

FORMATION DIAGRAM

95TH BOMB. GROUP (H)

DATE 12-12-44

TIME

A.T.F.

C.W.

"A"

W. HAMILTON
80/40

Wright
87/60

Helm
24/50

RADKE
24/55

TREGONING
73/76

Bramlett
29/51

RYAN
86/51

GREER
89/42

Richardson
64/75

Dillon
71/94

J. HAMILTON
72/04

PAINTER
83/05

11. DAMAGE TO A/C

12. CREW COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS: BEST FORMATION
EVER FLOWN BY THIS CREW.

Interrogator Robert L. Achin 2nd LT Time Completed 1710

11. DAMAGE TO A/C None.

12. CREW COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS single B 17's that fly along
beside formation on way to target
should be challenged

Interrogator J. J. Gross Time Completed 1710

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INTERROGATION FORM

HAMILTON, J
Pilot's last name

1. 95A 335th 7204 B 12X500 0858 12-12-44
Group Squadron A/C Number Letter Bomb Load Take Off Date

2. A/C Returning Not Accomplishing Mission:

Place of Turn Back Time Reason

3. Position in Formation (Rank) (Name)(Initial) (Rank)(Name)(Initial)
(Over Target)

						P	<u>1st Lt. Hamilton, J. E.</u>	<u>T/S McGhee, K. W.</u>
		T				CP	<u>2nd Lt. Breck, C. O.</u>	<u>S/S Gomez, J.</u>
		T	T					
	T	T	<u>T</u>	T		N	<u>2nd Lt. Walding, W. H.</u>	<u>S/ Relan L. M.</u>
	T					B	<u>S/S McConnell, S. J.</u>	
				T		FG	<u>T/S Kopke, F. R.</u>	<u>S/S Schroedter, E. J.</u>
				T		CB		

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INTERROGATION FORM

GREER

1. 95 A 335th 8942 Y 10/500 0904 12-12-44
Group Squadron A/C Number Letter Bomb Load Take Off Date

2. A/C Returning Not Accomplishing Mission:

Place of Turn Back Time Reason

3. Position in Formation (Rank) (Name)(Initial) (Rank)(Name)(Initial)
(Over Target)

						P	<u>1st Lt. Greer, E. P.</u>	<u>T/ Donohue, J. H.</u>
		T				CP	<u>2nd Lt. Gatchius, J. J.</u>	<u>S/S Simone, A. R.</u>
		T	<u>T</u>	T				
	T	T	T	T		N	<u>2nd Lt. Scott, R. T.</u>	<u>S/ Knell, O. J.</u>
	T					B	<u>2nd Lt. Bookman, J. A.</u>	<u>S/S Newland, H. F.</u>
				T		FG	<u>S/S Nadi, C. P.</u>	
				T		CB		<u>Sgt. Richters, W. C.</u>

C O N F I D E N T I A L

SUBJECT: PFF BOMBING REPORT.

(BRIEFED TARGET)

(DATE)

TO : COMMANDING GENERAL, 3RD BOMBARDMENT DIVISION, APO 559.

1. The following is the interrogation report submitted by the Radar Navigator of PFF aircraft # _____ which participated in the above operational mission.

Radar Navigator BURTON, H.F. F/O PFF Mission # 6
(Name) (Rank)

Pilot HAMILTON D.R. Nav. Doherty Bomb. Sheweloff

Airplane 040 Squadron 95A Group 95 Combat Wing 134
(Serial No.)

Formation Lead: 95 A Lead.
(Lead or deputy lead of which squadron)

Was bombing done by Squadrons? yes Group? _____

Were bombs dropped by H2X? NO Micro-H? NO Visually YES

Combination? (If so, what?) MICRO-H used for course

What was visibility over target? (Smoke?) SMOKE

Other outside interference on bomb run: NONE

Coordinates of IP? As briefed 9950 N. 0737E Other _____

Was drift killed on bomb run? YES

At bombs away: True Alt. 25000 True Heading 95 G.S. 295

Drift + 5 Time bombs were dropped 12:20:30

Target attacked: DOWN ST. ALT.

Radar Navigator's opinion of the bombing results from the MPI:

Good

(Short) (Over) (Right) (Left)

Was Mickey Equipment working satisfactorily on the bomb run? YES

If not, explain: _____

Bombing done by H2X technique

1. Distance target first identified in scope: _____

2. Was bombsight coordination used? _____ What ground range checks were used? _____ Did indices agree with checks? _____

3. Did the radar navigator or bombardier set up course? _____ range? _____

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5. Did RN follow through after last check was given? _____

6. Remarks: _____

Bombing done by Micro-H technique

1. Where were beacons first received?

(Code) beacon I-1 130 miles from beacon.

(Code) beacon III 150 miles from beacon.

Both together 100 miles from target.

2. Were beacons received continuously with sufficient strength yes

Remarks: _____

3. Was briefed absolute altitude used? yes

4. What briefed check points were called to bombardier? NONE

5. Did bombsight indices agree with each RH check? yes

6. Were any visual corrections made by bombardier? yes

7. Remarks: _____

W. J. Burrow
(Name)

F/6
(Rank)

95 bomb Gp
(Org. and Section)

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12. CREW COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS:

VHF Discipline was
Statement of egg mainly
No calls of day in A/E

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RICHARDSON

Pilot's last name

1. 95A 335th 6475 T 12 I 500 0901 12-12-44
 Group Squadron A/C Number Letter Bomb Load Take Off Date

2. A/C Returning Not Accomplishing Mission:

COMPLETED

Place of Turn Back Time Reason

3. Position in Formation (Rank) (Name)(Initial) (Rank)(Name)(Initial)
(Over Target)

						P	<u>2nd Lt. Richardson, H.W.</u>	<u>Sgt. Jones, E.S.</u>
			T					
			T	T		CP	<u>2nd Lt. Folke, L.W.</u>	<u>Sgt. Williams, P.</u>
			T	T				
	T	T	T	T	(T)	N	<u>F/O Smith, B.</u>	<u>Sgt. Lukens, G. H.</u>
			T	T				
	T	T		T	T	B	<u>2nd Lt. Millen, A.E.</u>	<u>Sgt. Squires, E.G.</u>
						RG	<u>Sgt. Malino, A. H.</u>	
						CB		

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RADKE

Pilot's last name

1. 95A 335th 2455 Z 12 I 500 0955 12-12-44
 Group Squadron A/C Number Letter Bomb Load Take Off Date

2. A/C Returning Not Accomplishing Mission:

Place of Turn Back Time Reason

3. Position in Formation (Rank) (Name)(Initial) (Rank)(Name)(Initial)
(Over Target)

						P	<u>1st Lt. Radke, V.C.</u>	<u>T/S Clay, S.A.</u>
			T					
			T	(T)		CP	<u>1st Lt. Hammond, T.D.</u>	<u>T/S Matt, F.A.</u>
			T	T				
	T	T	T	T	T	N	<u>1st Lt. Alexander, S.E.</u>	<u>S/S Smith, E.K.</u>
			T	T				
	T	T		T	T	B	<u>1st Lt. Delcroix, C.M.</u>	
						RG	<u>T/S Hagerty, J.A.</u>	<u>S/S Galvin, W.C.</u>
						CB		<u>S/S Wittig, C.</u>

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12. CREW COMPLAINTS AND SUGGESTIONS:

^{ROOM}
MAIL IN 335TH SQDN IS NOT OPEN FOR
CREWS RETURNING FROM MISSIONS.

Interrogator Joseph W. Zibbe Time Completed 1:50

11. DAMAGE TO A/C _____

12. CREW COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS: _____

17012
New cue sticks at clubs

Interrogator

F. K. Polce

Time Completed

172

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INTERROGATION FORM

WRIGHT

Pilot's last name

1. 95 A 535th 8760 X 12 X 500 0902 12-12-44
Group Squadron A/C Number Letter Bomb Load Take Off Date

2. A/C Returning Not Accomplishing Mission:

COMPLETED

Place of Turn Back Time Reason

3. Position in Formation (Rank) (Name)(Initial) (Rank)(Name)(Initial)
(Over Target)

P 1st Lt. Wright R. H. T/S Fendren, R. K.

CP F/O White, S. L. S/S Carroll, H. J.

W 1st Lt. Frei, F.F. S/S Darrah, M. J.

B 2nd Lt. Levin, I. H.

RG T/S Hamilton, R. W. S/S Fisk, E. H.

CB

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12. CREW COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS:

WEATHER REPORT NOT DEPENDABLE.

Interrogator

Joseph W. Zwick

Time Completed

1735

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DATE 12-12-46

TIME

A.T.F.

C.W.

GILLEN
79/61

CASH
84/41

COTTMAN
72/32

RISTINE
82/88

Metzinger
85/43

HAIL
14/62

WALTER
80/67

Jensen
77/83

OLSON
65/22

RECOVER
78/58

Sutkowski
20/66

WALTER
08/46

DES...
65/28

11. DAMAGE TO A/C None

12. CREW COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS:

Flying too slow after 1P

Interrogator WA Time Completed 17 ~~34~~

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12. CREW COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS:

S.O.P. Orders on

Yellow-Yellow & Red Red bombing should be
explained clearly to all Officers -
Group or Squadron Bomb Runs -

Interrogator

AWheaton

Time Completed

C O N F I D E N T I A L

SUBJECT: PFF BOMBING REPORT. R.R. MAR. YDS. @ DARMSTADT DEC 12, 1944
(BRIEFED TARGET) (DATE)

TO : COMMANDING GENERAL, 3RD BOMBARDMENT DIVISION, APO 559.

1. The following is the interrogation report submitted by the Radar Navigator of PFF aircraft # 7961 which participated in the above operational mission.

Radar Navigator DEMENT, J.F. 2NDLT. PFF Mission # 7
(Name) (Rank)

Pilot GILLEN J. D.R. Nav. BALLATORE, D. Bomb. LYTLE J.

Airplane 7961 Squadron B Group 95 Combat Wing 13A
(Serial No.)

Formation Lead: LEAD "B" SQDN.
(Lead or deputy lead of which squadron)

Was bombing done by Squadrons? YES Group? _____

Were bombs dropped by H2X? _____ Micro-H? _____ Visually

Combination? (If so, what?) PUT BOMBARDIER ON TARGET PFF

What was visibility over target? (Smoke?) GOOD

Other outside interference on bomb run: -

Coordinates of IP? As briefed 4950N 0738E Other 4952N 0738E

Was drift killed on bomb run? YES

At bombs away: True Alt. 27000' True Heading 095° G.S. 304K

Drift 1L Time bombs were dropped 1222

Target attacked: R.R. YDS DARMSTADT

Radar Navigator's opinion of the bombing results from the MPI:

(Short) (Over) (Right) (Left)

Was Mickey Equipment working satisfactorily on the bomb run? YES

If not, explain: _____

Bombing done by H2X technique

1. Distance target first identified in scope: 457mi

2. Was bombsight coordination used? _____ What ground range checks were used? _____ Did indices agree with checks? _____

3. Did the radar navigator or bombardier set up course? SET COURSE
BOMBS DROPPED VISUALLY
range? _____

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12. CREW COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS: _____

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Absolutely no vertical clearance between
squadrons today.

Interrogator

FEIR

Time Completed _____

12. CREW COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS:

*Stiff oxygen hose
in tail restricts movement of gunner.*

Interrogator

J. Johnson

Time Completed

1637

11. DAMAGE TO A/C

None

12. CREW COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS:

*Captain finished at of Dec 12, 1944 wants
D.F.C.*

*Crew have more to go and want right away.
Crew also wants D.F.C.*

Interrogator

J. Pierce

Time Completed

1700

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12. CREW COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS: SUGGEST BOMB. & NAU.

PRE-BRIEFING BE HELD BETWEEN BRIEFING

AND TAKE-OFF INSTEAD OF BEFORE BRIEFING.

PLENTY OF TIME FOR IT AND WOULD ASSIST

SECURITY.

Interrogator

L. W. Michels
Capt., A.C.

Time Completed 1635

(4959-0809)-13.11 -RA

11. DAMAGE TO A/C NONE

12. CREW COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS: EVERY ON SEEMED TO BE USING RED-RED FLARES. ANOTHER GRP. USED SAME.

Interrogator

Whick
Arpac

Time Completed 17.15

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TIME _____

A.T.F.

C.W.

C

WILSON
82/10

GARRISON
81/06

ROSE
81/99

TAYLOR, D
86/17

WALKER
82/72

RodKins
72/01

Lenox
65/83

COTNER
85/84

BURNS
78/44

Donwody
84/69

Koehler
85/51

ROSS
83/33

GROSS
82/83

Need mess kits in plane - might have
needed them tonight
D.F.C.'2

Interrogator

FEIR

Time Completed

11. DAMAGE TO A/C NONE

12. CREW COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS: ALSO USED RED-RED
FLARES OVER BASE.

Interrogator

R. Michael
Captain

Time Completed

17:30

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12. CREW COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS: WANT SOMETHING BESIDE
EGGS FOR BREAKFAST.

Interrogator Robert J. Cochran 2nd LT Time Completed 1725

11. DAMAGE TO A/C

None

12. CREW COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS:

Consider Supplies from R. R. Store this
morning

Interrogator

J. K. Pearce

Time Completed

1725

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5005
20/07

12. CREW COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS: EVERYONE SHOULD

DISCHARGE CHAFF TOGETHER. BOYS GETTING
CARELESS. DEC?

Interrogator

W. Michels
Capt., A/C

Time Completed

17.25

12. CREW COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS: _____

~~None~~
Let's have some SGR 51 equipment on this
base - 100th has it

Interrogator _____

[Signature]

Time Completed _____

AD
5005
120/07

12. CREW COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS:

Have truck bring crew up to Bugby room
for interrogation.

A. P. 1000

17:30

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PART II

OPERATIONAL USE OF H2X EQUIPMENT

D*11

A/C No. 210

PILOT WILSON

NO. OWENS

MISSION NO. 2

DATE DECEMBER 12 44

(A) PERFORMANCE OF H2X EQUIPMENT:

(1) TECHNICAL DEFECTS:

THE SWEEP DELAY SWITCH AT THE 130 TO 140 MILE SETTING INSTALLED 20 MILES OF DELAY IN STEAD OF THE NORMAL 10 MILES OF DELAY.

COULD EQUIPMENT BE USED FOR BOMBING? YES OR NO YES

(2) TIME AND PLACE OF VARIATION OF PERFORMANCE, IF ANY:

NO VARIATION

(3) RANGE OF BEACONS:

BEACONS WERE PICKED UP ON 20 MILE RANGE WITH 90 MILES OF DELAY SET IN. FOUR BEACONS WERE RECEIVED WITHOUT DIFFICULTY.

(4) OTHER INFORMATION:

COMAND PILOT DECIDED THAT THE BOMB RUN WOULD BE VISUAL AT THE I.P., THE MICKY OP. KILLED COURSE FOR BOMBARDIER AND BOMBARDIER DROPPED ON HIS OWN RATE WHICH COINCIDED WITH THE MICRO-H BOMBS AWAY OVER THE INTERPHONE.

Norman H. Moore
NORMAN H. MOORE
1ST. LT. A. C.
PFF MAINTENANCE O.

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