

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

APO 559.  
20 July 1944.

SUBJECT: Report of Operations Officer, Mission of 18 July 1944.

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

95 A Group

1. GENERAL NARRATIVE: The 95 A group, flying as lead group in the 13 B combat wing, took off at 0435 - 0450 hours. By 0550 the group had assembled over the base at 12,000'. Before leaving the area of the base the 95 B group flying as high group and the 100 B group flying as low group joined the formation, making a premature wing rendezvous. All control points over England were made good within one minute and the English coast was departed at 0637 hours.

At 0715 the climb to bombing altitude was started. Bombing altitude of 20,000' was reached at 0800 hours. The turn at the I.P. was made at 0819. The bombing run was made using PFF equipment. Bombs were away at 0825. The rally point was made good. The high group had fallen behind during the bombing run and did not rejoin the wing until 0850 hours.

After the rally point a let down to 15,000' was made. At 0915 the let down to minimum altitude was started.

Just before the English coast was reached on the return route three 360° turns were made in order to let down through a break in the overcast. The English coast was crossed at 1031 and the base was reached at 1040. The group landed at 1100 - 1115 hours.

2. AIRCRAFT NOT ATTACKING: Twenty aircraft, including one PFF and one unused spare, left the base in the formation shown in attached diagram "1A". A/C # 7879 returned as an unused spare. The remaining 19 aircraft bombed the primary and are credited with sorties. The formation over the target is shown in attached diagram "2A".

3. LOST AIRCRAFT: None.

95 B Group

1. GENERAL NARRATIVE: The 95 B group, flying as high group in the 13 B combat wing, took off at 0415-0430 hours and assembled over the base at 14,000'. Before leaving the base the

group joined 95 A which was leading the wing. Since the mission was flown in company with that group, reference is made to the General Narrative of the 95 A group.

2. AIRCRAFT NOT ATTACKING: Twenty aircraft, including 1 PFF and one spare left the base in the formation shown in the attached diagram "1B". A/C 1999 returned as an unused spare. A/C 7801 did not bomb due to the fuze in # 3 engine nacelle being blown. A/C 2427 did not release 5 bombs due to rack failure. Nineteen ships went over the target and are credited with sorties. The formation over the target is shown in attached diagram "2B".

3. LOST AIRCRAFT: None.

LARRY L. KERR,  
Major, Air Corps,  
Actg. Opn. Officer.

95th "A" Group  
Over Target  
Diagram "2A"

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

GROUP FORMATION FORM

DATE 18 July 19 44

LEAD

MILLER (PFF)  
76 | 83

SHELLER  
78 | 91

JACOBSON  
14 | 10

HIGH

LOW

GILBERT  
73 | 83

DOHERTY  
71 | 94

MAYER  
26 | 78

BODIN  
73 | 34

SLUSSER  
24 | 27

HARVEY  
60 | 98

ORNDORFF  
78 | 44

ROMANCHEK  
70 | 47

HAMLIK  
15 | 14

SNOWDEN  
72 | 05

FISS  
1939

MC REYNOLDS  
71 | 54

COTNER  
18 | 67

LAIRD  
71 | 20

GREENWALD  
25 | 60

CRAIG  
19 | 20

EXTRA SHIPS

334 \_\_\_\_\_  
335 \_\_\_\_\_  
336 \_\_\_\_\_  
412 \_\_\_\_\_

BRIEFING \_\_\_\_\_  
READINESS \_\_\_\_\_  
STATIONS \_\_\_\_\_  
TAKE-OFF \_\_\_\_\_  
RENDEZVOUS \_\_\_\_\_

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95th "A" Group  
 Assembly  
 Diagram "1A"

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

GROUP FORMATION FORM

DATE 18 July 1944

LEAD

MILLER (PFF)  
 76 | 83

SHELLER                      JACOBSON  
 78 | 01                      14 | 10

HIGH

DOHERTY  
 71 | 94

MAYER  
 26 | 78

LOW

GILBERT  
 73 | 83

BODIN                      SLUSSER  
 73 | 34                      24 | 27

HARVEY                      ORNDORFF  
 60 | 98                      78 | 44

ROMANCHEK                      HAMLIK  
 70 | 47                      15 | 14

SNOWDEN  
 72 | 05

MC REYNOLDS  
 71 | 54

COTNER                      LAIRD  
 18 | 67                      71 | 20

FIESS  
 1939

GREENWALD                      CRAIG  
 25 | 60                      19 | 20

BOUDON  
 7879

EXTRA SHIPS

334 \_\_\_\_\_  
 335 \_\_\_\_\_  
 336 \_\_\_\_\_  
 412 \_\_\_\_\_

BRIEFING \_\_\_\_\_  
 READINESS \_\_\_\_\_  
 STATIONS \_\_\_\_\_  
 TAXI \_\_\_\_\_  
 TAKE-OFF \_\_\_\_\_  
 RENDEZVOUS \_\_\_\_\_

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95th "B" Group  
Over Target  
Diagram "2B"

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

GROUP FORMATION FORM

DATE 18 July 1944

LEAD

RIVENBARK (PPF)  
75 | 61

LOW

METZINGER      HANNUM  
81 | 40              78 | 82

HIGH

HOUSER  
29 | 51

BUCKLAND  
72 | 57

DANCISIN  
77 | 97

GRIFFIN      FERGUSON  
72 | 64              81 | 78

SMARSH      FLETCHER  
78 | 58              16 | 75

GILLES      ABRAHAM  
78 | 98              72 | 32

SHERWOOD  
72 | 15

MC CULLEY  
1589

RIBNIKAR  
20 | 66

DAY      BASTION  
72 | 01              24 | 50

AUSTIN      WYATT  
29 | 37              18 | 87

EXTRA SHIPS

334 \_\_\_\_\_  
335 \_\_\_\_\_  
336 \_\_\_\_\_  
412 \_\_\_\_\_

BRIEFING \_\_\_\_\_  
READINESS \_\_\_\_\_  
STATIONS \_\_\_\_\_  
AXI \_\_\_\_\_  
TAKE-OFF \_\_\_\_\_  
RENDEZVOUS \_\_\_\_\_

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95th "B" Group  
 Assembly  
 Diagram "1B"

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

GROUP FORMATION FORM

DATE 18 July 19 44

LEAD

RIVENBARK (PFF)

75 | 61

METZINGER

81 | 40

HANNUM

78 | 82

HIGH

DANCISIN

77 | 97

LOW

HOUSER

29 | 51

BUCKLAND

72 | 57

GILLES

78 | 98

ABRAHAM

72 | 32

GRIFFIN

72 | 64

FERGUSON

81 | 78

SMARSH

78 | 58

FLETCHER

16 | 75

RIBNIKAR

20 | 66

SHERWOOD

72 | 15

AUSTIN

29 | 37

WYATT

18 | 87

DAY

72 | 01

BASTION

24 | 50

MC CULLEY

1589

KINNEY

1999

EXTRA SHIPS

334 \_\_\_\_\_

335 \_\_\_\_\_

336 \_\_\_\_\_

412 \_\_\_\_\_

BRIEFING \_\_\_\_\_  
 READINESS \_\_\_\_\_  
 STATIONS \_\_\_\_\_  
 TAXI \_\_\_\_\_  
 TAKE-OFF \_\_\_\_\_  
 RENDEZVOUS \_\_\_\_\_

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By CP NARA Date 17-9-01

## FORM 3

STATION 119DATE 18 July 1944

	LET	SHIP	PILOT	TARGET	TIME OFF		LANDING		REMARKS
					EST	ACT	EST	ACT	
335	S	7561	Rivendale		✓0451		1059		
412	T	7882	Hannum		0441		1100		
"	C	8140	Putzinger		0442		1058		
"	L	7257	Buckland		0443		1102		
"	X	1999	Kinney		0444		0640	-	
"	Y	7858	Smarski		0445		1101		
"	H	7797	Pauisim	Hi	0446		1104		
"	O	7232	Abraham		0501		1105		
"	A	7898	Gilles		0447		1103		
"	D	2066	Ribnikar		0448		1106		
"	K	1887	Wyatt		0449		1107		
"	E	2937	Austrian		0450		1106		
334	Q	2951	Houser	Lo	✓0451		1109		
"	K	8178	Ferguson		✓0452		1110		
"	H	7264	Giffin		✓0453		1113		
"	N	7215	Shenwood		✓0454		1111		

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 BY SA NARA Date 12-9-04



STATION 119

FORM 3

DATE 18 July 1944

	LET	SHIP	PILOT	TARGET	TIME OFF		LANDING		REMARKS
					LST	ACT	EST	ACT	
336	K	2450	Bastion			0455		1112	
334	J	7201	Ray			✓0456		1110	
412	W	1675	Fletcher	Spars		0457		1109	
334	C-	1589	McCully	"		✓0458		1102	
			"						
			"						
	D	7586	"						
335	A	7683	Miller			✓0418		1048	
336	G	1410	Jacobson			0419		1049	
"	P	7801	Sheller			0420		1047	
"	O	7194	Roberts			0421		1051	
"	R	7844	Dudorff			0423		1052	
"	N	6098	Harvey			0424		1050	
334	R	2678	Nease	Hi		✓0425		1054	
335	K	1514	Hankit			✓0426		1055	
334	M	7047	Romancheck			✓0427		1053	
"	F	7154	McRaynolds			✓0428		1056	
"	G	1920	Craig			✓0429		1046	

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 By PA NARA Date 12-9-04



## FORM 3

STATION

119

DATE

18 July 1944

	LET	SHIP	PILOT	TARGET	TIME OFF		LANDING		REMARKS
					LST	ACT	EST	ACT	
335	X	2560	Greenwald		0435		1055		
336	F	7383	Gilbert	Lo	0430		1043		
"	C	2427	Blush		0431		1043		
"	S	7334	Bodin		0432		1043		
"	L	7205	Snooden		0433		1045		
"	E	7120	Laird		0434		1045		
335	P	1867	Cotter		0437		1044		
334	U	7879	Boudou	Spare	0436		1057		
336	J	1939	Fliss	"	0438		0728		

By *PA* NARA Date 12-9-04Authority *WMO 745005*

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

E-E-26

18 July 1944

SUBJECT: Lead Navigator's Narrative, Ninety Fifth "A" Group, Mission of  
18 July 1944, Nemmingstedt, Germany.

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

1. Ninety Fifth "A" Group flew as lead of the 13th "B" Combat Wing. We formed the group at 0550 hours over the base and picked up the high group over the base at 12000'. At 0608 hours we were at the base and formed the wing at this time. We were unable to make control points BU# 22, BU# 12 and BU# 9 on time due to poor metre data. We followed the general course and left the English coast at Great Yarmouth at 0637 hours.

2. We started our climb at 0715 hours, 5330N 0348E to 18000'. At 0800 hours we were at 18000' at 5415N 0718E. Our I.P. was reached at 0819 hours, 5420N 0837E on course. We turned north of I.P. about 12 miles to lengthen the bombing run.

3. Bombs were away at 0825 hours on a true heading of 124°. The bombing run was made with the aid of the P.F.F. Aircraft and its equipment. We turned at the Rally Point to a true course of 312° at 0829 hours reaching the coast at 0840 hours at 5428N 0837E where we started to let down to 15000'.

4. At 1008 hours we were 20 miles off the coast at Great Yarmouth and we flew three 360° turns letting down to 1000' to get under the clouds. We reached Great Yarmouth at 1031 hours. We were over the base at 1040 hours at 1000'.

ALEXANDER M. COCHRAN  
1st Lt., Air Corps,  
Lead Navigator.

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

E-E-26

18 July 1944

SUBJECT: Lead Navigator's Narrative, Ninety Fifth "B" Group, Mission of  
18 July 1944, Neumungstedt, Germany.

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

1. The Ninety Fifth "B" Group flew as high group in the 13th "B" Combat Wing. We were airborne at 0415 hours. The Group was formed over the base at 14000' at 0550 hours. The wing was formed at The Waze at 0608 hours at 14000'. We were unable to make control points BU# 22, BU# 12, BU# 9 on time due to poor metro data. We followed the general course and left the English coast at Great Yarmouth at 0637 hours at 14000'.

2. We started our climb at 0715 hours, 5330N 0348E to 19000'. At 0800 hours we were at 19000' at 5415N 0718E. Our I.P. was reached at 0819 hours, 5424N 0815E on course. We made a P.P.F. run on the primary target. The lead and low groups identified a differen't mickey return for the target, and we became seperated on the bombing run.

3. We came out on the briefed course crossing the Enemy coast at 0835 hours at 5425N 0850E and formed again with the lead and low group at 5422N 0733E at 0851 hours. We followed the briefed course back to Great Yarmouth.

4. At 1008 hours we were 20 miles off the coast at Great Yarmouth and we flew three 360° turns letting down to 1000'. We reached Great Yarmouth at 1027 hours and proceeded back to the base as a single group reaching the base at 1040 hours at 1000'.

ZEDDIE R. TEAGARDEN  
1st Lt., Air Corps,  
Lead Navigator.

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

E-F-26

18 July 1944

SUBJECT: Lead Bombardier's Narrative, Ninety Fifth "B" Group, Mission of  
18 July 1944, Nemmingstedt, Germany.

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

1. Narrative.

- a. Bombing aids used were E-6-B, C-2, P.F.F. aircraft and its equipment and the Automatic Flight Control Equipment.
- b. We made a gradual turn to the right at the I.P.
- c. The bomb bay doors were opened at the I.P.
- d. P.F.F. bombing was used as there was a 10/10ths cloud coverage, at the target. The mickey operator brought the plane in on the bomb run and the bombing was completed with the bombsight with directions from the mickey operator. No observed results were seen.
- e. No observation of the results were made because of undercast.
- f. No suggested tactical changes in bombing technique on target.

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

3. Disposition of Bombs - A/C

Main Bombfall	Over Target		Bombing	No.	Bombs Size	Type	Fuzing	
							Nose	Tail
Nemmingstedt, Ger.	18		18	165	500#	M-64	1/10	1/40
Total on Target.				165	500#	M-64	1/10	1/40
Other Expenditures.				None.				
Bombs Returned.				25	500#	M-64	1/10	1/40
Total (loaded on A/C taking off).				190	500#	M-64	1/10	1/40

4. Types of Release - All 165 bombs dropped at the primary target were trained at 150' interval and armed.

EDWARD WIENER  
2nd Lt., Air Corps,  
Lead Bombardier.

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

E-P-26

18 July 1944

SUBJECT: Lead Bombardier's Narrative, Ninety Fifth "B" Group, Mission of  
 18 July 1944, Nemmingstedt, Germany.

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

1. Bombing Approach and Run - The C-2, the E-6-B were used for the computation of altitude and air speeds. P.P.F. bombing was used as there was a 10/10ths cloud coverage at the target. The prescribed I.P. was used with the direction from the mickey operator. At the I.P. the bomb bay doors were opened. The mickey operator brought the plane in on the bomb run and the bombing was completed with the bombsight with directions from the mickey operator. No observations of the results were made because of cloud coverage.

2. Disposition of Bombs - 19 A/C were dispatched from the 95th "B" Group. 18 A/C were over the primary target and dropped 165 x 500# G.P. AN-M64 bombs. A/C #7801 returned 10 x 500# G.P. AN-M64 bombs because of the fuses being burned out was unable to release bombs. A/C #2427 returned 5 x 500# G.P. AN-M64 bombs because of mechanical failure. One unused spare A/C returned 10 x 500# AN-M64 G.P. bombs. Fuzing was 1/10 nose and 1/40 tail.

3. Types of Release - All 165 bombs dropped at the primary target were trained at 150' interval and armed.

4. Tabular Summary - Aircraft

Main Bombfall	Over Target		Bombs	No.	Size	Type	Fuzing	
	Over Target	Bombing					Nose	Tail
Nemmingstedt, Ger.	18	18	165	500#	M-64	1/10	1/40	
Total on Target.			165	500#	M-64	1/10	1/40	
Other Expenditures.			None.					
Bombs Returned.			25	500#	M-64	1/10	1/40	
Total (loaded on A/C taking off).			190	500#	M-64	1/10	1/40	

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 2nd Lt., Air Corps,  
 Lead Bombardier.

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

E-F-26

18 July 1944

SUBJECT: Lead Bombardier's Narrative, Ninety Fifth "A" Group, Mission of  
18 July 1944, Neumungstedt, Germany.

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

## 1. Narrative.

a. Bombing aids used were E-6-B, C-2, AFCE and P.F.F. aircraft and its equipment.

b. The maneuver at the I.P. was a gradual turn to the right.

c. Bomb bay doors were opened at the I.P. at 0819 hours.

d. We used the A.F.C.E. on the bombing run, which was wholly P.F.F. The groups fell behind in trail on the I.P. as there was only a slight turn. Bomb bay doors were opened at the I.P. at 0819 hours. There was no enemy resistance on the bombing run. The weather was 10/10ths overcast and the results were unobserved.

e. Bombing results were not observed due to 10/10ths undercast.

f. No suggested tactical changes in bombing technique on this target or on any particular target.

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

3. Disposition of Bombs - A/C		Bombs			Fuzing	
Main Bombfall	Over Target	Bombing	No.	Size	Type	Nose Tail
Neumungstedt, Ger.	18	18	180	500#	M-64	1/10 1/40
Total on Target.			180	500#	M-64	1/10 1/40
Other Expenditures.			None.			
Bombs Returned.			10	500#	M-64	1/10 1/40
Total (loaded on A/C taking off).			190	500#	M-64	1/10 1/40

4. Types of Release - All the 180 bombs dropped at the assigned primary target were trained at 150' intervalometer armed.

LEWIS W. MAYO  
1st Lt., Air Corps,  
Lead Bombardier.

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

E-F-26

18 July 1944

SUBJECT: Lead Bombardier's Narrative, Ninety Fifth "A" Group, Mission of  
18 July 1944, Hemmingstedt, Germany.

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

1. We used the AFCE on the bombing run, which was wholly P.F.F. The groups fell behind in trail on the I.P. as there was only a slight turn bomb bay doors were opened at the I.P. at 0819 hours. There was no enemy resistance on the run. The weather was 10/10ths overcast and the results were unobserved.

2. Disposition of Bombs - 19 A/C were dispatched from the 95th "A" Group and 18 A/C dropped at the primary target a total of 180 x 500# G.P. AN-M64 bombs. Fuzing was 1/10 nose and 1/40 tail. One unused spare A/C returned 10 x 500# G.P. AN-M64 bombs.

3. Types of Release - All the 180 bombs dropped at the assigned primary target were trained at 150' intervalometer and armed.

4. Tabular Summary - Aircraft			Bombs			Fuzing	
Main Bombfall	Over Target	Bombing	No.	Size	Type	Nose	Tail
Hemmingstedt, Ger.	18	18	180	500#	M-64	1/10	1/40
Total on Target.			180	500#	M-64	1/10	1/40
Other Expenditures.			None.				
Bombs Returned.			10	500#	M-64	1/10	1/40
Total (loaded on A/C taking off).			190	500#	M-64	1/10	1/40

LEWIS W. MAYO  
1st Lt., Air Corps.  
Lead Bombardier.

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HEADQUARTERS  
NINETY-FIFTH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)  
OFFICE OF THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICE  
APO 559

D-B-11  
July 18, 1944.

SUBJECT: S-2 Report, 95th "A" and 95th "B".

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

1. Nineteen A/C plus one PFF A/C of the 95th Bomb Group took off beginning at 0451 hours to form the lead Group of the 13th "B" Combat Wing and attack Hemmingstedt, Germany. A/C 1999 returned early-unused spare.

Nineteen A/C plus one PFF of the 95th Bomb Group took off beginning at 0418 hours to form the high Group of the 13th "B" Combat Wing and attack Hemmingstedt, Germany. A/C 1939 returned early-unused spare.

2. No E/A were encountered.

3. No flak was encountered.

4. Bombing results unobserved as bombs were dropped thru 10/10 cloud on PFF A/C.

5. Micky Operators believe primary target was hit. A/C 7801 had a malfunction in bomb racks and bombs wouldn't release-bombs returned. A/C 2427 had 5 bombs hang up-returned. All A/C returned to this base and landed by 1115 hours.

For the Intelligence Officer:

STANLEY R. WHEATON,  
Captain, Air Corps,  
Ass't. S-2 Officer.