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AUTH: CO STAA-69

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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.  
Attention Statistical Control.

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

Ref: Oprep 4 No. 253a- for 24 hrs. ending midnight 22 March 1945.  
Mission or Operation No. 248 97th CW FO # 219-809

A. Short Narrative of Operation:

Target Borken built up area.

Place of take-off Station A-69

Place of landing Station A-69

Take-off time 1421

Landing time 1806

Time over target 1618 1/2 - 1619

Bombing Altitude 11500 - 12000

Nature of mission Bombing

Other None

Weather Smoke and haze.

Results Unobserved.

Enemy opposition None

B. Type & model of aircraft:

1. Dispatched 45 A-26's.

2. Attacking target (indicate target) or completing mission.  
45 Borken built up area.

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) None

8. Sorties 45

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(over)

## D. Total operational flying hours

a. Day (Sunrise to sunset) 162:45b. Night (Sunset to sunrise) None

## E. Ammunition by calibres:

a. Total carried into air 84,600 X 50 Cal.b. Expended on operations 1050 X 50 Cal. (Testing) 2/50 ✓c. Lost on wrecked or missing a/c None

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

a. Total carried into air: 252 x 500 lb M-76 Incendiary36 x 250 lb M-81 Frags Fused T-50-Edb. Expended on operations: 252 x 500 lb M-76 Incendiary  
(List targets separately) 36 x 250 lb M-81 Frags

c. Jettisoned

None

100T 242-242-0.0260FR 72-72-0.0d. Lost or wrecked on  
missing a/c

None

100 GP 902-902-0.0

e. Total Returned

None

117.10

## 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 Noneb. Prob. Destroyed Nonec. Damaged None

For the Commanding Officer:

*George Schenkein*  
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 Captain, Air Corps,  
 Adjutant.