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

TO: Commanding General, 9th Bombardment Division (M), APO 140, U. S. Army.  
Attn: Statistical Control.

From: 416th Bombardment Group (L), APO 140, U.S. Army.

Ref: Cprep A No. 306 for 24 hrs. ending midnight 3 Feb. 1945  
Mission or Operation No. 198 97th GBW FO# 151-731

A. Short Narrative of Operation:

Target Berg-Gladbach Storage Buildings  
Place of take-off Station A-55  
Place of landing Station A-55  
Take-off time 1335 Landing time 1727  
Time over target 1531 Bombing Altitude 13500  
Nature of mission Bombing Other None  
Weather 10/10's cloud cover over target area.  
Results Unobserved  
Enemy opposition Moderate accurate heavy flak at target. Weak inaccurate heavy flak at Saarburg.

B. Type & model of aircraft:

1. Dispatched 7 A-20's  
15 A-26's  
2. Attacking target (indicate target) or completing mission.  
3 A-20's Window  
4 A-20's Berg-Gladbach Storage Bldgs.  
15 A-26's Berg-Gladbach Storage Bldgs.

3. Abortive due to:

(1) Weather: None

(2) Personnel: None

(3) Mechanical: None

(4) Other: None

4. Missing (i.e. cause and place unknown) None

5. Destroyed - before reaching target None  
giving cause where known

6. Destroyed - over or after leaving None  
target giving cause where known

7. Damaged (give category & cause) 2 A-20's and 2 A-26's Category "A" - flak

8. Sorties 22

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(over)

## D. Total operational flying hours

a. Day (Sunrise to sunset)

A-20's 27:30

A-26's 57:55

b. Night (Sunset to sunrise)

None

## E. Ammunition by calibre:

A-20's 10500 x .50 calibre

a. Total carried into air A-26's 33000 x .50 calibre

b. Expended on operations None

c. Lost on wrecked or missing a/c None

## F. Bombs, flares, etc. used:

a. Total carried into air:

A-20's 16 x 500 GP's Fused 1/100 1/100T

A-26's 60 x 1000 GP's Fused 1/100 1/100T

b. Expended on operations:

A-20's 16 x 500 GP's

(list targets separately) A-26's 58 x 1000 GP's

c. Jettisoned

A-26's 2 x 1000 GP's

d. Lost or wrecked on missing a/c

None

e. Total Returned

None

## G. Own Personnel Casualties:

| Type of Casualty  | Pilot | Co-pilot | Nav | Bomb | R.Gun | E.Gun | T.Gun |
|-------------------|-------|----------|-----|------|-------|-------|-------|
| Killed in Action  | 0     | 0        | 0   | 0    | 0     | 0     | 0     |
| Missing in Action | 0     | 0        | 0   | 0    | 0     | 0     | 0     |
| Seriously Wounded | 0     | 0        | 0   | 0    | 0     | 0     | 0     |
| Slightly Wounded  | 0     | 0        | 0   | 0    | 0     | 0     | 0     |

## H. Enemy aircraft by type or description (tentative claims):

a. Destroyed

None

b. Prob. Des

None

c. Damaged

None

For the Commanding Officer:

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A. Place of Landing should include 1 A-26 at A-69 and 1 A-20 at A-78.

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B.3. (1) Should include 1 A-26 lost formation in weather.

B.3.(4) Should read 1 A-26 unknown. Crashed-information lacking.

B.8. Should read 5 A-26's.

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