

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

APC 559.
8 July 1944.

SUBJECT: Report of Operations Officer, Mission of 6 July 1944.
TO : Commanding Officer, 95th Bomb Group (H), APC 559.

95th "A" Group

1. GENERAL NARRATIVE: The 95th "A" Group formation took off at 0635 - 0648 and assembled over the base at 15,000 feet by 0750 hours. The group was attacking a Noball target and flew as a single group rather than in wing formation.

Leaving the base, 95 "A" started climb - and crossed Spl. 7 at 22,000 feet at 0832 hours and here fell into division formation at a one minute interval behind the 390 "B" group, then proceeding on to Spl. 8 which was reached at 0848 hours.

The English coast was crossed at Bexhill at 0855 hours, the enemy coast at 0913 hours at an altitude of 23,000 feet and the I.P. reached at 0916. 95 "A" made the briefed run on target, released bombs at 0923 hours and proceeded on course out, crossing the enemy coast at 0935 and beginning let down to minimum altitude.

The base was reached at 1028 hours and landing effected at 1022 - 1041 hours.

2. AIRCRAFT NOT ATTACKING: Fourteen A/C left base in formation shown in Diagram "1A". All fourteen A/C attacked the primary target.

3. AIRCRAFT LOST: None.

95th "B" Group

1. GENERAL NARRATIVE: The 95th "B" Group formation took off from base at 0620 - 0636 hours and assembled over base at 17,000 feet at 0740. 95 "B" was flying the second group ahead of 95 "A" Group in the Division formation and followed the same route in and out. From the field, 95 "B" climbed on course to Spl. 7, arriving there at 0828 at 22,000 feet. 95 "A" was ahead of time at this point and so "S"ed in order to fall into proper position in division formation. Spl. 8 was made at 0852 hours, and the English coast left at Bexhill at 0858 hours at an altitude of 24,000 feet.

The enemy coast was crossed at 0918, the I.P. at 0922, turn into target made, and bombs were away at 0930 hours at an altitude of 24,000 feet.

The briefed course was followed back and let down begun at enemy coast at 0943 hours. The English coast was recrossed at 0957 hours - base reached at 1027 and landing effected at 1027 - 1052 hours.

2. AIRCRAFT NOT ATTACKING: Thirteen A/C left base in formation shown in "2A". Spare A/C # 7882 returned before becoming dispatched and does not receive credit for a sortie. The remaining twelve ships attacked the primary target.

3. AIRCRAFT LOST: None.

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Capt., Air Corps,
Actg. Opn. Officer.

95th "A" Group
Over Target
Diagram "B"

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GROUP FORMATION FORM

DATE 6 July 1944 xx

LEAD

ENGLE

29 | 51

LOW

WRIGHT

25 | 60

WALKER

19 | 89

OLMEY

14 | 10

LAIRD

15 | 89

FERGUSON

78 | 79

GRIFFIN

16 | 00

FORD

70 | 47

BASTION

60 | 98

CRAIG

19 | 92

DAY

7154

HIGH

DELUCA

26 | 78

SHERWOOD

24 | 47

MC CULLEY

81 | 78

EXTRA SHIPS

334

335

336

412

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

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95th "A" Group
Assembly
Diagram "A"

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GROUP FORMATION FORM

DATE 6 July 1944

LEAD

ENGLE
29 | 51

LOW

WRIGHT
25 | 60

WALKER
19 | 89

OLNEY
14 | 10

FERGUSON
78 | 79

FORD
70 | 47

BASTION
60 | 98

CRAIG
19 | 92

GRIFFIN
16 | 00

HIGH

DELUCA
26 | 78

SHERWOOD
24 | 47

MC CULLEY
81 | 78

LAIRD
1589

DAY
7154

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

EXTRA SHIPS

334 _____
335 _____
336 _____
412 _____

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95th "B" Group
Over Target
Diagram "B"

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GROUP FORMATION FORM

DATE 6 July 19 44

LEAD

HATHEWAY

72 | 04

LOW

STREETON

60 | 13

HARVEY

13 | 76

BODIN

78 | 44

WYATT

18 | 76

HANNUM

80 | 54

HIGH

BESSER

72 | 64

BUCKLAND

77 | 97

KROOS

78 | 56

ROSSETTI

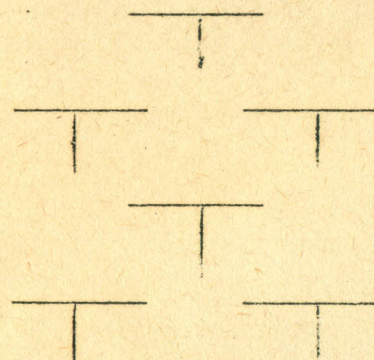
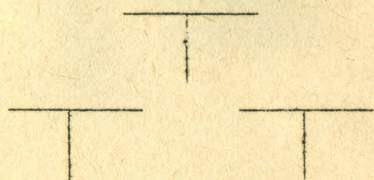
14 | 62

PSOTA

81 | 40

FLETCHER

72 | 32



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

EXTRA SHIPS

334 _____
 335 _____
 336 _____
 412 _____

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95th "B" Group
Assembly
Diagram "A"

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GROUP FORMATION FORM

DATE 6 July 19 44

LEAD

HATHEWAY
72 | 04

LOW

WYATT
18 | 76

HANNUM
80 | 54

HIGH

STREETON
60 | 13

BUCKLAND
77 | 97

BESSER
72 | 64

HARVEY
13 | 76

BODIN
78 | 44

KROOS
78 | 56

ROSSETTI
14 | 62

PSOTA
81 | 40

FLETCHER
72 | 32

BRANUD
7882

EXTRA SHIPS

334 _____
335 _____
336 _____
412 _____

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

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HEADQUARTERS
NINETY FIFTH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
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E-F-26

6 July 1944

SUBJECT: Lead Bombardier's Narrative, Ninety Fifth "B" Bombardment Group,
Mission of 6 July 1944, 5030 $\frac{1}{2}$ N 0219E, France.

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

1. Bombing Approach and Run - We made a left turn over the I.P. and proceeded on course, opening bomb bay doors when we leveled out. A.F.C.E. was set up and bombardier took over ship on bombing run. Check points were picked up on route, but MPI itself could not be picked up. Bombardier oriented himself by landmarks and put cross-hairs on target. Bombs were away at 0931 hours but results unobserved. Flak interfered with part of run, ship being hit on several occasions. Haze over target area but cleared up as we came to release point.

2. Disposition of Bombs - 13 A/C were dispatched from the 95th "B" Group (H) and 12 A/C were over the primary target which dropped 225 x 250# G.P. AN-M57 bombs. Three A/C returned a total of 35 bombs, due to mechanical failure and one usual spare ship. All bombs were fused 1/10 nose and 1/10 tail.

3. Types of Release - Of the 225 bombs dropped on the primary target, all were salvoed armed.

4. Tabular Summary - Aircraft

Main Bombfall	Over Target	Bombing	No.	Size	Bombs		Fuzing	
					Type	Nose Tail		
5030 $\frac{1}{2}$ N 0219E, Fr.	12	12	225	250#	M-57	1/10	1/10	
Total bombs on Tactical Target.			225	250#	M-57	1/10	1/10	
Other Expenditures.			None.					
Bombs Returned.			35	250#	M-57	1/10	1/10	
Total (loaded on A/C taking off).			260	250#	M-57	1/10	1/10	

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

1. Narrative.

- a. Bombing aid used was E-6-B, C-2 and A.F.C.E.
- b. At the I.P. a turn to the left of approximately 80° was made.
- c. Bomb bay doors were opened after leveling out on turn at I.P.
- d. Flak was moderate and accurate. Lead ship receiving hits on bombing run. Haze limited visibility and MPI could not be definitely identified so bombs were dropped in target area by the use of check points.
- e. Results were unobserved.
- f. No suggested tactical changes have been made on this target or any other particular target.

2. Bombardier's from 12-~~E~~ modified is attached.

3. Disposition of Bombs - A/C			Bombs			Fuzing	
Main Bombfall	Over Target	Bombing	No.	Size	Type	Nose	Tail
5030 $\frac{1}{2}$ N 0219E, Fr.	12	12	225	250#	M-57	1/10	1/10
Total bombs on Target.			225	250#	M-57	1/10	1/10
Other Expenditures.			None.				
Bombs Returned.			35	250#	M-57	1/10	1/10
Total (loaded on A/C taking off).			260	250#	M-57	1/10	1/10

4. Types of Release - Of the 225 bombs dropped on the primary target, all were salvoed armed.

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

1. Bombing Approach and Run - Bomb bay doors opened at the I.P. and we made a 80° turn to the left. Ground haze limited visibility. Flak was moderate but did not interfere with bombing run. Could not identify target until last few seconds of bombing run. Bombs were away at 0922 hours and were observed to hit in target area.

2. Disposition of Bombs - 14 A/C were dispatched from the 95th "A" Group and 14 A/C were over the primary target which dropped 280 x 250# G.P. AN-M57 bombs. Two A/C released bombs late due to mechanical failure.

3. Types of Release - Of the 280 bombs dropped on the primary target all were salvoed armed.

4. Tabular Summary - Aircraft

Main Bombfall	Over Target	Bombing	Bombs			Fuzing		
			No.	Type	Size	Nose	Tail	
5028 ^{1/2} N	0211E, Fr.	14	14	280	M-57	250#	1/10	1/10
Total bombs on Target.			280	M-57	250#	1/10	1/10	
Other Expenditures.			None.					
Bombs Returned.			None.					
Total (loaded on A/C taking off).			280	M-57	250#	1/10	1/10	

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

1. Narrative.

- a. Bombing aids used were E-6-B, C-2, and ABC computer and the A.F.C.E.
- b. At the I.P. an 80° turn to the left was made.
- c. Bomb bay doors were opened at the I.P. at 0915 hours.
- d. Ground haze limited visibility and MPI was not definitely identified until last few seconds of bombing run. Flak was moderate but did not hinder bombing run.
- e. Bombs were observed to land in the target area.
- f. There are no suggested tactical changes to be made.

2. Bombardier's form 12-E modified is attached.

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Other Expenditures.			None.			
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