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

AUTH: CO STA A-69
DATE: 25 March 1945
INIT: *BS*

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: Oprep A No. 354a for 24 hrs. ending midnight 23 March 1945
Mission or Operation No. 250 97th CGW FO# 221-813

A. Short Narrative of Operation:

Target Dinslaken Built Up Area
Place of take-off Station A-69
Place of landing Station A-69 (1 landed at Y-55)
Take-off time 1603 Landing time 1851
Time over target 1719-1733 Bombing Altitude 11400-12500
Nature of mission Bombing Other None
Weather Visibility 4-5 miles. Haze and smoke in target area.
Results Unobserved due to smoke and haze in target area.
Enemy opposition Weak inaccurate heavy flak in turn off target.

B. Type & model of aircraft:

1. Dispatched 45 A-26's

2. Attacking target (indicate target) or completing mission.

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3. Abortive due to:

- (1) Weather: None
(2) Personnel: 1 - pilot failed to set counterknob on intervalometer.
(3) Mechanical: 1 - wheels would not retract; pilot landed and took off again too late to catch formation. 1 - fire in cockpit and hydraulic trouble.
(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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D. Total operational flying hours

a. Day (Sunrise to sunset) 119:20b. Night (Sunset to sunrise) None

E. Ammunition by calibres:

a. Total carried into air 99400 x .50 calibreb. Expended on operations 1150 x .50 calibre (testing) 2200 ✓c. Lost on wrecked or missing a/c None

F. Bombs, flares, etc. used:

a. Total carried into air: 276 x 500 lb M-76 Incendiaries Fused Inst Non-Delay Tailb. Expended on operations: 256
(List targets separately)c. Jettisoned None 1000 1/1 168-168-2.0d. Lost or wrecked on missing a/c None 109 I 276-256 14e. Total Returned 20 148-50

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. Dcs Nonec. Damaged None

For the Commanding Officer:

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