

HEAD OFFICE 306TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP )  
Office of the Intelligence Officer  
United States Forces

(D-4-4)

APC 557,  
3rd February, 1945

SUBJECT: Intelligence Narrative  
Mission: Berlin, 3rd February, 1945.

TO : Commanding Officer, 306th Bombardment Group (H), APC 557.

1. Narrative

306th flew 36 a/c including 4 PFF as 40th "C"; also 6 a/c including one PFF as lead squadron of "D" screening force. "C" Route: 4 miles south of Felixstowe, C849; enemy coast 5240N-0138E, 0941; I.P. 5213N-1220E, 1101 hours; target 1109; enemy coast 5343N-0830E, 1245 hours; 5252N-0129E, 1430; base 1509.

"D" force followed briefed route, pulling ahead of bomber stream north of Hannover at 1013 hours; started to discharge chaff at I.P. 5213N-1220E at 1049 hours and turning north as briefed, ceased to dropped chaff at 5243N-1252E, 1101 hours.

Buckeye was not heard directly, but Able force relayed Buckeye report that target was visual with a few low clouds.

PFF: All PFF equipment worked satisfactorily.

2. Fighter Opposition and Fighter Support

There was no fighter opposition.

P-51s appeared 0955 hours after crossing enemy coast and were constantly in sight throughout the mission. P-51s escorted our a/c 202-F when it was forced to leave formation about 1130 hours and return alone.

3. A.A. Gun Fire

At target intense accurate tracking from 4 minutes before bombs away, lasting 8 minutes. Bursts were reported as unusually large. Damage: Lead, 4 serious, 2 slight, 3 missing; Low, 8 slight; High, none.

4. Bombing

306th as 40th "C" bombed Berlin visually. Lead bombardier states Tiergarten visible for miles. Identified circle close to briefed aiming point and saw bombs hit between top of marshalling yard and circle. Other crews report hits across top of marshalling yard. All pictures show no cloud and complete detail, but area is so obscured by smoke it is hardly possible to plot precise points of impact. Following combat wings commented on excellence of 306th bombing. Total damage should be very severe.

5. Leaflets

A/c 896-X dropped ten T-291, on Berlin.

6. Weather

6 to 8/10ths, tops 10,000 feet, until 1100E on way in and out. Target clear. Light nonpersistent contrails at 25,000 feet.

7. Our Aircraft in Distress

A/c 407-P, pilot Lockett, received direct hit in left wing at bombs away. Wing broke off and a/c went down in flames. Two, possibly four chutes reported.

A/c 658-3, pilot Lissner, hit in #3 engine over target; fire started, then went out, and a/c was lost to view, last seen under control.

A/c 547-F, pilot Daley, lagging, reported to leader at 1140 hours that one engine was out, another was losing gasoline. Later when formation was 2/3 of way across the channel, Daley was heard to say he thought he could reach English coast.

8. Other Aircraft in Distress

Our a/c 474-V, pilot Martin, from 12,500 feet, observed a B-17 on water at 5307N-0317E by Gee fix, 1403 hours, and reported coordinates to Air/Sea Rescue which acknowledged message 1415 hours. Saw rescue launch approaching at 1424, and left area at 1435. Three P-51s, a B-17, and one B-24 were still circling. One parachute also seen at same time and place.

Two B-17 seen to explode 1124 hours, northeast of target. No chutes.  
One B-17 exploded 1111 hours. No chutes.

9. Aircraft Returning Early

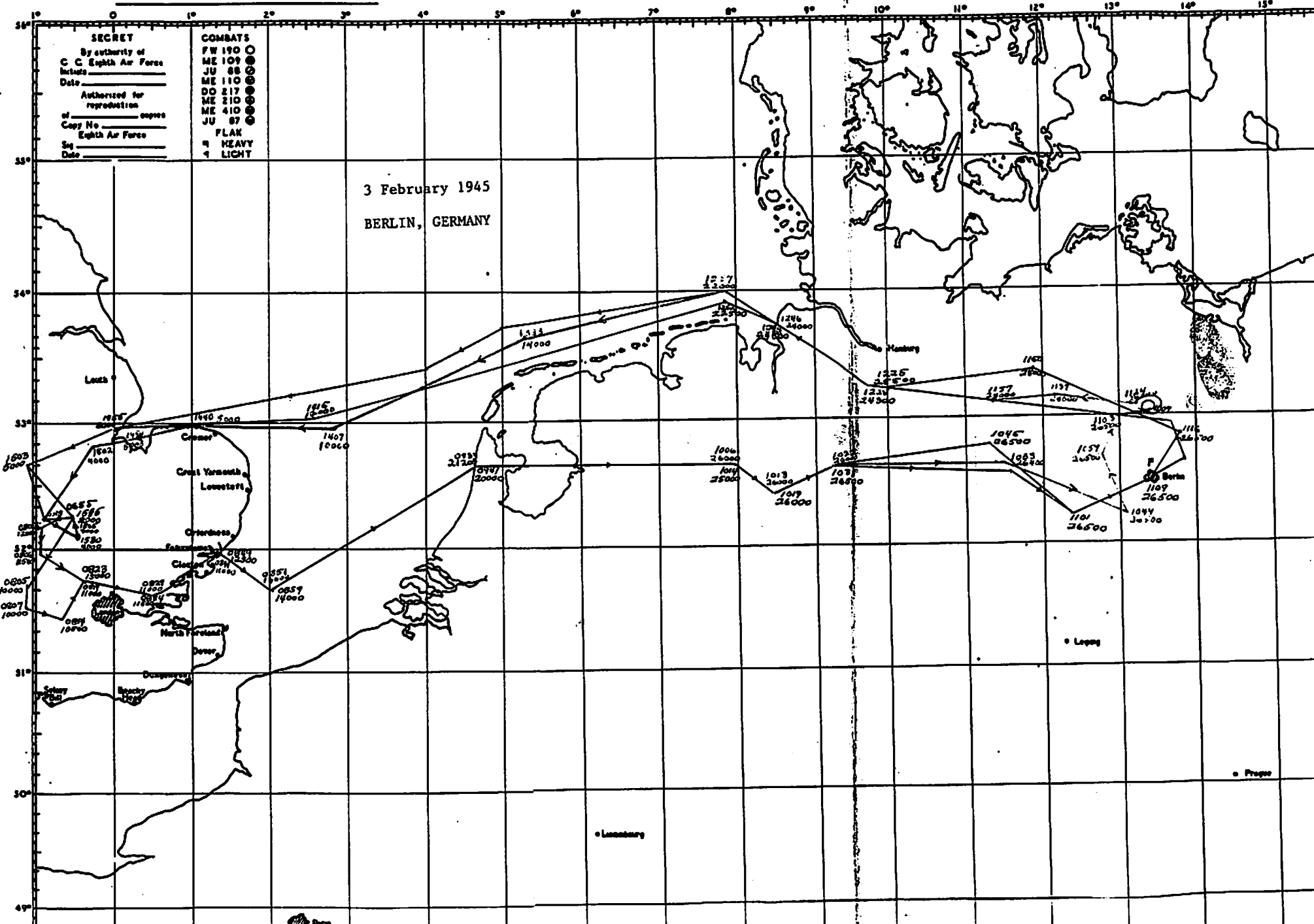
A/c 515-0, pilot Turner, turned back at 0955, 5240N-0600E due to engine failure. Jettisoned 10 x 500 long delays.

JOHN A. BAIRNSFATHER,  
Major, Air Corps,  
Group 3-2.

# TRACK CHART

DATE 3 February 1945

TARGETS  
 PRIMARY Berlin, Germany-Bombed.  
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Report on A.A. Gunfire  
306th Bomb Group (II)

40th "G"

1. TARGET: **BERLIN**..... DATE OF MISSION: **3rd February, 1945**

2. ROUTE AS FLOWN:-  
**Approximately as briefed.**

3. Weather Conditions (a) At Target... **Clear**.....  
(b) En Route... **5/10ths low cloud**.....

4. Were our A/C "Seen" or "Unseen" Targets? (a) At Target... **Seen**.....  
(b) En Route... **Seen**.....

Any Condensation Trails? **Light nonpersistent at 25,000 feet.**

5. Description of Flak at Target, including METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL, if possible.  
**Intense accurate tracking from 4 minutes before bombs away and continuing for 8 minutes. Bursts were especially large.**

6. Flak encountered or observed en route. (In order experienced if possible.)

- Hamburg - observed.**
- Cuxhaven - observed.**
- Frisian Islands - observed.**

7. Was CHAFF carried? Was it used as briefed, if not how was it used?  
Observation of crews.

..... **32** A/C carried..... **64** carpet sets.  
**32 aircraft dropped 11,843 units of chaff.**

8. Position of Group and Combat Wing..... **40th "G"**

9. Details:-

Group	A/C over		Damaged		A/C Lost			Axis of		T.O.T	Height
	E/Terr	Sli	Ser	Flak	E/A	Acc	Unkn	Attack	Withdrawal		
<b>Lead</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>073</b>	<b>058</b>	<b>1109</b>	<b>26,500</b>
<b>Low</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>067</b>	<b>062</b>	<b>1109</b>	<b>25,700</b>
<b>High</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>062</b>	<b>050</b>	<b>1110</b>	<b>27,800</b>
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>				

10. OBSERVATIONS: **None**

STATISTICAL SECTION:  
"A"

OPERATIONAL REPORT

PHIOM  
TO: C.O., 1st Bomb Division,  
40th Combat Wing,  
Attention: A-2.

The information contained in this section will be telephoned within (5 $\frac{1}{2}$ ) hours after planes have landed to Div. H.Q., A-2 Dnty Officer. It will be submitted for each primary target.

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| 1. Designation of Group.   | 1. <u>306th - 40th "C"</u>   |
| 2. Total number of airplanes dispatched (airborne) per Group, including spares.  | 2. <u>36 including 4 IFF</u>   |
| 3. Total number of sorties (missions) per group  | 3. <u>35</u>   |
| 4. Total number of airplanes attacking per Group. (If targets other than the primary are attacked, this information will be given on each.)  | 4. <u>35 on primary visual - Berlin</u>  |
| 5. Number of airplanes dispatched which failed to attack per Group.<br>(a) Due to mechanical failure<br>(b) Due to weather.<br>(c) Due to enemy action (lost before target reached, etc.)<br>(d) Other (Include spares)  | 5.<br>(a) <u>1</u><br>(b) <u>0</u><br>(c) <u>0</u><br>(d) <u>0</u>                                       |
| 6. Number of airplanes lost.<br>(a) To anti-aircraft fire.<br>(b) To enemy fighters<br>(c) To anti-aircraft fire & enemy fighters<br>(d) To accident, etc., over enemy territory<br>(e) By reasons unknown.  | 6.<br>(a) <u>3 (one may be safe)</u><br>(b) _____<br>(c) _____<br>(d) _____<br>(e) _____                 |
| 7. Times of attack of each group   | 7. <u>1109</u><br><u>75 Mag.</u>   |
| 8. Altitudes of attack of each group   | 8. <u>26,500 feet.</u>   |
| 9. Bombs on each target per group<br>(a) Number<br>(b) Size<br>(c) Type  | 9.<br>(a) <u>340 x 500 M43GP plus 6 smoke</u><br>(b) _____<br>(c) _____                                  |
| 10. Personnel casualties<br>(a) Number killed<br>(b) Number wounded<br>(c) Number missing. (If any personnel are known to have been rescued from the water, the number will be stated here. If rescues are made subsequent to the time the report is rendered, the information will be forwarded by teletype as soon as possible.<br>(d) Number rescued from the water | 10.<br>(a) <u>0</u><br>(b) <u>1 minor</u><br>(c) <u>28 (including one correspondent)</u><br>(d) <u>0</u> |
| 11. Airplanes suffering battle damage. (This will be an estimate only. Detailed report covered under Group Statistics).<br>(a) Minor (Category A and AC)<br>(b) Major (Category B)<br>(c) Salvage (Category E) (crash landings, crashes on takeoff, collisions over England, etc.)   | 11.<br>(a) <u>10</u><br>(b) <u>4</u><br>(c) <u>0</u>   |

2. Claims 0

For the COMMANDING OFFICER:

3. Leaflets A/e 896-X dropped 10 T-291s

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

Formation 3 February, 1945.

40th "C"  
LEAD Our MP's already lit  
to the NW slightly.

Lt. Col. LaVier <sup>wounded</sup>  
Magee  
443-M - PFF

Patton  
683-Q

Lockett  
107-P

Lissner  
658-S - PFF

Lewis, B. B.  
819-Q

Daley \*  
547-F

Brasch  
133-W

Turner \*  
616-O

Hedley  
297-N

Kearney  
287-V

called to my  
group but nothing  
seen in the  
thought he  
could make it to  
Eng. Lt. Capt.

2/3 across N.S. on  
map & could  
still  
hear  
Daley

Lenn  
604-A

Wear  
302-Z

no other opp  
happened Excellent

Buckley  
Target visual  
few low clouds

1 after night  
after another  
group

40th "C"  
LSW

Underwood  
570-P PFF

killed rate but lead's gone  
all in lead

Hathaway  
512-A

Altshuler  
814-G

Martin  
474-V

Bowley \*  
181-B

McGahan \*  
429-W

Carder  
466-Q

Swango  
412-T

Lomar  
713-K

Tinkham  
619-S

asked for  
fighter

Evans \*  
802-F

Law \*  
028-O

Cal Salada

not  
down

18-1st Div.

Group reports  
20 fighter group  
one ours of our  
ships fired on him  
Wentzinger

955  
at  
Mumpel

40th "C"  
HIG:

not records

Lindsay  
807-P

Smith \*  
585-K

Hedley  
516-M

Ryder  
198-D

Wilke  
362-L - PFF

Kuhn Pictures

Leigh \*  
418-J

Schaefer  
598-Q

Mullen  
397-O

Young \*  
975-F

Erne  
896-X  
10-T291-NICKELS

10/10 to 1/10  
then reached  
at 10/10  
then 10/10 amount  
No 2/4  
1/10 support

Regal -  
Phillips \*  
549-D

Trease \*  
674-B

Group behind paid  
bombing good to  
excellent

\* Indicates CAMERA in Aircraft.

40TH - C - LEAD.

Lt. Col. Lavier  
Mages

M-8443-PPF(Quan)

Patten  
Q-8683

Luskott  
P-8407

Lissner  
S-7658-PPF(White)  
(368)

Lewis B.B.  
Q-6819

Daley  
F-2547

Brasch  
W-7135

Turner  
O-6516

Hedley  
H-7297

Kearney  
V-8287

Lenn  
A-8604

Wear  
Z-8302

40TH - C - HIGH.

Lindsay  
P-8807

Smith  
K-6686

Wilke  
L-8362-PPF(Kuhn)

Hedley  
M-8518

Leigh  
J-1418

Shafer  
Q-7598

Allen  
O-7397

Young  
F-2976

Erne  
X-7896  
(Nickle)

Phillips  
D-7649

Treade  
H-8674

40TH - C - LOW

Nichway  
A-2612

Altschuler  
G-6812

Underwood  
P-8570

Martin  
V-1474

McGahan  
W-8429

Gardner  
Q-6468

Swang  
K-8116

Lomar  
K-8715

Finkhan  
S-7619

Evans  
F-8802

Law  
O-9028

Screening Force Lead.

Haase  
Hogan  
S-8369-PPF(423)

Hartshorn  
H-7323

Carakostas  
J-7185

Schraack  
F-8376

Witcomb  
D-8711

Hallum  
X-7616

*Apt. Richardson  
says he test-fired  
just before the enemy  
went, but good look  
around first & saw  
no P-51s or fighters.  
He has only 5 missions  
to go; used to be on Tomahawk  
in the 48th B.F.P.*

*Col. [unclear]*

*WALSH  
GUINNESS*

*Reported these facts to Col. Chaffin  
B.M.*

*Cl. [unclear]  
Lewis B.B.  
Kearney  
V-8287*

*423rd  
Apt. Richardson*

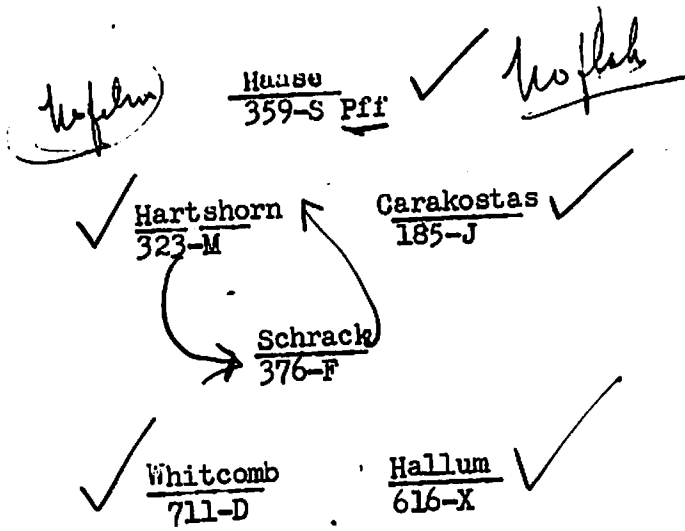
*Ryder  
D-8198  
Erne  
X-7896  
(Nickle)*

*30188  
Bowley  
B-7181  
Lomar  
K-8715  
Finkhan  
S-7619*

*St. [unclear]  
Apt. [unclear]  
can't tell if  
100% [unclear]  
only [unclear]  
was test fire  
on way out  
about 0130  
a [unclear]  
[unclear]  
[unclear]  
B.M.*

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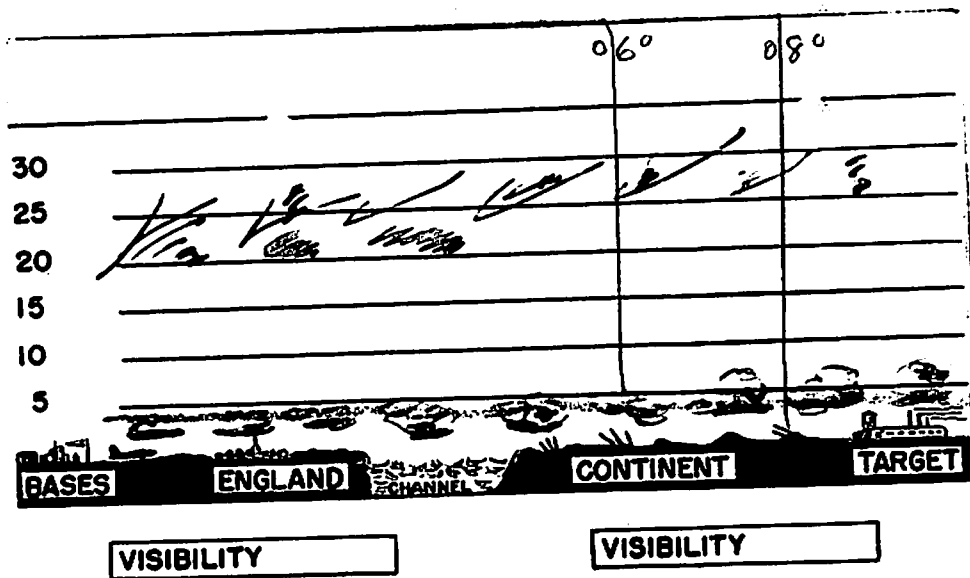
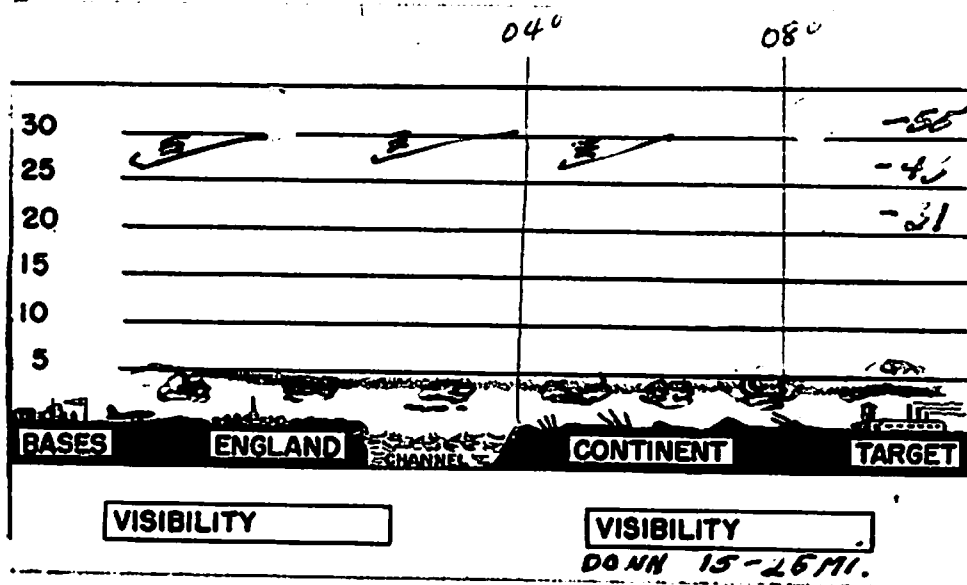
40th "D"  
Screening Force  
Lead



92 mt  
305  
1 out standing  
24-1  
2 out stand  
32 - on primary  
51's close  
support

2 - 360's North of  
Berlin waiting  
12 minutes





BRIFING SHEET

Date 3 February, 1945

Breakfast 02:00

"A" Group	Time	Time	Time	Flares
Start Eng.	0620	0626	0632	YY
Taxi	0635	0641	0647	RY
Take-Off	0650	0656	0702	GG
Scrub				RR
Standby				GY

Briefing 03:00

"D" Group	Time	Time	Time	Flares
"X" Group				
Taxi	0615			YY
Take-Off	0630			RY
Scrub	0645			GG
Standby				RR
				GY

3. Take-Off and Assembly Plan

"A" Group: Mag. for \_\_\_\_\_ min.  
 Mag. for \_\_\_\_\_ min.  
 Mag. for \_\_\_\_\_ min.  
 Homing on Mt. Farm at 10,000 ft.

Runway \_\_\_\_\_  
 "D" Group: Mag. for \_\_\_\_\_ min.  
 Mag. for \_\_\_\_\_ min.  
 Mag. for \_\_\_\_\_ min.  
 Homing on Podington at 12,000 ft.

4. Fighters: Call Signs

Call Sign	Time	Coordinates	Time
BALANCE 1 - 1			
1 - 2	1 x 51	5240 - 0700	
1 - 3	"		
1 - 4	"		
1 - 5	"		
1 - 6	" Close		
1 - 7	"		
1 - 8	"	20th Gp. Black Vert. Stripe	
Fighter 1 - 9	Reference Points		
H-Zwolle 1 - 10		CONTROL POINTS	
E-Dummer Lake Plus 1 x 47 on Sweep From 1136 on.		1 - Felixstowe	
L-Hannover 1 sqd. 364 blue Horiz. Strips in close		2 - 5240 - 0700	
P-Spanpav Support of "D" sqd.		3 - 5223 - 0826	
I-Berlin		4 - 5400 - 0750	
N-Wittenburg			
G-Lunenburg			

5. Friendly Activities: 14 Gps 3rd Div Lowestoft - following lat A.D. on same target. 14 Gps - 2nd Div - Great Yarmouth follow same route same target.

6. 1st Division Formation: 41 A-B-C; 40A-B-C; 94 A-B-C; 1 A-B-C;

7. Routes: "A" Group

"A" Group			"D" Group			"X" Group		
at	at	ft	at	at	ft	at	at	ft
Y-Mount Farm	at 0804	at 10,000	ft	W-Podington	at 0827	at 12,000	ft	
O- 5130-0109	at 0808	at	ft	I-5210-0055N	at	at	ft	
P- Winkfield	at 0814	at	ft	J-Winslow	at	at	ft	
K- St. Albans	at 0823	at 11,500	ft	K-St. Albans	at	at	ft	
L- Wickford	at 0848	at 11,500	ft	L-XXXXXXXXX Wickford	at	at 11,000	ft	
I- Felixstowe	at	at	ft	I-Felixstowe	at 0843	at	ft	
5140-0200	at	at	ft	5140-0200	at	at	ft	
5240-0438	at	at 21,500	ft	5240-0438	at	at 21,000	ft	
5240-0700	at	at 26,500	ft	5240-0700	at	at 26,000	ft	
5240-0756	at	at	ft	5240-0756	at	at	ft	
5223-0826	at	at	ft	5223-0826	at	at	ft	
5238-XXXX 0912	at	at	ft	5238-0912	at	at	ft	
5233-1135	at	at	ft	5233-1135	at	at	ft	
5213-1220 I.P.	at	at	ft	5213-1220	at	at	ft	
Target 5231-1323	at 1103	at	ft	5216-1302	at	at	ft	
5240-1350	at	at 24,500	ft	5224-1258	at	at	ft	
5255-1340	at	at	ft	5237-1252	at	at	ft	
5315-0943	at	at	ft	5258-1300	at	at	ft	
5344-0830	at	at	ft	5315-0943	at	at 24,000	ft	
5400-0750	at	at	ft	5344-0830	at	at	ft	
5345-0500	at	at	ft	5400-0750	at	at	ft	
5324-0400	at	at 16,500	ft	5345-0500	at	at 15,000	ft	
Boston	at	at	ft	5324-0400	at	at	ft	
Base	at 1600	at	ft	Boston	at	at	ft	
	at	at	ft	Base	at 1555	at	ft	
	at	at	ft		at	at	ft	
	at	at	ft		at	at	ft	

Zero Hour 0900 "A" Bombs NICKELS - in 896 "B" Bombs Int.  
array 10 @ 500 Int 150 ft.

Gas 2780 Chaff start at I.P. for 15 min.

0. Group C. O. Lt. Col. LaVier Group C. O. Capt. Haase  
Group Deputy \_\_\_\_\_ Group Deputy Lt. Schrack

1. 40th "C"  
Bombers Vinagrova 1 - 6 40th "D"  
G. S. C. Colegate - Mohair Bombers Vinagrova 1 - 0  
G. S. C. Colegate - Mohair

2. WAF Code Words. Recall S - O - A - L Authentication Pretty Good  
40th "C" Abandon Ops Sugar Daddy Blues.

3. Letdown Mt. Farm D - Seven come eleven.  
deg. 032 YORK Trus.

4. Call Sign 15. Spare Aircraft

Call Sign	Number	112	124	129
41 CH <sup>1</sup> <u>Cowboy</u>	840	112	124	129
94 CH <sup>2</sup> <u>Woodcraft</u>	Y	T	W	L
1 CH <sup>3</sup> <u>Swordfish</u>	14	22	31	20
CH <sup>4</sup>	Sqdn. 367	367	369	367

5. Special Instructions: Base reference altitude 24,000 ft. Div. Ass. line Felixatowe  
to 5240-0438. Int. Bat. Gps. 1 min Div Break VP Point 0400K.  
Northern entry points will be used 2 x 51 c/s Buckeye Red will scout  
weather to 0750. 8 x 51 c/s Buckeye Blue will give tgt weather.  
20 min early. 3 mosquitos c/s maypole one will screen target weather  
ship. Bloater Sequence T-I-B-A-V

Capt. Skalak will meet with B/T Operators of 515, 549, 674, 975, 028, 429

STATISTICAL SECTION:  
"A"

OPERATIONAL REPORT

PRIORITY  
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1. Designation of Group. 1. 306th - 40th "D" Screening Force
2. Total number of airplanes dispatched (airborne) per Group, including spares. 2. 6 including 1 PFF
3. Total number of sorties (missions) per group 3. 6
4. Total number of airplanes attacking per Group. (If targets other than the primary are attacked, this information will be given on each.) 4. 6 on primary
5. Number of airplanes dispatched which failed to attack per Group.
  - (a) Due to mechanical failure (a) 0
  - (b) Due to weather. (b) 0
  - (c) Due to enemy action (lost before target reached, etc.) (c) 0
  - (d) Other (Include spares) (d) 0
6. Number of airplanes lost.
  - (a) To anti-aircraft fire. (a) 0
  - (b) To enemy fighters (b) 0
  - (c) To anti-aircraft fire & enemy fighters (c) 0
  - (d) To accident, etc., over enemy territory (d) 0
  - (e) By reasons unknown. (e) 0
7. Times of attack of each group 7. 1049 hours to 1101 hours  
26,000 feet
8. Altitudes of attack of each group 8. \_\_\_\_\_
9. Bombs on each target per group
  - (a) Number (a) 9936 units of chaff
  - (b) Size (b) \_\_\_\_\_
  - (c) Type (c) \_\_\_\_\_
10. Personnel casualties
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  - (a) Minor (Category A and AC) (a) 0
  - (b) Major (Category B) (b) 0
  - (c) Salvage (Category E) (crash landings, crashes on takeoff, collisions over England, etc.) (c) 0

2. Claims 0

For the COMMANDING OFFICER:

3. Leaflets 0

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

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From: COMBOMGR 306  
To: COMAIRDIV\*\* ONE  
COMBATWIG--FORTY  
Attn: Dir. of Int.

F-50-D

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Buckeye was not heard directly, but Able force relayed Buckeye report that target was visual with a few low clouds.  
All PFF equipment worked satisfactorily.  
P-51's appeared 0955 hours after crossing enemy coast and were constantly in sight throughout the mission. P-51's escorted our A/C 802-F when it was forced to leave formation about 1130 hours and return alone.

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A/C in Distress:

Ours: A/C 407-P, pilot Lockett, received direct hit in left wing at bombs away. Wing broke off and A/C went down in flames. Two, possibly four chutes reported. A/C 658-S, pilot Lissner, hit in # 3 engine over target; fire started, then went out, and A/C was lost to view, last seen under control. A/C 547-F, pilot lagging, reported

Daley, ~~reported~~ to leader at 1140 hours that one engine was out, another was losing gasoline. Later/heard to say he thought he could reach ~~east~~ English Coast when formation was 2/3 of way across the channel, Daley was from 12,500 feet, observed a B-17

Other A/C in distress: Our A/C 474-V, pilot Martin, ~~observed at 12,500 feet~~ reported coordinates to ~~5307-0317E~~ Air Sea Rescue which on water at 5307-0317E by Gee fix, 1403 hours, and ~~acknowledged~~ which acknowledged message 1415 hours. Saw rescue launch approaching at 1424, and left area at 1435. Three p-51's, a B-17, and one B-24 ~~were~~ were still circling. One parachute ~~seen~~ also seen at same time and ~~place.~~ ~~at 1424~~

Two B-17's seen to explode 1124 hours, northeast of target. No chutes.

One B-17 exploded 1111 hours. No chutes.

Early Returns: A/C 515-O, pilot Turner, turned back at 0955 hours, 5240-0600E due to engine failure. Jettisoned 10 x 500 long delays.

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

D-4-1

6 February, 1945  
APO 557

SUBJECT: A/C in Distress, Mission 3 February, 1945

TO : S-4 Section, 306th Bombardment Group (H)  
Attention: Major VENABLE

1. Following is information on A/C in distress as reported on 3 February, 1945.

a. A/C 407-P, pilot Lockett, received direct hit in left wing at bombs away. Wing broke off and A/C went down in flames. Two, possibly four, chutes reported.

b. A/C 658-S, pilot Lissner, hit in #3 engine over target; fire started, then went out, and A/C was lost to view, last seen under control.

c. A/C 547-F, pilot Daley, lagging, reported to leader at 1140 hours that one engine was out, another was losing gasoline. Later when formation was 2/3 of way across the channel, Daley was heard to say he thought he could reach English coast.

2. Report received February 4th that two P-51s escorted A/C 658-S to Sweden. No official confirmation has been received.

*John A. Bairnsfather*  
JOHN A. BAIRNSFATHER, <sup>B. N. P.</sup>  
Major, AC,  
Group S-2.





SQUADRON 367 ~~228~~ ~~XXXX~~ A/C Number 443 Left M Date 3 February, 1945

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0650 Time Landed \_\_\_\_\_

(X)

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

LEA

1109 hrs

407 down in flames over target  
no chutes etc.

CRUF: 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)

- Lt. Col. E. C. Lavier P
- Capt. E. W. C. Magee CP
- 1st Lt. G. L. Feltz N
- Capt. P. V. Osburn N
- 1st Lt. E. F. Smythe B
- T/Sgt. W. A. Nelson RO
- T/Sgt. A. S. Cruff E
- \_\_\_\_\_ BT
- S/Sgt. H. G. Nunnery WG
- \_\_\_\_\_ NG
- 2nd Lt. D. W. Burton TG
- 2nd Lt. W. (NMI) Quan RN

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_  
Secondary: \_\_\_\_\_ Heading: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last Resort: \_\_\_\_\_ Height: \_\_\_\_\_  
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: dropped a little short of aiming point because A.P. was well hit. an. Nickels: Yes  
Other Bombing: and didn't want to waste bombs. Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

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

6. WEATHER: 3/10 low over England, 8/10 low clouds to 110° E, clear to target, same on return. tops 9000'  
WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? reports 15 min before I.P.

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: very thin cirrus over target.  
light non persistent above 20000' over target.

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

Time	Place	Height of	Type (light, heavy), Intense.	Color of	Location	Accuracy
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(Tactics of E/A)

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

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

0950 hrs - p51 just inside coast - excellent -  
white + black horizontal stripes on tail -  
red nose, green nose, no gaps

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 airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations.)

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

W. gunner Murray - minor flak wound in shoulder

13. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

flak damage

14. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

none

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?)

S-2 OFFICER

Murphy

TIME COMPLETED \_\_\_\_\_

SQUADRON 367 ~~368~~ ~~369~~ ~~370~~ a/c Number 658 Lett S Date 3 February, 1945

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0650 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

**40" C" LEAD**

*ropes on after fuselaget hit  
fuselaget dropped out with engine  
burning - 3 to 4 chutes*

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)

- 2nd Lt. R. A. Lissner ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. C. F. Britton ✓ CP
- 2nd Lt. F. G. Robbins ✓
- 2nd Lt. D. C. Haagenon ✓
- S/Sgt. V. L. Fennerty ✓ RO
- S/Sgt. L. M. Miller ✓ E
- Sgt. H. R. Bemetz ✓ WG
- Sgt. G. W. Beck ✓ TG (slight injury)
- F/O. J. G. White ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

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

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: \_\_\_\_\_  
Other Bombing: \_\_\_\_\_  
An. Nichols: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_  
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	Type (light, heavy), Intense, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy

✓ MA-London, England

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LEGATION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
OFFICE OF THE MILITARY AIR ATTACHE  
STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN

A 35-45

9 Feb 45.

Subject: Pilot's Mission Report.

To : Chief, Military Intelligence Service,  
War Department, Washington, D. C.

The following report was submitted by 2nd Lt. Roland A. Lissner O-775430, who force-landed in Sweden 3 Feb 45.

a. Ship Type, Number, Pilot, Unit:

B 17-G, PFP, No. 42-97658. Pilot, 2nd Lt. Roland A. Lissner O-775430, 306th Gp, 367th Sq.

b. Time of Takeoff, Date:

Takeoff 0650 hrs, 3 Feb 45. Departed English coast 51 58 N 0120 E at 0850 hrs, altitude 11,500 ft. Crossed enemy coast 52 40 N 04 34 E at 0929 hrs, altitude 21,000 ft.

c. Defects in Ship on Trip out:

No defects in ship enroute to target. At 1121 hrs just after bombs away #3 tank received a hole from flak and all gas poured out. Left outer wing hit by flak and gas lost in left tank which had been full. #2 turbo inoperative caused by flak hole in exhaust stack and pressure dropped to 18". All oxygen systems except pilot, copilot, engineer, navigator, and bombardier knocked out by flak and pressures went to zero immediately. Pilot, navigator and engineer oxygen system also hit, and oxygen pressures went down slowly. #3 engine hit by flak and started to smoke and was windmilling, presumably due to lack of gas. Unable to feather #3 prop.

d. Time & Place of Enemy Fighter Opposition, Action of Friendly Fighters:

No enemy fighters sighted. Friendly escort cover very good.

e. Briefed and Bombed Target, Size and Type of Bombs, Altitude, Results, Weather:

Briefed target, built-up area in Berlin between Tempelhoff Airdrome and marshalling yards north of airdrome. No secondary target. Target bombed as briefed. Bomb load, ten (10) 500 GP plus two (2) smoke bombs. Bombs away at 1121 hrs, altitude indicated 26,500 ft on a true heading of 63°. Results excellent. Target area observed in flames and smoking heavily. Weather CAVU. No clouds in target area.

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f. Ground Defenses (Flak, Where, Type, Color):

No flak observed enroute target. From approximately 1118 hrs until 1122 hrs encountered moderate to heavy, accurate, tracking flak over Berlin at 26,500 ft altitude. Flak bursts black. No rockets observed.

g. Where, When & Why Decision Made to Land in Sweden:

The following factors entered into decision to come to Sweden: (1) Figured with loss of gas could remain aloft for only 1½ hours; (2) Figured by using walk-around oxygen bottles filled from copilot's system could remain at altitude for 45 minutes; (3) #2 engine was smoking and running low manifold pressure; (4) #1 and #4 engine cylinder head temperatures at 240° due to high power settings used (46" MP and 2500 RPM) attempting to remain in bomber stream; (5) #3 prop which was windmilling began vibrating and engine began to throw oil. Decision to land in Sweden made at 1200 hrs, altitude 22,000 ft, at approximately 52 40 N 12 30 E. Had dropped at least ten miles behind group and two other groups had passed by. Called for fighter escort on VHF and shot green-green flares. Two P-51's escorted us to German coast about 5 miles east of Lubeck. From here flew unescorted gradually losing altitude until reaching Swedish coast at approximately 1235 hrs at about 3,500 ft altitude. After circling Malmö twice looking for field (9/10 undercast) approached by two Swedish Fighters. We followed fighters (after momentarily lowering and raising landing gear) down through clouds to Bulltofta Airport.

h. Opposition After Leaving Formation:

None.

i. Claims of Enemy Fighters Destroyed:

None.

j. Disposition of Classified Equipment:

Bombsight, gee box, IFF, PFF, radios, mickey, left intact, but liaison set detuned and PFF ball cracked on bottom on landing because not retracted. Flimsies all torn up and discarded. Rebecca and carpet not carried. Not briefed on disposition of classified equipment preparatory to forcelanding in Sweden except bombsight and gee box. Briefed to jettison bombsight if possible before landing but bombardier unable to do so because ordered out of nose by pilot due to danger of #3 prop coming loose. Navigator states briefed not to destroy gee box.

k. Time of Landing in Sweden, Damage to Aircraft Upon Landing, Place:

Landed at Bulltofta Airdrome at 1245 hrs 3 Feb 45. No damage on landing other than PFF ball as mentioned above. No Swedish flak encountered, and action of Swedish fighters covered in Par.g.

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1. Damage to Ship by Enemy Action:

Not allowed to examine ship after landing, but estimated 200 flak holes throughout entire ship.

m. Fuel aboard aircraft on landing:

Approximately 175 gals.

n. Other Unusual Comments or Occurrences:

#3 ship in lead element of lead squadron just before bombs away received direct hit behind #4 engine, buckling wing and tearing out engine. Aircraft flipped on its back and fluttered down with right wing ablaze until it disappeared in smoke below at approximately 10,000 ft altitude. No parachutes observed, but bombs were seen to leave ship about 6,000 ft below formation.

o. Poster of Crew:

Roland A. Lisener	G-775430	2nd Lt	Pilot
Chester J. Britton	G-722146	2nd Lt	Copilot
Finley G. Robbins	G-2065301	2nd Lt	Navigator
James G. White	T-6873	F/O	Radar Nav.
Donald C. Haggenson	G-722480	2nd Lt	Combadier
Lloyd H. Miller	35549171	Sgt	Engineer
Vera L. Fennerty	36684701	Sgt	Radio Opr.
Harold R. Benatz	39335240	Sgt	Waist Gun.
George W. Beck*	13141727	Sgt	Tail Gun.

\*Sgt Beck received flak wound in left wrist; hospitalized at Mainz.  
No crew members killed.

p. Failure of Mechanical Equipment:

None other than that described above.

q. Observations:

Covered in Par.n.

r. Enemy Aircraft Sighted:

None.

s. Enemy Aircraft Attacking:

None

t. Information on Friendly Aircraft in Distress:

Covered in Par.n.

u. Position in Formation:

#2 (Deputy Gp lead) in lead element of lead sq. of Foxhole Charlie Gp.  
Maintained position until hit by flak.

SQUADRON 367 ~~368~~ ~~XX28X~~ A/C Number 407 Lett P Date 3 February, 1945

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0650 Time Landed \_\_\_\_\_

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

	X	<u>(X)</u>	X	X	
X	X		X	X	X
X		X	X		X
X	X				X

40°E"  
LEAP

*LANDED  
KRACOW, POLAND,  
PER HEAD, 26/3/45  
RH*

*Missing*

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.  
*Lockett - down hit at target  
wing on fire - down end over  
end - v possible chute*

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

- 2nd Lt. G. V. Lockett P
- 2nd Lt. G. W. Clark CP
- 2nd Lt. R. P. Foster N
- Sgt. V. J. Cunningham B
- Sgt. J. R. Boesel BO
- Sgt. W. L. Martin E
- Sgt. B. L. Whitman BT
- Sgt. A. L. Spear WG
- \_\_\_\_\_ WG
- S/Sgt. V. M. Spevak TG

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_  
Secondary: \_\_\_\_\_ Heading: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last Resort: \_\_\_\_\_ Height: \_\_\_\_\_

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: \_\_\_\_\_ An. Nickels: Yes i  
Number and type \_\_\_\_\_  
Other Bombing: \_\_\_\_\_

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	Type (light, heavy), intensity,	Color of	Location of Bursts in re-	Accuracy
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FROM BMP 071415A FEB 45  
TO THU  
RESTRICTED BT

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1AD F-383-E  
TWX D-61257 KRM FROM PNT 7 FEB 1945 QUOTED FOR YOUR INFO:  
QUOTE: MA LONDON RELAYS FOLLOWING MESSAGE: FROM MA STOCKHOLM  
NUMBER 2031 ROUTINE RESTRICTED FLD Q31615Z. LANDED AT MALO 3  
FEBRUARY B-17 41-97658. CREW MEMBERS FOLLOW: SEC LIEUTENANT DONALD G.  
HAAGENSON 722480 CHESTER J. BRITTON 783146 RONALD A. LISSNER 775430  
FINLEY G. ROBBINS 2068301 FLIGHT OFFICER JAMES G. WHITE 5-0878 SGT.  
GEORGE W. BECK 1314 (183 OR 1784 COMES GARBLED) HOSPITALIZED WITH  
SLIGHT FLAK WOUND SGT. HAROLD R. BEMETZ 39335240 LLOYD M. MILLER 35549171  
VERE L. FENNERTY 36683701. ANOTHER B-17 LANDED AT RINKABY BUT UNVERIFIED  
DETAILS FOLLOW. KESSLER. UNQUOTE.

---TURNER COMAIRDIV ONE---

1 by S-2  
1 by S-3  
1 by S-4  
1 by ADJ.

BT 071415A FEB 45  
AS

CC 3RD LINE KRMXMX FROM END LAST GRP 35549171 IMI 35549171 (IF IT WAS OP)  
MJK AR  
THU R.....071647A NM BBB



SQUADRON 367 ~~3881~~ ~~XXXXX~~ A/C Number 515 Lett ~~0~~ Date 3 February, 1945 <sup>4</sup>

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H. Ev. Position and Formation

Time Took Off 0650 Time Landed 1205

40°C LEAD

- 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

Turned back at 0955 hours at 5240 N 0600 E.

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)

2nd Lt. W. B. Turner, Jr.	✓	P
2nd Lt. J. W. Kidwell	✓	CP
F/O. J. L. Avitt	✓	N
F/O. T. E. Streeter	✓	B
S/Sgt. E. F. Heyer	✓	RC
S/Sgt. C. S. Sosnowski	✓	E
S/Sgt. S. D. Robinson	✓	BT
S/Sgt. J. N. Thompson	✓	WG
	✓	WG
S/Sgt. F. D. Menzie	✓	TG

as #2 eng. out; oil leak.

Formation obs.

- 2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

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

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

- 3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: ~~Jeopardized~~ Pos 5270-0240. Returned: Abortive: ~~1129 hrs.~~

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

Own Bombs: An. Nickels: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

Other Bombing:

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

- 6. WEATHER:

Good

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	Color of Bursts	Location Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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SQUADRON 367 ~~8888~~ ~~XXXX~~ A/C Number 302 Lett Z Date 3 February, 1945

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E.                      Position in Formation                     

Time Took Off 0650 Time Landed 1545

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

40 "C"  
LEAD

			X				
X	X		X	X		X	X
X			X	<u>X</u>		X	X
X	X					X	X

*Sackett left wing went up in fire, peeled off after sec. straight down. could see ribs in wing, were split was blown off. Between 1108-1109.*

- CHIEF: Give Rank and Initials
- 1st Lt. W. H. Wear  P
  - 2nd Lt. W. (NMI) Piekaar  CP
  - 2nd Lt. E. R. Bovich  M
  - Sgt. H. W. Wertz  B
  - T/Sgt. A. (NMI) Rohinsky  RO
  - Sgt. C. D. Petitjean  E
  - Sgt. C. M. Allred  BT
  - Sgt. S. T. Kwietniewski  WG
  - Sgt. R. L. Stafford  TG

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)

*Lissner #3 on fire. fire went out just as left formation. may have feathered engine. apparently under control.*

TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF, or Visual) did not see after leaving formation.

Primary: Time: 1109  
Secondary: Heading: 75°M  
Last Resort: Height: 26,500  
T.O. (Circle One)  
Turn off target: 60°M

- Number of EGARS dropped on target: 9/11 Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: not clear Man, Nichols: Yes  No

Other Bombing:                      Number and type                     

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

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

*over Eng 4 6/10 low disrupted 50 miles west London. Clear over Channel with thin cirrus. haze grew to alto ceiling.*

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:                     

*6 7/10 at 8° - Solid stuff just north Berlin. 10/10 just after target. thin on way out.*

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

*Did not see Sackett*

(Tactics of E/A)

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

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

Vung Goo  
P-512 0955 - 0650-5240  
all P-512

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

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

S.S. at target

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

13. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

7 Lab holes

14. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

navigator make R.B. notes

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 group

S-2 OFFICER

Leatherman

TIME COMPLETED \_\_\_\_\_

SQUADRON 367 399 40228 A/C Number 604 Lat (A) Date 3 February, 1945

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0650 Time Landed 1510 hrs.

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

40 °C  
LEAD

Suckett. almost direct hit behind #2 engine whole trailing edge of wing on fire. Blew up in about 10 sec. Possibly 2 Bombs  
1109 hrs. Flap area  
 Friendly A/C in distress: not much chance  
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
 If lost, state whether b, A.A., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

- CDR. Give Rank and Initials
- 1st Lt. D. R. Lenn ✓ E
  - 2nd Lt. H. L. Christenson ✓ CP
  - 2nd Lt. R. W. Weishar ✓ N
  - T/Sgt. L. R. Richards ✓ E
  - T/Sgt. F. G. Whitney, Jr. ✓ RO
  - T/Sgt. B. F. Munnerlyn ✓ E
  - T/Sgt W. J. Porozinski ✓ ET
  - Sgt. H. D. Gedney ✓ WG
  - sgt. R. T. Hauck ✓ TG

1109 1/2  
Lisner fire in #3 or 4 engine. Flap opened gasoline. whole bottom of nacell on fire. Pealed up and to left. Slip under control. No chutes showed. no Bombs away.

Primary: Title: 1110  
 Secondary: Heading: 66° M  
 Last Resort: Height: 26,000  
 T.O. (Circle One) Turn off target: 66°

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

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

Own Bombs: \_\_\_\_\_ An. Nickels: Yes (A) Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

Other Bombing: Hit in R.R. yards

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on \_\_\_\_\_  
 Hand \_\_\_\_\_ Movie K-20 few of target

6. WEATHER: Target clear C.A.V.U. over Berlin. Solid to within five  
 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? \_\_\_\_\_

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: min of I.P.  
None. Few thin over target Non

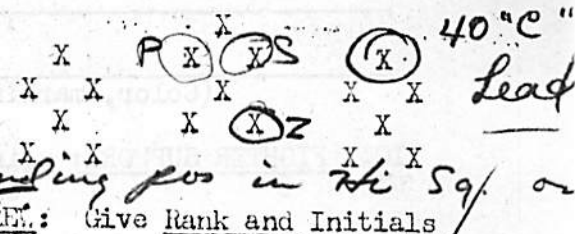
8. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height	Type (light, heavy), intense,	Color of	Location	Accuracy
					Bursts in re-	

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0650 Time Landed 1540

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



*Flow corresponding pos in the Sq on way out*  
 GIVE: 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)

- Capt. B. B. Lewis ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. R. S. Whitelaw ✓ CP
- 1st Lt. L. A. Harrison ✓ M
- 2nd Lt. J. R. Sicard ✓ B
- Sgt. H. F. McChesney ✓ RO
- T/Sgt. J. F. Standlee ✓ E
- Sgt. A. S. Lubojacky ✓ BT
- Sgt. F. L. McDonough ✓ WG
- Sgt. I. Nahmias ✓ TG

*Z - Took S - place in formation*  
*P - went down*

*S - Bomb bay fire*

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF. or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1109 1/2  
Secondary: Heading: 070  
 Last Resort: Height: 26900  
 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: none Any Nickels: Yes

Other Bombing: Entire center of town smoking Number and type \_\_\_\_\_  
marshaling yard hit directly.

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical Was camera turned on  
 Hand Yes Movie \_\_\_\_\_

6. WEATHER: Several photos.  
 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? 5 mi before 1  
1st. Visual

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 Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
1109	Target	26500	Trailing			

(Tactics of E/A)

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

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

*Excellent  
too close at times*

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 all observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, waterways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations.)

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

*none*

13. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

*minor*

14. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

*T.C. reports left oxygen hose sprung broken*

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?)

*ok.*

S-2 OFFICER

*J. J. [Signature]*

TIME COMPLETED

*1701*

liner peeled out of formation after bombs away & under control

SQUADRON: ##### 9 ### A/C Number 297 Let N Date 3-2-45

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0650 Time Landed

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

40°C Sea

Lockett - R. Wing on fire - peel out to right on back & down on fire - no chutes.

Lockett - H. L. wing on fire - steep bank & turned off to left, no ch.

CHIEF: Give Rank and Initials

- 2nd Lt. J. S. Henley P
- 2nd Lt. R. H. Stewart EP
- F/O H. J. Sopinski N
- 2nd Lt. W. F. Shaw B
- Sgt. D. F. McCarthy RO
- Sgt. V. J. Coppa E
- Sgt. R. C. Hanson BT
- Sgt. A. Hargarick WG
- Sgt. H. Whitaker TG

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 ATTAINED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Title: 1109

Secondary: Heading: 064

Last Resort: Height: 27,000

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

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

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

Own Bombs: city an, Nickels: Yes

Other Bombing: Number and type

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

6. WEATHER: 8/10 - clear A.T.

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE?

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: H.

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

Time	Place	Height of	Type (light, heavy), Intense.	Color of	Location Bursts in	Accuracy
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SQUADRON 367 XXXX #/C Number 683 Lett Q Date 3 February, 1945

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E.                      Position on Formation                     

Time Took Off 0650 Time Landed                     

40°C  
LEA

at BA. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No    
IF DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.

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407 - Direct hit ~~to~~ engine caught fire  
immediately spiraled down (piece of petrol tank  
stuck in ceiling of the A/C) - flipped up & came  
down in front. pulled up to main cabin & lost sight

NOTE: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in distress: not seen again  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
If lost, state whether by A.A., E/A action,  
accident or undetermined cause

- 2nd Lt. J. L. Patten ✓
- 2nd Lt. R. (NMI) Hopkins ✓
- 2nd Lt. E. A. Skonieczny ✓
- 2nd Lt. M. (NMI) Brecher ✓
- T/Sgt. M. E. Geving ✓
- Sgt. N. C. Hanson ✓
- Sgt. R. F. Stetler ✓
- Sgt. I. W. Scott ✓
- S/Sgt. J. W. Hall ✓

547 - Daley ~~and~~ over ~~with~~ one engine feathered, losing gear. later ~~said~~ ~~could~~ not stay with formation but thought could make Eng coast.

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

the A/C  
said BTM  
but ~~was~~  
going down

Primary: Time: 1109 1/2  
Secondary: Heading: 068  
Last Resort: Height: 26,300  
T.O.:  
(Circle One)  
Turn off target: 055

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

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

Own Bombs: An. Nickels: Yes 1  
Other Bombing: Center town Number and type                     

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

6. WEATHER: 6/10 to 1 P. - vis at target 10-15000  
WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FRM BUCKEYE?                     

Vis 10-15 then 10/10 to coast

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: Mod non persist. above 20,000

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

Time Place Height Type (light, heavy) Color Location Accuracy



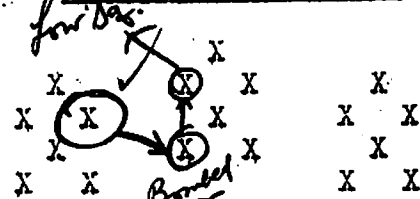
SQUADRON 367 ~~368~~ ~~30026~~ A/C Number 133 Lett W Date 3 February, 1945

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E.

Time Took Off 0650 Time Landed 1544

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

Position in Formation



40 "C"  
LEAD

CRW: Give Rank and Initials

- 2nd Lt. W. W. Erasch  P
- F/O. R. W. Grunski  GP
- F/O. H. E. LeCompte  N
- Sgt. A. F. Dulli  E
- Sgt. J. A. Rutledge  RO
- Sgt. J. (NMI) Waberke  E
- Sgt. R. E. Niznik  BT
- Sgt. E. L. Bressler  KG
- S/Sgt. V. D. Donohoe  TG

Lissner - Lead 1/2 hr. after bombs away talking to leader.

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)

Luckett - Direct hit - R. wing on fire - spin down. No ch.

Daley - Heard him while over N. Sea.

- TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 11:09 1/2  
 Secondary: Heading: 063  
 Last Resort: Height: 27,000  
 T.O. (Circle One)  
 Turn off target:

- Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 4 Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: in ctg. An. Nickels: Yes   
 Other Bombing: Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

- Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on Hand \_\_\_\_\_ Movie \_\_\_\_\_

6. WEATHER: B/c - clear WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? \_\_\_\_\_

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: 7

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (light)	Color	Location	Accuracy
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SQUADRON 367 368 ~~367~~ A/C Number 547 Let ○ F Date 3 February 1945 2

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E.                      Position                      Formation                     

Time Took Off 0650 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	X	X

*405°  
Lead.*

*Called: said one engine out losing gas in another -*

CHIEF: 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)

*When our A/C were 1/3 of way across channel they still heard Daley - said he thought he could make coast.*

- 1st Lt. V. F. Daley ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. J. J. Carbine ✓ CP
- 1st Lt. P. A. Becker ✓ W
- S/Sgt. R. E. Crede ✓ H
- T/Sgt. P. J. Marquez ✓ RG
- T/Sgt. R. R. Horn ✓ E
- S/Sgt. G. W. Petrillo ✓ BT
- S/Sgt. S. P. DeZolt ✓ WG
- Sgt. O. R. Coplin ✓ TG
- Guy Buyan Obs.

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary:                      Title:                       
Secondary:                      Heading:                       
Last Resort:                      Height:                     

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:                      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:                     

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (light, sound)	Color	Location	Accuracy

SQUADRON ~~XXXXXX~~ ~~XXXXXX~~ A/C Number 570 Let P Date 3/2/45

Bomb Load: 10 x 500 15 make

H.E. \_\_\_\_\_ Position in Formation \_\_\_\_\_

Time Took Off 0650 Time Landed 1542

(X) 4000' Low

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

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	X	X	X	X
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	X	X	X	X
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	X	X	X	X
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	X	X	X	X

1115 Target 1 B17 #3 in Ld.  
2 chute. Left wing blown off.

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

1123 Fighter exploded poss. flak  
no chute.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1st Lt. H.E. Underwood	J
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2nd Lt. D.C. Schertz	CP
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1st Lt. P.C. Wagner	N
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1st Lt. J.G. Weber	B
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	T/Sgt. H. Leventhal	RO
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	T/Sgt. F.T. Davelli	E
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	S/Sgt. L.E. Kelly	WG
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	S/Sgt. H.P. Meszar	TG
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	F/O L.W. Burley	RN

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1108 1/2  
 Secondary: Heading: 067  
 Last Resort: Height: 25750

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 plane or others)

Own Bombs: Syn. to rt. Briefed AP.  
Killed rate in grp. form.  
 Other Bombing: La Vier

Am. Nichols: Yes  
 Number and type: \_\_\_\_\_

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

6. WEATHER: Visual to 1130. 8-10  
be E. Tops. 14000.

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? Stated target visual before LP.

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Time	Place	Height of	Type (light, heavy)	Color	Location	Accuracy
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SQUADRON ~~368~~ ~~3028X~~ A/C Number 474 Letter V Date 3/2/45 14

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E. 34 Position on Formation

Time Took Off 0650 Time Landed 1534

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

	X	X	<u>(X)</u>	X	<u>40th C</u>
X	X	X	X	X	<u>Low</u>
X	X	X	X	X	
X	X			X	

1414-5307N 0317E - see  
hot news report.

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

- 1st Lt. J.E. Martin ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. W.C. Holder ✓ CP
- 2nd Lt. A. Varnado ✓ N
- F/O R.C. Ulrich ✓ B
- T/Sgt. K.W. Kraus ✓ RC
- T/Sgt. R.E. Harrington ✓ E
- S/Sgt. L.B. Davisson ✓ BT
- S/Sgt. R.G. Atwood ✓ WG
- S/Sgt. R.J. Bocian ✓ TG

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)

Obs 2 chutes from  
Suckner's A/c

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1110  
Secondary: Heading: 068  
Last Resort: Height: 26000  
 T.O.  
 (Circle One)  
 Turn off target: 033

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

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

Own Bombs: in target area 260 an, Nickels: Yes 260  
Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

Other Bombing:

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

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

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: meager to mod. - non persistent (formed cloud over target)

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (light, burst)	Color	Location	Accuracy
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Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0650 Time Landed 1515

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

40th C  
Low

DIFF: 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)  
#3 in lead - seemed to blow up. Fire spread from engines to tail and plane apparently spun down. Members of crew saw 4 chutes

- 2nd Lt. H.P. Altshuler ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. E.W. Huelat ✓ OP
- F/O. A.J. Remal ✓ N
- Sgt. F.F. Alston ✓ B
- Sgt. L.R. Curry ✓ RO
- Sgt. C.D. Stewart ✓ E
- Sgt. R.R. Payette ✓ BT
- Sgt. W.R. Carrasco ✓ WG
- Sgt. A.J. Riedel ✓ TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: ✓ Time: 1109  
Secondary: Heading: 065 mag  
Last Resort: Height: 25,300

T.O. (Circle One)  
Turn off target: 058°

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

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

Own Bombs: Jaggler reported all bombs hitting well in target area An. Nickels: Yes (D)  
Other Bombing: Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? was camera turned on NONE  
Hand \_\_\_\_\_ Movie \_\_\_\_\_

6. WEATHER: as briefed - target area less clouded than briefed. WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? \_\_\_\_\_

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: no trouble - very light - non persistent

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

moderate - very accurate

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>at coast out - about 1000 ft</u>						

(Tactics of E/A)

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

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

*Good - couldn't see markings - picked up as briefed and followed all way around course*

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 airdromes, ports, water-ways, 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.)

*Joe Jogleer burned hand - intervalometer started*

13. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

*2 holes in nose - 1 left wing*

14. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

*intervalometer*

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?)

*as briefed*

S-2 OFFICER: *Paul E Kelly*

*1518*

TIME COMPLETED: *1650*

SQUADRON ~~367~~ 368 ~~2~~ ~~422~~ A/C Number 412 Letter T Date 3/2/45 16

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0650 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

*404 C Low.*

*Using other watched buckets of control of was down to 10,000 feet did not see any other*

NOTE: 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)

- 2nd Lt. B. E. Swango ✓ *F*
- 2nd Lt. W. C. Davenport ✓ *CF*
- 2nd Lt. R. L. LeKashman ✓ *N*
- 2nd Lt. J. W. Johnson ✓ *B*
- Sgt. W. T. Moss ✓ *RO*
- Sgt. W. J. Schultz ✓ *E*
- Sgt. J. E. Martinez ✓ *BT*
- Sgt. W. Smatlah ✓ *WG*
- Sgt. R. Pakofske ✓ *TG*

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1110  
Secondary: Heading: 67  
Last Resort: Height: 25,900  
T.O. (Circle One)  
Turn off target: 30

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 20 Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: \_\_\_\_\_ an, Nickels: \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No  
Other Bombing: \_\_\_\_\_ Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

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

6. WEATHER: 85/10/6 IP, top 6000 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKETS? \_\_\_\_\_

7. CONDENS. TRAIL TRAILS: no - present at 25000.

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

Time	Place	Height of	Type (light, heavy).	Distance	Color of	Location	Accuracy
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SQUADRON 368 A/C Number 028 Letter O Date 3/2/45 17

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0650 Time Landed N42 40<sup>th</sup> 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 |

Saw Dark B-17 go down in flames 1109 - ~~1109~~  
 Picked up and then into dense outside hangar  
 and plane continued down in diver on fire

CITE: Give Rank and Initials

Left wing broken off  
 Capt. J.S. Law

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. G. A. Perez   | ✓ | CP |
| 1st Lt. P.V. Connelly | ✓ | N  |
| S/Sgt. R.H. Norheim   | ✓ |    |
| T/Sgt. R.J. Yoder     | ✓ | RO |
| T/Sgt. D.C. Lockhart  | ✓ | E  |
| T/Sgt. R.W. Roy       | ✓ | BT |
| S/Sgt. E.H. Trammel   | ✓ | WG |
| S/Sgt. P.L. Swift     | ✓ | TG |

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)
- Primary: Time: 1112
- Secondary: Heading: 58° M
- Last Resort: Height: 26500
- T.O. (Circle One)  
 Turn off target: 40° M

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

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

Own Bombs: Said ~~hit~~ hit Bldg. and street an. Nickels: Yes

Other Bombing: Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on \_\_\_\_\_  
 Hand \_\_\_\_\_ Movie Yes. Followed to ground.

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

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: Close to target light non-Permanent

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

Time Place Height Type (light, heard) Color Location Accuracy



SQUADRON ~~XXX~~ 368 ~~is~~ ~~XXXX~~ A/C Number 802 Letter ? Date 3/2/45

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E.s.

Position and Formation

Time Took Off 0650 Time Landed 15<sup>30</sup>

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

			X							40
X			X	X			X			Low
X	X		X				X	X		
X			(X)	X			X			
X	X						X	X		

1109 - ship from head open hit in left wing  
after B.A. down in flames - 2 chutes  
1125 - 5250/3200 - obs B-17 10 miles N of us blew  
up and went down in spin

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)

CHIEF: Give Rank and Initials

- 1st Lt. L.A. Evans P
- 2nd Lt. J.A. Burgess CP
- 1st Lt. C.R. Rubenstein N
- T/Sgt. R.E. Cooper B
- S/Sgt. W.M. Williams HO
- T/Sgt. R.F. John E
- Sgt. A.J. Conroy BT
- Sgt. R.W. Litka WG
- Sgt. H.H. Williams TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Title: 1109  
Secondary: Heading: 70  
Last Resort: Height: 26000

T.O.  
(Circle One)  
Turn off target: 052 - 1035

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

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

Own Bombs: in target area Any Nickels: No

Other Bombing: Number and type

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on Ball T.  
Hand \_\_\_\_\_ Movie \_\_\_\_\_

6. WEATHER:

Layer of stratus cloud at 10000 ft 8/10 as far  
as as 11 E. clear at target.

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM  
BUCKEYE? none

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 Bursts in re- lation to A/C	Accuracy
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interme area - level - track

(Facts of E/A)

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

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

*Excellent - This A/C came back alone from 20 min. after target. P. 5.1's gear could cover coming home*

<u>C L A I M S</u>	
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, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads; railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks; new enemy installations.)

*3/5 at Magdeburg -*

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

13. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

*✓ feathered #3 at 5309N 1100'E - out.   
 flat - feathered #4 over Eng land   
 had been hit at target.*

14. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

*#3 engine - MF/DF 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?)

S-2 OFFICER

*Martha*

TIME COMPLETED

SQUADRON ~~01/01/01/01~~ #0000 A/C Number 181 Lett B Date 3-2-45

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0650 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

*Saw B-17 down burning #3  
no chutes - thought one wing torn  
off at B. A.*

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

1st Lt. A. J. Bowley P

2nd Lt. W. W. Clark CP

2nd Lt. B. Burwick N

2nd Lt. Good, G. B. B

T/Sgt. G. D. Carey RO

T/Sgt. E. C. Hall E

Sgt. R. L. Weir BT

Sgt. C. E. Slepicka WG

Sgt. G. A. Weber TG

Friendly A/C in distress:

(Give position, time, altitude, full details)  
If lost, state whether by A.M., E/A action, accident or undetermined cause)

*Saw B-17 = 5000' below us at 5310 -  
1048 headed East. Appeared O.K.  
seemed headed for Russian lines.*

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1109

Secondary: Heading: 70

Last Resort: Height: 26000

T.O.  
(Circle One)

Turn off target:

3. Number of EGERS dropped on target: (00) Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: *Saw lead group bombs hit in center of town* An. Nickels: Yes No

Other Bombing: Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? was camera turned on yes  
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 m

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E. Position Formation

Time Took Off 0650 Time Landed \_\_\_\_\_ 40°C  
Low

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

- CITE: Give Rank and Initials
- 2nd Lt. C. P. Tinkham ✓ P
  - 2nd Lt. B. H. Grumbles ✓ CP
  - 2nd Lt. W. W. Fianagan ✓ W
  - Sgt. J. G. Vickroy ✓ V
  - Sgt. D. E. Guttenburg ✓ DG
  - Sgt. L. P. White ✓ F
  - Sgt. F. L. Motisi ✓ BT
  - Sgt. R. L. Hesser ✓ HG
  - \_\_\_\_\_ ✓ VG
  - Sgt. M. F. Galmore, Jr. ✓ 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: 11:09  
 Secondary: \_\_\_\_\_ Heading: 67°  
 Last Resort: \_\_\_\_\_ Height: 26,100

T.O. \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Circle One)  
 Turn off target: 317°

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: Jettisoned: \_\_\_\_\_ Returned: \_\_\_\_\_ Abortive: \_\_\_\_\_  
10 - 500

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

Own Bombs: just short of target An. Nickels: Yes ✓

Other Bombing: \_\_\_\_\_ Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on Yes ever target  
 Hand  Movie \_\_\_\_\_

6. WEATHER: Clear WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FRM BUCKEYE? No

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: Slight on route 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 of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy

(Tactics of E/A)

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

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

*Very 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, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations.)

*05:10:14 U-2 took off - night of formation, just after crossing coast*

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

*Name*

13. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

*10 small fleck holes on under side*

14. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

*Name*

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?)

*A briefed*

S-2 OFFICER

*W. Buscoe, Capt. R.*

TIME COMPLETED

*17:02*

SQUADRON ~~#####~~ #3 ~~###~~ w/c Number 713 Letter K Date 3-2-45 21

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0650 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 |

40°C  
Low

1111 ~~1~~ ~~A/C~~ blew up behind  
 No chutes over Berlin  
~~1114~~ 1116 1. B17 cocked. in chute in flames.

- CITE: Give Rank and Initials
- 2nd Lt. A. A. Lomar ✓
  - 2nd Lt. D. C. Gray ✓ CP
  - F/O I. J. Sandler ✓ N
  - T/Sgt. B. Parker ✓ B
  - Sgt. L. Ferrall ✓ RO
  - Sgt. J. W. Mallek ✓ E
  - S/Sgt. E. G. Arbeiter ✓ BT
  - Sgt. R. G. Crayou ✓ WG
  - S/Sgt. R. H. Sheldon ✓ TG

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 ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1109 @ 31 sec.  
 Secondary: Heading: 072  
 Last Resort: Height: 25800  
 T.O. (Circle One) 062 (approx)  
 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 None.  
 Hand \_\_\_\_\_ Movie \_\_\_\_\_

6. WEATHER: Clear at target.  
 Scattered over cont. to 1100.  
 then 8-10/10 Clear at target. 10/10 to coast.  
 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? Once said would call in 10 min.

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:  
 Light. non persis. 26000

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

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or	Color of Bursts	Location Bursts in re-	Accuracy
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(Tactics of E/A)

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

10. FIGHTER SUPPORT: (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, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new 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).

Major.

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?)

~~with~~ left grp. Cromer. St.  
back to base. No gas.

S-2 OFFICER

Esper

TIME COMPLETED

SQUADRON ~~368~~ 368 ~~368~~ ~~026~~ n/c Number 466 Letter: Q Date 3/2/45 23

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E.

Position and Formation  
4000' C  
Low.  
X X X  
X X X  
X X X  
X X X  
X X X

Time Took Off 0650 Time Landed 15:26

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

CREW: Give Rank and Initials  
2nd Lt. W.D. Carder ✓ P  
2nd Lt. A.V. Mura ✓ CP  
2nd Lt. L.E. Campbell ✓ N  
S/Sgt. E. Pospiech ✓ B  
Sgt. L.N. Goldman ✓ RO  
T/Sgt. A.G. Trobaugh ✓ E  
Sgt. R. Circle ✓ BT  
S/Sgt. A.R. Dearing ✓ TG  
S/Sgt. N.J. Tanno ✓ TG

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)

\* 3 had our target flak

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PF or Visual)

Primary: ✓ Time: 11:08  
Secondary: Heading: 70°  
Last Resort: Height: 25,200  
T.O. (Circle One)  
Turn off target: 3170

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:  
10-500

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

Own Bombs:

Ant. Nickels: Yes  No  
Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

Other Bombing:

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on \_\_\_\_\_ No Camera  
Hand \_\_\_\_\_ Movie \_\_\_\_\_

6. WEATHER: as briefed

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? None

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: slight - in target area

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

Title \_\_\_\_\_ Place \_\_\_\_\_



SQUADRON ~~367~~ 368 ~~429~~ a/c Number 429 Letter W Date 3/2/45 24

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E. Position on Formation 40th C

Time Took Off 0650 Time Landed \_\_\_\_\_

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in. Yes No  
If DITCHING hold crew and fill out special form in detail.  
*Sort engine just before B.A. tanks out - come back in three cells for lighters - picked up kept eye on us all the way.*

CREF.: Give Rank and Initials  
2nd Lt. H.R. McGahan ✓  
2nd Lt. W.A. Wilson ✓  
2nd Lt. M.F. Hepple ✓  
T/Sgt. A.J. Stalder ✓  
Sgt. J.J. Reilly ✓  
S/Sgt. W.T. Dugard ✓

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)  
*#3 in lead (Suckett) went hit no chutes, fine - slight down. 1124 - 27 to our left. 14 min after B.A. saw 2B-17 explode (one in each group) - no chutes caught in Berlin area - slightly off.*

TARGET ATTACKED: (PVT or Visual)  
Primary: Time: 1110 Sgt. A.P. Dumenigo ✓  
Secondary: Heading: 070 Sgt. J.E. O'Brien ✓  
Last Resort: Height: 25800 \_\_\_\_\_ ✓  
T.O. (Circle One) \_\_\_\_\_  
Turn off target: 047 S/Sgt. B.V. Clement ✓

3. Number of EGLES dropped on target: Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:  
Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)  
Own Bombs: \_\_\_\_\_ an. Nickels: Yes \_\_\_\_\_  
Other Bombing: \_\_\_\_\_ Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

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

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 Time (light)

SQUADRON ~~XXXXXXX~~ 423 A/C Number 362 Letter L Date 3/2/45 <sup>25</sup>

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0650 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

40 C  
High

*leads two wingman.  
 saw 3, possibly 4 chutes  
 out of bucket's M.C.*

CITE: 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)

- 1st Lt. L.A. Wilke ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. B.B. Merrill ✓ CP
- 2nd Lt. W.W. Gunkel ✓ N
- F/O D.H. Gorrell ✓ B
- T/Sgt. H.H. Kaye ✓ BO
- T/Sgt. J.J. Cathey ✓ E
- S/Sgt. L.J. Parsac, Jr. ✓ BT
- S/Sgt. C.B. Capaldi ✓ CG
- F/O E.C. Kuhn ✓ BN BX
- S/Sgt. J.J. Ferrari, Jr. ✓ TG

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1112  
 Secondary: Heading: 066 mag  
 Last Resort: Height: 27,800  
 T.O.  
 (Circle One) *straight* - 050 mag  
 Turn off target: straight

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

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

Own Bombs: *flew manually - banded on lead, because better* An, Nickels: Yes 1  
 Other Bombing: *AFC on the party.* Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: not on B cloud

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (air, etc.)	Color	Location	Accuracy
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SQUADRON ~~423~~ 423 A/C Number 516 Letter M Date 3/2/45 26

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation \_\_\_\_\_

Time Took Off 0650 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

40  
High

Eng. apt wing shot away A/c down in flames  
from front. - no chutes seen -

Crew: Give Rank and Initials

1051 - B17 went into dive from 3000 behind  
B.T. picked up from down in clouds  
2000-3000 ft. lost engine whether or not E/A action,  
accident or undetermined cause)

- 2nd Lt. T.D. Hedley ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. F.E. Jones ✓ CP
- 2nd Lt. J. Hrcniar N
- S/Sgt. H.R. Langston ✓ E
- S/Sgt. A.E. Masters ✓ RO
- S/Sgt. J. Butz ✓ E
- S/Sgt. R.C. Shaffer ✓ BY
- S/Sgt. J.L. Anderson ✓ VG
- S/Sgt. E.E. Limke ✓ TG

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PPF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1109kz  
 Secondary: Heading: 76  
 Last Resort: Height: 26700

T.O.  
 (Circle One)  
 Turn off target: 310

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

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

Own Bombs: \_\_\_\_\_ An, Nichols: Yes No

Other Bombing: \_\_\_\_\_ Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

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

6. WEATHER: \_\_\_\_\_  
Just clear - 10/10 to coast out  
 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKNEY? \_\_\_\_\_

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Time Place Height Type (light, Color Location

SQUADRON ~~367~~ 423 A/C Number 585 Letter X Date 3/2/45 27

Bomb Load 10 x 500 ✓ H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0650 Time Landed 1545

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

40 e  
High

*Submitt - 1st - fire in wing. ops.  
no ch.*

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. L.E. Smith ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. F.T. Lord, Jr. ✓ CP
- 2nd Lt. H.D. Wolfe ✓ N
- 2nd Lt. L.U. Jefferson ✓ B
- Sgt. N.R. Chestnut ✓ RO
- Sgt. H.E. Anderson ✓ E
- Sgt. M.L. Brown ✓ BT
- Sgt. R.L. Rafferty ✓ W
- \_\_\_\_\_ ✓ FG
- S/Sgt. W.H. Lynch, Jr. ✓ TG

2. TARGET ATTAINED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 11:10  
 Secondary: Heading: 055  
 Last Resort: Height: 27,800  
 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: 2 4 An. Nickels: Yes (X)  
 Other Bombing: Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

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

6. WEATHER: 8/10 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FRO  
BUCKEYE? \_\_\_\_\_

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

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

Title	Place	Height	Type (alt.)	Color	Location	Accuracy
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SQUADRON 367036803 423 A/C Number 397 Letter O Date 3/2/45 78

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0650 Time Landed 1548

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

*40 C High*

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

- 2nd Lt. M.L. Millen ✓ *F*
- 2nd Lt. D.C. Paisley ✓ *OP*
- 2nd Lt. L.B. McGough ✓ *N*
- 2nd Lt. L.F. Finnell ✓ *B*
- S/Sgt. R.E. Burkhardt ✓ *RO*
- S/Sgt. H.A. Kelso ✓ *E*
- S/Sgt. J.S. Adams ✓ *BT*
- S/Sgt. J.L. Harper, Jr. ✓ *MG*
- S/Sgt. F.L. Tieck ✓ *TG*

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)  
*No chutes noticed by other members of crew. About 1108 (#6<sup>man</sup> in lead) - ball of fire, and peeled off. Riedell left formation over North Sea on return.*

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PF or Visual)

Primary: ✓ Time: 1110  
Secondary: Heading: 070°  
Last Resort: Height: 26,300  
T.O. (Circle One)  
Turn off target: 050°

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

Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others) 10 TRAIN

Own Bombs: Ball turret reported hitting at street intersection near main buildings An. Nickels: Yes (N)

Other Bombing: Bombing over entire target area. Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on NONE  
Hand \_\_\_\_\_ Movie \_\_\_\_\_

6. WEATHER: as briefed  
WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? \_\_\_\_\_

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: none - or very light.

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

Moderate - but very accurate

Title	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), Intense, moderate or	Color of bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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SQUADRON ~~367~~ 423 A/C Number 674 Letter B Date 3/2/45 7.9

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0650 Time Landed \_\_\_\_\_

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

400  
High

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

*Our A/C ductett  
another A/C on target  
after we turned off.*

CREW: Give rank and Initials

- 2nd Lt. H.W. Trease ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. J.K. Snobble ✓ CP
- F/O G.W. Key ✓ A
- F/O W.G. Murray ✓ B
- Sgt. H. Bellet ✓ KO
- Sgt. W.I. Lewis ✓ E
- Sgt. A.J. Owsiany ✓ BT
- S/Sgt. E. Richardson ✓ WG
- Sgt. I.I. Frank ✓ TG

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: \_\_\_\_\_  
Secondary: \_\_\_\_\_ Heading: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last Resort: \_\_\_\_\_ Height: \_\_\_\_\_  
T.O.  
(Circle One)  
Turn off target: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Own Bombs: \_\_\_\_\_ An, Nickels: Yes No  
Number and type \_\_\_\_\_  
Other Bombing: \_\_\_\_\_

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), intensity, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy

(Tactics of E/A)

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

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

*Good - in view  
none on way home*

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, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airbases, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new 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) *Ball turret sick - engine??*

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?)

*Came back alone from 16 miles west of Jumburg, after dropping to 13,000 feet, then 10,000, due to ball turret sick, but stayed under bomber stream.*

S-2 OFFICER

*Pool*

TIME COMPLETED

SQUADRON 367 368 (A-23) A/C Number 512 Letter A Date 3/2/45

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E.

Position on Formation

Time Took Off 0650 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

404 C Low

Saw Sissner (A) 658 - cut across low just after B.A. 4 engines working seemed O.K.

CRFT.: 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 of undetermined cause

Saw A/C 407 go down just before B.A. Tail blown off, spinning in tight dive, no clutter.

- |                        |    |
|------------------------|----|
| 2nd Lt. C.B. Hathaway  | P  |
| 2nd Lt. H.N. Morris    | CP |
| 2nd Lt. J.A. Frederick | M  |
| 2nd Lt. J.W. Long      | B  |
| S/Sgt. C.O. Rasmussen  | RO |
| T/Sgt. M. Popivchak    | E  |
| Sgt. L.E. Harter       | BT |
| S/Sgt. E.J. Feeney     | WG |
| S/Sgt. C.B. White      | TG |

TARGET ATTACHED: (PRF or Visual)

#3 in low last engine at 1125.

Primary: Time: 1109  
Secondary: Heading: 67  
Last Resort: Height: 26000

T.O.  
(Circle One)  
Turn off target: 36°

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

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

Own Bombs: Saw strikes on W/y & unity.

an, Nickels: Yes No  
Number and type

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

6. WEATHER: Clear at target - 10/10 up to about 2-P.

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FRC BUCKEYE?

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

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

Time Place Height



SQUADRON ~~XXXXXX~~ 423 n/c Number 549 Letter: 2 Date 3/2/45 20

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0650 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

40<sup>c</sup>  
High

(PS)

1402 - over changed  
5306-0328, <sup>turn</sup> ~~high~~ fire  
one B-17 going down w/ ~~weight~~  
8000 feet; 3000 feet; we started 2nd

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

2nd Lt. W.T. RIEDEL  
2nd Lt. D.W. Phillips

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)

trick down  
but heard another B-17 reporting same fix a minute later, so didn't report it.  
low Pst early

<u>2nd Lt. W.G.H. Schultz</u>	CP
<u>2nd Lt. L.A. Elrod</u>	N
<u>F/O G.L. Thomas</u>	B
<u>Sgt. C.L. Love</u>	RO
<u>Sgt. S.R. Leavitt</u>	E
<u>Sgt. E. Upthegrove</u>	BT
<u>Sgt. R.R. Rubano</u>	WG
<u>S/Sgt. G.W. Walczak</u>	TG

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1109  
Secondary: Heading: 75  
Last Resort: Height: 26,000 -  
T.O.  
(Circle one)  
Turn off target:

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

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

Own Bombs: An, Nichols: Yes h

Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

Other Bombing:

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.

SQUADRON ~~#####~~ 424th A/C Number 198 Letter D Date 3-2-45 31

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E.

Position - n Formation

Time Took Off 0650/701 Time Landed 15:25

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

			X						40°C
	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	High
	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	X	X							

*None*

CHIEF: 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. H. B. Ryder ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. L. Mikles ✓ CF
- 2nd Lt. O. P. Minihane ✓ N
- 2nd Lt. R. C. Huff ✓ B
- Sgt. J. G. Wartenburger ✓ KO
- Sgt. A. H. Ness ✓ L
- Sgt. R. P. Raffate ✓ BT
- Sgt. J. W. Stright ✓ WG
- Sgt. M. J. Loes ✓ TG

*#3 man of Legd went down just after bombing. Think one parachute observed "F" if High Sqd. Legd just after target #3 eng. feathered. Alt 5300-12000. Ship going opposite direction at 11:35.*

- 2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Visual Time: 11:09:30

Secondary: Heading: 065° M

Last Resort: Height: 26,500'

T.O. (Circle One)

Turn off target:

- 3. Number of 10 G.P.s. Trained bombs dropped on target: Jettisoned: None Returned: None Abertive: None

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

Own Bombs: Hit very good.

Am. Nickels: None  
Number and type: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Bombing: Right in there too.

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

- 6. WEATHER: 8 to 10/10 going in to I.P. and 00 over target. WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? \_\_\_\_\_

- 7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: Slight & nonpersistent

- 8. FLAK: Encountered on way at target and on way home Little on way home inaccurate

None on way in - Barrage and good on altitude but not too accurate over target.

Title	Place	Height	Type (size)	Color	Location	Accuracy
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SQUADRON ~~#####~~ 30### A/C Number 896 Letter X Date 3-2-45 32

Bomb Load 10 x T-291 Nickels H.E. Position on Formation

Time Took Off 0650/108 Time Landed 15:19

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

40 "C"  
High

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)

<u>2nd Lt. N. A. Erne</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	F
<u>2nd Lt. A. H. Miller</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CP
<u>2nd Lt. F. M. Hudson</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N
<u>Sgt. S. G. Parton</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	B
<u>S/Sgt. R. R. Gattis</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RO
<u>S/Sgt. L. A. Marchese</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	E
<u>S/Sgt. J. J. Callahan</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	BT
<u>Sgt. G. E. Johnson</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	VG
<u>Sgt. R. L. Tiff</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TG

*#3 man of lead element lead squadron went down over target F/D Red tail logging after target #3 feathered and #1 smoking.*

2. TARGET ATTAINED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Visual Time: 11:09

~~Secondary:~~ Heading: 070° M.

Last Resort: Height: 26,700'

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

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: none Jettisoned: (Nickles) Returned: abortive:

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

Own Bombs: ? An, Nickels: Yes  N.

Other Bombing: Good right in there Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on  
Hand none Movie \_\_\_\_\_

6. WEATHER Low 8/10 over zider zee then 10/10 in double layer into 11:30 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? \_\_\_\_\_

*7 E Nearly clear perfectly over IP and Target.*

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:  
Light & Non Persistent.

8. FLAK: Encountered on way in at target and on way home. None on way in - Damage & smoke tracking over target - a little of Westermunde 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>Path</u>	<u>2000'</u>	<u>2000'</u>	<u>light</u>	<u>white</u>	<u>in rear</u>	<u>high</u>

(Tactics of E/A)

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

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

*Beautiful  
Both close & top cover.  
No breaks*

C L A I M S

DESTROYED None

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, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airbases, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations.)

*4 smoke rockets came up over target near group ahead.*

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

*None*

13. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

*Very slight*

14. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

*Bomb racks hung but got away <sup>nearly on</sup> time.  
Doors wouldn't close electrically - Tokyo's didn't drain.*

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?)

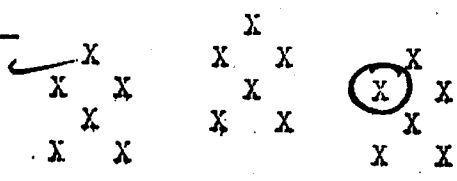
*Good and it was flown just about as briefed*

S-2 OFFICER W. J. Casseday TIME COMPLETED 16:30

Bomb Load 10 x 500 H.E. Position and Formation

Time Took Off 0650 Time Landed \_\_\_\_\_

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



40 "C"  
High

1 B-17 (Lockett) direct hit left wing. Peeled to left on fire. 2 chutes on fire.

- NOTE: Give Rank and Initials
- 2nd Lt. W. W. Young ✓ P
  - 2nd Lt. A. J. Norman ✓ CP
  - 2nd Lt. H. Corigliano ✓ N
  - Sgt. W. R. McKillop ✓ B
  - T/Sgt. W. Cain ✓ RO
  - Sgt. G. A. Stephens ✓ E
  - S/Sgt. W. A. Shipley ✓ BT
  - Sgt. S. Beigel ✓ WG
  - Sgt. W. B. Wilson ✓ TG

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 ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)
- Primary: Time: 1110  
 Secondary: Heading: 070  
 Last Resort: Height: 26600  
 T.O. 070°  
 (Circle One)  
 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: an. Nickels: Yes

Other Bombing: Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on BT too cold so did not use  
 Hand \_\_\_\_\_ Movie ✓

6. WEATHER: 10/10 IP - Clear to NE Big B. 9-10/10 All way. WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE?  
Buckeye: visual  
\* good bombing  
by this group.

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: Light Non persis. 26000

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
Target						

Monitor tracking

(Tactics of E/A)

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

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

Good. P-51

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 airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new 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: No A/S indicator

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?)

Left grp. 0510. Entered  
Lowestoft. Then st. back.

S-2 OFFICER

Esper

TIME COMPLETED

SQUADRON ~~XXXXXX~~ 423

A/C Number 807

Letter P

Date 3/2/45

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Bomb Load 10 x 500

H.E.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0650 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

4000  
High

CITE: 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)

- 1st Lt. E.J. Lindsay P
- 2nd Lt. R.W. Daniel CP
- F/O C.R. Meyer N
- F/O R.C. Garberich B
- T/Sgt. J.M. Cullen RO
- T/Sgt. H.G. Boker E
- S/Sgt. R.H. Schuettpelz BT
- S/Sgt. E.D. Craig WG
- S/Sgt. L.L. Bagwell TG

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1110  
 Secondary: Heading: 069  
 Last Resort: Height: 26500  
 T.O. (Circle One) 035  
 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:

an. Nickels: Yes (1)

Other Bombing:

Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

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

None

6. WEATHER: Clear at target  
Scattered low clouds to about 1100  
then 8-10/10.

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? \_\_\_\_\_

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: Light non persis.

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (light)	Color	Direction

SQUADRON ~~XXXXXX~~ 23 a/c Number 598 Letter     Date 3/2/45 75

Bomb Load 10 x 500 ✓ H.E.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0650 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

40' High

1 B-17 down in flames over Berlin. 3 chutes.

CHIEF: Give Rank and Initials

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)

- 2nd Lt. E.W. Schafer ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. H.C. Hostetter ✓ CP
- 2nd Lt. R.G. Hillbrand ✓ N
- Sgt. A.A. Collart ✓ B
- Sgt. K.D. Morrison ✓ Eng EQ
- S/Sgt. C.A. Whitener ✓ RO EX
- Sgt. J.C. Hurd ✓ BT
- Sgt. W.E. Strawn ✓ WG
- S/Sgt. J.F. Bonem, Jr. ✓ TG

2. TARGET ATTAINED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1111  
Secondary: Heading: 070  
Last Resort: Height: 27000

T.O. (Circle One) 061  
Turn off target:

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

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

Own Bombs: an. Nickels: Yes (?)

Other Bombing: Number and type    

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

6. WEATHER: Clear at tar.

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE?  
Clear over target

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

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

Time Place Height m



SQUADRON ~~367036803~~ 423 A/C Number 418 Letter J Date 3/2/85 36

Bomb Load 10 x 500 ✓ H.E.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0650 Time Landed 1530

- 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

400 High

In lead of: <sup>Wing</sup> kept on fire - peeled off to left - fire - direct hit on posterior.

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

2 chutes. 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)  
That seen to hit god. Got his bombs away.

2nd Lt. F.B. Leigh          P

F/O R.M. Bard          CP

2nd Lt. E.C. Heitman         

Sgt. J.R. Bement          B ✓

Sgt. G. Conetzky          RO ✓

Sgt. D.F. Burden          B ✓

Sgt. A.L. Swire          BT ✓

Sgt. D.L. O'Neill          AG ✓

Sgt. H.S. M. relard          TC

- TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Time: 1110  
 Secondary: Heading: 070  
 Last Resort: Height: 26,800

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

- Number of Bombs dropped on target: 7 Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other Bombing: \_\_\_\_\_  
 An. Nickels: Yes (N)  
 Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

- Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on \_\_\_\_\_  
 Hand \_\_\_\_\_ Movie \_\_\_\_\_

- WEATHER: B7C - open - clear at target.  
 WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FRC BUCKEYE? \_\_\_\_\_

- CONDENSATION TRAILS: Few

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

Time	Place	Height of	Type (air, ht, heav.), altitude.	Color of	Location	Accuracy
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SQUADRON ~~#####~~ 3 ~~####~~ A/C Number 359 Letter S Date 3-2-45 37

Bomb Load 30 cortons chaff H.E.

Position - n Formation

Time Took Off 0645 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

40"D"  
Screen  
Lead

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)

- Capt. W. J. Haase  P
- 2nd Lt. L. L. Strode  CP
- 1st Lt. J. W. Barkwill
- 1st Lt. G. J. Lateano  N
- 1st Lt. L. A. G. Oldenburg  B
- T/Sgt. L. N. Gibson  RO
- T/Sgt. W. Miller  E
- T/Sgt. J. A. Mathews  # Waie
- S/Sgt. V. N. Keuer  WG
- 2nd Lt. W. Hogan  # RN
- S/Sgt. R. C. Zimmerman  TG

2. TARGET ATTACKED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_ *Chaff*  
 Secondary: \_\_\_\_\_ Heading: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Last Resort: \_\_\_\_\_ Height: \_\_\_\_\_  
 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: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other Bombing: \_\_\_\_\_  
 an. Nickels: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_  
 Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on \_\_\_\_\_  
Hand \_\_\_\_\_ Movie Yes, by waist see #11 question

6. WEATHER:

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FRC BUCKEYE? \_\_\_\_\_

*made  
two 360's  
N. of Berlin*

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (light,	Color	Location
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SQUADRON ##### 30### A/C Number 185 Letter J Date 3-2-45 3

Bomb Load 30 cartons chaff ✓ H.E.

Position on Formation

Time Took Off 0645 Time Landed 15

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	40
	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Screen
	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Lead

GIVE: 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)

2nd Lt. A. Carakostas ← P

2nd Lt. J. A. Callahan CP

F/O R. E. Kane N

Sgt. F. J. Slattery B

Sgt. G. L. Nelson BO

Sgt. W. O. Eldridge E

Sgt. L. V. Eiler BT

Sgt. F. G. Lucas, Jr. WG

WG

Sgt. D. J. Bonnell TG

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary:

1st dropped: 1051 hr.  
Time: 5213N 1219.

Secondary: 110 Heading: +

Last Resort: 26,000 Height:

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. Nickels: Yes (No)

Other Bombing:

Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on \_\_\_\_\_

Hand \_\_\_\_\_ Movie W

6. WEATHER:

6/10 - over target route of ac. force.

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FRC  
BUCKEYE? \_\_\_\_\_

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

Slight over target 26,000

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

Time Place Height \_\_\_\_\_



(Tactics of E/A)

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

10. FIGHTER SUPPORT: (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 any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, 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.)

none

13. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

none

14. TECHNICAL FAILURES: no heaters on guns - froze up - would not work.

15. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?) TG suit reheat out.

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

300's NW of Berlin.

S-2 OFFICER

J.R. Spence

TIME COMPLETED

1646

SQUADRON ~~367~~ 368 423 a/c Number 376 Lett. F Date 3/2/45 44

Bomb Load 30 cartons chaff H.E. Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0645 Time Landed 1550

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

	X	X	X	X	40 D
X	X	X	X	X	Screen
X	X	X	X	X	Lead
X	X	X	X	X	

NOTE: 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)

1st Lt. D.T. Schrack P

F/O R.W. Sprunger CP

1st Lt. K.E. Bollerup W

Sgt. J.I. Dulworth B

T/Sgt. J.J. Noonan RO

T/Sgt. J.R. Jablonski E

S/Sgt. E.C. Harold BT

S/Sgt. M.B. Westmoreland WG

WG

S/Sgt. J.A. Coomer TG

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary:

Time: Dropped ch.

Secondary:

Headings: 330 1148 at

Last Resort:

Height: 26,600 5216N 1226E

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:

an, Nickels: Yes

Other Bombing:

Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

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

6. WEATHER:

8/10

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? \_\_\_\_\_

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

7/10

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

Title Place Weight

SQUADRON ~~368~~ 368 ~~X423X~~ X423X A/C Number 711 Lett D Date 3/2/45 47

Bomb Load 30 cartons chaff H.E.

Position and Formation

Time Took Off 0645 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

400  
Scrub  
Zor

CITE: 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)

- 2nd Lt. C.W. Whitcomb  P
- 2nd Lt. F.N. Hales  CP
- 1st Lt. W.L. Gillespie  N
- T/Sgt. S.M. Mathes  B
- Sgt. G.M. Ringwald  RO
- Sgt. E.L. Nelson  E
- Sgt. R.O. Dinger  BT
- Sgt. E.C. Dusenberry  WG
- Sgt. L.E. Dorenbusch  TG

*Didn't see any planes in distress - just after passing Berlin - crew saw what were apparently Red and yellow flares 500' to right of course 5000' below.*

2. TARGET ATTACHED: (PFF or Visual)

Primary: Screening Title: 1049  
Secondary: Screening Heading: 101115

Last Resort: Height: 26,000

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:

Am. Nickels: Yes

Other Bombing:

Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Vertical? Was camera turned on NONE  
Hand \_\_\_\_\_ Movie \_\_\_\_\_

6. WEATHER:

*looked like a clouded front just before target area - otherwise as briefed*

WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? \_\_\_\_\_

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS:

*heavy non-persistent above 24,000*

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>1:00</u>	<u>52° 35'</u>	<u>16000</u>	<u>1000 bursts</u>			

(Tactics of E/A)

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

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

*Very good - red tails  
met as briefed and stayed  
on entire route.*

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;)

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

*none*

13. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

*none*

14. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

*# 2 amplifier went out*

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

*saw two planes at air field near Magdeburg, taking. Smoke screen around Magdeburg*

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

*as briefed except at enemy coast in - missed  
by 5 miles and caught light flak*

S-2 OFFICER

*Paul B. Kelly*

TIME COMPLETED

*1700*

*1st Lt. Ac*



SQUADRON ~~XXXXXX~~ X423 A/C Number 616 Letts X Date 3/2/45 4

Bomb Load 30 cartons chaff ✓ H.E.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0645 Time Landed 1550

- 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

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NOTE: 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)

- 1st Lt. W.D. Hallum ✓ P
- 2nd Lt. C.N. Cannon ✓ CP
- 1st Lt. R.E. Mounts ✓ N
- E/O W.E. Ross ✓ E
- Sgt. J.V. Dowd ✓ RO
- S/Sgt. J.A. Hicklin ✓ E
- S/Sgt. L.E. McCormick ✓ BT
- Sgt. K.G. Hall ✓ WG
- S/Sgt. J.C. Kieffer ✓ TG XXX
- \_\_\_\_\_ ✓ XE

- 2. TARGET ATTENDED: (PFF or Visual)  
*Chaff 1050 at 3 mi  
after F.P.*  
Primary: \_\_\_\_\_  
Secondary: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last Resort: \_\_\_\_\_  
Heading: *until all  
gone.*  
Height: \_\_\_\_\_  
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: \_\_\_\_\_  
Other Bombing: \_\_\_\_\_  
An. Nickels: Yes (N)  
Number and type \_\_\_\_\_

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

6. WEATHER: *8/10*  
WHAT MESSAGES REC'D FROM BUCKEYE? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

7. CONDENSATION TRAILS: *4*

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