

HEADQUARTERS
NINETY FIFTH BOMBARDMENT GROUP
OFFICE OF THE OPERATIONS OFFICER

APO 634
12 June 1943.

SUBJECT: S-3 Narrative Report.

TO: Commanding Officer, 95th Bomb. Op. (E).

1. The 95th Bomb Group was alerted for a maximum effort mission at 1740 June 11, 1943 with a given loading of five one thousand pound GP bombs, 1/10 sec nose fuse and 1/40 sec tail fuse. Thirty-two airplanes were loaded for the mission. Thirty crews were made up by using a small number of inexperienced personnel.

2. Field Order #7 was received at 0040, June 12, 1943, but was scrubbed at 0130.

3. An alert call came from 4th Wing at 0830 with succeeding telephone calls setting up the original planned mission with the zero hour changed from 1000 to 1500 and finally to 1600. The orders called for one group of eighteen airplanes, and twelve other planes to form part of a composite group. The 94th Bomb Group was contacted for coordination of six ships to complete composite group. Capt. Hamilton was to lead the 95th Group, and Lt. Bender to lead the composite.

4. Crews were briefed at 1100. Take-off was at 1510. One airplane 42-9807 ran off the taxi strip at the end of the take-off runway and mired in the soft dirt, causing some delay in the normal take-off procedure, and preventing that ship from taking off. Another ship 42-9800 lost its top turret due to a malfunction of the limit switch. Another ship 42-6091 was substituted, but was late in taking off and was unable to join the formation. One other ship 42-9737 was forced to return early because of an engine cut, the result of empty cartridge shells from a forward ship.

5. Twenty six ships went over the target, and bombed the secondary target when it was formed that the primary target was covered with clouds.

6. One ship 42-9803 was shot down after having dropped its bombs and was seen to crash in the sea.

HEADQUARTERS
NINETY FIFTH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Group Intelligence Officer

APO 634
11 June 1943

SUBJECT: Group S-2 Report on Combat Mission of June 11, 1943.

TO : Commanding Officer, 95th Bombardment Group (H).

1. At 1515 hours 17 A/C of 95th and 12 A/C of 95th which flew with 6 other A/C as a composite Group took off with Bremen as their Primary, Wilhelmshaven as their Secondary Target. Visibility was poor. At 1609 with the 401st Wing on the right and the Composite Group in position the 95th departed from Peterborough. At 1614 approximately 70 B-17 observed on our right were thought to be of 1st Bomb Wing. At 1825 Bremen was observed obscured by low clouds and covered by smoke from pots. At 1840 401st Wing was observed headed in opposite direction. A/C of 402nd Wing changed course and followed towards Wilhelmshaven. Despite poor visibility the target area of Wilhelmshaven was attacked by both the 95th and Composite Groups with good results upon same reported. Heavy black smoke and fires were observed. One A/C of the 95th Group which failed to reach the target because of engine trouble dropped 3 bombs on Wangerooge Island, Jettisoning the remaining 2. Another A/C of the same Group dropped 5 Bombs on a point North of Wilhelmshaven believed to be the town of Jever. One A/C of the Composite Group dropped 5 Bombs Northwest of Wilhelmshaven believed to be east of Aurich where damage to a Railroad was reported. Flak was ineffective and while one A/C of the 95th was shot down by Enemy A/C most Crews characterized the Enemy Fighters as "Second Raters."

FLORENCE J. DONOHUE,
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Group Intelligence Officer.

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VIII BOMBER COM
A.P.O. 634Authority NND 715005
By K.C. NARA Date 7/17/92

Bomber Command Narrative of Operations

Day Operation - 11 June, 1943

Mission No. 62

TARGETS: Port Facilities at Wilhelmshaven
Targets of Opportunity in Western Germany.

166 B-17s of 1st Wing and 86 B-17s of 4th Wing were dispatched to attack targets in Western Germany. Fighter support was not furnished to the bombers. The primary target was cloud covered so the main attack was directed by 168 B-17s against Wilhelmshaven, the secondary. Bombing results are good. 30 B-17s attacked Cuxhaven with fair results, while 20 more dropped bombs on other targets of opportunity. Eight B-17s were lost and claims against c/a are 85 - 20 - 24.

Group		Number of A/C				Personnel Casualties			
		Dispatched	Attacking	Abortive*	Lost	Claims	Killed	Wounded	Missing
		A.	B.						
1st Wing									
91	21	18	3	0	0	10-0-0	0	0	0
92	14	12	1	1	0	6-1-0	0	0	0
303	25	19	5	1	1	9-5-2	0	3	10
305	24	19	3	2	0	13-2-3	0	0	0
306	27	24	3	0	0	7-1-0	0	0	0
351	24	18	4	2	0	18-3-1	2	4	0
379	31	29	2	0	6	13-8-5	1	13	60
	166	139**	21	6	7	76-20-11	3	20	70
4th Wing									
94	29	25	4	0	0	1-0-1	0	0	0
95	29	27	2	0	1	5-0-8	0	0	10
96	28	27	1	0	0	3-0-4	0	0	0
	86	79**	7	0	1	9-0-13	0	0	10
Total	252	218**	28	6	8	85-20-24	3	20	80

*Abortive A. - Mechanical or personnel failure.

B. - Weather, recall, enemy action.

** - 168 A/C attacked Wilhelmshaven

30 A/C " Cuxhaven

20 A/C " Targets of Opportunity

BOMBING RESULTS: 168 B-17s dropped 560 x 500 G.P. fused 1/10 sec. nose, 1/100 sec. tail and 327 x 1000 G.P. fused 1/10 sec. nose, 1/40 sec. tail on port facilities at Wilhelmshaven from 24,000 - 27,500 ft. with good results. A heavy concentration of bombs fell on the barracks and new buildings E. and NE. of the Bauhafen. The buildings of the former Minesweeping Depot near the Entrance No. 1 were severely damaged and a jetty with rail access received a direct hit. There were a few hits on the main workshop buildings S of the Bauhafen, and another group of bombs fell on or around the

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the Wiesbaden Brucke, hitting and setting fire the USARAO class liner alongside. Other hits were seen among other buildings and stores, at channel between Scheer and Tirpitz basins and on oil storage area to the south. 2 of the 5 bursts in the oil storage area caused prodigious explosions with 2 columns of smoke, measured from Strike Photos, at least 2000 and 1500 ft. high. It would appear that the tanks contained fuel when hit.

30 B-17s of the 4th Wing attacked the port area at Cuxhaven, dropping 150 x 1000 G.P. fused 1/10 sec. nose, 1/40 sec. tail with fair results. A small industrial plant N. of the Bremervorwerk Road has been gutted and minor damage caused to the railroad marshalling yards and small adjacent buildings. Bursts were observed near the East Quay of the Amerika Hafen, of which one is near the stern of the depot ship Heligoland D.9. A number of business or residential buildings N.W. of the Alter Haven and in the Ritzebuttel district were destroyed or damaged.

20 B-17s dropped 11 x 1000 G.P. and 170 x 500 G.P. on targets of opportunity in the vicinity of Jever, Wangerooge, Aurich, Hago Airfield and Marx Airfield. Results were generally poor.

REASONS FOR FAILURE TO BOMB: 1st Wing - 21 a/c failed to bomb because of mechanical and equipment failures. 1 a/c was lost before reaching target, 4 a/c were sent up as spares and returned as instructed. 1 a/c turned back because formation was filled.
4th Wing - 7 a/c failed to bomb because of mechanical and equipment failures.

ENCOUNTERS: 1st Wing - More than 100 e/a mostly FW 190s and ME 109s with a few ME 110s, ME 210s and JU 88s were encountered, with attacks beginning south of Heligoland, continuing over the target and on the way out to north of the Frisian Islands. Attacks were from all directions but in most cases were not pressed too closely. One FW 190 was reported to have collided with a B-17. Attacks on the group losing 6 a/c were mostly from the nose. Air-to-air bombing was again reported. Observed colorings of e/a were as follows: some FW 190s had checkerboard design on the tail; black ME 109s; ME 210s with gray bellies and fuselage and blue or green wing tips; at least one ME 210 was painted white; silver FW 190s; green ME 109s; and some ME 109s had maroon and dark brown crosses on the wings.
4th Wing - Slight e/a opposition was reported. Approximately 25 e/a attacked after the formation had passed over Wilhelmshaven. Attacks continued to about 20 miles north of Baltrum Island. Most of the e/a were FW 190s with a few ME 109s and ME 210s. The majority of attacks were from 11 to 1 o'clock, out of the sun, and the attacks were persistent although the pilots were reported as apparently inexperienced.

FLAK: 1st Wing - Slight, inaccurate flak was reported from Alto Mollum and Eckwarden. Moderate flak at Wilhelmshaven was inaccurate. There was a concentration of bursts near Nouenborg and Juist Island. Inaccurate flak was reported at Marx, Arnhof and Wangerooge. Just past Wilhelmshaven a heavy red flare went through the formation.

4th Wing - An intense predicted flak barrage was reported on the route in at Heligoland. Moderate accurate flak was encountered at Wilhelmshaven and Cuxhaven. A fixed barrage was reported over Bremen but none of the groups were affected. On the return route slight inaccurate flak was observed at Baltrum and Heligoland. Considerable flak was also reported from

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ships at Cuxhaven.

CASUALTIES: Personnel - 1st Wing: 3 crew members were killed 20 were wounded and 70 missing.

4th Wing: 10 crew members are missing.
Equipment: - 1st Wing: 7 B-17s were lost - 6 to e/a and 1 from causes unknown.

4th Wing: 1 B-17 was lost to e/a.

Estimated Battle Damage - 1st Wing: 43 category "A", 9 category "AC"

4th Wing: 8 category "A", 2 category "AC"

ROUTE: 1st Wing - Louth to $54^{\circ}22'N$, $03^{\circ}32'E$; to 20 miles N. of Nordorncy Island; to 15 miles N. of Alto Melleum; to target; to Moordorf; to W. tip of Juist Island; to $54^{\circ}20'N$, $04^{\circ}50'E$; to Cromer; to bases.
4th Wing - Louth to $54^{\circ}25'N$, $03^{\circ}30'E$; to $53^{\circ}40'N$, $08^{\circ}50'E$; to $53^{\circ}35'N$, $08^{\circ}50'E$; to Wilhelmshaven; to $54^{\circ}20'N$, $06^{\circ}45'E$; to $54^{\circ}03'N$, $03^{\circ}53'E$; to Cromer.

WEATHER: Bases at take-off: 9/10 altocumulus and altostratus at about 12,000 ft. with visibilities of 2-6 mi. Route Out: Over England there was 2-4/10 cumulus cloud at about 3000 ft. with tops extending to 6-7000 ft. In addition, there was 8-10/10 altostratus and altocumulus, which was 1-2000 ft. thick, at about 12000 ft. This cloud broke to nil about 100 mi. off the English Coast and for the remainder of the route over the North Sea there was no low or medium cloud but there was 2-4/10 high cloud at 27-30000 ft. Visibility over the North Sea was 3-5 mi. improving to over 20 miles upon approaching the German Coast. Target: Conditions over the target were essentially as forecast. There was 5-7/10 cumulus and cumulonimbus reported by both Wings. 1st Wing reported that these broken clouds seemed to obscure the primary target so the secondary was attacked through broken clouds. 4th Wing reported similar conditions over the primary target. 20 to 30 minutes later, cloud, which had drifted across, obscured the secondary. While it was possible to identify Wilhelmshaven, the target could not be pinpointed. Visibilities at the secondary were 20-30 mi. Route Back: Similar to the conditions on route out except that the medium cloud became 8-10/10 at about 5° East and the base lowered to 8000 ft. From the English coast to bases, there was 3-5/10 low cloud below. Visibilities were 20 miles near the German Coast but decreased to 3-5 mi. near the English Coast in haze. Bases on Return: 10/10 medium cloud and 3-7/10 low cloud at 2000-3000 ft. Visibilities of 2 mi.

OBSERVATIONS: Two A/Ds were observed on Island of Heligoland. A now A/D was seen at Newark and another on Scharhorn Island but no activity observed. The smoke screen at Wilhelmshaven was reported by crews as ineffective and coming from a double row of pots and from barges in the harbor. A later photo interpretation report comments on the elaborate lay-out of the screen, stating that there are 3 lines of generators N. of the area to be covered, with the outermost line 5000 yards N. of the Bauhafen. There was one report of six "T" shaped objects seen to float past the formation - each one of the "T"s being about 5ft. long. This occurred at $53^{\circ}34'N$ - $07^{\circ}10'E$. with no e/a being seen at the time. Several groups reported that after passing the target, a B-17 came from the German mainland, joined the formation and later returned toward the mainland. Another B-17 was seen flying about 2000 ft. above the formation until within sight of the English Coast, at which point it turned back over the North Sea.

Welwyn Garden

June 11

HAMILTON

GIBSON

ADAMS

RUBIN

STIRWART

THOMAS

COZENS

FERRY

COPPER

JOHNSON

ADAMS

KINDLEY

SOUTH

ABORTED

COZENS

EASTING

MORSE

MC PHERSON

TYLER

ROBINSON

ABORTED

Mc KINNON

2ND GP

BENDER

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NUNES

ROTTSCCHILD

MASON

THOMPSON

ABORTED

REINHOLD

KEING

CONLEY

MASON

STONE

MASON

MASSY

KNOXWELL

MASON

MASON

LEAD GP

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Form 3
Bombing MISSIONS
Date 11th June 1943

334, 335, 336 & 412 Squadrons

STATION 153

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Aircraft No	CAPTAIN	TARGET	Time Off		Coast Est.	Over Target Act.	Over Target Alt.	Coast Est. IN	Base Est.	Guns Petrol	Bombs	Remarks
			EST	ACT								
✓ 3213	HAMILTON	-	335	1510 ✓	-	-	-	-	-2112 ⁵⁰	-	-	✓
X 3163	DUBIN	✓	335	1510 ¹⁵	-	-	-	-	-2113 ³⁵	-	-	
X 3173	ADAMS, W.	-	335	1510 ⁵⁰	-	-	-	-	-2112 ³⁵	-	-	
✓ 3118	BENNETT	-	335	1511 ¹⁵	-	-	-	-	-2114 ⁵⁰	-	-	
- 3111	JOHNSON, J.	-	335	1511 ⁴⁵	-	-	-	-	-2115 ³⁰	-	-	
✓ 3079	EVERY	-	335	1512 ¹⁰	-	-	-	-	-2114 ¹⁵	-	-	
Q 3067	LINDLEY	-	41 ✓	1513 ✓	-	-	-	-	-2116 ²⁰	-	-	
✓ 3191	DEAMS, V.	-	41 ✓	1513 ⁴⁰	-	-	-	-	-2118 ⁵⁰	-	-	
✓ 3061	MORSETTE	✓	-	334	1513 ²⁰	-	-	-	-2109 ³⁵	-	-	
✓ 3195	EARLINGS	-	41 ✓	1514 ¹⁰	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
✓ 3093	MACKINNON	-	41 ✓	1515 ✓	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
✓ 3133	KELAINSON, T.	-	41 ✓	1515 ⁴⁵	-	-	-	-	-2035	-	-	
✓ 3162	STIRWALT	-	334	1516 ⁵⁵	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
✓ 3167	THOMAS	-	334	1517 ²⁰	-	-	-	-	-2102 ³⁰	-	-	
✓ 3169	SOUTH	-	334	No	-	-	-	-	-1617	-	-	

Aborted

Aborted

Hamilton
32/13

Ben Forrest
Cal Gibson

11-6-f3

(95)

Adams N
96/75

Rubin

97/63

Stewart
01/64

Cornett
01/18

South
09/17 97/00

Thomas
97/87

Perry
01/79

Johnson
31/11

09/1

Cozens
98/07

Findley
99/67

McPherson
98/03

Tyler
97/68

Morrissey
30/61

Adams I
57/91

S over is behind Thomas

Comp.

Bender
38/82
Munes 98/19 98/03
Potashelot

Eating
99/19 Camera

Robinson
97/37

McKinnon
96/93

Harrison
98/13

Maron R
97/54

Renault

Collyard

Conley
32/02

King 30/1/78 97/2
Mason K

DATE

CENSORS STAMP

SENDERS ADDRESS

Stone
32/86

Knowlton Isaac
75/91 98/35

HEADQUARTERS
NINETY FIFTH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Air Executive

APO 634
11 June, 1943

SUBJECT: Air Battle of Bremen and Wilhelmshaven Raid.

TO : Commanding Officer, 95th Bombardment Group (H)

1633 - Departure Framlingham - Low sq. minus 4 aircraft - high sq late in forming. Made 5 turns to catch up. Composite Group never in sight.

1609^{1/2} - Departure Peterborough with composite Gp behind in position - 401st Wing on our right.

1627 - Crossed #4 held W heading to let 401st wing lead.

1635 - Crossed coast, 73°.

1644 - Increased power to 1900-30" to stay up 401st wing.

1646 - One B-17 from 401st Aborted.

1657 - One B-17 from 402nd Aborted, lead sq of Composite Gp.

1707 - 3rd Gp pulled into position as low Gp apparently from 401st wing.

1708 - Weather, especially visibility improved.

1730 - Started climb.

1782 - Four B-17 abortions from 401st.

1740-1755 - Necessary to adjust C-1 - would not hold course.

1810 - One B-17 abortion from 401st wing.

1812 - One B-17 abortion lead squadron Composite Gp 402nd.

1814 - Approximately 70 aircraft on our right, appeared to be 1st Air Division.

1823 - One B-17 out of high sq to low sq and dropped his bombs.

1824 - Flew on Heligoland.

1825 - Bremen seen with smoke pcts out well covered - W wind.

1840 - On course 180° when 401st wing came by headed opposite direction - we changed course and followed due to low clouds in direction of Bremen.

1845 - turned towards Wilhelmshaven.

1906 - Fighters at 11:00 - 10, 3:00 - 4, 12:00 - 4.

1912 - Fighters at 12:00 - 5

1914 - Fighters at 9:00 - 3

1918 - Fighters at 10:00 - 4.

1924 - Fighters at 12:00 - 2.

1929 - B-17, estimate 14000' in trouble - 2 fighters on him.

1935 - B-17 shot down by fighter, two parachutes seen.

2100 - Over coast.

2125 - Landed.

JOHN H. GIBSON
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Air Executive.

HEADQUARTERS
NINETY-FIFTH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H) AIR CORPS
Office of the Communications Officer

(J-1)

APO 634
11 June 1943

SUBJECT: Operational Communications of the 95th Bombardment Gp.

TO : Commanding Officer, 95th Bomb Group, APO 634.

1. Of the twenty-seven (27) aircraft which went over the target, twenty-one (21) crews were available for interrogation by the Communications Officer, 95th Bomb Group.

2. Mechanical and electrical failures were as follows:

- (a) 334A, mike buttons in ball turret and pilot's position faulty, being replaced;
- (b) 334E, upper turret interphone out, being repaired;
- (c) 336D, interphone out, being repaired;
- (d) 336H, radio compass out on "COMP", being investigated and repaired;
- (e) 412J, interphone system faulty, being corrected;
- (f) 412Z, ball turret interphone out, being repaired;

3. Other failures beyond control of this department were:

- (a) 336B, command antenna shot away, being replaced;
- (b) 412Q, command liaison, IFF, and radio compass antennae shot away, being replaced;

4. Navigational aids were used successfully. Aircraft using these aids were:

- (a) 334A, used splashes Nos. 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7, and multi-group beacons B and C.
- (b) 334D, used splasher No. 4.
- (c) 334E, used splashes Nos. 4 and 5.
- (d) 334K, used splasher No. 4.
- (e) 335N, used splashes Nos. 4 and 5.
- (f) 335W, used splashes Nos. 4 and 5.

C O N F I D E N T I A L

- (g) 336B, used splashers 3,4,5 and 6.
- (h) 336D, used splashers Nos. 4 and 5.
- (i) 336F, used splashers 4, 5 and 6.
- (j) 336H, used splasher No. 4.
- (k) 412N, used splasher No. 4.
- (l) 412Z, used splasher 4 and 6.
- (m) 334K, three (3) QDM bearings on home station, one (1) MF/DF contact.
- (n) 335W, one (1) QDM on home station, one (1) MF/DF contact.
- (o) 412N, three (3) QDM bearings on home station.

5. Navigators reported splasher beacon No. 5 jammed on one frequency, however other frequencies were satisfactory. Radio operators are well satisfied with HF/DF station at this base, also 4th Bomb Wing station was received, loud and clear.

RICHARD F. KNOX
1st Lieut., A.C.
Signals Officer

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HEADQUARTERS
NINETY FIFTH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Group Bombardier

A.P.O. 634
11 June 1943

Bombing Report:

1. Targets:
 - a. Primary----Bremen
 - b. Secondary----Williamshaven
2. Bombing Run:
 - a. ANFE was not used.
 - b. Used slight evasive action after leaving IP.
 - c. Opened bombay doors 45 seconds after leaving IP.
 - d. Used manual bomb run-length of run was 30 seconds.
 - e. Effects of enemy resistance of bomb run were moderate.
 - f. S-2 information on target was good.
 - g. Primary target was at an overcast. The secondary target was 5/10 covered.
 - i. Enemy did not use any unusual tactics to interfere with bombing run.
 - j. Visual results of the bombing was reported fair.
 - k. No suggestions as to bombing technique.

FRANK T. IMAND
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Group Bombardier.

COMBAT BOMBING FLIGHT RECORD

BOEARDIER² ISSAGE, W.H., 2nd Lt., Air Corps. DATE 6/11/43
 PILOT² BENDER, R.P., 1st Lt., Air Corps. TAKE-OFF 1515
 NAVIGATOR² BADER, J.F., 2nd Lt., Air Corps. LANDED 2106
 ORGANIZATION 336 Composite-95 AIRPLANE B-17F 42-5882
Squadron Group Type Number
 OBJECTIVE³ SUBURBS AT BREMEN (Had to bomb Willerhoven)
 AIMING POINT City
 INITIAL POINT Dedkeran
 METHOD OF ATTACK⁴ Group Individual Flight Squadron Group Wing
 NUMBER OF PLANES IN UNIT 16 planes over target
 NUMBER OF PLANES IN EACH UNIT PERFORMING SIGHTING OPERATIONS 3
 TIME OF ATTACK⁵ 16-53-20 Time of Release
 APPROXIMATE LENGTH OF STRAIGHT APPROACH⁶ 36 seconds
 Seconds
 SYNCHRONIZATION⁷ ON On Fast Slow
 INFORMATION AT RELEASE POINT⁸

ALTITUDE, TRUE ABOVE TARGET	<u>27,600</u>	Feet
C. I. A. S.	<u>155</u>	M.P. H.
T. A. S.	<u>210</u>	M.P.H.
Wind Direction	<u>163 degs.</u>	True
Wind Velocity	<u>25K</u>	M.P.H.
True Heading	<u>240 degs.</u>	Degrees
Drift	<u>-5</u>	Degrees
True Track		Degrees
D.S. <u>120</u> Trail <u>43</u> ATF	Ten. D.A. <u>-42</u>	

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A.C. Form
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COMBAT BIBLIO FLIGHT RECORD¹

BOMBARDIER² JONES, V. 1st Lt., Air Corps. DATE 6/11/43

PILOT² HAMILTON, G. Capt., Air Corps. TAKE-OFF 1515

NAVIGATOR² LAWSON, L. 1st Lt., Air Corps. LANDED REEDLEY CALIFORNIA 2112

ORGANIZATION 335 95 AIRPLANE B-17F 42-3213
Squadron Group Type Number

OBJECTIVE³ SUB PWNS AT BREMEN (Had to bomb Willenhaven)

AIMING POINT City

INITIAL POINT Badkers a

METHOD OF ATTACK⁴ Wing
Individual Flight Squadron Group Wing

NUMBER OF PLANES IN UNIT 12 over target

NUMBER OF PLANES IN EACH UNIT PERFORMING SIGHTING OPERATIONS 3

TIME OF ATTACK⁵ 18-53-00
Time of Release

APPROXIMATE LENGTH OF STRAIGHT APPROACH⁶ 40 seconds
Seconds

SYNCHRONIZATION⁷ ON
On Fast Slow

INFORMATION AT RELEASE POINT⁸

ALTITUDE, TRUE ABOVE TARGET	<u>29,000</u>	Feet	
C. I. A. S.	<u>155</u>	M.P. H.	
T. A. S.	<u>219</u>	M.P.H.	
Wind Direction	<u>163 degs.</u>	True	
Wind Velocity	<u>26K</u>	M.P.H.	
True Heading	<u>236 degs.</u>	Degrees	
Drift	<u>-5</u>	Degrees	
True Track		Degrees	
D.S. <u>118</u>	Trail <u>44</u>	ATP	Ten. D.A. <u>41</u>

Target:
BREMEN

Sea Level Elevation:

Take-Off:

Date: **6/11/43**Esc: **NONE**Description and
Remarks:**SUB-PENS AND INSTALLATIONS**

(Bombed Willamhaven due to overcast at Bremen)

*Pressure Altitude of Target	-211	Type & Size ** of Bombs 1000 lb. A.N. M 44
*Altimeter Setting		** No. of Bombs * Fuzing: Nose x Loaded 5 Tail x
*Ind. Altitude	29.02	** Initial Point * Ordered Actual Bedkersa
*True Altitude above Target	27,500	x Length of x Time of Run 40 seconds Run 20 seconds
xAir Speed (MPH) Sights Alt. 29,000 TAS		* Mag. Head. x Mag. Head. Ordered 210 degs. Actual 270 degs.
*Ground Speed * Est 165 Actual 219		x Time of ** No. of Bombs Release 1853 " Released 60
Drift * Forecast 193 x Actual 218		** Type of Train Salvo Individual Jettison Release: TRAIN Returned
*Actual Range 4 1/2	4	x Point of impact (If seen) Not seen
xTan.Drop.Angle *Est. x Actual		** Airplane Type B-17F No. 42-3213
xDisc Speed .41 x Trail .40		** Pilot HAMILTON, C.B. CAPT., A.C.
Actual 118.4 *B.S. Type 44 of Fall and No.		** Navigator LAWSON, L.F. 1st Lt., A.C.
	44 sec.	** Bombardier JONES, V.W. 1st Lt., A.C.

Height	Wind M9-4635		Wind Velocity		Temp Forecast	Temp Actual	Remarks:
	*Est.	xActual	*Est	xActual			
1000							
3000							
6000							
10000							
15000							
20000		140 deg		17 1/2			
22000							
24000							
26000							
30000		165 degs.		26K		38 degs.	
				"			

* Fill in before take-off. ** Fill in after landing. x Fill in during flight.

1515

BREMEN

Target:

6/11/43

Date:

SEA LEVEL

#Elevation:

Take-Off:

None

Escort:

Description and

Remarks:

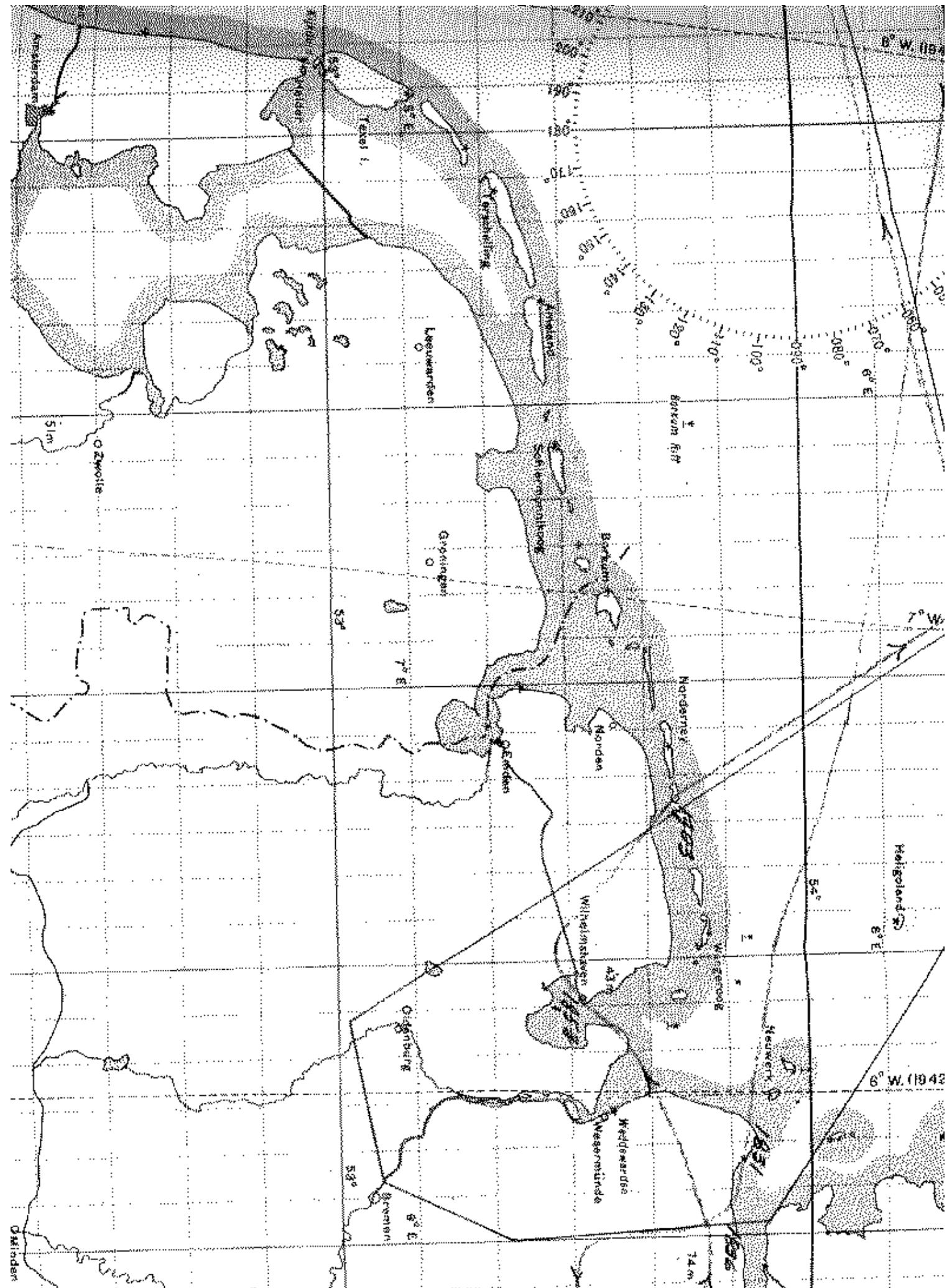
SUB PENS AND INSTALLATIONS

(Bombed ~~Weser~~ Wilhelmhaven due to overcast at Bremen)

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*Altimeter Setting	29.92	** No. of Bombs Loaded	* Fuzing: Nose <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tail <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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TAS 219		210 deg	
*Ground Speed	* Est 193	x Time of Release 1853-20	** No. of Bombs Released 80
* Forecast Drift	-4 1/2 R	** Type of Release: Train	Individual Jettison Returned
x Actual	5 R		
*Actual Range		x Point of impact (If seen)	Not Seen
xDisc Speed	x Trail 121.7	** Airplane Type B-17F	No. 42-882
xTan.Drop.Angle	*Est. .41		
x Actual	48 1/2	** Pilot	BENDER, R.P. 1st Lt., Air Corps
*Actual Time of Fall		** Navigator	BADER, J.F. 2nd Lt., Air Corps
	** B.S. Type and No.	** Bombardier	ISSAC, W.H. 2nd Lt., Air Corps.

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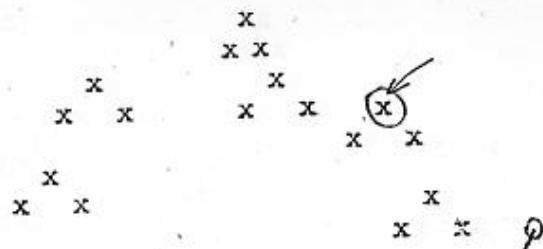
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Group 95th GroupDate June 11, 1943Squadron 412th SquadronPlace where attacked 53° 55' N, 07° 25' E.A/C No. 9967Time 1905 Height 27,500

1. Story of the Attack Ship passed to right of formation cutting across path behind and heading toward land. Ship appeared to be shaking and smoking.

(Include above how E/A attacked; how close he came; where he was hit; how much he was damaged; and how he looked and acted going away.)

2. Diagram of Attack:On Diagram, show

- a. which of our A/C was attacked;
- b. direction of E/A attack;
- c. sin position.

Data on Combat

- a. our heading 300°
- b. visibility Good
- c. type of E/A ME 109
- d. level of attack:

from high above

above

level

below

very low

3. Our Gun Positions Firing on E/ANames T/Sgt Macki, F (check one).Positions R. Oper. Gun.

Names _____

Positions _____

4. If E/A Was Shot Down or Damaged:Corroborated by T/Sgt Macki
Position in A/C R. Oper. Gun.Other A/C firing at the same time? Not observed.5. COMMENTS OF THE INTERROGATOR: This man corroboratingdamaged aircraft for another ship.His observation of plane was as he looked
to rear of ship Time 2315 Interrogator Harry S. Munford

If formation was very different from standard, show on back of sheet.

Group 95 mDate 11/6/43Squadron 336Place where attacked NW Bataan IsA/C No. 42-5882Time 1906 Height 24000

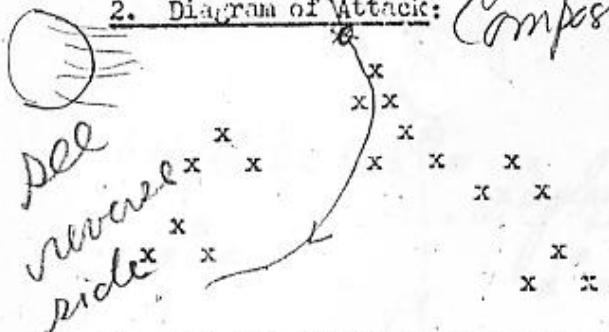
1. Story of the Attack Me 110 attacked from 11 o'clock and slightly higher than we were. Tracked briefly (40-50 seconds). Could see tracers just before hitting in wings nose, front generally. Bombardier + tail gunner saw heavy smoke. Isaacs W/T Merten D/H Steep dive to out of sight.

Only man to shoot at this ship:

(Include above how E/A attacked; how close he came; where he was hit; how much he was damaged; and how he looked and acted going away.)

2. Diagram of Attack:

Composite GP



On Diagram, show

- which of our A/C was attacked;
- direction of E/A attack;
- sun position. Due W.

Data on Combat

- our heading 330 Mg
- visibility Unlimited
- type of E/A Me 110
- level of attack:

from high above

above

level

below

very low

3. Our Gun Positions Firing on E/ANames Bryan DW T/S

(check one).

Positions Top Turret

Names _____

Positions _____

at 11 o'clock

4. If E/A Was Shot Down or Damaged:Corroborated by Isaacs, bombardier
Position in A/C Merten T.G.Other A/C firing at the same time? none

5. COMMENTS OF THE INTERROGATOR: Seems very likely that this Me 110 was destroyed as stated

Time 2210 Interrogator KM Moore

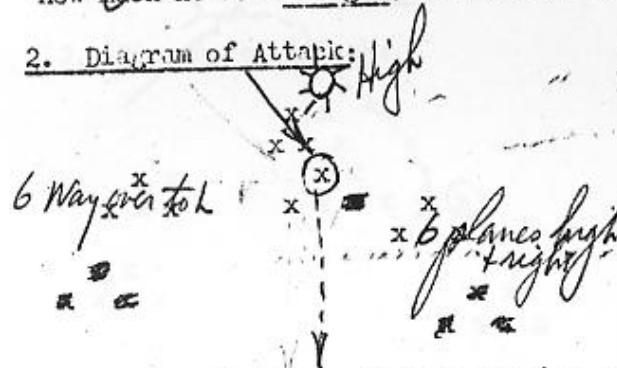
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Group 95Date 11 June 43Squadron 336Place where attacked about 4 min islands.A/C No. 9702Time About 1905 Height 26100'

1. Story of the Attack About 4 min past islands of Me 10's
Headed in from 10 o'clock 200' below. Shot at one
to left, they passed by to the right, the last plane
went into a spin, smoking. Was seen circling to L
& smoking in L engine, losing altitude. Came in to
800 yds in attack.

(Include above how E/A attacked; how close he came; where he was hit;
how much he was damaged; and how he looked and acted going away.)

2. Diagram of Attack:



On Diagram, show

- a. which of our A/C was attacked;
- b. direction of E/A attack;
- c. sun position.

3. Our Gun Positions Firing on E/A

Data on Combat

- a. our heading _____
- b. visibility Good
- c. type of E/A Me 10
- d. level of attack:

from high above _____

above _____

level _____

below _____

very low _____

Names In J.H.H. Riley (check one).Positions Bomb. center nose gun.

Names _____

Positions _____

4. If E/A Was Shot Down or Damaged:

Corroborated by _____

T/Sgt J. H. Haasge

Position in A/C _____

RadioS/Sgt J. Hillbrandt
Tail Gunner

Other A/C firing at the same time? _____

Didnt see any.

5. COMMENTS OF THE INTERROGATOR:

Believe A/C damaged.Time 2315Interrogator Arnold Krause
1st Lt

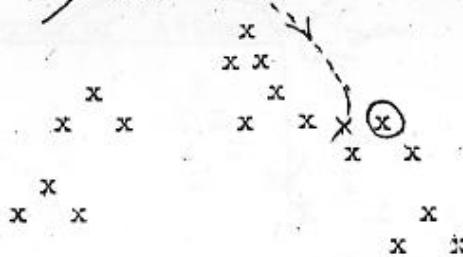
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Group 95th GroupDate June 11, 1943Squadron 412th SquadronPlace where attacked 53°55'N, 07°25'EA/C No. 9967Time 1005 Height 27,500

1. Story of the Attack: Fighter attacked out of sun at 10 o'clock on same level. Came within 200 yards and fell off when even with ship. Observed to dive down and lost about 500' of ground. Other attacks caused men to lose sight of fighter.

(Include above how E/A attacked; how close he came; where he was hit; how much he was damaged; and how he looked and acted going away.)

2. Diagram of Attack:



On Diagram, show

- a. which of our A/C was attacked;
- b. direction of E/A attack;
- c. sun position.

Data on Combat

- a. our heading 300°
- b. visibility Good
- c. type of E/A ME 109
- d. level of attack:

from high above

above

level

below

very low

3. Our Gun Positions Firing on E/A

Names Lt. E. B. Scripture (check one).

Positions Navigator

Names Sgt. Steele

Positions Top Turret

4. If E/A Was Shot Down or Damaged:

Corroborated by Sgt Hockett, B.C.

Position in A/C Ball Turret

Other A/C firing at the same time? Lloyd Squadron

5. COMMENTS OF THE INTERROGATOR: Plane shot down claimed by Navigator and corroborated by Top and Lower Turrets.

Time 2315 Interrogator Henry D. Munford

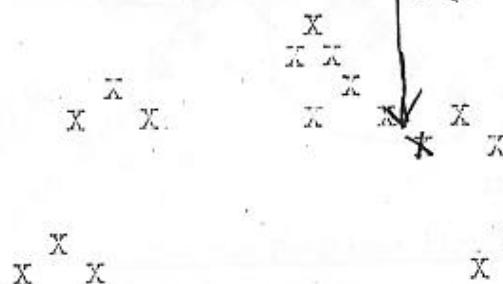
If formation was very different from standard, show on back of sheet.

Group 95'th Date 11-6-43
 Squadron 412 th Place where attacked off coast hawaii
jim's island
 A/C No. 25-791 Time 1930 Height 27000

1. Story of the Attack SE came straight on to us -
I saw two come off his left wing - began
to smoke - he cut beneath us.

(Include above how E/A attacked; how close he came; where he was hit; how much he was damaged; and how he looked and acted going away.)

2. Diagram of Attack:



On Diagram show

- a: which of our A/C was attacked
- b: direction of E/A attack;
- c: sun position.

Data on Combat

- a: our heading 330
- b: visibility good
- c: type of E/A SE ME109
- d: level of attack:

from high above _____
above _____
level _____
below little low ✓
very low _____

3. Our Gun Positions Firing on E/A

Names Lt. La Mataozzo (check one).

Positions Bombadier.

Names _____

Positions _____

4. If E/A Was shot down or Damaged:

Corroborated by SZENICK smoke trailing behind
Position in A/C fighter as he was going down into sea.

Other A/C firing at the same time? None - it was last 24

5. COMMENTS OF THE INTERROGATOR:

R/A Command bad
Other crew members confirm but G. has no

Time _____ Interrogator F.J.D.

If formation was very different from standard, show on back of sheet

See Lincoln's I.O form - Radio Operator.

Group 95

Date 11/16/43

Squadron 336

Place where attacked 54°E - 7°N

A/C No. 42-5882

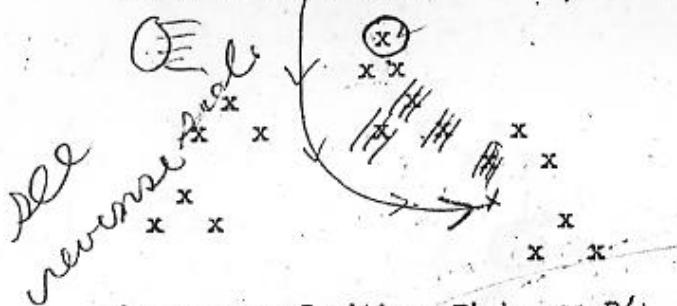
Time 1913 Height 22000

1. Story of the Attack Tail gunner, Merten D 4

Merten tracked this E/A for nearly ten seconds
then hit him in engine and amidships. Ship caught fire,
and when last seen was falling out of control.

(Include above how E/A attacked; how close he came; where he was hit;
how much he was damaged; and how he looked and acted going away.)

2. Diagram of Attack: Composite Gp.



On Diagram, show

- a. which of our A/C was attacked;
- b. direction of E/A attack;
- c. sun position. Due W.

Data on Combat

- a. our heading 340 Ma
- b. visibility Unlimited
- c. type of E/A Mes 109
- d. level of attack:
from high above _____
above _____
level _____
below _____
very low _____

3. Our Gun Positions Firing on E/A

2nd Lt. Merten D 4

(check
one).

Positions Tail G

Names _____

Positions _____

4. If E/A Was Shot Down or Damaged:

Corroborated by _____
Position in A/C _____

none on lead ship

Other A/C firing at the same time? none seen

5. COMMENTS OF THE INTERROGATOR: though no confirmation in some
ship due to its position in Gp, it doesn't seem certain that
the Me 109 was hit hard, probably fatally.

Time 2210

Interrogator K. G. Moore

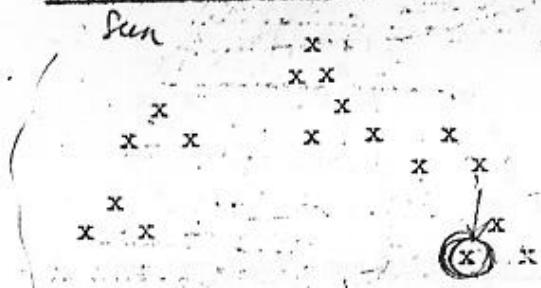
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REPRODUCED AT THE REQUEST OF THE NATIONAL AIR FORCE MUSEUM
Group 95th Bomb Gp. Date 11 June 1945
Squadron 335th Place where attacked 54°N - 7°E
A/C No. 9591 Time 19:30 Height 24000 ft

1. Story of the Attack Man peeled off from 189 Gp from 1 o'clock came around to left of 95th Gp. Turned to left at back of 95th formation. Tail gunner caught him in bail at 350 gds out. Flamer seen, definite pull-up and central flares look & dive. Hit at centre of fuselage of motor.

(Include above how E/A attacked; how close he came; where he was hit; how much he was damaged; and how he looked and acted going away.)

2. Diagram of Attack:



On Diagram, show

- which of our A/C was attacked;
- direction of E/A attack;
- sun position.

Data on Combat

- our heading 300°
- visibility good
- type of E/A F/AE 109
- level of attack:
from high above _____
above _____
level _____
below low
very low _____

3. Our Gun Positions Firing on E/A

Names Joe M Simm clake (check one).

Positions Tail gunner

Names _____

Positions _____

4. If E/A Was Shot Down or Damaged:

Corroborated by G.A. Powell - saw definite flares
Position in A/C Radio Operator

Other A/C firing at the same time? none

5. COMMENTS OF THE INTERROGATOR: authentic because

Last plane in formation destroyed

Time 21:10 hrs Interrogator JW

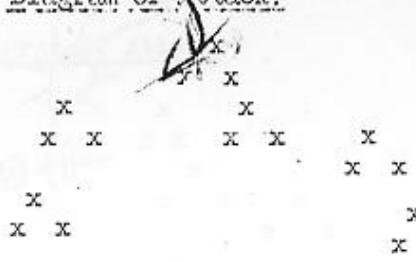
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Group 93Date 176/63Squadron 335Place where attacked 54°N - 70°EA/C No. 3213Time 1926 Height 25000

1. Story of the attack MELOG - Came in at about 11 o'clock and past our left waist, L. W. gunner fired 2 bursts and appeared to hit E/A in belly. Flames came out of wing. Tail gunner said E/A in flames goes down out of control.

(Include above how E/A attacked; how close he came; where he was hit; how much he was damaged; and how he looked and acted going away.)

2. Diagram of attack:



On Diagram, show

- which of our A/C was attacked;
- direction of E/A attack;
- sun position.

Data on Combat

- our heading 320
- visibility fair
- type of E/A MELOG
- level of attack:

from high above

above

level

below

very low

3. Our Gun Positions Firing On E/A

Name S/S C.H. Gardner

3. Our Gun Positions Firing on E/A.

Positions L.W.

(check

one)

above

level

below

very low

Names _____

Positions _____

S/S J. Crocker - R.W. Gunner

4. If E/A Was Shot Down or Damaged:

Corroborated by 2nd Lt. G.F. Rawson

Position in A/C T.G.

Other A/C firing at the same time? No

5. Comments of the interrogator:

Portable

Time _____

Interrogator

HVD

If formation was very different from standard, show on back of sheet.

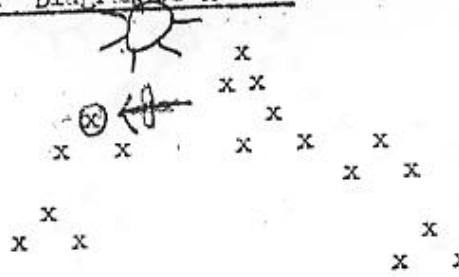
Group G-5 1st Group
 Squadron 334 sq
 A/C No. 0164

Date 11/4/43Place where attacked 55°34' - 60°20'ETime 1928 Height 20000

1. Story of the Attack E/A came in at 3 o'clock. Was a plain that came in at that time. I shot 30 bursts at him. and just as he turned up he was on fire and smoke coming out of cowling. He came in to within 30 yards almost straight down.

(Include above how E/A attacked; how close he came; where he was hit; how much he was damaged; and how he looked and acted going away.)

2. Diagram of Attack:



On Diagram, show

- which of our A/C was attacked;
- direction of E/A attack;
- sun position.

Data on Combat

- our heading Q42 (m)
- visibility clear 10 miles
- type of E/A 109 F
- level of attack:
from high above _____
above _____
level _____
below _____
very low _____

3. Our Gun Positions Firing on E/A

Names S/S HUFFSTUTLER, M.C. (check one).
 Positions RIGHT WAIST

Names _____

Positions _____

4. If E/A Was Shot Down or Damaged:

Corroborated by S/S BOYD, D.W.
 Position in A/C Left WAIST

Other A/C firing at the same time? Don't know if that anyone else

5. COMMENTS OF THE INTERROGATOR:

DestroyedTime 2315 Interrogator Wm H. Holt

If formation was very different from standard, show on back of sheet.

Group 95 - Group

Date 11/11/44

Squadron 334 B

Place where attacked 53° 34' N - 7° 24' E

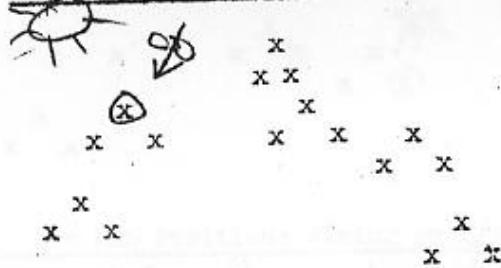
A/C No. 0164

Time 1901 Height 28000

1. Story of the Attack E/A attacked from 1 o'clock above (Me 109) fired directly at us one after another. Four gunners (Bombardier, Navigator, Pilot/Off, Top Turret and Red Flare) were firing on the attacking planes. The second plane (Benson) were firing on the other planes. The second plane could see only four kinds of tracers coming directly at us. Could see the two white dots on the side flame that the plane was white. On the side of the engine, it came out from the sides of the cowling and engine. It went by us and tail gunner saw the flames all the way by going down.

(Include above how E/A attacked; how close he came; where he was hit; how much he was damaged; and how he looked and acted going away.)

2.1 Diagram of Attack:



On Diagram, show

- a. which of our A/C was attacked;
- b. direction of E/A attack;
- c. sun position.

Data on Combat

- a. our heading 330 (M)
- b. visibility 10 miles
- c. type of E/A ME 109
- d. level of attack:

from high above
above
level
below
very low

2. Our Gun Positions Firing on E/A

Names 1ST LT McNUTT, R.L.

Positions BOMBER

(check
one).

Names 1ST LT THIMM, W.J.

Positions NAVIGATOR

Names T/S DROTLIEFF, W.P.

Positions TOP TURRET

Names Sgt BENSON, C.S.

Positions BT TURRET

4. If E/A Was Shot Down or Damaged:

Corroborated by Sgt BURGESSON, J.S.

Position in A/C Tail gunner

Other A/C firing at the same time? Part

5. COMMENTS OF THE INTERROGATOR:

Time 2330

Interrogator Wm M Holt

If formation was very different from standard, show on back of sheet.

Squadron 472

Place where attacked 54°05'N - 0°50'E

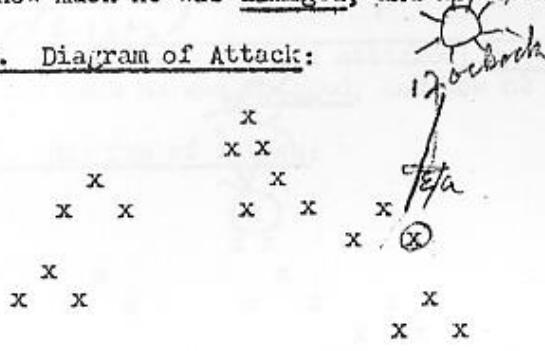
A/C No. 3061

Time 1920 Height 26000

1. Story of the Attack. E/A came in slightly over the top of our ship on the right of lead ship. Between lead ship and this plane. Was pointed straight at sternship. Came up to within 200 ft and then pulled off and turned over to the right and then went down. Started shooting at him when off 500 yds and he was in sight, and believe I hit him in the motor. Was smoking like hell and the fire showed very full, going straight down and looked like out of control.

(Include above how E/A attacked; how close he came; where he was hit; how much he was damaged; and how he looked and acted going away.)

2. Diagram of Attack:



On Diagram, show

- which of our A/C was attacked;
- direction of E/A attack;
- sun position.

Data on Combat

- our heading 330° True
- visibility The Hazy but could see 10 miles
- type of E/A P.W. 190
- level of attack:

3. Our Gun Positions Firing on E/A

Names Fgt Jacot, Walter (check one).
Positions Top Turret.

from high above _____
above _____
level _____
below _____
very low _____

Names _____

Positions _____

4. If E/A Was Shot Down or Damaged:

Corroborated by Fgt DE RICCO, J. also S/Sgt ISRAEL F.
Position in A/C Ball Turret. Turret

Other A/C firing at the same time? Not know how many other
other a/c was firing

5. COMMENTS OF THE INTERROGATOR:

as far as possible on individual ships,
possible

Time 2300 Interrogator Wm. M. Hoy, 1st Lt

If formation was very different from standard, show on back of sheet.

Group 95
Squadron 335

Date 11/6/43

A/C No. 3213

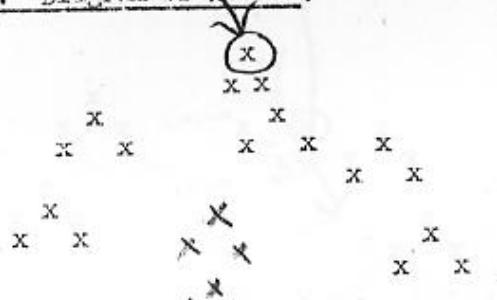
Place where attacked 54°N - 7°E

Time 1929 Height 25000

1. Story of the Attack: at $54^{\circ}N$, $7^{\circ}W$. FW 190 came out of sun to left of ship, from above down. Upper T. gunner fired and smoke and flame came from ship - at the burnt tail of B-17. he was in flames - going down.

(Include above how E/A attacked; how close he came; where he was hit; how much he was damaged; and how he looked and acted going away.)

2. Diagram of Attack:



On Diagram, show
a. which of our A/C was attacked;
b. direction of E/A attack;
c. sun position.

Data on Combat
a. our heading 320
b. visibility Fair
c. type of E/A FW 190
d. level of attack:

from high above /
above /
level /
below /
very low /

3. Our Gun Positions Firing on E/A

Names J. L. Anderson
Positions Top Turret

(check
one).
from high above
above
level
below
very low

Names _____

Positions _____

4. If E/A Was Shot Down or Damaged:

Corroborated by 2 S. G. Z. Rammow
Position in A/C Tail Gunner

Other A/C firing at the same time? 721

5. COMMENTS OF THE INTERROGATOR: Destroyed

Time _____ Interrogator W.H.

If formation was very different from standard, show on back of sheet.

Group 75
Squadron 335th
A/C No. 3111

Date 11 June 1943

Place where attacked 20 mi North of Bawdsey
Time 1910 Height 25'000'

1. Story of the Attack Mes 110 came in at 12 o'clock

I first started shooting when 100 yards away. Pilot called me, and said ship coming to my right. Had gun in position and as he came by shot him. Kept firing. I went into tail roll and turned 45° angle to gunner left. Looked like one engine on fire.
(Include above how E/A attacked; how close he came; where he was hit; how much he was damaged; and how he looked and acted going away.) Saw him hit water.

2. Diagram of Attack:



On Diagram, show

- which of our A/C was attacked;
- direction of E/A attack;
- sun position.

Data on Combat

- our heading turning from 330° to 260°
- visibility good
- type of E/A Mes 110
- level of attack:
from high above _____
above _____
level _____
below very slightly
very low _____

3. Our Gun Positions Firing on E/A

Names S/S Crossley D.W. (check
one).

Positions Tail Gunner

Names ✓

Positions ✓

4. If E/A Was Shot Down or Damaged:

Corroborated by Radio Operator - Van Arsdale; Right waist
Position in A/C - Gunner - Carter -

Other A/C firing at the same time? No

5. COMMENTS OF THE INTERROGATOR:

Destroyed.

Time 2025 Interrogator C H Bingham

If formation was very different from standard, show on back of sheet.

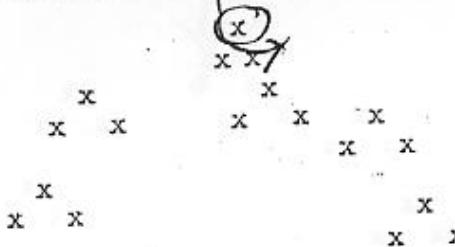
Group 95
Squadron 335
A/C No. 3213

Date 11/6/43
Place where attacked 54°0N 70°E - Mar
Time 1931 Height 25800

1. Story of the Attack F.W.190 came thru from front and
flew to right of ship. T.G. fired 250 30
rounds, and E/A blew up & exploded

(Include above how E/A attacked; how close he came; where he was hit;
how much he was damaged; and how he looked and acted going away.)

2. Diagram of Attack:



On Diagram, show
a. which of our A/C was attacked;
b. direction of E/A attack;
c. sun position.

3. Data on Combat
a. our heading 320
b. visibility Fair
c. type of E/A F.W.190
d. level of attack;

from high above

above level
below W
very low

3. Our Gun Positions Firing on E/A

Names 2nd Lt. G Ransow (check
one).

Positions T.G.

Names _____

Positions _____

4. If E/A Was Shot Down or Damaged:

Corroborated by S/S 7 Crocker - R.W. 3
Position in A/C _____

Other A/C firing at the same time? No one

5. COMMENTS OF THE INTERROGATOR: Not engaged

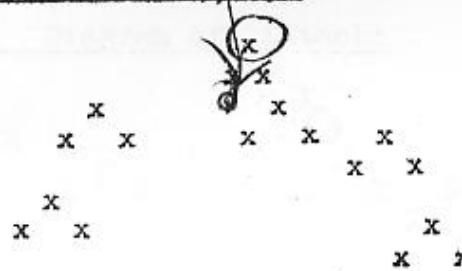
Time _____ Interrogator Adm. Sod

If formation was very different from standard, show on back of sheet.

Group 45Date 11/6/43Squadron 335Place where attacked 54°N 60°30'EA/C No. 3213Time 1933 Height 25000

1. Story of the Attack MF109 came in from front
passed Tail of B-17 and revolved to ships
left. As he passed T. Gunner - he fired
15 to 20 pounds into E/A. He was smoking
and burning, and was seen to go down
and hit water.

(Include above how E/A attacked; how close he came; where he was hit;
 how much he was damaged; and how he looked and acted going away.)

2. Diagram of Attack:On Diagram, show

- which of our A/C was attacked;
- direction of E/A attack;
- sun position.

Data on Combat

- our heading 320
- visibility 7000
- type of E/A MF109
- level of attack:

from high above _____

above _____

level _____

below W _____

very low _____

3. Our Gun Positions Firing on E/A

Names 3rd Lt G F. Rawson (check
one).

Positions T. Gunner

Names _____

Positions _____

4. If E/A Was Shot Down or Damaged:

Corroborated by 5/5
Position in A/C Hub

Hub

W. Gunner

Other A/C firing at the same time? None

5. COMMENTS OF THE INTERROGATOR:

Destroyed

Time 2050

Interrogator DV

If formation was very different from standard, show on back of sheet.

COMBAT FORM.Group 95th GpDate June 11 '43Squadron 336Place where attacked About 10 miles off German coastA/C No. 703

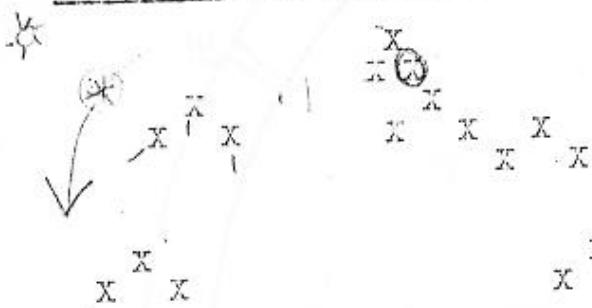
Time

Height 37,000

1. Story of the Attack Three ME 110 flying opposite direction. L.W. Gunner took practice shot blundering too far to left. This plane center of this last attitude went into a low spin and crashed in water.

(Include above how E/A attacked; how close he came; where he was hit; how much he was damaged; and how he looked and acted going away.)

2. Diagram of Attack:



On Diagram, show

- a: which of our A/C was attacked
- b: direction of E/A attack;
- c: sun position.

Data on Combat

- a: our heading
- b: visibility good
- c: type of E/A ME 110
- d: level of attack:

from high above _____
above _____
level _____
below _____
very low _____

3. Our Gun Positions Firing on E/A

Names George E. Pratt (check one).

Positions Left Waist Gunner

Names A. B. Natholy

Positions Right Waist Gunner

4. If E/A Was shot down or Damaged:

Corroborated by _____

Position in A/C _____

Other A/C firing at the same time? (This were indicated by)

5. COMMENTS OF THE INTERROGATOR:

Probable

Time 1100 AM Interrogator J.H.H.

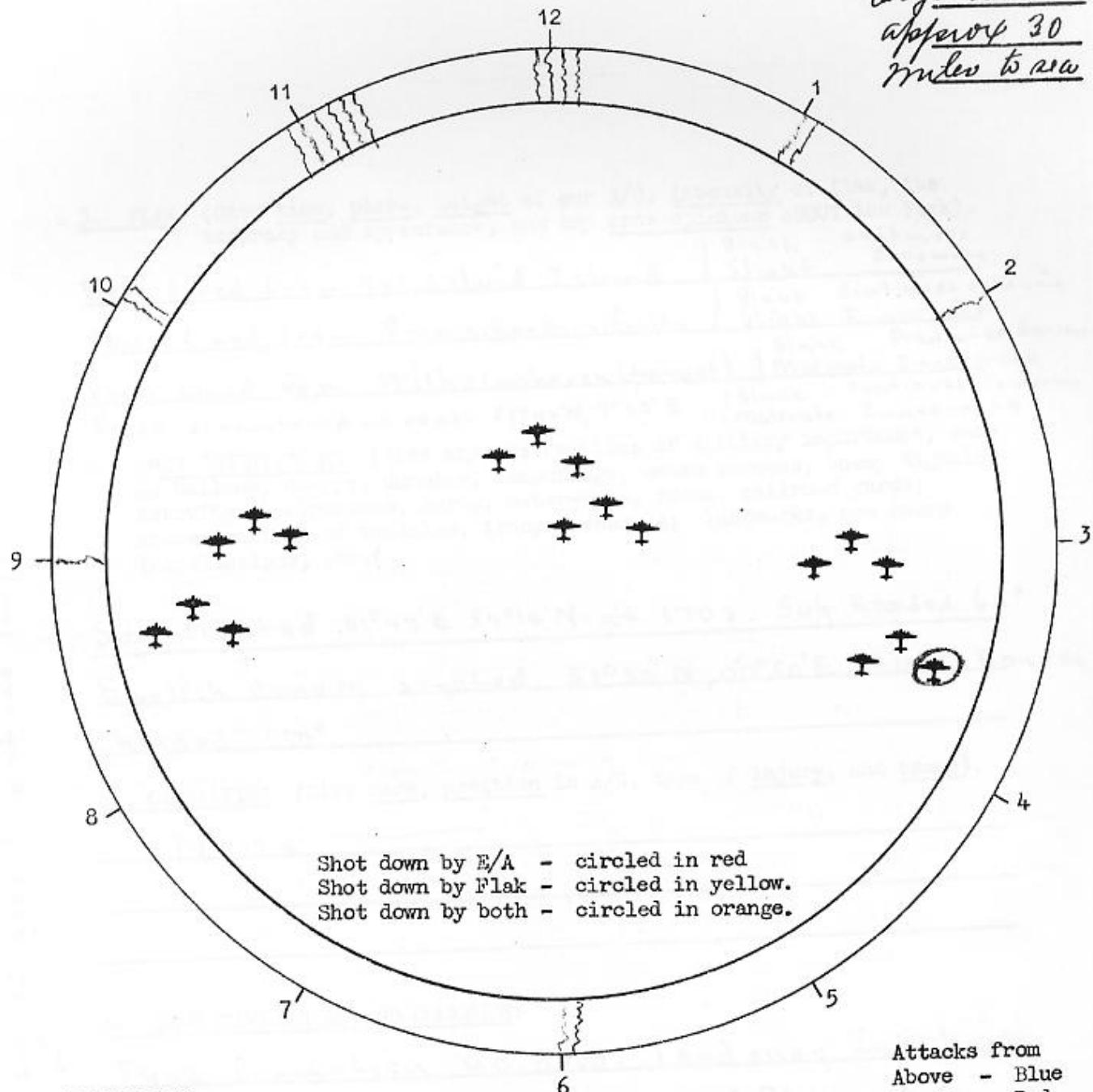
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COMBAT REPORT FORM - (GROUP).

TARGET Wilhelmshaven GROUP 95
 TIME OF ATTACKS 1906 to 1936

DATE 11/6/43

VICINITY OF ATTACKS Just after target and approximately 30 miles to sea



DISCUSSION:

4. APPROXIMATELY 25 E/A ATTACKED B-17 FORMATION AFTER THEY PASSED OVER TARGET AND CONTINUED ATTACK TO APPROXIMATELY 20 MILES NORTH THE ISLAND OF BALTRURN. ENEMY FIGHTERS WERE ME 109--FW 190--ME 110 AND ONE JU 88. THEY ATTACKED MOSTLY IN PAIRS, COMING IN FROM OUT OF THE SUN. MAJORITY OF ATTACKS WERE FROM 11 TO 1 O'CLOCK AND SOME AT 3 AND 9 O'CLOCK FROM ON THE LEVEL OR ABOVE. FEW ATTACKS FROM BELOW. PERSISTENT BUT SEEMED TO BE INEXPERIENCED. AFTER INITIAL ATTACK E/A WOULD CIRCLE OUR FORMATION, WELL OUT OF OUR RANGE, AND RETURN TO ATTACK FROM HEAD ON.

Attacks from
 Above - Blue
 Level - Red
 Below - Green.

Willem Haver

June 11

HAMILTON

GIBSON

ADAMS, W.

RUBIN

KEND G.P.

LINDLE

MORSE

ADAMS

EASTING

SOUTH
ABRAHAM
COZENS

THOMAS

PERRY

JOHNSON

ROBINSON

ABRAHAM

NEPHESAN
TYLER

CONNET

JOHNSON

ROBINSON

ABRAHAM

RND GR
BENDER

ROTHSCHILD

NUNES

THOMSON
ABRAHAM
REINHOLD

KEINES

CONLEY

MASON

MASON

R

STONE

MASSEY

KNOULTON

T

STATION 153

Form 3
Bombing MISSIONS
Date 11th June 1943

334, 335, 336 + 412 Squadrons

Flight No.	CAPTAIN	TARGET	Time Off EST	COAST ACT.	Over Target EST. Hrs.	COAST IN	Base EST ACT	Gunned	Petrol	Bombs	Remarks
X	3213 THOMAS	-	331	1510	✓	-	-	-	-	-	✓
X	3163 ROBINSON	✓	335	1510	15	-	-	-	-	-	-
X	3673 Adams W.	-	335	1510	50	-	-	-	-	-	-
X	3118 COLENETT	-	331	1511	15	-	-	-	-	-	-
A	3111 Johnson J.	-	335	1511	45	-	-	-	-	-	-
A	3079 PEERY	-	335	1512	10	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q	3067 LINDLEY	-	411	1513	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q	3061 MORRISSETTE	✓	411	1513	40	-	-	-	-	-	-
4	3061 MORRISSETTE	✓	334	1513	20	-	-	-	-	-	-
4	3197 EASTLING	-	411	1514	10	-	-	-	-	-	-
4	3093 MACKINNON	-	411	1515	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-
4	3127 KELLOGG	✓	411	1515	45	-	-	-	-	-	-
4	3164 STIRWALT	✓	334	1516	55	-	-	-	-	-	-
A	3107 Thomas	-	334	1517	20	-	-	-	-	-	-
A	3391 SOUTH	-	334	1517	10	-	-	-	-	-	-
						1557					

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12 RIFLEINGS -
Stations
Take 2
Take Off -
1455

CALLED
IN
TO WING

SPK.

TIME OFF COAST OVER TARGET COAST BASE

(ACT) OUT EST ACT IN (Re48)

REMARKS
Mech Failure
Aborted

LETTER No. PILOT TARGET

-334 NO ✓

-334 1532⁴⁵ ✓

-2102

2106³⁵

2107¹⁵

2108⁵⁰

2109³⁰

2059

2111²⁰

2112

211650

HARRIER	PILOT	TARGET	TIME (ACT)	OFF COAST OUT	OVER TARGET	COAST IN	BASE (Re48)	REMARKS
B 9807 COZENS			-334	NO ✓				
G 9768 TYLER			-334	1532 ⁴⁵ ✓				
D 9803 MCPHERSON			-334	1532 ⁴⁵ ✓				
D 9882 BENDER			-336	1521 ³⁰ ✓				
A 9703 ROTHSCHEILD			-336	1521 ³⁰ ✓				
F 9679 NUNES			-336	1521 ³⁰ ✓				
G 9813 THOMPSON			-336	1521 ³⁰ ✓				
H 9701 RENAUD			-336	1521 ³⁰ ✓				
B 9754 MASON, R.			-336	1521 ³⁰ ✓				
A 9704 CONLEY			-334	1523 ¹⁰ ✓				
V 9827 MASON, K. L.			-335	1521 ¹⁰ ✓				
V 9846 KRING			-412	1524 ³⁰ ✓				
E 9826 STONE			-336	1521 ³⁰ ✓				
J 9835 MASSEY			-336	1525 ²⁰ ✓				
K 9591 KELTON			-336	1525 ²⁰ ✓				

3091



V...-MAIL

Hamilton Ben Forrest
 32/13 Col Gibson

11-6-f3

(95)

Adams N
 96/75

Rubin
 97/63

Strawalt
 01/64

Cornett
 01/18

~~South~~
 97/00

Thomas
 97/87

Perry
 01/79

Johnson
 31/11

091

Cozens
 98/07

Finley
 99/67

The Phoenician
 98/03

Tyler
 97/68

Morissette
 30/61

Adams
 57/91

over in behind Thomas

Eastling
 99/19

Bender
 38/87
 Nunes Rothchild
 92/79 98/03

Robinson McPherson
 97/37 96/93

Thompson
 98/13

Colgate

Maron R
 97/54

Renaud

Conley
 32/02

King Maron
 30/17 98/12

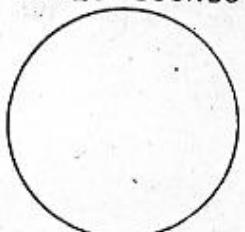
DATE

SENDERS ADDRESS

SENDERS NAME

CENSORS STAMP

Stone 32/86
Knowles Maron 75/91 98/35



No.

JUN 11 1943 12 13 PM

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STAND BY FOR B/ CAST EAL - SLG - FRA - PNT V
 EAL - SLG - FRA - PNT V COG NR 11 111128B
 URGENT SECRET 4 BW U246E

SEND IN CLEAR BY AUTHORITY LT. COL. TRAVIS .
 ANNEX No.3. TO 4 TH BOMB X WING FIELD ORDER NO.7.

CANCELLATION TO FIELD ORDER NO 7. IS HEREBY RECINDED . THE
 FOLLOWING CORRECTIONS AND ADDITIONS TO FIELD ORDER NO 7 WILL BE
 MADE IMMEDIATELY :

1. (A) FIGHTER SUPPORT : NONE

(B) DIVERSIONS : THE 1 ST BOMB WING WILL BOMB THE SAME PRIMARY
 TARGET APPROXIMATELY 30 MINUTES BEFORE THE 4TH BOMB WING .

3.(C) ROUTE BACK , ADD: THE 96 GP X WILL LAND AT SNETTERTON HEATH
 AT THE COMPLETION OF THIS MISSION .

X(1) BOMB LOADING , SHOULD READ : 5 X 1000 LB 1/10 SEC NOSE FUSE
 -1/40 SEC TAIL FUSE . MAXIMUM EFFORT .

X (2) ZERO HOUR : 1600 DST 11 JUNE 43

X (4) TIME SCHEDULES : - THIS TIME SCHEDULE SUPERCEDES
 PREVIOUS TIME SCHEDULE APPEARING IN ANNEX 10 NO.1. 4TH BOMB
 WING FIELD ORDER NO.7.

CONTROL TIMES :

BISHOP'S STORTFORD	ZERO HOUR	XXXX	MINUS	9	MINUTES
EARL'S COLNE	"	"	"	10	MINUTES
PETERBOROUGH	"	"	PLUS	11	"
SPLASHER NO 4	"	"	"	30	"

APPROXIMATE TIMES

5435 0330 E	ZERO HOUR	PLUS	87	M	NUTES
5420 0754 E	"	"	147	"	"
5355 0858E	"	"	161	"	"
5323 0901E IP	"	"	170	"	"
TARGET	"	"	175	"	"
5302 0812E	"	"	180	"	"
5344 0725 E	"	"	194	"	"
5424 0646E	"	"	206	"	"
5403 0353 E	"	"	236	"	"
CROMER	"	"	285	"	"

X(10) IDENTIFICATION SIGNALS . IN ADDITION TO THE NORMAL
 GROUPS IDENTIFICATION SIGNALS , THE FOLLOWING WILL BE EFFECTIVE
 FOR THIS MISSION :

401 ST COMPOSITE GP . - RED ALDIS LAMP FLASHING LETTER "A"
 - RED YELLOW FLARE 402 ND COMPOSITE GP - RED ALDIS LAMP
 FLASHING LETTER "B" - RED GREEN FLARE

5.K. SHOULD READ : LEADER OF LEADING GP WILL REQUEST ONE FIX
 AT ZERO HOUR PLUS 125 MINUTES ON ROUTE OUT , AND WHEN NECESSARY
 ON ROUTE BACK : CALL SIGN TO BE USED : ZX7A

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HOT NEWS REPORT

IMMEDIATE PRIORITY.

The following information is to be telephoned at once to Duty Intelligence Officer at Wing. No delays in procuring or transmitting it can be permitted.

1. FRIENDLY A/C DOWN OR IN DISTRESS AT SEA _____)
FRIENDLY A/C DOWN OR IN DISTRESS OVER ENEMY TERRITORY _____) Check
FRIENDLY A/C DOWN OR IN DISTRESS ELSEWHERE _____) which.
DINGHIES, LIFE RAFTS OR PERSONS IN DISTRESS _____)

OBSERVING AIRCRAFT:-

Mac Kinnon

GROUP _____ NO. OR LETTER 9679 HEIGHT 20,000

AIRCRAFT IN DISTRESS:-

NO. OR LETTER 22-693 TIME SEEN 1935

APPROXIMATE POSITION 54N 6E HEADING 08. 240°

HEIGHT _____ CONDITION _____

PARACHUTES SEEN 4 chutes seen DINGHY SEEN _____

ANY OTHER REMARKS

540246N 1913 - 07E 54°10'N - 2 Surface vessels -
06°46'E heading 60° - 10-20 knots - one very small TB -
fairly good size merchant vessel.

2. ENEMY SHIPPING, NAVAL UNITS OR CONVOYS AT SEA:

Crossing 040'E 59°36'N - 32 Ships -

(Number and type of ships) (Course of ships.)

One SS in back - 135° heading - 10 knots -

(Time seen) (Place) (Altitude of reporting A/C)

10 large balloons on outside ship -

(Other information)

time 1641

3. OTHER HOT NEWS:

Tur most from sunken ship - sinks

like 2 huge men - 2025 - 52°50'N 02°10'E.

Initials of Interrogating Officer _____

(Date) (Time)

Phoned to Wing by _____ Time _____

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FRIENDLY A/C DOWN OR IN DISTRESS ELSEWHERE _____) which.
DINGHIES, LIFE RAFTS OR PERSONS IN DISTRESS _____)

OBSERVING AIRCRAFT:-

GROUP 9J NO. OR LETTER 827 ✓ HEIGHT 26 000

AIRCRAFT IN DISTRESS:- Mac Kinnon

NO. OR LETTER 22-693 TIME SEEN 1935-

APPROXIMATE POSITION 54°N 06°E HEADING _____

HEIGHT Same CONDITION Out of Control

PARACHUTES SEEN 2 DINGHY SEEN _____

ANY OTHER REMARKS Out of Control - spinning - hit water & sank immediately

2. ENEMY SHIPPING, NAVAL UNITS OR CONVOYS AT SEA:

(Number and type of ships) (Course of ships.)

(Time seen) (Place) (Altitude of reporting A/C)

(Other information)

3. OTHER HOT NEWS:

(Date) (Time) Initials of Interrogating Officer _____

Phoned to Wing by _____ Time _____

KMEAL SLG FRA PNT EAL

STAND BY FOR B/CAST

EAL-SLG-FRA -PNT V COG XNR27 102330B

URGENT SECRET 4BW U238E

SEND IN CLEAR BY AUTHORITY LT. COL. TRAVIS

4TH BOMB WING FIELD ORDER NO.7

1. FIGHTER SUPPORT AND/OR DIVERSION:

NONE:

2. TARGETS: PRIMARY: GR-3585-AP6438 ILLUSTRATION 3(CAO) 1/6
SECONDARY: GR-3590- AP2920 ILLUSTRATION 3(CAO) 5/7
LAST RESORT: ANY INDUSTRIAL TARGETS OF OPPRTUNITY
IN THIS AREA

3. A. ASSEMBLY: THE 94, A COMPOSITE, AND THE 96 GROUPS WILL
COMPOSE THE 401 COMBAT WING AND WILL GLY IN THAT ORDER, THE
COMPOSITE GROUP WILL BE COMPOSED OF TWO SQUADRONS FROM THE
96 GROUP PLUS ONE SQUADRON FROM THE 94 GROUP WHICH WILL FORM
THE HIGH SQUADRON.

THE 94 GROUP AT 5000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR MINUS 10
MINUTES WILL BE OVER EARLS COLNE AND WILL PROCEED AT THAT
ALTITUDE TO PETERBOROUGH ARRIVING AT ZERO HOUR PLUS 9 MINUTES.
THE COMPOSITE AND 96 GROUPS WILL ASSEMBLE OVER BISHOP'S
STORTFORD AT ZERO HOUR MINUS 9 MINUTES AT 4000 FEET AND 3000 FEET
RESPECTIVELY AND WILL PROCEED TO JOIN AND FOLLOW THE 94 GROUP
ON THE 401 COMBAT WING ASSEMBLY LINE EARLS COLNE TO PETERBOROUGH
THE 401ST COMBAT WING WILL PROCEED FROM PETERBOROUGH
AT 5,000 FEET ALTITUDE AT ZERO HOURS PLUS 9 MINUTES AND WILL PROCEED
ALONG THE 4TH AIR DIVISION ASSEMBLY LINE PETERBOROUGH TO SPLASHER
NO.4 ARRIVING SPLASHER NO.4 AT 5,000 FEET ALTITUDE AT ZERO HOUR
PLUS 30 MINUTES. X

THE 402ND COMBAT WING WILL JOIN AND FOLLOW
THE 401 COMBAT WING ALONG THE 4TH AIR DIVISION ASSEMBLY LINE AT
AN APPROXIMATE DISTANCE OF ONE AND A HALF MILES. THE LEAD GROUP
WILL BE AT 5,500 FEET AND THE SECOND GROUP WILL BE AT 4,500 FEET.

B. ROUTE: FROM SPLASHER NO.4 TO 5435-0330 E TO 5420-0754 E.
BOMBING ALTITUDE WILL BE REACHED AT THIS POINT. THENCE TO
5355-0658 E TO I.P. AT 5323-0901 E TO TARGET.

C. AXIS OF ATTACK : 212 DEGREES MAGNETIC

XW

D. RALLY POINT: 5302-0812 E.

E. ROUTE BACK: TURN RIGHT AFTER BOMBING TO 5302-0812 E TO
5344-0725 E TO 5424-0646 E TO 5403-0353 E TO CROMER. START DESCENT
AT 5344-0725 E TO MINIMUM ALTITUDE.

F. BOMBING ALTITUDE:

(1) 401 COMBAT WING :

94 GROUP - - - - - 27,000 FEET

COMPOSITE GROUP - - - - 26,000 FEET

96 GROUP - - - - - 25,000 FEET

(2) 402 COMBAT WING

LEAD GROUP - - - - - 27,500 FEET

2ND GROUP - - - - - 26,500 FEET

X. (1) BOMB LOADING : 5 X 1000 1/10 SEC NOSE - 1/40 SEC TAIL

CLIMB - IAS 150 MPH, 400 FEET PER MINUTE

CRUISE - BELOW 10,000 FEET - IAS 155 MPH.

CRUISE - ABOVE 10,000 FEET - IAS 160 MPH

DESCEND - IAS 170 MPH, 500 FEET PER MINUTE.

C40 TIME SCHEDULES: TO FOLLOW.

C50 IF THE LEAD GROUP COMMANDER DECIDES TO BOMB THE SECONDARY TARGET AND NOT THE PRIMARY TARGET HE WILL SHOOT TWO GREEN FLARES IN RAPID SUCCESSION.

C60 THE GROUP BOMBING METHOD WILL BE USED WITH SQUADRON BOMBARDIERS SIGHTING FOR RANGE IF POSSIBLE.

C70 INTERVALOMETER SETTING: 75 FEET.

C80 THE TIMES UNDER ASSEMBLY ARE CONTROL TIMES AND MUST BE MADE GOOD.

C90 IN CASE OF HEAVY CONDENSATION TRAILS, THE 402 COMBAT WING WILL ECHELON SLIGHTLY TO THE RIGHT.

4. NONE.

5. A. C10 MF/DF SECTION: "G".

C20 HF/DF EARLS COLNE: CALL SIGN NA8

FREQUENCY 3285 KC/S.

B. BOMBER TO BOMBER : 5065 KC/S

D. JAY BEARS: A-OTE 120, B - OTE 050, C- OTE 076

E. SPLASHER 3A, 4B, 5C, 6D, 7E, 8F, 10G AND 11 H.

G. CALL SIGNS : (BOMBER) W/T .

C10 4TH WING COLLECTIVE: ZX7

C20 94TH GROUP: YW3

C30 95TH GROUP: 090.

C40 96TH GROUP: 07X.

C50 401 COMPOSITE GROUP: 1ZX7.

C60 402 COMPOSITE GROUP: 2ZX7.

C70 1ST WING: CC9.

H. AUTHENTICATING GROUP:

SPARE GROUP NO. 17 WILL BE USED AS AUTHENTICATING GROUP AND WILL BE IN FIRST GROUP OF ANY MESSAGE SENT ON WING FREQUENCY - CHECK ALL MESSAGES FOR THIS GROUP.

I. S.B.A. EARLS COLNE: 35 KC.

J. COMMAND R/T CALL SIGNS : DAREDEVIL

C10 94 GROUP: DAREDEVIL ONE

C20 401 COMPOSITE GROUP: DARE DEVIL FOUR

C30 95 GROUP: DARE DEVIL TWO

C40 96 GROUP: DARE DEVIL THREE

C50 402 COMPOSITE GROUP: DARE DEVIL FIVE

K. LEADER OF LEADING GROUP WILL REQUEST FIX ON MULTIPLE OF 15 MINUTES BEGINNING AT 1135 HOURS. CALLSIGN TO BE USED ZX7A.

COMBONWIG FOUR

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HEADQUARTERS
NINETY FIFTH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Base Engineering Officer

AFD 804,
12 June 1943.

SUBJECT: Group Engineering; report on combat mission of June 11, 1943.

TO : Commanding General, Fourth Bombardment Wing, AFD 804.
Commanding Officer, 95th Bombardment Group (H).

1. The following information is submitted concerning combat mission of the 95th Bomb Group (H) of June 11, 1943.
 - a. Twenty nine (29) B-17F airplares took-off, two (2) returned to base before completing mission.
 - b. Twenty six (26) completed mission.
 - c. One (1) did not return.
2. There were two (2) abortive airplanes.
 - a. 42-29613 - empty cases from lead plane hit push-rod housing No. 1 engine causing oil leak.
 - b. 42-3091 - Took-off late, could not catch formation and returned.
3. Battle damage is as follows:
 - a. 42-27787 - Bullet hole on the upper side of the left wing adjacent to the right hand side of No. 2 nacelle. Internal damage was as follows: Vacuum line severed, landing gear recentering tube severed, sheet metal damage to interior of nacelle. Bullet hole in No. 7 aircoop. Interior damage as follows: Compression member of rib severed, compressor member of main gear section grazed. Flak hole in leading edge of panel beneath No. 1 fuel tank. Internal damage unknown. No. 8 engine tanks damaged.
 - b. 42-29605 - Bullet entered the top of the right hand stabilizer, exiting through the elevator. Damage as follows: Sheet metal and fabric repairs. No ribs cut. Flak hole approximately 4" on left hand side of vertical stabilizer. Flak hole approximately 1 - 2" on left hand tail turret plexi-glass. Small flak holes and cuts on lower section right hand side of vertical stabilizer.

JOHN W. MELDRUM,
Major, Air Corps,
Base Engineering Officer.

HEADQUARTERS
NINETY FIFTH BOMB. GP. APO 634

11 June, 1943

SUBJECT: Armament Malfunctions During Mission.

TO : Commanding Officer, 95th Bombardment Group (H)

1. The following malfunctions were turned in to
the Armament Officer following mission of 11 June, 1943:

Ship 229703
Left upper turret gun solenoid out. Right nose gun jammed.

Ship 229754
Second position stoppage of center nose gun.

Ship 29951
Right solenoid cable broken on upper turret..

Ship 9679
On upper turret, right gun would not feed. Left nose gun
would not fire.

Ship 2311
Right waist gunner wants a new gun. ???

Ship 35791
Center nose gun feed box in way of charging handle. Side
nose gun sights are not high enough.

Ship 29967
Ball turret leaking at 27,000 feet.

Ship 30164
Right ball turret gun solenoid burned out.

Ship 29803
Left ball turret solenoid out. Bomb bay door rods broken,
caused by dropping bombs with emergency release and afterward
attempting to close them electrically.

LEONARD F. DAWSON
1st Lt., AC
Armament Officer