

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

APO 634,
22 February 1944.

SUBJECT: Report of Operations Officer - 22 February 1944 - Schweinfurt.

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

95TH "A" GROUP

1. GENERAL NARRATIVE. The 95th A Group formation took off at 0805-0944. Due to snow showers at time of take-off the ships could not take-off in a regular interval, and had to take-off during periods when the snow was not so heavy. Visibility at time of take-off was from two hundred feet to one thousand feet. Assembly was effected above the clouds. By 1015 the 95th A Group was in formation and had spotted the 100th B Group. 95th A Group was in Combat Wing formation as high Group of 13th A Combat Wing at Cambridge at 1033 at 17,000'.

At 51°58' - 00°24'E at 1041 the 95th A Group lost the 100th B Group in the clouds but continued to make good the briefed course. At 1142 when the 95th A Group was at 52°03' - 02°21'E at 24,000' the 95th A Group received a message to return to base. At this time the 95th A Group had not made rendezvous with the 100th B Group again. An opening was observed in the clouds so Group leader decided to descend through the opening. In the descent the French Coast was crossed at Mardyck at 1200 at 11,500'. A turn was immediately started to the right to cross back out in the channel but wind drifted formation over Calais where the formation picked up flak.

The English coast was crossed again at 51°02' - 01°00'E at 1214 at 11,500'. The 95th A Group returned to the base landing at 1257-1307.

2. AIRCRAFT NOT ATTACKING. Nineteen (19) aircraft including one (1) spare assembled in 95th A Group in the formation shown in Diagram "A". Aircrafts Nos. 42-31835, 42-31861, 42-31589 left the formation before becoming dispatched, thus fifteen (15) aircraft were dispatched.

Fifteen (15) aircraft shown in the diagram "B" crossed enemy territory and are credited with sorties. No bombs were dropped from this formation.

3. LOST AIRCRAFT. No aircraft were lost from 95th "A" Group.

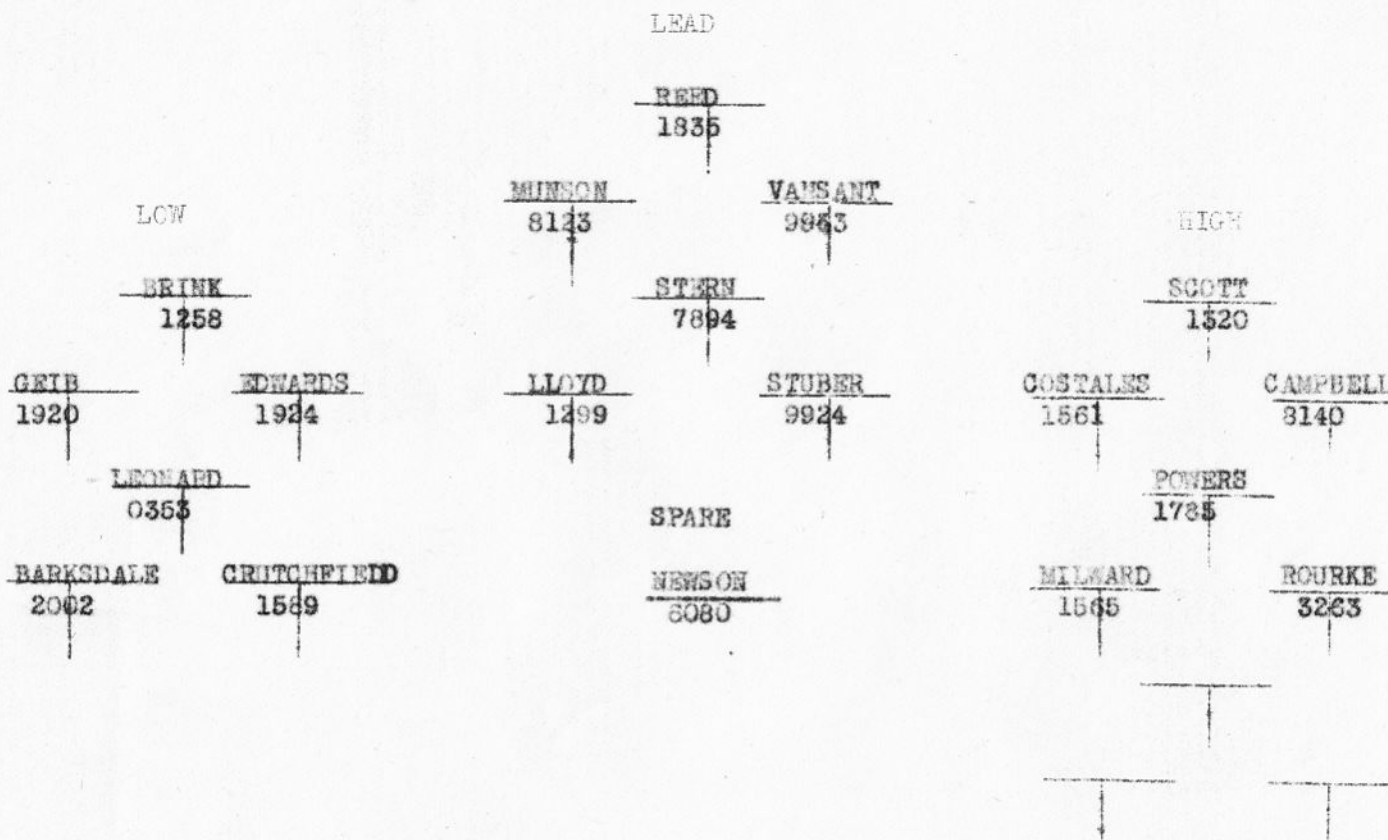
HARRY G. MUMFORD,
Lt. Col., Air Corps,
Operations Officer.

DIAGRAM "A"
95th "A" Group
ASSEMBLY

NINETY FIFTH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (E)
Office of the Operations Officer

GROUP FORMATION FORM

DATE Feb. 22, 1944



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

AIRMAIL SHIPS

334 _____
 335 _____
 336 _____
 412 _____

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HEADQUARTERS 95TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
APO 634

E-I-15

22 February 1944

AIRCRAFT NOT ATTACKING

95 A Group Formation

Mission of 22 February 1944

- A. Number of A/C Scheduled..... 18 and 1 Spare
- B. Number of A/C Taking Off..... 18 and 1 Spare
- C. A/C Taking Off less unused spares..... 19
- D. Number of A/C Dispatched..... 15
- E. Number of A/C Attacking..... 0
- F. Number of A/C Not Attacking..... 19
- G. Number of Sorties..... 15
- H. Detailed description of reasons why aircraft did not attack:
 - 1. A/C 42-31835 No Sortie Left formation before being dispatched because of: (a) Oxygen leak.
 - 2. A/C 42-31561 No Sortie Left formation before being dispatched because of: (a) # 4 engine reported running rough. Checked out on the ground.
 - 3. A/C 42-31589 No Sortie Left formation before being dispatched because of: (a) Sick radio operator.
 - 4. A/C 42-30353 No Sortie Left formation before being dispatched because of: (a) # 2 and 3 superchargers out.
 - 5. A/C 42-29943, 42-38123, 42-37894, 42-39924, 42-31299, 42-31320, 42-38140, 42-31785, 42-3263, 42-31565, 42-31258, 42-31924, 42-31920, 42-32002, 42-6080.
Sorties Entire formation recalled after being dispatched and after crossing the enemy coast. This formation was under attack by enemy ground defenses.

For the Commanding Officer:

HARRY G. MUMFORD,
Lt. Col., Air Corps,
Operations Officer.

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SECRETHEADQUARTERS 95TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
APO 634

E-I-5

22 February 1944

AIRCRAFT NOT ATTACKING95-B Group FormationMission of 22 February 1944

A.	Number of A/C Scheduled.....	18 and 1 Spare
B.	Number of A/C Taking Off.....	18 and 1 Spare
C.	A/C Taking Off less unused spares.....	19
D.	Number of A/C Dispatched.....	0
E.	Number of A/C Attacking.....	0
F.	Number of A/C Not Attacking.....	19
G.	Number of Sorties.....	0
H.	Detailed description of reasons why aircraft did not attack:	

1. A/C 42-31376, 42-31910, 42-31939, 42-37988, 42-31206, 42-32019, 42-39869, 42-37802, 42-31734, 42-31601, 42-31251, 42-31798, 42-37495, 42-38024, 42-3528, 42-31675, 42-3096, 42-30322 and 42-3153. No Sortie. Entire formation recalled prior to dispatch point.

For the Commanding Officer:

HARRY G. MUMFORD
Lt. Col., Air Corps,
Operations Officer.

95A

FORMS

STATION

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DATE

2-22-44

LET	SHIP	PILOT	TARGET	TIME OFF		LANDING		REMARKS
				DST	ACT	EST	ACT	
334	1251 18-35	REED			0855 0910		1024	<i>Chrysler Hydraulic & Intercom out</i>
334	K 9943	VANSANT			0856		1303	
334	E 8123	MUNSON			0857		1302	
334	L 7894	STERN			0857		1305	
334	N 9924	STUBER			0858		1305	
334	M 1299	LLOYD			0859		1304	
412	MA 1320	SCOTT			0900		1302	
335	W 8140	CAMPBELL			0900		1308	
335	Z 1561	COSIALES			0940		1058	* 4 Prop feathered
335	N 1785	POWERS			0907		1307	
335	V 3263	ROURKE			0904		1257	
335	V 1565	MILWARD			0904		1307	
334	1258 1258	BRINK			0905 0905		1258	
334	Q 1924	EDWARDS			0907		1259	
334	G 1920	GEBB			0906		1257	
334	1253 1253	LEONARD			0910 0905		1205	Landed Runy St. Ed.
335	O 1589	CRITCHFIELD			0908		1206	
335	X 2002	BARCKSDALE			0908		1300	

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By *[Signature]* NARA Date 01/02/09

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STATION

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DATE

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LET	SHIP	PILOT	TARGET	TIME OFF		LANDING		REMARKS
				EST	ACT	EST	ACT	
336	U 1376	HEARN			0917		1246	
336	P 1910	WESTWATER			0918		1235	
336	J 1939	KROEGER			0919		1234	
336	M 7988	DEAN			0920		1236	
336	E 1205	CAVALIER			0921		1230	
336	R 2019	JEFFERS			0922		1237	
412	R 9869	ROGERS			0923		1249	
412	T 7882	BATCHA			0925		1021	Oil Leak.
412	H 1734	CALLOWAY			0926		1134	fuel control
412	G 1681	HIATT			0927		1245	
334	BP ¹²⁵⁷ 0342	WOODCOCK			0941		1210	
412	J 1798	GUNN			0928		1154	instruments
336	C 7495	CONLEY			0929		1247	
336	Q 8024	BROWNLOW			0930		1215	
336	F 3529	RUSSELL			0931		1248	
412	W 1675	HUBBS			0933		1243	
412	Z 3095	READ			0935		1140	Eye

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

U-B-2

APO 634,
22 February 1944.

SUBJECT: Engineering Report on Combat Mission 22 February 1944.

TO : Commanding Officer, 95th Bomb Gp. (H). Attn: Lt Col. MC KNIGHT.

1. The following information is submitted concerning combat mission of the 95th Bombardment Group (H) on February 1944.

- a. Thirty eight (38) B-17 airplanes took-off.
- b. Thirty one (31) B-17 airplanes returned to base after being recalled.

2. There were four (4) Abortive airplanes.

- a. 42-30353 - #2, #3 Supercharger out.
- b. 42-31835 - Pilot reported O₂ leak - Helded pressure on ground.
- c. 42-31561 - #4 engine trouble. Ground check - OK
- d. 42-31589 - Sick Radio Operator.

3. Battle damage is as follows:

- a. 42-29945 - Minor flak damage.
- b. 42-31251 - Minor flak damage.
- c. 42-37894 - #4 main fuel tank damaged.
- d. 42-38123 - Minor flak damage.
- e. 42-31299 - Minor flak damage.
- f. 42-31320 - Minor flak damage.

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

"A" Group (Sortie)

A.T.F.

C.W.

FORMATION DIAGRAM

95TH BOMB. GROUP

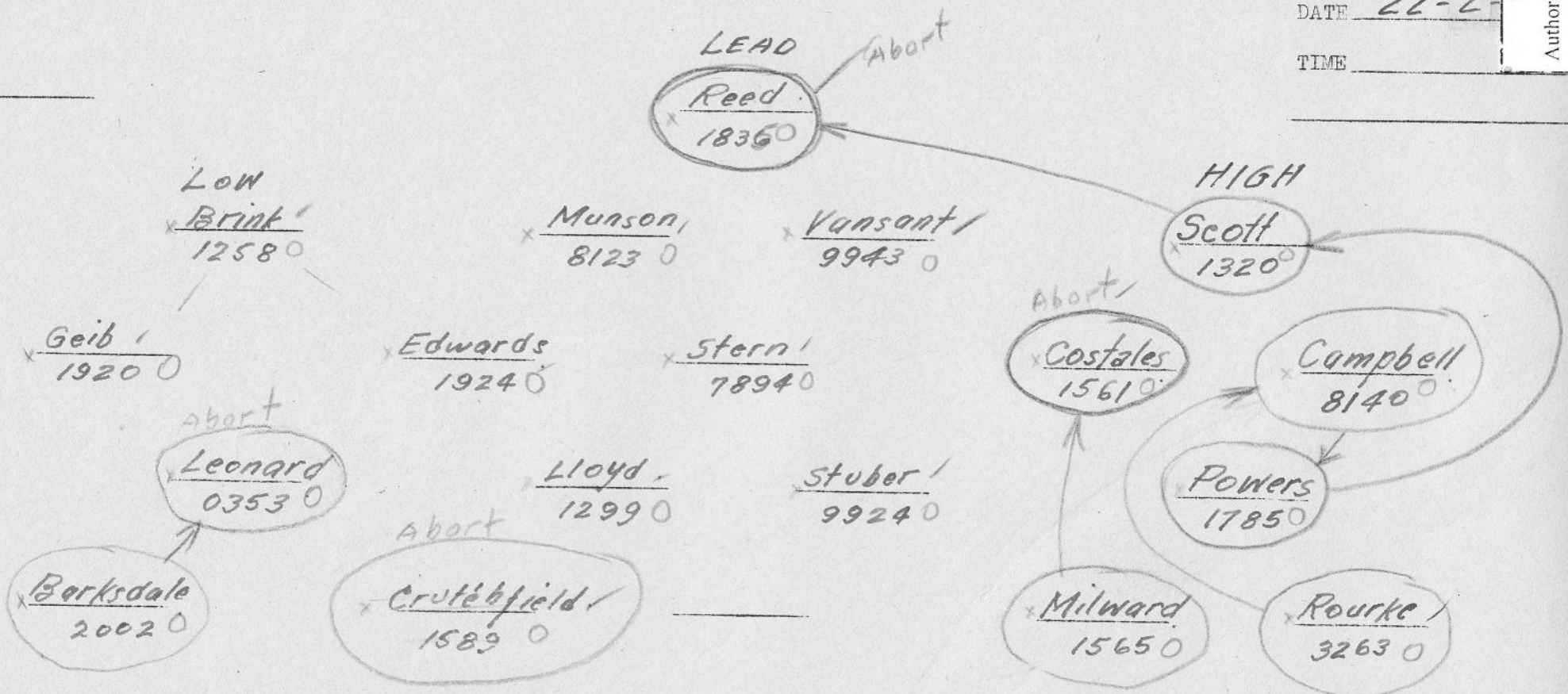
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ABORTIVE

MISSING

CHANGES

EXTRA

EXTRA

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"B" Group (abort)

A.T.F.

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95TH BOMB. GROU

DATE 22-2

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LEAD

Hearn /
1376 0

LOW

Conley /
7495

Kroeger /
1939 0

Westmyer /
1910 0

HIGH

Rogers /
9869 0

Russell /
3529 0

Brownlow /
3024 0

Dean /
7988 0

Calloway /
1734 0

Reis
Gaib /
7882 0

Batcha /
1675 0

Jeffers /
2019 0

Biesecker /
3153

Hiatt /
1681 0

Reed /
3095 0

Gunn /
1798 0

Woodcock /
0342 0

ABORTIVE

MISSING

CHANGES

EXTRA

EXTRA

Worthy /
Flew with 9th Div

Hubbs /
Flew with
Jth Group
39th

Newsome /
Flew with A Group

Cavaliers /
1205 0
Flew with 388th Sq