

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

APO 634,
7 December 1943.

SUBJECT: S-3 Narrative Report on Operational Mission, 5 December 1943.

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

1. The 95th Bomb Group was alerted for this Mission at 2025, 4 December 1943. Bomb load to be 10 x 500 lb. G.P. bombs. The 13th Combat Wing was to form the 2nd Combat Wing of the 3rd Bomb Division formation. The 95th Group to fly low Group in 13th Combat Wing formation.

2. Twenty three (23) aircraft departed this base at 0750 to form the 95th Group. Three (3) aircraft departed this base to fly as spares for 390th "B" Group in Composite Wing formation. No difficulty was encountered in Group assembly as weather permitted a low altitude assembly. The three (3) aircraft to fly as spares for 390th "B" Group rendezvoused with 390th Group over their base at 8000'.

3. The 95th Bomb Group proceeded on course to Combat Wing rendezvous point and had slight difficulty in picking up the 100th (Lead Group) because of large number of Groups in that area. Combat Wing rendezvous was made and briefed course was held with slight variations. An undercast existed over much of the route over France and all targets were completely obscured. Bombs were dropped in the Channel on return flight.

4. Ship # 5918 piloted by Lt. Francis aborted from the formation just after take-off due to a runaway prop on # 4 engine. Ship # 1057 piloted by Lt. Reno returned to the base at 1145 having returned from 95th Group when no available vacancy existed for him. Ship # 0178 piloted by Lt. Witt returned to the base at 1215 having returned from the 390th "B" Group when no available vacancy existed for his ship. Ship # 7894 returned to this base at 1241 having aborted from 390th "B" Group due to # 1 engine cutting out.

5. The 95th Bomb Group sustained no battle damage and no injury to personnel. All aircraft returned safely to this base.

6. Fighter rendezvous and cover was excellent.

HARRY G. MUMFORD,
Major, Air Corps,
Operations Officer.

FORM 3

STATION 119DATE Dec 5, 1943

	LET	SHIP	PILOT	TARGET	TIME OFF		LANDING		REMARKS
					LST	ACT	EST	ACT	
336	M	0244	THOMPSON	✓		0750		1609	
336	H	⁰¹⁶⁷ 3400	KUENGER	✓		0809		1608	
336	N	9884	KERR	✓		0751		1609	
336	K	7935	FISCHER	✓		0751		1611	
336	G	7734	JEFFERS	✓		0754		1610	
336	C	0674	SMITH			0755		1613	
335	O	7826	STORIE	✓		0756		1556	
335	Q	7756	WALLACE	✓		0759		1603	
335	M	1305	POWERS	✓		0759		1604	
335	U	7879	SCOTT	✓		0800		1601 ⁺	
335	V	7929	FORD	✓		0758		1601	
335	Z	9838	TUBEROSE	✓		0801		1615	
412	R	9869	ROBERS	✓		0802		1621	
334	B	0342	BRINK			0801		1604 ⁺	
336	J	5918	FRANCIS			0803		1022	RUNAWAY PROP #4 ENGINE
412	S	7876	CASPERS	✓		0804		1625	

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LET	SHIP	PILOT	TARGET	TIME OFF		LANDING		REMARKS
				EST	ACT	EST	ACT	
412	Q	1054	BATCHA ✓		0805		1621	
412	V	7882	BROWN ✓		0805		1618	
412	M	1320	MILLER ✓		0806		1619	
412	V	0255	WOODCOCK ✓		0807		1616	
336	E	1205	HEARN ✓		0808		1620	
334	G	1057	RENO ✓		0810		1145	EXTRA SHIP
334	J	1258	INFIELD ✓		0810		1612	
335	S	0178	WITT ✓		0811		1215	
334	K	9949	WITT					
334	D	1244	HARBROVE ✓		0744		1640	
334	L	7894	STERN ✓		0745		1241	

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

APO 634,
5 December 1943.

SUBJECT: Base Engineering Report on Combat Mission 5 December 1943.

TO : COMMANDING GENERAL, Third Bombardment Division (H), APO 634.
COMMANDING OFFICER, 95th Bombardment Group (H). Attn: Lt. Col.
MC KNIGHT, Base Operations.

1. The following information is submitted concerning combat mission of the 95th Bombardment Group (H) on 5 December 1943.
 - a. Twenty-six (26) B-17F airplanes took-off, one (1) returned to base as per schedule. (42-31057)
 - b. Twenty-two (22) B-17F airplanes returned to base after completing mission.
 - c. 42-3400 failed to take off as per schedule. Starter shaft broken.
2. There were three (3) abortive airplanes.
 - a. 42-37894 - #1 engine running rough. Erratic Cutting out at altitude.
 - b. 42-30178 - No position in formation.
 - c. 42-5918 - #4 runaway prop.
3. Battle damage is as follows:
 - a. None.

GARFIELD R. BENSON,
Major, Air Corps,
Base Engr. Officer.

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			<u>THOMPSON</u> 0244					
			<u>KERR</u> 9884*		<u>YUENNER</u> 3400			
	<u>CASPER</u> 7376						<u>STORIE</u> 7326	
<u>BROWN</u> 7882		<u>BATCHA</u> 1064*		<u>FISCHER</u> 7935*		<u>POMERS</u> 8814* 1305		<u>WALLACE</u> 7756*
	<u>MILLER</u> 1320*		<u>SMITH</u> 0674		<u>JEFFERS</u> 7754		<u>SCOTT</u> 7679*	
<u>HERGE</u> 1205		<u>WOODCOCK</u> 0255			<u>TUBEROSE</u> 9838*		<u>FOID</u> 7939	
						<u>ROGERS</u> 9889		
			<u>RENO</u> <u>RENO</u> 1057		<u>FRANCIS</u> 5913		<u>BRINK</u> 0342	
		<u>INFIELD</u> 1258						

READINESS 0620
STATIONS 0720
TAXI 0735
TAKE OFF 0750
RENDEZVOUS 0815

EXTRA SHIPS
334 0120
335 0178
336 0167
412 0235

RENDEZVOUS ALTITUDES:

390th
17,000
95th
16,000
100th
15,000

BOMBING ALTITUDES:

390th
22,000
100th
21,000
95th
20,000

OPERATING PROCEDURES

CLIMB 150 mph @ 300 fpm
CRUISE 155
DESCENT 170 mph @ 500 fpm

MF/DF "E" or "M" BOMBER-BOMBER A

VHF CHANNEL D D
(IN) (OUT)

VHF CALL SIGNS:

BOMBERS GOLDSMITH ONE TWO " "
FIGHTERS DENVER ONE " "
GROUND TACKLINE " "
(IN) (OUT)

VHF/DF STATIONS:

FRAMLINGHAM: U/S
BURY ST. EDMUNDS: CHAIRLEG B (BAKER)
on Channel B

R/T COLLECTIVE CALL SIGNS:

3rd B.D. STAMPOUT
13th C.W. ZOOTSUIT REXX
95th B.G. " YEXXEX RED
100th B.G. " WEXXEX YELLOW
390th B.G. " GREEN

95th GROUP R/T CALL SIGNS

LEAD SQUADRON ZOOTSUIT RED ONE
HIGH SQUADRON " " TWO
LOW SQUADRON " " THREE
ALL OTHERS Individual A/C Call

FLARES:

13th C.W. GG
95th B.G. RG
100th B.G. GG
390th B.G. GV

COLORS OF THE DAY:

0100-0700	R-R	G-George	H-Harry
0700-1500	G-Y	P-Peter	L-Love
1500-1900	G-O	V-Victor	X-XRay
PERIOD	CARTRIDGE	CHALLENGE	REPLY

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Authority MWO 745005
By MS NARA Date 1-3-04

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COMBAT

GROUP FORMATION FORMDATE 5 Dec 43

LEAD

THOMPSON

02 | 44

KUFR

98 | 84

YUENGER

34 | 00

LOW

HIGH

CASPERS

78 | 76

FISCHER

79 | 55

STORIE

78 | 26

BROWN

78 | 82

BATCHA

10 | 54

SMITH

06 | 74

JEFFERS

77 | 34

POWERS

13 | 05

WALLACE

77 | 56

MILLER

13 | 20

SCOTT

78 | 79

HEARN

12 | 05

WODGCK

02 | 55

TURBERG

98 | 38

FORD

79 | 29

ROGERS

98 | 69

FRANCIS

59 | 18

BRINK~~99 | 24~~
03 | 42

BRIEFING _____

READINESS _____

STATIONS _____

TAXI _____

TAKE-OFF _____

RENDEZVOUS _____

EXTRA PERSONNEL

TTG - PRATT - 335

TG - KUREK - 335

LWG - MALDONADOS - 335

RWG - MATHIS - 335

RO - Lynch - 336

TTG - Russell - 336

RO - Dax - 334

BTG - Jackson - 334

EXTRA SHIPS

334 0120335 0178336 0167412 0235 - lead

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COMPOSITE

GROUP FORMATION FORM

DATE 5 Dec 43

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LEAD

RENO
10 | 57

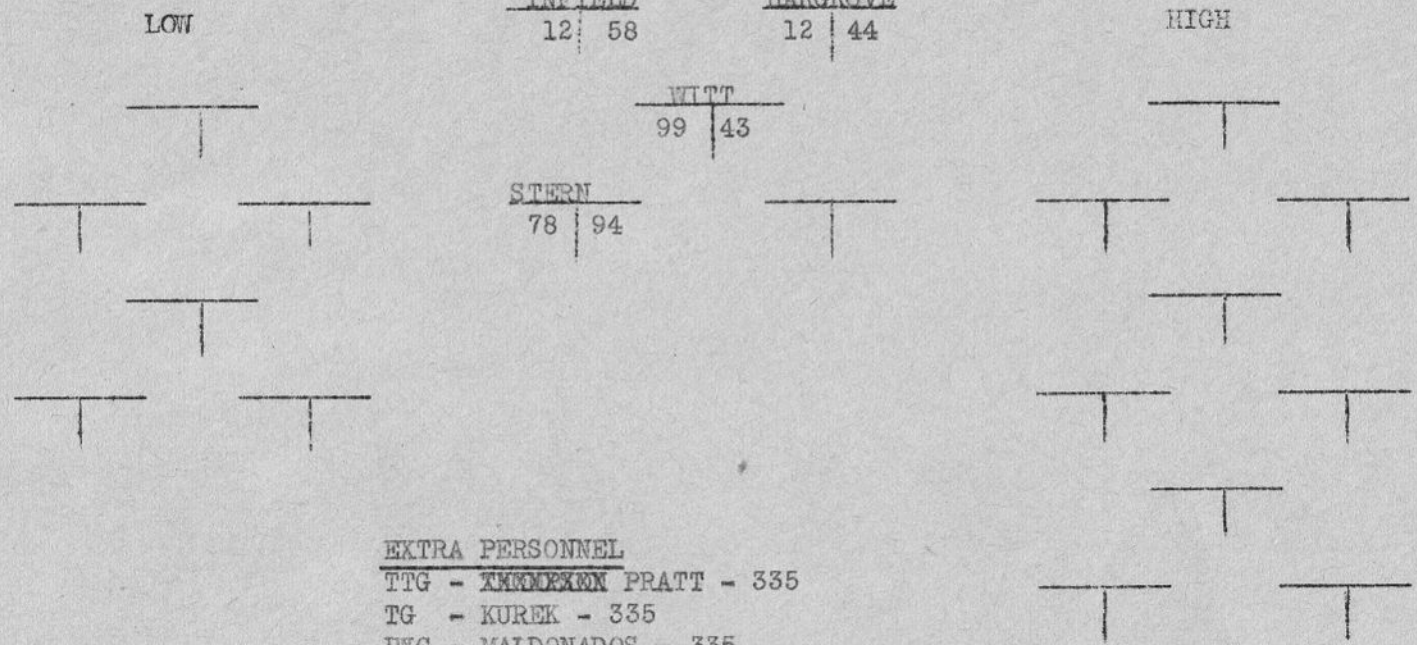
INFIELD
12 | 58

HARGROVE
12 | 44

HIGH

WITT
99 | 43

STERN
78 | 94



EXTRA PERSONNEL

- TTG - ~~THOMPSON~~ PRATT - 335
- TG - KUREK - 335
- WVG - MALDONADOS - 335
- RWG - MATHIS - 335
- RO - LYNCH - 336
- TTG - RUSSELL - 336
- RO - DOX - 334
- BTG - JACKSON - 334

EXTRA SHIPS

- 334 0120
- 335 0178
- 336 0167
- 412 0235 - lead

- BRIEFING _____
- READINESS _____
- STATIONS _____
- TAXI _____
- TAKE-OFF _____
- RENDEZVOUS _____