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TARGET Gemunden M/y DATE 26-3-45 NO. A/C 38 MISS.# 255
 COORD. N-405630 F.O.# 226-819 STATUS Attach
 BRIEFING OFFICER Lt Sampson

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00092076

ITA JES JPO JKI V JEA JEA 01/26 (INFO)

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 26/0045A

TO COMBOMDIV IX

COBOMGP 409

COBOMGP 410

COBOMGP 416

ATTN: SIGNALS OFFICER

ADVANCE INFO COPY OF PARA. 5 OF FIELD ORDER TO FOLLOW:

5. COMMUNICATIONS.

PLAN "A" OR "B"

A. 409TH BOMB GP (405630)

(2) FATHER

(3) BYPASS

(4) RPSAW

B. 410TH BOMB GP (405630)

(2) PLUSHBIKE

(3) CABMAN

(4) RPSAW

C. 416TH BOMB GP (405630)

(2) QUICKWAY

(3) GAYLIFE

(4) RPSAW

X. GENERAL INFORMATION:

(11) RPSAW AVAILABLE FOR USE WITH BULLSEYE PROCEDURE.

COMBTWING 97

BT 26/0045A

DJP AR

ITA R.....;260058A

JES R.....26/0058A

JKI R.....26/1058A

JPO R.....26/0058A

REY

MC KKK

FD KK

SL KKK

BB (O)

T

ITA JJF JES JPO JKI V JEA JEA 02/26 OP OP

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 26/0050A
 TO COMBOMDIV IX
 COBOMGP 409
 COBOMGP 410
 COBOMGP 416

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY BT
 SECRET SENT IN CLEAR AUTH: LT. COL. MC AFEE

97CBW R-289-E

97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
 A P O 140
 26 MARCH 1945

FIELD ORDER NO. 226-819

MAPS: NORMAL

1. B. (1) REFER. CURRENT BOMBLINE.
 (2) 19 TAC WILL PROVIDE ESCORT FOR THIS WING.

2. THIS WING WILL ATTACK A TARGET IN GERMANY.

PLAN "A" - ZERO HOUR 26/1000A
 PLAN "B" - ZERO HOUR 26/1000A

PLAN "A" VISUAL

3. A. 409TH BOMB GROUP.

- (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT L-2029 AT 10,000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR PLUS 40 MINUTES. FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE GREEN FLARES.
- (9) INTERPRETATION REPORT F-893. COVER M/Y BETWEEN THE FOLLOWING REFERENCES: 012005 TO 025045.
- (10) 4 X 1000 G.P. FUSED: 1/10 SEC. NOSE, 1/100 SEC. TAIL. DESIRED INTERVALOMETER SETTING 50 FEET.

- B. 410TH BOMB GROUP.

- (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT L-2029 AT 10,000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR PLUS 20 MINUTES. FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE YELLOW FLARES.
- (9) INTERPRETATION REPORT F-893. COVER M/Y BETWEEN THE FOLLOWING REFERENCES: 018024 TO 030063.
- (10) 6 X 500 G.P. FUSED: 1/10 SEC. NOSE, 1/100 SEC. TAIL.

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP.

- (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT L-2029 AT 10,000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR. FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE RED FLARES.
- (9) INTERPRETATION REPORT F-893. COVER M/Y BETWEEN THE FOLLOWING REFERENCES: 025045 TO 034077.
- (10) 4 X 1000 G.P. FUSED: 1/10 SEC. NOSE, 1/100 SEC. TAIL. DESIRED INTERVALOMETER SETTING 50 FEET.

X. (1) - (4) NO CHANGE.

- (5) TARGET: GEMUNDEN M/Y (N-405630)
- (6) A/C REQ: MAXIMUM EFFORT BOMBING BY FLIGHTS OF 6 A/C.
- (7) ROUTE OUT: BASE TO F.R. TO M-2828 TO N-0433 TO I.P. TO TARGET.
- (8) ROUTE BACK: TARGET TURN LEFT TO R.P. AND RETRACE ROUTE TO BASE.
- (9) ALTITUDE: BOMB AT 12,500 FEET OR BELOW CLOUD BASE DOWN TO BUT NOT BELOW 5,000 FEET. LOSE 1,500 FEET AFTER LEAVING TARGET.
- (10) I.P. - N-3440
- (11) AXIS OF ATTACK: GEN. SSW TO NNE
- (12) R.P. - N-0433
- (13) IN THE EVENT VISUAL CONDITIONS DO NOT EXIST AT PRIMARY TARGET, GROUP WILL BOMB IN THE FOLLOWING PRIORITY:
 - (A) ALTERNATE TARGET VISUALLY
 - (B) BULLSEYE PROCEDURE
 - (C) EITHER PRIMARY TARGET ON "GEE" OR ALTERNATE TARGET ON "GEE". IT WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE GROUP LEADER TO DECIDE, CONSIDERING AMOUNT OF FUEL, FLAK SITUATION, AND PROXIMITY OF TARGET WHICH TARGET SHOULD BE ATTACKED.
 - (D) ALTERNATE TARGET ON E.T.A.
- (14) GROUP WILL EXERCISE CAUTION THAT ALTERNATE TARGETS WITHIN 5 MILES OF P/W CAMPS ARE NOT SELECTED.

PLAN "B" PATHFINDER

3. A. 409TH BOMB GROUP.

- (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT L-2029 AT 10,000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR PLUS 78 MINUTES. FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE GREEN FLARES. WITH 2 PPF A/C OVER FIELD.
- (9) INTERPRETATION REPORT F-893. COVER M/Y BETWEEN REF. 012005 AND 025045, TO BE USED IF BOMBING IS VISUAL BY FLIGHTS OR BOXES. PPF M.P.I. - GRID. COORD: 410626.
- (10) 4 X 1000 G.P. - FUSED: 1/10 SEC. NOSE, 1/100 SEC. TAIL. INTERVALOMETER SETTING 50 FEET.
- (12) T.O.T. - ZERO HOUR PLUS 120 MINUTES.

B. 410TH BOMB GROUP.

- (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT L-2029 AT 10,000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR PLUS 58 MINUTES. FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE YELLOW FLARES. WITH 2 PPF A/C OVER FIELD.
- (9) INTERPRETATION REPORT F-893. COVER M/Y BETWEEN REF. 018024 AND 030063, TO BE USED IF BOMBING IS VISUAL BY FLIGHTS OR BOXES. PPF M.P.I. - GRID. COORD: 410626
- (10) 6 X 500 G.P. FUSED: 1/10 SEC. NOSE, 1/100 SEC. TAIL.
- (12) T.O.T. ZERO HOUR PLUS 100 MINUTES.

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP.

- (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT L-2029 AT 10,000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR PLUS 38 MINUTES. FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE RED FLARES. WITH 2 PPF A/C OVER FIELD.
- (9) INTERPRETATION REPORT F-893. COVER M/Y BETWEEN REF. 025045 AND 034077, TO BE USED IF BOMBING IS VISUAL BY FLIGHTS OR BOXES. PPF M.P.I. - GRID. COORD: 406630
- (10) 4 X 1000 G.P. FUSED: 1/10 SEC. NOSE, 1/100 SEC. TAIL. INTERVALOMETER SETTING 50 FEET.
- (12) T.O.T. - ZERO HOUR PLUS 80 MINUTES.

- X. (1) - (4) NO CHANGE.
 (5) TARGET: GEMUNDEN M/Y (N-405630)
 (6) A/C REQ: 2 BOXES OF 18 A/C BOMBING ON 2 PPF A/C.
 (7) ROUTE OUT: BASE TO F.R. TO M-2828 TO M-7226 TO M-9008 TO N-2110 TO TARGET.
 (8) ROUTE BACK: TARGET TURN LEFT TO N-2433 TO M-2828 AND RETRACE ROUTE TO BASE.
 (9) ALTITUDE: BOMB 1ST BOX: 13,500 FEET,
 2ND BOX: 13,000 FEET.
 MINIMUM ALTITUDE IN EVENT OF VISUAL BOMBING IS 5,000 FEET.
 LOSE 1,500 FEET AFTER LEAVING TARGET.
 (10) IF VISUAL CONDITIONS EXIST AT PRIMARY TARGET, BOMBING WILL BE BY VISUAL MEANS. THE DECISION TO BOMB VISUALLY WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE A-20 OR A-26 BOX LEADERS, AND THEY WILL DO SO WHETHER THEY CAN CONTACT THE PPF A/C OR NOT.
 IF BOMBING IS VISUAL, GROUPS WILL BOMB BY (A) FLIGHTS (B) BOXES AND USE N-3440 AS A VISUAL I.P. IF CLOUD COVER OBSCURES PRIMARY TARGET, GROUPS WILL BOMB IN THE FOLLOWING PRIORITY.
 (A) PPF
 (B) ALTERNATE TARGET VISUALLY
 (C) BULLSEYE PROCEDURE
 (D) EITHER PRIMARY TARGET ON "GEE" OR ALTERNATE TARGET ON "GEE". IT WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE GROUP LEADER TO DECIDE, CONSIDERING AMOUNT OF FUEL, FLAK SITUATION, AND PROXIMITY OF TARGET, WHICH TARGET SHOULD BE ATTACKED.
 (D) ALTERNATE TARGET ON E.T.A.
 (11) GROUP WILL EXERCISE CAUTION THAT ALTERNATE TARGETS WITHIN 5 MILES OF P/W CAMPS ARE NOT SELECTED.

4. NO CHANGE

5. COMMUNICATIONS.

PLAN "A" OR "B"

A. 409TH BOMB GROUP (405630)

- (2) FATHER
 (3) BYPASS
 (4) RIPSAW

B. 410TH BOMB GROUP (405630)

- (2) PLUSHBIKE
 (3) CABMAN
 (4) RIPSAW

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP (405630)

- (2) QUICKWAY
 (3) GAYLIFE
 (4) RIPSAW

X. GENERAL INFORMATION:

- (11) RIPSAW AVAILABLE FOR USE WITH BULLSEYE PROCEDURE.

COMCBTWIG 97

BT 0050A

CC: INSERT TRANSMITTAL INSTRUCTIONS: T (ITA PASS TO JJF)

AR BB GPS

RL AS

JES R.....26/0155A MC BBB TO JEA AND ITA

JPO R.....

VERY O SORRY BUT OUR PAPER GOT FOULED UP AND THIS IS A MESS HERE KK
 WILL RESEND

OTHER STATIONS T B F R

UKMIR.....26/155A

F

K

JKI R.....26/0555A

FD

AR

ITA R.....26/0200A

OEN KK

JES JPO JKI V JEA JEA 04/26 OP OP

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 26/0255A

TO COBOMGP 409

COBOMGP 410

COBOMGP 416

1202

BT

SECRET SENT IN CLEAR AUTH: LT. COL. MC AFEE

97CBW R-291-E

INTELLIGENCE SUPPLEMENT 2 FIELD ORDER 226-819:

1. TARGET: GEMUNDEN, M/Y (N-405630)
2. TACTICAL SIGNIFICANCE: TREYSA, GEMUNDEN, FLEIDEN AND WURZBURG M/Y'S ALL FEED INTO THE AREA OF GEN. PATTON'S RHINE BRIDGEHEAD. THE U.S. 4TH ARMD DIV FOLLOWED CLOSELY BY THE 5TH AND 90TH INF. DIVS. AND ELEMENTS OF THE 6TH ARMED DIV. ARE EXPLOITING A FAST BREAKTHROUGH IN THIS AREA. TO TIE UP THE GERMAN COMMUNICATIONS INTO THE AREA PREVENTING MOVEMENT OF TROOPS AND SUPPLIES ALL OF WHICH ARE NOW IN THE STATE OF UTTER CONFUSION. ALL GERMAN UNITS THAT ARE IN THE BATTLE AREA ARE REMENANTS OF UNITS WHICH WERE BATTERED WEST OF THE RHINE.

COMCBTWIG 97

BT 0255A

RL A BBBB

JES R.....26/0307A MC KKK

JKI R.....26/0307A FD KK

JPO R.....26/0307 A K LS

TIC

ITA JJF JES JPO JKI V JEA JEA 23/26 OP OP

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 26/2255A
TO COMBOMDIV IX

COBOMGP 409

COBOMGP 410

COBOMGP 416

1ST PROV. PATHFINDER SQDN.

255/1201

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY BT
SECRET SENT IN CLEAR AUTH: LT. COL. MC AFEE

97CBW R-290-E

97TH COMBAT BOMB WING

A P O 140

26 MARCH 1945

ANNEX NO. 1 TO FIELD ORDER NO. 226-819:

IN PLAN "B", AMEND PARA. 3. C. (3) TO READ:
IN (3) WITH 1 PPF A/C OVER FIELD.

IN PLAN "B" AMEND PARA. 3. X. (9) TO READ:
(9) ALTITUDE: (416TH GROUP ONLY) BOMB: 13,500 FEET

COMCBTWIG 97

BT 2255A

RL BBBBBB

ITA R.....26/0304A

JJF R.....26/0305A

JES R.....26/0305A

JKI R.....26/0305A

JPO R.....26/0306A

DILL

UF

MC

FD

SL

KK

KK

KKK

KKKK

SKKK

ITA JJF JES JKI JPO V JEA JEA 06/26 OP - OP

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 26/0650A
TO IX BOMB DIV
COBOMGP 409
COBOMGP 410
COBOMGP 416
1ST PATHFINDER SQDN. (PROV)

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY BT
SECRET SENT IN THE CLEAR BY AUTH: LT. COL. MC AFEE

97CBW R-293-E

97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
A P O 140
26 MARCH 1945

ANNEX NO. 2 TO FIELD ORDER NO. 226-819.

PLAN "A" IS IN EFFECT. CANCEL PLAN "B"

CHANGE ZERO HOUR - PLAN A: TO READ:
PLAN "A" - ZERO HOUR: 26/1030A

COMBTWIG 97
BT 26/0650A
DJP AR
ITA R.....260705A DD AR
JJF R.....26/0705A HJN AR
JES R.....26/0705A EJK AR

JKI RM.....26/0705A WJF BBB TO ITA AND JEA
JPO R.....26/0705A HJS AR

1209
516
3-2
5-3

ITA JES JPO JKI JJF V JEA 10/26 OP OP
T (ITA PASS TO JJF)

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 26/0947A
TO COMBOMDIV IX
COBOMGP 409TH
COBOMGP 410TH
COBOMGP 416TH
1ST PATHFINDER SQ. (PROV)

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY BT
SECRET SENT IN THE CLEAR AUTH: LT. COL. MC AFEE

97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
A P O - 140
26 MARCH 1945

ANNEX NO. 3 TO FIELD ORDER NO. 226-819 97CBW R-295-E

CANCEL ANNEX NO. 2 TO FIELD ORDER NO. 226-819.

CHANGE ZERO HOUR, PLAN "A" TO READ: 26/1430A

CHANGE ZERO HOUR, PLAN "B" TO READ: 26/1430A

COMCBTWIG 97
LEG AR

JES R26/1005A JGN AR KK
JPO R26/1005A LW ARNET
OV
EO

JKI R26/1005A EJ AR
ITA R26/1008A DEG AR

1217
ITA JES JPO JKI JJF V JEA 12/26 OP OP
T (ITA PASS TO JJF)

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 26/1042A
TO COMBOMDIV IX
COBOMGP 409ZH
COBOMGP 410TH
COBOMGP 416TH
1ST PATHFINDER SQ. (PROV)

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY BT
SECRET SENT IN THE CLEAR AUTH: LT. COL. MC AFEE

97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
A P O - 140
26 MARCH 1945

ANNEX NO. 4 TO FIELD ORDER NO. 226-819 . 97CBW R-297-E

CANCEL PLAN "A".

PLAN "B" IN EFFECT WITH ZERO HOUR TO READ: 26/1430A

COMCBTWIG 97
LEG AR

JKI R. 26/1111A WJF BBB

FROM : 416TH BOMB GROUP

TO : CG, 97TH COMBAT WING

SECRET OPS PRIORITY

IF VISUAL CONDITIONS EXIST AT THE PRIMARY THE FOLLOWING
MPI's WILL BE USED :

INTERPRETATION REPORT F-893

02400470
02610543
02800610
03050650
03220701
03410763

SECONDARY TARGET WILL BE WERTHHEIN (N-283304)

JEA V JKI JKI 20/26 OP OP

FROM: 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 26/1520A
TO : CG, 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
BT

SECRET 416TH BG R-601-D PERIOD
IV VISUAL CONDITIONS EXIST AT THE PRIMARY THE FOLLOWING MPI'S WILL BE
USED:

INTERPRETATION REPORT F-893

02400470
02610543
02800610
03050650
03220701
03410763

SECONDARY TARGET WILL BE WERTHHEIN (N-283304)

AYLESWORTH COBOMGR 416

BT 26/1520A
EW BBBBBBB

JEA R.....26/1528A LEG KK

ITA JJF JES JPO JKI V JEA JEA 14/26 OP OP

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING (L) 26/1600A
TO COMBOMDIV NINE
1ST PROV. PATHFINDER SQD.
409TH COBOMGP
410TH COBOMGP
416TH COBOMGP

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY BT
SECRET SENT IN THE CLEAR AUTH. LT. COL. MC AFEE

97TH COMBAT BOMB WING (L)
A P O 148
26 MARCH 1945

ANNEX NO. 5 TO FIELD ORDER NO. 226-819

97CBW R-298-E

CHANGE ZERO HOUR PLAN "B" TO READ:

PLAN "B" ZERO HOUR 26/1530A

COMBETWIG 97

BT 26/1600A

AR JMD

BBBBBBBBBETO ITA

JJF R.....26/1605A PZ AR

ITA R.....26/1605A NILT ZAR

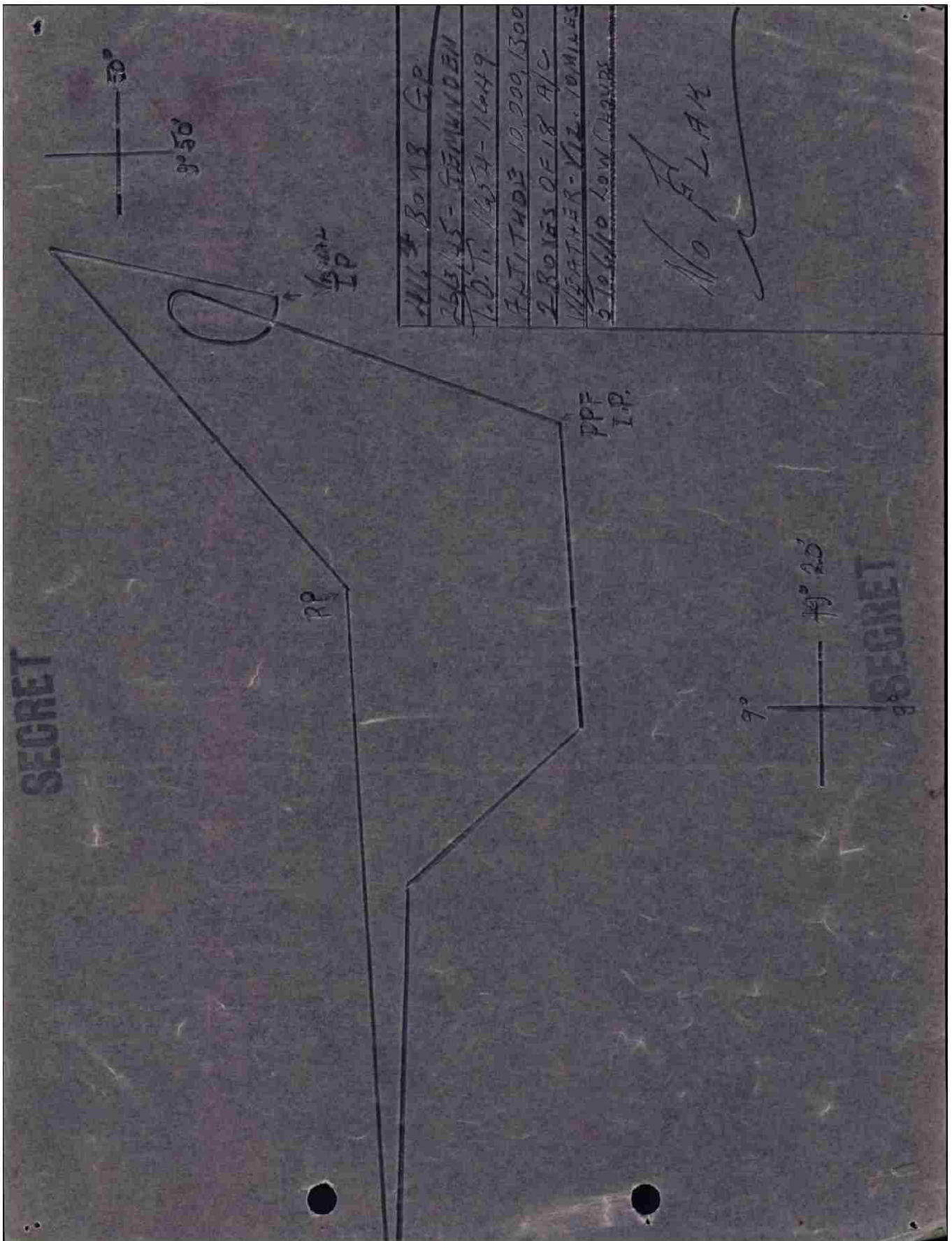
BBBBBTO ITA

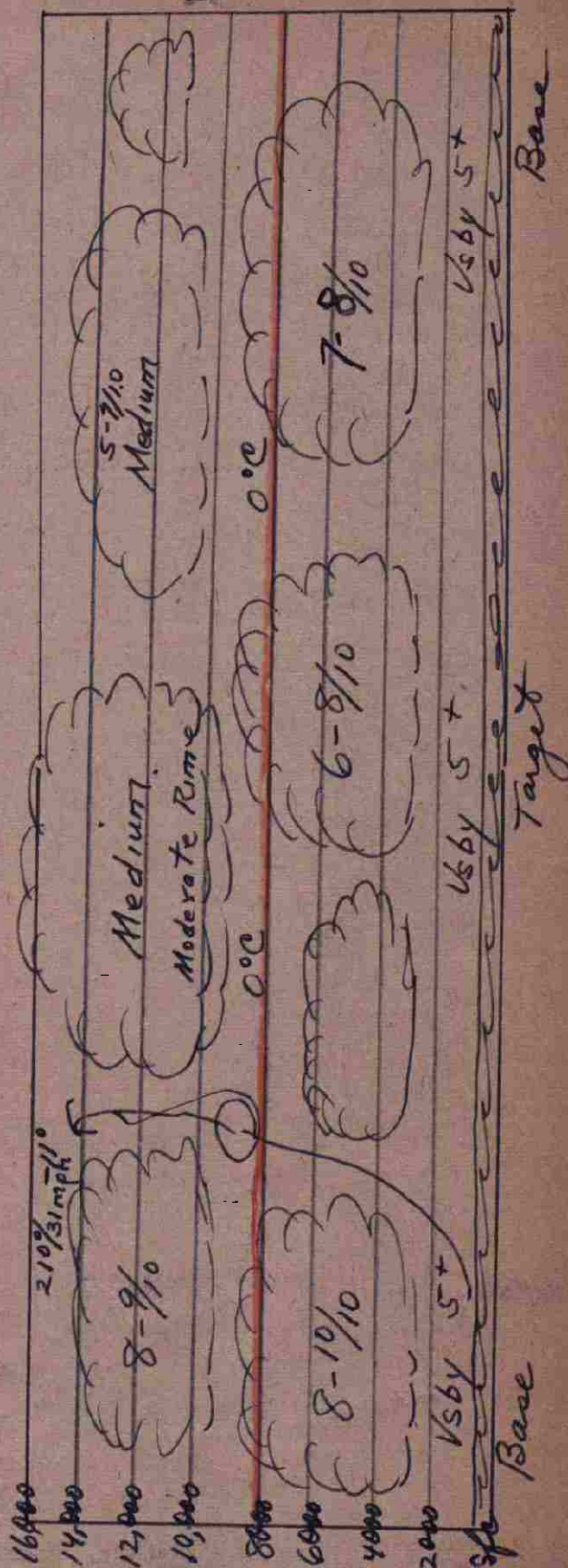
JES R.....26/1605A JJH AR

JKI R.....26/1605A EW AR

TIC PLS

1229
Out
S-2
S-3
S-4
1628
1628
1945





MISSION NO. 255

LOADING LIST

26 MARCH 1945

BOX I
FLIGHT I

1. 497 E
Lt C J Brown
Lt J E Kerns
Lt W E Brower
S/S H E Sunderland

4. 328 D
Lt W H Ames
S/S F E Barber

2. 508 Z
Capt C S Stanley
F/O J H Blount
Sgt J C Edenburn

5. 352 J
Lt M Wallman
Sgt A Holt

3. 490 X
Lt D A Faro
F/O R L Langsam
S/S A A Rojas

6. 360 L
Capt A O Gears
M/Sgt J J Wells
Sgt S J Snider (4th COU)

FLIGHT II

1. 609 N
Lt. Col J G Napier
Lt. D L Moore
F/O O A Cardinals
S/S H B McClain

4. 252 D-1
Lt J F Allen
S/S C W Veeney

2. 351 F
Lt J A Willard
S/S G V Hinker

5. 271 R
Lt F G Dunn
Sgt L C Stein

3. 244 I
Lt R W Van Rope
S/S W H Klingman

6. 358 O
Lt R B Harper
Sgt R M Black

FLIGHT III

1. 492 E-1
Lt J E Blomgren
Lt G G Johnson
Capt H W Chidley (Weather)
S/S L R Fleming

4. 263 G
Lt E R Hayter
S/S F F Basford

2. 383 V
Lt E C Martin
S/S L B Draft

5. 362 Y
Lt B A Smith
Sgt R F Wilson

3. 496 L-1
Lt R H Hackley
S/S O T Hawk

6. 381 Q
Capt J M Shepard
S/S R A Clark

Spare
250 A
Lt J W Spires
Sgt R W Messinger

MISSION NO. 255

LOADING LIST
BOX II
FLIGHT I

26 March 1945

1. 528 T
Lt J A Buskirk
Lt R C Hanna
S/S C E Corbitt

2. 469 A
Lt M Brucetabere
Lt M F Wilbur
Sgt F R Lynch

3. 205 M
Lt H M Van Noorden
F/O G W Brandt
S/S R I Staffey

4. 229 B
Lt A Remiszewski
S/S L D Mc Elhatton

5. 326 W
Capt E R Moore
S/S R R Davis

6. 356 C
Lt G L Milhorn
S/S T Connery

FLIGHT II

1. 505 Y
Lt O F Jacobson
F/O R W Harvett
S/S A Pettinieschi

2. 378 O
Lt J H Carver
S/S A B Stewart

3. 274 B
Lt L J Prucha
S/S C C Wilson

4. 259 H
Lt J K Colquitt
S/S C M Mohr

5. 305 D
Lt A V Everts
Sgt C D Fagan

6. 335 W-1
Lt B B Erum
S/S C L Calabrese

FLIGHT III

1. 501 W
Lt H Poyanoy
Lt C E Fry
S/S H C H Candler

2. 252 K
Lt A R Tuman
Sgt C D Hanson

3. 224 E
Lt W Busgrove
S/S J A Hunter

4. 416 O
Lt R B Singletary
S/S A A Ciancio
S/S J O Ottaviano

5. 2315 L
Lt A G Hanson
Cpl R K Healer

6. 2315 F
Lt J C Curtis
Sgt O H Sulist
W/O C B Schaubman (4th OGU)

SPARE

297 T
Lt A J F Winn
S/S C C Stephenson

MISSION NO. 256
Box II
26 March 1945

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TABLE 1. FORM

PILOT Prucha A/C# 274 BOX II PLT II

CASUALTIES

BOMBS :		BATTLE DAMAGE		
		"A"	"A-C"	"E"
4 X 1000	ON			
X	RETURNED			
X	JETTISONED			

FLAK :

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS :

2 bombs in Tpt area, 1 bomber
act. in M/y

act. in M/y
lot of activity on autobahn headed towards
aschaffenburg N 352350 - N 031355

N352350

Nº 31 395

Healed NW

called to wing

Сотня

POSITION INFORMATION

X
X X
X
X X

	X	
Y		X
	X	
X		X

X
X X
X X

X (SPARE)

MAZ

INTERROGATOR

CONFIDENTIAL

17C

CONFIDENTIAL

INTERFORM

PILOT W27/men A/c# 352 BOX 7 EMP 7

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : 4 ~~X100~~ ON D

BATTLE DAMAGE

X

RETURNED

69 A 93

"A-C"

1155

X

JETTISONED

FLAK : no pick at this pt.

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS :

Bombs walked across AP.
one flt hit in run, one flt
hit in turn over m/y.

POSITION IN FORMATION

X (SPARE)

INTERROGATOR

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CASUALTIES

BOMBS :	<u>4</u>	X	<u>1000</u>	ON	<u>P</u>	BATTLE DAMAGE		
	<u>X</u>			RETURNED		"A"	"A-C"	"E"
	<u>X</u>			JETTISONED				

FLAK 5

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS :

Bombs in m/y just to west of A.P.
3 miles. Bombs hit on N end of m/y.

POSITION IN FORMATION

X (SPARE)

INTERROGATOR

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INTERFORM

CASUALTIES

FLAK :

OBSERVATIONS :

Tot - 1655
Alt. 13,500
2 runs outst.

Bumps of all flights observed hind m/y

POSITION IN FORMATION

X (SPARE)

INTERROGATOR

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INFORM FORM

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : 4 X 1000 ON

BATTLE DAMAGE

 X RETURNED

59 A 99

"A-C"

2075152

 X JETTISONED

FLAK 5

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS :

bombs across RR/ 2 runs

Camera.

POSITION IN FORMATION

X X
X X
X X

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & X & \\ Y & & X \\ & X & \\ X & & X \end{array}$$
$$\begin{array}{ccc} & X & \\ X & & X \\ & X & \\ X & & X \end{array}$$

X (SPARE)

MAZ

INTERROGATOR

CONFIDENTIAL

X JETTISONED

mil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS : H pattern started in canal & walked across MP - 400' MP1
Excellent results.

105 - 1654

alt - 12,800

At 32° mag.

~~145~~

POSITION IN FORMATION

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$$\begin{array}{ccc} & X & \\ Y & & X \\ & X & \\ X & & X \end{array}$$
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X (SPARE)

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PILOT Brown A/C# 497 BOX I KIT T

CASUALTIES

BOMBS :		ON	BATTLE DAMAGE		
			"A"	"A-C"	"E"
<u>2nd run</u>	X	RETURNED			
	X	JETTISONED		<u>nil</u>	

FLAK :

nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

nil

OBSERVATIONS :

Informed PPF of intention to bomb visually - 1st run we didn't pick up vis I P due to cloud. Went back for 2nd run. Bombs cut tracks near choke point NE end of M & Y.

No contact possible Ripsaw. Called Parade - notified no fighters. Parade said continue. P-38's picked us up beyond B/C.

TOT - 1654

alt - 13000

P47 took us out.

Gave no instruction to any A/C to salvo.

axis 25°

IAS 205

Luvia

POSITION IN FORMATION

```

      (X)
      X  X
      X
      X  X

  X      X
Y  X    X
  X      X
X  X    X

      X
      X  X
      X
      X  X

X (SPARE)
    
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PILOT W. J. 2nd A/C# 357 BOX I II

CASUALTIES

BOMBS :	<u>4</u>	X <u>1000</u>	ON <u>PT</u>		BATTLE DAMAGE			
		X	RETURNED		"A"	"A-C"	"E"	
		X	JETTISONED					

FLAK : X

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

X

OBSERVATIONS :

Bombs hit center of M/V ~
Bombs hit P/R. Cars in yd,
so cars left in center

POSITION IN FORMATION

X

X X

X

X X

X X

X X

X X

X (SPARE)

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PILOT

1/27 Rope

A/C# 244

BOX I

PT II

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : 4

X 1000 ON

1mm

X

RETURNED

X

JETTISONED

BATTLE DAMAGE

"A"

"A-C"

"E"

red

FLAK :

nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :
nil

OBSERVATIONS : Good results - cars & roundhouse
1 fl's bombs in fields

POSITION IN FORMATION

X

X X

X

X X

X

X

X

X

X

X

X

X

X

X

X

X

X

X

X (SPARE)

X

X

X

X

X

X

X

X

X

X

X

X

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PILOT Dunn A/C# 277 BOX I II

CASUALTIES

BOMBS :	<u>4</u> X <u>WOOD</u> <u>PT</u>	BATTLE DAMAGE		
	X RETURNED	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
<u>1</u> <u>mm</u>	X JETTISONED		<u>nil</u>	

FLAK : nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS : nil

OBSERVATIONS : Hits on roundhouse & rolling stock

POSITION IN FORMATION

X

X X

X

X X

X X

X X

X X

X (SPARE)

X X

X X

X X

X (X)

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PILOT Allen A/C# 252 BOX I 11

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : <u>4</u> X <u>1000</u> ON		BATTLE DAMAGE			
<u>X</u>	RETURNED	<u>"A"</u>	<u>"A-C"</u>	<u>"E"</u>	
<u>X</u>	JETTISONED	<u> </u>	<u> </u>		

FLAK :

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS :

*1 bomb run
bombs in 1st area.*

Camera.

POSITION IN FORMATION

 X
 X X
 X
 X X

 X X
X X X X
 X X
 X X

 X (SPARE)

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PILOT Napier A/C# 609 BOX I ALT II

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : <u>4</u> X <u>1000</u> ON <u>P</u>		BATTLE DAMAGE		
X	RETURNED	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
X	JETTISONED			

FLAK :

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS :

Bombs of the 5th alt in M/Y
M/Y. Jammed with flight cars.
Explosion at 1548. 25 miles S of Saigon
in a wooded area.

707 - 1647^{1/2}
ALT - 12000
Head - 20°
IAS - 200^{1/2} 1st the bomb
on 1st run.

POSITION IN FORMATION

X
X X
X
X X

X X X
X X X
X X X

X (SPARE)

Bombs hit on A.P. of
another flight. B/X picked
this A.P. when flight
could not bomb their own
A.P. because other flts were
in that area.

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PILOT Martin A/C# 314 BOX I 111

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : ~~2~~ X 1000 ON Pr2 in Prop which one was safe
X RETURNED

BATTLE DAMAGE

"A"

"A-C"

"E"

X JETTISONED

Salvaged - Safe

FLAK : all arm switches on, nose alt switch in armed position - in desc position

None

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

None

OBSERVATIONS :

This flight made one run
 Runned that w/y it is
 a total loss - so says
 this eminent Pilot

Ordering Bombing Flight #2 First.
 " #3 Second

POSITION IN FORMATION

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

X (SPARE)

Flaw A/c #383.
 & in #7 position
 in 3rd flight.

Believe 1st Flight made two runs

Alt 12000 or 12500

Bombed Visually by flight

Visua - unlimited down Sun -

3/10-

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PILOT Blomgren A/C# 492 BOX I ALT 111

CASUALTIES

BOMBS :	<u>4</u>	X <u>1000</u>	ON	BATTLE DAMAGE		
	<u>1st</u>	X	RETURNED	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
	<u>2nd</u>	X	JETTISONED	<u>nil</u>		

FLAK :

nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

nil

OBSERVATIONS : after Fl A went around for 2nd run - B + C bombed almost simultaneously - one in M/Y - one beyond - guess whose was on target. Fl C was on right of "B" for run. Also C was slightly ahead of B. Slightly above B

TOT 1647 1/2
alt - 12600
axis 40° mag
IAS - 200
G.S.

POSITION IN FORMATION

	X	
X	X	X
	X	
X	X	X
(X)		X
X		X
X		X
X		X
	X (SPARE)	

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PILOT Smith B.A A/C# 362 BOX I III

CASUALTIES

BOMBS :		BATTLE DAMAGE		
		"A"	"A-C"	"E"
<u>4</u> X <u>1000</u> ON <u>RT</u>				
<u>X</u>	RETURNED			
<u>X</u>	JETTISONED			

FLAK :

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS :

*hit in S end of M17 + flt behind
hit other end - some other how he hit
in woods -*

*12 barges on river when Balboa
open + 13 after A/A while circling (in air)*

POSITION IN FORMATION

	X	
X	X	
	X	
X	X	
X		X
X	X	X
X	X	X
X	(X)	
	X (SPARE)	

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PILOT Hayter A/C# 263 BOX F PLT III

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : <u>4</u> X <u>1000</u> ON <u>Pit</u>		BATTLE DAMAGE		
<u>X</u>	RETURNED	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
<u>X</u>	JETTISONED			

FLAK : X

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

X

OBSERVATIONS :

Bombs, 8 end of 4/4 -
no obs damaged by this flight,
1st flight to bombs -

POSITION IN FORMATION

```
      X
    X  X
      X
    X  X

  X  X  X
Y  X  X
  X  X
  X  X

      X
    X  X
      X
    X  X

X (SPARE)
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PILOT Shapard A/C# 381 BOX I FILE III

CASUALTIES None

BOMBS :	<u>4</u> X <u>100</u>	ON <u>PV</u>	BATTLE DAMAGE		
	<u>X</u>	RETURNED	<u>"A"</u>	<u>"A-C"</u>	<u>"E"</u>
	<u>X</u>	JETTISONED	<u>None</u>		

FLAK : None

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS : None

OBSERVATIONS : Results generally good-

POSITION IN FORMATION

X
X X
X
X X

X
X X
X
(X) X

X
X X
X X
X (SPARE)

Alt 12000

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PILOT Spires A/C# 250 BOX T Spore

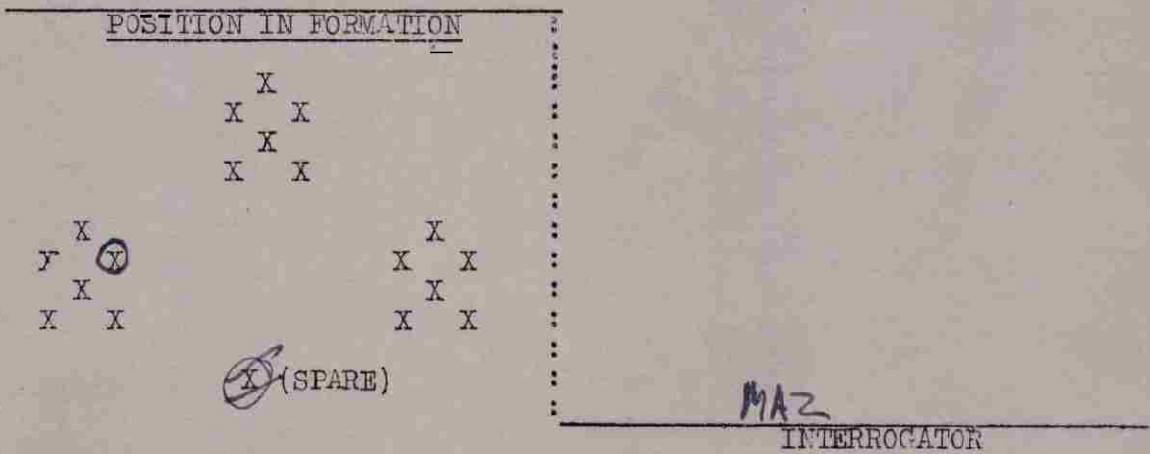
CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS : <u>4</u> X <u>1000</u> ON _____		BATTLE DAMAGE		
<u>X</u>	RETURNED	<u>"A"</u>	<u>"A-C"</u>	<u>"E"</u>
<u>X</u>	JETTISONED	_____	_____	_____

FLAK : _____

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS : _____

OBSERVATIONS : bombs in Tgt area 1 run
lots of act. in yd.



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PILOT Buskerk A/C# 528 BOX II I

CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS : <u>4</u> X <u>1000</u> ON		BATTLE DAMAGE <u>2</u>		
X	RETURNED	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
X	JETTISONED			

FLAK : X

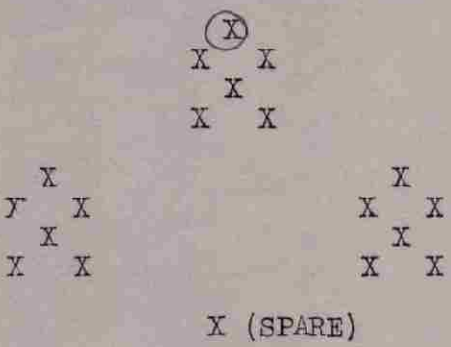
ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

X

OBSERVATIONS :-

11,500 ft 20° 200 IAS
TOT 16.50 -
one run -
Bombs hit center of M/Y -
Yard full of cars -

POSITION IN FORMATION



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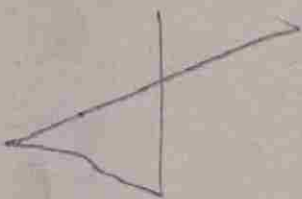
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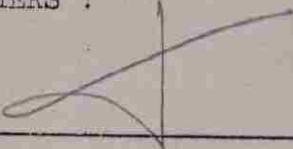
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PILOT Mooze A/C# 326 BOX 11 1

CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS : <u>4</u> X <u>1000</u> ON <u>P.T.</u>		BATTLE DAMAGE		
<u>X</u>	RETURNED	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
<u>X</u>	JETTISONED			

FLAK : 

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS : 

OBSERVATIONS : hit at head of 2d

POSITION IN FORMATION

X

X X

X

X (X)

X X

X X

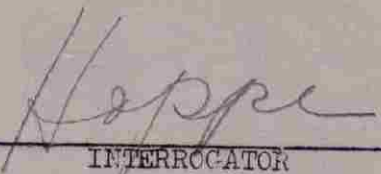
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X (SPARE)

X

X X

X X



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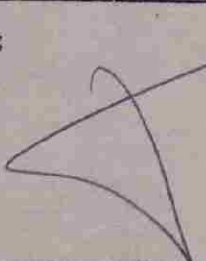
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PILOT Milhorn A/C# 356 BOX II 125

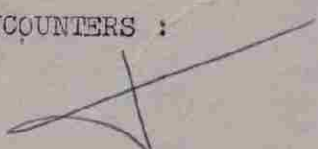
CASUALTIES

BOMBS :	<u>4</u> <u>X</u> <u>1000</u> ON <u>Rt</u>	BATTLE DAMAGE		
	<u>X</u> RETURNED	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
	<u>X</u> JETTISONED			

FLAK :



ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :



OBSERVATIONS : good results 1 run

act best
5.0 cars in fl.

back - got with 200 cars
at river before Rhine.

POSITION IN FORMATION

X
X X
X
(X) X

X X X
X X X
X X X

X (SPARE)

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PILOT Ernst Kober A/C# 479 BOX II PLT I

CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :		BATTLE DAMAGE		
		"A"	"A-C"	"E"
<u>4</u> X <u>1000</u> ON <u>PT.</u>				
X	RETURNED			
X	JETTISONED			

FLAK :

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS :

good in target.

TOT 1648 3/4
 Alt. 11,500
 MH 017°
 IAS 213-15

Smoke screen
over Rhine (in)
town of Ham
smoking

POSITION IN FORMATION

	X		
X	(X)		
	X		
X	X		
X		X	
X		X	X
X		X	
X		X	X
	X (SPARE)		

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PILOT Remiszewski A/C# 223 BOX II 1

CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS : <u>4</u> X <u>1000</u> ON <u>P.T.</u>		BATTLE DAMAGE		
<u>X</u>	RETURNED	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
<u>X</u>	JETTISONED			

FLAK : X

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

X

OBSERVATIONS : - Bombs hit center of M/Y -
Yard full of cars, Both ends hit,
200-yds from choke rd - Bombs, damaged
a great many cars -

POSITION IN FORMATION

```
      X
     X X
    (X)
     X X

  X   X   X
 Y   X   X
  X   X
 X   X

      X
     X X
    X X
    X X

X (SPARE)
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PILOT Van Noorden A/C# 205 BOX II 11

CASUALTIES

BOMBS :		BATTLE DAMAGE		
		"A"	"A-C"	"E"
<u>4</u> X <u>100</u>	ON <u>P</u>			
X	RETURNED			
X	JETTISONED			

FLAK :

nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS :

Bombs hit in middle of m/y
 washed areas gds.
 3 Tracks full of r/c cars

POSITION IN FORMATION

	X		
	(X)	X	
	X		
	X	X	
X			X
X		X	X
X		X	X
		X	X
	X (SPARE)		

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FLAK :

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS :

Bombs in TGT heavy
TOT 1649 $\frac{1}{2}$
alt 11100
12°-20°
P₁ 280
~~7.5~~ ~~2.5~~

POSITION IN FORMATION

X (SPARE)

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PILOT Colgett A/C# 259 BOX II DIST II

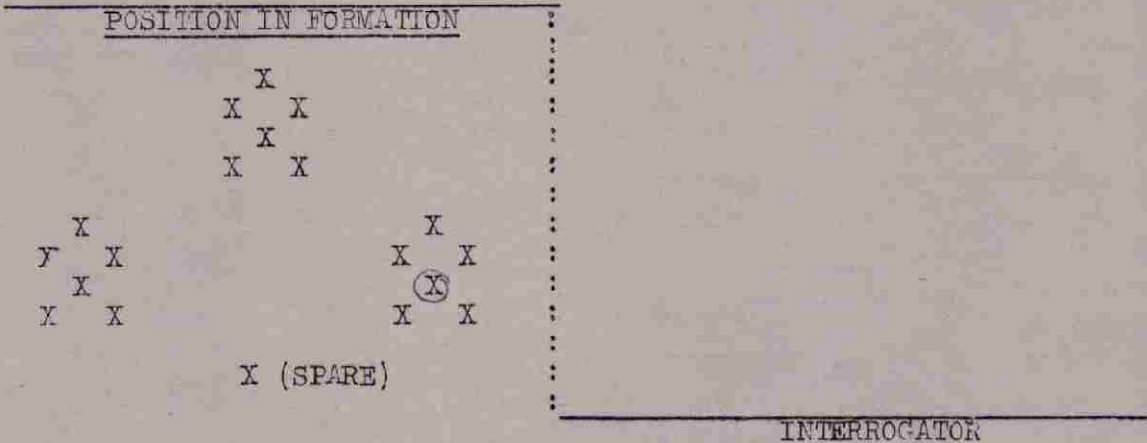
CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :		BATTLE DAMAGE			
<u>4</u>	<u>X</u> <u>1000</u>	ON	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
	<u>X</u>	RETURNED	:	:	:
	<u>X</u>	JETTISONED	:	:	:

FLAK :

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS : Bombs in tower 1 run



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PILOT Czovcr A/C# 378 BOX II II

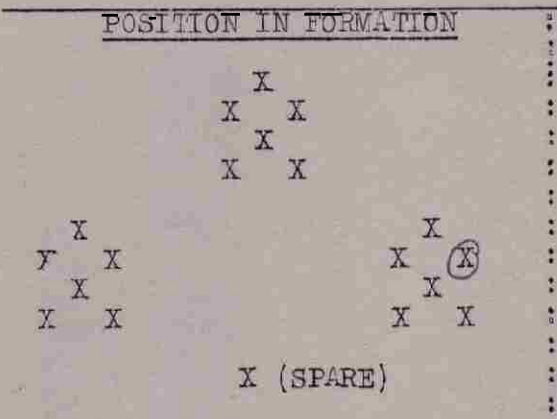
CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS : <u>4</u> X/100 ON <u>8</u>		BATTLE DAMAGE		
<u>X</u>	RETURNED	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
<u>X</u>	JETTISONED			

FLAK : 

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS : 

OBSERVATIONS : 3 flights hit in center of m/y
1 flight on N end of gd. 2 flights hit
over tgt in town.



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PILOT Evarts A/C# 385 BOX II II

CASUALTIES

BOMBS :	<u>4</u>	X <u>1000</u>	ON <u>PIT</u>	BATTLE DAMAGE		
		X	RETURNED	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
		X	JETTISONED			

FLAK : X-

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

X-

OBSERVATIONS :

Flights bombs hit wide part of
M/H - , couldn't see cars due to smoke

E-

POSITION IN FORMATION

X
X X
X
X X

X X X
X X X
X X X

X (SPARE)

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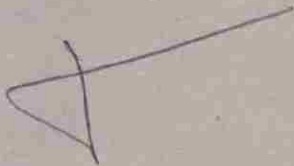
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PILOT Singletary A/C# 416 BOX II SET III

CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :		<u>4</u> X <u>1000</u> ON <u>Pay</u>	BATTLE DAMAGE		
	X	RETURNED	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
	X	JETTISONED			

FLAK :



ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :



B-30 (17th/Thurs)

OBSERVATIONS :

hit in woods 50 ft NW
of A.P.

POSITION IN FORMATION

X
X X
X
X X

X X
X X
X X
X X

X (SPARE)

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CASUALTIES

BOMBS : 4 X 1200 ON OT

BATTLE DAMAGE

X

RETURNED

99 **A** 72

"A-C"

175

X

JETTISONED

FLAK :

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS

OBSERVATIONS : most in big part of pond
some at end. lot of cars in yds,
boats in small river - caught.

POSITION IN FORMATION

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & X & \\ X & & X \\ & X & \\ X & & X \end{array}$$
$$\begin{array}{ccc} & X & \\ (Y) & & X \\ & X & \\ X & & X \end{array}$$

X X
X X
X X

X (SPARE)

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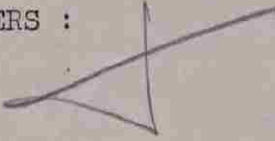
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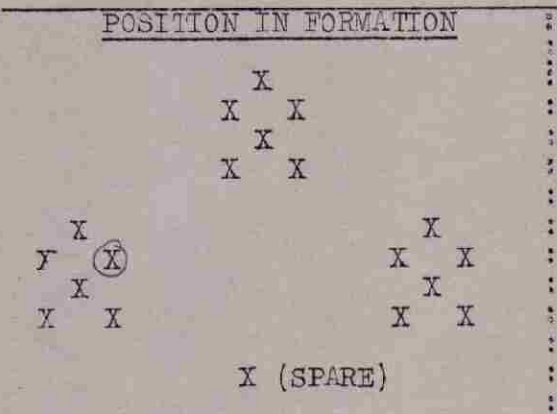
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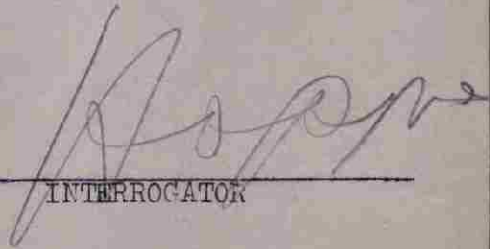
BOMBS : <u>4</u> X <u>1000</u> <u>P.T.</u>		BATTLE DAMAGE		
X	RETURNED	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
X	JETTISONED			

FLAK : 

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :  P-47 + 385

OBSERVATIONS : flt. ahead hit in woods.
rest in center / gds.




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PILOT Henson A/C# 2315 BOX II III

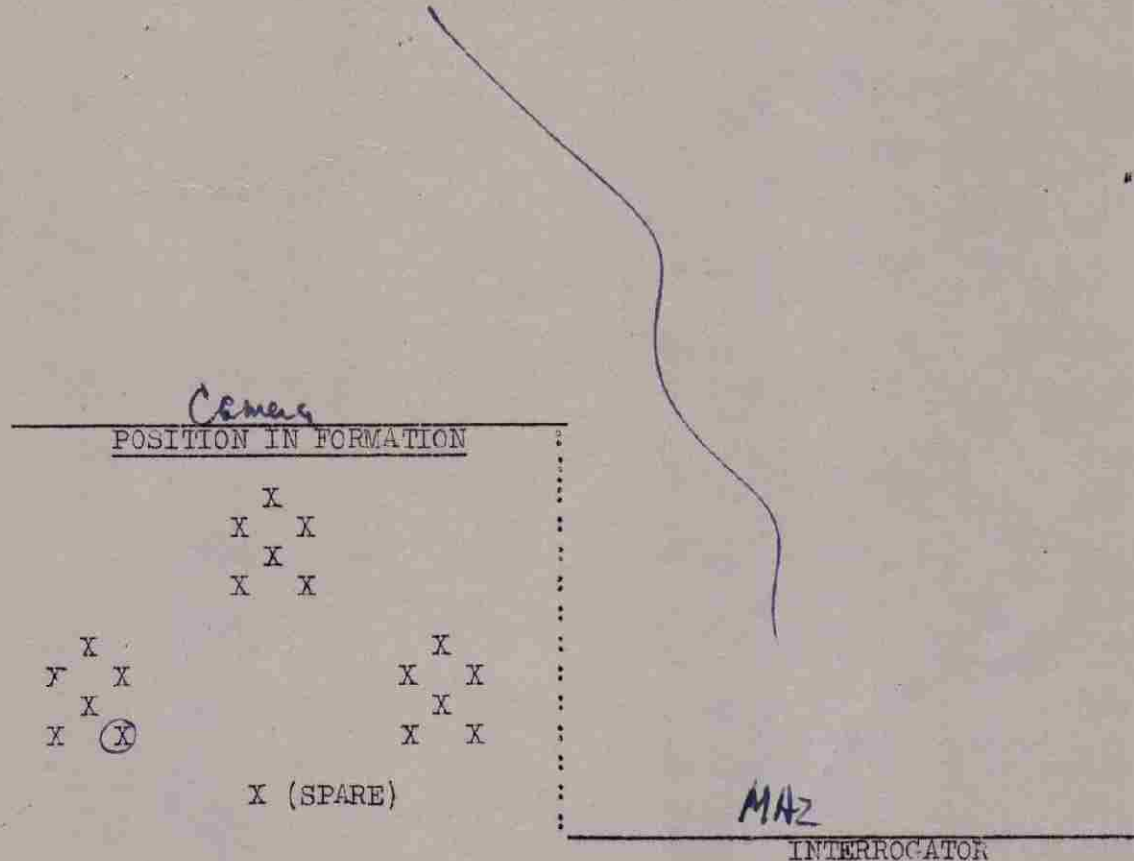
CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :		BATTLE DAMAGE		
<u>4</u> X <u>1000</u>	ON	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
X	RETURNED	:	:	:
X	JETTISONED	:	:	:

FLAK :


ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :


OBSERVATIONS : Coming turned on late 1704
Bomb pattern on each end of target



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PILOT Popeney A/C# 501 BOX II III

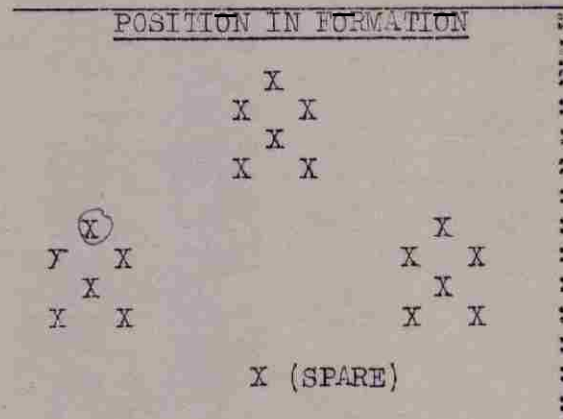
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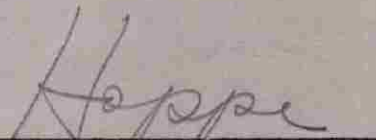
BOMBS : <u>4</u> X <u>1000</u> ON <u>Pt</u>		BATTLE DAMAGE		
X	RETURNED	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
X	JETTISONED			

FLAK : 

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :  P-47 5+5/5

OBSERVATIONS : hit to NE of AP - one run
run to short, wrong target of
dropping angle
50-100 carbons gals. TOT- 1649:25
Alt- 10,000
MH- 020°
IAS- 210




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416 TP	9th B.D. (10) WING 976th	B
GROUP	DATE 26 March 1945	Gemunden M/Y
OTHER UNITS: TARGET		
	FIRST PHASE	
	INTERPRETATION	TARGET HIT

A. TARGET BRIEFED Gemunden M/Y PRIMARY
SECONDARY

M.P.I. 6 points in M/Y

P.R.C.

A.P.

C. NO. AND TYPE OF A/C DISPATCHED 38 A-26's NO. OF A/C ATTACKING 37

D. BOMBING BY 3's, 6's, 12's, 18's 6's IN FOLLOWING ORDER 3,2,6,4,5,1.

E. NO. AND SIZE OF BOMBS DROPTED 148x1000 GP SING 1/10 ---- 1/100

F. HEADING OF A/C WHEN BOMBS DROPTED Box I Flt A - 25 deg 1654g
B - 20 1647 3/4
C - 30 1647g
Flt A - 15 1649g
B - 20 1650
C - 20 1648

G. TIME BOMBS DROPTED

H. ACTIVITY AT TARGET

J. RESULTS OF BOMBING:

Box I Flt A - SMPI - SUPER: Smoke over target prevented bombardier from seeing DMPI, picked N choke point adjacent to large group of bldgs. All bombs within 1000 ft of SMPI. Bombs fell in excellent pattern on trucks and bldgs 93 ft NW of SMPI.

Flt B - SMPI - EXCEL: Due to collision course with other flts bombardier was unable to bomb DMPI, selected point in M/Y opposite engine shed. All bombs within 1000 ft of SMPI in good pattern 560 ft NW of SMPI. Bombs fell on bldgs, goods wagons and tracks causing considerable damage.

Flt C - SMPI - EXCEL: Due to a collision course with the other flts bombardier was unable to bomb DMPI, selected point in M/Y opposite engine shed. All bombs within 1000 ft of SMPI in good pattern 420 ft N of SMPI with bombs hitting on goods wagons, tracks and bldgs.

Box II Flt A - DMPI - SUPER: All bombs within 1000 ft of DMPI. Bombs fell in excellent pattern with center of bursts 830 ft NE of DMPI, hits being scored on bldgs roads and tracks.

Flt B - DMPI - UNDET: No pictures of bomb bursts from this flt, target runs off of edge of film, visual observations report excellent results.

Flt C - DMPI - UNSAT: No bombs within 1000 ft of DMPI, bombs fell in woods and fields in good pattern 3300 ft E of DMPI.

LLOYD H. PERKINS,
2nd Lt, Air Corps,
Asst Photo Intelligence Officer.

FORM 3-2-10610 Prepare separate sheet for each target bombed

OTHER UNITS:	TARGET :	IX BC 97TH .	WING :
:	:	:	416TH
:	:	DATE	GROUP
:	:	ATTACKING UNITS	:
:	:	FIRST PHASE INTERPRETATION:	TARGET HIT

A. TARGET BRIEFED _____ PRIMARY
 _____ SECONDARY
 _____ CASUAL

H.P.I. _____

A.D. _____

B. TARGET ATTACHED _____ MILES FROM PRIMARY _____
 DIRECTION FROM PRIMARY _____

C. COORDINATES _____ ON 1:50,000 MAP NO. _____

D. NO. AND TYPE OF A/C DISPATCHED _____ A-20's NO. OR A/C ATTACKING _____

E. BOMBING BY _____ IN FOLLOWING ORDER _____

F. NO. AND TYPE OF BOMBS DROPPED	FUSING	NOSE	TAIL
	FUSING	NOSE	TAIL

G. HEADING OF A/C WHEN BOMBS DROPPED _____ DEGREES MAG.

H. TIME BOMBS DROPPED _____

I. ACTIVITY AT TARGET:

K. RESULTS OF BOMBING:

NEGATIVE CARRY BOMBING REPORTGROUP 116TH BOMB GROUP (L)MISSION OF 26 MARCH 1945TO GEORGETOWN MARSHALLING IS. YD.

	<u>NAMES</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>	<u>REASONS FOR CHOICE BOMBING OR FAILURE TO ATTACK PRIMARY</u>
BOX 1			
FLT. A	<u>LT C J BROOK (P)</u>	<u>S.M.P.I.</u>	<u>CHANGED AIMING POINT DUE TO</u>
	<u>LT J E KENNEDY (B)</u>	<u>SUPERIOR</u>	<u>SMOKE OVER D.M.P.I.</u>
	<u>LT S E BREWER (N)</u>		
FLT. B	<u>LT COL J B NATIER (P)</u>	<u>S.M.P.I.</u>	<u>CHANGED AIMING POINT DUE TO</u>
	<u>LT D L MOORE (B)</u>	<u>EXCEL.</u>	<u>COLLISION COURSE WITH OTHER</u>
	<u>R/O G A CARDINALE (N)</u>		<u>FLIGHTS.</u>
FLT. C	<u>LT J E BLOOMER (P)</u>	<u>S.M.P.I.</u>	<u>CHANGED AIMING POINT DUE TO</u>
	<u>LT G G JOHNSON (B)</u>	<u>EXCEL.</u>	<u>COLLISION COURSE WITH OTHER</u>
			<u>FLIGHTS.</u>
BOX 11			
FLT. A	<u>LT J A BUSHNICK (P)</u>	<u>D.M.P.I.</u>	
	<u>LT R C HANNA (B)</u>	<u>SUPERIOR</u>	
FLT. B	<u>LT O F JACOBSEN (P)</u>	<u>D.M.P.I.</u>	<u>NO PHOTOS DUE TO EVASIVE</u>
	<u>R/O R W BARVIST (B)</u>	<u>INDIST.</u>	<u>ACTION. REPORTED EXCEL.</u>
FLT. C	<u>LT R V POPPENY (P)</u>	<u>D.M.P.I.</u>	<u>SHORT RUN. TRIMMER WAS UP</u>
	<u>LT C F FRY (B)</u>	<u>INDIST.</u>	<u>AND INDICORS CROSSED WHILE</u>
			<u>BOMBARDIER ATTEMPTED TO PLACE</u>
			<u>CROSS HAIRS ON TARGET WITH</u>
			<u>SEARCH KNOB.</u>

FLT. A BOX 1 MADE TWO BOMB RUNS. ALL OTHER SHIPS IN FORMATION MADE ONLY ONE BOMB RUN.

OTTO R. KOCH,
2nd Lt., Air Corps,
Asst. Group Bombardier.

CAMERAS INSTALLED	<u>14</u>	GROUP	<u>416th. Bomb Grp.</u>
CAMERAS PHOTOGRAPHING	<u>13</u>	<u>93</u> % WING	<u>97th. C.B.</u>
CAMERA FAILURES	<u>1</u>	<u>7</u> % DATE	<u>30, Mar. 1945</u>
PERSONNEL FAILURES	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u> %	
OTHERS	<u>0</u>		

TARGET Communism
ALTITUDE 15000 FEET
TRUE AIR SPEED 300 MPH
GROUND SPEED 362 MPH

TARGET Communism

ALTITUDE 11000 FEET

TRUE AIR SPEED 205 MPH

GROUND SPEED 267 MPH

TARGET _____

ALTITUDE _____ FEET

TRUE AIR SPEED _____ MPH

GROUND SPEED _____ MPH

BOX	A/C	CAM.	F.L.	INT.	PRINTED	UNPRINT	EXPLANATION
NO.	NO.	TYPE			SORTIES	SORTIES	
1	358	K-24	6 3/8		922		
1	362	"	8				Duplicate coverage
1	361	"	"				"
1	362	"	7		923		
1	362	"	"				"
1	381	"	"				"
2	223	"	6 3/8				"
2	356	"	6 3/8		924		
2	274	"	6 3/8				Camera clutch broke
2	385	"	7				Target ran off edge
2	324	"	"				Duplicate coverage
2	416	"	"				"
2	2315	"	"				"
2	9315	"	"				"

Sortie No.	Cmaeraman	Reason Failure
sortie No.	Cameraman	Reason Failure

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- (A) TARGET: GEMUNDEN M/Y 4416/T4 - WN/405630
 (B) SORTIE: US 416/922-923-924
 (C) DATE: 26 MAR 45 TIME: 1647 - 1654 A
 (D) ATTACKING A/C: 37 A-26's BY 6's
 (E) BOMBS: 148/1000 GP 1/10 N., 1/100 T.
 (F) COVER: THE BURSTS ARE SEEN ON FAIR QUALITY PRINTS.
 (G) RESULTS OF BOMBING: FLT I-A BOMB BURSTS BLANKET THE
 CHOKE POINT, AT THE W END OF THE M/Y, AND THE BOMB
 PATTERNS OF I-B AND I-C EXTEND ACROSS M/Y JUST W OF
 THE ENGINE SHED. ALL FLTS OF BOX I BOMBED SELECTED
 MPI's.
 THE BOMB PATTERN OF II-A EXTENDS OVER THE EDGE
 OF THE M/Y NEAR THE W END. FLT II C DROPPED BOMBS
 IN WOODS N OF THE M/Y AND THERE IS NO PHOTO COVERAGE
 FOR II-B.
 (H) ACTIVITY: ABOUT 10 RAKES OF WAGONS ARE IN THE M/Y AND
 LARGE STORES OF SUPPLIES ARE SEEN NEARBY.
 (I) ANNOTATED PRINT: 5004 SORTIE: US 416/924
NOTE: RECTANGLE ENCLOSES BOMB PATTERN AREA.

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Box #	Cpsfl	Date	F/O	Target	Alt	Box Leader	T/O	15 min.
I		26 Mar 1945				Brown	TOT	
							L/D	
A/C	Fall to Bomb	ATP	Bomb Disp	A/C Dam	E/A	Pers.		
1	497	F 30	P 6 J P R	M D A A C B E D P D K V M				
2	508							
3	490							
4	328							
5	352							
6	360							
1	609							
2	351							
3	244							
4	252							
5	271							
6	338							
1	492							
2	344							
3	496							
4	262							
5	362							
6	381							
	250							

497 Brown
490 Stanley
328 Brown
352
360 Leane Williams
609
351
244
252
271
338
492
344
496
262
362
381
250

492
362
352
351
357
352
358
271

362
358
271

250

Box #	Opset	Date	F/O	Target	Alt.	Box Leader	T/O	15 min.
51		26 Mar 1946				Buskirk	TOT L/D	
A/C	Fall to Bomb	ATT	Bomb Disp	A/C Dam	E/A	Pers.		
No.	Person	T	S	O	F	S	J	P
1	528							
2	469							
3	205							
4	223							
5	326							
6	356							
1	505							
2	378							
3	274							
4	259							
5	385							
6	335							
1	501							
2	232							
3	224							
4	416							
5	2315							
6	9315							
297								

19
76

76

Buskirk
528
Van Norden
205
Dominguez
223
William, Allen
356
326

Deerney
501
Wagner, Herman
224
232
Simplicity
416
Curtain, Henry
9315
2315
335
385

Deerney
505
Brida, Owen
274
378
Deerney
259
Lynn, George
335
385

Winn 297

JEA ITA V JKI JKI 29/26 P P

FROM COBOMGR 416 26/1930A
TO COMBOMDIV NINE ATTN: SIGNAL O.
COMCBTWIG 97 (INFO)

BT
CONFIDENTIAL 416BG R-611-J

- A. YS - 82
- B. 26 MARCH 1945 (1455-1758)
- C. E-EASY AND T-TARE REPORTED COMPLETION OF OPS TO PARADE.
- D. E-EASY CONTACTED RIPSAY UPON ENTERING TACTICAL AREA.
- E. NONE
- F. NONE
- G. NONE
- H. NONE
- I. NONE
- J. NONE

---AYLESWORTH COBOMGR 416---
BT 261930A
DM AR TO ITA)
JEA R.....J26/2010A SH AR
VKKKKKKK
ITA R.....262000A IC AR

JEA ITA V JKI JKI 29/26 P P

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- J. NONE

---AYLESWORTH COBOMGR 416---

BT 261930A

DM AR TO ITA)

JEA R.....26/2010A

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VKKKKKKK

ITA R.....262008A IC AR

ITA JEA V JKI 34/26 P P
T-ADDRESSEE)
FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 262000A
TO 9TH BOMBARDMENT DIVISION (M) INFO COPY.
97TH COMBAT BOMB WING (L) INFO COPY.
1ST PATHFINDER SQUADRON (PROV)

BT
CONFIDENTIAL 416BG RIXXXX R-614-E PATHFINDER REPORT FOR OPERATIONAL
MISSION 26 MARCH 1945 PATHFINDER LEAD FOR BOTH BOXES SATISFACTORY.
GROUP BOMBED VISUALLY ON GROUP LEAD.

--- AYLESWORTH COBOMGR 416---

BT 262000A
DM BBB
JEA R.....26/2121A SN KKK
ITA R.....262121A MB KKKKK

~~TO:~~ To: C.G. 9th Bomb Division; ATT: A-2
CG 97th Combat Bomb Wing; ATT: A-2

From 416th Bomb Group (L)
Operational Priority - Secret
Opstflash for 26th March 1945

A. 416th Bomb Group (L)

B. Gemunden m/y (N-405630)

C. 38 A-26

D. 37 A-26s bombed primary usually by flights

E. 1 A-26 did not bomb. Pilot did not see leader drop and could not establish communication with Formation leader to get permission to drop.

F. 148 X 1000 Lb G.P. on Primary of which 3 dropped safe due to rack malfunction, cause as yet undetermined

4 X 1000 Lb G.P. Returned

G. Crews report Excellent to Superior results

H. NIL

I. NIL

J. NIL

K. on next page

K N.L.

L Box I

Flight A - 13000

Flight B - 12000

Flight C - 12600

Box II

Flight A - 11500

Flight B - 11100

Flight C - 10000

M.

Box I

Flight A - 1654 - (Two runs)

Flight B - 1647 1/2

Flight C - 1647 1/2

Box II

Flight A - 1650

Flight B - 1649 1/2

Flight C - 1649 1/4

X

Crews report considerable motor vehicle activity on Autobahn headed NW towards Aschaffenberg between (N-020530) between ~~hour~~ N352350 and N031385

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TO: CG IX BOMBER DIVISION
CG 97th COMBAT BOMB WING

ATT: A-2 DUTY OFFICER

FROM: 416th Bomb Gp(L)

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

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OPS FLASH FOR 26th March 1945

- A. 416th Bomb Gp
- B. Gemunden M/Y (N-405630)
- C. 38 A-26
- D. 37 A-26 bombed primary visuall y by flights
- E. 1 A-26 did not bomb. Pilot did not see leader drop and could not xxx establish communications with formation leader to get permission to drop.
- F. 148 X 1000 Gp on primary of which 3 dropped safe due to rack malfunction, cause undetermined.
4 X 1000 GP returned.
- G. Crews report excellent results.
- H. MIA
- I. Nil
- J. Nil
- K. Nil
- L. Box I
 - Flight A 13,000
 - B 12,000
 - C 12,600
- Box II
 - Flight A 11500
 - B 11100
 - C 10000
- M. Box I
 - Flight A 1654 (2rns)
 - B 1647 1/2
 - C 1647 1/2
- Box II
 - Flight A 1650
 - B 1649 1/2
 - C 1649 1/2

SECRET

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X. crews report considerable motor vehicle activity on
Autobahn headed NW towards ASCHAFFENBURG (N-020530)
between N352350 and N 031385

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ITA JEA V JKI 31/26 O P O P

FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 262000A
TO CG IX BOMBER DIVISION ATTN: A-2 DUTY OFFICER.
CG 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING (L)

BT

SECRET 416BG R-615-D OPS FLASH FOR 26TY MARCH 1945.

- A. 416TH BOMB GP.
- B. GEMUNDEN M/Y (N-405630)
- C. 38 A-26
- D. 37 A-26 BOMBED PRIMARY VISUALLY BY FLIGHTS
- E. 1 A-26 DID NOT BOMB. PILOT DID NOT SEE LEADER DROP AND COULD NOT ESTABLISH COMMUNICATIONS WITH FORMATION LEADER TO GET PERMISSION TO DROP.
- F. 148 X 1000 GP ON PRIMARY OF WHICH 3 DROPPED SAFE DUE TO RACK MALFUNCTION, CAUSE UNDETERMINED.
4 X 1000 GP RETURNED. (SEE PARAGRAPH "E")
- G. CREWS REPORT EXCELLENT RESULTS.
- H. NIL.
- I. NIL.
- J. NIL.
- K. NIL.
- L. BOX I -
FLIGHT A - 13,000
B - 12,000
C - ~~12,000~~ 12,600
- BOX II
FLIGHT A - 11500
B - 11100
C - 10000
- M. BOX I
FLIGHT A - 1654 (2 RUNS) - (WENT TO VISUAL IP WHEN VISUAL CONDITIONS APPEARED POSSIBLE AT SO LATE A POINT THAT TO BOMB ON FIRST RUN WOULD HAVE MEANT A TOO BRIEF RUN.)
B - 1647 1/2
C - 1647 1/2
- BOX II
FLIGHT A - 1650
B - 1649 1/2
C - 1649 1/2
- X. CREWS REPORT CONSIDERABLE MOTOR VEHICLE ACTIVITY ON AUTOBAHN HEADED NW TOWARDS ASCHAFFENBURG (N-020530) BETWEEN N-352350 AND N-031385.)

BT 262000A

DM BBBB

ITA R.....262109A IC KKK

JEA R.....26/2109A SH KKK

ITA JEA V JKI JKI 1/27

FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP (L)
TO 9TH BOMBARDMENT DIV. (M)
97TH COMBAT WING (L)
BT

27/0001A

27-3-40
0230
28P

SIGNAL SERVICE

CITE TUX R-615-D JKI 31/26 SHOULD BE SKE SIGNED
M. B. SHERIDAN
CAPT. A.C. ASS'T S-2

BT 270001A
RSS BBBBB

ITA R.....27/0010A OEN
JEA R.....27/0010Q A CES KKKK

ITA JEA V JKI JKI 3/27 OP OP

FROM HQ, 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) S-2 PI
TO HQ, 9TH BOMBARDMENT DIV. (M) A-2 PI
HQ, 97TH WING (L) A-2 DUTY OFFICER
BT

SECRET 416BG R-621-D

B. GEMUNDEN M/Y
G. 1647 - 1654

J. BOX I FLT A - KSMPI - SUPER: SMOKE PREVENTED BOMBARDIER FROM SEEING DMPI, PICKED N CHOKE POINT ADJACENT TO LARGE GROUP OF BLDGS. ALL BOMBS WITHIN 1000 FT. OF SMPI. BOMBS FELL IN EXCELLENT PATTERN ON TRACKS AND BLDGS 95 FT NE OF SMPI.

FLT B - SMPI - EXCEL: DUE TO COLLISION COURSE WITH OTHER FLTS BOMBARDIER WAS UNABLE TO BOMB DMPI. SELECTED POINT IN M/Y OPPOSITE ENGINE SHED. ALL BOMBS WITHIN 1000 FT OF SMPI IN GOOD PATTERN 560 FT NW OF SMPI. BOMBS FELL ON GOODS WAGONS AND TRACKS.

FLT C - EXCEL: DUE TO COLLISION COURSE WITH OTHER FLTS BOMBARDIER WAS UNABLE TO BOMB DMPI, SELECTED POINT IN M/Y (SMPI) OPPOSITE ENGINE SHED. ALL BOMBS WITHIN 1000 FT OF SMPI IN GOOD PATTERN 420 FT N OF SMPI WITH BOMBS HITTING ON GOODS WAGONS, TRACKS AND BLDGS.

BOX II FLT A-X DMPI - SUPER: ALL BOMBS WITHIN 1000 FT OF DMPI. BOMBS FELL IN EXCELLENT PATTERN WITH CENTER OF BURSTS 230 FT NE OF DMPI, HITS ON BLDGS ROADS AND TRACKS.

FLT B - DMPI UNDET: NO PICTURES ON BOMB BURSTS FROM THIS FLT TARGET RUNS OFF EDGE OF FILM. VISUAL OVSERVATIONS REPORT EXCELLENT RESULTS.

FLT C - DMPI ~~XXXX~~ UNSAT: NO BOMBS WITHIN 1000 FT OF DMPI, BOMBS FELL IN WOODS AND FIELDS IN GOOD PATTERN 3300 FT E OF DMPI.

~~XXXXXX~~

K. BOX II FLT C DMPI UNSAT: SHORT RUN. TRIGGER WAS UP AND INDICES ~~XXXX~~ CROSSED WHILE BOMBARDIER ATTEMPTED TO PLACE CROSS HAIRS ON TARGET WITH SEARCH KNOB.

M. ~~KX~~ (A) 13 93 PERCENT
(B) 1 7
(C) 0 0

N. 20 - 30 ~~XXX~~ BLDGS DAMAGED OR DESTROYED.
15 - 20 GOODS WAGONS DESTROYED
40 - 50 HITS ON TRACKS
10 - 15 HITS ON ROADS.

YKY LLOYD H. PERKINS,
2ND LT, AIR CORPS,
ASST W PHOTO INTELLIGENCE OFFICER

BT 27/0335X
RSS AR

ITA R.....27/0420A AT TIC
JEA R.....27/0420A RL AR

USAF FORM 344

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HEADQUARTERS
416TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)
Office of the Commanding Officer

SECRET
AUTH: CO STA 4-69
DATE: 28 March 1945
INIT:

TO: Commanding General, 9th Bombardment Division (H), APO 140, U. S. Army.
Attn: Statistical Control.

From: 416th Bombardment Group (L), APO 140, U.S. Army.

Ref: Oprep A No. 157 - For 24 hrs. ending midnight 26 March 1945
Mission or Operation No. 255 17th AF 24-312

A. Short Narrative of Operation:

Target German Rearranging Yard
Place of take-off Station A-62
Place of landing Station A-62
Take-off time 1455 Landing time 1505
Time over target 1507-1534 Bombing Altitude 10000-13000
Nature of mission Bombing Other None
Weather 6/10 clouds, 5000 ft high clouds, Visibility 10 miles.
Results Super, excel, excel, super, under, under.
Enemy opposition None

B. Type & model of aircraft:

1. Dispatched 30 A-26's

2. Attacking target (indicate target) or completing mission.

37 German 14/1

3. Abortive due to:

(1) Weather: None

(2) Personnel: 1 - pilot did not see leader drop.

(3) Mechanical: None

(4) Other: None

4. Missing (i.e. cause and place unknown) None

5. Destroyed - before reaching target None
giving cause where known

6. Destroyed - over or after leaving None
target giving cause where known

7. Damaged (give category & cause) None

8. Sorties 30

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D. Total operational flying hours

a. Day (Sunrise to sunset) 10740b. Night (Sunset to sunrise) None

E. Ammunition by calibers:

a. Total carried into air 71400 x .50 caliberb. Expended on operations 220 x .50 caliber (testing)c. Lost on wrecked or missing a/c None

F. Bombs, flares, etc. used:

a. Total carried into air: 152 x 1000 lb GP's Bomb 1/250 1/1000b. Expended on operations: 118
(List targets separately)c. Jettisoned Noned. Lost or wrecked on
missing a/c Nonee. Total Returned 1

G. Own Personnel Casualties:

Type of Casualty	Pilot	Co-pilot	Nav	Bomb	R.Gun	E.Gun	T.Gun
Killed in Action	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Missing in Action	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Seriously Wounded	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Slightly Wounded	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

H. Enemy aircraft by type or description (tentative claims):-

a. Destroyed Noneb. Prob. Des Nonec. Damaged None

For the Commanding Officer:

GEORGE SCHENKELIN,
Captain, Air Corps.
Adjutant.

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PRIORITY

FROM: 416TH BOMB GROUP (L)

TO: 9TH BOMBARDMENT DIVISION (M) INFO COPY
97TH COMBAT BOMB WING (L) INFO COPY
1ST PATHFINDER SQUADRON (PROV)

416 BG R _____

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26 MARCH 1945

PATHFINDER REPORT FOR OPERATIONAL MISSION 26 MARCH 1945

PATHFINDER LEAD FOR BOTH BOXES SATISFACTORY. GROUP BOMBED VISUALLY ON GROUP LEAD.

AYLESWORTH COBOMOR 416

I certify that this is official business:

John M. Bonura
JOHN M. BONURA,
1st Lieut., Air Corps,
Ops Stat Officer.

Mission # 255--26 March 1945

The target to be attacked, the marshalling yards at Gemunden, was a great distance from our base, but because of the rapid advance of General Patton's troops, was just a few miles ahead of the bomb line in his sector. Results appeared to be excellent with the exception of one flight which dropped a little long of the target. Considerable activity was seen in the target area.

There was no flak along the route, and no enemy planes were observed.

Although there were many clouds in the target area, most of them were above the formation making it possible to make a visual attack.

Lt. Brown and Lt. Buskirk led the two boxes that made the attack.

JES JPO JKI VIA JEA V JJF 11/26 OP OP

FROM 1ST PATHFINDER SQD PROV. 26/1955A

TO CG, 9TH COMBAT DIVISION

CG, 97TH COMBAT WING

CG, 98TH COMBAT WING

CG, 99TH COMBAT WING

CO'S 322, 391, 344, 386, 394, 397, 323, 387, 409, 410, 416 BOMB GPS.

SECRET QQY MBT

~~XXX~~ 1ST PPF SQ PROV R-631-D

A. 1ST PATHFINDER SQ WITH THE 323RD BOMB GROUP

B. GEMUNDEN M/Y WM 406630

C. 2 B-26'S

D. NONE

E. 2 B-26'S GROUP ELECTED TO ABANDON BECAUSE OF WEATHER

F. ~~XXXXXX~~ 8 X 500 GP RETURNED
NO ATTACK

A. 1ST PATHFINDER SQ WITH THE 397TH BOMB GROUP

B. FLIEDEN M/Y WH-308042

C. TWO B-26'S

D. FIRST BOX PFF PRIMARY ON NORDEN ALONE - 2ND BOX PFF PRIMARY ON
EQUIPMENT GROUP DROPPING ON PFF

E. NONE

F. 8 X 500 GP ON PRIMARY

G. PFF 1ST BOX AND LOW FLIGHT BOMBS HIT IN TARGET AREA
2ND BOX HITS OBSERVED IN TARGET AREA

H. THRU K. NONE

L. 13,000 AND 13,200 PRIMARY

M. 1529 AND 1526 PRIMARY
GROUP FORMATION 1ST BOX GOOD - 2 ND BOX POOR

A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 387TH BOMB GROUP
 B. FLIEDEN M/Y WH-312046
 C. ONE B-26
 D. ONE B-26 PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT AND NORDEN ALONE
 E. NONE
 F. 4 X 500 GP ON PRIMARY
 G. BOMBS FELL IN LOOP ON TRACKS EAST OF TARGET
 H. THRU K. NONE
 L. 13,500 PRIMARY
 M. 1604 1/2 PRIMARY
 GROUP FORMATION - EXCELLENT

A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 391ST BOMB GROUP
 D. WURZBURG M/Y WN 538376
 C. TWO B-26'S
 D. ONE B-26 CASUAL ON NORDEN GERCHSHEIM WN-548295 - CAVU
 E. ONE B-26 NOT IN POSITION TO BOMB WHEN GROUP BOMBED VISUAL
 F. 4 X 500 GP ON CASUAL - 4 X 500 GP RETURNED
 G. UNOBSERVED ON CASUAL
 H. THRU K, NONE
 L. 12,500 CASUAL
 M. 1614 CASUAL
 GROUP FORMATION GOOD ESCORT VERY GOOD

A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 416TH BOMB GROUP
 B. GEMUNDEN M/Y WM-406630
 C. ONE B-26
 D. NONE
 E. ONE B-26 GROUP NOTIFIED PFF OF VISUAL RUN AT "B"
 F. 4 X 100 FRAG RETURNED
 G. NO ATTACK
 H. THRU K. NONE
 L. NO ATTACK
 M. TURNED AT 1645
 REMARKS : TURNING POINT PFF PLANE WAS AT POINT "C" ON BOMB RUN

A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 394TH BOMB GROUP
 B. FLIEDEN M/Y WH 308042
 C. TWO B-26'S
 D. NONE
 E. TWO B-26'S BOX 1 PFF TURNED AT BENSHEIM WM641210
 AT 1529 GROUP TOOK OVER TO BOMB CASUAL - 2BOX 2 PFF
 TURNED BACK AT BRICKENBACH WM631285 WHEN GROUP TOOK OVER
 TO BOMB TO AT 1527
 F. 8 X 500 GP RETURNED
 G. NO ATTACK
 H. THRU K. NONE
 L. AND M. NO ATTACK

A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 322ND BOMB GROUP
 B. WURZBURG M/Y WN 538386
 C. TWO B-26'S
 D. TWO B-26'S PRIMARY ON NORDEN CAVU - ALONE
 E. NONE
 F. 8 X 500 GP ON PRIMARY
 G. STRIKES SEEN IN TARGET AREA
 H. THRU K. NONE
 L. 13,000 AND 12,500 PRIMARY
 M. 1555 AND 1548 PRIMARY
 GROUP FORMATION GOOD

- . FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 344TH BOMB GROUP
- B. WURZBURG M/Y WN 540371
- C. TWO B-26'S
- D. TWO B-26'S PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT
- E. NONE
- F. 8 X 500 GP ON PRIMARY
- G. HUGH FLAMES SEEN FROM BOMBS OF FIRST BOX - SECOND BOX PATTERN STARTED SOUTH OF TARGET AND WALKED ACROSS
- H. THRU K. NONE
- L. 13,000 AND 13,000 PRIMARY
- M. 1627 AND 1627 1/2 PRIMARY
- GROUP FORMATION EXCELLENT AT RELEASE

- A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 386TH BOMB GROUP
- B. WURZBURG M/Y WN 546360
- C. ONE B-26
- D. ONE B-26 PRIMARY ON NORDEN CAVU
- E. NONE
- F. 4 X 500 GP ON PRIMARY
- G. 1 ST BOX BOMBS HIT APPROX ONE MILE EAST NORTH EAST 2ND BOX UNOBSERVED
- H. THRU K. NONE
- L. 13,000 ON PRIMARY
- M. 1646 1/2 ON PRIMARY
- GROUP FORMATION GOOD

- A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 410TH BOMB GROUP
- B. GEMUNDEN M/Y WM 410626
- C. TWO B-26'S
- D. ONE B-26 PRIMARY ON NORDEN ALONE CAVU
ONE B-26 CASUAL ON NORDEN NECKARGEMUND WR 775888 GROUP
TOOK OVER FOR VISUAL RUN WITHOUT NOTIFYING PFF
- E. NONE
- F. 4 X 500 GP ON PRIMARY 4 X 500 GP ON CASUAL
- G. BOX 1 HITS SEEN IN TARGET AREA BOX 2 PFF UNOBSERVED
POSITION OF PLANE PREVENTED OBSERVATION
- H. AND I. NONE
- J. MANNHEIM WEAK INACCURATE WM 535000
- K. NONE
- L. 12,000 CASUAL - 13,000 PRIMARY
- M. 1703 CASUAL - 1706 PRIMARY
- 1ST BOX FORMATION POOR - 2ND BOX GOOD

CO 1ST PATHFINDER SQ PROV

BT 26/1955A

W CC : PAR 394TH BOMB GROUP E. 2ND LINE WA CASUAL BOX 2 PFF NOT 2BOX
AS SENT

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RELAYED BY SH
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JZX/R/.....

JES R	26/2212A	MC	KKK
JPO R	26/2212A	DB	KKK
JKI R	26/2212A	DM	KKK

JKI VIA JEA V ITA JJP 18/26 OP OP

FROM 1ST PATHFINDER SQ 26/2325

TO CG IX BOMB DIV
CG 97 BOMB WING
CO 416 BOMB GROUP

SECRET BT

1ST PATHFINDER SQ R-638-E

27-3-45
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28A

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1261
S-2
S-3

PFF PILOT : THAYER

DATE : 3/26/45

TIME : P M

A. FORMATION :

1. CLASSIFICATION : GOOD
2. REMARKS :

B. WINDOW SHIPS :

1. CLASSIFICATION : NONE
2. REMARKS :

C. NAVIGATION :

1. CLASSIFICATION : GOOD
2. REMARKS :

D. INTERPLANE COMMUNICATIONS : GOOD

E. BRIEFING : GOOD

F. MISCELLANEOUS REMARKS : NONE

CO 1ST PATHFINDER SQ

BT 26/2325

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26 MAR 1945

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