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Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

"MISSION SUMMARY"

MISSION NO. 35
11TH. MARCH, 1944

94TH. COMBAT BOMB WING
401ST. BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)

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

MISSION No. **35**

Date: **11 MAR. 44**

TO: **MUNSTER , GER.**

HEADQUARTERS
401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)

E-B-1

11 March 1944.

SUBJECT: Leader's Narrative, Mission No 35, 11 March 1944.

TO : Commanding Officer, 401st Bombardment Group (H).

1. The 401st Group furnished the lead box for the 94th Combat Wing formation. Takeoff and Assembly were as briefed. Departure from Point X was one minute early. The High and Low boxes were assembled at this time and in trail. Point A was reached one minute early and climb was started to briefed altitude. Division assembly point was reached one minute early but a large S to the south was necessary to avoid a Wing of B-24's and point Z was departed two and a half minutes late. The third division was in trail after Point Z but several minutes behind. On nearing the enemy coast while climbing to briefed altitude, a cloud layer was encountered that could not be climbed over and would probably have put the Wing over enemy territory at a very disadvantageous altitude if it had gone under it. A turn to the north was made and a climb started. Clouds to the north were higher and thinner enabling the Wing to pass under them, turn south and cross the enemy coast at the briefed point. This maneuver brought the 94th Combat Wing in abreast of the Third Division which had continued straight in. The mission was flown with the Combat Wings in this position to the IP. At this point the 94th Combat Wing opened to the north and flew beyond the briefed IP to uncover the Third Division which bombed the target first. The 94th Combat Wing bombed in close trail six and a half minutes late at the target and came home as briefed, except for the let down which was delayed by high undercast. All ships returned safely. Friendly fighter cover was excellent and as briefed.

B. K. VOORHEES,
Lt Col, Air Corps,
Wing Leader.

HEADQUARTERS
401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
OFFICE OF THE STATISTICAL OFFICER E- -6

SUBJECT: Operational Narrative, Mission 35, 11 March 1944.

TO : Commanding Officer, 401st Bomb Group (H).

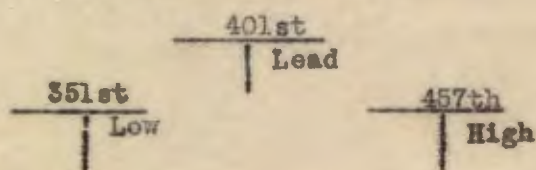
1. GENERAL NARRATIVE: The 401st furnished the lead box for the 94th CBW Formation, taking off with nineteen group aircraft (incl. spares) and two PFF aircraft. Take-off was as briefed and all assemblies were normal. Departure from Point "Z" was two and half minutes late due to some difficulty encountered in avoiding a wing of B-24's. Upon reaching the enemy coast an "S" was made in order to escape some bad weather. This maneuver, plus the necessity to uncover the 3rd Division ahead, put the 94th CBW six and a half minutes late over the target. The 94th CBW followed in the main the briefed course home, the route over the channel was flown somewhat north of course in order to avoid weather. The English coast was reached about eighteen minutes late and due to undercast let down was delayed. All ships returned safely to home base within 30-40 minutes of briefed time. Friendly fighters escort was excellent, it being in evidence both in the penetration and the withdrawal of the Wing.

2. AIRCRAFT NOT ATTACKING: 19 group aircraft (incl. 3 spares) took off and were dispatched. All spares flew the entire mission, presumably making a third element in the high ~~Sqdn~~. No ships returned early and all attacked the target.

3. LOST AIRCRAFT: No aircraft were lost. No enemy air opposition was encountered; Flak over the target area was moderate- fairly inaccurate. Only three aircraft experienced minor Flak damage.

4. FORMATIONS:

- a. On takeoff and cruise (see enclosure)
- b. Over target (see enclosure)
- c. Position in Wing formation, as follows:



5. RESULTS: Because of complete undercast, it was impossible to observe bombing results. However all aircraft bombed on the PFF and the execution was normal.

For the Operations Officer:

KEN W. DAUBLE,
Capt., Air Corps,
Statistical O.

Combat Flight Leader: LT COL VOORHEES 11 March 1944
(Date)

Deputy Flight Leader: MAJOR MARTIN

Group Call Sign: _____ Fighter Call Sign: _____

Ground Control: _____

401st Formation at Take-Off
and on Cruise.

612th SC PATHETIC
613th IN SILVERWARE
614th IW CARMICHAEL
615th IY FIANCE

613 SQDN
LT COL VOORHEES

PFF

RUMSEY (MARTIN)

485

PFF

KEITH

855

SHARP

LEW

226

072

SQDN

612

SQDN

614

POA

891

KIRKHOFF

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KUEL

WELLS

KSIENIEWICZ

SMITH W R

496

087

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SMITH S E

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KAUFMAN

440

CHRISTENSEN

WEST

SHAW

WILSON C L

943

437

847

098

SPARES

OTTOM

619

POST

KNIGHT

077

983

Combat Flight Leader: LT COL VOORHEES

11 March 1944

Deputy Flight Leader: Major MARTIN

(Date)

Group Call Sign: _____ Fighter Call Sign: _____

Ground Control: _____

401st Formation Over Target

613 SQDN
LT COL VOORHEES
612th SC PATHETIC
613th IN SILVERWARE
614th IW CARMICHAEL
615th IY FIANCE

PFF

RUMSEY (MARTIN)

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SMITH, W R

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HEADQUARTERS
 401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP
 Office of the Air Statistical Officer

AAF Station 128
 12 March 1944.

SUBJECT: Statistical Summary, 401st Bomb Group
 Mission of 11 March, 1944.

TO : Commanding Officer, 401st Bombardment Group, AAF Station 128.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF AIRCRAFT ATTACKING

Number of A/C Taking Off.....19 (excl. PFF)
 Number of Spares..... 3
 A/C Taking Off Less Unused Spares.....19
 Number of A/C Dispatched.....19
 Number of Sorties (E.E.T.).....19
 A/C Returning Early (Not E.E.T.)..... 0
 Number of A/C Attacking.....19
 Number of A/C Not Attacking..... 0

Number of A/C Lost:

None

TABULAR SUMMARY OF DISPOSITION OF BOMBS OVER TARGET

	Aircraft		Bombs				
	Over Target	Bomb- ing	Num- ber	Size	Type	Fusing Nose Tail	
Main Bombfall	19	19	678	100%	M-50 GP	1/10	1/40
Other Attacks (Target of Op: Unknown) (2)	(2)	(2)	6	100%	GP	1/10	1/40
Bombs on Target			684	100%	GP	1/10	1/40
Other Expenditures			--	--	--	--	--
Bombs Returned			--	--	--	--	--
Total (Loaded on A/C Taking Off)			684	100%	GP	1/10	1/40

For the Operations Officer:

KEN W. DAUBLE
 Captain, Air Corps
 Statistical Officer

HEADQUARTERS
401st BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
OFFICE OF THE NAVIGATION OFFICER

APO 634

Navigators Narrative of Mission Flown March 11, 1944

1. Flight Plan and Log attached.
2. Track Chart attached.
3. Narrative.
 - a. T/O at 0645 hours
 - b. Group formed at 0754 hours at 14,000 feet.
 - c. Formed CBW at 0754 hours at 14000 feet.
 - d. Began climb at 0803 hours.
 - e. Reached altitude at 0911 hours
 - f. Weather encountered over England:
 - (1) Clouds 8/10ths
 - (2) Visability 5 miles.
 - (3) Wind at altitude 354 degrees. 60 knots per hour
 - g. Means of navigation over England.

Gee & Radio
 - h. Means of checking Metro Winds

Gee & PFF equipment
 - i. Joined task force at 0818 hours at Ipswich(city, splasher Coordinates)
 - j. Departed English Coast at 0830 hours
Arrived at Enemy Coast at 0914 hours

w. Fighter Rendeavous:

- (1) Going in 0910 hours.
- (2) Coming Back. 0950 hours

1. Wind used for Bombing:

- (1) PFF degrees 334.
- (2) 60 Knots per hour
- (3) How Determined. GEE

m. Description of Bomb Run and Method of Target Identification.

- (1) Reached IP at 0939 hours
- (2) Mag heading over target 178 degrees.
- (3) Altitude over taget 22600 feet
- (4) Time bombs away 0946¹/₂ hours
- (5) Method of target identification and weather over target.

PFF & 10/10's cloud cover

n. Difficulties encountered with Radio, compass and special Equipment:

NONE

o. Gee:

- (1) Coordinates of furthest fix ⁰ 5236N 4°52'E
- (2) Time 0914¹/₂ hours

p. Comments.

W.E. ANDERSON, Lead Navigator

SIGNATURE

TARGET

Primary

Secondary

Last Resort

MUNSTER, GERMANY

TRACK CHART

Date MAR. 11, 1944

GREEN

RED

Route followed by

BRIEFED COURSE

401st BOMB G.P. (H)



TRACK CHART

Date MAR. 11, 1944

GREEN
RED

Route followed by

BRIEFED COURSE

MUNSTER, GERMANY

44 ST. BOMB G.P. (H)

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PILOT Col B.K. Vogries NAVIGATOR Lt. W. Anderson DATE 11 March 1944

NAVIGATOR

Lt. Wm. Anderson

DATE 11 March 1944

STATIONS	ENGINES	TAXI.	T.O.
LEAVE BASE:	0755		
COAST OUT:	0830		
ENEMY COAST:	0905		
I.P.:	0940		
TARGET:	1035		
ENEMY COAST:	English Coast 119		
Base	1157	LTO 0756	

SUN		MOON		TWILIGHT	
RISES	SETS	RISES	SETS	A. M.	P. M.

WATCH _____ FAST
SLOW RATE _____ SEC'S GAINING PER
HOUR _____ LOSING

Oxygen 0322 Pff Bomb I.P. "Blue Sky"

TIME	COURSE	W/V USED &/OR D.R. DRIFF	TRUE HDG	MAG. HDG	NAVIGATIONAL OBSERVATION	GENERAL OBSERVATIONS	I.A.S. M.P.H. /K	HEIGHT & A. TEMP	T.A.S.	D.R. G.S.	DIS. TO RUN	TIME	E.T.A.
0645 0754					Assembling Group & Wing		/						
0754				100	Reported Base "X"		155	14000					
0755 1/2				45	See (1092 (43:41		/			141	12	05	0802
0757 1/4				35	" (1028 (43 35		/						
0800 1/4				30	(9 08 " (47 33		150	14000			5	02	0802
0803 1/4				42	(8.00 (43 35	Point A Begin Climb	/						
0805 3/4				118	(7.55 (42 38		/			196	42	13	0819
0808 1/4				130	(7.73 (42 37		/			196	33 1/2 9	10 1/2 2 1/2	0818 1/2
0812 3/4				135	(8.31 (41 07	(0818 Point B)	/				17 1/2 25 1/2	5 1/2	0819 1/2
0820					Ipswich		/	15000					
0821 1/2	38	-17	21	31	(8.77 (39:15		/				25 1/2	:12	0833 1/2
0825					8.13 29 25 39/58		/			192	9 19	7 1/2 9 1/2	0832 1/2 0832
0828 3/4					7.55		/					104	0832
0832 1/2					Point Z Off left wing		155	15000					
0833				33	9.09 3982	3270 40K 15,000M	155	15200					

TIME	COURSE	W/V USED &/OR D.R. DRIF.	TRUE HDNC	MAG HDNC	NAVIGATIONAL OBSERVATION	GENERAL OBSERVATIONS	I.A.S. M.P.H. /K	HEIGHT & A. TEMP.	T.A.S.	D.R. C.S.	DIS. TO RUN	TIME	E.T.A.
0837 1/2				72	(6.35 (39.97)		150	16000					
0840				40	(6.20 (39.85)								
0842 3/4				92	(6.15 (39.71)		150	16700		186	16 1/2	5 1/2	0900
0949				80	(6.08 (39.33)		150	18400 -20					
0853 1/2	91	-18	73	(80) 78	(5.91 (39.21)	334° 60K			171	192	507	153 1/4	
0854 1/2				26									
0858 1/2				950	(5.59 (39.49)								
0900 1/2				152	(5.40 (39.52)								
0907 1/2				114	(5.76 (39.11)							19	0919 1/2
0910 1/2					(5.87 (78.99)	Fighters (Friendly)							
0911					Flak at 3 o'clock 0914	Enemy coast		21000					
0914 1/2				96	(5.56 (39.07)								I.P.
0917 1/2					(5.57 (78.95)	13 Miles North of Amsterdam				216	78	22	0939 1/2
0923				90	(52 30 N (5 27 E		150	21200			24		
0931				76	(52 23 N (6 20 E						24	107	I.P. 0938
0939			127	133	I.P.		155	21800		238	30	7 1/2	Targ. 0946 1/2
0946				168	Flak at 1 o'clock (Black Moderate)		145	22500					
0946 1/2				178	Bombs away Flak (Moderate Black inaccurate)		150	22600				17	1003 1/2
0949				292			160	22800					38
0950				240	Flak below us P-51's ahead of us								1041 1/2
0954				240	Flak from Ruhr Valley (20 Miles Left)		150	22500					
1003				290									
1004				294			150	22900			32	20	
1007			282	290	Point #7		160	22200		152	21	08	1015
1014				245	Swinging South to Avoid Flak								
1018				245	(51 45 N (5. 55 E								
1020				294	Swinging North again to get back on course								
1023				302	Swinging North again to get back on course		155	21500					
1024				316									
1026				315	Fighters at 9 o'clock (P-51's)		150	21700					
1028				311	(51 48 (5 24								
1033										145	63 39	26 86	1049
1039					(6. 11 (3750								
1042					Flak at 1 o'clock (Menger Black)								
1043					(7.28 (37.43	P-51's at 10 o'clock							
1045 1/2					7.48 32.20								
1047 3/4				312	(7.50 (3735	Begin descend	155	21500					
1053 1/2				320	(7.40 (37.59	Enemy Coast							
1057 3/4				340	(7.32 (37.78		170	17700					
1102 1/2				336	(7.11 (38.07		150	17000					
1104 1/2				334	(7.00 (38.21		160	10000			12		
1109 1/2				320	(6.01 (38.50						21	11 1/2	

PILOT _____ NAVIGATOR _____ DATE _____

SUN		MOON		TWILIGHT	
RISES	SETS	RISES	SETS	A. M.	P. M.

WATCH _____ FAST
SLOW RATE _____ SEC'S GAINING PER
HOUR _____ LOSING

TIME	COURSE	W/V USED E/OR D.R. DRIF	TRUE HDNC	MAG. HDNC	NAVIGATIONAL OBSERVATION	GENERAL OBSERVATIONS	I.A.S. M.P.H. /K	HEIGHT & A. TEMP.	T.A.S.	D.R. G.S.	DIS. TO RUN	TIME	E.T.A.
1117				314	(6.62 (38.97		165	13300					
1121					(6.50 (39.23		/						
1123 1/2					(6.47 (39.97		/						
1128	273	118	290	300			/						
1131				298	(6.56 (39.76		/						
1133					(6.59 (39.86		/						
1137 1/2				302	English Coast (Lowestoft)		160	5500					
1138 1/2				300	(6.71 (40.15		/						
1143 1/2					(6.71 (40.55		/						
1148 1/2	218	110	278	278 287	(7.04 (40.81		/						
1152					(7.23 (41.13		/						
1155 3/4					(7.42 (41.49		/						
1203	263	110	273	281			/						
1204 1/2					(7.55 (42.48		/						
1207 1/2					(7.96 (42.00		/						

HEADQUARTERS
401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
OFFICE OF THE BOMBARDIER OFFICER E-F-6

SUBJECT: Group Bombing Narrative, Mission to Munster, Germany.
11 March, 1944.

TO : Commanding Officer, 401st Bomb Group (H).

1. DISPOSITION OF BOMBS: 19 of our A/C flying as lead group of the Wing crossed the coast with 684x100 GP bombs. 19 A/C dropped 678x100 GP on the primary target. One A/C released 3x100 GP 5 minutes late due to rack sticking. One A/C released 3x100 GP 2 minutes late due to rack sticking.

2. Bombing was by PFF aircraft due to 10/10 coverage. Bombs were away at 0946 on a mag heading of 178 degrees.

3. Nickles were not available for today's mission.

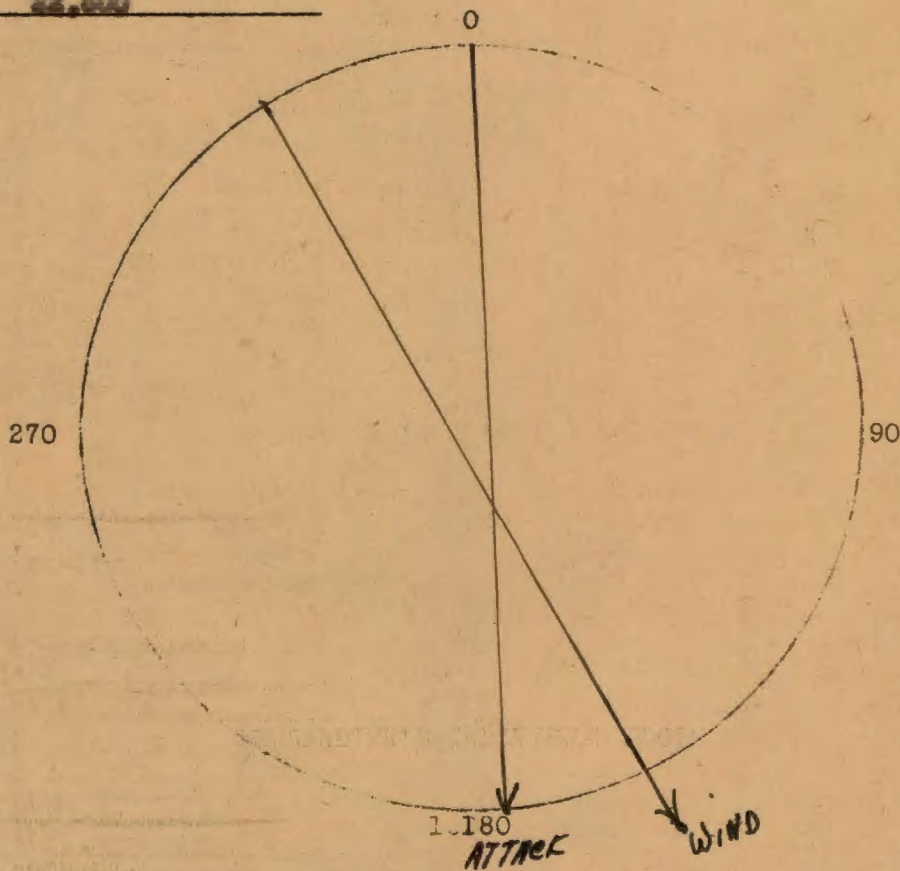
JULIUS PICKOFF,
Maj., Air Corps,
Gp. Bombing O.

BOMBARDIER'S INDIVIDUAL PLOT

Target HUNTER

Method of Bombing WV

Altitude 22,500



PLOT

Wind Direction 85°

Wind Velocity 80 k

Direction of attack 170°

REMARKS - - - - -

HEADQUARTERS
401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Engineering Officer
Station 128

A.P.O. 634
11 March, 1944

SUBJECT: Mission Summary Report

TO : Group Operations, Station 128, APO 634.

• 1. Abortives.

None.

2. Battle Damage.

- a. 42-39943 - Plexiglass Nose Section cracked by flak.
- b. 42-31116 - 6" rip in right horizontal stabilizer, underside, damaging rib, caused by flak.
- c. 42-31098 - 1" flak hole through bottom of right aileron, damaging spar.

<u>TOTAL NO.</u> <u>OF A/C</u>	<u>MAJOR</u> <u>DAMAGE</u>	<u>MINOR</u> <u>DAMAGE</u>	<u>BY</u> <u>FLAK</u>
3	0	3	3

CHARLES W. HUNT
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Group Engineering Officer

HEADQUARTERS
401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Armament Officer
Station 128

A.P.O. 634
11 March, 1944

SUBJECT: Armament Narrative, Mission No. 35, 11 March, 1944

TO : Commanding Officer, 401st Bombardment Group (H),
APO 634, U.S. Army

1. The following Armament malfunctions were reported
at the conclusion of the mission of 11 March, 1944.

<u>A/C No.</u>	<u>GUN POSITION</u>	<u>MALFUNCTION</u>	<u>PERSONNEL OR EQUIPMENT</u>
42-31369	Ohin Turret	Out in elevation. Amplidyne Brushes burned out.	Equipment

BOMB RACK MALFUNCTIONS

1. A negative bomb rack malfunction report is submitted
for the mission of 11 March, 1944.

SAM P. BROOMHALL JR
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Group Armament Officer

S E C R E T

FORM 00-AMM-2A

MISSION REPORT - AMMUNITION

AAF STATION NO. 128

DATE 11 MARCH 1944

GROUP 401ST BOMB

TYPE AIRCRAFT B-17 G

I - AIRCRAFT: DEPARTED 19
 RETURNED EARLY 0
 ATTACKING TARGET 19
 LOST 0

	SIZE	QUANTITY	FUZZING
II - BOMBS: INITIAL LOAD (TOTAL)	<u>100-LB</u> <u>M30</u>	<u>684</u>	<u>M103 1/10</u> <u>M106A1 1/40</u>

EXPENDED (ON TARGET)	<u>SAME</u>	<u>684</u>	<u>SAME</u>
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(JETTISONED)	<u>0</u>
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RETURNED	<u>0</u>
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UNACCOUNTED FOR	<u>0</u>
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III - FLARES: LANDING, BOMBING &
 PHOTOFLASH CARRIED

IV - EXPENDITURES OF SMALL ARMS AMMUNITION (PER GUN POSITION)

POSITION	CAL.	NO. OF GUNS	AMMUNITION EXPENDED	
			CAL..50	CAL..50
CHIN TURRET	<u>.50</u>	<u>37</u>		<u>315</u>
LEFT NOSE		<u>14</u>		<u>100</u>
RIGHT NOSE		<u>18</u>		<u>135</u>
UPPER TURRET		<u>38</u>		<u>335</u>
LOWER TURRET		<u>38</u>		<u>330</u>
RADIO GUN		<u>19</u>		<u>135</u>
LEFT WAIST		<u>19</u>		<u>135</u>
RIGHT WAIST		<u>19</u>		<u>135</u>
TAIL GUNS		<u>38</u>		<u>325</u>
TOTALS				<u>1945</u>

(OVER)

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S E C R E T

TOTAL A/C REPORTED BY GUN POSITION:

CAL..30 _____ RDS.

CAL..50 1945 RDS.

TOTAL EXPENDED FROM ABORTIVE A/C:

CAL..30 _____ RDS.

CAL..50 _____ RDS.

EXPENDED A/C LOST OR MISSING:

CAL..30 _____ RDS.

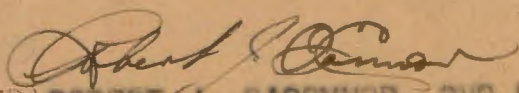
CAL..50 _____ RDS.

GROUP TOTALS:

CAL..30 _____ RDS.

CAL..50 1945 RDS.

V - REMARKS:


(SIGNED) ROBERT J. O'CONNOR, 2ND LT. ORD.
STA ORD OFF OR ASS'T

S E C R E T

HEADQUARTERS
 401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
 OFFICE OF THE COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER
 AAF STA 128, APO 634

(J-A-4)

PLANE REPORTED DOWN 11 MARCH 1944
 INTERF-DE-100 TOWEL WIRE BUTTON OUT.
 VHF-NO SIGNAL.

SUBJECT: COMMUNICATIONS REPORT, OPERATIONAL MISSION NO 351-77 TONE
 (REFERENCE FIELD ORDER 301)

TO : COMMANDING OFFICER, 401ST BBGP (H), AAF STA 128,
 APO 634.

1. USE OF VHF SET.

CHANNELS A,B,C-AMERICAN AND D AVAILABLE. ROUTINE
 FORMATION MESSAGES ON A & B.

2. VHF/DF BEARINGS.

NONE.

3. HF/DF BEARINGS.

1426, 1 QDM FROM POLEBROOK
 619, 1 QDM FROM POLEBROOK

4. MF/DF FIXES.

619, 1 FIX FROM SECTION H

5. DISTRESS ACTION TAKEN.

NONE.

6. RADIO BEACONS USED.

SPLASHERS		MULTI-GROUP		BUNCHER	
BEACON	USED BY	BEACON	USED BY	BEACON	USED BY
4	2	NONE	NONE	4	13
5	3				
6	11				
7	4				
8	1				
16	5				

7. INFORMATION ON MEACONING.

NONE.

8. USE OF GEE.

MAXIMUM RANGE OBTAINED.
 NORMAL - 369, 0520E-5141N

WILFRED V. KENNARD, JR.
 CAPT. AIR CORPS.
 401ST BBGP.

COMMUNICATIONS REPORT, OPERATIONAL MISSION, 35, 11 MARCH 1964.
 OFFICE OF THE COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER

9. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT DEFICIENCIES.

PLANE	REPORTED DEFICIENCIES	11 MARCH 1964
087	INTERPHONE-TOP TURRET MIKE BUTTON OUT.	
437	VHF-NO SIDETONE.	
440	INTERPHONE-REPLACE PILOTS MIKE. CHECK VT-99 TUBE (REFERENCE IN DYNAMOTOR, 501)	
001	COMMAND-#2 TRANSMITTER CHECK	
001	INTERPHONE-CHECK CO-PILOTS MIKE BUTTON.	
001	COMMAND-NO SIDETONE AT CO-PILOTS POSITION, CHECK JACK BOX, COMPASS-INOP.	
983	VHF-MUFFLED, CHECK SQUELCH RELAY.	
185	INTERPHONE-WEAK AT ALTITUDE.	
943	COMPASS-COULD NOT GET A GOOD HEADING.	
1496	COMPASS-VOLUME POOR.	
855	COMPASS-COULD NOT GET A FIX.	
617	COMPASS-NEEDLE OSCILLATES 30 DEGREES.	
619	COMPASS-DEAD	
098	LIAISON-NO SIDETONE ON THE RECEIVER AT HIGH ALTITUDE.	

10. BREACHES OF RADIO DISCIPLINE.

NONE. 1 COM FROM PILOTS

11. ABORTIVES DUE TO COMMUNICATIONS.

NONE. 1 FIX FROM PILOTS

12. OTHER COMMUNICATIONS DIFFICULTIES.

NONE.

13. FUNCTIONING OF DEENETHORPE BUNCHER BEACON.

BEACON IN OPERATION ENTIRE MISSION. RESULTS GOOD TO EXCELLENT.

14. FUNCTIONING OF DEENETHORPE VHF/DF STATION.

IN OPERATION ENTIRE MISSION. NO HOMINGS GIVEN.

15. REMARKS.

NONE.

HAROLD M. KENNARD, JR.
 CAPT. AIR CORPS,
 GP COMM O.

S-2 STATISTICAL REPORT

Mission of 11 March 1944
Target Munster

Time of Preparation 1430
Telephoned to A-2

(1) Designation of Group 401st.

(2) Total No. of A/C
airborne, incl. spares 19 (SPARES)

(3) Total No. of A/C
Dispatched 19 (SPARES 3)

(4) No. of A/C Attacking 19

(5) No. of A/C Dispatched
but not Attacking 0

Due to:

- (a) Mechanical Failure
(b) Weather
(c) Enemy Action
(lost before target)
(d) Other

(6) No. of A/C Lost 0

Due to:

- (a) Anti-aircraft fire
(b) Enemy fighters
(c) Flak and fighters
(d) Accident
(e) Reasons Unknown

(7) Times of Attack 0946

(8) Altitudes of Attack 22,500

(9) Bombs on Each Target (a) 573 (b) Size 100 (c) Type G.P.

(10) Personnel Casualties 0 Type: 6 just past target

- (a) Number Killed
(b) Number Wounded
(c) Number Missing

(11) A/C Suffering Battle Damage 0

Category:

- (a) Minor
(b) Major
(c) Salvage

REMARKS: 0-0-0

0

Preparing, Officer

(12) Claims

(13) Leaflets

Capt. Hill

OFFICE OF THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICER
STATION 128 - APO 634

D-K-3

11 March, 1944.

Subject: Crew Comments and Suggestions - Mission 11 March 1944.

TO : COMMANDING OFFICER, 401st Bombardment Group (H) ., APO 634.
(Through Lt. Col. Brooks and Lt. Col. Voorhees.)

1. The following crew comments were extracted from interrogation forms of Munster mission this date and are submitted to you for your perusal:

2. Maj. Martin (co-pilot) A/C 1485, says there was good formation flying all the way by our group and the 457th group.

3. Sgt. Koehler, (LWG) A/C0001 thinks it is a better idea for waist gunner to throw out Chaff instead of ROG - then it does not catch on waist guns.

4. Lts. Knight and Hugin, (pilot and co-pilot respectively of A/C 1983 commend the leader of the high squadron for an excellent job of formation flying.

5. Lt. Fox (pilot) A/C 1891, says that leaders evasive action in flak areas was much too violent and therefore disrupted the formation.

6. Lt. Keith (pilot) A/C 0855, complained that someone went into his equipment bag and took his oxygen mask. Resents the borrowing characteristic of the person responsible.

7. The entire crew of A/C 1869 commend engineering for a swell job of changing a tire just before T/O.

8. The entire crew of A/C 0050 complained that food has been very poor for almost a month and suffered cramps on mission. Lt. Smith (pilot) says group lead was bad today and that he called them for an hour and couldn't get a reply.

9. The whole crew of A/C 1072 stressed the need for flash lights on these very dark mornings.

10. Several members of A/C 1116 comment on the fact that no rags were available at armament shop to clean their guns and that oil cans were empty.

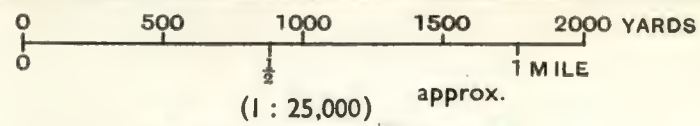
11. Lt. Kuhl, A/C 1496, mentioned that leader took too violent evasive action after bombs away which necessitated a 60 deg. bank. He also mentioned that Glatton used VHF for twenty-five continuous minutes on "A" channel from 0825 to 0850 after leaving point Z.

W. B. FRY,
Maj. A. C.,
Group S-2.

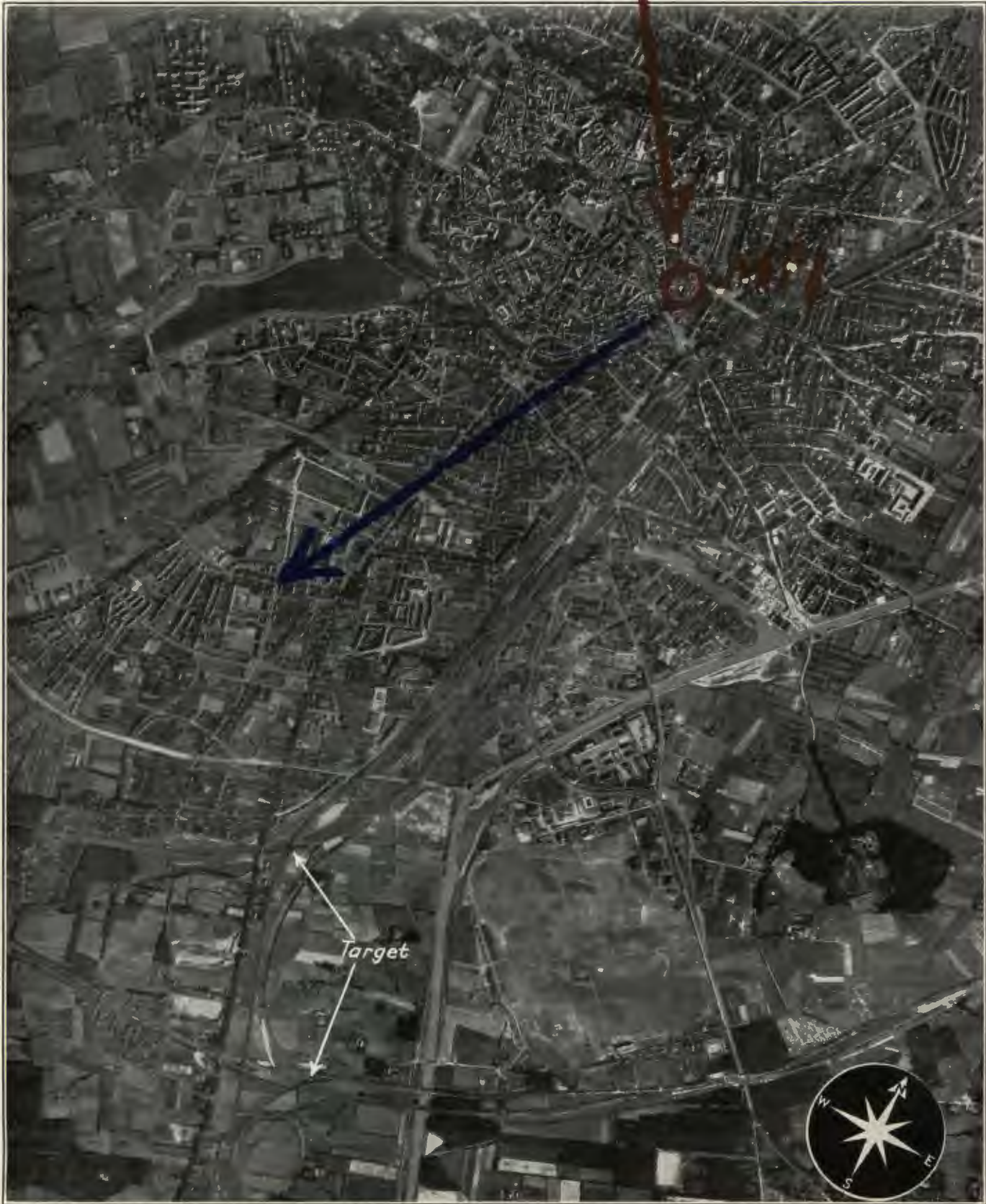
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RAILWAY JUNCTIONS — MÜNSTER (GERMANY)

Illustration No.
6 (d) (v) 13/3



Photographed 7 July 1941
Issued April 1943



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Target No.
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RAILWAY JUNCTIONS, Etc.

MÜNSTER (GERMANY)

Illustration No.
6 (d) (v) 13/7

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Issued December 1943

- A. RAILWAY JUNCTIONS.
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TYPE A

OFFICE OF THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICER
STATION 128 - APO 634
U. S. ARMY

D-G-5

11 March 1944.

SUBJECT: Enemy Opposition.

TO : COMMANDING GENERAL, 1st Bombardment Division, APO 634,
U. S. Army. (Attention: A-2 Section.)

1. No enemy opposition encountered.

W. B. Fry
W. B. Fry
W. B. FRY,
Major, A. C.,
Group S-2 Officer.

S E C R E T

Report on A.A. Gunfire.

401st BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)

MUNSTER

Assigned
Date of Mission 11 MARCH 1944
Bombed . . MUNSTER

1. Target:

2. Route as Flown:- 5217-0139E--5235-0437E--5143-0403E--

3. Weather conditions: (a) At target . 10/10 clouds

(b) En route . . 10/10th clouds over continent

4. Were our A.C "Seen" or "Unseen" targets? (a) At target unseen
(b) En route unseen

Any Condensation trails? Yes, non-persistent made by high box and by friendly fighters above our formation.

5. Description of Flak at Target, including METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL

Moderate flak-good for height and deflection- black in color.-
Unseen following fire control.

6. Flak encountered or observed en route. (IN the order experienced)

- 1. BGMOND-meagre-good for height-peer for deflection-black
- 2. 522000645E- meagre-good for height-peer for deflection-black
- 3. 5156-0738E- moderate-good for height-good for deflection-black
- 4. 5140-0412E-meagre-peer for height- peer for deflection-black

7. Was CHAFF carried? . Yes.

How discharged? . Radio Hatch-chute.

8. Position of Group

401-Ld Box--351-Low Box-- 457-High Box.

9. Details:-

A/C over enemy		A/C	A/Clost	Time over Target	Time of Bomb Away	Axis of	
Group	territory					Height	Attack
401	19	0	0	0946	0946	22800	150 Mag. PTF 30 Seconds
Totals							

10. Comments - Phenomena:-

- 1. 4 Rockets from ground - at target which left 4 red balls of fire.
- 2. White flak above formation as usual.

H. L. KNOPMAN,
1st Lt. A. C.
Asst. S-2 Officer.

Briefing Notes

① Today's target comes in the transportation category. It is one of those transportation junctions that links the north of Germany with the south and the east with the west. In addition to this it handles a big share of the traffic coming up from the Ruhr Valley.

2. Fleek at Egmond on the way in.

~~Longer south of I.P.~~ Around the I.P. be careful - not to overshoot. There are 50 guns in range out of 69. On route out there is fleek at Emmerich however briefest course is N. of this position.

Briefing Outline

1. Target - Importance
2. Description of route, on wall map.
3. Description of target, target on 1/250,000 in balance.
4. Night target chart
5. Photographs
6. Alak
7. Fighter Support - 1 Gp. P-47's, 1 Gp P-51's all the way in and out
8. No secondary target and no last resort target
9. P/W - Holland or Belgium
10. Special:
 - a) B-29
 - b) Friendly fighters with blue, yellow, red nose.
 - c) Security of the target.

Special Note. The 94th Wing is the only wing in the 1st Div. going to this target.

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OFFICE OF THE OPERATIONS OFFICER
 612th Bombardment Squadron (H)
 401st Bombardment Group (H)

AAF Station # 128
 11 March 1944.

SUBJECT : Loading List

TO : Operations Officer, 401st Bomb Group (H), AAF Station # 128, APO # 834.

1. The following is a list of crews on today's Operational Mission:

Plane 42-31891

P	Fox, Gaston M.	1st Lt.	612th
CP	Coyne, Daniel J.	1st Lt.	"
N	Wilson, Darrel D.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Mendelson, Leonard J.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Brandt, Duane G.	T/Sgt	"
TTG	Brown, Allen D.	T/Sgt	"
BTG	Van Booven, Donald W.	Sgt.	"
TG	Estess, Cecil C.	S/Sgt	"
LWG	Gallas, Joseph (NMI)	S/Sgt	"
RWG	Litchfield, Russell E.	S/Sgt	"

Plane 42-31087

P	Wells, Kenneth G.	2nd Lt.	612th
CP	Guinn, Eain N.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Gelula, Warren (NMI)	2nd Lt.	"
B	Lingenfelter, Leo J.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Bartlett, Edward M.	S/Sgt	"
TTG	Larson, Robert D.	S/Sgt	"
BTG	Convertino, Rico S.	Sgt.	"
TG	Weatherman, James H.	S/Sgt	"
LWG	Price, William (NMI)	Sgt	"
RWG	Chapman, William E.	Sgt.	"

Plane 42-31498

P	Kuhl, Frank O.	2nd Lt.	612th
CP	Czupryk, Edward J.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Sussman, Armand M.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Urry, William C.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Shaw, Edward (NMI)	S/Sgt	"
TTG	Robinson, Charles E.	Sgt.	"
BTG	Dziadzia, Ray P.	Sgt.	"
TG	Rister, Kenneth A.	Sgt.	"
LWG	Funk, Robert D.	S/Sgt	"
RWG	Terwiske, James G.	Sgt.	"

Plane 42-40050

P	Smith, Stuart E.	1st Lt.	612th
CP	Chmura, Stanislaw R.	1st Lt.	"
N	Reese, Victor S.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Majewski, Louis J.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Van Duren, Paul R.	T/Sgt	"
TTG	Carr, Maurice A.	T/Sgt	"
BTG	Davies, Leonardo F.	S/Sgt	"
TG	Parker, Harry C.	S/Sgt	"
LWG	Sciocchitano, Frank J.	S/Sgt	"
RWG	Hopkins, Calvin W.	S/Sgt.	"

Plane 42-97467

P	West, George E.	2nd Lt.	612th
CP	McKinnon, Douglas H.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Hutter, Lloyd A.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Montgomery, Thomas B.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Andrus, Robert L.	T/Sgt	"
TTG	Russell, Francis L.	T/Sgt	"
BTG	Womble, John L.	S/Sgt	"
TG	Lefkin, Michael (NMI)	S/Sgt	"
LWG	Russell, Hugh D.	Sgt	"
RWG	Morini, Alfred J.	S/Sgt	"

Plane 42-39943

P	Christensen, Mervin J.	2nd Lt	612th
CP	Kleppe, Fred H.	2nd Lt	"
N	King, Paul J.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Weiman, Carl K.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Spivey, Mario A. D.	S/Sgt	"
TTG	Flagg, Robert D.	S/Sgt	"
BTG	Cox, Wade W.	S/Sgt	"
TG	Lopez, Juan C.	Sgt	"
LWG	Colluccio, Anthony D.	Sgt.	"
RWG	Maleh, Irvin L.	Sgt	"

DONALD G. MCCREE,
 Captain, Air Corps,
 Operations Officer.

613th BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
 OFFICE OF THE OPERATIONS OFFICER
 AAF STATION 128, APO 694

11, MARCH 1944

SUBJECT: LOADING LIST

TO : OPERATIONS OFFICER, 401st BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H), AAF STATION 128, APO 694

1. FOLLOWING IS THE LIST OF COMBAT CREWS PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S MISSION.

DUTY	RANK	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MI
<u>PLANE NO. 42-30855</u>				
P	1st LT.	KEITH	ROBERT	L.
CP	2nd LT.	HAMMOND	WARDLOW	M.
N	2nd LT.	FLOTO	CARL	T.
B	2nd LT.	KING	JOHN	J.
RO	T/SGT.	MUSSER	BENJAMIN	Z.
TT	S/SGT.	BESSELLIEAU	BERT	B.
BT	SGT.	COLE	THOMAS	B.
TG	S/SGT.	KERR	ROBERT	V.
LWG	SGT.	SNODGRASS	GEORGE	W.
RWG	SGT.	KELSEN	HAROLD	J.

<u>PLANE NO. 42-31226</u>				
P	2nd LT.	SHARP	JAMES	C.
CP	2nd LT.	HUSS	VINCENT	J.
N	2nd LT.	STEPHENS	DAVID	M.
B	2nd LT.	BUSSE	MYLES	R.
RO	SGT.	FINNIE	CHARLES	S.
TT	M/SGT.	OLDER	HAROLD	K.
BT	SGT.	SEDERIS	JOHN	J.
TG	S/SGT.	TOMKINSON	ALFRED	A.
LWG	S/SGT.	TOBINE	RODNEY	T.
RWG	SGT.	DRAIN	JAMES	A.

<u>PLANE NO. 42-31072</u>				
P	2nd LT.	LEW	SANDY	(NMI)
CP	2nd LT.	PRIEST	GORDON	S.
N	2nd LT.	SCHLIEPER	ROGER	F.
B	2nd LT.	KELLY	JOHN	J.
RO	T/SGT.	JOHNSON	ALVIN	A.
TT	T/SGT.	THAYER	BLISS	P.
BT	S/SGT.	FRANKLIN	PAT	H.
TG	S/SGT.	HIBBS	ARLIE	E.
LWG	S/SGT.	ROBINSON	MARSHALL	S.
RWG	S/SGT.	MC CARTHY	WILLIAM	A.

<u>PATHFINDER SHIP</u>				
C	LTCOL	Voorhees	B	K
N	1st LT.	ANDERSON	WILLIAM	E.
TG	2nd LT.	CUSHMAN	THOMAS	R.

SIX HUNDRED AND FOURTEENTH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
 OFFICE OF THE OPERATIONS OFFICER

11 MARCH 1944

SUBJECT: Loading List.

TO : Operations Officer, 401st Bomb Gp (H), APO # 654.

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

*Plans # 42-40001

DUTY	RANK	FULL NAME	SQUADRON
P -	1st Lt.	KIRKHUFF, DONALD V.	614th
CP-	1st Lt.	SOBOLAK, BENNIE W.	"
H -	1st Lt.	PIERCE, MYRON E. JR.	"
B -	1st. Lt.	MONTONE, LIBER J.	"
RO-	T/Sgt.	Cook, Harold (NMI)	"
TT-	T/Sgt.	Nicholas, Charles L.	"
BT-	S/Sgt.	Merritt, William E.	"
TG-	S/Sgt.	Cohn, Leroy (NMI)	"
LNG	S/Sgt.	Kochler, Earl E.	"
RNG	S/Sgt.	Michel, Delmar E.	"

*Plans # 42-51369

P -	1st Lt.	SMITH, WALLACE R. JR.	614th
CP-	F/O	FAULHABER, DONALD A.	"
H -	2nd Lt.	HARDING, JAMES B.	"
B -	2nd Lt.	LEVY, JAMES G.	"
RO-	T/Sgt.	Castroeva, Salvatore L.	"
TT-	T/Sgt.	Fair, Charles H.	"
BT-	S/Sgt.	McKendry, Daniel C.	"
TG-	S/Sgt.	Sundberg, David C.	"
LNG	S/Sgt.	Roberts, Marion E.	"
RNG	S/Sgt.	Gatzemeyer, Gerald R.	"

*Plans # 42-51116

P -	2nd Lt.	KSIENIEWICZ, CHARLES S.	614th
CP-	2nd Lt.	HARRINGTON, KENNETH G.	"
H -	2nd Lt.	DASTOUS, JOSEPH C.	"
B -	2nd Lt.	TUMPSON, SIDNEY L.	"
RO-	Cpl.	Wilber, Maurice V.	"
TT-	S/Sgt.	Burke, Francis (NMI)	"
BT-	S/Sgt.	Risi, John M.	"
TG-	Cpl.	McEldowney, Donald E.	"
LNG	Sgt.	Grygiel, Stanley L.	"
RNG	S/Sgt.	Panichas, George T.	"

Loading List (Continued)

Plane # 42-39440

P -	1st Lt.	KAUFMAN, RICHARD H.	614th
CP--	2nd Lt.	TIMBERLAKE, ROBERT H.	"
N -	1st Lt.	O'NEAL, JOHN E. JR.	"
B -	2nd Lt.	PEDRO, ORLANDO J.	"
RO -	T/Sgt.	Mancouse, Carmon L.	"
TT -	T/Sgt.	Kukurin, Karl E.	"
BT -	S/Sgt.	Melia, Paul S.	"
TG -	S/Sgt.	LeSage, Alfred (NMI)	"
LNG-	Cpl.	Allen, Andrew L.	"
RWG-	S/Sgt.	Cohen, Franklin C.	"

Plane # 42-31098

P -	1st Lt.	WILSON, CARLTON L.	614th
CP -	2nd Lt.	KELLEY, CURTIS C.	"
N -	2nd Lt.	CONNERY, JOHN K.	"
B -	2nd Lt.	FOGARTY, FRANCIS M.	"
RO -	T/Sgt.	Andersen, Carl D.	"
TT -	T/Sgt.	Quinn, Robert E.	"
BT -	S/Sgt.	Passeno, William W.	"
TG -	S/Sgt.	Pettit, Gerald H.	"
LNG-	S/Sgt.	McMahon, James F.	"
RWG-	S/Sgt.	Smith, George R.	"

Plane # 42-39847

P -	2nd Lt.	SHAW, FRANCIS M.	614th
CP -	2nd Lt.	COLE, WILLIAM R.	"
N -	2nd Lt.	MATRICIAN, MICHAEL (NMI)	"
B -	2nd Lt.	AUTRY, ALFRED L.	"
RO -	Sgt. Terroux,	Terroux, Kenneth A.	"
TT -	S/Sgt.	Macomber, Richard W.	"
BT -	Sgt.	Hurd, John L.	"
TG -	S/Sgt.	Prager, Gilbert (NMI)	"
LNG-	Sgt.	Seagren, Carl K.	"
RWG-	Sgt.	Gordon, Robert T.	"

** Designates Engineer

SIX HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
 Office of the Operations Officer

March 11, 1944

SUBJECT: Loading List.

TO : Operations Officer, 401st Bomb Gp (H), APO #634.

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

PLANE # 42-51405

DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
P -	Captain	Rumsey	William	A.	615th
CP -	Major	Martin	Malcolm	K.	94th Combat Wing
N -	1st Lt.	Walsh	Michael	R.	615th
B -	1st Lt.	Arnold	Harold	S.	615th
RO -	T/Sgt.	Carter	William	W.	615th
TT -	T/Sgt.	Roberts	Donald	B.	615th
BT -	S/Sgt.	Lieberman	Irving	I.	615th
TG -	S/Sgt.	McElligott	Herbert	F.	615th
LWG-	S/Sgt.	Rothwell	Frank	A.	615th
RWG-	S/Sgt.	Lee	Ivan	R.	615th

PLANE 42-31077

P -	1st Lt.	Post	Edwin	A.	615th
CP -	2nd Lt.	Ledray	Vincent	L.	615th
N -	2nd Lt.	Hirsch	Bernard	M. K.	615th
B -	2nd Lt.	Walsh	James	V.	615th
RO -	S/Sgt.	Beller	James	E.	615th
TT -	T/Sgt.	Romano	Emanuel	L.	615th
BT -	Sgt.	Latal	Frank	R.	615th
TG -	S/Sgt.	Kolsman	Michael	(WMI)	615th
LWG-	Sgt.	Brennan	Lawrence	F.	615th
RWG-	S/Sgt.	Smith	Alan	B.	615th

PLANE # 42-31903

P -	2nd Lt.	Knight	Dan	C.	615th
CP -	2nd Lt.	Huegin	William	B.	615th
N -	2nd Lt.	Cummings	Lawrence	T.	615th
B -	2nd Lt.	Chambers	Edward	C.	615th
RO -	S/Sgt.	Knowski	Joseph	C.	615th
TT -	S/Sgt.	Mercurio	Michael	J.	615th
BT -	S/Sgt.	Macowski	William	E.	615th
TG -	S/Sgt.	Wilson	Charles	J.	615th
LWG-	S/Sgt.	Paesky	Charles	L.	615th
RWG-	S/Sgt.	Jackson	Harry	A.	615th
NO -	S/Sgt.	Page	Page	D.	615th
B -	2nd Lt.	Page	Page	B.	615th
N -	2nd Lt.	Page	Page	B.	615th
CB -	S/Sgt.	Page	Page	F.	615th
B -	S/Sgt.	Page	Page	F.	615th

PLANE # 42-21919

DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
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DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
<u>PLANE # 42-31619</u>					
P -	2nd Lt.	Otton	Walter	J.	615th
CP -	2nd Lt.	Shantz	Fred	L.	615th
N -	F/O	Rush	Louis	R.	615th
B -	2nd Lt.	Lets	Robert	F.	615th
RO -	S/Sgt.	Reddy	Hugh	D.	615th
TRG -	S/Sgt.	Goulden	George	F.	615th
HTG -	Sgt.	Harlow	Charles	R.	615th
TO -	Sgt.	Gumpson	John	A.	615th
LNG -	Sgt.	McGahan	James	H.	615th
RNG -	Sgt.	Hiltott	Ralph	D.	615th
NO -	Sgt.	Ward	Joseph	G.	615th
B -	Sgt.	Ward	Joseph	G.	615th
A -	Sgt.	Ward	Joseph	G.	615th
CB -	Sgt.	Ward	Joseph	G.	615th
B -	Sgt.	Ward	Joseph	G.	615th

PLANE # 42-21002

MAC -	Sgt.	Ward	Joseph	G.	615th
MAC -	Sgt.	Ward	Joseph	G.	615th
LO -	Sgt.	Ward	Joseph	G.	615th
HL -	Sgt.	Ward	Joseph	G.	615th
LL -	Sgt.	Ward	Joseph	G.	615th
NO -	Sgt.	Ward	Joseph	G.	615th
B -	Sgt.	Ward	Joseph	G.	615th
A -	Sgt.	Ward	Joseph	G.	615th
CB -	Sgt.	Ward	Joseph	G.	615th
B -	Sgt.	Ward	Joseph	G.	615th

PLANE # 42-21011

MAC -	Sgt.	Ward	Joseph	G.	615th
MAC -	Sgt.	Ward	Joseph	G.	615th
LO -	Sgt.	Ward	Joseph	G.	615th
HL -	Sgt.	Ward	Joseph	G.	615th
LL -	Sgt.	Ward	Joseph	G.	615th
NO -	Sgt.	Ward	Joseph	G.	615th
B -	Sgt.	Ward	Joseph	G.	615th
A -	Sgt.	Ward	Joseph	G.	615th
CB -	Sgt.	Ward	Joseph	G.	615th
B -	Sgt.	Ward	Joseph	G.	615th

DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
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PLANE # 42-21002

I. Following is the list of names belonging to the 615th Squadron
 to the observation officer's report of the 615th Squadron
 National: General Staff

March 11, 1944

Official: the observation officer
 SIX HUNDRED TWO MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED EIGHT HUNDRED (II)

HEADQUARTERS
401st BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Staff Weather Officer
APO 634, U.S. Army

11 March 1944

WEATHER INTERROGATION SUMMARY FOR MISSION OF 11 MARCH 1944

TAKE-OFF: 0645. 1/10 stratocumulus, base 2000', tops 3000'. 7/10 altostratus and altocumulus, base 10,000'. Visibility 3 miles.

ROUTE OUT: 6-8/10 stratocumulus, tops 4-5000' over England, becoming 8-10/10 over the channel. 5-7/10 altostratus and altocumulus, base 10-12,000 ft, tops 12-14,000 ft over England, becoming 6-8/10, tops 16-18,000' over the continental coast, becoming 10/10 near target, tops 20-21,000'. 8-10/10 cirrostratus, thin, above 25,000'. Visibility 3-4 miles beneath clouds over England, becoming unrestricted horizontally above clouds.

TARGET: 0948. 10/10 altostratus and altocumulus, tops 20-21,000'. 8-10/10 cirrostratus, thin, above 25,000'. Visibility unrestricted horizontally.

ROUTE BACK: 8-10/10 stratocumulus (as viewed through breaks in middle cloud over the continent), tops 4-5000', becoming 6-8/10 over the channel, becoming 2-3/10 at Eastern coast of England and increasing again to 7-9/10 upon nearing bases. 10/10 altostratus and altocumulus, tops 20-21,000', becoming 6-8/10, tops 16-18,000' over continental coast and 4-6/10, tops 16-18,000' over the channel. 8-10/10 cirrostratus, thin, above 25,000' over the continent and channel. Visibility unrestricted horizontally above clouds and 3-4 miles below clouds over England.

BASE ON RETURN: 1229. 9/10 stratocumulus, base 1500'. Visibility 5 miles.

REMARKS: Occasional light, non-persistent contrails from bombers at 22,500'. Light to moderate non-persistent contrails from fighters at 26,000' and above. Winds aloft: At 19,000' over the channel on route out, 329 deg. at 80 knots. Temperatures 2-3 degrees warmer than briefed at flight level.

Arthur B. Street
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Captain, A.C.
Staff Weather Officer

ROUTE FORECAST

DATE. MARCH 11, 1964.....
PERIOD. 0630-1230.....

	(A) BASE TO COST. COAST	(B) COST. COAST TO TARGET TO COST. COAST	(C) COST. COAST TO BASE	(D)
WEATHER (1)	MOSTLY CLOUDY WITH HAZE	MOSTLY CLOUDY BECOMING OVERCAST WITH HAZE.	OVERCAST WITH HAZE	REMARKS: CONTRAILS UNISE PERSISTANT ABOVE 25000.
CLOUDS (2)	5-7/10 VARIABLE STRATOCUMULUS BASE 1500-2000. TOPS 4-5000. BECOMING 8-10/10 STRATO CU. OVER WATER. 3-5/10 ALTO CU. BASE 12000. TOPS 13000. 6-8/10 CIRRUSSTRATUS. BASE ABOVE 24000.	8-10/10 STRATO CU. BASE 1-2000. TOPS 4-5000. BECOMING 10/10 ON ROUTE TO TARGET. 3-5/10 ALTO CU. AND ALTOSTRATUS BASE 12000. TOPS 13000. BECOMING 5-7/10 ON ROUTE TO TARGET AND ON RETURN TO COAST.	8-10/10 STRATO CU. BASE 1-2000. TOPS 4-5000. BECOMING 7-9/10 STRATO CU. BASE 1-2000. TOPS 5000 AT BASE ON RETURN. 5-7/10 ALTO CU AND ALTO STRATUS. BASE 12000. TOPS 15000. AT BASE ON RETURN. 6-8/10 CIRRUSSTRATUS. BASE ABOVE 24000 BECOMING 8- 10/10 CIRRUSSTRATUS. BASE 22000.	Becoming 7-9/10 Ac+As Base 10,000. tops 15,000 at base on return.
FREEZING LEVEL AND INDEX (3)	3000 FT. LIGHT RIME.	3000 FT. LIGHT RIME. Tops Ac+As at Target 15,000	3000 FT. LIGHT RIME.	
VISIBILITY (4)	1-2000 YDS. BECOMING UNRE- STRICTED AT FLIGHT LEVEL.	UNRESTRICTED AT FLIGHT LEVEL.	UNRESTRICTED AT FLIGHT LEVEL BECOMING 2-4 MILES. AT BASE ON RETURN.	
HEIGHT	DIRECTION	VELOCITY	DIRECTION	VELOCITY
SURFACE (5)	340	20	TRIPS.	
5000 FT (6)	340	30	00	
10000 FT (7)	340	45	05	
15000 FT (8)	340	60	14	
20000 FT (9)	340	75	24	
25000 FT (10)	340	85	35	
30000 FT (11)	340	90	48	

BASE ALTIMETER SETTING... 30.00... TARGET SURFACE TEMP. PLUS 02... TARGET MEAN TEMP. MINUS 7.5... TARGET SURFACE PRESSURE 30.80...

HEADQUARTERS
401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Engineering Officer
Station 128

A.P.O. 634
11 March, 1944

SUBJECT: S-4 Combat Mission Report on Mission 11 March, 1944

TO : Commanding Officer, 1st Bombardment Division, APO 634.

1. The following Engineering failures were reported with the number of cases in parenthesis:

Runaway Prop (2) Fluxgate Compass Out (2)
Vacuum Pump Out (1) Generators Out (2)

2. The following Armament failures were reported with the number of cases in parenthesis:

Asplidyne Brushes in Chin Turret burned out (1)

3. The following failures other than Engineering and Armament were reported with the number of cases in parenthesis:

None Reported.

CHARLES W. HUNT
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Group Engineering Officer

HEADQUARTERS
401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Armament Officer
Station 128

A.P.O. 634
11 March, 1944

SUBJECT: Armament Narrative, Mission No. 35, 11 March, 1944

TO : Commanding Officer, 401st Bombardment Group (H),
APO 634, U.S. Army

1. The following Armament malfunctions were reported
at the conclusion of the mission of 11 March, 1944.

<u>A/C No.</u>	<u>GUN POSITION</u>	<u>MALFUNCTION</u>	<u>PERSONNEL OR EQUIPMENT</u>
42-31369	Chin Turret	Out in elevation. Amplidyne Brushes burned out.	Equipment

BOMB RACK MALFUNCTIONS

1. A negative bomb rack malfunction report is submitted
for the mission of 11 March, 1944.

SAM P. BROOKHALL JR
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Group Armament Officer

HEADQUARTERS
 401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
 Office of the Engineering Officer
 Station 128

A.P.O. 634
 11 March, 1944

SUBJECT: Mission Summary Report

TO : Group Operations, Station 128, APO 634.

1. Abortives.

None.

2. Battle Damage.

a. 42-39943 - Plexiglass Nose Section cracked by flak.

b. 42-31116 - 6" rip in right horizontal stabilizer, underside, damaging rib, caused by flak.

c. 42-31098 - 1" flak hole through bottom of right aileron, damaging spar.

<u>TOTAL NO.</u> <u>OF A/C</u>	<u>MAJOR</u> <u>DAMAGE</u>	<u>MINOR</u> <u>DAMAGE</u>	<u>BY</u> <u>FLAK</u>
3	0	3	3

CHARLES W. HUNT
 1st Lt., Air Corps,
 Group Engineering Officer

612TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
OFFICE OF THE ENGINEERING OFFICER
STATION 128
APO 634

11 March, 1944

SUBJECT: Battle Damage Report

TO : Engineering Officer, 401st Bombardment Group (H), Station 128,
APO 634, U.S.Army.

1. The following is the battle damage report for the aircraft
operated by this Squadron for the combat mission completed this date:

Airplane Number	Battle Damage
42-39943	1. Bombardier's windshield cracked.
42-40050	Negative Battle Damage
42-31087	Negative Battle Damage
42-97487	Negative Battle Damage
42-31496	Negative Battle Damage
42-31891	Negative Battle Damage

Herbert O. Kimmel
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