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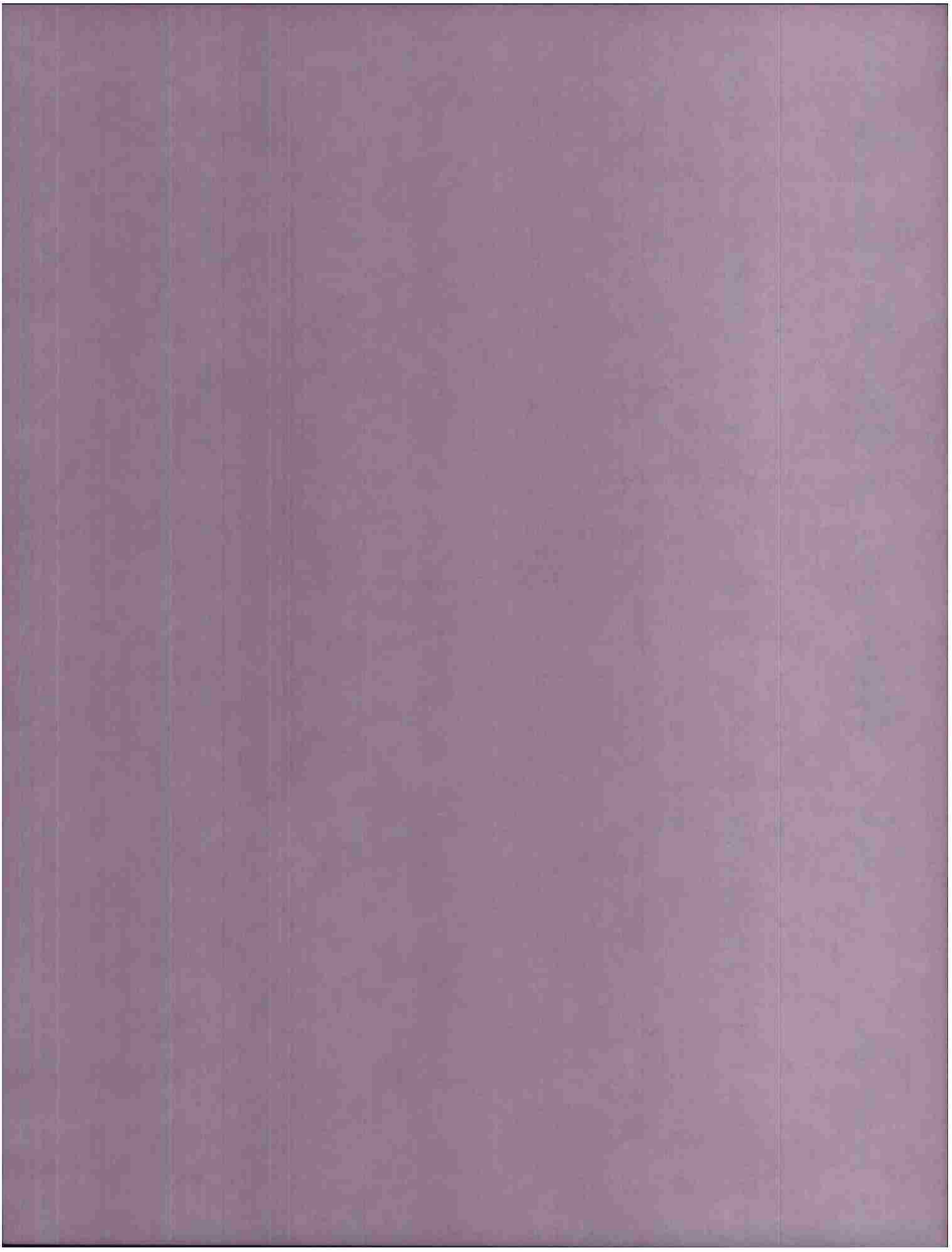
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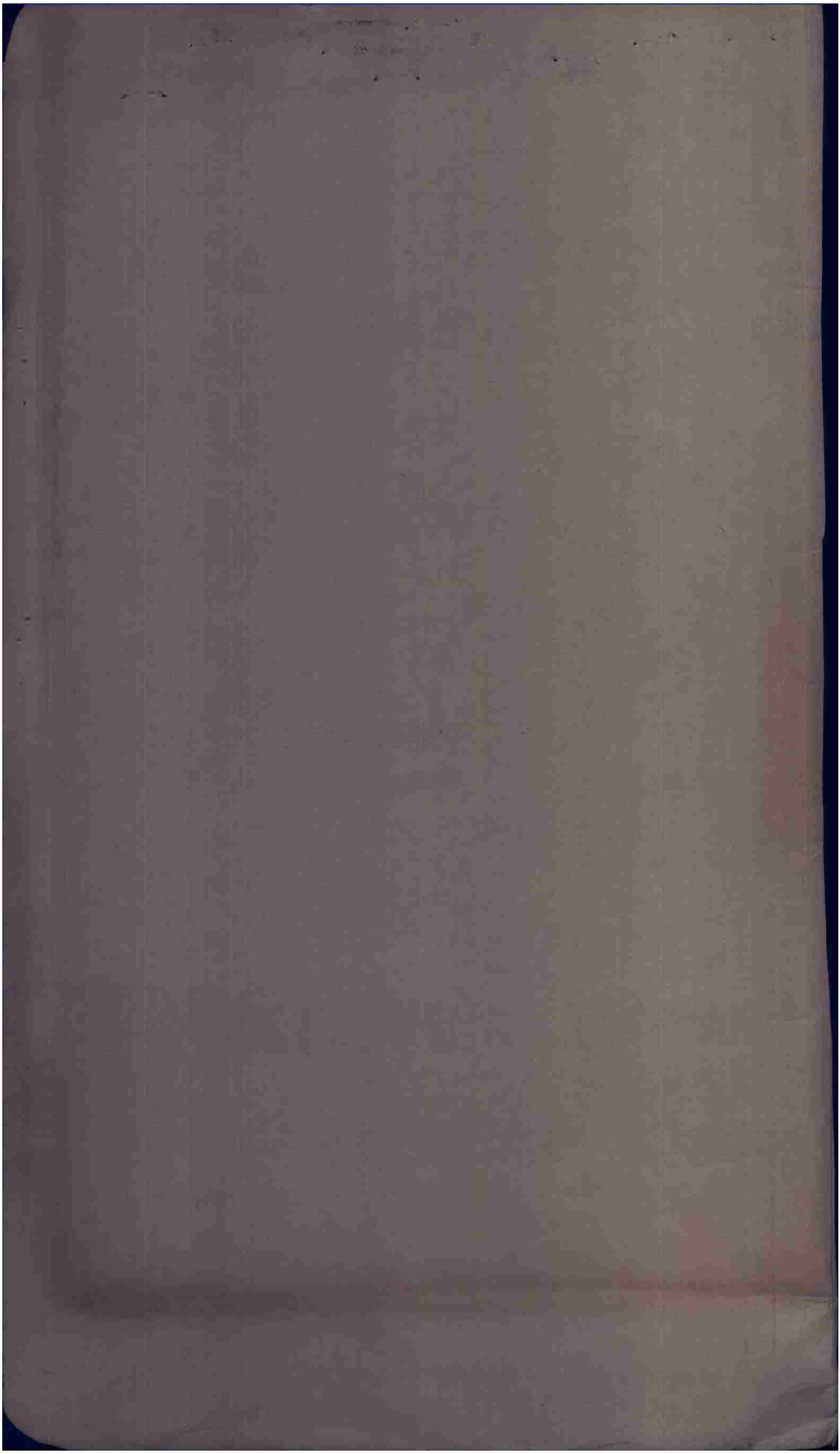
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TARGET ZWICKAU M/Y DATE 11APR45 NO./C 37 MISS.# 269

COORD. WK-330451 F.O.# 249-846 STATUS ATTACKED.

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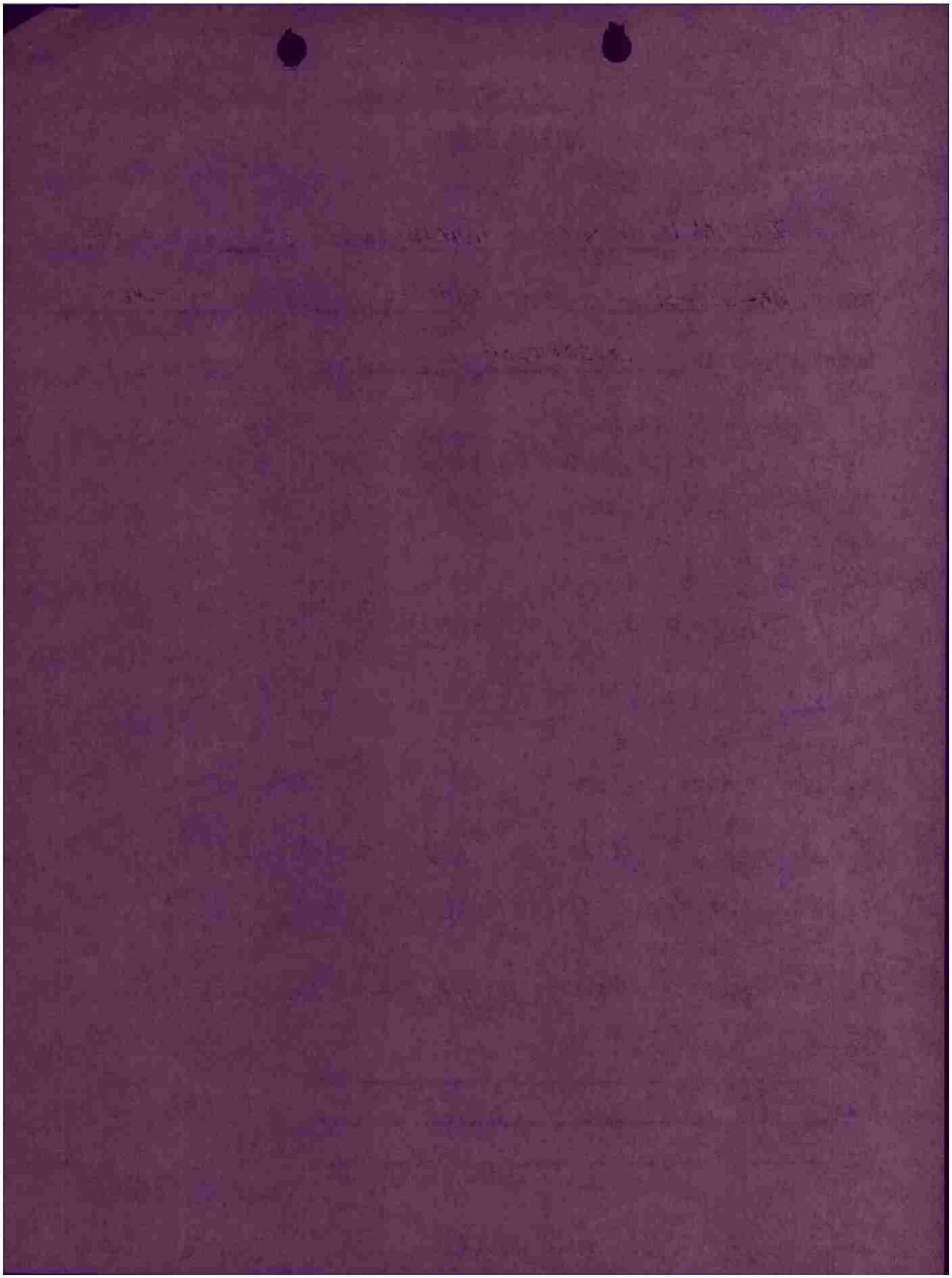
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9TH BOMBARDMENT DIVISION (M)

APO # 140
11 April 1945

Field Order #846.

MISSION SUMMARY #109
(Afternoon Missions)

Section I

GROUP	TARGET	MISSION RESULTS
416 BG:	Zwickau (K-330451) Marshalling Yard	Box I - Flt. A - Undet. B - Superior C - Unsat. Box II - Flt. A - Excellent B - Superior C - Excellent
409 BG:	"	Box I - Flt. A - Undet. B - Undet. C - N.A.O. D - Excellent
391 BG:	" "	Box I - Flt. A - N.A.O. B - Superior C - Superior Box II - Flt. A - Superior
344 BG:	" "	Box I - Flt. A - Superior (SMPI) B - Undet. (SMPI) C - Excellent Box II - Flt. A - Superior (SMPI) B - Superior (SMPI) C - Fair
386 BG:	Kothen (D-939578) Marshalling Yard	Box I - Flt. A - Excellent B - Excellent C - Superior Box II - Flt. A - Superior B - Unsat. C - Undet.
322 BG:	" "	Box I - Flt. A - Superior B - Undet. C - Undet. Box II Undet.

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397 BG:	Damberg (O-284514) M/T Assembly Plant	Box I - Flt. A - Superior B - Excellent C - Undet.
		Box II - Flt. A - Undet. B - Undet. C - Superior
387 BG:	" "	Undet.
394 BG:	" "	Box I - Flt. A - Superior B - Unsat. C - Excellent
		Box II - Flt. A - Unsat. B - Unsat. C - Excellent (SMPI)

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GROUP NARRATIVE

Nine groups attacked two marshalling yards and a motor transport assembly plant, recording SUPERIOR to UNDETERMINED results.

Zwickau (Marshalling Yard)

416 BG: 37 A-26 a/c dispatched, 36 dropping 144 x 1000 GP on Primary.

1 a/c failed to bomb: mechanical failure.

No losses, damage, casualties.

Visual bombing by flights from 8,000 - 9,900 feet.

Box I - Flt. A - DMPI - UNDETERMINED. No strike photos. Cameras were turned on during first run on target and bombs were dropped on second run. Crews report bombs fell a little short.

Flt. B - DMPI - SUPERIOR. All bombs within 1000' radius of DMPI. Center of pattern 110' N of DMPI, on R.R. and freight cars, cutting tracks in many places and destroying or damaging 20 to 25 freight cars.

Flt. C - DMPI - UNSATISFACTORY. No bombs within 1000' radius of DMPI. Center of pattern 1690' SW. Bombs hit in fields in tight pattern. Bombardier not synchronized at release.

Box II - Flt. A - DMPI - EXCELLENT. All bombs within 1000' radius of DMPI. Center of bursts 740' E of DMPI. Bombs fell in good pattern in M/Y, destroying a number of goods wagons and cutting tracks.

Flt. B - DMPI - SUPERIOR. All bombs within 1000' radius of DMPI. Bombs fell on choke point in good pattern. Center of bursts 128' NE of DMPI, cutting tracks in a number of places and damaging or destroying small buildings on edge of yard.

Flt. C - DMPI - EXCELLENT. All bombs within 1000' radius of DMPI. Center of bursts 535' E of DMPI. Bombs fell in M/Y in good pattern, with hits on goods wagons and tracks, causing considerable damage.

409 BG: 26 A-26 a/c dispatched, all dropping 104 x 1000 GP on Primary.

No losses, damage, casualties.

Visual bombing by flights from 8,000 - 8,600 feet.

Box I - Flt. A - DMPI - UNDETERMINED. Available photo coverage shows bomb bursts, but remainder of print shows no detail which will permit accurate assessment of strikes. Bombardier reports excellent to superior results.

Flt. B - DMPI - UNDETERMINED. Negatives from cameras in this flight show no bomb bursts. Bombardier reports fair to good results.

Flt. C - N.A.O. Because of smoke and haze, bombardier was not able to pick up DMPI. He therefore estimated an MPI and bombed. Available photo coverage shows only two bomb bursts. These straddle a main road approximately 1550' SE of DMPI.

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Flt. D - DMPI - EXCELLENT. Coverage is from poor quality prints and assessment is therefore approximate. 100% of visible pattern is within 1000' radius of DMPI. Center of pattern is approximately 800' NE of DMPI. Pattern appears to be quite small and quality of photo coverage prevents any damage assessment. The other camera in this flight shows possible strikes approximately 2800' SW of the DMPI.

391 BG: 31 A-26 a/c dispatched, 30 dropping 120 x 1000 GP on Primary.

1 a/c failed to bomb: mechanical failure.

No losses, battle damage, casualties.

Visual bombing by flights from 7,200 - 9,000 feet.

Box I - Flt. A - A.A.O. Dropped on Flt. B, Box I. Bomb sight would not function due to batteries being dead. All bombs within 1000' radius of DMPI. Long pattern about 500' NNE of DMPI, across end of sidings, cutting at least 15 lines and damaging at least 20 goods wagons and 2 freight warehouses.

Flt. B - DMPI - SUPERIOR. All bombs within 1000' radius of DMPI. Tight pattern 100' NE of DMPI, cutting 13 through R.R. lines and 8 sidings, hitting 2 freight warehouses in several places, and damaging at least 75 goods wagons.

Flt. C - DMPI - SUPERIOR. All bombs within 1000' radius of DMPI. Long pattern about 50' SE of DMPI, probably hitting one roundhouse turntable, cutting 23 R.R. lines, and damaging one freight warehouse and at least 150 goods wagons.

Box II - Flt. A - DMPI - SUPERIOR. All bombs within 1000' radius of DMPI. Long pattern about 200' W of DMPI, blanketing one roundhouse and probably hitting another roundhouse, cutting at least 20 R.R. lines, and damaging at least 30 goods wagons.

Flt. B - DMPI - SUPERIOR. All bombs within 1000' radius of DMPI. Tight pattern about 250' E of DMPI, cutting at least 10 R.R. lines and damaging at least 20 goods wagons.

344 BG: 38 a/c dispatched, all dropping 76 x 2000 GP on Primary.

1 a/c, on single engine, crash-landed at Frankfurt-au-Main.

No losses, battle damage, casualties.

Visual bombing by flights from 7,700 - 10,300 feet.

Box I - Flt. A - SMPI - SUPERIOR. Smoke obscured DMPI. Bombardier synchronized on building 3200' SW of DMPI. All bombs within 1000' radius of SMPI. Pattern partially obscured by smoke, but approximate center is 100' SE of SMPI. Strikes over selected buildings and on edge of M/Y.

Flt. B - SMPI - UNDETERMINED. Smoke obscured DMPI. Selected center of sidings, 3760' SW of DMPI. Camera did not operate. Photos from other flights show smoke in area of SMPI. No pattern can be distinguished. Bombardier reports hitting center of sidings.

Flt. C - DMPI - EXCELLENT. All bombs within 1000' radius of DMP Good pattern 690' NE of DMPI. Strikes at edge of M/Y and over unidentified buildings.

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Box II - Flt. A - SMPI - SUPERIOR. Smoke obscured DMPI. Selected center of sidings, 3750' SW of DMPI. All bombs within 1000' radius of SMPI. Good pattern 150' SW of SMPI. Strikes across sorting sidings, covering about 10 rakes of rolling stock.

Flt. B - SMPI - SUPERIOR. Smoke obscured DMPI. Selected center of sidings, 5460' SW of DMPI. All bombs within 1000' radius of SMPI. Good pattern 240' SE of SMPI. Strikes cross sorting sidings, covering half the width of yard.

Flt. C - DMPI - FAIR. Approximately 30% of bombs within 1000' radius of DMPI. Long pattern 1050' SE of DMPI. Pattern crosses R.R. line branching to SE, probably cutting tracks.

Kothen (Marshalling Yard)

386 BG: 36 A-26 a/c dispatched, all dropping 216 x 500 Comp. D on Primary.

No losses, damage, casualties.

Visual bombing by flights from 10,400 - 12,000 feet.

Box I - Flt. A - DMPI - EXCELLENT. 90% of bursts within 1000' radius of DMPI. Center of pattern 550' N of DMPI, with southern part falling across R.R. tracks and covering buildings in M/Y area.

Flt. B - DMPI - EXCELLENT. 80% of bursts within 1000' radius of DMPI. Center of long pattern 750' WSW of DMPI, with northern part of pattern covering main R.R. with branch line and junction. Probable hits on tracks and cars in area.

Flt. C - DMPI - SUPERIOR. All bursts within 1000' radius of DMPI. Center of round billowing pattern 250' N of DMPI. Smoke covers center of M/Y in rapidly rising columns, indicating probable hits on ammunition storage or cars in M/Y.

Box II - Flt. A - DMPI - SUPERIOR. All bursts within 1000' radius of DMPI. Center of concentrated pattern 250' E of DMPI, falling across main M/Y area, with probable hits on the many cars in area.

Flt. B - DMPI - UNSATISFACTORY. No bursts within 1000' radius of DMPI. Center of closely concentrated pattern 2200' SW of DMPI falling in open field. Reason for unsatisfactory bombing unknown.

Flt. C - DMPI - UNDETERMINED. No bursts appear on negative. Bombardier reports unobserved results due to quick turnoff target.

322 BG: 36 a/c dispatched, all dropping 288 x 500 LD on Primary.

No losses, damage, casualties.

Visual bombing by flights from 10,500 - 12,000 feet.

Box I - Flt. A - DMPI - SUPERIOR. All bombs within 1000' radius of DMPI Zero circular error over central part of yards and largest concentration of cars. Fires started in cars and buildings on E side of M/Y.

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Flts. B & C - DMPI - UNDETERMINED. Due to type of bomb, it is impossible to definitely designate patterns. One pattern is superior, with zero circular error, causing fires in S part of M/Y. The other is good, with approximately 40% of pattern within 1000' radius of DMPI, centered approximately 1200' to N.

Box II - Flt. A - DMPI - UNDETERMINED. Due to type of bomb and evasive action, no photos of bomb strikes are available. Crews report excellent results.

Flt. B - DMPI - UNDETERMINED. No photos of bomb bursts. However, huge billows of smoke indicate excellent results for other flights.

Flt. C - DMPI - UNDETERMINED. No photos of strikes due to type of bomb. Crews report excellent results.

Bombers (M/T Assembly Plant)

397 BG: 39 a/c dispatched, 36 dropping 72 x 1000 GP, 141 x 500 ID on Primary. 3 a/c dropped 48 x 260 Frag on a flak position in target area.

No losses, damage, casualties.

Visual bombing by flights from 10,500 - 12,900 feet.

Box I - Flt. A - DMPI - SUPERIOR. 100% of bombs within 1000' radius of DMPI. Good pattern 1421' W of DMPI. Bombs fell across R.R. spur, road, and building used as DMPI.

Flt. B - DMPI - EXCELLENT. 90% of bombs within 1000' radius of DMPI. Good pattern 750' N. of DMPI. Bombs fell across R.R. tracks and several buildings N of T/A, which are probably part of it.

Flt. C - DMPI - UNDETERMINED. No photo coverage. Smoke from earlier bombing obscures target area. Crews report excellent results.

Box II - Flt. A - DMPI - UNDETERMINED. No photo coverage due to bombs landing in smoke of Flt. A, Box I, which had same DMPI. Crews report excellent to superior results.

Flt. B - DMPI - UNDETERMINED. No photo coverage due to smoke and evasive action. Crews report bombs fell short and to left of target.

Flt. C - DMPI - SUPERIOR. 100% of visible bombs within 1000' radius of DMPI, covering large area 195' E of DMPI. Bombs fell across all buildings in NW corner of T/A.

NOTE: 3 a/c bombed a flak position at C-254509. Bombs fell in good pattern 4500' NNW of target, across buildings and roads at C-249526.

387 BG: 38 a/c dispatched, all dropping 72 x 1000 GP, 152 x 500 ID on Primary.

No losses, damage, casualties.

Visual bombing by flights from 9,400 - 11,500 feet.

No photo coverage due to lateness of mission and smoke over target. Crews report excellent results by visual observation.

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394 BG: 37 a/c dispatched, 36 dropping 72 x 2000 GP on Primary.

1 a/c failed to bomb: mechanical failure.

No losses, damage, casualties.

Visual bombing by flights from 9,000 - 13,000 feet.

Box I - Flt. A - DMPI - SUPERIOR. All bombs within 1000' radius of DMPI. Long pattern approximately 100' N of DMPI and covering it. Bursts blanketed entire factory building. Damage should be heavy.

Flt. B - DMPI - UNSATISFACTORY. Bombardier had too short a run due to smoke over T/A. On second run he could not see T/A until last minute so he set hairs on edge of smoke and then moved them up. All bombs outside 1000' radius of DMPI. Broken pattern approximately 3600' SE of DMPI, in open fields. No damage.

Flt. C - DMPI - EXCELLENT. All bombs within 1000' radius of DMPI Long pattern approximately 450' SE of DMPI. Probable hits on assembly building, with rest of pattern walking across a road and covering some unidentified small buildings. Damage should be heavy.

Box II - Flt. A - DMPI - UNSATISFACTORY. On bomb run bombardier went from G-1 to Manual due to vibration and attempted to give last minute corrections verbally. All bombs outside 1000' radius of DMPI. Loose pattern approximately 3600' SW of DMPI. Bursts in open fields, with probable hits on a road.

Flt. B - DMPI - UNSATISFACTORY. One engine of lead a/c lost power on bomb run, and target could not be well synchronized on. All bombs outside 1000' radius of DMPI. Partly smoke covered pattern approximately 2100' N of DMPI in fields, with no visible damage.

Flt. C - SMPI. EXCELLENT. Due to heavy smoke and fires at DMPI bombardier selected alternate MPI, approximately 3000' SW of DMPI. Tight pattern approximately 575' S of SMPI. All bombs within 1005' radius of SMPI. Probable hits on large stores buildings and roads, with damage.

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Section II

A/C Off		317
A/C Bombing	314	
A/C Failing to Bomb	3	
Total		317

Bombs on Enemy Territory	609.49
Total Bombs to Date	144,735.99

A/C Lost	0
A/C Missing	0
A/C Crash-Landed (344 BG)	1
A/C Battle Damaged	0
Killed	0
Wounded	0
Missing	0
Injured	0
Claims	0

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FAILURES TO BOMB

GROUP	NO. A/C	CLASSIFICATION	REASONS
416	1	Mechanical	Bomb bay doors would not open.
391	1	Mechanical	Bomb bay doors would not open.
394	1	Mechanical	Bombardier could not get lever in forward position for releasing bombs.

OBSERVATIONS

WEATHER: Zwickau 416 BG: 2-3/10 thin alto-cumulus, base 8000', top 8500'. 4-6/10 cirrus, base estimated 18,000'. Visibility 2-3 miles up sun and 8-9 miles down sun.

409 BG: 6/10 alto-cumulus, base 9000'. Visibility 6 miles.

391 BG: Clear. Visibility 5-8 miles in haze.

344 BG: 3-5/10 medium cloud, base 13,000'. Visibility 3 miles up sun and 6-8 miles down sun.

Kothen 386 BG: 7/10 medium cloud, base 15,000'. Visibility 2-4 miles air-to-ground in thick haze.

322 BG: Clear. Visibility 2-4 miles air-to-ground in thick haze.

Damburg 397 BG: 2/10 cirro-stratus. Visibility 10 miles in light haze.

387 BG: Clear. Visibility 12 miles on bomb run.

394 BG: 5/10 medium cloud, base estimated 17,000'. Visibility 15 miles air-to-ground and excellent air-to-air.

FLAK ANALYSIS ANNEX

A/C OVER ENEMY TERRITORY	317
A/C LOST TO FLAK	0
A/C FLAK BATTLE DAMAGED	0
% A/C FLAK BATTLE DAMAGED	0

Zwickau Marshalling Yard 416, 409, 391, 344 Gp.

A/C Lost to Flak	0
A/C Flak Battle Damaged	0
% A/C Flak Battle Damaged	0

There was no flak experienced enroute or at the target. No heavy flak guns are plotted at this target.

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Kothen Marshalling Yard 386, 322 Gp.

A/C Lost to Flak	0
A/C Flak Battle Damaged	0
% A/C Flak Battle Damaged	0

Flak was not encountered enroute or at the target. There are 12 heavy guns plotted within range of this target, but consistent with experience in the same general area earlier in the day, at Dornburg, the guns did not go into action. Defense against ground attack seems to be the primary role of the guns in this area.

Bamberg Motor Transport Assembly Plant 397, 387, 394 Gp.

A/C Lost to Flak	0
A/C Flak Battle Damaged	0
% A/C Flak Battle Damaged	0

The 397 Gp., in addition to the primary target, was assigned the bombing of a 3-gun heavy railway flak position near the target. Weak, inaccurate, heavy flak fire in the target area was reported by the special flight attacking the railway guns, and by the lead flight of Box I. No damage was sustained. Heavy flak fire was discontinued following the attack on the gun position. Crews in Box II reported observing some light flak fire, believed to be directed at the special flight bombing the gun position, bursting 2000' below the planes. The other two groups, following, received no flak fire.

ENEMY AIRCRAFT REACTION

T.O.T.'s: 1714 to 1910

No e/a encountered during this mission.

S/A PHOTO REPORT

GROUP	CAMERAS PHOTOGRAPHING	MECHANICAL FAILURES NO.	MECHANICAL FAILURES PERCENT	PERSONNEL FAILURES NO.	PERSONNEL FAILURES PERCENT
416	92%	1	8	0	0
409	88%	1	12	0	0
391	100%	0	0	0	0
344	100%	0	0	0	0
386	100%	0	0	0	0
322	100%	0	0	0	0
397	100%	0	0	0	0
394	91%	1	9	0	0

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Mission # 269--11 Apr '45 (PM)

Again our planes made a deep penetration into Germany to attack the Zwickau marshalling yards. The results appeared to be very good, completely destroying the section of the yards ~~to be~~ attacked. Thirty-seven planes took off.

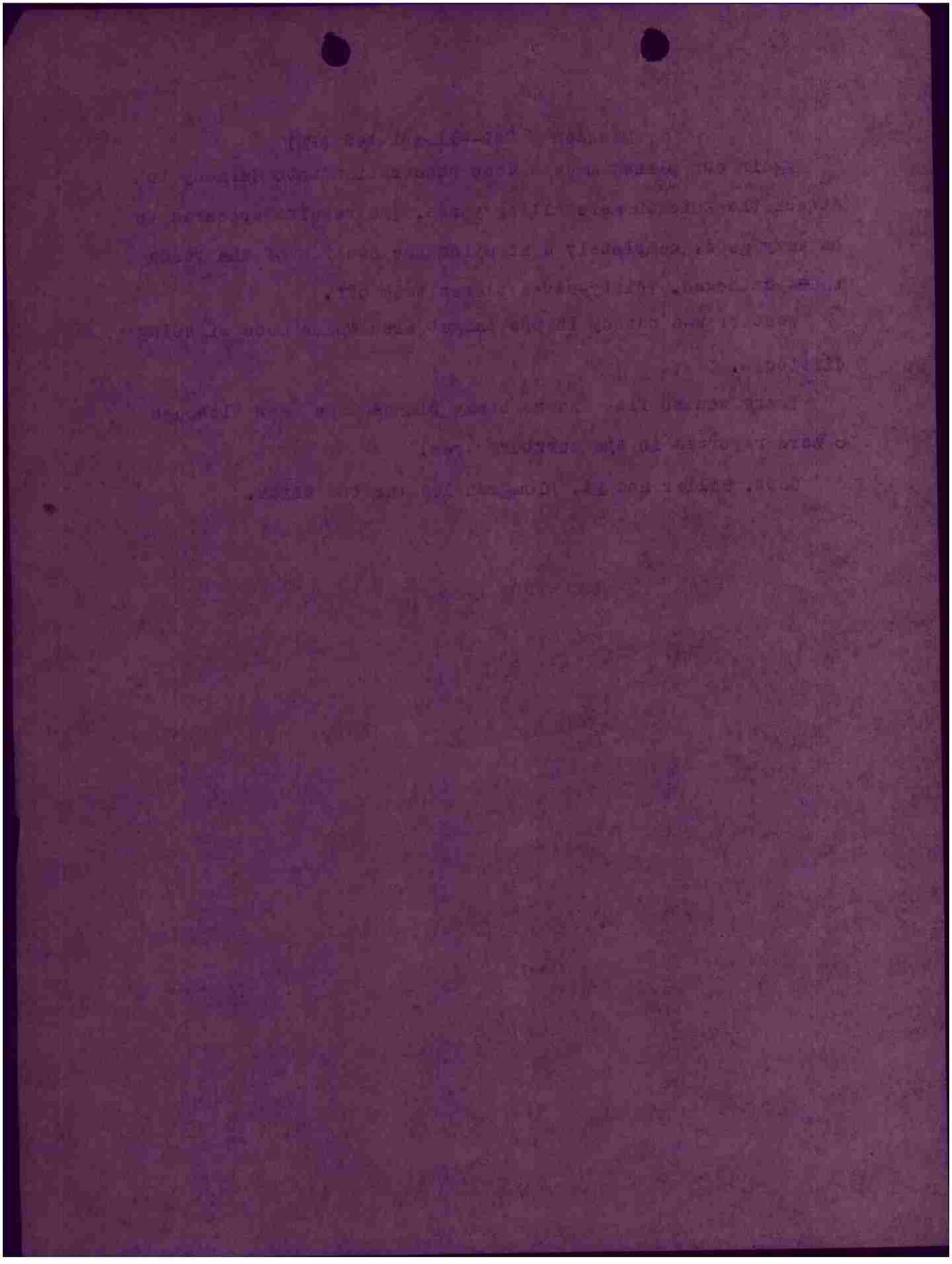
Weather was patchy in the target area which made sighting difficult.

There was no flak and no enemy planes were seen although 8 were reported in the Wurzburg area.

Capt. Miller and Lt. Blomgren led the two ~~flights~~.

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CG, 97TH COMBAT WING ATT: A-2
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SECRET 416BG P-196-D
OPFLASH FOR 11 APRIL 1945

A. 416TH BOMB GP.
B. ZWICKAU M/Y (WK-330451)
C. 37 A-26'S
D. 36 A-26'S ON PRIMARY TARGET
E. 1 A-26 FAILED TO BOMB BECAUSE BOMBAY DOORS REFUSED TO OPEN ON SECOND AND THIRD RUN. MECHANICAL MALFUNCTIOM.
F. 139 X 1000 GP ON PRIMARY TARGET
4 X 1000 GP RETURNED
4 X 1000 GP AT ABOUT K-2838 WHEN PILOT RELEASED ON A PREMATURE DROP OF ONE BOMB CAUSED BY RACK MALFUNCTION.
1 X 1000 GP AT ABOUT K-2838 CAUSED BY RACK MALFUNCTION.
G. BOX I - FLIGHT A- FAIR BOX II - FLIGHT A- GOOD
B. GOOD B. EXCELLENT
C. EXCELLENT C. EXCELLENT

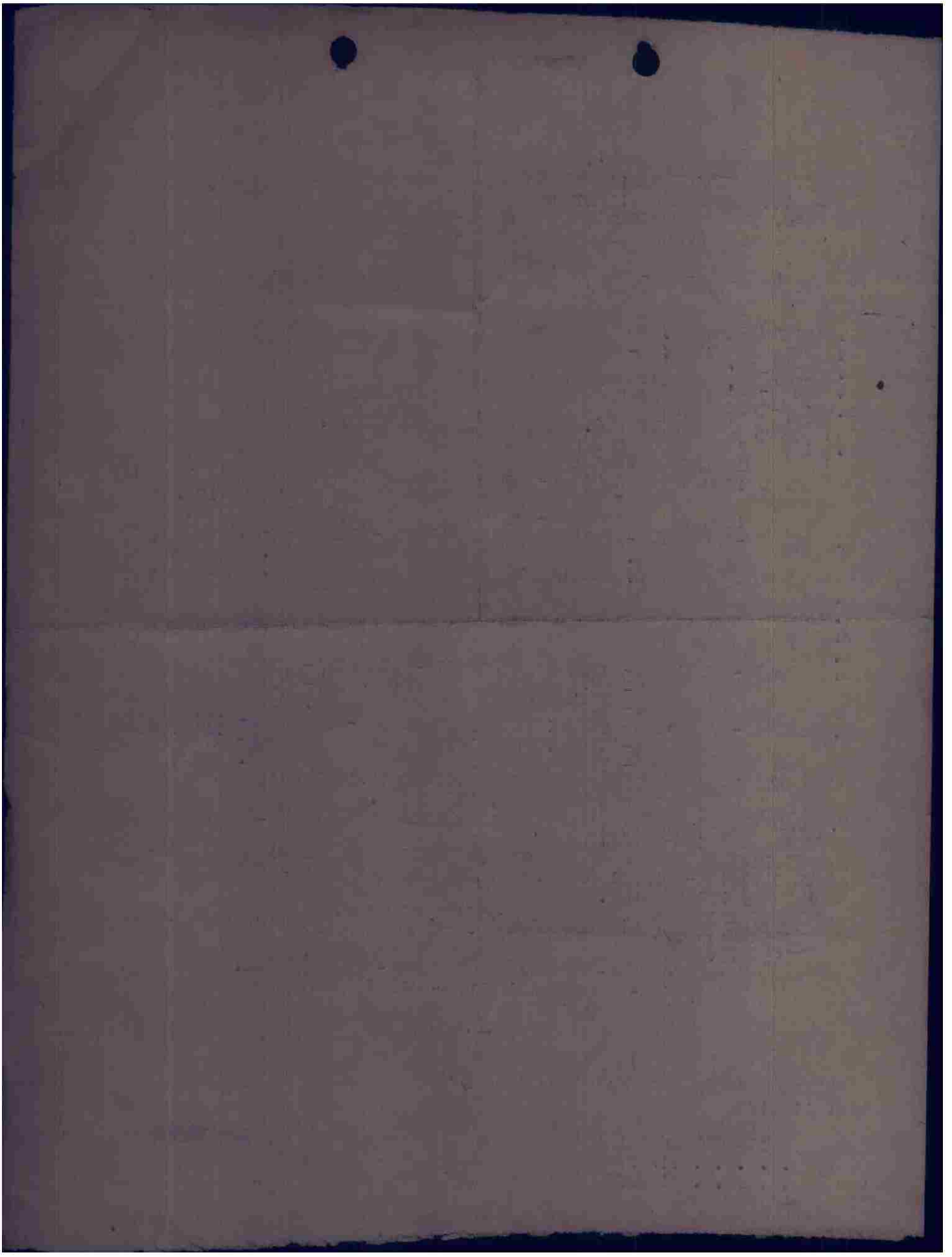
H. NIL
I. NIL
J. NIL
K. NIL
L. BOX I - FLIGHT A- 8000 BOX II - FLIGHT A-8,900
B- 9000 B- 8,500
C- 9,900 C. 8,700
M. BOX I - GLIGHT A- 1730 (2 RUNS) BOX II - FLIGHT A- 1714
B- 1728 (3 RUNS) B- 1733(3 RUNS)
C- 1726 (3 RUNS) C. 1725(2 RUNS)
MULTIPLE RUNS WERE MADE BECAUSE CLOUD (4/10 TO 5/10) MADE FUNCTIONAL APPROACH TO TARGET DIFFICULT.
X. BARRAGE BALOONS (ESTIMATED 15) AT 5000 MOORED AT LAKE NEAR SAALBERG (WJ-830290)
ESTIMATED 75 CARS ON RR BETWEEN WERDAU (WK270480) AND REICHENBACH (WK-235355) AND M/Y AT REICHENBACH THREE-FOURTHS FILLED WITH ROLLING STOCK.
LARGE BRIDGE AT PLANITZ (WK-350430) INTACT.
30 CARS IN M/Y AT POSZNECK (WJ-730400) TRAIN HEADED EAST IN SAME VICINITY.
M/Y AT GLAUCAU (WK-390580) ABOUT THREE-FOURTHS FULL.
M/Y AT GERA (WK-060635) ABOUT ONE-HALF FILLED.

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CG, 97th Combat Wing, att A2

From: 416th Bomb. Gp.

Opflash for 11 April 1945

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A. 416th Bomb Gp.

B. Zwickau M/Y (WK-330451)

C. 37 A 26's

D. 36 A 26's on primary target

E. 1 A26 failed to bomb because bombay doors refused to open on second and third run. Mechanical malfunction.

F. 139 x 1000 GP on primary target
4 x 1000 GP returned
4 x 1000 GP at about K-2838 when pilot released on a premature drop of one bomb caused by rack malfunction.
1 x 1000 GP at about K-2838 caused by rack malfunction.

G. Box I- Flight A- Fair, B. Good, C. Excellent
Box II- Flight A- Good, B. Excellent, C. Excellent

H. Nil

I. Nil

J. Nil

K. Nil

L. Box I- Flight A- 8000, B- 9000, C-9,900
Box II- Flight A- 8,900, B- 8,500, C. 8,700

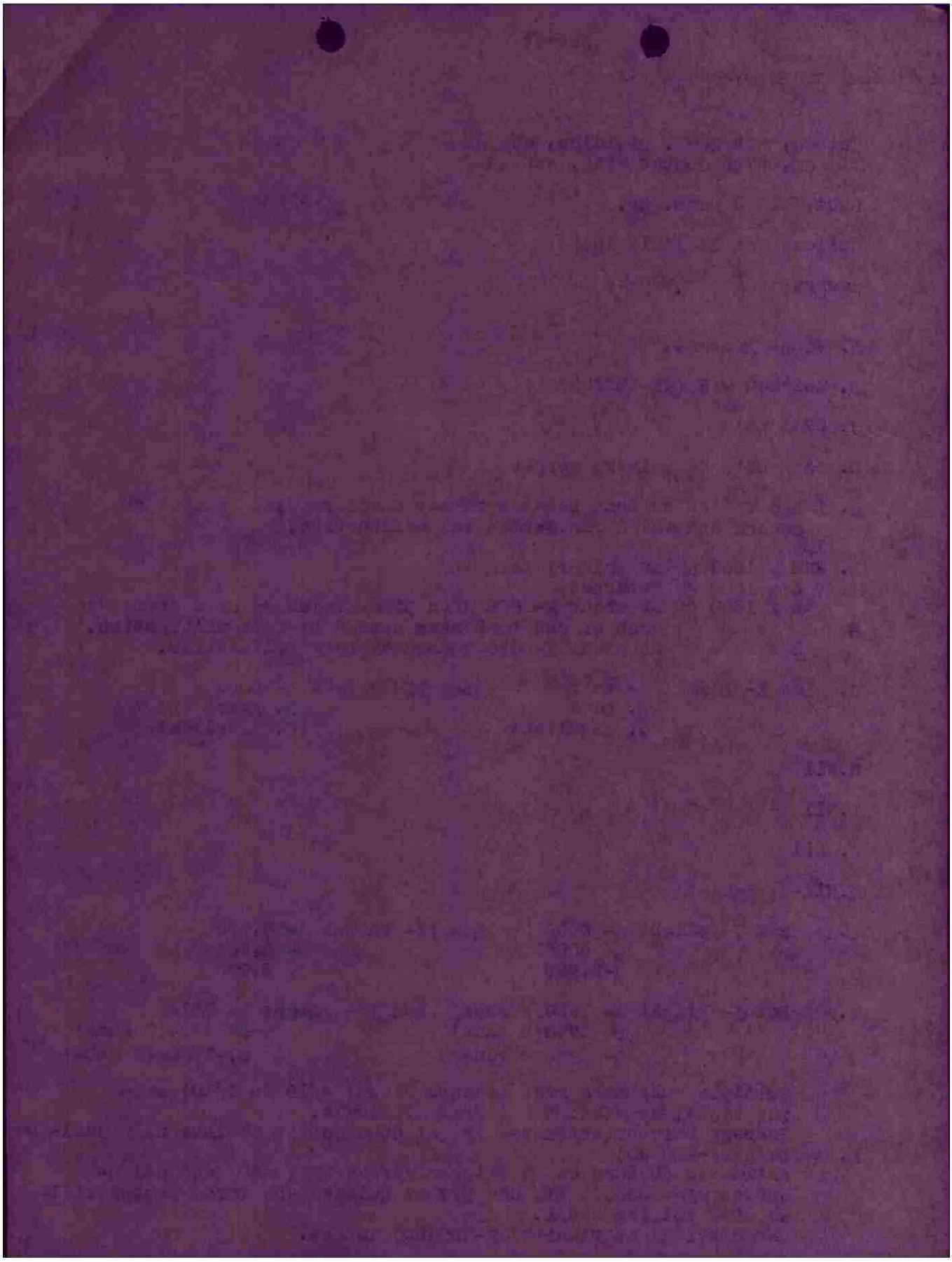
M. Box I- Flight A- 1730(2 runs), B- 1728(3 runs), C- 1726(3 runs)
Box II- Flight A- 1714, B- 1733(3 runs), C. 1725 (2 runs)

Multiple runs were made because cloud(4/10 to 5/10) made functional approach to target difficult.

X. Barrage Balcons(estimated 15) at 5000 moored at lake near Saalberg(WJ-830290)
Estimated 75 cars on RR between Werdau(WK270480) and Reichenbach(WK- 235355) M/Y and M/Y at Reichenbach three-fouths filled with rolling stock.
Large bridge at Planitz(WK-350430) intact.

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30 cars in M/Y at Poszneck(WJ-730400) Train headed east in same vicinity.

M/Y at Glaucau(WK- 390580) about three-fourths full.

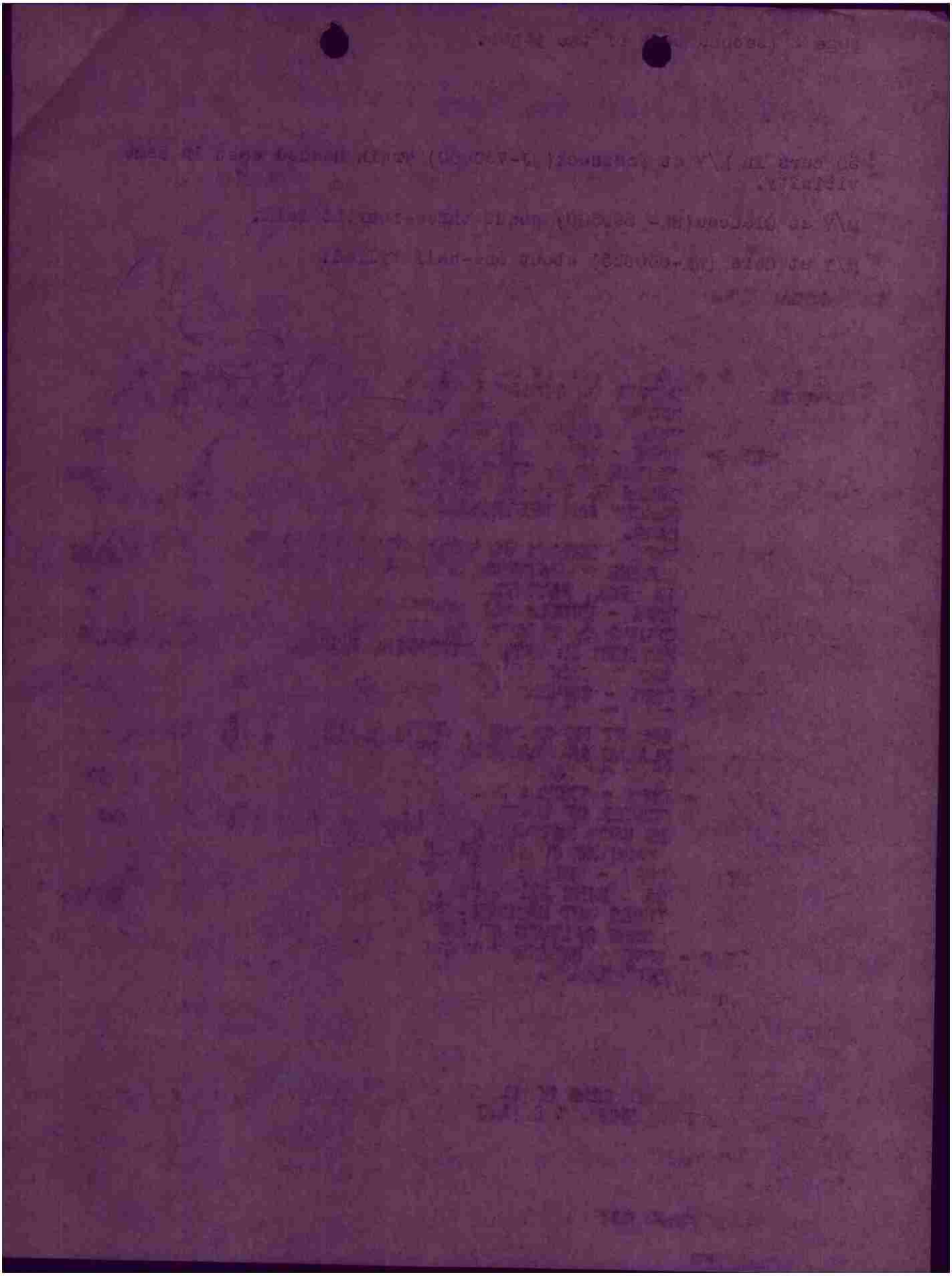
M/Y at Gera (WK-060635) about one-half filled.

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ITA JEA V JKI JKI 82/12 OP OP

FROM: HQS, 416TH BOMB GROUP (L), APO 140 12/0200B
TO : HQS, 9TH BOMB DIVISION (M) ATTN: A-2 PI OFFICER.
HQS, 97TH COMBAT WING (L) ATTN: A-2 DUTY OFFICER.
BT

SECRET 416TH BG P-190-D PERIOD

B. ZWICKAU M/Y.

C. 1714 - 1733.

J. BOX 1 FLT A - DMPI - UNDET: NO STRIKE PHOTOS AS CAMERAS WERE
(VISUAL) TURNED ON DURING FIRST RUN ON TARGET. BOMBS WERE DROPPED ON 2ND RUN. VISUAL REPORTS STATE BOMBS FELL FELL A LITTLE SHORT.
FLT B- DMPI - SUPER: ALL BOMBS WITHIN 1000 FT OF DMPI WITH CENTER OF PATTERN 110 FT N. EXCELLENT PATTERN OF BOMBS ON R R AND FREIGHT CARS, CUTTING TRACKS IN MANY PLACES AND DESTROYING OR DAMAGING 20 TO 25 FREIGHT CARS.
FLT C - DMPI - UNSAT: NO BOMBS WITHIN 1000 FT OF DMPI WITH CENTER OF PATTERN 1600 FT SW. BOMBS HIT IN FIELDS IN TIGHT PATTERN.
BOX 2 FLT A- DMPI - EXCEL: ALL BOMBS WITHIN 1000 FT OF DMPI WITH
(VISUAL) CENTER OF BURSTS 740 FT E OF DMPI. BOMBS FELL IN GOOD PATTERN IN M/Y, DESTROYING A NUMBER OF GOODS WAGONS AND CUTTING TRACKS.
FLT B - DMPI - SUPER: ALL BOMBS WITHIN 1000 FT OF DMPI. BOMBS FELL ON CHOKE POINT IN GOOD PATTERN, CENTER OF BURSTS 150 FT NE OF DMPI, CUTTING TRACKS IN A NUMBER OF PLACES AND DAMAGING OR DESTROYING SMALL BUILDINGS ON EDGE OF YARD.
FLT C - DMPI - EXCEL: ALL BOMBS WITHIN 1000 FT OF DMPI WITH CENTER OF BURSTS 930 FT E OF DMPI. BOMBS FELL IN M/Y IN GOOD PATTERN WITH HITS ON GOODS WAGONS AND TRACKS, CAUSING CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE.
K. BOX 1 FLT A - DMPI - UNDET: NOT PHOTOS DUE TO CAMERA BEING SWITCHED ON DURING FIRST RUN. MALFUNCTION: INTERVALOMETER TUBES NOT MATCHED, BOMBS WOULD NOT RELEASE IN TRAIN. BOMBS SALVOED AT BOMBARDIERS SIGNAL.
FLT C - DMPI - UNSAT: BOMBARDIER WAS NOT SYNCHRONIZED AT TIME OF RELEASE.

M. 12 - 92
1 - 8
0 - 0

N. 80 TO 100 FREIGHT CARS DESTROYED OR DAMAGED. 40 TO 50 HITS ON TRACKS, CUTTING THEM. 3 BUILDINGS DESTROYED OR SEVERLY DAMAGED.

CLAYTON W. ZESIGER
CAPTAIN, AIR CORPS,

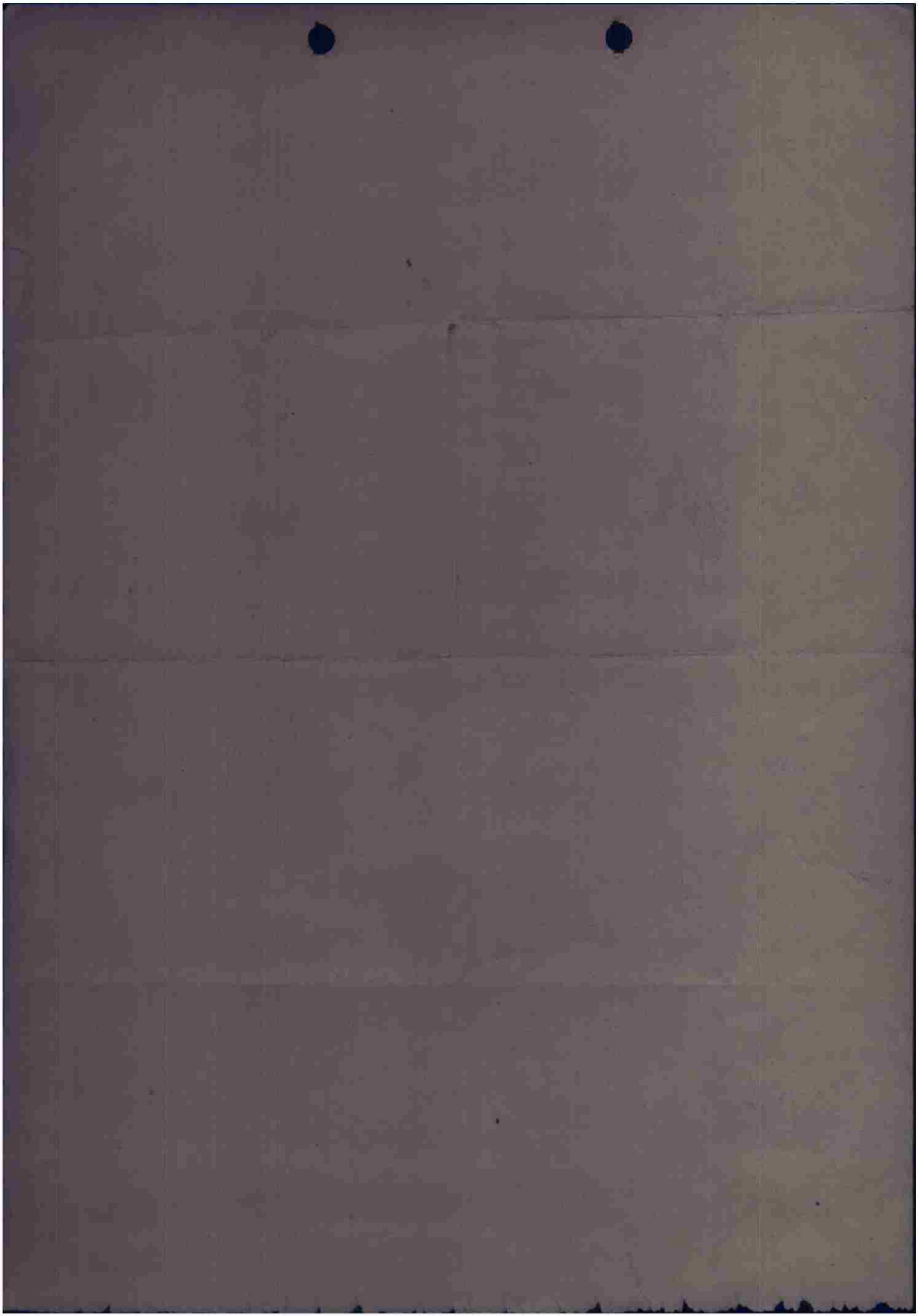
AYLESWORTH COBOMGP 416

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ITA R.....12/0233Z MILT AR
JEA R.....12/0233Z WCD AF

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JEA V JKI JKI 11/11 OP OP

FROM 416TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) 11/1555B
TO CG, 97TH ~~EW~~ COMBAT BOMB WING ATTN: A-2
BT

SECRET 416BG P-184-D

1. MPI'S FOR AFTERNOON MISSION 11 APRIL, ONE FLIGHT ON EACH OF THE FOLLOWING POINTS:

   ILL. 3(K)117/1

   - Ø71Ø35
   - Ø72Ø34
   - Ø73Ø37
   - Ø75Ø36
   - Ø76Ø38
   - Ø77Ø39

2. ALTERNATE TARGET NEUSTADT (J-3345)

T.W. SAMPSON, 1ST LT.

BT 11/1555B
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JEA R.....11/1627B SH AR

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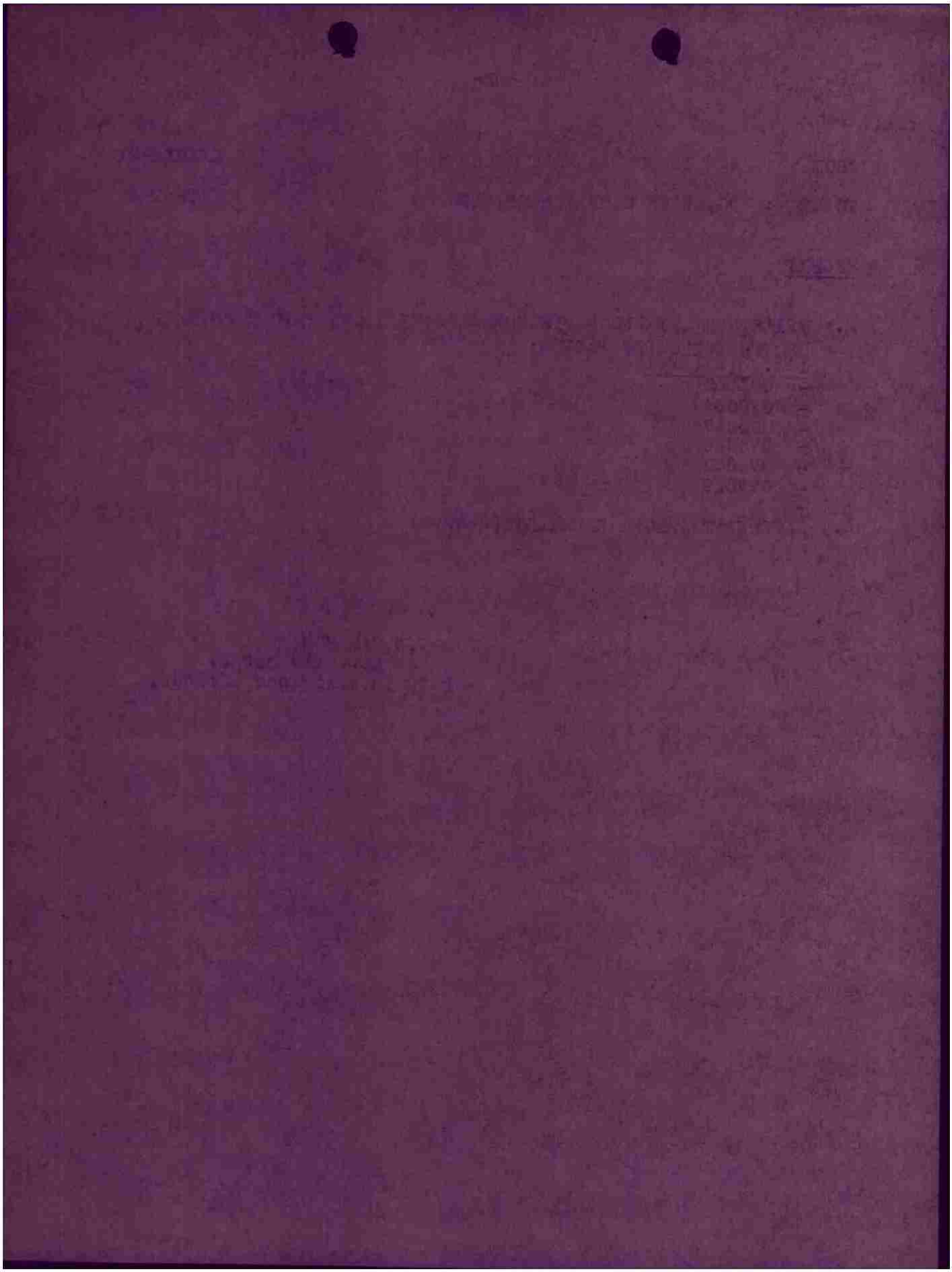
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1. MPI'S FOR AFTERNOON MISSION 11 APRIL, ONE FLIGHT ON EACH OF THE FOLLOWING POINTS:
   III. 3(K)117/1
   - 071035
   - 072034
   - 073037
   - 075036
   - 076038
   - 077039
   -
2. ALTERNATE TARGET NEUSTADT (J-3345)

T.W.SAMPSON,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Duty Intelligence Officer.

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ITA JES JKI V JEA 06/11 OP OP

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 11/1013B
TO COMBOMDIV IX
COBOMGP 409TH
COBOMGP 416TH
BT

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SIG

SECRET SENT IN CLEAR AUTH: COL. MC AFEE

97CBW P-95-E

INTELLIGENCE SUPPLEMENT NO. 1 TO FIELD ORDER NO. 249-846.

(1) TARGET: ZWICKAU M/Y AT WK-330451. ON ILLUSTRATION 3(K)117/1, THE 416TH WILL COVER THE M/Y FROM 071035 TO 078038 AND THE 409TH FROM 078038 TO 084041. THE DIVIDING LINE BETWEEN GROUPS IS AT POINT "F" ON F-958.

(2) PHOTO COVERAGE: SEE GN-5892 AND GY-4865
F-958
3(K)117/1
3(E)117/1

MAP COVERAGE: GSGS 4416 SHEET S-7

(3) FLAK: NO PLOTTED POSITIONS ON ROUTE OR AT TARGET.

(4) P/W CAMPS: NOTE THE ZWICKAU MILITARY PRISON AT WK-350460. EXTREME CAUTION IS ADVISED TO HIT THE TARGET AREA ONLY.

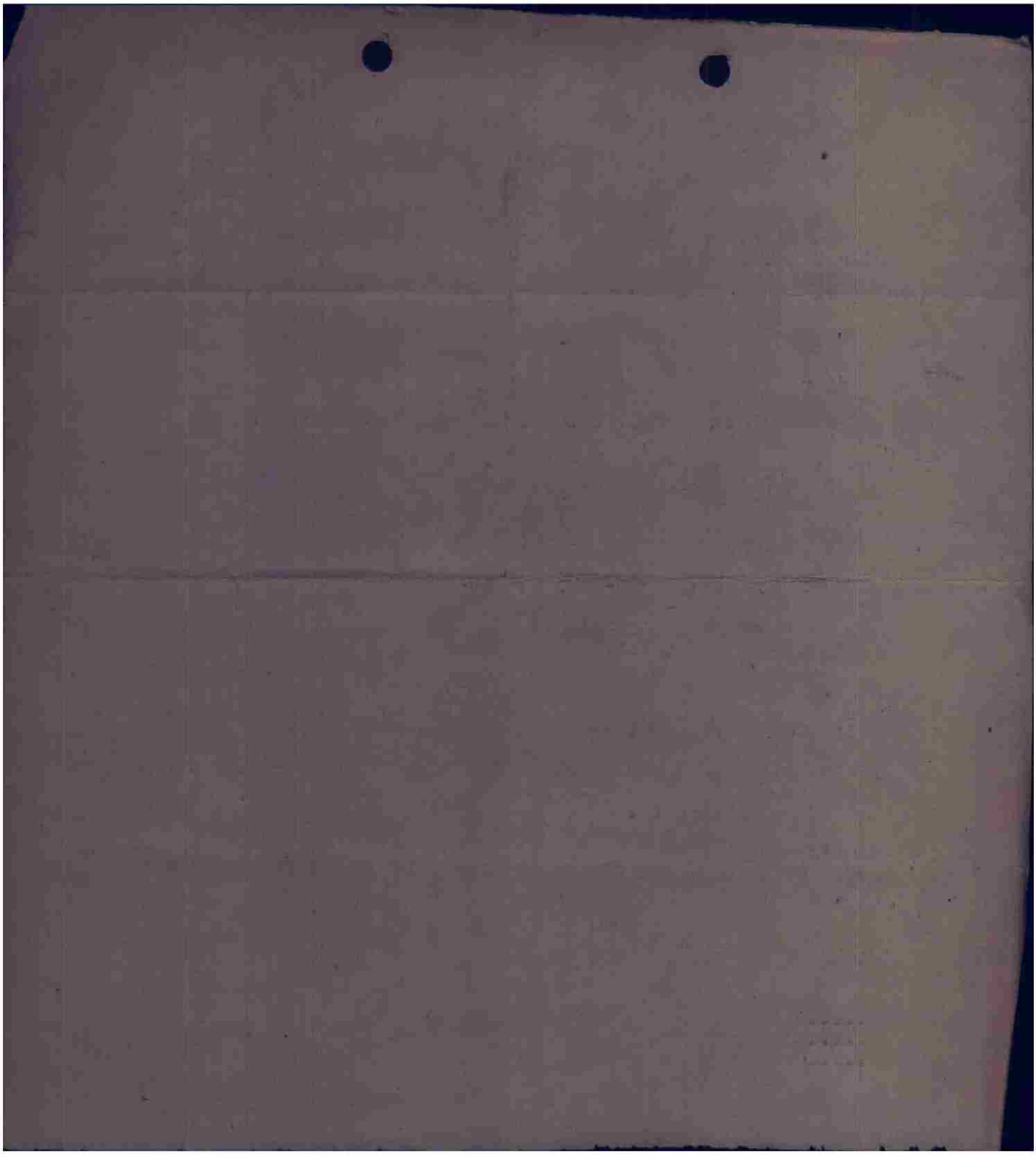
(5) THE 416TH WILL ATTACK 30 MINUTES BEFORE THE 409TH, AND TWO OTHER GROUPS WILL FOLLOW THE 409TH AT 30 MINUTE INTERVALS EACH.

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JES R .....111030B JAB B K
JKI R .....111030B AMM K
ITA R .....111030B RJS BB K

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ITA JES JKI JPO V JEA JEA 8/11 OP - OP

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 11/1110B
TO IX BOMBDIV
COBOMGP A09
COBOMGP 410 (INFO)
COBOMGP 416

BT

SECRET SENT IN CLEAR AUTH: COL. MC AFEE

97CBW P-96-E

FIELD ORDER NO. 249-846

MAPS: NORMAL

1. B. (1) REF. CURRENT BOMBLINE.
(2) THE XXIX TAC WILL FURNISH CLOSE ESCORT FOR THIS WING.

2. THIS WING WILL ATTACK A TARGET IN GERMANY.

ZERO HOUR - 11/1700B

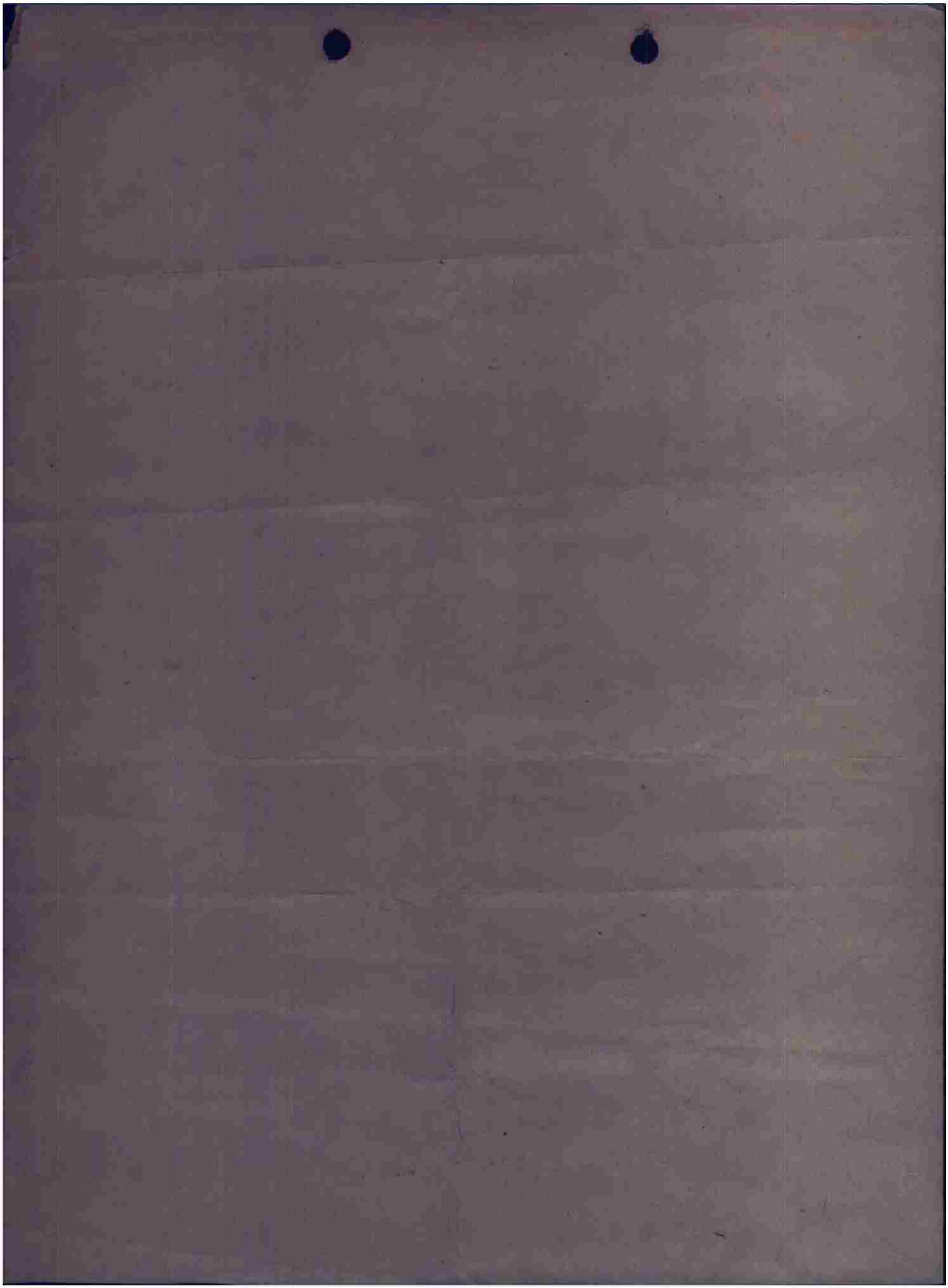
3. A. 409TH BOMB GROUP
(3) WITH FIGHTERS AT M-6768 AT 8000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR. FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE RED FLARES.
(9) M.P.I. ILL. 3(K) 117/1 COVER M/Y FROM REF. 078038 TO 0CA041.
INTERVALOMETER SETTING 50 FEET.

B. 416TH BOMB GROUP
(3) WITH FIGHTERS AT M-6768 AT 8000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR MINUS 30 MINUTES. FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE YELLOW FLARES.
(9) M.P.I. ILL. 3(K) 117/1 COVER M/Y FROM REF. 071035 TO 078038.
INTERVALOMETER SETTING 50 FEET.

X. (1) - (3) NO CHANGE
(4) EMERGENCY SHORT FIELDS: Y-1, Y-2, A-82, A-93, A-96.
(5) TARGET: ZWICKAU M/Y (WK-330451)
(6) NORMAL EFFORT BOMBING BY FLIGHTS OF 6 A/C .
(7) ROUTE OUT: BASE TO RENDEZVOUS TO J-8345 TO I.P. TO TARGET.
(8) ROUTE BACK: TARGET TURN LEFT TO R.P. TO M-6768 TO BASE.
(9) ALTITUDES: BOMB 9000 FEET DOWN TO BUT NOT BELOW 5000 FEET. LOSE 1000 FEET AFTER BOMBING.
(10) I.P.: K-1538
(11) AXIS OF ATTACK: GENERALLY WSW TO ENE.
(12) 4 X 1000 LB. GP. FUSED 1/10 SEC. NOSE, 1/100 SEC. TAIL.
(13) R.P.: K-1538
(14) IF PRIMARY TARGET CANNOT BE BOMBED VISUALLY GROUPS WILL BOMB IN THE FOLLOWING PRIORITY:
(A) ALTERNATE VISUALLY
(B) ALTERNATE ON "GEE"
(C) ALTERNATE ON TARGET E.T.A.
(15) NO BULLSEYE AVAILABLE.
(16) GROUPS ARE CAUTIONED THAT ALTERNATE TARGETS WITHIN 5 MILES OF P/W CAMPS WILL NOT BE SELECTED.

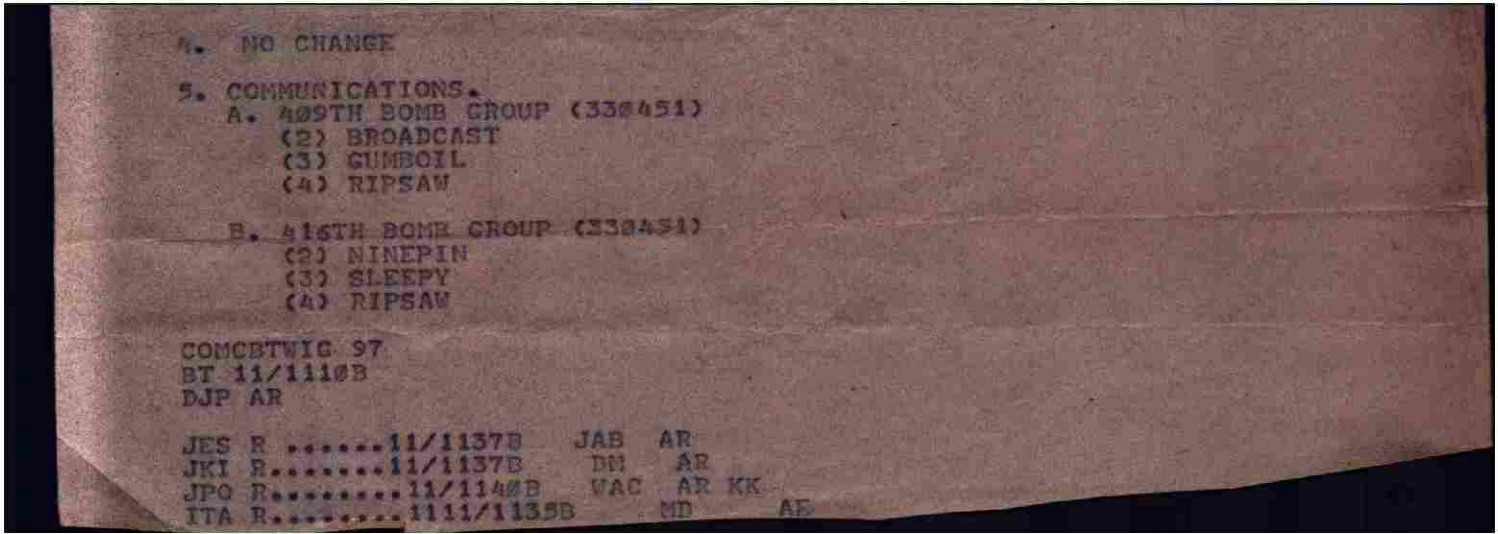
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4. NO CHANGE

5. COMMUNICATIONS.
A. 409TH BOMB GROUP (33@451)
(2) BROADCAST
(3) GUMBOIL
(4) RIPSAW

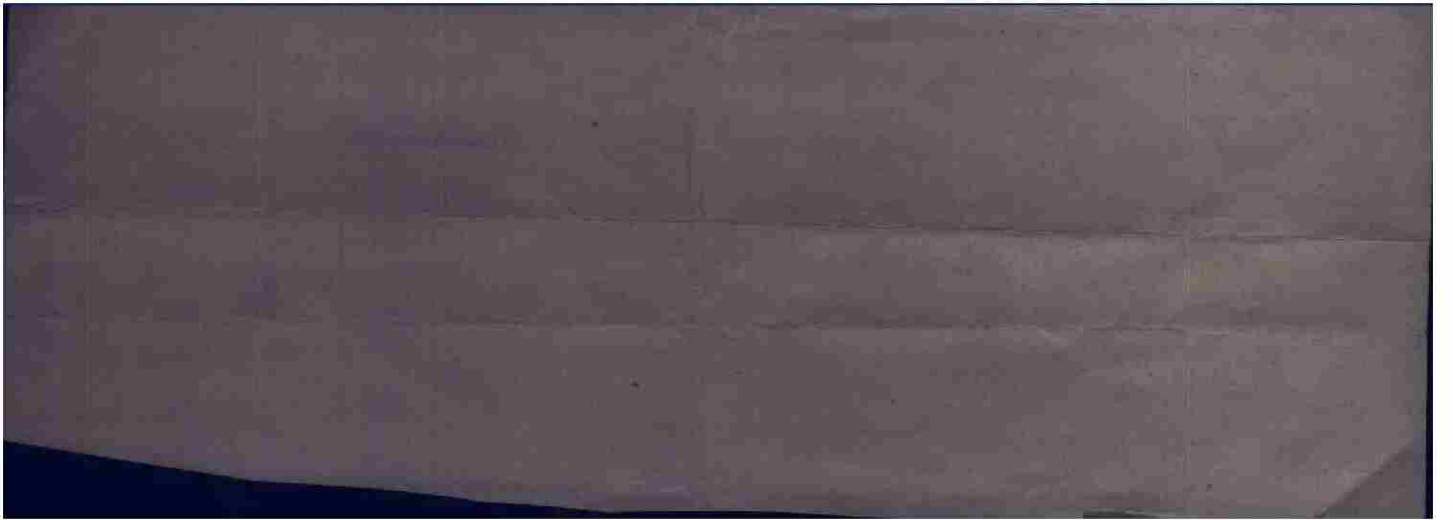
B. 416TH BOMB GROUP (33@451)
(2) NINEPIN
(3) SLEEPY
(4) RIPSAW

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BT 11/1110B
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JES R .....11/1137B JAB AR
JKI R.....11/1137B DM AR
JPO R.....11/1140B VAC AR KK
ITA R.....1111/1135B MD AR

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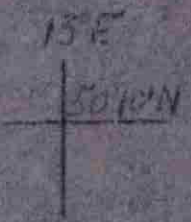
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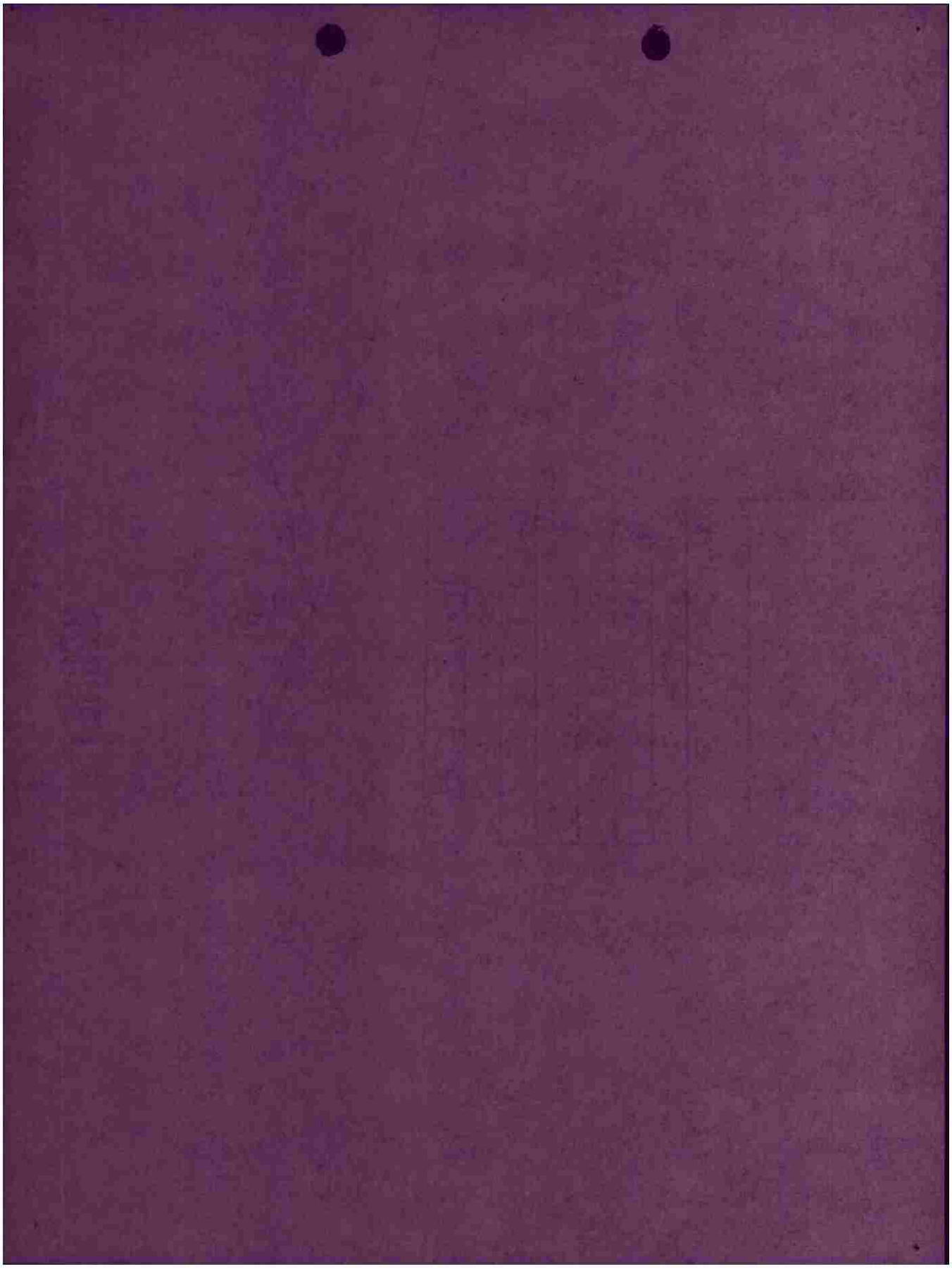
116th Bomb Gp(H)
11 Apr 1945 T.O. 241-816
Tgt-Znojmo M/Y
Alt. 16000' TOT-1230
Windows Not Used
No Flak
2 Bursts of 18 A/C
Weather - 4/10 to 5/10 Cloud

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

15 April 1945

SUBJECT: A-26 OPRT No. 116 for 24 hours ending sunset 11 April 1945

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

Mission No. 249, 97th Combat Wing Field Order No. 216.

1. Operational Factors:
Place of take-off Station A-69 Place of Landing Station A-69.
Take-off time 1510 type mission Bombing T.O.T. 1730.
Targets Zeitzkam M/Y (primary) Neustadt (secondary)
Landing time 2000 Oper. hours (a) 170:30 Oper. hours (b) None.
Weather 4/10 to 5/10 clouds.

2. Effort:
Dispatched 37 - A-26's. Sorties 37 Effective sorties 36.
A/C expending bombs 36 Non-effective sorties 1:
bomb bay doors failed to open (mechanical)

A/C returning early None

3. Bombs carried into air: 144 x 1000 lb GP's 1/10N 1/100T
Expended 144 x 1000 lb GP's fused 1/10 N 1/100 T Alt. 9,000
target Zeitzkam M/Y results Undet. Cover. Unobt. Visual Bmbg. Excel.
Expended fused N T Alt.
target results.
Expended fused N T Alt.
target results.

4. Ammunition carried: 20500 x .50 calibre
Ammunition expended:

5. None.

6. Flak encountered: None
Location amount accuracy type.

7. Enemy a/c encountered: None
a. type and model of a/c
b. individual air claims
c. individual ground claims

8. Claims against miscellaneous ground targets: None

9. U. S. Aircraft casualties: None
Destroyed Missing
Damaged

10. U. S. Personnel casualties: None
No. type cause

11. Remarks: None

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1. Effort:
Dispatched 24 Sorties 24 Effective Sorties 23
Non-effective sorties 1 : bomb bay doors failing to open (mechanical)

2. Bombs carried into air: 282 x 500 lb GP's fused 1/10 N 1/100 T
140 x 1000 lb GP's fused 1/10 N 1/100 T
fused N T
fused N T

Expended on operations: 282 x 500 lb GP's fused 1/10 N 1/100 T
140 x 1000 lb GP's fused 1/10 N 1/100 T
fused N T
fused N T

Jettisoned : None

Lost on wrecked a/c : None

Returned : 5 x 1000 lb GP's

3. Ammunition expended : None

Ammunition lost on wrecked or missing a/c : None

For the Commanding Officer:

GEORGE SCHUNKIN,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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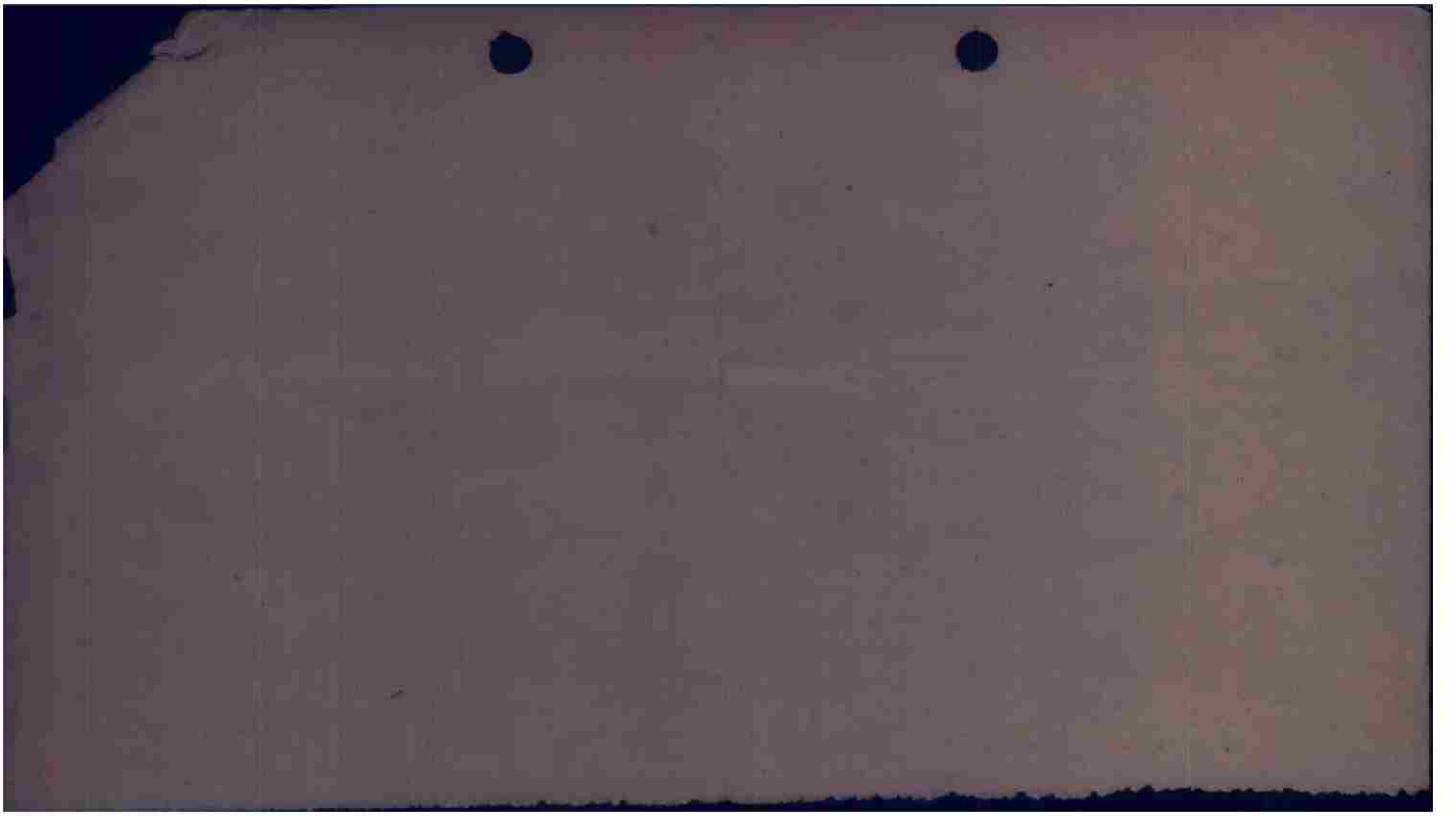
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A - YE - 97
B - 11 APRIL 1945 (1512-1936)
C - J-JIG AND E-EASY REPORTED 'OPS COMPLETED' TO PARADE AFTER LEAVING TARGET AREA.
D - J-JIG CHECKED IN TO 'RIPSAW' UPON ENTERING TACTICAL AREA.
E - NONE
F - NONE
G - NONE
H - NONE
I - NONE
J - NONE
K - NONE

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Box #	OpsFl	Date	F/O	Target	Alt.	Box Leader	T/O / TOT / L/D	15 min.
X		11/4/45				Miller		

A/C		Fail to Bomb	ATT			Bomb Disp					A/C Dam						E/A			Pers.		
Pos	No.	Reason	T	3	O	T	S	J	F	R	M	D	A	AC	B	E	D	P	D	K	W	M
	487		L			A																
	314		L			A																
	393		L			A																
	244		L			A																
	381		L			A																
	229		L			A																
	497		L			A																
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	360		L			A																
	265		L			A																
	239		L			A																
	490		L			A																
	328		L			A																
	352		L			A																
	250		L			A																
	209		L			A																
	313		L			A																
	416		L			A																

16 L

487
MILLER
393 L 314 L
SHAPARD MARTIN
244 L
VAN ROPE
229 L 381 L
SMITH HASKELL
D.E

490 L 497 L
LACKOVICH PAIR
352 L 328 L 356 L 249 L
MOONEY COOKE MILHORN SPIRES
250 L 360 L
FERO WITHINGTON
313 L 209 L 239 L 265 L
HILYKO PRICE SIMPSON GRAEBER

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TOTALS FOR MISSION

B.

(2) No. a/c off by type:_____
_____A-20G's_____A-20J's (obtained from Opns)

(3) No. of a/c failing to bomb_____explain each failure.
_____Recall due to weather_____
_____Personnel_____
_____Mechanical_____
_____Other Reasons_____

(4) No. a/c bombing.
_____Primary.
_____Secondary.
_____Other.
(Obtained from recaps.)

C.

(1) Time up_____
T.O.T._____ (Obtained from Tower).
Time Down_____

D.

(1) No. a/c _____Missing_____
_____Destroyed_____
_____Damaged_____ (cat. B/C)
_____Damaged_____ (cat. A)

(3) No. Crew _____Killed_____Wounded_____Missing_____
(Obtained from Recaps).

E. Results of Bombing. (Obtained from Group Bombardier).

	No.		Type	
I. Bombs on Primary	_____	X	_____	
Bombs on Secondary	_____	X	_____	
Bombs on Other	_____	X	_____	
Bombs Returned	_____	X	_____	
Bombs Jettisoned	_____	X	_____	Where_____

(Obtained from Recaps)

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Box #	OpsFl	Date	F/O	Target	Alt.	Box Leader	T/O TOT L/D	15 min.
I		11/4/45				BLOMGREN		

A/C		Fail to Bomb	ATT			Bomb Disp					A/C Dam						E/A			Pers.		
Res	No.	Reason	F	S	O	F	S	J	F	R	M	D	A	AC	B	E	D	P	D	K	W	M
	492		L			1																
	383		L			1																
	354		L			1																
	351																					
	271		L			1																
	9315		L			L																
	469		L			1																
	528					1																
	223		L			1																
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	232		L			1																
	564		L			(1)																
	484		L			1																
	259		L			1																
	310		L			1																
	389		L							1												
	352		L			1																
	385		L			1																
	264		L			1																

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492 L
BLOMGREN
354 L 383 L
HACKLEY WILLS
351
SORRELS
9315 L 271 L
SMITH WEINERT
B.A.

484 L
LASETER
310 L 259 L
LACKNER PHILLIPS
389 L
CANNON
385 352
EVARTS TANK

469 L
POPENEY
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BISHOP
~~BARAUSKY~~
224 L
DOWNING
564 L 232 L
HENSON TURMAN

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_____Other Reasons_____

(4) No. a/c bombing.
_____Primary.
_____Secondary.
_____Other.
(Obtained from recaps.)

C.

(1) Time up_____
T.O.T._____ (Obtained from Tower).
Time Down_____

D.

(1) No. a/c _____Missing_____
_____Destroyed_____
_____Damaged_____ (cat. B/C)
_____Damaged_____ (cat. A)

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Bombs on Secondary	_____	X	_____	
Bombs on Other	_____	X	_____	
Bombs Returned	_____	X	_____	
Bombs Jettisoned	_____	X	_____	Where_____

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PILOT MARTIN A/C# 314 BOX 1 FLT. 1

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : 4 X 1000 LON

3 Runs ___X___ RETURNED

___X___ JETTISONED

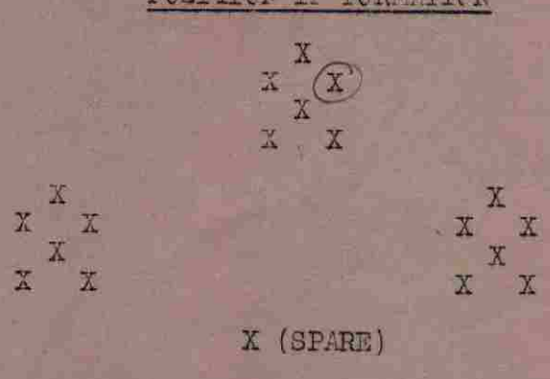
BATTLE DAMAGE		
"A"	"A-C"	"E"
Nil		

FLAK :

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS: ~~To~~ ~~M/Y at~~ ~~WERDAU~~ WK 7.0 480 WERDAU -75 cars between WERDAU and Reichenbach K 235355 XLI "bursting" at 3000 feet near GRETZ also RP bridge across river at Reichenbach is intact BB barrage, at 4000 feet over lake near J 830290 SAALBERG ~~between MOSENLITZ~~ K 350430 PLANITZ Very large bridge SE of target near autobahn - 6 pillar bridge, intact.

POSITION IN FORMATION



WJ 730400 POSZNECK about 30 cars in M/Y - also train headed East in same vicinity

Target Cut

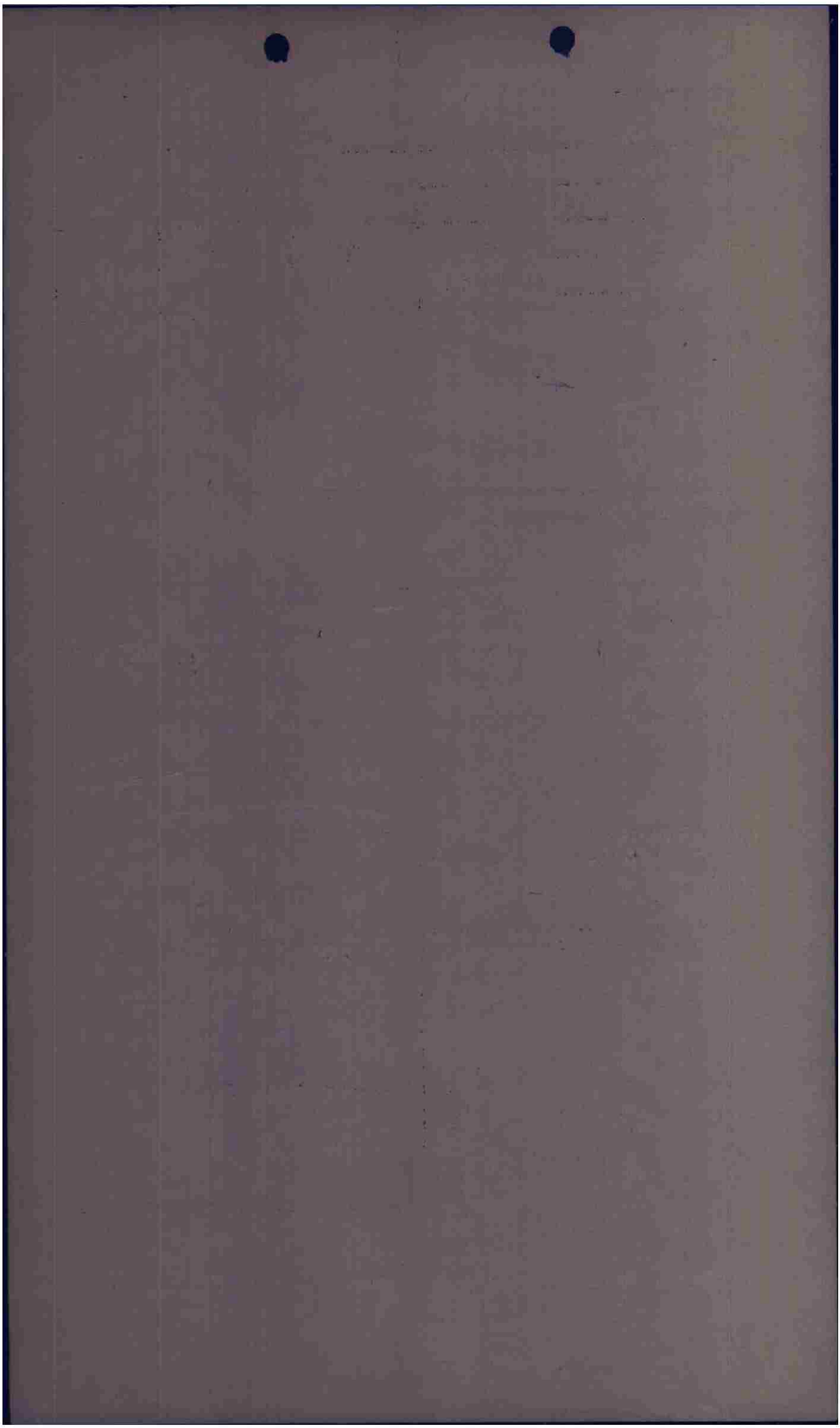
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PILOT SIMPSON A/C# 739 BOX 1 FLT. 2

CASUALTIES nil

BOMBS : 4 X 500 ON Primary

X RETURNED

X JETTISONED

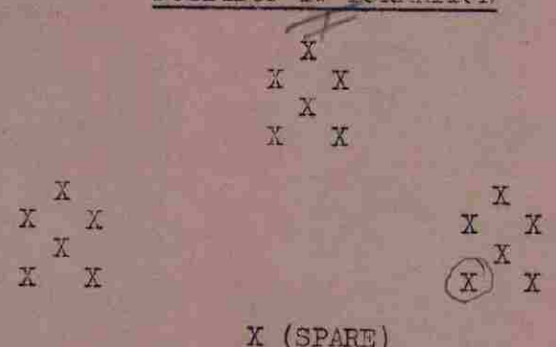
BATTLE DAMAGE		
"A"	"A-C"	"E"

FLAK : nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS : nil

OBSERVATIONS: Believe bombs hit smoke ~~of~~ tgt.

POSITION IN FORMATION

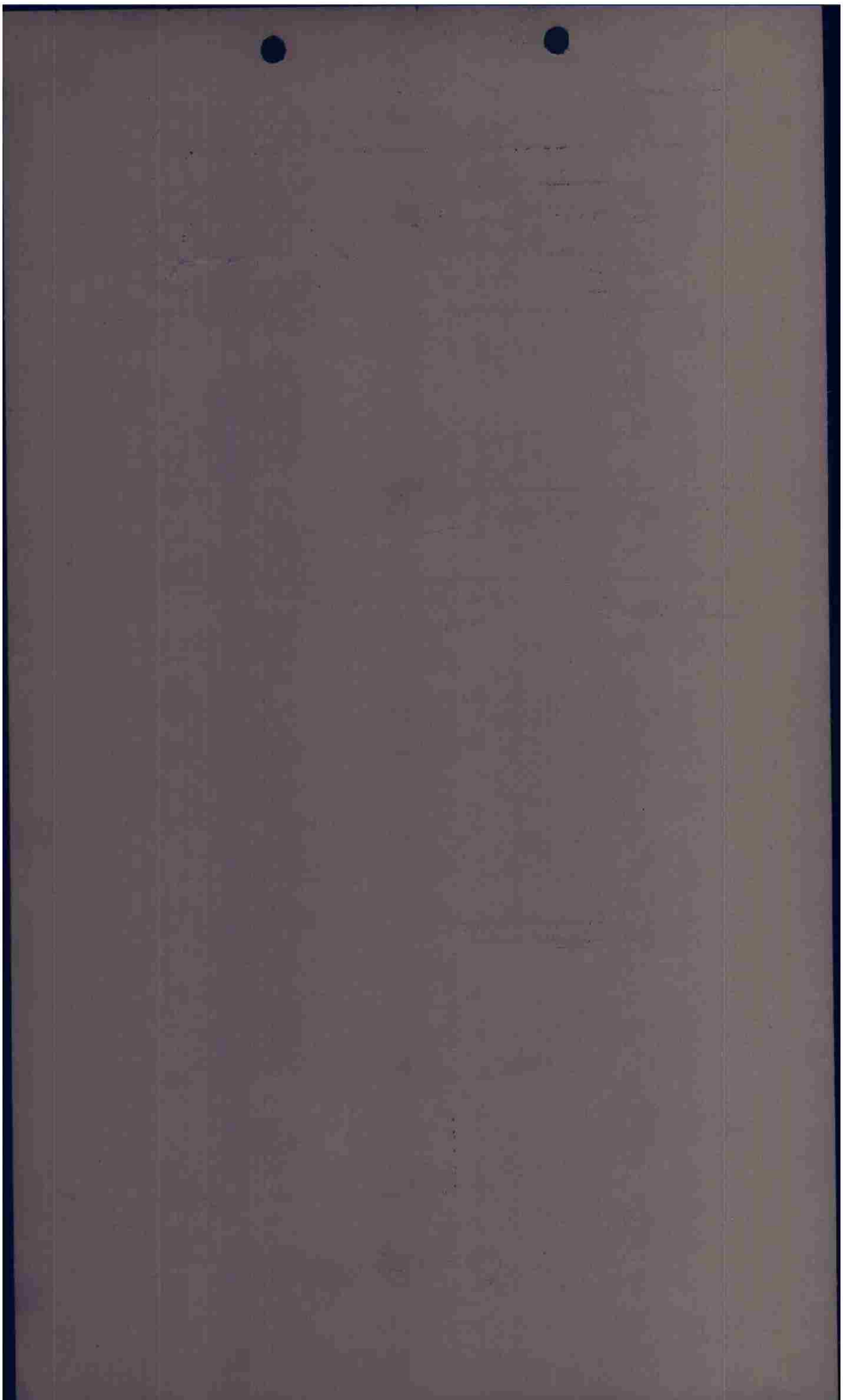


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PILOT FERO A/C# 750 BOX 1 FLT. 3

CASUALTIES nil

BOMBS : 4 X 1000 ON Primary

X RETURNED

X JETTISONED

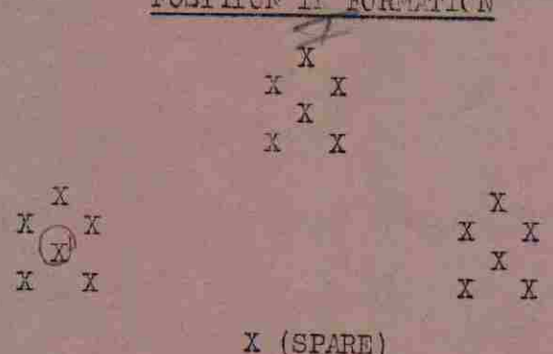
BATTLE DAMAGE		
"A"	"A-C"	"E"

FLAK : nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS : nil

OBSERVATIONS: Bombs fell square on tgt.

POSITION IN FORMATION

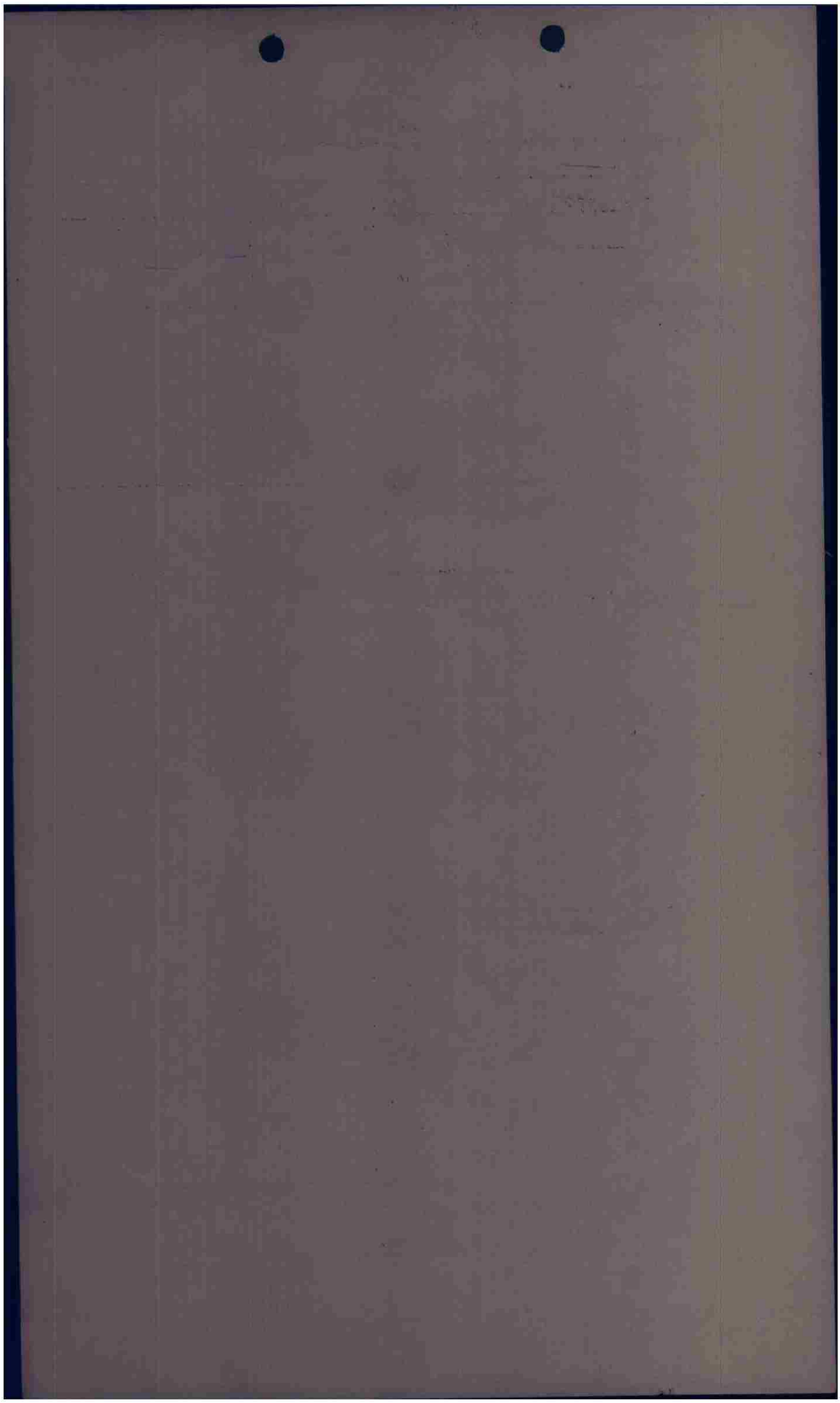


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PILOT VAN ROPE A/C# 344 BOX 1 FLT. 1

CASUALTIES nil

BOMBS : 4 X 1000 ON Primary

X RETURNED

X JETTISONED

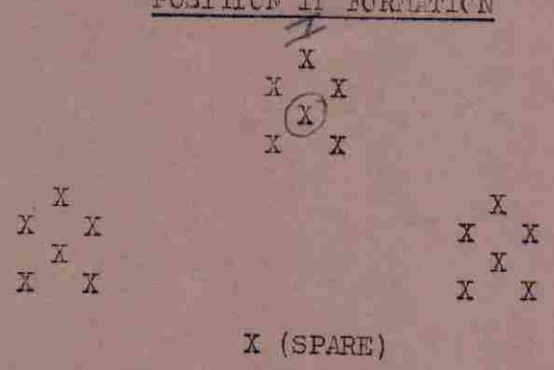
BATTLE DAMAGE		
"A"	"A-C"	"E"

FLAK : nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS : nil

OBSERVATIONS: nil

POSITION IN FORMATION

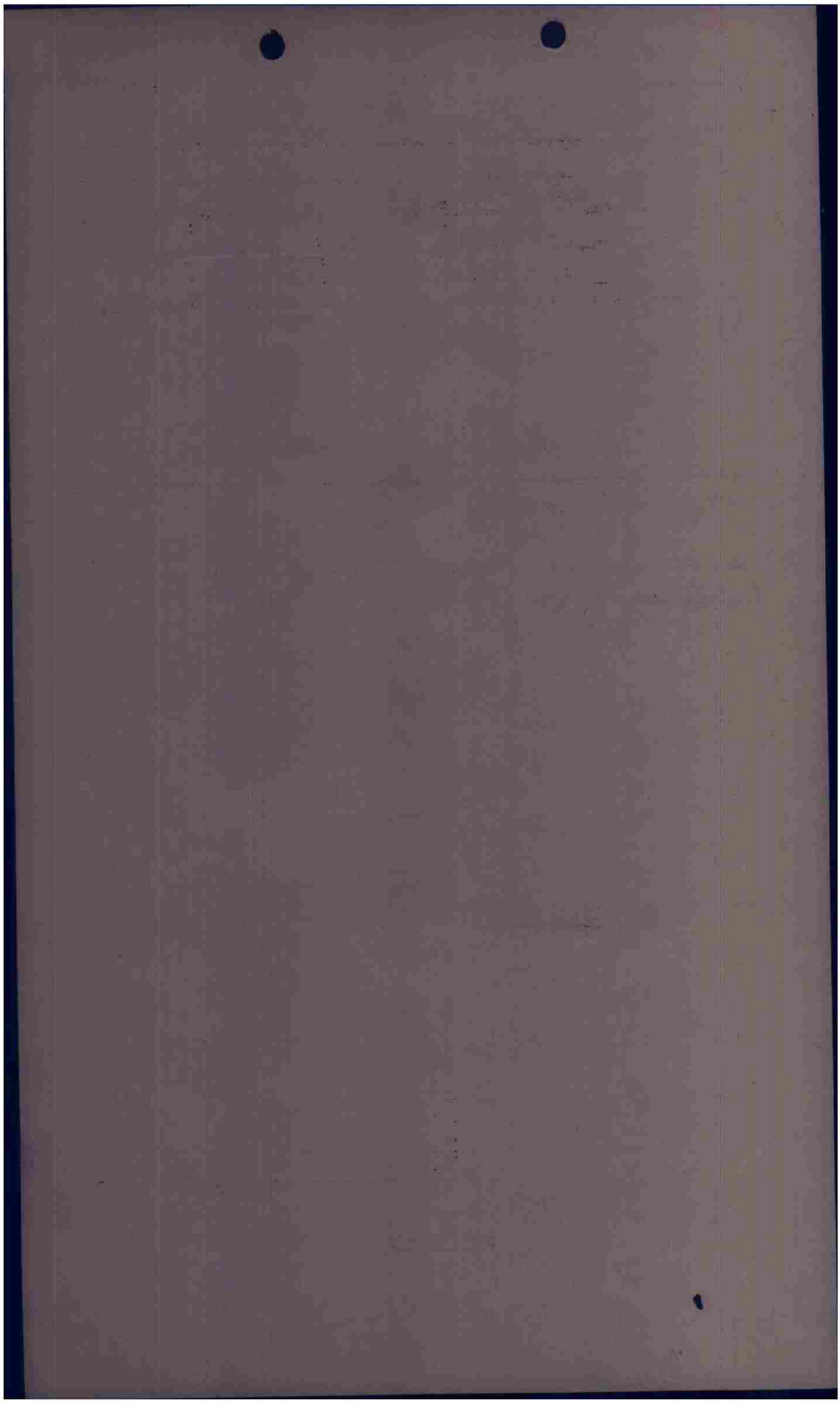


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PILOT SMITH, D.E. A/C# 729 BOX 1 FLT. 1

CASUALTIES Nil

BOMBS : 4 X 1000 ON Primary

X RETURNED

X JETTISONED

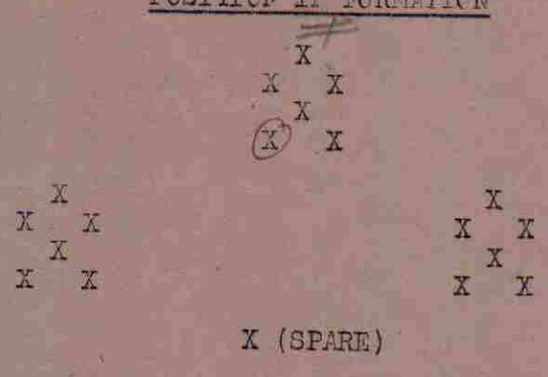
BATTLE DAMAGE		
"A"	"A-C"	"E"

FLAK : Nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS : Nil

OBSERVATIONS: M/G fell of rear - Bombs hit in Tgt.

POSITION IN FORMATION



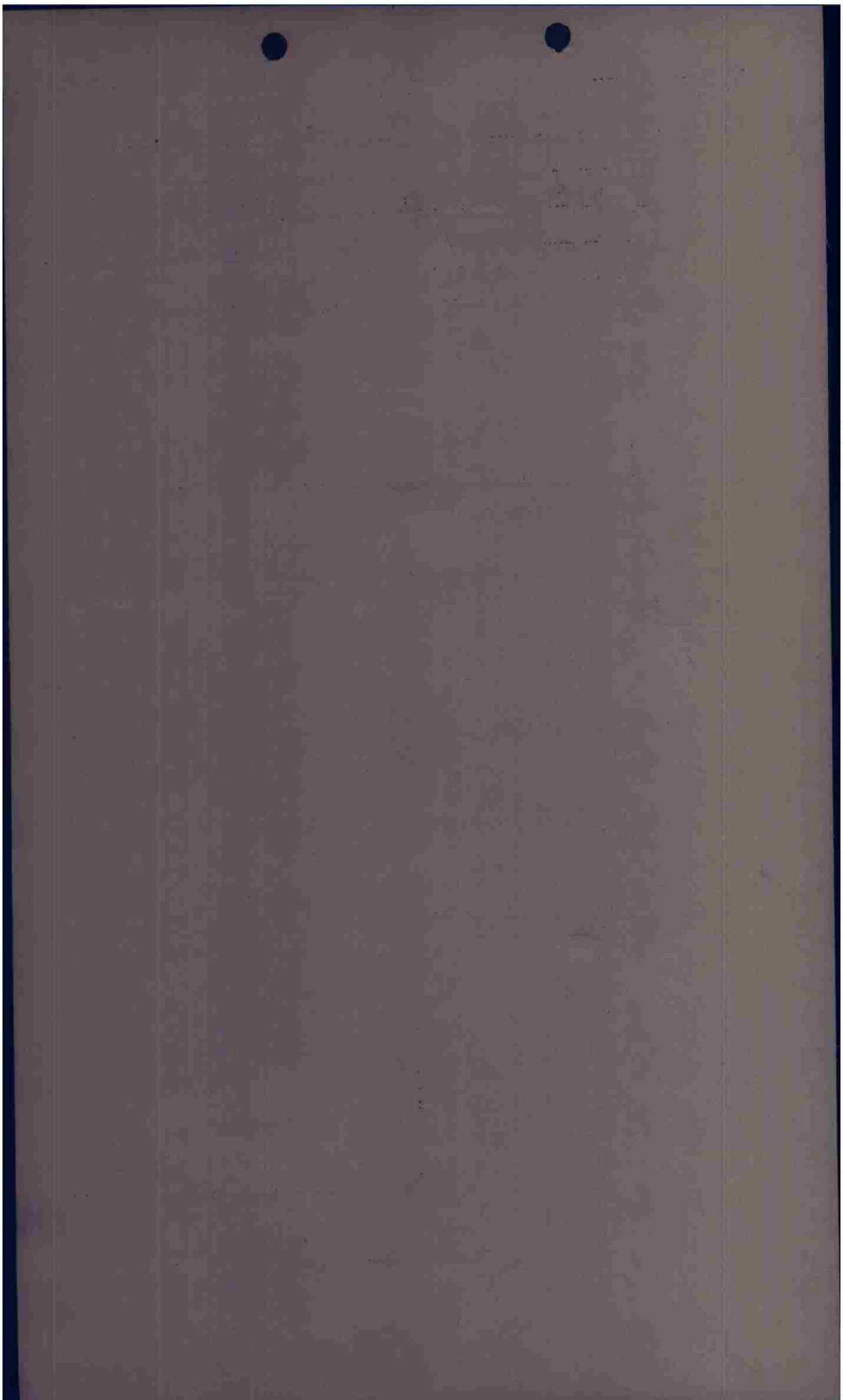
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PILOT HASKELL A/C# 381 BOX 1 FLT. 1

CASUALTIES Nil

BOMBS : 4 X 1000 ON

X RETURNED

X JETTISONED

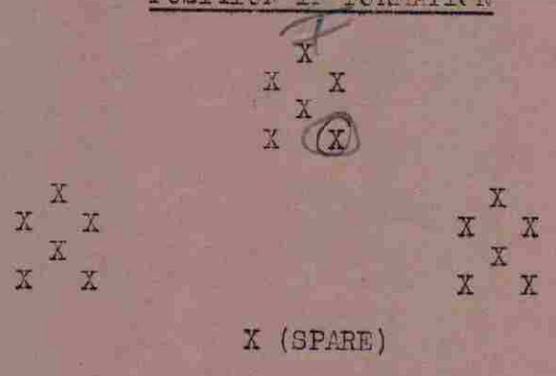
BATTLE DAMAGE	"A"	"A-C"	"E"

FLAK : Nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS : Nil

OBSERVATIONS: much action in tgt

POSITION IN FORMATION

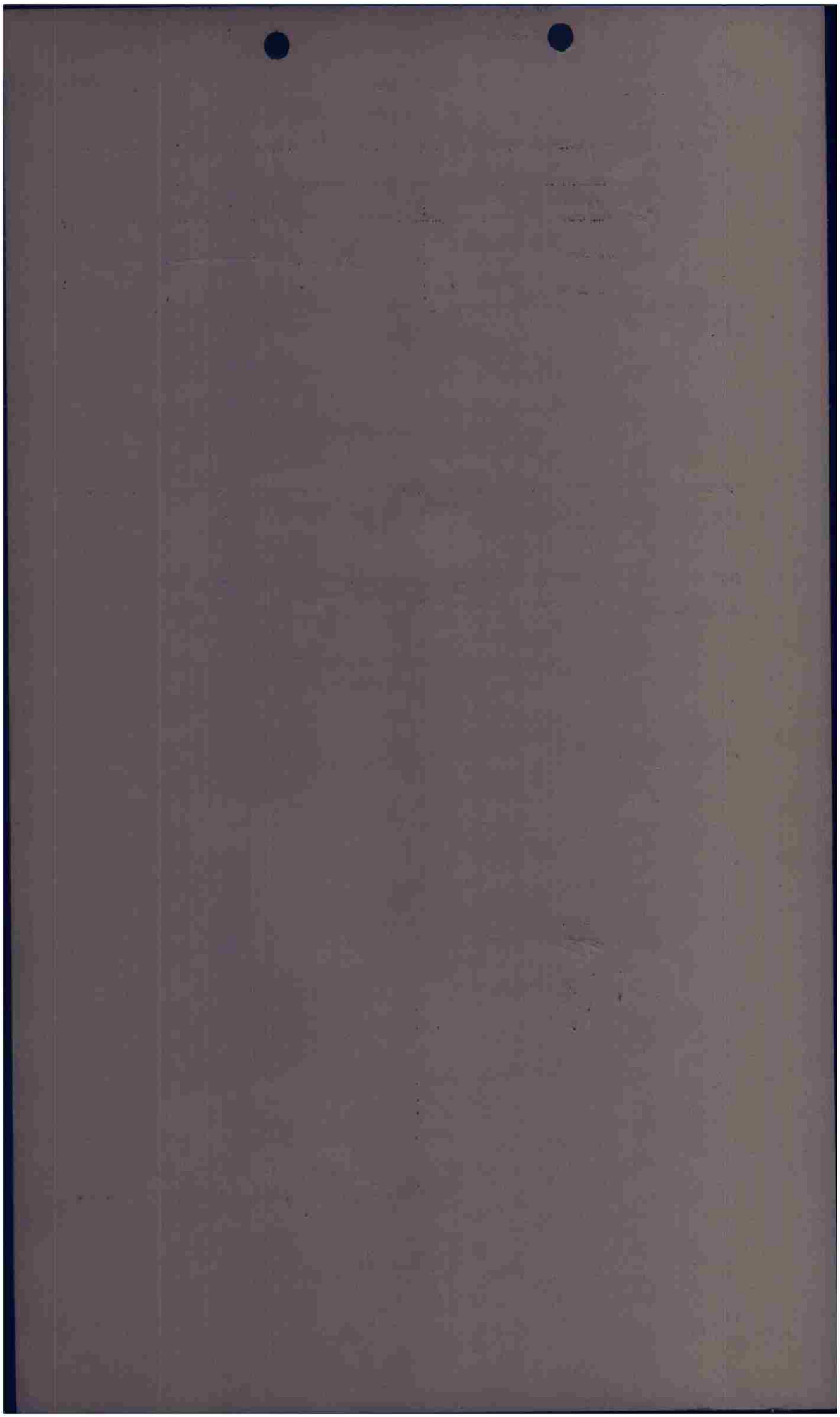


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PILOT MOONEY A/C# 352 BOX 1 FLT. 3

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : 4 X 1000 ON P.T.	BATTLE DAMAGE		
	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
X RETURNED			
X JETTISONED			

FLAK :

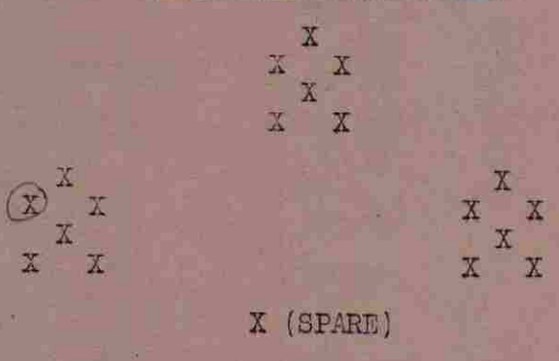
ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

8 Me 109's top cover unobserved

OBSERVATIONS:

Rome in flames.

POSITION IN FORMATION

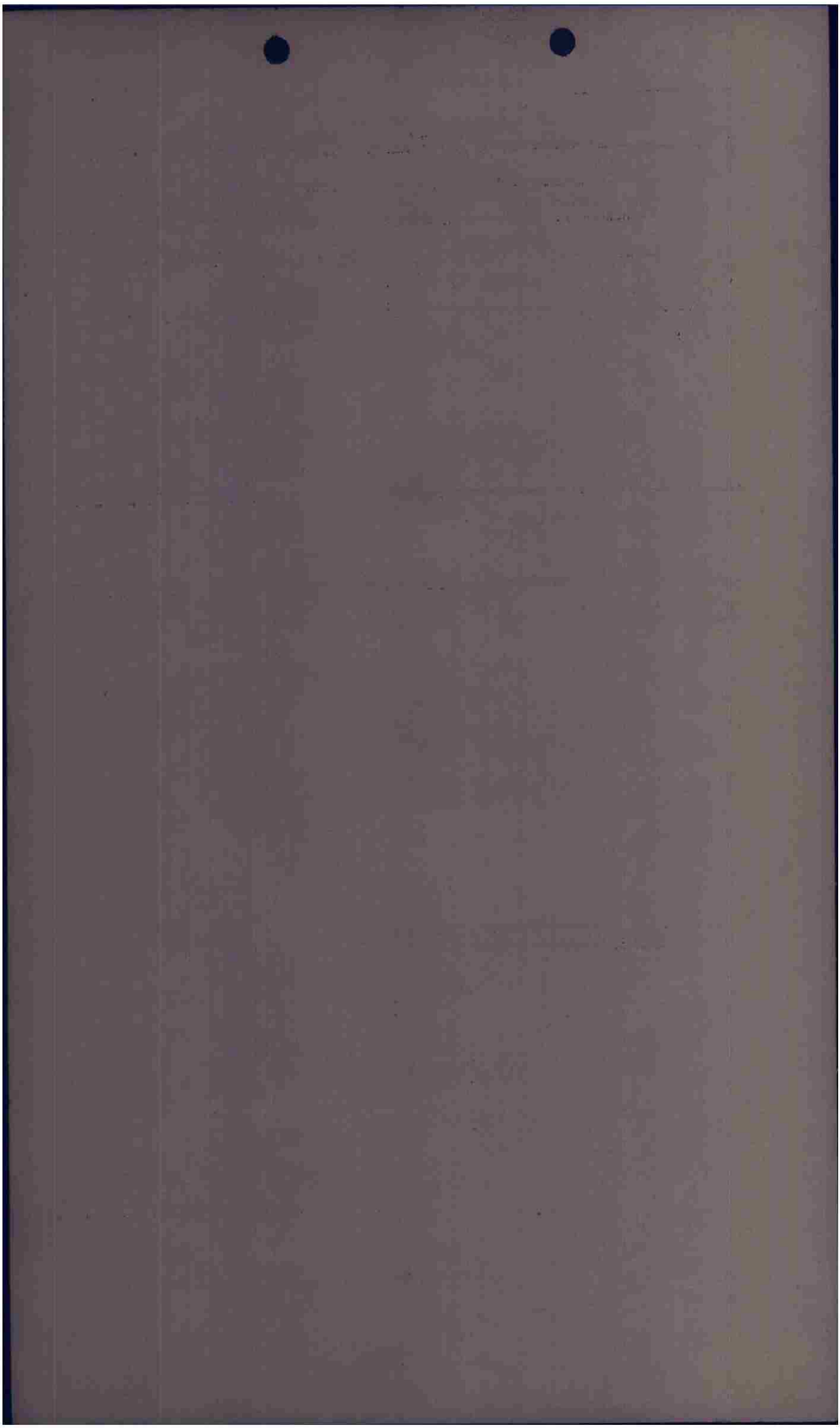


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PILOT MILHORN A/C# 356 BOX 1 FLT. 2

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : 4 X 100 ON Obj.

X RETURNED

X JETTISONED

BATTLE DAMAGE	"A"	"A-C"	"E"

FLAK :

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS : P-51's.

OBSERVATIONS: hit target - extensive lot of flack - make run and saw burning.

POSITION IN FORMATION

X
X X
X
X X

X
X X
X
X X

X
X X
X
X X

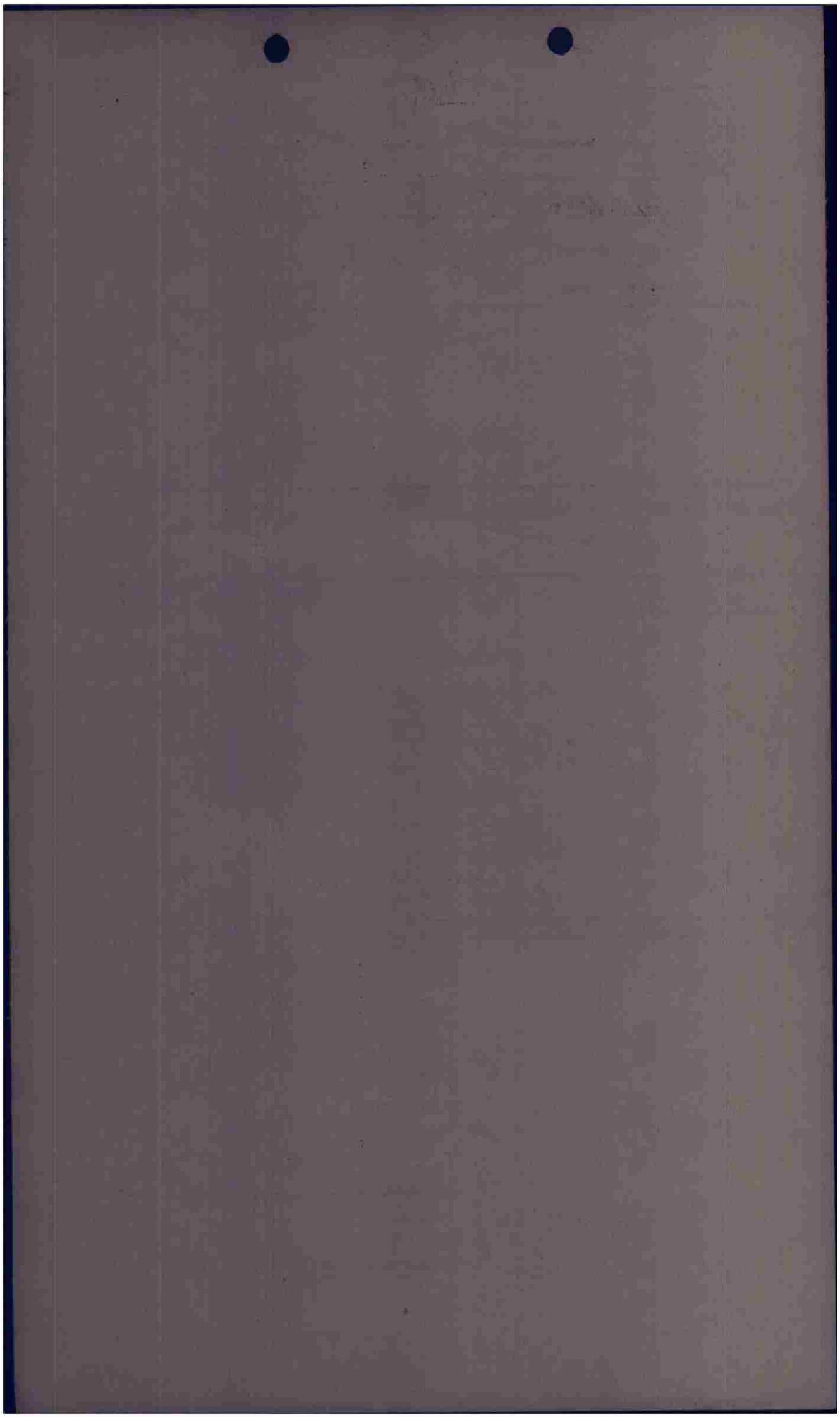
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PILOT MILLER A/C# 487 BOX 1 FLT. 1

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : 4 X [redacted] ON P

X RETURNED

X JETTISONED

BATTLE DAMAGE

"A"	"A-C"	"E"
	Nil	

FLAK :

Nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS : Nil.

Pilot reported fighters near B/C

OBSERVATIONS:

Nil seen

Bombed 1730

8000

72°

210

Salvoed when release failed

Jettisoned.

2 runs with doors open.

3 total

Wounds good

POSITION IN FORMATION

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4 BB at 5000 ft

11°43'E

50°33'N

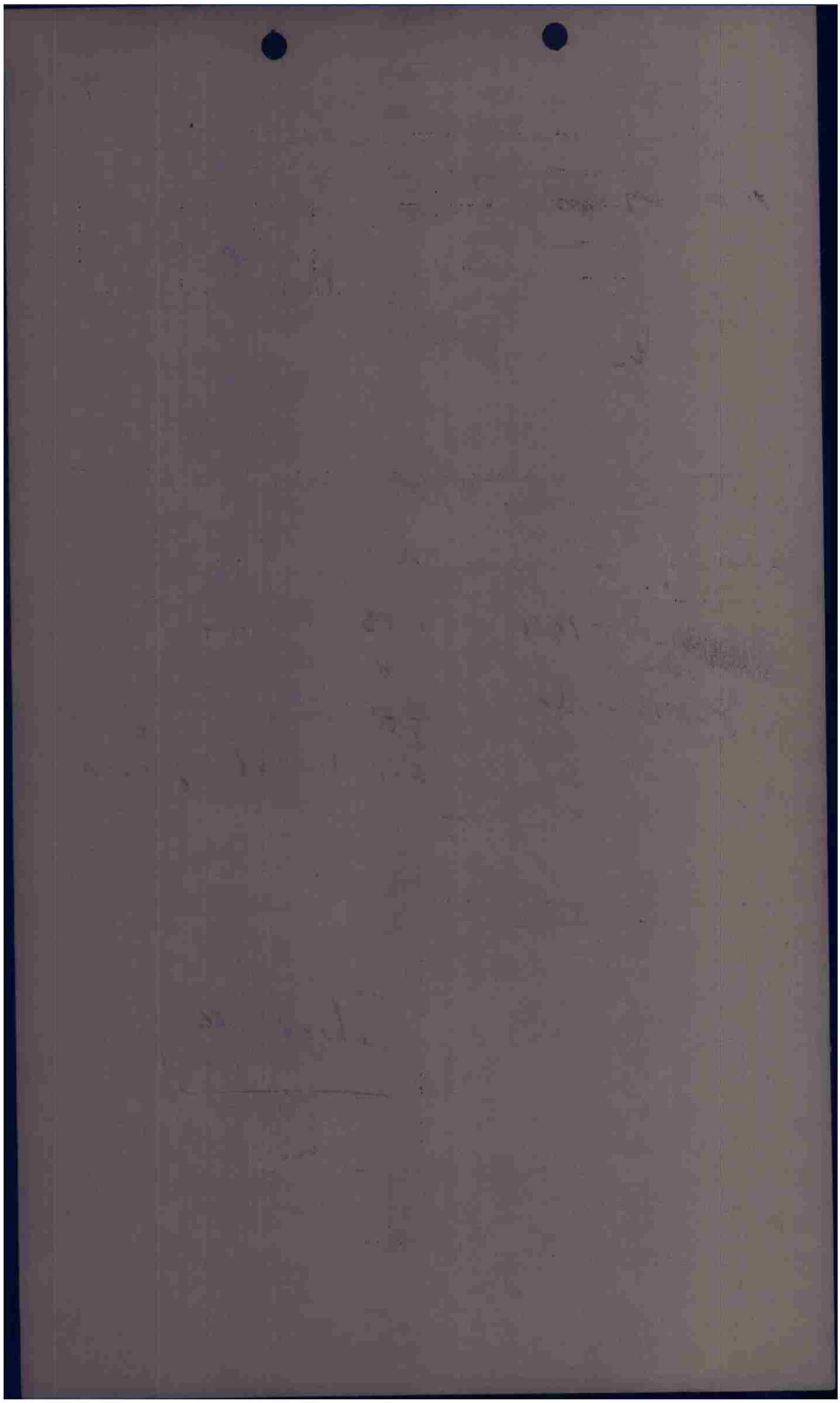
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PILOT PAIR A/C# 497 BOX 1 FLT. 2

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : 4 X/000 ON ~~4~~

X RETURNED

X JETTISONED

BATTLE DAMAGE

"A"	"A-C"	"E"

FLAK :

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS:

Bombs on A/F. Superior results
L.O.T. 1728 Bombed 3rd ??
alt - 9000 3 runs on tgt.
IAS - 210
Head 50°

1 flight dropped on Trail

POSITION IN FORMATION

X
X X
X
X X

X
X X
X
X X

X
X X
X
X X

X (SPARE)

m/g in area of I.P. full.
all m/g not over a town had train in them.

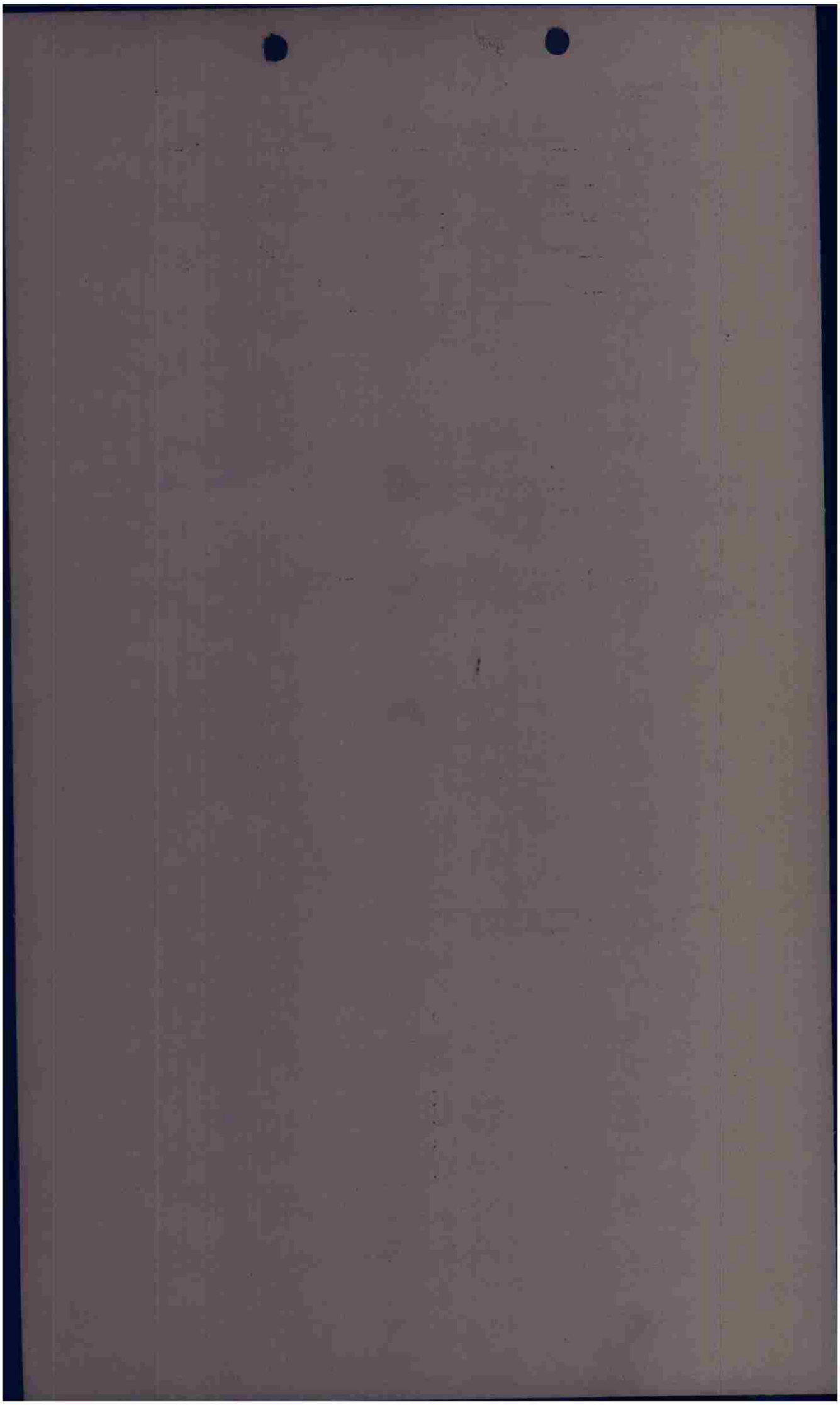
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Blanchan m/g full
Reichenbach m/g ¾ full.
Gera m/g ½ full.

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PILOT LACKOVICH A/C# 490 BOX 1 FLT. 3

CASUALTIES nil

BOMBS : 4 X 1000 ON Primary

X RETURNED

X JETTISONED

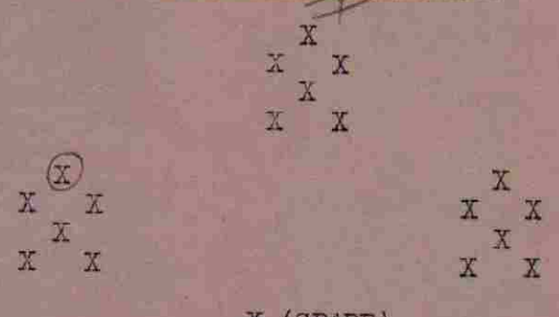
BATTLE DAMAGE		
"A"	"A-C"	"E"

FLAK : nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS : nil

OBSERVATIONS: Bombs about 1 right of A/P — made 3 runs — to feel on 1st run — cloud on way on 2nd — Bomb alt - 9900 T.O.T. 1726 Had trouble with P.D.I. - talked pilot over top.

POSITION IN FORMATION



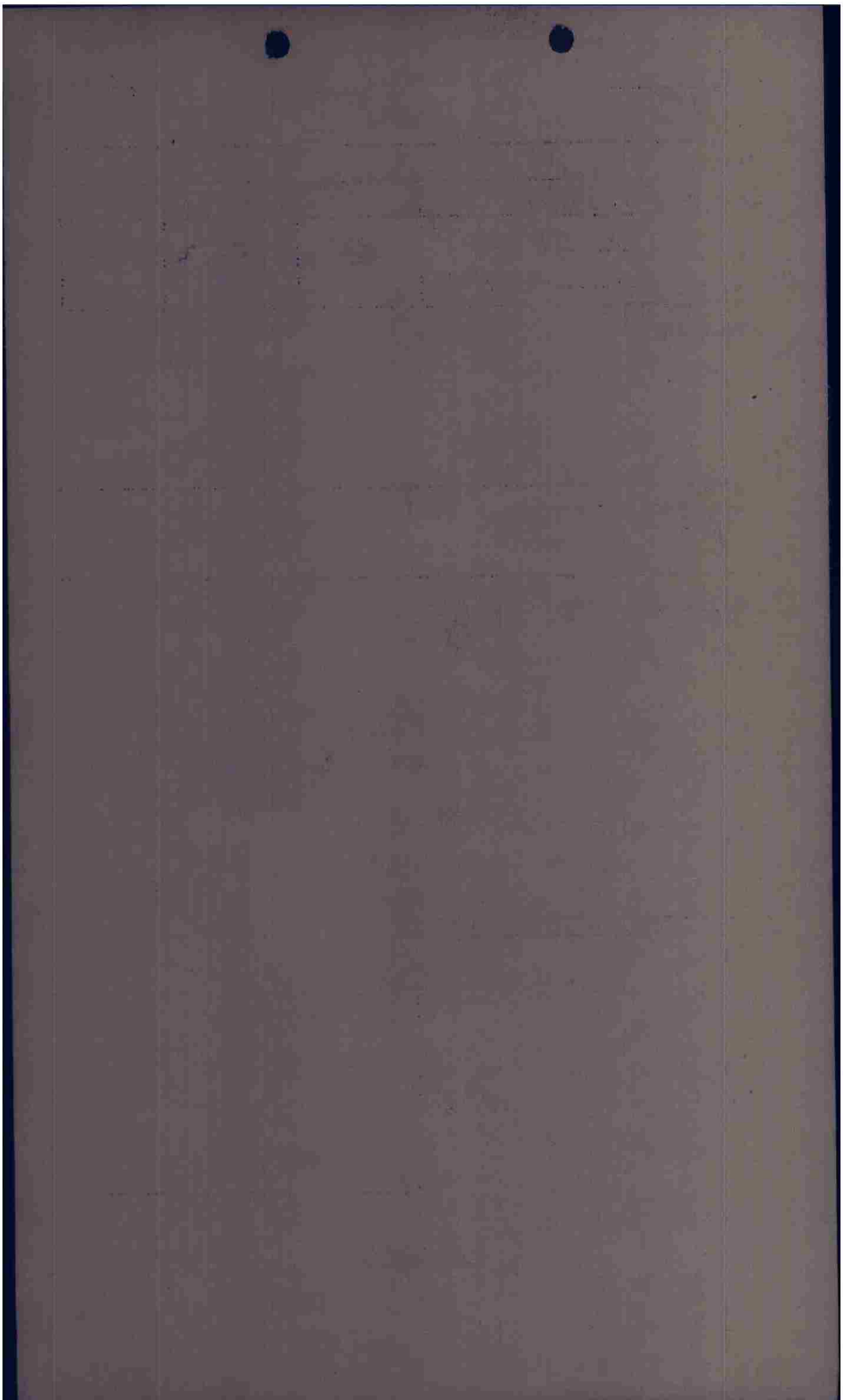
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PILOT SPIRES A/C# 349 BOX 1 FLT. 2

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : 4 X 100 ON P

		BATTLE DAMAGE		
		"A"	"A-C"	"E"
X	RETURNED			
X	JETTISONED			

FLAK :

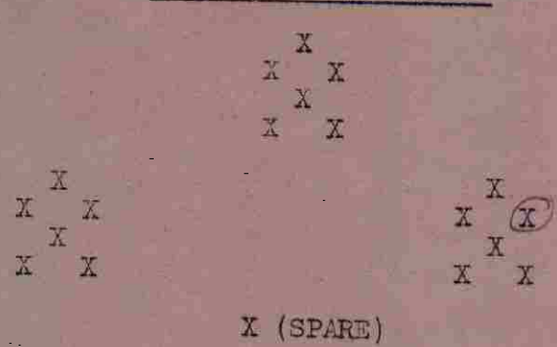
ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS:

Bombs hit on Yks.

no obs.

POSITION IN FORMATION

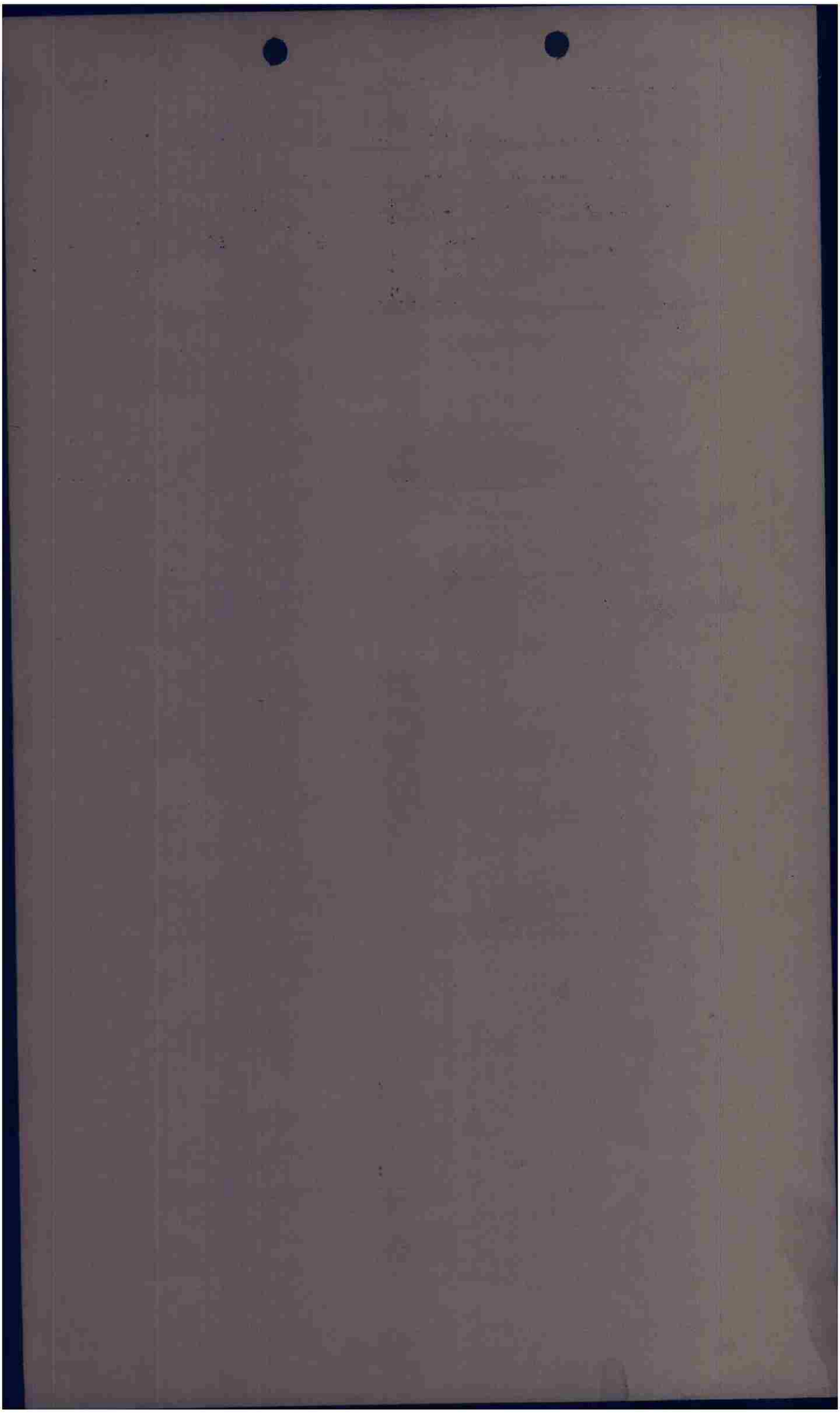


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PILOT GRAEBER A/C# 765 BOX 1 FLT. 2

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : 4 X 100 ON P

		BATTLE DAMAGE		
		"A"	"A-C"	"E"
X	RETURNED			
X	JETTISONED			

FLAK :

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS:

bombs walked across Choke point in the m/y.

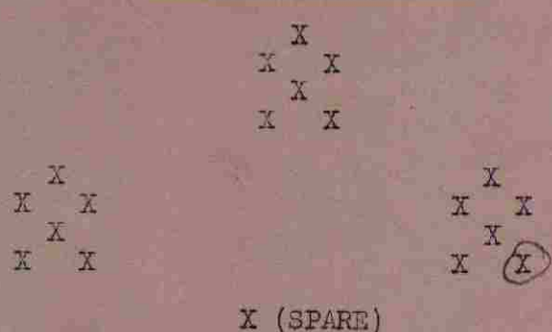
3-4 trains running between I.P. and target.

Good m/y at fairly long town at I.P. just over bombed

3 factories also in town

Good bridge in town at I/P.

POSITION IN FORMATION

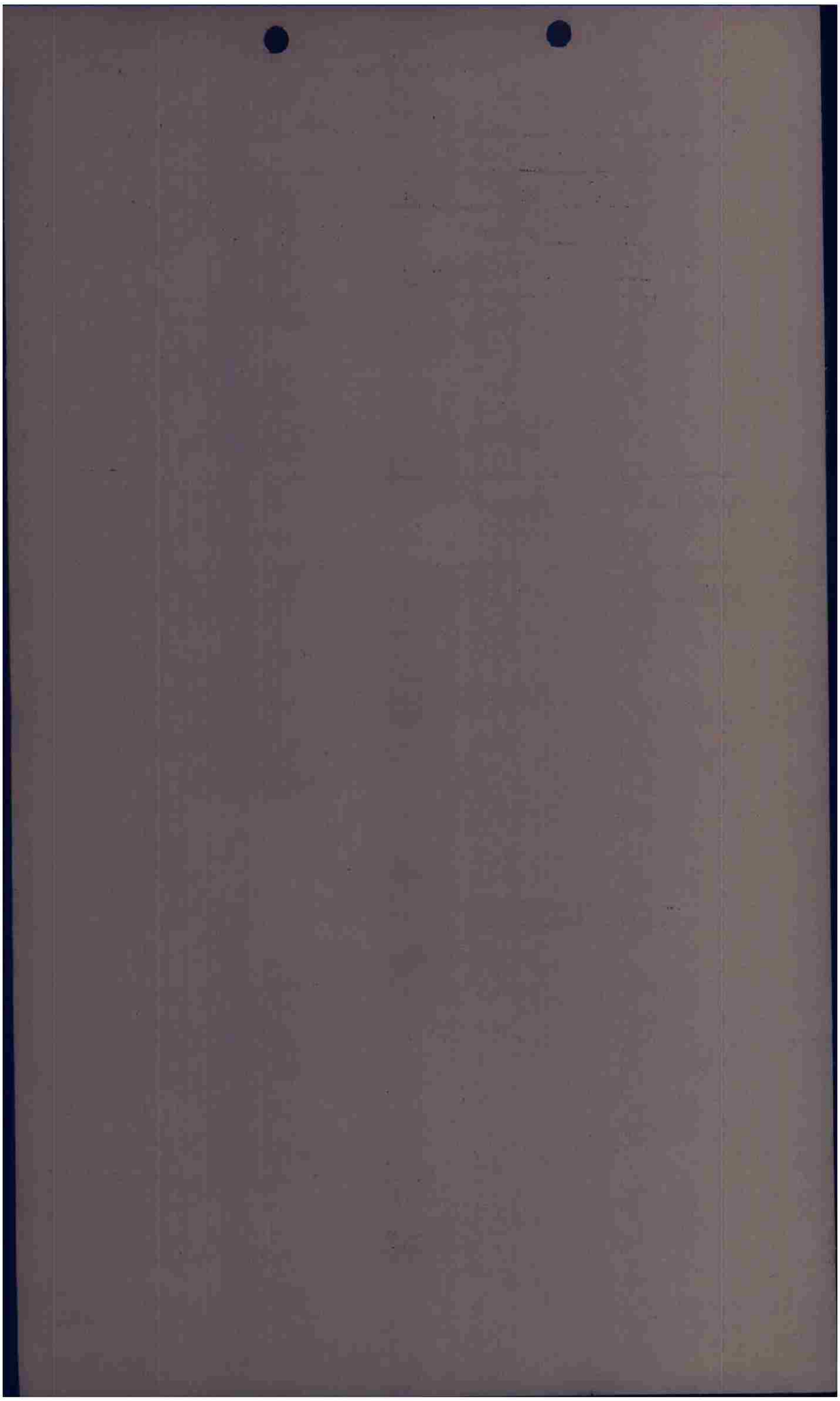


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PILOT Cocke A/C# 328 BOX 1 FLT. 3

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : 4 X 100 ON P

X RETURNED

X JETTISONED

BATTLE DAMAGE

"A"	"A-C"	"E"

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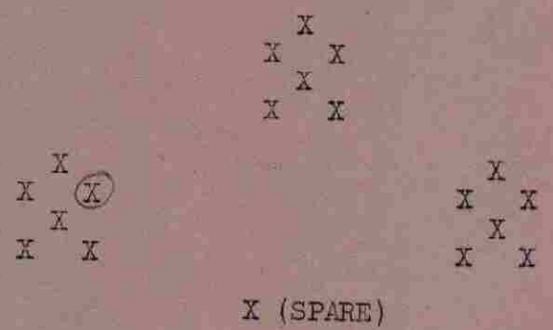
ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS:

Obs same as Pairs.

5 Eight hit in green field to right of M/y. & right of A/P.

POSITION IN FORMATION

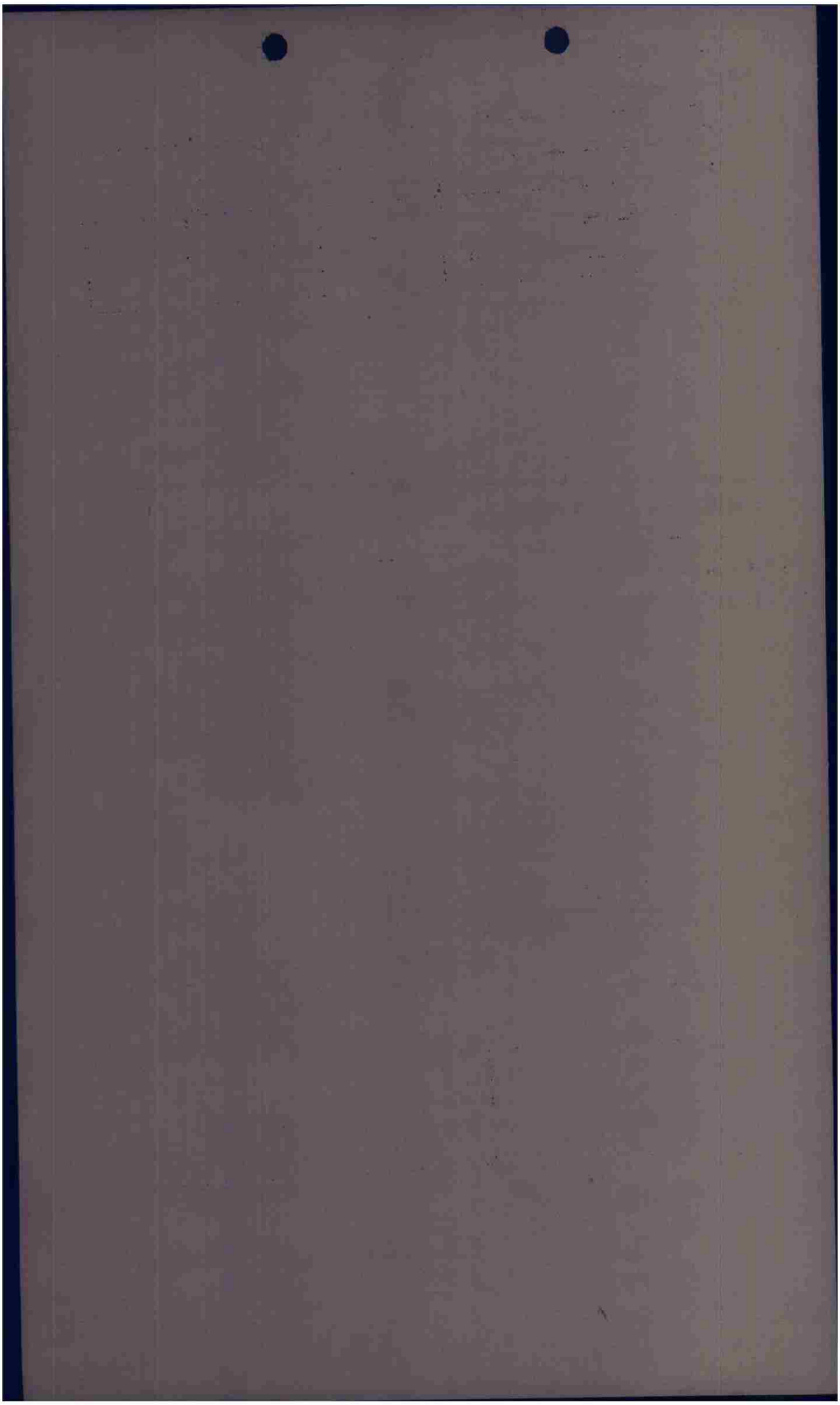


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PILOT CONANT A/C# 416 BOX 1 FLT. 3

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : 4 X 100 ON P

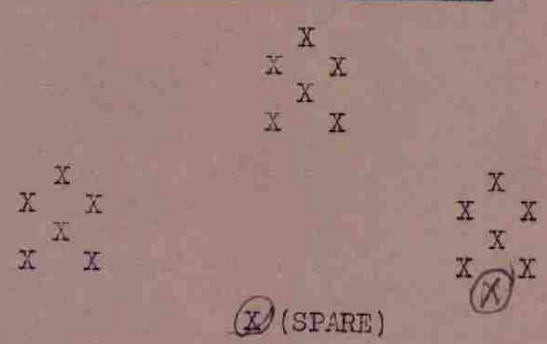
		BATTLE DAMAGE		
		"A"	"A-C"	"E"
X	RETURNED			
X	JETTISONED			

FLAK :

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS: 3 revs at tgt
Bombs hit about chalk point in tgt area.
Mid obs. Target could not be said to had been bombed

POSITION IN FORMATION

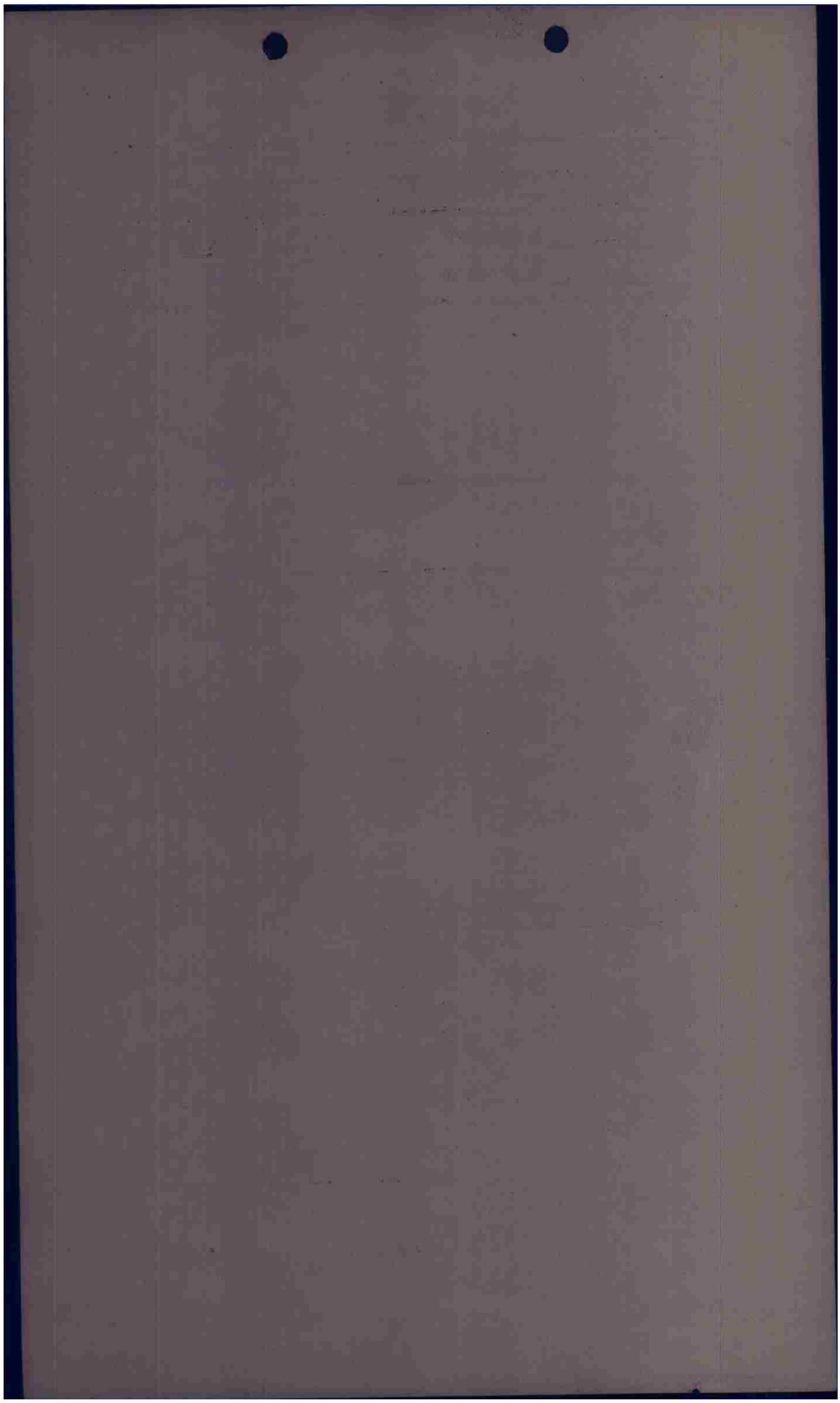


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PILOT WITHINGTON A/C# 360 BOX 1 FLT. 3

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : 4 X 1000 ON P

X RETURNED

X JETTISONED

BATTLE DAMAGE

"A"	"A-C"	"E"

FLAK :

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS:

Bombs hit in chalk point of m/y.
Reichenbach m/y 3/4 full.
all m/y had some AA guns in it.
T.P. town had many guns in it.
few fires reported.

POSITION IN FORMATION

X
X X
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X X

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X X
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X X

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X X
(X)
X X

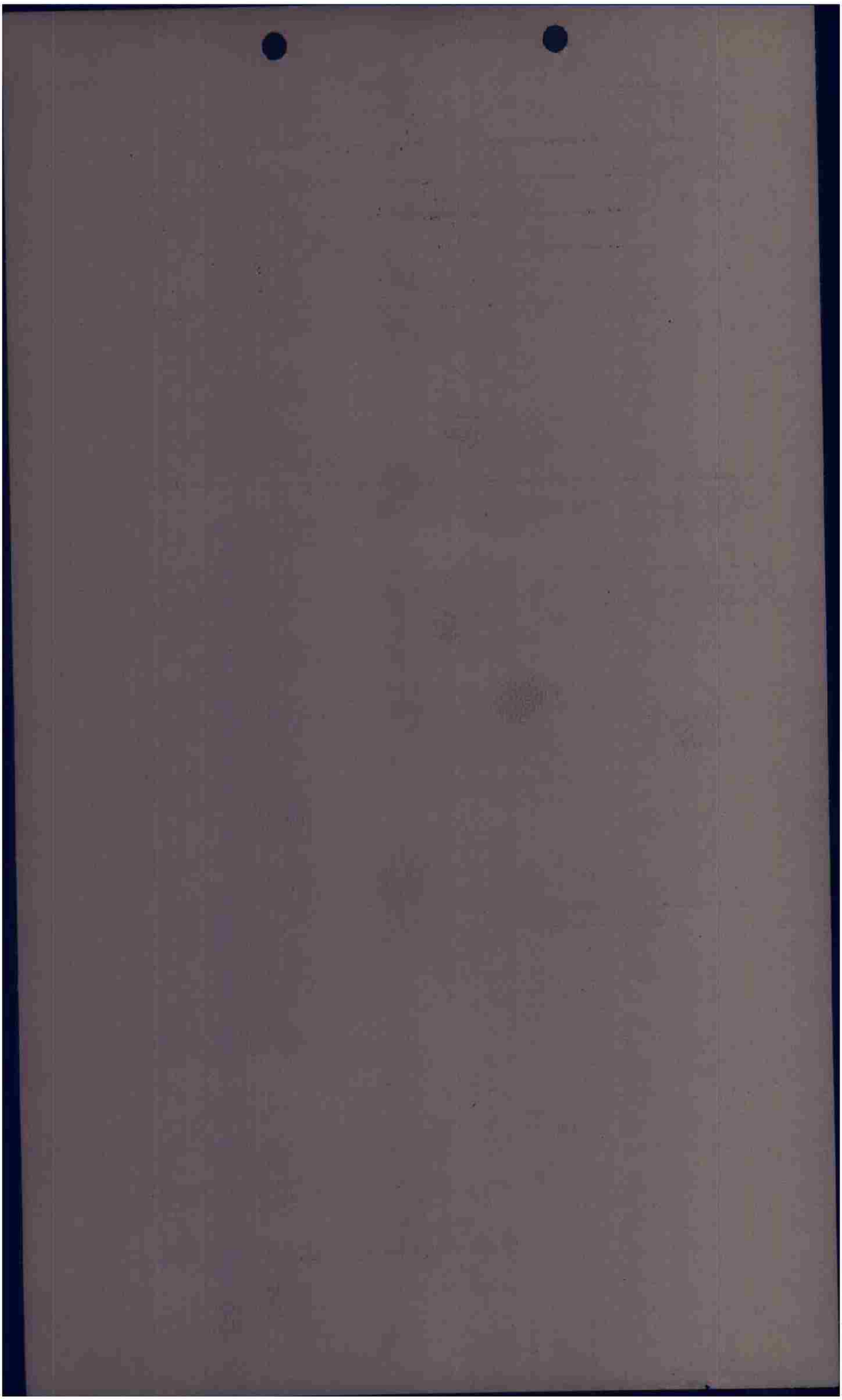
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PILOT PRICE A/C# 209 BOX 1 FLT. 3

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : 4 X 100 ON G.P

X RETURNED

X JETTISONED

BATTLE DAMAGE	"A"	"A-C"	"E"

FLAK : X

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS : X

OBSERVATIONS: Bomb pattern hit along left side of M/yard- 4 bombs dropped 1st from Kero's ship hit in M/Y- M/Y at T.P.- full of cars also on right side of 1st large ware houses, large fires 2 to 3 min inside

6 or 7 trucks- on autobahn- moving East

POSITION IN FORMATION

X
X X
X
X X

X
X X
X
X (X)

X
X X
X
X X

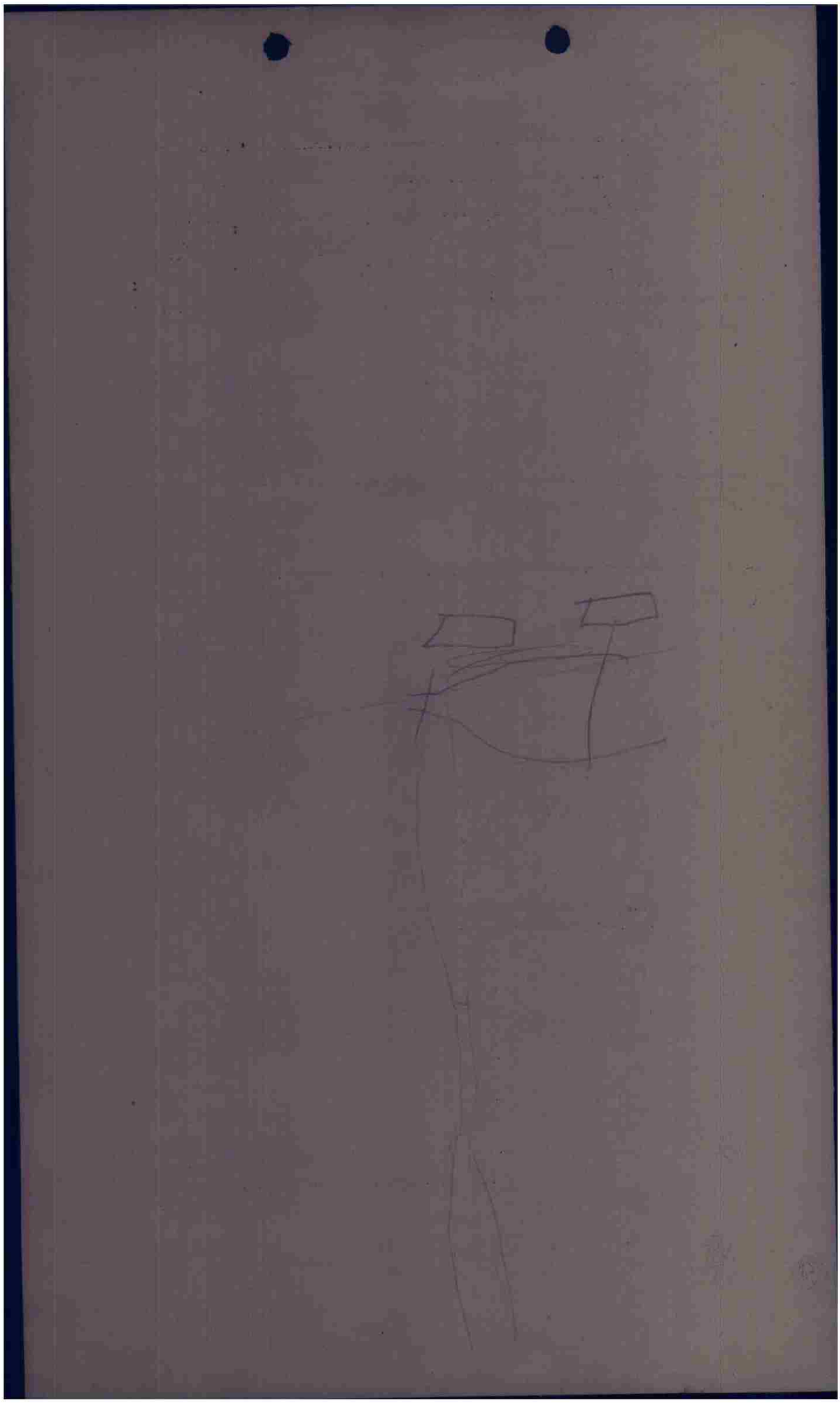
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PILOT HIVKO A/C# 313 BOX 1 FLT. 3

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : 6 X 500 ON P

X RETURNED

X JETTISONED

BATTLE DAMAGE

"A"	"A-C"	"E"
Nil		

FLAK : Nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS : Nil

OBSERVATIONS:

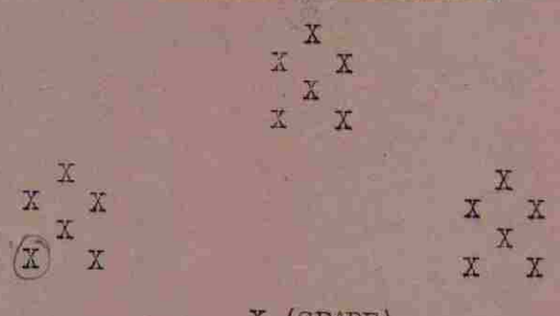
4 A/C made a pass thro formation. (Head stern)

3 runs - because of clouds.

attacked Alt 4-5/10 & haze.

at abt 9000.

POSITION IN FORMATION



Radio chatter,

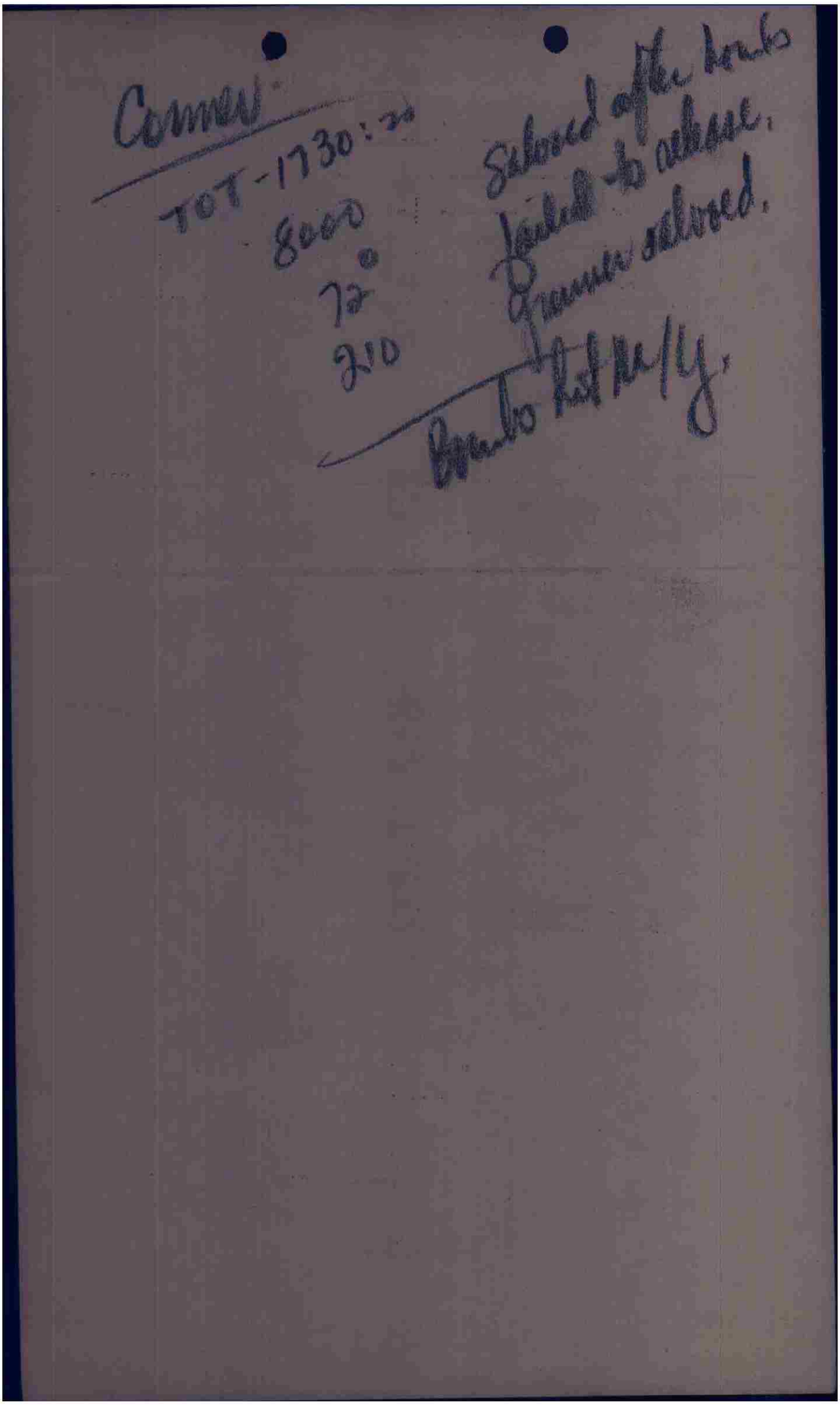
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PILOT SHAPARD A/C# 393 BOX 1 FLT. 1

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : 4 X 100 ON P

X RETURNED

X JETTISONED

BATTLE DAMAGE			
	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
	Nil		

FLAK :

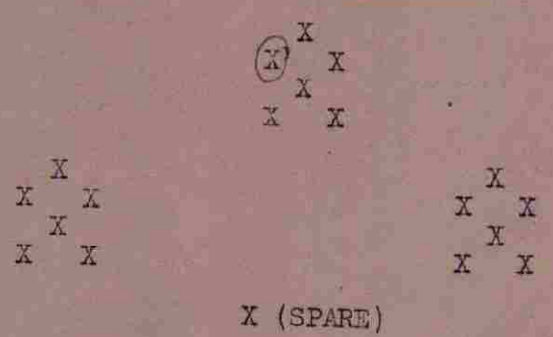
Nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

Nil

OBSERVATIONS:

POSITION IN FORMATION

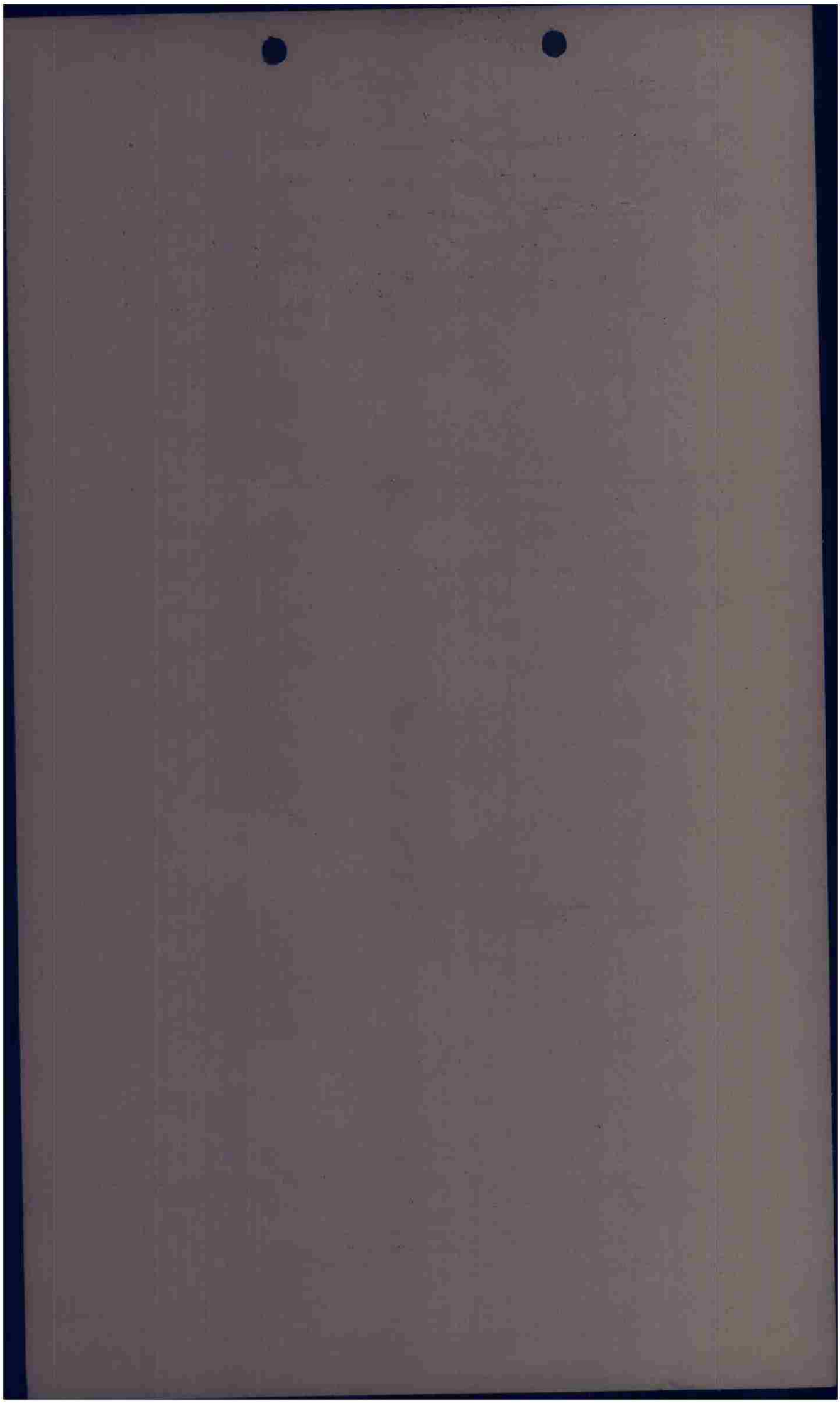


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PILOT TURMAN A/C# 232 BOX 7 FLT. 1

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : 4 X 1000 ON P

X RETURNED

X JETTISONED

BATTLE DAMAGE	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
	Nil		

FLAK : Nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

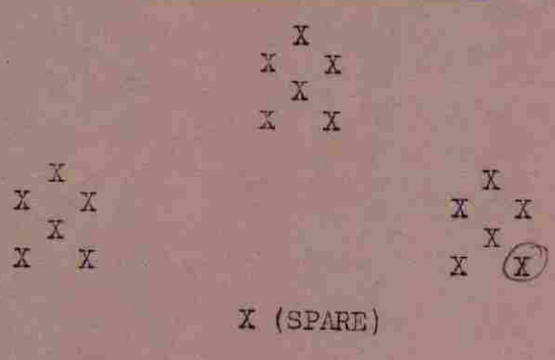
Nil.

OBSERVATIONS:

hit rwy - good results.

3 Runs -
4-5/10 at 8000 to 8500.

POSITION IN FORMATION

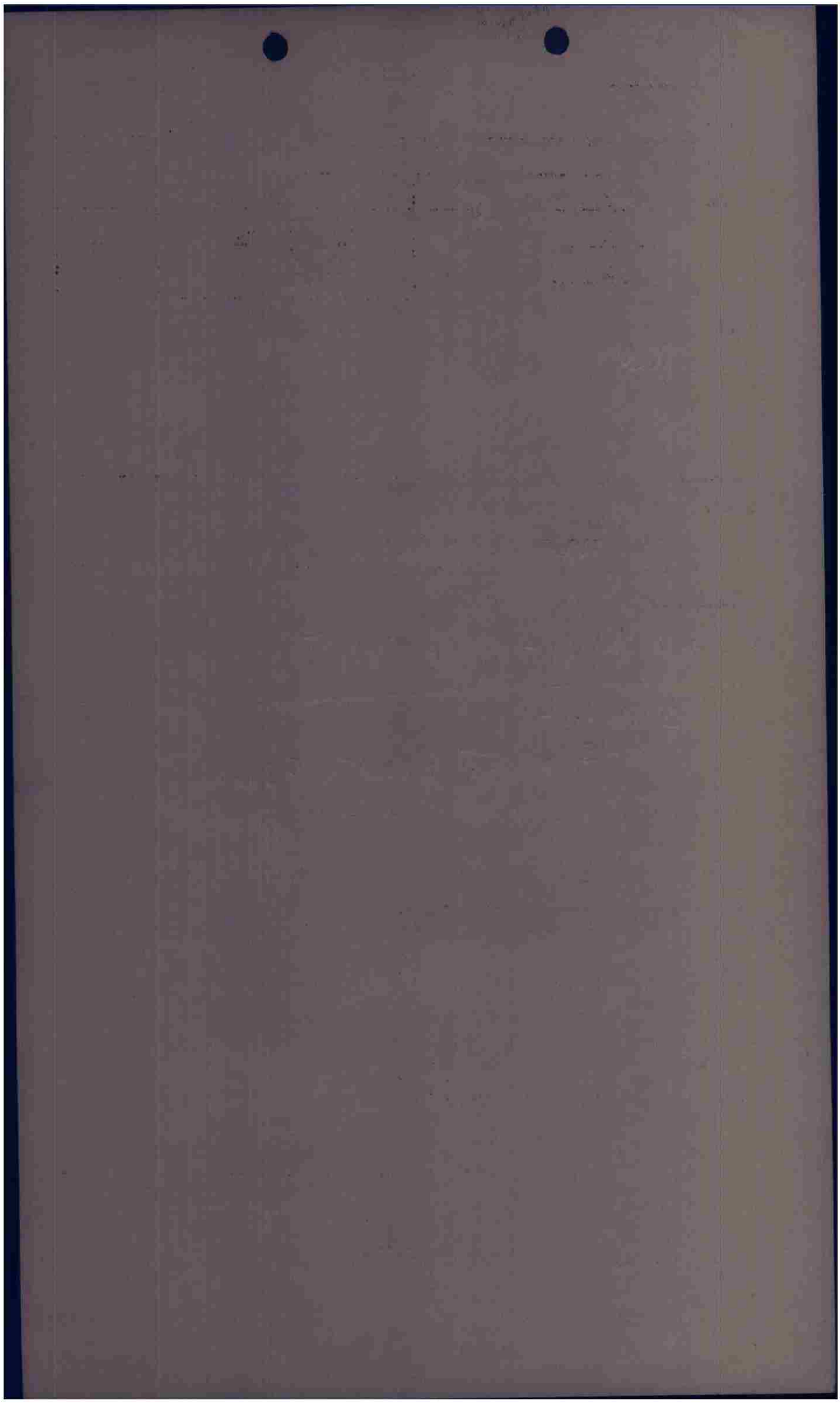


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PILOT BISHOP A/C# 223 BOX 2 FLT. 2

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : 4 X 1000 ON P

X RETURNED

X JETTISONED

BATTLE DAMAGE	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
	Nil		

FLAK : Nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

(Report) Nil. Replot at Wurzburg

OBSERVATIONS:

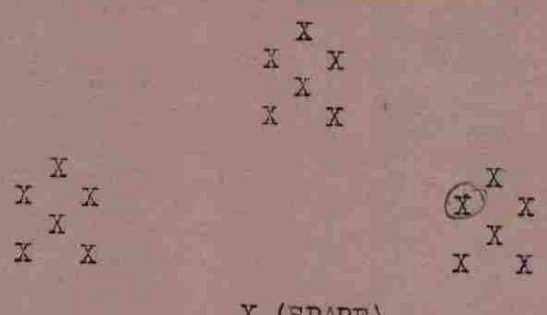
good results first 1/3 of yards.

3 runs.

Another M/Y in target area full of cars.

rad. of 20 miles.

POSITION IN FORMATION

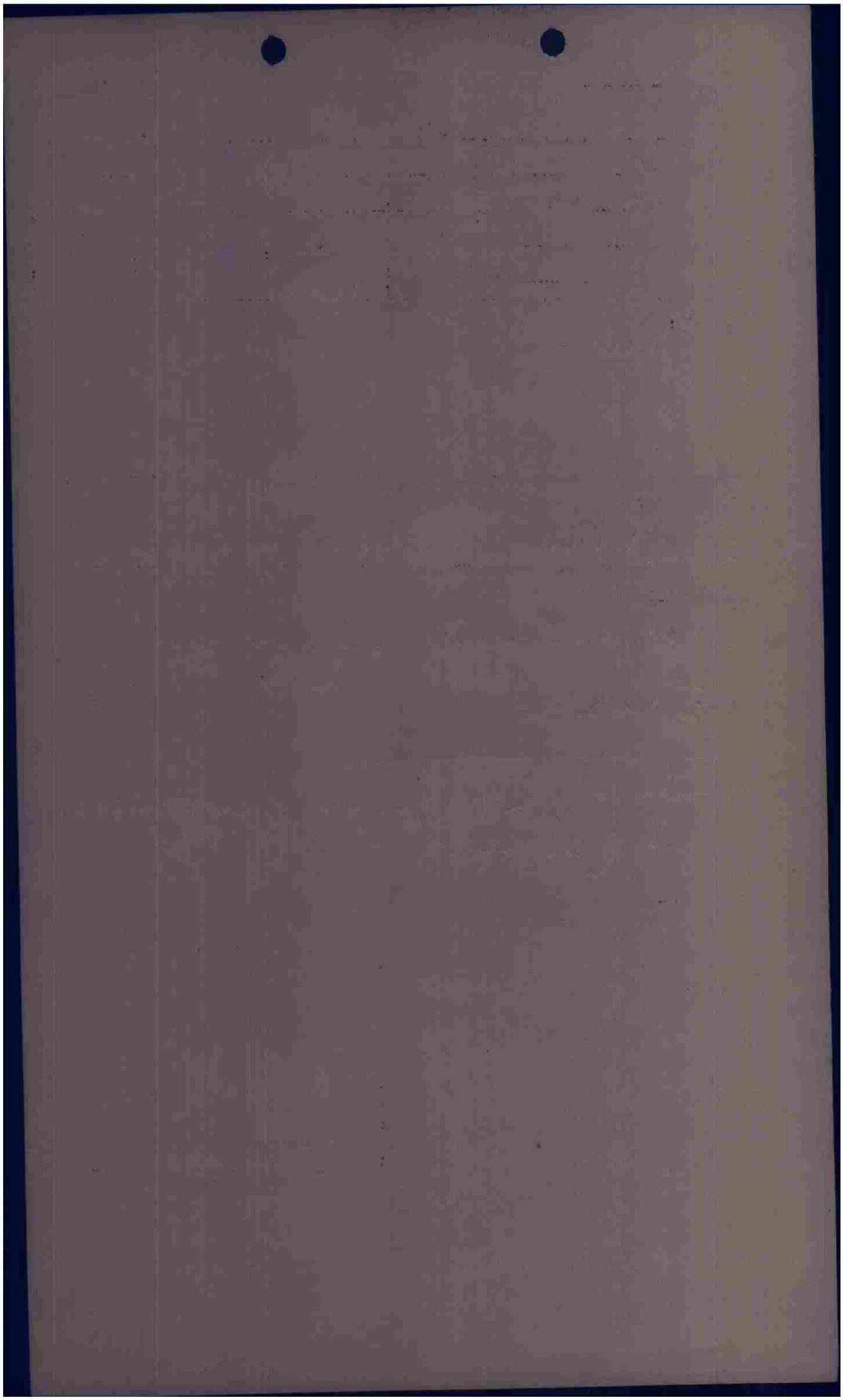


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PILOT EVARTS A/C# 385 BOX 2 FLT. 3

CASUALTIES

BOMBS :	ON	BATTLE DAMAGE		
		"A"	"A-C"	"E"
X RETURNED				
X JETTISONED				

FLAK :

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS:

POSITION IN FORMATION

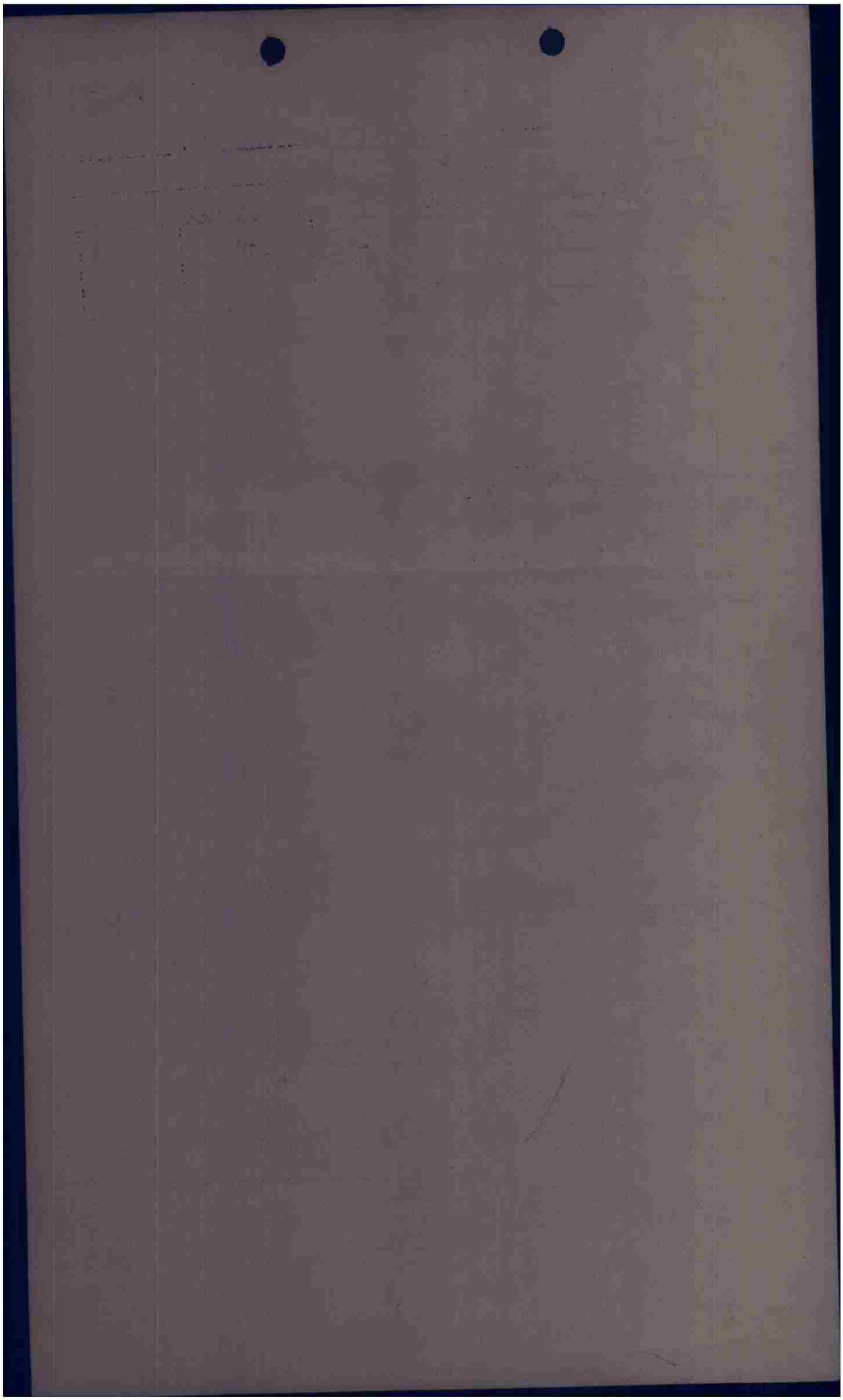
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PILOT TANK A/C# 352 BOX 2 FLT. 3

CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS : 4 X 100 ON P

		BATTLE DAMAGE		
		"A"	"A-C"	"E"
X	RETURNED			
X	JETTISONED	Nil		

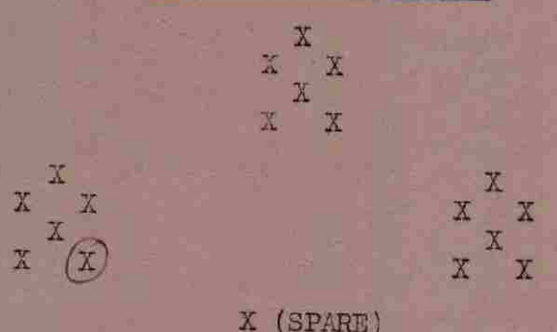
FLAK : Nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS : Nil

OBSERVATIONS:

Quiet
good results

POSITION IN FORMATION

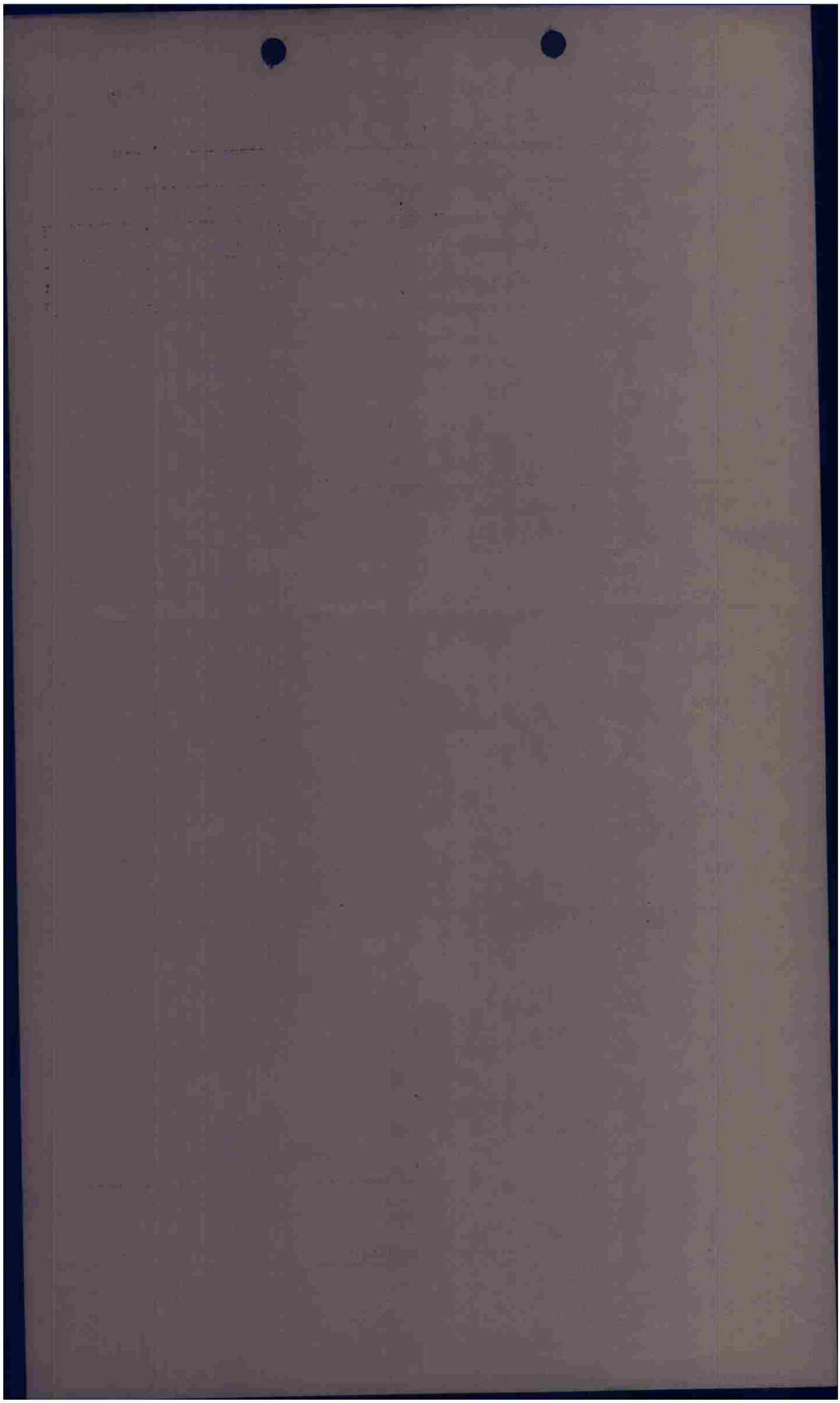


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PILOT SORRELS A/C# 337 BOX 2 FLT. 1

CASUALTIES

BOMBS :		BATTLE DAMAGE			
			"A"	"A-C"	"E"
X	RETURNED				
X	JETTISONED				

FLAK :

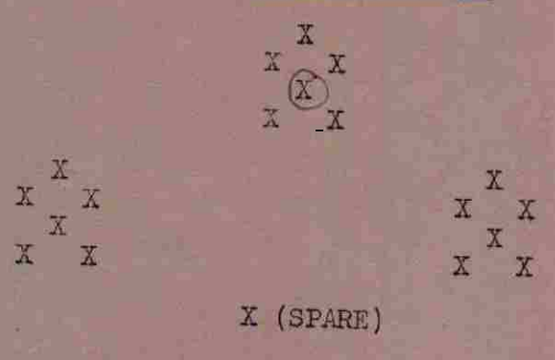
Returned Early

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

Hot Air Bound

OBSERVATIONS:

POSITION IN FORMATION

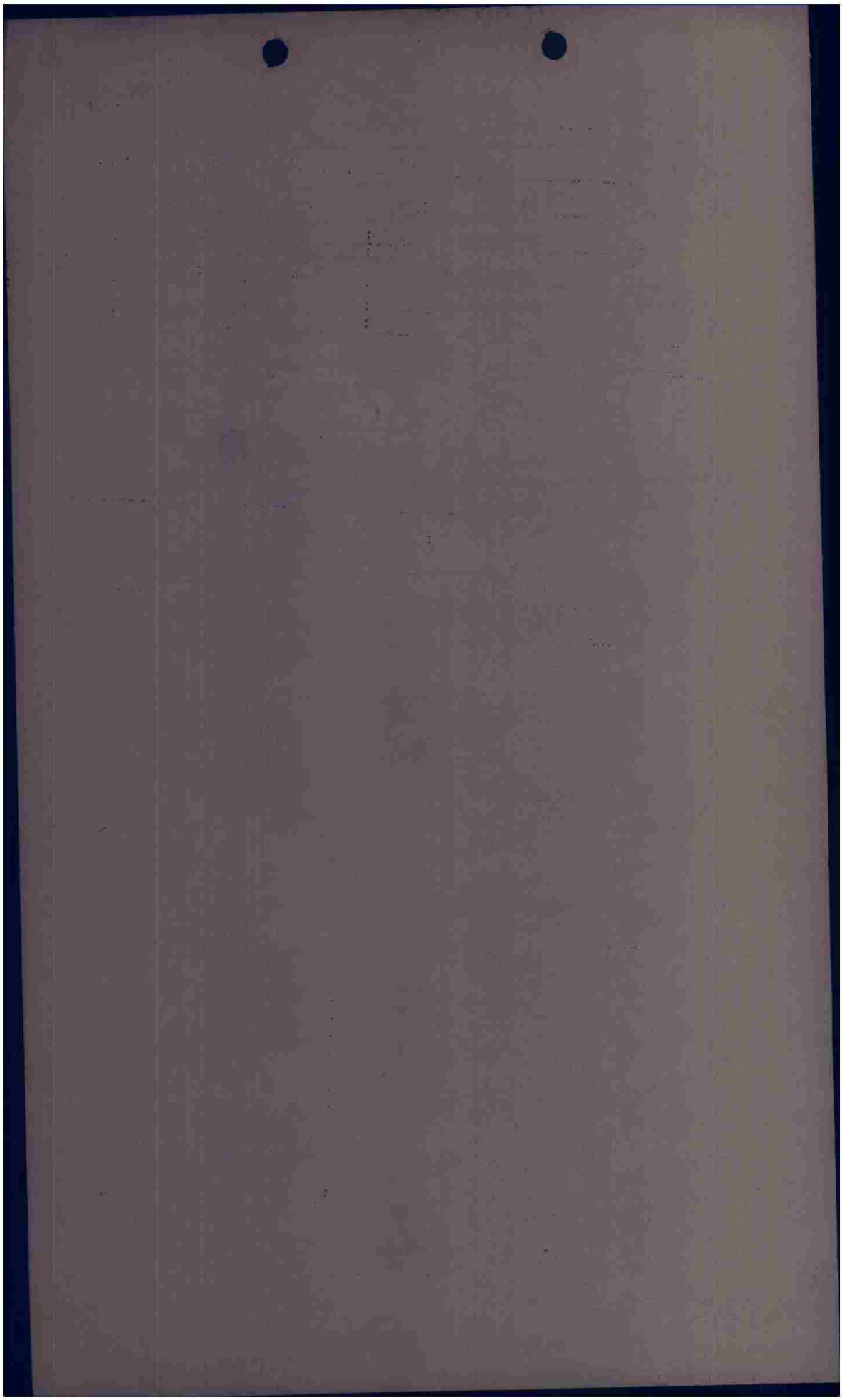


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PILOT PHILLIPS A/C# 759 BOX 2 FLT. 3

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : 4 X 1000 ON V

X RETURNED

X JETTISONED

BATTLE DAMAGE	"A"	"A-C"	"E"

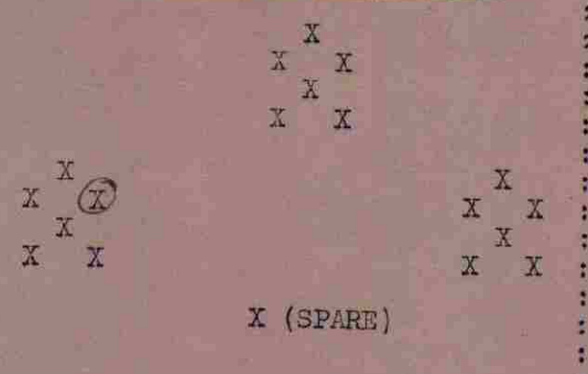
FLAK :

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS: bombs in tgt.
n/v activity in area sector

Camera.

POSITION IN FORMATION

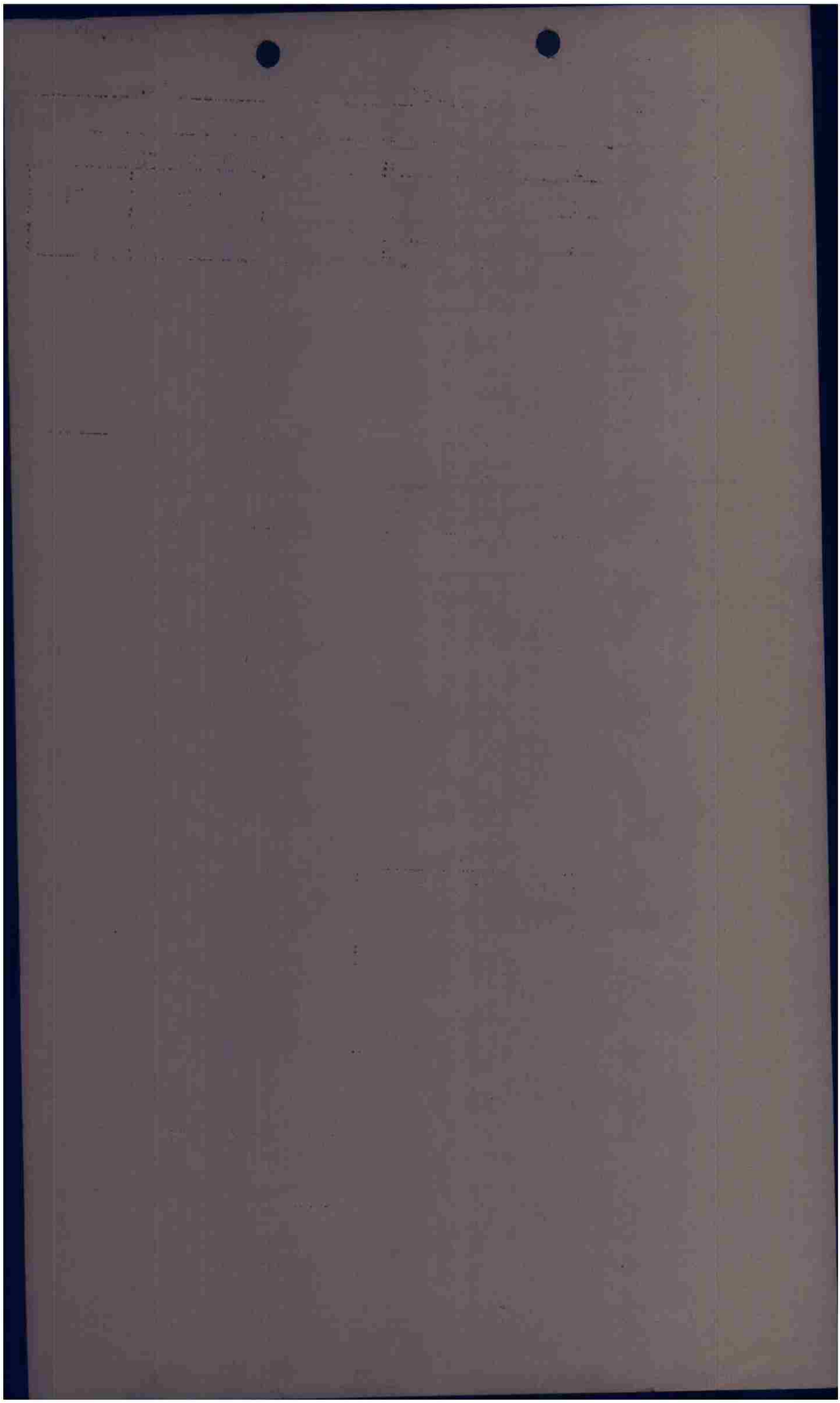


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PILOT LACKNER A/C# 310 BOX 2 FLT. 3

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : 4 X 1000 ON D

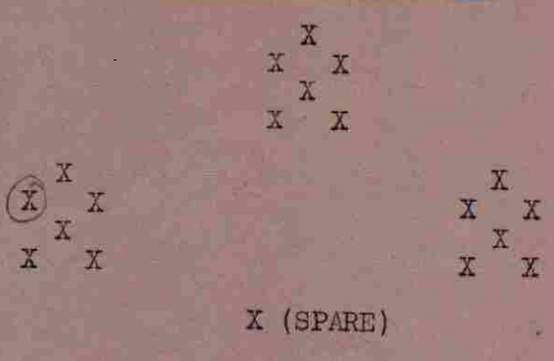
		BATTLE DAMAGE		
		"A"	"A-C"	"E"
X	RETURNED			
X	JETTISONED			

FLAK :

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS: bombs over MPI

POSITION IN FORMATION

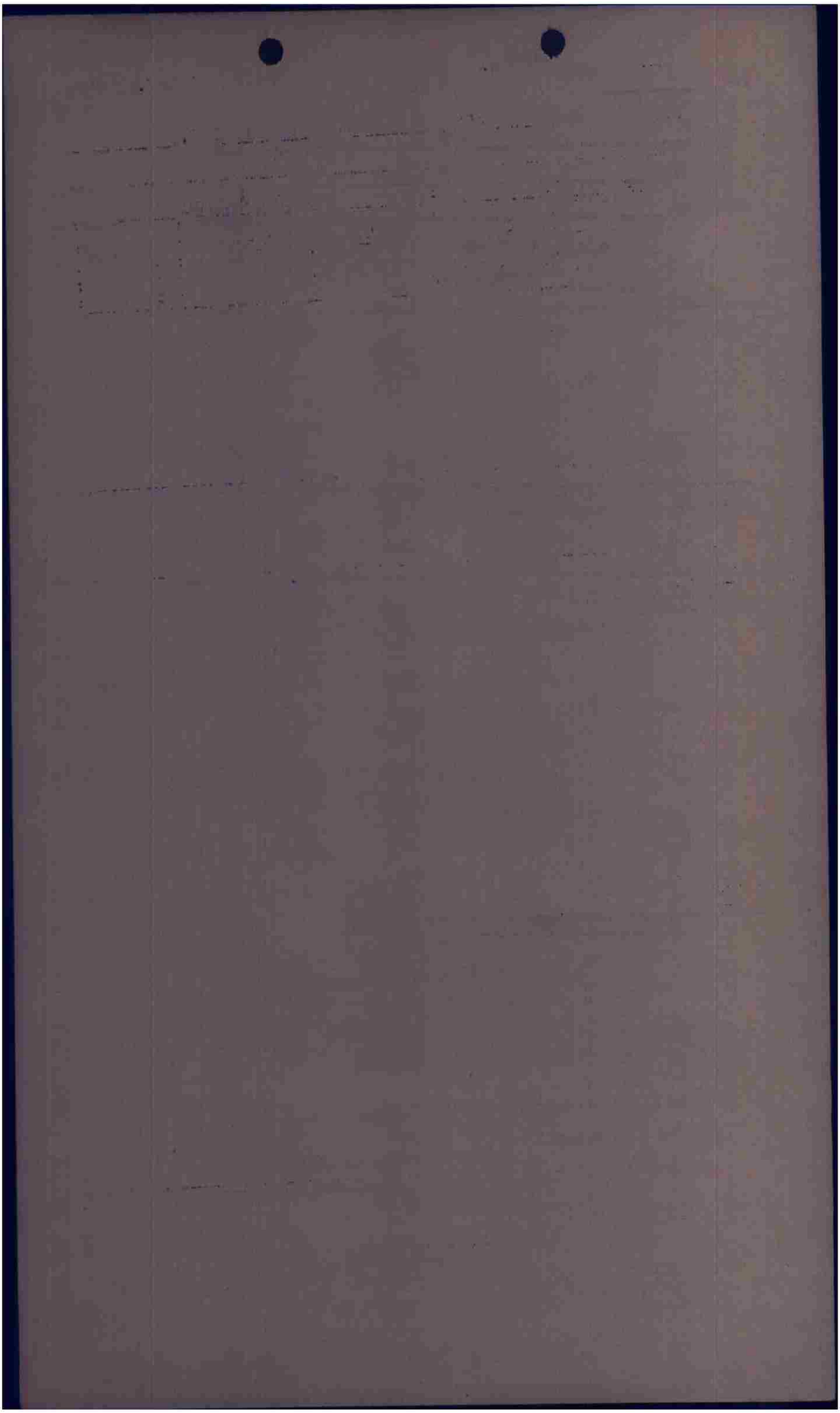


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PILOT CANNON A/C# 389 BOX 2 FLT. 3

CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :		BATTLE DAMAGE		
		"A"	"A-C"	"E"
X ON				
4 X 1000 RETURNED				
X JETTISONED				

FLAK : X

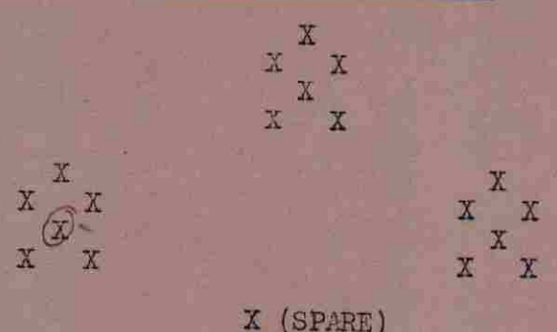
ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

X

OBSERVATIONS: 1st run bomb bay Doors opened, but on next run doors would not open, — Pressure Zero, and Pilot's and gunner's salvo switch would not work — trip solinoid also, —

Bombs hit our tgt area — trucks in town- heading out-

POSITION IN FORMATION

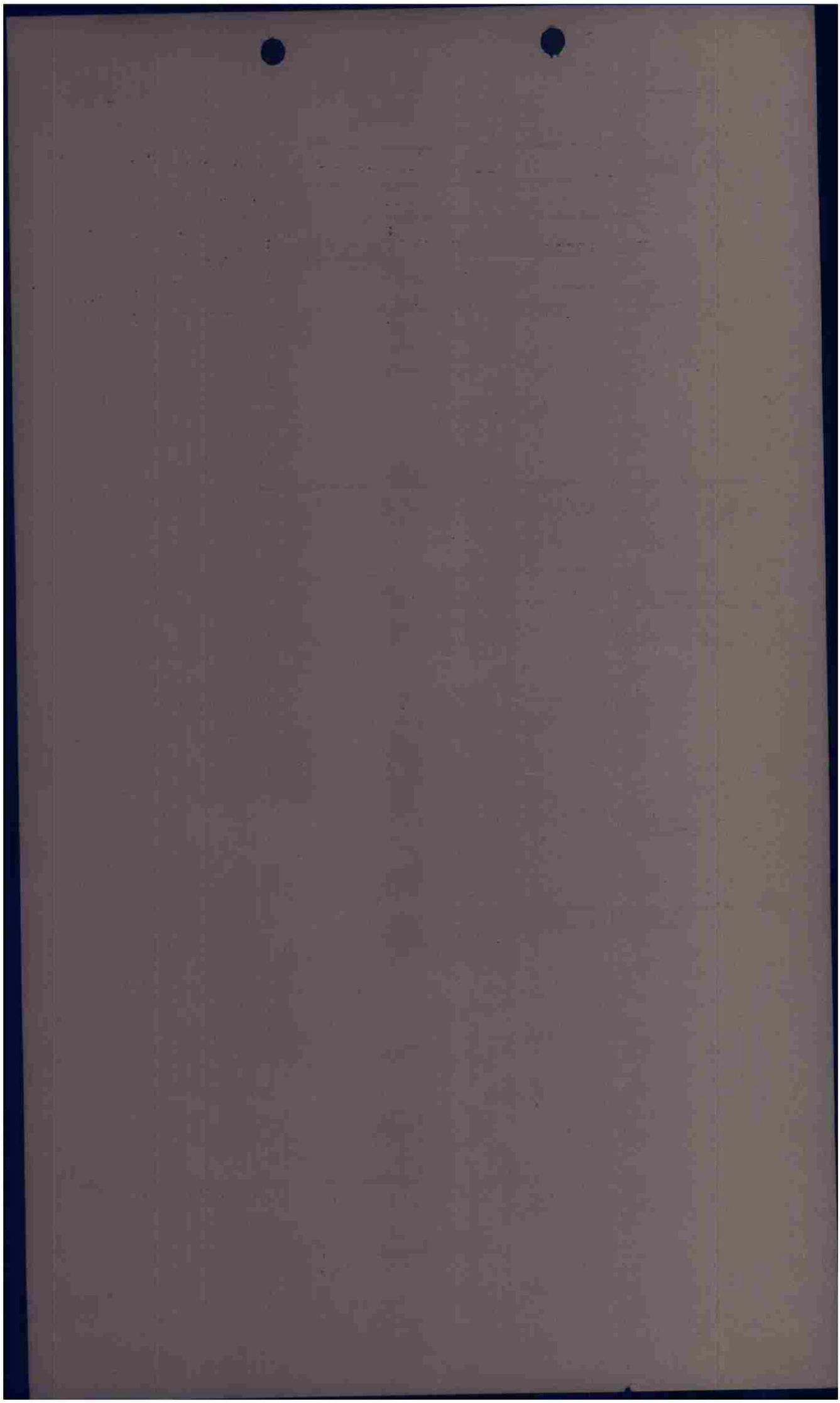


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PILOT WEINERT A/C# 271 BOX 2 FLT. 1

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : 4 X 100 ON

X RETURNED

X JETTISONED

BATTLE DAMAGE		
"A"	"A-C"	"E"

FLAK :

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

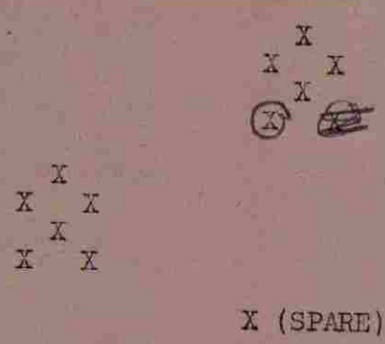
E/A reported

OBSERVATIONS:

bombs on tgt.

dropped on last run

POSITION IN FORMATION

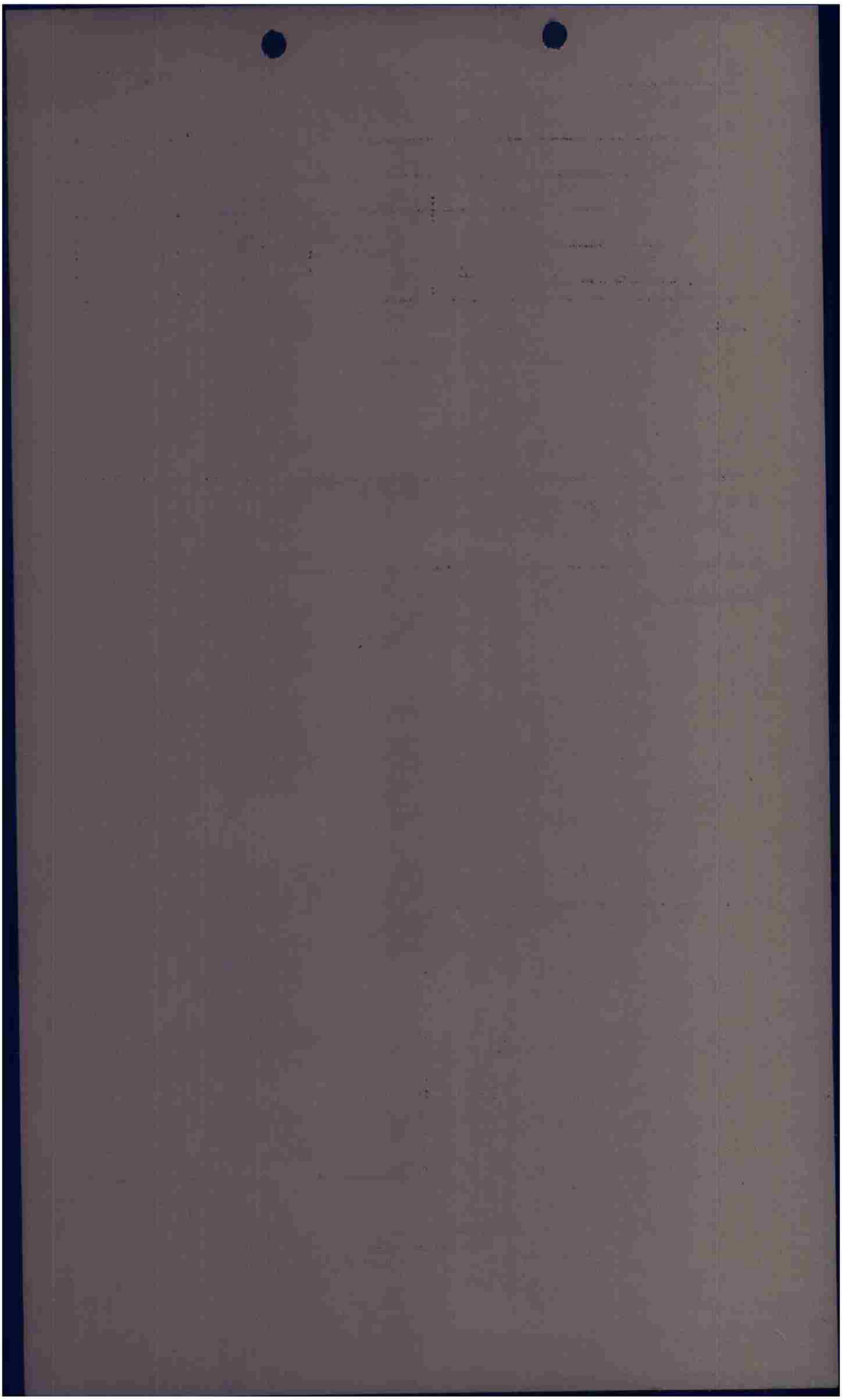


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PILOT BLOMGREN A/C# 492 BOX 2 FLT. 1

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : 4 X 1000 ON RR. BATTLE DAMAGE

		"A"	"A-C"	"E"
X	RETURNED			
X	JETTISONED			

FLAK :

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS : ~~V~~ Pz 1's.

OBSERVATIONS: 20-barrage balloons at Saalburg
Wide in gds
clds made it difficult to see results
TOT - 1714
Alt - 8,900
MH - 74°
IAS - 210
One run.

POSITION IN FORMATION

(X)
X X
X
X X

X
X X
X
X X

X
X X
X
X X

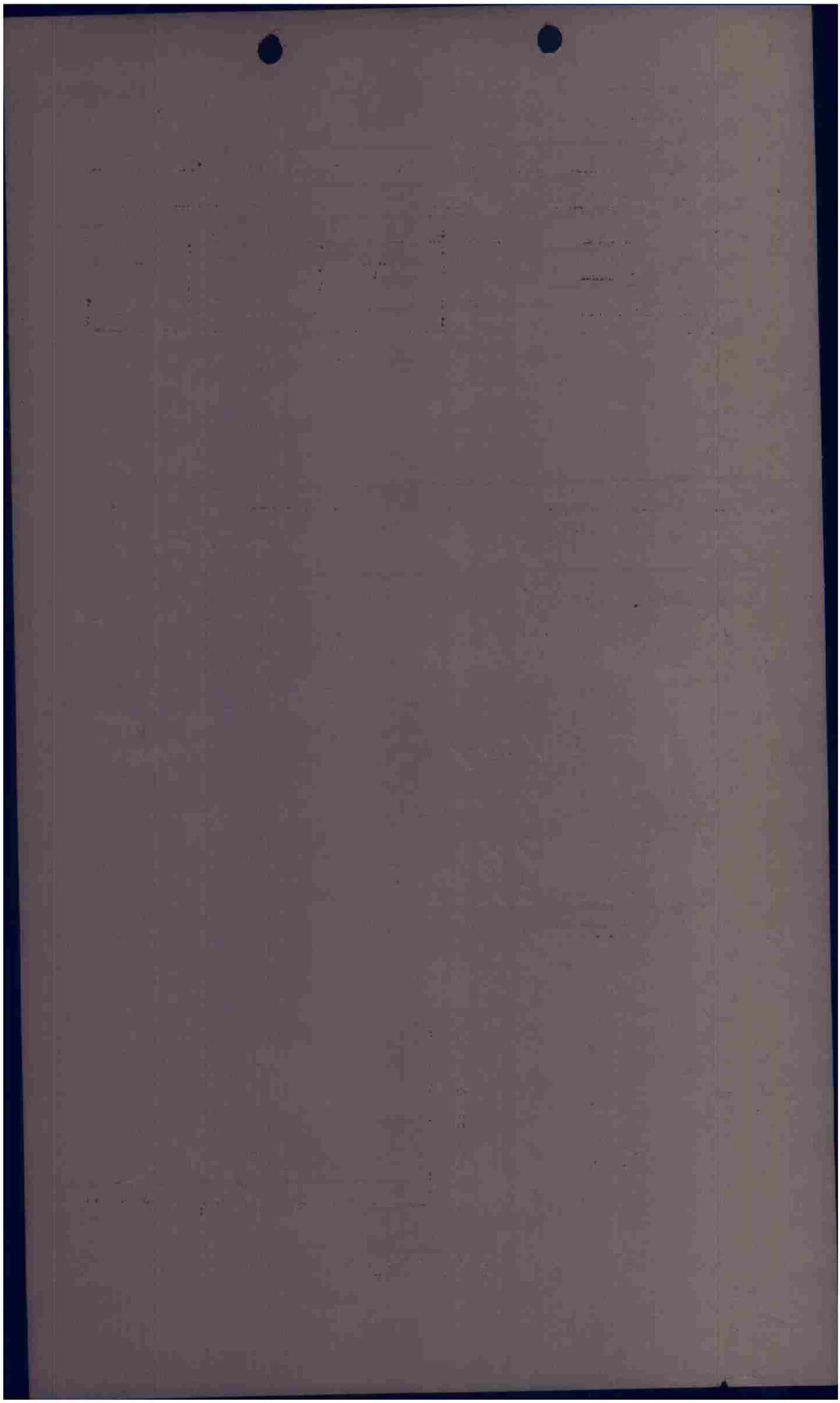
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PILOT POPENEY A/C# 469 BOX 2 FLT. 2

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : 4 X 1000 ON P.

X RETURNED

X JETTISONED

BATTLE DAMAGE	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
	Nil		

FLAK : Nil.

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

Nil

OBSERVATIONS:

Yards bursh Ind 2 cars.

TOT - 1733
Alt - 8500
75°
210

3 runs.
changed data and cloud obscured. another flight at our alt.
Cloud put us wrong heding.

POSITION IN FORMATION

X
X X
X
X X

X
X X
X
X X

(X)
X X
X
X X

X (SPARE)

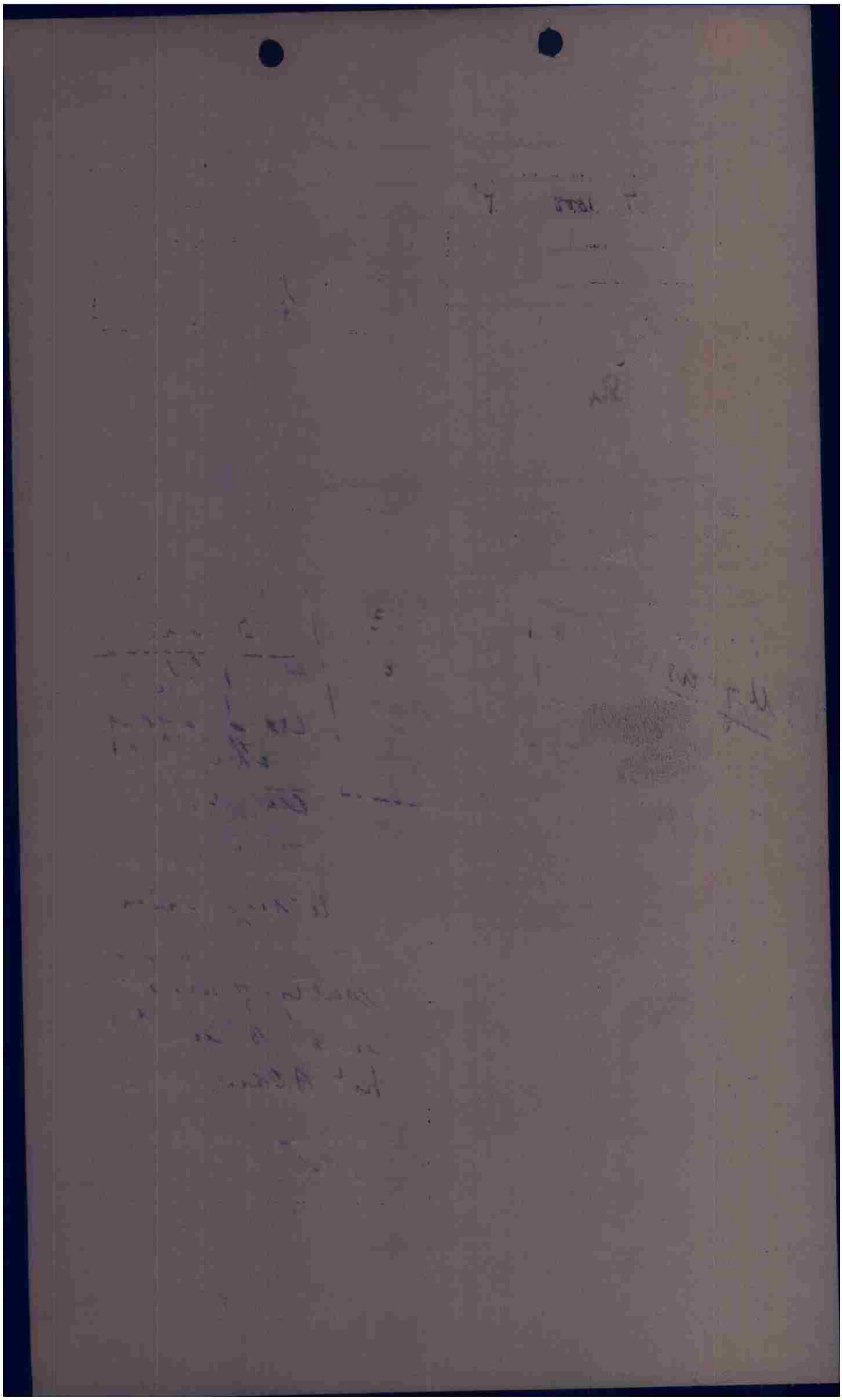
Results good. Flt ahead seemed to hit some area
Cups in yards were afire.

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PILOT LASETER A/C# 484 BOX 2 FLT. 3

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : 4 X 1000 ON P

X RETURNED

X JETTISONED

BATTLE DAMAGE			
	"A"	"A-C"	"E"

FLAK :

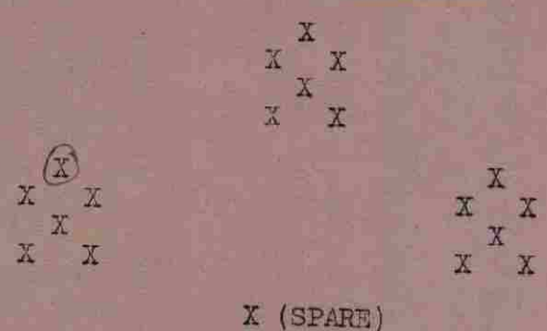
ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS:

Bombs on A.P at check point. Superior results. 2 runs.
T.O.T. - 1725
alt - 8700
IAS - 210
Head - 75°

1 flight in field to right.

POSITION IN FORMATION

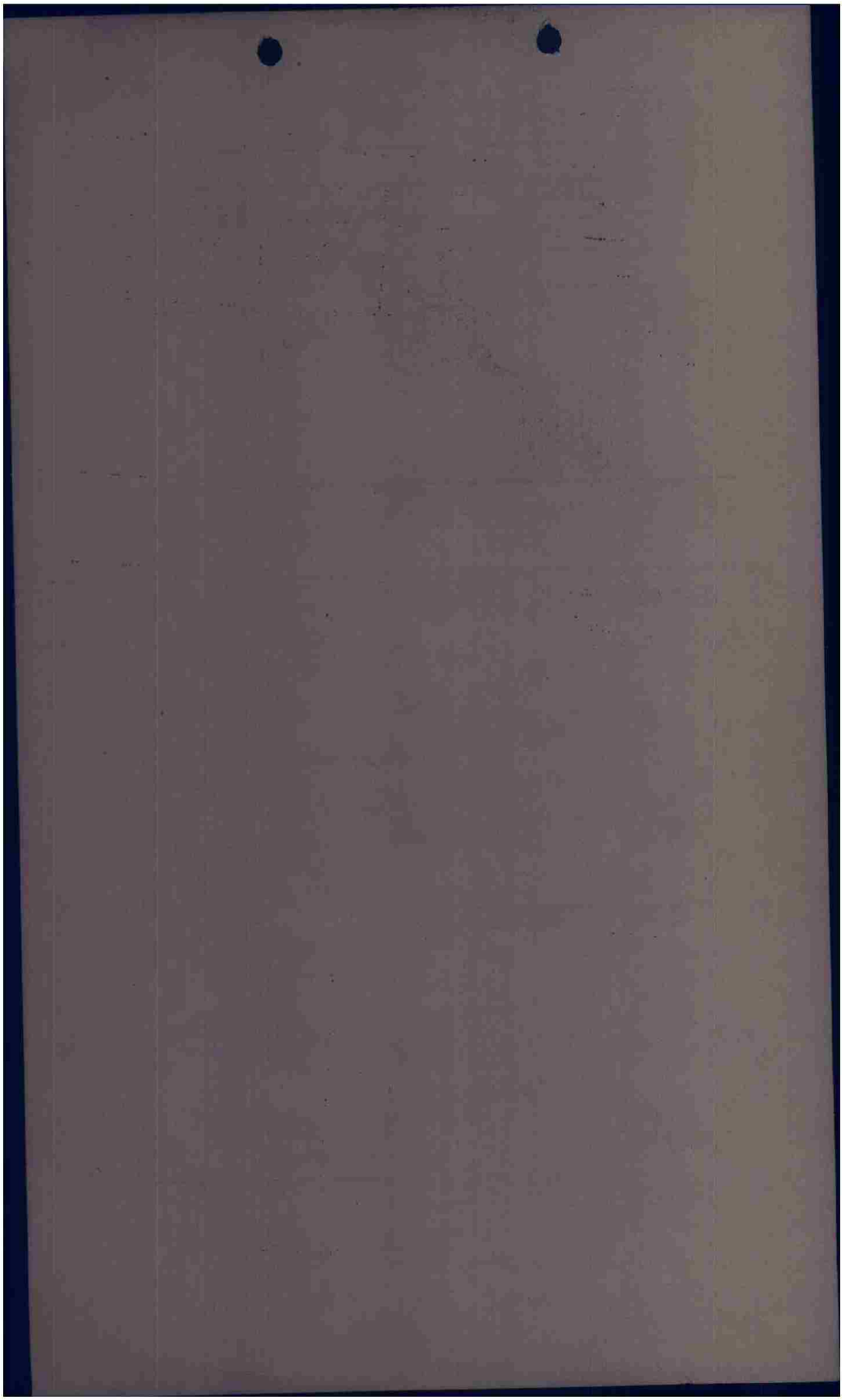


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PILOT HACKLEY A/C# 354 BOX 2 FLT. 1

CASUALTIES Nil

BOMBS : 4 X 100 ON Primary

X RETURNED

X JETTISONED

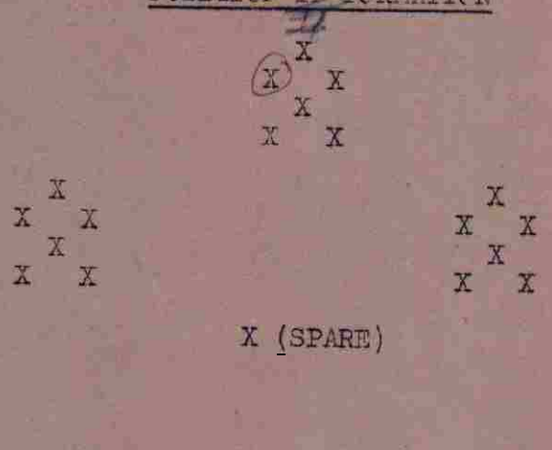
BATTLE DAMAGE	"A"	"A-C"	"E"

FLAK : Nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS : Nil

OBSERVATIONS:

POSITION IN FORMATION



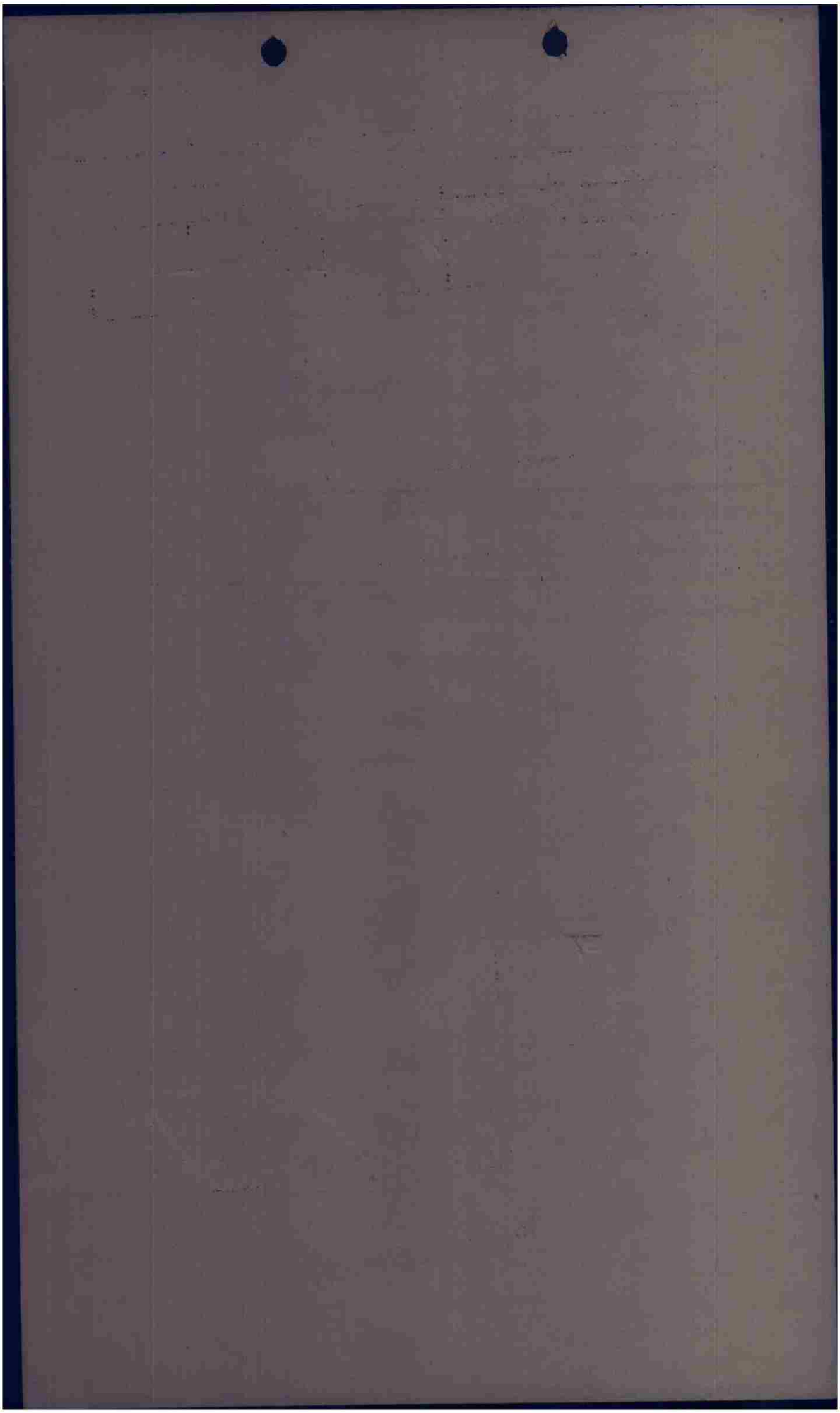
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PILOT Wills A/C# 383 BOX 7 FLT. 1

CASUALTIES Nil

BOMBS : 4 X 1000 ON Primary

X RETURNED

X JETTISONED

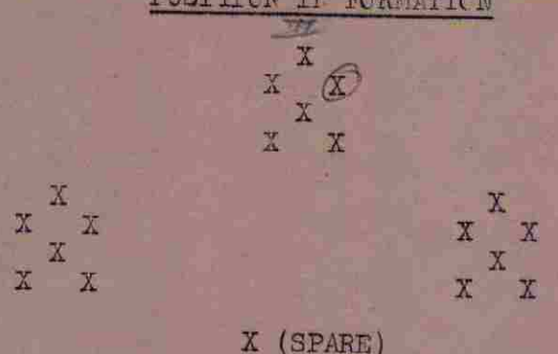
BATTLE DAMAGE		
"A"	"A-C"	"E"

FLAK : Nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS : Nil

OBSERVATIONS: Large bridge near R.P. – appeared to be a couple hundred ft high.
Large M/y near I.P. Lots of trains in yard –
Bombs half in & half out of M/y –

POSITION IN FORMATION

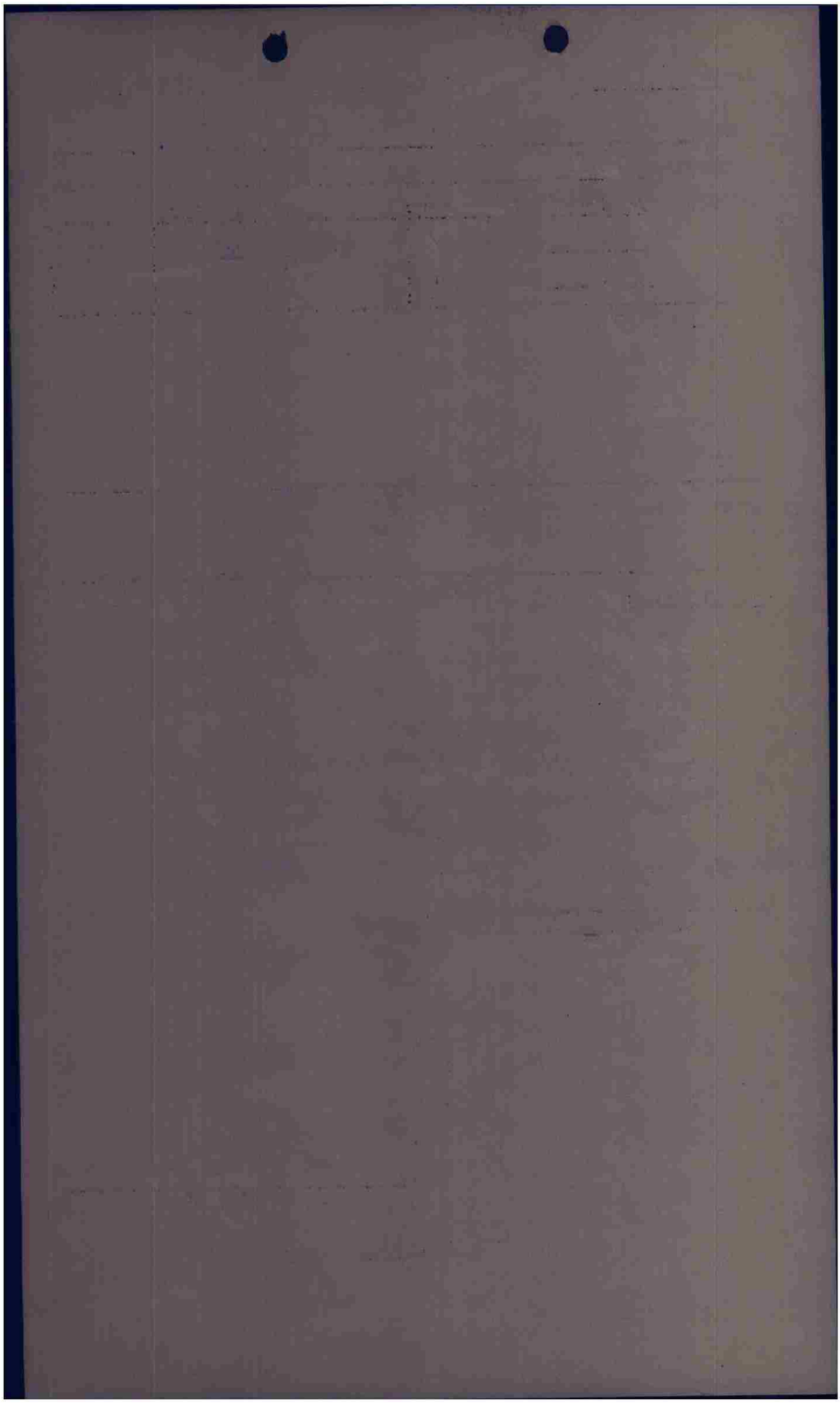


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PILOT ~~BARANSKY~~ A/C# 528 BOX 2 FLT. 2

CASUALTIES Nil

BOMBS : 4 X 1000 ON Primary

X RETURNED

X JETTISONED

BATTLE DAMAGE		
"A"	"A-C"	"E"
	-	

FLAK : Nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS : Nil

OBSERVATIONS: Lot of rolling stock in m/y - made 3 runs - at last 3 flights bombs in middle of yard - practically all bombs in yards -

POSITION IN FORMATION

X

X X

X

X X

X

X X

X X

X (SPARE)

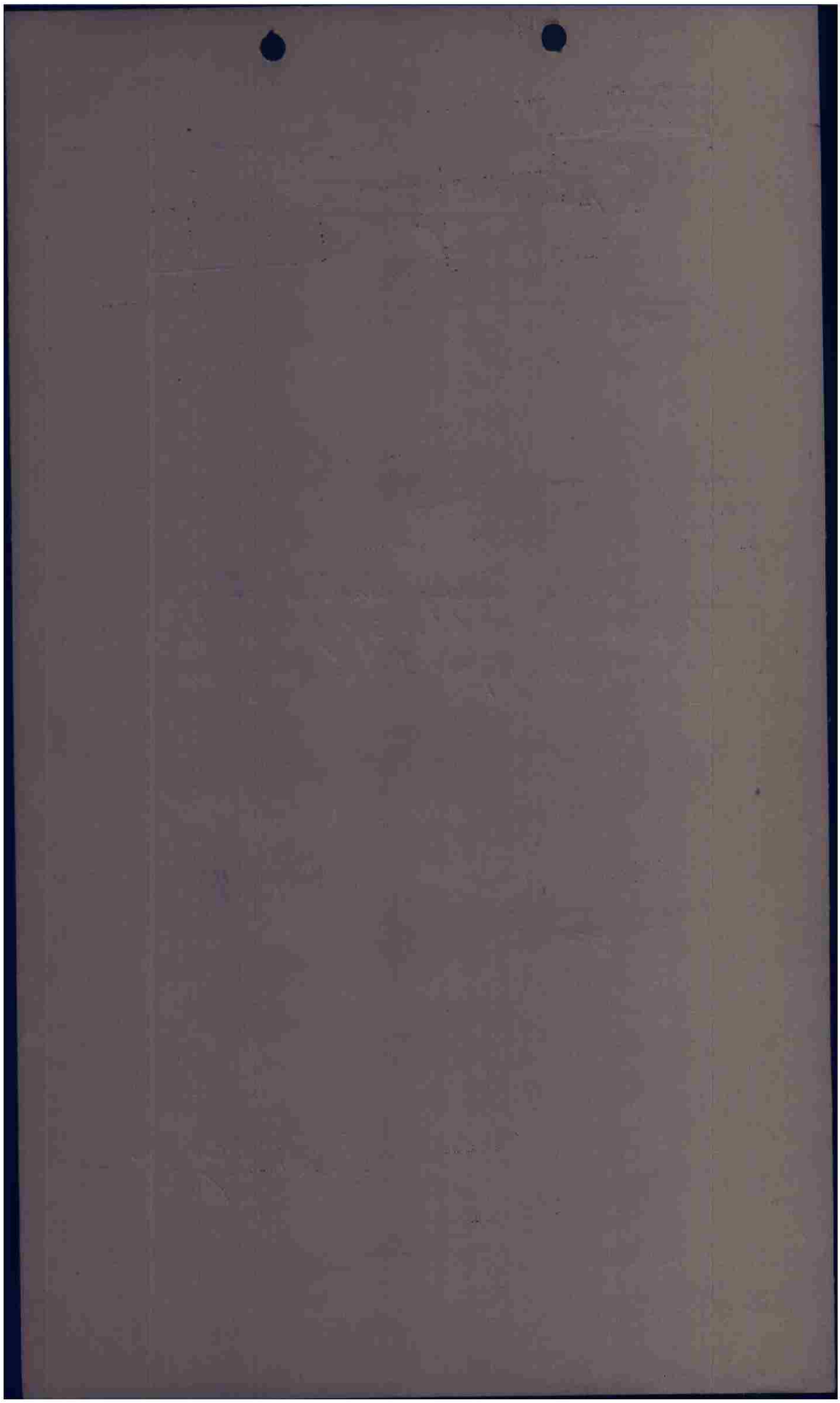
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PILOT DOWNING A/C# 224 BOX 7 FLT. 2

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : 4 X 1000 ON P.T.

X RETURNED

X JETTISONED

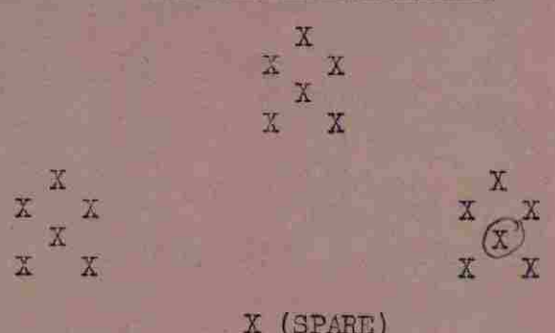
BATTLE DAMAGE	"A"	"A-C"	"E"

FLAK :

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS: 1 away in T A on extreme - rocks N of.
3 " " " 3rd run.
6 barrage balloons - about 1745.
off tgt. & course near big dam.
Tore up yards.

POSITION IN FORMATION



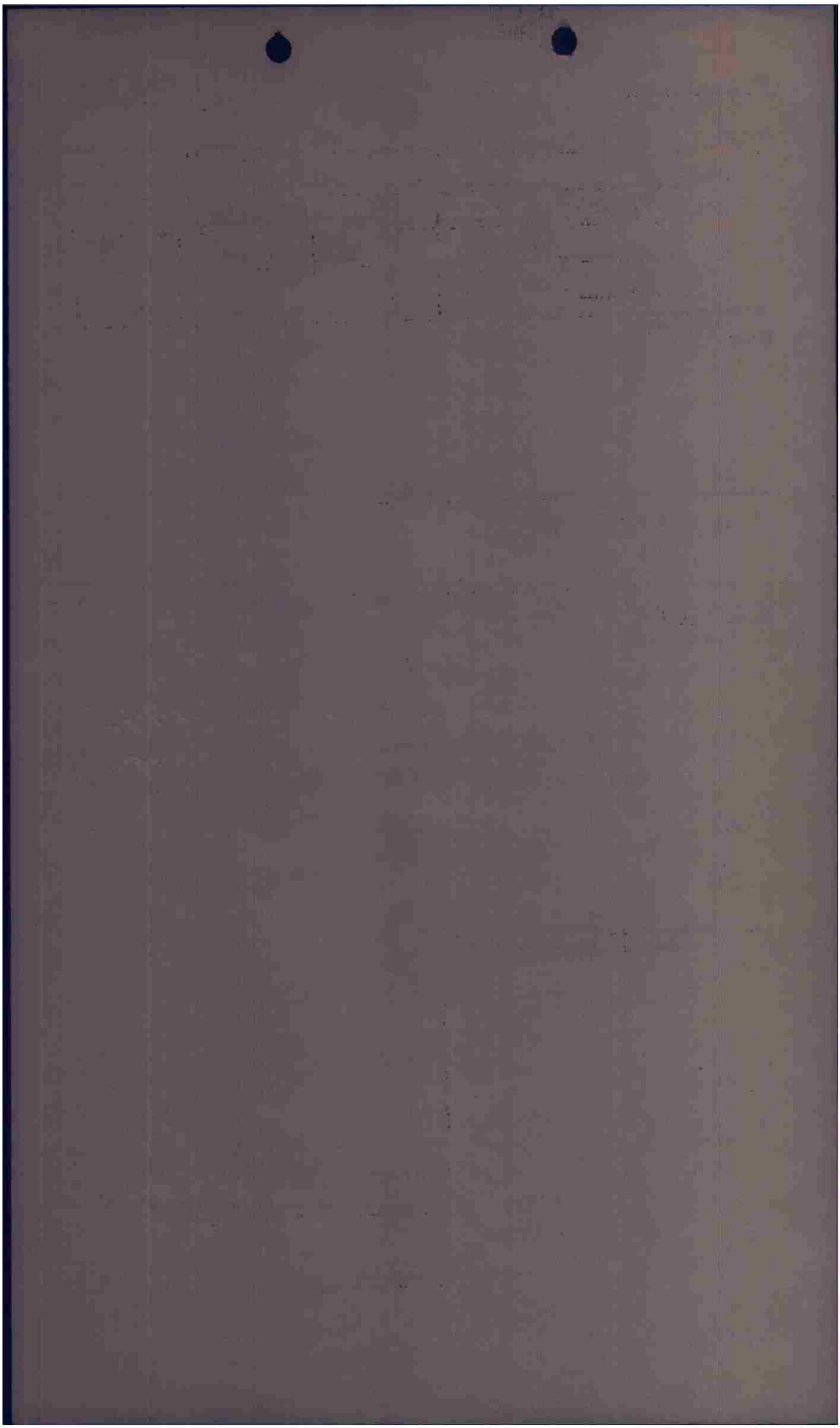
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PILOT HENSON A/C# 564 BOX 2 FLT. 2

CASUALTIES Nil.

BOMBS :		BATTLE DAMAGE		
4 X 000	ON			
X	RETURNED	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
X	JETTISONED			

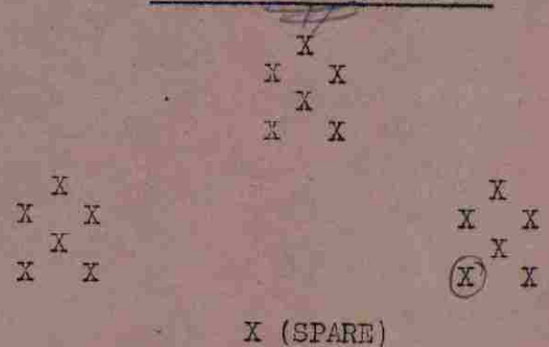
FLAK : Nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS :

OBSERVATIONS: ~~Straight and Level Release~~ No 4 dropped a bomb ~~about~~ when closing door on first run - did not realize he was closing doors & dropped on him - about five miles from Tg. Stage with flight on 2 more runs -

Target fairly well covered -

POSITION IN FORMATION

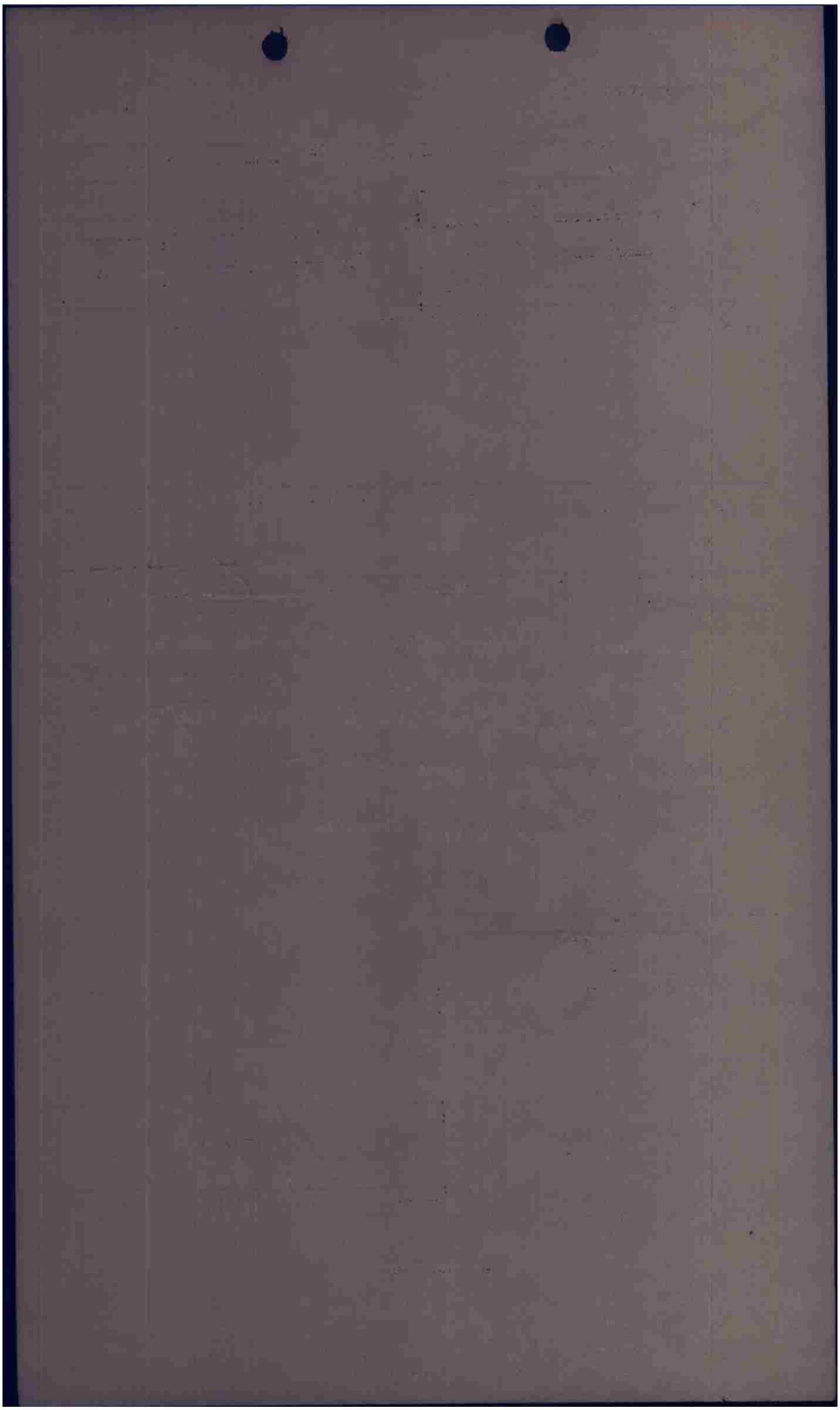


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PILOT SMITH, B.A. A/C# 9315 BOX 2 FLT. 1

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : 4 X 1000 ON [redacted]

1 Run

X RETURNED

X JETTISONED nil

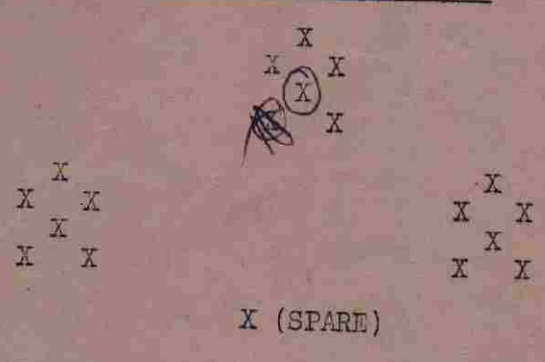
BATTLE DAMAGE		
"A"	"A-C"	"E"

FLAK : nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS : nil

OBSERVATIONS: 1/2 bombs this flt in M/Y.
Town at RP - M/Y 1/2 full & viaduct intact

POSITION IN FORMATION

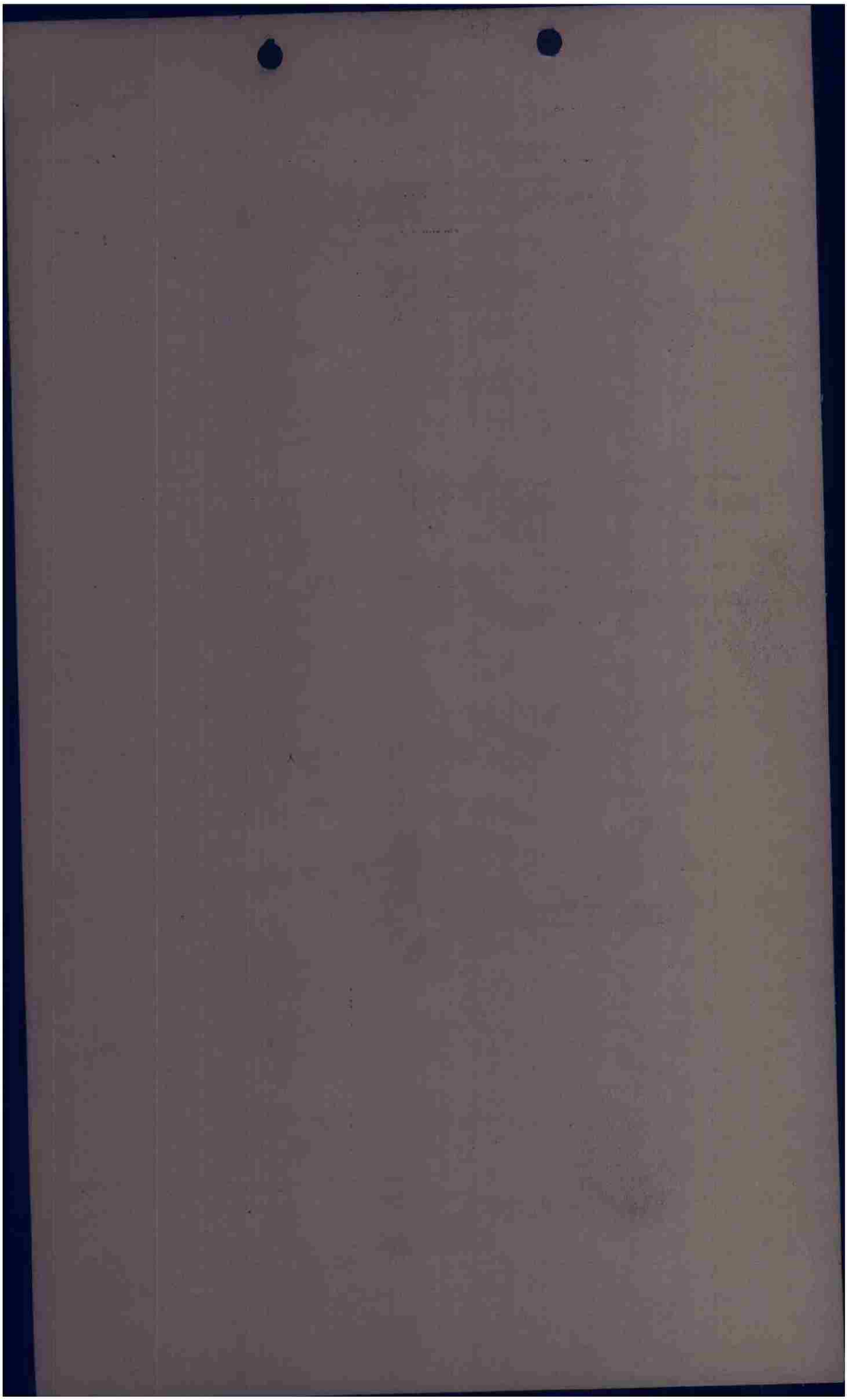


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PILOT B) EVINS A/C# 764 BOX 2 FLT. 1

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : 4 X 10 ON

(Run X RETURNED

X JETTISONED

BATTLE DAMAGE

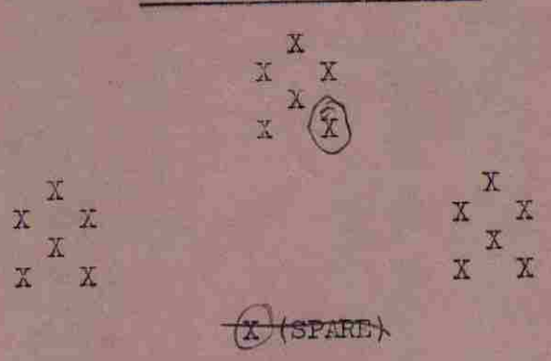
"A"	"A-C"	"E"
	Nil	

FLAK : nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS : nil

OBSERVATIONS: 3 bridges intact at RP.
(19 Flaks observed)
Bombs hit M/Y and rolling stock

POSITION IN FORMATION

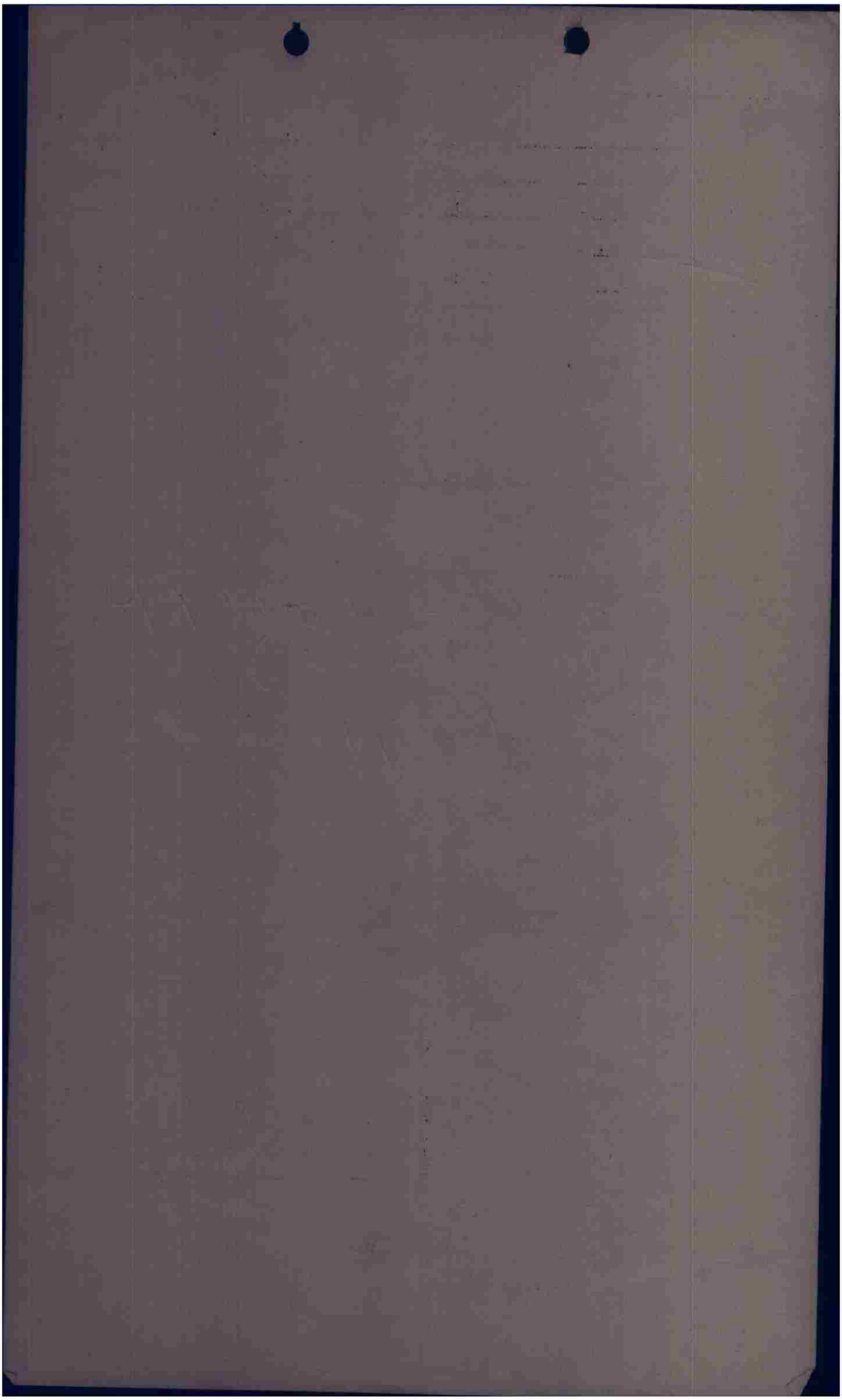


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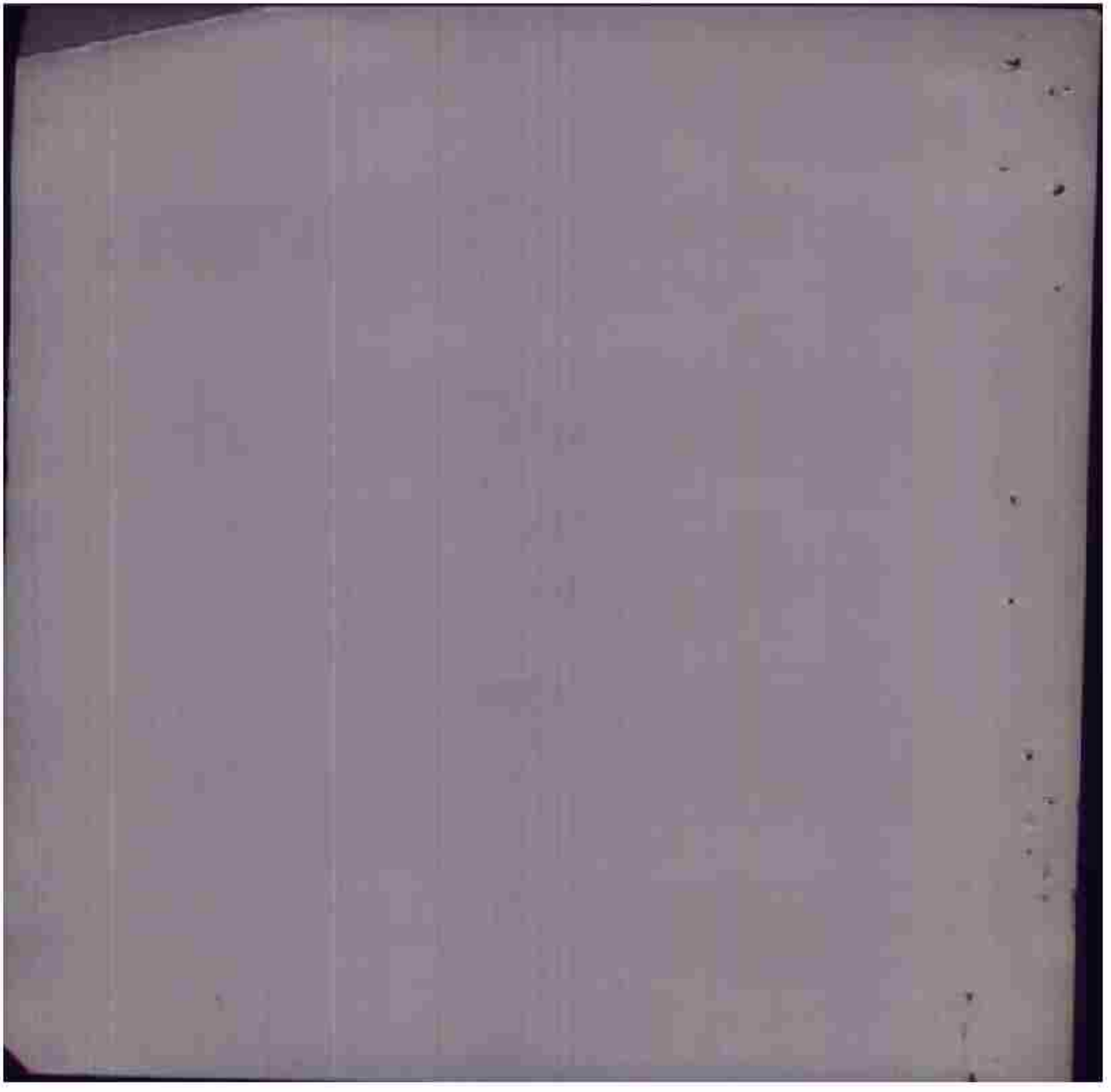
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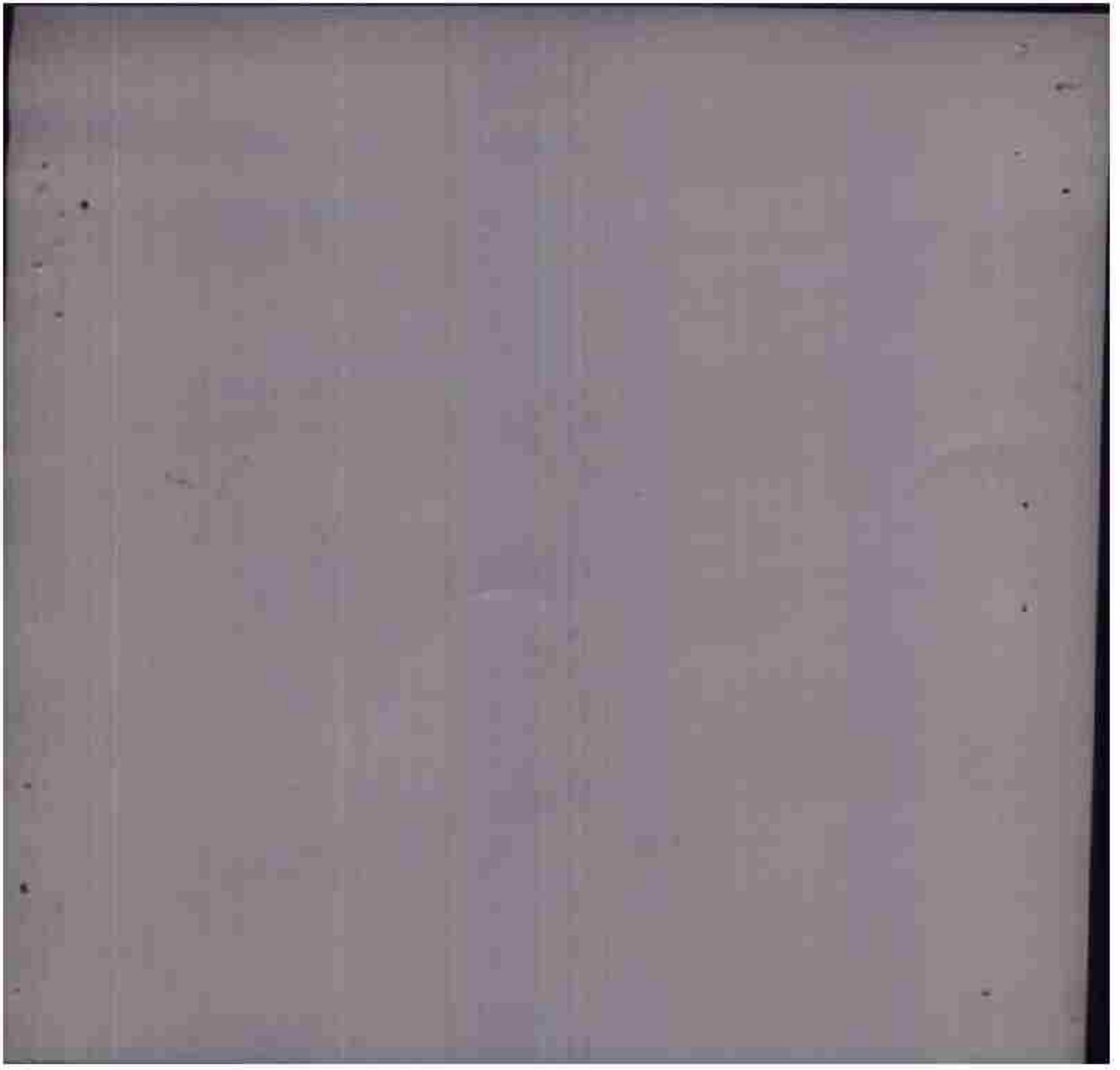
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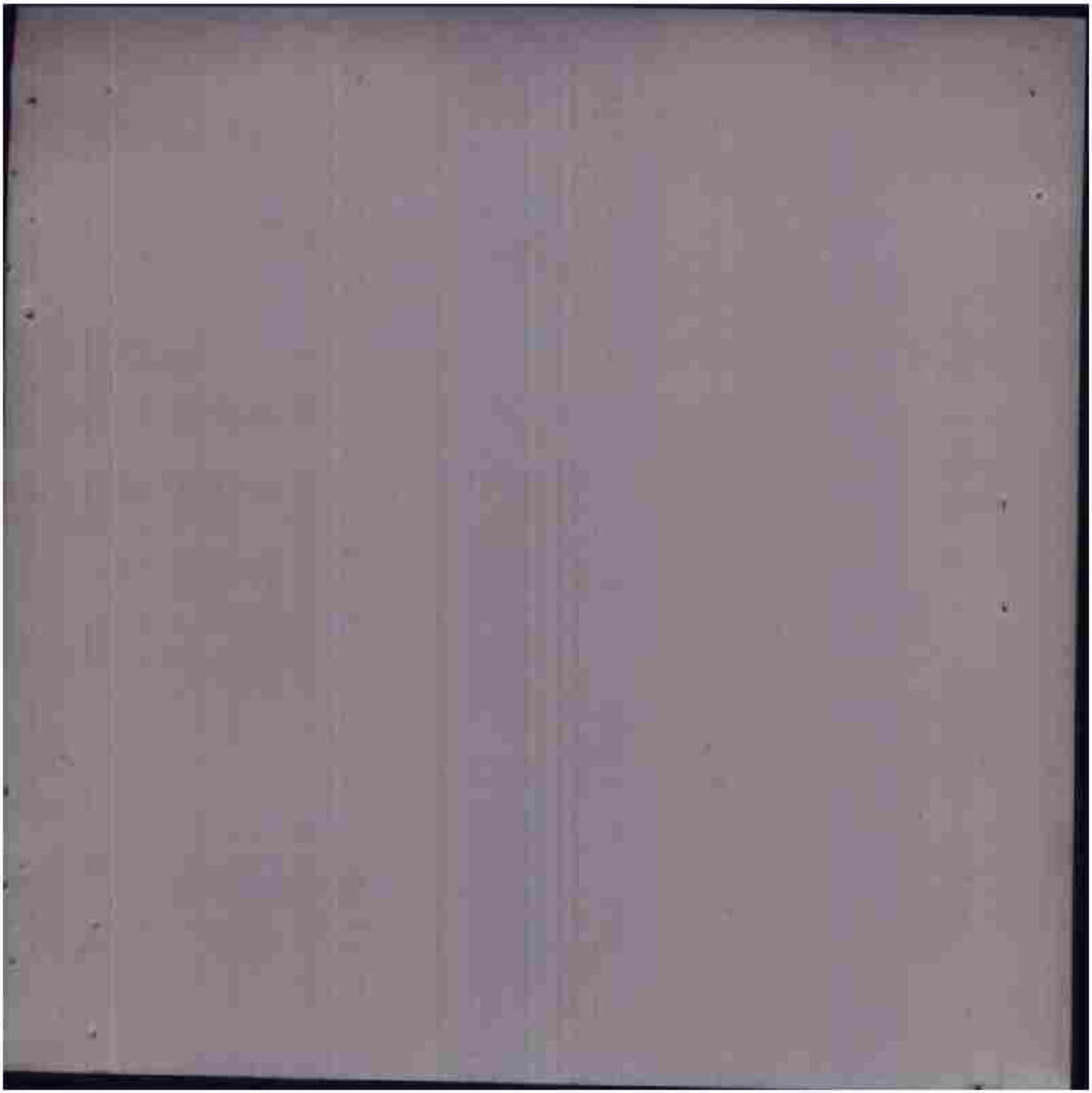
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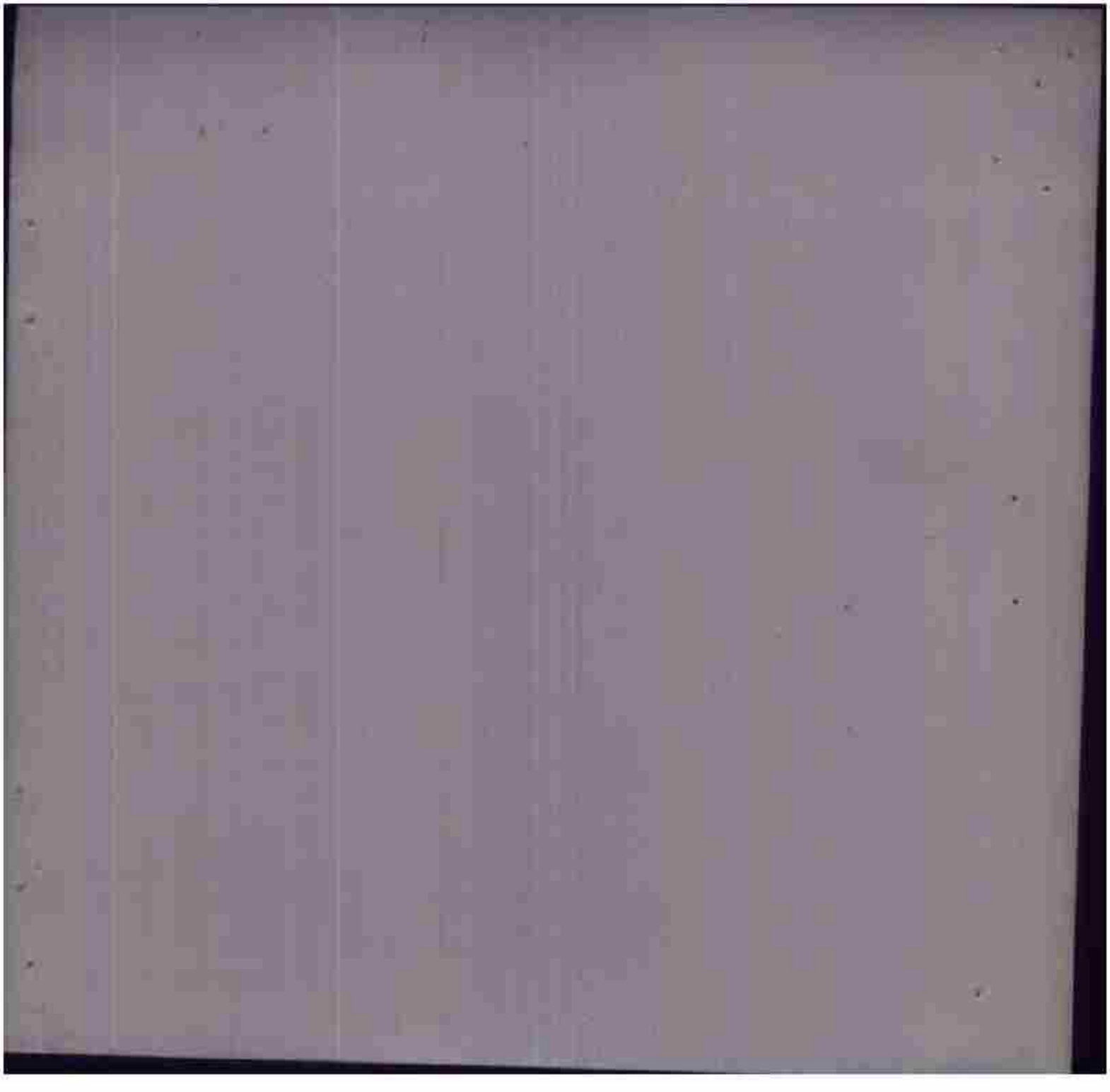
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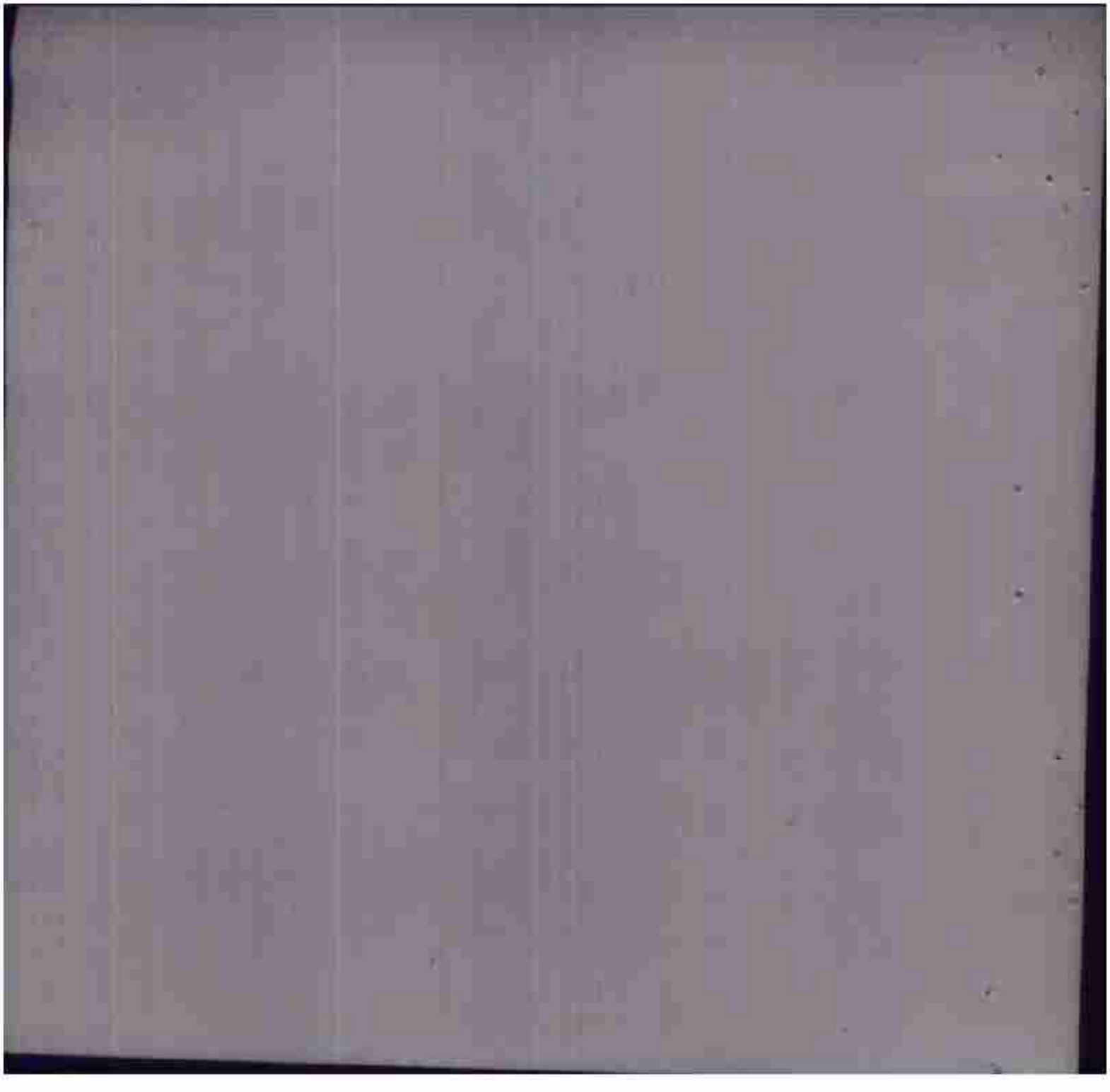
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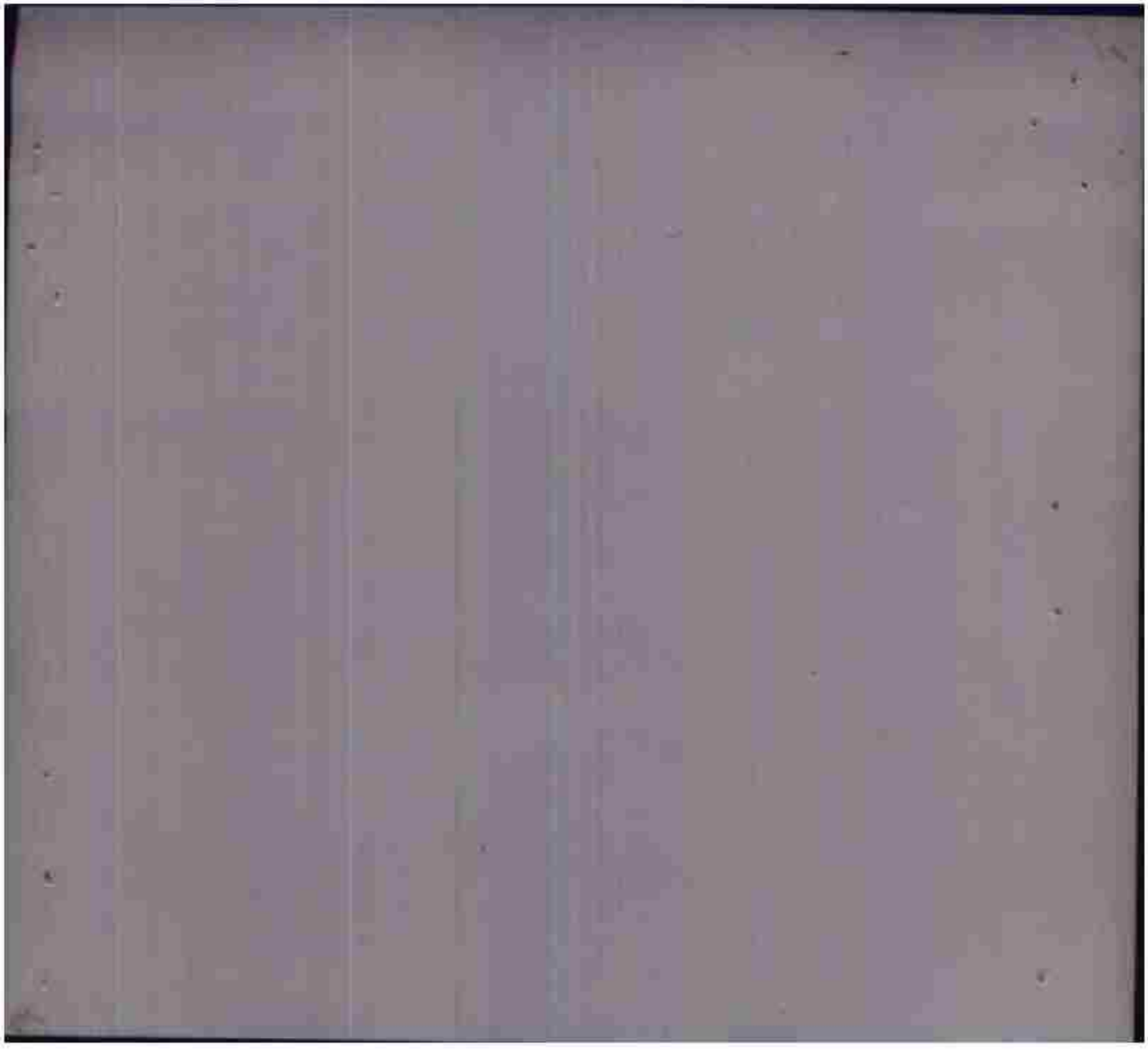
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NINTH AF 2ND PHASE INTERPRETATION REPORT US10/D 1041

15 Apr 45

(a) LOCALITY: ZWICKAU M/Y (GSGS 4416/57-K/331452).
(b) SORTIE: US 31/4878 - 1001,02, 2016-19
(c) TOT: 15 Apr 45, 1005B
(d) PERIOD UNDER REVIEW: This report covers all the damage to the target to date.
(e) COVER: The M/Y is covered on prints of good quality.
(f) STATEMENT: The M/Y is 70% unserviceable and thru traffic is impossible. Details of the damage are as follows:
A. At least 98 craters have cut all thru lines, all rail sidings, damaged or destroyed approximately 75 wagons and destroyed one small workshop.
B. Twelve craters in the wagon repair shed area have cut at least 8 rail sidings, damaged or destroyed 20 wagons and cut the rail spur, serving the large factory area to the N, in two places.
C. Approximately 79 craters have cut all but one thru line, cut 24 rail sidings, damaged or destroyed at least 60 wagons, destroyed part of two locomotive depots, destroyed a rail over road bridge and destroyed portions of two trans-shipment sheds.
D. Seven craters have heavily damaged the rail over road bridge, cut all lines and damaged two passenger station sheds.
(g) ACTIVITY: Loading in the M/Y is moderate. Thirteen dead locomotives are grouped about the locomotive depots. There is no rail movement within the M/Y. No repair or other activity noted.

F.L. 24"

SORTIE SCALE: 8,000
ANNOTATED PRINT: 2016-19

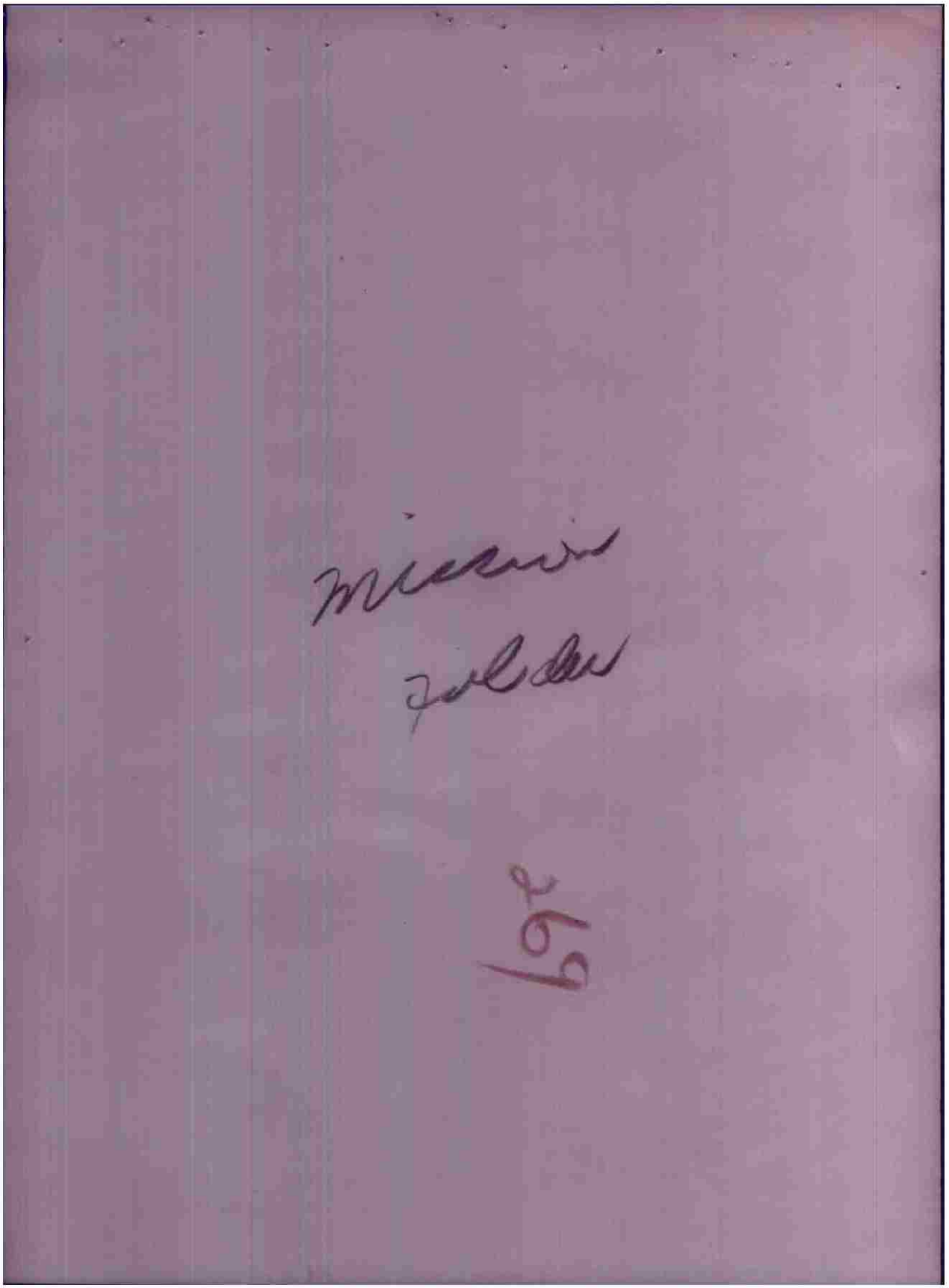
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20th P.I.D. at Hq. 10th P.G.

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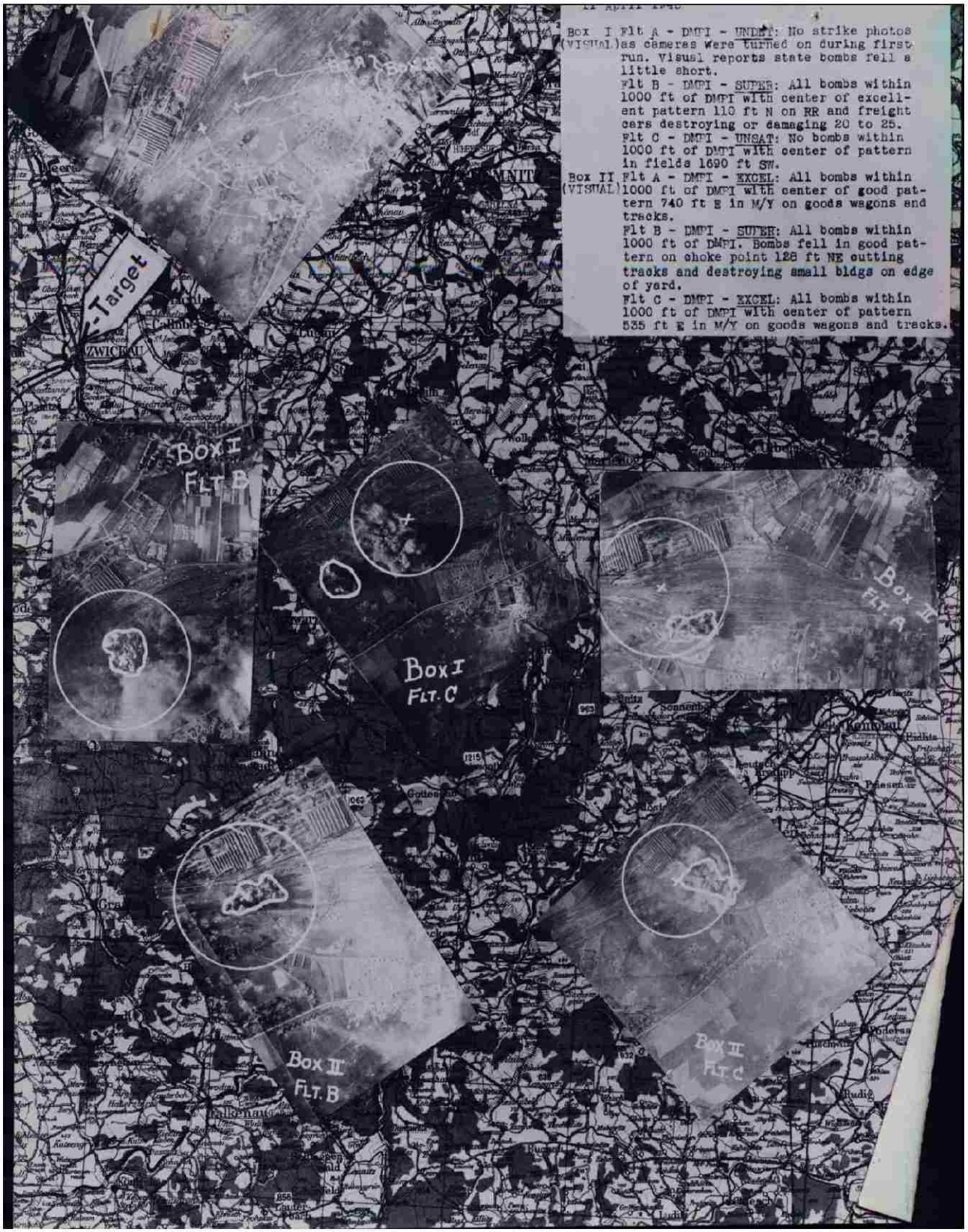
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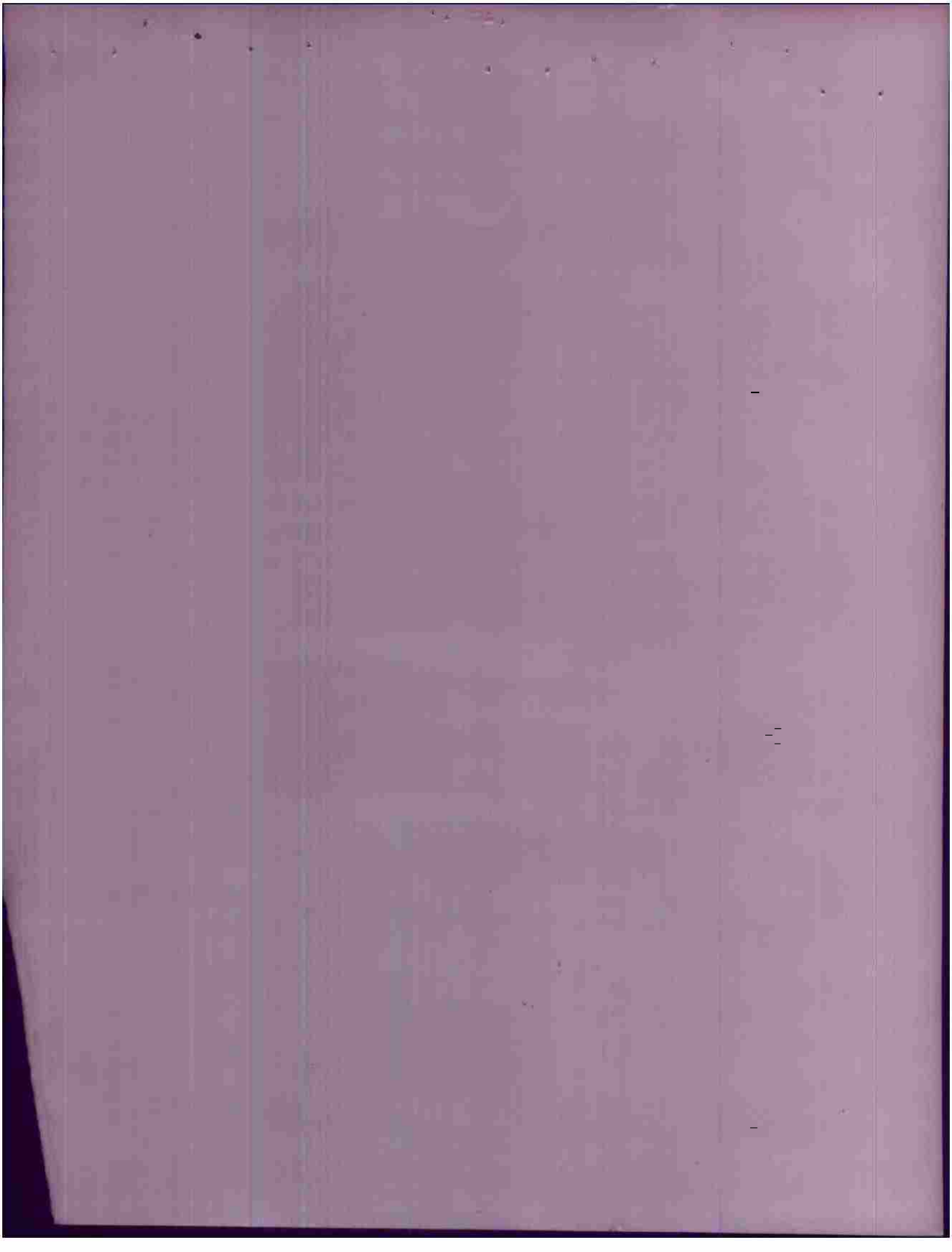
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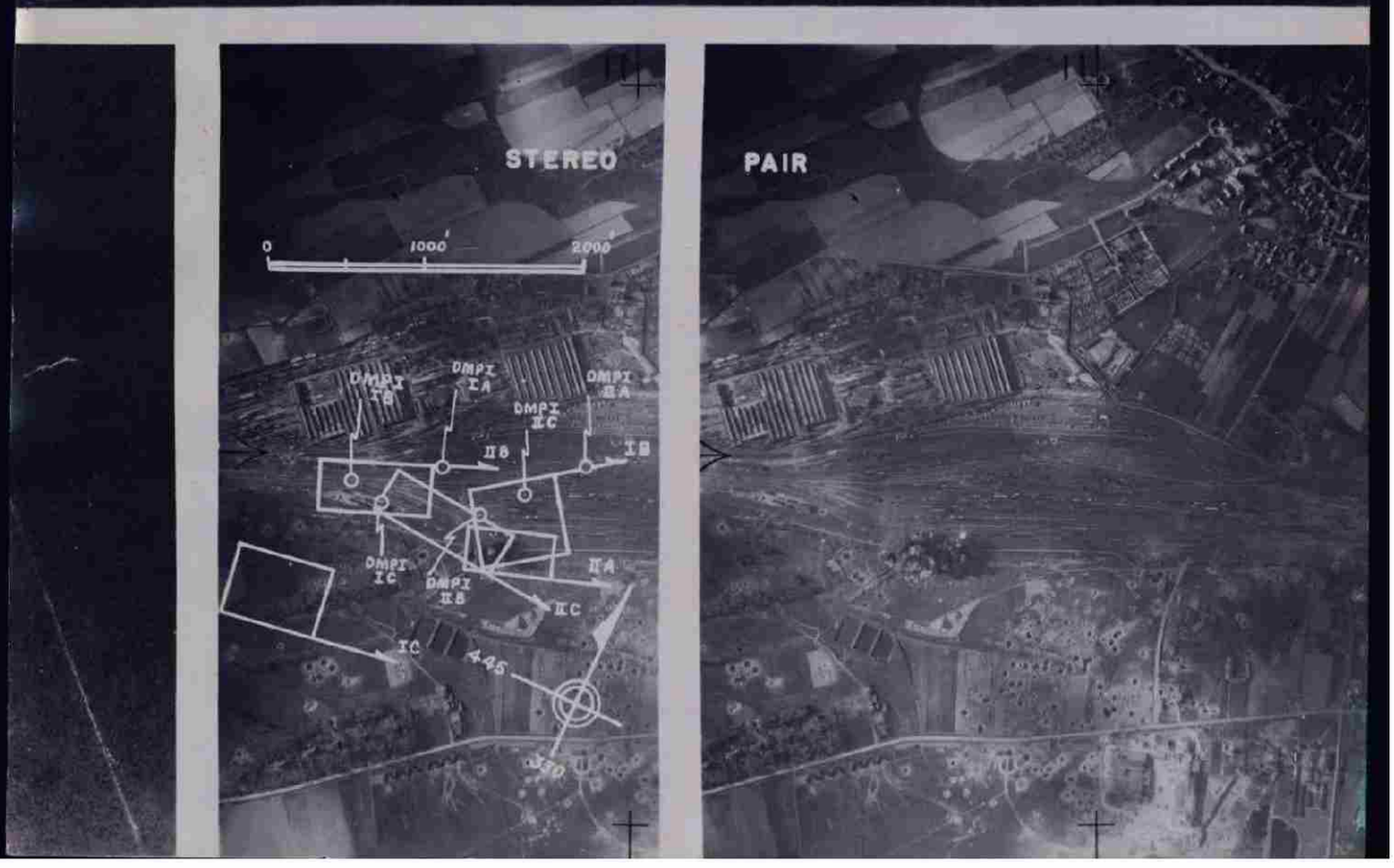
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NINTH AF CONSOLIDATED REPORT 9TH BD / SA 1297

(A) TARGET: ZWICKAU M/Y 4416/87 - WK/330451
(B) SORTIE: US 416/2 THRU 5
(C) DATE: 11 APR 45 1714-1733 B
(D) ATTACKING A/C: 36 A-26's BY 6's.
(E) BOMBS: 143/1000 GP 1/10 N., 1/100 T.
(F) COVER: TARGET IS COVERED ON GOOD QUALITY PRINTS.
(G) RESULTS OF BOMBING: I-A HAD NO PHOTO COVER. FOUR OTHER BOMB PATTERNS ARE IN THE SW END OF THE M/Y & THE SIXTH PATTERN IS IN FIELDS SW OF THE DESIRED MPI's.

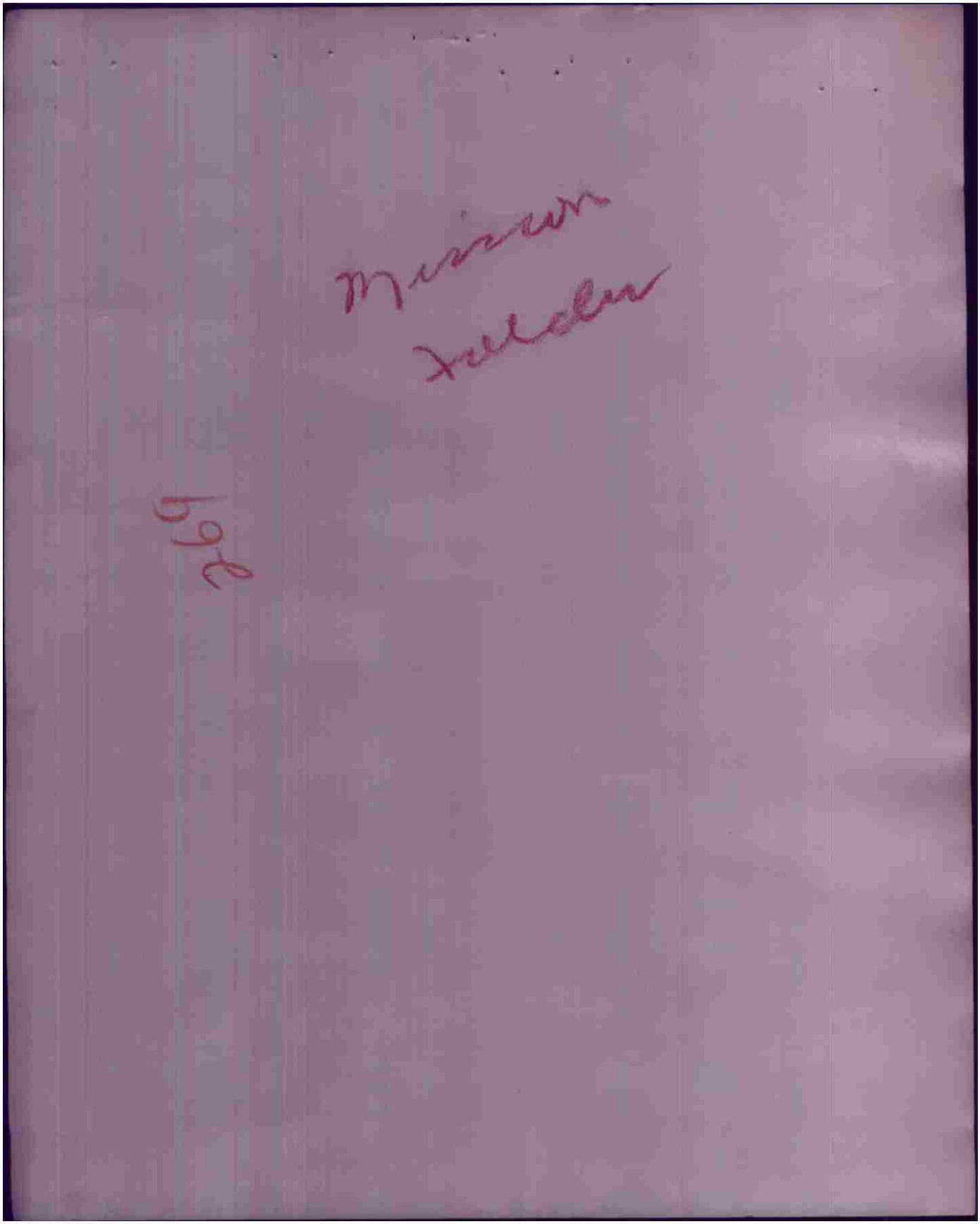
(H) ACTIVITY: M/Y IS APPROXIMATELY 20% LOADED.
(I) ANNOTATED PRINT: 8, 10 SORTIE: US 416/2
NOTE: RECTANGLE ENCLOSES BOMB PATTERN AREA.
DISTRIBUTION: S/A

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416 TF GROUP	9TH B.D. (M) WING 97th	B
OTHER UNITS: TARGET	DATE 11 April 45	Zwickau M/Y
	FIRST PHASE INTERPRETATION	TARGET HIT

A. TARGET BRIEFED Zwickau M/Y PRIMARY

SECONDARY

M.P.I. 6 points in M/Y

A.P.

C. NO. AND TYPE OF A/C DISPATCHED 37 A26 NO. OF A/C ATTACKING 36

D. BOMBING BY 3's, 6's, 12's, 18's 6's IN FOLLOWING ORDER 4 5 3 2 1 5

E. NO. AND SIZE OF BOMBS DROPPED 143x1000 FUSING 1/10 1/100

F. HEADING OF A/C WHEN BOMBS DROPPED ___ Box I Flt A - 72 deg 1730½
B - 50 1728
C - 80 1726
Box II Flt A - 74 1714
B - 75 1733
C - 75 1725

G. TIME BOMBS DROPPED

F. ACTIVITY AT TARGET
Large number of cars in M/Y.

J. RESULTS OF BOMBING:

Box I Flt A (Visual) - DMPI - Undet: No strike photos as cameras were turned on during first run on target. Bombs were dropped on 2d run. Visual reports state bombs fell a little short.

Flt B - DMPI - Super: All bombs within 1000 ft of DMPI with center of pattern 110 ft N. Excellent pattern of bombs on RR and freight cars, cutting tracks in many places and destroying or damaging 20 to 25 freight cars.

Flt C - DMPI - Unsat: No bombs within 1000 ft of DMPI with center of pattern 1690 ft SW. Bombs hit in fields in tight pattern.

Box II Flt A (Visual) - DMPI - Excel: All bombs within 1000 ft of DMPI with center of bursts 740 ft E of DMPI. Bombs fell ingood pattern in M/Y, destroying a number of goods wagons and cutting tracks.

Flt B - DMPI - Super: All bombs within 1000 ft of DMPI. Bombs fell on choke point in good pattern, center of bursts 128 ft NE of DMPI, cutting tracks in a number of places and damaging or destroying small buildings on edge of yard.

Flt C - DMPI - Excel: All bombs within 1000 ft of DMPI with center of bursts 535 ft E of DMPI. Bombs fell in M/Y in good pattern with hits on goods wagons and tracks, causing considerable damage.

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Captain, Air Corps,
Photo Intelligence Officer.

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IX BC S-2 FORM No. 101 S. Prepare separate sheet for each target bombed

OTHER THAN TARGET	IX BC 97TH WING	416TH GROUP
	DATE	
	ATTACKING UNIT	
	FIRST PHASE INTERPRETATION	TARGET HIT

A. TARGET BRIEFED _____ PRIMARY

_____ SECONDARY

_____ CASUAL

M.P.I. _____

A.P. _____

B. TARGET ATTACKED _____ MILES FROM PRIMARY _____

DIRECTION FROM PRIMARY _____

C. COORDINATES _____ ON 1:50,000 MAP NO. _____

D. NO. AND TYPE OF A/C DISPATCHED A-20's NO. OF A/C ATTACKING ___

E. BOMBING BY _____ IN FOLLOWING ORDER _____

F. NO. AND TYPES OF BOMBS DROPPED _____ FUSING NOSE TAIL

FUSING NOSE TAIL

G. HEADING OF A/C WHEN BOMBS DROPPED _____ DEGREES MAG.

H. TIME BOMBS DROPPED _____

J. ACTIVITY AT TARGET:

K. RESULTS OF BOMBING:

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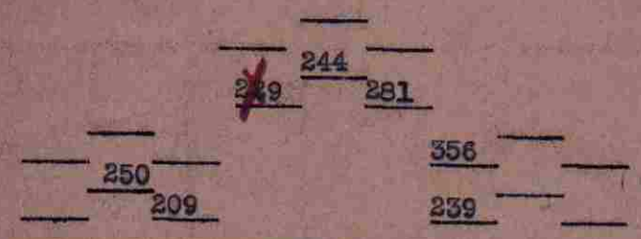
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CAMERA FAILURES 1 8 % DATE 11 April 45

PERSONNEL FAILURES 0 0 %

OTHERS 0

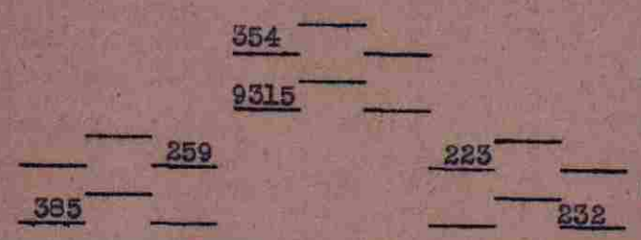


TARGET ZWICKAU

ALTITUDE 8000 FEET

TRUE AIR SPEED 210 MPH

GROUND SPEED 255 MPH

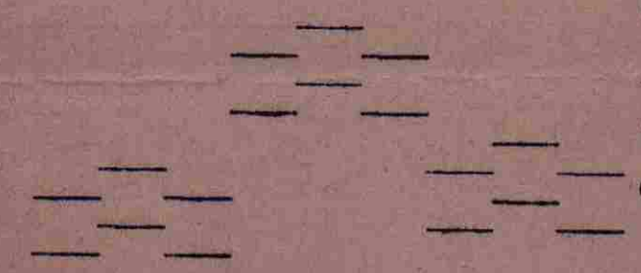


TARGET ZWICKAU

ALTITUDE 8000 FEET

TRUE AIR SPEED 210 MPH

GROUND SPEED 259 MPH



TARGET

ALTITUDE FEET

TRUE AIR SPEED MPH

GROUND SPEED MPH

STRIKE ATTACK CAMERAS:

BOX NO.	A/C NO.	CAM. TYPE	F.L.	INT.	PRINTED SORTIES	UNPRINT SORTIES	EXPLANATION
1	244	K-24	6 3/8	●)	Camera	turned on	the first run.
1	381	"	7	0	"	"	" " "
1	229	"	7	●	Inter.	malfunction	
1	356	"	7	●	5		
1	239	"	6 3/8	●			Duplicate coverage
1	250	"	"	●	4		
1	209	"	"	0			" "
2	354	"	5	0			" "
2	9315	"	7	0	2		
2	223	"	7	0	5		
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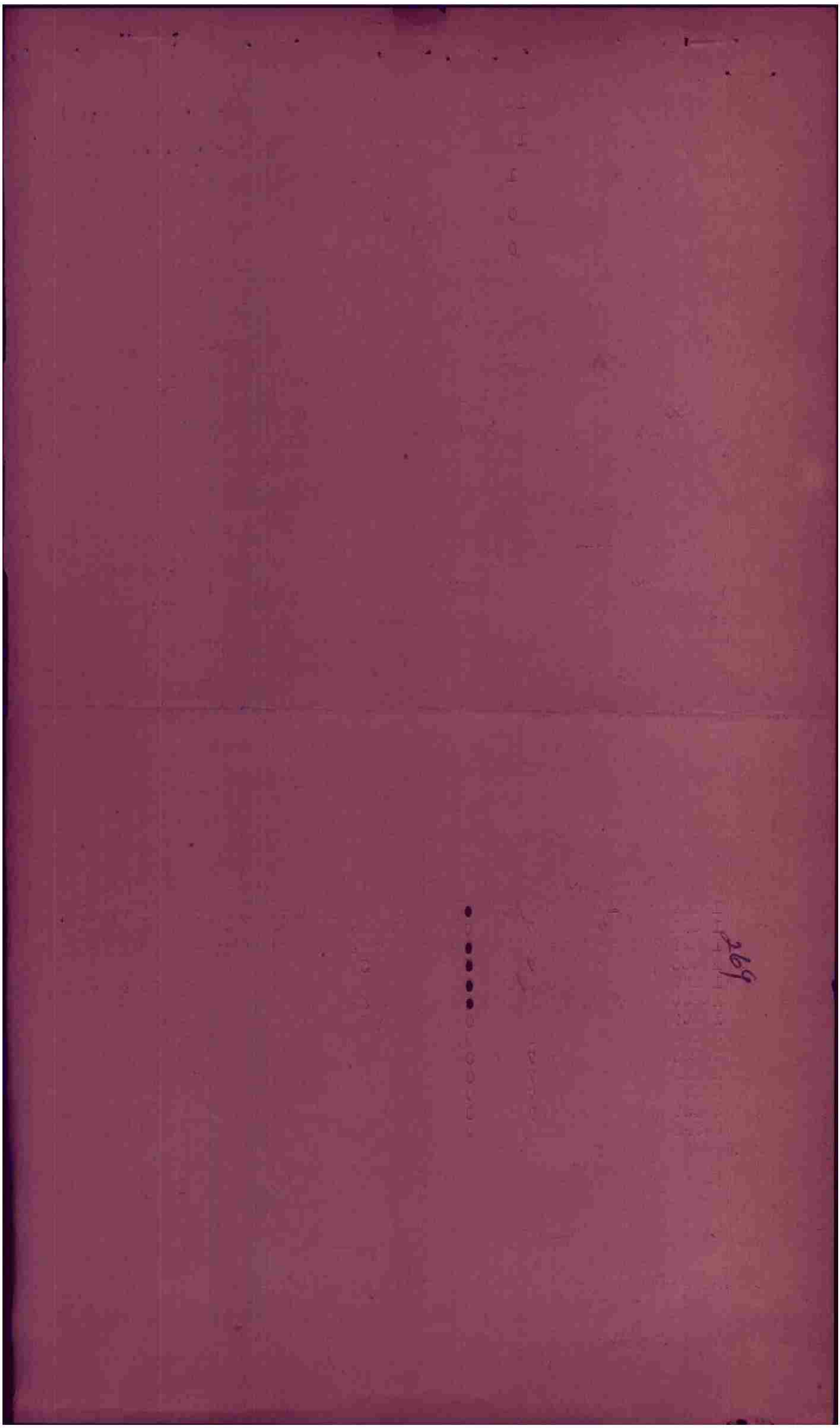
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UNSATISFACTORY BOMBING REPORT

GROUP 416TH BOMB GROUP

MISSION OF 11 APRIL 1945

TO ZWICKAU MARSHALLING YARD

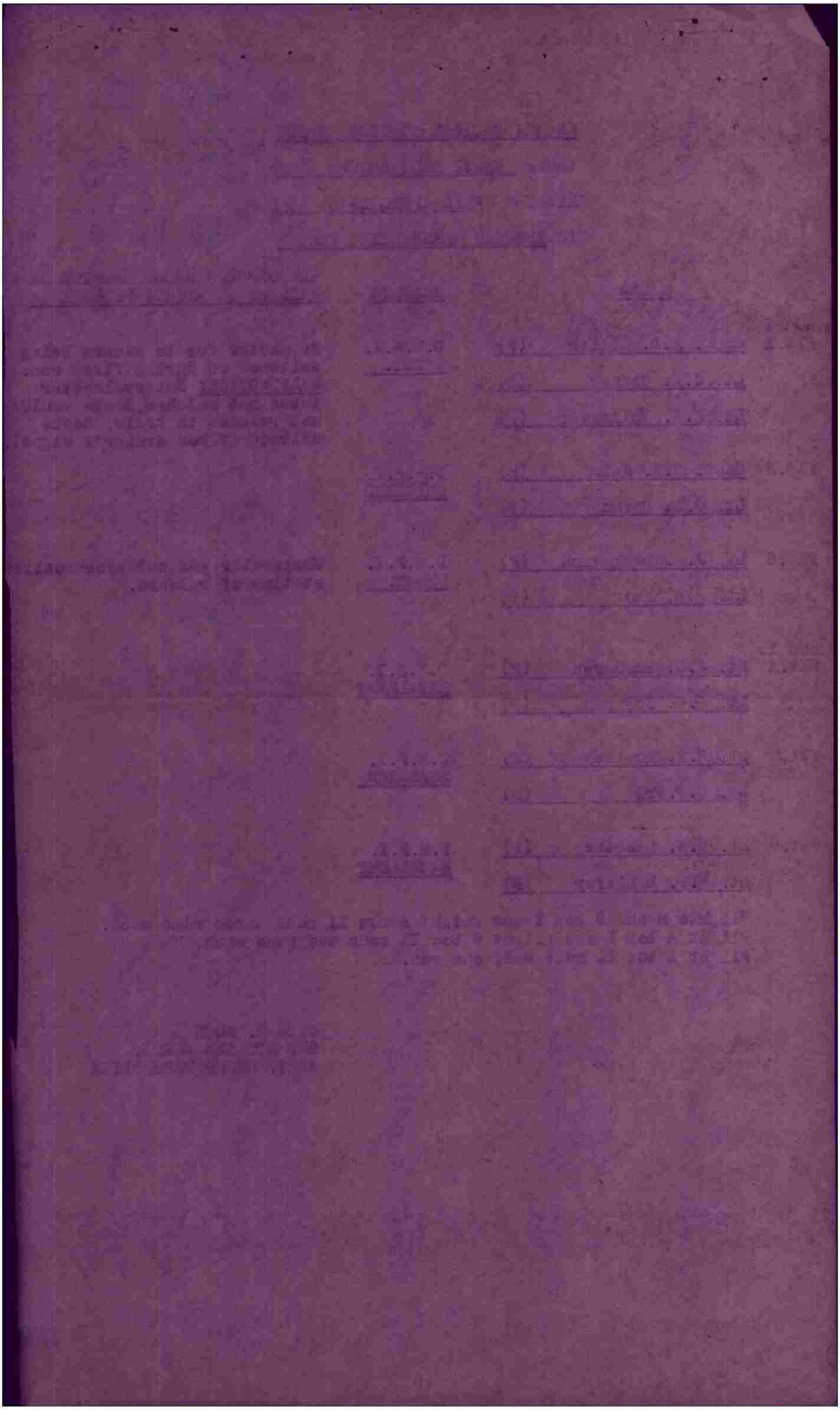
	NAMES		RESULTS	REASONS FOR GROSS BOMBING OR FAILURE TO ATTACK PRIMARY
BOX I				
Flt.A	Capt. E.L. Miller	(P)	D.M.P.I. UNDET.	No photos due to camera being switched on during first run. MALFUNCTION: Intervalometer tubes not matched, bombs would not release in train. Bombs salvoed at bombardier's signal.
	Lt. J.K. Conner	(B)		
	Lt. K.A. Vollmayer	(N)		
Flt.B	Capt. H.F. Pair	(P)	D.M.P.I. SUPERIOR	
	Lt. J.L. Corum	(B)		
Flt.C	Lt. J.J. Leckovich	(P)	D.M.P.I. UNSAT.	Bombardier was not synchronized at time of release.
	Lt. R.C. Muir	(B)		
BOX II				
Flt.A	Lt. J.E. Blomgren	(P)	D.M.P.I. EXCELLENT	
	Lt. G.G. Johnson	(B)		
Flt.B	Lt. H.V. Popeney	(P)	D.M.P.I. SUPERIOR	
	Lt. C.F. Fry	(B)		
Flt.C	Lt. W.H. Laseter	(P)	D.M.P.I. EXCELLENT	
	Lt. M.P. Schlefer	(B)		

Flights B and C box I and flight B box II made three runs each.
Flight A box I and flight C box II made two runs each.
Flight A box II made only one run.

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2ND LT. AIR CORPS.
ASST. GROUP BOMBARDIER

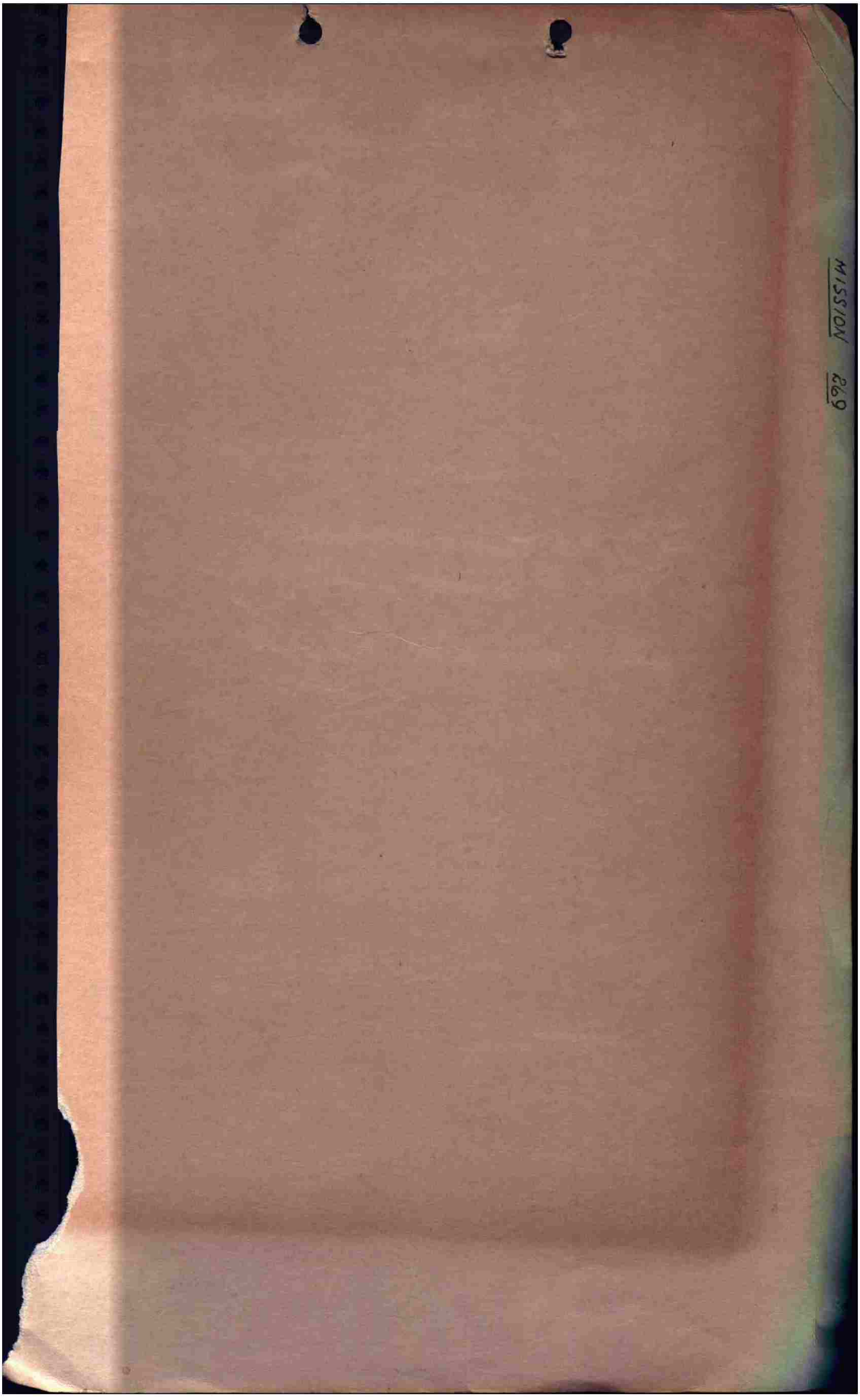
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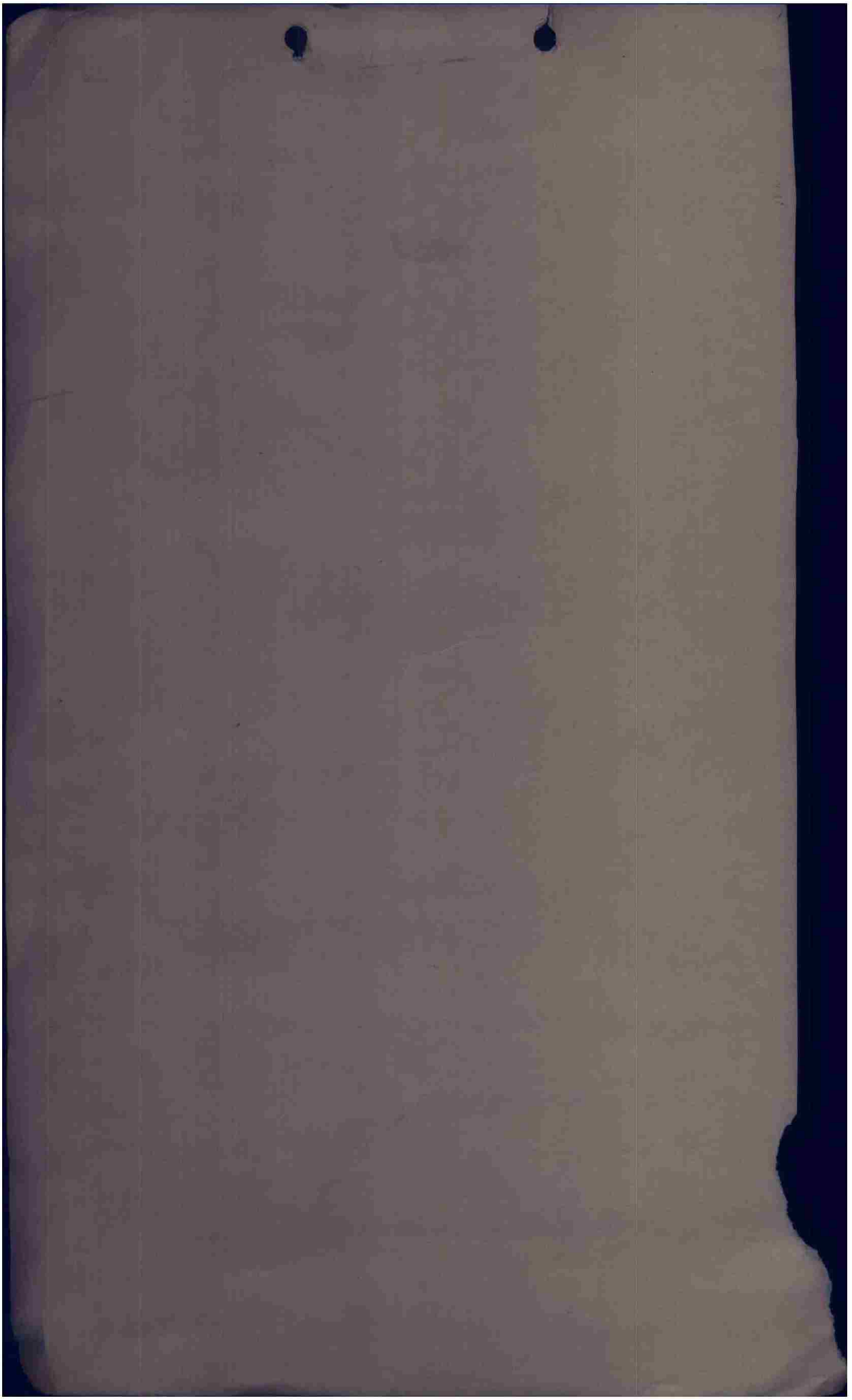
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