

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

D-G-4

7 May 1944.

SUBJECT: Crew Comments and Suggestions.

TO : COMMANDING OFFICER, 401st Bomb Group (H), APO 557, Sta 128, (Thru Lt Col B. K. Woorhees and Lt. Col. A. C. Brooks.)

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

Distribution:

1 cy - Col Bowman
1 cy - Col Voorhees
1 cy - Col Brooks
1 cy - Capt Hunt, Gp Eng ✓
4 cy - Each sq D. O.

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

A.F.O. 557
8 May, 1944

SUBJECT: Mission Summary Report

TO : Group Operations, Station 128, APO 557

1. Abortives.

a. Airplane No. 42-107043 - Returned early because the oil pressure on one engine slowly dropped to 35 pounds per square inch. The oil temperature was slightly low and the cylinder head temperature remained normal. A ground check indicated an air lock in the line to the oil pressure indicator, giving a false reading. The engine instruments all gave normal readings after bleeding the oil pressure line.

b. Airplane No. 42-39873 - Returned early because the pilot thought there was insufficient fuel to make the trip. When the fuel in the main tanks ran low the valves for the tokio tanks were opened, but the fuel guage indicated no flow of fuel to the main tank. Upon landing the tanks were checked and the tokios were empty and there was between 1100 and 1200 gallons in the mains. The fuel guage was not broken and gave a correct reading.

c. Airplane No. 42-31037 - Returned early because of a runaway prop. The airplane was at 9000 feet and the engines running at 2200 RPM when # 4 became uncontrollable and went up to 3000 RPM. A ground check revealed no malfunction, but on an altitude check flight the prop ran away again.

d. Airplane No. 42-39932 - Returned early because # 2 engine started running rough, the RPM oscillating as much as 250 revolutions, and the engine vibrating on the mount. On the ground the engine operated normally. During a high altitude check flight to 20,000 feet, the tachometer started oscillating at 12,000 feet and continued to do so on the trip up and down and ceased oscillating at 15,000 feet, but the engine did not run rough. A further check flight will be necessary.

e. Airplane No. 42-97073 - Returned early because of a break in the oxygen system in the Navigators compartment. The flared end of a piece of tubing broke off inside a fitting. This airplane had been on the ground for three (3) days with the oxygen system serviced to 375 pounds. It is believed that vibration in the air caused the break.

f. Airplane No. 42-107210 - Returned early because the # 2 engine stopped running. Ground investigation showed both push rod housings on # 4 cylinder had been bent, probably by a broken valve. A check of the cuno and sump should a large quantity of of magnetic metal particles.

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2. Battle Damage.

a. 42-31034 - Flak hole in bottom of left wing near station 36; Flak hole in bottom of trailing edge of left elevator entered elevator trim tab; Flak hole in right elevator between stations 229.3 and 208, in top and out bottom.

b. 42-31087 - Flak hole through outer wing panel leading near station 26; Flak hole in left aileron trim tab near station 20; Flak hole in fuselage right side near station 3f; Flak hole in left waist window; Flak hole in dorsal fin near station 7b.

c. 42-39993 - Flak hole in right elevator trim tab; Flak hole in # 4 ring cowl at 8 o'clock; Flak hole in right wing stub leading edge near station 2; Flak hole in bottom of left wing near station 17.

d. 42-31315 - 3" flak hole in bottom of left wing, puncturing # 1 main fuel tank; 3" flak hole in bottom of right wing, inner panel.

e. 42-97440 - 2" flak hole in bottom of left wing, inner panel; 2" flak hole through left wing outer panel; Small flak hole in leading edge of left wing.

f. 42-107207 - 2" flak hole in top of right wing, behind # 4 nacelle; 2" flak hole through left wing, behind # 1 nacelle; 2" flak hole in top of # 4 nacelle through induction system.

g. 42-107151 - Small flak hole in leading edge of left wing; 4" flak rip in bottom of right wing, trailing edge, behind # 4 nacelle.

h. 42-39846 - 2" flak hole in bottom of left wing, inner panel; 3" flak hole in bottom of right wing fairing; Small flak hole in bottom of right wing, inner panel.

i. 42-31863 - Small flak hole in bottom of right wing, behind # 3 nacelle; 6" flak rip in bottom of right wing, damaging main front spar.

j. 42-32012 - 2" flak hole through leading edge of right wing, damaging main front spar.

k. 42-107092 - 2" flak hole in top of left wing, outer panel, damaging rear main spar; 3" flak tear in top of left wing, inner panel.

l. 42-31730 - Small flak hole in leading edge of vertical stabilizer; Two flak holes in top of right wing, inner panel.

m. 42-97344 - Small flak hole through right and out left side of fuselage, aft of waist position.

SUBJECT: Mission Summary Report. (continued)

n. 42-102580 - Flak hole in right side of fuselage, beneath co-pilot's compartment, causing structural damage; Small flak hole through # 4 ring cowl and baffle plate; Two flak holes through left wing, causing damage; Flak hole through right wing, inner panel.

<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>
14	2	12	14

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

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

A.P.O. 557
7 May, 1944

SUBJECT: Armament Narrative, on Mission 7 May, 1944.
TO : Commanding Officer, 401st Bombardment Group (H),
APO 557, U.S. Army.

1. The following Armament malfunctions were reported at the conclusion of the mission of 7 May, 1944.

<u>A/C No.</u>	<u>Gun Position</u>	<u>Malfunction</u>	<u>Personnel or Equipment</u>
42-97440	Ball Turret	Right Gun Solenoid Inoperative. Not properly adjusted.	Personnel

BOMB RACK MALFUNCTIONS

A/C No. 42-97344 - Bombs would not salvo in one Bomb Bay. Upon landing it was found that the Bomb Bay Selector Switch in that Bomb Bay was in the off position.

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

Engineering
Please File
APW

"B" WING LEAD BOX

Combat Flight Leader MAJOR BROWN Date 7 April 1944

Deputy Flight Leader MAJOR WHITE

Group Call Sign _____ Fighter Call Sign _____

Ground Control _____

615 SQDN

612th SC JABWOCK
615th IN MACRO
614th IW GOLFCLUB
615th IY BUZZARD

BROWN

R *PPF 632*

- 42-44

FERDYN

WHITE

IY L 1519

ppf 600

CAMPBELL

IY J 7113

PARF
IY H 7073
ABORT

KAMINSKI
IY Q 9873
ABORT

613 SQDN

612 SQDN

FRUITT

DAILBY

IN J 1591 ✓

SC B 1602

LENSIT

SHARP

HUNNIEY

WEST

IN O 3507

IN E 7009 ✓

SC M 7039 ✓

SC O 7487 ✓

O'NEIL

ABORT IN B 7043

CHMURA

IN M 846
SC J 8050

CONNOLLY

SCHARPFF

GRINNETT

MASSEY

IN P 7344 ✓

IN L 2581 ✓

SC F 9943

SC G 1034 ✓

SPARES

OPLE

SC N 8026

DO NOT LOAD
TURN BACK AT MID-CHANNEL

Weather Ship X 107

*will be taking off between
1 1/2 hrs and 1 hr before takeoff.*

ABORT

94TH "B" LOW BOX

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Group Call Sign _____ Fighter Call Sign _____
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SQDN

612th

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CHAPMAN (BROOKS)

IW F 2012

TAYLOR SMITH
IW N 1863 ✓ IW C 1315 ✓

WILSON

IW A 7440

LA FAVOR KERRY
IW E 7210 IW B 7151 ✓
ABORT

612014 SQDN

615013 SQDN

JENSEN
SC B 2393 ✓

LEWIS
IY B 1730

WELLS
SC K 1037 ✓

SINGER
SC C 9993

HANE
IY E 7242
IY E 092

GILLESPIE
IY C 9904 ✓

BARTLEY
IW F 7395 ✓

LEW
IW H 9032 ABORT

RISHER
IW Q 7478 ✓

WILSON
IW O 7297

BARTLEY
IW F 1037
ABORT

FOX
IW Q 2580 ✓

SPARES

Return

OCHEMIRE
IY F 7864

RELIFE
IY C 1083

SPARE LEAD SC P 1891
GROUND SPARES IW K 1072

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612TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
OFFICE OF THE ENGINEERING OFFICER
STATION 128
APO 557

7 May 1944

SUBJECT: Battle Damage Report

TO: Engineering Officer, 401st Bombardment Group (H),
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1. The following is the battle damage report for the airplanes operated by this Squadron on the combat mission completed this date.

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

MISSION No. **64**

Date: **7 MAY 44**

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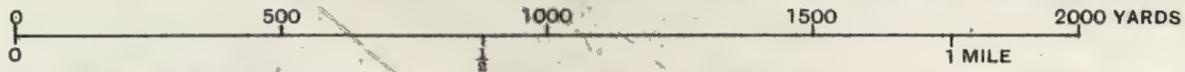
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Target No.
6 (d) (v) 17

FRIEDRICHSTRASSE STATIONS, Etc. — BERLIN (GERMANY)

Illustration No.
6 (d) (v) 17/5



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Issued July 1943

- A. FRIEDRICHSTRASSE STATIONS.
- B. Air Ministry.
- C. FOUR IMPORTANT DEPARTMENTAL BUILDINGS.
- W. FOREIGN OFFICE.
- X. Ministry of Propaganda.
- Y. REICH PRESIDENTIAL CHANCELLRY.
- Z. GESTAPO H. Q.



S E C R E T

Report on A.A. Gunfire.

401 BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)

Target: Assigned . . . BERLIN
 Bombed BERLIN
 Date of Mission 7 May 1944

Route as Flown:- 0849 (5222 - 0135 E) - 1026 (5305 - 1200E) - 1051 (5302 - 1349 E) - 1130 (5220 - 1232 - E) 1315 (5232 - 0436 E)

Weather conditions: (a) At target 9/10 - 10/10
 Generally
 (b) En route generally solid undercast.
 Were our A/C "Seen" or "Unseen" targets? (a) At target UNSEEN
 (b) En route UNKNOWN
 Any condensation trails? YES

Description of Flak at Target, including METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL
FLAK OF BARRAGE TYPE WAS INTENSE, ACCURATE FOR ALTITUDE AND FAIR TO GOOD FOR DEFLECTION. IN ADDITION TO BLACK BURSTS A FEW WHITE BURSTS WERE OBSERVED BURSTING HIGH. GREEN BURSTS AT VARIOUS LEVELS WERE ALSO OBSERVED, BURSTS WERE NOT IN CLUSTERS BUT APPEARED SIMULTANEOUSLY.

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

Observed	Time	Coordinates	Altitude	Flak Type	Remarks
0849 hrs.	(5237 - 0435 E)	21,000	Meg	Med Good	Fair Black & White Following
"	0925 "	(5244 - 0710 E)	21,800	Meg	Peer Peer Black Following
Encountered	0937 hrs.	(Dummer Lake)	22,000	Med Good	Fair Black Following
"	1032 "	(Wittenberg)	25,600	Med Good	Peer Black Pred. Conc.
"	1109 "	(Berlin)	25,700	Int. Good	Fair Black & White Barrage
"	1313 "	(Ismuiden)	20,500	Meg. Good	Good Black Following

Was CHAFF carried? YES
 How discharged? BY WAIST GUNNER

Position of Group LEAD BOX. - LOW 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 Pan
401	28	14	0	1116	1116	25,700	285M	2 Min.

Comments - Phenomena:-
Some burst of blue flame observed among flak bursts over Dummer Lake area.

8 May 1944

BRIEFING NOTES

PRIMARY TARGET: Your target city need no introduction to any of you as you are familiar with the facts and importance of such a target. this will be the ~~xxxxxx~~ eighth time you have started after targets in the same area. Although its main contribution directly to the war effort is the field of electrical equipment, it also is vitally important as the heart of everything Nazi and therefore vitally important from every consideration. YOUR MPI again is designated as the FRIEDRICHSTRASSE UNDER GROUND STATION. Destruction of this target will just about complete the now almost complete paralyzing of the whole transportation system. Your MPI is the controlling ~~junction~~ junction for all lines within the city.

SECONDARY, also Last Resort: Any military objective positively identified as being in Germany or any A/D not near built up areas in Holland which may be bombed without disrupting Fighter Support.

ROUTE;& FIGHTER SUPPORT.

FRIENDLY ACTIVITIES:

THERE ARE TWO PLANS FOR BOTH BD's.

"A" Plan will find 7 CBW's from 3rd BD and 5 from 2nd BD attacking a total of eight different Targets(Indicate area)

"B" Plan will find the 3rd BD attacking Berlin(indicate pointer) and 2nd BD hitting Osnabruck and Munster(indicate with pointer)

EFIADIASCOPE:

1/250,000 showing route from IP, bomb run and indicate MPI
BRITISH NIGHT MAP
PHOTOGRAPHS OF TARGET.

Flak Route: EXPECT AT COAST, possibly hardenberg, AT DIEPHOLZ, North of Neinberg, south of Ulzen, perleberg, and clear to target Area, After target route very cautiously planned to keep out of flak south of the targets flak. After that out No. of Magdeburg, turning back No. of Celle, Nienberg, over Diepholz but No. of Dummer Lake and back out Same route.

LAST MINUTE INTELL: No friendly convoys expected. All A/O drop Chaff.
SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

P/W ---Ports of LUBECK, WISMAR, ROSTOCK, STETTIN AND DANZIG.
IN case landing in Sweden, IFF and GEE Box must be destroyed.
AIR SEA REASCUE LAUNCHES have Large RAF Roundel on horizontal surface for aid to recognition.
ESCAPE KITS,
G.I. SHOES,
IDENTITY PHOTOS,
DOG TAGS,
READ POOP ABOUT CORRESPONDENTS FROM BRIEFING S.O.P.

5245-0935

5313 - 1300

5302 - 1349 IP

ETR - 1401

ROTENBERG, 5307-0921

OPERATIONAL A/D—AND MAIN EQUIPMENT DEPOT IN THE GERMAN

PTF- Bremerhaven.

5332-0835E

Shipyards —

*5347-0922
5313-1500
5302-1500*

ETR-1701

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

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APQ 557
AAF Station 128
7 May 1944
SUBJECT: Loading List
TO: Operations Officer, 401st Bombardment Group (H),
AAF Station 128, APO 557

Plane 42-31662

P	Dailey, Scribner C.	Capt.	612th
CP	Johnston, Clayton A.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Shapiro, Aaron (NMI)	1st Lt.	"
B	Graham, Fred E.	1st Lt.	"
RO	Hildreth, Arthur A.	T/Sgt	"
TTG	Flynn, William B.	T/Sgt	"
BTG	Sabel, Jerome (NMI)	S/Sgt	"
TG	Sanders, Charles W.	S/Sgt	"
LWG	Plate, Robert B.	S/Sgt	"
RWG	Hagen, Charles T.	T/Sgt	"

Plane 42-40050

P	Chmura, Stanislaw R.	1st Lt.	"
CP	Dunn, John B. Jr.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Reese, Victor S.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Amber, John R.	S/Sgt	"
RO	McCawley, Fred E.	T/Sgt	"
TTG	Garr, Maurice A.	T/Sgt	"
BTG	Davies, Leonardo J.	S/Sgt	"
TG	Parker, Harry C.	S/Sgt	"
LWG	Safchitano, Frank J.	S/Sgt	"
RWG	Hopkins, Calvin W.	S/Sgt	"

Plane 42-79993

P	Bingham, George F.	1st Lt.	"
CP	Hoyt, Richard H.	1st Lt.	"
N	Cordell, Wilbur F.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Lott, Eugene F.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Giorgiani, Alex (NMI)	T/Sgt	"
TTG	Dana, Johnny K.	T/Sgt	"
BTG	Johns, Carl W.	S/Sgt	"
TG	Yeatts, Lawson K.	S/Sgt	"
LWG	Caray, Joe B.	S/Sgt	"
RWG	Callahan, Michael J.	Sgt	"

(H) SIXTH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON

Plane 42-31034

P	Massey, William E.	2nd Lt.	612th
CP	Ceresa, Dominic (NMI)	2nd Lt.	"
N	Nealon, William T.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Stelljes, 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	Weiters, Alfred E.	Sgt	"
RWG	Berard, Francis J.	Sgt	"

Plane 42-97487

P	West, George E.	1st Lt.	"
CP	McKinnon, Douglas H.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Mutter, Lloyd A.	1st Lt.	"
B	Weiman, Karl E.	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 42-31087

P	Wells, Kenneth C.	1st Lt.	"
CP	Guinn, Euin N.	2nd Lt.	"
M	Delula, Warren (NMI)	2nd Lt.	"
B	Lingenfelter, Leo T.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Barr, Martin A.	T/Sgt	"
TTG	Larson, Robert D.	T/Sgt	"
BTG	Convertino, Rico S.	S/Sgt	"
TG	Weatherman, James H.	S/Sgt	"
LWG	Surprise, Walter L.	S/Sgt	"
RWG	Chapman, William E.	S/Sgt	"

Plane 42-79943

P	Grimmett, Browning G.	2nd Lt.	"
CP	Leach, John R.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Haines, Raymond E.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Koontz, Charles G.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Laurer, Wilbur C.	S/Sgt	"
TTG	Platt, John W.	S/Sgt	"
BTG	Splotti, John (NMI)	Sgt	"
TG	Slaughter, William J.	Sgt	"
LWG	Yeager, Calvin E.	Sgt	"
RWG	Humphrey, Roxcoe	Sgt	"

Plane 42-107039

P	Hershey, Harry J.	1st Lt.	612th
CP	Woods, Robert R.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Buder, Eugene H.	1st Lt.	"
B	Gibson, Earl C.	S/Sgt	"
RO	Cherry, Noel C.	T/Sgt	"
TTG	Pugh, Alfred E.	T/Sgt	"
BTG	Chiccino, Joseph R.	S/Sgt	"
TG	Joseph, Meload C.	S/Sgt	"
LWG	Civello, Hubert C.	S/Sgt	"
RWG	Gulan, Frank F.	S/Sgt	"

Plane 42-102393

P	Johnson, Benjamin H. Jr.	1st Lt.	"
CP	Waller, Jack E.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Fishbeck, Howard D.	1st Lt.	"
B	Musso, David M.	1st Lt.	"
RO	Brandt, Melvin A.	T/Sgt	"
TTG	Sellitto, John N.	T/Sgt	"
BTG	Schaefer, Donald E.	S/Sgt	"
TG	Blaugh, Joseph M.	S/Sgt	"
LWG	Shannon, James L.	S/Sgt	"
RWG	Litchfield, Russell E.	S/Sgt	"

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

7 MAY 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. 42-31591</u>				
P	2nd LT.	FRUITT	DOW	C.
CP	2nd LT.	MURPHY	WALTER	J.
N	2nd LT.	PRIEST	JACK	B.
B	2nd LT.	BUCHANAN	ALLEN	S. JR.
RO	T/SGT.	MARTINEZ	RICHARD	V.
TT	T/SGT.	TRYBA	ALEXANDER	F.
BT	SGT.	LARSON	DEAN	C.
TG	S/SGT.	KASHNER	CHARLES	D.
LWG	S/SGT.	HADSELL	DAVID	N.
RWG	S/SGT.	FLOREZ	LOUIS	(NMI)

<u>PLANE NO. 42-3507</u>				
P	2nd LT.	LENKETT	DANA	N.
CP	2nd LT.	JOHNSON	WENDALL	T.
N	1st LT.	BENNETT	CYRUS	P.
B	2nd LT.	HARVEY DERSHIMER	BOB HAROLD	W.
RO	T/SGT.	HECKER	DONALD	A.
TT	T/SGT.	PACK	JESSE	O.
BT	S/SGT.	BLACK	JAMES	P.
TG	S/SGT.	ROSE	ANTHONY	F.
LWG	S/SGT.	RICE	EDWARD	J.
RWG	S/SGT.	SCHAIR	ARTHUR	(NMI)

<u>PLANE NO. 42-107009</u>				
P	1st LT.	SHARP	JAMES	C.
CP	2nd LT.	HUSS	VINCENT	J.
N	2nd LT.	STEPHENS	DAVID	H.
B	1st LT.	GRATE	LOUIS	B.
RO	T/SGT.	BRADY	OTHO	H.
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. 42-107043</u>				
P	2nd LT.	O'NEIL	EDWARD	T.
CP	2nd LT.	LIVINGSTONE	ALEXANDER	(NMI)
N	2nd LT.	WHITING	MYRICK	J.
B	2nd LT.	GOBER	DENE	C.
RO	S/SGT.	MUNCH	ELMER	C.
TT	T/SGT.	GREER	CECIL	E.
BT	S/SGT.	O'BRIEN	JOHN	D.
LWG	S/SGT.	BAEKER	JAMES	E.
RWE	S/SGT.	MARTINELLI	ALEXANDER	M.
TC	S/SGT.	FETZER	ELMER	M.

<u>PLANE NO. 42-102581</u>				
P	1st LT.	SCHARFF	PAUL	F.
CP	2nd LT.	ECKERT	CHARLES	A.
N	2nd LT.	SCHWARTZ	BERNARD	(NMI)
B	2nd LT.	HOOVER	ROBERT	R.
RO	SGT.	STRONG	ROBERT	C.
TT	T/SGT.	KARL	RICHARD	X.
BT	S/SGT.	WHEEL	CHARLES	E.
TG	S/SGT.	SASSI	LOUIS	M.
LWG	S/SGT.	SMALLIN	JAMES	N.
RWG	SGT.	TOMLINSON	ROSCOE	P.
		PYNIGER	FREDRICK	G.

PLANE NO. 42-97344

P	2nd LT.	CONNOLLY	JOHN	J.
CP	2nd LT.	BOGGS	JAMES	B.
N	2nd LT.	KRISE	THOMAS	H.
B	2nd LT.	BOLLER	EDWARD	H.
RO	SGT.	HURLEY	BARCLAY	J.
TT	S/SGT.	MILLS	CARL	W.
BT	SGT.	PEREZ	FRANK	D.
TG	CPL.	NOVAK	CLEMENT	W.
LWG	SGT.	FRIEDMAN	MAURICE	(NMI)
RWG	SGT.	BECKNAP	LEE	O.

PLANE NO. 42-99932

XXXXXX P	1st LT.	LEW	SANDY	(NMI)
CP	2nd LT.	FRIEST	GORDON	S.
N	2nd LT.	SCHLIEFER	ROGER	F.
B	2nd LT.	KELLY	JOHN	J.
RO	T/SGT.	JOHNSON	ALVIN	A.
TT	T/SGT.	URBSON	THOMAS	(NMI)
BT	S/SGT.	FRANKLIN	PAT	H.
TG	S/SGT.	HINES	ARLIE	E.
LWG	S/SGT.	ROBINSON	MARSHALL	E.
RWG	S/SGT.	MC CARTHY	WILLIAM	A.

PLANE NO. 42-91037

P	2nd LT.	BARNETT	RICHARD	S.
CP	2nd LT.	FRAZIER	DONALD	F.
N	2nd LT.	WOLIVER	IRVING	(NMI)
B	2nd LT.	WEISS	NORMAN	(NMI)
RO	SGT.	MAHLER	ARTHUR	P.
TT	S/SGT.	WELLS	JAMES	E.
BT	SGT.	BECKOWITZ	PETER	(NMI)
TG	SGT.	D'AGASTINO	VICTOR	(NMI)
LWG	SGT.	CASS	LEE	G.
RWG	SGT.	BARNES	MERLE	E.

PLANE NO. 42-107580

P	2nd LT.	FOX	MARSHALL	S.
CP	2nd LT.	BERG	ROY	A.
N	2nd LT.	HORTON	TERON	S.
B	2nd LT.	DRAKE	WALTER	F.
RO	S/SGT.	AVERY	WILLIAM	B.
TT	S/SGT.	HILL	JAMES	B.
BT	SGT.	DALTON	JOHN	L.
TG	SGT.	SANDERS	ROBERT	T.
LWG	SGT.	JORDAN	MAX J.	W.
RWG	SGT.	GULLFOY	THOMAS	P.

FTI SHIP

P	MAJOR	BROWN	EDWIN	W.
N	1st LT.	SAVAGE	WILLIAM	F.
B	1st LT.	FES MIRE	DURWARD	W.

WEATHER SHIP

P	CAPT.	SHOTS	BRYAN	M.
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SIX HUNDRED AND FOURTEENTH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
 FOUR HUNDRED AND FIRST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
 Office of the Operations Officer

AAF Station # 128
 7 May 1944.

SUBJECT: Loading List.

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

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

*Plane 42-32012

P	Captain	CHAPMAN, ALVAH H. JR.	614th
C	Lt. Col.	BROOKS, ALLISON C.	401st
N	1st Lt.	SMITH, CHARLES M.	614th
B	1st Lt.	WHITE, WILLIAM C.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Pyle, Robert B.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Wilson, George S.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Dayton, James E.	"
TG	2nd Lt.	ROESKE, WARREN A.	"
LNG	S/Sgt.	Cohen, Franklin C.	"
RWG	S/Sgt.	Brennan, Michael G.	"

*Plane 42-31863

P	2nd Lt.	TAYLOR, FRED M.	614th
CP	1st Lt.	BERGERSON, CLIFFORD C.	"
N	2nd Lt.	GRISSET, JACQUES (NMI)	"
B	2nd Lt.	COYNE, VAUGHN B.	"
RO	MS/Sgt.	Stuebinger, Ephraim G.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Sullivan, Harry L.	"
BT	Sgt.	Ellsworth, Kenneth E.	"
TG	Sgt.	Leiferman, Gerald J.	"
LNG	Pvt.	Dehart, Harold H.	"
RWG	Sgt.	Dondeville, Clem N.	"

*Plane 42-31315

P	1st Lt.	SMITH, WALLACE R. JR.	614th
CP	2nd Lt.	FAULHABER, DONALD A.	"
N	2nd Lt.	CRANE, RENFRO V.	"
B	1st Lt.	MONTONE, LIBER J.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Gastronova, 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.	"
RWG	S/Sgt.	Gatzmeyer, Gerald R.	"

*Plane 42-39440

P	1st Lt.	WILSON, CARLETON L.	614th
CP	2nd Lt.	KELLEY, CURTIS C.	"
N	2nd Lt.	CONNERY, JOHN K.	"
B	2nd Lt.	FOGARTY, FRANCIS M.	"
RO	Sgt.	Gray, John A.	"
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.	"

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*Plane 42-107210

P	2nd Lt.	LA FEVOR, GEORGE L.	614th
CP	2nd Lt.	HELM, WESLEY H.	"
N	2nd Lt.	HOWELL, JAMES R.	"
B	2nd Lt.	ANDERSON, DON L.	"
RO	Sgt.	Fidler, Charles K.	"
TT	Sgt.	Berg, Bernard B.	"
BT	Sgt.	Stanford, Leland (NMI)	"
TG	Sgt.	Carpenter, William L.	"
LNG	Cpl.	Bellfond, Martin (NMI)	"
RWG	Cpl.	Bilyeu, Russell E.	"

*Plane 42-107151

P	2nd Lt.	KENNEY, JOSEPH R.	614th
CP	2nd Lt.	HEARN, ROBERT P.	"
N	2nd Lt.	JAFFE, LEWIS S.	"
B	2nd Lt.	WILSON, JOHN H.	"
RO	Cpl.	Cohen, Roy V.	"
TT	Cpl.	Dixon, William E.	"
BT	Sgt.	Hambright, Richard P.	"
TG	Sgt.	Higbee, Mark (NMI)	"
LNG	S/Sgt.	Pearlman, Herman (NMI)	"
RWG	Sgt.	Peschen, Raymond J.	"

*Plane 42-97395

P	1st Lt.	BARTLEY, LEO S.	614th
CP	2nd Lt.	REFENNING, JACK L.	"
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.	"
LNG	S/Sgt.	DeGraff, Andrew D.	"
RWG	Sgt.	Sherman, Gilbert (NMI)	"

*Plane 42-39478

P	1st Lt.	RISHER, JAMES F.	614th
CP	2nd Lt.	HAMMOND, HOWARD W.	"
N	2nd Lt.	RICKS, FRANK W.	"
B	2nd Lt.	BROWN, VINCENT E.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Mussetter, William M.	"
TT	Sgt.	Ockerman, Robert H.	"
BT	Sgt.	Baker, Harry R.	"
TG	Sgt.	Baker, James J.	"
LNG	S/Sgt.	Miller, Jennings F. Jr.	"
RWG	Sgt.	Crece, Rudolph M.	"

*Plane 42-107207

P	2nd Lt.	KILMER, ALPHEUS L.	614th
CP	2nd Lt.	HUNTER, JAMES M.	"
N	2nd Lt.	GRIGGS, WILLIAM C. JR.	"
B	2nd Lt.	FOWLER, EUGENE K.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Brooks, Robert L.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Deitsch, Delois F.	"
BT	Sgt.	Gornaley, Edward M.	"
TG	Sgt.	Mammisi, Angele A.	"
LNG	Sgt.	Hicks, Robert G.	"
RWG	Sgt.	Alexander, James S.	"

For the Squadron Commander:

WILLIAM C. GARLAND,
 CAPT., Air Corps.

SIX HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
 FOUR HUNDRED AND FIRST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)

Office of the Operations Officer
 AAF - Sta - 128 - APO - 557

7 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 # 42-51780

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

Plane # 42-97664

P	2nd Lt.	Ochsenhirt	Harry	J.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Ballenger	William	H.	615th
W	2nd Lt.	Beckstans	Ernest	L.	615th
B	1st Lt.	Guyvin	Robert	H.	615th
RO	S/Sgt.	Fingleton	Richard	A.	615th
TT	S/Sgt.	Westberg	Raymond	H.	615th
BT	Sgt.	Martin	Robert	X.	615th
TG	Sgt.	Mussey	Ambrose	W.	615th
LWG	Sgt.	Farley	Jerome	V.	615th
RWG	Sgt.	Martin	Russell	J.	615th

PLANE # 42-107115

P	1st Lt.	Campbell	Paul	H.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	De Siano	Ambrose	(MI)	615th
W	2nd Lt.	Wilhelm	Andrew	C.	615th
B	2nd Lt.	Malone	Ralph	B.	615th
RO	T/Sgt.	Anderson	Martin	A.	615th
TT	S/Sgt.	Hensley	Ora	N.	615th
BT	S/Sgt.	Brown	Saul	H.	615th
TG	S/Sgt.	Standafer	Stendley	(MI)	615th
LWG	S/Sgt.	Smith	Allen	H.	615th
RWG	S/Sgt.	Kendrick	Joseph	H.	615th

PLANE # 42-59875

P	1st Lt.	Yaminski	Vincent	J.	615th
CP	1st Lt.	Mallon	Richard	W.	615th
W	1st Lt.	Mildinger	Lawrence	J.	615th
B	S/Sgt.	Sweepe	William	H.	615th
RO	T/Sgt.	Cheatham	Elmer	R.	615th
TT	T/Sgt.	Draginis	Donald	L.	615th
BT	S/Sgt.	Robideaux	Jay	W.	615th
TG	S/Sgt.	Powell	Gerald	J.	615th
LWG	Sgt.	Crawley	Ernie	F.	615th
RWG	S/Sgt.	Loadholt	Jay	T.	615th

PLANE # 42-59875

PLANE # 39932004

P	2nd Lt.	Gillespie	Elmer	G.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Chapman	Theodore	(MMI)	615th
N	2nd Lt.	Mason	Hodge	E.	615th
B	2nd Lt.	Taylor	David	L.	615th
RO	S/Sgt.	McFall	Charlie	A.	615th
TT	Sgt.	Zirbel	Don	D.	615th
BT	Sgt.	Browning	Elmer	K.	615th
TG	Sgt.	Bush	Robert	J.	615th
LWG	Sgt.	Dickson	Jefferson	D.	615th
RWG	Sgt.	Lambert	Thomas	M.	615th

PLANE # 42-31819

P	1st Lt.	Ferdyn	Joseph	E.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Enstad	Robert	J.	615th
N	2nd Lt.	Manning	Charles	H.	615th
B	2nd Lt.	Black	J. (io)	Doc	615th
RO	S/Sgt.	Cooper	Larry	R.	615th
TT	T/Sgt.	Agce	Jack	D.	615th
BT	S/Sgt.	Johnson	Joe	R.	615th
TG	S/Sgt.	Hertzan	Harold	(MMI)	615th
LWG	S/Sgt.	May	William	H.	615th
RWG	S/Sgt.	Bushendorf	Everett	M.	615th

PLANE # 42-37843

P	2nd Lt.	Mann	William	(J.)	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Root	John	(MMI)	615th
N	F/O	Rush	Louis	R.	615th
B	2nd Lt.	Rosenquist	Alfred	A.	615th
RO	S/Sgt.	Ameen	William	P.	615th
TT	S/Sgt.	Husher	William	F.	615th
BT	Sgt.	Reed	Robert	R.	615th
TG	Sgt.	De Huro	Alfonso	A.	615th
LWG	Sgt.	Breggia	Frank	A.	615th
RWG	Sgt.	Smith	William	A.	615th

PLANE # 42-37073

P	2nd Lt.	Parr	Clinton	J.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Blevins	Charles	H.	615th
N	2nd Lt.	Hansen	Gerald	E.	615th
B	2nd Lt.	Ridley	John	U.	615th
RO	S/Sgt.	Allen	John	L.	615th
TT	S/Sgt.	Bossley	Emerson	E.	615th
BT	Sgt.	Terhorst	Arthur	(MMI)	615th
EG	Sgt.	Holland	James	E.	615th
LWG	Sgt.	Daniels	George	G.	615th
RWG	Sgt.	Perez	Louis	A.	615th

PLANE # 42-31983

P	2nd Lt.	Knight	Don	C.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Huegin	William	B.	615th
N	2nd Lt.	Cummings	Lawrence	T.	615th
B	2nd Lt.	Chambers	Edward	G.	615th
RO	Sgt.	Dengler	Walter	(E.)	615th
TT	T/Sgt.	Sartor	William	D.	615th
BT	S/Sgt.	Mackowiak	William	W.	615th
TG	S/Sgt.	Facely	Charles	L.	615th
LWG	S/Sgt.	Wilson	Charles	J.	615th
RWG	S/Sgt.	Cope	Frederick	L.	615th

PLANE # PFF

P	Major	White	Ralph	J.	615th
N	Captain	Causey	Rufus	F.	615th
B	Captain	Kuening	Arnold	G.	615th
R	2nd Lt.	Shelton	Horace	E.	615th

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

7 MAY 1944

WEATHER INTERROGATION SUMMARY FOR MISSION OF 7 MAY 1944.

BASE AT TAKE OFF: (0602):

1/10 altostratus, base 8,000'. 1/10 cirrus. Visibility 7 miles.

ROUTE OUT:

6-8/10 stratocumulus, base 5,000' tops 6-8,000' over English Coast and Channel, becoming 9/10 plus altostratus, tops 12-15,000' over continent. Visibility unrestricted at flight altitude.

TARGET: (1103):

9/10 plus altostratus, tops 15-16,000'. Visibility unrestricted at flight level.

RETURN ROUTE:

9/10 plus altostratus, tops 15-16,000' over continent, becoming 4-6/10 over English Channel, tops 11,000' base 5-6,000'. 4-6/10 cumulus, tops 6-7,000' base 4,000' over England. Visibility unrestricted.

BASE ON RETURN: (1433):

3/10 cumulus, base 3,500'. 2/10 cirrus, base 20,000'. Visibility 15 miles.

REMARKS:

Wind: Forecast velocity and direction good. Temperatures were as forecast. Light non-persistent contrails reported at 25,000'.

Walter A. Hestley
WALTER A. HESTLEY,
1st Lt. Air Corps,
Station Weather Officer.

OPERATIONAL ROUTE FORECAST

DATE 7 May 1968
 PERIOD 0500 - 1400 hrs
 AG P BR HQ SOS 2-44/69M/22929

	A Base to 10 Deg. East	B 10 Deg East to Target to 10 Deg East.	C 10 Deg East to Base	D
WEATHER	1 Partly Cloudy with haze becoming Cloudy with haze becoming Partly Cloudy to Cloudy	1 Partly Cloudy to Cloudy becoming Cloudy becoming Partly Cloudy to Cloudy	1 Partly Cloudy becoming Cloudy.	1 Partly Cloudy Light Non-persistent contrails above 25,000ft becoming more Persistent at Cirrus level level
CLOUDS	2 Nil-3/10 Stratocumulus base 2-3000ft tops 5000ft becoming NSW 5-7/10 over North Sea decreasing to 3-5/10 over Continent but increasing to 4-7/10 at 10 Deg East. Nil Middle Cloud 3-5/10 Fine Cirrus above 24,000ft.	2 4-7/10 Stratocumulus base 2-3000ft tops 5000 becoming 6-7/10 Large Cumulus base 2-3000ft tops 7-9000ft. at Target and local to 10 Deg East. Nil Middle and High Cloud.	2 4-7/10 Stratocumulus base 2-3000ft tops 5000 increasing to 6-8/10 at Continental Coast but decreasing to 4-7/10 at Base on return. 3-5/10 Fine Cirrus above 24,000ft increasing to 5-7/10 Cirrus base 29,000ft at Base on return.	2 Partly Cloudy Western Target Pressure "in" side -39.9ft Sea Level Pressure Pressure 30.27 in. Eastern Target, Pressure Altitude -60ft Sea Level Pressure 30.12 VALUES for western target are at Sea Level. VALUES for Eastern target are at Station Pressure
ICING	3 4000ft becoming 500ft over Continent. Light Rime in Low Cloud.	3 3000 ft. moderate Clear In Cumulus Cloud.	3 3000ft becoming 4000ft Light Rime in Low Cloud	
VISIBILITY	4 2-4 miles becoming Unlimited aloft. Downward Visibility 0-3 miles	4 Unlimited aloft.	4 Unlimited aloft becoming 6 miles Plus at Base on return.	
HEIGHT	DIRECTION VELOCITY	DIRECTION VELOCITY	DIRECTION VELOCITY	DIRECTION VELOCITY
SURFACE	Wind to 10 Deg East 270 10	10 Deg East to Target 180 15	10 Deg East to Base 210 25	Partly Cloudy Western Target Mean Temperature at 25,000ft -15.0
5000 FT	320 15	020 25	-15	25,000ft -15.0
10000 FT	350 20	020 020 35	-10	25,000ft -15.5
15000 FT	010 25	020 35 45	-20	25,000ft -16.5
20000 FT	010 30	020 55	-31	25,000ft -17.5
25000 FT	010 40	020 70	-40	26,000ft -18.5
30000 FT	010 45	020 80	-50	

BASE ALTIMETER SETTING 30.33 TARGET SURFACE TEMP 12.0 TARGET MEAN TEMP 12.0
 TEMP. AT 25,000 FT. -12.0 TARGET SURFACE (PRESSURE-ALT) 30.12

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