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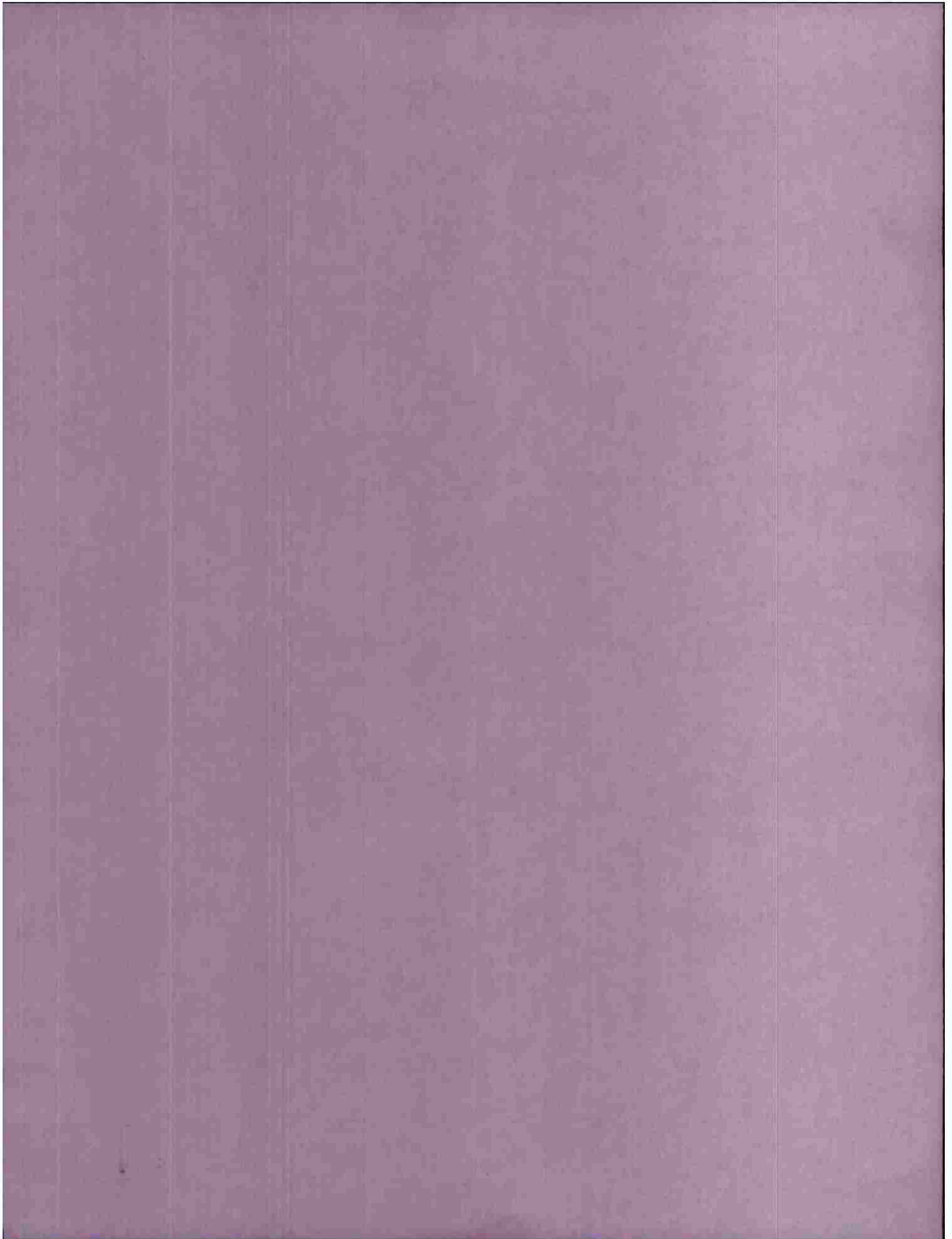
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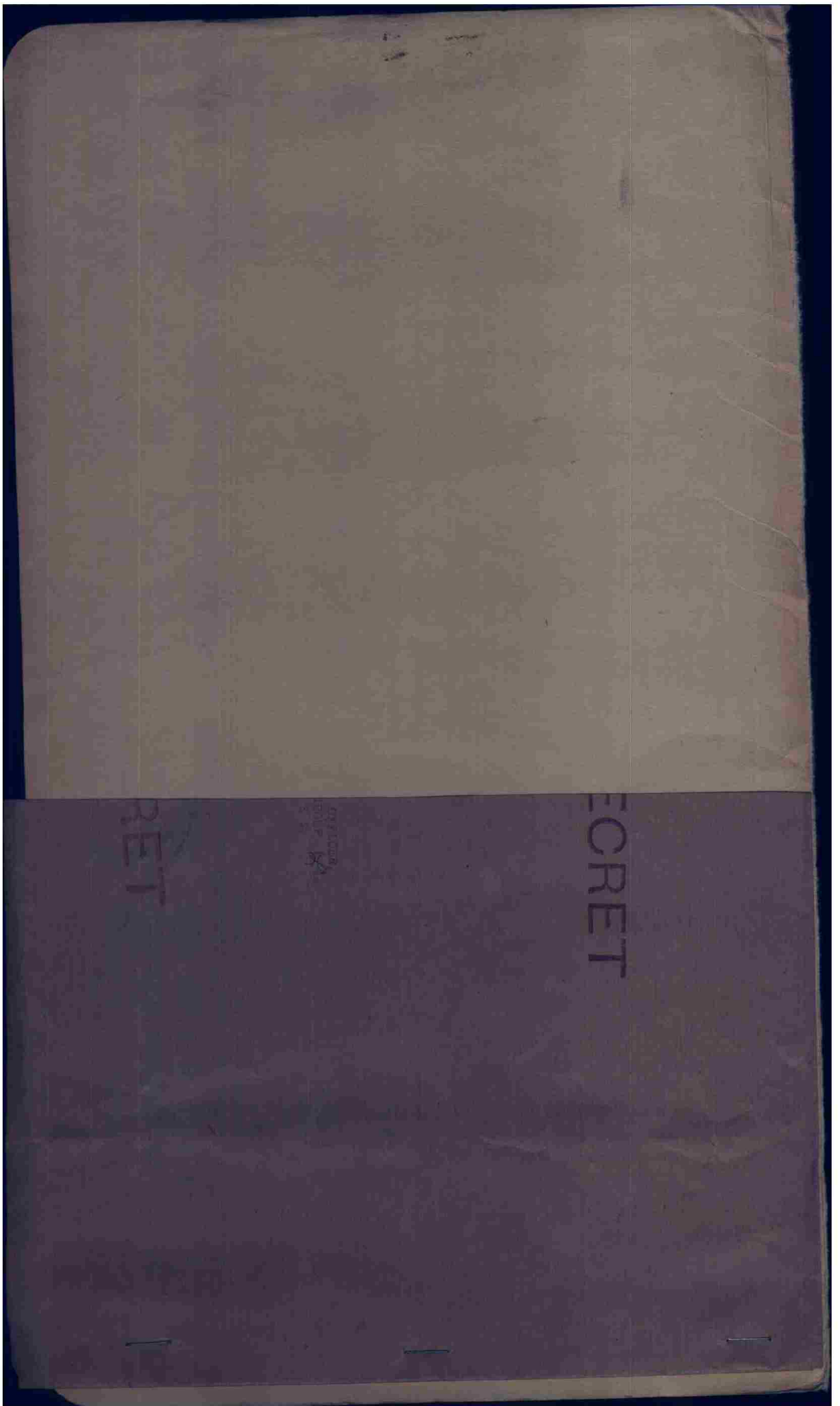
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TARGET Nonweiler DATE 7-14-45 No. A/C 37 MISS.# 195 F.O.# 724
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HEADQUARTERS
9TH BOMBARDMENT DIVISION (M)APO # 149
30 January 1945

29 January



MISSION SUMMARY #29

Field Order 724

Section I

GROUP	TARGET	MISSION RESULTS
391 BG	Blankenheim (F-230048) Supply and Communication Center	Undet. (FFF)
416 BG	Nonweiler (L-449119) Railroad Bridge	Undet. (FFF)
344 BG	Nonweiler (L-449119) Railroad Bridge	Box I - Excellent (FFF) Box II - Excellent (FFF)
322 BG	Kall (F-135165) Supply and Communication Center	Box I - A.B. (FFF) Box II - A.B. (FFF)
397	Engers (F-851025) Railroad Bridge	P.N.B.
386 BG	Engers (F-851025) Railroad Bridge	P.N.B.
410 BG	Habscheid (P-953777) Defended Village	Undet. (FFF)
394 BG	Brandscheid (P-983812) Defended Village	Box I - No attack Box II - P.N.B.
409 BG	Ahrweiler (F-546161) Supply and Communication Center	Undet. (FFF)
323	Rheinbach (F-444255) Supply and Communication Center	Undet. (FFF)
387 BG	Rheinbach (F-444255) Supply and Communication Center	Undet. (FFF)
386 BG	Engers (F-851025) Railroad Bridge	No attack
344 BG	Nonweiler (L-449119) Railway Bridge	No attack

Two full groups failed to attack; one because of ground station failure, and the other because pathfinder aircraft crashed on take-off. One box of a third group failed to attack because of pathfinder equipment failure and because of personnel error in attempting to bomb on "GEE".

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Approximately 85% of bombs within 1000' radius of DMPI, Good pattern centered 300' E of DMPI. One cluster of bombs centered over bridge with a probable direct hit. Long concentration crosses north-ern embankment with probable damage to tracks. Remaining concentrations east of bridge with strikes across secondary road, in wooded area, and in open fields.

Box I & II - EXHIBIT. Bombing by boxes on FFF lead from 12,900 feet. Leader called "Ripras" three minutes before IP, but could not understand message. No losses, casualties, battle damage. 3 a/c failed to bomb: mechanical.

377 BG: 90 a/c dispatched (including 1 FFF), 27 dropping 51 x 2000 GP, 4 x 500 GP on Primary.

No photo coverage or visual observation of results due to cloud cover. Bombing by boxes on FFF lead from 13,000 feet.

Leader contacted "Ripras" three minutes before IP and desired information was obtained. No losses, battle damage, casualties.

416 BG: 41 a/c dispatched (including 31 A-25, 9 A-20, 1 B-26-FFF), 31 A-26, 6 A-20, 1 B-26 dropping 123 x 1000 GP, 28 x 500 GP on Primary. 3 window a/c.

Nonweiler (Railroad Bridges)

No photo coverage or visual observation of results due to cloud cover. Bombing by boxes on FFF lead from 12,000 - 12,500 feet.

Leader called "Oskapur" two minutes before IP. Pilot was unable to understand ground station. No losses, battle damage, casualties.

391 BG: 37 a/c dispatched (including 1 FFF), 34 dropping 502 x 250 GP, 4 x 500 GP on Primary. 3 window a/c.

Blankenheim (Supply and Communication Center)

Two groups plus one box of another group attacked one railroad bridge, four supply and communication centers, two defended villages and three towns according to UNDETERMINED results.

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Kall (Supply and Communication Center)

322 BG: 37 a/c dispatched (including 1 PFF), 34 dropping 522 x 250 GP, 4 x 500 GP on Primary. 3 window a/c.

No losses, 1 a/c damaged and 1 crewman injured, when hit by spinner from bomb dropped by another a/c.

Leader contacted "Ripsaw" three minutes before IP and desired information was obtained.

Bombing by boxes on PFF lead from 11,700 - 12,700 feet.

Box I - A.B. Bombs covered the center of town with good concentration on main street intersections, possible hits on a road bridge over the river, and trailing along the main road leading west from town. About half the pattern fell within the T/A. Clouds obscure possible hits across the R.R. tracks east of the river.

Box II - A.B. Bombs largely in the T/A, crossed two main roads leading S.W. from town, buildings in the southern part of town, and across the R.R. tracks east of town. The pattern is somewhat scattered.

Engers (Railroad Bridge)

397 BG: 33 a/c dispatched (including 2 PFF), 23 dropping 42 x 2000 GP, 8 x 500 GP on Secondary. 3 window a/c.

7 a/c failed to bomb: 5, mechanical; 1, personnel; 1, other - turned off target when PFF turned off.

No losses, battle damage, casualties.

Leader contacted "Sweepstakes" two minutes before IP and call was acknowledged.

Bombing by boxes on Group lead (GEE) from 11,500 - 12,500 feet.

(L-390565)

The town of Wittlich was bombed when pathfinder a/c had equipment failure. No visual observation of results due to cloud cover.

386 BG: 32 a/c dispatched, 26 dropping 52 x 2000 GP on Secondary. Bomb disposition unknown of 1 a/c which landed at Juvencourt. 3 window a/c.

2 a/c failed to bomb: mechanical.

No losses, battle damage, casualties.

Leader contacted "Sweepstakes" 5 minutes before IP and call was acknowledged.

Bombing by boxes from 11,500 - 12,000 feet.

(L-630925)

The town of Mayen was bombed on instructions given by "Parade" when PFF a/c failed to take off (engine trouble). No photo coverage or visual observation of results.

Habscheid (Defended Village)

410 BG: 42 a/c dispatched (including 1 PFF), 39 dropping 223 x 500 GP on Primary. 3 window a/c.

No losses, battle damage, casualties.

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action of results due to cloud cover. had bomb rack malfunctions at Primary. No photo coverage or visual obser-

(I-390565)

Bombing by boxes on PFF from 12,000 feet.

acknowledged.

Leader contacted "Ripper" approximately 5 minutes before IP and call was

No losses, battle damage, casualties.

3 a/c failed to bomb: mechanical.

a/c.

323 BG: 36 a/c dispatched (including 1 PFF), 29 dropping 465 x 250 GP, 7 x 500 GP on Primary. 2 a/c dropped 7 x 250 GP each on 2 OTHER targets. 2 window

Reinbach (Supply and Communication Center)

No photo coverage or visual observation of results due to cloud cover.

Bombing by boxes on PFF from 12,000 - 12,500 feet.

Leader did not contact "Sneepstakes" because of heavy traffic on channel.

No losses, battle damage, casualties.

2 a/c (A-26) failed to bomb: mechanical.

2 B-26 dropping 210 x 500 GP on Primary. 3 window a/c.

409 BG: 43 a/c dispatched (including 32 A-26, 9 A-26, 2 B-26 - PFF), 30 A-26, 6 A-26

Shweller (Supply and Communication Center)

coverage or visual observation of results due to cloud cover. The bomb of Dawn was bombed when PFF a/c had equipment failure. No photo

(H-36077C)

Bombing by box on group lead (PFF) from 11,700 - 12,700 feet.

known.

Leader contacted "Blindfold" 10 minutes before treeing and call was ac-

1 a/c lost: crashed on take-off. Reason undetermined. 1 crewman killed, 2 injured. No further damage or casualties.

17, leader did not drop.

bomb bay doors opened late and the drop was too fast for these a/c to bomb 1, personnel - "GEE" operator set up incorrectly; 17, other - 3, leader's 20 a/c failed to bomb: 2, mechanical (including PFF equipment failure);

target. 3 window a/c.

394 BG: 37 a/c dispatched (including 1 PFF), 14 a/c dropping 227 x 500 GP on OTHER

Brandsheld (Defended Village)

No photo coverage or visual observations of results due to cloud cover.

Bombing by boxes on PFF from 12,500 - 13,000 feet.

was obtained.

Leader contacted "Ripper" five minutes before IP and desired information

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387 BG: 33 a/c dispatched (including 1 PFF), 30 dropping 464 x 250 GP, 4 x 500 GP on Primary. 3 window a/c.

No losses, battle damage, casualties.

Leader contacted "Sweepstakes" 2-3 minutes before IP and desired information was obtained.

Bombing by boxes on PFF lead from 11,700 - 12,500 feet.

No photo coverage or visual observation of results due to cloud cover.

Engers (Railroad Bridge)

*386 BG: 34 a/c dispatched (including PFF), None bombed.

Group was recalled while over field when PFF a/c crashed.

1 a/c lost (PFF): a/c crashed on take-off when engine cut out. 1 crewman injured. No further losses, damage or casualties.

Nonweiler (Railroad Bridge)

*344 BG: 35 a/c dispatched (including 1 PFF). None bombed.

Group was recalled from La Nave (S-972243) by "Parade" when ground station failure was discovered.

No losses, battle damage, casualties.

*NOTE: These groups were rescheduled with a delayed T.O.T. (information given above after being recalled from this, the original mission.

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0	Claims
1	Injured
0	Missing
0	Wounded
1	Killed
0	A/C Battle Damage
0	A/C Crash-Landed
0	A/C Missing
2	A/C Lost (394 BQ; FFF with 386 BG)
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603.62	Bombs on Enemy Territory
102,882.635	Total Bombs to Date
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770	Total
33	Bombs of 1 a/e unaccounted for
	Other
	Window 32
35	A/C Recalled (ground station failure)
31	A/C Recalled (FFW crashed on take-off)
37	A/C Falling to Bomb
334	A/C Bombing
770	A/C Off

Section II

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FAILURES TO BOMB

<u>GROUP</u>	<u>No. A/C</u>	<u>CLASSIFICATION</u>	<u>REASON</u>
344	3	Mechanical	1 - Could not get into high blower. 1 - Engine fluctuating in higher blower 1 - Bomb rack malfunction.
397	5	Mechanical	2 - Right generator out. 1 - Nose wheel door would not close. 1 - Prop governor out. 1 - Bomb rack malfunction.
	1	Personnel	Pilot ill.
	1	Other	Turned off target when PFF turned off.
386	2	Mechanical	1 - Engine cutting out. 1 - Loss of power in engine.
394	1	Mechanical	Engine trouble on take-off - a/c crashed
	1	Personnel	"GEE" operator set up wrong to bomb.
	17	Other	3 - Leader's bomb bay doors opened late and his drop was too fast for these a/c to bomb. 14 - Leader did not drop.
	1 (PFF)	Mechanical	Equipment failure.
409	2 (A-26)	Mechanical	Engine trouble.
323	3	Mechanical	1 - Air speed indicator out. 1 - Prop malfunction. 1 - Bomb bay doors would not open.

OBSERVATIONS

WEATHER: Blankenheim 391 BG: 10/10 stratocumulus tops 3-4,000'. Visibility 10 miles above cloud.

Nonweiler 416 BG: 10/10 stratocumulus and cumulus tops 5-6,000'. 10-20 miles visibility on bomb run.

344 BG: 8-12/10 stratocumulus tops 3-4,000' from initial point to target. Visibility 5-6 miles.

Kall 322 BG: 10/10 stratocumulus with breaks. Visibility 4-6 miles.

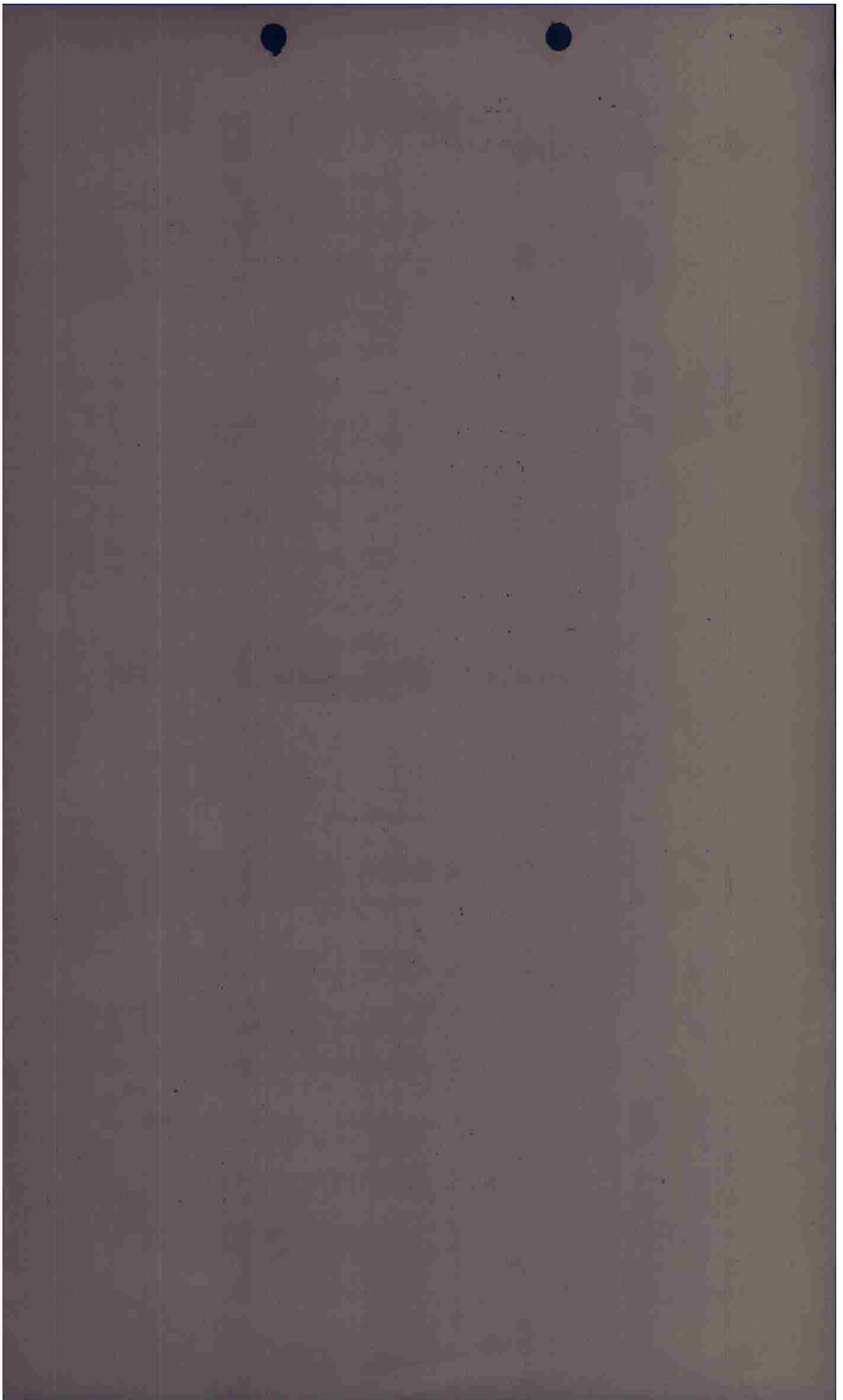
Engers 397 BG: 10/10 stratocumulus tops 6,000'. Visibility 12 miles up sun and 20 miles down.

Mayen 386 BG: 10/10 stratocumulus tops 4-5,000' with breaks. 10/10 cirrus above 18,000'. Visibility 6-10 miles.

Habscheid 410 BG: 10/10 stratocumulus tops 5,000'. Visibility 10 miles on 192° bomb run.

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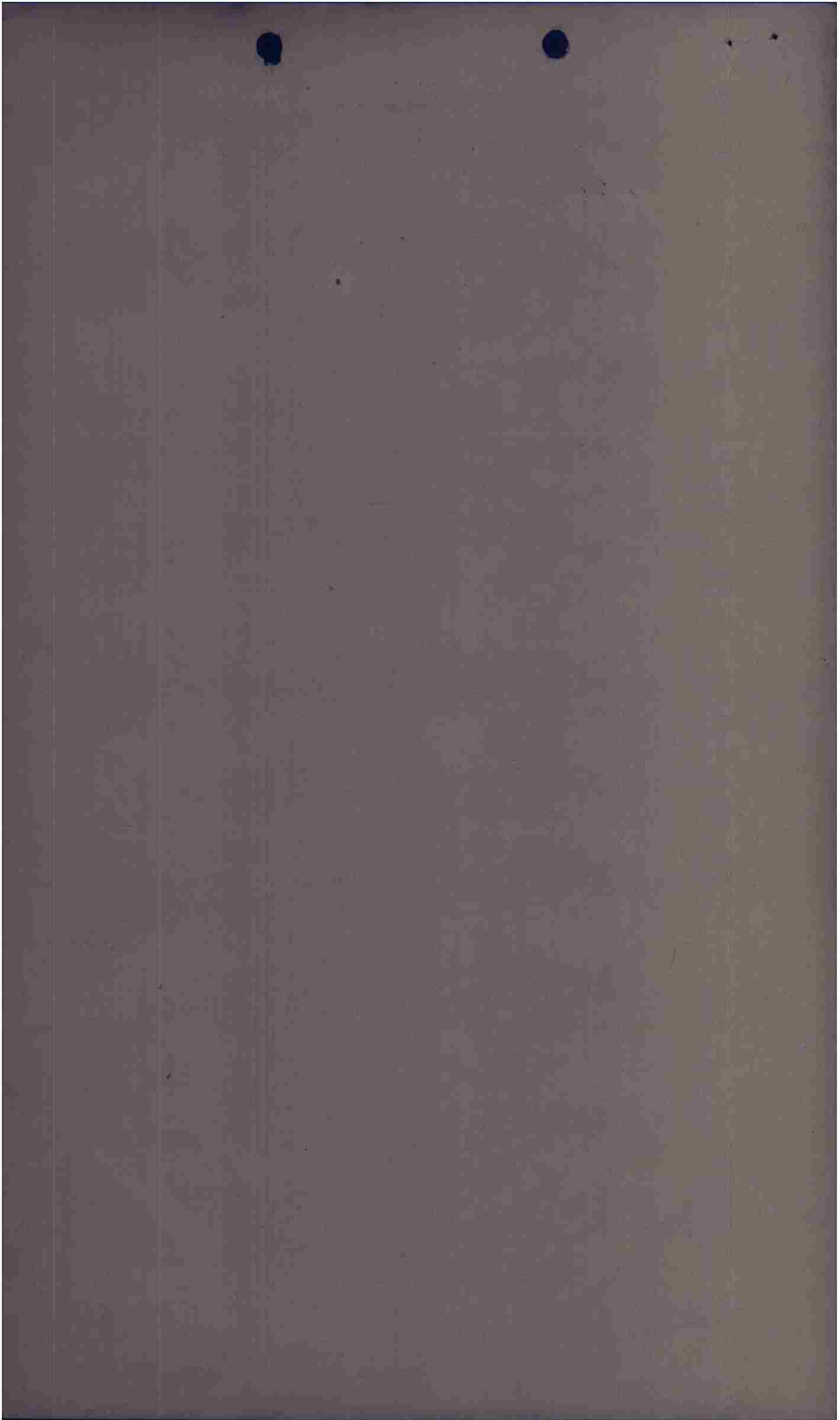
ENEMY AIRCRAFT REACTION

T.O.T.'s: 1159 to 1545

No e/a encountered during mission.

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FAILURES TO BOMB

<u>GROUP</u>	<u>NO. OF A/C</u>	<u>CLASSIFICATION</u>	<u>REASON</u>
386	2	Mechanical	Engine trouble.

OBSERVATIONS

WEATHER: Euskirchen 386 BG: 1/10 as base 12,000 to 12,500. Visibility 8 miles in moderate haze.

S/A PHOTO REPORT

<u>GROUP</u>	<u>CAMERAS PHOTOGRAPHING</u>	<u>MECHANICAL FAILURES</u>		<u>PERSONNEL FAILURES</u>	
		<u>NO.</u>	<u>PERCENT</u>	<u>NO.</u>	<u>PERCENT</u>
386	100%	0	0	0	0

FLAK ANALYSIS ANNEX

A/C OVER ENEMY TERRITORY	30
A/C LOST TO FLAK	0
A/C BATTLE DAMAGED	12
% A/C BATTLE DAMAGED	40%
<u>Euskirchen R. R. Bridge</u> 386 Gp.	
A/C Lost to Flak	0
A/C Battle Damaged	12
% A/C Battle Damaged	40%

Flak on this mission followed very closely to that experienced on the attack of 22 January and 24 January. Moderate accurate heavy flak was encountered in the target area. The route flown takes the formation within range of about 80 guns. However, very effective counter battery fire has kept these guns from firing and the flak encountered is from guns that are too far behind the battle line for our artillery to engage.

ENEMY AIRCRAFT REACTION

T.O.T. 1200

No e/a encountered during this mission.

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26 January 1945: Phoned to Paris 1515, Press Camp 1530.

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Headquarters returned.
 Heeger Flak was encountered and no enemy aircraft was seen. All of the
 attack and another bombing was ordered today.
 Reconnaissance revealed that workmen were repairing a line after yesterday's
 One line was kept open until yesterday when it was cut in a bombing attack.
 The two-span bridge normally carried five lines over the Brit River.
 railway yard with "excellent" results.
 Returning crews said that hits were scored on the bridge and on an adjoining
 following numerous damaging attacks to cut off the front line supply route.
 the bombing of the important bridge, which Germans have persistently repaired
 A formation of the 36th Bombardment Group's B-26 Raiders carried out
 Division.
 Cologne, in the only operation Friday by bombers of the 14th Bombardment
 60-ton repeat blow on the Buskirehen railway bridge, 18 miles southwest of
 HEADQUARTERS WITH FORWARD DIVISION, Paris--Raiders delivered a

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HEADQUARTERS NINTH BOMBARDMENT DIVISION, France—Six A-20 Havoc pilots, who call themselves the "Super Six", got such a kick out of their first low level strafing mission, after flying scores of medium altitude bombing missions, that they would like to do it every day.

"Only for one thing, leave out the snowstorm at the home base when we come back", said 1st Lt. Herman E. Kuver, Shawnee, Okla., one of the "Super Six".

The pilots, members of the 410th Havoc Group of the Ninth Bombardment Division, on the spur of the moment dubbed themselves the "super Six" when they were picked to fly the bombing and strafing mission against a motor convoy near Blankenheim, Germany, January 23.

The day started out like countless others, with a medium level bombing mission scheduled. Suddenly, orders were changed and the low level mission was scheduled in place of the scrubbed bombing mission.

In less than 10 minutes of the change in orders, the "super six" were being briefed while ground crews changed the bomb load to fragmentation bombs and loaded more ammunition for the strafing. In less than 30 minutes, the six-plane formation was headed toward its rendezvous with Thunderbolt P-47s, that were to have accompanied them on the "job".

But, the Thunderbolts had mistaken another formation for the one they were to escort and were not at rendezvous. The A-20s, led by their flight leader, Capt. Russell D. Fellers, 314 West Lima St., Findley, Ohio, headed for their target, "as planned", but, without fighters.

The truck convoy was spotted near Blankenheim, parked on the road, as the "super six" swooped in over a hill. The formation bombed the column of trucks and clusters of fragmentation bombs burst along the vehicle-clogged road.

"We certainly surprised them. We could see the white splotches of up-turned faces before the men in the trucks broke and ran for cover in ditches and woods", said Capt. Fellers.

Then, Capt. Fellers led his formation in a turn and back they came, at tree-top level, machine-gunning the trucks and running men. They fought a barrage of small arms fire from vehicles, woods and houses by the side of the road.

"We were so low, our right engine cowling was dented when we clipped a tree", said S/Sgt. Arvil L. Beylor, Malta, Idaho, a turret gunner in one of the Havocs.

Fifteen to 20 trucks were burning and a house from which machine gun fire was spurting, burst into flames.

The "super six" pilots and their gunners claim they were having the times of their lives. The other pilots, beside Capt. Fellers and Lt. Kuver, are: First Lieutenants Francis E. Richardson, Pawhuska, Okla.; Joseph A. Richardson, 943 Erie St., Shreveport, La.; Arthur E. David, Jr., Bremerton, Wash.; and Theodore D. Hoffman, Springfield Gardens, N. Y.

The sextet was guided home by the bombardier-navigator, 1st Lt. Gordon G. Jones, Hopkins Apts., Baltimore, Md., who had to relay his instructions to the pilot by means of his bombsight indicator. The interphone was knocked out when flak struck the navigator's compartment. Lt. Jones was scratched about the face by plexiglass fragments, the only casualty in the "super six" flight.

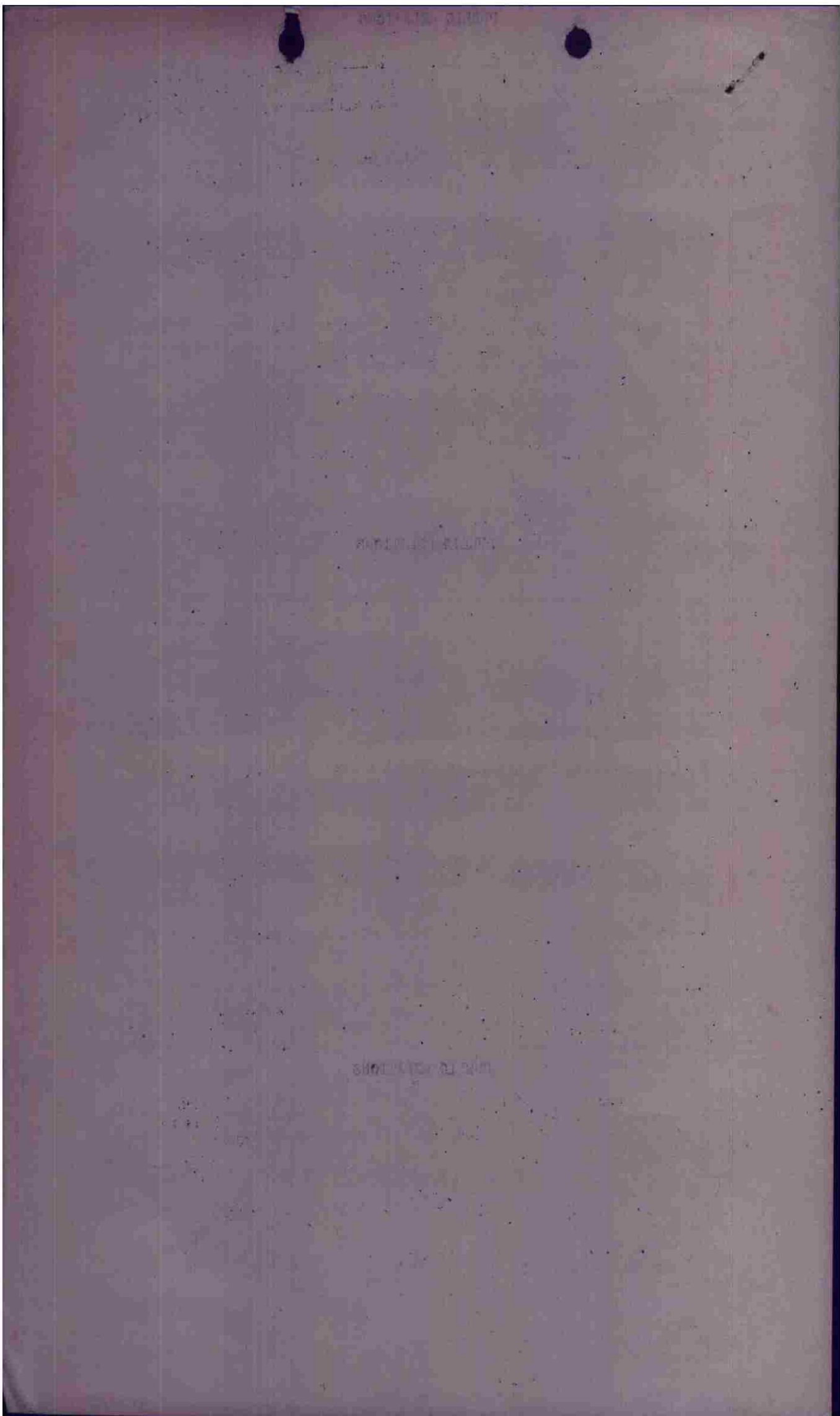
The return was made at an altitude of 700 feet, due to weather and the Havocs arrived at their base in the middle of a snow storm.

When interrogated, Lt. Hoffman was asked, "Why didn't you close your bomb bay doors when you dived to strafe the convoy?"

"Hell! I was having so much fun I forgot all about them!"

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25 January 1945: Phoned to Paris 1800; Press camp 1830.



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FROM 1ST PATHFINDER SQ PROV. 29/1700A

TO CG IX BOMB DIV

CG'S 97TH COMBAT WING, 98TH. COMBAT WING, 99TH COMBAT WING
 CO'S 416TH, 391ST, 322ND, 397TH, 410TH, 394TH, 408TH, 387TH
 AND 23RD BOMB GROUPS

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1ST PATHFINDER SQ PROV. J-118-D

- A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQ WITH THE 391ST GROUP
- B. BLANKENHEIM DEFENDED VILLAGE (WF 2305)
- C. 1 B 26
- D. 1 - PRIMARY
- E. NONE
- F. 4 X 500 GP PRIMARY
- H. NONE-----"C". UNOBSERVED, 10/10TH.
- I. NONE
- J. NONE
- K. NONE
- L. 12,500 - PRIMARY
- M. 1203

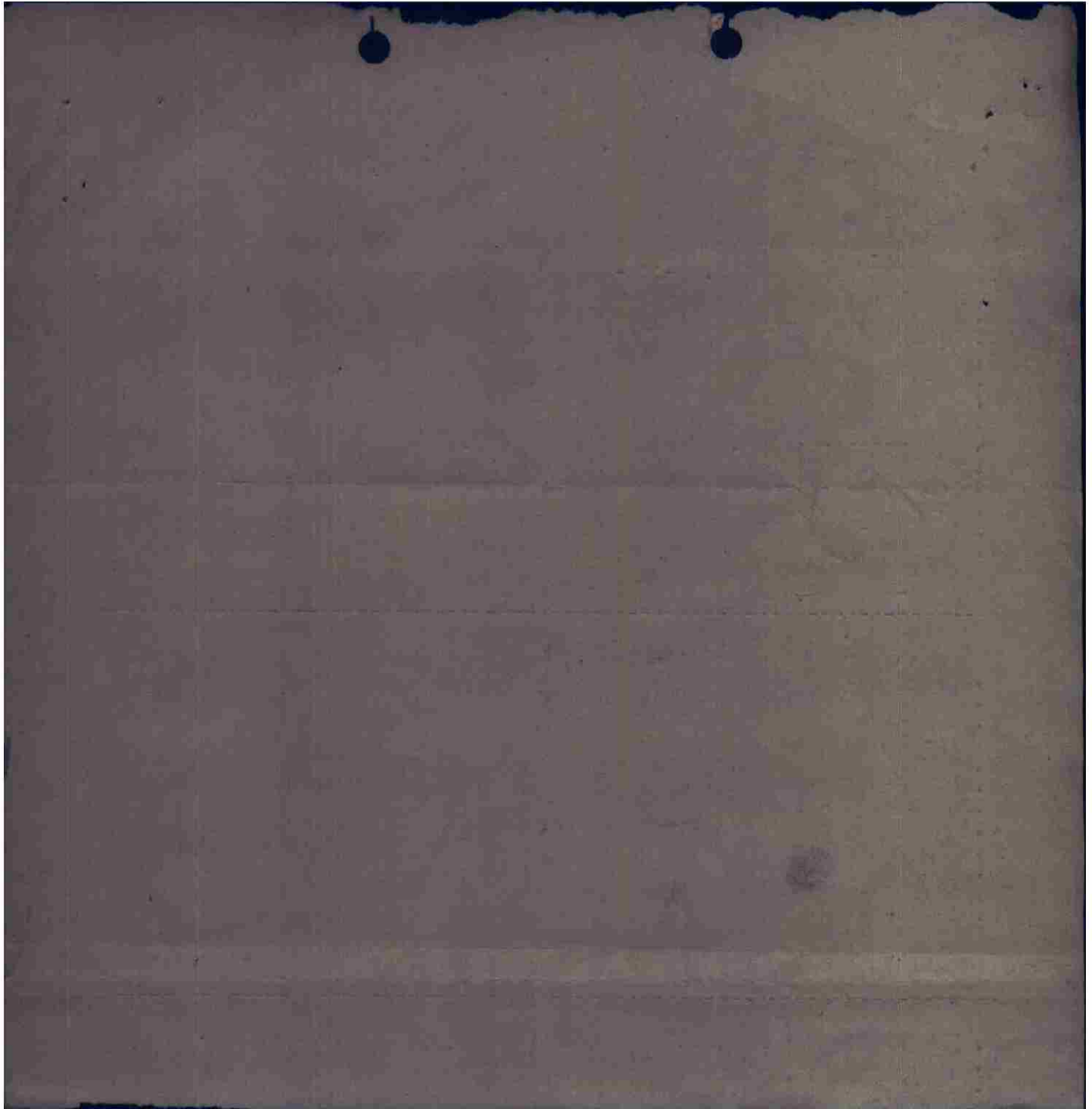
REMARKS- GOOD FORMATION FLOWN BY GROUP.

- A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQ WITH THE 410TH GROUP
- B. HABSCHIED DEFENDED VILLAGE (VP 9578)
- C. 1 B -26
- D. 1 - PRIMARY
- E. NONE
- F. 4 Y 500 GP - PRIMARY
- G. UNOBSERVED- 10/10TH
- H. NONE
- I. NONE
- J. NONE
- L. 12,500 - PRIMARY
- M. 1235 - PRIMARY

REMARKS - HIGH FLIGHT OF FIRST BOX DROPPED 20 TO 30 SECONDS EARLY.
 GOOD FORMATION FLOWN BY GROUP.

- A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQ WITH THE 416TH GROUP
- B. NONWEILER RR BRIDGE (WL 4512)
- C. 1 B-26
- D. 1 - PRIMARY

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- E. NONE
- F. 4 X 500 GP - PRIMARY
- G. UNOBSERVED
- H. NONE
- I. NONE
- J. NONE
- K. NONE
- L. 12,500 - PRIMJRY
- M. 1159

REMARKS - GOOD FORMATION FLOWN BY GROUP

- A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQ WITH THE 322ND GROUP
- B. KALL DEFENDED VILLAGE (WF 1616)
- C. 1 B 26
- D. 1 - PRIMARY
- E. NONE
- F. 4 X 500 GP PRIMARY
- G. UNOBSERVED
- H. NONE
- I. NONE
- J. NONE
- K. NONE
- L. 12,500 - PRIMARY
- M. 1205 - PRIMARY.

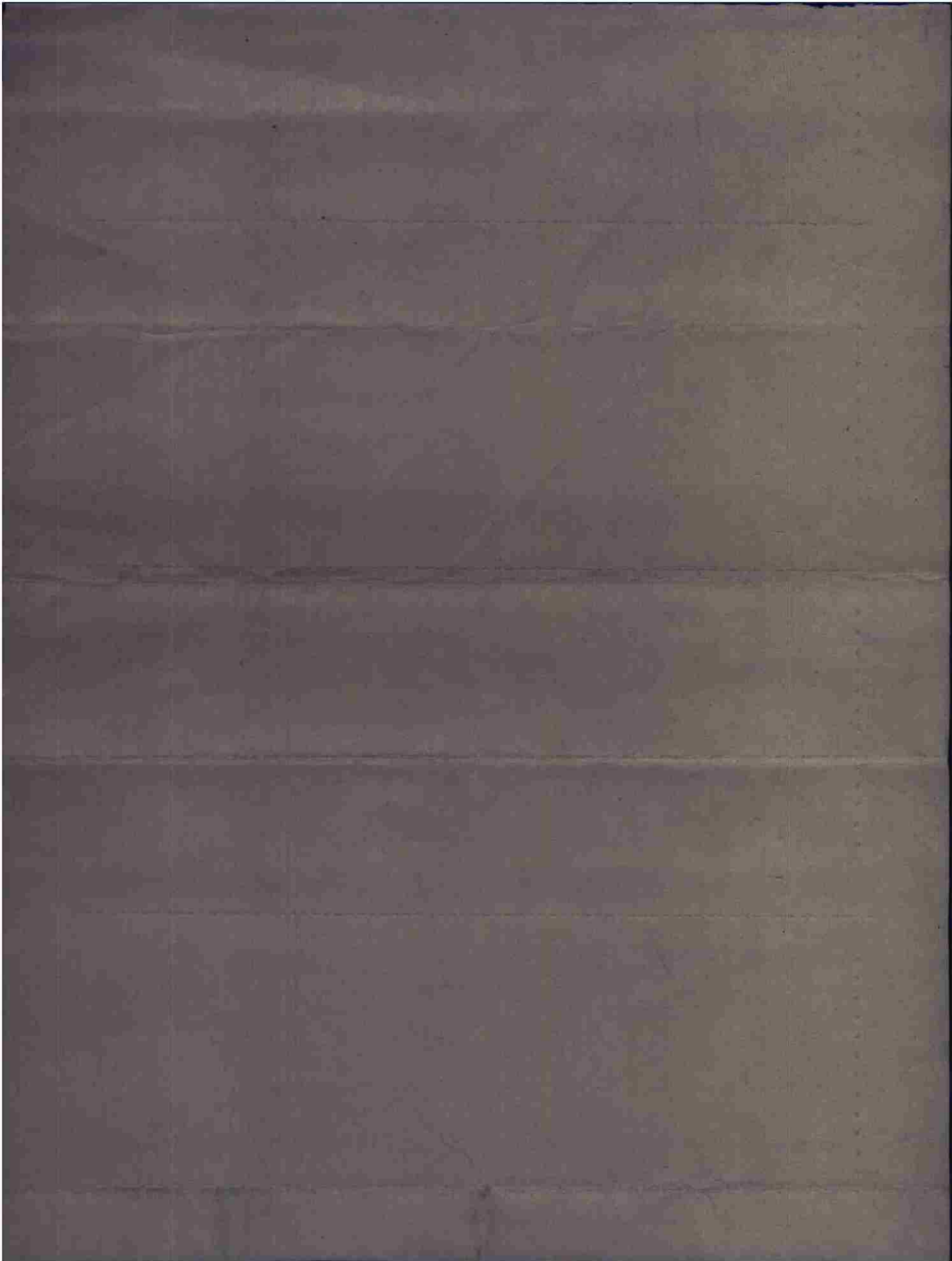
REMARKS - GOOD FORMATION FLOWN BY GROUP

- A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQ WITH THE 394TH GROUP
- B. BRANDSCHEID DEFENDED VILLAGE (VP 9881)
- C. 1 B26
- D. NONE
- E. 1 - EQUIPMENT FAILURE
- F. 4 X 500 RETURNED
- G. NONATTACK
- H. NONE
- I. NONE
- J. NONE
- K. NONE
- L. 12,500 - NO ATTACK
- M. 1256 - NO ATTACK

REMARKS - GOOD FORMATION FLOWN BY GROUP

- A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQ WITH THE 397TH GROUP
- B. ENGERS RR BRIDGE (WF 8503)
- C. 2 B26 (WITH GP LEADING DUE TO PFF EQUIP FAILURE)
- D. 2 - SECONDARY TARGET, DEFENDED VILLAGE OF WITTLICH (WL 3955)
- E. NONE
- F. 8 X 500 GP ON SECONDARY AT (WL 3955)
- G. UNOBSERVED
- H. NONE
- I. NONE
- J. NONE
- K. NONE
- L. 11,500 & 12,00 - SECONDARY
- M. 1242 1/2 & 1243 - SECONDARY

REMARKS - FAIR FORMATION FLOWN BY GROUP



- A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 409TH BOMB GROUP
 - B. ARWEILER DEFENDED VILLAGE (WF 5516)
 - C. 2 B26
 - D. 2 - PRIMARY
 - E. NONE
 - F. 8 X 500 GP ON PRIMARY
 - G. UNOBSERVED - 10/10TH
 - H. NONE
 - I. NONE
 - J. NONE
 - K. NONE
 - L. 12,500 & 12,500 - PRIMARY
 - M. 1254 & 1255 - PRIMARY
- GOOD WINDOW COVERAGE AND GOOD FORMATION FLOWN BY GROUP

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- A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 323RD BOMB GROUP
 - . RHEINBACH DEFENDED VILLAGE (WF 4426)
 - C. 1 B26
 - D. 1 - PRIMARY
 - E. NONE
 - F. 4 X 500 GP - PRIMARY
 - G. UNOBSERVED - 10/10TH
 - H. NONE
 - I. NONE
 - J. WIHFF FROM TGT AREA AT WF 4426.
 - K. NONE
 - L. 12,500 - PRIMARY
 - M. 1315 - PRIMARY
- GOOD FORMATION FLOWN BY GROUP

- A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 387TH BOMB GROUP
- B. RHEINBACH DEFENDED VILLAGE WF 4426
- C. 1 B26
- D. 1 - EQUIPMENT FAILURE - DROP WAS MADE ON "GEE"
- E. NONE
- F. 4 X 500 GP - PRIMARY
- G. UNOBSERVED - PRIMARY
- H. NONE
- I. NONE
- J. WIHFF FROM TGT AREA AT WF 4426
- K. NONE
- L. 12,000 - PRIMARY
- M. 1333

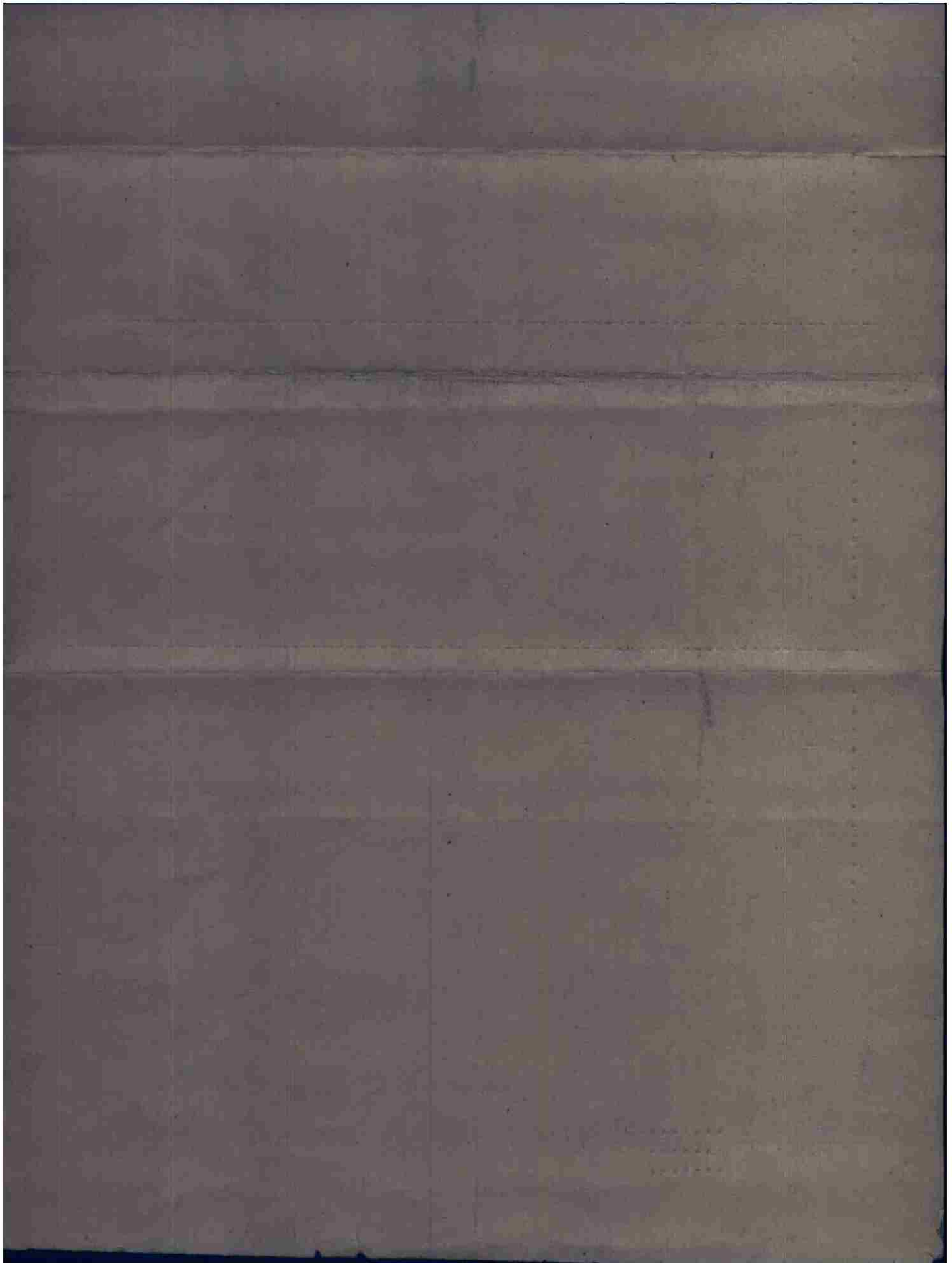
GROUP FORMATION GOOD

CO 1ST PATHFINDER SQ PROV

BT 29/1700A
 MET/MB BB TO JJK AR TO JEA
 RELAYED BY RL
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JPO R VIA JEA.....29/2025A	WCS	AR
JKI R VIA JEA.....29/2025A	WN	AR

TOV



ITA JEA V JKI JN 08/29 P-P

FROM HDQTS 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 29/1515A
TO HDQTS 9TH BOMB DIV. ATTN: A-2 P/I
HDQTS 97TH COMBAT WING ATTN: A-2 DUTY OFFICER

SECRET BT

J-451-D
FIRST PHASE S/A REPORT

B. NONNWEILER RAILROAD BRIDGE

C. 1159 AND ONE HALF

J. BOMBED ON PFF. NO PHOTOS DUE TO 10/10 CLOUD COVER AT TARGET.

BT 29/1515A

FD AR

ITAR..... 29/ 1540A HW AR
JEA R 29/1542A SS AR

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ITA JEA V JKI JKI 7/29 OP-OP

FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 29/1515A
 TO CG, 9TH BOMBARDMENT DIVISION ATTN: A-2
 CG, 97TH COMBAT WING ATTN: A-2

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J-490-D

- A. 416TH BOMB GROUP
- B. NONWEILER R/R BRIDGE
- C. 9 A26 OF WHICH 3 CARRIED WINDOW ONLY
 31 A26
 1 B26 PFF LEAD A/C
- D. 6 A-26S ON PRIMARY
 31 A-26S ON PRIMARY
 1 D-26 PFF
- E. 3 A-26S CARRYING WINDOW ONLY
- F. 24 X 500 LB GP ON PRIMARY
 122 X 1000 LB GP ON PRIMARY
 2 X 1000 LB GP RETURNED. ICING OF BOMB RELEASE MECHANISM.
 1 X 1000 LB GP JETTISONED SAFE IN TARGET AREA - RELEASE MECHANISM
 MALFUNCTION.
- G. UNOBSERVED. 10/10 CLOUD COVER AT TARGET.
- H. NIL
- I. NIL
- J. NONE
- K. 0-0-0
- L. 15,000
- M. 1150 AND ONE HALF

NOTE: RIPSAN WAS CALLED 3 MINUTES BEFORE IP. CONTACT WAS MADE
 AFTER SLIGHT DELAY DUE TO CHANNEL BEING CROWDED. FIX GIVEN
 WAS INCORRECT GRID LETTER.

J.W. Sampson

BT 29/1515A
 FD BBBBB
 ITA R.....

CORRECTION: THIS IS THE "OPFLASH FOR 29 JANUARY 1945" I FORGOT
 TO PLACE IT IN AT THE TOP OF MSG.

ITA R..... 29/1534A HV K
 JEA R..... 29/1534A LEG KKK

To: CG, 9th Bombardment Division, Att: A-2
CG, 97th Combat Wing, Att: A-2

From: 416th Bomb Group

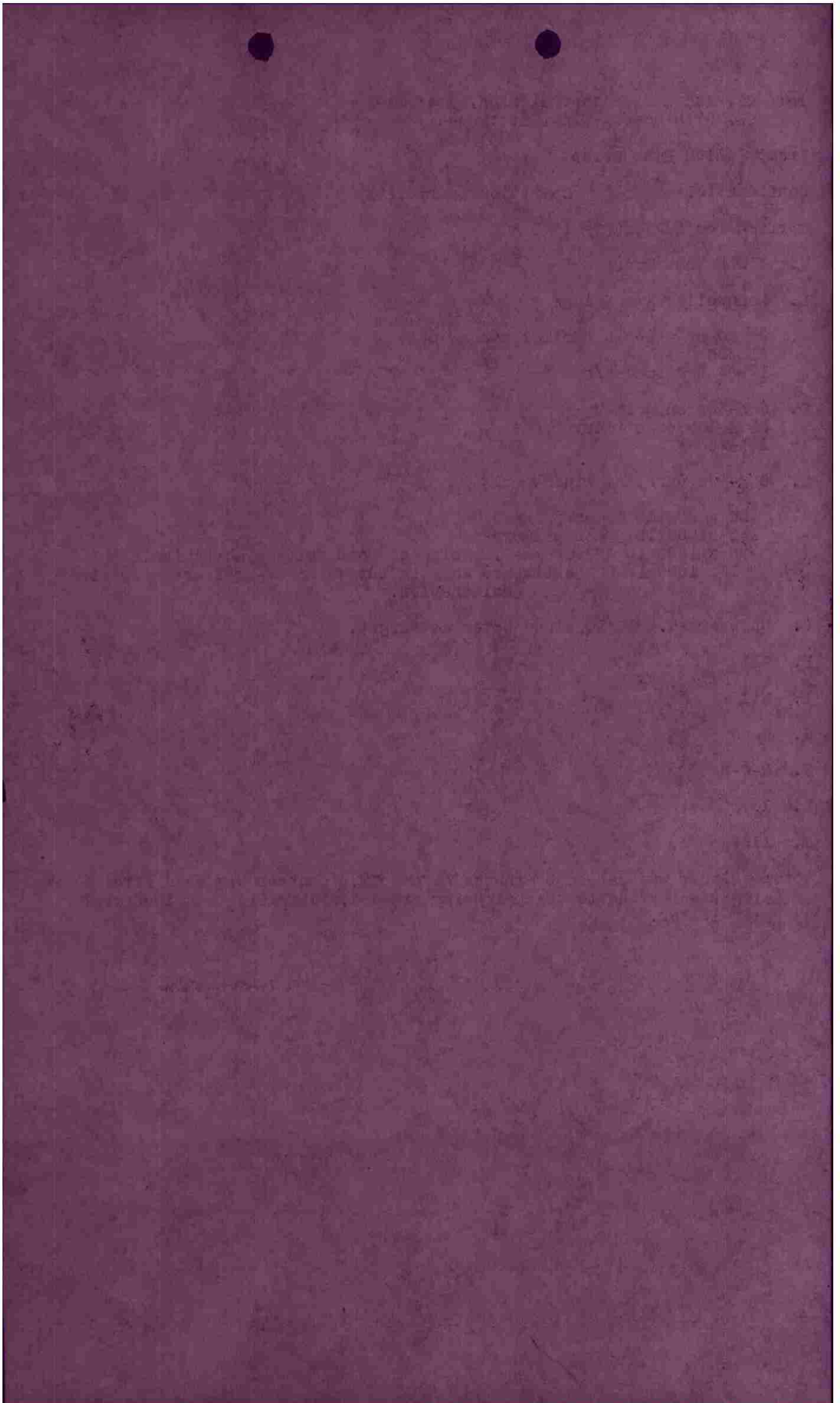
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Opflash for 29 January 1945

- A. 416th Bomb Group
- B. Nonweiler R/R Bridge
- C. 9 A20 of which 3 carried window only
31 A26
1 B26 PFF lead a/c
- D. 6 A-20s on primary
31 A-26s on primary
1 B-26 PFF
- E. 3 A-20s carrying window only
- F. 24 x 500 lb GP on primary
122 x 1000 lb GP on primary
2 x 1000 lb GP returned. Icing of bomb release mechanism.
1 x 1000 lb GP jettisoned safe in target area - release mechanism malfunction.
- G. Unobserved. 10/10 cloud cover at target.
- H. Nil
- I. Nil
- J. None
- K. 0-0-0
- L. 13,000
- M. 1159 $\frac{1}{2}$

Note: Ripsaw was called 3 minutes before IP. Contact was made after slight delay due to channel being crowded. Fix given was incorrect grid letter.

J. W. Sampson
Lt. A/C



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HEADQUARTERS
416TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)
OFFICE OF THE RADAR OFFICER

APO 140 - US ARMY,
29 JANUARY 1945.

SUBJECT: REPORT OF OPERATIONAL USE OF WINDOW.

TO : RADAR COUNTERMEASURES OFFICER, HQ,
9TH BOMB DIV (M), APO 140 - US ARMY.

1. RCM DISPENSING NO. 39.
2. 29 JAN 1945.
3. NO FLAK.
4. 49⁰ 31N 06⁰ 22E
5. 49⁰ 36N 07⁰ 01E
6. 3
7. 23 BOXES.
8. 350⁰ - 23 MPH
9. 12500 FT.
10. TEN TENTHS CLOUD COVER.
11. NONE.
12. -
13. -
14. NO DAMAGE.
15. (A) WINDOW BLOWN FROM WINDOW SHIPS OFF TO THE RIGHT OF FORMATION.
(B) LOWER FLIGHT OF FIRST BOX IN FORMATION STRUCK WINDOW FROM PATHFINDER PLANE.

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CHARLES F. GUNDERSON,
1ST LT, C.A.C.,
RADAR OFFICER.

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T (OIITA PASS TO OIJJF)

OIA 8/29

OP OP

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 29/0440A
TO COBOMDIV NINE
COBOMGP 410
COBOMGP 409
COBOMGP 416
1ST PROV PATHFINDER SQDN.

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY BT
SECRET SENT IN THE CLEAR AUTH : LT. COL. MC AFEE

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97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
APO 140
29 JANUARY 1945

FIELD ORDER NO. 144-724

MAPS NORMAL

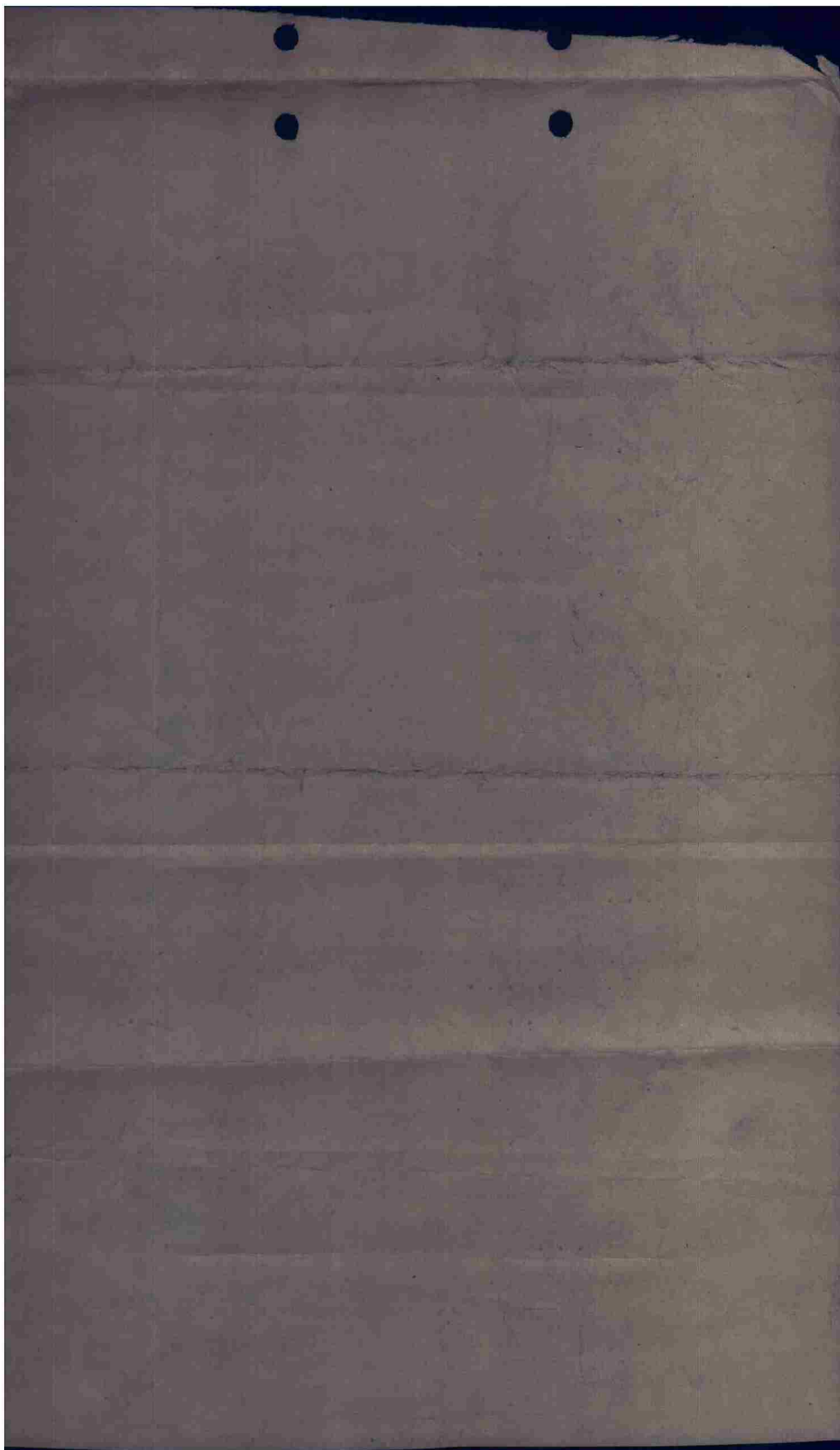
1. B. (1) REF. CURRENT BOMBLINE
(2) 19TH T.A.C. WILL FURNISH AREA COVER FOR THE 410TH AND 416TH GROUPS. 9TH T.A.C. WILL FURNISH CLOSE COVER FOR THE 409TH GROUP.

2. THIS WING WILL ATTACK TARGETS IN GERMANY.

ZERO HOUR 29/1200A

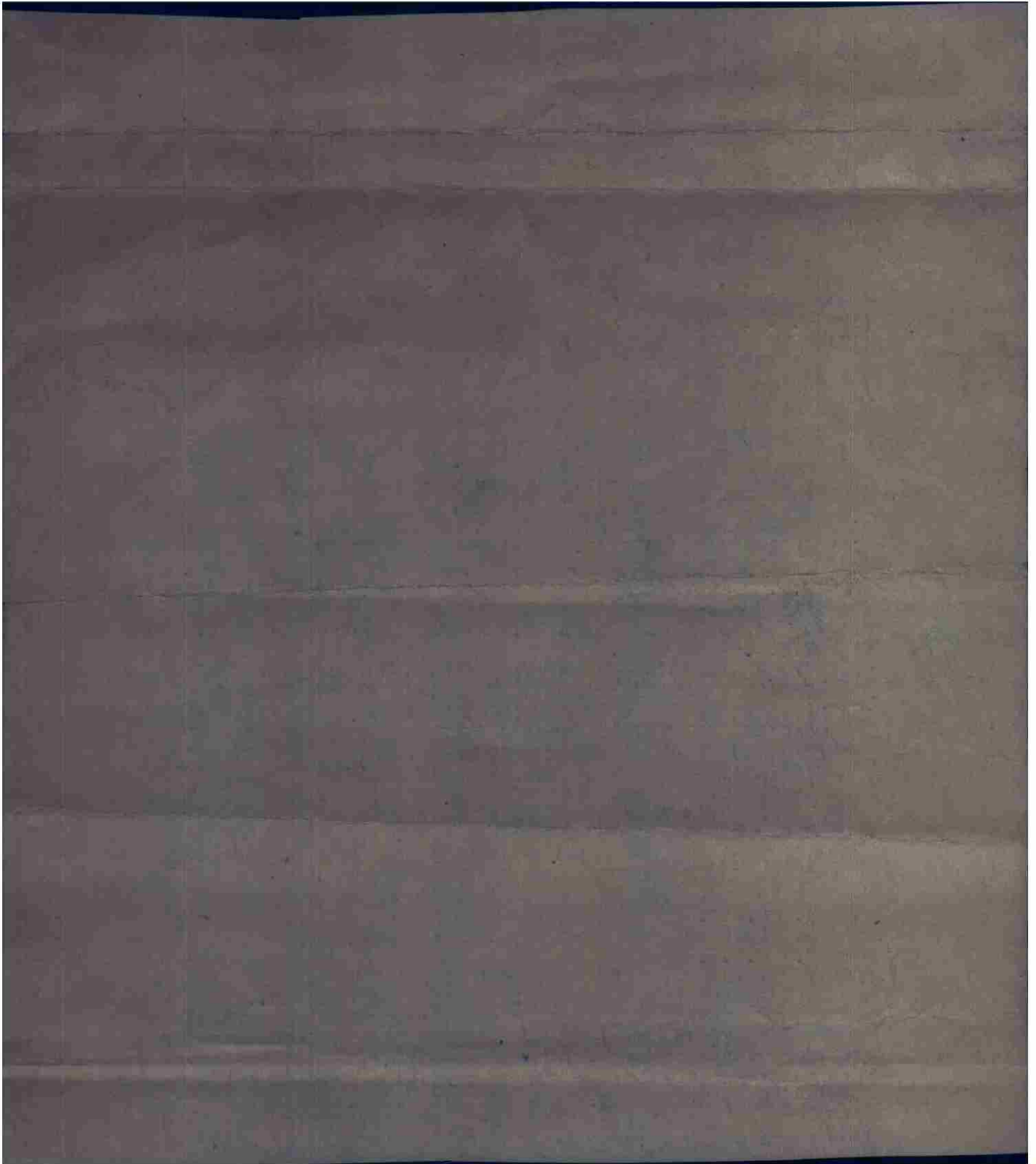
3. A. 409TH BOMB GROUP (PPF MISSION)

- (1) AHRWEILER SUPPLY AND COMMUNICATIONS CENTER (F546161)
- (2) 2 BOXES 18 A/C WITH 2 PPF A/C.
- (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT 4921N 0609E AT 12,500 FEET AT ZERO PLUS 22 MINUTES.
- (4) BASE TO F/R TO 4941N 0653E TO 4956N 0651E TO 5006N 0708E TO TARGET.
- (5) TARGET TURN LEFT TO 4956N 0651E TO 4941N 0653E TO 4921N 0609E TO BASE.
- (6) BOMB AT 1ST BOX 12,500 FEET
2ND BOX 12,000 FEET
DROP 1000 FEET AFTER BOMBING.
MINIMUM ALTITUDE IF BOMBING IS VISUAL 5,000 FEET.
- (9) M.P.I. PHOTO. US155/3722 PRINT NO. 5005. ONE FLIGHT ON EACH OF THE FOLLOWING M.P.I. REFERENCES. 02130058, 02620050, 03140053, 03640064, 04170063, 04700063 TO BE USED IF BOMBING IS VISUAL AND BY FLIGHTS. ONE BOX ON REF. 02620050. ONE BOX ON REF. 04170063 TO BE USED IF BOMBING IS VISUAL AND BY BOXES. P.P.F. M.P.I. GRID. COORD 54641615. INTERVALOMETER SETTING 50 FEET.
- (10) 6 X 500 LB. G.P. FUSED 1/10 SEC NOSE XX 1/40 SEC TAIL.
- (12) TOT ZERO PLUS 55 MINUTES.
- (13) GROUP WILL PROCEED ON BRIEFED P.P.F. ROUTE TO A POINT WHERE THE GROUP LEADER CAN ASCERTAIN THAT VISUAL BOMBING BY FLIGHTS OF 6 A/C IS POSSIBLE, WEATHER BEING THE DETERMINING FACTOR. IF VISUAL BOMBING BY FLIGHTS IS POSSIBLE GROUP WILL PROCEED TO OR RETURN AS THE CASE MAY BE TO 5022N 0707E TAKE INTERVAL AND BOMB BY FLIGHTS. IF BOMBING BY FLIGHTS IS IMPOSSIBLE BUT A SMALL BREAK IN THE CLOUDS MAKES IT POSSIBLE TO BOMB VISUALLY BY BOXES OF 18 A/C, GROUP WILL CONTINUE ON P.P.F. ROUTE TO TARGET OR RETURN TO 5022N 0707E AS THE CASE MAY BE AND BOMB VISUALLY BY BOXES OF 18 A/C. IF 10/10 CLOUD COVER OBSCURES THE TARGET, GROUP WILL BOMB IN THE FOLLOWING PRIORITY.
 - A. P.P.F.
 - B. GROUP "GEE"
 - C. TARGET ETA.
- (14) IF IT IS NECESSARY TO MAKE A SECOND RUN FOR VISUAL BOMBING GROUP WILL RETURN TO 5022N 0707E TO BEGIN RUN.
- (15) IN THE EVENT THE PRIMARY TARGET CANNOT BE ATTACKED, AN ALTERNATE TARGET 10 MILES OR MORE FROM THE BOMBLINE IN ENEMY HELD TERRITORY WILL BE BOMBED.
- (16) IF VISUAL CONDITIONS EXIST AT PRIMARY TARGET, BOMBING WILL BE BY VISUAL MEANS. THE DECISION TO BOMB VISUALLY WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE A-26 BOX LEADERS AND THEY WILL DO SO WHETHER THEY CONTACT THE P.P.F. A/C OR NOT.



- B. 410TH BOMB GROUP (PPF MISSION)
- (1) HABSCHIED ROAD JUNCTION (P953777)
 - (2) 2 BOXES OF 18 A/C WITH 1 PPF A/C
 - (4) BASE TO 5015N 0536E TO TARGET.
 - (5) TARGET TURN RIGHT TO 5007N 0548E TO BASE.
 - (6) BOMB AT 12,500 FEET. MINIMUM ALTITUDE IF BOMBING IS VISUAL WILL BE 5,000 FEET.
 - (9) M.P.I. GSGS 4414 SHEET 5803. THREE FLIGHTS ON EACH OF THE FOLLOWING GRID COORD: 95277767 AND 95407760 TO BE USED IF BOMBING IS VISUAL AND BY FLIGHTS. ONE BOX ON EACH OF THE FOLLOWING GRID COORD: 95277767 AND 95407760 TO BE USED IF BOMBING IS VISUAL AND BY BOXES.
PPF M.P.I. GRID COORD: 95277767.
 - (10) 6 X 500 LB GP FUSED 1/10 SEC NOSE 1/40 SEC TAIL.
 - (12) T.O.T. ZERO PLUS 35 MINUTES
 - (13) GROUP WILL BOMB ON PPF EQUIPMENT REGARDLESS OF WEATHER CONDITIONS. IF PPF EQUIPMENT FAILS GROUP WILL BOMB A SUITABLE ALTERNATE TARGET 10 MILES OR MORE FROM THE BOMB LINE IN ENEMY HELD TERRITORY.
- C. 416TH BOMB GROUP (PPF MISSION)
- (1) NONNWEILER RAILROAD BRIDGE (L-449119)
 - (2) 2 BOXES OF 18 A/C WITH 1 PPF A/C
 - (4) BASE TO 4931N 0622E TO TARGET.
 - (5) TARGET TURN LEFT AND RETRACE ROUTE TO BASE.
 - (6) BOMB AT 12,500 FEET. MINIMUM ALTITUDE IF BOMBING IS VISUAL WILL BE 5,000 FEET. DROP 1,000 FEET AFTER BOMBING.
 - (9) M.P. GSGS 4414 SHEET 6307 GRID COORD 449119 (CENTER OF BRIDGE) INTERVALOMETER SETTING 30 FEET.
 - (10) 4 X 1,000 LB GP FUSED 1/10 SEC NOSE NON-DELAY TAIL.
 - (12) T.O.T. ZERO HOUR.
 - (13) GROUP WILL PROCEED ON BRIEFED P.P.F. ROUTE TO A POINT WHERE THE GROUP LEADER CAN ASCERTAIN THAT VISUAL BOMBING BY FLIGHTS OF 6 A/C IS POSSIBLE, WEATHER BEING THE DETERMINING FACTOR. IF VISUAL BOMBING BY FLIGHTS IS POSSIBLE GROUP WILL PROCEED TO OR RETURN AS THE CASE MAY BE, TO 4931N 0622E TAKE INTERVAL AND BOMB BY FLIGHTS. IF BOMBING BY FLIGHTS IS IMPOSSIBLE, BUT A SMALL BREAK IN THE CLOUDS MAKES IT POSSIBLE TO BOMB VISUALLY BY BOXES OF 18 A/C GROUP WILL CONTINUE ON PPF ROUTE TO TARGET OR RETURN TO 4931N 0622E AS THE CASE MAY BE AND BOMB VISUALLY BY BOXES OF 18 A/C. IF 10/10 CLOUD COVER OBSCURES THE TARGET, GROUP WILL BOMB IN THE FOLLOWING PRIORITY:
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 - B. GROUP "GEE"
 - C. E.T.A.
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5. COMMUNICATIONS

PLAN "A" OR "B"

A. 409TH BOMB GROUP (546161)

- (2) VISION
- (3) SHOWDOWN
- (4) SWEEPSTAKES

B. 410TH BOMB GROUP (953777)

- (2) CORNHILL
- (3) CABMAN
- (4) RIPSAW
- (11) BOX LEADERS WILL CALL BLENDWELL ON C/C 10 MINUTES BEFORE TROOPLINE ADVISING HOW MUCH THEY ARE AHEAD OF OR BEHIND SCHEDULE.

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP (134688 - 449119)

- (2) PROCTOR
- (3) JUDITH
- (4) RIPSAW

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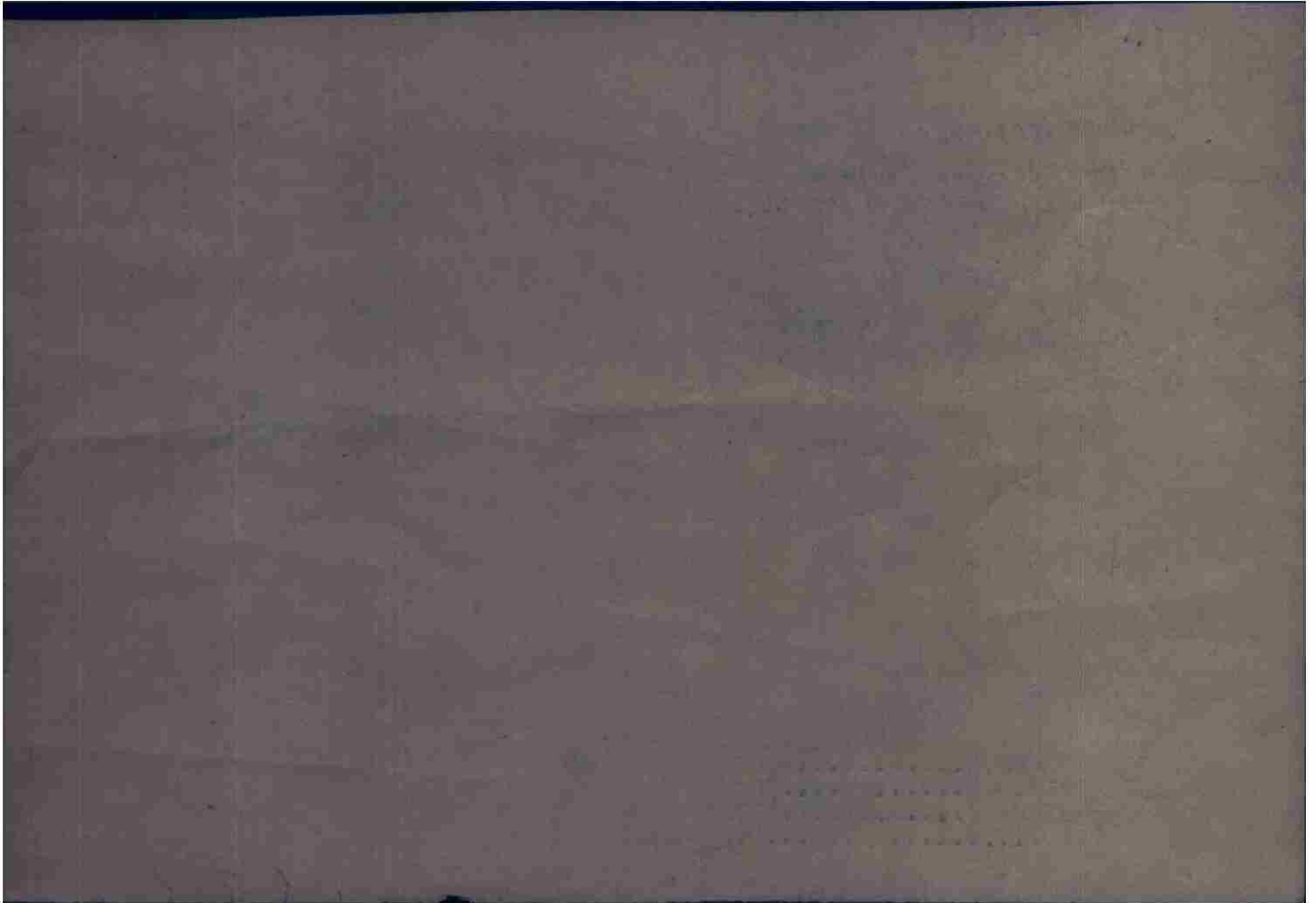
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ITA JEA JPO JKI V JEA JEA 5/29 INFO-INFO

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 29/0325A
TO COMBOMDIV NINE
COBOMGR'S 409, 410, 416.

ATTN: SIGNAL OFFICER

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ADVANCE INFORMATION COPY OF PARAGRAPH 5. OF FIELD ORDER TO FOLLOW:

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BT 29/0325A

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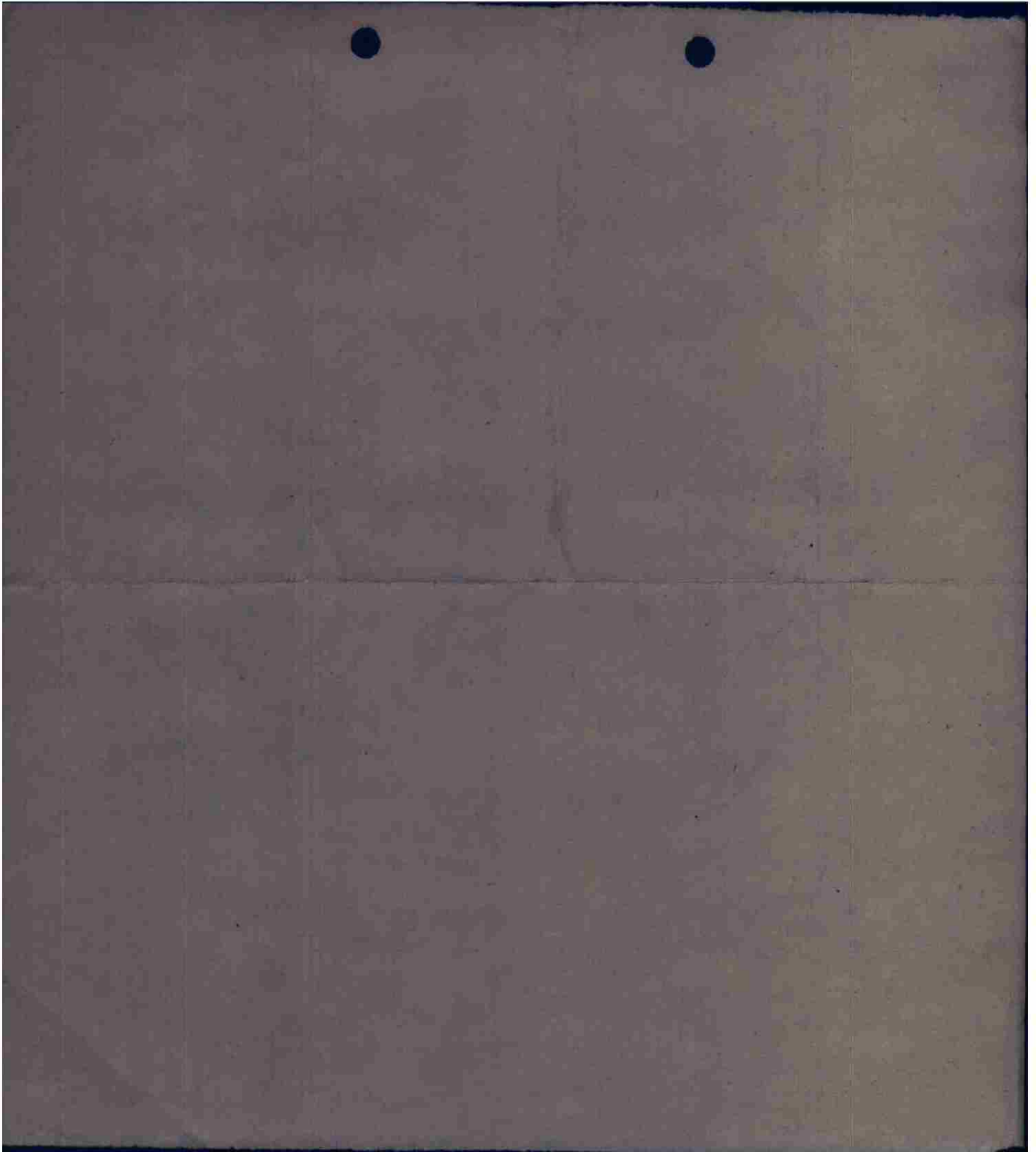
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JKI V JEA JEA 2/29 OP OP

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMBING 29/0310A
TO COBOMGP 416

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97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
APO 140
29 JANUARY 1945

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INTELLIGENCE SUPPLEMENT NO.1 TO FIELD ORDER NO.144-724

PLAN "A"

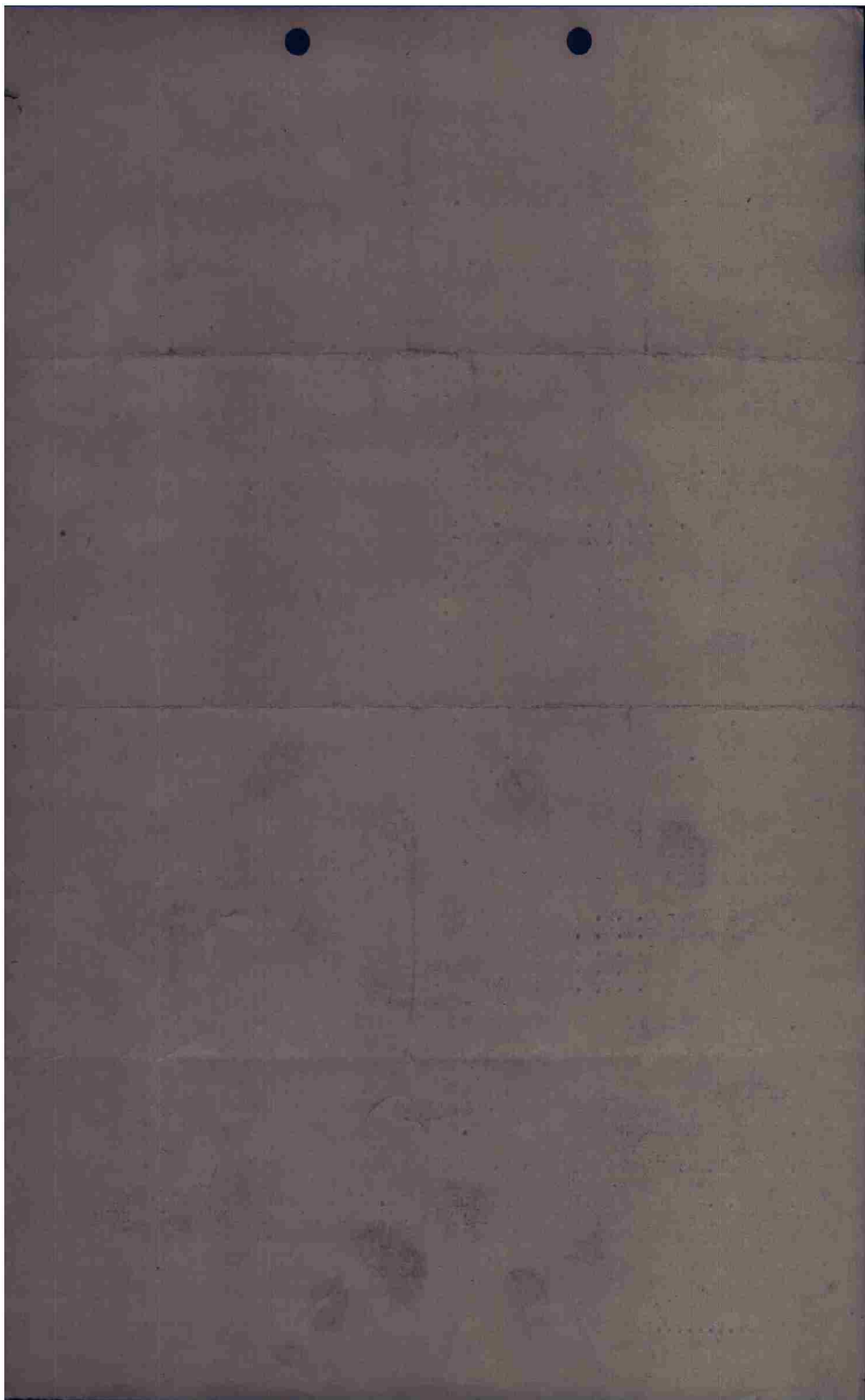
1. TARGET RINNTAL RAILWAY BRIDGE - R-134688
THE TARGET IS A DOUBLE TRACK RAILWAY BRIDGE APPROX 65 FT. LONG, CROSSING A SECONDARY ROAD. THE LANDAU - ZWEIBRICKEN RR LINE IS AN IMPORTANT LATERAL COMM. LINE FOR THE GERMAN OFFENSIVE AGAINST THE U.S. 7TH ARMY. IN ADDITION, THIS LINE PROVIDES DIRECT COMMUNICATION BETWEEN MANNHEIM AND THE PRESENT BATTLE AREA.
2. MAP COVER. G.S.G.S. 4414 NO. 6713
G.S.G.S. 4416 NO. V-2
3. PHOTO COVER. US7GR/1638 PRINT NO. 8059
US 31/3982 PRINT NO. 1021
US 31/3970 PRINT NO. 2010
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US 10/T 151
4. FLAK. REFER TO CURRENT FLAK MAP.
5. BOMBLINE. TARGET IS APPROX. 22 MILES FROM CURRENT BOMBLINE.

PLAN "B"

1. TARGET NONNWEILER RAILWAY BRIDGE - L-449119
THE TARGET IS A SINGLE TRACK, MASONRY OR CONCRETE ARCH RAIL BRIDGE OF 3 SPANS APPROX. 200 FT LONG. THE WESTERN APPROACH OF THE BRIDGE IS ON AN EARTHEN EMBANKMENT APPROX. 500 FT. LONG.
2. MAP COVER - G.S.G.S. 4414 SHEET 6307
G.S.G.S. 4414 SHEET 6308
G.S.G.S. 4414 SHEET 6407
G.S.G.S. 4414 SHEET 6408
G.S.G.S. 4416 SHEET U-1
3. PHOTO COVER US10/D 594
-US10/T 324
IX BB/SA 742,743,768,779
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US10/D 552
4. FLAK REFER TO CURRENT FLAK MAP.
5. BOMBLINE : TARGET IS APPROX. 20 MILES BEYOND CURRENT BOMBLINE.
6. IX A.F. INTERPRETATION REPORT OF 2 JAN. STATS THAT ALL 3 SPANS ARE DESTROYED AND THAT EMBANKMENT IS UNDERMINED MORE RECENT RECCE SHOWS THAT BRIDGE HAS BEEN REPAIRED AND IS NOW PASSABLE.

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BT 29/0310A
CES AR
JKI R.....29/0350A FAG AR



OIITA OIJJF OIJES OIJKI OIJPO V OIJE A 11/29 OP OP
T (OIITA PASS TO OIJJF)

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 29/0755A
TO COMBOMDIV NINE
COBOMGP 410
COBOMGP 409
COBOMGP 416
1ST PROV PATHFINDER SQDN.

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97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
APO 140
29 JANUARY 1945

ANNEX NO1 TO FIELD ORDER NO.144-724

CANCEL PARA. 3. B. (9)

ADD NEW PARA. 3. B. (9) TO READ: PPF M.P.I. GRID COORD : 95277767.

FRIENDLY ARTILLERY WILL ATTEMPT TO NEUTRALIZE ENEMY GLAK WITH IT'S RANGE.

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BT 29/0755A
CC LAST LINE WORD SH RD FLAK NOT GLAK AS SEND
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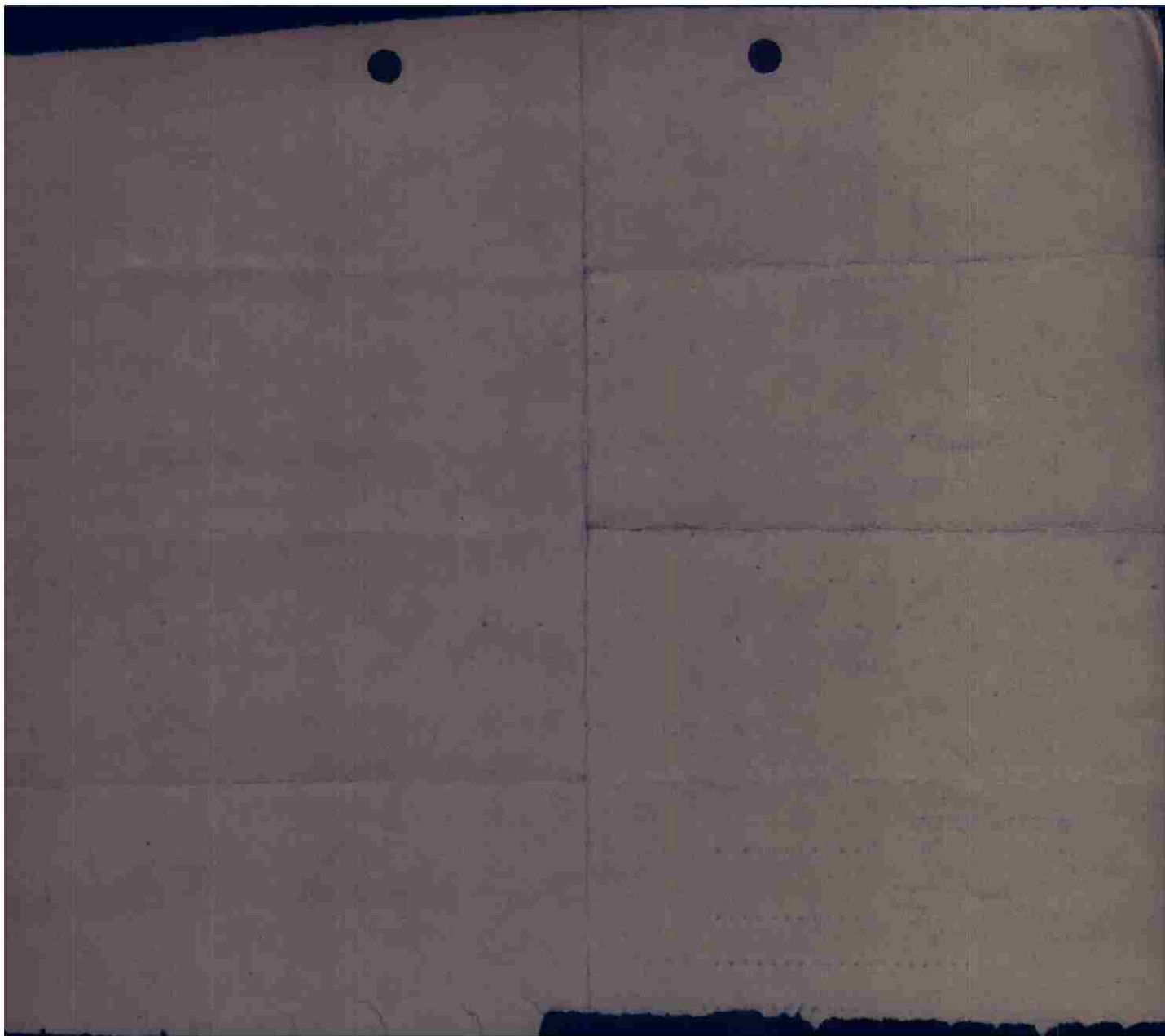
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FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 30/0300A
 TO COMBOMDIV NINE
 COBOMGP 410
 COBOMGP 409
 COBOMGP 416

ATTN SIGNAL OFFICER

ADVANCED INFO COPY OF PARA.5 OF FIELD ORDER TO FOLLOW

5. COMMUNICATIONS

PLAN "A" AND "B"

- A. 409TH BOMB GROUP (125200)
 - (2) CRACKLING
 - (3) MUSTARD
 - (4) SWEEPSTAKES
- B. 410TH BOMB GROUP (9E3812)
 - (2) FUZZY
 - (3) EVENING
 - (4) SWEEPSTAKES
- C. 416TH BOMB GROUP (108152)
 - (2) QUICKWAY
 - (3) MUSTARD
 - (4) SWEEPSTAKES

X. GENERAL INFORMATION

- (11) QUICKWAY AND CRACKLING WILL CALL COCKSPUR ; FUZZY WILL CALL BLENDWELL ON C/C AT LEAST 15 MINUTES PRIOR TO TROOP LINE ADVISING HOW MUCH TIME THEY ARE AHEAD OR BEHIND SCHEDULE AND UPON LEAVING TARGET AREA WILL REPORT TO SAME STATIONS STATING THEY HAVE COMPLETED OR ABANDONED OPS.

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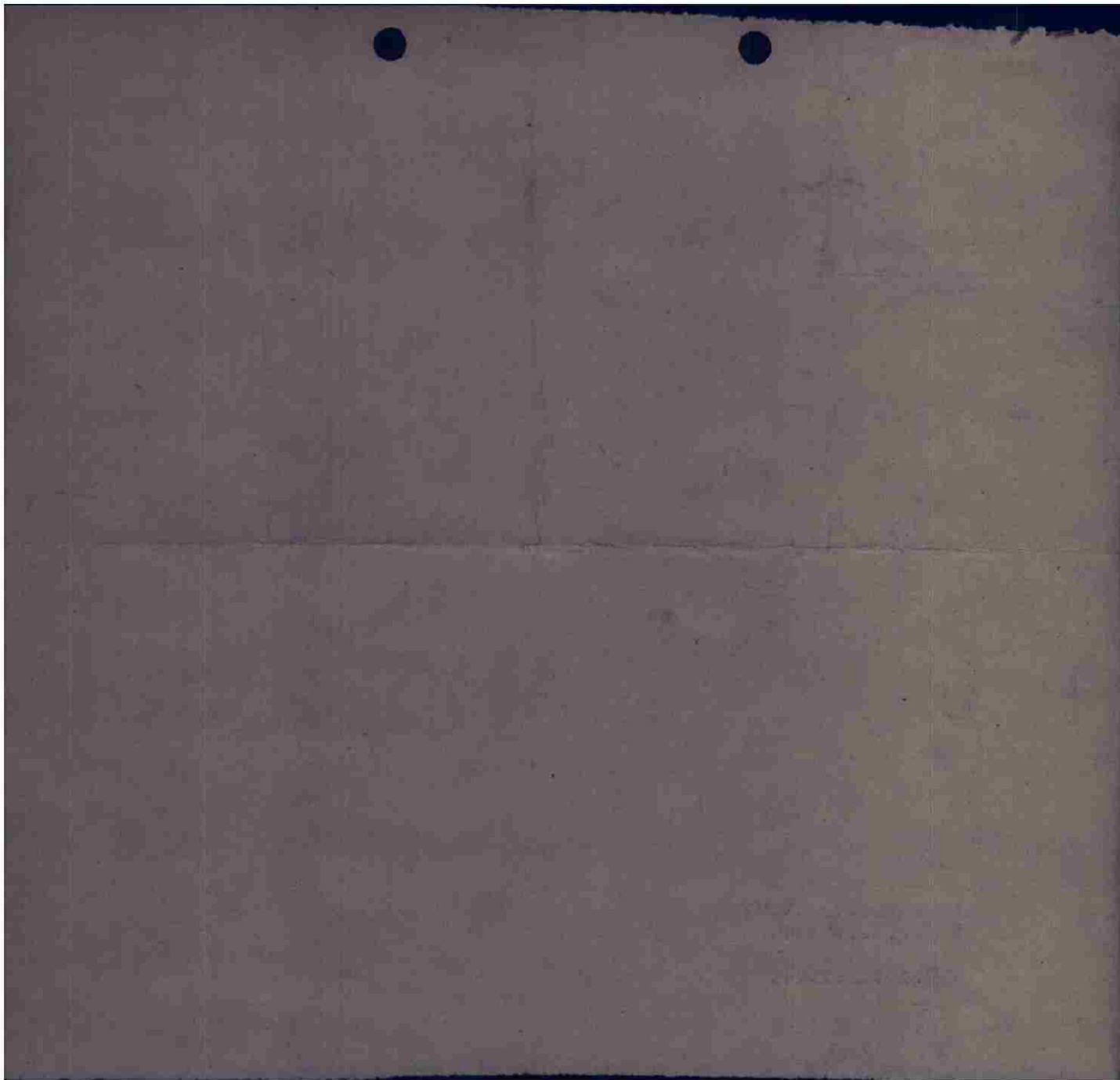
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BBB TO GROUPS

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OIITA OIJES OIJKI OIJPO OIJJF V OIJEA OIJEA 13/29 OP-OP
T (OIITA PASS TO OIJJF)

FROM: 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 29/1130A
TO : COMBOMDIV NINE
409TH BOMB GROUP.
410TH BOMB GROUP.
416TH BOMB GROUP.
1ST PATHFINDER PROV. SQ.

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Read
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97TH COMBAT BOMB WING J-314-E
APO 140
29 JAN, 1945.

ANNEX NO. 2 TO FIELD ORDER NO. 144-724

CHANGE 3. A. (3) TO READ:
(3) WITH FIGHTERS AT 4921N 0609E AT 12,500 FEET.
AT ZERO HOUR PLUS 26 MINUTES.

ADD: TO 3. B. (6) AS FOLLOWS:
(6) DROP 1,000 FEET. AFTER BOMBING.

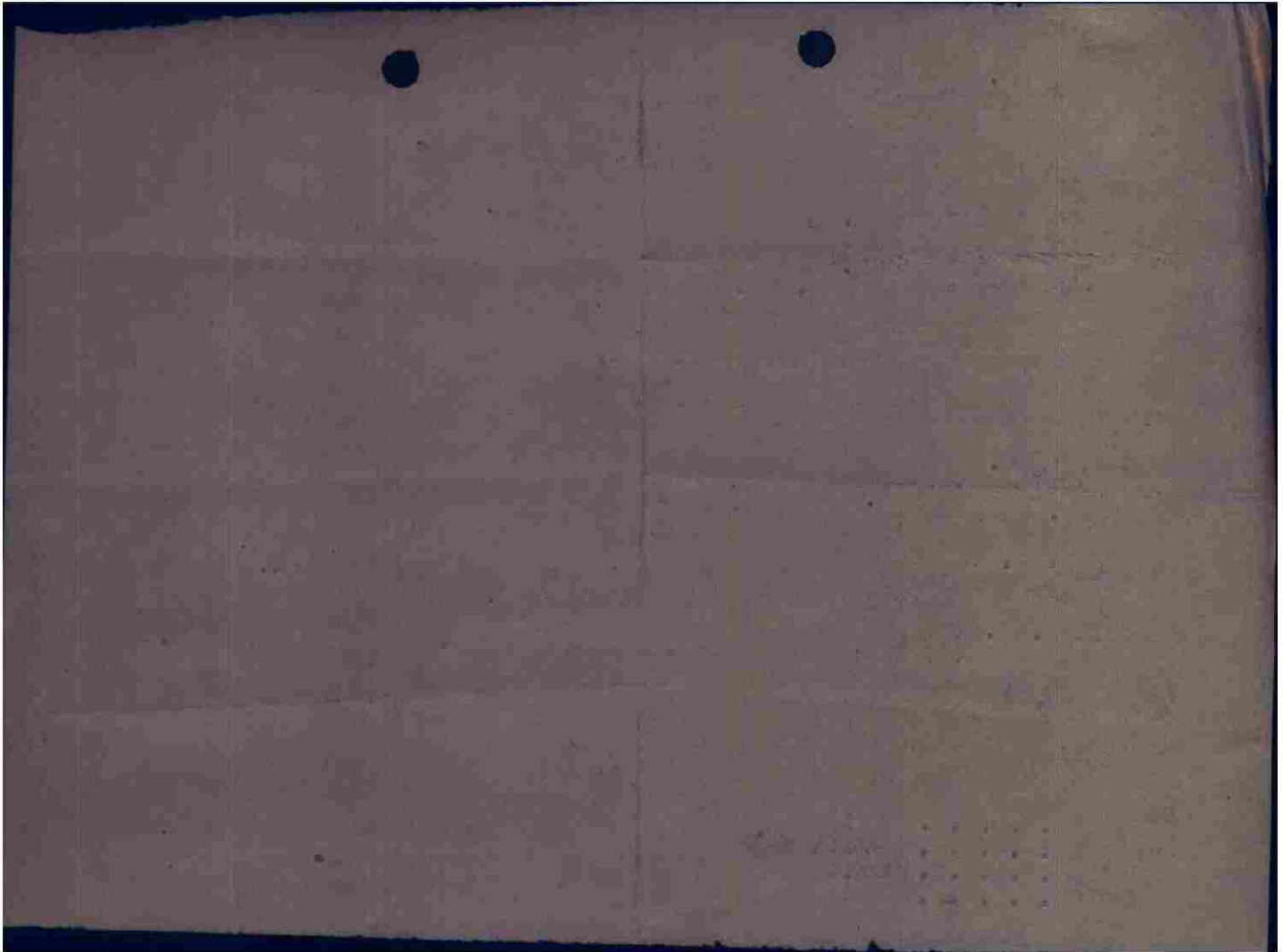
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LOADING LIST
BOX I
FLIGHT I

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1. 173 W
Major L.F. Dunn
Lt. W.E. Brewer
S/S B.J. Majewski
Sgt C.B. Rhoney

2. 249 F
Lt. E.O. Turner
S/S J.O. Belcas

3. 306 X
Lt. J.C. Sewell
S/S J.A. Hummer

4. 337 O
Lt. J.R. Warren
S/S C.C. Stroup

5. 250 A
Lt. E.G. Bishop
Sgt L.W. Hudnutt

6. 241 F
Lt. P.P. Barausky
S/S M. Hall

FLIGHT II

1. 467 W-1
Lt. R.J. Rooney
Lt. R.L. Kirk
S/S S.R. Caudell
Sgt J.G. Krantz

2. 215 H
Lt. M. Errotabere
S/S W.E. Arnett

3. 2315 L
Capt. R.O. Gruetzemacher
S/S J.J. Ricketson

4. 223 B
Lt. H. Popeney
S/S H.C.S. Gandler

5. 222 S
F/O J.A. Green
Sgt R.R. Rorbakken

6. 334 G
Lt. J.A. Cook
Sgt T.R. Langley

FLIGHT III

1. 106 E
Lt. J.A. Buskirk
Lt. R.C. Hanna
S/S C.H. Corbitt
S/S O.E. Swank

2. 352 J
Capt. A.C. Bears
M/S J.J. Wells

3. 313 B-1
Lt. J.W. Spires
Cpl R.W. Messinger

4. 239 N-1
Lt. F.W. Henderson
Sgt A.H. Hinson

5. 208 L-1
Lt. J.B. Cooke
S/S W.A. MacCartney

6. 300 K
Lt. W.R. Jokinen
Sgt E.J. Creedon

SPARE

237 D-1
Lt. S. Mooney
Sgt W.G. Buckley

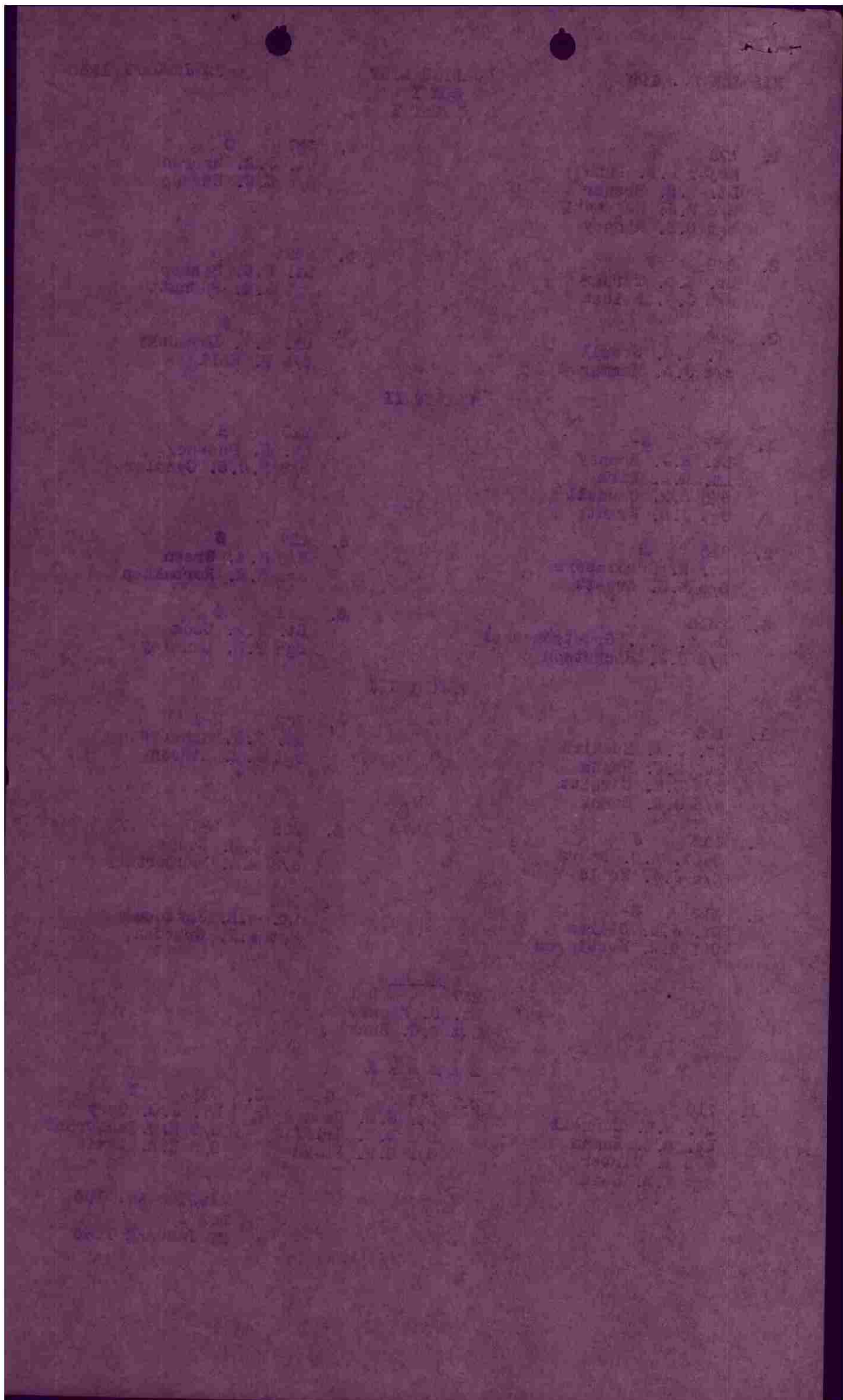
W I N D O W

1. 710 Y
Lt. R.H. Cornell
Lt. R.E. Enman
S/S A. Carter
Sgt K.A. Reid

2. 185 G
Lt. M.W. Dubose
Sgt D.L. Griffin
S/S C.F. Floyd

3. 023 X
Lt. J.C. Gary
S/S R.W. Chevront
S/S H.R. Davis

MISSION NO. 195
BOX I
29 JANUARY 1945



MISSION NO. 195

LOADING LIST
BOX II
FLIGHT I

29 JANUARY 1945

1. 063 A
Capt. H.M. Evans
F/O T.M. McCartney
S/S C.L. Skeens
S/S O.N. Merritt

2. 188 R
Lt. J.P. Kenny
S/S J.J. Sittarich

3. 290 L
Lt. W.L. Hale
S/S J.F. Geyer

4. 213 A
Lt. G.J. Parkhurst
Sgt R.P. Windisch

5. 378 O
Lt. R.G. Buchanan
Sgt C.L. Calabrese

6. 321 T
Lt. J.H. Carver
Sgt N.M. Graham

FLIGHT II

1. 073 W
Lt. G.C. Mish
Lt. R.E. Shafer
S/S J.H. Roberts
Cpl F.B. Harmon

2. 259 H
Lt. O.F. Jacobsen
Sgt A. Pettinicchi

3. 331 G
Lt. L.E. Cannon
S/S J.W. Robinson

4. 264 I
Lt. F.W. Harris
Sgt C.W. Williford

~~6. 333 F
Lt. A.S. Nathanson
Cpl C.J. Kaminski~~

6. 344 G-1
Lt. W.W. Annin
Sgt C.J. Rivard

FLIGHT III

1. 085 T -1
Capt. E.E. DeMun
Lt. R.J. McQuade
S/S W.W. Donnelly
Sgt C.J. Kruger

2. 271 R-1
Lt. G.M. Anderson
Sgt J.H. Deatherage

3. 381 Q
Lt. E.G. Martin
Sgt L.R. Draft

4. 354 S
Lt. J.F. Smith
Sgt S.J. Kirik

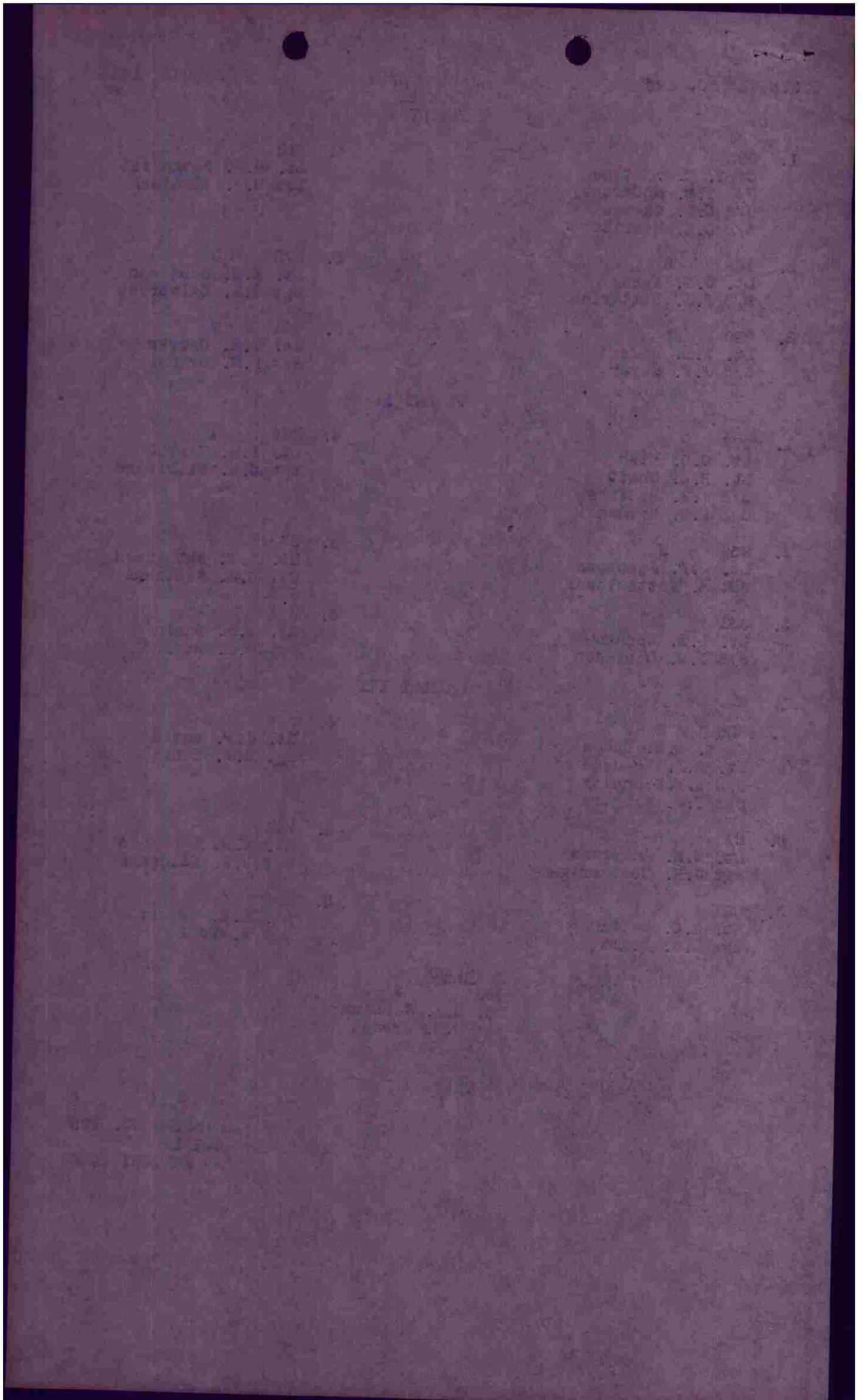
5. 244 I-1
Lt. R.W. Van Rope
Sgt W.H. Klingman

6. 252 D
Lt. C.E. Weinert
Sgt R. Dubi

SPARE

363 V
Lt. R.K. Johnson
Sgt H.E. Brandt

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BOX II
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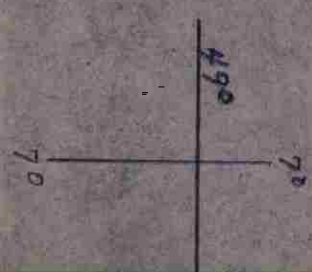
COURSE FLOWN AS BRIEFED
NO FLAK ENCOUNTERED

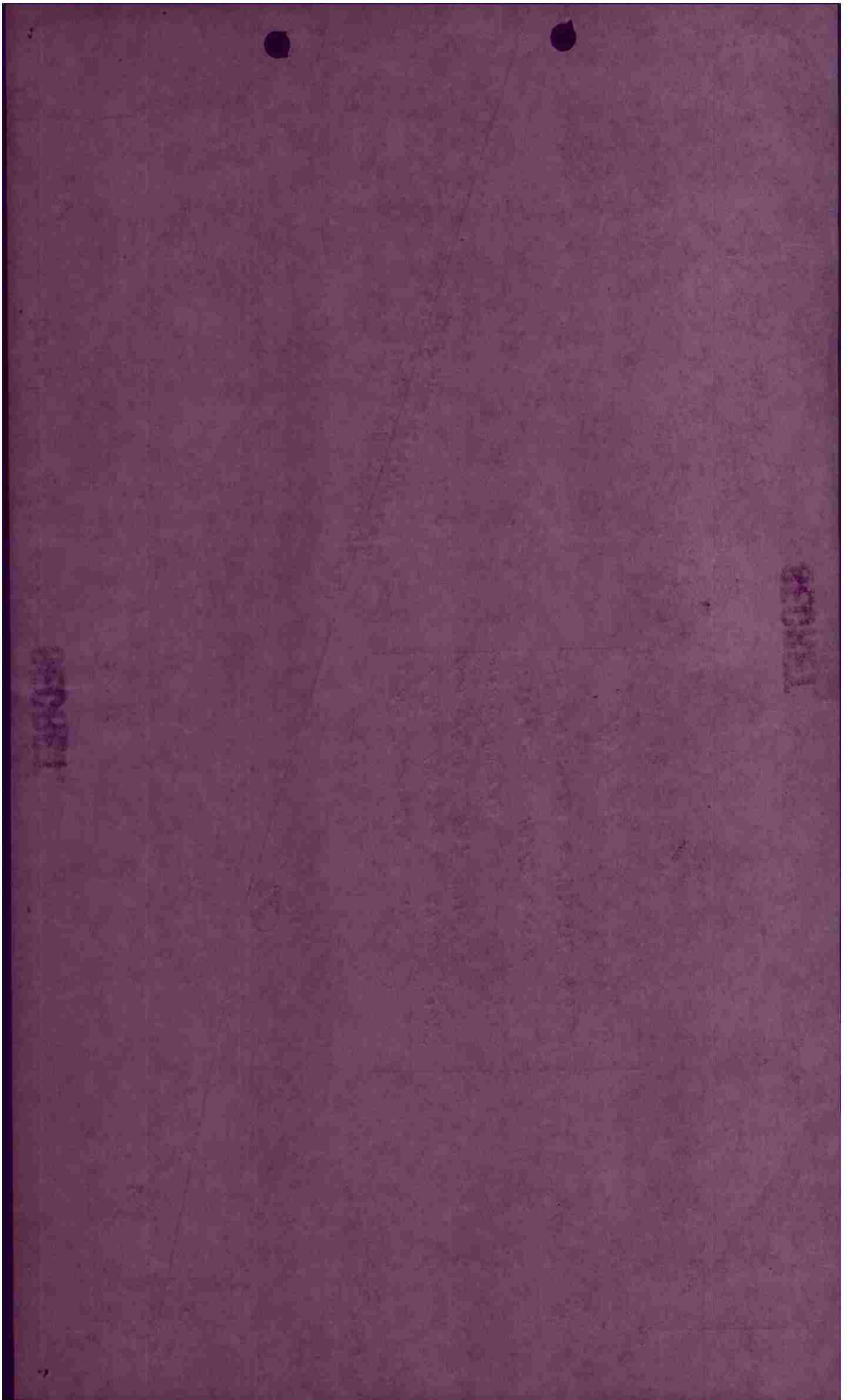
416 TH Bomb GP (4)
F.O. 144-724 29 Jun 1945
ALT 13000 TOT. 1159 1/2
WINDOW CARBID
WEATHER - 10/10 Cloud
A/C DISPATCHED 6:11:30 31 A:26
No FLAK

IR

TARGET

SECRET





USAAF FORM 34A

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SECRET

AUTH: CO STA 4-55

DATE: 31 Jan. 1945

INIT:

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: Oprep A No. 301 for 24 hrs. ending midnight 30 Jan. 1945
Mission or Operation No. 195 97th GBN FO 614-724.

A. Short Narrative of Operation:

Target Kennweiler Railroad Bridge
Place of take-off Station 4-55
Place of landing Station 4-55
Take-off time 1052 Landing time 1122
Time over target 1159 Bombing Altitude 15000
Nature of mission Bombing Other None
Weather 10/10's cloud cover target area.
Results Unclassified.
Enemy opposition None

B. Type & model of aircraft:

1. Dispatched 9 A-20's
21 A-26's

2. Attacking target (indicate target) or completing mission.
3 A-20's None
6 A-20's Kennweiler R/R Bridge
21 A-26's Kennweiler R/R Bridge

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 A-20's 9
A-26's 21

SECRET

(over)

SECRET

GEORGE SOHNKEIN,
Captain, Air Corps,
is awarded the
Distinguished Flying
Cross for the following
acts of heroism:
On 5/10/42, while
on a mission over
the coast of France,
he was shot down
and bailed out.
He was captured
and held in a
prisoner of war
camp for several
months. He was
released in 1945
and returned to
the United States.
He was promoted
to Major in 1946
and to Lieutenant
Colonel in 1948.
He was awarded
the Distinguished
Flying Cross in
1942.

For the Commanding Officer:
is awarded the
Distinguished Flying
Cross for the following
acts of heroism:
On 5/10/42, while
on a mission over
the coast of France,
he was shot down
and bailed out.
He was captured
and held in a
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released in 1945
and returned to
the United States.
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to Major in 1946
and to Lieutenant
Colonel in 1948.
He was awarded
the Distinguished
Flying Cross in
1942.

- a. Destroyed
- b. Prob. Destroyed
- c. Damaged

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

Type of	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
Wounded	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Slightly Wounded	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

G. Own Personnel Casualties:

- a. Total Returned
- b. Lost or wrecked on missing a/c
- c. Detained

F. Bombs, Mines, etc. used:
Total carried into air:
Expended on operations:
(List targets separately)
Total carried into air:
Expended on operations:
(List targets separately)

E. Ammunition by caliber:
Total carried into air:
Expended on operations:
Lost on wrecked or missing a/c

D. Total operational flying hours:
Day (Sunset to sunset)
Night (Sunset to sunrise)

SECRET

USUAL FORM 37a (cont'd)

ITA JEA V JKI JKI 9/29 . B - R
FROM COBONGR 416 29/1545A
TO COMBOMDIV NINE ATTN: COMM OFFICER
COMCEYWIG 97 (INFO)

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416 BG J-452-J

A - YS - 24

B - 29 JAN 45 (1032-1252)

C - W-WILLIAM AND A-ABLE REPORTED RESULTS OF MISSION TO PARADE.

D - W-WILLIAM RECEIVED FIX FROM FIGHTER GROUND CONTROL THE
COORDINATES OF WHICH WERE CORRECT, HOWEVER THE PREFIX WAS IN
ERROR.

E - NONE

F - NONE

G - NON

H - NONE

I - NONE

J - NONE

K - NONE

AYLESWORTH COBONGR 416

BT 29/1545A

FD BBB

ITA R.....29/1615

PETE

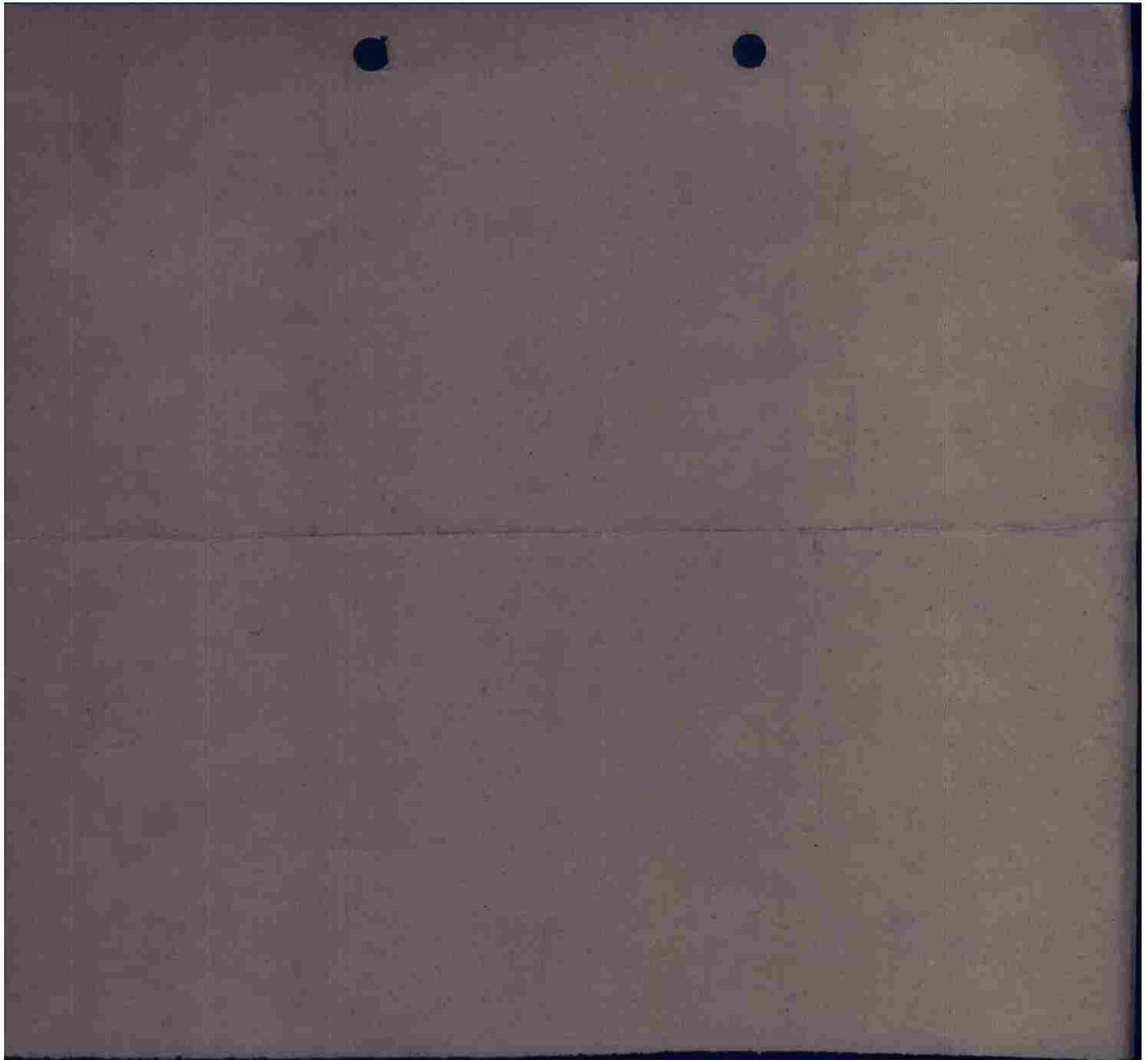
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JEA R.....29/1615A

SS

KK

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Box #	Opstl	Date	F/O	Target	Alt	Box Loader	T/O TOT L/D	15 min.
I								
A/C	Fall to Bomb	ATT	Bomb Disp	A/C Dam	E/A	Pers.		
Box No.	Reason	F S O	T S T P R	M D S A C B E D P D K W M				
1	4X500							
2								
3								
4								
5								
6								
1	4X500							
2								
3								
4								
5								
6								
1	4X500							
2								
3								
4								
5								
6								
1								
2								
3								
4								
5								
6								

12X500
63X1000
1X1500 Rt

173 DUNN
 306 SEWELL
 397 WARREN
 241 BARAUSNY
 250 BISHOP
 106 BUSKIRK
 467 ROONEY
 313 SPINES
 352 SEARS
 239 HENDERSON
 300 JOKINEN
 208 COOKE
 344 COOK
 225 SPANIE
 237 MOONEY
 235 GRUETZMACHER
 215 ERNOTKADENE
 223 POPENY
 228 GREEN
 710 CORNEAL
 035 GARY
 185 DuBoise

FORMS 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 _____ (Obtained from Tower).
 T.O.T. _____
 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	_____	---	_____
Bombs on Other	_____	X	_____
Bombs Returned	_____	---	_____
Bombs Jettisoned	_____	X	_____ Where _____

(Obtained from Recaps)

(The NCO in charge should fill this out immediately finishing taking the recaps and hand to the Officer making up the Ops Report).

Box #	OpsM	Date	F/O	Target	Alt.	Box Leader	T/O TOT L/D	15 min.
II								
A/C	Fail to Bomb	ATT	Bomb Disp	A/C Dam	E/A	Pers.		
Pos No.	Reason	F S O	T S T F R	N D A G B E D P D K W M				
1 063	11500	4	1					
2 188		4						
3 290		4						
4 213		4						
5 378		4						
6 321		4						
1 073	4x500	4						
3 259		4						
3 331		4						
4 264		4						
5 233	NOT AIRBORNE	4						
6 344		4						
1 085	4x500	4						
2 271		4						
3 381		4						
4 354		4						
5 244		4						
6 252		4						
383		4						

12x500
59x140
1x1000 PL

063 EVANS
 210 HAYE
 188 KENNY
 213 PARKHURST
 321 CARVER
 328 BUGHANAN
 085 DEMON
 073 MISH
 381 MARTIN
 271 ANDERSON
 331 CANNON
 354 SMITH
 244 HARRIS
 252 WEINERT VAN ROPE
 344 ANNIN
 233 NATHANSON
 383 JOHNSON

TOTALS FOR MISSION

- H.
- (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 _____ (Obtained from Tower).
 T.O.T. _____
 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)

(The NCO in charge should fill this out immediately finishing taking the recaps and hand to the Officer making up the Ops Report).

F/O _____

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PILOT Dunn A/C# 173 BOX I

CASUALTIES None

BOMBS :	<u>4</u>	X	<u>500</u>	ON <u>Primary</u>	BATTLE DAMAGE	W.E.
		X		RETURNED		
		X		JETTISONED		<u>None</u>

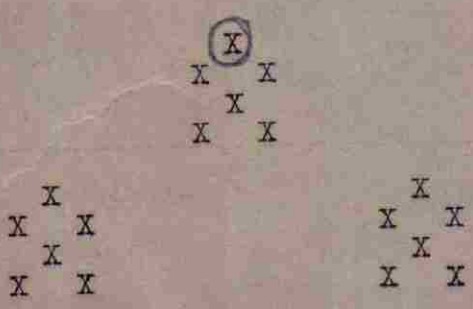
FLAK: 4 white objects coming up together with streamers at turn off left - shot at B-26 also at Romalere a way out

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

OBSERVATIONS: Dropped on PFF thru overcast - few breaks before left and on post. Plus briefed course - Results unobserved -

1159 1/2 T.O.T. Called 3 to 4 minutes before I.P.

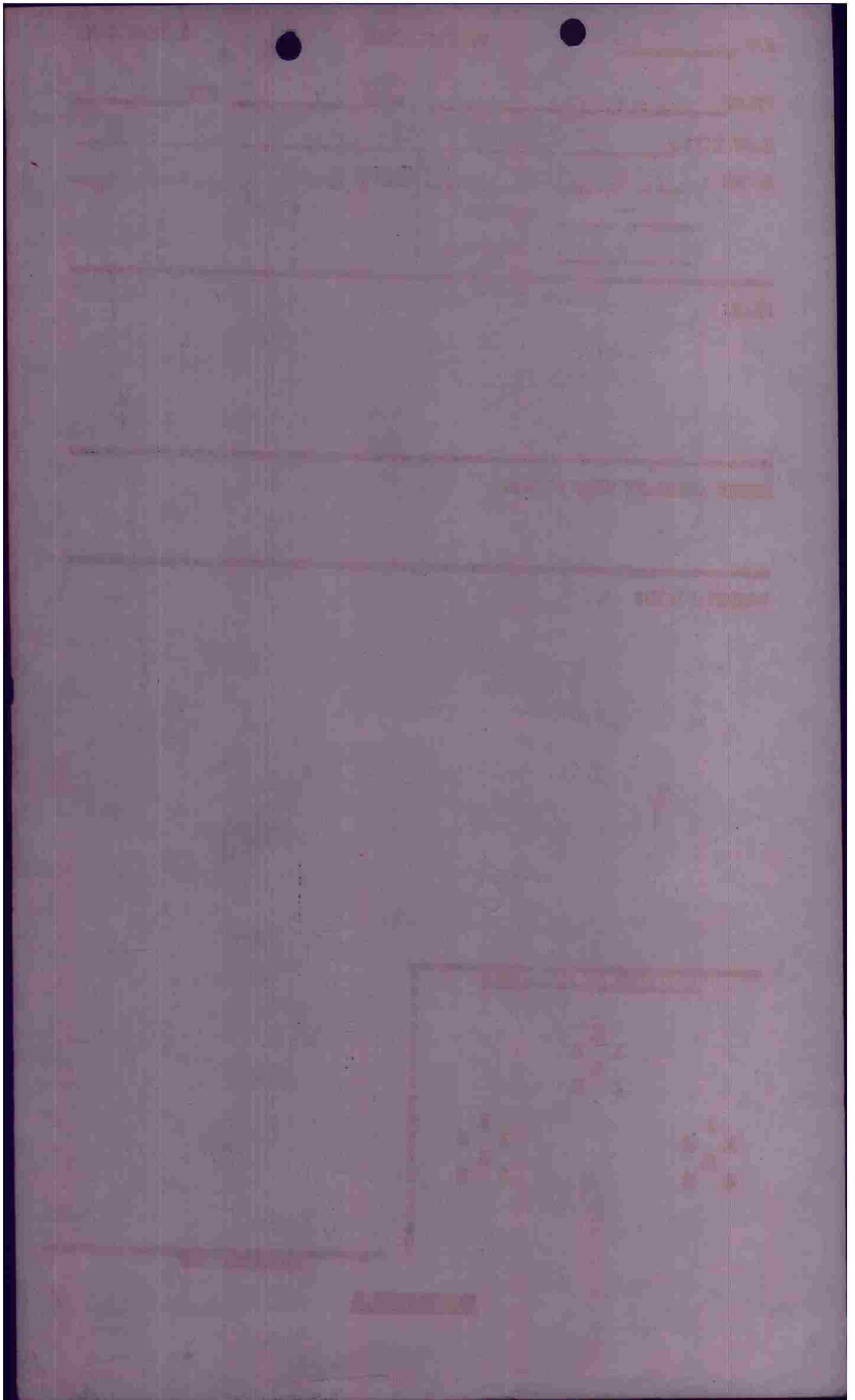
POSITION IN FORMATION



12500-13000
Window - 1 to 1 1/2
Mibs ahead x 500-1000 feet below
Bomb in #4 ship of 1st flight late in dropping & came out crossing PFF

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PILOT SEARS A/C# 352 BOX I

CASUALTIES None

BOMBS : 4 X 1000 ON Primary : BATTLE DAMAGE : : :
 : : : : : : :
 : X RETURNED : : :
 : X JEMPSONED : : :

FLAK: None

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS: No E A/c

OBSERVATIONS: Call to target, Tgt 10/10
overcast - Bombed on PFF
"C" Channel monitored - Bandits
5 miles East of Duren
P-38 escort

POSITION IN FORMATION

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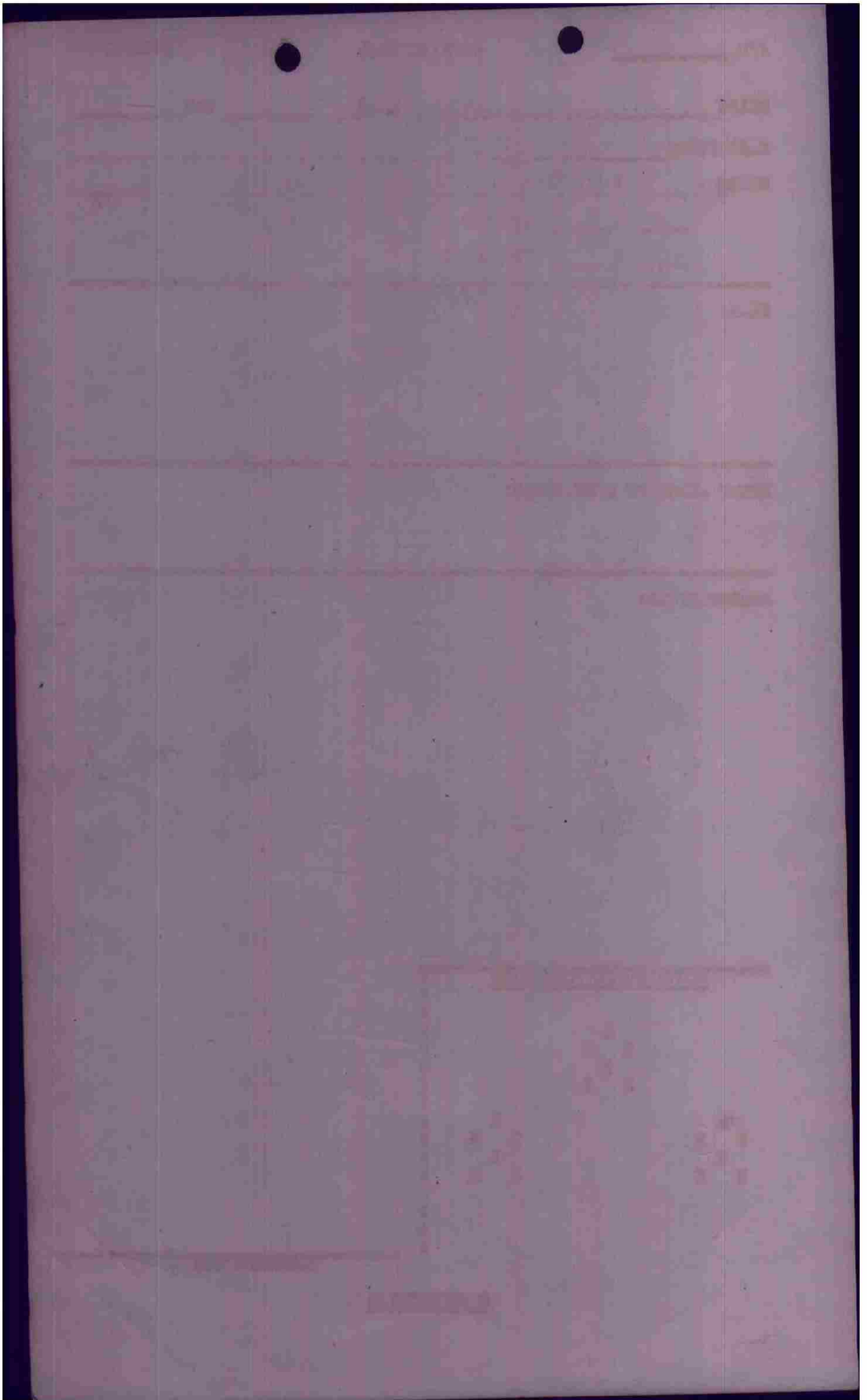
      X
    X  X
      X
    X  X

    X   X
  X  (X) X
    X   X
  X   X
  
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Field : None
Window - 1 to 1 1/2
ahead + 500 - 1000
ft below.

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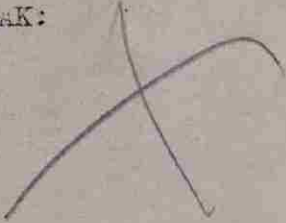
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PILOT GREEN A/C# 222 BOX I

CASUALTIES _____

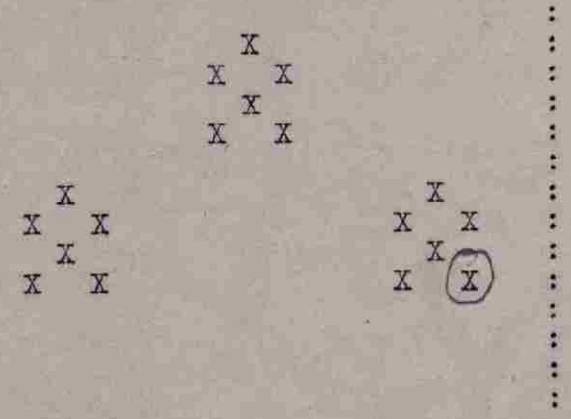
BOMBS :	<u>4 X 1000 ON P.T.</u>	BATTLE DAMAGE		
	<u>X</u> RETURNED	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>X</u> JETTISONED	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

FLAK: 

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS: P-38's

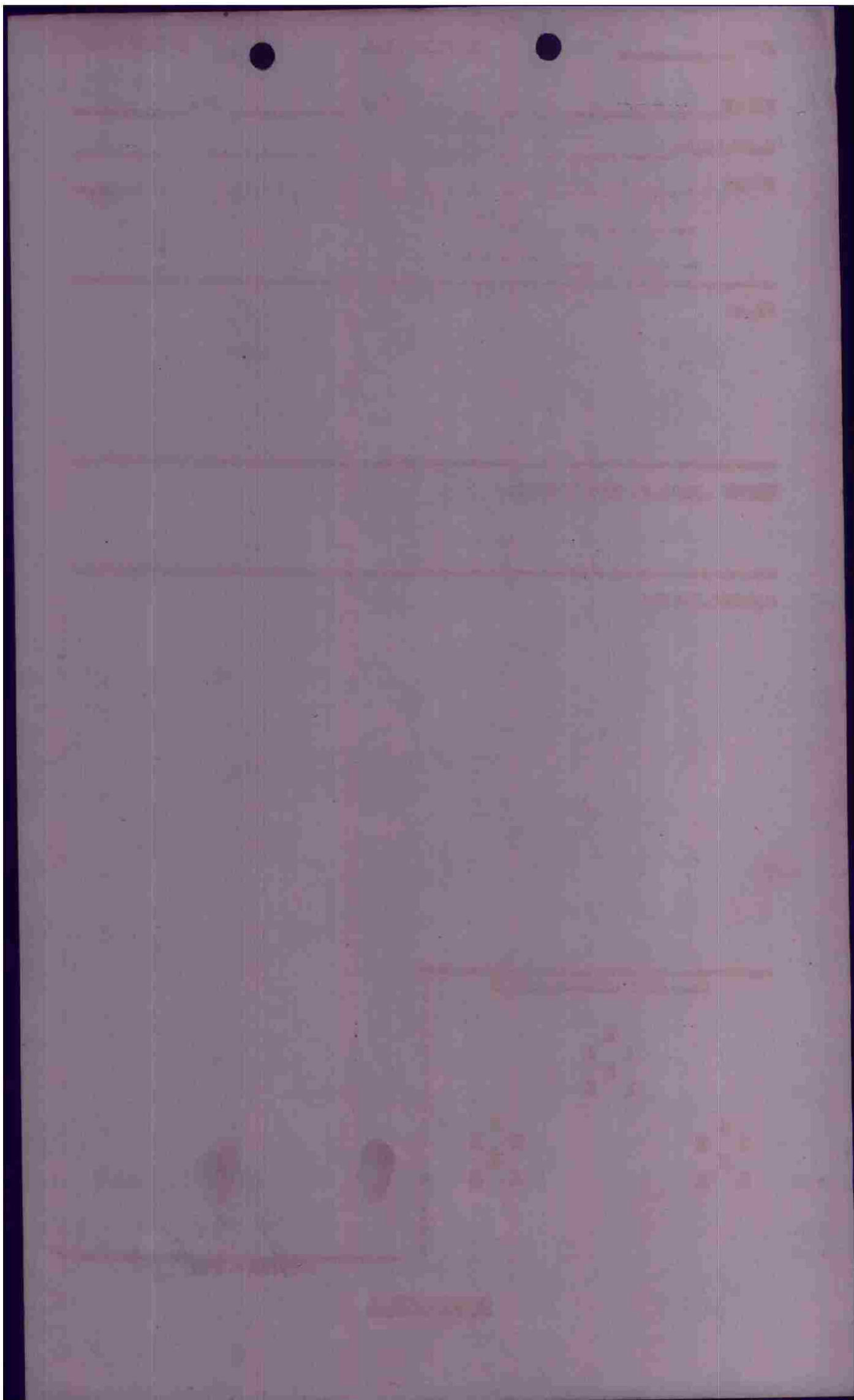
OBSERVATIONS: 

POSITION IN FORMATION



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PILOT BARAUSKY A/C# 241 BOX I

CASUALTIES _____

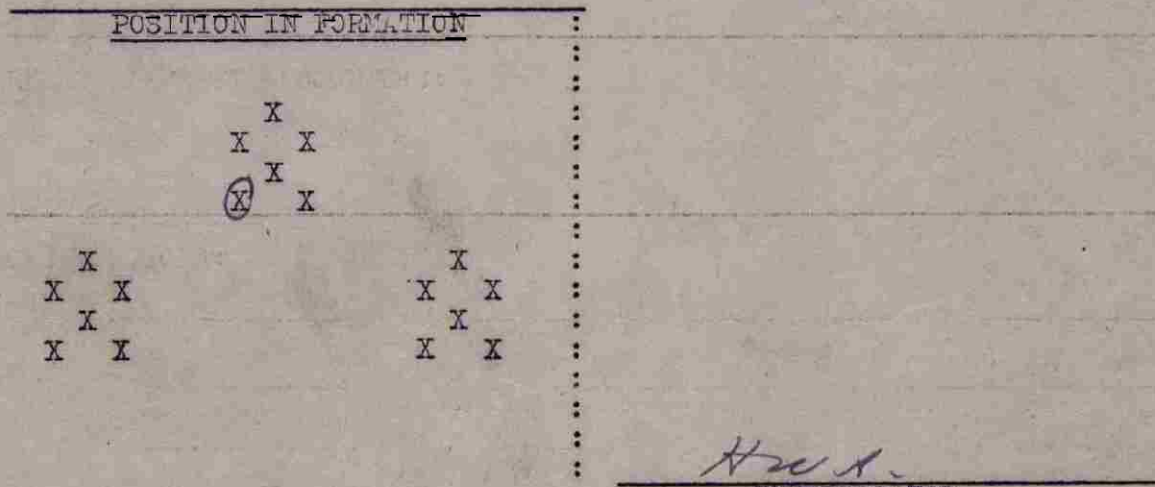
BOMBS :	<u>4</u>	X	<u>1000</u>	<u>P</u>	BATTLE DAMAGE			
		X	RETURNED					
		X	JETTISONED					

FLAK: _____

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS: _____

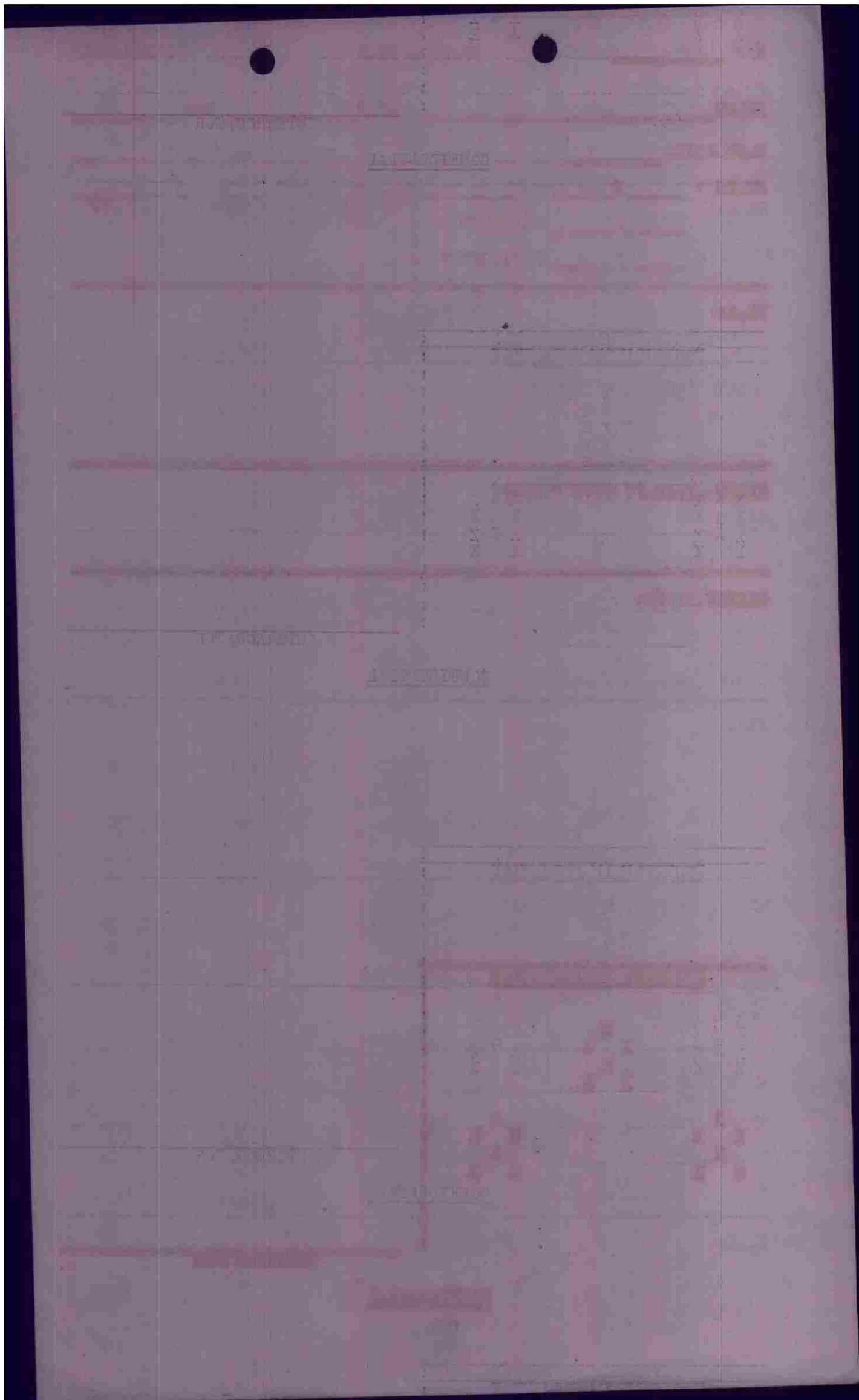
OBSERVATIONS:

14/10 clouds
no obs.
believe p is plater seen on turn off.



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PILOT POPENY A/C# 223 BOX I

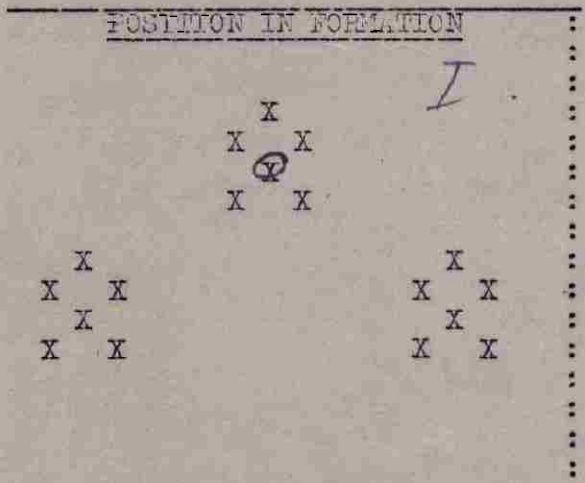
CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :	<u>4</u> X/1000 ON <u>P</u>	BATTLE DAMAGE		
	X RETURNED			
	X DESTROYED			

FLAK: _____

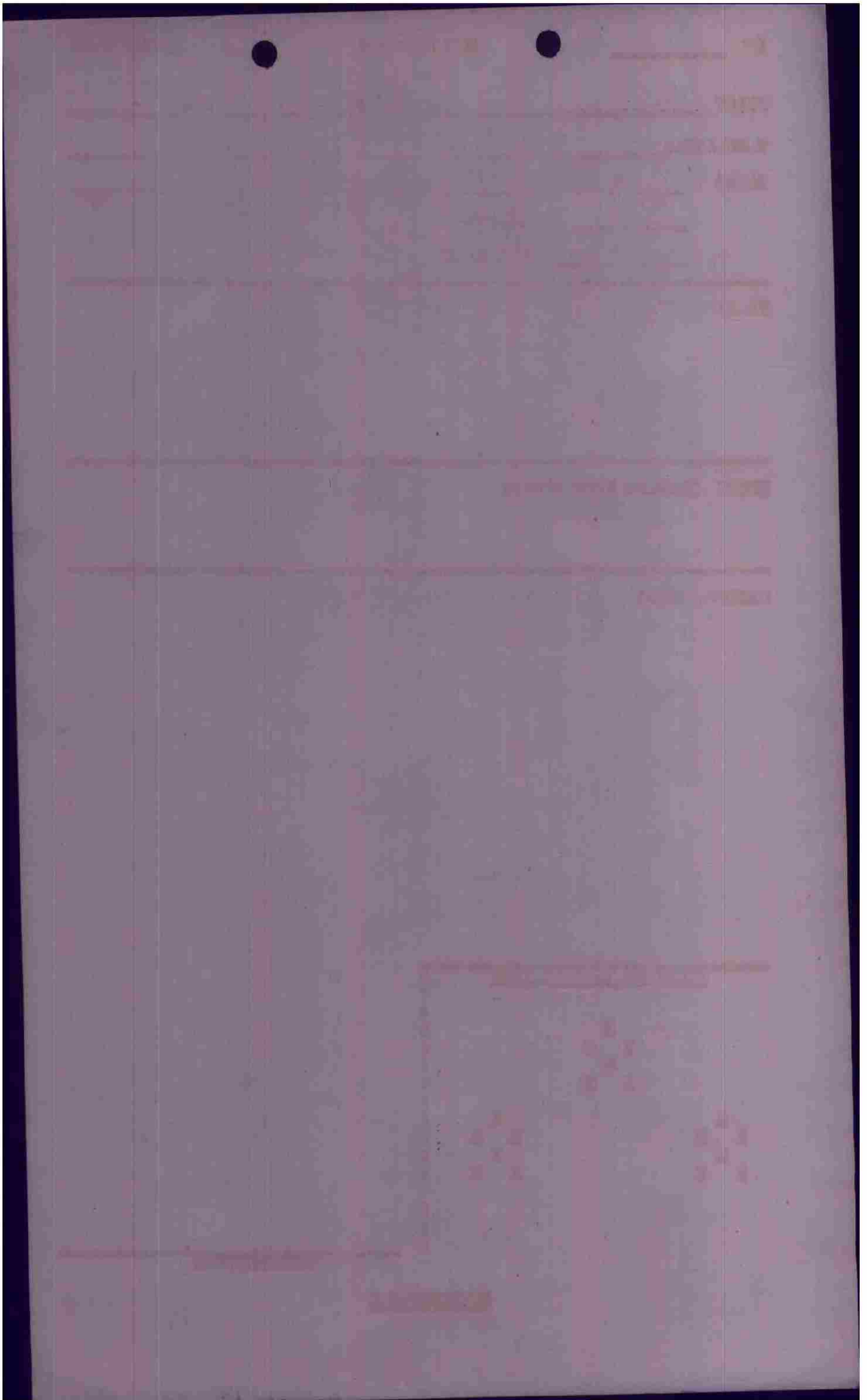
ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS: _____

OBSERVATIONS:
10/10 cloud.
no obs.



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PILOT HENDERSON A/C# 239 BOX I

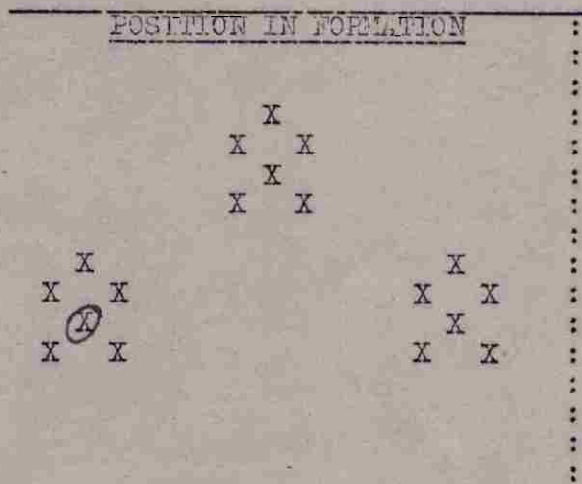
CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :	<u>4</u> X <u>1000</u> LB	RETURNS	REPAIRS	REMARKS
	X	RETURNED		
	X	REPAIRS		

FLAK: _____

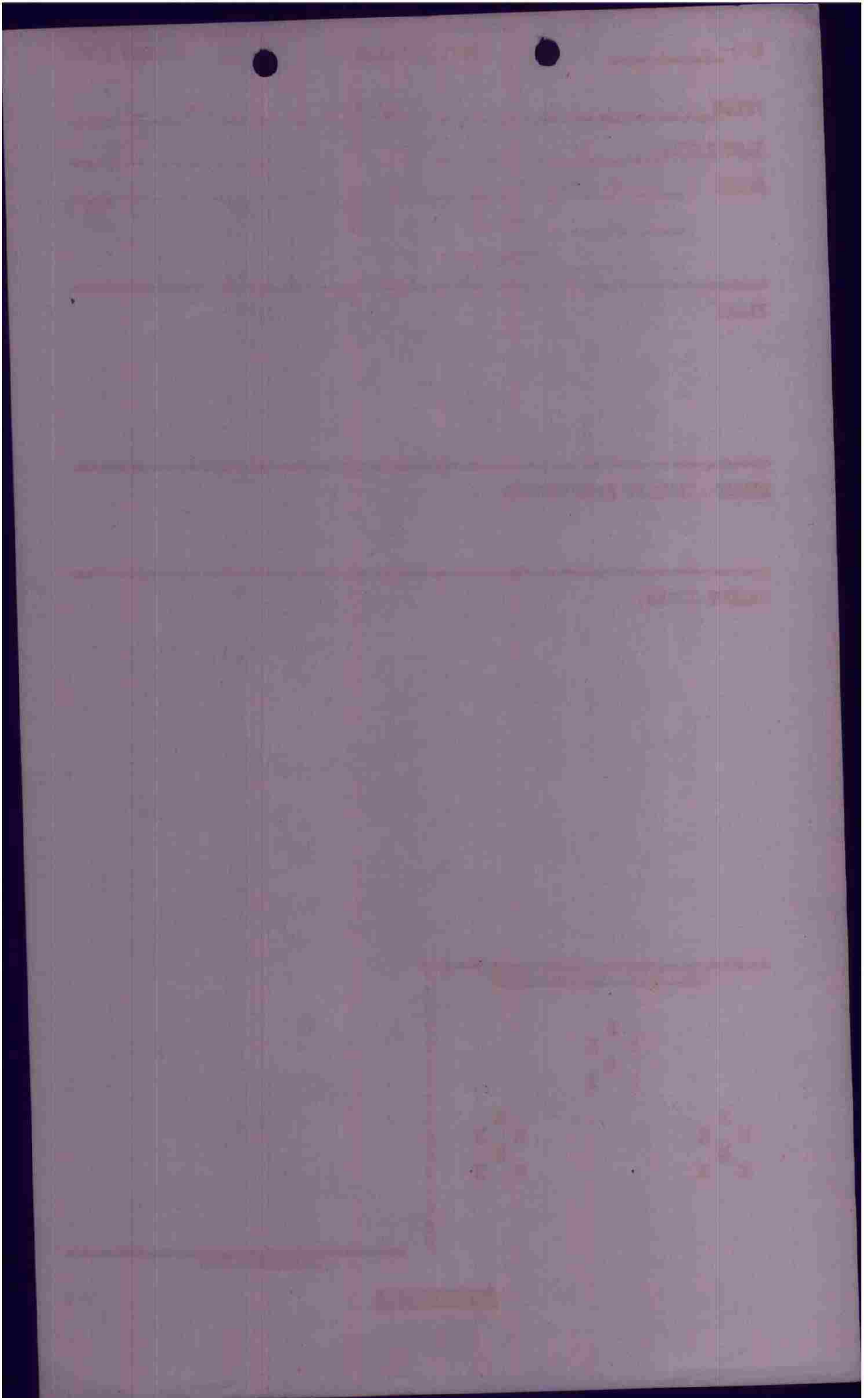
ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS: _____

OBSERVATIONS:
10/10 overcast



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INTERR. FORM

PILOT COCKE A/C# 208 BOX I

CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :	<u>4</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>1000 P.</u>	PARACHUTE DAMAGE			
	<u>X</u>		RETURNED				
	<u>X</u>		JET-DROPPED				

FLAK:

[Handwritten scribbles]

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

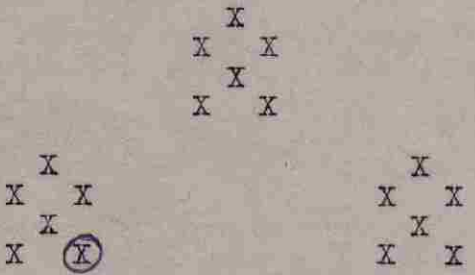
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OBSERVATIONS:

Probs.

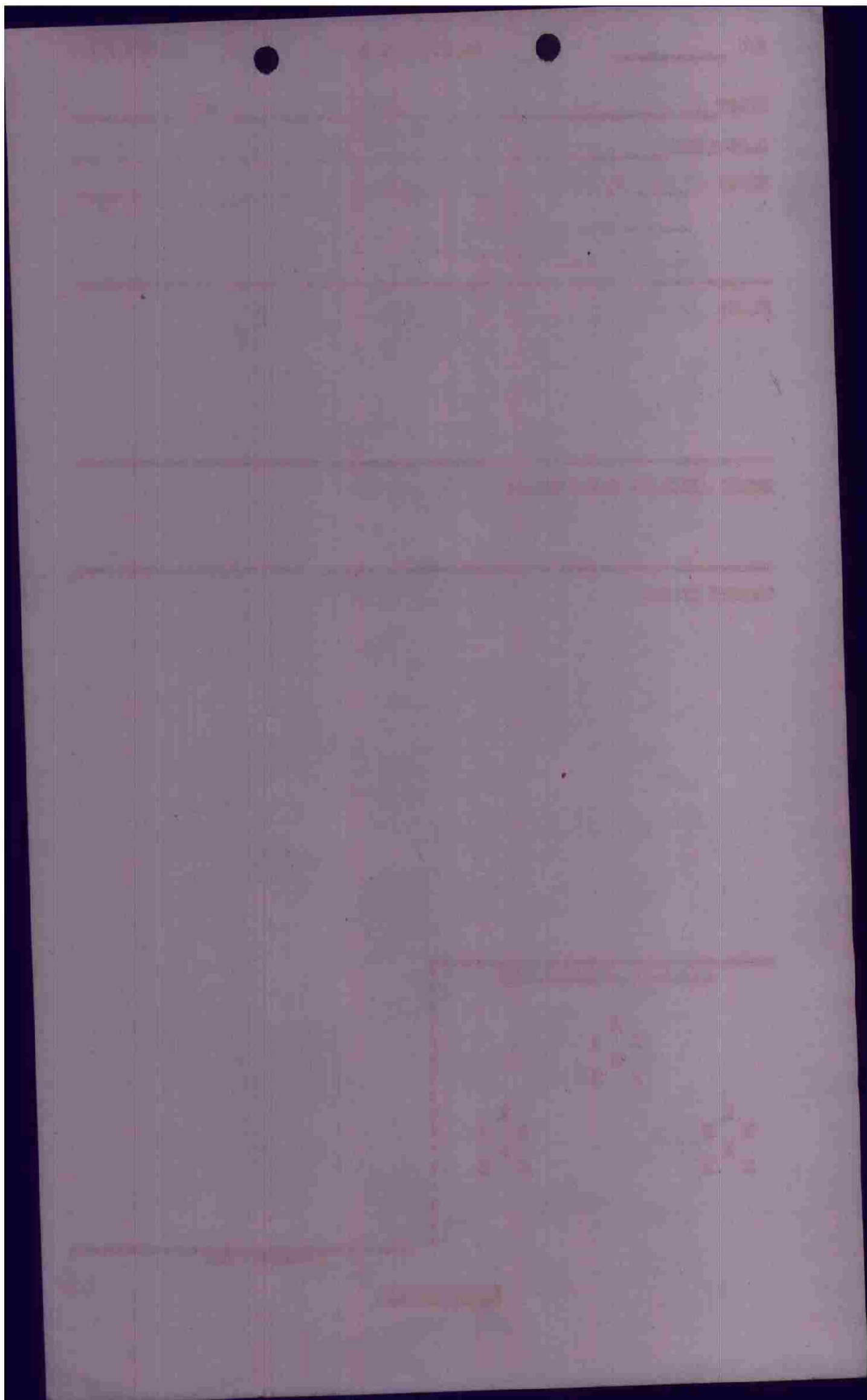
Window in formation

POSITION IN FORMATION



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PILOT LOKINEN No# 300 BOX I

CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :	<u>4</u>	<u>X/1000</u>	ON	_____	BATTLE DAMAGE	_____	_____	_____
			RETURNED	:	:	:	:	:
			DETROINED	:	:	:	:	:

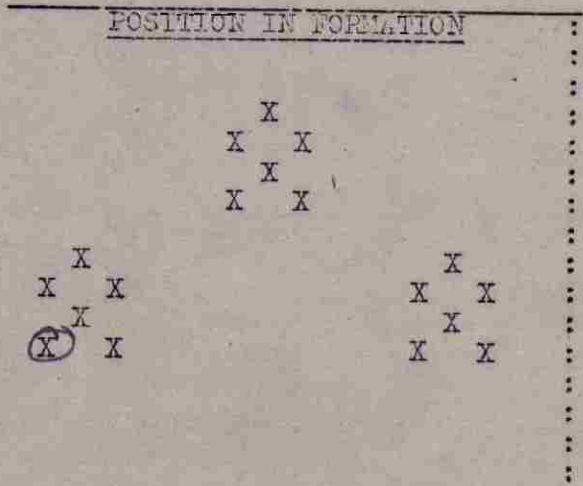
FLAK: _____

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS: _____

OBSERVATIONS:

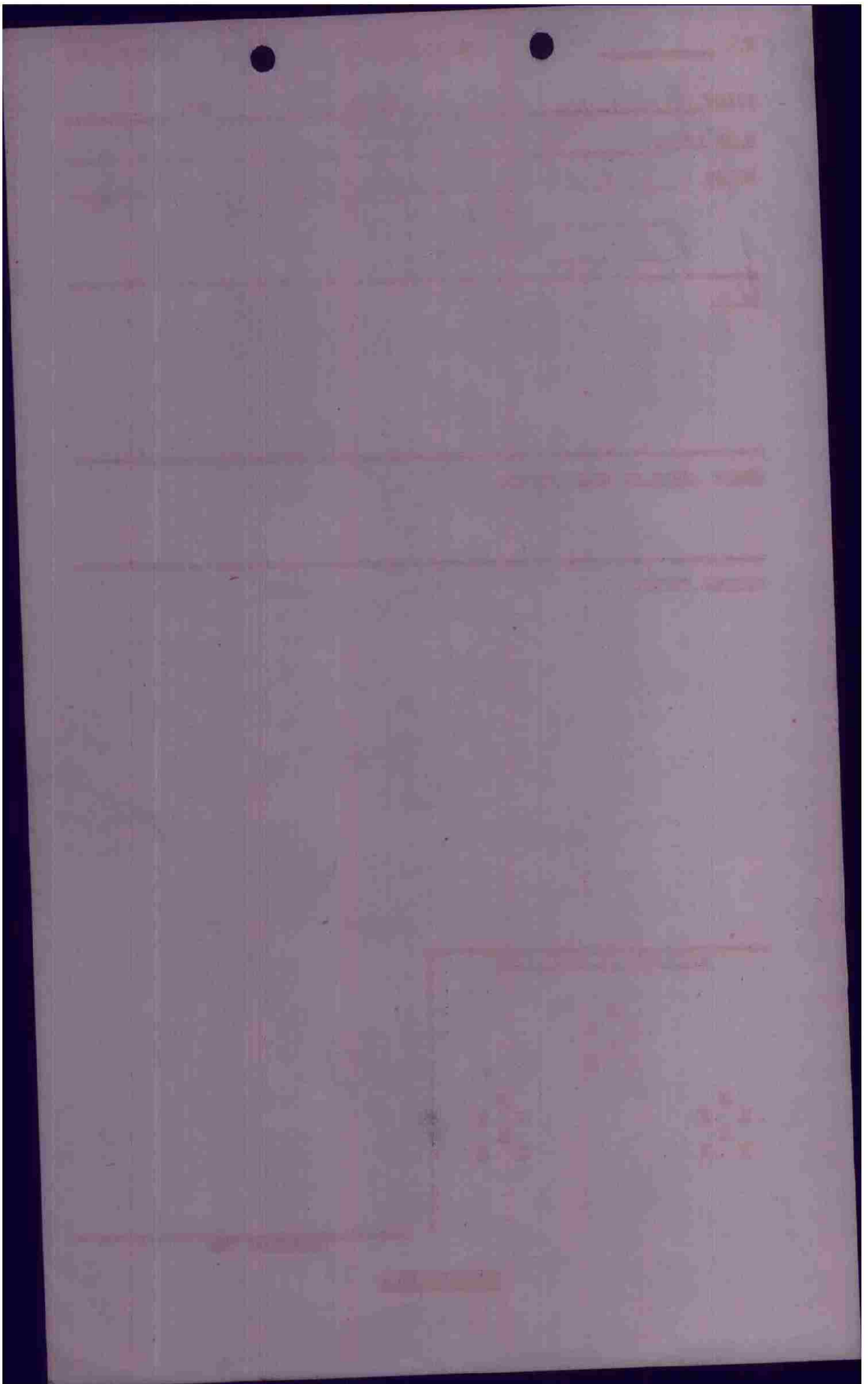
14/10 cover. PFS.

wind in formation coming clusters



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PILOT SPIRES A/C# 313 BOX I

CASUALTIES _____

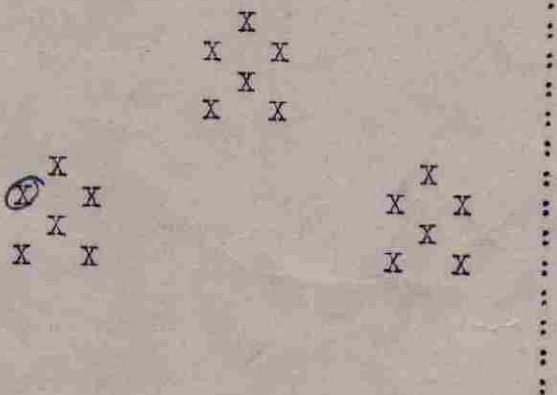
BOBBS :	<u>4</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>1000</u>	ON	REPAIRS	REPAIRS	REPAIRS
		<u>X</u>			RETURNED		
		<u>X</u>			REPAIRS		

FLAK:
~~_____~~

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:
~~_____~~

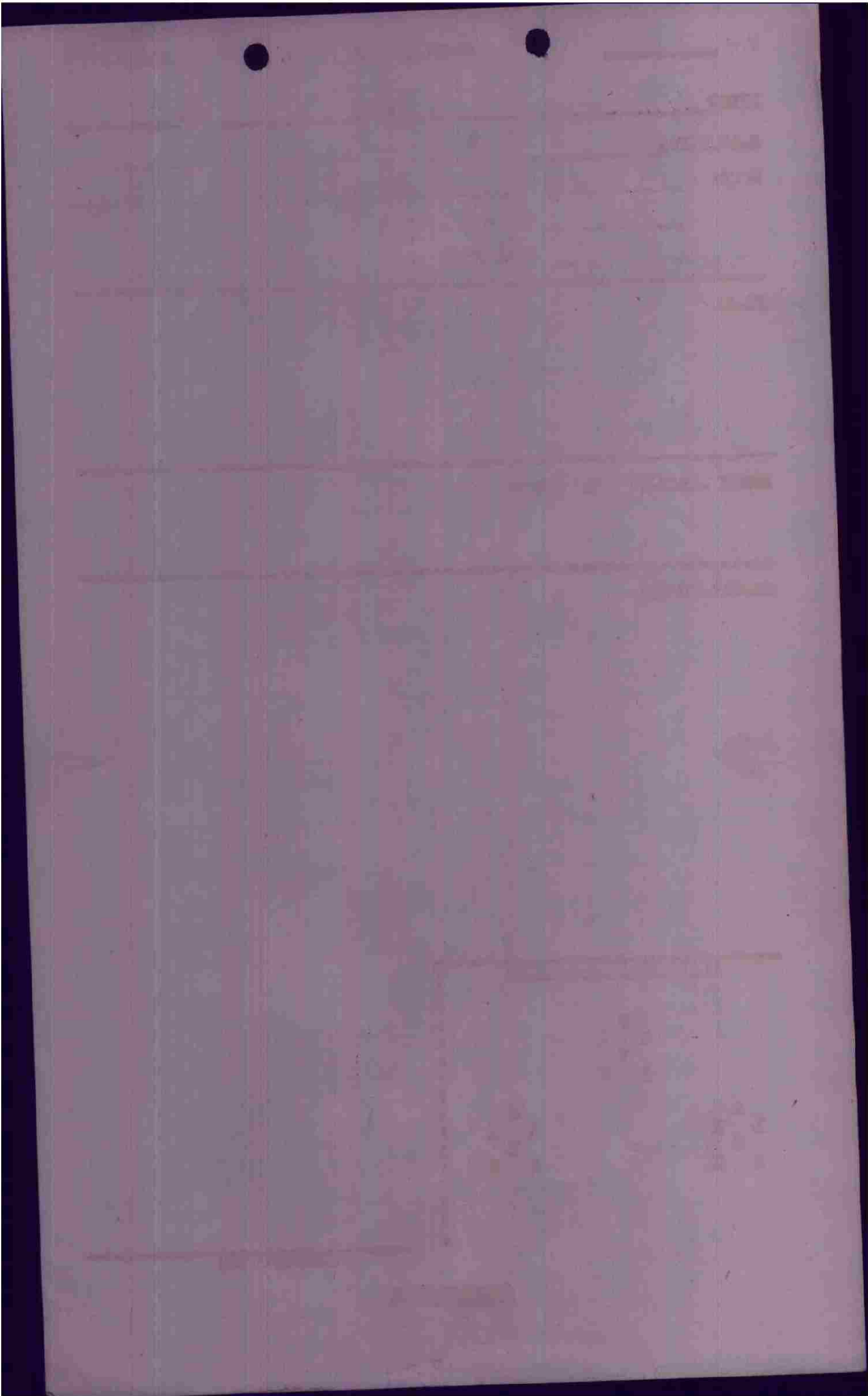
OBSERVATIONS:
10/10 overcast

POSITION IN FORMATION



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PILOT Buskirk A/C# 106 BOX I

CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :	<u>4</u>	X	<u>500</u>	ON	<u>P</u>	BATTLE DAMAGE			
		X		RETURNED					
		X		DETROUMED					

FLAK: _____

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS: _____

OBSERVATIONS:

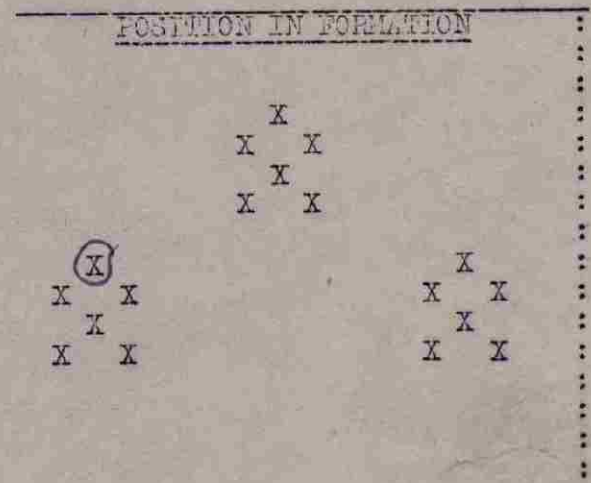
10/10 cloud cover.

h. of. - 12000

all - 12500

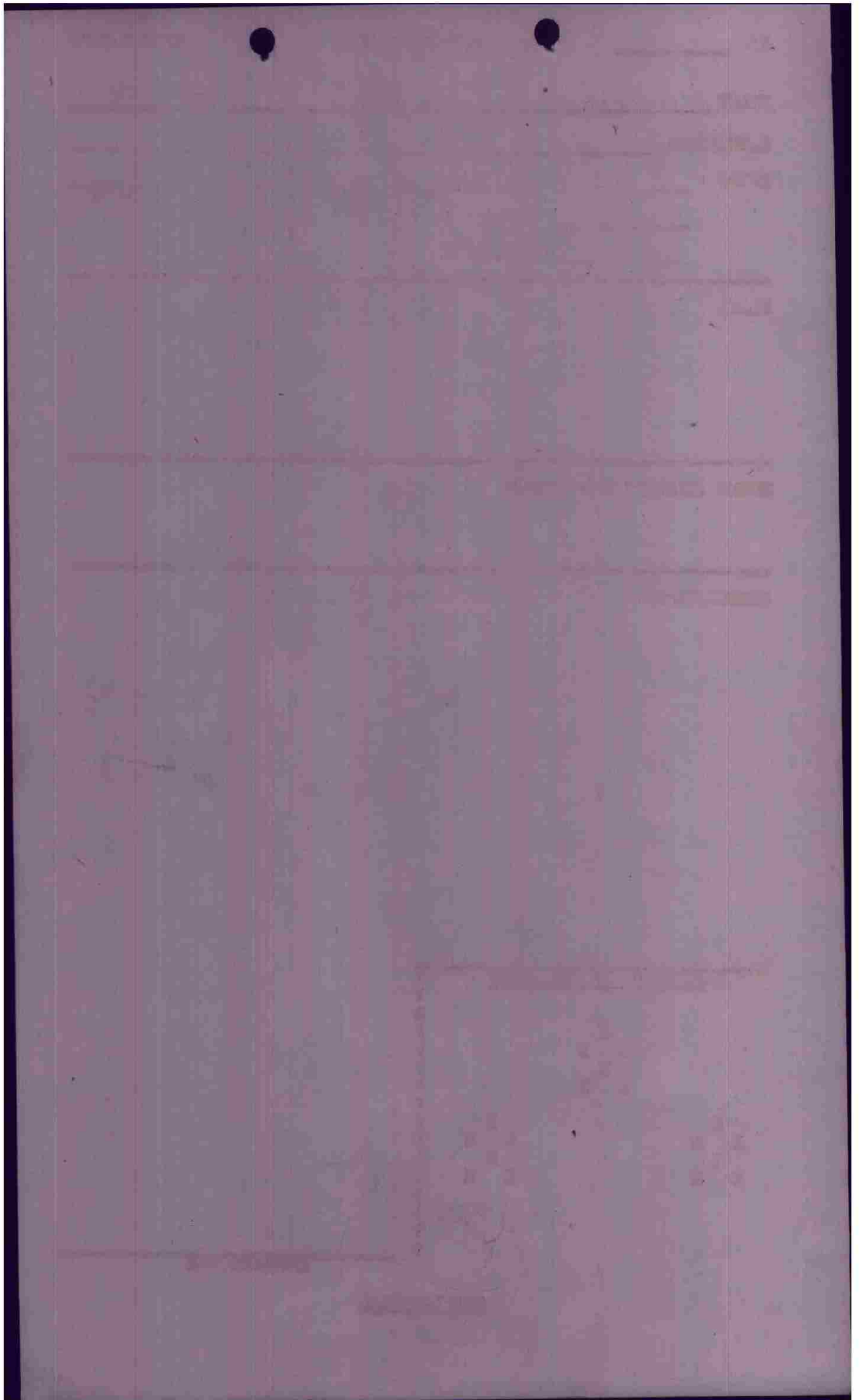
no obs.

PFF lead formation well.



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PILOT WARREN A/C# 337 BOX I

CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :	<u>4</u>	<u>X/100</u>	DN	:	BATTLE DAMAGE	:		:	
	<u>X</u>		RETURNED	:		:		:	
	<u>X</u>		JETISONED	:		:		:	

FLAK: _____

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS: _____

OBSERVATIONS:
19/50
no obs.

POSITION IN FORMATION :

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      X
     X X
    (X)
     X X
  
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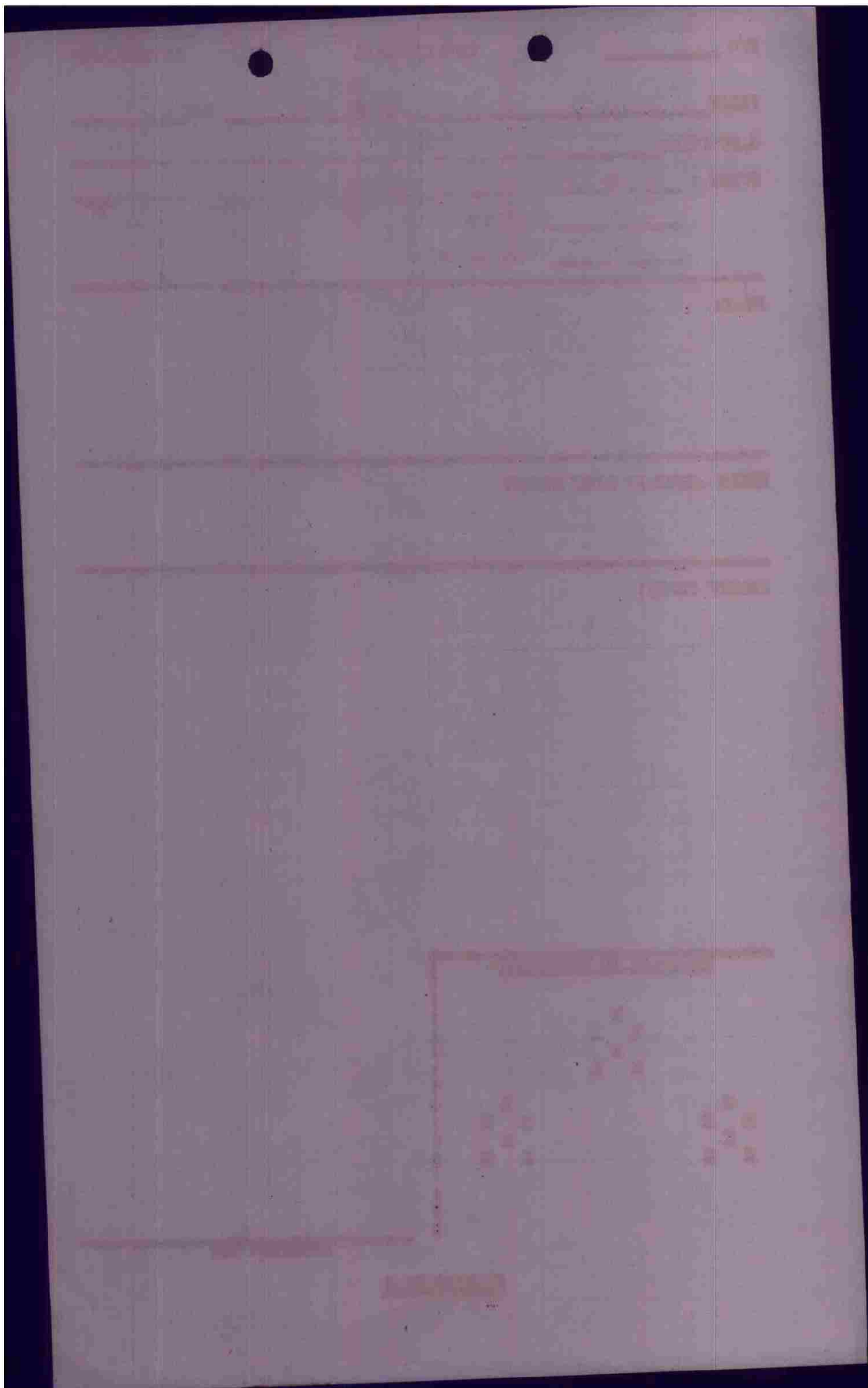
      X
     X X
    X X
  
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      X
     X X
    X X
  
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PILOT GRUETZMACHER A/C# 2315 BOX I

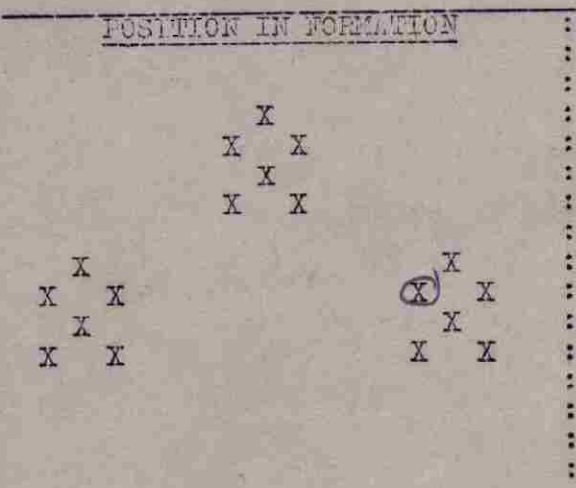
CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :	4	X/1000	ON P.	BATTLE DAMAGE		
				"A"	"B"	"C"
	X		RETURNED	:	:	:
	X		DETROUCHED	:	:	:

FLAK: _____

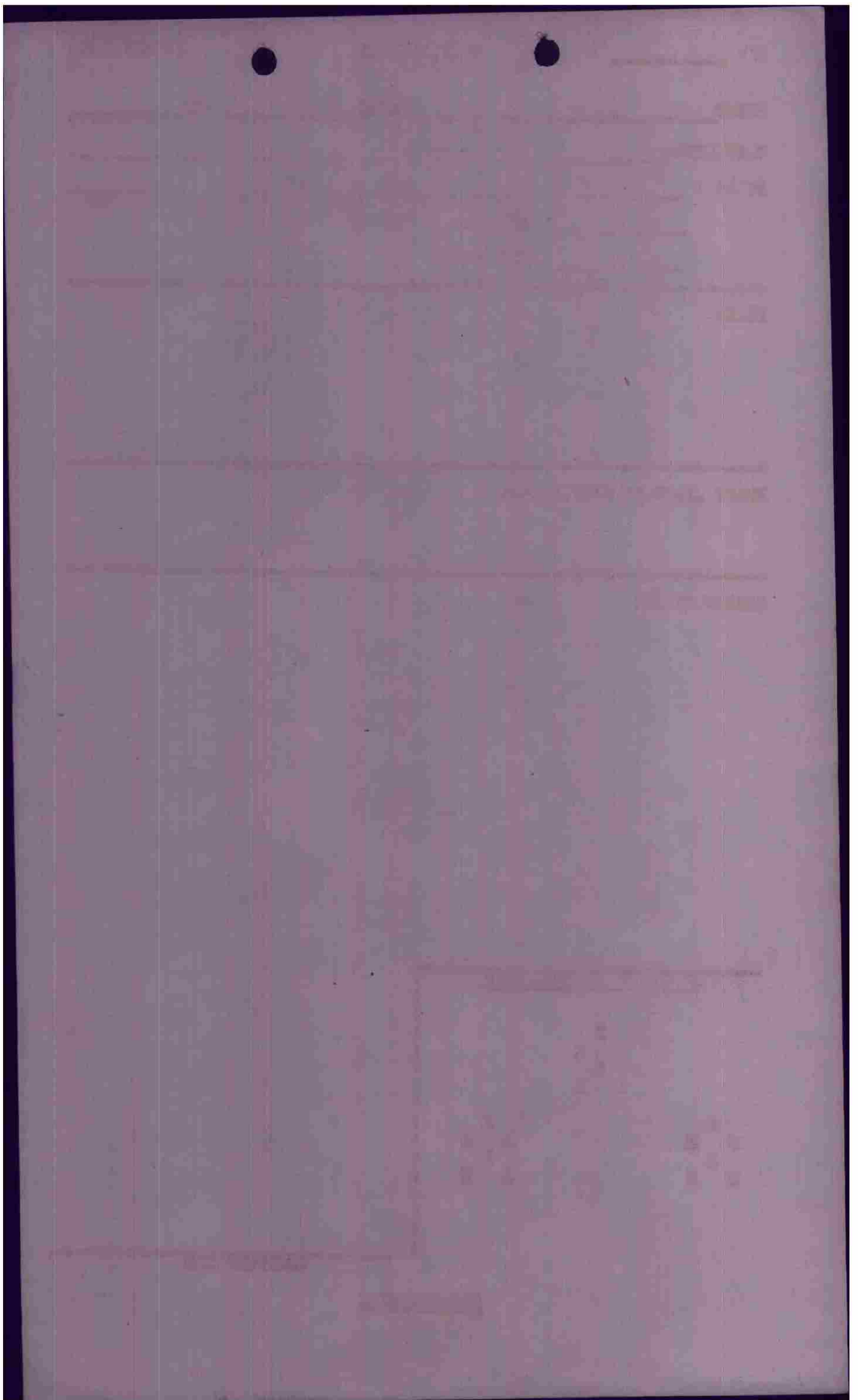
ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS: _____

OBSERVATIONS:
9/10 clouds . no obs.



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PILOT Cook A/C# 334 BOX T

CASUALTIES

BOMBS :	<u>3</u> X 1000 ON <u>P</u>	BATTLE DAMAGE			
	<u>1</u> X 1000 <u>RETURNED</u>				
	X DEFUSED				

FLAK:

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

OBSERVATIONS:

10/10
 1 bomb returned - alive frozen up.

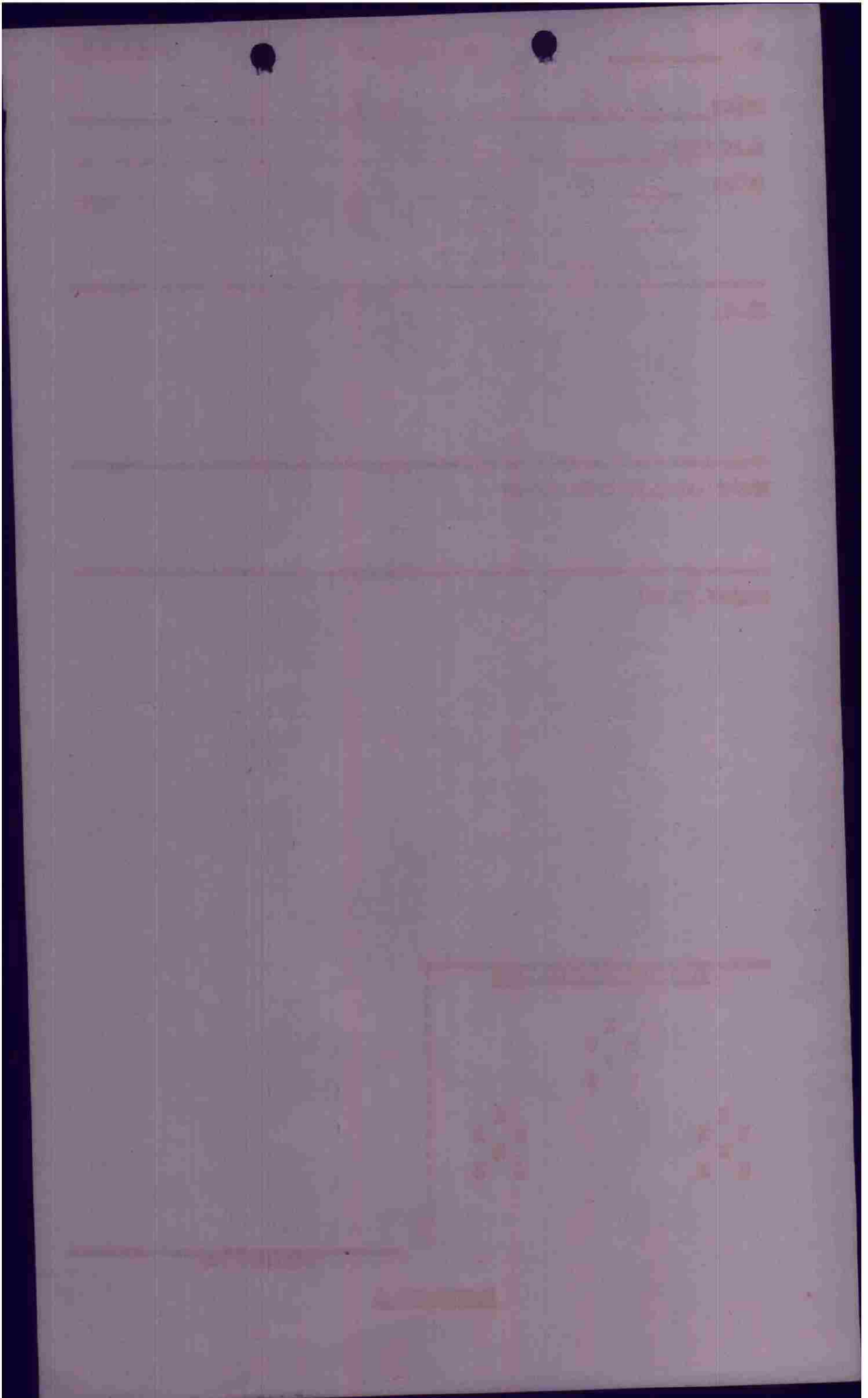
POSITION IN FORMATION

		X							
		X	X						
			X						
		X	X						
	X			X					
X	X			X	X				
	X			X	X				
X	X			X	X				

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PILOT TURNER A/C# 249 BOX I

CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :	<u>4</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>1000</u>	ON	<u>P</u>	BATTERY DAMAGE			
	<u>X</u>				RETURNED				"E"
	<u>X</u>				JETTISONED				

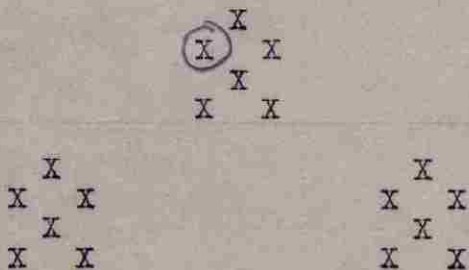
FLAK:

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

OBSERVATIONS:

10/10

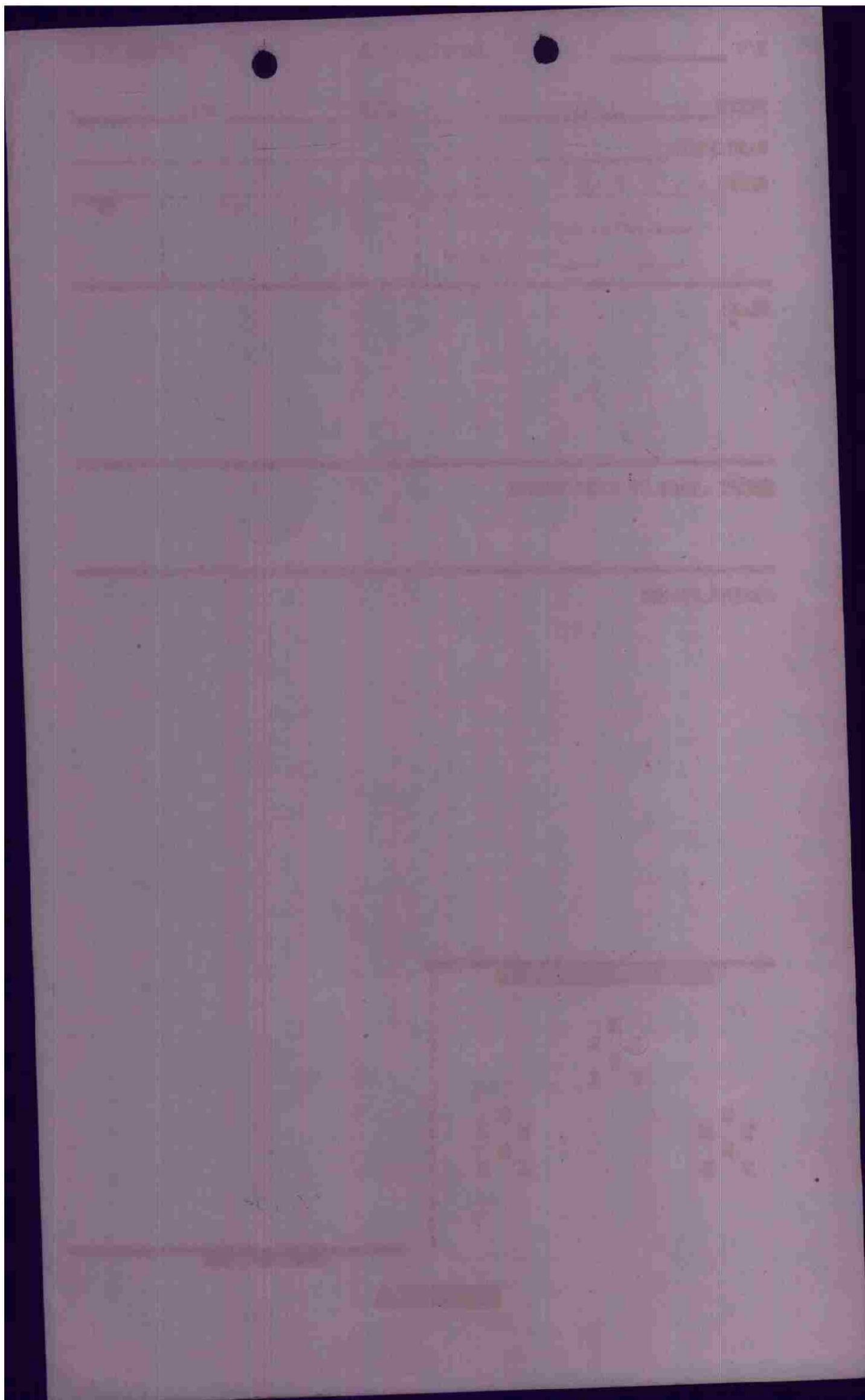
POSITION IN FORMATION



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PILOT BISHOP A/C# 250 BOX I

CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :	<u>4</u>	X	<u>1000</u>	ON	<u>P</u>	BATTLE DAMAGE			
		X		RETURNED					"E"
		X		JETTISONED					

FLAK:

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

OBSERVATIONS:

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POSITION IN FORMATION

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      X
     X X
    X X
   X (X)

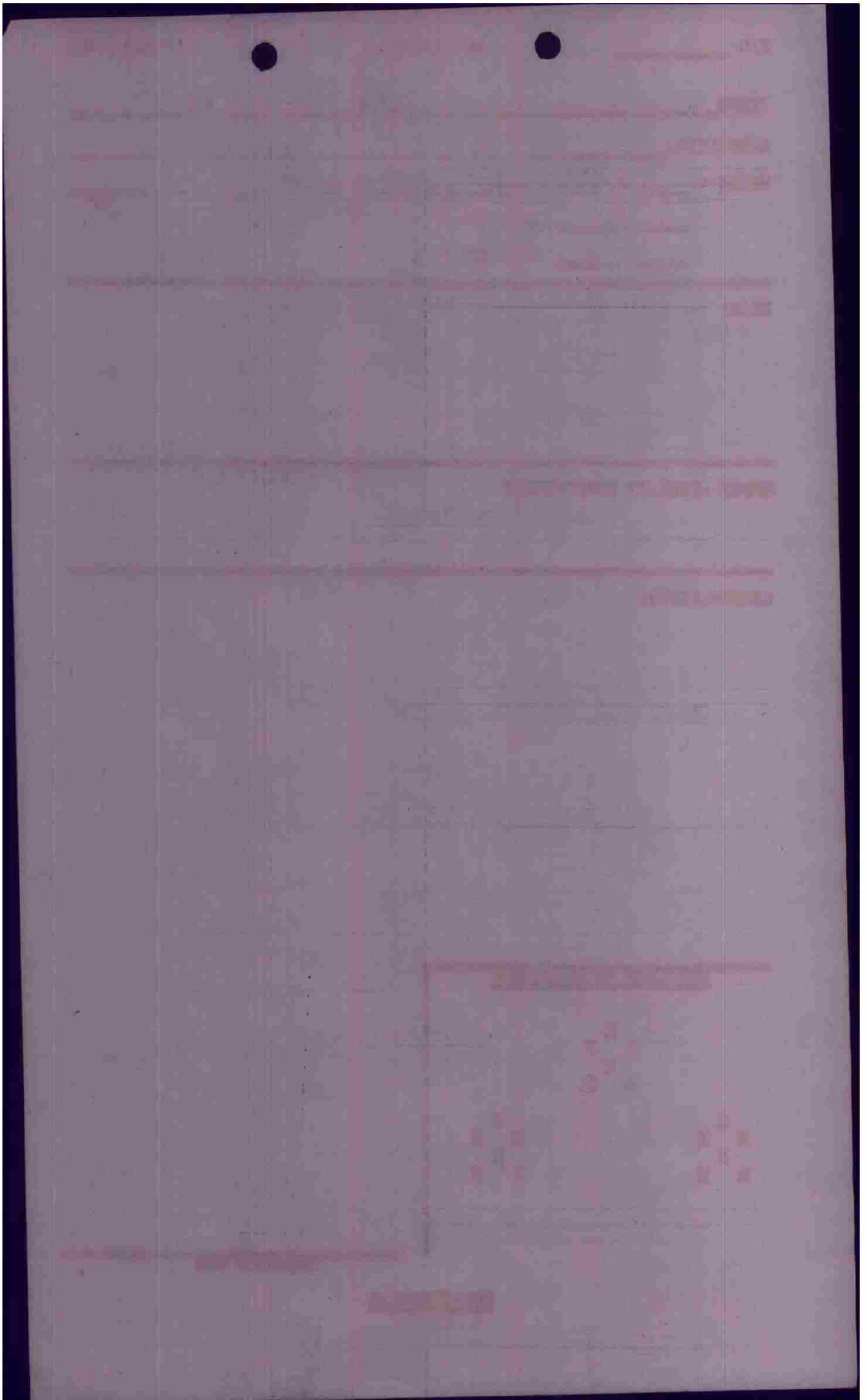
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X X   X X
X     X X
X X   X X

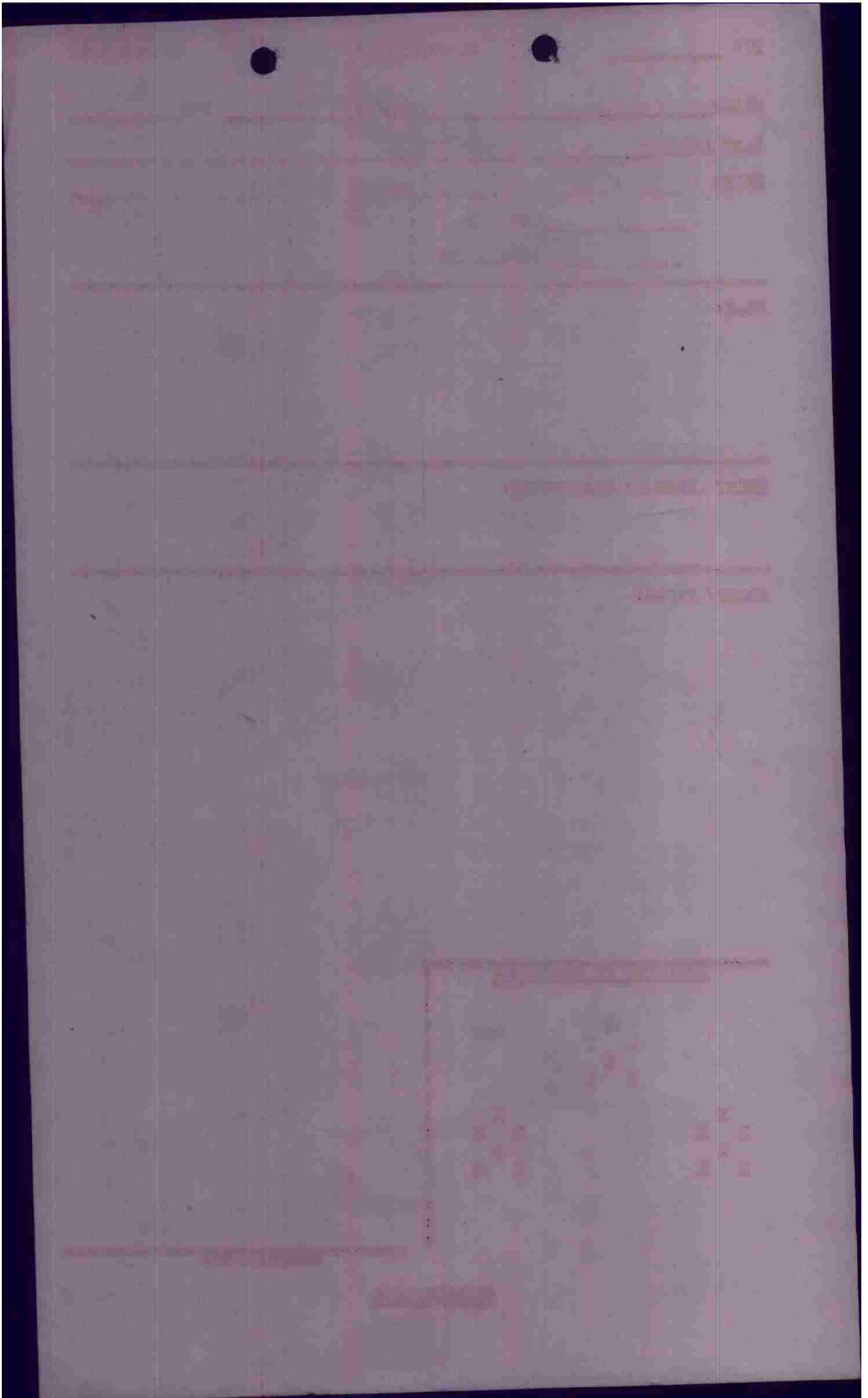
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PILOT MORNEY

A/C# 237

BOX

SPARE

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CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :		ON	PARTIAL DAMAGE		
			DOWN	CRASHED	WRECKED
<u>4</u>	X	<u>1000</u>	<u>P</u>		
	X	RETURNED			
	X	JET-DISONED			

FLAK:

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

OBSERVATIONS:

1 pass PPF

POSITION IN FORMATION

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X
X X
X X
X X
X
X X
X X
X X
X X
X

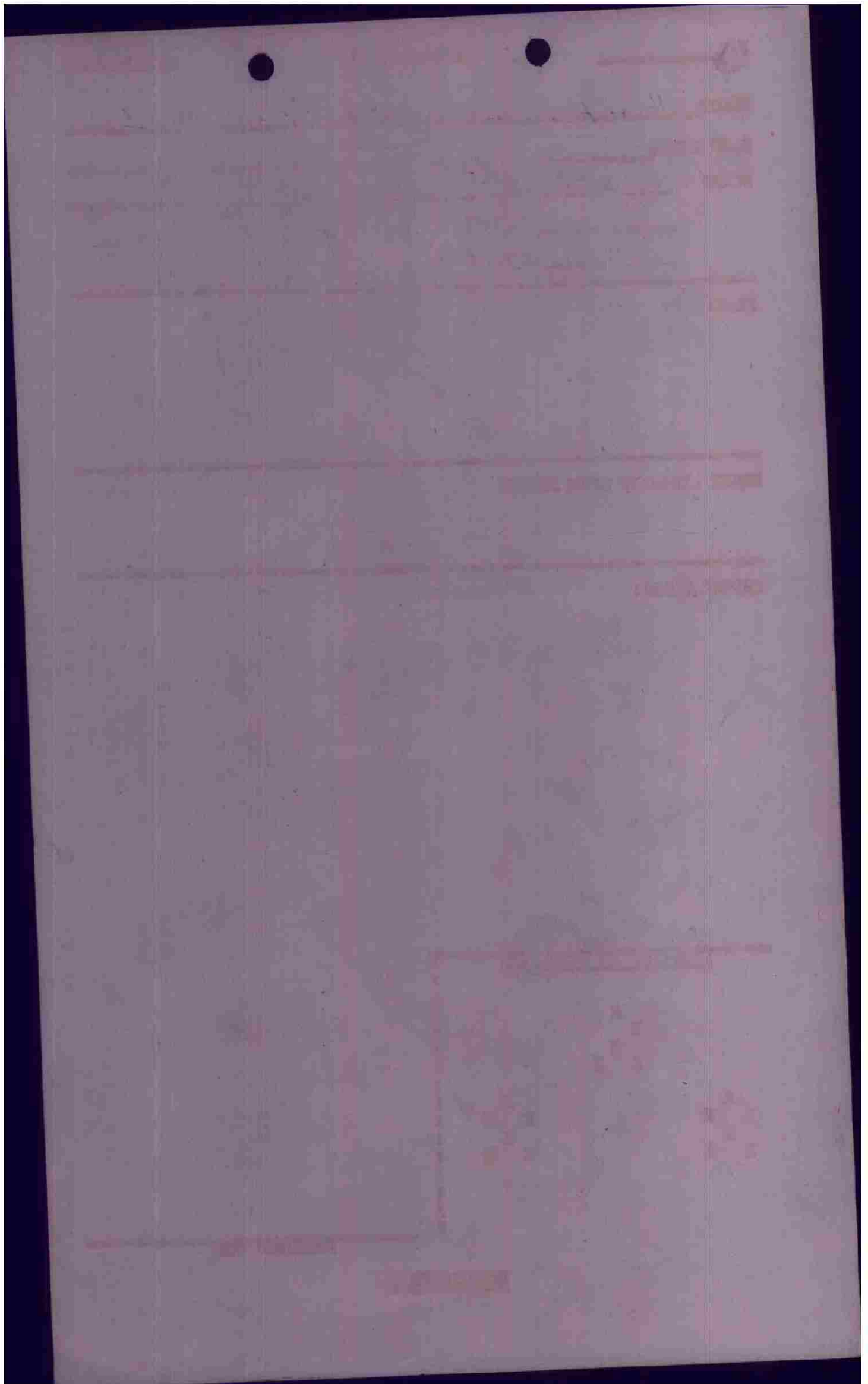
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(X)

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PILOT EVANS A/C# 063 BOX II

CASUALTIES

BOMBS :	<u>4</u> X <u>500</u> ON <u>P</u>	RETURNS	REPAIRS	REMARKS
	<u>X</u>	RETURNED		
	<u>X</u>	DETROINED		

FLAK:

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

OBSERVATIONS:

10/10 TOT 1159 $\frac{3}{4}$
 Hd 88°
 alt 13000

POSITION IN FORMATION

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      (X)
     X  X
      X
     X  X

X      X
X  X  X
X      X

      X
     X  X
     X  X
     X  X
  
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A/C#

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BOX

II

CASUALTIES

None

BOMBS :

4 X *1000* ON

BATTLES DROPPED

X

RETURNED

X

JETTISONED

None

FLAK:

None

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

No E A/c

OBSERVATIONS:

*Cover to I.P. overcast
blue to 40/10 - clear beyond*

POSITION IN FORMATION

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

X
X X
X
X X

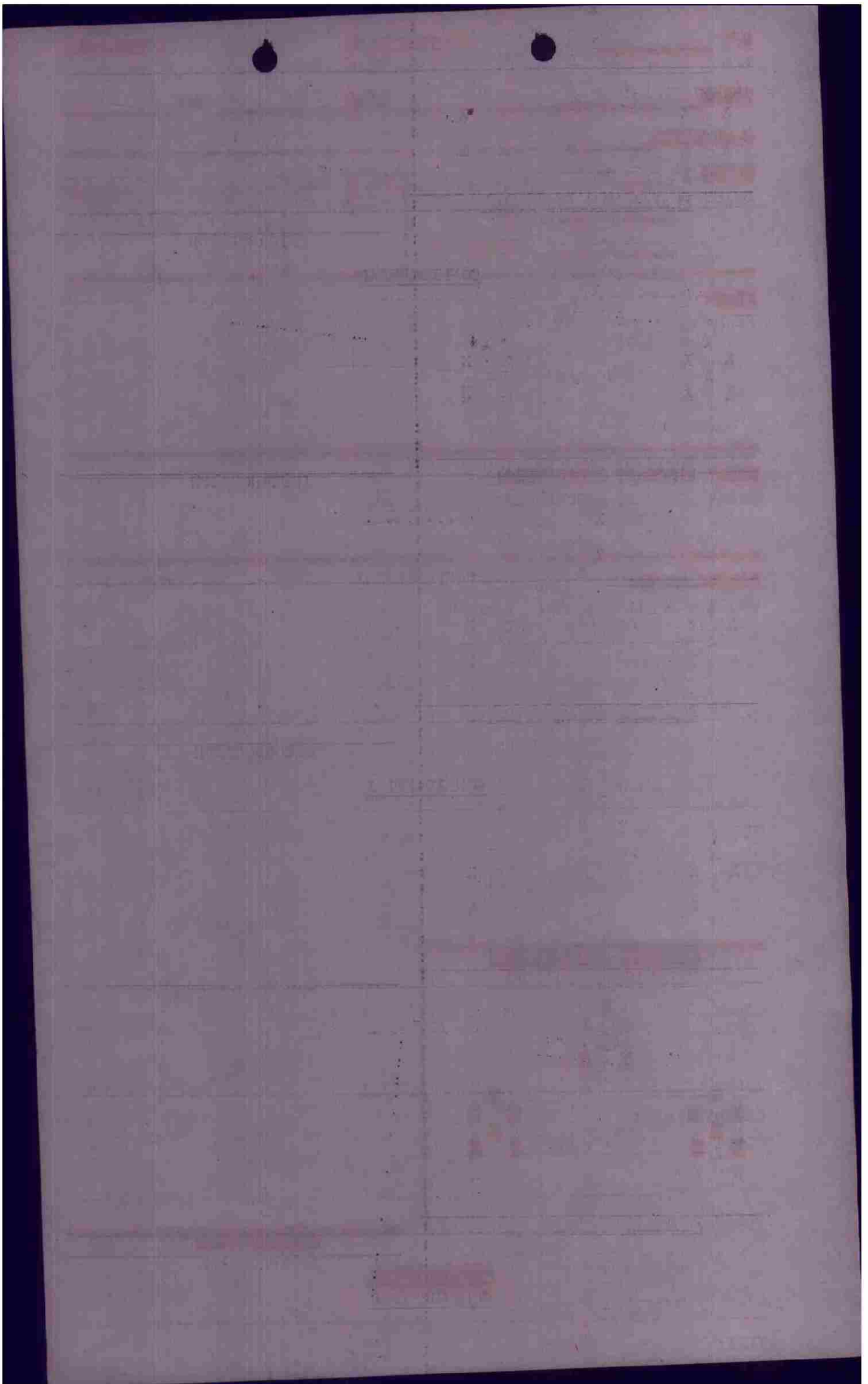
OUR X FORMATION:

X X
X
X X

X X
X
X X

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PILOT SMITH JP A/C# 354 BOX II

CASUALTIES None

BOMBS : 4 X 1000 ON R : BATTLE DAMAGE : None

 X RETURNED : : "E"

 X JETTISONED : : None

FLAK:

None

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

None

OBSERVATIONS:

POSITION IN FORMATION :

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

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      X
     X X
      X
     X X
  
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      X
     X X
    (X) X
     X X
  
```

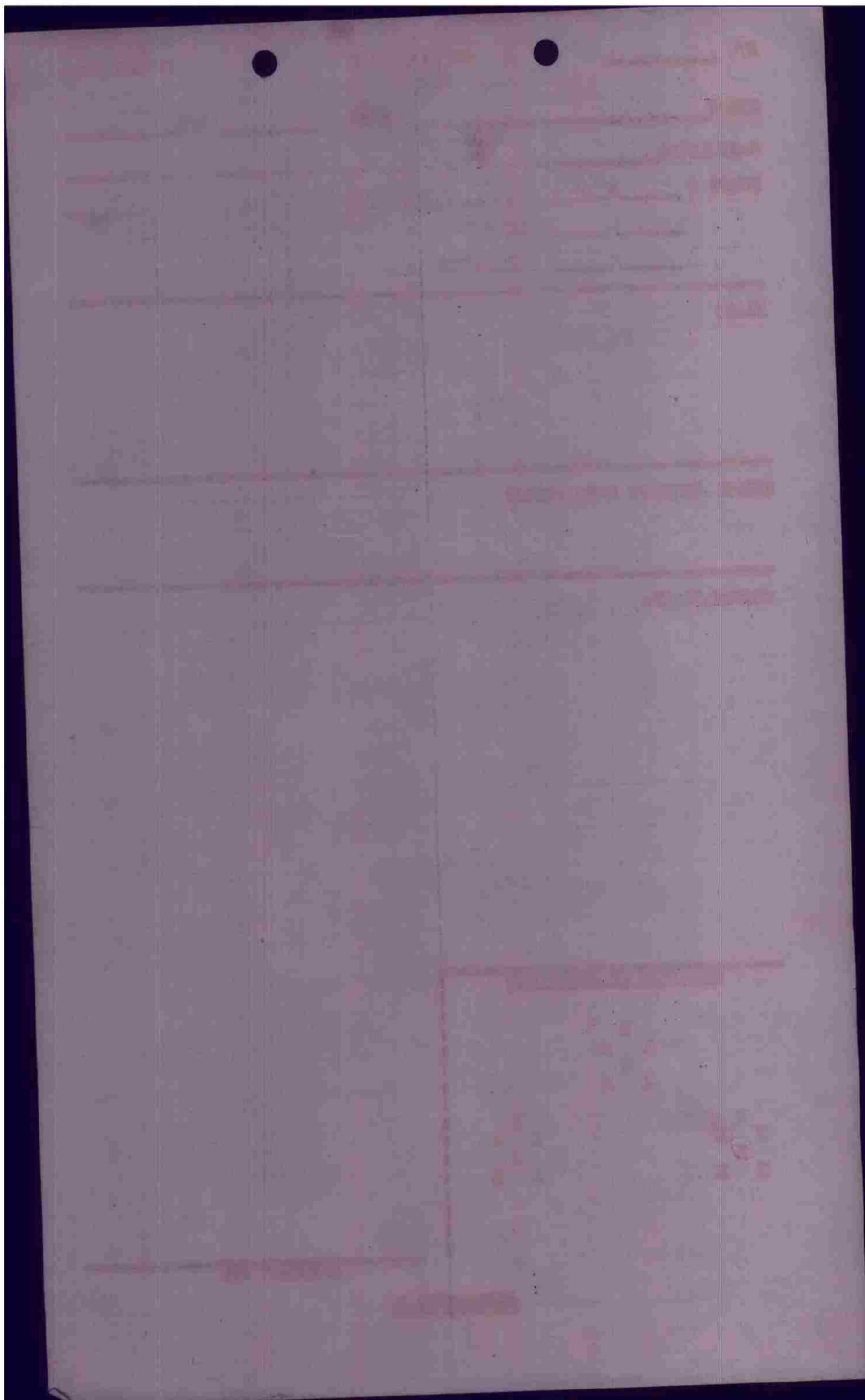
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      X
     X X
    X X
  
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PILOT KENNY A/C# 188 BOX II

CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :	<u>3</u>	X <u>1000</u>	ON <u>P.T.</u>	PARACHUTE DAMAGE			
	<u>1</u>	X <u>1000</u>	RETURNED				
		X	REMOVED				

radio malfunction

FLAK:

X

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

X P-47S

OBSERVATIONS:

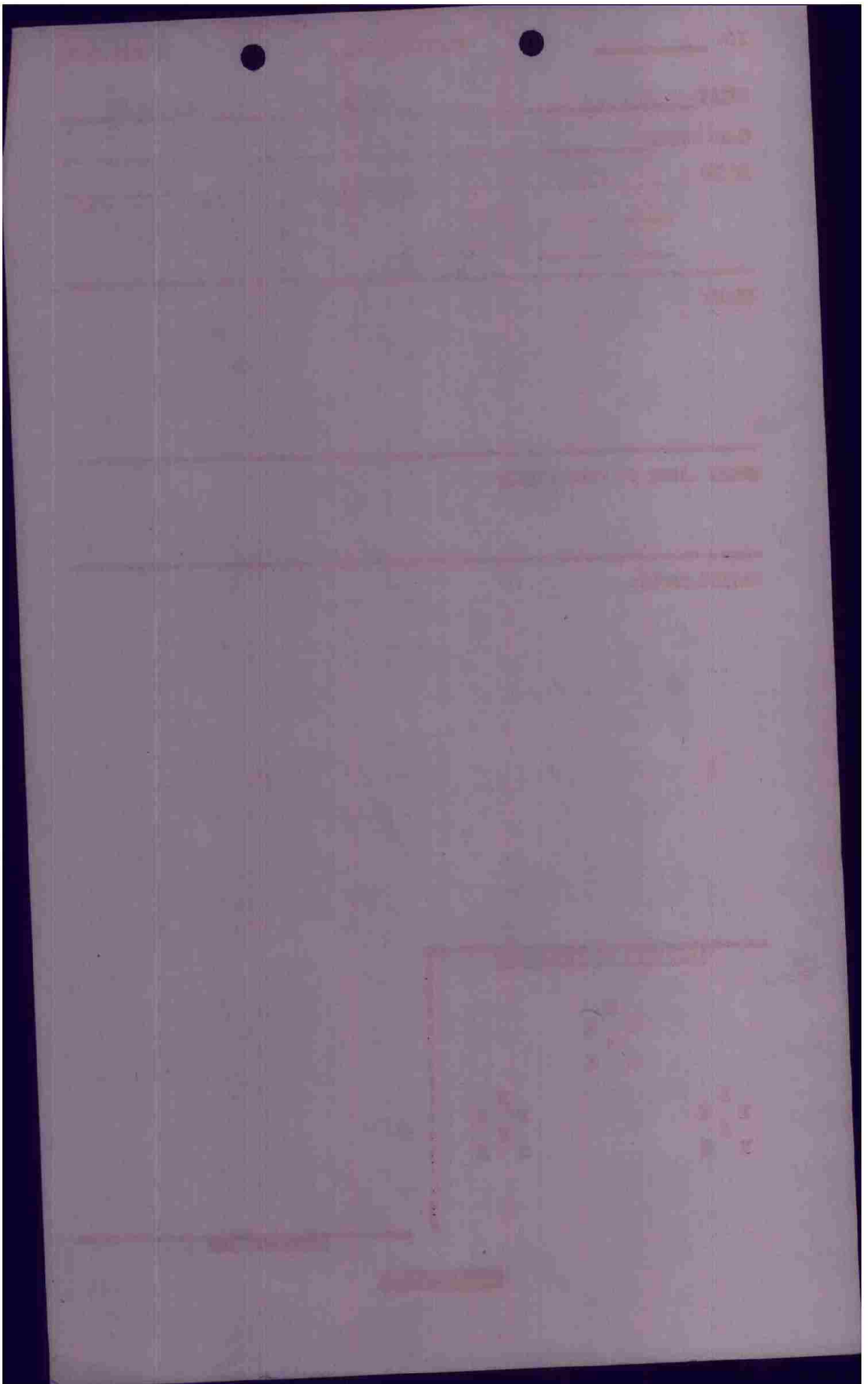
10/10 none

POSITION IN FORMATION

		X			
	X	X			
		X			
	X		X		
X	X			X	
	X		X	X	
X	X		X	X	

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PILOT MARTIN A/C# 381 BOX II

CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :	<u>4</u>	<u>X/1000</u>	ON <u>P.M.</u>	BATTLE DAMAGE			
		<u>X</u>	RETURNED				
		<u>X</u>	DETROINED				

FLAK: X

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

X

OBSERVATIONS: 10/10 - cover

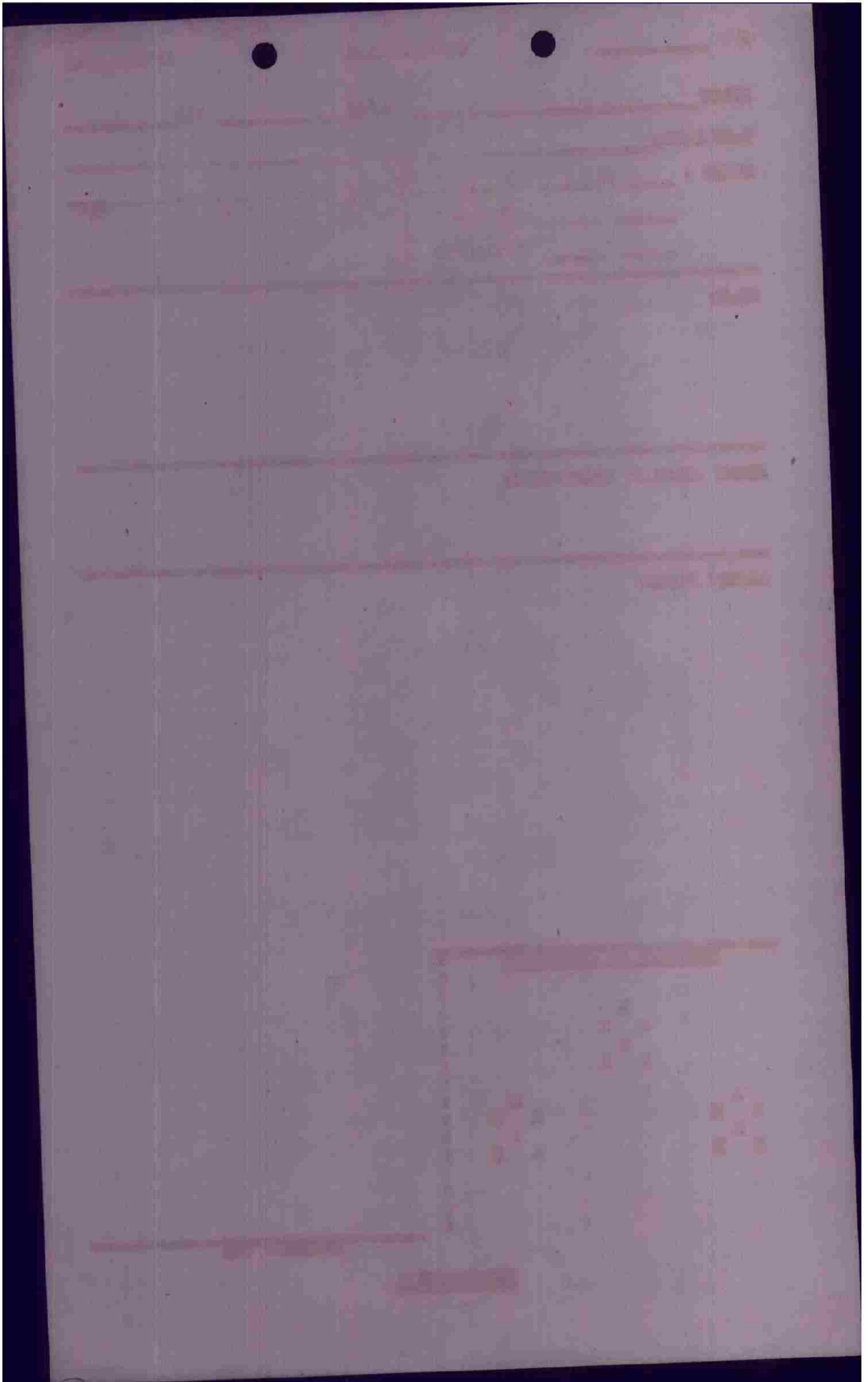
POSITION IN FORMATION

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      X
     X X
      X
     X X
  (X) X X
     X X
     X X
      X X
  
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PILOT DEMON A/C# 085 BOX II

CASUALTIES

BOMBS :	<u>4</u>	X	<u>500</u>	ON	: BATTLE DAMAGE		
		X		RETURNED	:	:	:
		X		JETTISONED	:	:	:

FLAK: X

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

X

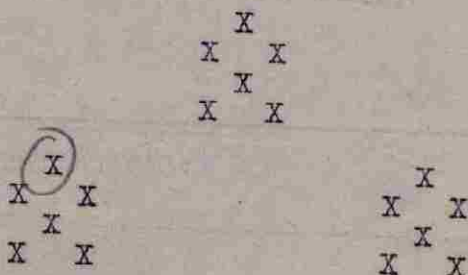
OBSERVATIONS: X -

T.O.T. - 1200 -

Alt - ~~11,700~~ -

13,000

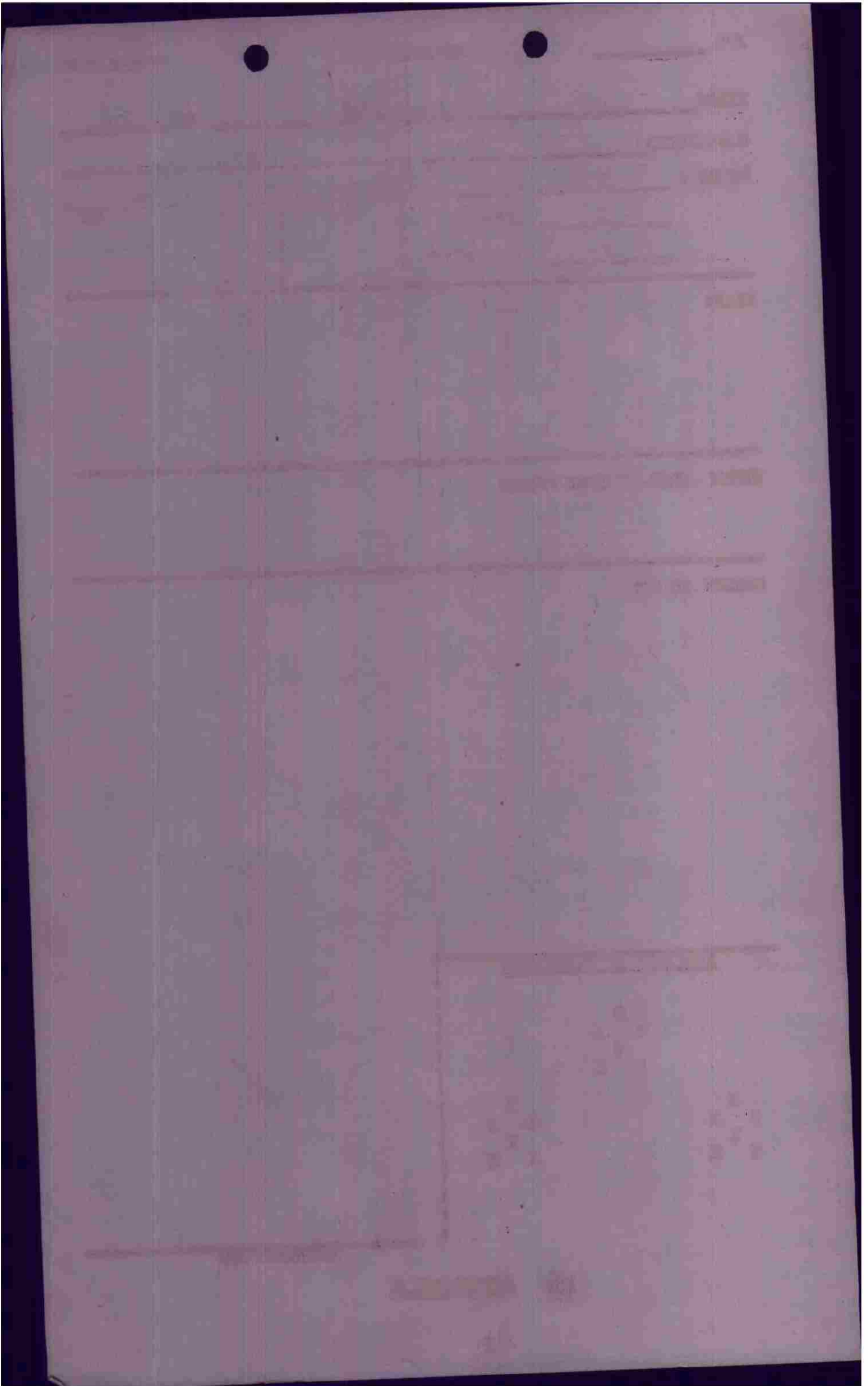
POSITION IN FORMATION



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PILOT NATHANSON A/C# 293 BOX II

CASUALTIES

BOBBS :	X	ON	:	BATTLE DAMAGE	:		:	
	X	RETURNED	:		:		:	"E"
	X	JETLISONED	:		:		:	

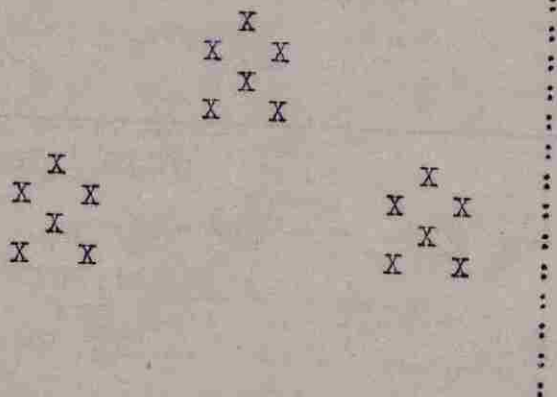
FLAK:

NOT AIRBORNE SICK

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

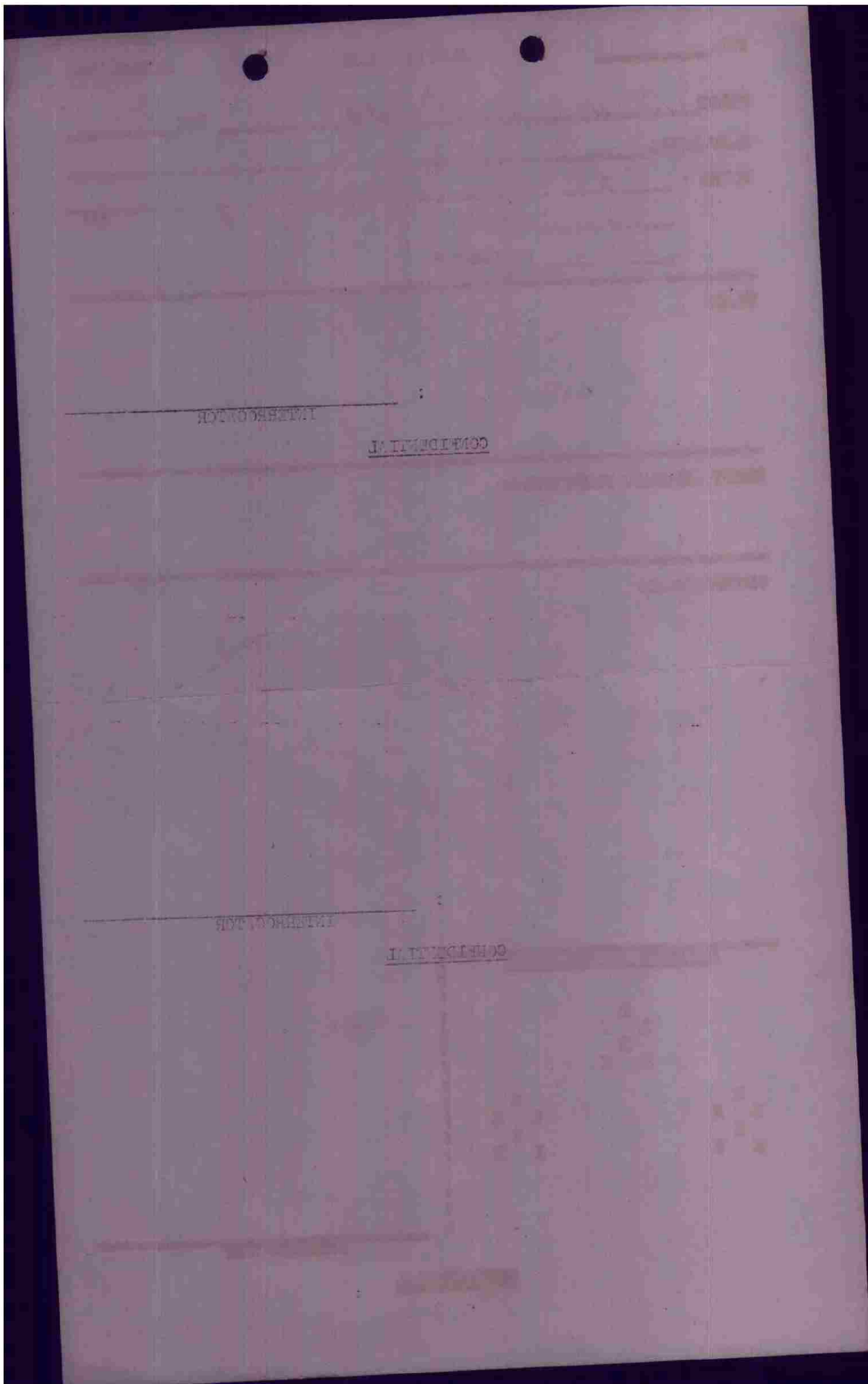
OBSERVATIONS:

POSITION IN FORMATION



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PILOT MISH A/C# 073 BOX 11

CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :	<u>4</u>	X	<u>500</u>	ON	<u>P</u>	BATTLE DAMAGE		
		X		RETURNED				
		X		JETTISONED				

FLAK:

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

OBSERVATIONS:

10/10 TOT 1200
 Hhd ~~68-70~~° 78-80
 IP 1151
 alt 13000

POSITION IN FORMATION

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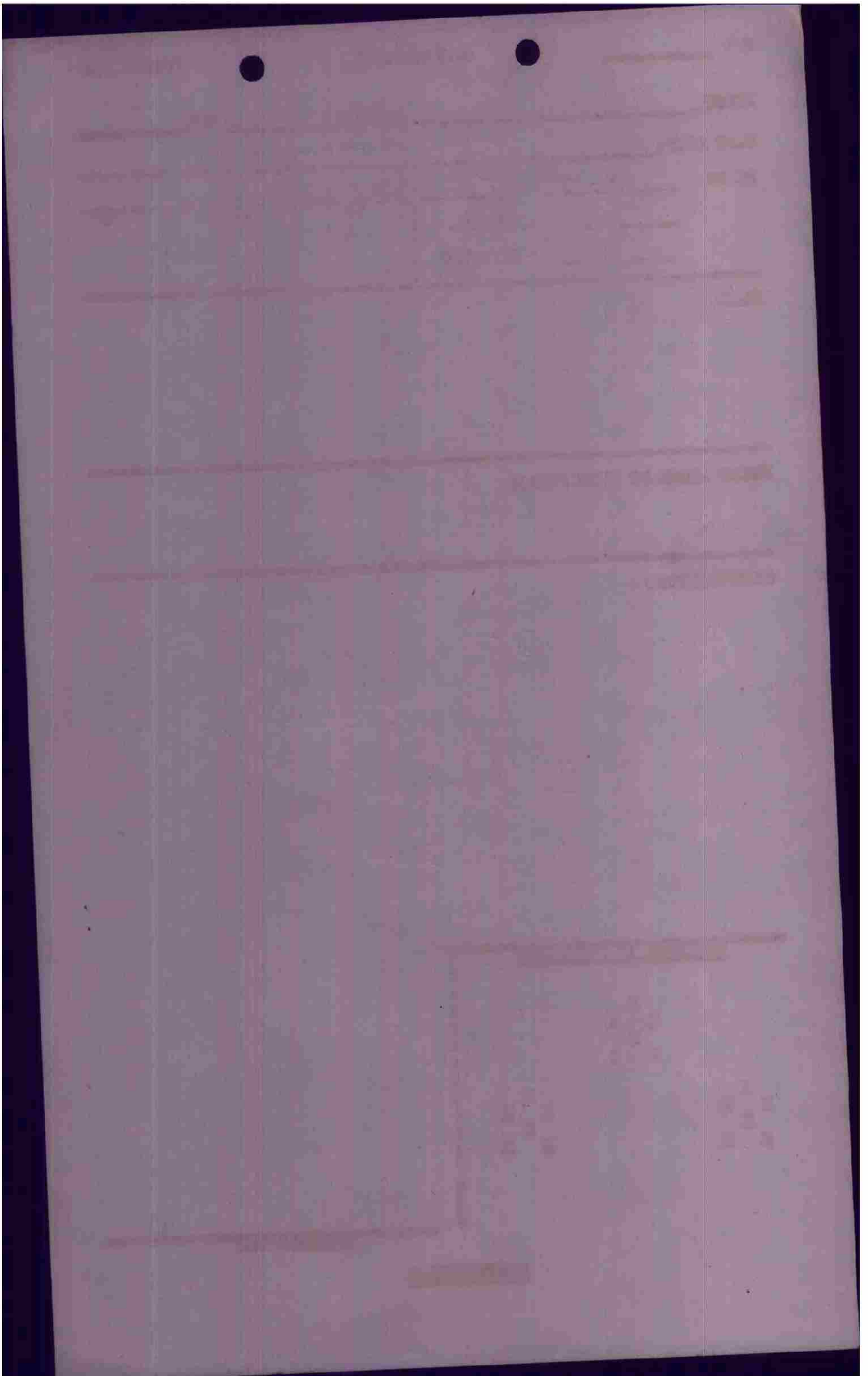
      X
     X X
      X
     X X
  X   X
 X   X
 X   X
  
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      (X)
     X X
      X
     X X
  
```

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PILOT PARKHORST A/C# 213 BOX II

CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :	<u>4</u>	X	<u>1000</u>	ON	<u>P</u>	BATTLE DAMAGE		
		X		RETURNED				
		X		DETROINED				

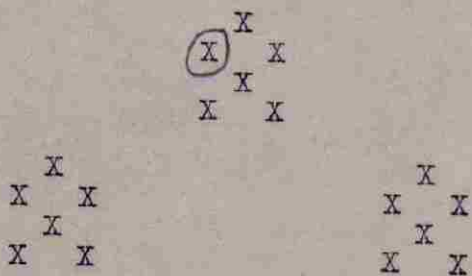
FLAK:

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

OBSERVATIONS:

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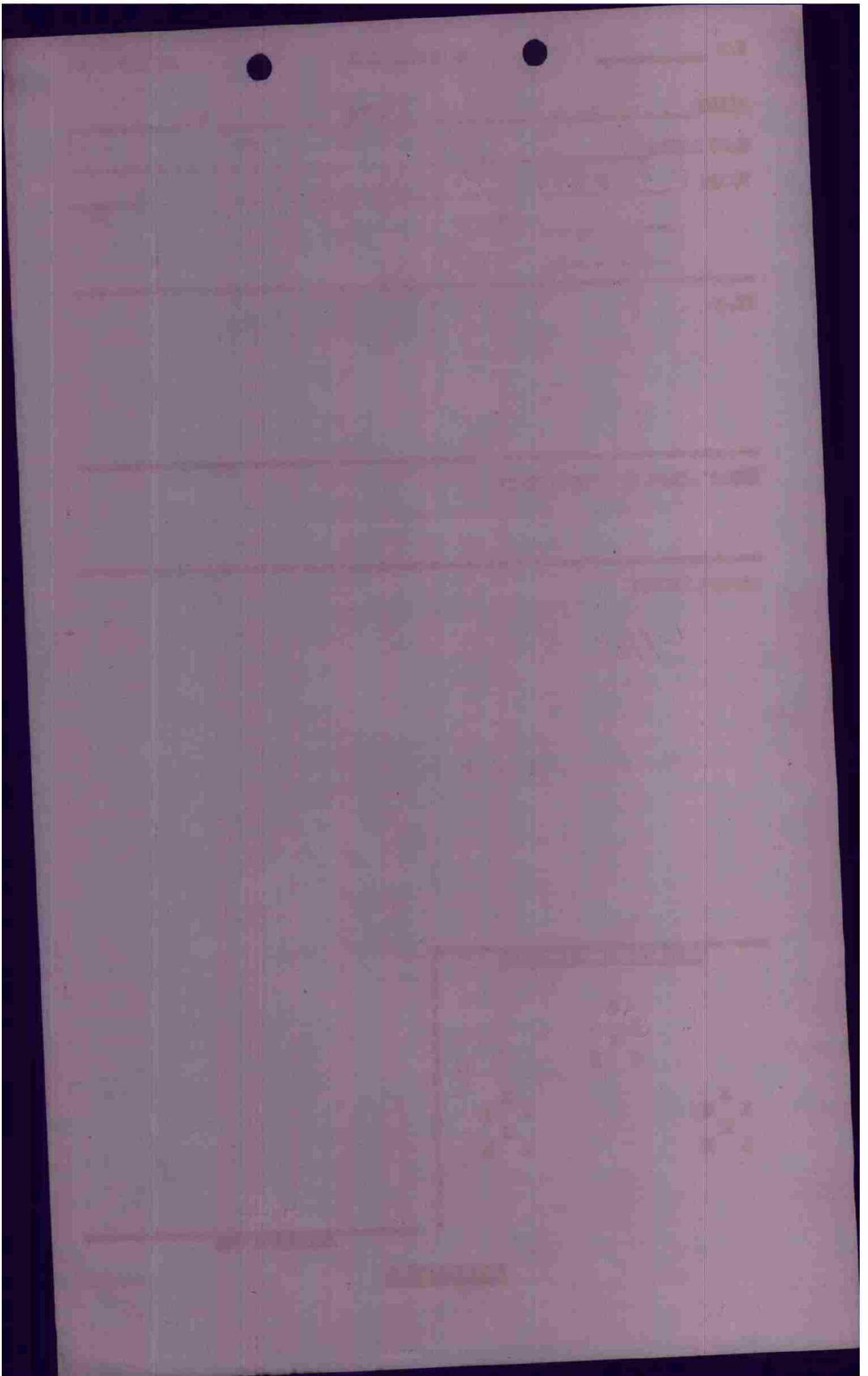
POSITION IN FORMATION



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PILOT VAN ROBE A/C# 244 BOX II

CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :	<u>4</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>1000</u>	ON	<u>P</u>	BATTLE DAMAGE			
		<u>X</u>			RETURNED				"WE"
		<u>X</u>			DETROINED				

FLAK:

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

OBSERVATIONS:

10/10

FLAK:

POSITION IN FORMATION

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

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      X
     X X
      X
     X X
  
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ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

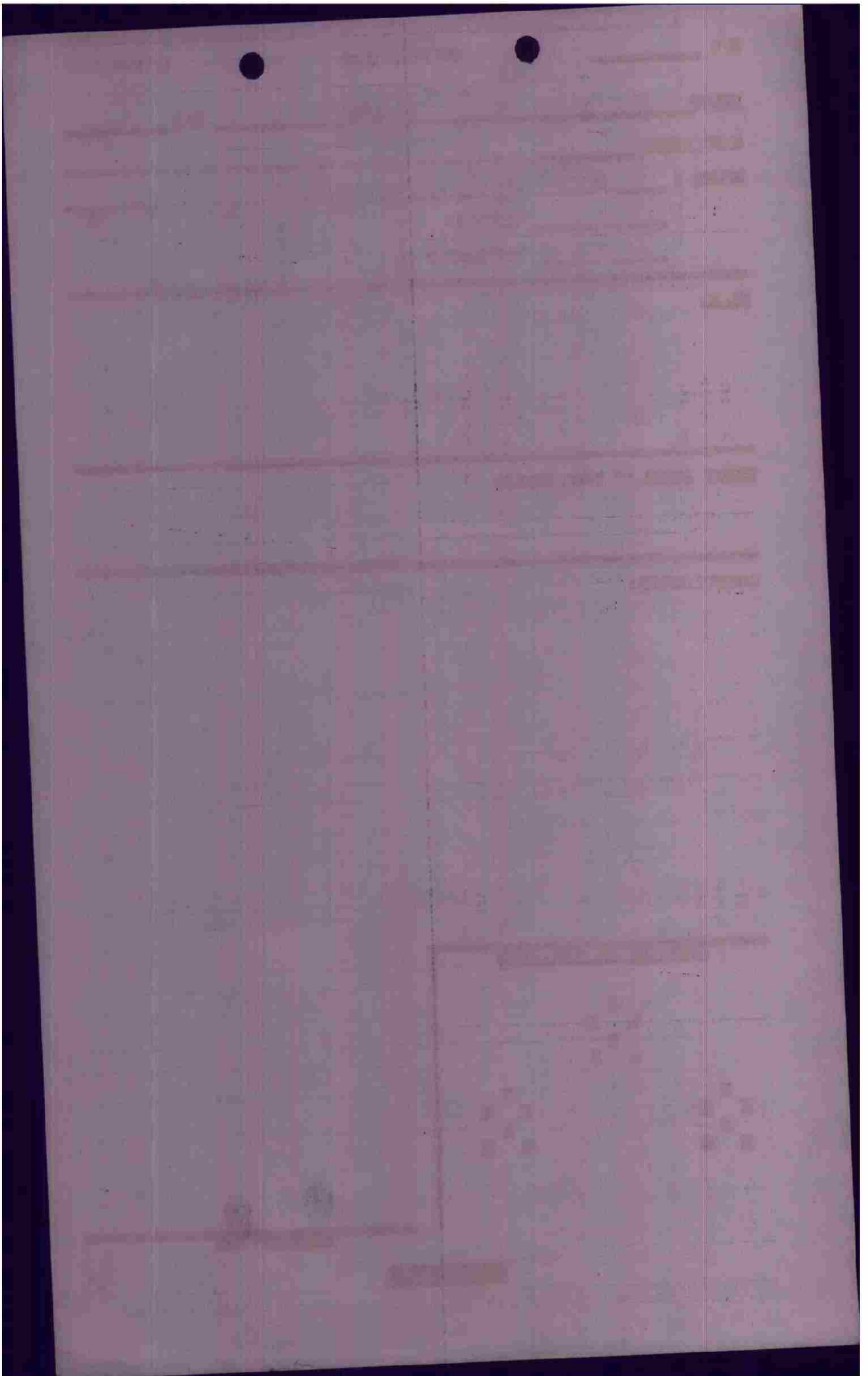
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  X X X
 X X X
 X (X) X
  
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PILOT ROONEY A/C# 467 BOX I

CASUALTIES

BOMBS :	<u>4</u>	X ⁵⁰⁰ 1000 ON	PARTIAL DAMAGE			
	X	RETURNED				
	X	JETTISONED				

FLAK:

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

OBSERVATIONS:

10/10 cloud. no obs.

f.o.t. 1159 1/2

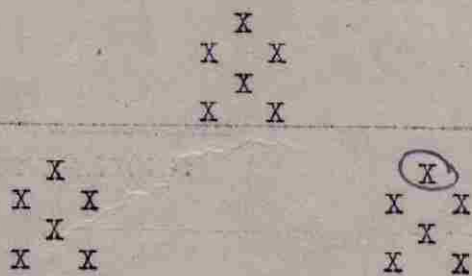
alt. 12500

Excellent lead by PPF ship.

Window to far to right. about 500-1000 yards off.

POSITION IN FORMATION

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS



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PILOT HARRIS A/C# 264 BOX II

CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :	<u>4</u> X <u>1000</u> <u>P</u>	BATTLE DAMAGE			
	<u>X</u>	RETURNED			
	<u>X</u>	JETTISONED			

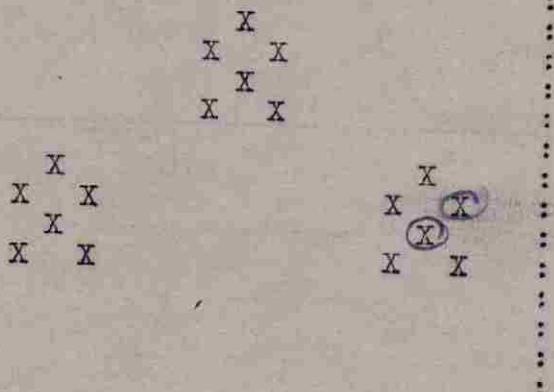
FLAK:

~~1 puff of white smoke ahead of flt. just before opening bomb doors.~~
 ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

OBSERVATIONS:

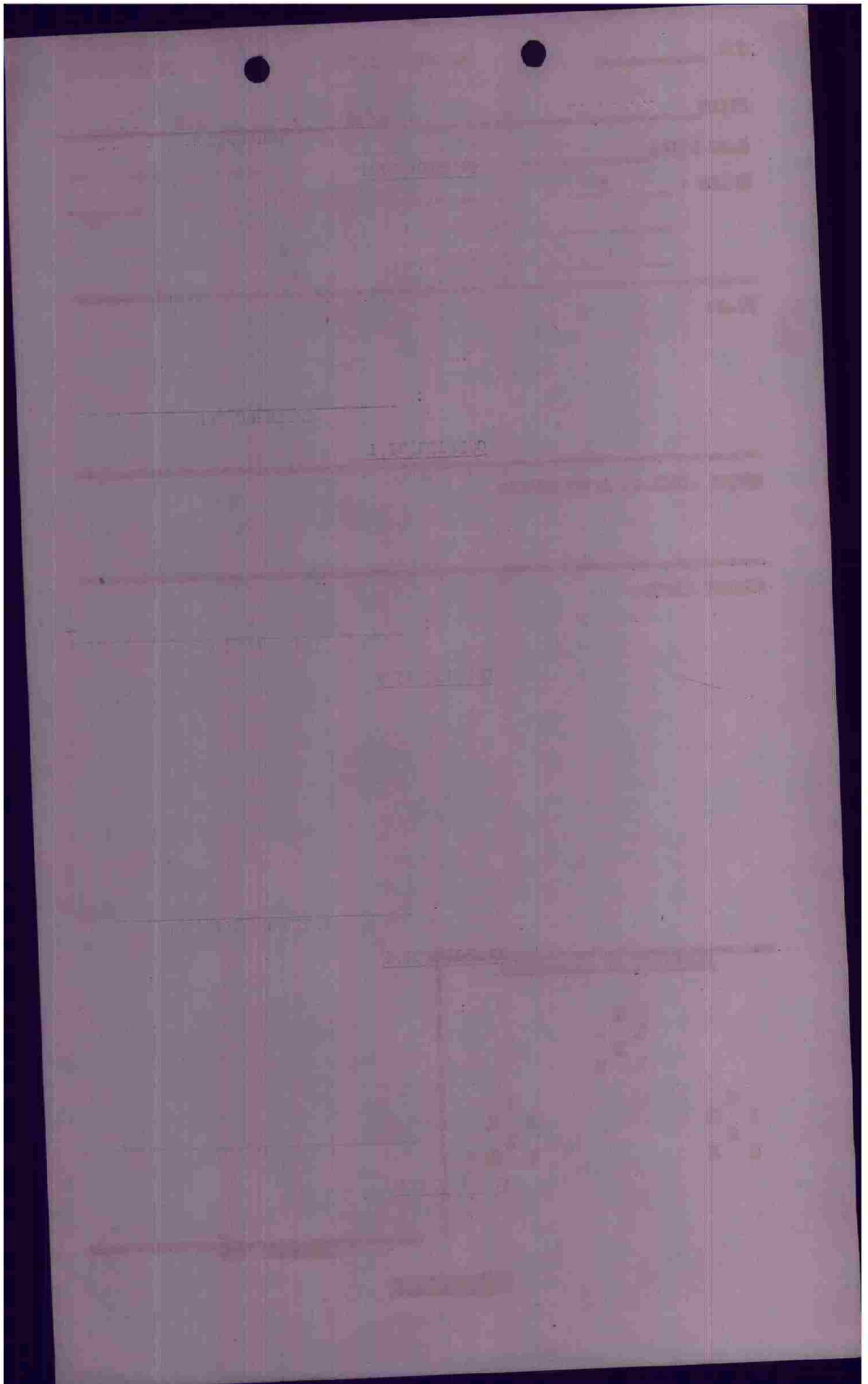
*Window went through formation
 came out in clumps.
 no obs.*

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PILOT CARVER A/C# 327 BOX IV

CASUALTIES _____

BOLEBS :	<u>4</u>	X/1000	ON	<u>P</u>	REPAIRS	DAMAGE		
	X		RETURNED					
	X		DETAINED					

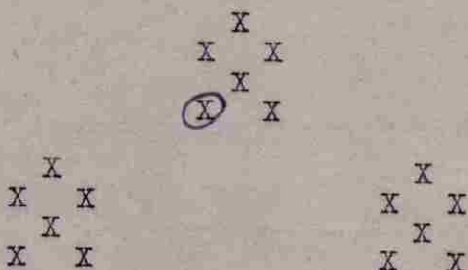
FLAK:

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

OBSERVATIONS:

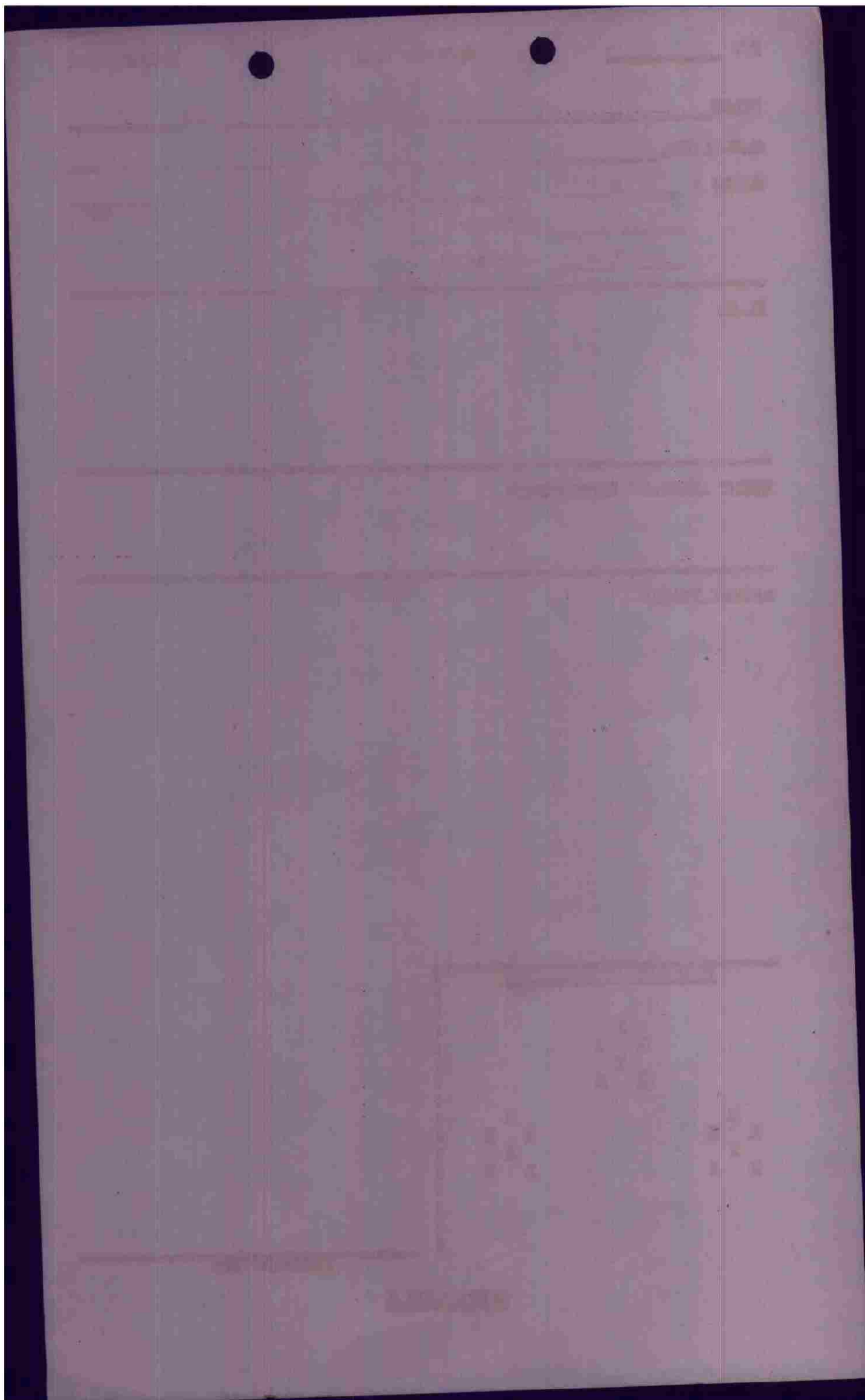
no obs.
window came through formation.
10/10 cloud cover.

POSITION IN FORMATION



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PILOT CANNON A/C# 331 BOX II

CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :	<u>4</u>	X	<u>10000N</u>	<u>P</u>	BATTLE DAMAGE			
		X	RETURNED					
		X	IMPLOSIONED					

FLAK:

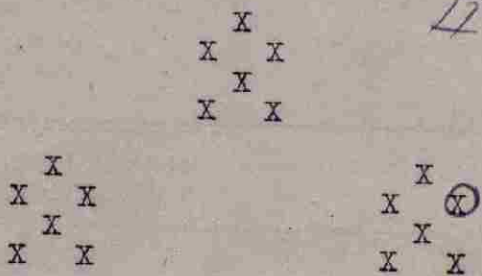
no flak

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

OBSERVATIONS:

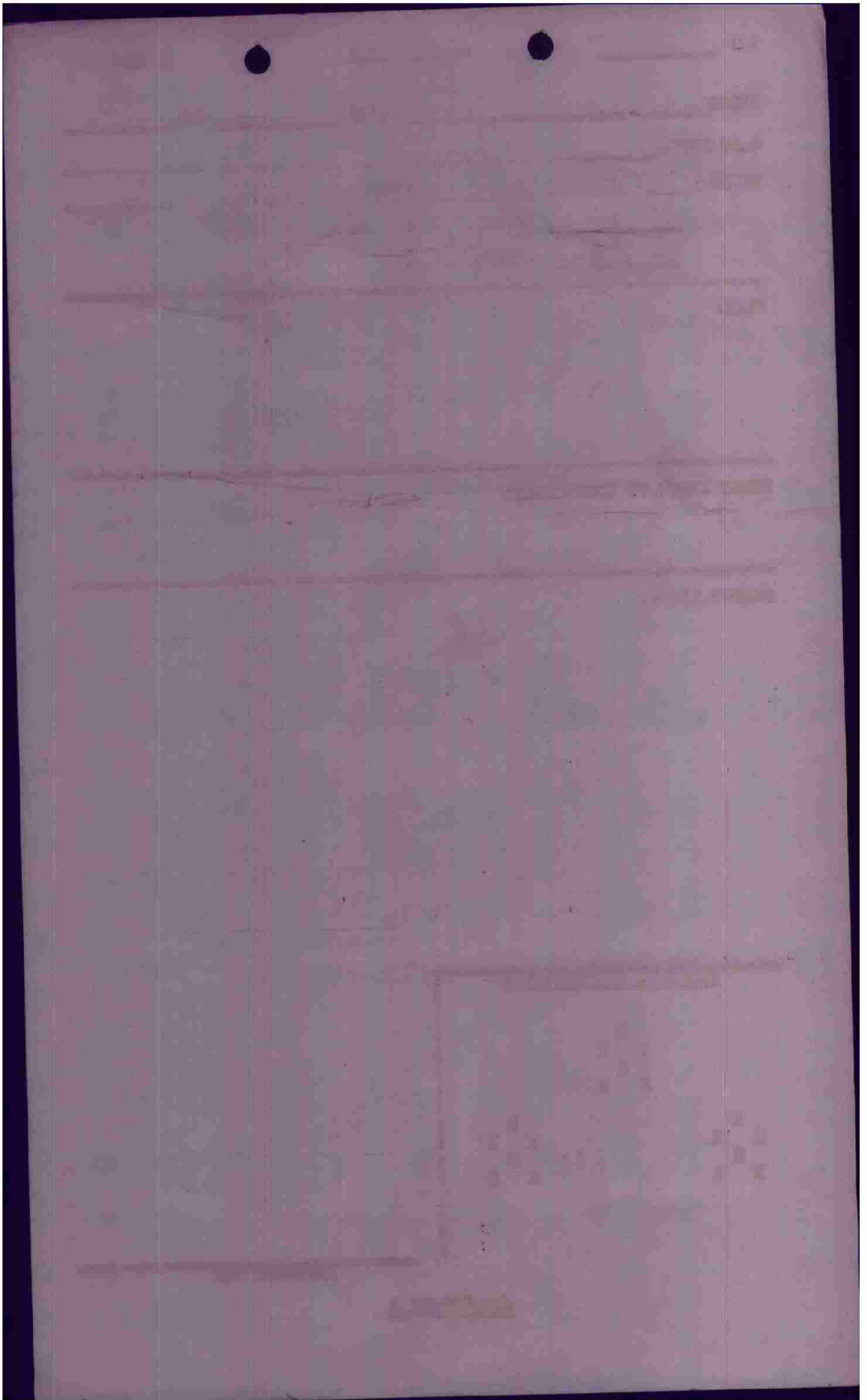
*wind in formation.
1000 clouds
no obs.*

POSITION IN FORMATION



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PILOT Annin
ANDERSON

A/C# 344
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BOX II

CASUALTIES

BOBBS :	<u>4</u>	X	<u>1000</u>	ON	<u>P.T.</u>	:	BATTLE DAMAGE	:		:		:	
		X			RETURNED	:		:		:		:	
		X			DETROINED	:		:		:		:	

FLAK:

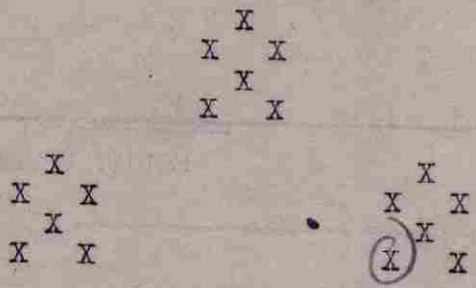
X

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

X

OBSERVATIONS: 10/10-

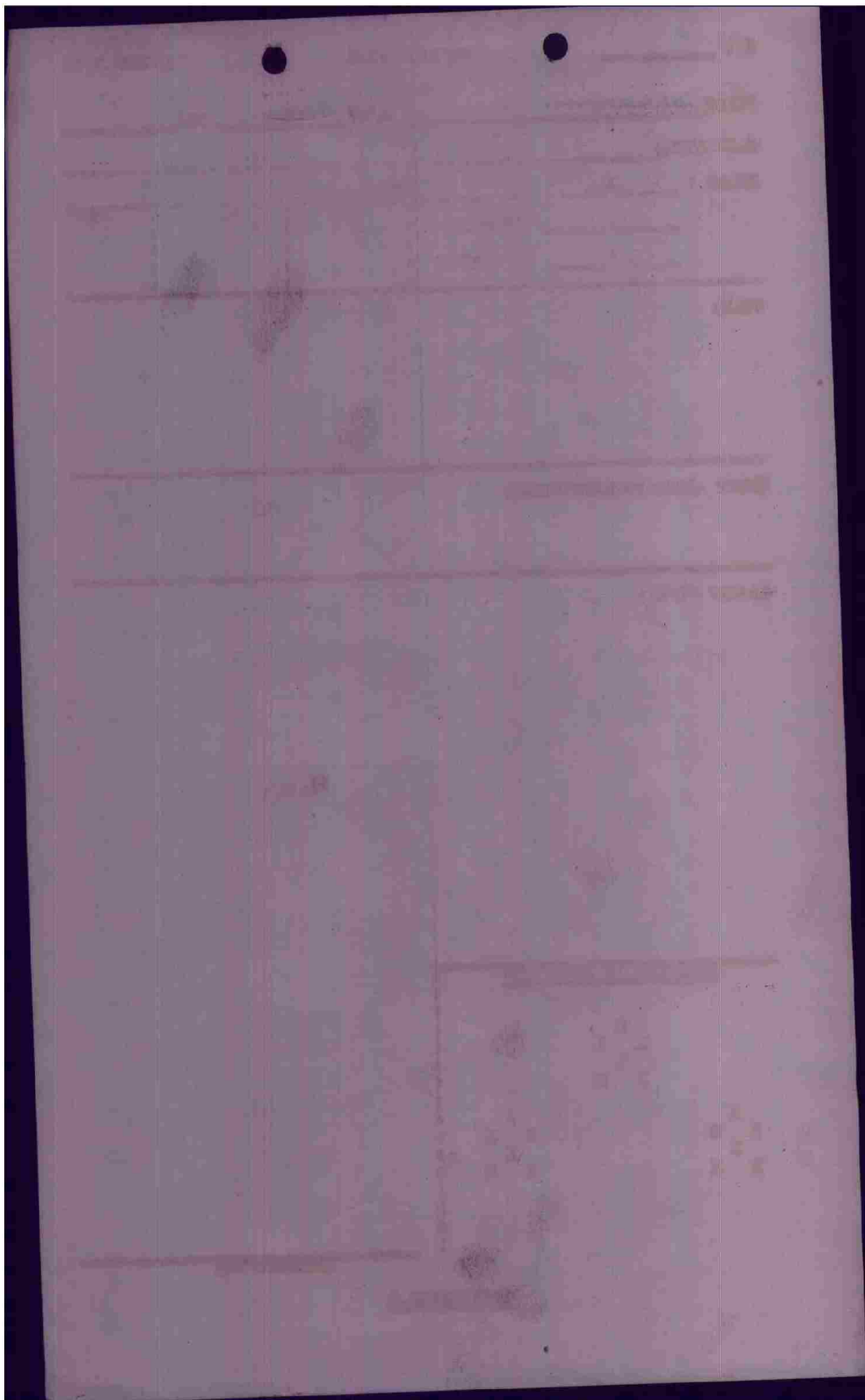
POSITION IN FORMATION



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PILOT Anderson

A/CN 271

BOX II

CASUALTIES

BOMBS :	<u>4</u>	X	<u>1000</u>	ON	<u>P</u>	RATING DAMAGE			
		X		RETURNED					
		X		JETTISONED					

FLAK:

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

OBSERVATIONS:

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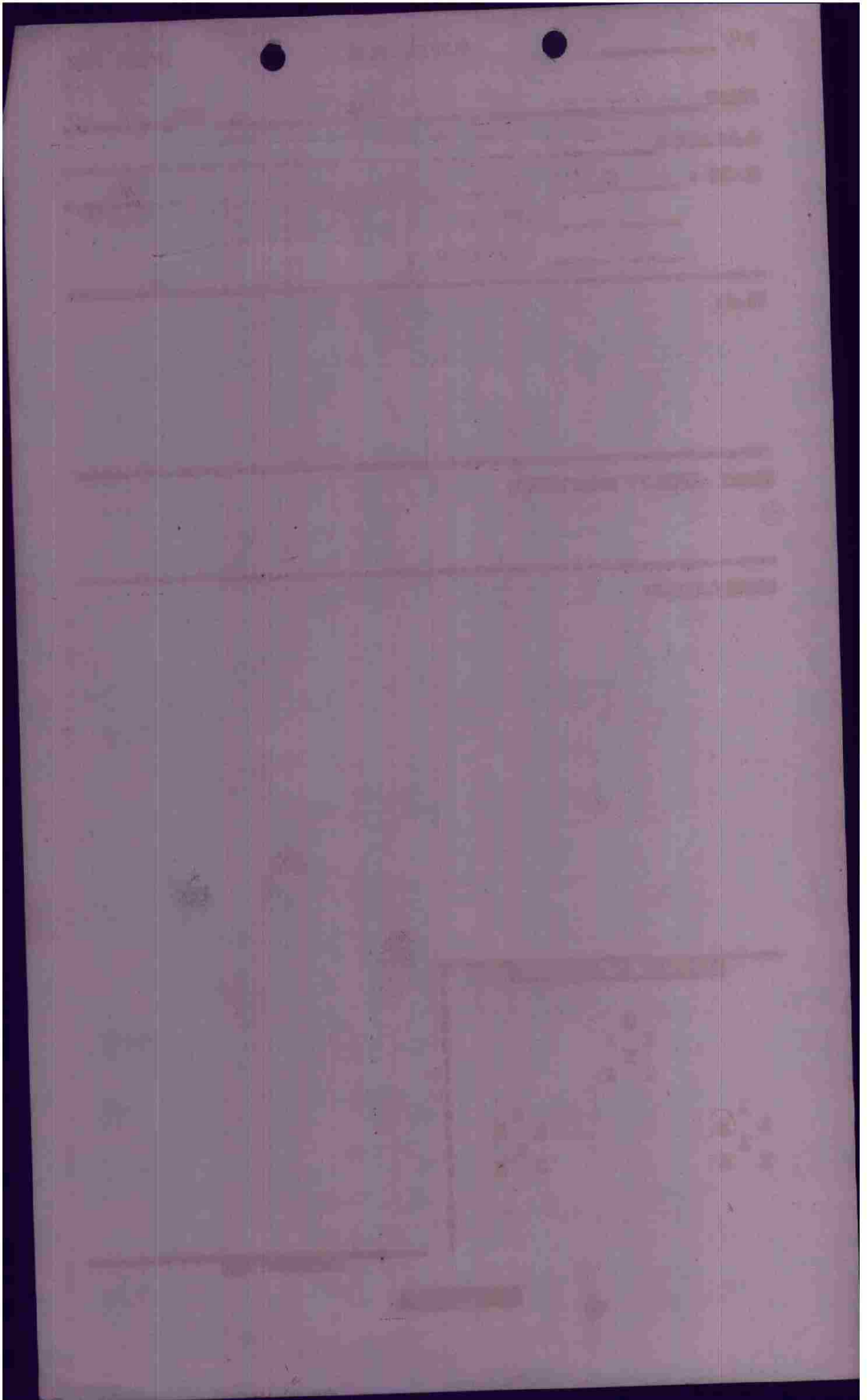
POSITION INFORMATION

		X							
	X		X						
		X							
	X		X						
X	X								
					X				
					X	X			
					X				

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PILOT WEINERT A/C# 252 BOX II

CASUALTIES

BOMBS :	<u>4</u>	X	<u>1000</u>	DN	BATTLE DAMAGE			
		X		RETURNED				
		X		JETTISONED				

FLAK: X

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

X

OBSERVATIONS: 10/10 -

PHIC _____

CASUALTIES _____

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS _____

FLAK _____

POSITION IN FORMATION

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

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      X
     X X
      X
     X X
  
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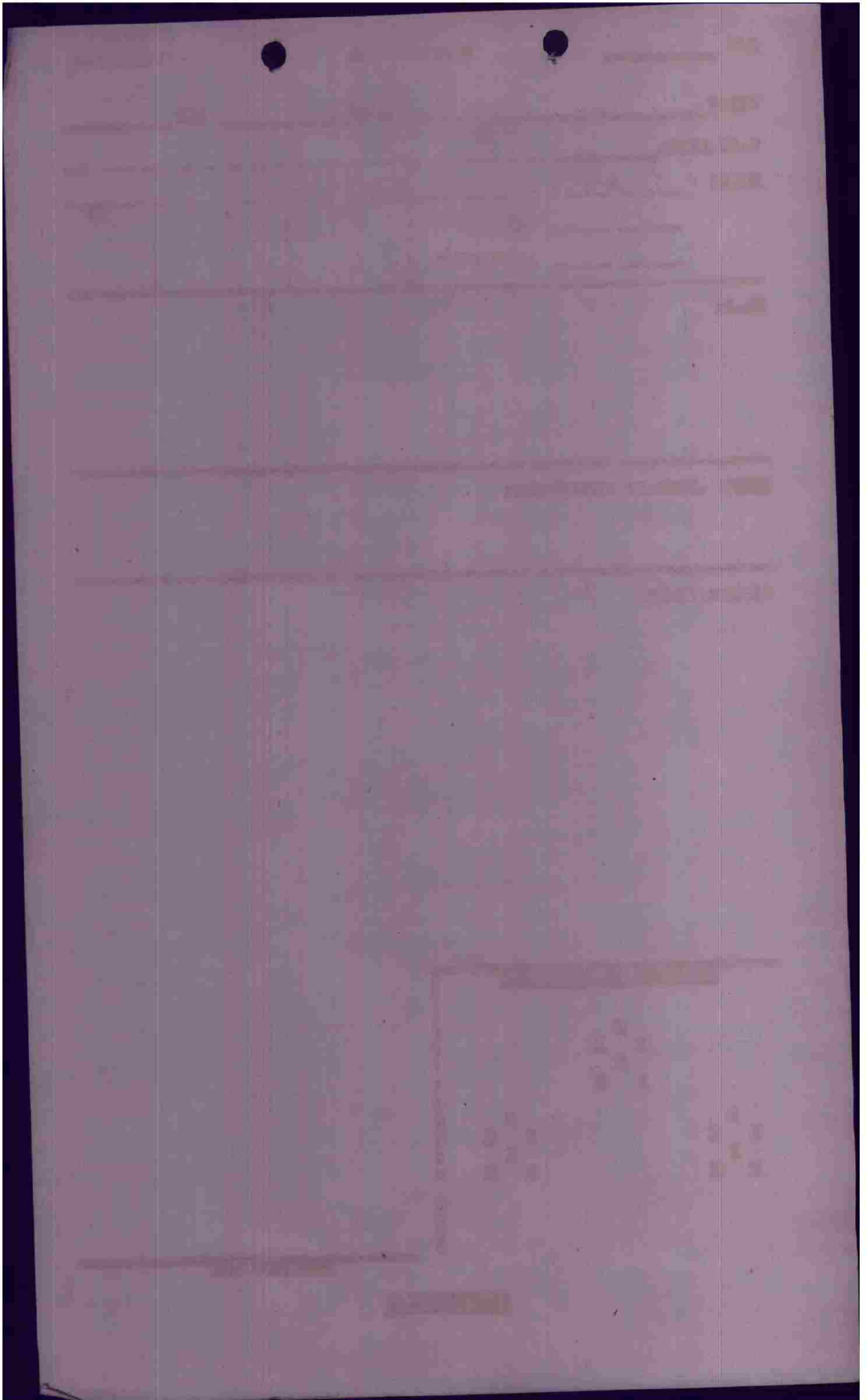
ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

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  X X X
  X X X
  (X) X X
  
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PILOT JACOBSEN A/C# 259 BOX IV

CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :	TYPE	QUANTITY	RETURNED	REMARKS	OTHER	REMARKS
4	X 1000	ON	P.K.			
	X		RETURNED			
	X		JETTISONED			

FLAK: X

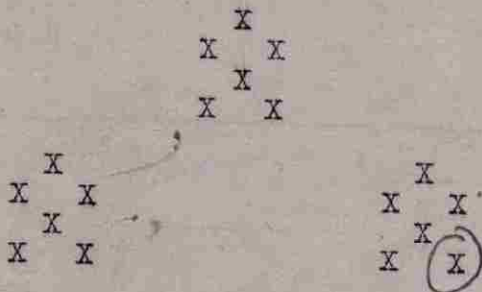
ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

X

OBSERVATIONS:

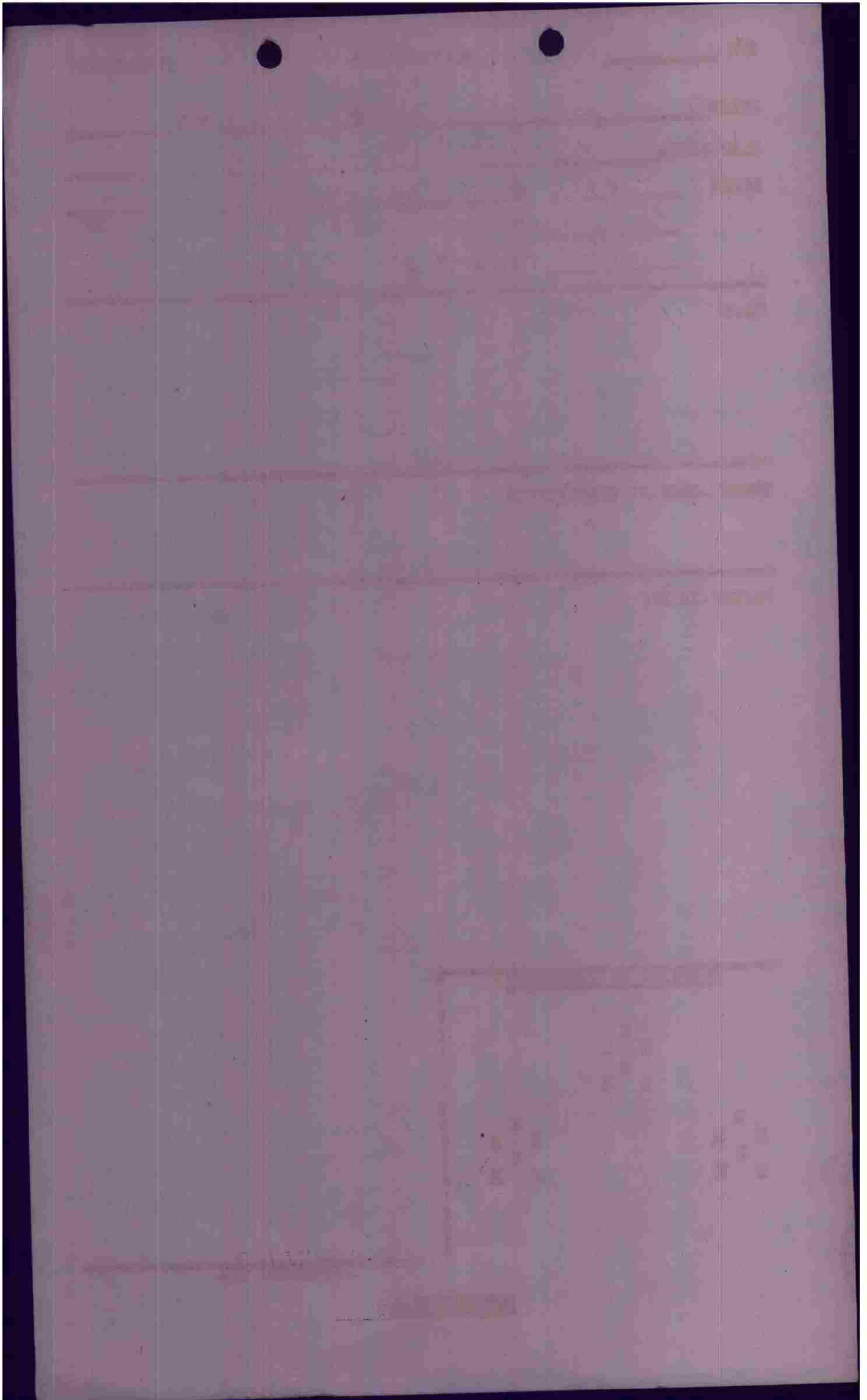
X

POSITION IN FORMATION



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PILOT Buchanan A/C# 328 BOX 21

CASUALTIES

BOMBS :	<u>4</u>	X	<u>1000</u>	ON	<u>PK</u>	BATTLE DAMAGE	X		
		X			RETURNED				
		X			DETROINED				

FLAK: X

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

X

OBSERVATIONS: - 10/10 - Cover

POSITION IN FORMATION

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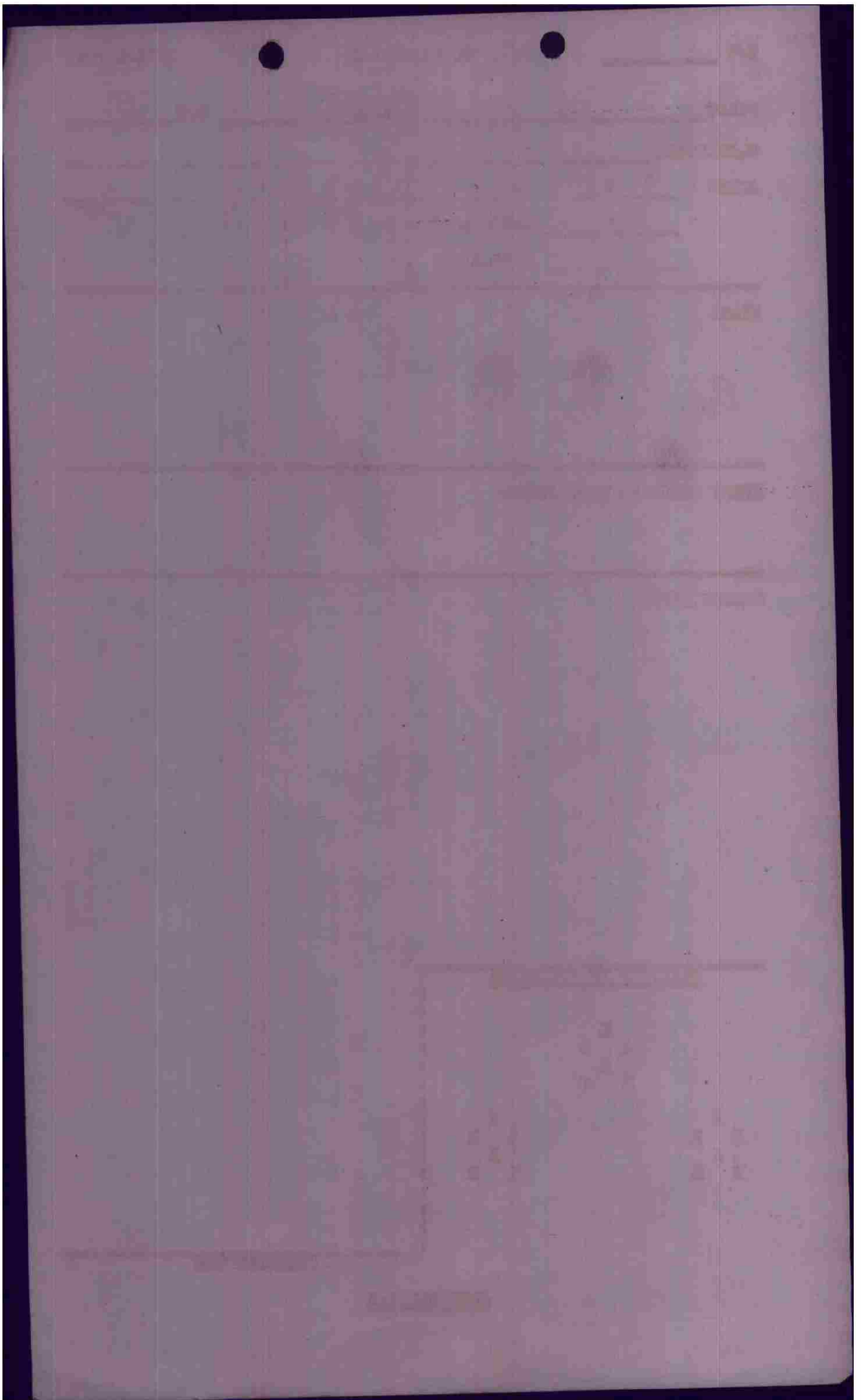
      X
     X X
      X X
     X (X)

  X
X  X
  X
X  X

      X
     X X
      X X
     X X
  
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PILOT JOHNSON RK A/C# 383 BOX SPARE

CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :	<u>4</u>	X	<u>1000</u>	ON	<u>P</u>	RETURNS	REPAIRS	REMARKS
		X				RETURNED		
		X				JETTISONED		

FLAK: _____

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS: _____

OBSERVATIONS: _____

PILOT _____

CASUALTIES 18/10

BOMBS _____

RETURNS _____

REPAIRS _____

REMARKS _____

FLAK: _____

POSITION IN FORMATION

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

	X	
X	X	
	X	
X	X	

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OBSERVATIONS:

X	X		X
X		X	(X)
X	X	X	X

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X
X X
X
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INTERR. FORM

PILOT Low Base

A/C# 185

BOX Wunder

CASUALTIES

BOMBS : Wunder

BATTERY DAMAGE

X RETURNED

X DETROINED

FLAK:

X

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

X

OBSERVATIONS:

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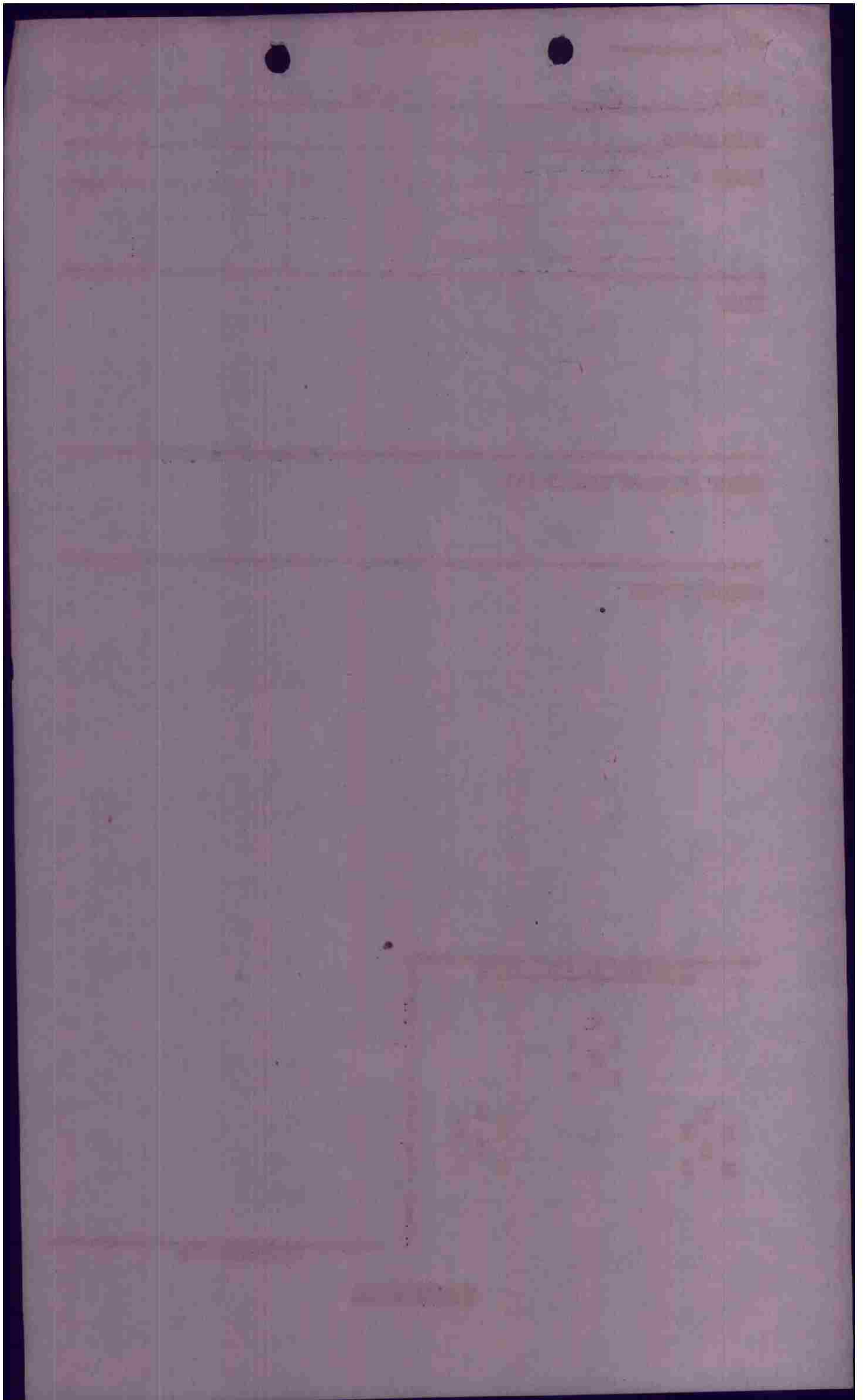
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PILOT ERRDTABERE A/C# 215 BOX I

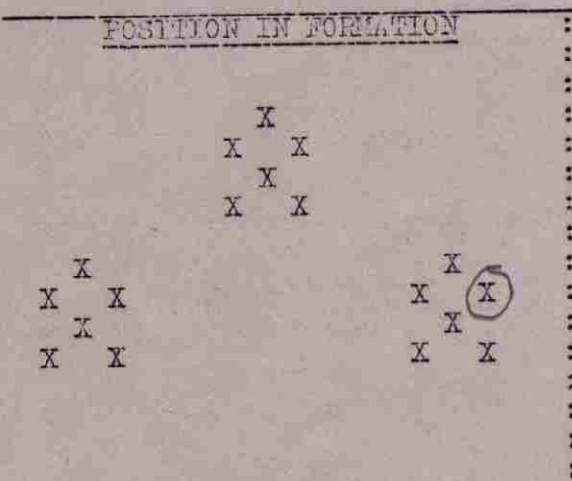
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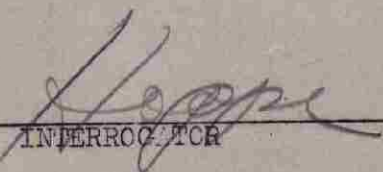
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FLAK: 

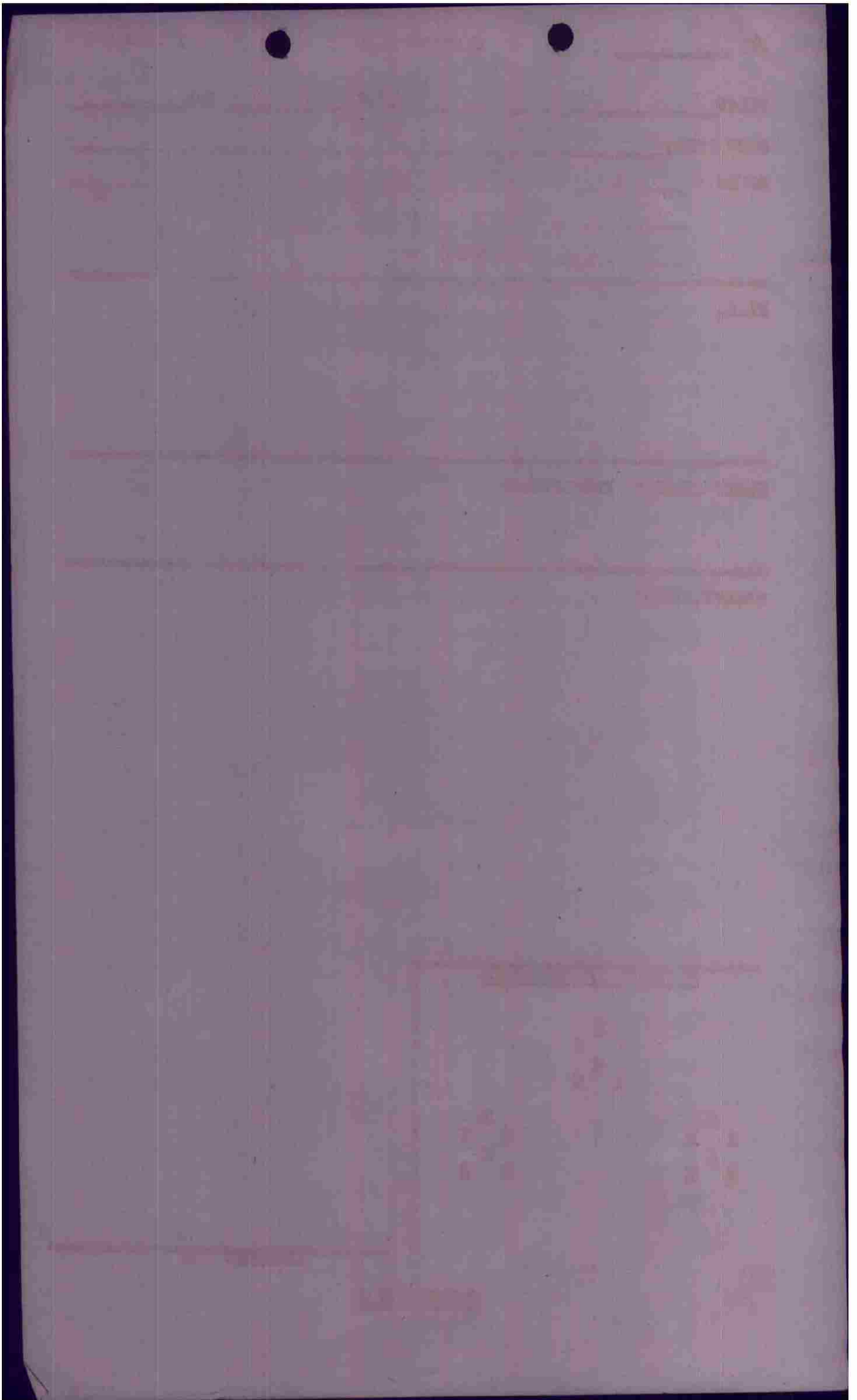
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OBSERVATIONS: 




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PILOT Cornell A/C# 710 BOX Window

CASUALTIES _____

BOMBS :		BATTLE DAMAGE		
		"A"	"B-C"	"E"
X	RETURNED	:	:	:
X	DETROINED	:	:	:

FLAK:

~~X~~

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

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OBSERVATIONS:

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POSITION IN FORMATION

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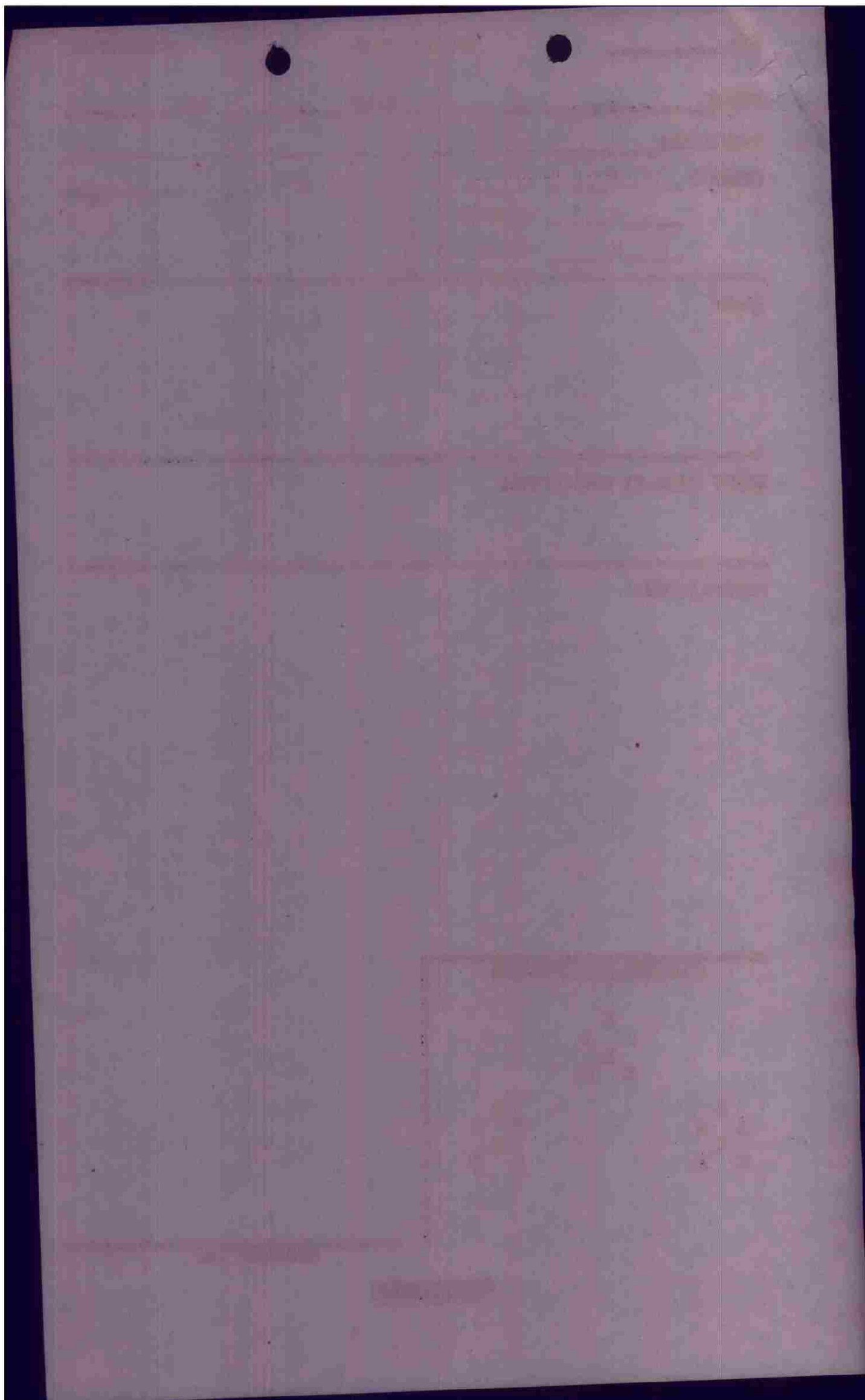
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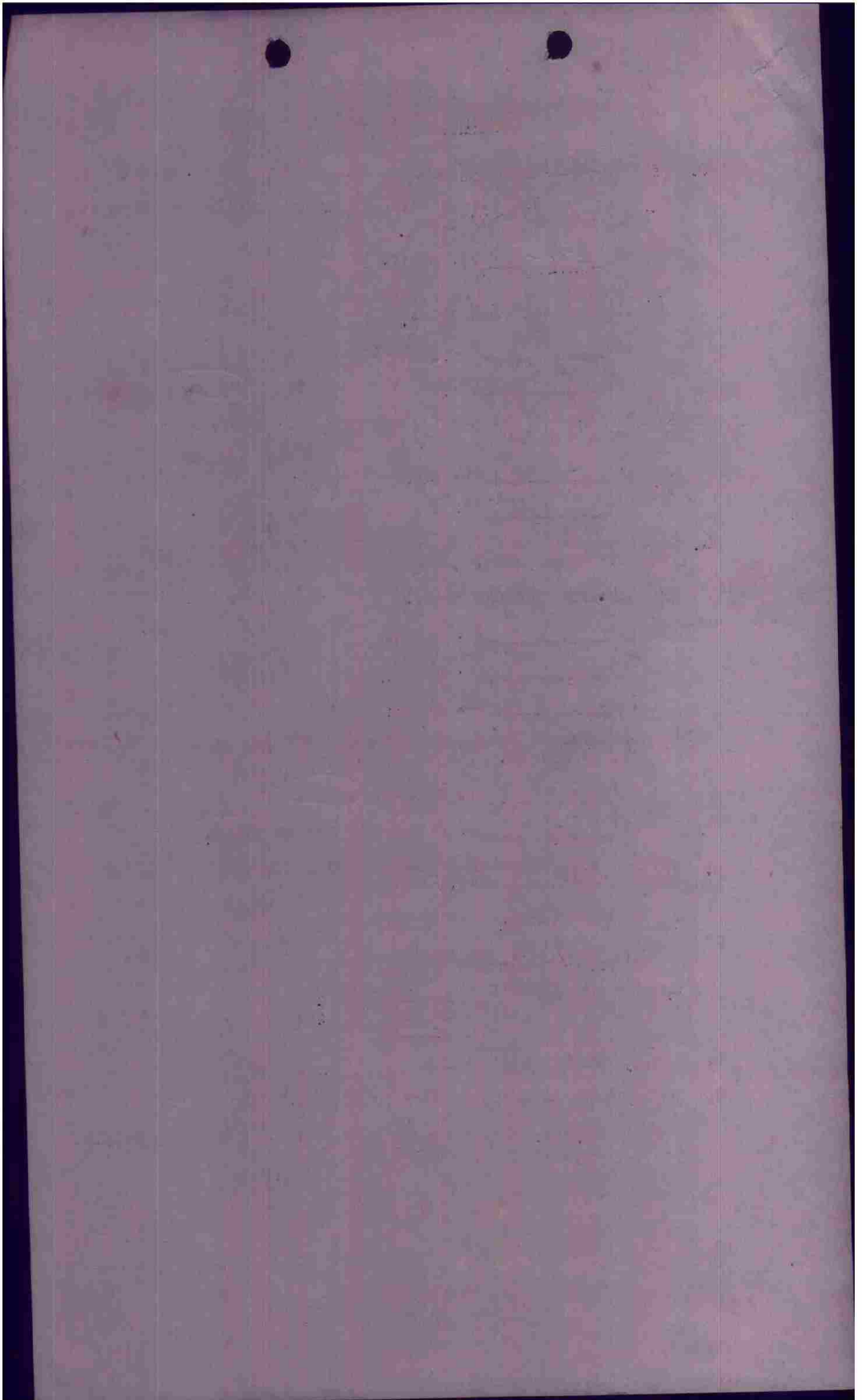
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MISSION WINDOW REPORT

1. Did Window planes precede the formation? If so, give:
 - a. Average distance of Window planes ahead of the formation through the flak area.
 - (1) 1 1/2 - 2 miles ft. ahead.
 - b. Position of Window planes with respect to formation through the flak area.
 - (1) 200 ft. below or above.
 - (2) little ft. off track, left or right.
 - c. Position of observed window cloud with respect to the formation.
 - (1) _____ ft. below or above.
 - (2) Middle of formation ft. off track, left or right.
2. Did first box or flight sow window for following box or flight? If so, give: no
 - a. Distance between units.
 - (1) _____ ft. ahead.
 - (2) _____ ft. ahead.
 - (3) _____ ft. ahead.
 - b. Position of succeeding boxes or flights relative to lead box or flight.
 - (1) 200 ft. below or above.
 - (2) little ft. off track left or right.
3. If flak occurred during bomb run give course of each bombing unit and Window planes. none
 - a. Window Planes.
 - (1) 73-74 degrees.
 - b. Box or flight I _____ degrees.
 II _____ degrees.
 III _____ degrees.
4. T.O.T. of Window aircraft. 1200
5. Comments as to effectiveness of Window. None

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INTERR. FORM

PILOT

Gary

A/C#

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BOX

Windows

CASUALTIES

BOMBS :	X	ON	:	RATHER DAMAGE	:	:	:
	X	RETURNED	:		:		
	X	DETROINED	:		:		

FLAK:

X

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

X

OBSERVATIONS:

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POSITION IN FORMATION

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      X
     X X
      X
     X X

  X      X
 X      X X
  X      X
 X      X

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MISSION WINDOW REPORT

1. Did Window planes precede the formation? If so, give:
 - a. Average distance of Window planes ahead of the formation through the flak area.
 - (1) _____ ft. ahead.
 - b. Position of Window planes with respect to formation through the flak area.
 - (1) _____ ft. below or above.
 - (2) _____ ft. off track, left or right.
 - c. Position of observed window cloud with respect to the formation.
 - (1) _____ ft. below or above.
 - (2) _____ ft. off track, left or right.
2. Did first box or flight see window for following box or flight? If so, give:
 - a. Distance between units.
 - (1) _____ ft. ahead.
 - (2) _____ ft. ahead.
 - (3) _____ ft. ahead.
 - b. Position of succeeding boxes or flights relative to lead box or flight.
 - (1) _____ ft. below or above.
 - (2) _____ ft. off track left or right.
3. If flak occurred during bomb run give course of each bombing unit and Window planes.
 - a. Window Planes.
 - (1) _____ degrees.
 - b. Box or flight I _____ degrees.
 II _____ degrees.
 III _____ degrees.
4. T.O.T. of Window aircraft. _____
5. Comments as to effectiveness of Window.

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