *15000*

T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target *270*

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target. Detonated: Returned: abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)
- Own Bombs: *PFF* *all*
 Other bombing: _____
 An. Nichols: Yes No
 Number and type: _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Has camera turned on _____
 Hand _____ Movie _____

6. WEATHER: *10/10ths. & target area -*
average tops 6000ft.
 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? _____

no contacts. CONDENSATION TRAILS: *Slightly after target weather goes up - good visual conditions all way home.*

7. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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Crew observations about Flak: *No flak for us*

at target or anywhere on route except at point of entry on coast saw considerable amount - mostly

SQUADRON ~~969334~~ 12 423 A/C Number 807 Lt. J. P. Date 23/2/45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0707 Time Landed _____

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in, Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

				X		
X	X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X	X

40th C High

Great Dunman

CREW: Give Rank and Initials 3/

Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether b. A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

Div. called + told A/C to go to base indiv.

- 1st Lt. M.L. Mullen P
- 2nd Lt. V.H. Schimmel CP
- 2nd Lt. D.J. Casey N
- F/O R.C. Garberich E
- T/Sgt. E.W. Courtright WO
- T/Sgt. H.G. Boker E
- S/Sgt. R.C. Shaffer BT
- S/Sgt. E.D. Craig WO
- S/Sgt. J.E. McDonough TC

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PF or Visual).

Primary: Time: 1205
 Secondary: Heading: 318
 Last Resort: Height: 14900
 T.O. 225
 (Circle One)
 Turn off target:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target Jettisoned: Returned: abortive: 1

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: An. Nichols: Yes N

Other Bombing: Number and type _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on _____
 Hand _____ Movie _____

6. WEATHER: Left forms 1549 5124 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE?
to So. 0210E

Can't dog legged + down thru stuff. Nr. No. Force land + to Great Dunman.

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
<i>None</i>						

Crew observations about Flak: _____

SQUADRON 423 a/c Number 376 Letter F Date 23/2/45

Bomb Load 1 BR 1 4 T-307 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0707 Time Landed 645

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

X	X	X	X	X
X X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X X	X	X	X	X

40th High

*Area highway around
 at Newton*

Crew: Give Rank and Initials 32

Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether b, a.a., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

- 1st Lt. J.G. Ruegger P
- 2nd Lt. F. Engstrom CP
- F/O J.E. Reich W
- 2nd Lt. K. Cooper B
- Sgt. W.E. Skinner, Jr. W
- Sgt. A.M. Smart E
- Sgt. D.J. Sherman BT
- Sgt. N.K. Wenger WG
- Sgt. M.W. Fischer TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (FFF) or Visual

Primary: Time: 1205
 Secondary: Heading: 305
 Last Resort: Height: 15000
 T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target: 260

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 7/11 Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: an. Nichols: Yes N
 Other Bombing: Number and type _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on _____
 Hand _____ Movie _____

6. WEATHER: WHAT MESSAGES REC'D ERC
 BUCKEYE? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Title	Place	Height of a/c	Type (light, heavy), intensity moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to a/c	Accuracy
<u>Merseburg - Strasbourg observed.</u>						

Crew observations about Flak: _____

9. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

(Estimated total number of E/A seen) _____ (Types) _____

(Location and length of fight) 7 jets seen south of 50°10'30"E

(Tactics of E/A) _____

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A) _____

10. FIGHTER SUPPORT: (include time, place, and color markings:)

53°44' ground

C L A I M S	
DESTROYED	_____
PROBABLE	_____
DAMAGED	_____
(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim)	

11. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT, (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airbases, ports, waterways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations.)

SE A/C searched around Stuttgart
ground flatteries in RR cars visible.

12. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

13. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

14. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

Com - Radio compasses / lux gauge

15. CREW INCIDENTS: (Any unusual incidents? any suggestions?)

16. ROUTE: (Note especially any deviations from briefed route. Did Squadron or A/C come back with Group or alone?)

Left formation 1550 over channel. Tried to get in but couldn't find landmarks. Called Vermont, Colgate, engine, land but none at 3000 heading...

6-2 OFFICER _____

TIME COMPLETED _____

SQUADRON ~~369~~ 369 A/C Number 143 Letter (X) Date 23-2-45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position - n Formation

Time Took Off 0707 Time Landed 1644

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

40th High

X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X

*1-P-51 down trailing, smoke
 Cracked on ground blew up.*

CREW: Give Rank and Initials 34

4837-0914 app.

Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether b, a.n., E/a action, accident or undetermined cause)

2nd Lt. J. A. Callahan P

2nd Lt. W. W. Clark CP

P/O R. E. Kane N

Sgt. F. J. Slattery E

Sgt. W. O. Eldridge RO

Pvt. G. L. Nelson E

Sgt. L. V. Riler BT

Sgt. F. G. Lucas, Jr. NO

Pvt. D. J. Bernal TG

*Pilot Bailed out chute opened
 Waited saw him land between
 two small towns P.P. ~~cond~~*

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual) cause

PFF-Primary: Time: 1204
 Secondary: Heading: 320°M
 Last Resort: Height: 14,400
 T.O. (Circle One) 2450
 Turn off target:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: Jettisoned: Returned: abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: Solid under coat. any Nichols: Yes (X)

Other Bombing: Number and type _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? has camera turned on NO
 Hand NO Movie NO

6. WEATHER: WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? _____

*Had to go to 13,000 for Rendezvous
 Cloud higher than briefed. Gaps from
 tops of layers up to top at 12,000 ft.*

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: Solid under coat until after target
 13,000 ft tops. opened up 4930-1000 to Ca. v.u. still. Starting
 at 5030-0400 scattered clouds building to solid under coat

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Rare 600 ft tops 16,000 ft. No contrails

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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0120 5044-7239 obs about 6 bursts at 16,000

Crew observations about Flak: _____

SQUADRON ~~XXXXXXXX~~ 23 A/C Number 598 Letter 2 Date 23/2/45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0707 Time Landed _____

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.
- | | | | | | |
|--|---|---|---|---|---|
| | X | X | X | X | X |
| | X | X | X | X | X |
| | X | X | X | X | X |

40th C High

Saw one FW190 go down at 4838N, 0924E at 1309. Shot down by 51. 10 right wing about 10 miles. Saw hit in woods & meadow. Saw one chute from that plane.

Friend's A/C in distress: (Give position, time, altitude, full details) If lost, state whether by, a.a., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause

F-Freddy left formation halfway across channel. Put down wheels + left formation. Seemed o.k. Headed for England.

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)
- Primary: Time: 1704
 Secondary: Heading: 317
 Last Resort: Height: 15000
- T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target: 160

3. Give Rank and Initials
- 2nd Lt. E.W. Schafer ✓ CP
 - 2nd Lt. H.C. Hostetter ✓ CP
 - F/O C.R. Mayer ✓ N
 - 2nd Lt. R.G. Hillbrand ✓ B
 - S/Sgt. C.A. Whitener ✓ RG
 - S/Sgt. J.D. Morrison ✓ E
 - S/Sgt. J.C. Hurd ✓ BT
 - S/Sgt. W.E. Strawn ✓ WG
 - S/Sgt. H.J. Lewis ✓ TG

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 10 Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: 10/10 an Nickels: Yes ✓

Other Bombing: Saw bomb hits at ~~that~~ Ritzenen. Hit. Number and type

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? ✓ was camera turned on? Hand Movie ✓ yes

6. WEATHER: 10/10 Cloud over - 10-12 N.W. of target

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: going out. Mod. fairly persistent.

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

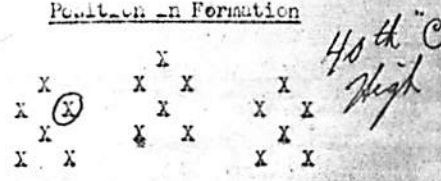
Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
	<u>None at target</u>					
	<u>Saw some at 1116, 1228</u>					

Crew observations about Flak: _____

SQUADRON ~~#####~~ 369 A/C Number 832 Letter Y Date 23-2-45
 Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0707 Time Landed 1658

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.



- CITE: Give Rank and Initials B 5
- 2nd Lt. D. R. Hansen P
 - P/O I. J. Zukowski GP
 - 2nd Lt. F. M. Hudson N
 - Sgt. J. Stokoe B
 - Sgt. J. D. Connor HQ
 - Sgt. W. L. Lynch E
 - T/Sgt. E. P. Richards BT
 - S/Sgt. S. Beigel HQ
 - Sgt. B. E. Harkness TG

Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether by A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF) or Visual)
 Primary: Time: 1204
 Secondary: Heading: 320
 Last Resort: Height: 14000
 T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target: 230

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on (All) target: Jettisoned: Returned: abortive:
 4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: _____ An. Nichols: Yes No
 Other Bombing: _____ Number and type _____

5. ANY PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Has camera turned on _____
 Hand _____ Movie _____

6. WEATHER: 10/10 to and back part of - unusual up to 20. coast, gradually thickened till 10/10 over base.
 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKINER? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: going in dense series on let down - 17000-16000

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
<u>Same to left at Mersburg - no trouble.</u>						
<u>At times way to left on way from Sgt S. Stankov</u>						

Crew observations about Flak: _____

Pleasant hills

Rignwell

369 Sgt.

181 B

Cripin out

Rider Hit target of apartment

6 mi. N. of Claver 1205

320 Mag.

14,200'

12 500 G.P.s

Winnifred

4945 N

SQUADRON ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ #003 A/C Number 713 Letter K Date 23-2-45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0707 Time Landed _____

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in, Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

X	X	X	X	X
(X)	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X		X	X

40th "C" High

Great Pumpkin
 left form. 1615 hours

Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether by A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

over No. Foreland. St. to Grt. Pumpkin

- CREW: Give Rank and Initials 3/6
- 2nd Lt. J. L. Chancey P
 - 2nd Lt. J. L. Cation CP
 - 2nd Lt. C. L. Seckinger N
 - 2nd Lt. M. B. Null B
 - T/Sgt. J. E. Thwaite RO
 - S/Sgt. C. E. Duggan E
 - S/Sgt. J. E. Bowman BT
 - Sgt. G. E. Johnson WZ
 - Sgt. W. E. Bidwell SJ WG
 - S/Sgt. L. L. Smith TO

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)
 Primary: Time: 1204
 Secondary: Heading: 320
 Last Resort: Height: 14500
 T.O. (Circle One) 230
 Turn off target:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: All Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: an. Nickels: Yes (1)
 Number and type _____

Other Bombing: _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on _____
 Hand _____ Movie _____

6. WEATHER: WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKINYE? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: _____

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy

Crew observations about Flak: _____

SQUADRON ~~###~~ 368 ~~BA~~ ~~DDH~~ A/C Number 466 Letter Date 23-2-45
 Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time took off 0707 Time Landed 1650

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
 If DITCHING held crew and fill out special form in detail.

Y 40th C
Lead
Home

- CMDR: Give Rank and Initials 37
- Capt. L. B. Dorich P
 - 2nd Lt. G. L. Dobbs OP
 - F/O J. J. Dembowski N
 - Sgt. J. Pinela E
 - Sgt. H. D. Sullivan RO
 - Sgt. R. K. Miller E
 - Sgt. W. R. Humphrey BT
 - Sgt. M. W. Zahn WG
 - Sgt. O. K. Hess TG

Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether of, A/C, E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFV or Visual):
 Primary: Time: 1204
 Secondary: Heading: 314
 Last Resort: Height: 14,000
 T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: 10710 any Nickels: Yes
 Other Bombing: Number and type

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on
 Hand Movie NO

6. WEATHER: ok ready. - Target 10710 -
4/10 this out. Soggy channel.
 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYES?

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy

Crew observations about Flak:

R, F, N

SQUADRON 367 ~~XXXXXXXX~~ A/C Number 913 Letter Date 23/2/45

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position Formation

Time Took Off 0707 Time Landed

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.
- | | | | | | |
|--|---|---|---|---|---|
| | X | X | X | X | X |
| | X | X | X | X | X |
| | X | X | X | X | X |

Saw 2 fighters down in Stamburg area about 1300 hours. Dogfight occurred down after the other, saw one hit in woods & burst into flames. Cherry 4 fighters were seen.

Friendly A/C in distress: 2nd Lt. A.A. Vieille P

(Give position, time, altitude, full details) If lost, state whether by A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause. 2nd Lt. E. Liersch CP

B-17 at 1418 at 4958-0454 2nd Lt. M.S. Oschermits N

B-17 on ground at 4841-0518 2nd Lt. R.W. Gannett B

no one near it. Sgt. C.F. Smalcowski RO

no one near it. Sgt. R.E. Gallion E

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual) Primary: Time: 1004 Sgt. C. Casertha ET

Secondary: Heading: 320 Sgt. A.L. Gilbert NG

Last Resort: Height: 15000 Sgt. V.G. Cargile TG

T.O. (Circle One) Turn off target: 200

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 200 Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others) Own Bombs: Bombed with 16 of 16. (Think 5-10 miles beyond target) an. Hickers: Yes ✓

Other Bombing: Number and type

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on None. Hand Movie

6. WEATHER: 10/10ths over target. WHAT MESSAGES REC'D ERC BUCKEYE?

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Title	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
<u>Obs only</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

Crew observations about Flak:

369
 SQUADRON XXX A/C Number 297 Letter V Date 23/2/45
 Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time took off 0707 Time Landed 1030 hrs.

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No
 If DITCHING hold crew and fill out
 special form in detail.

X X X X X
 X X X X X
 X X X X X
 X X X X X
 40th High
 Spare
 Bombed
 3/9

Self own phone

Crew: Give rank and initials

Friendly A/C in distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)
 If lost, state whether by A.A., E/A action,
 accident or undetermined cause)

- F/O R.H. Christenson P
 F/O A.P. Walton CP
 F/O R.P. Geysler N
 Sgt. J.E. Eudy B
 Sgt. F.S. McElmon RO
 Sgt. M. Hasinsky E
 Sgt. H.E. Dedson BT
 Sgt. Y.T. Fecht WG
 Sgt. R.J. Galuszka TG

Landed 1803 - 27-2-45
At first bombing
1015 - Took off

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFV or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1204
 Secondary: Heading: 335
 Last Resort: Height: 15,000
 T.O. (Circle One)
 Turn off target: Bombed off on Hi

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 7/11 Jettisoned: Returned: abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: 10/10 1700 15000 an. Nichols: Yes N
 Other Bombing: 335 Number and type

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on _____
 Hand _____ Movie _____

6. WEATHER: 10/10 Dropped all bombs Return tomorrow
 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? _____

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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obs at ...

Crew observations about Flak: _____

9. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

(Estimate total number of E/A seen)	(T, pos)
(Location and length of fight)	
(Tactics of E/A)	
(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)	

10. FIGHTER SUPPORT: (include time, place, and color markings:)

*Very good.
P-5, 2*

C L A I M S	
DESTROYED	_____
PROBABLE	_____
DAMAGED	_____
(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)	

11. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT, (last and observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airbases, ports, waterways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations.

*1304 - P-5. 4839 - 0933E
down in spin*

12. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

13. DAMAGE TO A/C: (briefly)

14. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

1 top turret + flight in out.

15. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? any suggestions?)

16. ROUTE: (Note especially any deviations from briefed route. Did Squadron or A/C come back with Group or alone?)

Landed at Base. Poor vis. Low on gas, flight in out.

5-2 OFFICER W.D. Lawrence TIME COMPLETED _____

306 ^{ab}

INTERROGATION FORM

LEAD LOW HIGH X

1. SQUADRON 369 - No. 299 LETTER DATE 23/2/45

Position in formation # Squad Time Take-off 0722

Position over Target # 4-2 Time Landed 1803 *800m*

PILOT Christensen P/O TURRET

CO PIT Walter A.P. F/O BALL TURRET

NAVIC Heysen R.P. F/O R. WAIST

RCPR L. WAIST

RADIO TAIL GUN

2. TARGET ATTACKED

3. NUMBER OF BOMBS

A. Primary Time 1204

A. Dropped on Target all salvo

B. Secondary Weight 15000

B. Jettisoned

C. Last T. Hdg. 335

C. Brought back

D. True Hdg. of Target

4. RESULTS OF BOMBING OR REASON FOR ABORTING:

5. ROUTE: As Briefed? - Yes: - *5028-1207 - P.F.F. on Signal Leader*

If returned early: TIME PLACE ALTITUDE

6. CASUALTIES: (Give name, position in u/o, type of injury, and cause.)

7. FIGHTER SUPPORT: (Where seen, estimate of heights).

Very Good

How long were they in sight? Any of their combats observed?:

believe 1 P.51 - (4833 - 0933 E) 1304 hrs. west down

8. OTHER OBSERVATIONS: TIME: PLACE: ALTITUDE:

1/2

9181
Creston 369

297
Bombes Off 145
1700
335
1500

Return
Tomorrow

Call
Bombes