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D A Y

MISSION No. **214**

Date: **24 FEB. 45**

TO: **HARBURG, GER.**

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401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)

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MISSION SUMMARY REPORT

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ASSIGNMENT

1. Assigned Target: HARBURG, GERMANY
2. Commitments: The 401st Group furnished the complete 36 A/C 94th "A" Group (Division Lead) exclusive of spares. Two PFF A/C were included in the lead squadron and one in each of the other two.

EXECUTION

1. Target Bombed: HARBURG, GERMANY (PFF)
2. a. Division Leader: LT. COL. W. T. SEAWELL (BROWN)
Lead Navigator: Capt. C. M. SMITH (Goodman - MO)
Extra Navigator: Capt. W. E. HABERER
Lead Bombardier: 1st Lt. W. F. SCHIEFER
- b. Low Squadron Leader: Capt. W. RIEGLER
Lead Navigator: Capt. H. O. WOOD (Eaton - MO)
Lead Bombardier: 1st Lt. G. W. PEEK
- c. High Squadron Leader: 1st Lt. R. S. HAYES
Lead Navigator: 1st Lt. C. B. MINOR
Lead Bombardier: 1st Lt. R. W. MURPHY
3. Flight Over England:

a. Takeoff:

At engine time a message was received delaying the zero hour two hours and take off time one hour. The extra hour was to be spent circling the buncher. All aircraft except one made takeoff on time; that one was airborne too late to make the formation.

Mission Summary Report (Cont'd)

3. b. Squadron and Group Assemblies:

Squadron and group assemblies were good. Thirty-eight aircraft (including three spares were from 351st) in the formation throughout the extra hour of circling at the buncher.

c. Route Over England:

The Air Commander instructed the lead navigator to make control point 1 on time or a minute early to insure 94th "A" its proper division lead position. Route over England was as briefed. Woodcraft "B" came into Wing column as briefed at point "D". Coast was departed 1/2 minute late.

4. Attack:

a. Flight to Target:

a Flight to target was as briefed and without incident until control point # 3. At that point "Foxhole Able" (305th B. Gp) cut short came abreast, and very nearly went through the 94th "A" formation. The 305th group bombed behind 94th "A" and possibly interfered with "Woodcraft Baker" VHF control point messages as well as conversation between "Foxhole "B" and Cowboy "A" indicated Foxhole "A" was behind his briefed position (3rd) at Control point # 3. Yet he leapfrogged the column and ended up abreast of the division lead which would easily have created considerable difficulty.

b. Bombing Run:

Lead Squadron:

Weather was announced by Buckeye as being 9/10 cloud cover over the target. The Air commander announced that runs would be made in squadron formation in case of a chance for a visual assist. We headed in on the run just about 4 miles south of the briefed IP and Mickey started his run. A good PFF run was made over 10/10's clouds. The dropping angle was almost the same as pre-set. The sighting angle corrections were small. There was no chance of visual assist. The Leader salvoed. All others used a 50 foot intervalometer setting. The AFCE was O K.

Low Squadron:

The low fell in trail at the IP and made an individual squadron Mickey run, with the bombardier prepared to make an assist if possible. The cloud cover was 10/10's all the way, so the squadron made a straight PFF run. The first 3 rate checks were a little off so the bombardier made the necessary adjustments. The last two checked excellent. Bombs were salvoed by the lead and dropped with a 150 ft. intervalometer setting by all others. The AFCE worked satisfactorily. Results were unobserved.

Mission Summary Report (Cont'd)

4. b. Bombing Run (Cont'd)

High Squadron:

The high squadron turned directly over the IP, in squadron formation in trail of the lead and low. It made its own mickey run, but at all times it seemed to be directly behind the squadron in front. The mickey operator made just 2 course corrections while on the run. Rate angles all coincided very well and the tangent angles was nearly the same as what the bombardier preset. The clouds were 10/10's. The bombs were dropped through the sight salvo by the lead and dropped with a 50 ft. intervalometer setting by all others. Bombs went away just as the squadron hit the smoke marker of the squadron in front of us. Because the AFCE was "hunting" a little and the run was straight PFF, the run was made manually. Results were unobserved.

c. Flight from Target:

Rally was good and return route as briefed. Letdown was made over the channel -- both coasts were reached on course.

d. Return to Base:

Return to base was without incident. The letdown to 1500 feet made over the channel permitted aircraft to return in contact weather. All ships landed safely at home base.

e. Weather:

Weather upon reaching continental coast was described at 9/10 to 10/10's (breaking approximately 7/10's over Zuider Zee and then closing in again. Target was 9/10 to 10/10's covered, strata-cumulus clouds 8 - 12,000 feet tops, no contrails encountered.

f. Fighter Support:

Fighter support was good.

g. Comments on Formation:

Formation within squadron was consistently good. The low squadron lagged considerably, however, between control points # 2 & # 3 and possibly interfered with Woodcraft "B".

h. Conclusions and Recommendations:

The screening forces of B-17's and Mosquitos seemed to be of benefit. Although the group suffered battle damage there could be seen many bursts as much as 10,000 low. Recommend groups and wings make a greater effort to get exact timing at Control point 1 and thereafter to maintain proper position. IT CAN BE DONE.

Mission Summary Report (Cont'd)

5. Aircraft Not Attacking:

A/C 42-31072 - No credit. Takeoff was late due to a flat tire while taxiing. Pilot went direct to CP # 1 and spotted the group but was unable to catch it. Jettisoned bombs and returned.

6. Enemy Opposition:

No enemy air opposition was seen or encountered. (see Flak Report for flak)

7. Battle Damage: Major Minor To Flak
 2 11 13

8. Casualties: 2 - LWA

9. Statistical Summary of Operations: (See attached form)

10. Bombing Data:

a. Observations:

Due to complete undercast results were unobserved. However, crews report that upon leaving target area, they observed black smoke bubbling through clouds to 12,000 feet.

b. Disposition of Bombs:

Lead Squadron:

All 12 scheduled A/C attacked the target, dropping 65 X 500# GP and 77 X 500# RDX bombs.

Low Squadron:

Of the 12 A/C taking off, eleven attacked the target dropping 82 X 500# GP and 49 X 500# RDX bombs. Aborting A/C 672 jettisoned 12 GP's in the channel.

High Squadron:

All 12 scheduled A/C attacked the target, dropping 83 X 500# GP and 60 X 500# RDX bombs.

c. Tabular Summary of Disposition of Bombs: (See next page.)

Mission Summary Report (Cont'd)10. C. Tabular Summary of Disposition of Bombs:

	Aircraft		Bombs			Fusing	
	Over Target	Bomb-ing	Num-ber	Size	Type	Nose	Tail
Main Bombfall	35	35	(230 (186	500# 500#	GP RDX	1/10 1/10	1/40 1/40
Other Attacks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Bombs On Target			(230 (186	500# 500#	GP RDX	1/10 1/10	1/40 1/40
Other Expenditures			12	500#	GP	1/10	1/40
Bombs Returned			-	-	-	-	-
Total (Loaded on A/C Taking Off)			242 186	500# 500#	GP RDX	1/10 1/10	1/40 1/40

11. Aircraft Lost:

None.

Submitted By:

KEN W. DAUBLE,
 Captain, Air Corps,
 Statistical Officer.

LEAD SQUADRON 94th A Group

Combat Sq. Leader: COL SEAWELL Date: 24 Feb 45Deputy Sq. Leader: L T HUBBELLDeputy Gp. Leader: L T HUBBELL614 SQDN.

612 SC JABNOCK

613 IN MACRO

614 EW GOLFCLUB

615 IY BUZZARD

401st Bomb GroupBROWN

Take-off and over Target.

449

COLEHUBBELL

602

033

614 SQDN.615 SQDN.ST AUBYNDJERNESS

322

551

GRAYSTAUFFERCRAWCRAFTMAIRE

478

677

637

530

HARTSOCK

151

RICHARDSONSORENSEN

758

595

SPACES

LOW SQDN 94th A GROUP

Combat Sq. Leader: CAPT RIEGLER Date 24 Feb 45Deputy Sq. Leader: LT WOLFDeputy Gp. Leader: LT HUBBELL613 SQDN

612 SC JABNOCK

613 TN MACRO

614 IW GOLFCLUB

615 IY BUZZARD

401st Bomb Group

Take-off and over Target

RIEGLER

550

MAHARICKWOLF

591

680

613 SQDN615 SQDNSCHELLERBENNETT

791

425

MAYSPEERSTEPHENSKNOWLES

613

607

113

758

CURRAN351BG A/C 072 AbortCAREYYOUNG

862

947

SPARES

HIGH SQDN 94th A GROUP

Combat Sq. Leader: LT HAYES Date 25 Feb 45Deputy Sq. Leader: LT ASCHENBACHDeputy Gp. Leader: LT HUBBELL**401 BOMB GROUP**

Take-off and over Target

612 SQDNHAYES

153

612 SC JABWOCK

613 IN MACRO

614 IW GOLFCLUB

615 IY BUZZARD

FRENCH

ASCHENBACH

506

891

612 SQDN615 SQDN

ROADMAN

GRIMM

992

077

SCHLIEMANN

COMER

CALLAHAN

STEELE

788

641

780

598

JONES

662

HUDNALL

LOVELL

059

733

SPARKS

HEADQUARTERS
FOUR HUNDRED FIRST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Navigation Officer

Date 24 Feb. 1945

SUBJECT: Lead Navigator's Narrative of Raid on Hamburg, Germany.

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

1. Flight plan and Log attached.
2. Track chart attached.
3. Narrative:

a. T/O at 0732 hours.
b. Group formed at 0840 hours on Cottesmore buncher.
at 7,000 ft.
c. Wing assembly was completed at 1000 hours at East Dereham.

d. Route over England was (not) flown as briefed. xxxx

e. Methods of navigation over England.

f. Division formation was joined at 1026½ hrs. at Pelinstone.
g. Flight to I. P. was (not) as briefed. xxxx

h. Methods of navigation to the I. P.

Gee, Mickey, D.R.

i. Bomb run.

(1) Actual I. P. was (not) as briefed. xxxx

- (2) True heading over target 38.
(3) Actual drift all.
(4) Altitude over target 25,000.
(5) Time bombs away 1229½.
(6) Wind used for bombing 310/28.
(7) Method of target identification.

PFT

(8) Difficulties on bomb run.

None

(9) Weather over Target.

10/10ths

(10) Axis of withdrawal 120 - continuous turn.

j. Group rally was accomplished at 53-18N 10-17E at 1236 hrs.
k. Wing rally was accomplished at " " at "
l. Division rally was accomplished at " " at "
m. Flight home was (~~xxx~~) as briefed.

n. Methods of navigation on return route.

Gee, Mickey, Pilotage, D.R.

o. Winds aloft were (~~xxx~~) called out to the formation.
p. Fighter rendezvous were (~~xxx~~) as briefed.

q. Performance of equipment.

(1) Mickey OK
(2) Gee OK
(3) Radio Compass OK
(4) Fluxgate OK
(5) Other equipment. OK

/s/ C. M. Smith
C. M. SMITH
Captain, A.C.

Lead Navigator, Lead Sq.

Low Sq.

HEADQUARTERS
FOUR HUNDRED FIRST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Navigation Officer

Date 24 Feb. 1945

SUBJECT: Lead Navigator's Narrative of Raid on Hamburg, Germany

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

1. Flight plan and Log attached.
2. Track chart attached.
3. Narrative:

- a. T/O at 0731 hours.
- b. Group formed at 0915 hours on Cottesmore buncher.
at 6,000 ft.
- c. Wing assembly was completed at 1008 hours at E. Perham.
- d. Route over England was (not) flown as briefed.

- e. Methods of navigation over England.

Mickey, Gee, Pilotage

- f. Division formation was joined at 1027 hrs. at Felixstone.
- g. Flight to I.P. was (not) as briefed.

- h. Methods of navigation to the I. P.

Mickey, Gee, Pilotage, D.R.

- i. Bomb run.

- (1) Actual I. P. was (not) as briefed.

- (2) True heading over target 42.
- (3) Actual drift 13 R.
- (4) Altitude over target 24200.
- (5) Time bombs away 1231A.
- (6) Wind used for bombing 316/45K.
- (7) Method of target identification.

H2X

(8) Difficulties on bomb run.

None

(9) Weather over Target.

10/baths

(10) Axis of withdrawal 150

j. Group rally was accomplished at _____ at _____ hrs.
k. Wing rally was accomplished at 55-18N 10-17E at 1236 hrs.
l. Division rally was accomplished at * * at * hrs.
m. Flight home was (not) as briefed.
XXX

n. Methods of navigation on return route.

Mickey, Gee, Pilotage, D.R.

o. Winds aloft were (not) called out to the formation.
p. Fighter rendezvous were (not) as briefed.
XXX

q. Performance of equipment.

- (1) Mickey OK
- (2) Gee OK
- (3) Radio Compass OK
- (4) Fluxgate OK
- (5) Other equipment. OK

/S/ Horace D. Wood

HORACE D. WOOD

Captain, A. C.

Lead Navigator, Low Sq.

HEADQUARTERS **High Sq.**
FOUR HUNDRED FIRST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Navigation Officer

Date 24 Feb. 1945

SUBJECT: Lead Navigator's Narrative of Raid on Hamburg, Germany.

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

1. Flight plan and Log attached.
2. Track chart attached.
3. Narrative:

a. T/O at 0723 hours.
b. Group formed at 0830 hours on Cottesmore buncher.
at 8,000 ft.

c. Wing assembly was completed at 1008 hours at R. Duxford.

d. Route over England was (not) flown as briefed.

e. Methods of navigation over England.

pilotage, D.R., Radio, Gee.

f. Division formation was joined at 1028 hrs. at Malinstow.
g. Flight to I. P. was (not) as briefed.

h. Methods of navigation to the I. P.

D.R., Mickey, Gee, Occasional pilotage.

i. Bomb run.

(1) Actual I. P. was (not) as briefed.

- (2) True heading over target 32.
(3) Actual drift 16 (+).
(4) Altitude over target 25600 (indicated).
(5) Time bombs away 1021.
(6) Wind used for bombing 300/58.
(7) Method of target identification.

12X

(8) Difficulties on bomb run.

None

(9) Weather over Target.

10/10ths

(10) Axis of withdrawal 130.

- j. Group rally was accomplished at 53-18N 10-17E at 1236 hrs.
k. Wing rally was accomplished at " " at " " hrs.
l. Division rally was accomplished at " " at " " hrs.
m. Flight home was (not) as briefed.

n. Methods of navigation on return route.

H2X, Gee, D.R., occasional Pilotage

- o. Winds aloft were (not) called out to the formation.
p. Fighter rendezvous were (not) as briefed.

q. Performance of equipment.

- (1) Mickey Good
(2) Gee RF #27 Unit does not work.
(3) Radio Compass Good
(4) Fluxgate Good
(5) Other equipment. OK

/s/ Charles P. Minor
1st Lt., A. C.

Lead Navigator, High Sq.

Air Commander - Lt. C. A. Seawell

FLIGHT PLAN 9th A, First

DATE 24 Feb., 1945

PILOT lt. J. J. Brown

NAVIGATOR

Capt. C. M. Smith - Capt. W. E. Bakerer

STATIONS 0610 ENGINES 0710 TAXI 0725 T.O. 0740
LEAVE BASE COTT. 0945
COAST OUT 1026
ENEMY COAST 1110
I.P. 1206
TARGET 1215
ENEMY COAST 1401
ENGLISH COAST 1453 WTR 1529

SUN		MOON		TWILIGHT		Ref alt - 22000
Rises	Sets	Rises	Sets	AM	PM	Domb alt - 25000
						Oxygen - 4 hr.

Letdown Cottesmore Puncher - Normal - G10 Mag.

FROM Ass. 7000 Lead TO Cott (Y) puncher	W/V UESD	HEIGHT	I.A.S. MPH /K	T. A.S. (K)	COU- RSE	DRI- FT	TRUE HDNG.	VAR.	MAG. HDNG.	C. S.	DIST.	TIME	E.T.A.	CELESTIAL DATE TIME BODY ALT. AZI.			
52-44N 00-39W (Y) Boston (A)	310/24	7000	150 -5	143	057	-9	048	10	058	148	27	11 -1	0945 0955	Depart			
52-58N 00-02W E. Dereham (D)	310/26	8000	150	145	118	-2	116	10	126	170	39	14 -1	1008				
52-41N 00-57E Stowmarket (E)	310/29	11000	150 -9	148	176	48	184	10	194	166	29	10½ 1½	1020				
52-21N 01-00E Felixstowe (CP 1) st. climb	310/31	11000	150 -12	152	137	A1	198	9	147	183	19	06	1026	CP 1 1026			
51-58N 01-21E 52-43N 04-38W	310/36	20000	150 -20	164	070	-11	059	8	067	178	128	43 A1	1110	CP 2, 1110			
" "	295/45	25000	150 -31	184	093	-5	088	7	095	225	117	31 A1	1142				
52-39N 07-49E	275/58	25000	150 -39	192	121	48	129	6	135	243	29	01 A1	1150	CP 3, 1150			
" "	270/60	"	"	031	-16	015	5	020	216	57	16	1206	IP				
53-10N 09-17E IP	"	"	"	191	053	-11	042	5	047	236	30	08 A1	1215	TARGET			
53-26N 09-57E. T.	jetdown	"	"	-42	214	120	48	120	5	133	263	16	04	1219			
55-20N 10-20E	270/59	23000	150 -37	214	120	48	120	5	133	263	16	04	1219				
" "	280/56	21500	170 -29	205	229	A10 A12	239 241	5	244 246	160 131	16 73	89 34	40	1259	CP 4. 1259		
52-22N 08-30E	-29	270/55	20000	150	176	229											
52-37N 07-49E	280/50	20000	150 -29	176	301	-6	295	6	301	127	29	14	1313				
" "	300/40	20000	150 -29	*	273	46	279	7	286	139	117	51 A3	1401	Coast. Div. Break up.			
52-43N 04-38E	300/40	20000	150 -29	*	273	46	279	7	286	139	117	51 A3	1401	Coast. Div. Break up.			
" "	-12	310/31	11000	170	173	276	46	272	8	280	147	88 92	120	36 16	52	1453	English Coast
Cramer	316/17	2000	150	132	276	45	271	9	280	120							
52-56N 01-20E Ring Lynn	316/17	2000	150 -13	132	253	46	259	10	269	124	35	17	1510				
52-45N 00-21E base	" "	"	"	132	247	47	254	10	264	125	39	19	1529	ETR			
base	310/20	0 to	150 -1	139	114	-2	112	10	122	158	78	30	0956 M26	LPTO . Takes 28 min. to climb.			
Felixstowe	310/28	7 to	150 -6	147	121	-2	119	10	129	174	88	30	0956 L26	Last time fore Group Departure			

FLIGHT RECORD

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TIME	COURSE	W/V USED & OR D.R. DRIE	TRUE HDNG.	MAG. HDNG.	NAVIGATIONAL OBSERVATION	GENERAL OBSERVATION	IAS. MPH. /K	HEIGHT & AIR TEMP.	RUN		C. S.	TO RUN		E.T.A.	
									T. A. S.	DIST.	TIME	DIST.	TIME		
0927	-6 290/15	180			Swift reading. Wind 290/15		150	7000	144						
0943	052 -5	052			Dept. Cottesmore for Boston		150	7000	144			153	27	10½	1053
0945	056 -4	052			Wft. rdng.		150	7000	144			153			
0946	-4	052			52-47N 00-23E. pilotage		150	7000	144	-3		153			
0946	-4	058			A/C to Boston		150	7000	144			153			1053
0950	-4	058			Over Donnington		150	7000	144	19	07	163			
0953	052 298/20	056 av.			Boston Wind 298/20		150	7000	144	27	10	162			
0953	117 0	117			A/C to E. Dereham		150	7000 8000	146			164	59	14½	1007½
0955½	116 295/16	115			52-57N 00-08E. Gee		150	7600	146						
1008	115 0	115			E. Dereham. Wing formed		150	9000	146	39	15	156			
1008	176 295/16	182			A/C to Stowmarket		150	9000 10000	148			156	29	11	1019
1013	176 295/16	179			52-48N 00-01E. pilotage		150	10000 -7	148			156			
1017		179			52-21N 01-21E. Gee		150	10500	148						
1020	175 295/16	179			52-11½N 01-02E. P. Wind 295/16		150	11000	150	30	12	150			
1020	137 -3	140			A/C to CP/1		150	11000	152			160	19		
1024	137 -3	140			52-04N 01-10E		150	11000	152			160			
1026½		140			CP. 1, ½ min late, on course		150	11500	152	19	06½	170			
1026½	070 -2	068			A/C to CP/2. Est. wind 295/25		150	11500 20000	164			188	128	41	1107½
1032½	070 -2	068			52-00N 01-41E. G.		150	12500 -13							
1037	070 -2	068			52-04N 02-00E. G.		150	13700 -14							
1041	068 -1	av. 067			52-08N 02-12E. G.		150	15000 -17	160 (av) 22	08½	156	94	96	1117	
1046		067			52-13N 02-35E. G.		150	16000 -20							
1049	069 -2 045/15	067			52-16N 02-47E. G. Wind 045/15		150	16500 -20	164	30	12	150			
1052	069 -3½	066			52-00N 03-00E. G.		150	17500 -20	169	16½	06	165	64	23	1115
1056		066			52-22½N 03-15E. G.		150	18500 -21	171	18½	07				
1100	072 -6	066			52-27N 03-35E.		150	19000	170 ^{av}	30	11	164	42½	15½	1115½
1101		061			A/C 5o to left		150	19200							
1104		061			52-31N 03-52E. G.		150	19700							
1108	069 -8 295/34	061			52-35N 04-19E. G. Wind 295/34		150	20500	173	26	06	194			
1113	069	061			SP. /2 52-43N 04-38E. On course, on time		150	21200							
1113	093 -6	087			A/C to 52-37N 07-49E		150	21200 25000	184			202	117	34½	1147½
1115	093 -8	085					150	22000							
1117		085			52-41N 05-00E. G.		150	22400 -22							
1124	093 -8	085			22 mi. e 295° zwolle 52-40N 05-32E		150	23000 -28	av. 190	20	07	173			
1128	092 -9 340/32	089			52-41N 06-00E. G. Wind 340/32		150	24000 -30	192	36½	11	200	66	19½	1147½
1130	090 -9	081					150	24900	194						
1135	350/45	085			Leveled off. 350/45K		150	25000 -34	194						
1139		087			52-40N 07-14E. N.		150	25000 -34	194						
1141		093			52-39N 07-17E		150	25000	194						
1143	104 -11	093			52-39N 07-34E. G. & N.	(?)	150	25000	194						
1146	124 -11 340/38K	113			52-37N 07-49E. Wind 340/38		150	25000	194	117	39½	210			

SIGNED _____

NAVIGATOR

FLIGHT RECORD

TIME	COURSE	W/V USED &/OR D.R. DRIF.	TRUE HDNC.	MAC. HDNC.	NAVIGATIONAL OBSERVATION	GENERAL OBSERVATION	IAS. MPH. /K	HEIGHT & AIR TEMP.	RUN		C. S.	TO RUN		E.T.A.
									T. A. S.	DIST.		DIST.	TIME	
1146½	121	-6	115		A/C to 52-24N 08-50E		150	25000	194			217	29	08 1154½
1151			115		1800 ± 41 mi Oldenberg.									
1154½			115		OP #3 52-22N 08-30E. 4 min. late, on course		150	25000	194	29 07	217			
1154½	031	-8	023		A/C to IP		150	25000	194			166	57	20½ 1215
1259	031	-8	023		Hanover 270/35mi. Drifted in turn		150	25000	194					
1200		350			Turning back on course		150	25000	194					
1203		340			52-33N 08-50E. N.		150	25000	194					
1205		023			Back on course		150	25000	194					
1207		023			52-44N 08-50E		150	25000	194					
1209		023			52-47½ N 08-57E		150	25000	194					
1212	032	-9	023		52-53N 09-01E		150	25000	194					
1214½	053	-11	042				150	25000	194	18	08½	130	30	10
1219					Hamburg 247/38mi.		150	25000	194					
1220			023		IP 52-09N 05-20E	OBSERVATION SCREEN	150	25000	194			176	30	10
1220		054			To Target	PILOT'S SEAT	150	25000	194					1230
1225		040			Mickey run		150	25000	194			176	30	10
1229½		038			BOMBS AWAY - Hamburg.		150	25000	194					
1230	120	-8	112				150	25000	214	26		240	16	04 1234
1231		120			To allow for drifting		155	25000	195					1235½
1232		120			Kiel 218/30 mi		155	25000	195					
1234		120			Hamburg 140/10 mi.		155	24600	195					
1236		120			A/C to 52-22N 08-30E		155			16	06	160		
1236	229	A10	239		A/C to 53-18N 10-17E		155	24300	195			162	89	29½ 1305½
1240		239			Mickey fix inaccurate		160	23000	188					
1243		239			53-00N 10-05E. N.		150	29000	188	-30				
1246		260			52-55N 10-00E, N.		165	21500	204	-26				
1251½	345/25	260			52-50N 09-30E. Wind 345/25K		165	21000	204					
1252		235			A/C to 52-22N 08-30E		155	20700						
1255½		235			52-40N 09-12E, N.		150	20000	179	-23				
1256	236	A8	244		52-40N 09-11E		150	20000	179			176	30	10 1306
1301		244			270/31 mi. Hanover		150	20000	179					
1301½		244					150	20000	179					
1305	259	A11	270		Cannabuck 70/26 mi.		150	25000	179					
1306	345/25	270			A/C 52-22N 08-30E Wind 345/25		150	20000	179					
1306	301	A6	307		A/C to 52-37N 07-50E		150	20000	179			160	29	11 1317
1308	301	A7	308		Drift by bombsight		150	20000	179					
1312½	301	A7	308		4 mi S. Oldenberg 52-26N 08-12E.		150	20000	179					
1316	300	A7	307		Oldenberg 192/38 mi.		150	20000	179					
1318	300	A7	307		52-37N 07-49E		150	20000	179	31 12	156			
1318	273	A8	281		A/C to Enemy Coast		150	20000	179			166	117	42 1400
1320	273	A9	282		Bomb. drift		150	20000	179					

SIGNED _____

NAVIGATOR

FLIGHT RECORD

TIME	COURSE	W/V USED & OR D.R. DRIF.	TRUE HDNG.	MAC. HDNG.	NAVIGATIONAL OBSERVATION	GENERAL OBSERVATION	IAS. MPH. /K	HEIGHT & AIR TEMP.	T.A.S.	RUN		C. S.	TO RUN		E.T.A.	
										DIST.	TIME		DIST.	TIME		
1321	273	49	282		52-37N 07-38E, N.		150	20000	179							
1325	273	49	282		52-39N 07-22E, O.		150	29000	179							
1329	273	49	282		52-38N 07-12E, N.		150	20000	179							
1331	273	49 335/32	282		52-38N 06-55E wind 335/32K		150	20000	179	27	10	162	83	91	1402	
1340	275	47	283		52-42N 06-20E		150	20000	179	22	09	146	61	25	1405	
1345	266	46	272		A/C to Coast out - 52-42N 05-27E		150	20000	175			148	34	12	1505	
1346	266	46 305/36	272		wind 305/36		150	20000	179							
1404			282		Enemy Coast 52-42N 04-38E		150	20000	179	117	46	152				
1404	276	46	282		A/C to Cromer		170	20000	173				142	88	36	1440
1411		284			52-43N 04-06E		170	16000	183							
1415		284			52-44N 03-49E		165	14900	183							
1424		290			52-45N 03-12E		165	13000	183							
1427	279	49 320/10	av. 268		52-47N 03-00E, O. Rush chain, wind 920/48K	165 163 -7	10000	183	58	23	152	61	24	1451		
1437		293			53-03N 02-16E, O. Raster chain		165	7000								
1439		293			53-06N 02-10E		165	6000								
1443	247	45	252		(Retro 290/20)		165	4700				138	26	11½	1454	
1447		245														
1453		245			53-09N 01-30E. Wind 250/25K		150	1500	129							
1459		245			Cromer		150	1500	129							
1459	253	-1	252		A/C to Kings Lynn		150	1500	129				104	35	20	1519
1505	263	-7	270		other boxes hemming us in.		150	1500	130							
1518	245	-7	238		1 mi. N. Kings Lynn		150	1500	130	35	19	110	39	21	1539	
1539					base											
1542					Landed											
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I certify that this is a true copy of the Lead Navigator's Log.																

TRACK CHART
DATE Feb. 24, 1945

TARGETS
PRIMARY Harburg, Germany

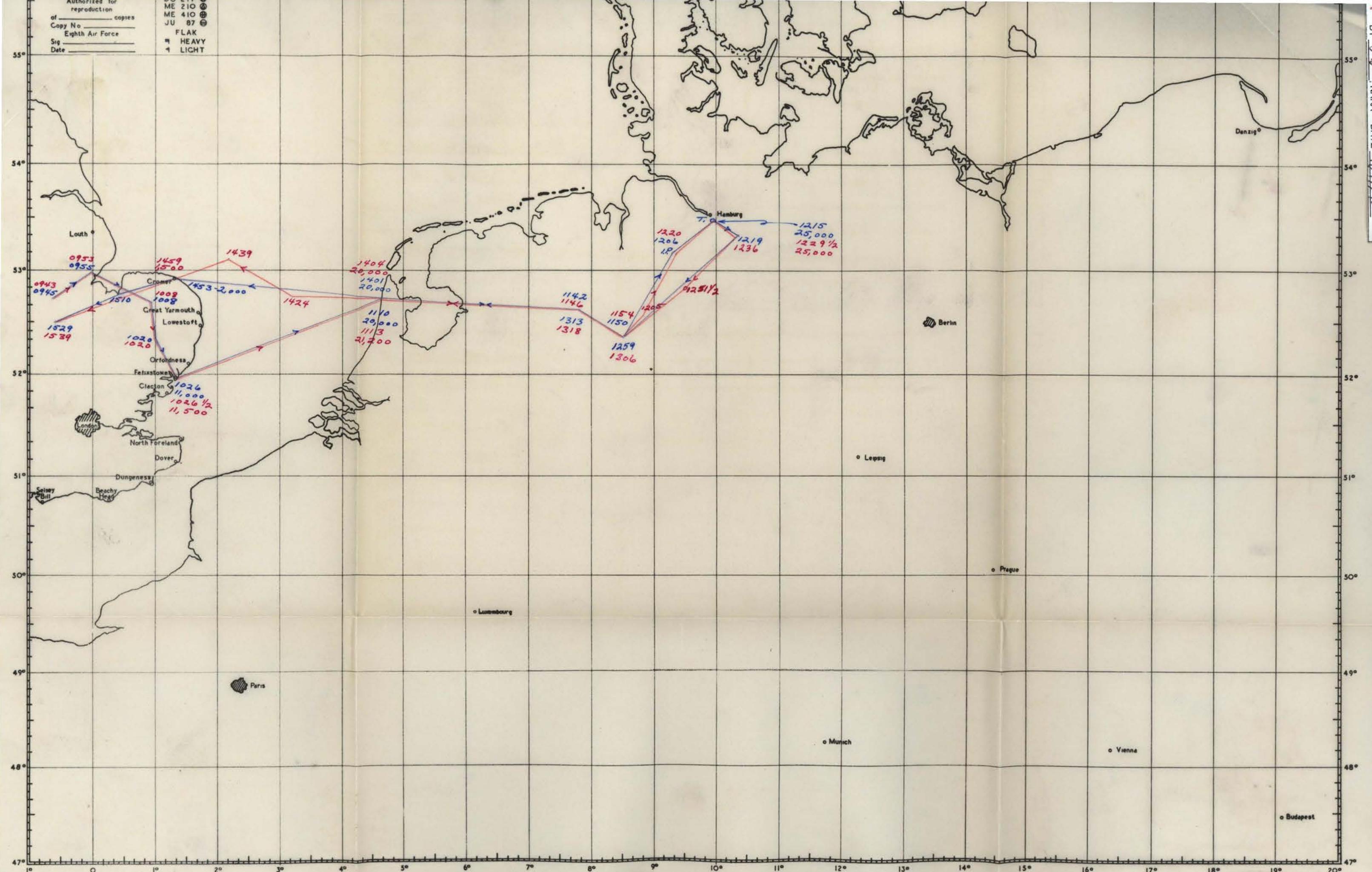
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ROUTE FOLLOWED BY
401st. B.G. (A)



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ME 210
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LIGHT

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BY: NARA DATE: 17/12/10



Target No.
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OIL REFINERY of RHENANIA
OSSAG A.G., Etc.

HAMBURG (Harburg)
(GERMANY)

Illustration No.
I (a) (ii) 8/6

Primary

0 500 1000 1500 2000 YARDS
0 $\frac{1}{2}$ 1 MILE

Photographed 1941-1943

(1 : 32,000) approx.

Issued March 1944



A. RHENANIA-OSSAG A.G.
B. EBANO ASPHALTWERKE A.G.



STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

Squadron Group

1st BD F. C.

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Date of

24 February 1945

	Lead	Low		High	PFF
		PFF - GH	PFF - GH		
1. No. of A/C Failing to Take Off	-	-	-	-	-
2. No. of A/C Airborne	10	2	11	1	11
3. No. of A/C Airborne Less Spares	10	2	11	1	11
4. No. of A/C Sorties	10	2	10	1	11
5. No. of A/C Attacking	10	2	10	1	11
6. No. of A/C Not Attacking	--	--	1	--	--
(a) Early Returns Included			(1)		
7. Name of Primary Target	HARBURG (VIS)				
(a) No. of A/C Attacking					
(b) No., Size & type of bombs					
8. Name of Secondary Target	HARBURG (PFF)				
(a) No. of A/C Attacking	10	2	10	1	11
(b) No., Size & type of Bombs	55 500# RDX	22 500# RDX	49 500# RDX	11 GP 500# RDX	72 500# GP 60 500# RDX
9. Name of Last Resort Target					
(a) No. of A/C Attacking					
(b) No., Size & type of Bombs					
10. Name of Target of Opportunity					
(a) No. of A/C Attacking					
(b) No., Size & type of Bombs					
11. Name of Target Opportunity					
(a) No. of A/C Attacking					
(b) No., Size & type of Bomb					
12. No. of A/C Lost - TOTAL	None	None	None	None	None
13. - to Flak					
14. - to Flak & E/A					
15. - to Enemy A/C					
16. - to Accident					
17. - to Unknown					

SOPAT SUMMARY (cont'd)

	LEAD	LOW	HIGH
13. Time of Takeoff	0732	0734	0733
19. Time of Attack	1229 $\frac{1}{2}$	1231 $\frac{1}{2}$	1231
20. Average Time of Flight	8.3	8.4	8.5
21. Altitude of Release	25080	24200	25900
22. Visual or PFF	PFF	PFF	PFF
23. Enemy Resistance - AA Int. Acc.	Moderate Inaccurate	Moderate Inaccurate	Moderate Inaccurate
24. Fighters	--	--	--
25. Bomber	--	--	--
26. U.S. A/C Engaged by Enemy A/C	--	--	--
27. Degree of Success	Unobserved	Unobserved	Unobserved

PFF A/C Borrowed from Groups as follows:

PFF A/C Loaned to Groups as follows:

NOTES:

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COMBAT BOMBING FLIGHT RECORD

BOMBARDIER Lt. SCHIEFER DATE 25 Feb 1945
 PILOT CAPT BROWN (SEATELL) TAKE OFF 0731
 NAVIGATOR CAPT SMITH AI RPLANE _____
 WING 94 A GROUP 401st SQDN Lead LANDED 1543
 OBJECTIVE HARBURG, GERMANY (MPI) _____
 METHOD OF ATTACK X Individual Flight Squadron Group Wing
 NUMBER A/C IN GROUP 12 COMPOSITE GROUP _____
 DEFLECTION AND RANGE SIGHTING GROUP Lead A/C COMPOSITE GROUP _____
 NUMBER A/C DROPPING BOMBS BY OWN SIGHTING OPERATION: 1 A/C
 BOMBS, TYPES AND SIZES 500# GP FUSING: NOSE 1/10 TAIL 1/40
 BOMBS, TYPES AND SIZES 500# RDX FUSING: NOSE 1/10 TAIL 1/40
 NUMBER OF BOMBS LOADED 65 GP - 77RDX RELEASED 65 GP - 77RDX
 INFORMATION AT RELEASE POINT:
 Altitude of Target SEA LEVEL Temp Aloft: Metro -42 Actual -35
 True Altitude above target 25000 Mag Head,order 47 Actual 043
 Ind. Altitude 25000 True Heading 38
 Pressure alt of target -581 Drift, Est 11R Actual 11R
 Altimeter setting 29.92 True Track 49
 C.I.A.S. 150 I.A.S. 150 Actual Range 11,797
 G.S. Est 274 Actual 203 B.S.Type M-9
 Wind Direc Metro 270 Actual 340 Time of Release 12:29½
 Wind Veloc.Metro 69 Actual 44 Intervalometer Setting 50ft
 D.S 126.8 Trail 50 ATF 41.79 Length of Bombing Run 50miles
 Tan. D.A. Est .605 Actual .47 C-1 Pilot OK A-5 --
 Mean Temp: Metro -17 Actual -14 Manual Pilot --
 Type of Release: Lead A/C Salvo Type of Release: Other A/C soft

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COMBAT BOMBING FLIGHT RECORD

BOMBARDIER Lt. PEER DATE 25 Feb 1946
 PILOT CAPT RIEGLER TAKE OFF 0735
 NAVIGATOR CAPT HOOD AT RPLANE _____
 WING 94 A GROUP 401st SQDN Low LANDED 1559
 OBJECTIVE HARBURG, GERMANY (MPI) _____
 METHOD OF ATTACK Individual Flight Squadron Group Wing
 NUMBER A/C IN GROUP 11 COMPOSITE GROUP _____
 DEFLECTION AND RANGE SIGHTING GROUP Lead A/C COMPOSITE GROUP _____
 NUMBER A/C DROPPING BOMBS BY OWN SIGHTING OPERATION: 1 A/C
 BOMBS, TYPES AND SIZES 500# GP FUSING: NOSE 1/10 TAIL 1/40
 BOMBS, TYPES AND SIZES 500# RDX FUSING: NOSE 1/10 TAIL 1/40
 NUMBER OF BOMBS LOADED 62 GP - 49 RDX RELEASED 62 GP - 49 RDX
 INFORMATION AT RELEASE POINT:
 Altitude of Target SEA LEVEL Temp Aloft: Metro -42 Actual -30
 True Altitude above target 24200 Mag Head,order 47 Actual 47
 Ind. Altitude 24200 True Heading 42
 Pressure alt of target -581 Drift, Est 11R Actual 12R
 Altimeter setting 29.92 True Track 54
 C.I.A.S. 150 I.A.S. 150 Actual Range 9,922
 G.S. Est 272 Actual 212 B.S.Type M-9
 Wind Direc Metro 270 Actual 316 Time of Release 12:51L
 Wind Veloc.Metro 69 Actual 52 Intervalometer Setting 50ft
 D.S 129.3 Trail 56 ATF 40.98 Length of Bombing Run 3 miles
 Tan. D.A. Est .59 Actual .41 C-1 Pilot OK A-5 --
 Mean Temp: Metro -17 Actual -15 Manual Pilot --
 Type of Release: Lead A/C Salvo Type of Release: Other A/C soft

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COMBAT BOMBING FLIGHT RECORD

BOMBARDIER Lt. MURPHY DATE 24 Feb 1945
 PILOT Lt. HAYES TAKE OFF 0732
 NAVIGATOR Lt. MINOR AT RPLANE _____
 WING 94th A GROUP 401st SQDN High LANDED 1542
 OBJECTIVE HAMBURG, GERMANY (MPI) _____
 METHOD OF ATTACK X Individual Flight Squadron Group Wing
 NUMBER A/C IN GROUP 12 COMPOSITE GROUP _____
 DEFLECTION AND RANGE SIGHTING GROUP Lead A/C COMPOSITE GROUP _____
 NUMBER A/C DROPPING BOMBS BY OWN SIGHTING OPERATION: 1 A/C
 BOMBS, TYPES AND SIZES 500# GP FUSING: NOSE 1/10 TAIL 1/40
 BOMBS, TYPES AND SIZES 500# RDX FUSING: NOSE 1/10 TAIL 1/40
 NUMBER OF BOMBS LOADED 83 GP 60 RDX RELEASED 83 GP 50 RDX
 INFORMATION AT RELEASE POINT:
 Altitude of Target SEA LEVEL Temp Aloft: Metro -42 Actual -35
 True Altitude above target 25000 Mag Head,order 47 Actual 37
 Ind. Altitude 25000 True Heading 32
 Pressure alt of target -561 Drift, Est 11R Actual 14R
 Altimeter setting 29.92 True Track 46
 C.I.A.S. 150 I.A.S. 150 Actual Range 12,950
 G.S. Est 276 Actual 250 B.S.Type M-3
 Wind Direc Metro 270 Actual 305 Time of Release 12:31
 Wind Veloc.Metro 69 Actual 68 Intervalometer Setting 50ft
 D.S 124.5 Trail 60 ATF 42.36 Length of Bombing Run 30 miles
 Tan. D.A. Est .59 Actual .495 C-1 Pilot -- A-5 --
 Mean Temp: Metro -18 Actual -15 Manual Pilot Yes
 Type of Release: Lead A/C Solve Type of Release: Other A/C Solve

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HEADQUARTERS
 401ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
 Office of the Communications Officer
 AAF Sta 128, APO 557

Reference Field Order 639.24 FEBRUARY

1945

SUBJECT: Communications Report, Operational Mission No 214.

TO : Commanding Officer, 401st Bomb Gp (H), AAF Sta 128, APO 557.

SECTION ONE - USE OF RADIO NAVIGATIONAL AIDS

1. Radio Beacons used:	2. MF/DF Fixes	<u>1</u>
Splashers	3. HF/DF Bearings	<u>0</u>
Fixed Beacons	4. VHF/DF Homings	<u>0</u>
Bunchers, England	5. Distress Action	<u>1</u>
Bunchers, Continent	6. Total A/C using Gee	<u>36</u>

SECTION TWO - USE OF PFF

	H2X	Micro-H
1. Total A/C dispatched	<u>4</u>	—
2. Total A/C over target	<u>4</u>	—
3. Total sets usable for bombing	<u>4</u>	—

SECTION THREE - USE OF RCM

1. Total A/C using Carpet	<u>32</u>
2. Total A/C releasing Chaff	<u>31</u>
3. Total number of units released	<u>11,160</u>

SECTION FOUR - ACTUAL DEFICIENCIES BY EQUIPMENT

1. Interphone	<u>1</u>	6. Gee	<u>0</u>
2. VHF	<u>0</u>	7. H2X, Micro-H	<u>0</u>
3. Compass	<u>0</u>	8. Carpet	<u>0</u>
4. Liaison	<u>0</u>	9. IFF	<u>0</u>
5. Command	<u>0</u>	10. SCS-51	<u>-</u>

SECTION FIVE - REMARKS

HAROLD M. KENNARD, JR.
 CMAT, Air Corps,
 Gp Com O.

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REPORT ON A.A. GUNFIRE.
~~244~~ BOMBARDMENT GROUP (HV)ASSIGNED. ~~Hamburg, Germany~~1. TARGET: BOMBED ~~Hamburg, Germany~~ DATE OF MISSION. 24/2/45

2. ROUTE AS FLOWN: generally as briefed

3.		AT TARGET	ENROUTE
WEATHER	- - -	9/10-10/10	7/10-10/10
CONTRAILS	- -	None	None
SEEN-UNSEEN	-	Unseen	Seen and Unseen

4. DESCRIPTION OF FLAK AT TARGET:

Moderate, inaccurate, barrage and tracking becoming intense and more accurate as this group left target.

5. FLAK ENCOUNTERED OR OBSERVED ENROUTE: (IN ORDER EXPERIENCED)

few bursts observed near Osnabruck

6. CHAFF; HOW DISCHARGED: as briefed

7. POSITION OF GROUP: ... 94th, "A" - 1st

8. DETAILS:-

SQDN: POS.	NO. A/C	DAMAGE MAJ. MIN.	A/C LOST TO AA EA ACC UK	AXIS OF ATTK WITH	TIME OVER TARGET	HEIGHT
Land	12	2	10	45M	125M	1228½
High	11	0	1	59M	150M	1231
Low	12	0	0	47M	160M	1231½
TOTALS	35	2	11	0	0	24,200

9. COMMENTS - PHENOMENA:-

SECRET

Lead Squadron, 94th Group

Combat Squadron

Major White

Date

25 Feb 45

Deputy Squadron Leader

Lt Gerber

Deputy Gp. Leader

Lt Gerber

615 SQDN

612 SC JABWOCK

613 IN MACRO

614 IW GOLFCLUB

615 IY BUZZARD

TURK (WHITE)

IY 5 8653 PFF

GERBER

SC Q 6153 PFF

615 SQDN612 SQDN

DJERNESS

IY F 8756 RCM

HOATMAN

SC D 6992

PARK

IN U 7706

BULIN

IY A 8160

STEPHENS

SMITH

IY L 7551

IY B 1730

SCHLIRMANN

SC M 7059

GRIMM

IY N 8810 RCM

PPP

Spare Loads: SC U 7947, Disp #18
PPP IN P 8449, Disp #35

BENNETT

Ground Spares: IN K 8677, Disp #2
IY Q 8077, Disp #51

IY R 8146

Das Food 27/11
 Breakfast 02:45
 Briefing 03:45
 Stations 05:30

Low Squadrons, 94th Group

Combat Sqd Leader:

Lt Utter

Leader

23 Feb 68

Deputy Sqd Leader:

Lt Spuhler

Deputy Gp. Leader:

Lt Garber614 SQDN

612 SC JABWOCK

613 IN MACRO

614 IW GOLFCLUB

615 IY BUZZARD

UTTER

IW C 8055 PPP

GRAY

SPUHLER

IW R

8733 ROM

IW R

7700

614 SQDN612 SQDN

ST AUBIN

JONES

IW Z 8530

SC H 2393

FUNDRIES

COLE

CAMPBELL

LONG

IW Q 7478

IW O 7602

IW J 1891

SC L 8637

HARTSOCK

IW B 7131

AYRE

HOLMES

IW A 7931

IW X 8566

SPARES

Spare Leads: PPP SC U 7947, Disp #19
PPP IW P 8449, Disp #35

SORRESON

IW F 7395

Ground Spares: IW K 8677, Disp #2
IW Q 8077, Disp #31

HI SQ 94TH G GROUP

Combat Sq Leader: Lt MC GOLDRICK Date: 23 Feb 45Deputy Sq Leader: Lt TAUSIGDeputy Gp. Leader: Lt GIBBER613 SQDN

613 SC JABSTOCK

613 IN MACRO

614 IW GOLFCLUB

615 IY BUZZARD

MC GOLDRICK

IN Q 6550 PPP

MC KENNEYTAUSIG

IN A 8458

IN L 8941

613 SQDN613 SQDNSTEELBLOETSCHER

IN S 2947

SC T 8788

CAREYBAKERLOVELLHOLT

IN B 8852

IN K 1072

IN H 8897

SC F 8841

NIELSON

IN D 6558 RCM

KELSOBRADLEY

IN G 8791 RCM

IN F 6315

SPARES

LEVY

IN B 6132

SPARE LEAD (PPP) SC U 7947 Disp 19
(PPP) IN P 8449 Disp 35

GND SPARES

IN K 8677 Disp 2
IV Q 8077 Disp 31

REF ID: A69144
NOV 20 1944

DATE: 24 Feb 1945

DUTY OFFICER: CPT H. L. KNOPF, Jr.BRIEFING OFFICER: CAPT V. L. MERRITH

1. TARGETS AND MP'S FOR:

a. 1st AD

(1) 401st Bomb Group:

Primary: HAMBURG - OIL REFINERIES - VISURK

Reported to be largest crude oil refinery in Germany with capacity of 5,500,000 tons of oil annually. Your MP - is Name on 3 Bldg which is a Worker House. Operation of whole plant is dependent upon Boiler and Distillation Plants, which if destroyed would stop all production. Target is W. End of Dock area at point where S. Elbe R. divides as it flows into main Hamburg Dock area.

Secondary:

Pff - MP, center of Built up areas of HARBURG

Last Resort: CELE - CENTER of Built up areas - see below
Junction of R/R Bridge over River.

(2) Other Groups in 94th CBW: 401st A457 B.351 1st Screening Gru.

(3) Order of Bombing and Targets of other units in 1st AD:

94	A -	/	/
	B -		
40	A -	oil Refineries	

41	A	oil Refineries
	B	
	C	

B -	{	}	1 A Shipyards
C -			B

b. 2nd AD: 27 Sqd's - ~~HAMBURG~~ ~~HAZEBECK, HAMBURG, HAMBURG, SCHLESWIG~~ ~~HAZEBECK, R/O, R/Y units, ERO DEPOT.~~ 5212-0842

c. 3rd AD: 10 QPs - Prepared R/R Junction and Ammunition.

2. ROUTES (ALL THREE AD's)

a. Points and Times of Departure from English Coast:

1st AD - 360 - CROMER2nd AD -3rd AD - will follow 1st AD columnb. Fighter Support: 5 QPs of P51's - Bal. 1-1 - 94 A1 QP of P51's will sweep target areaat 1000 E

3. ANTICIPATED ENEMY OPPOSITION:

a. Flak:

313 guns in area with 1ry in R.A.G.E.
Right Turn out Withdrawals at 130 DEG.

b. Enemy Fighters:

Moderate fighter Reaction may be expected.

c. Smoke Screens:

Operative in area

Concentrated Balloon Barrage defense around Harbor and targets

d. Camouflage:

Storage Tanks but not Bldgs are camouflaged.

4. INSTRUCTIONS TO UNITS:

a. Wing Assembly:

Start market to FENISTOWE

b. Air Commanders:

1st AD At. Cdr. W.T. SEAWELL - Woodcraft AB
and 94th CRW.

c. Zero Hour and Date:

0815 0820

24 Feb 1945

d. General Instructions Pertinent to Entire Task Force:

5. SUPPLY:

a. Gas Load:

2780 gallons

b. Bomb Load (and Intervalometer Settings)

1x 500 GP - SALVO

PF - 50'

c. Chaff Load (Point and Time of Commencing Discharge)

3 Moliqutes at 1P
With release chaff

d. Screening Force:

1x Me at 3V, GP

Screening force: 8 P.R. - Package Rd will scan no mid ahead
of Bmby and drop chaff

6. COMMUNICATIONS:

a. Flares and Lamps:

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

24 February 1945
 Mission 214

SUBJECT: Loading List

TO: Operations Officer, 401st Bombardment Group, APO 557

A/C 42-106992

P	Roszman, Julian	1st Lt.	612th
CP	Compton, Henry W.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Knuese, Robert E.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Whitlock, James P.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Klechisak, Alfred	T Sgt	"
TT	Landers, John A.	T Sgt	"
BT	Hall, Eugene H.	S Sgt	"
TG	Wood, Donald S.	S/Sgt	"
FG	Hill, Earle R., Jr.	S Sgt	"

A/C 42-31891

P	Aschenbach, Allen D.	1st Lt.	612th
CP	Althoff, John R.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Brazzil, William R.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Folkerts, Arthur	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Feigenbaum, George J.	Sgt	"
TT	Herndon, William R.	Sgt	"
BT	Wilson, Ben G.	S Sgt	"
TG	Perrlin, Joseph R.	S Sgt	"
FG	Watson, Robert W.	S Sgt	"

A/C 43-38541

P	Comer, Jack P.	1st Lt.	612th
CP	Matthes, Francis R.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Weinstein, Byron	2nd Lt.	"
B	Smith, Alvie L.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Hulse, Harold A.	Sgt	"
TT	Bixby, Joseph Jr.	T Sgt	"
BT	Erland, Cletus M.	S Sgt	"
TG	Kirkhuff, Leonard N.	S Sgt	"
FG	Mainprize, Jack E.	S Sgt	"

A/C 43-38788

P	Schliemann, Donald M.	1st Lt.	612th
CP	Meyrowitz, Irving	2nd Lt.	"
N	Schnack, David	2nd Lt.	"
B	Swatosh, Kenneth J.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Pendley, Garland E.	T Sgt	"
TT	Kelly, John C.	T Sgt	"
BT	Green, John J.	S Sgt	"
TG	Madden, Ted H.	S Sgt	"
FG	Zabel, Bruce H.	S Sgt	"
RCM	Martin, James G.	Sgt	"

A/C 42-107089

P	Hudnall, Carl L.	1st Lt.	612th
CP	Mitchell, Frank G.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Martin, Phillip A.	2nd Lt.	"
Tog	Beardall, Keith E.	S/Sgt	"
RO	Knight, Adam	T/Sgt	"
TT	Moorman, Loyd F.	T/Sgt	"
BT	Gyles, Alfred R.	S/Sgt	"
TG	Parker, Robert H.	S/Sgt	"
FG	Parker, Matt M.	S/Sgt	"

R/C 42-31662

P	Jones, Dale G.	1st Lt.	612th
CP	Siepak, Stanley J.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Wishnoff, Aaron	2nd Lt.	"
B	Moran, Robert E.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Madrzyk, Chester P.	T/Sgt	"
TT	Serfino, Ernest A.	T/Sgt	"
BT	Rogers, Charles G.	Sgt	"
TG	Watters, Kenneth O.	S/Sgt	"
FG	Wallace, Robert W.	Pvt	"

R/C 43-38735

P	Lovell, Morris H.	1st Lt.	612th
CP	Gerant, John H.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Price, George B.	2nd Lt.	"
B	Phinney, Roderick T.	2nd Lt.	"
RO	Stevens, Edgar M.	Sgt	"
TT	Hereford, Gerald F.	T/Sgt	"
BT	Balfe, James	Sgt	"
TG	Broadbooks, Ray	Sgt	"
FG	Martineau, Emile R.	Sgt	"
RGM	Carson, James W.	Sgt	"

A/C 44-8153

P	Hayes, Ralph S.	1st Lt.	612th
CP	Head, Clarence E.	1st Lt.	"
N	Minor, Charles B.	1st Lt.	"
B	Murphy, Roland W.	1st Lt.	"
MO	Barnes, James H.	1st Lt.	"
RO	Fuson, William P.	T/Sgt	"
TT	Lucewicz, John	T/Sgt	"
TG	Smith, Charles E.	S/Sgt	"
FG	Pahl, Arthur L., Jr.	S/Sgt	"

A/C 44-6506

P	French, Millard H.	2nd Lt.	612th
CP	McKale, William L.	2nd Lt.	"
N	Cannon, Thomas P.	T/O	"
Tog	Johnson, Jerry H.	S/Sgt	"
RO	Allcroft, James W.	S/Sgt	"
TT	Hansen, Arthur W.	S/Sgt	"
BT	Deck, Floyd J.	Sgt	"
TG	LaGrange, Wesley	Sgt	"
FG	Devore, Arthur D.	Sgt	"

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

24 FEBRUARY 1945

L-O-A-D-I-N-G L-I-S-T

PLANE NO.	DUTY	RANK	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MI
44-6313	P	2nd Lt.	MAY	JAMES	H.
	CP	2nd Lt.	COLLISS	EUGENE	B.
	N	2nd Lt.	ANDERS	WALTER	R.
	B	S/SGT.	KIDMAN	WILLARD	D.
	RO	SGT.	PAULK	ALBERT	L. JR.
	TT	SGT.	SMITH	CHESTER	J.
	BT	S/SGT.	MEANEY	ANTHONY	J.
	TG	SGT.	KROZEL	JOSEPH	A.
	WG	SGT.	McKEE	WILLIAM	J.
43-38862	P	1st Lt.	CAREY	KARL	F.
	CP	2nd Lt.	FREW	JAMES	R.
	N	2nd Lt.	JOHNSTON	WILLIAM	I.
	B	S/SGT.	NEWBY	CLIFFORD	C.
	RO	S/SGT.	FLYNN	LEO	M.
	TT	S/SGT.	JONES	CHARLES	C.
	BT	S/SGT.	SMITH	DONALD	E.
	TG	S/SGT.	ODOM	HENRY	T.
	WG	S/SGT.	FISHER	MELVIN	C.
43-38791	P	1st Lt.	SCHELLER	RICHARD	R.
	CP	2nd Lt.	EDGERSON WICKS	WALLACE	W.
	N	2nd Lt.	HOUSTON	RICHARD	D.
	B	F/O	KOLLAR	JOHN	E.
	RO	S/SGT.	HOWELL	THOMAS	E.
	TT	S/SGT.	HARTY	WILLIAM	Q.
	BT	S/SGT.	BLACK	RICHARD	D.
	TG	S/SGT.	TRUDEAU	RUSSELL	M.
	WG	S/SGT.	SEVERSON	NORMAN	A.
	RGM	S/SGT.	TOOMBS	GEORGE	W.
42-31591	P	1st Lt.	MAHARICK	MATT	(NMI)
	CP	2nd Lt.	ROBERSON	WENDALL	W.
	N	2nd Lt.	KERKLY ROWLEY	RONALD	E.
	B	S/SGT.	ROBERSON	ROBERT	E.
	RO	SGT.	REED	WILLIAM	H. JR.
	TT	SGT.	LANIER	LESLIE	H.
	BT	SGT.	MOORE	WILLIAM	F.
	TG	SGT.	WEBB	WENDALL	R.
	WG	SGT.	MOULTON	GEO.	L.
42-102398	P	1st Lt.	STEELE	RICHARD	H.
	CP	2nd Lt.	ZEMAN	ROGER	R.
	N	2nd Lt.	JONES	BEN	F.
	B	SGT.	VALDEZ	RAYMOND	(NMI)
	RO	T/SGT.	STROMBERG	ALEXANDER	(NMI)
	TT	S/SGT.	STACHURA	FREDERICK	(NMI)
	BT	S/SGT.	MYERS	ERROL	A.
	TG	S/SGT.	LUTZ	LEO	B.
	WG	S/SGT.	WOWAK	CHESTER	A.
43-38607	P	2nd Lt.	SPEER	KENNETH	D.
	CP	2nd Lt.	KELLY	JAMES	J.
	N	2nd Lt.	SIMON	ROBERT	H.
	B	SGT.	BUTLIN	ERNEST	J.
	RO	SGT.	YOHAY	DAVID	(NMI)
	TT	SGT.	CUPP	GORDON	G.
	BT	SGT.	GROSS	WILLIAM	D.
	TG	SGT.	THOMPSON	LEONARD	E.
	WG	SGT.	AVERETT	JACK	C.

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RCM	SGT.	STITT	JOHN	J.
BT	S/SGT.	BUCKSBAUM	ELMER	(NMI)

PLANE NO.	DUTY	RANK	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MI
42-102947	P	2nd Lt.	YOUNG	CHARLES	B.
	CP	2nd Lt.	FUNK	PHILLIP	B.
	N	2nd Lt.	SEAVEY	FRANK	R.
	B	S/Sgt.	LITTLE	JAMES	O.
	RO	SGT.	PETERS	JOHN	W.
	TT	SGT.	BRAMBLE	JOHN	F.
	BT	SGT.	ESHAM	GLENN	E.
	TG	SGT.	JOHNSON	CARL	(NMI)
	WG	SGT.	HENNIG	CHARLES	J.
42-31072	P	1st Lt.	CURRAN	EDWARD	E.
	CP	2nd Lt.	REILLY	DONALD	J.
	N	2nd Lt.	BAUTZ	JOHN	J.
	B	S/Sgt.	HARDIN	RAY	(NMI)
	RO	T/Sgt.	GIESKEN	GEORGE	J.
	TT	T/Sgt.	JOHNSON	ELMO	E.
	BT	S/Sgt.	ZENOR	HAROLD	M.
	TG	S/Sgt.	CLIFTON	JAMES	R.
	WG	S/Sgt.	KENAGY	LLOYD	C.
44-8550	P	CAPT.	RIEGLER	WILLIAM	(NMI)
	CP	2nd Lt.	MACKIN	PETER	D.
	N	CAPT.	WOOD	HORACE	O.
	B	1st Lt.	PEEK	GEORGE	W.
	V	1st Lt.	EATON	HARRY	M.
	RO	T/Sgt.	MOLLAR	THEODORE	H.
	TT	T/Sgt.	SEELY	KARL	W.
	TG	S/Sgt.	QUIST	FRED	M.
	WG	S/Sgt.	GRUMANN	JAMES	F.

SIX HUNDRED AND FOURTEENTH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
FOUR HUNDRED AND FIRST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Operations OfficerAAF Station # 128
24 February 1945

SUBJECT: Loading List.

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

1. The following is the loading list for today's Mission.

PLANE 44-43449

P	Capt.	BROWN, JOHN J.	614th Sq.
CP	Lt. Col.	SHANELL, WILLIAM T.	401st Gp.
N	Capt.	SMITH, CHARLES M.	614th Sq.
H	Capt.	HARBER, WALTER E.	618th Sq.
B	1st Lt.	SCHIEFER, WILLIAM F.	614th Sq.
RO	T/Sgt.	Arellano, Garciano J.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Hoffman, K Leon W.	"
MO	1st Lt.	GOODMAN, JAMES W.	"
TG	1st "t.	MEUSEL, JOSEPH F.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Martin, Norman D.	"

PLANE 44-8053

P	1st Lt.	HUBBELL, RICHARD B.	"
CP	1st Lt.	GOULET, AMEROSE	"
N	1st Lt.	MOORE, GEORGE J.	"
B	1st Lt.	FLIES, STANLEY W.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Pool, Kishunni Clyde W.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Ross, Richard D.	"
MO	2nd Lt.	HERHIER, NEWITT G.	"
TG	Pvt.	Bell, W. S.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Revette, John L.	"

PLANE 44-97602

P	1st Lt.	COLE, JOHN S. JR.	"
CP	2nd Lt.	SPELLMAN, JOHN W.	"
N	2nd Lt.	HANSON, CLIFFORD B.	"
B	F/O	BUTLER, THOMAS H.	"
RO	Sgt.	Crespi, Ralph W.	"
TT	Sgt.	Allex, Marvin L.	"
BT	Sgt.	Griggs, Crawford	"
TG	Sgt.	Smyth, Ralph H.	"
WG	Sgt.	Mc Clure, James R.	"

PLANE 42-98522

P	1st Lt.	ST AUBYN, GLENN H.	"
CP	1st Lt.	THOMPSON, WALLACE	"
N	F/O	KAHN, CHARLES	"
CTG	S/Sgt.	Falkowitz, Irving	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Thompson, Harry A.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Dearborn, Harry R.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Lichtenberger, Gustav W.	"
TG	S/Sgt.	Hickey, Harold J.	"
WG	S/Sgt.	Buckley, John F.	"

Loading List (Con't)

PLANE 43-38677

F	2nd Lt.	STAUF PER, DAVID M.
CP	2nd Lt.	HAAKE, EDWARD C.
N	2nd Lt.	BURNS, THOMAS E.
CTG	Sgt.	Hidemiller, Wilmer F.
RO	S/Sgt.	Tuchin, Howard
TT	S/Sgt.	Smith, Howard J.
BT	S/Sgt.	Wright, Arthur L.
TG	Sgt.	Dobson, William J.
WG	Sgt.	Laura, Libero J.

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PLANE 42-97478

P	2nd Lt.	GRAY, CARL M.
CP	2nd Lt.	SMITH, CHARLES
N	2nd Lt.	STEWART, RICHARD E.
CTG	Sgt.	Ginathwain, Edward G.
RO	Cpl.	Fort, Collins G.
TT	Cpl.	Kirby, Lee D. Jr.
BT	Cpl.	Harrell, Jean J.
TG	Mpk. Pvt.	Saenz, Hector J.
WG AEG	Cpl.	Bonanne, Joe M.

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PLANE 42-107151

P	1st Lt.	HARTSOCK, KENNETH J.
CP	P/O	LOCKE, KENT W.
N	1st Lt.	DUNCAN, ROBERT H.
B	E/A 2nd Lt.	DODGE, RICHARD A.
RO	S/Sgt.	Rubinson, Jerome J.
TT	S/Sgt.	Brenne, Vincent
BT	S/Sgt.	Mendez, Frank C.
TG	S/Sgt.	Anderson, Donald D.
WG	S/Sgt.	Strukel, Joseph J.

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PLANE 42-97595

P	2nd Lt.	SORENSEN, MELVIN H.
CP	2nd Lt.	TROUP, JOHN T.
N	2nd Lt.	ZIMMER, JOHN H.
CTG	S/Sgt.	Lee, William J.
RO	S/Sgt.	Collins, John G.
TT	S/Sgt.	Senorice, Steve S.
BT	S/Sgt.	Leppanen, Calvin E.
TG	Sgt.	Nichols, Norman D.
WG	Sgt.	Turner, Eldon A.

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PLANE 43-84758

P	1st Lt.	RICHARDSON, RICHARD B.
CP	1st Lt.	HAFLEY, WILLIE J.
N	P/O	BLADES, LEO L.
CTG	S/Sgt.	Racick, John
RO	S/Sgt.	Massa, Attilio
TT	E/Sgt.	Nalsh, Arthur G.
BT	S/Sgt.	Lunn, Berlyle J.
TG	S/Sgt.	Patterson, Donald D.
WG	S/Sgt.	Faluso, Joseph J.
RUM	S/Sgt.	Byrn, Otice G. Jr.

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BT S/Sgt.

No Cormick, Edson C. is flying with 615th.

For the Squadron Commander:

ALVAH H. CHAPMAN JR.

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

24 February 1945

SUBJECT: Loading List.

TO : Operations Officer, 401st Bomb Gp (N), Sta 128, APO 557.

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

PLANE # 43-38041 615th

DUTY	RANK	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(SI)	SQUADRON
P	2nd Lt.	Wolf	Adolph	E.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Janecek	Walter	(SMI)	"
N	E/O	Patrick	Dale	L.	"
B	2nd Lt.	Hashimoto	Gene	(SMI)	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Dupuis	Cyrus	J.	"
TT	S/Sgt.	Palmer	Edward	W.	"
BT	Sgt.	Kelenna	James	P.	"
TO	Sgt.	Atchinson	Alfred	E.	"
PG	S/Sgt.	Veuchic	Murray	E.	"

PLANE # 43-38758

P	2nd Lt.	Knowles	Willie	S.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Cornelius	Carl	J.	"
N	E/O	Graham	Cecil	E.	"
B	S/Sgt.	Histon	Mack	A.	"
RO	Sgt.	McGinnick	Thomas	P.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Bouver	Robert	A.	"
BT	Sgt.	Masenillier	Clifford	W.	"
TO	Sgt.	Bettle	John	W.	"
PG	Sgt.	Geierman	Edward	P.	"
SG	Sgt.	Stitt	John	J.	615th

PLANE # 42-107115

P	2nd Lt.	Stephens	Lloyd	J.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Wilt	Elmer	L.	"
N	2nd Lt.	Harper	Robert	P.	"
B	Sgt.	Whitlock	Ronald	P.	"
RO	Sgt.	Huzinec	Andrew	(SMI)	"
TT	Sgt.	Graham	James	D.	"
BT	Sgt.	Wisdon	Kent	B.	"
TO	Sgt.	Brennan	William	J.	"
PG	Sgt.	Lesselling	Fred	E.	"

PLANE # 43-38550 614th

P	1st Lt.	Haire	Frederick	E.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Dunne	Michael	D.	"
N	2nd Lt.	Hosberger	Charles	E.	"
B	S/Sgt.	Landry	Laurence	D.	"
RO	T/Sgt.	Mahrey	William	T.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Reins	Robert	E.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Floyd	Morris	C.	"
TO	Sgt.	Wiegol	Clifford	E.	"
PG	S/Sgt.	Nowak	Frank	P.	"

PLANE # 43-38425

P	2nd Lt.	Bennett	Clifton	S.	615th
CP	2nd Lt.	Stevenson	Joseph	G.	"
N	2nd Lt.	Hamilton	Charles	E.	"
B	Sgt.	Bly	Calvin	P.	"
RO	Cpl.	Hanes	Silly	R.	"
TT	Cpl.	Henley	James	H.	"
BT	Sgt.	Spoor	Richard	A.	"
TO	Sgt.	Hartwick	Frederick	W.	"
PG	Sgt.	Joyner	Oliver	E.	"

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PLANE # 43-37551

DUTY	NAME	LAST (NAME)	FIRST	(R.)	SQUADRON
P	1st Lt.	Bjernes	Carl	R.	615th
GP	2nd Lt.	Spiva	Raymond	R.	"
H	2nd Lt.	Canale	John	R.	"
S	S/Sgt.	Reiber	Gordon	A.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	MacCourse	Lauden	(R.M.)	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Gahu	Donald	(R.M.)	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Bill	Richard	R.	"
TO	Sgt.	Hagner	Aloysius	R.	"
PO	S/Sgt.	Alkins	Ora	R.	"

PLANE # 43-38637

P	1st Lt.	Gruenert	George	R.	615th
GP	2nd Lt.	Hages	Eldon	R.	"
H	2nd Lt.	King	Jack	R.	"
S	S/Sgt.	Guerin	Roland	R.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Fenwick	Gordan	R.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Jacquart	Robert	R.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Buckbaum	Klaus	(R.M.)	613th
TO	S/Sgt.	Hudson	Leonard	R.	615th
PO	S/Sgt.	Baker	Richard	R.	"
BT	Sgt.	Fritsch	Homer	(R.M.)	"

PLANE # 43-38677

P	1st Lt.	Grim	Alfred	R.	615th
GP	2nd Lt.	Hagan	John	R.	"
H	T/O	Coates	Alvin	R.	"
S	S/Sgt.	Boyer	William	R.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Hanson	George	R.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Geora	Louis	R.	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Chambers	Arthur	R.	"
PO	S/Sgt.	Humperger	Henry	(R.M.)	"
BT	S/Sgt.	Cox	Glyde	R.	"

PLANE # 42-97780 614th

P	1st Lt.	Callahan	Raymond	R.	615th
GP	2nd Lt.	Volts	Donald	R.	"
H	1st Lt.	Song	Carl	R.	"
S	S/Sgt.	Felts	Chester	C.	"
RO	S/Sgt.	Weinstein	Bernard	R.	"
TT	T/Sgt.	Luchfeld	Naevia	(R.M.)	"
BT	S/Sgt.	McCormick	Edison	C.	614 TH
TO	S/Sgt.	Swatohi	Edward	R.	"
PO	Sgt.	Ward	Charles	A.	"

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