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HEADQUARTERS
416TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)
Office of the Commanding Officer

By authority
GC, Sta. 170
16 June 1944
Init. _____

APC 140, U. S. Army.
16 June 1944.

SUBJECT: Transmittal of A-3 Bombing Information Reports.

TO : Commanding General, IX Bomber Command, APC 140, U. S. Army.

Transmitted herewith are the A-3 Bombing Information Reports on operational mission 15 June 1944.

For the Commanding Officer:

GEORGE SCHUNKELIN,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

6 Incls:

- 1 - A-3 Bombing Information Report (Flight 1, box 1)
- 2 - A-3 Bombing Information Report (Flight 2, box 1)
- 3 - A-3 Bombing Information Report (Flight 3, box 1)
- 4 - A-3 Bombing Information Report (Flight 1, box 2)
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- 6 - A-3 Bombing Information Report (Flight 3, box 2)

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BOMBING INFORMATION

ANNEX "A"

TX B.C. FIELD ORDER NO. 370BOX 1 GROUP 418 DATE 15 June 44 TARGET ATTACKED Domfront Am. Dump.Flight 1
1. Method of Sighting: Pre-set. D-S bombsight used.2. Bombing approach: 090° Mag.3. Was mercury erection system used? YES NO X4. Did entire box drop on lead bombardier? YES X NO

In either case explain fully method of sighting and dropping of bombs; and specify exact aiming point actually used: D-S bombsight used. Pre-set data used entirely. MPI used as AP. No trail subtracted.

5. Name of lead bombardier: Lt. Powell6. Name of lead pilot: Major Heng7. Intervalometer setting: None8. Indicated Air Speed: 210 Ground Speed: 244 Altitude: 28009. Length of bomb run: 30 Sec:10. Bomb Load and Fusing per A/C: 4 X 500 lb FUSED N1/10T 1/10011. Total Bombs Dropped: 28

12. Full statement of all factors affecting bombing - including: -

(a) Did weather conditions or visibility adversely affect identification of target attacked or bombing. YES NO X. If "YES" state conditions and effect.

(b) Apart from weather or visibility, was any difficulty encountered in identifying target attacked, IP or AP? YES NO X. If answer is "YES", state circumstances and effect on bombing:

(c) Did Flak affect bombing? YES NO X. If answer is "YES", state to what extent Flak affected bombing or bomb run:

(d) To what extent did attacks by enemy aircraft affect bombing? No enemy a/c.

(e) State any difficulties on bombing run: None

(f) Malfunctions, personnel errors or other factors affecting bombing: None

(g) Bombing results as reported by crews:

Aimed at right Target: YES X NO

Results claimed: EXCELLENT GOOD FAIR POOR BAD MISS

* 1 a/c bomb load 8 x 500 lb GP's.

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(Over)

1. 8 miles.
2. 1/10 clouds over target area.
3. 2 boxes in ship's own box bombing by flight of six.
4. Very mild rain.
5. Followed through into target.
6. None.
7. Excellent.
8. None.

W. Description of route from 10 to target:

Planes landed at home base at 2001. Great fire experienced over target area. No enemy aircraft encountered. After start of gun, 1 ship receiving outside & down. No anti-air- clouds over target area. Anti-aircraft fire was heavy throughout 8 in the target area with light results. Altitude was 8 miles with 1/10 results. Flight 2 of box 2, at 2000 feet, dropped a total of 28 bombs 2000 feet, dropped a total of 28 bombs in the target area with light results. Flight 2 of box 2, at 2000 feet, dropped a total of 28 bombs in the target area with light results. Flight 1 of box 2, at 2000 feet, dropped a total of 28 bombs in the target area with light results. Flight 2 of box 1, at 2000 feet, dropped a total of 28 bombs in the target area with light results. Flight 2 of box 1, at 2000 feet, dropped a total of 28 bombs in the target area with light results. Flight 1 of box 1, at 2000 feet, dropped a total of 28 bombs in the target area with light results. Formation took off from home base at 1001. Five over target formation consisted of 2 boxes, 10 ships each box, bombing by flight

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BOMBING INFORMATION

ANNEX "A"

IX B.C. FIELD ORDER NO. 375BOX 1 GROUP 416 DATE 18 June 44 TARGET ATTACHED Comfront Am. Dump
Flight 21. Method of Sighting: Pre-set. E-8 bombsight used.2. Bombing approach: 085° Mag.3. Was mercury erection system used? YES _____ NO X4. Did entire box drop on lead bombardier? YES X NO _____

In either case explain fully method of sighting and dropping of bombs, and specify exact aiming point actually used: E-8 bombsight used. Pre-set data used entirely. NFI used as AP. No trail subtracted.

5. Name of lead bombardier: Lt. Maltby.6. Name of lead pilot: Captain Jackson7. Intervalometer setting: None8. Indicated Air Speed: 210 Ground Speed: 240 Altitude: 25009. Length of bomb run: 10 Sec: _____10. Bomb Load and Fusing per A/C: 4 X 500 lb FUSED N 1/10 T 1/10011. Total Bombs Dropped: 30

12. Full statement of all factors affecting bombing - including: -

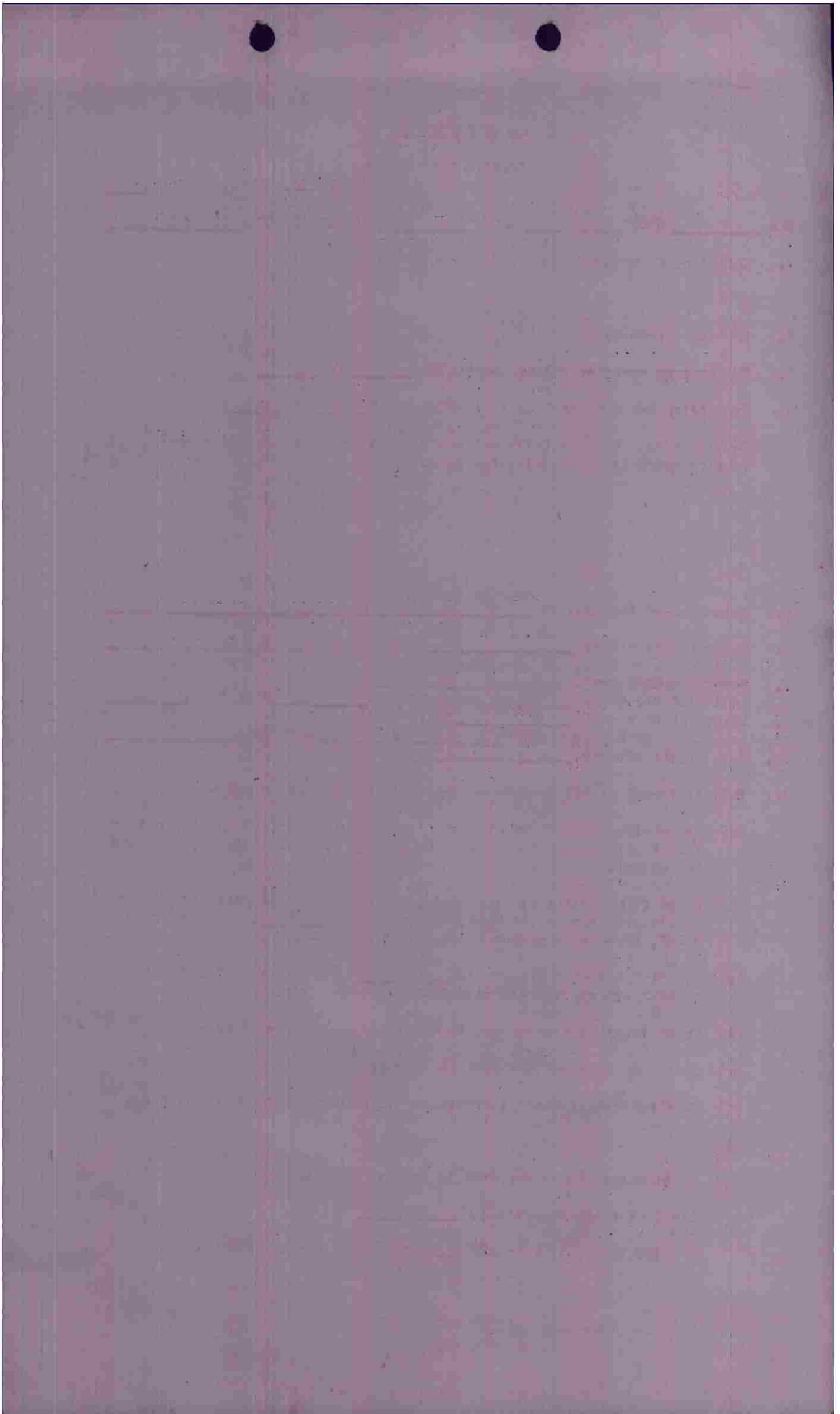
(a) Did weather conditions or visibility adversely affect identification of target attacked or bombing. YES _____ NO X. If "YES" state conditions and effect.(b) Apart from weather or visibility, was any difficulty encountered in identifying target attacked, IP or AP? YES X NO _____. If answer is "YES", state circumstances and effect on bombing: AP obscured by smoke from other flights bombs. This flight bombed last.(c) Did Flak affect bombing? YES _____ NO X. If answer is "YES", state to what extent Flak affected bombing or bomb run:(d) To what extent did attacks by enemy aircraft affect bombing? No enemy a/c.(e) State any difficulties on bombing run: None(f) Malfunctions, personnel errors or other factors affecting bombing: None.

(g) Bombing results as reported by crews:

Aimed at right Target: YES X NO _____Results claimed: GOOD X FAIR _____ POOR _____ BAD MISS _____

* 34/c bomb load 6 x 500 lb GP's

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BOMBING INFORMATION

ANNEX "A"

IX B.C. FIELD ORDER NO. 375BOX I GRCUT 415 DATE 15 June 44 TARGET ATTACKED Demfront Am. Dump

1. Method of Sighting:

Pre-set. D-8 bombheight used.

2. Bombing approach:

102° Mag.3. Was mercury erection system used? YES NO4. Did entire box drop on lead bombardier? YES NO

In either case explain fully method of sighting and dropping of bombs; and specify exact aiming point actually used:

D-8 bombheight used. Pre-set data used entirely. HPI used as AP. No trail subtracted.

5. Name of lead bombardier: _____

6. Name of lead pilot: Lt. Arrington7. Intervalometer setting: Captain Dunn8. Indicated Air Speed: None Ground Speed: _____ Altitude: _____9. Length of bomb run: 210 Sec: 240 230010. Bomb Load and Fusing per a/c: 500 X 1b FUSED N T11. Total Bombs Dropped: 25 4 500 2/10 1/100

12. Full statement of all factors affecting bombing - including: -

(a) Did weather conditions or visibility adversely affect identification of target attacked or bombing. YES NO. If "YES" state conditions and effect. X(b) Apart from weather or visibility, was any difficulty encountered in identifying target attacked, IP or AP? YES NO. If answer is "YES", state circumstances and effect on bombing: X(c) Did Flak affect bombing? YES NO. If answer is "YES", state to what extent Flak affected bombing or bomb run:

(d) To what extent did attacks by enemy aircraft affect bombing?

(e) State any difficulties on bombing run:

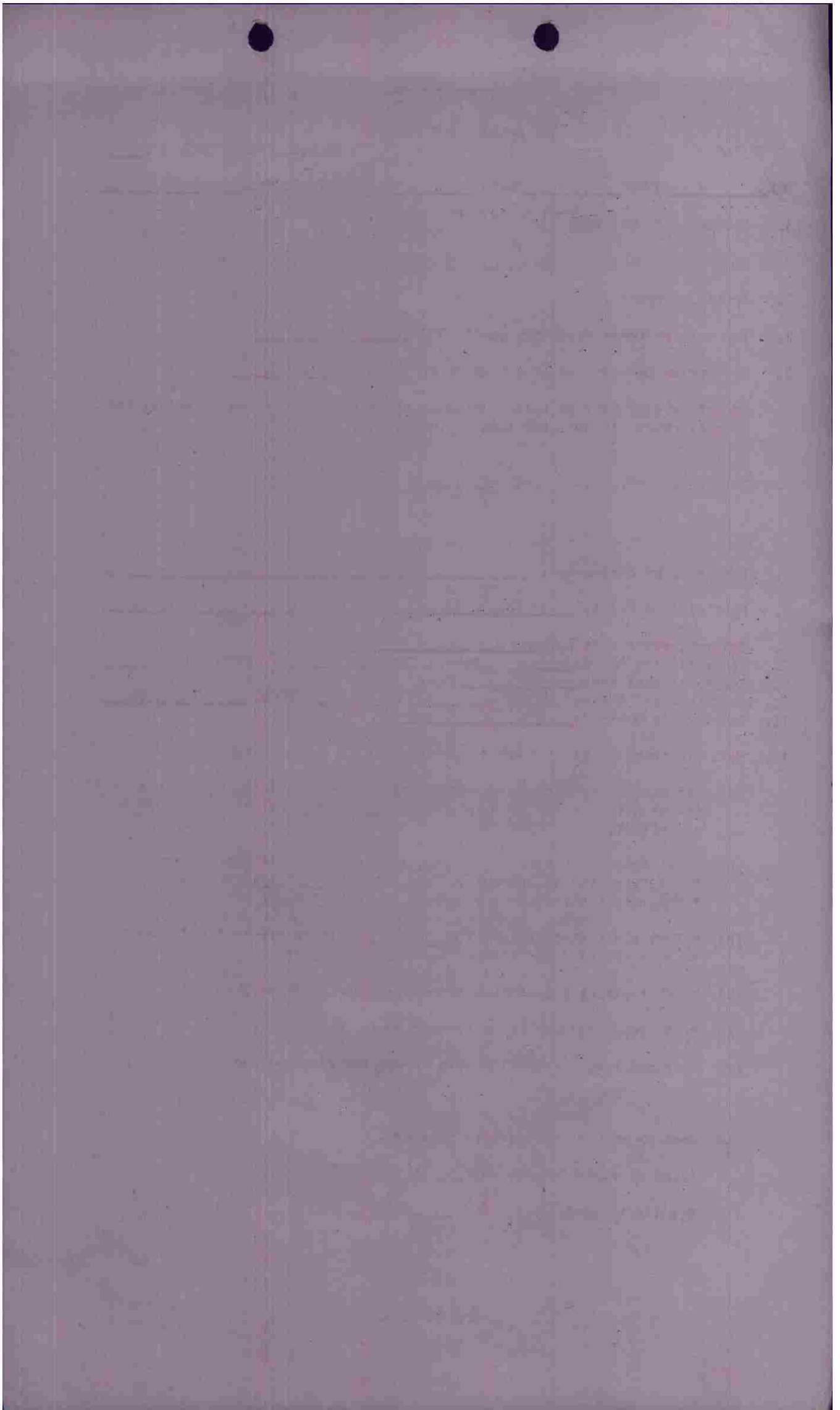
No enemy a/c.

(f) Malfunctions, personnel errors or other factors affecting bombing:

None.

(g) Bombing results as reported by crews:

Aimed at right Target: YES NOResults claimed: GOOD X FAIR POOR BAD MISSEXCELLENT X* 5 a/c bomb load 6 x 500 lb GP SECRET



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BOMBING INFORMATION

ANNEX "A"

IX B.C. FIELD ORDER NO. 375BOX 2 GROUP 416 DATE 13 June 44 TARGET ATTACHED Bombfront Am. Dump
Flight 11. Method of Sighting: Pre-set. D-8 bombsight used.2. Bombing approach: 085° Mag.3. Was mercury erection system used? YES _____ NO X4. Did entire box drop on lead bombardier? YES X NO _____

In either case explain fully method of sighting and dropping of bombs; and specify exact aiming point actually used: D-8 bombsight used. Pre-set data used entirely. MPI used as AP. No trail subtracted.

5. Name of lead bombardier: Lt. Conte6. Name of lead pilot: Captain Hulase7. Intervalometer setting: None8. Indicated Air Speed: 210 Ground Speed: 242 Altitude: 30009. Length of bomb run: 50 Sec:10. Bomb Load and Fusing per A/C: 4 X 500 lb FUSED N1/LOT 1/10011. Total Bombs Dropped: 20

12. Full statement of all factors affecting bombing - including: -

(a) Did weather conditions or visibility adversely affect identification of target attacked or bombing. YES _____ NO X. If "YES" state conditions and effect.

(b) Apart from weather or visibility, was any difficulty encountered in identifying target attacked, IP or AP? YES _____ NO X. If answer is "YES", state circumstances and effect on bombing:

(c) Did Flak affect bombing? YES _____ NO X. If answer is "YES", state to what extent Flak affected bombing or bomb run:

(d) To what extent did attacks by enemy aircraft affect bombing? No enemy a/c.

(e) State any difficulties on bombing run: None

(f) Malfunctions, personnel errors or other factors affecting bombing:

None

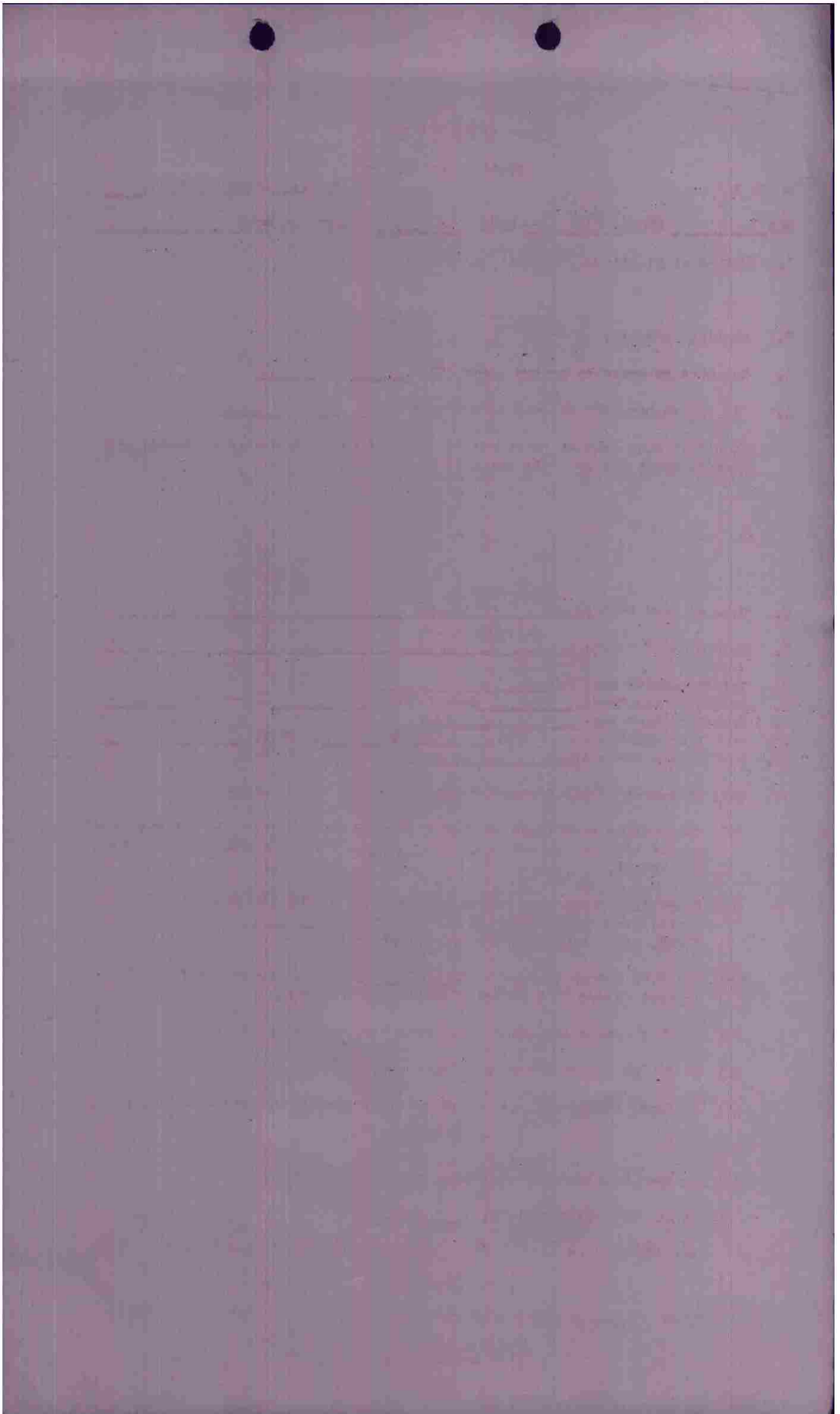
(g) Bombing results as reported by crews:

Aimed at right Target: YES X NO _____

Results claimed: GOOD _____ FAIR X POOR _____ BAD MISS _____

* 2 a/c bomb load 5 x 500 lb GP's

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BOMBING INFORMATION

ANNEX "A"

IX B.C. FIELD ORDER NO. 375BOX 2 GROUP 416 DATE 18 June 44 TARGET ATTACKED Donfront As. Dump1. Method of Sighting: Pre-set. P-8 bombight used.2. Bombing approach: 093° Mag.3. Was mercury erection system used? YES _____ NO X4. Did entire box drop on lead bombardier? YES X NO _____

In either case explain fully method of sighting and dropping of bombs, and specify exact aiming point actually used: P-8 bombight used. Pre-set data used entirely. AP used as AP. No trail subtracted.

5. Name of lead bombardier: Lt. Kupits6. Name of lead pilot: Captain Huff7. Intervalometer setting: None8. Indicated Air Speed: 210 Ground Speed: 244 Altitude: 3000

9. Length of bomb run: _____ Sec: _____

10. Bomb Load and Fusing per A/C: _____ X 500 lb FUSED _____ N 1/10 T 1/100

11. Total Bombs Dropped: _____

12. Full statement of all factors affecting bombing - including: -

(a) Did weather conditions or visibility adversely affect identification of target attacked or bombing. YES _____ NO X. If "YES" state conditions and effect.

(b) Apart from weather or visibility, was any difficulty encountered in identifying target attacked, IP or AP? YES _____ NO X. If answer is "YES", state circumstances and effect on bombing: Smoke obscured AP. Bombs fell in other flights smoke.

(c) Did Flak affect bombing? YES _____ NO X. If answer is "YES", state to what extent Flak affected bombing or bomb run:

(d) To what extent did attacks by enemy aircraft affect bombing? No enemy a/c.

(e) State any difficulties on bombing run: None

(f) Malfunctions, personnel errors or other factors affecting bombing: None

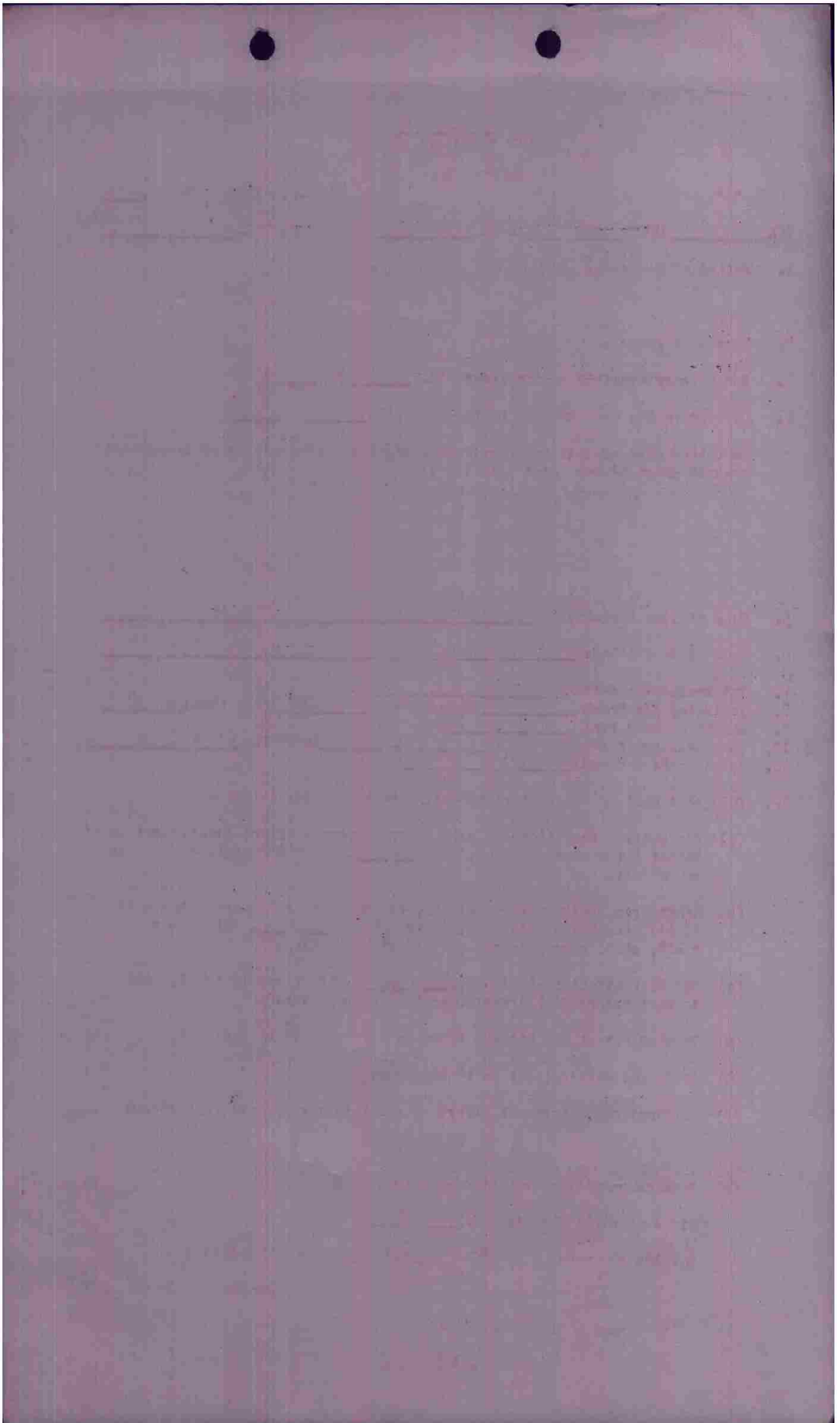
(g) Bombing results as reported by crews:

Aimed at right Target: YES X NO _____

Results claimed: GOOD _____ FAIR X POOR _____ BAD MISS _____

* 1 a/c bomb load 6 x 500 lb GP's.

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BOMBING INFORMATION

ANNEX "A"

IX B.C. FIELD ORDER NO. 375BOX 2 GROUP 416 DATE 15 June 44 TARGET ATTACKED Donfront Am. Dump1. Method of Sighting: Pre-set. D-S bombsight used.

2. Bombing approach:

3. Was mercury erection system used? YES 105° Mag. NO X4. Did entire box drop on lead bombardier? YES X NO X

In either case explain fully method of sighting and dropping of bombs; and specify exact aiming point actually used:

D-S bombsight used. Pre-set data used entirely. MPI used as AP. No trail subtracted.5. Name of lead bombardier: Lt. Burg6. Name of lead pilot: Lt. Shaefer7. Intervalometer setting: None8. Indicated Air Speed: None Ground Speed: 242 Altitude: 25009. Length of bomb run: 210 Sec: 24210. Bomb Load and Fusing per A/C: 350 X 1 lb FUSED N T 2500* 11. Total Bombs Dropped: 32 4 300 1/10 1/100

12. Full statement of all factors affecting bombing - including: -

(a) Did weather conditions or visibility adversely affect identification of target attacked or bombing. YES NO. If "YES" state conditions and effect. X(b) Apart from weather or visibility, was any difficulty encountered in identifying target attacked, IP or AP? YES NO. If answer is "YES", state circumstances and effect on bombing X(c) Did Flak affect bombing? YES NO. If answer is "YES", state to what extent Flak affected bombing or bomb run: X

(d) To what extent did attacks by enemy aircraft affect bombing?

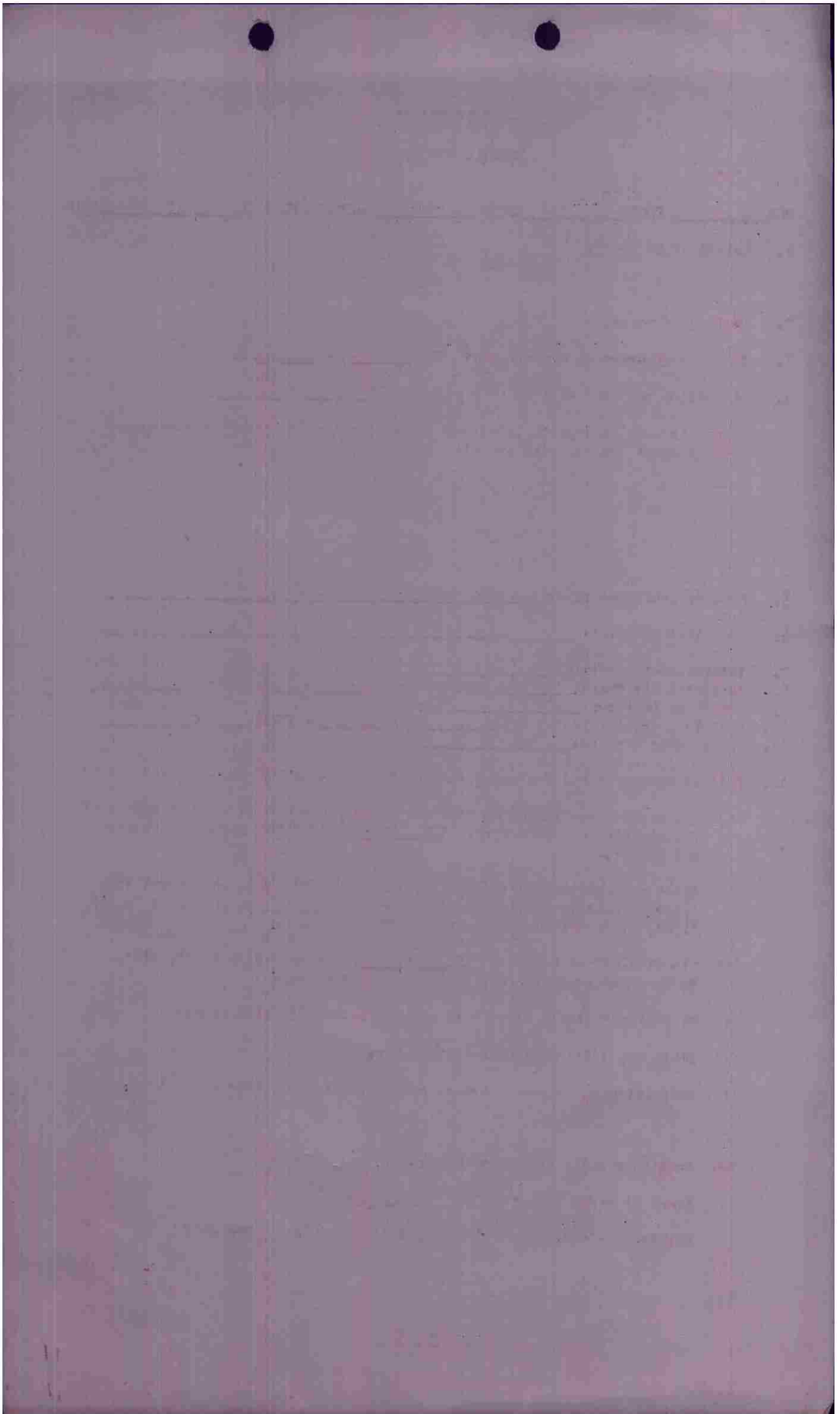
(e) State any difficulties on bombing run: No enemy a/c.(f) Malfunctions, personnel errors or other factors affecting bombing: None

(g) Bombing results as reported by crews:

Aimed at right Target: YES X NO XResults claimed: GOOD X FAIR X POOR X BAD MISS X

* 4 a/c bomb load 5 x 500 lb GP's

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LOADING LIST
BOX I
FLIGHT I

15 JUNE 1944

- | | |
|---|--|
| 1. 439 J
MAJOR M J MERRIS ✓
LT V H POWELL ✓
S/S F P GLYNN
S/S R F STORERT | 4. 0211 O
LT W J GREENE ✓ <i>w/R</i>
S/S W F COLBERT
S/S J A OCHABA |
| 2. 680 R
LT J F HILLERMAN ✓
SGT D D BURNS
SGT W J DANIEL | 5. 387 H
LT C L MCGLOHN ✓
S/S J W MORAN
S/S P B DRISKILL |
| 3. 217 D
LT T J LEONARD ✓
S/S O D EVANS
S/S T A PALMER | 6. 380 N
LT E L JOHNSON ✓
S/S W J DONAHUE
S/S M R BRAVN |

FLIGHT II

- | | |
|---|---|
| 1. 467 W
CAPT C R JACKSON ✓
LT A H MALTBY ✓ <i>w/R</i>
S/S A J BONOMO
HFC B K ALLEN | 4. 925 G
LT E T PLATNER ✓ <i>w/R</i>
S/S K L JOHNSON
S/S J L CZECH |
| 2. 937 B
LT A R DURANTE ✓ <i>w/R</i>
S/S H T BEST
S/S I R DEGIUSTI | 5. 363 L
LT H D ANDREWS ✓
S/S F M COCK
S/S E R WERLEY |
| 3. 714 N-1
LT F W HENDERSON ✓
SGT R M GRISWOLD
SGT P E COULOMBE | 6. 221 F
LT R C MOREHOUSE ✓
SGT L A ZYGIEL
SGT A J BURGESS |

FLIGHT III

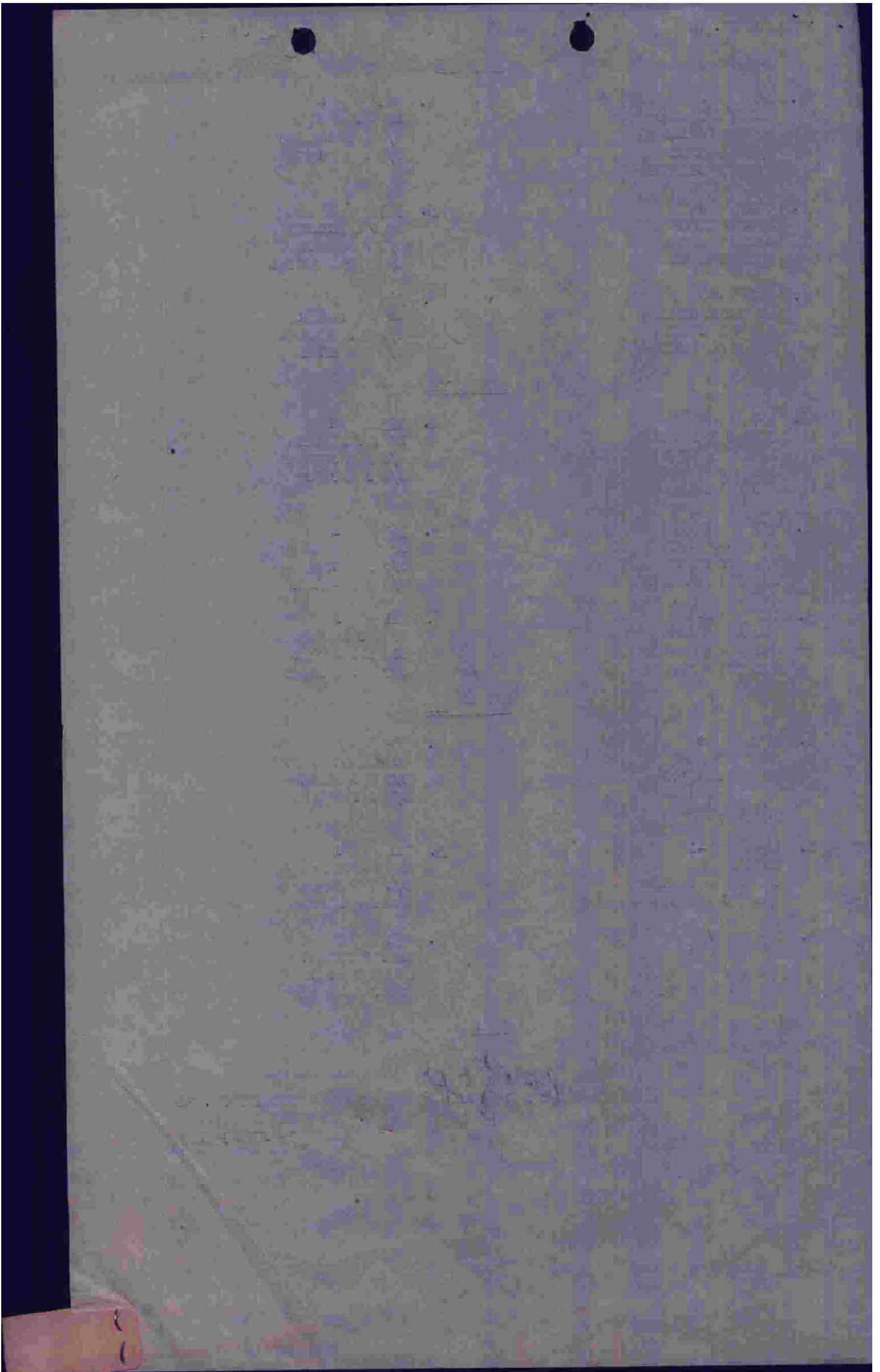
- | | |
|---|--|
| 1. 1711 S
CAPT L F DUNN ✓
LT H T ARRINGTON ✓ <i>w/R</i>
S/S H A MARION
S/S A MAYHEW | 4. 393 K
LT R E GREENLEY ✓
S/S H C WORDEN
S/S J J RZEPKA |
| 2. 165 H-1
LT M ZUBON ✓ <i>w/R</i>
T/S J R L TAIGER
S/S W C RUSSELL | 5. 214 C
LT R W YORK ✓
S/S V P ADAMS
SGT L A ASHTON |
| 3. 493 V
LT R H SMITH ✓
S/S A A STOCKHAM
SGT R J MAHONEY | 6. 951 P
LT J H MILLER ✓ <i>w/R</i>
SGT R G SCHROM
SGT J GALENDER |

SPARE

711 M
 LT F P COCK
 S/S A J BONOMO
 S/S B O EVANS
*Detached to 1st
 Early 1944
 to 1st*

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BOX I
15 JUNE 1944

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LOADING LIST
BOX II
FLIGHT I

15 JUNE 1944

1. 452 Q
CAPT D A HULSE
LT R CONTE
S/S D W STEPHENS
SGT F D ALLRED

4. 750 M
LT W B OSTRANDER
S/S J E WILSON
S/S I BINNEY

2. 224 E
LT E R MCBRIDE
CPL J MCKEE
SGT E R EUTSLER

5. 892 L
LT N G BROWN
S/S W L KIDD
S/S S RISK

3. 157 P
LT D F SHEA
S/S R E LEE
S/S F G FALK

6. 689 I
LT R J ROONEY
S/S H M MCCLEARY
S/S S F DINAPOLI

FLIGHT II

1. 450 S
CAPT M H HUFF
LT J KUPITS
SGT H C RODGERS
SGT J E VAN DUYNE

4. 743 W
LT T BOUKAMP
S/S R J COLOSTIMO
LT F M HOPPE

2. 390 G
LT N V SHAINBERG
SGT J O SCOTT
S/S D F MALLORY

5. 189 P-1
LT J F SMITH
SGT C VAFIADIS
SGT R C HOFFMAN

3. 717 N
LT E R HAYTER
S/S F M MELCHOIR
S/S R C HOLLOWAY

6. 961 E-1
LT H B CLARK
SGT J W SARADOSH
SGT C FLOYD

FLIGHT III

1. 1750 S-1
LT R F SHAEFER
LT J J BURG
S/S J A FEJES
S/S E R JUDD

4. 745 I-1
LT R D LESHER
S/S H R HEDRICK
S/S A J ANTANATTIS

2. 684 K-1
LT E B KREH
SGT E SHELTON
S/S D R SCHENCK

5. 0194 A
LT C C MISH
S/S C J CLARK
SGT R F CHUSTZ

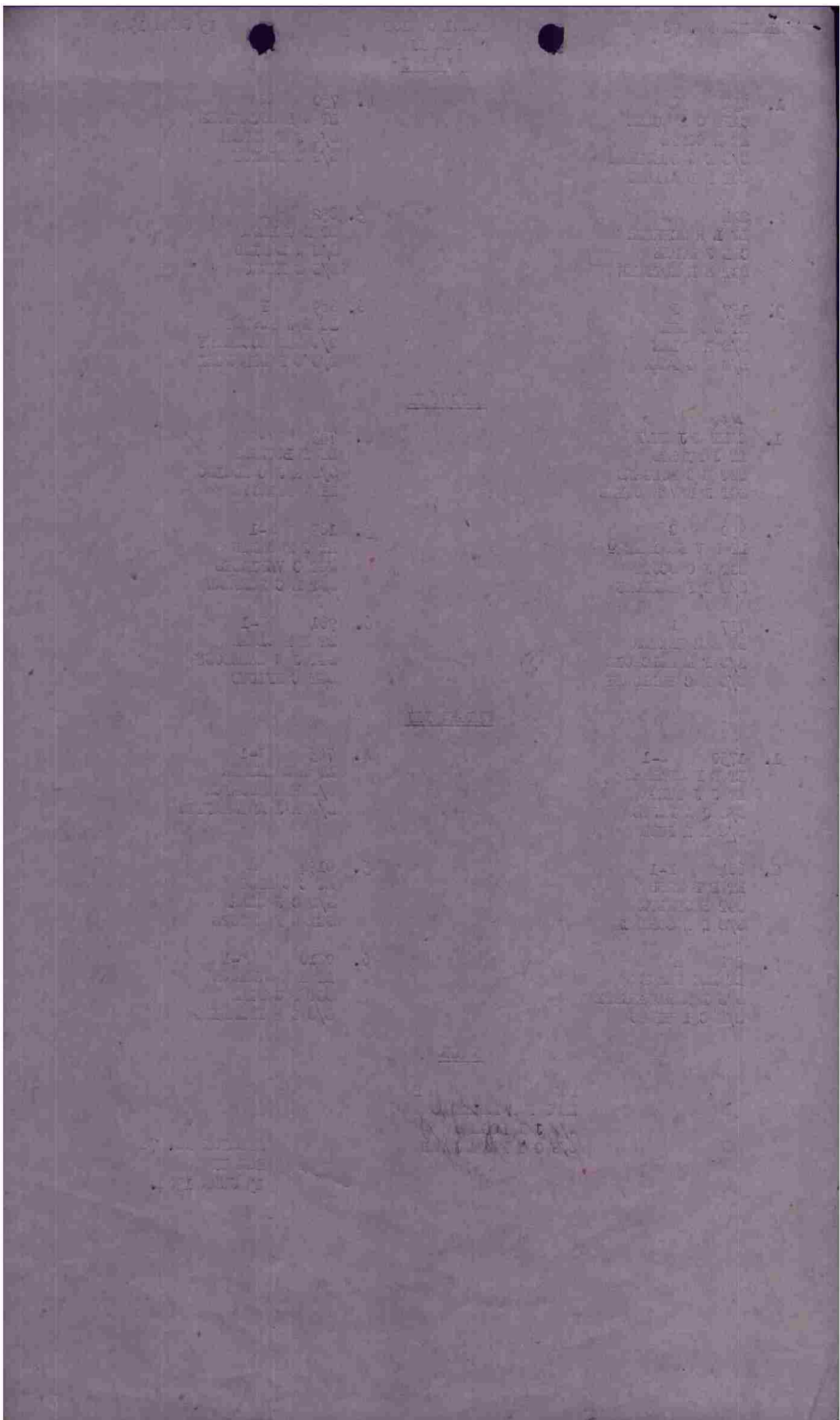
3. 894 R
LT L G FEDE
S/S L M DAUGHERTY
S/S C L HIBBS

6. 0210 Q*-1
LT R R SVENSON
SGT F G FELD
S/S G H FERNING

SPARE

202 B
LT P F MACMILLAN
S/S I L FODER
S/S C H FRYSONMAN

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BOX II
15 JUNE 1944.



OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

FROM: 416TH BOMB GROUP (L)

TO : 1X BOMBER COMMAND

TO: 97TH COMBAT WING

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CLEARANCE F-3

15 JUNE 1944

PREPARED BY MAJOR JOHN G. NAPIER

A.

B. 1719 $\frac{1}{2}$

C. BRIGHTON

D. BOX I R/T GREATTUB ONE

670 7 J R D O H N W

671 11 B N-1 G L F S H-1 V M C P

671 1 (SPARE) M

GROUP LEADER 670 J

DEPUTY 670 R

BOX II R/T GREATTUB TWO

670 6 Q E P M L I

669 6 S G N W P-1 E-1

668 3 S-1 K-1 R I-1 A Q-1

669 1 (SPARE) B

SECOND BOX LEADER 670 Q

DEPUTY 670 E

E. 2,500

F. 49 DEGREES 18 MINUTES NORTH 00 DEGREES 07 MINUTES WEST

G. 1743 $\frac{1}{2}$

H. 48 XXXXXX

J. 49 DEGREES 18 MINUTES NORTH 00 DEGREES 07 MINUTES WEST

K. BRIGHTON

L. 1908

M. 1. E.T.D. 1655 E.T.A. 1932

2. 6 x 500 GP

3. 4 HOURS

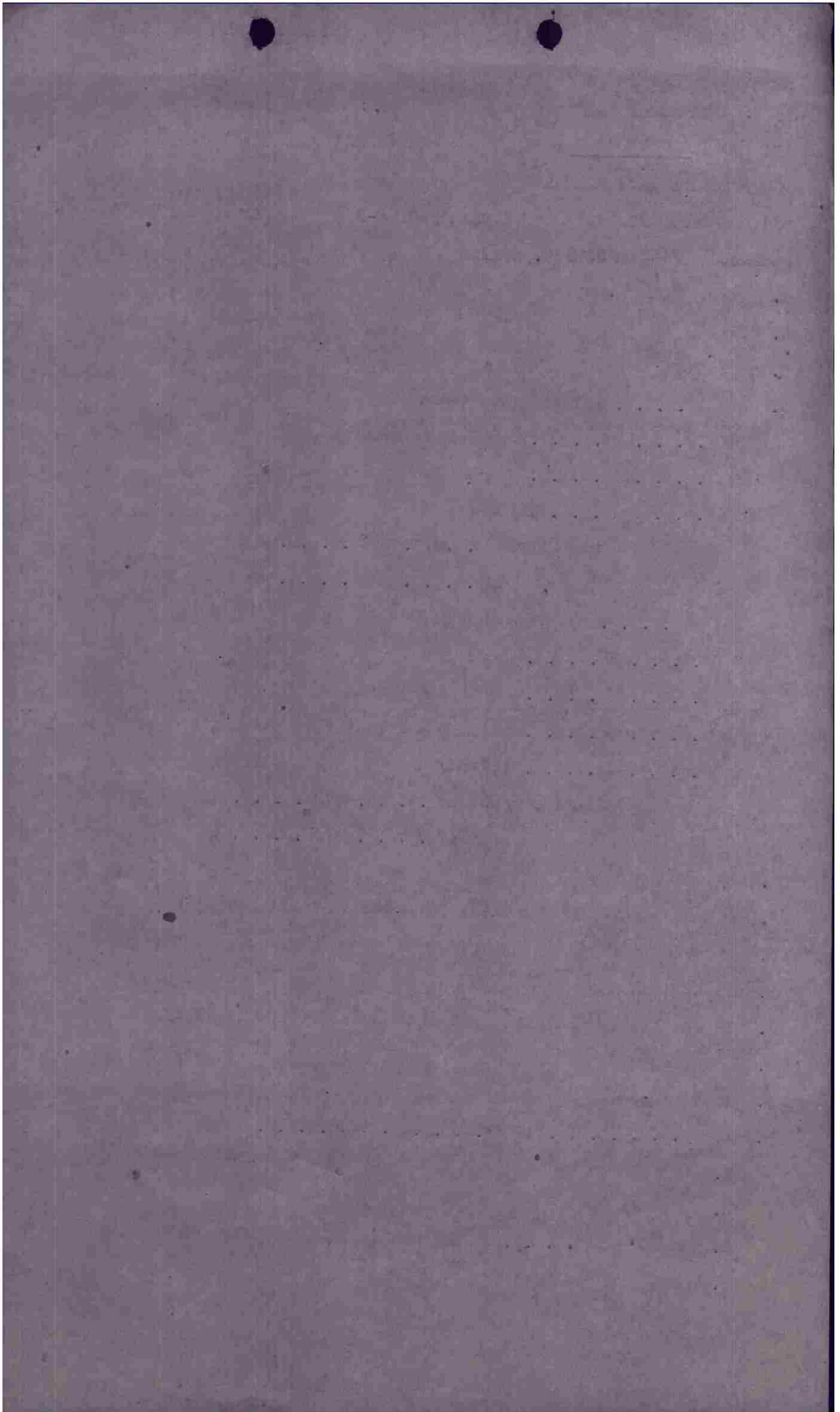
4. BOX I - II 48 DEGREES 36 MINUTES NORTH 00 DEGREES
40 MINUTES WEST

5. NONE

MACE COBOMGR 416

I certify that this is official business:

JOHN M. BONURA,
1st Lt., Air Corps.



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HEADQUARTERS
41ST BOMB GROUP (L)
OFFICE OF THE WEATHER OFFICER

APC 140
15 June 1944

SUBJECT: Interrogation Report

TO : Staff Weather Officer, Headquarters IX
Bomber Command, APC 140, U. S. Army.

BASE AT TAKEOFF: 6/10 to 7/10 cumulus at 5,500 feet.
Visibility 9 miles.

ROUTE OUT: Cumulus decreased to 4/10 to 5/10 over southern England and nil over channel. Visibility 8 to 10 miles over England and channel decreasing to 6 to 8 miles over France. Large banks of cumulus east of Dieppe and 20 miles inland, otherwise 2/10 to 3/10 cumulus over continent with bases 5,500 to 4,000 feet.

TARGET: 1/10 cumulus with bases 4,000 feet. Visibility 8 to 8 miles.

ROUTE BACK: Same as route out over France and channel. 7/10 to 8/10 altocumulus and altostratus over southern England with bases 6,000 feet, increasing to overcast with breaks at base. 3/10 to 5/10 stratocumulus at Thames bases 4,000 feet. Visibility in London area 3 to 4 miles.

BASE ON RETURN: 3/10 to 5/10 stratocumulus at 5,500 feet. Overcast with breaks at 7,000 to 8,000 feet. Visibility 9 miles.

WINDS: As forecast.

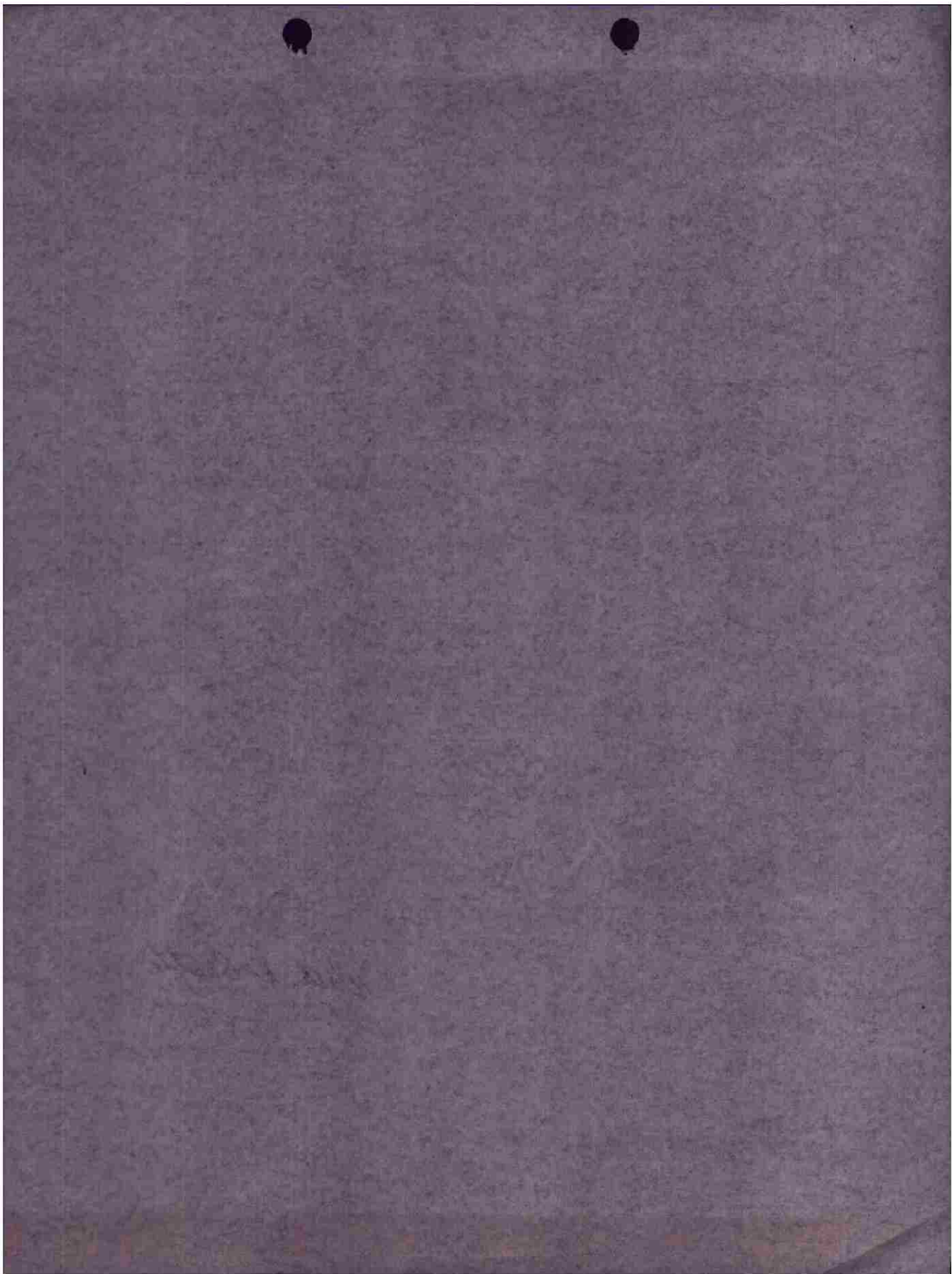
TIME OVER TARGET: 1619

Weather did not affect bombing.

Walter D. Castle
WALTER D. CASTLE,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Staff Weather Officer.

1 Incl
8 Route Forecast Form.

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WEATHERS FIELD 416TH BOMB GR(C)		TAKEOFF - 1635 RETURN - 1935		CONFIDENTIAL		DATE 16 JUNE 1944 PERIOD 1400 - 2000	
OPERATIONAL ROUTE FORECAST							
HQ SOS USAFP 9-43/90M/15227							
WEATHER		A BASE TO TARGET	B TARGET	C TARGET TO BASE	D		
1		CLOUDY	CLOUDY	CLOUDY			
2		6/10-8/10 cumulus BASE 2-3000 FT 2/10-4/10 MED CLOUD 11-2400 FT 5/10-5/10 CIRUS ABOVE 20000 FT LOW CLOUD BREAKING TO NIL AT CHANNEL WITH SQUALL EVENTS OF PARTLY MED CLOUDS AT 12-14,000 FT 3/10- 5/10 cumulus AT FRENCH COAST BASE 31000 FT TO 4/10- 9,000 FT IN REAR JUNG 0415 8/10 10-15 MILES INLAND 0415 2500-3,000 FT 70-85 9-10,000 FT SCATTERED CLOUDS	6/10-8/10 cumulus BASE 2500-3,000 FT 70-85 9,000 FT PARTLY MED CLOUD AT 12-14,000 FT 10/10 CIRUS ABOVE 20,000 FT	SAME AS ROUTE OUT EXCEPT 3/10-5/10 CUMULUS IN BASES WITH 4/10-6/10 MED CLOUD AT 12-14,000 FT			
CLOUDS							
3		IN CUMULUS TOPS	SAME	SAME			
ICING							
4		12 MILES	10-15 MILES	12 MILES			
VISIBILITY							
HEIGHT		DIRECTION	VELOCITY	DIRECTION	VELOCITY	DIRECTION	VELOCITY
SURFACE							
2000 FT		270					
41000 FT		270					
51000 FT		270					
10,000 FT		300					
12,000 FT		310					
15,000 FT		310					
BASE ALTITUDE SETTING 3021		TARGET SURFACE TEMP 71.5°		TARGET MEAN TEMP 72.5°			
TEMP AT 14000 FT. -6°C				TARGET SURFACE (PRESSURE-ALT) -89			
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AIRCRAFT REPORT

TIME		BASE TO COAST		OVER CHANNEL OR SEA		OVER CONTINENT & TARGET	
POSITION							
ALTITUDE							
CLOUD BELOW AIRCRAFT	AMOUNTS AND TYPE						
	HEIGHT OF BASE AND TOP						
CLOUD ABOVE AIRCRAFT	AMOUNTS AND TYPE						
	HEIGHT OF BASE AND TOP						
VISIBILITY							
TEMPERATURE							
WINDS							
REMARKS: AS WEATHER ENCOUNTERED, FRONTAL POSITIONS, ETC.							
NOTE: AT LEAST ONE COMPLETE OBSERVATION SHOULD BE ENTERED IN EACH COLUMN. THE OTHER SIDE OF THIS CARD HELPED YOU - WON'T YOU GIVE THE NEXT FELLOW A BREAK!		CLOUD TYPES AND ABBREVIATIONS				FRONTS - 	
		LOW CLOUDS = ST-STRATUS SC-STRATOCUMULUS MIDDLE CLOUDS = AS-ALTOSTRATUS AC-ALTOCUMULUS HIGH CLOUDS = CI-CIRRUS CS-CIRROSTRATUS CLOUDS OF VERTICAL EXTENT = CU-CUMULUS CB-CUMULONIMBUS					

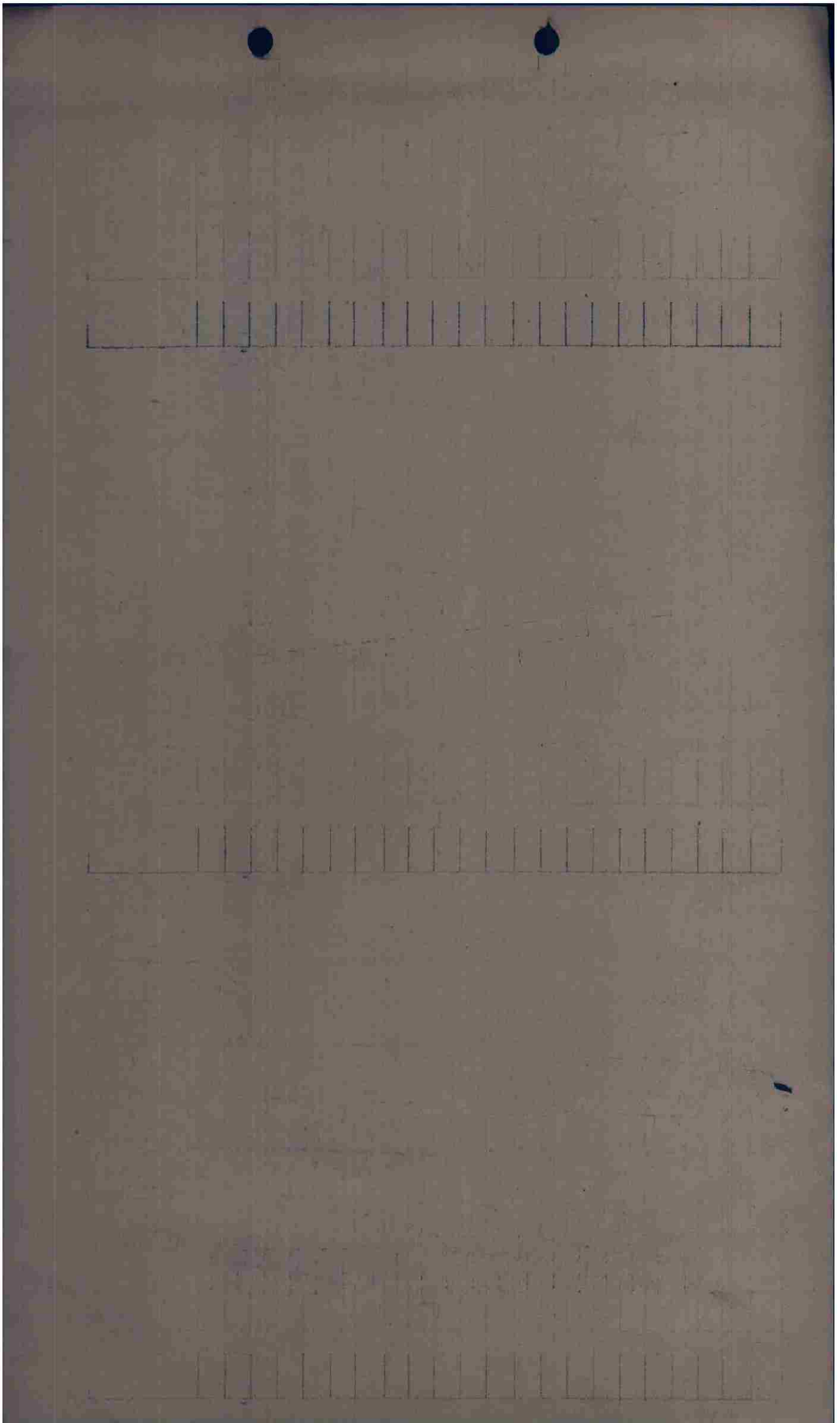
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C	J	439	Major W. J. Young	542		1634						HC				1933	
C	R	680	Major W. J. Young			1634										1934	
C	D	217	Leppard			1634										1933	
C	O	0211	Leppard			1634						C				1937	
C	H	389	McClellan			1635										1935	
C	N	380	McClellan			1635										1935	
C	W	467	McClellan Jackson			1635										1942	
D	B	937	Myraute			1635										1943	
D	N-1	714	Myraute			1635										1942	
D	G	925	Platten			1636										1944	
D	L	363	Myraute			1636						C				2004	
D	F	821	Myraute			1636										1945	
D	S	1211	Myraute			1637										1937	
D	H-1	165	Myraute			1637										1939	
D	V	493	Smith, R. H.			1637										1938	
D	K	393	Greenley			1638										1940	
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D	P	951	Miller			1638						HC				1940	
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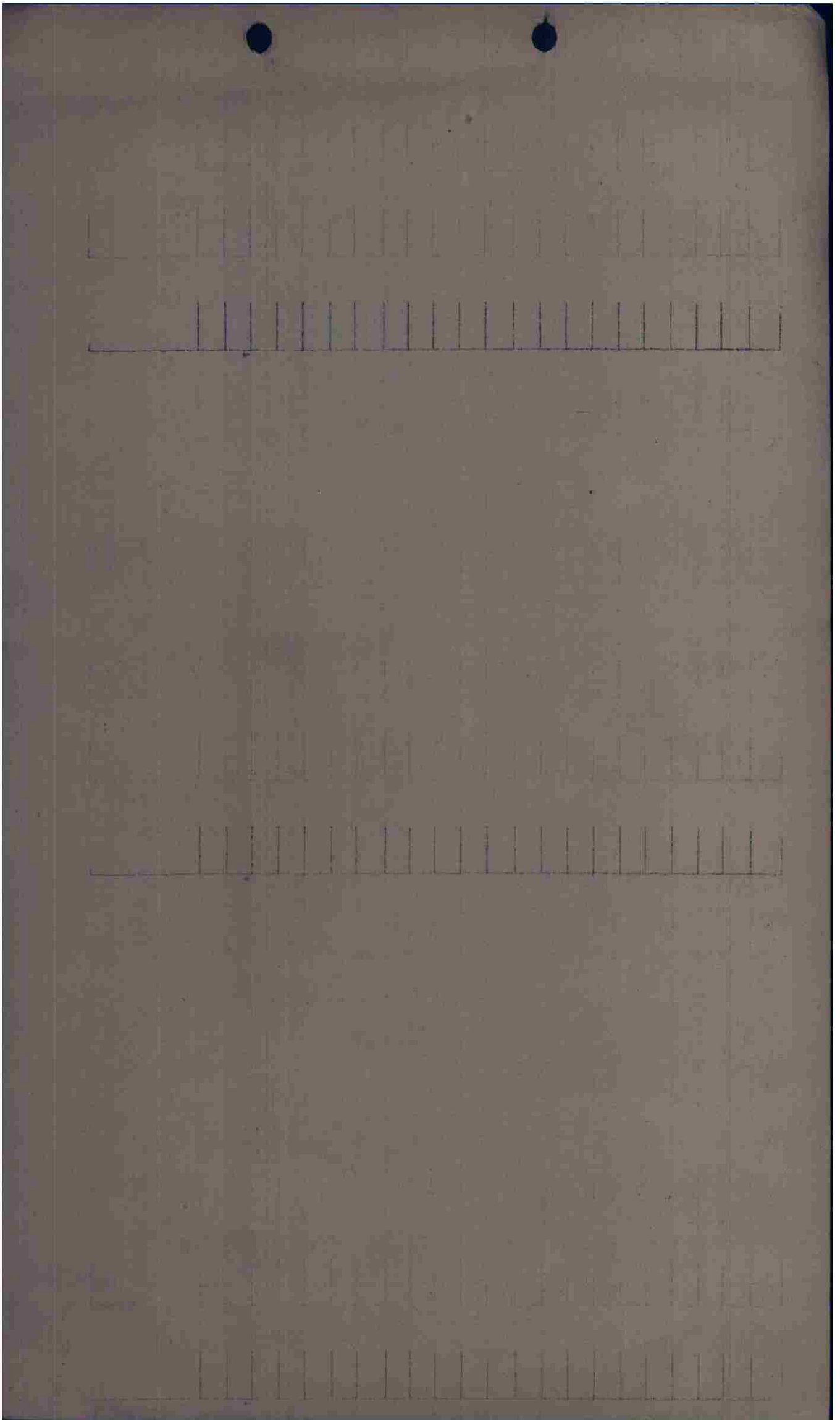
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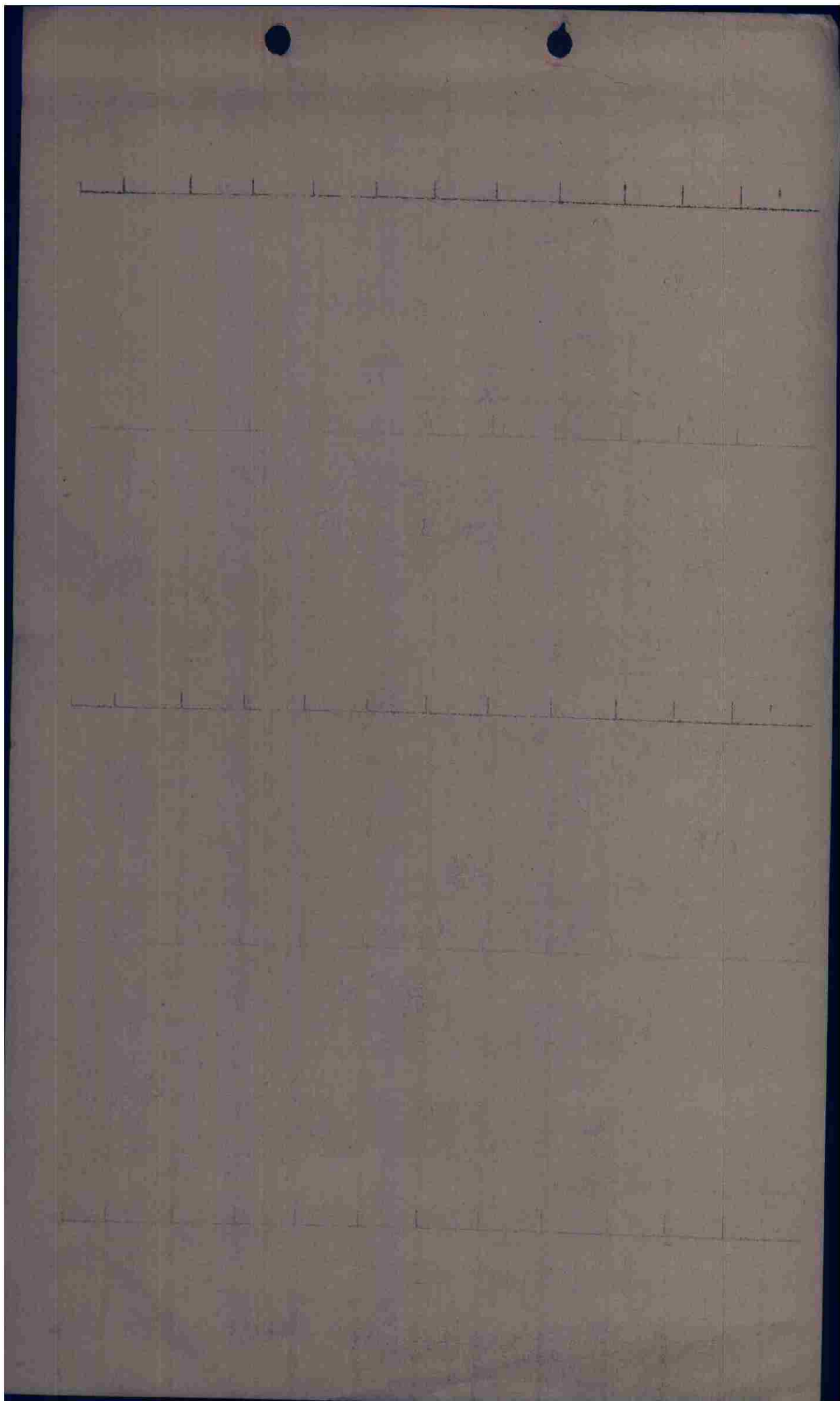
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C	Q	452	Huber			16 49						HC				1944	
C	E	224	McBrick			16 40										1945	
C	F	159	Hea			16 40										1952	
C	M	250	Anderson			16 40						C				1930	
C	L	892	Brown			16 40										1950	
C	I	689	Hoover			16 41										1946	
B	S	450	Huber Huff			16 41										1953	
B	G	390	Haugberg			16 41										1955	
B	N	919	Hayward			16 41										1954	
B	W	943	Bohrkamp			16 42										1956	
B	P-1	189	Smith, V.F.			16 43						C				1957	
B	E	961	Clark, H.B.			16 44										1956	
G	S-1	1950	Hauser			16 44										1948	
G	K-1	684	Heck			16 43										1949	
G	R	894	Heck			16 43										1949	
G	T-1	945	Hecker			16 43										1951	
G	A	0194	Hecker			16 42										1951	
G	O-1	0210	Hecker			16 43						C				1952	
B	B	202	MacMann			16 44										1959	



Machine #75					13 June 1944	
SHIP NO	SQUADRON	PILOT and/or BOMBARDIER	CUMMINGS	Malfunctions	CAUSES OF Malfunctions	
493	D	Smith R.H.	✓	Bomb failed to release	Release delay making contact due to vibration and insufficient distance of release point.	
393	D	Greenway	✓	Bomb failed to release	Assessment: bomb caught in opening, would not release. Holding bomb tightly about 10 feet from opening in release point.	
824	C	McGuire	✓	Bomb failed to release	Release delayed. Bomb not released.	
717	B	Hogter	✓	Bomb retained on deck.	Faulty release mechanism, causing a delayed release.	
189	B	Smith J.F.		Bomb returned.	Bombing improperly installed.	
961	B	Clark H.B.	✓	Bomb returned.	Release mechanism jammed out on deck. Bomb failed. Complete cause yet undetermined.	
					William A. McConville Capt. A.C.	



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 FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 15/1610B U-93-E
 TO COMBOMCOM NINE
 409TH COBOMGP
 410TH COBOMGP
 416TH COBOMGP

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY BT
 SECRET SENT IN CLEAR AUTH. MAJOR CLARENCE S. TOWLES JR.

97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
 A P O 140
 15 JUNE 1944

FIELD ORDER NO. 85-375

MAPS NORMAL

1. B. (1) SEE CURRENT BOMB LINE
 (2) ALLIED FIGHTERS WILL FURNISH COVER FOR THIS WING

2. THIS WING WILL ATTACK MILITARY OBJECTIVES IN FRANCE

ZERO HOUR 151300B

3. A. 409TH GROUP

(9) ILL. 4801W/22

1ST BOX 106045

2ND BOX 098045

3RD BOX 098040

(12) T.O.T. ZERO HOUR PLUS 5 MIN

- B. 410TH GROUP

(9) ILL. 4801W/22

1ST BOX 090045

2ND BOX 090038

3RD BOX 082042

(12). T.O.T. ZERO HOUR PLUS 10 MIN

- C. 416TH GROUP

(1) 4801W/24 DOMFRONT

SECONDARY MEZIDON

(2) 36 A/C BOMBING BY FLIGHTS OF 6 A/C

(7) 48 DEGREES 35 MIN NORTH 01 DEGREES 06 MIN WEST

(8) GENERALLY WEST TO EAST

(9) ILL. 4801W/24

REF. 042034

(12) T.O.T. ZERO HOUR PLUS 20 MIN

- X. (1) TO (4) NO CHANGE.

(5) ROUTE OUT: BASE TO GRAVESEND TO BRIGHTON TO 49 DEG.

18 MIN. NORTH 00 DEG. 07 MIN. WEST TO 48 DEG. 54 MIN.

NORTH 00 DEG. 11 MIN. WEST TO 48 DEG. 50 MIN. NORTH

01 DEG. 01 MIN. WEST TO I.P. TO TARGET.

(6) ROUTE BACK: TARGET TURN LEFT TO R.P. AND RETRACE ROUTE

(7) BOMB AT NORMAL ALTITUDES OR BELOW CLOUD BASE DOWN TO BUT

NOT BELOW 1,000 FEET.

(8) 4 X 500 LB. G.P. FUSED 1/10 SEC. NOSE 1/100 SEC. TAIL.

SHIPS WITH WING RACKS WILL CARRY 6 X 500 LB. G.P.

(9) R.P. 48 DEG. 54 MIN. NORTH 00 DEG. 11 MIN. WEST.

PARAS. 3 A AND 3 B

- (10) TARGET: FORET D' ANDAINE 48 DEG. 35 MIN. NORTH 00 DEG. 30 MIN. WEST
SECONDARY: 4801W/L/2
- (11) A/C REQUIRED: 3 BOXES OF 12 A/C EACH GROUP.
- (12) I.P. 48 DEG 39 MIN NORTH 00 DEG 57 MIN WEST
- (13) AXIS OF ATTACK: GENERALLY WEST NORTHWEST TO EAST SOUTHEAST.

4. NO CHANGE.

5. COMMUNICATIONS.

A. 409TH BOMB GROUP.

(2) OLWEN

HODDY (ON ROUTE BACK ONLY)

B. 410TH BOMB GROUP.

(2) DASHDOWN

HODDY (ON ROUTE BACK ONLY)

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP.

(2) GREATTUB

ANGELA (ON ROUTE BACK ONLY)

X. GENERAL INFORMATION.

(3) 11H INSTEAD OF 13H

(10) BTVA/BTVA

(11) BOX LEADERS WILL REPORT TO COMMAND CONTROL ON CHANNEL 'C'
WHEN ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ CLEARING TARGET AREA.

COCBTWIG 97

BT 151610B

FK/JMB

AR.

OILAI / OIHAK R.....15/1640B

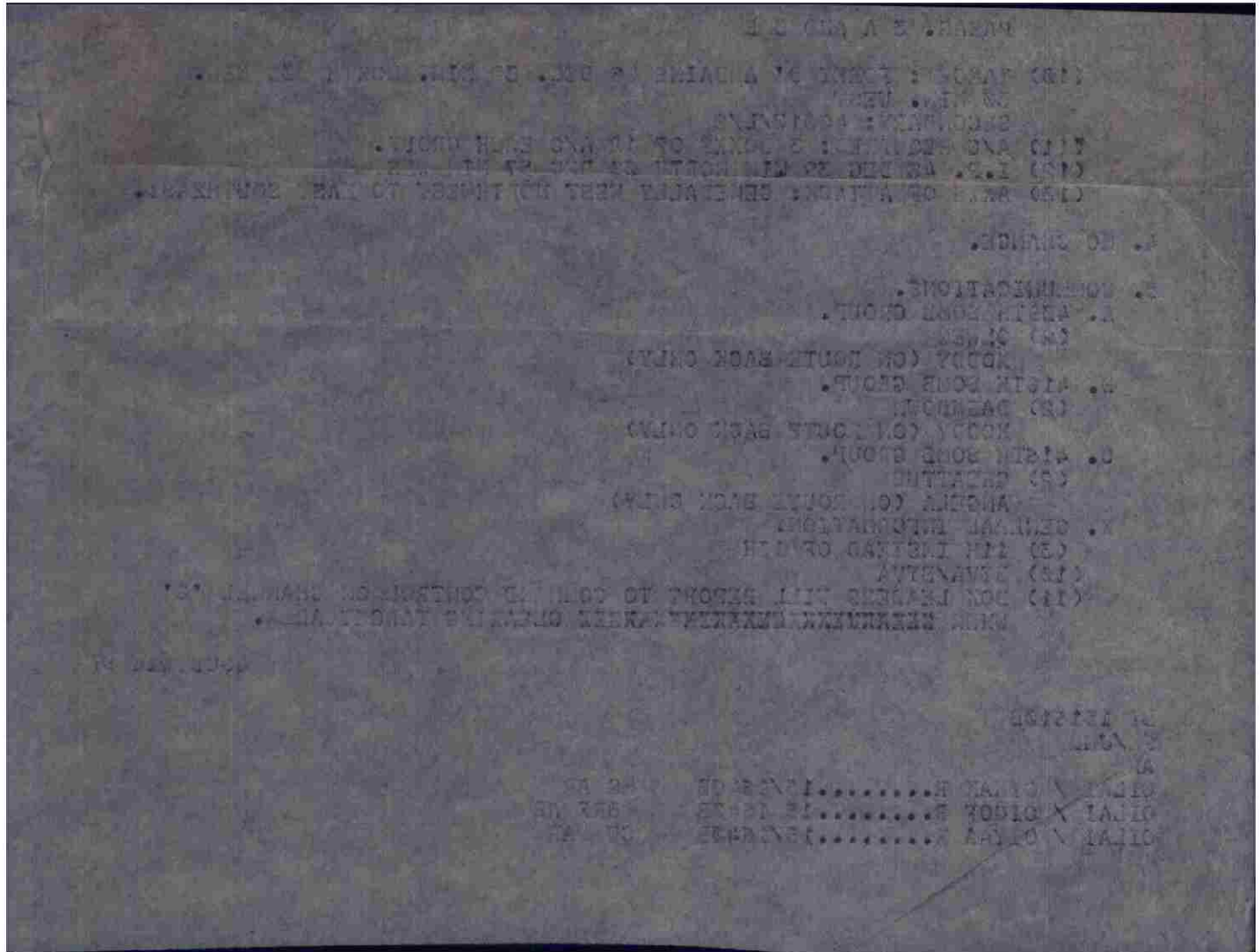
MG AR

OILAI / OIGOF R.....15/1640B

BRF AR

OILAI / OIYAA R.....15/1640B

CW AR



OICOG OILAI V YAA YAA 15/15 OP

FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 15/2125B
TO HQ IX BOMBER COMMAND ATTN: A-2
HQ 97TH COMBAT WING ATTN: A-2

U-195-D OPERATIONAL RX PRIORITY CONFIDENTIAL

OPFLASH NO. 76 FOR 15 JUNE 1944

A. (1) DOWFRONT- AM. DUMP
(2) DOWFRONT- AM. DUMP

B. (1) 416TH BOMB GROUP
(2) 36 A-20'S
(3) 35 ON PRIMARY

(4) 1 AC FAILED TO BOMB AFTER BOMBS FELL OUT AT T0458.

C. (1) 1634
(2) 1819 - 1820
(3) 2001

D. 1 AC DAMAGE CATEGORY A
0-2-0
0-2-0

E. VERY GOOD CONC. ON TARGET BY ALL 6 FLIGHTS.

F. (1) (A) NIL
(B) NIL
(2) (A) NIL
(B) NXXX XMI 8 MI EAST OF CAEN.

G. BUILDINGS CAMOUFLAGED IN (PROBABLY SUPPLY DUMP BURIED AT T3051)
AT 1811 LARGE FOREST AND BUILDINGS AT 1827-12 CONCRETE DOMES,
THOUGHT TO BE GUN IMPLACEMENTS IN WOODS U-0738.
8 TANKS DISPERSED AT 1830 (2500 FT.) AT U1547.
BOXES AND CRATES DISPERSED IN FIELDS AND WOODS AT T0308 T0308.
AT 1757 A 20 TRUCK CONVOY ON HWY HEADED TOWARD FALAISE (U-9317)
TEMPORARY BRIDGE CONSTRUCTED ALONGSIDE BOMBED-OUT SPAN AT T6270
N T6204. 40-50 TRUCKS PARKED ON ROAD EAST OF BRECY (T4555)
LIFEBOAT AT 50 DEGREES 15 MIN NORTH- 00 DEGREES 8 MIN WEST
(3000FT) ALREADY REPORTED
DINGHY AT 1730 AT 40 DEGREES EX 34 MIN NORTH- 00 DEGREES 9 MIN W.
(2700 FT) ALREADY REPORTED
ARMORED CARS 1800 HRS. DISPERSED UNDER TREES AT UPWET
FRENCH RESIDENTS HMM PUSHING CARTS ALONG ROADS AS IF EVACUATING
FROM EX FALAISE-VIRE AND SOUTH.
LARGE BOAT IN MONT ST. MICHAEL T1320.

H. (1) 1/10 CLOUDS OVER TARGET AREA
VISIBILITY 8 MILES.
(2) SAME

I. 157X500 ON PRIMARY
4X500 FELL OUT
5X500 RETURNED TO BASE.

J. 2500 FT.
3 GERMAN AMBULANCES AT T5725.
LE HAVRE BE BEING SHELLED-FIRES AND SMOKE
H/Y 2/3 FULL AT U1335.
FLAK REPORTED BY ONE FLIGHT WHICH MADE SECOND RUN AND EDGED PLATE
OFF COURSE SLIGHTLY TOWARD CAEN.

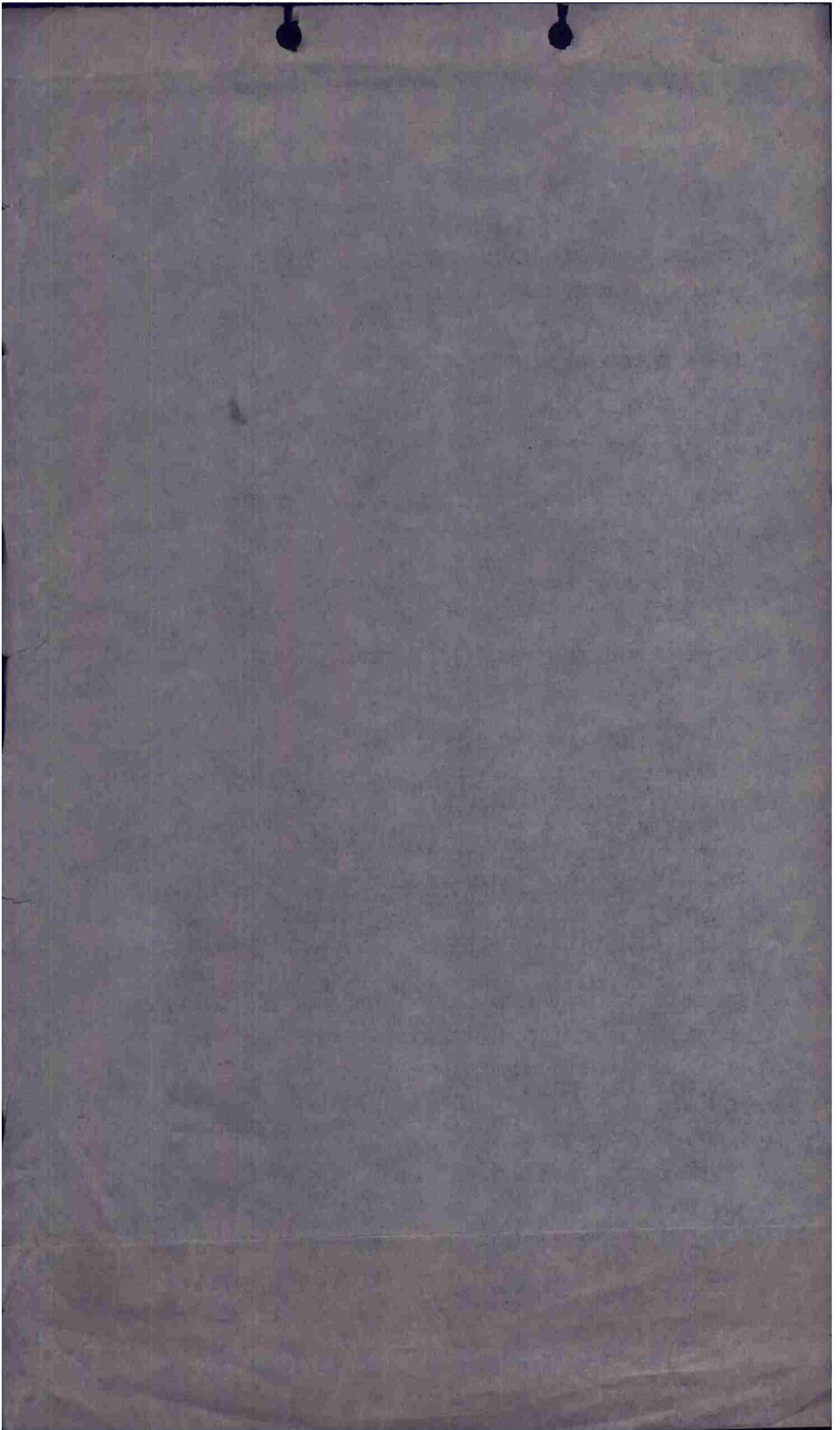
BY 15/2125B
JED AT AR

OICOG R.....

OILAI R.....15/2250B RL AR K

15/2227B

ME AR



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

FROM COBOMGR 416

TO COCBTBWIG 97TH ATT: SIG O

A - VS - 74

B - 15 JUNE 1944

C - 38 A/C

D - 670 - C - INTERPHONE TO TURRET OUT, CHECKED WIRING AND REPAIRED
OKAY.

668 - K - INTERPHONE FROM TUNNEL WEAK, CHECKED WIRING.

E - NONE

F - GOOD RADIO PERFORMANCE.

MADE COBOMGR 416

OFFICIAL

JACK B. COONEY,
CAPT, AIR CORPS,
COM O.

