

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

AP0 559.
7 July 1944.

SUBJECT: Report of Operations Officer, Frantic Mission of 3
July 1944.

TO : Commanding Officer, 95th Bomb Group (H), APO 559.

1. **GENERAL NARRATIVE:** The 95th group flying as low group of 13th combat wing took off at 0830 - 0850 hours. The lead and high squadrons of the group were furnished by the 95th group, the low squadron was furnished by the 100th group and two airborne spares were furnished by the 45th wing. By 0915 the group had assembled over the base at 2,000'.

The first control point was made on time and the combat wing was assembled as planned with the 100th group leading and the 390th group flying as high group. The Italian coast was crossed on the route out at 0955 and the climb to bombing altitude was started at this time, (21,000' for the 95th group). The enemy coast was crossed on the route in at 1030 and the briefed route was followed to the I.P. Bombing altitude was reached at 1146.

Bombs were away at 1214 hours. The rally was effected as planned and the briefed route was followed on the return route. The enemy coast was crossed at 1340 hours and the group arrived back at the base at 1435. The landing was made at 1450 - 1510 hours.

2. **AIRCRAFT NOT ATTACKING:** 18 aircraft, including 1 PFF left the base in the formation shown in attached diagram "A". A/C # 1887 left the formation over Italy and is not credited with a sortie. The remaining 17 A/C attacked the primary and are credited with sorties. The formation over the target is shown in attached diagram "B".

Of the 17 ships credited with sorties 10 are from the 95th group, 5 from the 100th group and 2 from the 45th wing.

3. **LOST AIRCRAFT:** None.

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HEADQUARTERS 95TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP
APO 559STATISTICAL CONTROL REPORT OF AIRCRAFT NOT ATTACKING

13TH COMBAT BOMBARDMENT WING

DATE RENDERED

7 JULY 1944

PART I - TABULAR SUMMARY:

DATE OF MISSION

8 JULY 1944STRATEGICAL MISSION

COMBAT GROUP	SCHEDULED	AIRBORNE	AIRBORNE LESS RETURNING SPARES*	ATTACKING	NOT ATTACKING	SORTIES
"A"	10	10	10	9	1	9

PART II - REASONS WHY AIRCRAFT DID NOT ATTACK OR FAILED TO TAKE OFF:

Combat Gp A.C.S.N. Category Reason for Failure & Corrective Action Sortie (Yes-No)

"A" 42-31887 F ENGINE FAILURE REPAIRED NO

LARRY L. KERR,
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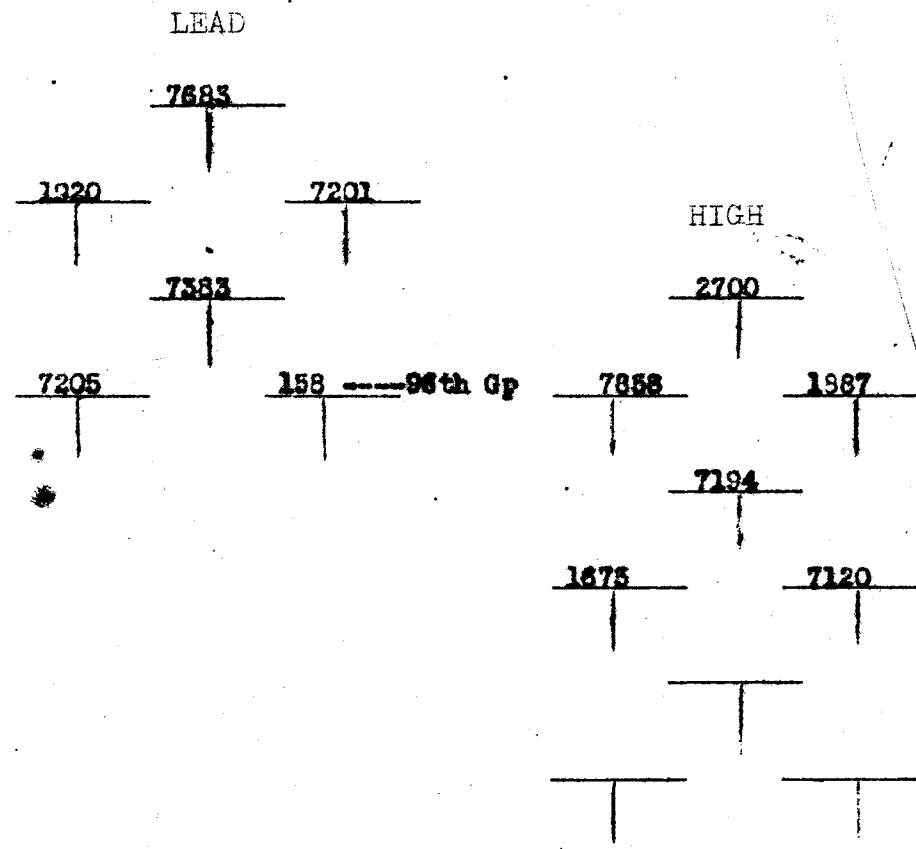
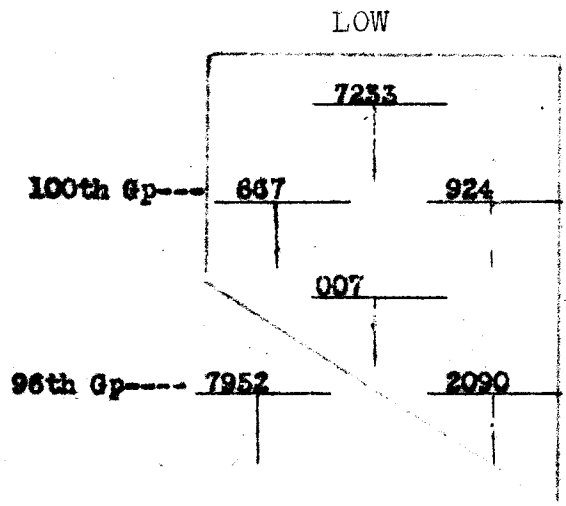
By AK NARA Date 08-15-04

Assembly Diagram "A"

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GROUP FORMATION FORM

DATE 3 July 1944



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

- EXTRA SHIPS
- ____ 334
 - ____ 335
 - ____ 336
 - ____ 412

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH AIR FORCE
 AAF STATION 101
 APO 634

INTOPS SUMMARY NO. 64

PERIOD: 0001 hours 3 July to 2400 hours 3 July 1944

A. STATISTICS

	<u>Missions</u>	<u>Disp.</u>	<u>Sorties</u>	<u>Atkg.</u>	<u>Tonnage</u>	<u>Claims</u>	<u>Losses</u>				<u>Tot.</u>
							<u>E/A</u>	<u>A/A</u>	<u>NE</u>	<u>OT</u>	
Heavy Bomber Attacks	0	0	0	0	0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Fighters Escort	0	0	0	0	0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Fighter Sweeps	0	0	0	0	0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Fighter Bombing	0	0	0	0	0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Photo Recon.	10	10	10	0	0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Weather Recon.	3	3	3	0	0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Special Operations	<u>38</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0-0-0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Totals	51	51	51	0	0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0

B. OPERATIONAL SUMMARY

1. Bomber Attacks

Nil.

2. Fighter Escort

Nil.

3. Fighter Sweeps

Nil.

4. Fighter Bombing

Nil.

5. Photo Reconnaissance

Ten a/c - 9 F5s and 1 Spitfire - dispatched. Nine a/c assigned to photograph A/Fs and factories in Germany and one a/c to cover the Dijon area. After photographing targets, two of these a/c were to proceed to Poltava, Russia, and Bari, Italy, respectively.

Photo Reconnaissance (Continued)

Two a/c failed to obtain photos due to weather; two a/c failed due to mechanical reasons; two a/c landed away from base. Others took photos but failed to cover targets assigned. No losses.

6. Weather Reconnaissance

Three a/c dispatched - 2 B-17s on routine weather flights over north Atlantic, 1 Mosquito on routine weather flight over Channel.

One B-17 landed away from base due to weather. No losses.

7. Special Operations

38 a/c on special operations.

C. INTELLIGENCE

1. Enemy Air Opposition

Nil.

2. Flak

Nil.

3. Observations

Nil.

4. Damage to Enemy Installations

Nil.