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JACKSON M. PHIPPS,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

"MISSION SUMMARY"

MISSION NO. 72
22ND. MAY, 1944

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

REPORT OF OPERATIONAL
DAY

MISSION No. **72**

Date: **22 MAY 44**

TO: **KIEL , GER.**

HEADQUARTERS
401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)

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22 May 1944

SUBJECT: Leader's Narrative, 401st Group, Mission of 22 May 1944.

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

1. The 401st Group furnished the high box in the 94th Wing. Assembly was made about five minutes before the Wing departed "X" Buncher. Route to the coast was as briefed and Division assembly was good.

2. Route to the target was as briefed except high box flew on the left, being instructed to do so by the Air Commander.

3. Approximately 9/10 cloud coverage necessitated PFF bombing. Altitude was 25,700 feet for the high box. A small section of the coast and inlet were visible, however. Judging from the visible portion it is believed our bombing was good.

4. Flak encountered by the high box was mild. No enemy fighters were encountered. Friendly fighter support was excellent. All ships returned.

5. Return to base was as briefed, letting down through a hole in the clouds just after crossing English Coast.

W. C. GARLAND,
Major, Air Corps,
Group Leader.

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

22 May 1944

SUBJECT: Operational Report, Mission No 72, 22 May 1944.

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

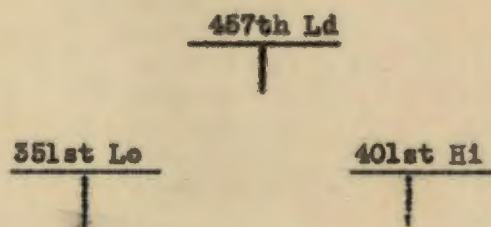
1. The 401st Group furnished fourteen ships, including two spares, for the high box of the 94th CBW formation. T.O. and assembly were as briefed. For the route in, bombing, and route out see the box leader's narrative.

2. Two aircraft returned early. Both were spares. There were no abortions.

3. Enemy action consisted of meager to moderate flak in the target area. It was inaccurate. No attacks by E/A were reported.

4. Formation:

- a. T.O. and cruise (see attached diagram)
- b. Over target . (" " " ")
- c. 94th CBW formation.

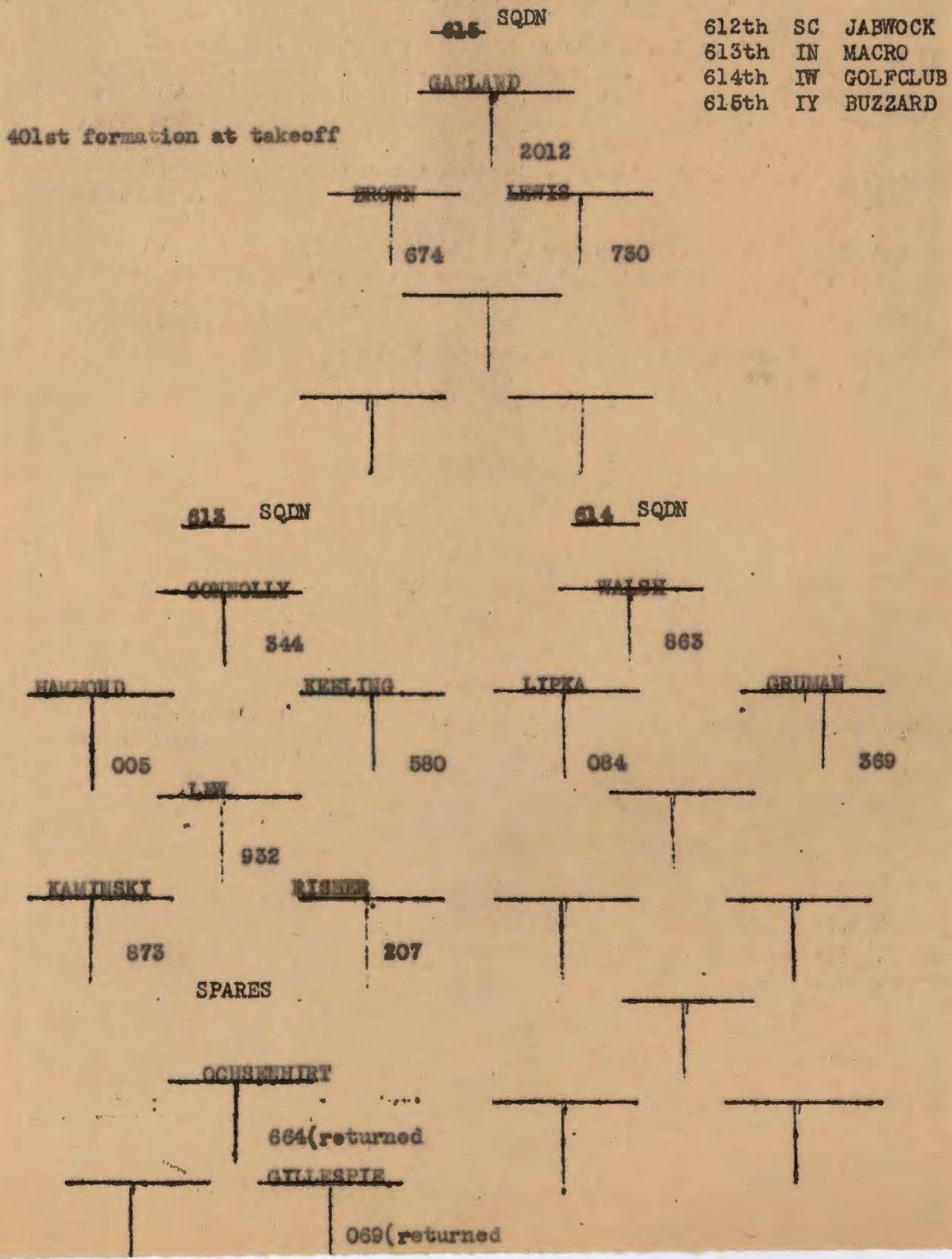


5. Bombing: Bombing was PFF in wing formation. Results were unobserved.

ALLISON C. BROOKS,
Lt. Col., Air Corps,
Operations Officer.

94th CBW HIGH BOX

Combat Flight Leader _____ Date 22 May 1944
Deputy Flight Leader _____
Group Call Sign _____ Fighter Call Sign _____
Ground Control _____



(POSITION OVER TARGET)

Combat Flight Leader Major Garland Date 22 May 1944
 Deputy Flight Leader Captain Lewis
 Group Call Sign _____ Fighter Call Sign _____
 Ground Control _____

614th SQDN
 (GARLAND) GAMMACK
 F 012
 F. BROWN LEWIS
 M 674 730

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

613th SQDN

SQDN

CONNOLLY
 F 344

WALSH
 X 863

HARRISON
 M 005

KEELING
 Q 580

LIPKA
 G 084

GRUMAN
 K 369

LEV
 H 932

KAMINSKI
 Q 873

RISHOR
 O 207

SPARES

HEADQUARTERS
 401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
 APO 557, US ARMY

23 May 1944.

SUBJECT: Statistical Summary, 401st Bomb Group, Date of 22 May 1944.

TO : Commanding Officer, 401st Bomb Group, APO 557.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF AIRCRAFT ATTACKING

Number of A/C Taking Off.....14
 Number of Spares..... 2
 No. of A/C Taking Off Less Unused Spares.12
 Number of Sorties (E.E.T.).....12
 A/C Returning Early (Not E.E.T.)..... 0
 Number of A/C Attacking.....12
 Number of A/C Not Attacking..... 0

Number of A/C Lost:

None

TABULAR SUMMARY DISPOSITION OF BOMBS OVER TARGET

	Aircraft		Bombs				
	Over Target	Bomb- ing	Num- ber	Size	Type	Fusing	
						Nose	Tail
Main Bombfall	12	12	120	500#	M-64	1/10	1/40
Other Attacks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Bombs on Targets			120	500#	M-64	1/10	1/40
Other Expenditures			--	--	--	--	--
Bombs Returned			20	500#	M-64	1/10	1/40
Total (Loaded on A/C Taking Off)			140	500#	M-64	1/10	1/40

For the Operations Officer:

KEN W. DAUBLE
 Captain, Air Corps
 Statistical Officer

HEADQUARTERS AAF STATION #128
OFFICE OF THE NAVIGATION OFFICER22 May

1944

SUBJECT: Lead Navigator's Narrative

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

1. Flight plan, Log, and Track Chart Attached.

2. Narrative:

a. T/O at 0930 hours; Land at 1557 hours.b. Group formed at 1004 hours at 9000 feet.c. Formed CBW at 1021 hours at 9500 feet.d. Began climb at 1030 hours; reached alt. at 1226 hours.

e. Weather encountered over England:

(1) Clouds 6 / 10th - Visibility 6 miles.(2) Wind at altitude 360 degrees, 76 Knots.f. Means of navigation over England. Geo, Radio, D.R., Pilotage.g. Means of checking Metro Winds Geo, Pilotage, Drift.h. Joined task force at 1100 hrs. at Ormer
(Splasher, City, Coord.)i. English Coast out at 1100 hrs.; Enemy Coast in at 1240 hrs.

j. Fighter Rendezvous:

(1) Going in 1235 hrs.(2) Coming back hrs. All the way

k. Wind used for bombing:

(1) 360 degrees, 76 Knots.(2) Determined by Geo
(Method)

l. Bomb run and Method of Target Identifications:

(1) Reached IP at 1241 hrs.(2) Mag. heading over target 125 degrees.(3) Altitude over target 25000 feet.(4) Bombs away at 1250 hrs.

(5) Method of target identification and weather over target:

PFF 8/10 cloudy

m. Geo:

(1) Coordinates of farthest fix 54-16 N. 07-32 E.(2) Obtained at 085 hours.

n. Difficulties encountered with special equipment.

None

COMMENTS:

CECIL A. HASKINS
1st Lt., A. C.
Lead Navigator

SIGNATURE

TIME	COURSE	W/V USED &/OR D.R. DRIF.	TRUE HDNG	MAG HDNG	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.
1114	14	330/40	34		G 53-13N 02-10E	18/8 33/14	158	12500	154	140	80	34	1148
122	40	-5	35		G 53-22N 02-25E	13/8 31/16	145	14500		116			
1132	50	347/46	35		G 53-34N 03-00E	26/10 39/18	145	17000	156	130	42	19	1151
1141			35		Test fire	All guns roger	145	16500					
1143	48	-13	35		G 53-58N 03-25E	21/11 60/29	145	15000		124			
1151					G 54-05N 04-08E	28/8	158	19000					
1208	79	-25	54		D. 4. 54-10 N 05-10E	37/17		23000			70	34	1242
1210		360/76	55				145	23000					
1221		-12	62				145	24000					
1225					P-56's								
1226			60		G 54-27N 07-00E	P-51's	148	25500					
1235			60		Sighted land		150	25800					
1240					G. 54-35N 08-50E								
1241					I.P.								
1244			79		Chaff		158	25700					
1246			104		Fl. 54-38N 09-37E		145	25800					
1248		-16			Flock								
1250	136	360/76	120		HEADS AWAY		158	25800	198	248			
1252			175										
1255			230		1 rocket	54-05N 10-15E							
1300			300				145	25500					
1309			300		A/F 54-18N 09-25E		145	25700					
1316			200		Enemy coast 54-06N 09-00E	Four big boats	148	25500					
1329			300		Absent Heligoland. 2 boats in harbor		148	21000					
1340			285		G. 54-16N 07-37E	56/13 52/24				130	10	5	1345
1400	260	A15	275		G. 54-08N 06-25E		145	13000					
1409	260		276		G. 54-31N 05-40E	30/9	158	12500	158				
1416	265		276		G. 54-02N 04-45E	32/7 60/16	158	12500	158				
1426			276		G. 53-57N 04-04E			12500					
1428	255	330/58	275		IFF on	23/10			234	130		47	1515
1446	233	A14	247		G. 53-30N 03-10E	44/18				147		31	1517
1503			248		G. 53-08E 02-12E		158	12500					
1513			260		G. 52-52N 01-28E	English Coast		10000					
1555					Base			1500					
1557					Landed								
1600					Engines Off.								

VIII BOMBER COMMAND - PROPOSED OVERALL PLAN

TARGET

Primary KIEL, GERMANY
Secondary _____
Last Resort _____

TRACK CHART

DATE MAY 22, 1944

GREEN
RED

Route followed by BRIEFED COURSE
401st B.C. (H)

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HEADQUARTERS
AAF STATION #128
APO #557, U. S. ARMY

22 May 1944

SUBJECT: Lead Bombardier's Narrative, Mission to Kiel, Germany.

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

1. BOMBING APPROACH AND RUN: We turned on the I. P., and the Wing Commander announced the bombing would be PFF. Cloud coverage was 7-9/10ths, and the target area was completely covered.

2. INFORMATION AT RELEASE POINT: We were a little behind in trail at the time the Wing Leader dropped his bombs. I held my bombs until I came up to the smoke bomb and then released.

3. Results were unobserved.

W. C. WHITE
1st Lt., A. C.,
Lead Bombardier

BOMBARDIER'S INDIVIDUAL PLOT

Target

Kiel, Germany

Method of Bombing

FFF

Altitude

2500

0

Wind Direction 360°, 76 K

270

90

Direction of Attack 125

180

PLOT

Wind Direction

Wind Velocity 360

Direction of attack 76 K

125

REMARKS - - - - -

12 A/C of the 401st Group, flying as High Box of the 94th CBW, dropped 120 x 500 GP on the primary target, Kiel, Germany. Bombing was FFF. Results unobserved.

W.D.
A-G Form
12 E. Modified
25-9-43, 8 BC APO 634

COMBAT BOMBING FLIGHT RECORD

BOMBARDIER 1st Lt. W. C. White DATE 22 May 1944
PILOT Major. Garland TAKE OFF 0930
NAVIGATOR 1st Lt. C. A. Haskins AIRPLANE B-17G
ORGANIZATION SQUADRON GROUP 401 LANDED 1557
OBJECTIVE Kiel, Germany (MPI)
INITIAL POINT 54-37N 07-20E
METHOD OF ATTACK X
Individual Flight Squadron Group Wing
NUMBER A/C IN GROUP 12 COMPOSITE GROUP
NUMBER A/C DROPPING BOMBS BY OWN SIGHTING OPERATION: PTF
DEFLECTION AND RANGE SIGHTING, GROUP COMPOSITE GROUP
RANGE SIGHTING ONLY, GROUP COMPOSITE GROUP
BOMBS, TYPES AND SIZES 500# GP
NUMBER OF BOMBS LOADED 120 RELEASED 120
FUZING, NOSE 1/10 TAIL 1/40
SYNCHRONIZATION X
On Fast Slow

INFORMATION AT RELEASE POINT:

Altitude of target	<u>000</u>	Mag Head, order	<u>105</u>	Actual	<u>125</u>
True Altitude above target	<u>25900</u>	True Heading	<u>120</u>		
Ind. Altitude	<u>25800</u>	Drift, Est.	<u>121</u>	Actual	<u>162</u>
Pressure alt of target	<u>243</u>	True Track	<u>130</u>		
Altimeter setting	<u>29.92</u>	Actual Range			
C.I.A.S. <u>150</u>	I.A.S. <u>150</u>	B.S. Type	<u>1-7</u>		
G.S., Est <u>288</u>	Actual <u>248</u>	Time of Release	<u>1450</u>		
Wind Direc. Metro <u>330</u>	Actual <u>360</u>	Intervalometer Setting	<u>50 ft.</u>		
Wind Veloc. Metro <u>7MP</u>	Actual <u>76K</u>	Length of Bombing Run			
D.S. <u>125.6</u>	Trail <u>58</u>	C-1 Pilot	<u>A-5</u>		
Stan. D.A. Est. <u>.64</u>	Actual <u> </u>	Manual Pilot			

Individual Train Live Joint

POINT OF IMPACT IF SEEN Unobserved

NAVIGATION DATA:

MEAN TEMP. METRO -19 ACTUAL

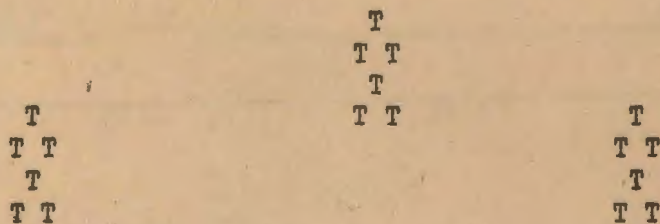
WINDS

ALTITUDE	DIRECTION		VELOCITY		TEMP. C.	
	Metro	Actual	Metro	Actual	Metro	Actual
1000						
5000						
10000						
15000						
17000						
19000						
20000						
25000						
<u>28000</u>	330	360	71K	76K	-40	-36
30000						

METHODS OF BOMBING



COMPOSITE GROUPS



Bombardier making complete sighting operation

Bombardier making range operation only

Bombardier dropping on leader, with arrow indicating leader's position.



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

F-A-1

A.P.O. 557
22 May 1944

SUBJECT: Mission Summary Report.

TO : Group Operations, AAF Station 128, APO 557.

1. Abortives.

None

2. Battle Damage.

None

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

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

F-C-1

A.P.O. 557
22 May 1944

SUBJECT: Armament Narrative, Mission of 22 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 22 May 1944.

2. Three (3) airplanes equipped with the all-electric
bomb release system participated in this mission.

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

S E C R E T

Form OO-Amm-2B

MISSION EXPENDITURES - AMMUNITION

(Div. or Comd) 1ST BOMB DIVISION

Operations No. 361

Date of Operations 22 MAY 44

Group	Bomb Type	FUZES				EXPENDED					AMMUNITION				PYROTECHNICS	Amount Expended
		Nose Fuze	Nose Delay	Tail Fuze	Tail Delay	Initial Load	On Target	Jet- s'nd	Unactd for	Retd	Cal.	Linkage	Linkage Ratio	Amount Expended	Type	
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
401	500-LB. G.P. AN-M64	AN- M103	1/10	AN- M101	1/40	140	120	0	0	20	.50	AP	STR	1725	8KY MARKER	2

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Check one of the following:

Report complete XX

Supplement will follow _____

Reason for Supplement _____

Additional Remarks _____

HEADQUARTERS
 401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
 OFFICE OF THE COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER
 AAF STA 128, APO 557

J-A-2

REFERENCE FIELD ORDER 361 22 MAY 1944

SUBJECT: COMMUNICATIONS REPORT, OPERATIONAL MISSION NO 72.

TO: COMMANDING OFFICER, 401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H).

SECTION ONE - USE OF RADIO NAVIGATIONAL AIDS

1. VHF/DF BEARINGS TO 401ST A/C	<u>Ø</u>
VHF/DF BEARINGS TO 94TH CBW A/C	<u>Ø</u>
2. HF/DF BEARINGS	<u>Ø</u>
3. MF/DF FIXES	<u>1</u>
4. DISTRESS ACTION	<u>Ø</u>
5. RADIO BEACONS USED.	
SPLASHERS	<u>14</u>
FIXED BEACONS	<u>Ø</u>
BUNCHERS	<u>10</u>
6. TOTAL A/C EQUIPPED WITH GEE	<u>9</u>
MAXIMUM FIX OBTAINED	<u>0732E 5428N</u>

SECTION TWO - REPORTED EQUIPMENT DEFICIENCIES

1. LIAISON	<u>2</u>	5. INTERPHONE	<u>2</u>
2. COMMAND	<u>Ø</u>	6. GEE	<u>Ø</u>
3. VHF	<u>Ø</u>	7. IFF	<u>Ø</u>
4. COMPASS	<u>2</u>	8. OTHER	<u>2</u>

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

SS Form 90

S-2 STATISTICAL REPORT

Mission of _____

Time of Preparation _____

Target 22 May 44Telephone to A-2 1730Mel

1735(1) Designation of Group 401st(2) Total No. of A/C
airborne, incl. spares 14(3) Total No. of A/C
Dispatched 14(4) No. of A/C Attacking 12(5) No. of A/C Dispatched
but not Attacking 2 2

Due to:

- (a) Mechanical Failure _____
 (b) Weather _____
 (c) Enemy Action
 (lost before target) _____
 (d) Other 2

(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 0(8) Altitudes of Attack 25000 - 26000(9) Bombs on Each Target (a) 1 Skymarker
120 (b) Size 500 (c) Type G.P.(10) Personnel Casualties 10

Type:

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

(11) A/C Suffering Battle
Damage 0

Category:

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

(12) Claims None(13) Leaflets None

REMARKS: _____

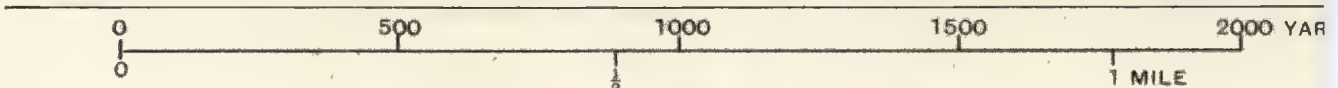
Lt. P. R. Myers
Preparing Officer

Target No.
3 (a) 4

FRIED. KRUPP GERMANIA
WERFT A.G.

KIEL
(GERMANY)

Illustration
3 (a) 4/10



(1 : 12,500)

approx.

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Issued December 1942



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

(D-G-5)

22 May 1944.

SUBJECT: Comments of Crews participating in Mission to KIEL, 22 May 1944.

TO : COMMANDING OFFICER, 401st Bombardment Group (H), APO 557, U. S. Army.
(THRU Lt. Col. B. K. Voorhees and Lt. Col. A. C. Brooks).

1. Lt. Dens G. Geber, Bombardier, A/C 1005, stated that the 457th Bomb Group bombed much too soon and that their bombs hit in fields.
2. Lt. Wardlaw H. Hammond, Pilot, A/C 1005, observed that the let-down of the 457th Bomb Group was erratic and stated that the low air speed maintained by this Group caused the high box to overrun them. He also stated that air speed was too slow after let-down had been completed.
3. Lt. Myrick J. Whiting, Navigator, A/C 1005, thought the 401st Group Leader spent an unnecessarily long time over England on the return, before landing. He further stated that the navigation lead was excellent.
4. Lt. James A. Gruman, Pilot, A/C 1369, likes the 12 A/C formation, but criticized flying of High Squadron Leader of this group, stating that he weaved and did not lose or gain altitude properly when this was necessary.
5. T/Sgt. Ensign S. Ames, RWG, A/C 2012, thinks field glasses should be provided for waist gunners to aid them in identifying planes in the distance and installations and objects on the ground.
6. Lt. Charles W. Keeling, Pilot, A/C 2580, stated that there was no truck available to transport his crew to their A/C after briefing. Lt. Sandy Low, Pilot, A/C 9952, stated that there was no truck available to take his crew to interrogation after they had landed.
7. Lt. John J. Connolly, Pilot, A/C 7344, criticizes the fact that there are non-flying personnel living in 615th Squadron Combat Enlisted Men's barracks who come in at all hours of the night and keep his men awake.

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 . KIEL
Target: Date of Mission 22 May 44
Bombed . . KIEL

Route as Flown:- 1100 (5250-0130E) - 1240 (5435-0850) - 1250 (Target) - 1255 (5405-1015E) - 1316 (5406 - 0900E).

Weather conditions: (a) At target 8/10 - Clouds to 9,000 feet
(b) En route 6/10 + 8/10 stratus-cumulus - tops 6,000 feet
Were our A/C "Seen" or "Unseen" targets? (a) At target Seen
(b) En route Seen
Any condensation trails? . . No

Description of Flak at Target, including METHOD OF FIRE CONTROL

Meager to moderate, barrage and tracking. Fair to good for altitude but generally poor for deflection.

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

Encountered, 1247 hours, (5427-0931E), 26,250, Meager, Good, Poor, Black, Tracking
Observed , 1317 hours, (5410-0850E), 25,600, Meager, Poor, Poor, Black, 3 Gun Battery

Was CHAFF carried? . . Yes
How discharged? . . . As Briefed
Position of Group . Lead

Details:-

up	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	12	0	0	1250	1250	25000 26000	125M	12 Min.

REMARKS

Observed 1 rocket at target area. Accurate for altitude but approximately 5 miles to right of course.

Lt. Paul R. Myers

BRIEFING NOTES: for 22 May 1944

TARGET: Your target city is the location of one of Germany's most prominent and important Warship and Submarine Shipbuilding Yards. These yards produced several of the more noted units of Germany's heavier naval vessels such as the cruiser "Prinz Eugen". At various times the main production has concentrated on U-Boats but production of same is believed to have fallen off at this time. Despite these installations being present your MPI has been designated in the heart of the built up city area as you will see on the photos which follow.

SECONDARY: Port is used as patrol depot for German Navy and also merchant shipping. Your MPI AREA is the railroad yards adjoining the dock area which handle all of the inland transportation for shipping received at the Port, as well as furnishing supplies to the German Navy.

LAST RESORT:: NONE GIVEN.

ROUTE AND FIGHTER SUPPORT** 2 Gps of '38's and 2 Gps of 51's.
1 Gp 38's sweep Hamburg-Bremen area--arrive target
10 minutes before bombers, and remain for 3 BD
1 Gp 51's sweep Steinhuder-Dummer Lake area 30
minutes after target time.

FRIENDLY ACTIVITIES-

EPIDIASCOPE PROCEDURE(Briefing by Lead Bombardier)
1:500,000 chart
Night Target Chart(Primary)
Photograph(Primary)
Perspective View(Primary)
Night Target Chart(Secendary)
Photograph(Secendary)

FALK ROUTE(EPIDIASCOPE) by S-2. relatively clear, mention envelopes from airfields and particularly Heligoland.

LAST MINUTE INTELLIGENCE:

NO CONVOYS EXPECTED:
CHAFF WILL BE CARRIED

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

P/W--~~stark~~ Lubeck Wismar and Rostock close--Discuss Denmark.
1 BD peep "FORTS WILL NOT OPEN FIRE ON AIRCRAFT UNLESS
DEFINATE REASON EXIST FOR BELIEF THAT FORT IS BEING ATTACKED DELIBERATELY".
EMPTY POCKETS
IDENTITY PHOTOS
DOG TAGS
G.I. SHOES
ESCAPE KIT AND PURSE
ADJUST PARACHUTE HARNESS

DON'T MENTION THE TARGET

LT. Hamrick

5-3

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

22 May 1944

SUBJECT: LOADING LIST

TO: Operations Officer, 401st Bombardment Squadron (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. 42-97344</u>				
P	2d Lt.	CONNOLLY	JOHN	J.
CP	2d Lt.	BOGGS	JAMES	B.
N	2d Lt.	IRISE	THOMAS	H.
B	2d Lt.	BOILER	EDWARD	H.
RO	T SGT.	BERGENEY	MAX	H.
TT	S SGT.	MILLS	CARL	W.
BT	S SGT.	PEREZ	FRANK	D.
TG	SGT.	MAC GOWAN	BATES	(NMI)
LWG	SGT.	FRIEDMAN	MAURICE	(NMI)
RWG	SGT.	HELNAP	LEE	O.

<u>PLANE NO. 42-31005</u>				
P	2d Lt.	HAMMOND	WARDLAW	M.
CP	2d Lt.	LIVINGSTONE	ALEXANDER	R.
N	2d Lt.	WHITING	MYRICK	J.
B	2d Lt.	GOBER	DENE	C.
RO	T SGT.	MUNCH	BENJAMIN ELMER	C.
TT	T SGT.	BESSELLIEAU	BERT	B.
BT	S SGT.	O'BRIEN	JOHN	D.
TG	S SGT. FETZER	ELMER	M.	
LWG	S SGT.	KASHNER	CHARLES	D.
RWG	S SGT.	MARTINELLI	ALEXANDER	M.

<u>PLANE NO. 42-102580</u>				
P	2d Lt.	KEELING	CHARLES	W.
CP	2d Lt.	FRAZIER	DONALD	F.
N	2d Lt.	WOLIVER	IRVING	(NMI)
B	F/O	LEWIS	GEORGE	R.
RO	T SGT.	MOSSER	BEN	Z.
TT	SGT.	RITTMAYER	ROBERT	W.
BT	SGT.	LARSON	DEAN	C.
TG	SGT.	PICO	WILLIAM	J.
LWG	SGT.	GUESS	WILLIAM	J.
RWG	SGT.	BARKHURST	IRA	A.

<u>PLANE NO. 42-99932</u>				
P	1st Lt.	LEW	SANDY	(NMI)
CP	2d Lt.	PRIEST	GORDON	S.
N	2d Lt.	SCHLICKER	ROGER	F.
B	2d Lt.	KELLY	JOHN	J.
RO	T SGT.	JOHNSON	ALVIN	A.
TT	T SGT.	TRYBA	ALEXANDER	F.
BT	S SGT.	FRANKLIN	THOMAS	(NMI)
TG	S SGT.	HIBBS	EARL ARLIE	EX E.
LWG	S SGT.	ROBINSON	MARSHALL	E.
RWG	S SGT.	MCCARTHY	WILLIAM	A.

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

AAF Station # 128
 22 May 1944.

SUBJECT: Loading List.

TO : Operations Officer, 401st Bomb Gp (H), AAF Station # 128 APO # 557.

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

PLANE 42-32012

P	1st Lt.	CAMMACK, VERNON K.	614th
C	Major	GARLAND, WILLIAM C.	"
N	1st Lt.	HASKIN, CECIL A.	"
B	1st Lt.	WHITE, WILLIAM C.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Timme, Glenn A.	"
TT	XXXX T/Sgt.	Slate, Chester A.	"
BT	T/Sgt.	Ames, Ensign S.	"
TG	XXXX 1st Lt.	HARGER, ROBERT W.	"
LWG	S/Sgt.	Wanke, Charles P.	"
RWG	S/Sgt.	Price, John R.	"

PLANE 42-31883

P	1st Lt.	WALSH, ROBERT P.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	SCHULZ, JOHN	"
N	1st Lt.	PORTER, GUY R.	"
CG	S/Sgt.	Layland, John M.	"
RO	Sgt.	Zappala, Vincent	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Stallcup, Mose H.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Michel, Delmar E.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Brgech, Ludvick J.	"
LWG	S/Sgt.	Cartmill, Charles L.	"
RWG	S/Sgt.	Cohn, Leroy	"

PLANE 42-107084

P	2nd Lt.	LIPKA, JOHN F.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	FAULKNER, JAMES H.	"
N	2nd Lt.	ANDERSON, JOSEPH A.	"
CG	Sgt.	Sherman, Gilbert	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Sugrue, John J.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Gilbert, John W.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Sanders, Valton H.	"
LWG	S/Sgt.	Nolan, Paul C.	"
RWG	S/Sgt.	Rowley, Charles M.	"
T.G.	XXXX	SUNBERG, DAVID C.	"

Heading List Continued:

PLANE 42-31389

P	1st Lt.	GRIMAN, JAMES A.	614th
CP	2nd Lt.	LAVATA MELTON, LAVATA A.	"
N	2nd Lt.	GRISSET, JACKUES	"
B	2nd Lt.	ANDREWS, RICHARD J.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Jacobson, Kenneth M.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Snyder, Ernest M.	"
BT	Sgt.	Harwell, Wilton W.	"
TG	Sgt.	Ruhmann, Richard R.	"
LWG	Sgt.	Campbell, David H.	"
RWG	Sgt.	Shan ks, Herbert H.	"

PLANE 42-107207

P	1st. Lt.	RISHIER, JAMES F.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	REFENNING, JACK L.	"
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 T.	"
LWG	S/Sgt.	Miller, Jennings F. Jr.	"
RWG	Sgt.	Crece, Rudolph M.	"

For the Squadron Commander:

WILLIAM G. GARLAND,
 Major, Air Corps,
 Operations Officer.

SIX HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)

FOUR HUNDRED AND FIRST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)

Office of the Operations Officer

AAF - 128 - APO - 557

22 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.	Maloney	Milton	F.	615th
N -	1st Lt.	Sellers	Lloyd	W.	615th
B -	1st Lt.	Wolfe	Ralph	W.	615th
RO -	T/Sgt.	Binkin	Nathan	C.	615th
TT -	T/Sgt.	Weber	Malvin	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	E.	615th

PLANE # 42-97664

P -	2nd Lt.	Ochsenhirt	Harry	J.	615th
CP -	2nd Lt.	Ballenger	William	H.	615th
N -	2nd Lt.	Bockstans	Ernest	L.	615th
B -	S/Sgt.	Seaton	Clarence	H. C.	615th
RO -	S/Sgt.	Fingleton	Richard	A.	615th
TT -	S/Sgt.	Westberg	Raymond	E.	615th
BT -	S/Sgt.	Martin	Robert	K.	615th
TG -	Sgt.	Hussey	Ambrose	W.	615th
LWG-	Sgt.	Harley	Jerome	V.	615th
RWG-	Sgt.	Martin	Russell	J.	615th

PLANE # 42-39873

P -	1st Lt.	Kaminski	Vincent	J.	615th
CP -	1st Lt.	Mallon	Richard	W.	615th
N -	1st Lt.	Hildinger	Lawrence	J.	615th
B -	2nd Lt.	Ridley	John, Jr.	U.	615th
RO -	S/Sgt.	Merlino	Frank	A.	615th
TT -	T/Sgt.	Draginis	Donald	L.	615th
BT -	S/Sgt.	Robideaux	Jay	W.	615th
TG -	S/Sgt.	Finchell	Sherwyn	(NMI)	615th
LWG-	Sgt.	Crawley	Eugene	F.	615th
RWG-	S/Sgt.	Loadholt	Jay	T.	615th

PLANE # 42-31069

P -	2nd Lt.	Gillespie	Elmer	C.	615th
CP -	2nd Lt.	Chapman	Theodore	(NMI)	615th
N -	2nd Lt.	Mason	Hodge	(E.)	615th
B -	S/Sgt.	Sweepe	William	H.	615th
RO -	S/Sgt.	McFall	Charlie	A.	615th
TT -	Sgt.	Zirbel	Don	D.	615th
BT -	Sgt.	Browning	Elmer	D.	615th
TG -	Sgt.	Dickson, Jr.	Jefferson	D.	615th
LWG-	Sgt.	Bush	Robert	J.	615th
RWG-	Sgt.	Lambert	Thomas	(M.)	615th

DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
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PLANE # 42-39873

PLANE # 42-102674

DUTY	RANK	NAME (LAST)	FIRST	(MI)	SQUADRON
P *	1st Lt.	Brown	Fred, Jr.	(NMI)	615th
CP -	2nd Lt.	Enstad	Robert	J.A.	615th
H -	2nd Lt.	Manning	Charles	H.	615th
B -	2nd Lt.	Black	J. (10)	Des	615th
RO -	S/Sgt.	Cooper	Larry	R.	615th
TT -	T/Sgt.	Agee	Jack	D.	615th
BT -	S/Sgt.	Johnson	Joe	R.	615th
TO -	S/Sgt.	Hertzan	Harold	(NMI)	615th
LWG -	S/Sgt.	May	William	(M.I.)	615th
RWG -	S/Sgt.	Bushendorf	Everett	Mc.	615th

MYNR # 43-27099

HAC -	S/Sgt.	Tomboy	John	I.	615th
FWO -	Sgt.	Clumyell	John	I.	615th
LO -	S/Sgt.	Lynch	John	(NMI)	615th
RL -	S/Sgt.	Hartman	John	I.	615th
AL -	S/Sgt.	Black	John	I.	615th
NO -	S/Sgt.	Cooper	John	I.	615th
H -	3rd Lt.	Enstad	John	I.	615th
B -	1st Lt.	Hertzan	John	I.	615th
CB -	1st Lt.	May	John	I.	615th
E -	1st Lt.	Bushendorf	John	I.	615th

MYNR # 43-28812

HAC -	Sgt.	Tomboy	John	I.	615th
FWO -	Sgt.	Clumyell	John	I.	615th
LO -	Sgt.	Lynch	John	I.	615th
RL -	S/Sgt.	Hartman	John	I.	615th
AL -	S/Sgt.	Black	John	I.	615th
NO -	S/Sgt.	Cooper	John	I.	615th
H -	S/Sgt.	Enstad	John	I.	615th
B -	3rd Lt.	Hertzan	John	I.	615th
CB -	3rd Lt.	May	John	I.	615th
E -	3rd Lt.	Bushendorf	John	I.	615th

MYNR # 43-31004

HAC -	S/Sgt.	Tomboy	John	I.	615th
FWO -	S/Sgt.	Clumyell	John	I.	615th
LO -	S/Sgt.	Lynch	John	I.	615th
RL -	S/Sgt.	Hartman	John	I.	615th
AL -	S/Sgt.	Black	John	I.	615th
NO -	S/Sgt.	Cooper	John	I.	615th
H -	1st Lt.	Enstad	John	I.	615th
B -	1st Lt.	Hertzan	John	I.	615th
CB -	3rd Lt.	May	John	I.	615th
E -	3rd Lt.	Bushendorf	John	I.	615th

ROLL	MYNR	TYPE (MYNR)	NAME	(MI)	SQUADRON
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MYNR # 43-27420

1. Following is the list of names listed in the report, in order of priority.

2. Obsolete names are listed in (H) and (M) and (S).

3. The following is the list of names listed in the report, in order of priority.

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Office of the Operations Officer

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401STATION WEATHER OFFICE
AAF STATION 123
APO 557 - U.S. ARMY

22 MAY 1944

WEATHER INTERROGATION SUMMARY FOR MISSION OF 22 MAY 1944.

BASE AT TAKE OFF: (0930) 2/10 cirrus base 1500; 8/10 altostratus base 6500 ft. Visibility 7 miles.

ROUTE OUT: 2/10 cirrus becoming 5-8/10 layered stratocirrus base of the first layer 2000 ft. and top 3000 ft. with base of second layer 4000 ft top 6000 ft. over England; becoming 5-8/10 cirrus and stratocirrus, tops 8-10,000 ft over North Sea; increasing to 7-8/10 building cirrus with altostratus associated with the tops of the cirrus at 12-15,000 ft. Visibility unrestricted at flight level, except over the Danish Peninsula.

TARGET: (1250) 7-8/10 building cirrus and altostratus associated with the cirrus tops at 12-15,000 ft. 1-2/10 cirrus at 25,000 ft. Visibility restricted in cirrus otherwise unrestricted.

ROUTE BACK: Similar to route out except over England near base area. 6-8/10 altostratus tops 7,000 ft base 5,000 ft with a thin cloud layer between 2000 to 4000 ft. that became a dense base layer. Visibility restricted by haze over England.

BASE ON RETURN: (1553) 2/10 cirrus base 2000 ft. 9/10 altostratus base 6500 ft. Visibility 3 miles in haze.

REMARKS: Temperatures were 4-6 degrees warmer than forecast. Winds direction forecast good, velocity lighter than forecast. Light non-persistent contrails were made by fighters above 30,000 ft.

Walter A. Huntley
WALTER A. HUNTLEY,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Station Weather Officer.

OPERATIONAL ROUTE FORECAST

DATE 22 May, 1944
PERIOD 0830 - 1600 hrs.
AG P BR HQ SOS 122929

	A Base to Ol. Deg East	B Ol. Deg East to Target to Ol. Deg East.	C Ol. Deg East to Bases	D
1 WEATHER	Cloudy with Haze becoming Cloudy to Overcasts	Cloudy to Overcast with Slight to Moderate Rain Showers.	Cloudy to Overcast becoming Cloudy.	
2 CLOUDS	6-8/10 Stratocumulus base 1-2000ft tops 5-6000ft in thin layers becoming 7-10/10 Large Cumulus and Stratocumulus with tops 7-9000ft at Ol. Deg East. Nil Middle and Nil High Clouds.	7-10/10 Large Cumulus and Stratocumulus tops 3000-7-9000ft becoming 6-8/10 Large Cumulus and Stratocumulus Towering Cumulus base 1-2000ft tops 12-14000ft with isolated tops to 18000ft east of 08 Deg East. Nil Middle Cloud becoming 4-6/10 thin clouds associated with Cumulus tops 12-14000ft	7-10/10 Large Cumulus and ALCS Stratocumulus 1-2000ft tops 7-9000 ft. becoming 6-9/10 Large Cumulus and Stratocumulus base 2-3000ft tops 6-8000ft over England.	east of 08 Deg East Nil High Cloud becoming 2-4/10 Fine Cirrus 25000ft or Above. Similar on Return --NOTE-- Contrails above 25000ft west of 08 Deg East becoming Light Non Persistent above 22000ft but Dense Persistent above 25,000ft East of 08 Deg East.
3 ICING	2500ft Light Rime	2000ft Moderate to Heavy Rime and Clear in Cumulus	2500ft becoming 3500ft over England. Light to Moderate Rime.	
4 VISIBILITY	2-4 Miles Unrestricted Aloft.	Unrestricted Aloft. Downward Visibility 30-40 miles.	Unrestricted Aloft becoming 6 miles plus at Bases.	
HEIGHT	DIRECTION VELOCITY	DIRECTION VELOCITY	DIRECTION VELOCITY	DIRECTION VELOCITY
SURFACE	Bases to Ol. Deg East	Ol. Deg East to Target	Temperatures	
5000 FT	010 20	350 25	Plus 05	
10000 FT	460 30	350 37 40	-06	
15000 FT	350 35	350 42 55	-11	
20000 FT	350 50	350 50 65	-17	
25000 FT	350 60	350 60 80	-27	
30000 FT	350 65	330 70 90	-38	
35000 FT	350 70	320 75 100	-48	

BASE ALTIMETER SETTING 30.2 TARGET SURFACE TEMP. Plus 05 TARGET MEAN TEMP. -19.0
TEMP. AT 25000 FT. -40 TARGET SURFACE (PRESSURE-ALT) Plus 143 ft
Target Sea Level Pressure 29.77 In

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

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22 May 1944.

SUBJECT: Comments of Crews participating in Mission to KIEL, 22 May 1944.

TO : COMMANDING OFFICER, 401st Bombardment Group (H), APO 557, U. S. Army.
(THRU Lt. Col. B. K. Voorhees and Lt. Col. A. C. Brooks).

1. Lt. Deane C. Cober, Bombardier, A/C 1005, stated that the 457th Bomb Group bombed much too soon and that their bombs hit in fields.
2. Lt. Wardlaw M. Hammond, Pilot, A/C 1005, observed that the let-down of the 458th Bomb Group was erratic and stated that the low air speed maintained by this Group caused the high box to overrun them. He also stated that air speed was too slow after let-down had been completed.
3. Lt. Myrick J. Whitign, Navigator, A/C 1005, thought the 401st Group Leader spent an unnecessarily long time over England on the return, before landing. He further stated that the navigation lead was excellent.
4. Lt. James A. Gruman, Pilot, A/C 1369, likes the 12 A/C formation, but criticized flying of High Squadron Leader of this Group, stating that he weaved and did not lose or gain altitude properly when this was necessary.
5. T/Sgt. Ensign S. Ames, HWO, A/C 2012, thinks field glasses should be provided for waist gunners to aid them in identifying planes in the distance and installations and objects on the ground.
6. Lt. Charles W. Keeling, Pilot, A/C 2580, stated that there was no truck available to transport his crew to their A/C after briefing. Lt. Sandy Lew, Pilot, A/C 9932, stated that there was no truck available to take his crew to interrogation after they had landed.
7. Lt. John J. Connolly, Pilot, A/C 7344, criticizes the fact that there are non-flying personnel living in 613th Squadron Combat Enlisted Men's barracks who come in at all hours of the night and keep his men awake.

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

HEADQUARTERS
401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H) F-A-1
Office of the Engineering Officer
AAF Station 128

A.P.O. 557
22 May 1944

SUBJECT: S-4 Combat Mission Report on Mission 22 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:

Normal Inverter 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:

Leaking Oxygen Regulator (1)

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

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

F-A-1

A.P.O. 557
22 May 1944

SUBJECT: Mission Summary Report.

TO : Group Operations, AAF Station 128, APO 557.

1. Abortives.

None

2. Battle Damage.

None

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

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

P-C-1

A.P.O. 557
22 May 1944

SUBJECT: Armament Narrative, Mission of 22 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 22 May 1944.

2. Three (3) airplanes equipped with the all-electric
bomb release system participated in this mission.

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

94th CBW HIGH BOX

Combat Flight Leader MAJOR GARLAND Date 22 May 1944
Deputy Flight Leader CAPT LEWIS
Group Call Sign _____ Fighter Call Sign _____
Ground Control _____

615 SQDN

CAMMACK (GARLAND)

IW P 2012 X

BROWN

LEWIS

IY M 2674 X

IY B

1730 X

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

613 SQDN

CONNOLLY

IW P 7344 X

HAMMOND

IW M 2005 X

KEELING

IW Q 2580 X

LIPKA

IW G 7084

GRUMAN

IW K 1369 X

LEW

IW H 9932 X

KAMINSKI

IY Q 9873 X

RISHER

IW N 7210

SPARES

OCHSENHIRST

IY P 7664

GILLESPIE

IY K 1069

614 SQDN

WALSH

IW X 1863 X

Sub 207

Not Prop Feathering Motor over

SPARE LEAD IW C 1081
GROUND SPARE IW O 7207

10-500 GP 10 40

Gas Load 2500

674 ✓ O.K. (Brown)

730 - O.K. (Lewis)

873 - ~~OK~~ (Kaminski) #4 Eng throwing oil
#2 cyl head temp. high

212 - A dis lamp would not work in tail
#2 fuel pres low:

(Garland) Check AFCE PDI would center at
all generators 2300 ft. ^{Elec.} System acts
(as if over loaded)

863 - Leak in Navigators Oxygen Regulator
(Walsby)

369 - O.K. (Grueman)

005 - O.K. (Hammond)

344 ✓ O.K. (Connolly)

580 ✓ Flaps creep. (Keeling)

932 - Normal encounter out #4 Eng Rough at
(LNU) alt.

207 - Flaps creep.
(Ricker)

Pilots failing to Report

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Lipka