

*Group Engineering**CLD*

OFFICE OF THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICER
STATION 128 - APO 557
U.S. ARMY

4 May 1944.

SUBJECT: Crew Comments and Suggestions.

TO : Commanding Officer, 401st Bomb Gp (H), APO 557 US Army.
(Thru Lt Col Voorhees and Lt Col Brooks)

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W.B. FRY,
Major, Air Corps,
Group S-2 Officer.

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

P-A-2

A.P.O. 557
4 May, 1944

SUBJECT: Mission Summary Report

TO : Group Operations, Station 128, APO 557

1. Abortives.

a. Airplane No. 42-39904 - Returned early because the pilot couldn't find the correct formation. He flew with another Group which was recalled.

b. Airplane No. 42-31037 - Returned early because of internal failure of # 4 engine.

c. Airplane No. 42-97664 - Returned early because the airplane was unable to keepup with the formation. The airplane was ground checked after landing and then test flown. With normal manifold pressure and engine RPM the airplane speed was normal.

2. Battle Damage.

None.

CHARLES W. HUNT
Capt., Air Corps,
Group Engineering Officer

HEADQUARTERS
401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Armament Officer
Station 126

P-C-2

A.P.O. 557
4 May, 1944

SUBJECT: Armament Narrative on Mission 4 May, 1944

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

1. Negative Armament and Bomb Rack malfunction report
is submitted for the mission of 4 May, 1944.

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

HEADQUARTERS
401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
AAF STATION 128

P-A-2

A.P.O. 557
4 May, 1944

SUBJECT: S-4 Combat Mission Report on Mission 4 May, 1944.

TO : Commanding Officer, 1st Bombardment Division, APO 557
ATTN: Statistical Control Officer.

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

Oxygen System Leaks (1) Heaters Out (1)

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

None Reported.

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

Rheostat Out (1)

CHARLES W. HUNT
Capt., Air Corps,
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Sp. Engineering

LEAD BOX *74 1/2" wing.*

Combat Flight Leader: MAJ SEAWELL 4 May 1944
(Date)

Deputy Flight Leader: CAPT MC CREE

Group Call Sign: _____ Fighter Call Sign: _____

15:22

Ground Control: _____

X PFF →

613 SQDN 612th SC JASWOCK
 613th IN MACRO
 614th IW GOLFCLUB
SEAWELL 615th IY BUZZARD

636
PFF ✓

LEN MC CREE
IN H 9932 ✓ PFF
~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ *R. Nelson 632* ✓

O'NEIL
IN B 7043
IN R 1510 ✓

LENKEIT BARNETT
IN K 1072 ✓ IN F 1037 ✓

612 SQDN 614 SQDN

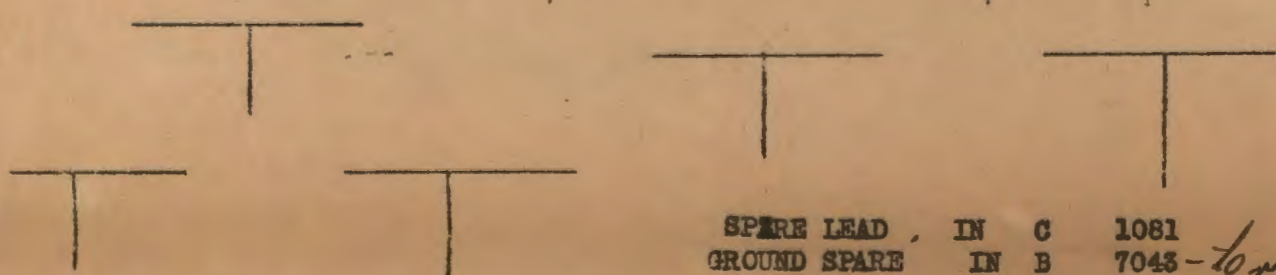
CURRIE WALSH
SC M 7039 ✓ IW X 1863 ✓

TOUSSAINT WEST LA FEVOR KILMER
SC G 1034 ✓ SC O 7487 ✓ IW N 7210 ✓ ~~IN G~~ ~~1207~~

KELLY KAUFFMAN
SC D 6992 ✓ IW D 2394 ✓

MASSEY GRIMMETT FISSETTI BARTLEY
SC K 1087 ✓ SC B 1662 ✓ IW G 7084 ✓ IW F 7395 ✓

SPARES



SPARE LEAD IN C 1081
GROUND SPARE IN B 7043 - *to replace 1537*
 " IW B 7151
Ground Spare ~~IN N~~ ~~9932~~
P.F.F. Q - 7620

Sp. Engineering

HIGH BOX

94th "A" Wg.

Combat Flight Leader MAJOR HINKLE Date 4 MAY 1944

Deputy Flight Leader LT. GRINHAM

Group Call Sign _____ Fighter Call Sign _____

Ground Control _____

615th SQDN

612th SC JAWOCK
613th IN MACRO
614th IW GOLFCLUB
615th IY BUZZARD

CHAPMAN (HINKLE)

IW P 2012 ✓

*Did not take
KAMINSKI off*
IY Q 9873

GRINHAM
IY C 9904 ✓

TRIMBLE

IY E 7092 ✓
1977 ✓

OCHENSHIRT

IY F 7664 ✓

GILLESPIE

IY H 7843 ✓

COMP SQDN

COMP SQDN

WYSOCKI

IY K 1069 ✓

JOHNSON

SC R 2393 ✓

MANN

IY J 7113 ✓

PARR

IY N 7073 ✓

HAGAN

SC N 8026 ✓

TANNER

SC F 9943 ✓

SCHARFF

IN L 2581 ✓

WILSON, C.L.

IW A 7440 ✓

CONNOLLY

IN P 7344 ✓

PROTZ

IN E 7009 ✓

LINCOLN

IW R 7780 ✓

SHARP

IN J 1591 ✓

SPARES

SPARE LEAD SC P 1891
GROUND SPARES IY B 1730 — *out*
IY E 7092 — *To replace*
— 077

REPORT OF OPERATIONAL
DAY

MISSION No. **63**

Date: **4 MAY 44**

TO: **BERGEN / ALKMAAR, HOLLAND**

Target No.
S. 60

FIELD — BERGEN/ALKMAAR (H. AND)

Illustration No.
S. 60/3

0 500 1000 1500 2000 YARDS
0 1 MILE

Photographed 8 February 1943

(1 : 18,000)

approx.

Issued August 1943



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U. S. ARMY

D-M-4

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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)

Assigned . . . BERLIN
Target: Bombed . . . BERGEN/ALKMAAR Date of Mission 4 May 44.

Route as Flown:- 0913 hours Lowestoft - 0941 hours (5236-0437E) - 1003 hours (5240-0716E) Bergen/Alkmaar A/D - 1051 hours (5239-0437E) - 1144 hours (5237-0144E).

Weather conditions: (a) At target . Very - Cloudy patches

(b) En route . 5/10 & 10/10 to 3,000 feet

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

Any condensation trails? . Yes

Description of Flak at Target, including METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL
Meager flak was observed at target area, fair to good for altitude but poor for deflection.

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

Observed 0943 hours (5230-0428E) 20,500 Meagre, Good, Poor, Black, Cont. Point
Observed 0945 hours (5236-0518E) 22,700 Meagre, Poor, Poor, Black, Pred. Concentrations
Observed 1003 hours (5234-0714E) 21,000 Meagre, Good, Poor, Black, Following

Was CHAFF carried? . . . Yes

How discharged? . . . Not discharged

Position of Group . . . High Box - Lead Box

Details:-

Group	A/C over enemy territory	A/C Damaged	A/C lost to Flak	Time over Target	Time of Bombs away	Height	Axis of Attack	Bomb Run
401st	30	0	0	1950	1050	21000	287° T	4 min.
Details:								

Comments - Phenomena:- Observed flak ship 8 miles E. of Heeven in Brider See 1028 hours - rocket observed NE of Appledorn - Gray black trail and black burst.

Lt. P. R. Myers

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: P/W - Route In - Holland; IP-Target Area - Denmark and Sweden. Ports of exit - Stettin, Rostock, Danzig, Lubeck and *WISMAR*. If land in Sweden, following fields are recommended: GOTHENBURG (5743-1158E) SAUTERNAS ; MALMO (5537-1300E); KALMAR (5640-1622E); LJUNGBYHED (5605-1314E); STOCKHOLM (5920-1805E). Destroy IFF and G Box.

FRIENDLY AIRCRAFT: Watch out for P-63, which is a P-39 with a slightly different tail assembly. It will have U.S. camouflage with RAF markings.

EMPTY YOUR POCKETS
DOES YOUR HARNESS FIT?
DO YOU HAVE YOUR IDENTITY PHOTOS?
DO YOU HAVE YOUR DOG TAGS?
DO YOU HAVE GISHOES?
ESCAPE ~~KIT~~ KITS

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HEADQUARTERS, 401st BOMB GROUP (I)
Office of the Intelligence Officer
A.P.O. 557, U. S. ARMY

4 May 1944

Subject: Briefing Notes.

To: The Intelligence Officer, 401st Bomb Group (H).

PRIMARY TARGET. The primary target for today's mission of R
BERLIN, capital of GERMANY. This is the heart of Germany, as you all
know, having been there some six times, that is, Berlin or vicinity.
Its main contribution to the Reich's war effort is in the field of el-
ectrical goods. Our MPI is the FRIEDRICHSTRASSE UNDER GROUND STATION.
Destruction of this target will absolutely cripple the city's transpor-
tation system, as it is the main junction point. It may be recognized
by its position at the eastern end of the TIERGARTEN, the large park ly-
ing in the center of the city.

SECONDARY TARGET. The target is the TYRE AND RUBBER FACTORY
of the CONTINENTAL GUMMIWERKE A.G., known as the WAHRENWALDERSTRASSE
WORKS. This plant covers approximately 100,000 square yards. The MPI
is the center of the industrial area.

LAST RESORT TARGET. Any industrial target in GERMANY, or any
AIRDROME in HOLLAND, not adjacent to a built up area which may be attacked
without disrupting fighter support.

ROUTE: The route takes you in over the ZUIDER ZEE, straight
EAST, north of DUMMER LAKE AND HANNOVER, bearing a bit north to the IP,
thence SE over the target, turning back to the West and Northwest and re-
joining the incoming route.

FIGHTERS: 1 Group of P-51's will sweep the Target Area
twenty minutes prior to arrival of 1st Division and will return to meet
1st Division tacking on to head of column. A weather report of target
conditions will be given by this group.

EPIDIASCOPE PROCEDURE:

1/500,000 map, showing route to IP, bomb run and MPI
1/250,000 map, " " " " " " " "
British Night Map
Photos of Target Areas.
Flak Map

LAST MINUTE INSTRUCTIONS: Possible convoy en route out.
1 CBW and lead groups of following
wings will throw out chaff.

5-3

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

4 April 1944

SUBJECT: LOADING LIST

TO: Operations Officer, 401st Bombardment Group (H), AAF Station 128

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

DUTY	RANK	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MI
<u>PLANE NO. 42-99932</u>				
P	2d Lt.	LEE	SAEY	(MIA)
CP	2d Lt.	FRIEST	GORDON	S.
N	2d Lt.	SCHLIMPER	ROGER	F.
B	2d Lt.	KELLY	JOHN	J.
RO	T SGT.	JOHNSON	ALVEN	A.
TT	SGT.	NOVAK	CLEMENT	V.
BT	S SGT.	FRANKLIN	PAT	H.
TO	S SGT.	HIBBS	AULIE	E.
LWG	S SGT.	ROBINSON	MARSHALL	E.
RWG	S SGT.	McCARTIN	WILLIAM	A.
<u>PLANE NO. 42-31591</u>				
P	2d Lt.	SHARP	JAMES	C.
CP	2d Lt.	HUGG	VINCENT	J.
N	2d Lt.	STEPHENS	DAVID	H.
B	2d Lt.	BUDGE	MYLES	R.
RO	T SGT.	BRADY	OTTO	H.
TT	M SGT.	OLSEN	HAROLD	K.
BT	SGT.	SHERID	JOHN	J.
TO	S SGT.	TOMKINSON	ALFRED	A.
LWG	S SGT.	TOBINE	ROSEY	T.
RWG	SGT.	DRAIN	JAMES	A.
<u>PLANE NO. 42-31592 42-107049</u>				
P	2d Lt.	O'NEIL	EDWARD	T.
CP	2d Lt.	LIVINGSTONE	ALEXANDER	R.
N	2d Lt.	WHITING	MYRICK	J.
B	2d Lt.	GOSCH	LENN	C.
RO	S SGT.	MUNCH	ELMER	C.
TT	S SGT.	GREEN	CECIL	B.
BT	S SGT.	O'BRIEN	JOHN	B.
TO	S SGT.	FETTER	ELMER	M.
LWG	S SGT.	BAEHLER	JAMES	E.
RWG	S SGT.	MATINELLI	ALEXANDER	H.
<u>PLANE NO. 42-102581</u>				
P	2d Lt.	SCHNITZ	PAUL	F.
CP	2d Lt.	BECKHART	CHARLES	A.
N	2d Lt.	LA CASSE	WYNELL	(MIA)
B	2d Lt.	HOOVER	ROBERT	R.
RO	SGT.	STRONG	ROBERT	C.
TT	T SGT.	KARL	RICHARD	X.
BT	S SGT.	BIDELL	CHARLES	H.
TO	S SGT.	SMALLIN	JAMES	M.
LWG	S SGT.	TOMLINSON	ROSCOE	P.
RWG	SGT.	PYNIGAR	FREDERICK	G.

PLANE NO. A2-91072

P	2d Lt.	LEMKBIT	DANA	M.
CP	2d Lt.	JOHNSON	WHEEL	T.
N	2d Lt.	BENNETT	CYRUS	P.
B	2d Lt.	DERSHIMIN	HAROLD	W.
RO	T SGT.	HECKER	DONALD	A.
TT	T SGT.	PACK	JESSE	O.
BT	S SGT.	BLACK	JAMES	P.
TC	S SGT.	NICHLY	JOHN	H.
LNG	S SGT.	RICE	EDWARD	J.
RNG	S SGT.	SCHAIR	ANTHUR	(NMI)

PLANE NO. A2-91037

P	2d Lt.	BARNETT	RICHARD	S.
CP	2d Lt.	HEWESSEY	JAMES	T.
N	2d Lt. FOLIVER	IRVING	(NMI)	
B	2d Lt.	WISS	NOBLEMAN	(NMI)
RO	SGT.	MAHLER	ANTHER	P.
TT	S SGT.	FRIST	MAURICE	C.
BT	SGT.	HECKOWITZ	SETH	(NMI)
TC	SGT.	D'AGASTINO	SECTOR	(NMI)
LNG	SGT.	CASS	LEO	C.
RNG	SGT.	BARNES	MORLE	E.

PLANE NO. A2-97344

P	2d Lt.	CONNOLLY	JOHN	J.
CP	2d Lt.	BOGGS	JAMES	B.
N	2d Lt.	KRISH	THOMAS	H.
B	2d Lt.	BOLLER	EDWARD	H.
RO	SGT.	HURLEY	BARCLAY	J.
TT	S SGT.	MILLS	CARL	W.
BT	SGT.	PEREZ	FRANK	D.
TC	S SGT.	STREET	VICTOR	P.
LNG	SGT.	FRIEDMAN	MAURICE	(NMI)
RNG	SGT.	BEKNAP	LEE	O.

PLANE NO. A2-107009

P	2d Lt.	PHOTZ	WILLIAM	F.
CP	2d Lt.	MAONEY	JOHN	J.
N	F/O	STIGEL	ALVIN	J.
B	2d Lt.	BENNETT	SAM	B.
RO	S SGT.	WICKS	WAYNE	W.
TT	SGT.	MORROW	JIM	K.
BT	SGT.	BARTAK	FRANK	S.
TC	SGT.	APPLEBY	JAMES	C.
LNG	SGT.	REINHARDT	ALBERT	P.
RNG	SGT.	CLIFF	GLENN	I.

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

AAF Station # 128
 4 May 1944.

SUBJECT: Loading List.

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

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

*Plane ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ 42-32012

P	Captain	CHAPMAN, ALVAH H. JR.	614th
CE	Major	HINKLE, CARL C. JR.	"
N	1st Lt.	SMITH, CHARLES M.	"
B	Major	PICKOFF, JULIUS	401st
RO	T/Sgt.	Pyle, Robert B.	614th
TT	T/Sgt.	Wilson, George S.	"
EX TO	1st Lt.	MARGER, ROBERT W.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Dayton, James E.	"
LWG	S/Sgt.	Cohen, Franklin C.	"
RWG	S/Sgt.	Brennan, Michael G.	"

*Plane 42-31863

P	1st Lt.	WALSH, ROBERT F.	614th
CP	1st Lt.	SOBOLAK, BENNIE W.	"
N	2nd Lt.	PORTER, GUY R.	"
B	1st Lt.	CONLEY, JOSEPH J.	612th
RO	Cpl.	Zappala, Vincent	614th
TT	S/Sgt.	Modling, Odom W.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Collie, Perry O.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Brigoch, Ludvick J.	"
LWG	S/Sgt.	Cartmill, Charles L.	"
RWG	S/Sgt.	Layland, John M.	"

*Plane 42-102394

P	1st Lt.	KAUFMAN, RICHARD H.	614th
CP	2nd Lt.	BRIGHT, WILBUR C.	"
N	1st Lt.	HARDING, JAMES B.	"
B	2nd Lt.	PEDRON, ORLANDO J.	"
RO	Sgt.	Gray, John A.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Tweed, Stanley A.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Berg, Edgar M.	"
TG	T/Sgt.	Garen, Alex (EMI) Jr.	"
LWG	Sgt.	Jones, Scott D.	"
RWG	S/Sgt.	Teel, Oliver E.	"

*Plane 42-39440

P	1st Lt.	WILSON, CARLETON L.	614th
CP	2nd Lt.	HELLEY, CURTIS C.	"
N	2nd Lt.	CONNERY, JOHN X.	"
B	2nd Lt.	FOGARTY, FRANCIS M.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Stimmel, Bert W.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Quinn, Robert E.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Passano, William W.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Pottit, Gerald H.	"
LWG	S/Sgt.	McMahon, James F.	"
RWG	S/Sgt.	Smith, George R.	"

Loading List (Con't)

Plane 42-31315

P	2nd Lt.	KILMER, ALPHEUS L.	614th
CP	2nd Lt.	HUNTER, JAMES M.	"
N	2nd Lt.	RICKS, FRANK W.	"
B	2nd Lt.	FWLER, EUGENE K.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Brooks, Robert L.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Deitsch, Delois F.	"
BT	Sgt.	Gernley, Edward M.	"
TG	Sgt.	McKissick, James J. Baker, James J.	"
LWG	Sgt.	Hicks, Robert G.	"
RWG	Sgt.	Alexander, James S.	"

*Plane 42-107084

P	2nd Lt.	PISETTE, ROBERT L.	614th
CP	2nd Lt.	THOMPSON, CHARLES F.	"
N	2nd Lt.	GRISSET, JACQUES (NMI)	"
B	2nd Lt.	FUGIM, WILLIAM P.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Crites, Emory	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Garlin, Harry C. Jr.	"
BT	Sgt.	Tollefson, Lauren M.	"
TG	Sgt.	Wright, Dale L.	"
LWG	Sgt.	Long, Albert D.	"
RWG	Sgt.	Mack, Allen W.	"

*plane 42-102780

P	2nd Lt.	LINCOLN, CLIFFORD A.	614th
CP	2nd Lt.	MYERS, JOSEPH H. JR.	"
N	2nd Lt.	MATRICIAN, MICHAEL	"
B	2nd Lt.	DANILAVEZ, STEPHEN J.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Johnson, Oscar M.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Bredelin, Raymond C.	"
BT	Sgt.	Steitz, Clarence R.	"
TG	Sgt.	Classick, John F. Jr.	"
LWG	Sgt.	Moll, Robert C.	"
RWG	Sgt.	Haley, Daniel J. Jr.	"

*Plane 42-107210

P	LA FAVOR, GEORGE L.	2nd Lt.	614th
CP	2nd Lt.	HELM, WESLEY H.	"
N	2nd Lt.	HOWELL, JAMES R.	"
B	2nd Lt.	ANDERSON, BON L.	"
RO	Sgt.	Fidler, Charles K.	"
TT	Sgt.	Berg, Bernard B.	"
BT	Sgt.	Stanford, Leland	"
TG	Sgt.	Carpenter, William L.	"
LWG	Sgt.	Elliott, Ralph D.	"
RWG	Cpl.	Bilyeu, Russell E.	"

*Plane 42-102395

P	2nd Lt.	BARTLEY, LEO S.	614th
CP	2nd Lt.	HAMMOND, HOWARD W.	"
N	2nd Lt.	RYAN, WILLIAM F.	"
B	2nd Lt.	CARTER, JAMES P.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Frederick, Eugene D.	"
TT	Sgt.	Rader, Richard A.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Hurd, Robert O.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Hartwell, Dennis R.	"
LWG	S/Sgt.	DeGraff, Andrew D.	"
RWG	Cpl.	Sherman, Gilbert	"

612TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Operations Officer
APO 557

AAF Station 128
4 May 1944

SUBJECT: Loading List

TO: Operations Officer, 401st Bombardment Group (H),
AAF Station 128, APO 557

Plane 42-107039

P. Currie, Donald A.
CP Johnston, Clayton A.
N. Jeffery, Morey B.
B. Anderson, Donald M.
RO DiPierro, Cosimo A.
TTG Gibson, Earl C.
BTG Graf, Cecil L.
TG Surprise, Walter L. Jr.
LWG Beverson, Marvel T.
RWG Amber, Joe R.

1st Lt.
2nd Lt.
1st Lt.
1st Lt.
T/Sgt
T/Sgt
S/Sgt
S/Sgt
S/Sgt
S/Sgt

612th

Plane 42-106992

P. Bingham, George F.
CP Coyne, Daniel J.
N. VanDyke, George F.
B. Weiman, Karl K.
RO Van Duren, Paul R.
TTG Johnson, Morris W.
BTG Stengel, Percy T.
TG Garity, John B.
LWG Peacock, George P.
RWG Sanders, Charles W.

1st Lt.
1st Lt.
1st Lt.
2nd Lt.
S/Sgt.
T/Sgt
T/Sgt
S/Sgt.
S/Sgt.
S/Sgt.

Plane 42-38026

P. Hagan, Marion O. Jr.
CP Dunn, John B. Jr.
N. Cordell, Wilbur F.
B. Graham, Fred E.
RO Barr, Martin A.
TTG Simmons, Harry G. Jr.
BTG Cox, Wade M.
TG Benson, William W.
LWG Huston, Arthur A.
RWG Stone, James A.

1st Lt.
2nd Lt.
2nd Lt.
1st Lt.
T/Sgt
T/Sgt.
S/Sgt.
S/Sgt
S/Sgt
S/Sgt

Plane 42-38026

Plane 42-97487

P	West, George E.	1st Lt.	612th
CP	McKinnon, Douglas H.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Nutter, Lloyd A.	1st Lt.	"
B	Montgomery, Thomas B.	1st Lt.	"
RO	Andrus, Robert L.	T/Sgt.	"
TTG	Russell, Francis L.	T/Sgt.	"
BTG	Womble, John L.	S/Sgt.	"
TG	Leffing, Michael (NMI)	S/Sgt.	"
LWG	Russell, Hugh D.	S/Sgt.	"
RWG	Morini, Alfred J.	S/Sgt.	"

Plane 42-31662

CP	Grimmett, Browning G.	2nd Lt.	"
CP	Leach, John R.	2nd Lt.	"
W SUE 45-2805	Haines, Raymond K.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Koontz, Charles G.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Lauren, Wilbur G.	S/Sgt.	"
TTG	Platt, John W.	S/Sgt.	"
BTG	Spiotti, John (NMI)	Sgt.	"
TG	Slaughter, William J.	Sgt.	"
LWG	Yeager, Calvin E.	Sgt.	"
RWG	Humphrey, Roscoe C.	Sgt.	"

Plane 42-102393

CP	Johnson, Benjamin H. Jr.	1st Lt.	"
CP	Waller, Jack E.	2nd Lt.	"
W SUE 45-10838	Fishbeck, Howard D.	1st Lt.	"
B	Musso, David M.	1st Lt.	"
RO	Brendt, Melvin A.	T/Sgt.	"
TTG	Hagan, Charles T.	T/Sgt.	"
BTG	Schaefer, Donald E.	S/Sgt.	"
TG	Glaugh, Joseph M.	S/Sgt.	"
LWG	Shannon, James L.	S/Sgt.	"
RWG	Litchfield Russell E.	S/Sgt.	"

Plane 42-31034

CP	Toussaint, Francis J.	2nd Lt.	"
CP	Beck, Walter H. Jr.	2nd Lt.	"
W SUE 45-10403	Reese, Victor S.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Schmied, James W. Jr.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Likins, Robert W.	S/Sgt.	"
TTG	Greene, William B.	S/Sgt.	"
BTG	Minor, Wallace G.	Sgt.	"
TG	Lockenour, Charles W.	Sgt.	"
LWG	Hamer, Robert B.	Sgt.	"
RWG	Micholas, Joseph D.	Sgt.	"

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TOTAL BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
EIGHTH BOMBARDMENT DIVISION (H)

Subj. Loading List, 612th Sq., dd. 4 May 1944, Cont'd

Plane 42-31087

P	Massey, William E.	2nd Lt.	612th
CP	Ceresa, Dominick	2nd Lt.	"
N	Nealon, William T.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Stealljes, Louis J.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Eames, Harold L.	S/Sgt	"
TTG	Faulkner, James P.	S/Sgt	"
BTG	Mahler, Robert L.	Sgt	"
TG	White, Paul A.	Sgt	"
LWG	Wieters, Alfred E.	Sgt	"
RWG	Berard, Francis J.	Sgt	"

Plane 42-79943

P	Tanner, John R.	1st Lt.	"
CP	McDaniel, Robert P.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Strom, Kenneth L.	1st Lt.	"
B	Daniel, James P.	S/Sgt	"
RO	Cohen, Weldon B.	S/Sgt	"
TTG	Cable, Harvey T.	T/Sgt	"
BTG	Norris, John B.	S/Sgt	"
TG	Francis, Raymond R.	S/Sgt	"
LWG	Plate, Robert B.	S/Sgt	"
RWG	Staley, Phillip C.	S/Sgt	"

PFF

McCree, Donald G.	Capt.	612th
Ramsey, Robert J.	1st Lt.	"
Haberer, Walter E.	Capt.	"
Woodhouse, Ronald	Capt.	"

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

4 May 1944

SUBJECT: Loading list.

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

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

PLANE # 42-39904

DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
P	Captain	Lewis	Clyde	A.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Maloney	Milton	F.	615th
N	1st Lt.	Eaton	William	H.	615th
B	1st Lt.	Arnold	Harold	S.	615th
RO	T/Sgt.	Binkin	Nathan	C.	615th
TT	T/Sgt.	Weber	Melvin	C.	615th
BT	S/Sgt.	Howell	James	E.	615th
TG	S/Sgt.	Cushing	Leonard	H.	615th
LWG	S/Sgt.	Tosh	William	A.	615th
RWG	S/Sgt.	Jackson	Harry	B.	615th
				E.	615th
				L.	615th

PLANE # 42-97684

P	2nd Lt.	Ochsenhirt	Harry	J.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Ballenger	William	H.	615th
N	2nd Lt.	Becksteinz	Ernest	L.	615th
B	2nd Lt.	Black	J. (10)	Dec	615th
RO	S/Sgt.	Pingleton	Richard	A.	615th
TT	S/Sgt.	Westberg	Raymond	E.	615th
BT	Sgt.	Martin	Robert	(MI)	615th
TG	Sgt.	Hussey	Ambrose	W.	615th
LWG	Sgt.	Harley	Jerome	V.	615th
RWG	Sgt.	Martin	Russell	J.	615th
				H.	615th
				H.	615th
				T.	615th

PLANE # 42-31069

P	1st Lt.	Wysocki	Stephen	(NMI)	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Shelton	Horace	H.	615th
N	F/O	Rush	Louis	R.	615th
B	1st Lt.	Gurvin	Robert	H.	615th
RO	S/Sgt.	Cooper	Larry	E.	615th
TT	T/Sgt.	McIntyre	William	(NMI)	615th
BT	S/Sgt.	Clare	David	E.	615th
TG	S/Sgt.	McElligott	Herbert	F.	615th
LWG	S/Sgt.	Finchell	Sheryl	(NMI)	615th
RWG	S/Sgt.	Ostrowski	Julius	F.	615th
				T.	615th
				T.	615th
				T.	615th

PLANE # 42-37843

P	2nd Lt.	Gillespie	Elmer	C.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Enstad	Robert	J.	615th
N	2nd Lt.	Mason	Hodge	E.	615th
B	2nd Lt.	Hughes	Harold	H.	615th
RO	S/Sgt.	McFall	Charlie	A.	615th
TT	Sgt.	Zirbel	Don	D.	615th
BT	Sgt.	Browning	Elmer	E.	615th
TG	Sgt.	Bush	Robert	(NMI)	615th
LWG	Sgt.	Dickson	Jefferson	D.	615th
RWG	Sgt.	Lambert	Thomas	H.	615th
				T.	615th
				T.	615th
				T.	615th

PLANE # 42-27044

PLANE # 42-31077

P	1st Lt.	Trimble	William	W.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Shantz	Fred	L.	615th
N	2nd Lt.	Lemke	Beryle	L.	615th
B	1st Lt.	Gury	Enver	C.	615th
RO	T/Sgt.	Mackey	Jack	L.	615th
TT	T/Sgt.	Tracey	Edward	(NMI)	615th
BT	S/Sgt.	Schaeffer	John	R.	615th
TG	S/Sgt.	Asbell	William	R.	615th
LWG	S/Sgt.	Acker	Joseph	F.	615th
RWG	S/Sgt.	Courtad	Paul	K.	615th

PLANE # 42-107113

P	2nd Lt.	Mann	William	J.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Root	John	A.	615th
N	2nd Lt.	Cummings	Lawrence	T.	615th
B	1st Lt.	Reynolds	Herbert	A.	615th
RO	S/Sgt.	Ameen	William	(P.)	615th
TT	S/Sgt.	Busher	William	F.	615th
BT	Sgt.	Reed	Robert	R.	615th
TG	Sgt.	De Muro	Alfonso	(PAJ)	615th
LWG	Sgt.	Breggia	Frank	A.	615th
RWG	Sgt.	Smith	William	A.	615th

PLANE # 42-97073

P	2nd Lt.	Parr	Clinton	J.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Blevins	Charles	H.	615th
N	2nd Lt.	Manning	Charles	H.	615th
B	2nd Lt.	Ridley	John	O.	615th
RO	S/Sgt.	Allen	John	L.	615th
TT	S/Sgt.	Bossley	Emerson	B.	615th
BT	Sgt.	Ternhorst	Arthur	(NMI)	615th
TG	Sgt.	Holland	James	M.	615th
LWG	Sgt.	Daniels	George	C.	615th
RWG	Sgt.	Perez	Louis	A.	615th

PLANE # 42-97636

P	Major	Seawell	William	T.	615th
CP	Captain	Causey	Rufus	F.	615th
N	Captain	Kuennig	Arnold	C.	615th
B	S/Sgt.	Loar	William	V.	615th
RO	S/Sgt.	Oliver	George	H.	615th
TT	S/Sgt.	Hamett	James	B.	615th
BT	S/Sgt.	Morley	Robert	C.	615th
TG	S/Sgt.	Hunter	William	O.	615th
LWG	S/Sgt.	Ylloig	William	S.	615th
RWG	S/Sgt.	Wagon	William	H.	615th
Ch	S/Sgt.	Wagon	William	H.	615th
b	S/Sgt.	Wagon	William	V.	615th

DALL	NVME	FWEL (NVME)	LINEL	(NI)	615th
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PLANE # 42-28804

I* BOTTOMLINE IS THE LINE OF COURSE FROM BULGARIAN TO 600,000 MILES

DO : OBSERVATION OFFICE: 40142 BOMB OF (H) VLO & PRA

REMARKS: 600,000 MILES

OPERATIONAL ROUTE FORECAST

DATE 4 May 1944
PERIOD 0600-1600hrs.

AG P BR HQ SOS 2-44/65M/22929

	A BASE TO 05 Deg. E.	B 05 E To Target To 07 E	C 07 E To BASE	D
1 WEATHER	Cloudy to overcast with haze becoming cloudy.	Cloudy	Cloudy becoming overcast with intermittent light rain at BASES.	NOTE: dense persistent contrails will have their height at 1000 ft. below the cirrus level.
2 CLOUDS	Nil to 3/10 Stratocu. 2-3000ft. Tops 4-5000 becoming 4-6/10 over North Sea. 4-6/10 Alto-cumulus at 10,000 Tops 14,000 decreasing to Nil rapidly after leaving English coast. 8-10/10 Cirrostratus at 20,000 becoming 3-5/10 Cirrus at 24,000 at 05 Deg. E.	4-6/10 Stratocumulus at 2-3000ft. Tops 4-5000 becoming 6-8/10 Cumulus and large cumulus at 1-2000 ft. Tops 6-8000 to 10 E and 7-9/10 Large Cumulus Tops 12-15000 ft. from 10E to Target. 3-5/10 Cirrus at 24,000 brending rapidly to Nil.	4-6/10 Stratocumulus at 2-3000 ft. Tops 4-5000 increasing to 6-9/10 Stratocu. at 1-2000' Tops 4-6000ft. Nil middle cloud becoming 5-7/10 Alto-cu. and Altostratus at 10,000 ft. Tops 14,000 at continental coast increasing over the North Sea and the Bases to 10/10 at 10,000 Tops 16,000, 3-5/10 Cirrus at	24,000 becoming 8-10/10 Cirrostratus at 20,000 ft. over the North Sea beng. 10/10 Cirrostratus over the Bases.
3 ICING	4,000 ft. Light Rime.	3,000 ft. Nil.	7,000 ft. Moderate to Heavy Rime.	
4 VISIBILITY	1-3 miles becoming unrestricted at flight level.	Unrestricted at flight level.	Unrestricted at flight level becoming 2-4 miles in light rain.	Target Mean Temp. at 27,000 ft.: Minus 21
HEIGHT	DIRECTION VELOCITY	DIRECTION VELOCITY	DIRECTION VELOCITY	DIRECTION VELOCITY
SURFACE	BASE to 05 E	3 E to Target to 7 E	7 E to BASE	Route Temps. Target Temps.
5,000 FT	270 15 270 25	330 20 320 30	240 15 240 25	Plus 9 Minus 5
10,000 FT	270 40 35	310 40	250 40 30	- 12
15,000 FT	270 50 45	300 50	250 50 35	- 20
20,000 FT	280 60 55	300 75	260 60 45	- 29
25,000 FT	290 60	290 85	260 65 50	- 38
30,000 FT	290 60	290 100	270 70 50	- 46

BASE ALTIMETER SETTING 29.92 TARGET SURFACE TEMP Plus 7 TARGET MEAN TEMP Minus 20.5 at 26,000
TEMP. AT 27,000 FT. Minus 45 TARGET SURFACE (PRESSURE-ALT) Plus 61
Sea level

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STATION WEATHER OFFICE
 AAF STATION 128
 APO 557 - U.S. ARMY

4 May 1944

WEATHER INFORMATION SUMMARY FOR MISSION OF 4 MAY 1944.

BASE AT TAKE OFF: (0710) 1/10 Altostratus at 10,000 ft. 7/10 cirrus. Visibility 3 miles.

ROUTE OUT: 1-1/10 altostratus at first becoming 7-10/10 altostratus base 12,000' tops 15,000' over England. Nil low cloud over England becoming 4-6/10 cumulus top 5-6,000' over Channel and Continent. 8-10/10 cirrus at 25,000' breaking to 4-6/10 over Channel and 1-2/10 over Continent. Visibility restricted by haze and contrails.

TURNING POINT: (0704.7N 52°37' W at 1005 hrs.) 4-6/10 Cumulus tops 6-7,000'. Nil middle cloud. 1-2/10 cirrus. Visibility greatly restricted by haze and contrails.

RETURN ROUTE: 4-6/10 cumulus tops 6-7000' over Continent and Channel breaking to nil near English Coast. Nil middle cloud over Continent becoming 7-10/10 Altopcumulus and altostratus 30 to 40 miles from English Coast, base 12,000 lowering to 8-10,000' over England. 1-2/10 cirrus at 25,000' becoming 6-8/10 cirrus over Channel. Visibility restricted by haze and contrails.

BASE ON RETURN: (1229) 10/10 Altopcumulus and altostratus at 8,000' Visibility 5 miles.

REMARKS: Winds: forecast velocity and direction good. Temperatures at flight level were 7-10 degrees warmer than forecast. A thick haze layer was reported ; base 10-12,000' top above flight level. Contrails formed in this haze layer and seemed to build out as clouds. Very dense persistent contrails were reported above 18,000'.

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