

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

APO 557
12 December, 1944

SUBJECT: Intelligence Narrative
Mission: Merseburg, Germany

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

1. Narrative

The 306th Group flew 36 A/C including 3 PFF plus 3 spares as 40th "B" Group. The route was as follows: Five miles south of Clacton 0955 hours; French Coast, 5 miles South of Ostend, 1018 hours; 5011N x 0617E, 1100 hours; I.P., 5116N x 1050E, 1138 hours; wing following on collision course near target, forced group into 180 to right; back on course 5112N x 1108E, 1150 hours for second I.P.; target 1156 hours. Low squadron dropped on lead of "C" force at 1150; 5130N x 1155E, 1201 hours; out on course; French Coast 5116N x 0255E, 1505 hours; English Coast 5137N x 0056E, 1538 hours; Base 1645 hours.

Buckeye reported target 10/10 and said bombing would be by instruments. On the way out Buckeye advised not to let down below 8,000 feet over the Channel, stating visibility very poor over water.

PFF Equipment worked satisfactory on two of the 3 A/C, the third blew a fuse over the English Coast.

2. Fighter Opposition and Fighter Support

There was no E/A opposition on this Group.

Fighter support was good. P-51's picked up south of Brussels 1035 hours, crews report more support after I.P. and on route out.

3. A.A. Gun Fire

Moderate low barrage at target with meager inaccurate tracking. No damage to any of our aircraft.

4. Bombing

Bombing was PFF. 40th "B" was on bomb run when another group crossed at 45 degrees on collision course. Leader turned 180 to right followed by high and made another run at end of 1st Division column dropping at 1156 hours, high dropping on lead. Low without PFF A/C joined "C" force and dropped on their lead at 1150. Photos are 10/10 without ground detail. Big fires and smoke at Hunau seen thru hole in clouds.

5. Nickels

Our A/C 153-G dropped 10 T-236 on Merseburg.

6. Weather

Clouds with rime ice over base to 8,000 feet at take off. Broken over continent in Brussels area and over Rhine. Built up to 10/10, tops 18 to 20,000 feet at target. No contrails. Heavy ground haze at base on return.

7. Observations

One crew reports V-2 rockets in Vicinity of Dusseldorf.

8. A/C Returns Early

A/C 604-A, pilot Fowler, and A/C 012-A, pilot Hallum, flying spares turned back as briefed; each brought back 12 x 500 G.R. A/C 512-A, pilot Marlovitz, took off late, was unable to catch Group and turned back at 1110 hours, dropping 12 x 500, on highway at 5010N x 0710E. A/C 598-Q, pilot Brown dropped 12 x 500, on Beppard, 5013N x 0735E, 1110 hours.

A/C 840-Y, pilot Davis, turned back due to engine failure, dropped 12 x 500 on St. Goarshausen, 5010N x 0744E, at 1147 hours.

9. A/C In Distress

None.

<u>FLAK</u>	<u>COMBATS</u>
HEAV	190 O
LIGH	109 @
	JU 88 @
	ME 110 @
	DO 217 @

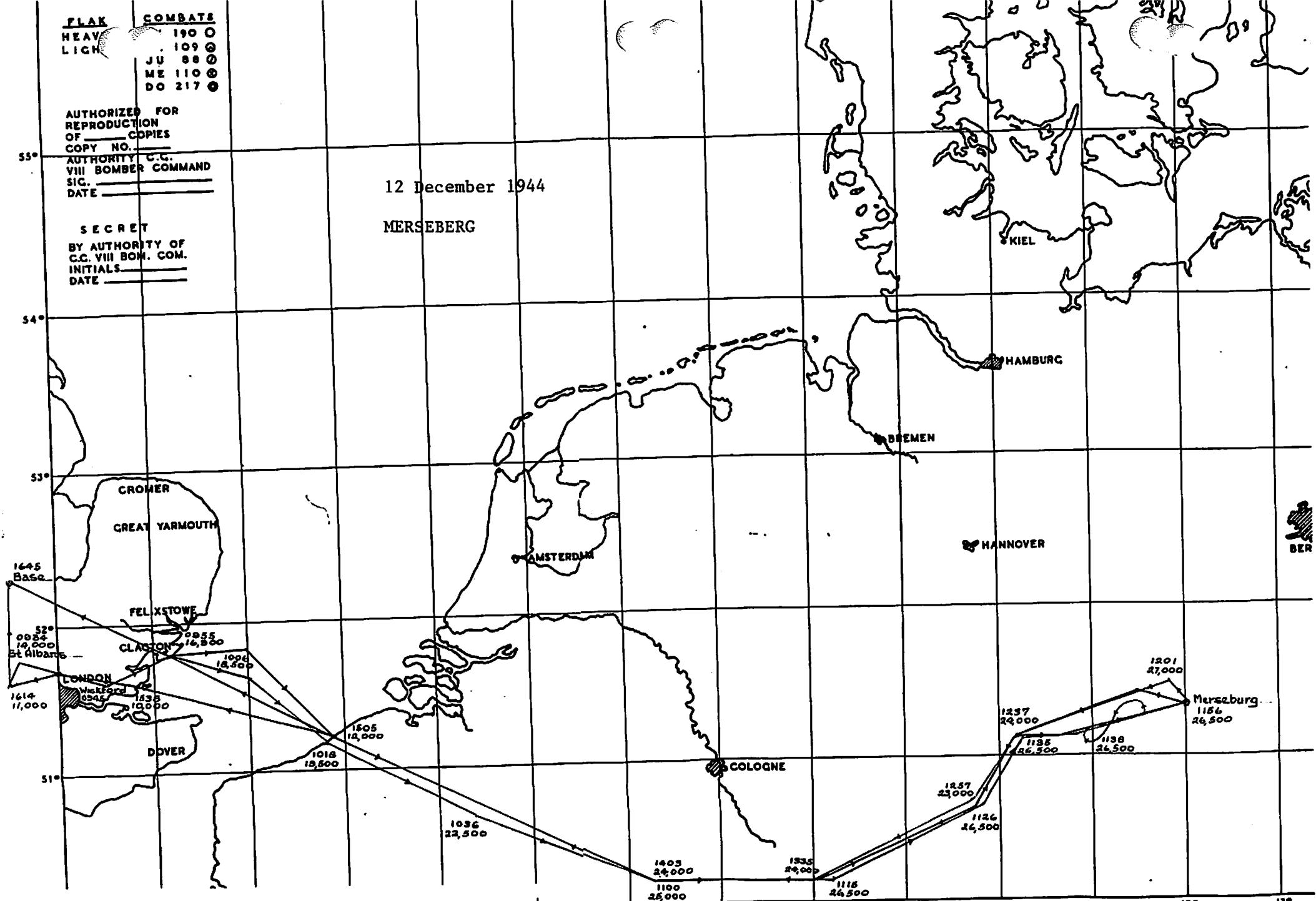
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MERSEBERG



DECLASSIFIED PER EXECUTIVE ORDER 12356, Section 3.3.
By RIB JHC

Date 1/8/44

Mark

40th "B" Low

40th "B" Lead

WING Behind

41st A

B-17s

10/10

Just

ment

Hanson

076-U PFF

360

over

other out but to

let down below

8000 feet over channel

Smythe

585-K

OK

very

far

around

Morgan *

444-Y

✓

Roper

547-F

✓

Hatch

412-T

✓

Davis, WJ

715-V

✓

Hodges

133-W

✓

Turner *

578-D

✓

Fowler

604-A Spare

long to back distance

✓

Haase *

557-Y

✓

Braun

301-U

✓

Reioux

055-M

351st

✓

Carrazzone

181-B

✓

Birdwell

297-N

✓

Denton

198-D

✓

Salvo

Rogers

287-V

✓

Breed *

515-O

✓

Erne

600-G

✓

Mattson

619-S

✓

Twinwood

Roth

674-B

✓

Brown

598-Q

✓

✓

In trail

✓

Risk

207-Y PFF

✓

Set out

✓

Dropped on lead

✓

Det a burst in

front

✓

Ruffin

575-X

✓

Chris John

429-W

✓

Marlovits

512-A

✓

dropped in

Germany

5010-0710

at 1100 ft.

at 1000 ft.

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(DATE)

SQDN.	Call Letter	SERIAL NO.	FLAK	20MM	.303	50CAL FIRE	SOJAL SHELL CASES	(DATE)	DAYS EST IN-OP
(FFF) 367th	U	44-8076	O						
"	M	44-8443	O						
"	P	43-38407	O						
"	D	42-102578	O						
"	W	42-97133	O						
"	Q	43-38683	O						
"	T	43-38412	O						
"	F	42-102547	O						
"	O	44-6515	O						
R-Spare"	A	44-6604	NOT USED						
"	Y	42-37840	Aborted - No. 3 Engine Failure						
(FFF) 368th	V	44-8203	O						
"	W	43-38429	O						
"	L	43-38384	O						
"	Y	42-31474	O						
"	U	43-38438	O						
"	X	43-37575	O						
"	Z	43-37633	O						
"	D	43-38711	O						
"	F	43-38802	O						
"	A	42-102512	Aborted - Pilot Unable to find Formation						

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Yp 3d

A/C # 076

P.**CAPT. HANNON, W.H.
CP.*2ND LT. HESL, J.H.
M.**CAPT. OGBURN, P.V.
N.**E/C PUTT, C.H.
B.**1ST LT. GUY, W.P.
E.**T/SGT. VITALI, H.
RO.*T/SGT. PICHONSKI, T.P.
WG.*T/SGT. GRAHAM, O.J.
TG.*2ND LT. SHEPARD, F.S.
RN.*1ST LT. LUCAS, F.K. (S&F)

840

A/C # 076

P.**2ND LT. DAVID, W.J.
CP.*2ND LT. DALEY, V.F.
H.**F/O STRAND, H.
B.**T/SGT. STURBUCK, W.C.
E.**T/SGT. MASHON, D.H.
RO.*T/SGT. MURPHY, T.M.
WG.*S/SGT. MANNING, J.L.
BT.*S/SGT. FYTHE, C.E.
TG.*S/SGT. HOLME, R.W.

A/C # 683

P.**1ST LT. MARTIN, P.F.
CP.*CAPT. CONNELL, R.W.
H.**2ND LT. SHEDDY, J.D.
B.**2ND LT. DEMORE, M.H.
E.**T/SGT. MUNSTERLYN, B.M.
RO.*T/SGT. MURPHY, C.C.
WG.*S/SGT. BACHMAN, D.H.
BT.*S/SGT. SHOW, R.H.
TG.*S/SGT. HALL, J.W.

604 Ret Flying Spec

A/C # 683

P.**1ST LT. FOWLER, W.R.
CP.*2ND LT. CLARK, G.B.
H.**F/O ALLIN, B.B.
B.**E/SGT. DUNN, J.L.
E.**T/SGT. COLLINS, H.
RO.*T/SGT. FISCHER, R.L.
WG.*S/SGT. VIGNAIR, G.A.
BT.*S/SGT. LAVERY, H.H.
TG.*S/SGT. FISHER, P.R.

Yp Rep

A/C # 443

P.**2ND LT. BALOGH, E.C.
CP.*2ND LT. HILLS, C.M.
H.**1ST LT. MULZ, J.L.
B.**1ST LT. KELLY, P.B.
E.**T/SGT. HANSON, R.H.
RO.*T/SGT. SAWYER, R.G.
WG.*S/SGT. SMITH, L.
BT.*S/SGT. IRVY, R.T.
TG.*S/SGT. BARBER, R.H.
RN.**R/SGT. Mocharnok, W.

A/C # 407

P.**2ND LT. PHOKOP, L.P.
CP.*2ND LT. CHRE JENSEN, B.
H.**2ND LT. WICKER, P.A.
B.**T/SGT. YODIG, J.H.
E.**T/SGT. KIRKET, M.
RO.*T/SGT. NELSON, W.A.
WG.*S/SGT. DEMPSEY, M.L.
BT.*S/SGT. NELSON, H.R.
TG.*S/SGT. BLUCHER, V.L.

A/C # 878

P.**2ND LT. TURNER, W.R.
CP.*2ND LT. KIDWELL, R.M.
H.**F/O AVTE, J.L.
B.**T/SGT. PAGE, C.H.
E.**T/SGT. ZONONSKI, J.
RO.*S/SGT. EYER, W.H.
WG.*S/SGT. THOMPSON, J.
BT.*S/SGT. ROBINSON, R.
TG.*S/SGT. NURLEY, R.R.

A/C # 133

P.**2ND LT. HODGES, C.
CP.*2ND LT. FAVELIS, R.
H.**2ND LT. HEMINGWAY, H.
B.**S/SGT. MC DONAUGHEY, H.J.
E.**T/SGT. WALFORT, C.R.
RO.*T/SGT. MOHINCKY, A.
WG.*S/SGT. DE ZOLT, C.
BT.*S/SGT. GIBSON, O.
TG.*S/SGT. MENNIGEN, F.M.

A/C # 412

P.**2ND LT. HATCH, G.
CP.*2ND LT. WEISMLER, C.H.
H.**2ND LT. SHONIECHEN, A.
B.**S/SGT. SMITH, C.G.
E.**T/SGT. REGULLA, J.
RO.*S/SGT. MARCH, R.H.
WG.*S/SGT. JOSLIN, L.
BT.*S/SGT. LANHAM, H.
TG.*S/SGT. MITCHELL, H.

A/C # 547

P.**2ND LT. HOPPER, B.W.
CP.*2ND LT. CARBINE, J.F.
H.**F/O CLARK, S.R.
B.**T/SGT. WOPFER, L.R.
E.**T/SGT. SCHAFFNER, HORN, T.
RO.*T/SGT. HOOD, R.K.
WG.*S/SGT. HILSHINGER, R.G.
BT.*S/SGT. SANDERS, W.H.
TG.*S/SGT. REVIS, J.

A/C # 516

P.**2ND LT. BREED, R.H.
CP.*2ND LT. SMITH, I.H.
H.**2ND LT. ANDERSON, K.H.
B.**S/SGT. RICHARDS, L.
E.**T/SGT. LOTHIAN, G.R.
RO.*T/SGT. GRAHAM, R.H.
WG.*S/SGT. URSEL, R.
BT.*S/SGT. TYHAN, J.C.
TG.*S/SGT. GILLESPIE, W.T.

P.**2ND LT. BREED, R.H.

E.**T/SGT. CLARK, S.R.

B.**E/SGT. WOPFER, L.R.

E.**T/SGT. SCHAFFNER, HORN, T.

RO.*T/SGT. HOOD, R.K.

WG.*S/SGT. HILSHINGER, R.G.

BT.*S/SGT. SANDERS, W.H.

TG.*S/SGT. REVIS, J.

NOTE - LT. FOWLER AND CREW IN A/C 604 ARE FLYING PARE.

LT. LUCAS RADAR NAVIGATOR FROM THE 368TH SQ IS RIDING IN A/C # 076.

LT. BREED AND CREW IN A/C 516 ARE IN 369TH FORMATION.

363RD BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
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MISSN:

44-8203

43-38429

Sgt H.P.

72-10512

42-38155

Sgt H.P.

P--Risk, L.A. 1/Lt.
CP-Matzke, R.G. Capt.,
N--warner, K.L. 1/Lt
B--Hatton, S.J. 2/Lt
RN-Butsell, Lt.
E--Hoffman, J.M. Sgt
R--Houston, M.D. T/Sgt
BT--
TG-Carrasco, W.R. S/Sgt
WG-Cooper, R.E. S/Sgt

P--Chrisjohn, R. 1/Lt
C--Risso, W. 2/Lt
N--Levy, C. 2/Lt
B--Johnson, J.H. F/O
E--Trobaugh, A.B. T/Sgt
R--Gilbert, L.H. T/Sgt
BT-Marble, R.W. S/Sgt
TG-Jacobson, A.B. S/Sgt
WG-Fuller, B.R. S/Sgt

1/Lt Marlovitz, J.C.
2/Lt Jones, R.W.
2/Lt Rodgers, W.F.
F/O Polderman, H.A.
T/Sgt Moody, J.C.
T/Sgt Krauss, S.
S/Sgt Riley, D.F.
S/Sgt Condrey, R.J.
S/Sgt Gooden, J.L.

1/Lt
2/Lt
F/O
T/Sgt
T/Sgt
S/Sgt
S/Sgt
S/Sgt
S/Sgt
S/Sgt

43-38384

P--Coyne, J.D. 2/Lt
CP-Schroeder, R.W.
N--Frederick, J. 2/Lt
B--Hall, H.L. 1/Lt
E--Gardner, H.M. T/Sgt
R--Decker, R.Y. T/Sgt
BT-Brianzi, G.A. S/Sgt
TG-Pospiech, F. S/Sgt
WG-Spraggins, D. S/Sgt

42-31474
2/Lt Holder, R. 2/Lt
Wilf, J. 2/Lt
Atwood, R.W. (10)
Harrington, C. S/Sgt
Kraus, T. T/Sgt
Davission, C. S/Sgt
Laurenz, J. S/Sgt
Bare, T.L. S/Sgt

43-38438
2/Lt McCaulie, W.T.
2/Lt Gregg, R.T.
2/Lt Tomlinson, R.S.
S/Sgt Mathes, E.M.
T/Sgt Roy, R.L.
T/Sgt Winborn, J.R.
S/Sgt Breedon, L.O.
S/Sgt White, C.B.
S/Sgt Mansfield, R.L.

2/Lt
2/Lt
2/Lt
S/Sgt
T/Sgt
T/Sgt
S/Sgt
S/Sgt
S/Sgt

43-37575

P--Ruffin, W.A. 2/Lt
CP-Howe, G.B. 2/Lt
N--Holden, I.B. 2/Lt
B--Urich, R.C. F/O
P--McCarthy, D. T/Sgt
R--Edlund, L.E. T/Sgt
BT-Culp, C.B. S/Sgt
TG-Festerfield, L.F. S/Sgt
WG-Hop, Y. S/Sgt

43-37633

Crooks, C. 2/Lt
Mockus, J. 2/Lt
Slocum, R.H. 2/Lt
Hannan, P.J. S/Sgt
Laubert, R. S/Sgt
Seaberg, C. Sgt
Mandula, J. Sgt
Miller, R. Sgt
Cain, L. Sgt

43-38711
2/Lt Claeys, R.H.
2/Lt Edwards, R.L.
2/Lt Seiford, F.M.
S/Sgt Miller, E.P.
S/Sgt Morley, H.C.
Sgt Girando, T.C.
Sgt Danher, V.K.
Sgt Johnson, R.L.
Sgt Swope, P.D.

2/Lt
1/Lt
2/Lt
2/Lt
T/Sgt
T/Sgt
S/Sgt
S/Sgt
S/Sgt

43-38802

P--Laden, R. 2/Lt
C--Martin, B. 2/Lt
N--Kasemier, J. 2/Lt
B--Stidder, A.J. S/Sgt
E--Smith, Dar. T/Sgt
R--Miller, R.D. T/Sgt
BT-Pearsons, R.J. S/Sgt
TG-Smitherman, L.B. S/Sgt
WG-Anderson, L.T. S/Sgt
N--Rosen, M. F/O

ROBERT L. DODGE,
Capt., AC,
Ass't. Ops. Officer.

369TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON ("")
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Sgt H. J. C.
Airplane and Crew Assignments

557

P Capt Haase, W.J.
P 2nd Lt Pearce, H.W.
J 1st Lt Barkwill, H.W.
3 1st Lt Oldenberg, L.A.G.
3 T Sgt Miller, W.
IO T Sgt Gibson, L.M.
DT S Sgt Wood, M.D.
VG S Sgt Sulser, N.C.
TG S Sgt Zimmerman, R.

301

1st Lt Braun, H.B.
P 2nd Lt Chancey, J.L.
I 2nd Lt Fitzsimmons, J.
2nd Lt Berman, J.R.
T Sgt Williams, T.R.
IO T Sgt Farmer, M.N.
DT S Sgt Schuberg, R.F.
VG S Sgt Smith, C.E.
TG S Sgt Carlson, N.P.

297

1st Lt Birdwell, R.S.
P 2nd Lt Carakostas, W.
2nd Lt Sandberg, E.
2nd Lt Greninger, G.W.
T Sgt Roads, R.F.
OT Sgt Burns, A.
TS Sgt Lithi, P.O.
GS Sgt Montague, R.
GS Sgt Parker, T.W.

198

2nd Lt Denton, W.S.
2nd Lt Carle, F.C.
2nd Lt Israel, H.S.
2nd Lt Lanius, W.M.
T Sgt Luciani, E.A.
T Sgt Cain, W.M.
S Sgt Alvitre, C.E.
S Sgt Waltersdorff, G.
S Sgt Piepenbrink, F.

287

2nd Lt Rogers, W.L.
2nd Lt Cation, L.
2nd Lt Seckinger, L.
2nd Lt Hull, M.B.
Sgt Dugay, C.T.
Sgt Brown, D.M.
Sgt Bowman, J.
Sgt Tolcus, W.
Sgt Smith, L.I.

295600

2nd Lt Erne, N.
2nd Lt Miller, A.
2nd Lt Hudson, F.M.
2nd Lt Good, G.D.
Sgt Marchese, L.A.
Sgt Gattis, R.P.
Sgt Parton, S.G.
S Sgt Risk, J.
Sgt Tiff, R.L.

181

1st Lt Carrazzone, G.M.
2nd Lt Reinhart, L.H.
2nd Lt Marshall, P.K.
2nd Lt Bodnaruk, V.
T Sgt Keith, G.P.
T Sgt Gallagher, P.M.
S Sgt Fitterman, I.H.
S Sgt Holthaus, R.A.
T Sgt Peterson, L.I.

619

2nd Lt Mattson, H.C.
2nd Lt Kruger, R.L.
F/O Shaw, L.
2nd Lt Bryan, J.A.
Sgt Jenkins, J.M.
Sgt Ramirez, J.T.
Sgt Zymanek, J.T.
Sgt Crowton, V.
Sgt Koubeck, D.C.

Capt Haase Sq Leader
Lt Braun Dep Sq Leader

Completing Tour

1st Lt Birdwell, R.S.
S Sgt Schuberg, R.F.
S Sgt Montague, R.J.
2nd Lt BERMAN, J.R.

BILLY W. CASSEDAY,
Captain, Air Corps,
Operations Officer.

Group Operations

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COMBAT CREW LINE UP FOR TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1944:

Airplane No. 055

P 2nd Lt. Reioux, P.J.
CP 2nd Lt. Daniel, R.J.
N 2nd Lt. Talley, J.C.
B 2nd Lt. Olshewitz, H.W.
E T/Sgt. Krieger, J.E.
R T/Sgt. Keyes, H.K.
BT S/Sgt. Versac, L.J.R.
S/Sgt. Sheorn, C.H.
T S/Sgt. Ferry, J.F.

Airplane No. 585

2nd Lt. Smythe, C.P.
2nd Lt. Yagusick, S.J.
1st Lt. Shapland, F.P.Jr.
F/O Gaberich, R.C.
T/Sgt. Cathey, J.J.
T/Sgt. East, W.C.
S/Sgt. Franklin, G.B.
S/Sgt. Kimsey, T.J.
S/Sgt. Friemann, W.H.

Airplane No. 397

Capt. Kirby, N.G.
2nd Lt. Paisley, D.G.
2nd Lt. Finnill, L.P.
S/Sgt. Ruston, G.H. (Tog.)
S/Sgt. Kasso, H.A.
Sgt. Burkhardt, R.F.
Sgt. Adams, J.C.
Sgt. Harper, J.L.Jr.
Sgt. Counte, A.R.Jr.

Airplane No. 598

1st Lt. Brown, H.(NMI)
2nd Lt. Phillips, D.W.
2nd Lt. Guilfoyle, W.I.
T/Sgt. Schember, J.V. (Tog.)
T/Sgt. Thomas, T.(NMI)
T/Sgt. Patice, C.A.
S/Sgt. Barker, M.C.
S/Sgt. Beck, R.H.
S/Sgt. Miller, R.T.Jr.

Airplane No. 444

2nd Lt. Morgan, W.H.
2nd Lt. Schimmel, V.R.
2nd Lt. Griffin, R.F.
2nd Lt. Gutcalt, N.F.
T/Sgt. de Seve, N.W.
T/Sgt. Courtright, E.W.
S/Sgt. Hayen, C.V.
S/Sgt. Capaldi, C.P.
S/Sgt. Resser, E.H.

Airplane No. 153

2nd Lt. Blackshaw, K.D.
2nd Lt. Wilson, J.D.
F/O Correll, D.H.
S/Sgt. DeWolf, W.E. (Tog.)
S/Sgt. Thompson, F.W.
Sgt. Tatun, E.H.
Sgt. Brunner, D.J.
S/Sgt. Brooks, E.B.
Sgt. Nokes, R.E.

Airplane No. 674

2nd Lt. Roth, H.G.
2nd Lt. Campbell, C.G.
2nd Lt. German, P.F.
S/Sgt. Bushell, G.F. (Tog.)
T/Sgt. Delair, V.P.
T/Sgt. Coleman, R.M.
S/Sgt. Cox, R.D.
S/Sgt. Finch, E.L.
S/Sgt. Tieck, F.E.

Airplane No. 616

2nd Lt. Schrack, D.T.
F/O Sprunger, R.W.
2nd Lt. Gunkel, W.W.
2nd Lt. Frank, R.H.
T/Sgt. Jablonski, J.R.
T/Sgt. Noonan, J.J.
S/Sgt. Hall, N.D.
S/Sgt. Kopcho, E.A.
S/Sgt. Limke, E.F.

Airplane No. 418

2nd Lt. Toner, C.R.
2nd Lt. Ruegger, J.C.
2nd Lt. Boileau, K.E.
Sgt. Beager, C.N. (Tog.)
T/Sgt. Hidulin, J.A.
T/Sgt. Hobbs, O.E.
S/Sgt. McCormick, L.E.
S/Sgt. Richardson, E.(NMI)
S/Sgt. Kieffer, J.C.

Ret-Flying Spare

1st Lt. Hallum, W.D.
2nd Lt. Cannon, C.M.
2nd Lt. Larson, W.C.
S/Sgt. Neely, E.J.H.
S/Sgt. Eaton, J.E.
T/Sgt. Insley, G.M.
S/Sgt. René, L.C.
S/Sgt. Demetre, R.L.
S/Sgt. Smith, L.F.

C.H. N. GREENING,
Major, Air Corps,
Operations Officer.

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 887 #369 H/S/N A/C Number 198 Letter D Date 12-12-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0759 Time Landed X X X X X 40th B

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No ✓
 Details: 1045 hrs, B17 without stabilizer. Going toward Eng. Under control. CREW: Give Rank and Initials
 5036 0458

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

2nd Lt. W. S. Denton ✓

Pilo.

2nd Lt. F. C. Carle ✓

Co-p

2nd Lt. H. S. Israel ✓

Nav.

2nd Lt. W. M. Lanius ✓

Bom.

T/Sgt. W. E. Cain ✓

Medi

T/Sgt. E. A. Luciani ✓

Top

S/Sgt. C. E. Alvitre ✓

Bell

S/Sgt. G. A. Waltersdorff ✓

R/W

S/Sgt. F. Piepenbrink ✓

L/W

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 1152

Alternate Height: 25400

Last Resort Heading: 30 M

Duration Bomb Run:

Dropped with House

S/Sgt. F. Piepenbrink

Tai

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

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

Own Bombs:

No see

Any Nickels: Yes No

Number bombs dropped

Number Bombs returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAHHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and disposition of bombs.)

With # Low Squadron

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) 10/10 to 2000' target. Clear over Rhine. 9000' layer top. Layers all way down.

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

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

Target: Intense Incr low. Chaff worked

Crew observations about Flak:

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

Reported bot. Unseen
(types)

(Location and length of fight)

(Tactics of E/A)

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

C L A I M S

DESTROYED _____

PROBABLY _____

DAMAGED _____

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

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

Good P-51

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

Snow.

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)

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

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES: B B doors wouldn't close.. Kicked bombs out.

17. OTHER COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?)

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON #369 A/C Number 181 Letter B Date 12-12-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0759 Time Landed 1205

(X) X X X X 40B
 X X X X X X Low.
 X X X X

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
 Details:

C.R.E.: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

1st Lt. G. M. Carrazzzone Milc
 2nd Lt. L. H. Reinhart Co-
 2nd Lt. P. K. Marshall Nav.
 2nd Lt. J. Bodnaruk Bomb
 T/Sgt. P. M. Gallagher Radi
 T/Sgt. G. T. Keith T.p
 S/Sgt. I. H. Fitterman Ball
 S/Sgt. R. A. Holthaus R/W
 T/Sgt. L. J. Peterson Tail

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1150

Alternate Height: 2500

Last Resort Heading: 140
 (circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

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

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

Own Bombs:

Any Nickels: Yes No
 Bunker bombs dropped 12
 Number Bombs returned _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (light or heavy), intense, off A/C moderate or slight.	Col-r	Location	Accuracy
				Bursts	Bursts in relation to a/c	

Squadron observations about Flak: Made out at
Inaccurate Heavy above us &

INTERROGATION FORM

Squadron 888#868# 369 # A/C Number 600 Letter G Date 12-12-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. # # # # #

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0759 Time Landed

X	X	X	X	40th B
X	X	X	X X	four
X	X	X	X X	
X	X	X	X X	

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
Details:

C.R.: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

2nd Lt. N. A. Erne

Pilo

2nd Lt. A. H. Miller

Co-p

2nd Lt. F. M. Hudson

Navy

2nd Lt. G. D. Good

Bom

Sgt. R. H. Gattis

R.A.

Sgt. L. A. Marchase

Tep

Sgt. S. G. Parton

Ball

S/Sgt. J. Risk

R/V

Sgt. R. L. Tiff

L/W

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 1150

Alternate Height: 24800

Last Resort Heading: 143° mag

(circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

3. Number of bombs dropped on target All jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs:

Not started

Any Nickels: Yes No

Number bombs dropped

Number Bombs returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAHS taken: Yes? No

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNNING AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn, reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

With formation

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) Contact mostly overcast - kept

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home. top - abt 2000 ft.

Low cloud cover (over 1000 ft)

Time	Place	Height	Type (light or heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color	Location	Bursts in re- lation to A/C	Accuracy

Saw plenty of targets. Not much in air -
most targets always changing and in
right place. Flak has always just been there.
Speculations about Flak.

Two bursts on return, in Cottong area (500 ft)
(0734)

5005

INTERROGATION FORM

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SQUADRON 123 A/C Number 012 Letter A Date 12-12-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0759 Time Limited

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

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
Details:

CRE.: Give Rank and Initials

At 1033 hrs. at 5050N 0338E as formation full when they

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

left Clacton there was one opening but over the country be filled in.

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary

Time:

Alternate

Height:

Last Resort

Heating:

(circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

1st Lt. W. D. Hallum

Pilot

2nd Lt. G. N. Cannon

Cof

2nd Lt. W. C. Larson

Nav.

S/Sgt. J. H. Neely

Boil

T/Sgt. G. M. Insley

Rue

S/Sgt. J. E. Watson

Top

S/Sgt. L. C. Reno

Ball

S/Sgt. R. L. Dematre

R/W

S/Sgt. L. E. Smith

L/W

S/Sgt. L. E. Smith

Tail

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

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

Own Bombs:

Any Kickers: Yes No

Number bombs dropped

Number Bombs returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) And ahead. 9,000' tops.

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home. No contrails.

Time	Place	Height	Type (light or heavy), intense,	Color	Location	Accuracy
A/C			intense, Bursts	of Bursts in re-		
			moderate or slight.		lation to A/C	

Crew observations about Flak:

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 4564 368 ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ A/C Number 293 Letter Y Date 12-12-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E.

Position in Formation

(X) X X X X
 X X X X X X High
 X X X X X X
 X X X X X X

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
 Details:

CRE.: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

1st Lt. L. A. Risk

Pilot

Capt. R. G. Matzke

Co-p

1st Lt. K. L. Warner

Nav

2nd Lt. S. J. Hatton

Bom

T/Sgt. M. D. Houston

Radio

T/Sgt. J. A. Hoffman

Top

Lt. P. J. Butucel

Bell

S/Sgt. R. E. Cooper

R/W

S/Sgt. W. R. Carrasco

Tail

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 1156

Alternate Height: 26900

Last Resort Heading: 101° true
(circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

*Dropped on leader**Set out completely*

3. Number of bombs dropped on target
- all*
- dived down
- flame*
- : Dettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs:

Not observed - 1010th

Any Nickels: Yes No

Number bombs dropped

Number Bombs returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAHHS taken: Yes?
- No*

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)
With leader all way. Did 360 and then just after 10

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) 101000 with break Rhine area -

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home, lower toward coast (0, right)

Time	Place	Height	Type (light or heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color	Location	Accuracy
A/T					Bursts in rear	
					Bursts to A/C	

*Flak battery exposed to be tracking lead in target area.
 Very long bursts. Must have been 1000.*

"Flak fire was not bad."

Crew observations about Flak:

Flak bursts after going Rhine on return - location uncertain - Not accurate.

INTERROGATION FORM

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SQUADRON 368 A/C Number 429 Letter W Date 12-12-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0759 Time Landed 1200

X X X X X
 X X X X X X High
 X X X X X X
 X X X X X X

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
 Details:

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

1st Lt. R. J. Chrisjohn Pilot
 2nd Lt. W. Risso Co-pilot
 2nd Lt. C. N. Levy Nav.
 F/O J. W. Johnson Bomb.
 T/Sgt. L. R. Gilbert Radi.
 T/Sgt. A. G. Trobaugh Top.
 S/Sgt. R. W. Marble Ball.
 S/Sgt. B. R. Fuller R.V.
 S/Sgt. A. S. Jacobson Tail.

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 1058

Alternate Height: 20500

Last Rescrt Heading: 100

Duration Bomb Run:

On leader

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

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

Own Bombs:

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No
 Number bombs dropped 12
 Number Bombs returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAHS taken: Yes

Wall - west took

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

p. Ladis

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

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

Crew observations about Flak: Fair, inaccurate,

In accurate

INTERROGATION FORM

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SQUADRON #368: BOMBER # A/C Number 384 Letter L Date 12-12-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. #444444

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0759 Time Landed 0815

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

40th B
High

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
Details:

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

2nd Lt. J. M. Coyne ✓ P10
2nd Lt. R. W. Schroeder ✓ Co-P
2nd Lt. J. A. Frederick ✓ Nav.
1st Lt. H. L. Hall ✓ Bomb
T/Sgt. R. K. Decker ✓ Radi
T/Sgt. H. M. Gardner ✓ Top
S/Sgt. C. A. Brizzi ✓ Ball
S/Sgt. D. W. Spraggins ✓ R/T
S/Sgt. F. Pospiech ✓ Tail

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1156 5
Alternate Height: 26200
Last Resort Heading: 096
(circle)
Duration Bomb Run:

On Leader

All

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

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

Own Bombs:

Any Nicks: Yes No

Number bombs dropped 12

Number Bombs returned

5. Any PHOTOG. HS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (light or heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color	Location	Accuracy
					Bursts in re-	
					Bursts	lationship to A/C.

Heavy flak in coast area.

Crew observations about Flak: Exothermic Duplicate
line. To 360°. Has been collected.

INTERROGATION FORM

31

SQUADRON 867 368 #369#448 A/C Number 474 Letter V Date 12-12-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. 2000ft.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0759 Time Landed 1210

X X X X X 40th B
X X X X X X High
X X X X X X

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
Details:

Crew: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

2nd Lt. J. E. Martin Pilot
2nd Lt. W. C. Holder Co-P
2nd Lt. J. M. Wilf Nav.
S/Sgt. R. G. Atwood Bom.
T/Sgt. K. W. Kraus Rad.
T/Sgt. R. E. Harrington Tef.
S/Sgt. L. B. Davisson Bom.
S/Sgt. T. L. Bare R/W
S/Sgt. J. A. Lawbenz Tail

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1157

Alternate Height: 2600 ft

Last Resort Heading: 095
(circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

on leader

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

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

Own Bombs:

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No

Number bombs dropped

Number Bombs returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (light or heavy), intance, A/C moderate or slight.	Color	Location	Accuracy
					Bursts in re-	
					Bursts	lation to A/C

Crew observations about flak:) Low but inaccurate.

Flak @ Rhine - has to wait

1611 1400 17

150025

INTERROGATION FORM

32

SQUADRON 368 BOMBARDMENT A/C Number 438 Letter U Date 12-12-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0759 Time Landed 0855

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

50th B
High

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
Details:

Crew: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

2nd Lt. W. T. McCaulis

PIC

2nd Lt. R. T. Gregg

Co. 1

2nd Lt. R. S. Tomlinson

Nav

S/Sgt. S. M. Mathes

Comp

T/Sgt. J. R. Winborn

Radi

T/Sgt. R. W. Roy

Top

S/Sgt. L. G. Breedon

Ball

S/Sgt. R. E. Mansfield

R/W

S/Sgt. C. B. White

Tail

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 1157

Alternate Height: 26700

Last Resort Heading: 99° May
(circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

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

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

Own Bombs:

Any Nickels: Yes No

Number bombs dropped

Number Bombs returned

Other Bombing:

5. Any PHOTOGRAHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission). 10/10 at target. Broken in sets on way in & out. Generally 9/10 - breaks around Rhine River.

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (light of heavy), intense,	Color	Location	Accuracy
A/C					Bursts in re- lation to A/C	

Target - Meager tracking

Crew observations about Flak:

5005

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 #368 #369 423 A/C Number 397 Letter O Date 12-12-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. ~~500000~~

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0759 Time Landed 1700

X X X X (X) 40° B
X X X X X X High
X X X X X X

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
Details:

nil.

Crew: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress;
(Give position, time, altitude, full
details)

No contacts

Capt. N. G. Kirby	✓	Pilot
2nd Lt. D. C. Paisley	✓	Co-P
2nd Lt. L. F. Finnell	✓	Nav.
S/Sgt. G. W. Pashon	✓	Bomb
Sgt. R. E. Burkhardt	✓	Radio
S/Sgt. H. A. Kelso	✓	Tpp.
Sgt. J. S. Adams	✓	Ball
Sgt. J. L. Harper, Jr.	✓	R/W
Sgt. S. M. Counts, Jr.	✓	Tail

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1156 1/2

Alternate Height: 26600

Last Resort Heading: 090
(circle)

Duration Bomb Run: 29.7

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

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

Own Bombs:

none.

Any Nickels: Yes No

Number bombs dropped

Number Bombs returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAHS taken: Yes?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height
of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

✓ 8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (light or heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color	Location Bursts in re- lation to A/C	Accuracy
N/C						

Frankfurt - Flak from town SW of target.

*Mosburg - Flak on this group and off to
grew observations about Flak; left class coverage
3 minutes shortly low.*

INTERROGATION FORM

31

SQUADRON ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ 423 A/C Number 153 Letter G Date 12-12-44
NickelsBomb Load 10 x T236 ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0759 Time Landed

X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	(X) <i>40 dB</i>
X	X	X	X	X
X	X		X	X

High

1. HOT LINES to be phoned in? Yes No
Details:

CREW: Give rank and initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

2nd Lt. K. D. Blackshaw Pilot

2nd Lt. J. D. Wilson Co-p

F/O D. H. Correll Nav.

S/Sgt. W. E. DeHoff Bmt

Sgt. E. H. Tutun Radi

S/Sgt. F. W. Yorgason Top

Sgt. D. J. Brunner Ball

S/Sgt. E. B. Brooks R/R

Sgt. R. E. Nokes Tail

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 1158

Alternate Height: 27,000

Last Resort Heading: 299 Moz
(circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

*Turn - left - 230*3. Number of bombs dropped on target: Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive: *All*

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

Own Bombs: *on smoke of Hi 59 lead*Any Nickels: Yes NoNumber bombs dropped *10*Number Bombs returned *None*

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If AGGRESSIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and disposition of bombs.)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

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

*Target - Mod to intense - low - not acc -**4939 - 0630 - flak - major obs -*

Crew Observations about Flak:

BB 5025 - 0720 - major obs -

By RIB JHC

INTERROGATION FORM

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Squadron ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ 423 A/C Number 418 Letter J Date 12-12-44Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0759 Time Landed

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

yo u/s
high

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
Details:

C.R.: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

2nd Lt. C. R. Toner Pilc

2nd Lt. J. C. Huegger Ob

2nd Lt. K. E. Bollerup Nav

Sgt. C. N. Yeager Bom

T/Sgt. O. E. Hobbs Rad

T/Sgt. J. A. Hicklin Top

S/Sgt. L. E. McCormick Ball

S/Sgt. E. (NMI) Richardson P.M.

S/Sgt. J. C. Kieffer L/W

S/Sgt. J. C. Kieffer Tail

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 1158

Alternate Height: 26500

Last Resort Heading: ~~072~~ 102 M

Duration Bomb Run:

All

3. Number of bombs dropped on target; Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs:

Obstructed view

Any Jettisons: Yes No

Number bombs dropped

Number Bombs returned

5. Any PHOTOGR. taken: Yes? No6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

Left grp at Chan. Low on gas. Straight heading back

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) 0/10 18000' tops. Continent 0/10 occasional large holes.9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height	Type (light or heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color	Location	Accuracy
					Bursts in re-	
					Bursts	lation to A/C

Target Intense Inacc. Hitting in chaff.
Barrage. Mostly low.
Some above.

Crew observations about Flak: Red bursts

INTERROGATION FILE

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SQUADRON 467 368 A/C Number 633 Letter Z Date 12-12-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. ~~Intense~~

Position in Formation

Time Take Off 0759 Time Landed 1710

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

40th B
High

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
 Details:

nil.

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)*bombed with lead
squadron (flew in
lead by day).*

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1556

Alternate Height: 29700

Last Resort Heading: 095
(circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

2nd Lt. C. A. Crooks	Pil.
2nd Lt. J. P. Mockus	Co-p
2nd Lt. E. B. Slocum	Nav.
S/Sgt. P. J. Hannum	Bomb
Sgt. A. W. Seaberg	Radi
S/Sgt. W. F. Laubert	Top
Sgt. J. M. Mandula	Ball
Sgt. L. Cain	R/W
Sgt. R. W. Miller	Tail

3. Number of bombs dropped on target: Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:
- all*

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

Own Bombs: *nil.*

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes *No*, No
Number bombs dropped _____
Number Bombs returned _____

5. Any PHOTOCOLORS taken: Yes?
- No?*

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn, reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)
- ✓*

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)
- Same.*

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (light or heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color	Location	Accuracy
					Bursts in re-	
					lation to A/C	

*Munich - damage - meager to moderate;
fairly accurate -*

Drew observations about Flak:

5010-0801 - obs ... 4 guns

150051

INTERROGATION FORM

38

SQUADRON #368 A/C Number 711 Letter D Date 12-12-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E.

Position in Formation

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

40th B
High

Time Took Off 0759 Time Landed 1650

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
Details:

Crew: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

2nd Lt. R. H. Claeys ✓

File

1st Lt. R. L. Edwards ✓

Co-L

2nd Lt. F. M. Seiford ✓

Nav

2nd Lt. E. F. Miller ✓

Bomber

T/Sgt. T. C. Girardot ✓

Radio

T/Sgt. M. C. Morley ✓

Top

S/Sgt. E. F. Danaher ✓

Ball

S/Sgt. P. D. Swope ✓

R/W

S/Sgt. R. L. Johnson ✓

Low

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary

Time: 11356

Alternate

Height: 26,300

Last Resort
(circle)

Heading: 099°M

Duration Bomb Run ➤ 240°M

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

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

Own Bombs: Dropped on lead and had dropped on previous
geared smoke Bomber.

Any Nickels: Yes No

Number bombs dropped

Number Bombs returned

5. Any PHOTGRHS taken: Yes? No

Camera not turned on

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height
of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) just saw occasional ground flak
Clouds to 8,000 before breaking out solid all day to target

no clouds

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (light or heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color	Location	Accuracy
					Bursts in re-	
					lationship to A/C	

low to 8,000' above

Target range for bombing Barrage Vincennes

Observed an enemy dead from mulasses (both in air)
Crew observations about Flak:

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 867 368 SWOOSH A/C Number 802

Letter R Date 12-12-44

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Bomb Load 12 x 500 N.E. SWOOSH

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0759 Time Landed 1605

HIGH
SIX

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
Details:

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

CRE.: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:
(Give position, time, altitude, full details).

2nd Lt. R. F. Laden

Pilc.

2nd Lt. B. D. Martin

Co-p

F/O M. Rosen

Nav.

S/Sgt. A. J. Stalder

Bomk

T/Sgt. R. D. Mills

Radi

T/Sgt. Dar. G. Smith

Top

S/Sgt. H. W. Peatross

Bal

S/Sgt. L. T. Anderson

R/W

S/Sgt. L. B. Smitherman

L/W

S/Sgt. L. B. Smitherman

Tail

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 1605

Alternate Height: 27650

Heading: 180° M

Duration Bomb Run:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive: 9/11

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

Own Bombs:

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No

Number bombs dropped

Number Bombs returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

flew all the way in on 3 engines. Formation made two 180° turns at 1 P. Fell out on 2nd turn for lack of power. Bombed on back with division stream

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) flew and alone.

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

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

Grew observations about Flak:

20% in my flak

15005

INTERROGATION FORM

16

SQUADRON 307 ~~DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE~~ A/C Number 547 Letter F Date 12/12/44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Incendiary

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0759 Time Launched 1000 hrs

X	X	X	X	X	40 th B
Q	X	X	X	X	Lead
X	X	X	X	X	
X	X	X	X	X	

1. NOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
Details:

CRM: Give Rank and Initiative

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:
(Give position, time, altitude; full details)

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 11.5/6

Alternate Height: 25000

Last Resort Heading: 095
(circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

2nd Lt. B.W. Roper	V	Flt
2nd Lt. J.J. Carbine	V	Ce-p
F/O E.R. Clark	V	Nav
T/Sgt. L.R. Hooper	V	Bom
T/Sgt. R.K. Roosa	V	Radi
T/Sgt. E.R. Horn	V	Tap
S/Sgt. W.H. Sanders	V	Bz
Sgt. R.G. Hilsinger	V	R.W.
S/Sgt. J.Revis	V	Tail

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

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

Own Bombs:

Any Nickels: Yes No
Number bombs dropped *all*
Number Bombs returned:

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE gives time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (light off, heavy), intense,	Color	Location	Accuracy
A/C			moderate or slight.		Bursts in re	lation to A/C

Deteriorated for maneuvering!

Bit bit by flak in left foot.

Took rich off nose gear cbs.

10.
10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

~~Four jet condensation trails~~
(Estimated total number of types)

(Location and Length of flight)

(Tactics of E/A)

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

C L A I M S

DESTROYED _____

PROBABLY _____

DAMAGED _____

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

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

Fighter support was excellent.

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

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME) Pilot got by pilot

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly) in left foot - claim no injuries slight damage to P/C

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

17. COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?)

INTERROGATION FORM

14

Squadron - BOMBER GROUP # 369 A/C Number 557 Letter Y Date 12-12-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. #1000#

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0759 Time Landed _____

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

40th B
Low.

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

*B-17 w. vertical fin torn
it was away from it returning,*

CREW: Give rank and initials

Capt. W. J. Hause

2nd Lt. H. W. Pearce

1st Lt. J. W. Barkwill

1st Lt. L. A. G. Oldenborg

T/Sgt. L. A. Gibson

T/Sgt. W. Miller

S/Sgt. M. D. Wood

S/Sgt. N. C. Sulser

S/Sgt. R. C. Zimmerman

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary

Time:

Alternate

Height:

Last Resort

Heading:

(circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

Time:

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

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

*Planned to drop on target, but
Own Bombs: Propped on back of Charlie, forced flying low - low off the*

Any Nickels: Yes No

Number bombs dropped _____

Number Bombs returned _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE, give time, place, height
of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) *10% cloud*

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (light or heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color	Location	Accuracy
					Bursts in re-	
					Bursts	lation to A/C

*Close - mod. at target. Low - cliff allowed
the target.*

Crew observations about Flak:

A10-557-Y

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ADDITIONAL INTERROGATION FORM FOR GROUP AND SQUADRON LEAD AIRCRAFT

Hause

(check one)

GROUP LEADER _____

HIGH SQUADRON LEADER _____

LOW SQUADRON LEADER _____

PLANE WITH OTHER GROUP _____

(Indicate Group and Group Identification)

SINGLE AIRCRAFT _____

To region
on our own
group

1. Time and Place of crossing English Coast 0841 hrs. - 5144 - 0104

360° bearing E of Cleethorpes ~~then~~

2. Was Course as Briefed? No, of course Estuary, 1530

If not, describe course in detail

3. Time and Place of crossing Enemy Coast 1017 - 5108 - 0241
~~1459~~ ~~in N of Ostend.~~

4. Time over Target 1150

Altitude over Target _____

Position of Group on Bomb Run _____

Magnetic Heading of Bomb Run _____

Duration Bomb Run _____

Dived A (till
splashed water)
Rey and regular IP
at about 10 miles
North of it
then run for target
On course or
away

5. Time of Landing at Base 1648, Landry, 1702

If landed away from base before return state where and why

DATE _____ TIME _____ SGT OFFICER Bob

45005

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 369 A/C Number 301 Letter U Date 12-12-44

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Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E.

Position in Formation

Time Take Off 0759 Time Landed 1150

X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<i>40th B</i>											
<i>Low</i>											

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes (No)
Details:

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

1st Lt. R. B. Braun	Pil.
2nd Lt. J. L. Chancey	Co-p.
2nd Lt. J. J. Fitzsimmons	Nav.
2nd Lt. J. R. Berman	Completing tour.
T/Sgt. M. N. Farmer	Recd.
T/Sgt. T. R. Williams	Top
S/Sgt. H. F. Schubert	Comp. tour
S/Sgt. C. E. Smith	R/W
S/Sgt. N. P. Carlson	Tail

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

5116N 1154E

Primary Time: 1150

Alternate Height: 25,900

Last Resort Heading: 139
(circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

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

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

Own Bombs:

Pkt. shot.

1910

Any Nickels: Yes No

Number bombs dropped _____

Number Bombs returned _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes No

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn, reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) 1910 - 23,000'

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (light of heavy), intense, A/C moderate or slight.	Color	Location	Accuracy
					Bursts in re-	
					lition to A/C	

Target	Mod	Barage	No
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Plane R - out	1 gun
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Crew observations about Flak:

Rocket Rockets - rapid smoke & steps

16

Time Task Off 0759 Time Lanied ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

X X X X X X

40th B

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
Details:

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

Low

C.R.: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)~~1st Lt. R. S. Birdwell Completing Tour~~~~New Deputy Leader Leader
Group drop just west of
Soboleng.~~~~2nd Lt. K. Carakostas~~

Cc-

~~2nd Lt. E. A. Sandberg Completing tour~~~~2nd Lt. C. W. Greeninger~~

Bd:

~~T/Sgt. A. A. Burns~~

Radi

~~T/Sgt. R. F. Roach~~

Top

~~S/Sgt. P. G. Luthi~~

Bell

~~S/Sgt. R. J. Montague Completing tour~~~~S/Sgt. T. W. Parker~~

Tail

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 1150

Alternate Height: 25900

Last Resort Heading: 142
(circle)Duration Bomb Run: ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

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

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

Own Bombs:

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No

Number bombs dropped

Number Bombs returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn, reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (light	Color	Location	Accuracy
of			heavy), intense,	cf	Bursts in re-	
A/C			moderate or		lation to A/C	
			slight.			

~~Target maze, range, high to the right~~~~Kohlenz~~

Crew observations about Flak:

INTERROGATION FORM ✓

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SQUADRON 367 X3550U36000723X A/C Number 515 Letter O Date 12/12/44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0759 Time Landed 1657

X X X X X 40°AB
X X X X X
X X X (X) X X
X X X X X

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
Details:

Crew: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

2nd Lt. R.H. Breed

File

2nd Lt. I.D. Smith

Co-1

2nd Lt. D.W. Anderson

Nav.

S/Sgt. L.E. Richards

Bomb

T/Sgt. R.W. Grahler

Radio

T/Sgt. G.R. Lothian

Top

S/Sgt. J.C. Tynan

Ball

S/Sgt. R. Ursel

R/V

S/Sgt. W.T. Gillespie

L/V

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 1150 1/2

Alternate Height: 24300'

Last Resort Heading: 140° N
(circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

T.O. 270° N

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

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

Own Bombs: Bombed with 80 with red △

Off timing -

Any Nickels: Yes No

Other Bombing:

Number bombs dropped

Number bombs returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No? Ball Turret - and function

Left V - and function

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

1010 over open at Kabling - Tops - 10-20 000' in first
9110 over open at Kabling - Tops - 10-20 000' in first

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home out. Breaks near Bandal

9110 Tops - 10 0000

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

Target: 24300-44 N Mod - Inaccurate - Bed (over)
Plane (out) - for 2 bursts - Accurate -

Crew observations about Flak:

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 369 A/C Number 287 Letter V Date 12-12-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0759 Time Landed

X X X X 40th, 3
X X X X X X Low.
X X X X X X

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
Details:

Crew: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

2nd Lt. W. L. Rogers

Pi.

2nd Lt. J. L. Cation

Co-i

2nd Lt. C. L. Seckinger

Navy

2nd Lt. M. S. Null

Secd

Sgt. B. H. Brown

Radi

Sgt. C. E. Duggan

Tep

Sgt. J. E. Bowman

Ball

Sgt. W. Talcus

R/W

Sgt. L. L. Smith

Tail

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Timer 1151

Alternate Height: 23700

Last Resort Heading: 130 M

(circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

3. Number of 1000s dropped on target: Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs:

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No

Number bombs dropped:

Number Bombs returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABOATIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

With Squadron

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) large hole before IP.

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (light of heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color	Location	Accuracy
					Bursts in re-	
					Bursts	lation to A/C

Koblenz going in Meager & to left.

Target Moderate white above

form.

Crew observations about Flak:

7450051

10.

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

(Estimate total number of E/A seen) _____ (types) _____

(Location and length of fight) _____

(Tactics of E/A) _____

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

CLAIMS

DESTROYED _____

PROBABLY _____

DAMAGED _____

(Fill out immediately
separate CLAIM FORM for
each claim)

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

~~Good Fair~~

P-51 large gops. Coming out mostly.

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, and signals; activity at airfields, ports, waterways, roads, railroad yards, etc. concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations, 16-17 n° stabilizer ~~in Koblenz~~ ~~near~~ 25 min before Koblenz. Hannau & Frankfurt well bombed. Fires. Black smoke.

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause.)

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

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES: Both Command trans. out. (List the cause.)

17. OTHER COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?)

S-2 OFFICER

FSPC

1755

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 654 #888 #885 423 A/C Number 598 Letter Date 12-12-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H4E 2400 ft.

Position in Formation

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

40th B
Squad.

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
Details:

Crew: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

1st Lt. H. (MMI) Brown

File

2nd Lt. D. W. Phillips

Co

2nd Lt. W. A. Guilfoyle

Nav

T/Sgt. J. V. Schember

Bomb

T/Sgt. C. A. Fatica

Radio

T/Sgt. T. (MMI) Thomas

Top

S/Sgt. M. C. Barker

Ball

S/Sgt. R. H. Beck

R/T

S/Sgt. R. T. Miller, Jr.

Tail

#1 started giving trouble just after take off; in effort to catch up formation it planned to high level by dropping 3 bombs on Boppard, but all went away at

2. TARGET ATTACHED: same trip

~~BOPPARD~~ 5013-0735 E -

Time: 1110

Alternate Height: 22000

Last Resort Heading: 140 deg
(circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

Yesterday, trouble w. release switch was reported on this A/C, when bombs had to be jettisoned.

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

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

Own Bombs:

Any Nickels? Yes No

Number bombs dropped

Number Bombs returned

5. ANY PHOTOGRAHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

1/1 which is on another bombing run up to the force but did not last long. They kept the other planes at first, then saw our group much higher but could not catch them.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home. North of Kloburg.

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

None at us

Crew always thinks about Flak:

NUMBER 12356, Section 3-3.

RIB/SHC

1013

INTERROGATION FORM

23

SQUADRON #423 A/C-Number 674 Letter B Date 12-12-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. #####

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0759 Time Landed 1301

~~Low~~ 40th B

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
Details:

CRE.: Give rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

Forced at
Winwood

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 1150 1/2
Alternate Height: 24600
Last Resort Heading: 124° M
(circle)
Duration Min. Run:

<u>2nd Lt. H. G. Roth</u>	Pilot
<u>2nd Lt. C. G. Campbell</u>	C-4
<u>2nd Lt. P. E. German</u>	Navy
<u>S/Sgt. G. F. Bushell</u>	Bomb
<u>T/Sgt. R. M. Coleman</u>	Radio
<u>T/Sgt. V. R. Delair</u>	T-p
<u>S/Sgt. R. D. Cox</u>	Ball
<u>S/Sgt. E. L. Finch</u>	R/W
<u>S/Sgt. F. E. Tieck</u>	L/W Tail

3. Number of BO-13 dropped on target: Jettisoned: Returned: about 1

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOILING: (For this class or others)

Own Scrubs:

Am. Nickels: Yes No
Rutherford bombs dropped
Number Bombs returned

5. Any PHOTOGR.PHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS.

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABOKEVTE give time, place, height
of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

Pulled away when hit England. Landed at
Twinswood & low on gas. Came back by our turn.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) P/C still at terminal

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

Time Place Height Type (light or heavy), intense, if A/C moderate or slight. Col. of Bursts Location to A/C Accuracy

Target: Line Banage

New observations about Egypt

INTERROGATION FORMSquadron 367 XX662280A00X A/C Number 076 Letter U Date 12/12/44Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Incend.Position in Formation40th BTime Took Off 0759 Time Landed 0859

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

Lead

1. HOT KIERS to be phased in? Yes No
Details: nil

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:
(Give position, time, altitude; full details)

Crew: Give rank and initialsCapt. H.E. HansonPilot2nd Lt. J.M. HessCo-pF/O C.E. PultNav.Capt. P.V. OsburnNav.1st Lt. W.P. GuyBomb.T/Sgt. T.P. PiechowskiRadiT/Sgt. H. VitaleTcp1st Lt. F.K. LucasRNWACOYT/Sgt. O.J. GrahamR/TL/W2nd Lt. F.K. ShepardTail2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time:

Alternate Height:

Last Resort Heading:
(circle) ...

Duration Bomb Run:

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

4. Observed results of bombing: (for this plane or others)

Own Bombs: 10/10

Any Nicks: Yes No
Killer bombs dropped _____
Number Bombs returned _____

5. Any photographs taken: Yes? No6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNNERS AND PILOT:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ACKTIV, give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, Disposition of bombs.)

10/10 with occasional breaks. Break approx 6° E and 8° E

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home. 10/10 at target.

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

Barrel tracking - 3 minutes - inaccurate
1 min before B.A. - attack - barrage from 250 ft. down

Crew observations about Flak:

(Tactics of E/A)

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

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

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT good - very little coming back over France. checked nose; orange + black nose yellow nose. -

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

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, accident or Undetermined Cause)

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

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

artificial horizon out

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

S-2 OFFICER

Murkin

TELE CIVILIAN

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 367 A/C Number 443 Letter M Date 12/12/44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

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

400 "B" Lead.

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes (N)

Details:

C.R.: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

2nd Lt. H.O. Balcom	Flt.:
2nd Lt. C.Q. Hills	Co-p
1st Lt. G.L. Feltz	Nav.
1st Lt. P.R. Kelly	Bomt
T/Sgt. R.G. McKay	Radio
T/Sgt. R.M. Waldron	Tail
S/Sgt. R.T. Sircy	Ball
S/Sgt. T.L. Smith	R/T
S/Sgt. H.H. Barber	L.W.
2nd Lt. W. Bocharnuk	Tail RN

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 1156
Alternate Height: 26,500
Last Resrt Heading: 99M
(circle)
Duration Bomb Run:

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

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

Own Bombs:

17/10

Any Nickels: Yes No

Number bombs dropped

Number Bombs returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early; and Disposition of bombs.)

360 after F.P.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) 9/10ths - haze - no con to.

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (light or heavy), intense,	Color	Location	Accuracy
A/C					Bursts in re-	
					Bursts	lation to A/C

Target in front - Banage - Low

Crew observations about Flak:

Rhine R. - on way in.

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INTERROGATION FORM

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SQUADRON 367 368XX36XXXXXX A/C Number 578 Letter D Date 12/12/44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0759 Time Landed

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

40th B

Lead.

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
Details:

Moved to hole when CREW: Give rank and initials 840 Davis pulled out.

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress?
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

2nd Lt. W.B. Turner

Pil.

2nd Lt. J.W. Kidwell

Ce-i

F/O J.L. Avitt

Maj.

S/Sgt. C.E. Paine

Bomb

Sgt. E.F. Heyer

R.A.

S/Sgt. C.S. Sosnowski

Top

Sgt. S. D. Robinson

Bell

Sgt. J.N. Thompson

R/W

Sgt. E.R. Nunley

L/W

Tail

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1156

Alternate Height: 25400

Last Resort Heading: 98 M
(circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

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

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

Own Bombs:

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No

Number bombs dropped

Number Bombs returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No? Did not turn on.

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn, reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

With grp.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) 10/10 target.

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (light of heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color	Location	Accuracy

Target Intense Inacc. Tracking low Barrage.

Crew observations about Flak:

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 847 #386 #389 A/C Number 585 Letter K Date 12-12-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. #Mounts

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0759 Time Landed

X X X X (X) 40th B
 X X X X X X Lead.
 X X X X X X
 X X X X X X

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

Crew: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

2nd Lt. C. P. Smythe

Pilc

2nd Lt. S. J. Magusiaik

Co-p

1st Lt. E. P. Shapland, Jr.

Nav

F/O R. C. Garberich

Bomk

T/Sgt. H. C. West

Radi

T/Sgt. J. J. Cathey

Tpp

S/Sgt. G. B. Franklin

Ball

S/Sgt. T. E. Kimsey

R/W

S/Sgt. W. W. Priemann

L/W

Tail

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary

Time: 1156

Alternate

Height: 27000

Last Resort
(circle)

Heading: 074° mag?

Duration Bomb Run:

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

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

Own Bombs:

Not observed - 10/10 ds

Any Nicks: Yes No

Number bombs dropped

Number Bombs returned

5. Any PHOTOGRA.PHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

With formation -

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) 10/10 ds on contact - Break in

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

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

At target - 4 gun battery 6 gun battery at our altitude - fairly accurate - Bombs at top of clouds (estimated 18,000 ft)
Crew observations about Flak:

4 gun battery on Rhine (was checked 7 us - we missed it) (5010-0735)

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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON #423 A/C Number 444 Letter I Date 12-12-44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. #444.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0759 Time Landed 1635

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

40th B
Lead.

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No
Details:

Crew: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1157

Alternate Height: 26200

Last Resort Heading: 095
(circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

On leader

2nd Lt. W. H. Morgan	M1lo
2nd Lt. V. R. Schimmel	Co-p
2nd Lt. R. E. Griffin	Nav.
2nd Lt. N. E. Outcalt	Bom
T/Sgt. E. W. Courtright	Rad.
T/Sgt. N. W. DeSeve	Top
S/Sgt. C. V. Hayen	Ball.
S/Sgt. C. B. Capaldi	R/V
S/Sgt. A. H. Resser	Tail

3. Number of bombs dropped *on target*: Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

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

Own Bombs:

Any Nickels: Yes No
Number bombs dropped *12*
Number Bombs returned *12*

Other Bombing:

5. Any PHOTOGRAHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

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

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

Not met *so accurate*

Crew observations about Flak: *Tell tracking v Parase*

Tracking Spinning during 360°

It's at constant coming & going from target

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Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0759 Time Landed

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

40th B
Lead

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

2nd Lt. D. T. Schrack

Pil.

F/O R. W. Sprunger

Co-p.

2nd Lt. W. W. Gunkel

Nav.

2nd Lt. R. M. Frank

Bom.

T/Sgt. J. J. Noonan

R.G.

T/Sgt. J. R. Jablonski

Top.

S/Sgt. N. D. Hall

Ball

S/Sgt. E. A. Kopcho

R/W

S/Sgt. E. F. Limke

Tail

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 1256

Alternate Height: 46500

Last Resort Heading: 091

Duration Best Run:

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

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

Own Bombs:

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No

Number bombs dropped

Number Bombs returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNNERS AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If AIRCRAFT give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and disposition of bombs.)

with squadron

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) 18/10 Target.

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

Time	Place	Height	Type (light of heavy), intense,	Color	Location	Accuracy
					Bursts in re-	
A/C			moderate or slight.		Bursts	lation to A/C

Target - major, to the left, at altitude, tracking
fairly accurate

Grew observations about Flak:

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INTERROGATION FORM

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SQUADRON 367 ~~XXXXXX~~ A/C Number 683 Letter Q Date 12/12/44

Bomb Load 12 x 600 H.E. Incend.

Position in Formation

Time Took Off 0759 Time Landed 1700

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

404B
Lead.

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

CREW: Give rank and initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

~~Saw B-17 turn around at
 1107 & saw his bombs hit
 2 field just east of Coblenz~~

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 1157

Alternate Height: 26400

Last Resort Heading: 94

Duration Bomb Run:

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

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

Own Bombs:

Other Bombs:

Any Nickels: Yes No

Number bombs dropped _____

Number Bombs returned _____

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

Did not turn int on our target!

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of town; reason for returning early, and disposition of bombs.)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) 10% target - Big breaks

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

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

Target: Tracking accuracy, moderate to intense.
Scattered - miss before bombs away - less than
miss after. Lead.

Crew observations about Flak:

Coblenz - open fields - meadow, bridge at
A.D. t.b.l. - no trees - in road