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

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By authority
CO, 416 A-56
18 November 1944
Info.

AFG 140, U.S. Army.
18 November 1944.

SUBJECT: Report of Combat Mission.

TO : Commanding General, 97th Combat Wing, AFG 140, U.S. Army.

416th Bombardment Group (L).
158th Combat Mission, 17 November 1944.
97th CW FO 98-634.

1. 28 A-24B
8 A-20A

2. 28 A-24B
8 A-20A

3. 24 A-24B
8 A-20A

4. None

6. 4 A-24B

8. 41-39217
Lt. T.J. Leonard

Pilot did not see leader release. Re-
leased bombs at bombing range.

43-22300
Capt. W.A. Peck

Bomb bay doors not open over target.
Bomb bay door safety lock switch was
found in the "on" position.

41-39205
Lt. D.W. Corrala

Pilot did not see leader release. Re-
leased bombs at bombing range.

43-22313
Lt. H.M. Van Noorden

Bomb bay doors not open over target.
Pilot error.

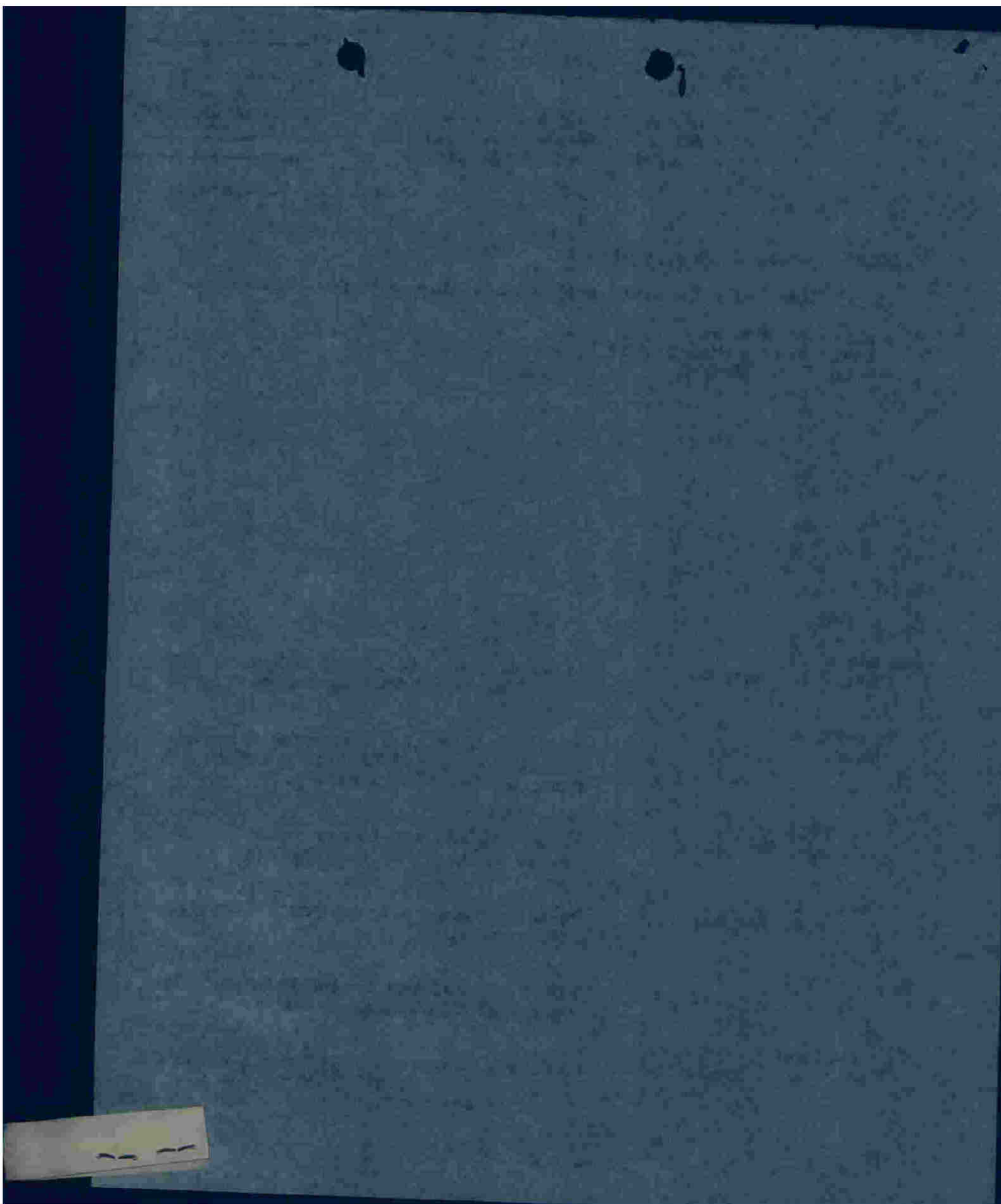
7. 41-39217
Lt. T.J. Leonard

Pilot did not see leader release. Re-
leased bombs at bombing range.

43-22300
Capt. W.A. Peck

Bomb bay doors not open over target.
Bomb bay door safety lock switch was
found in the "on" position.

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41-39206

Lt. D.W. Gorrals

Pilot did not see leader release. Released bombs at bombing range.

43-22513

Lt. H.H. Van Noorden

Bomb bay doors not open over target. Pilot error.

41-39223

Lt. H. Popeney

Station 7A and 8A failed to release. Faulty release receptacle on Station 8.

41-39242

Lt. J.W. Blomgren

Station 5A and 6A failed to release. Faulty release receptacle on Station 5.

43-22301

Lt. P.F.A. MacManus, Jr.

Station 8A did not release over target. Salvaged in Germany. Ground wire shorted out on Station 8A release receptacle.

41-39237

Lt. H.E. Andrews

Station 7A and 8A failed to release. Faulty release receptacle on Station 8.

41-39234

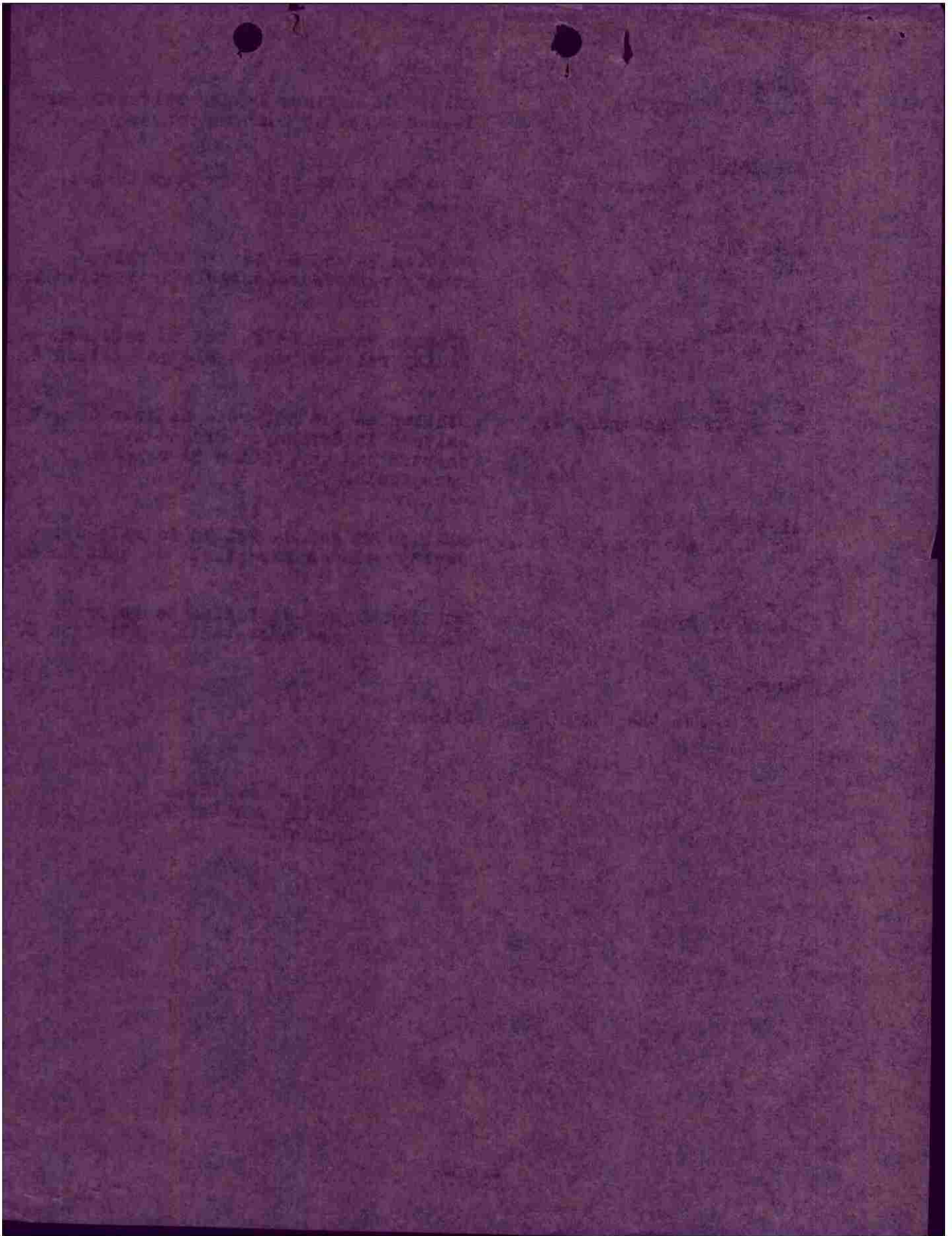
Lt. G.W. Brown

Station 7A and 8A failed to release. Faulty release receptacle on Station 8.

8. None.

For the Commanding Officer:

GEORGE SCHERKIN,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.



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ANNEX "A"

BOMBING INFORMATION

IX B.C. FIELD ORDER NO. 100BOX 1 211 1 - - GROUP 416 DATE 17 Nov. 1944 TARGET ATTACKED Haguenau S.D.

1. Method of Sighting:

Pre-set with corrections.

2. Bombing approach:

3. Was mercury erection system used? YES _____ NO X4. Did entire ~~(box)~~ (flight) drop on lead bombardier? YES X NO _____

In either case explain fully method of sighting and dropping of bombs, and specify exact aiming point actually used:

Pre-set with corrections. Picked up wrong aiming point at start of run. Changed to correct aiming point late in run. Very short run on target because of this. C-1 Auto pilot was not used.5. Name of lead Bombardier: Lt. V.H. Powell6. Name of lead Pilot: Maj. L.F. Dunn7. Intervalometer setting: Min.8. Indicated Air Speed: 210 Ground Speed: 262 Altitude: 80009. Length of bomb run: 15 Sec: _____10. Bomb Load and Fusing per A/C: _____ x 8 x 250 lb. FUSED 1/10 N
1/100 T11. Total Bombs Dropped: 40

12. Full statement of all factors affecting bombing - including: -

(a) Did weather conditions or visibility adversely affect identification of target attacked or bombing. YES _____ NO _____. If "YES" state conditions and effect.
Ground haze and fog in target area made A.P. difficult to locate at a distance.(b) Apart from weather or visibility, was any difficulty encountered in identifying target attacked, IP or AP? YES _____ NO X. If answer is "YES", state circumstances and effect on bombing:(c) Did Flak affect bombing? YES _____ NO X. If answer is "YES" state to what extent did Flak affect bombing or bomb run:

(d) To what extent did attacks by enemy aircraft affect bombing?

None

(e) State any difficulties on bombing run:

Could not locate briefed aiming point until late in run due to haze.

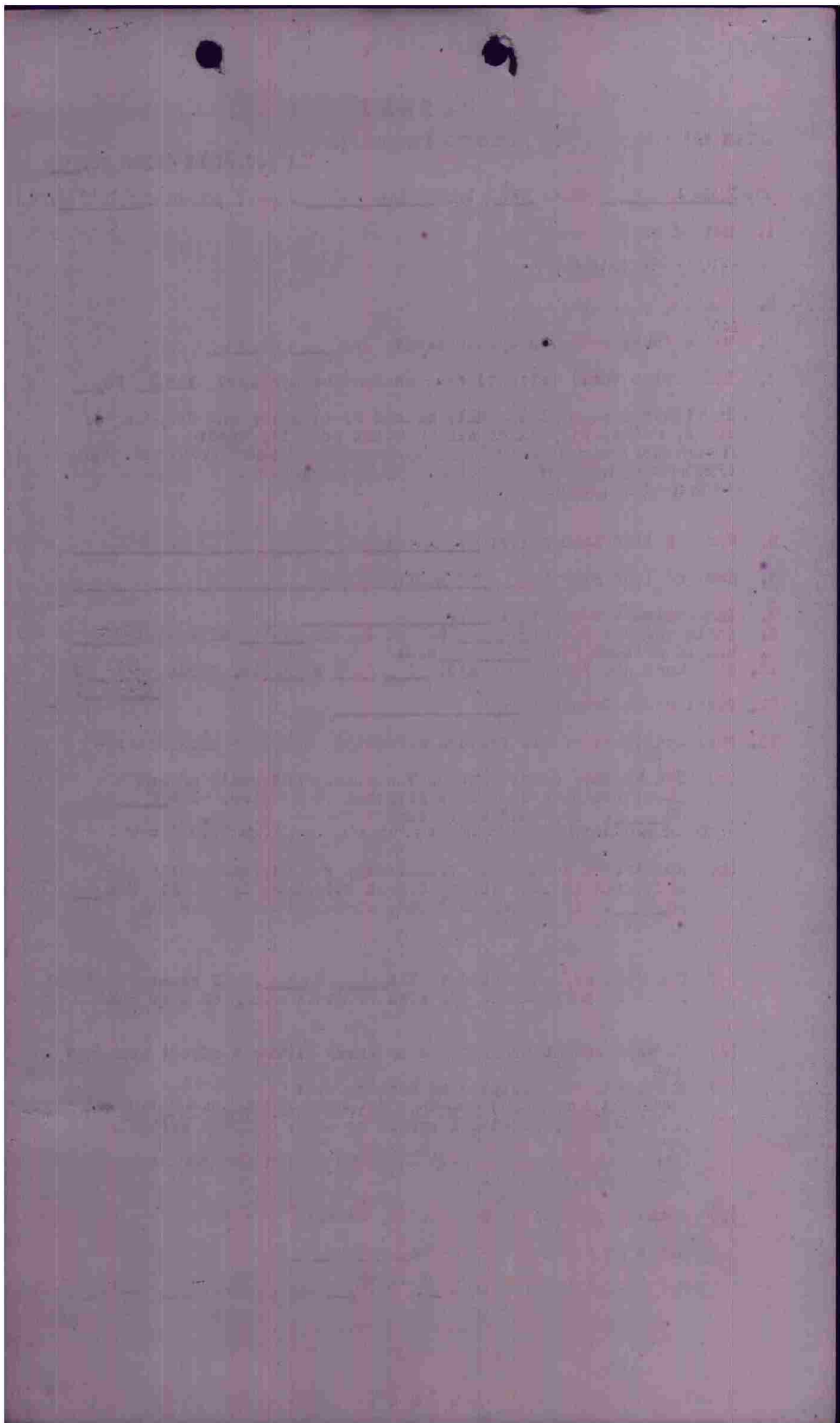
(f) Malfunctions, personnel errors or other factors affecting bombing:

None

(g) Bombing results as reported by crews:

Aimed at right Target: YES X NO _____Results claimed: EXCEL _____ GOOD _____ FAIR X POOR _____ GROSS _____

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ANNEX "A"

BOMBING INFORMATION

IX B.C. FIELD ORDER NO. 424BOX 1 Flt 2 GROUP A16 DATE 17 Nov. 1944 TARGET ATTACKED Regensburg S.D.

1. Method of Sighting:

Pre-set with corrections.

2. Bombing approach:

3. ¹⁰⁵ Was mercury erection system used? YES _____ NO X4. Did entire ~~(max)~~ (flight) drop on lead bombardier? YES X NO _____

In either case explain fully method of sighting and dropping of bombs, and specify exact aiming point actually used:

Pre-set with corrections. Aimed at tgt. but rolled indices together on run. Premature accidental release short of target area. G-1 Auto pilot was not used.5. Name of lead Bombardier: Lt. R.H. Joost6. Name of lead Pilot: Capt. R.S. Radinill7. Intervalometer setting: Min.8. Indicated Air Speed: 210 Ground Speed: 263 Altitude: 70009. Length of bomb run: None Sec: _____10. Bomb Load and Fusing per A/C: 8 x 250 lb. FUSED 1/20 N
1/100 T11. Total Bombs Dropped: 48

12. Full statement of all factors affecting bombing - including: -

(a) Did weather conditions or visibility adversely affect identification of target attacked or bombing. YES X NO _____. If "YES" state conditions and effect.**None and fog in target area made target difficult to pick up.**(b) Apart from weather or visibility, was any difficulty encountered in identifying target attacked, IP or AP? YES _____ NO X. If answer is "YES", state circumstances and effect on bombing:(c) Did Flak affect bombing? YES _____ NO X. If answer is "YES" state to what extent did Flak affect bombing or bomb run:

(d) To what extent did attacks by enemy aircraft affect bombing?

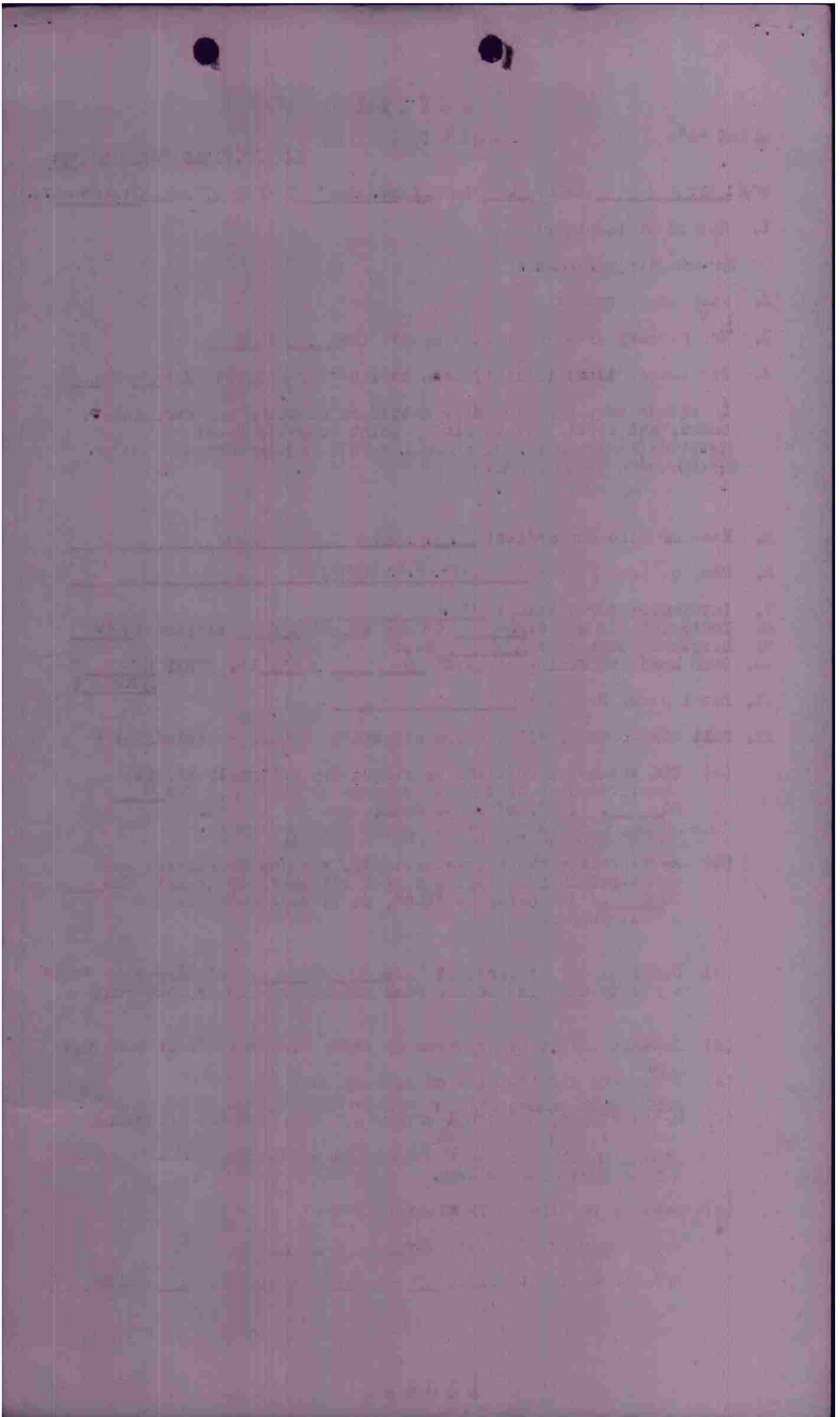
(e) State any difficulties on bombing run:

(f) **Rollled sight indices together while searching for target in telescope.** Malfunctions, personnel errors or other factors affecting bombing:**Bombardier rolled indices together on run causing premature accidental release short of target area.**

(g) Bombing results as reported by crews:

Aimed at right Target: YES _____ NO XResults claimed: EXCEL _____ GOOD _____ FAIR _____ POOR _____ GROSS X

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ANNEX "A"

BOMBING INFORMATION

IX B.C. FIELD ORDER NO. 694BOX 1 Flt 3 GROUP 416 DATE 17 Nov. 1944 TARGET ATTACKED Magnum S.D.

1. Method of Sighting:

Pre-set with corrections.

2. Bombing approach:

110°3. Was mercury erection system used? YES _____ NO X4. Did entire ~~(crew)~~ (flight) drop on lead bombardier? YES X NO _____

In either case explain fully method of sighting and dropping of bombs, and specify exact aiming point actually used:

Pre-set with corrections. Aimed at briefed aiming point.G-I Auto pilot was not used.5. Name of lead Bombardier: Lt. R. Conte6. Name of lead Pilot: Capt. D.A. Hulse7. Intervalometer setting: Min.8. Indicated Air Speed: 210 Ground Speed: 260 Altitude: 75009. Length of bomb run: 30 Sec: _____10. Bomb Load and Fusing per A/C: _____ 8 x 250 lb. FUSED 1/10 N
1/100 T11. Total Bombs Dropped: 48

12. Full statement of all factors affecting bombing - including: -

- (a) Did weather conditions or visibility adversely affect identification of target attacked or bombing. YES X
NO _____. If "YES" state conditions and effect.

None in area made target difficult to pick up.

- (b) Apart from weather or visibility, was any difficulty encountered in identifying target attacked, IP or AP? YES ____
NO X. If answer is "YES", state circumstances and effect on bombing:

- (c) Did Flak affect bombing? YES _____ NO X. If answer is "YES" state to what extent did Flak affect bombing or bomb run:

- (d) To what extent did attacks by enemy aircraft affect bombing?

None

- (e) State any difficulties on bombing run:

None

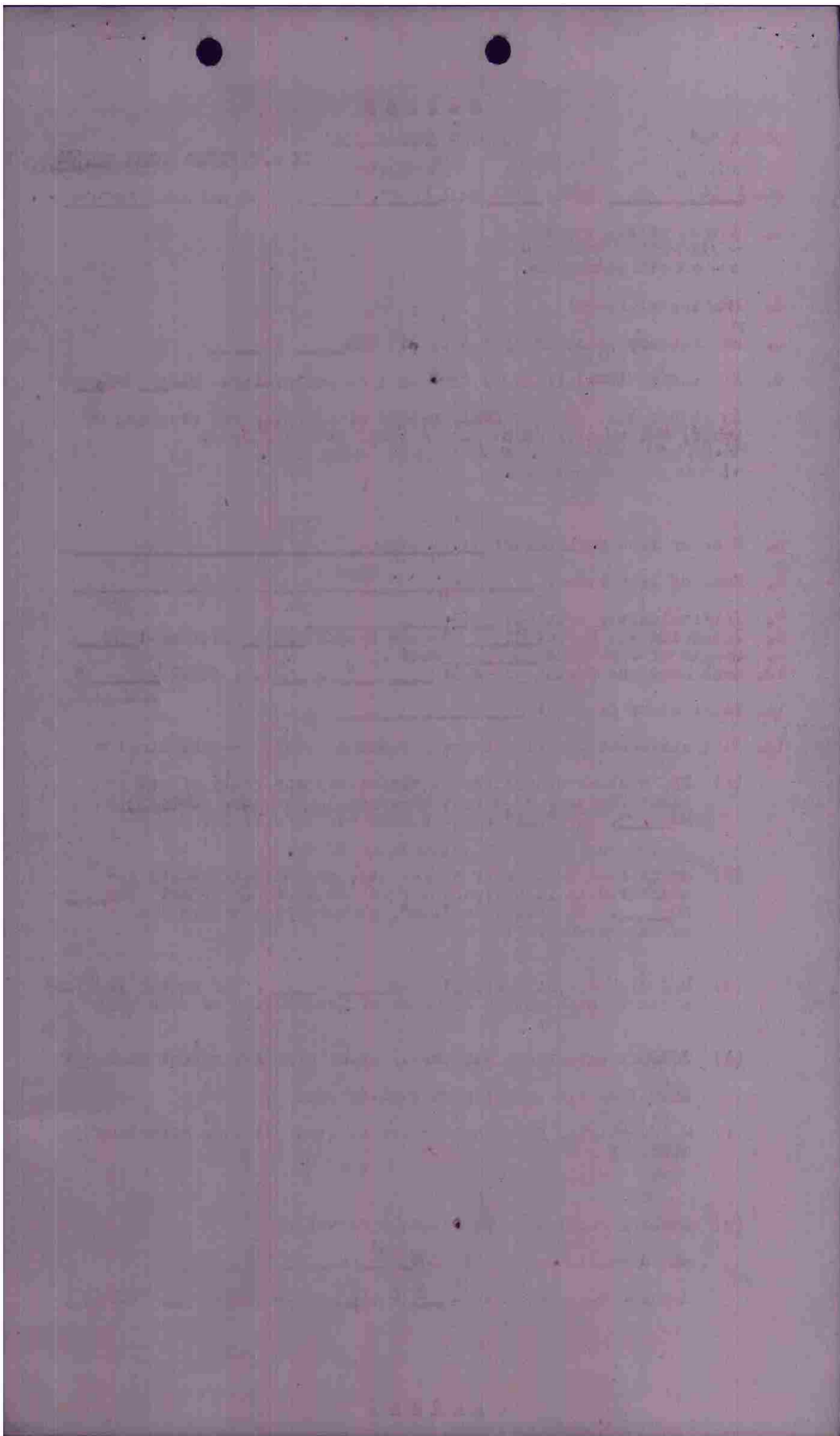
- (f) Malfunctions, personnel errors or other factors affecting bombing:

None

- (g) Bombing results as reported by crews:

Aimed at right Target: YES X NO _____Results claimed: EXCEL X GOOD _____ FAIR _____ POOR _____ GROSS _____

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ANNEX "A"

BOMBING INFORMATION

IX B.C. FIELD ORDER NO. _____

BOX 2 Flt 1 GROUP 424 DATE 27 Nov. 1944 TARGET ATTACKED Magway S.D.

1. Method of Sighting:

Pre-set with corrections.

2. Bombing approach:

3. Was mercury erection system used? YES _____ NO X4. Did entire (box) (flight) drop on lead bombardier? YES X NO _____

In either case explain fully method of sighting and dropping of bombs, and specify exact aiming point actually used:

Pre-set with corrections. Aimed at briefed aiming point.
G-1 Auto pilot was not used.5. Name of lead Bombardier: Lt. J. - Hupits6. Name of lead Pilot: Capt. M. J. Huff7. Intervalometer setting: Min.8. Indicated Air Speed: 210 Ground Speed: 257 Altitude: 75009. Length of bomb run: 30 Sec: _____10. Bomb Load and Fusing per A/G: _____ 8 x 250 lb. FUSED 1/10 N
1/100 T11. Total Bombs Dropped: 48

12. Full statement of all factors affecting bombing - including: -

- (a) Did weather conditions or visibility adversely affect identification of target attacked or bombing. YES
- X
- NO _____. If "YES" state conditions and effect.

None and fog in target area made it very difficult to pick up target.

- (b) Apart from weather or visibility, was any difficulty encountered in identifying target attacked, IP or AP? YES _____ NO
- X
- . If answer is "YES", state circumstances and effect on bombing:

- (c) Did Flak affect bombing? YES _____ NO
- X
- . If answer is "YES" state to what extent did Flak affect bombing or bomb run:

- (d) To what extent did attacks by enemy aircraft affect bombing?

- (e)
- None
- State any difficulties on bombing run:

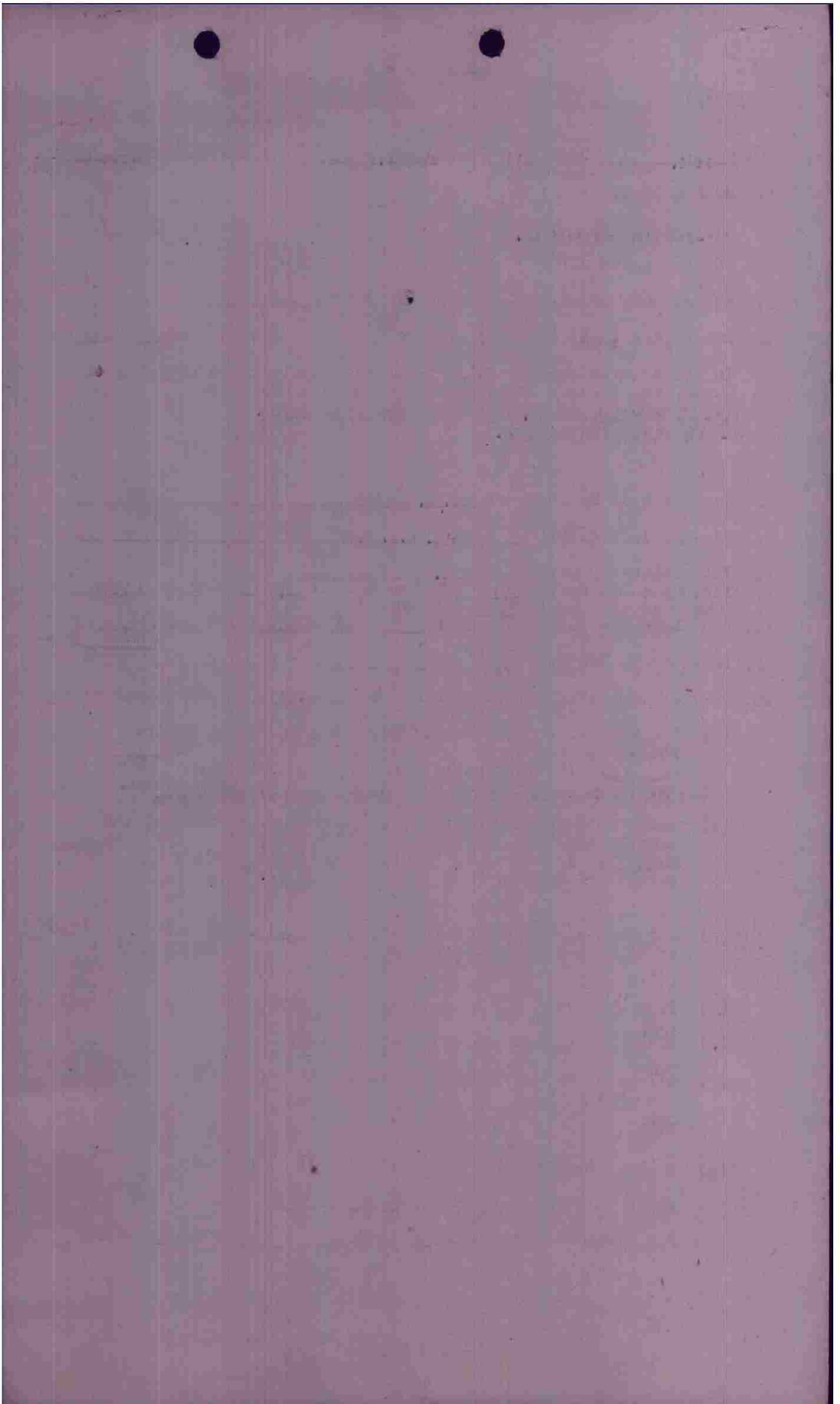
- (f)
- None
- Malfunctions, personnel errors or other factors affecting bombing:

None

- (g) Bombing results as reported by crews:

Aimed at right Target: YES X NO _____Results claimed: EXCEL X GOOD _____ FAIR _____ POOR _____ GROSS _____

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ANNEX "A"

BOMBING INFORMATION

IX B.C. FIELD ORDER NO. 694BOX 2 Flt 2 - GROUP 416 DATE 17 Nov. 1944 TARGET ATTACKED Magnum S.D.

1. Method of Sighting:

Pre-set with corrections.

2. Bombing approach:

1053. Was mercury erection system used? YES _____ NO x4. Did entire (~~box~~) (flight) drop on lead bombardier? YES x NO _____

In either case explain fully method of sighting and dropping of bombs, and specify exact aiming point actually used:

Pre-set with corrections. Aimed at briefed aiming point.
G-1 Auto pilot was not used.5. Name of lead Bombardier: Lt. R.J. Russell6. Name of lead Pilot: Capt. H.P. Cole7. Intervalometer setting: Min.8. Indicated Air Speed: 210 Ground Speed: 260 Altitude: 77009. Length of bomb run: 15 Sec:10. Bomb Load and Fusing per A/C: _____ 8 x 250 lb. FUSED 1/10 N
1/100 T11. Total Bombs Dropped: 40

12. Full statement of all factors affecting bombing - including: -

- (a) Did weather conditions or visibility adversely affect identification of target attacked or bombing. YES
- x
- NO _____. If "YES" state conditions and effect.

Haze in target area made it very difficult to pick up target.

- (b) Apart from weather or visibility, was any difficulty encountered in identifying target attacked, IP or AP? YES
- none
- NO
- x
- . If answer is "YES", state circumstances and effect on bombing:

- (c) Did Flak affect bombing? YES _____ NO
- x
- . If answer is "YES" state to what extent did Flak affect bombing or bomb run:

- (d) To what extent did attacks by enemy aircraft affect bombing?

None

- (e) State any difficulties on bombing run:

None

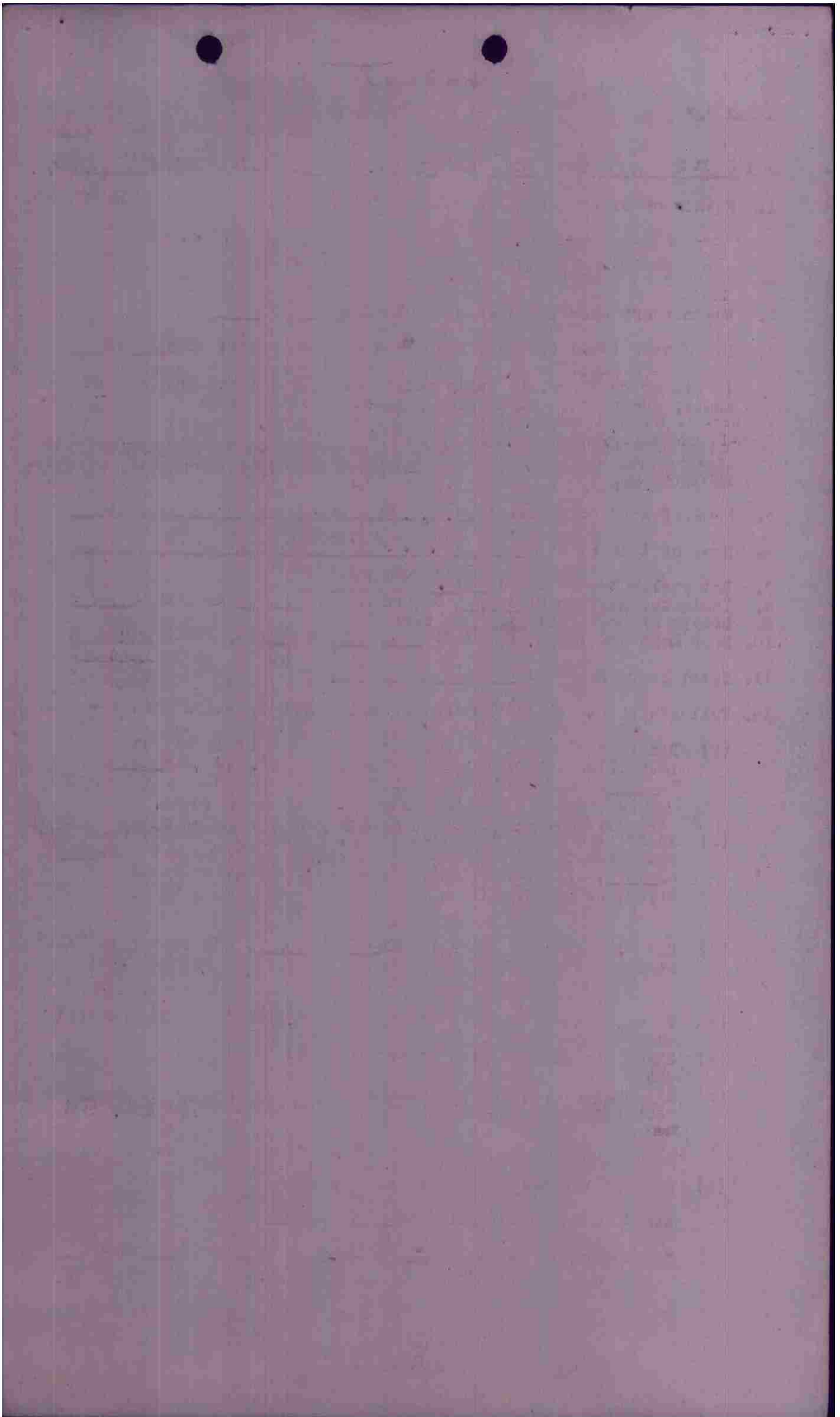
- (f) Malfunctions, personnel errors or other factors affecting bombing:

None

- (g) Bombing results as reported by crews:

Aimed at right Target: YES - x NO _____Results claimed: EXCEL x GOOD _____ FAIR _____ POOR _____ GROSS _____

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ANNEX "A"

BOMBING INFORMATION

IX B.C. FIELD ORDER NO. 694BOX 2 Flt 3 GROUP 416 DATE 17 Nov. 1944 TARGET ATTACKED Magway S.D.

1. Method of Sighting:

Pre-set with corrections

2. Bombing approach:

1003. Was mercury erection system used? YES _____ NO X4. Did entire (~~max~~) (flight) drop on lead bombardier? YES X NO _____

In either case explain fully method of sighting and dropping of bombs, and specify exact aiming point actually used:

Pre-set with corrections. Sight fogged up on bombing run and this plus the poor visibility due to haze in area made sighting on the briefed aiming point difficult. Very short run.5. Name of lead Bombardier: Lt. H.T. Arrington6. Name of lead Pilot: Capt. R.V. Wheeler7. Intervalometer setting: Min.8. Indicated Air Speed: 210 Ground Speed: 258 Altitude: 40009. Length of bomb run: 10 Sec:10. Bomb Load and Fusing per A/C: _____ 8 x 250 lb. FUSED 1/10 N
1/100 T11. Total Bombs Dropped: 48

12. Full statement of all factors affecting bombing - including: -

(a) Did weather conditions or visibility adversely affect identification of target attacked or bombing. YES X NO _____. If "YES" state conditions and effect.Haze and fog in area made target very hard to find. Short run because of this.(b) Apart from weather or visibility, was any difficulty encountered in identifying target attacked, IP or AP? YES _____ NO X. If answer is "YES", state circumstances and effect on bombing:(c) Did Flak affect bombing? YES _____ NO X. If answer is "YES" state to what extent did Flak affect bombing or bomb run:

(d) To what extent did attacks by enemy aircraft affect bombing?

None

(e) State any difficulties on bombing run:

Sight fogged up and visibility was very poor. Made extremely short run.

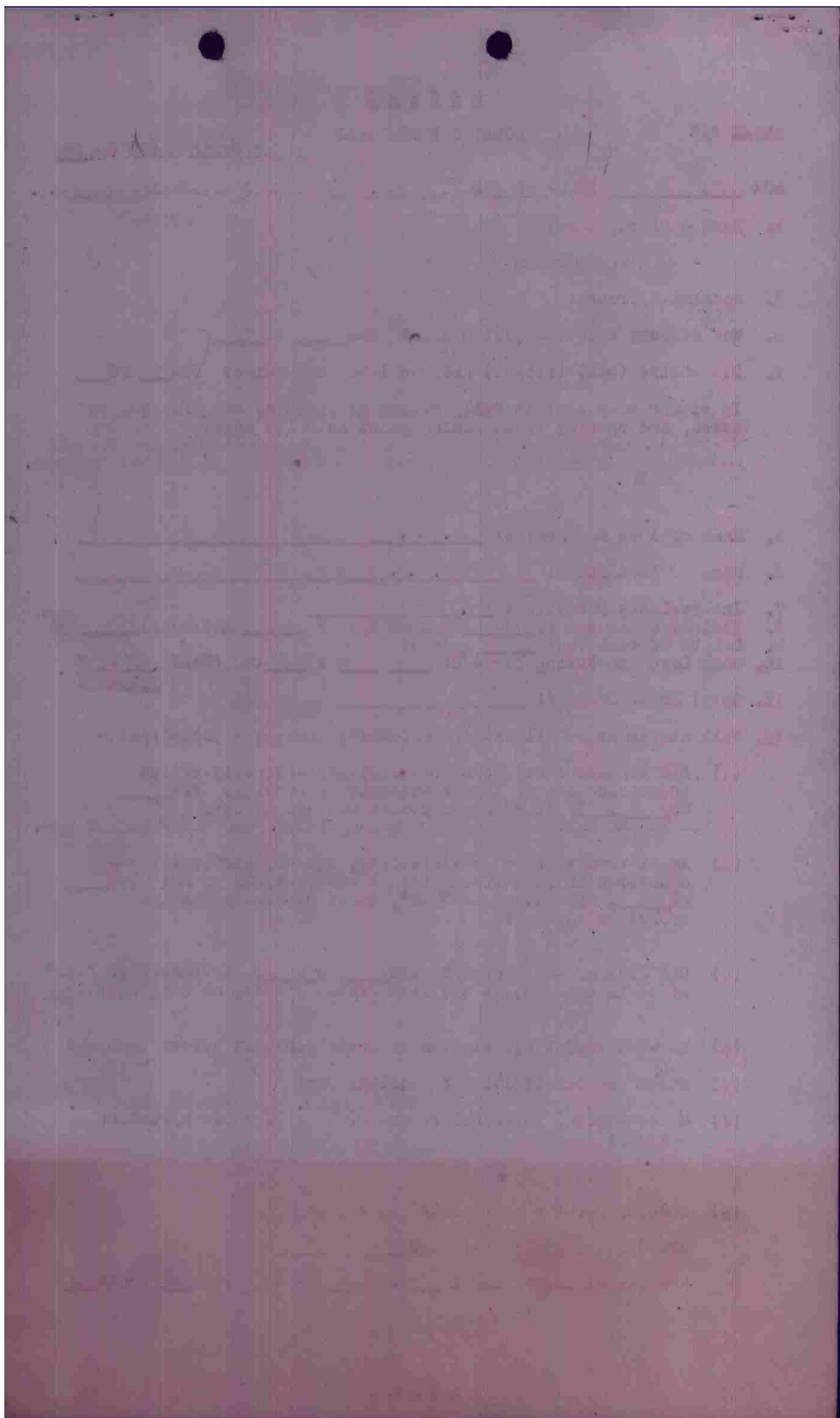
(f) Malfunctions, personnel errors or other factors affecting bombing:

None.

(g) Bombing results as reported by crews:

Aimed at right Target: YES X NO _____Results claimed: EXCEL _____ GOOD _____ FAIR _____ POOR _____ GROSS X

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16 NOVEMBER 1944

LOADING LIST
BOX NO. I
FLIGHT I

1. 063 A.
MAJOR L.F. DUNN ✓
LT. V.H. POWELL ✓
C S/SGT. R.F. STOBERT
S/SGT. F.F. GLYNN

2. 317 O
MAJOR C. FERRIS ✓
A S/SGT. D.J. RIO *

3. 215 R
LT W.R. HEINKE
C S/SGT. G.R. VAN WERT

4. 237 F
LT J.P. MILLERMAN ✓
C S/SGT. A. TERAN

5. 324 O-1
LT E.C. TURNER ✓
C S/SGT. J.O. BELCAS

6. 223 B
LT H. POPENEY ✓
C S/S H.C.S. CANDLER *

FLIGHT II

1. 073 J
CAPT R.S. RUDISILL ✓
C LT R.H. JOOST ✓
S/SGT. D.E. BURNS
LT. LINDSAY

2. 217 I
LT T.J. LEONARD ✓
C S/SGT. O.D. EVANS

3. 224 E
LT C.L. MC GLOHN ✓
C S/SGT. J.C. MCKEE

4. 334 G
LT R. J. ROONEY ✓
C S/SGT. W.L. KIDD

5. 307 N
LT J.C. SEWELL ✓
C S/SGT. D.A. SAMPSON *

6. 315 L
LT T.A. MURPHY ✓
C S/SGT. J.J. RICKLESON *

FLIGHT III

1. 024 E-1
CAPT D.A. HULSE ✓
B LT. R. CONTE ✓
S/SGT. F.D. ALLRED
S/SGT. D.W. STEPHENS

2. 300 P
CAPT W.A. PECK ✓
B S/SGT. E.T. EPPS

3. 244 I-1
CAPT B.D. STEBBINS ✓
B LT A.S. CALLOWAY ✓
S/SGT. W.J. BROWN

4. 242 Q
LT J.W. BLONGREN ✓
B LT G.G. JOHNSON ✓
S/SGT. M. BOOKACH

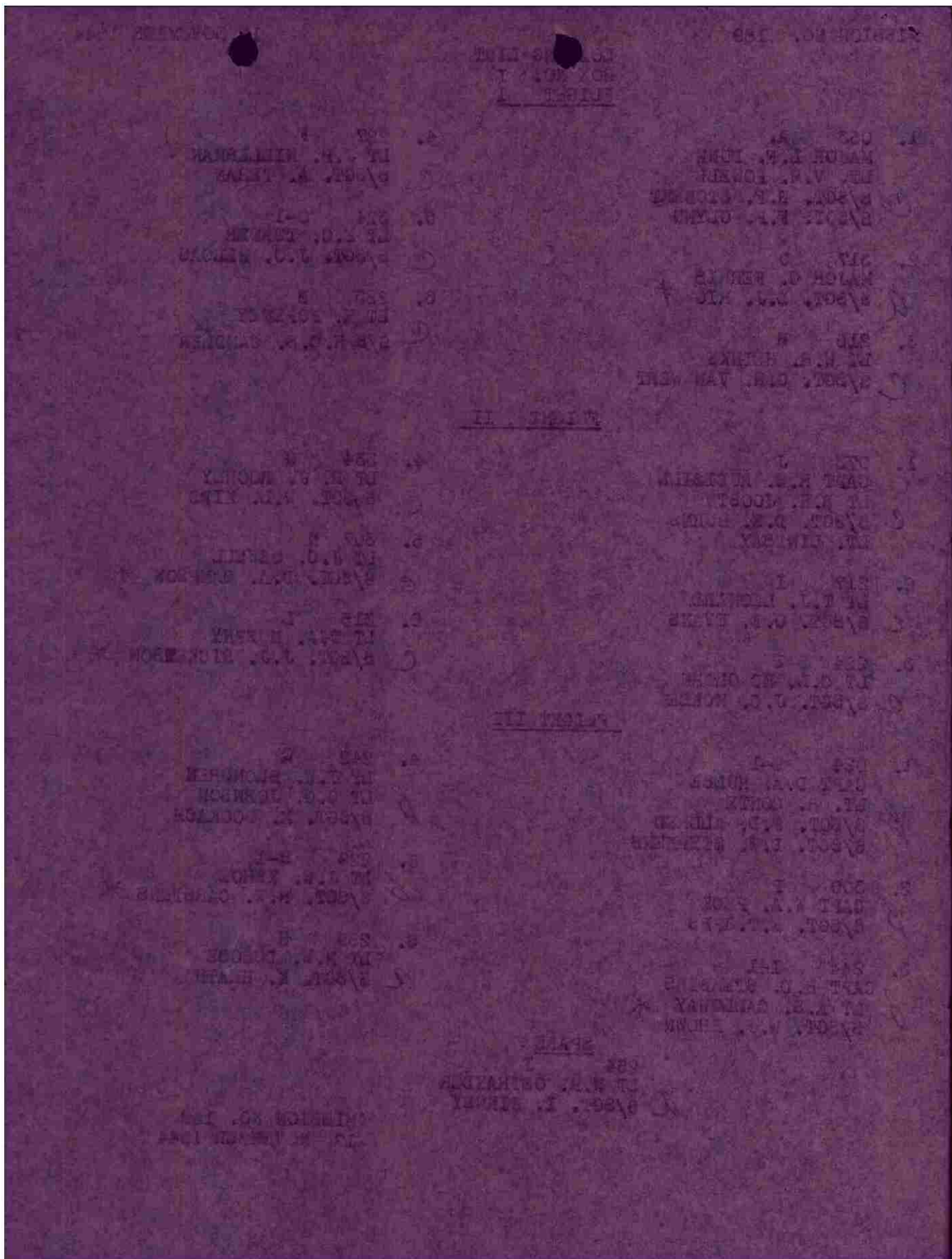
5. 229 B-1
LT J.W. KEHOE ✓
B S/SGT. R.W. CARSTENS *

6. 259 H
LT M.W. DEBOSE ✓
A S/SGT. K. HEATH

SPARE

264 I
LT W.B. OSTRANDER ✓
A S/SGT. I. BINNEY

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BOX II

FLIGHT I

1. 085 T
 Capt. M.J. Huff ✓
 1st Lt. J. Kipits ✓
 S/S F.P. Basford
 S/S C.L. Webb

4. 240 K
 Lt. R.H. Cornell ✓
 Lt. R.E. Eaman ✓
 S/S A. Carter *

2. 301 O
 Lt. F.F.E. MacManus, Jr. ✓
 Lt. J.W. Britt

5. 232 A
 Lt. J.F. Smith ✓
 S/S R.C. Hoffman

3. 205 W
 Lt. D.W. Sorrels ✓
 S/S H.I. Triber

6. 241 F
 Lt. W.F. Tripp ✓
 S/S D.F. Mallory *

FLIGHT II

1. 560 X
 Capt. H.P. Cole ✓
 Lt. R.J. Bassett ✓
 S/S F.R. Chvatal H*
 S/S E.G. Pandre

4. 265 V
 Lt. R.H. Smith ✓
 S/S R.J. Mahoney *

2. 211 L-1
 Lt. D.M. Withington ✓
 S/S C.F. Hussa

5. 239 N
 Lt. D.M. Eastman ✓
 Sgt A.B. Eaton *

3. 210 J
 Lt. J.S. Buskirk ✓
 S/S C.H. Corbitt

6. 313 B
 Lt. H.M. Van Noorden ✓
 Sgt R.I. Steffey

FLIGHT III

1. 089 R
 Capt. R.V. Wheeler ✓
 Lt. H.T. Arrington ✓
 S/S H.C. Worden H*
 S/S J.J. Rzepka

4. 274 P
 Lt. C.W. Brown ✓
 Lt. J.E. Kerns ✓
 S/S H.E. Sunderland

2. 209 M
 Lt. A.E. Herman ✓
 S/S J.O. Young

5. 208 L
 Lt. A.J.P. Winn ✓
 Cpl W.G. Davis

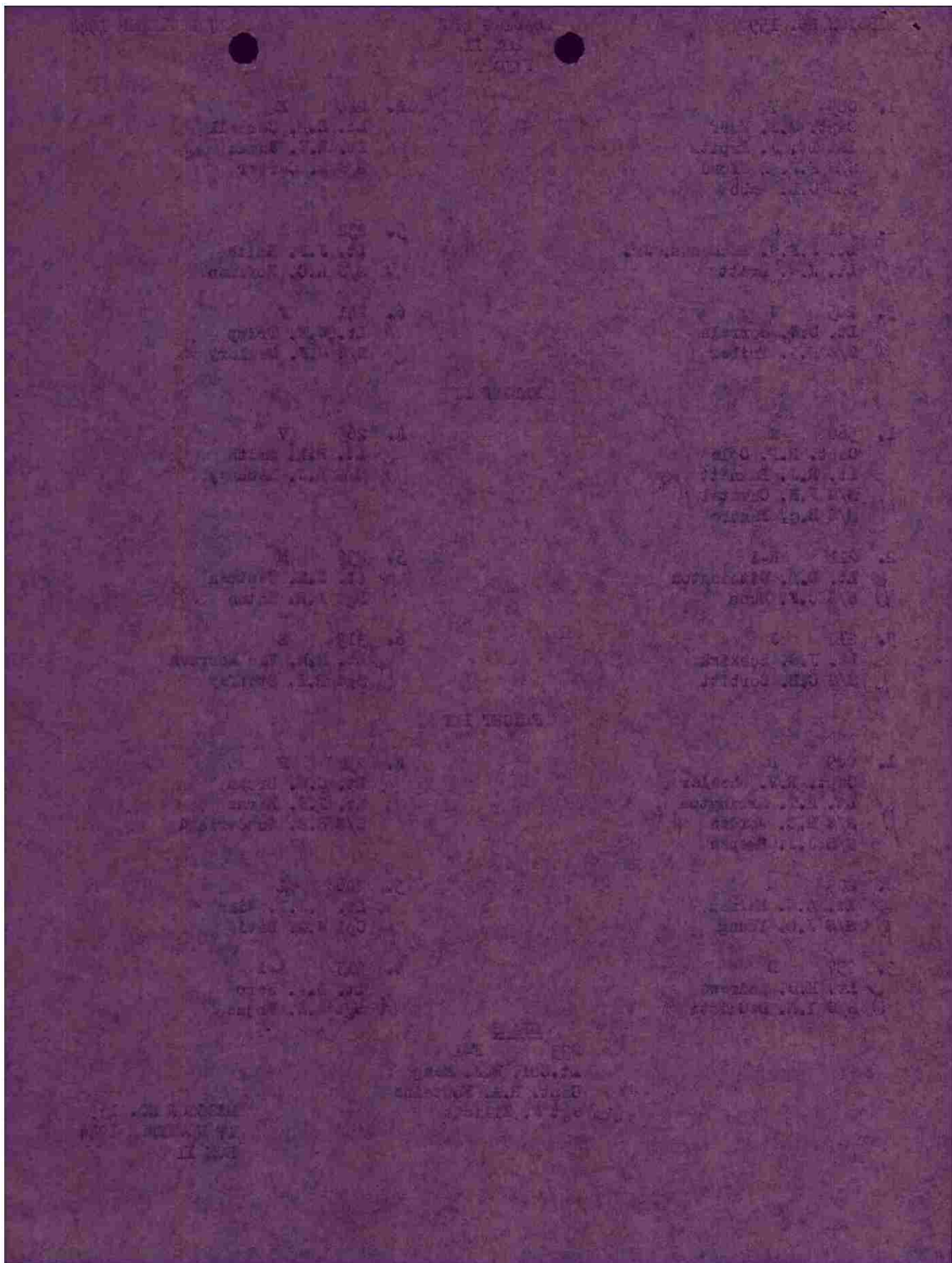
3. 237 D
 Lt. H.D. Andrews ✓
 S/S I.R. DeQuisti *

6. 213 A-1
 Lt. D.A. Fero ✓
 Sgt A.A. Rojas *

SPARE

233 F-1
 Lt. Col. W.J. Meng ✓
 Capt. R.A. Fontaine ✓
 Sgt F. Elliott ✓

MISSION NO. 159
 17 NOVEMBER 1944
 BOX II



MISSION REPORT

MISSION NO. 159DATE 17 Nov. 1944

1. NUMBER OF MEN WOUNDED (MEDICS - 16) None
2. BOMBING MALFUNCTIONS (ARMAMENT - 92)
- 217 - Arbona - Ranger - Leonard - Did not see under target
205 - " " - Lovell - " " " "
313 - " " - Van Noorden - Bomb Door did not open
300 - Returned all bombs - Fick - Mech. Malfunction
3. CAMERA MALFUNCTIONS (PHOTO LAB - 84)
4. NUMBER PLANES OPERATIONAL: BOMB GROUP G'S J'S , SVG G'S J'S
 WING OFFICER 13 A-20 31 A-26
5. PER CENT OF BATTLE DAMAGE (INTELLIGENCE - 68) None
6. PLANES FAILING TO BECOME AIRBORNE OR RETURNING EARLY - REASON
- 239 - Not Airborne - Sgt. D. - Eastman - Electrical System
215 - " " Sgt. C. - Heiske - Spark Plug
211 - " " Sgt. D. - Withington - Spark Plug
259 - " " Sgt. A. - DeBorja - Spark Plug
7. PLANES LOST OR LANDING AWAY FROM BASE - REASON - LOCATION

SUBMITTED BY M/Sgt Young

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DEVIATION

X41

X41

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X41

TARGET

116th Bomb Gr. - FO. 58-634
TARGET - HAGUENAU SUPPLY DEPOT
Altitude 8500 - LAT. 4910.1412
36 A/c by 45.
WEATHER - VIZ 3 MILES - 100% VISIBILITY
ARRAO. AT TARGET.
No FAK THREAT

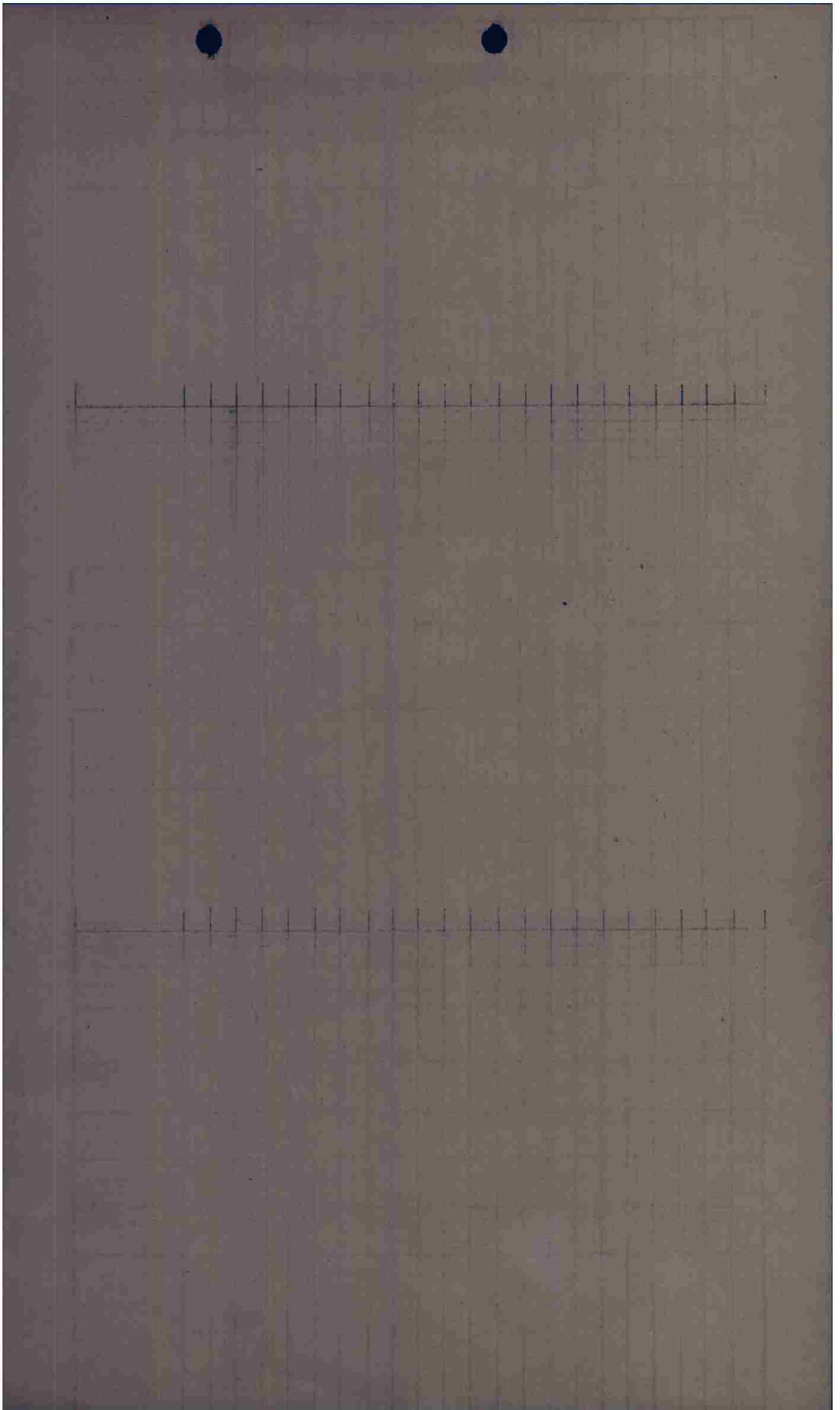
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Box I

17 Jan 1948

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C	O	317	Harrier			50									41	
C	R	215	Hecker													
C	3	229	Hickman			51									1547	
C	O-1	324	Harrier			51									1548	
C	B	223	Harrier			51									1549	
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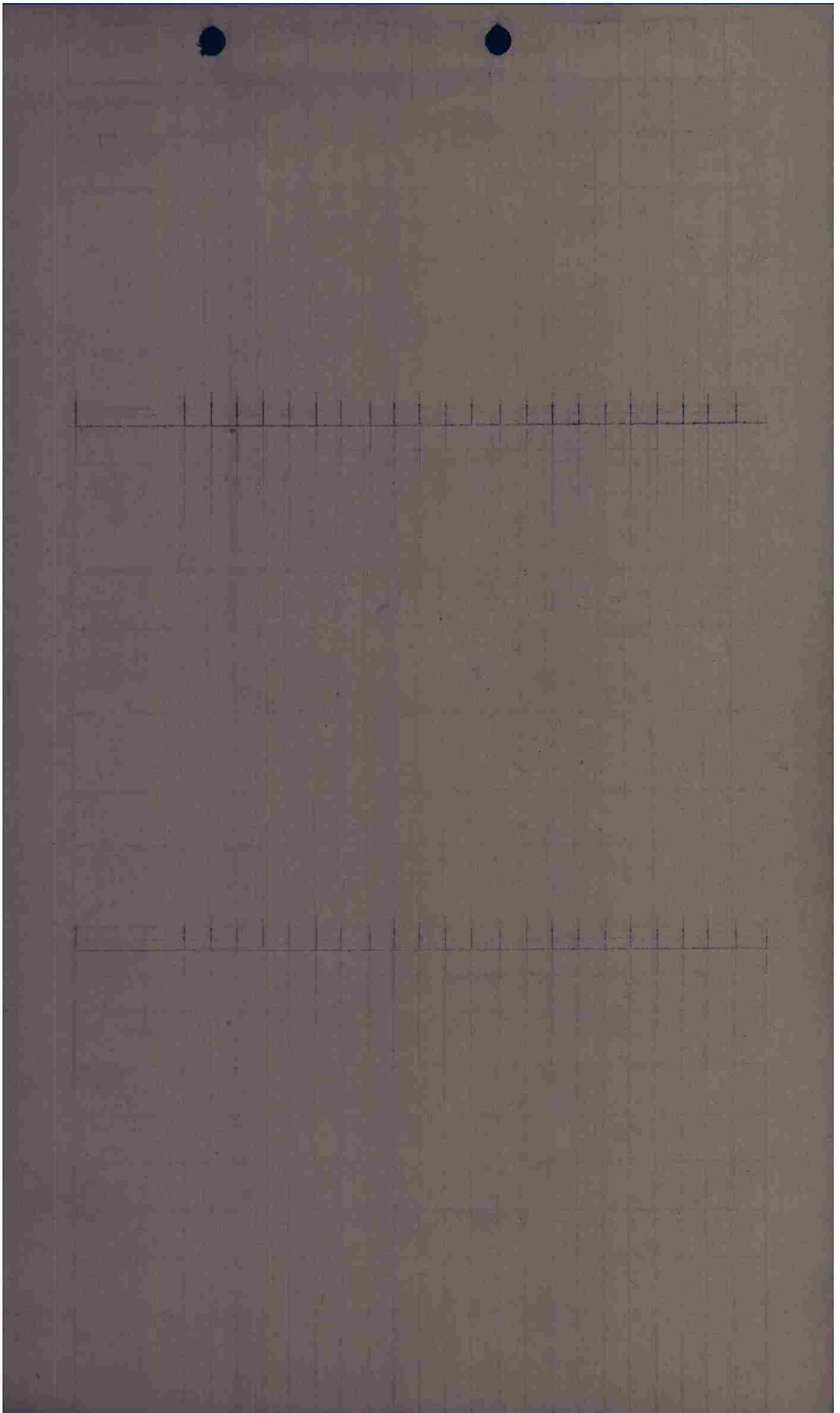
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S Q D N	A / C LTR	A / C NO.	PILOT	D I S T A N C E	TARGET	A T O	ENG. COAST OUT	ENEMY COAST IN	T O T	ENEMY COAST OUT	ENG. COAST IN	C A M E R A	F U L L O L D	B O L D	E N D U R	L A T I T U D E	R E M A R K S
<i>B</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>085</i>	<i>Henry</i>			<i>1256</i>										<i>1611</i>	
<i>B</i>	<i>O</i>	<i>301</i>	<i>MacPherson</i>			<i>56</i>										<i>1648</i>	
<i>B</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>205</i>	<i>Canwell</i>			<i>56</i>										<i>1612</i>	
<i>B</i>	<i>X</i>	<i>246</i>	<i>Canwell</i>			<i>59</i>										<i>1550</i>	
<i>B</i>	<i>A</i>	<i>232</i>	<i>Smith, G. F.</i>			<i>59</i>										<i>1550</i>	
<i>B</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>241</i>	<i>Wick</i>			<i>57</i>										<i>1549</i>	
<i>B</i>	<i>X</i>	<i>560</i>	<i>Edle</i>			<i>58</i>										<i>1556</i>	
<i>B</i>	<i>X-1</i>	<i>211</i>	<i>Whittington</i>														
<i>B</i>	<i>C</i>	<i>210</i>	<i>Quirk</i>			<i>59</i>										<i>1558</i>	
<i>B</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>265</i>	<i>Smith, R. A.</i>			<i>59</i>										<i>1559</i>	
<i>B</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>239</i>	<i>Eastman</i>														
<i>B</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>313</i>	<i>Van Neeland</i>			<i>59</i>										<i>1558</i>	
<i>B</i>	<i>X</i>	<i>089</i>	<i>McGee</i>			<i>1300</i>										<i>1545</i>	
<i>B</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>209</i>	<i>McGee</i>			<i>1300</i>										<i>1553</i>	
<i>B</i>	<i>X</i>	<i>237</i>	<i>McGee</i>			<i>1300</i>										<i>1546</i>	
<i>B</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>234</i>	<i>McGee</i>			<i>1300</i>										<i>1546</i>	
<i>B</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>208</i>	<i>McGee</i>			<i>1301</i>										<i>1547</i>	
<i>B</i>	<i>A-1</i>	<i>213</i>	<i>McGee</i>			<i>1301</i>										<i>1548</i>	
<i>B</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>233</i>	<i>McGee</i>			<i>1301</i>										<i>1605</i>	<i>Done</i>

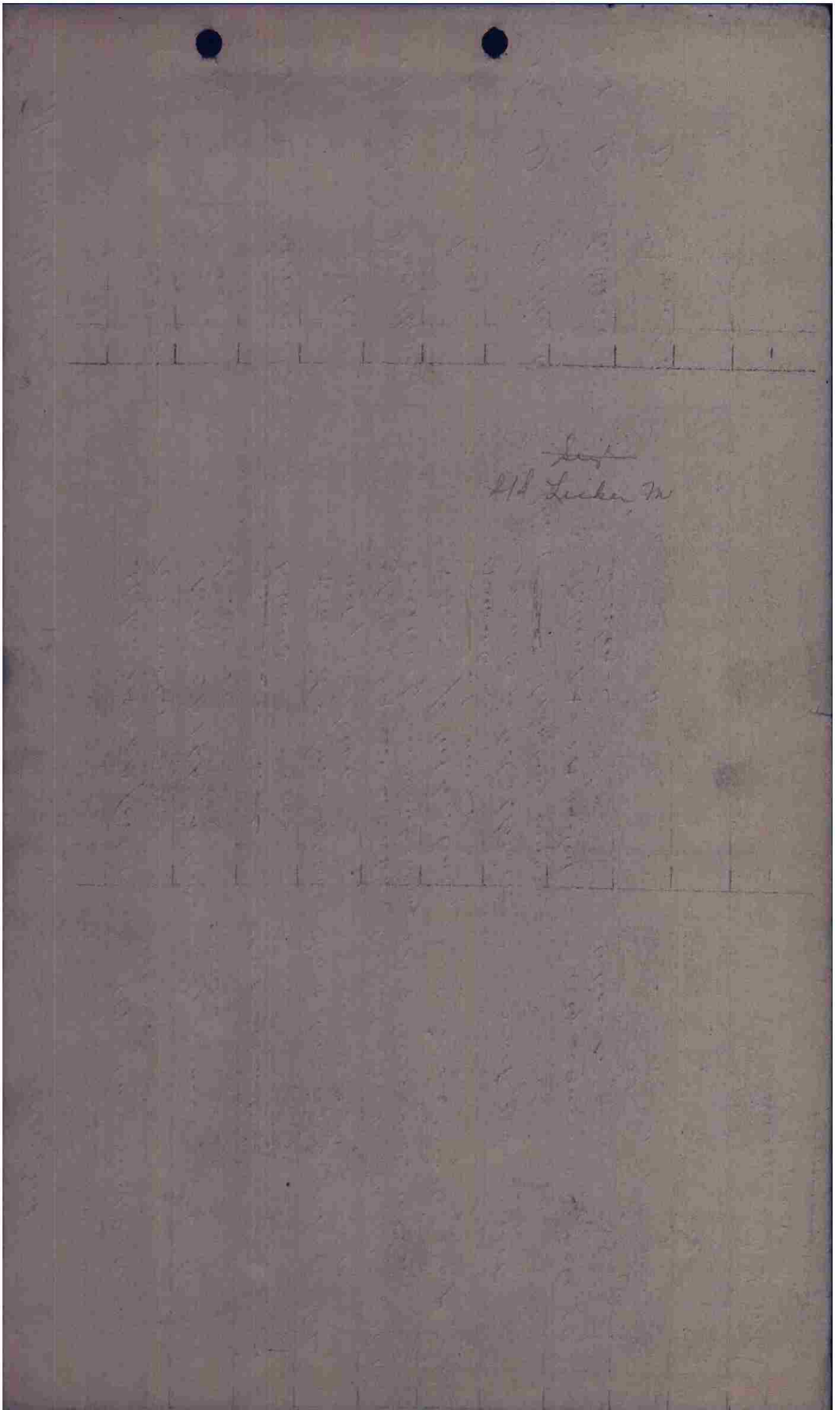
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SHIP NO	SQUADRON	PILOT and/or BOMBARDIER	GUNNER S	FUNCTIONS	CAUSES OF MALFUNCTIONS		
223	C	Phenney		Station 7A & 8A failed to release.	Faulty release receptacle on station 8		
242	B	Blomgren		Station 5A & 6A failed to release.	Faulty release receptacle on stations		
217	C	Leonard		Failed at range Ireland	Pilot did not see tracer drops		
300	B	Reef		Returned 8 bombs, could not open doors.	Bomb door unable to lock or vital wiring the 8A in position.		
301	B	MacManus		Station 8A did not release over target, salvoed in Germany	Ground noise masked out on station 8A release receptacle.		
205	B	Lowells		8 bombs failed to release, the at range.	Did not see tracer drops.		
313	D	Van Norden		8 bombs failed at target. Station 7A & 8A at bombing range.	Doors not open at target.		
237	D	Anders		Station 7A & 8A failed to release	Faulty release receptacle on station 8.		
234	D	Brown Cpl.		"	"		
						William A. McManus Capt. U.S. Armament Officer	



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FROM: 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 17/1125A H-151-E
TO : IX BOMBER DIV.
39TH BOMB GROUP. (INFO)
418TH BOMB GROUP. (INFO)
416TH BOMB GROUP.

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97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
A P O 143
17 NOVEMBER 1944

FIELD ORDER NO. 58-634

MAPS: NORMAL

1. B. (1) REF. CURRENT BOMBLINE.
(2) XII T.A.C. WILL FURNISH AREA COVER.
2. THIS WING WILL ATTACK A TARGET IN FRANCE.
ZERO HOUR 17/1335A
3. A. 416TH BOMB GROUP.
(1) HAGUENAU SUPPLY DEPOT R-932247
(2) 36 A/C BOMBING BY FLIGHTS OF 6
(3) BASE TO 4842N 8712E TO 4829N 8712E TO I.P. TO TARGET.
(4) TURN LEFT TO R.P. AND RETRACE ROUTE TO BASE.
(5) BOMB 12,000 FEET OR BELOW CLOUD BASE DOWN TO BUT NOT BELOW 7,000 FEET.
(6) 4829N 8728E
(7) GENERALLY W TO E
(8) M.P.I. ILL. 2ND PHASE U.S. SORTIE 18/1150 REF. 911231
(9) 8 X 250 LB. G.P. FUSED 1/10 SEC. NOSE 1/100 SEC. TAIL.
(10) 4853N 8728E
(11) T.O.T. ZERO HOUR PLUS 80 MIN.
(12) IN THE EVENT PRIMARY TARGET CANNOT BE ATTACKED, TARGETS OF MILITARY VALUE ALONG THE ROUTE BACK BETWEEN THE PRIMARY TARGET AND 4829N 8712E MAY BE ATTACKED.
(13) IN CASE THE FORMATION OR INDIVIDUAL A/C CANNOT REACH ENEMY TERRITORY A-26'S WILL JETTISON BOMBS "SAFE" ON THE ARBONNE BOMBING RANGE.
(14) INTERVALOMETER SETTING - MINIMUM
- X. (1) TO (4) NO CHANGE.
4. NO CHANGE.
5. COMMUNICATIONS.
A. 416TH BOMB GROUP.
(1) PROCTOR
(2) BRIDE (3) JUDITH (4) DUFFY
X. GENERAL INFORMATION.
(1) BOX LEADERS WILL REPORT TWO MIN. PRIOR TO I.P. TO F.G.C. STATION THAT THEY ARE PROCEEDING TO TARGET.
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OIJPO K WITH R
OIJPO / OIJEA R. 17/1235A CEN AR
OIJKI K WITH R
OIJKI / OIJEA R. 17/1245A LJ AR

INT UNDER COMMUNICATIONS. (3) (4) PERS
A. 416TH BOMB GROUP.
(1) PROCTOR
(2) JUDITH
DUST

(3) JUDITH
(4) DUFFY