

IMMEDIATE INTERPRETATION REPORT NO. K. 3941

LOCALITY: ULM (NEW ULM) ORDNANCE DEPOT and STORAGE.

PERIOD COVERED: From 1800 B hours on 11 SEP 1944 and 1615 A hours on 14 MAR 1945.ATTACKS:

	<u>Date</u>	<u>S.A.</u>	<u>Reported Weather</u>
U.S. 8th AIR FORCE	4 MAR 1945	3328	10/10 cloud

PROVISIONAL STATEMENT ON DAMAGE:

Heavy damage is seen in the target area. All four of the large ordnance buildings have been severely damaged. A large unidentified building has the entire roof stripped, another has approximately one-half of the roof stripped and another large unidentified building has approximately one-third of the roof missing. Ten small unidentified buildings have been destroyed and five have been severely damaged.

A large factory type building immediately Southwest of the target has been severely damaged. In the same area, twenty small and medium sized buildings, similar to those in the depot, have been severely damaged or destroyed. More than three hundred craters are seen in open fields North of the target area.

Details of Damage are as follows:  
(Nos. refer to Illustration No. 3(k)40/2)

- |                                  |   |  |
|----------------------------------|---|--|
| 1. Ordnance Building (repairs ?) | : | Entire roof stripped.  |
| 2. " " "                         | : | " " "  |
| 3. " " "                         | : | Approx. 3/4 of roof stripped.  |
| 4. " " "                         | : | " " " " "  |
| Small unidentified buildings     | : | 10 destroyed<br>5 severely damaged   |
| Large unidentified buildings.    | : | 1 has entire roof missing.<br>1 has one-half of roof missing.<br>1 is approx. 1/2 destroyed. |

.(Prints: 3135/6)

This report is subject to correction and amplification from a more detailed assessment.

PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN BY: 540 Squadron.

SORTIE: 106G/4796

MEAN TIME AND DATE OF PHOTOGRAPHY: 1615 A hrs. on 14 MAR 1945.

SCALE: 1/8,000 (F.L.36")

COVER AND QUALITY: Full cover on prints of fair quality.

LAST REPORT: K. 3148 dated 12 SEP 1944.

COMPARATIVE SORTIE USED: US7GR/3244 (2101/02)

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ULM O  
DEPOL  
IMED -  
DIST. 24-6





Date 4 March 1945  
13 C. I. 1  
13 C. W. CPS 288  
3 AD FO 601

Tactical Report (ULM, GERMANY)

*Colonel Shuck - 95<sup>th</sup>*

1. The primary visual target was the *W/X*...

2. The secondary visual or WPI target for all Groups was the FR...

3. The primary target for 13 A was the *W/X*...

2. Name of the *W/X*...

13 A Group - 1001, B, C Squadrons:

(a) At 07:00 AM took off... several B-24's engaged in front...

(b) At 08:00 AM... primary was... the English Coast was... at 20:00, on a 360 degree course.

(c) After the take off time it was clear over the beach. At mid-channel a low stratus of low s... were low... and a few scattered cirrus at 2000'. ... these conditions, with occasional small breaks, were present.



95 A

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COMBAT  
335th Squadron

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

GROUP FORMATION FORM

DATE 4 FEB 1944

LEAD

Wilson \* (Capt. Brittingham)  
82/10 335

LOW

Dillon ✓  
40/52 335

Young  
87/7 412

Twinking  
Christa  
88/26 412

Purdy  
24/55 335

Bradley  
82/81 412

Getchins \*  
69/02 335

HIGH

Stotesbury \*  
82/55 335

Ochlet  
72/57 412

Turner  
72/04 335

Nelson P.A. Calcura  
82/64 335 68/38 335

8741

BEARD  
8741

yellow  
middle  
B17 "P"  
A

OBSERVATION SHIP

#0235 <sup>412</sup> Philpott

Special Operators

BRIEFING 0315  
READINESS 0455  
STATIONS 0555  
TAXI 0610  
TAKE-OFF 0620  
RENDEZVOUS Y-31

AT 17000 0820

8525  
8438  
9052  
6475  
8469  
8774  
2455  
8640

EXTRA SHIPS

334 \_\_\_\_\_  
335 \_\_\_\_\_  
336 8144 PFF  
412 8140, 8331

CO BAT MISSION  
95 B High Squadron  
334th

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

Authority 745005  
By ew NARA Date 9/16/07

GROUP FORMATION FORM

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

LEAD

~~Abwender~~ (Lt. Stanborough)  
87 82 412

LOW

Rosenweig  
~~89 80~~  
89 96 334

Judy 18 67 334      Helgeson 82 29 334

~~Place~~  
83 17 334

~~Bramlett~~  
84 38 334

~~Parrish~~  
~~85 85~~  
71 54 334

~~Cummings~~  
82 83 334

~~Rivet~~  
87 76 334

HIGH

~~Keehler~~  
91 52 334

~~De Shaze~~  
85 25 334

~~Scherffius~~  
86 40 334

~~Beard~~  
87 41 412

BRIEFING \_\_\_\_\_  
READINESS 0445  
STATIONS 0545  
TAXI 0600  
TAKE-OFF 0610  
RENDEZVOUS Y-31 - 18000

0815

EXTRA SHIPS

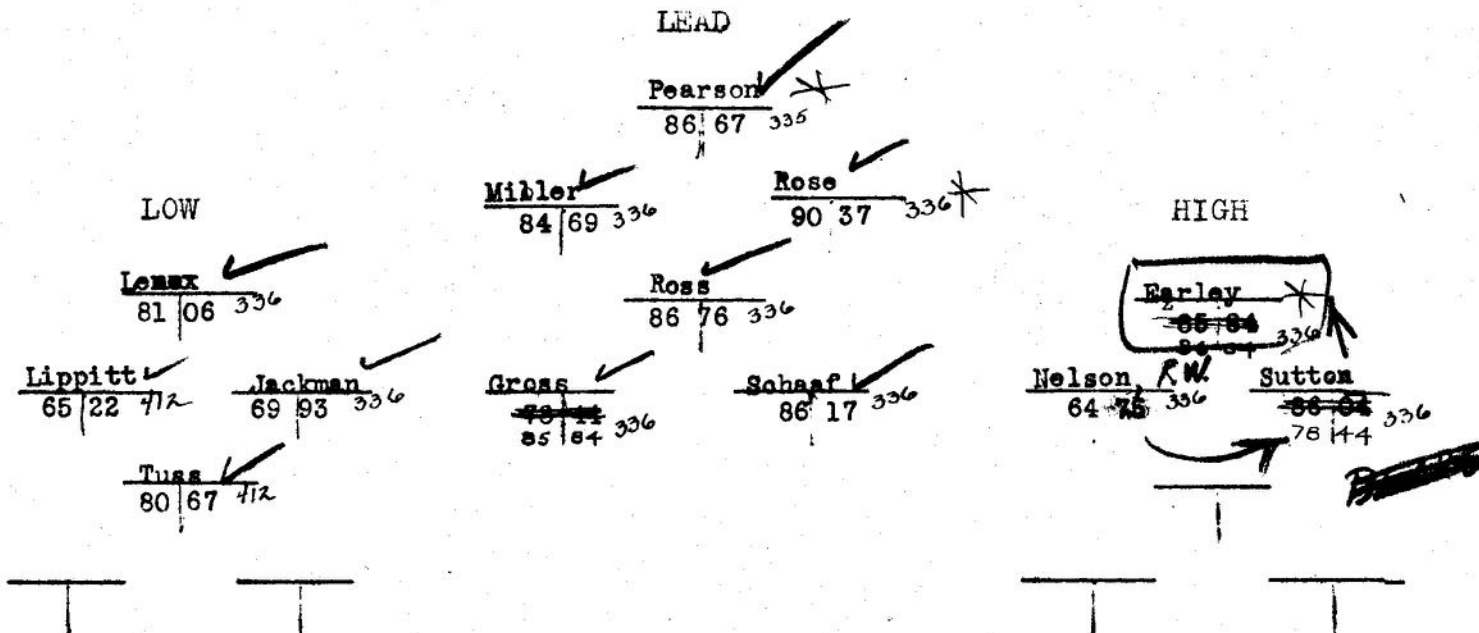
334 \_\_\_\_\_  
335 \_\_\_\_\_ 8144  
336 \_\_\_\_\_ 8170  
412 ~~8140~~ \_\_\_\_\_ 8331

COMBAT MISSION  
 95 C Low Squadron  
 336th

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

GROUP FORMATION FORM

DATE \_\_\_\_\_



BRIEFING \_\_\_\_\_  
 READINESS 0505  
 STATIONS 0605  
 TAXI 0620  
 TAKE-OFF 0630  
 RENDEZVOUS Y-31

16000 0825

EXTRA SHIPS

334 \_\_\_\_\_  
 355 \_\_\_\_\_  
 336 \_\_\_\_\_  
 412 \_\_\_\_\_

By W. NARA Date 9/10/07

Authority 745005

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"A"

FORM 3

STATION 119DATE 4 March 1945

LET	SHIP	PILOT	TARGET	TIME OFF		LANDING		REMARKS
				EST	ACT	EST	ACT	
335	J 8210	Wilson	✓		545		1355	
"	G 6902	Hetchins	✓		545 <sup>+</sup>		1356	
"	Z 2455	Purdy	✓		600			A-96
412	Z- 8281	Bradley	✓		638		1357	
335	B 7204	Turner	✓	✓	614		1358	
412	L 7257	Oehlert		✓	609		1354	
335	A 8255	Stotsbury	Hi ✓	✓	601		1359	
"	E 6838	Calicora	✓	✓	602		1358	
"	K 8269	<sup>RA</sup> Nelson	✓	✓	603		1356	
"	S 9052	Dillon	Lo ✓	✓	604		1400	
412	J 8826	Swinning		✓	611		1401	
"	B 8774	Young		✓	625		1402	



"B"

STATION 119

F O R M 3

DATE 4 March 1945

	LET	SHIP	PILOT	TARGET	TIME OFF		LANDING		REMARKS
					LST	ACT	EST	ACT	
412	R	8782	Abewender	✓		547		1345	
334	R	8438	Bromlett	✓		546		1346	
"	K	8317	Place	✓		549		1343	
"	F	7154	Parish	✓	✓	551		1347	
"	B	8776	Rivet	✓	✓	559		1348	
"	C	8283	Cummings	✓	✓	612		1351	
"	P	9152	Koehler	Hi ✓	✓	553		1349	
"	D	8640	Scherffius	✓	✓	554		1350	
"	U	8525	DeShazo	✓	✓	555		1339	
412	M	8741	Beard	✓		624		1400	
334	T	8996	Rosenzweig	So ✓	✓	557		1318	ABORTED
"	N	8229	Helgerson	✓	✓	608		1346	
"	O	1867	Judy	✓	✓	610		1336	

"C"

## FORM 3

STATION 119DATE 4 March 1945

	LET	SHLP	PILOT	TARGET	TIME OFF		LANDING		REMARKS
					EST	ACT	EST	ACT	
335	L	8667	Pearson	✓		550		1336	
336	T	9037	Rose	✓	✓	549		1329	
"	U	8469	Miller	✓	✓	613		1335	
"	V	8676	Ross	✓	✓	615		1337	
"	Q	8617	Schaaf	✓	✓	616		1336	
"	A	8584	Gross	✓	✓	617		1338	
"	X	8604	Earley	✓	✓	618		1325	
"	R	7844	Sutton	✓	✓	619		1340	
"	L	6475	Nelson <sup>RW</sup>	✓	✓	621		1403	
"	E	8106	Lenox	✓	✓	627		1341	
"	W	6993	Jackman	✓	✓	622		1341	
412	H	6522	Lippatt	✓	✓	647		1340	
"	E	8067	Lues	✓	✓	623		1336	

STATION WEATHER OFFICE  
AAF STATION 119  
APO 559

T-A-1

5 March 1945

SUBJECT: Meteorological Interrogation Summary for Mission of 4 March 1945.

TO : Commanding Officer, Headquarters, 95th Bombardment Group, APO 559.

1. Base at take off: Time was 0600 hours. 1/10 altocumulus at 10,000 feet. Visibility was 1-2 miles.


2. Route to target: Nil low over western half of channel becoming broken stratocumulus below 6000 feet then 10/10 with fairly large breaks over Belgium and France. Stratocumulus broke to scattered patches in the vicinity of the Rhine River Valley then rapidly became 10/10 cumulus with small breaks, tops below 10,000 feet. Trace of altocumulus over the channel becoming 5-7/10 in thin scattered layers base 10-12,000, tops 16-18,000 feet over Belgium and north France becoming trace east of 06 degrees east. Scattered cirrus above 25,000 feet over Belgium and north France becoming nil for the remainder of the route. Dense persistent contrails formed thin broken contrail cirrus from 17-23,000 feet east of 06 degrees east.

3. Target area: Ulm, Germany. Time was 1000 hours. 10/10 cumulus below 10,000 feet. Thin broken sheet of contrail cirrus from 20-22,000 feet.

4. Return route: Reverse of route to target with altostratus and altostratus becoming 10/10 above 10,000 feet west of 03 degrees east.

5. Base on return: Time was 1345 hours. 10/10 stratocumulus base 1500-2000 feet. Visibility was 2-3 miles.

6. Remarks: Dense and persistent contrails formed above 17,000 feet east of 06 degrees east.

  
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Captain, Air Corps,  
Staff Weather Officer.



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

V-A-1

APO 559  
5 March 1945

SUBJECT: Engineering Report on Combat Mission of 4 March 1945.

TO : Commanding Officer, 95th Bombardment Group (H). Attention:  
Operations Officer.

1. The following information is submitted concerning combat mission of 4<sup>th</sup> March 1945.

a. Thirty-eight (38) B-17 aircraft took off as scheduled.  
b. Thirty-five (35) B-17 aircraft returned to base after completion of combat mission.

c. B-17G 42-102455 landed in France.

2. There were two (2) abortive aircraft.

a. 43-38996 - #1 Engine failure.

b. 44-8604 - #1 Engine failure.

3. Battle damage is as follows.

a. 42-97257 - Major battle damage.

b. 44-6838 - Skin damage.


c. 44-8667 - Skin damage.

d. 44-8469 - Skin damage.

e. 43-39037 - Skin damage.

f. 43-38676 - Skin damage.

g. 43-38617 - Skin damage.

  
DONALD H. DOWLIN  
Capt., Air Corps  
Gp Engineering O

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

APO 559  
5 March 1945

SUBJECT: S-2 Report for the Mission to Ulm, Germany, of Above Date.

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

1. The Mission - The 95th Group flew as 13B Combat Group to attack the aircraft components plant at Baumenheim. Because of weather conditions at the primary target the secondary target, the M/Y at Ulm, was attacked on H2X by all three squadrons.


95A - Eleven A/C plus one PFF took off and formed the lead squadron. Ten A/C plus one PFF bombed the secondary target. A/C 2455 turned back at 4817-0805 because of mechanical failure and dropped its bombs at this spot on a small town.

95B - Twelve A/C plus one PFF took off and formed the high squadron. Ten A/C plus one PFF bombed the secondary target. A/C 1867 bombed a target of opportunity with the 401st Group of First Division. A/C 8996 turned back at 4809-1000 at 0948 hours because of engine failure and jettisoned bombs at 4807-0956 at 0950 hours.

95C - Twelve A/C plus one PFF took off and formed the low squadron. Ten A/C plus one PFF bombed the secondary target. A/C 8604 turned back at 4754-1013 because of mechanical failure and jettisoned bombs at 4801-0941. A/C 9037 returned bombs to base because of malfunction of racks.

2. Reference is suggested to the Operational Narrative TWX of the Intelligence Section for further information.

For the Intelligence Officer:

  
F. X. PIERCE  
1st. Lt., Air Corps  
Ass't. S-2 Officer

3BD INST 45-2 (9 OCT 44)

OPERATIONAL REPORT - STATISTICAL SECTION

	95A	95B	95C
1. GROUP			
2. <del>A/C AVAILABLE</del> SORTIES	11+1	12+1	12+1
3. SORTIES CREDITED	11+1	12+1	12+1
4. A/C ATTACKING EFF SORTIES	11+1	11+1	10+1
5. A/A FAILING TO ATTACK	0	1	2
a. Mechanical		1	2
b. Weather			
c. Enemy action			
d. Other			
6. A/C LOST	0	0	0
a. TO AA			
b. TO E/A			
c. TO AA AND E/A			
d. TO Accident			
e. By Reasons Unknown			
7. TIME OF ATTACK	1018	1018	0959
8. ALTITUDE OF ATTACK	21,500	23,000	23,000
9. BOMBS DROPPED (PRIMARY)	See ULM	See ULM	See ULM
a. Number	68 60	68 60	68 60
b. Size	500 500	500 500	500 500
c. Type	GP M-17	GP M-17	GP M-17
d. Number A/C Bombing	"	"	"
BOMBS DROPPED (OTHER)	UNKNOWN T.O.	T.O. HAND UP.	
a. Number	6 6	6 6	
b. Size	500 500	500 500	
c. Type	GP M-17	GP M-17	
d. Number A/C Bombing	1	1	
BOMBS DROPPED (OTHER)	(0924)	(1035-HRS)	
a. Number			
b. Size			
c. Type			
d. Number A/C Bombing			
10. BATTLE DAMAGE	0	0	0
a. Minor			
b. Major			
c. Salvage			
12. Claims	0	0	0

JETT  
 6X500 GP  
 6X500 M-17  
 (0950)

Phoney  
 1605

JETT 4801-0941  
 6X500 G.P.  
 6X500 M-17 0944

RET. 11X500 GP  
 6X500 GP  
 6X500 M-17