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Place	Date 1943.	Time	Summary of Events	<b>SECRET</b>	References to Appendices
WABDINGTON.	1/1.		Two crews, "B" F/L. LONSDALE and "U", F/SGT. STONEY, were detailed for a "WANGAMUI" operation on ESSEN. This type of operation was at the moment experimental and for use on nights of 10/10 cloud. The weather was the cause of cancellation at 1645 hours.		
	2/1.		Yesterday's operation was again detailed for today with the same crews, but was once again cancelled.		
	3/1.		"A" - F/L. LONSDALE and "U" - F/SGT. STONEY, were again briefed for a "WANGAMUI" on ESSEN, a trip which was at last carried out. There was 10/10 cloud at the target but P.P.F. sky-markers were used as release points. They were, however, rather scattered. "A" - F/L. LONSDALE, failed to return.		
	4/1.		There being no operations detailed, three aircraft were detailed for High Level Formation practice, which was carried out at 20,000' and bombing practice was carried out by another aircraft.		
	5/1.		"K" - SGT. McDONALD and "V" - F/SGT. GIBSON, were detailed for operations, once again with ESSEN as the target, but the trip was cancelled at about 1500 hours.		
	6/1	7/1	Bad weather prohibited flying and no operations were detailed, confining the Squadron's activity to ground training.		
	8/1.		The following aircraft were detailed for mining in the BALTIC:- "T" - P/O. COWAN; "U" - F/SGT. STONEY; "J" - SGT. HOBBS. On arrival at the garden there was found to be 10/10ths cloud at 2,000' and the crews returned to base with their loads. In addition, the following crews were detailed for a WANGAMUI on DUISBURG:- "W" - W/CPT. SOUTHWELL; <del>"X" - SGT. JARROLD; "Y" - SGT. HUGHES.</del> "V" F/SGT. GIBSON; "R" SGT. DOOLAN; "Q" SGT. MARSHALL; "A" SGT. McDONALD; "Y" SGT. FOOTE; <del>"Z" SGT. STONE.</del> All aircraft dropped		

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WADDINGTON.	9/1 (Contd)		<p>their loads on the release point flares laid by P.F.F. and a concentration of incendiaries was seen burning as they left. "R" SGT. MCKENZIE SGT. DOOLAN was unfortunate in having a direct hit on the tail, causing the death of the rear gunner. "Y" SGT. WOOTE failed to return. Three aircraft, "A" (Sgt. McDONALD), "G" (SGT. MARSHALL) and "Y" (P/SGT. GIBSON) all landed at BOSWELL DOWN. "R" landed at COLTISHALL.</p> <p>No operations being detailed, the day was spent flying the aircraft from diversion airfields to base.</p> <p>Weather was totally unfit for flying and all activity was confined to ground training.</p> <p>ESSON was again the target for the following crews: "X" SGT. WALSH; "Y" P/SGT. THOMAS; "Z" P/O. COWAN; "Z" S/L. JARRETT; "U" SGT. MARSHALL; "V" P/SGT. GIBSON; "A" SGT. McDONALD; "D" S/L. FRY; "J" SGT. HOBBS. Of these, "J" (SGT. HOBBS) returned early since the aircraft would not climb to the 20,000' required by the operation. The remaining aircraft bombed the sky-markers which appeared to be a little late. "U" SGT. MARSHALL had to jettison his 4,000-lb manually in the vicinity of WESSEL. The results as seen by crews seemed rather poorer than was expected. "X" (SGT. LYONS) failed to return.</p> <p>No operations were detailed and the flying carried out was done locally on T.P. exercises. The first two of the Mark III Lancasters having arrived, they were subjected to the initial check.</p> <p>LORIENT, the submarine base was to have been the target for three crews, but the cancellation came through at 1610 hours. However, night cross-countries were carried out by the new crews.</p> <p>The target, BERLIN, detailed for the following crews, was received with delight by the Squadron Met. forecast good conditions over the area and crews were very satisfied with the prospect after so many "WANGAMUI" trips.</p>	
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The target, BERLIN, detailed for the following crews, was received with delight by the Squadron. Met. forecast good conditions over the area and crews were very satisfied with the prospect after so many "WAMGAMUI" trips.

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Place	Date	Time	Summary of Events	SECRET.	References to Appendices
WADDINGTON.	16/1	(Contd)	<p>"W" W/CDR. SOUTHWELL; "Z" S/L. JARRETT; "V" F/SGT. GIBSON; "P" F/O. MEYER; "T" F/SGT. WALSH; "X" F/SGT. THOMAS; "U" SGT. MARSHALL; "A" SGT. CARSWELL; <del>XXXXXXXXXX</del>; "G" SGT. CHILVERS; "J" SGT. HOBBS; "K" F/O. COWAN; "M" SGT. McDONALD;</p> <p>The trip, however, was not the success that was expected due to (a) cloud over target area (b) PFF. failing to conform with the technique expected of them. Many decoys were seen in the area and the bombing varied from "bombed marker incendiaries" to "bombed on ETA... through 10/10 cloud".</p> <p>"A" SGT. CARSWELL mis-read a Group signal and dropped his bombs before reaching the target area to conform with what he thought was a general recall.</p> <p>"G" (SGT. CHILVERS) returned early through oxygen failure.</p> <p>The navigator of "X" (F/SGT. THOMAS) became sick and the crew returned to base.</p> <p>"M" SGT. McDONALD was again unfortunate with engines, his starboard outer having cut and the inner dragging, the pilot returned to base.</p>		
	17/1.		<p>Again BERLIN was the target and it was hoped that Met. conditions would enable the crews to achieve better results. The following crews were detailed:- "W" W/C. SOUTHWELL; "Z" S/L. JARRETT; "V" F/SGT. GIBSON; "P" F/SGT. STOREY; "T" F/SGT. WALSH; "X" F/SGT. THOMAS; "R" SGT. MARSHALL; "A" SGT. CARSWELL; "D" S/L. FRY; "G" SGT. CHILVERS; "K" F/O. COWAN.</p> <p>Again weather was against the crews and 10/10 cloud was found over the target. Two aircraft returned early. "R" (SGT. MARSHALL) owing to engine trouble and "X" (F/SGT. THOMAS) as he was unable to maintain height on climb above 14,000'.</p> <p>Of the aircraft which reached the target area, none could identify the aiming point and the reports on fires show that there was not the intended concentration. "W" - W/C. SOUTHWELL bombed BUTZOW since there was 10/10 cloud in the target area and flares were not seen until aircraft had set course for home.</p> <p>"A" (SGT. CARSWELL), "P" (F/SGT. STOREY), "V" (F/SGT. GIBSON) &amp; "G" (SGT. CHILVERS) failed to return. Base being unfit, landings were made as follows: "T" (F/SGT. WALSH), "W" (W/C. SOUTHWELL) and "Z" (S/L. JARRETT) at NEWMARKET. "R" (SGT. MARSHALL) - COLTISHALL. "D" (Sgt.</p>		

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WADDINGTON.	17/1	(contd)	FRY - OAKINGTON; "K" (P/O. COWAN) - DOWNHAM MARKET.	<b>SECRET</b>
	18/1.		The only flying carried out was the return of crews from their diversion airfields.	
	19/1 } 20/1 }		Weather precluded all flying and the activity of the Squadron was confined entirely to ground training.	
	21/1 } 22/1 }		The advent of the Mark III Lancasters, with the resultant delay while they were being checked, gave the Squadron no opportunity to operate, but day and night cross-countryes were carried out while flying off the hours to test the new aircraft.	
	23/1 } 24/1 }		The following crews were detailed for operations, but the trip was cancelled early. P/O. COX and "J" P/Sgt. NELSON. Local flying was carried out with the new aircraft.	
	25/1.		No operations being detailed, a full training programme was carried out. With four aircraft, bombing three in fighter affiliation. Two aircraft also carried out night cross countryes.	
	26/1.		Six crews were detailed for operations, but the trip was cancelled in the afternoon.	
	27/1.		The effort was to have been divided, three freshmen mining and six others bombing, but the mining was cancelled and the following crews were detailed to attack DUSSELDORF: "A" P/O. MEYER; "O" SGT. DOOLAN; "P" SGT. McDONALD; "J" SGT. HOBBS; "D" S/L. FRY; "S" SGT. COX; "H" SGT. DAVIS; "M" P/Sgt. NELSON.	
			There was 10/10ths cloud over the target, but the P.F.F. technique worked well and the aircraft bombed their marker incendiaries. Several small fires were seen to start.	
			"M" SGT. McDONALD experienced considerable icing while climbing and could not get above 13,000'. The 4,000-lb. would not release electrically and had to be dropped manually.	

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WADDINGTON.	28/1.		Six aircraft were detailed for an attack on ESSEN, but the trip was cancelled at 1600 hours. The only other flying detailed was the testing of the new aircraft.		
	29/1.		One aircraft, "A" P/O. VAN NOTE) was detailed for operations at LORIENT, but it was cancelled at 1615 hours. Training carried out consisted of bombing and fighter affiliation.		
	30/1.		The following 11 aircraft were detailed for an attack on HAMBURG:- "A" SGT. DOOLAN; "D" S/L. FRY; "H" SGT. COX; "J" SGT. HOBBS; "M" SGT. McDONALD; "N" F/SGT. NELSON; "V" F/O. COWAN; "S" F/SGT. WALSH; "U" P/O. MEYER; "O" F/SGT. THOMAS; "Z" S/L. JARRETT.  Of these, five returned early, three on account of icing, one on account of engine failure and one through the rear gunner's heating failing.  The other four reached the target and bombed successfully on P.F.F. markings. Fires were started which could be seen from the Danish coast on return.  "N" (F/SGT. NELSON) on return was diverted to LEEHING, but after calling up TORCLIFFE, crashed killing all the crew. "O" (F/SGT. THOMAS) failed to return.		
	31/1.		The only flying carried out was aircraft tests and no operations were detailed.		

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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES
				UP	DOWN		
3/1/43.	LANCASTER I. ✓ W.4840.	F/Lt. D.H.S. LONSDALE. SGT. A.J. RILEY. P/O. K.R. SMITH. SGT. W.I. MORRIS. SGT. K.R. MOORE. SGT. A.D. SMITHERMAN. SGT. R.L. DICKIS.		1735		Aircraft failed to return.	
	LANCASTER ✓ W.4200.	F/SGT. A. STONEY. SGT. H.O. GRIFFIN. P/O. G.H. McMILLAN. F/SGT. B. MORRIS. SGT. R. MATTHEWS. SGT. F.W. GATER. SGT. A.C. SPERAR.		1730.	2150.	Primary attacked. 1948 hours. 21,500 ft. 1 x 4000 HC seen to burst. Pilot states "Release point flares considered to be rather scattered. Estimated 6 miles between first and last.	
8/1/43.	LANCASTER ✓ W.4253.	W/O. J.M. SOUTHWELL, D.F.O. P/O. W.A. MEYER. F/Lt. W.I.B.G. DOIG P/O. R.Y. HIGGINSON, D.F.M. F/SGT. D. ROGERS. SGT. A.E. FELLY. SGT. J. FULLMAN.		1713.	2109.	Primary attacked 1925 hrs. 20,000 ft. Weather - 10/10 cloud, tops 7,000 ft. Vis: above cloud good. Warning flares seen and A.P. flares bombed. Concentration of incendiaries seen glowing white after turning away. 1/2 SEC. hung up. Nickels dropped over target.	
	LANCASTER ✓ W.4157.	F/SGT. T.L. GIBSON. SGT. W. CARSWELL. P/O. E.E. KERMODE. SGT. B.K. SKINNER. SGT. H.G. JENKINS. SGT. J.W.R. BROADLEY. F/SGT. P.A. WEBB.		1718.	2215.	Primary attacked, 1924 hours. 18,500 ft. 10/10 cloud tops about 14,000 ft and target bombed on E.T.A. and when MFP flares were approx. 1/2 mile ahead and to port. No results seen. Nickels dropped.	

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8/1/43.	LANCASTER ED. 308. ✓	SGT. T. DOOLAN. SGT. J. J. FRATT. SGT. E. L. CRAMP. P/SGT. J. R. BUCKLEY. SGT. W. J. CHAFFLE. SGT. P. A. BAINES. SGT. R. W. ROBINSON		1715	2045.	Primary attacked, 1920 hrs. 20,500 ft. Weather 10/10 cloud and target was identified by P.F.F. flares. A.P. flare in sight when bombs released. No results observed. Nickels dropped. Aircraft received direct hit from heavy flak near DUISBURG, 1930 hrs. 20,000 ft. on P/Gunner's turret, causing death of rear gunner. Pilot's remarks: Special praise due to P/Begins, W/Op. and Navigator for getting W/Gunner out of turret and administering first aid at great risk to themselves. Consider P.F.F. flares were accurate and well timed.	
	LANCASTER V. 4200.	P/SGT. A. STOREY. SGT. H. C. GRIFFIN. P/O. G. H. McMILLAN. P/SGT. B. MORRIS. SGT. R. MATTHEWS. SGT. F. W. CATER. SGT. A. G. SPEAR.		1806	0055	Task abandoned owing to 10/10 cloud throughout whole route to garden area, where a 7 minute square search was carried out without success. Mines were therefore brought back to base.	
	LANCASTER ✓ ED. 346.	SGT. J. MARSHALL. SGT. B. D. C. COX. P/O. W. SWINBURNE. SGT. J. J. MIESEN. P/O. R. A. NEWTON, D.F.M. SGT. J. L. ELLIOTT. SGT. O. G. ERASMUS.		1718	2215	Primary attacked, 1924 hours. 18,500 ft. 10/10 cloud tops about 14,000 ft. and target bombed on E.F.A. and when P.F.F. flares were approx 1 mile ahead and to port. No results seen. Nickels dropped.	
	LANCASTER ✓ W. 4829.	P/O. W. B. COWAN. SGT. C. H. DOSWELL. P/O. A. J. TURNER. P/O. B. J. SMITH. SGT. H. A. TAYLOR. SGT. L. S. FIDDES. SGT. W. BERRIE.		1826	0035	Task abandoned owing to 10/10 cloud at 2,000 ft. over estimated garden area. Vegetables brought back.	

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8/1/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER ✓ W. 4379.	SGT. C.P. McDONALD. SGT. CHILVERS. SGT. V.W.J. NUNN SGT. C.M. PALEY. SGT. M.A. COLES. SGT. V. HILL. F/O. J. CREBBIN.		1709.	2207.	Primary attacked, 1928 hrs. 18,000 ft. Target obscured by 10/10 cloud and identified by P.P.F. flares. Bomba dropped when release point flares were approx 3 miles ahead - no results seen. Nickels dropped.	
	LANCASTER ✓ W. 4159.	SGT. A.D. FOOTE. SGT. M.W. STEPHENSON. SGT. M. McKENZIE. SGT. W.T. McLENNAN. SGT. G. MITCHELL. SGT. P.G. BROGAN. SGT. R. WARDROP.		1720.		Aircraft missing - no signals received.	
	LANCASTER ✓ W. 5744.	SGT. A.R. HOBBS. SGT. R.H. THOMAS. SGT. S.J. ARGENT. SGT. J.G. McALLISTER. SGT. W.J. REID. SGT. D.W. BYSOUTH. F/SGT. H.L. HEUTHER.		1825	2327	Task abandoned owing to whole route being covered with 10/10 cloud and no visual pin-points could be obtained. Mines were brought back to base.	
13/1/43	LANCASTER W. 4829.	SGT. J.H.C. WALSH. SGT. H.L. JONES. SGT. R.E. RAVEN. SGT. V.J. TARR. SGT. L.A. BERNICK. SGT. M. LATIMER. SGT. G.J. HOUBERT.		1717.	2240.	Target attacked - ESSEN. 1939 hrs. 20,000 ft. Red flare seen. Leaked slightly E. of Green release flares owing to slight error in heading. Several red glows of fires or bursts seen below cloud. Leaflets dropped over HOLLAND.	

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13/1/43.	LANCASTER R. 9915.	F/SGT. J.F. THOMAS. SGT. S.F. McLEAN. SGT. J. MURTAGH. SGT. B.M. SWALLOW. SGT. W.J. VEYSEY. SGT. A.W. HOVER, P/SGT. L.A. MORGAN.		1708.	2236.	Primary. 1933 hrs. 19,500 ft. Green flares Pt. "A" not seen One Red at Pt. B A/O circled and took up track and saw release point first a green and then 2 whites. In sights when bombing. Bomb bursts not seen. Slight reflection of fires on cloud but not of very good proportions.	
	LANCASTER W. 4253.	P/O. W.B. COWAN. SGT. G.H. DOSWELL. P/O. A.J. TURNER. P/O. B.J. SMITH. P/L. J.A.G. SKINNER, D.F.C. SGT. L.S. FIDES. SGT. W. BERRIE.		1715.	2130.	Primary. 1937 hrs. 18,000 ft. Identified by red warning and release point flares. Bombs dropped about 1/4 mile short of release point flares. Own results not seen. Several 4000 HG flashes observed, concentrated, leaflets dropped over HOLLAND. Pilot states "Preliminary green flares not seen." Red warning flares observed at 1928 hrs. Release point flares dropped at 1931 hrs.	
	LANCASTER W. 4133.	SL. G.W.J. JARRETT. SGT. H. FRECIIOUS. P/O. G.H. McMILLAN. SGT. G. SMITH. P/O. A.G. SEYMOUR. SGT. I. FRANCIS. P/O. G.R. DALE. SGT. J. MILES.		1718.	2230.	Target attacked - ESSEN. 1934 hrs. 22,000 ft. Red flares seen. No green warning flares. Green release point flares in sights. White flares were after green. There was evidence of fires or bursts under cloud. Leaflets dropped over HOLLAND. Pilot states "A successful trip apart from what seemed a defect in the P.F.F. technique."	
	LANCASTER W. 4200.	SGT. J. MARSHALL. SGT. S. MANGKIVELL. P/O. W. SWINBURNE. SGT. J.J. MIESEN. P/O. R.A. NEWTON, D.F.M. SGT. J.L. ELLIOTT SGT. O.G. ERASMUS		1714.	2123.	Primary attacked. 1937 hrs. 19,000 ft. Incendiaries only dropped. Identified by release point flares - about 400 yards on port bow, drifting N.E. Incendiary fire seen through gap in clouds about 2 mins. before release point flares dropped. Wicksy dropped. Pilot states "the 4000 lbs hung up over target but was released manually in vicinity of WESSEL (DR. posn. 51.4N. 06.36 E) at 1946 hrs. 15,000 ft. Turning point flares were not seen and release point flares were 4 mins. late. Watches checked by PBC. One signal on Several 2/3 appeared to be bombing before 1946 hrs. flares	

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SGT. J.L. ELLIOTT  
SGT. O.G. ERASMUS

point flares were not seen and release point flares were  
mins. late. Watches checked by BRC. time signal on way out.  
Several a/c appeared to be bombing before release of flares.

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13/1/43. (Contd)	LANCASTER. W. 4157.	P/SGT. T.L. GIBSON. SGT. S. WESCOMBE. F/L. W.I.N.G. DOIG. SGT. B.K. SKINNER. SGT. H.G. JENKINS. SGT. J.R.W. BROADLEY. F/SGT. F.A. WEBB.		1700.	2200.	Primary. 1932. hrs. 19,500 ft. Red warning flares seen - green not seen. Owing to being on heading of N. allowed for this by bombing approx. 3 miles short. Flashes seen below cloud which were pretty well concentrated. Nickels dropped over HOLLAND. Stbd. bomb door approx. 1 ft. from front hit by flak. Pilot states "Release point flare timing i.e. green and white flares did not go together."	
	LANCASTER W. 4379.	SGT. C.P. McDONALD. SGT. CHILVERS SGT. F.W. CHARLTON. SGT. V.W.J. NUNN. SGT. C.M. PALEY. SGT. M.A. COLES. SGT. V. HILL. P/O. J. CREBBIN.		1658.	2130.	Primary attacked. 1934 hrs. 19,000 ft. Ft. "A" (green flares) not seen. Ft. "B" (red) one only astern of aircraft. Circled and ran up on green and white flares seen for 1 min. before bombing. Bombs not seen to burst below cloud. 1 SBC hung up (type not known) Pilot states "FFF appeared to be late as a/c had to circle several times to lose time."	
	LANCASTER W. 4830.	S/L. G.S. FRY SGT. A.G. GARDSWELL SGT. A. RITCHIE. SGT. J. LEES. SGT. A.R.H. THOMPSON. P/O. C.D. PERKINS. SGT. A.E. KELLY. SGT. J. FULLMAN.		1707.	2134.	Primary. 1938 hrs. 20,000 ft. Aiming point flare seen and bombed. 2 big fires seen close together. Nickels dropped over HOLLAND. Pilot states "Bombing seemed well concentrated".	
	LANCASTER R. 5744.	SGT. A.R. HOBBS. SGT. C.E. CLEMENS. SGT. R.H. THOMAS. SGT. S.J. ARGENT. SGT. J.G. McALLISTER SGT. W.J. REID. SGT. D.W. BYSOUTH. SGT. H.L. HEUTHER		1709.	1940.	No target attacked. A/C returned early - would not climb above 17,500 ft. 1 x 4000 HC. & incendiaries jettisoned "safe" in North Sea - 52.52N. 03.12E. 1835 hrs. 10,000 ft.	

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13/1/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER W. 4843.	SGT. G. LYONS. SGT. B. SIMMONS. SGT. R.L. CHIFFY. SGT. H. COMLISHAW. SGT. S. COATES. SGT. A.J. KENNEY. SGT. A. REES.		1655		Aircraft failed to return.	
16/1/43	LANCASTER W. 4253.	✓ W/CDR J.M. SOUTHWELL, D.F.C. SGT. E.C. DAVIS. F/Lt. W.I.N.G. DOIG. F/Lt. R.Y. HIGGINSON, D.F.M. F/SGT. D. ROGERS. SGT. F.W. CATER. SGT. A.C. SHEAR.	D.P.C. D.F.M.	1627	0112.	FFR. Red Marker incense bombed. 2045 hrs. 18,000 ft. Target not identified. Incense dropped on red marked incense which appear to have been dropped in suburban area estimated 10/15 miles E. of A/Point. It is estimated that the aiming point was covered with 10/10 cloud. A/F. incense came on at approx. 2037 hrs. Simultaneously 1 green with 3 white flares dropped to East which seemed to indicate FFR. Flares marking of the Grossemuggelse. Masses of incense burning white in vicinity and about 6 red flares. Pilot states "Extremely disappointing sort of day because of weather conditions which caused a heavy rain".	
	LANCASTER W. 4133.	✓ S/Lt. G.W.J. JARRETT. SGT. H. FREGIOUS. SGT. G. SMITH. F/O. A.C. SEYMOUR. SGT. I. FRANCIS. F/O. G.R. DALE. SGT. J. MILES.		1648.	0007.	Believed BERLIN attacked. 2031 hrs. 18,000 ft. Target not definitely identified in spite of 15 mins search. Red flare seen but no other FFR flares or incendiaries seen. Built up area seen and large marshalling yard also seen. Own incense seen - turned to full red and seen 5 minutes after bombing several sticks seen N.E. and some S.W. Very scattered. Most sticks dropped from attack seemed to be scattered. Believed bombed WESDAM. Flare through heavy W. smoke when a full then another heavily deranged area which we bombed. Believed dummy was targeted with white flares.	
	LANCASTER W. 4157.	F/SGT. T.L. GIBSON. SGT. S. WESCOMBE. F/O. C.G. TILSON. SGT. B.K. SKINNER. F/Lt. J.A.G. SKINNER, D.F.C. SGT. J.W.R. BROADLEY. F/SGT. F.A. WEBB.		1631.	0001.	Believed BERLIN. 2026 hrs. 19,000 ft. Red flares seen. No flares seen at Gr. Muggelse. Before reaching it slight break in cloud enabled rare fire obviously decoy, to be seen. Many white flares being dropped in the area. Assumed DR. correct and dummy known on N. pt target. Bombed through cloud on ETA target. Pilot states "Disappointing in view of 10/10 cloud."	

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SGT. J.W.R. BROADLEY.  
P/SGT. F.A. WEBB.

10/10 cloud.

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16/1/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER W. 4761. ✓	P/O. W.A. MEYER. SGT. W.H. HUNTER. SGT. N.R. MCCOMKINDALE. SGT. D. WILLBEE. SGT. S.H.G. SINCLAIR. SGT. A.D. HART. SGT. T.W. JOHNSON.		1640.	2353.	BERLIN Station attacked. 2020 hrs. 18,000 ft. Red flares seen at 1945 hrs. at NEWWARP. No green flares seen but river and built up area observed. One incendiaries seen and several other sticks, some burning red. As left target number of fires seen to be steadily increasing. Believe small holes in bomb doors and fuselage. No major damage. Pilot states "Successful miss on. Quite satisfied".	
	LANCASTER W. 4829. ✓	F/SGT. J.H.G. WALSH. SGT. H.L. JONES. SGT. R.E. RAVEN. SGT. V.J. TARR. SGT. L.A. BERNICK. SGT. M. LATIMER. SGT. E.S. WOOD.		1628.	0101.	BERLIN. 2026 hrs. 23,000 ft. On ETA no flares seen and aircraft believed to have passed the target. The white flares were seen astern and aircraft turned and bombed them. Built up area and railway line in sights. Red Incendiaries seen but very scattered. Fire seen in area where IFF's were dropped. Hole in P/G's perspex (Flak).	
	LANCASTER R. 5915. ✓	F/SGT. J.F. THOMAS. SGT. S.F. McLEAN. SGT. J. MURTAGH. SGT. B.M. SWALLOW. SGT. W.J. VESSEY. SGT. A.W. HOVER. F/SGT. L.A. MORGAN.		1634.	2037.	1260 x 4 lb. inc. brought back owing to sickness of Navigator. Returned from 55,08.N. 06.38 E. turning point reached at 1829 hours.	
	LANCASTER R. 5894. ✓	SGT. J. MARSHALL. SGT. S. NANCEKIVELL. P/O. W. SWINBURNE. SGT. J.J. MIESEN. P/O. R.A. NEWTON, D.F.M. SGT. J.L. ELLIOTT. SGT. O.G. ERASMUS.		1622.	0033.	Attacked S. of A/Point. 2030 hrs. 18,000 ft. Identified by ETA. and flares. Incendiaries seen to burst. No results observed. One engine failed between HAIKERSIEN and MANG on return.	

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16/1/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER W. 4379.	SGT. A. G. CARSWELL. SGT. J. W. MARTIN. SGT. GALBRAITH. SGT. H. G. HIPSON. SGT. E. J. PHILLIPS. SGT. J. W. DE SILVA. SGT. C. E. CLEMENS.		1621.	2331.	Jettisoned 1170 x 4 lbs. & 90 x 4 lb. "X" type inc. "live" at 197 hrs. 20,000 ft. ANKLAM vicinity. (10 miles SW of SWINEVANDER). Identified by GEE fix 1736 hrs. 54.24 N. 03.42 E. and DR. only. 10/10 cloud obscured entire route and no visual pinpoints possible. Red glow reflected through cloud shortly after incendiaries dropped. Pilot states "At 21.30 hrs. W/O reported message on Group operational frequency "Return to base. Jettison bombs". In view of weather conditions, crew consulted on the matter and concluded broadcast was a general recall". Group state W/O must have tuned in "late" and did not receive the complete message, which was intended for some other aircraft.	
	LANCASTER W. 4830.	S/L. G. S. ERY. SGT. S. BOCCAR. SGT. A. RITCHIE. SGT. J. LEES. SGT. A. R. H. THOMPSON. P/O. G. D. FERGUSON. SGT. A. W. KELLY. SGT. J. FULLMAN.					
	LANCASTER ✓ ED. 436.	SGT. CHILVERS. SGT. L. WHITESIDE. SGT. B. NAYLOR. SGT. A. McCABE. SGT. R. S. WEBB. SGT. T. W. JONES. SGT. M. LACASSE.		1625.	2144.	1260 x 4 lb. inc. jettisoned at 54.56 N. 07.10 E. 2040 hrs. 12,000 ft. Oxygen supply failed. Turned back at 1918 hrs. 54.35 N. 12.10 E. 20,000 feet.	
	LANCASTER ✓ R. 5744.	SGT. A. R. HOBBS. P/SGT. F. NELSON. SGT. R. H. THOMAS. SGT. S. J. ARGENT. SGT. J. G. McALLISTER. SGT. W. J. REID. SGT. D. W. BYSOUTH P/SGT. H. L. HEUTHER.		1635.	0022.	Believed BERLIN. 2010 hrs. 16,500 ft. Red flares seen (NEUWERP). DR. run to target. Red and white flares seen. fires below cloud. Impossible to tell whether target or dummy. No results seen although fires appeared when incendiaries dropped. 60 x 4 lb. IB. hung up and were brought back. St. Inner engine oil pressure failed at Danish coast. Feathered.	

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SGT. D.W. BYSOUTH  
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Feathered.

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16/1/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER W. 4831.	P/O. W.B. COWAN. SGT. T.J. PARRINGTON. P/O. A.J. TURNER. P/O. B.J. SMITH. SGT. G.A. TAYLOR. SGT. L.S. FIDDIES. SGT. W. BERRIE.		1619.	0014.	Primary attacked. 2037 hrs. 17,000 ft. Identified by white flares and red incendiary pathfinder markers. Lake to SE. of town seen, apparently frozen. Incendiaries seen to burst in built up area between two clusters of red markers. Five 4000 lb. bursts seen in vicinity of A/Pt. where several fairly good fires were burning. Glow from fires could be seen 80 miles after leaving target. Pilot states "Pilot considers raid very successful and fires were well concentrated in the A/Pt. area. PFF. were well placed. Entire route well defended and heavy flak appeared at most frequent intervals from MANDO IS. to SWINEMUNDE and on return from BERLIN to LANCELAND.	
	LANCASTER W. 4249.	SGT. C.P. McDONALD. SGT. F.W. CHARLTON. SGT. V.W. J. NUNN. SGT. C.M. PALEY. SGT. M.A. COLES. SGT. V. HILL. P/O. J. CREBBIN.		1616.	2122.	Jettisoned 1260 x 4 lb. inc. at 1918 hrs. 7,000 ft. at position 54.50 N. 06.41. E. Starboard inner engine dragging and starboard outer out.	
17/1/43	LANCASTER W. 4253.	W/CDR. J.M. SOUTHWELL, D.F.C. SGT. E.C. DAVIES. F/L. W.I.N.G. DOIG. P/LT. R.Y. HIGGINSON, D.F.M. F/SGT. D. ROGERS. SGT. V. HILL. P/O. J. CREBBIN.		1712.	0129.	BUTSOW attacked. 2214 hrs. 8,500 feet. Weather clear. Target clearly seen and bombed and bombs seen to fall between lake and river, fires started. Primary target not attacked owing to 10/10 cloud and PFF. flares not being seen until aircraft had set course for home. Pilot's remarks "The operation was a failure due to cloud and lateness of PFF.	
	LANCASTER W. 4133.	S/L. G.W.J. JARRETT. SGT. H. FREIGIOUS. SGT. G. SMITH. P/O. A.G. SEYMOUR. SGT. I. FRANCIS. P/O. G.R. DALE. SGT. J. MILES.		1717.	0030.	Primary attacked, 2036 hrs. 16,000 ft. Clear but hazy. Target identified by PFF. flares and fires in built-up area. This area in bomb sight and bombs believed in S.E. part of city. Fires started and 8 fair sized fires in the city from other bombs. Pilot's remarks "An improvement on last night's show. The red and green flares observed but no incendiaries red so we bombed on fires in built-up area in the city.	

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17/1/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER W. 4157	F/Sgt. T. L. GIBSON. Sgt. S. WESCOMBE. P/O. E. JACOBS. P/O. C. G. TILSON Sgt. B. K. SKINNER. Sgt. H. G. JENKINS. Sgt. J. W. R. BROADLEY. P/Sgt. F. A. WEBB.		1658		Aircraft missing - no signals received.	
	LANCASTER W. 4761	F/Sgt. A. STOREY. Sgt. H. C. GRIFFIN. P/O. G. H. McMILLAN. P/Sgt. B. MORRIS. Sgt. R. MATTHEWS. Sgt. F. W. CARTER. Sgt. A. C. SEAR. Sgt. J. H. C. WALSH. Sgt. H. L. JONES. Sgt. R. E. RAVEN. Sgt. V. J. TAPP. Sgt. L. A. BERNICK. Sgt. M. LATIMER. Sgt. G. J. HOUBERT.		1700	0038	Aircraft missing - no signals received.	
	LANCASTER W. 4829	F/Sgt. J. F. THOMAS. Sgt. S. F. McLEAN. P/O. W. A. G. GALLIBONE. Sgt. B. M. SWALLOW Sgt. W. J. VEYSET. Sgt. A. W. HOVER. P/Sgt. L. A. MORGAN.		1707	0038	Primary attacked. 2046 hours. 16,000 ft. 9/10 cloud tops 10,000 ft. Vis. fairly good. PFF flares only seen and bombs were not seen to burst. Results of other bombing not observed owing to cloud and flak. One of first aircraft to bomb.	
	LANCASTER R. 5915			1719	1924	Target not attacked - aircraft would not maintain height or climb above 14,000 ft. Bombs jettisoned 54.02H: 03.00E. at 1810 hours fused.	

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17/1/43	LANCASTER	SGT. I.M. MARSHALL.		1703.	2355.	Task abandoned owing to engine trouble. Bombs jettisoned	
(Contd)	R. 5894.	SGT. S. NANCEKIVELL.				54.32N. 11.28 E. containers also jettisoned to maintain	
		P/O. W. SWINBURNE.				height. 1955 hours.	
		SGT. J.J. MIESEN.					
		P/O. R.A. NEWTON, D.F.M.					
		SGT. J.L. ELLIOTT.					
		SGT. O.G. ERASMUS.					
	LANCASTER	SGT. A.G. CARSWELL.		1654.		Aircraft missing - no signals received.	
	W. 4379,	SGT. J.W. MARTIN.					
		SGT. GALBRAITH.					
		SGT. H.C. HIPSON.					
		SGT. E.J. PHILLIPS.					
		SGT. J.W. DE SILVA.					
		SGT. C.E. CLEMENS.					
	LANCASTER	S/L. G.S. FRY.		1657.	0036.	Primary attacked 2049 hrs. 18,000 ft. Moonlight. Vis. fair	
	W. 4820.	SGT. S. BOGZAR.				Target identified by large built-up area on ETA from	
		SGT. A. RITCHIE.				DANSSER POINT. Target in sights but own bombs not definitely	
		SGT. J. LEES.				seen. Four or five small scattered fires seen but nothing	
		SGT. A.R.H. THOMPSON.				of note. Aircraft slightly damaged by flak.	
		P/O. C.D. PERKINS.					
		SGT. A.E. PELLY.					
		SGT. J. FULLMAN.					
	LANCASTER	SGT. CHILVERS.		1656		Aircraft missing - no signals received.	
	ED. 436.	SGT. L. WHITESIDE.					
		SGT. B. NAYLOR.					
		SGT. A. McCANE.					
		P/O. C.B. HASLAM.					
		SGT. T.W. JONES.					
		SGT. M. LACASSE.					

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17/1/43 (contd)	LANCASTER W. 4831.	P/O. W.B. GOWAN. F/SGT. F. NELSON. SGT. C.H. DOSWELL. P/O. A.J. TURNER. P/O. B.J. SMITH. SGT. G.A. TAYLOR. SGT. L.S. FIDDES. SGT. W. BERRIE.		1702.	0025.	Believed primary, 20% hrs. 17,000 ft. "weather fairly good Slight haze. No flares seen but take believed 4000 ft. bomb pin-pointed. Unidentified area in sights and 4000 ft. bomb seen to burst. Very scattered fires in target area. Starboard outer engine failure. Pilot's remarks "Very scattered effort. Some fires appeared to be in the nature of decays. All were very widespread and confusing. Impression was that raid was not as successful as last night."	
27/1/43	LANCASTER ED. 493.	P/O. W.A. MEYER. SGT. W.H. HUNTER. SGT. N.T. MCCOKINDALE. SGT. D. WILLBER. SGT. S.H.G. SINCLAIR. SGT. A.D. HART. SGT. T.W. JOHNSON.		1743.	2318.	Primary attacked. 2008 hrs. 18,000 ft. 9 - 10/10 cloud-tops 14,000 ft. Vis good. Warning flares and incendiary markers seen. PFF. inc. in bomb sight but own burst not observed. Four large explosions believed from other aircraft seen. Nickels released over target. Pilot's remarks "Incends. red and green successfully."	
	LANCASTER ED. 477.	SGT. T. DOOLAN. SGT. J.T. PRATT. SGT. E.L. CRAMP. P/SGT. J.R. BUCKLEY, SGT. W.J. CHAPPELLE SGT. R. MOSELEY. SGT. H.J. IRONS.		1754.	2244.	Primary attacked. 2008 hrs. 18,000 ft. 9/10/10 cloud tops 10 - 12,000 ft. Vis. good. Red and green P.F.F. flares seen cascading and in bomb sight. Own burst not seen but two explosions seen beneath cloud. Nickels distributed over target area. Pilot's remarks "PFF. flares were roughly on time. Consider it to be a successful trip."	
	LANCASTER ED. 476.	SGT. C.P. McDONALD. SGT. F.W. CHARLTON. SGT. V.W.J. NUNN. SGT. C.M. PALEY. SGT. M.A. GOLES. SGT. V. HILL. P/O. J. CREBBIN.		1745.	2348.	Primary attacked. 2013 hrs. 12,000 ft. 10/10 cloud - tops 5,000 ft. Vis. good. Red warning flares seen followed by red and green incends. cascading. These were seen in bomb sight and incends. went. Several 4000 bomb bursts observed. 1 x 4000 ft. bomb hung up, jettison action taken without results - finally released at 2115 hrs. posn. 51.21 N 02.42E. 4,000 ft. by using jettison bars. Jettisoned safe. Icing prevented aircraft from climbing above 13,000 ft. Pilot's remarks: Considerable icing difficulties were experienced over base. The 4000 bomb. hung up in spite of jettison action but was finally released as stated above. Trip was carried out at a height of no greater than 13,000 ft.	

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SGT. V. HILL.  
P/O. J. CREBBIN.

The 4000 bomb hung up in spite of jettison action but was finally released as stated above. Trip was carried out at a height of no greater than 19,000 ft.

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27/1/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER ED. 490.	SGT. A.R. HOBBS. SGT. R.H. THOMAS. SGT. S.J. ARGENT. SGT. J.G. McALLISTER. SGT. W.J. REID. SGT. D.W. BYSOUTH. P/SGT. H.L. HEUTHER.		1756.	2322.	Primary attacked. 2012 hrs. 17,000 ft. 10/10 cloud at 2,000 ft. Green flares seen and red target markers seen to burst above cloud. Green flares in bomb sight and burst of 4000 HC bomb seen. Glow of fire observed below cloud. Nickels dropped. Pilot's remarks "FFF. flares seen at turning point before target. Flash hung up.	
	LANCASTER ED. 487.	S/L. G.S. FRY. P/O. R.O. WAN NOTE. SGT. A. RITCHIE. SGT. J. LEEB. SGT. A.R.H. THOMPSON. P/O. G.D. PERKINS. SGT. A.E. BELLY. SGT. J. FULLMAN		1759.	2205.	Primary attacked. 2004 hrs. 16,500 ft. 7-8/10 cloud tops about 3,000 ft. Vis. above hazy. Warning and incendiary markers seen and burst of own "cookie" seen. No other results observed. Nickels dropped. Pilot's remarks "Flash failed to release over target. Cloud precluded any assessment of results.	
	LANCASTER W. 4133.	SGT. B.C.D. COX. SGT. G.L. ROBERTS. P/O. W.A.G. GALLIENNE. P/L. R.Y. HIGGINSON, D.F.M. SGT. W. OATES. SGT. C.H. PEARCE. SGT. G.A. TAYLOR.		1755.	2325.	Primary attacked 2010 hrs. 16,500 ft. 10/10 cloud-tops 8,000 ft. Vis. good. P.F.F. red and green cascading incendiaries seen in bomb sight. Burst of own 4,000 HC and igniting of own incendiaries observed. Stick of incendiaries from other aircraft also seen. Nickels distributed over target. Pilot's remarks: P.F.F. marker incendiaries were roughly on time but they were somewhat scattered. Trip considered to be successful.	
	LANCASTER. R. 5744.	SGT. E.J.W. DAVIS. SGT. H.W. FULLARD. SGT. J. VAUGHAN. SGT. J.S. AIRD. SGT. J.A. JONES-FORD SGT. R.W. DARLINGTON. SGT. T.A. BERWICK.		1749.	2215.	Primary attacked. 2007 hours. 17,000 ft. 8-9/10 cloud tops 8,000'. Vis good. Red and green flares seen cascading and explosion of own bomb seen. Explosions of bombs from other aircraft seen. Nickels distributed over target area. Pilot's remarks: "I think P.F.F. technique worked well. Flares as expected appeared on time. Consider to be a successful trip.	1 12

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27/1/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER ED. 481.	F/SGT. F. NELSON. SGT. M. ALLEN. SGT. G.F. DONE. SGT. A.A.F. WILLIAMS. SGT. H. JONES. SGT. A.W. BUTCHER. SGT. W.G. MURTON.		1751.	2350.	Primary attacked. 2004 hours. 17,800 ft. 6-7/10 cloud - 10,000 ft. Vis. good. Warning flares and red and green marker incendiaries seen and in bomb sight. Burst of own bomb and two large and one small fire observed. Nickels distributed over target. Pilot's remarks "PFF marking was on time and I consider it to have been successful. Several good fires were raging in the area."	
30/1/43	LANCASTER ED. 493.	SGT. T. DOGLAN. SGT. J.T. PRATT. SGT. E.L. CRAMP. F/SGT. J.R. BUCKLEY. SGT. W.J. CHAPPLE. SGT. R. MOSELEY. SGT. H.J. IRONS.		2335.	0332.	No target attacked. Returned from 52.38N. 03.28W. owing to severe icing. Bombs jettisoned safe in the above position and 4,000 HC <sup>s</sup> was seen to explode. Pilot's remarks "Impossible to continue owing to icing conditions".	
	LANCASTER. ED. 487.	S/L. G.S. FRY. SGT. A. RITCHIE. SGT. J. LEES. SGT. A.R.H. THOMPSON. P/O. C.D. PERKINS. SGT. A.E. PELLY. SGT. M. FULLMAN.		2339.	0609.	Primary attacked. 0306 hrs. 20,000 ft. 9/10 cloud at approx 19,000 ft. thin with breaks. Set course for target from D.R. position Hoya and red flares seen ahead followed by red and green T.I.'s at 0305 hrs. These were bombed through a gap in the cloud, but neither bursts nor results were observed. Fires were visible 150 miles away from target on return.	
	LANCASTER R. 5744.	SGT. B.D.C. COX. SGT. G.L. ROBERTS. P/O. W.A.G. GALLIENNE. P/LT. R.Y. HIGGINSON, D.F.M. SGT. W. OATES. SGT. G.H. FEARCE. SGT. G.A. TAYLOR.		2340.	0700.	Primary attacked. 19,000 ft. 7/10 layer cloud 19,000 ft. Red flares and T.I. bombs seen. Green inc. in sights but no bursts observed. Glow of fires could be seen from BARTSHIDE coming home. Pilot's remarks "E.F.R. appeared to be dropping both R.P. flares and incendiary T.I. bombs."	

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SGT. G.A. TAYLOR.

30-30 dropping both a.i. bombs and incendiary P.I. bombs.

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30/1/43. (Contd)	LANCASTER ED. 490.	SGT. A.R. HOBBS. SGT. R.H. THOMAS. SGT. S.J. ARGENT. SGT. J.G. McALLISTER. SGT. W.J. REID. SGT. D.W. BYSOUTH. SGT. T. ARMSTRONG.		0013.	0347.	No target attacked, returned from 52.35N. 04.10 E. owing to icing which made it impossible to maintain height. Bombs jettisoned safe in above position from 19,000 ft. at 0205 hrs.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 476.	SGT. C.P. McDONALD. SGT. F.W. CHARLTON. SGT. V.W.J. NUNN. SGT. C.M. PALEY. SGT. M.A. COLES. SGT. V. HILL. F/O. J. CHEBBIN.		2337.	0352.	Task abandoned 16 miles E. of EGMOND 0204 hrs. 17,000 ft. due to severe icing and faulty M/Upper turret. Bombs jettisoned at 52.43N. 04.25E. from 13,000 ft. at 0211 hrs. Aircraft crashed on landing, severely damaged. Pilot's remarks: "Unable to maintain height due to severe icing conditions. M/Upper turret failed to operate. Visibility nil due to frost on perspex both inside and out. R/Gunners and F/Engineer's microphones u/s through cold.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 502.	F/O. W.B. GOWAN. SGT. C.H. DOWELL. F/O. A.J. TURNER. F/O. B.J. SMITH. SGT. G.S. TAYLOR. SGT. L.S. FIDDES. SGT. W. BERRIE.		2330	0630	Landed at BIRCHAM NEWTON.	
	LANCASTER W. 4133.	F/SGT. J.H.C. WALSH. SGT. H.L. JONES. SGT. R.E. RAVEN. SGT. V.J. TARR. SGT. L.A. BERNICK. F/O. S.M. HOBSON. SGT. G.J. HOUBERT.		2345.	0315.	Task abandoned owing to port engine failure. Bombs jettisoned at 52.50N. 03.00E. at 0155 hrs. Port inner engine pressure fell below minimum and temperature rose considerably.	1

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30/1/43.	LANCASTER	P/O. W.A. MEYER.		0004	0656	Primary attacked 0310 hrs. 18,000 ft. Broken layer cloud 570 tops 14,000 ft. Vis. haz. Release point flares appeared as expected. Results of own bombs not seen. Several large bursts seen and approx. 50 tires. Large red glow visible after leaving target. Pilot's remarks: "at first rather doubtful as to prospects of the attack owing to large numbers of flares seen over a wide area (presumably released by enemy) but later more optimistic. Flares appeared fairly concentrated and were spreading as aircraft left target."	
(Contd)	ED. 480.	SGT. W.H. HUNTER. SGT. N.R. MCCORKINDALE. SGT. D. WILLBEE. SGT. S.H.G. SINGHAI. SGT. A.D. HART.					
	LANCASTER	SGT. T.W. JOHNSON		2249		Aircraft missing - no messages received.	
	ED. 477.	F/SGT. J.F. THOMAS. SGT. S.F. McLEAN. SGT. J. MURTAGH. SGT. B.M. SWALLOW SGT. W.J. VEY SGT. SGT. A.W. HOVER. P/SGT. L.A. MORGAN.					
	LANCASTER	F/SGT. F. NELSON.		2245		Aircraft crashed near FURCALIFFE on return. All killed.	
	ED. 481.	SGT. M. ALLEN. SGT. G.F. DOWE. SGT. A.A.F. WILLIAMS. SGT. H. JONES. SGT. A.W. BUTCHER. SGT. W.G. MURTON.					
	LANCASTER.	S/L. G.W.J. JARRETT.		2347 1/2	0323	No target attacked, aircraft returned with electrical trouble affecting P/Gunner's heater for clothing. 1 x 4000 lbs. HG jettisoned at 52,54N. 03,40E. Fused from 21,000 ft. at 0140 hrs. 900 x 4 lbs. incendiaries brought back to base.	
	ED. 479.	SGT. H. PRECIOUS. SGT. G. SMITH. P/O. A.G. SKYMOUR. SGT. I. FRANCIS. F/L. D.H. BIRD. SGT. J. MILES.					

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F/L. D.H. BIRD.  
SGT. J. MILES.

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WADDINGTON.	1943	1/2	<u>WEATHER.</u> Much rain and fog at first clearing at dawn, becoming fair and remaining so for rest of period. Air tests were carried out in the fore-noon, and the following 7 crews detailed for operations; the target to have been Essen, but the trip was cancelled at 1605.		
	2/2	✓	<del>WEATHER. Very heavy rain with moderate wind.</del> <del>Some rain during afternoon, otherwise generally fair.</del> After N.F.Ts. including a height climb by a new aircraft the following crews were detailed for an attack on COLOGNE. "A" P/O. VAN NOTE. "B" SGT. BOZAR. "D" P/SGT. McDONALD. "J" SGT. HOBBS. "U" P/O. MEYER. "Z" S/L. JARRETT. "A" P/SGT. WALSH. Of these aircraft "U" (P/O. Meyer) turned back early due to the compasses being unreliable and GEE being U/S. The operation was a <u>PARAMATTA</u> although crews could pick out the river and identify visually. Crews all bombed the P.I. markers and a good concentration of bombs resulted in many fires being left burning. It was considered by all crews that the raid was successful.		
	3/2	✓	<u>WEATHER.</u> Clear becoming cloudy with slight rain. Aircraft tests were carried out before noon and the following crews were briefed for an attack on HAMBURG, once again using the <u>WANGAMUI</u> Technique. "U" P/O. MEYER. "V" P/O. COWAN. "W" S/L. FRY. of these "V" (P/O. Cowan) had to return early through trouble from the Starboard Inner, and jettisoned his bombs in the sea. The other two crews reported good PFF technique and bombed the sky markers above 10/10 cloud. Although no ground detail could be seen, the glow of several fires could be seen amidst the white glare of incendiaries.		
	4/2		<u>WEATHER.</u> Low cloud. Visibility 3-4000 yards deteriorating in the evening to below 3000 yards. Italy was, after over a month of immunity, the target for the Command, and <u>TURIN</u> was chosen as the recipient. The crews who took part were:-		

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WADDINGTON	4/2	(cont)	<p>"V" F/O. COWAN. ✓ "S" SGT. HOBBS ✓ "W" F/SGT. WALSH ✓ "Z" S/L. JARRETT. ✓            "A" F/O. VAN NOTE ✓ "B" SGT. BOOZAR. ✓</p> <p>Visibility over the target area was good and EFP markers were well placed. Crews concentrated the bombing effort and 4 or 5 good fires were seen burning. Incendiaries covered the whole of the target area and it was considered to be a very successful trip. The following crews landed on return at the aerodromes stated</p> <p>"S" SGT. HOBBS - TANGMERE. "B" SGT. BOOZAR - OAKINGTON. "A" F/O. VAN NOTE - MIDDLE WALLOW.</p> <p>Whilst testing "P" Sgt. Land crashed near Coleby, killing all the crew.</p>	
	5/2		<p>WEATHER. Cloudy after 0400 hours.</p> <p>There being no operations detailed for the Squadron, the days flying was confined to training and aircraft tests, including height climbs with the new aircraft.</p>	
	6/2		<p>WEATHER. Fair, apart from moderate rain before dawn.</p> <p>Again no operations were detailed and a training programme was carried out including bombing at Wainfleet, Fighter affiliation, and at night "Bullseye" exercises were carried out by the new crews.</p>	
	7/2		<p>WEATHER. Fair, apart from intermittent slight rain before 0600 hours.</p> <p>A "Dixon" exercise was detailed for the Squadron, 6 aircraft making up the formation. Low level bombing in formation was carried out on return at Wainfleet with fighter affiliation on the route. The following crews were detailed for an attack on <u>LOIENT</u>:</p> <p>"V" F/L. VERRAN. ✓ "X" F/O. WILMOT. ✓ "S" SGT. DAVIS. ✓</p> <p>The town was well alight before the crews arrived and the glare from the fires could be seen from the N. French coast. The target could be seen quite clearly by all three crews, and one Pilot reported that the smoke from the main concentration of fires reached up to the bombing height of 9000 ft.</p>	

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WASHINGTON.	8/2		<p><u>WEATHER.</u> Fine but misty until 0800 hours, then becoming cloudy, continuous rain from 2300 hours.</p> <p>After N.F.Ts and aircraft tests 9 crews were detailed for an attack on <u>WILHELMSHAVEN</u>. Briefing was done at 1400 hours and at 1700 hours as crews were awaiting transport to the aircraft, the trip was cancelled.</p>		
	9/2		<p><u>WEATHER.</u> Slight intermittent rain during dawn and early morning, otherwise fine. Again <u>WILHELMSHAVEN</u> was to have been the target for 9 crews. They were briefed and due to take off at 2330 hours. The cancellation was made at 2250 hours when the crews were already at the aircraft. A night Cross country by a new crew forced landed in Anglesey.</p>		
	10/2		<p><u>WEATHER.</u> Mainly fair becoming cloudy with continuous rain during the afternoon, improving later.</p> <p>For the third time in succession <u>WILHELMSHAVEN</u> was chosen as target for 7 crews. The cancellation was given at approx. 1730 hours when the crews were waiting to go out to their aircraft.</p>		
	11/2		<p><u>WEATHER.</u> Cloudy with slight drizzle during morning.</p> <p>At last <u>WILHELMSHAVEN</u>, after three cancellations was attacked by the following crews:                      "R" F/O. COWAN. "T" F/O. WILMOT. "W" SGT. DAVIS. "U" F/O. MEYER. "B" SGT. BOGZAR.                      "G" SGT. HOBBS. "Y" F/L. VERRAN.</p> <p>Weather conditions were such that the WANGAMUI Technique had to be employed. PFF laid then marker and Release Point flares well and the crews had no difficulty in making their attacks. Two crews reported large flashes below the cloud after bombing, and a glow as they left the target area. Two aircraft did not reach the target, "G" SGT. HOBBS "T" F/O. WILMOT. "G" returned on account of icing and jettisoned his bombs in the North Sea. "T" was more unfortunate, the trimming tabs being U/S necessitating 25° of flap</p>		15

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WADDINGTON.	11/2	(cont)	to keep the aircraft level, and the electrical and R/T circuits of the rear turret being also U/S.	
	12/2		<p><u>WEATHER.</u> Mainly cloudy until short period of slight rain at mid-day. Then showery conditions with bright periods.</p> <p>No operations were detailed for the Squadron and the only daylight flying carried out was tests on aircraft after inspections. At night two new crews carried out "Bullseye" exercises.</p>	
	13/2		<p><u>WEATHER.</u> Showery conditions until dusk, Mainly cloudy</p> <p>The following crews were detailed for an attack on Lorient :-</p> <p>"B" SGT. BOCZAR. "D" F/O. VAN NOTE. "G" F/O. HALE. "M" SGT. DAVIS "Y" F/L. VERRAN          "X" F/O. WILMOT. "V" F/O. COWAN. "U" S/L. JARRETT. "W" SGT. MARSHALL "T" F/S. WALSH          "R" SGT. DOOLAN. Of these "G" (F/O. Hale) returned early with intercom u/s. The remainder went on to the target where conditions were good, allowing visual identification. Bombing height was in the average 12,000' and crews were confident that their bombs fell in the target area, where numerous fires were burning, giving off a thick pall of smoke. Several crews reported that the glow of the fires could be seen from the English coast. "M" (Sgt. Davis) saw an S.O.S. from a small vessel S.W. of Isle of Groix and on investigating was shot at. The gunners retaliated but no effects of their fire was seen. All our aircraft returned to base.</p>	
	14/2		<p><u>WEATHER.</u> Fine, but cloudy.</p> <p>Originally 11 crews were detailed for the attack on MILAN., but the <del>newer</del> crews were cancelled leaving only the following crews to operate :-</p> <p>"Y" F/L. VERRAN "X" F/O. WILMOT "U" F/O. COWAN "W" F/SGT. MARSHALL          "T" F/SGT. WALSH. "R" SGT. DOOLAN.</p>	

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WADDINGTON.	14/2 <del>14/2</del>	(Cont.)	The average height of attack was 11,000' and PARAMATTA technique was used. Crews stated the bombing was very concentrated, and many large fires started. "Y" (F/L Verran) spent 15 minutes circling the area taking Cine' photographs. So successful was the attack that the A.O.C. send the following letter of congratulation to the Squadrons in the Group. "The last attack on MILAN was one of the most concentrated attacks which Squadrons in the Group have yet carried out. Fourteen Aiming Point pictures have so far recorded together with another twentyeight within the target area and many further ones showing a mass of fires have yet to be plotted. One Squadron has achieved the record with six Aiming Point photographs. All crews deserve the highest praise. Again it shows that Squadrons in the Group lead all others. IF Squadrons can maintain the standard I am certain it will have a profound effect on the whole war". In addition to the operations being carried out new crews were engaged on a Bombing and Air Firing Programme.		
	15/2		WEATHER. Fine, with little cloud except during afternoon. Slight snow 0330-0400. Weather was such that no flying could be carried out but 5 crews were detailed for a GARDENING trip. However the operation was cancelled at 1935.		
	16/2		WEATHER. Fine with little cloud except during afternoon. Slight snow 0330-0400. After N.F.Ts and some fighter affiliation exercise the following crews were briefed for an attack on Lorient:- "R" SGT. BROWN. "T" SGT. DAVIS. "W" F/O. ROBERTSON. "U" S/L. JARRETT. "A" F/O. VAN NOTE. "B" SGT. BOGZAR. "G" F/O. HALE. "J" F/O. MITCHELL. "M" F/SGT. McDONALD. Take-off started at 1900 hours and on reaching the target visual identification confirmed the position of T.I. Markers. Two or three crews were of the opinion that the defences had been disorganised by the previous raids and that the flak was less than expected. Our crews were on the target early and on leaving only a few fires were seen burning but the area was covered by		

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WADDINGTON	16/2	(cont.)	incendiaries and the attack showed every sign of developing well. All our aircraft returned safely.		
	17/2		<p><u>WEATHER.</u> Generally poor, with alternate mist and fog interrupted by some slight intermittent drizzle.</p> <p>Weather precluded any idea of flying and the Squadron's activities were confined to lecture discussions and ground training.</p>		
	18/2		<p><u>WEATHER.</u> Moderately fine. Some fog in early dawn with fog and mist after dusk.</p> <p>After N.F.Ts crews were briefed for another attack on <u>WILHELSHAVEN</u> using once again the <u>PARAMITTA</u> technique. Crews were as follows :-</p> <p>"A" P/O. VAN NOTE. "J" SGT. BROWN. "D" P/O. MITCHELL. "G" P/O. HALE. "M" P/S. McDONALD          "Y" P/L. VERBAN. "C" P/O. WILMOT. "O" P/S. MARSHALL. "U" S/L. JARRETT. "T" P/S. WALSH          "R" SGT. DOOLAN. The target was identified both visually and by the warning flares on track. Visibility was excellent and crews had no difficulty in making their attack. From pin points of the bomb bursts it seems that the attack was well confined in the West side of the town. From the concentration of incendiaries in the area as crews left every indication was given of a successful attack. Base was unfit for return and landings were as follows:-</p> <p>"R" (DOOLAN) "T" (WALSH) "J" (BROWN) "Y" (VERBAN)          "D" (MITCHELL) "A" (VAN NOTE) "O" (MARSHALL) "U" (JARRETT)          "G" (HALE) - STRADISHALL.          "X" (WILMOT) - OAKINGTON.          "M" (McDONALD) ) BASE.</p>		
	19/2		<p><u>WEATHER.</u></p> <p>The major part of the days flying was taken up by the return of the aircraft to base after the diversions although two N.F.Ts were done on the aircraft to be used that night. <u>WILHELSHAVEN</u> was again the target for a smaller attack, the Squadron detaching 3 crews:- "V" P/O. COVAN. "P" P/O. ROBERTSON. "B" SGT. BOCCAR.</p>		

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WASHINGTON.	19/2	(cont)	Of these only two reached the target "P" (F/O. ROBERTSON) returning early due to both Port and one Starb. engines fluctuating and losing power. Visibility was again good except for haze on a smoke screen and the PFF T.I.'s were used as an aiming point. The fires started had only just begun to take hold when the crews left but showed promise of developing well.		
	20/2		<u>WEATHER.</u> Fog during early morning slowly disappearing and weather becoming fine and cloudless.  Weather was not good and when it was learned that no operations would be required from the Squadron X countries were organised. They were however cancelled on account of the met. conditions.		
	21/2		<u>WEATHER.</u> Cloudy or overcast clearing during early afternoon and becoming fine for remainder of period.  N.F.T.'s were carried out in the morning and at 1400 hours the following crews were briefed for an attack on BREMEN. :- "D" S/L. FRY. "G" F/O. HALE. "J" SGT. BROWN. "L" F/SGT. McDONALD. "Y" F/O. MITCHELL. "U" F/O. MEYER. "R" SGT. DOOLAN. "T" F/SGT. WALSH. "O" F/SGT. MARSHALL. "X" F/O. ROBERTSON.  10/10 cloud was experienced over the target but it was very thin and PFF T.I.'s could be seen through it. The glow of incendiaries could be seen on the cloud together with two or three fires. The general concensus of opinion was that the attack was quite successful. On the way out heavy flak was experienced from the target to the coast and three aircraft "O" (F/SGT. MARSHALL) "U" (F/O. MEYER) AND "X" (F/O. ROBERTSON) were holed by flak, apart from the route out from the target which was too well defended, the trip was quite O.K. Again bases were u/s for return and diversion was given, the aircraft landed as follows:- CROFT: "T" (F/S. WALSH) "R" (SGT. DOOLAN) "J" (SGT. BROWN) TOECLIFFE: "M" (F/S. McDONALD) "U" (F/O. MEYER) "O" (F/S. MARSHALL) MIDDLETON ST. GEORGE: "G" (F/O. HALE) "Y" (F/O. MITCHELL) "X" (F/O. ROBERTSON) "D" (S/L. FRY).		1 17

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WADDINGTON.	22/2		<p><u>WEATHER.</u> Fog for most of period, clearing a little during early afternoon.</p> <p>The weather was unfit to bring the aircraft back to base with the result that no training or flying was carried out.</p>		
	23/2		<p><u>WEATHER.</u></p> <p>The weather being fit the aircraft were flown back from the Diversion aerodromes and by the time they arrived, nothing else could be done since the aircraft had to be D.I'd and repaired.</p>		
	24/2		<p><u>WEATHER.</u></p> <p>Hamburg was to have been the target for 12 crews from the Squadron but after briefing at 1400 hours the trip was cancelled at 1630.</p>		
	25/2		<p><u>WEATHER.</u> Generally fine.</p> <p>After fighter affiliation exercises and N.F.T.'s 12 crews were briefed for an attack on the town of NUREMBURG, so popular with the Nazi party. In view of conditions en route the two freshmen were cancelled, leaving the following 10 crews to continue with the trip.</p> <p>"B" SGT. BOGZAR. "A" S/L. FRY. "G" F/O. HALE. "N" SGT. BROWN. "M" F/SGT. McDONALD. "V" F/O. MITCHELL.</p> <p>"Z" W/O. SOUTHWELL. "X" F/L. ROBERTSON. "O" F/SGT. MARSHALL. "V" SGT. DOOLAN. "U" F/O. MEYER. "T" F/SG. HUNTER.</p> <p>On arrival the HMF were found to be late, the warning flares not going down until after the first T.I.'s. Several fires were left burning in the Target area and a good concentration of incendiaries should have restarted several more. Flak opposition was not heavy, and the trip in general was quite satisfactory. Two aircraft, one of which, failed to return.</p>		
	26/2		<p><u>WEATHER.</u> Fine but hazy.</p> <p>Again the Squadron was called upon to operate and the following crews were detailed, the target being Cologne:- "M" F/SGT. WALSH. "B" SGT. BOGZAR. "Z" S/L. JARRETT. "G" F/O. HALE.</p> <p>"N" SGT. BROWN. "V" SGT. DOOLAN. "U" F/O. MEYER. "X" F/L. ROBERTSON.</p>		

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WADDING FQV.	26/2	(cont.)	Of these "X" (F/L. ROBERTSON) returned early due to oxygen failure of the mid upper turret. Crews found the searchlights active on the enemy coast and on arrival at the target the PFF Markers were clearly seen in time to make a run-in direct, without any circling. Several crews reported that the Red (accurate) T.I.'s had burned out by the time they arrived, but the Greens were still clustered. Again Bombing was concentrated and several fires were seen near the Markers, and were reported by one crew to be visible from 90 miles away. All aircraft returned safely.		
	27/2		<u>WEATHER</u> Fine but hazy. There being no operations detailed a training programme was carried out which included X countries and Practice Bombing.		
	28/2		<u>WEATHER:</u> Fine. Very small amounts of cloud until late evening. In the morning, four aircraft, were engaged in Bombing and A/Firing and 8 crews were detailed for an attack on <u>ST. NAZAIRE</u> . The trip out was uneventful and visibility over the target was marred only by haze or smoke. There was Nil cloud. The PFF Markers were again used as aiming points, although they were concentrated about two positions about 1 1/2 miles apart. Two crews reported a large explosion in the target area but it was impossible to identify the position. Several fires were left burning as our aircraft left and since they were early in the attack it should have been very successful. All our aircraft returned safely to base except "M" (F/Sgt. Lewis) who landed at Skellingthorpe.		
	1/2.		<u>SUMMARY OF MOVEMENTS OF OFFICERS FOR FEBRUARY.</u> F/O. B. CAREY. Posted from No. 1660 C. Unit. F/O. T.F. WILMOT. Posted from B. D. Unit.		
	2/2.		F/O. G.P. ROBERTSON. Posted from No. 1660 C. Unit. F/O. R.H. SMITH. Posted from No. 1660 C. Unit. F/O. E.J. KNELL. Posted from No. 1660 C. Unit.		

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<u>MOVEMENTS OF OFFICERS (Continued).</u>					
	2/2.		P/O. E.N. ARMSTRONG. Posted from No. 1660 C. Unit.		
			P/O. J.A. MITCHELL. Posted from No. 1660 C. Unit.		
			P/O. E.W. SANGER. Posted from No. 1660 C. Unit.		
			P/O. V.C. SHERRING. Posted from No. 1660 C. Unit.		
	11/2.		F/L. A.M. HOBBS. Posted from No. 1654 C. Unit.		
			P/O. S.L. MANFIELD. Posted from No. 1654 C. Unit.		
	16/2.		F/L. A.M. HOBBS. Posted to R.A.F. Station, Waddington (N.E.).		
	18/2.		P/O. C.D. PERKINS. Posted to No. 16 O.T.U.		
	20/2.		P/O. G.J. GIBBINGS. Posted from No. 1660 C. unit.		
			P/O. N. BIRD. Posted from No. 1660 C. Unit.		
			P/O. H. ROBERTSON. Posted from No. 1660 C. Unit.		

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2/2/43	Lancaster E.D. 493	P/O R. Van Note Sgt. H. Hounsome P/O E. Graver Sgt. B.H. Tubbs Sgt. A.M. Queen Sgt. G. Scott Sgt. E.T. Dale	Bombing Cologne.	1826	2312	Target attacked-Primary. 2103 hrs. 18,500ft. Identified from Green Warning flares on track. Target indicator bombs observed. Believed burst of 4000 lb bomb seen, Numerous fires observed in target area.	
	Lancaster E.D. 489	Sgt. S. Boszar Sgt. J.W. Vinall P/Sgt. J.P.H. Carrere Sgt. C.S. Watts Sgt. R.S. Webb Sgt. R.K. Burgar Sgt. G.W. Browell	Bombing Cologne.			Primary attacked. 2118 hrs. 18,000 ft. Red flares seen in the air and incendiaries burning on the ground. Red flares were in sights. Incendiaries seen to ignite amongst those already burning. Glow seen 10 mins. after leaving target.	
	Lancaster E.D. 487	P/Sgt. C.P. McDonald Sgt. T. Farrington Sgt. V.M. <sup>NUNN</sup> <del>Wynn</del> Sgt. C.M. Riley Sgt. M.A. Coles Sgt. V. Hill P/O J. Grebbin	Bombing Cologne.	1827	2336	Target attacked-Primary. 19,000 ft. 21.13 hrs. Target area identified visually by bends in river. PFF (red) flares seen over target on run-up and T/I. Red and Green seen bursting and cascading to ground. Bombs aimed at Red Markers. Bombs seen to burst in amongst scattered patches of incendiary markers. Many other bursts seen over the area. No large fires had developed when aircraft left target area.	
	Lancaster E.D. 490	Sgt. A.R. Hobbs Sgt. R.H. Thomas Sgt. S.J. Argent Sgt. J.S. Mc Allister Sgt. W.J. Reid Sgt. D.N. Bysouth Sgt. T. Armstrong	Bombing Cologne.	1835	2325	Primary attacked. 21.05 hours. 20,000 ft. Identified by ground marker bombs (green) and built up area. 4000 lb. bomb burst seen and numerous fires.	

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2/2/43	LANCASTER	P/O W.A. MEYER	Bombing Cologne.	1830	2148	No target attacked. 1 x 4000 HC etc. jettisoned at 53.43 N.02.00.E. at 1954 hours. 21,000 ft. Gee U/S. Both compasses unreliable.	
Contd.	E.D. 480	Sgt. E.H. HUNTER SGT. N.R. McCORKINDALE SGT. D. WILLBEE SGT. S.H.G. SINCLAIR SGT. A.D. HART SGT. T.W. JOHNSON					
	LANCASTER	S/Ldr. G.W.J. JARRETT	Bombing Cologne.	1828	00.08	Primary attacked. 21.47 hrs. 18,000 ft. Fires seen burning. PFF. flares also used for identification of target. Many large explosions seen in target area. 1 4000 HC. brought back to base. Jettison bar tried unsuccessful. Manual action not tried.	
	E.D. 479	SGT. H. PRECIOUS SGT. G. SMITH P/O A.G. SEYMOUR SGT. I. FRANCIS SGT. A.P. BAINES SGT. J. MILES					
	LANCASTER	P/Sgt. J.H.G. WALSH	Bombing Cologne.	1833	00.04	Primary attacked. 21.13 hrs. 20,000 ft. Green flares at turning point seen behind. R.P. flares seen and also green and Red T/I's Incend. bombs which later were in sights. Bomb burst seen to be short of T/I markers in built up area. Some fires in area and big dull glow in area as aircraft was leaving.	
	P. 5744	SGT. H.L. JONES SGT. R.E. RAVEN SGT. V.J. TARR SGT. L.A. BERNICK P/O S.M. HOBSON SGT. G.J. HOUBERT					
3/2/43	LANCASTER	P/O W.A. MEYER	Bombing Cologne. Hamburg.	1806	2351	Primary attacked, 2110 hrs, 20,000 ft. Weather -10/10 cloud tops 15,000 ft. Red marker flares with green stars seen and position of flares bombed through cloud. No bursts seen but glare of fires seen reflected under cloud.	
	E.D. 480	SGT. V.H. HUNTER SGT. N.R. McCORKINDALE SGT. D. WILLBEE SGT. S.H.G. SINCLAIR SGT. A.D. HART SGT. T.W. JOHNSON					

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3/2/43 Contd.	LANCASTER E.D. 502	F/O W.B. COWAN SGT. S. DOSWELL P/O A.J. TURNER P/O B.J. SMITH SGT. G.A. TAYLOR SGT. L.S. FIDDES SGT. E.S. WOOD	Bombing Hamburg.	1802	2105	No target attacked. Aircraft returned early owing to inner starboard engine failure. Bombs jettisoned (1 section hung-up) safe at position 53 13N-00 49E from 7,000 ft.	
	LANCASTER E.D. 387	S/Ldr. G.S. FRY SGT. R.M. Ritchie SGT. J. LEES SGT. W.A. COLSON P/O D. ROGERS SGT. A.E. BELL SGT. J. FULLMAN	Bombing Hamburg.	1809	2344	Primary target attacked, 2108 hrs., 18,000 ft. Weather 10/10 cloud tops 8,000 ft. Target identified by red green and Release point flares. The latter were in the bomb sight when bombing but no results were observed.	
4/2/43	LANCASTER E.D. 502	F/O W.B. COWAN SGT. S. DOSWELL P/O A.J. TURNER P/O B.J. SMITH SGT. G.A. TAYLOR SGT. L.S. FIDDES SGT. W. BERRIE	Bombing Turin.	1818	0205	Primary attacked 2150 hrs. 12,000 ft. Weather good, nil cloud, clear. Red and white warning flares seen and T.I. markers in sights when bombs (B) dropped. Many fires burning in area well concentrated. 1 container hung-up and brought back. Nickels dropped over target.	
	LANCASTER W. 4133	SGT. A.R. HOBBS SGT. R.H. THOMAS SGT. S.J. ARGENT SGT. W.A. COLSON SGT. W.J. REID SGT. D.N. BYSOUTH F/SGT. H.L. HUETHER	Bombing Turin,	1824	0220	Primary attacked 2205 hrs., 19,000 ft. Clear over target and T.I. markers seen in SSW part of town. Town in sight when bombs (A) dropped. 4 to 5 very large fires seen in addition to incendiaries seen all over the town. Nickels dropped.	

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4/2/43 Contd.	LANCASTER E.D. 179	S/Ldr. G. W. JARRETT SGT. H. PREVIOUS SGT. G. SMITH P/O W.A. SEYMOUR SGT. I. FRANCIS SGT. A.P. BAINES SGT. MILES	Bombing Turin.	1819	0136	Primary attacked, 2149 hrs, 12,000 ft. Red flares seen at Lake Bourget and white flares over target. Red T.I. markers in sights when bombs (B) released. Many bombs bursting in area so own not seen. Very many fires, well concentrated, burning in target area.	
	LANCASTER E.D. 493	P/O R. VAN NOTE SGT. H. HOUSOME P/O E. GRAVER SGT. D.H. TUBBS SGT. A.M. QUEEN SGT. G. SCOTT SGT. R.T. DALE	Bombing Turin.	1821	0205	Primary attacked 21.50 hrs. 14,000 ft. Bombs (B) fell in target area. Weather clear over target. Nickels dropped in target area.	
	LANCASTER E.D. 489	SGT. S. BOZAR SGT. J.W. VINALL P/SGT. J.P.H. CARRETE SGT. C.S. WATTS SGT. P.S. WEBB SGT. R.K. BURGER SGT. G.W. BROWELL	Bombing Turin.	1821	0205	Primary attacked 2146 hrs, 14,000 ft. No cloud, lit up by flares, visibility fair. Target identified by flares and marker bombs in built up area. Bursts (B) seen in town area. Lot of fires concentrated in town area. Nickels dropped.	
7/2/43	LANCASTER E.D. 499	P/O T. WILMOT SGT. G.L. ROBERTS P/O W.A.G. GALIENNE SGT. C. DUCKETT SGT. W. OATES SGT. G.H. PEARCE SGT. B. TAYLOR	Bombing Lorient.	1912	0054	Primary attacked, 2134 hrs, 9000 ft. No cloud-visibility good-smoke haze. Target identified by big red fire seen on arrival at St. Briac. On run-up whole town seemed ablaze with greatest concentration S.W. of Area "A". Own bombs joined the largest concentration. One SBC hung-up and was brought back to base.	

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7/2/43	LANCASTER	SGT. E.J. W. DAVIS	Bombing Turin.	1922	0040	Primary attacked, 2132 hrs, 9,000 ft. No cloud, haze and a good deal of smoke. Fires seen from a considerable distance, river and shape of town identified. Large fires seen in area of A.P. "A" including one very in town to East of A.P. "A".	
Contd.	V. 4133	SGT. H. W. FULLARD					
		SGT. J. VAUGHAN					
		SGT. J.S. AIRD					
		SGT. J.A. JONES-FORD					
		SGT. R.W. DARLINGTON					
		SGT. T.A. BERWICK					
	LANCASTER	P/O J.V. VERRAN	Bombing Turin.	1924	0050	Primary attacked, 2134 hrs, 13,000 ft. No cloud-smoke haze and target was identified visually from fires which could be seen from 80 miles away. A.P. in sights. A large area was well alight on arrival.	
	E.D. 495	SGT. E.S. SMITHSON					
		P/O F.T. JOHNSON					
		P/O L.H. GRAGH					
		P/O L.H. MOUNTRAY					
		SGT. K.M. MATTHEWS					
		SGT. K.V. CHALK					
11/2/43	LANCASTER	P/O W.B. COGAN	Bombing	1740	2313	Primary attacked, 2011 hrs, 14,000 ft. Weather 10/10 cloud and target was identified by PFF flares, <del>which were seen in bomb sight when bombs dropped. Red glow seen after bombing. 90 x 4 lbs inc (1 SBC) hung-up and was brought back to base.</del>	
	E.D. 501	P/O HALE	Wilhelmshaven.				
		SGT. C.H. DOSWELL					
		P/O A.J. TURNER					
		P/O B.J. SMITH					
		SGT. G.A. TAYLOR					
		SGT. L.S. FIDES					
		SGT. W. BERRIE					
	LANCASTER	P/O T. WILMOT	Bombing	1726	1943	No target attacked owing to controls being partly u/s and P/Turret electrical failure. 1 x 4000 HC jettisoned-fused-1853 hrs, 7500 ft. 53 33N - 01 37+E.	
		SGT. G.L. ROBERTS	Wilhelmshaven				
		P/O W.A.G. GALLISONE					
		SGT. R. DICKETT					
		SGT. C. OATES					
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11/2/43 Contd.	LANCASTER E.D. 492	SGT. E.J.W. DAVIS SGT. H.W. FULLARD SGT. J. VAUGHAN SGT. J.S. AIRD SGT. J.A. JONES FORD SGT. R.W. DARLINGTON SGT. T.A. BERWICK	Bombing Wilhelmshaven.	1741	2237	Primary attacked. 2007 hrs, 15,000 ft. 10/10 cloud and target identified by PFF flares. Flares seen in bomb sight and after leaving a red glow was seen under cloud.	
	LANCASTER E.D. 480	F/O W.A. MEYER SGT. W.H. HUNTER SGT. N.R. McCORKINDALE SGT. D. WILLBEE SGT. S.H.G. SINCLAIR SGT. A.D. HART SGT. T.W. JOHNSON	Bombing Wilhelmshaven.	1733	2310	Primary attacked 2013 hrs. 18,500 ft. 8/10 cloud-tops above height of aircraft. Both warning flares and T.I. markers seen. Second lot of T.I. markers in sights when bombs released. Bright flashes seen reflected on cloud bellaved 4000 HC and a deep red glow was also observed. As aircraft left two big flare ups occurred in the area of the main glow.	
	LANCASTER E.D. 489	SGT. L. BOZAR SGT. J.W. VINALL P/SGT. J.P.H. CARREBE SGT. C.S. WATTS SGT. R.S. WEBB SGT. S.E. RUSSELL SGT. J.W. BROVELL	Bombing Wilhelmshaven.	1742	2253	Primary attacked, 2016 hrs. 15,000 ft. 10/10 thin layer cloud, warning flares seen. Sky markers seen but went out before we could bomb. Glow beneath cloud in sights when bombs released. Further sky markers seen after bombing.	
	LANCASTER E.D. 494	SGT. A.R. HOBBS SGT. R.H. THOMAS SGT. S.J. ARGENT SGT. C.H. PRATT SGT. W.J. REID SGT. D.N. BYSOUTH P/SGT. H.L. HUETHER	Bombing Wilhelmshaven.	1738	2007	No target attacked, aircraft returned on account of icing. Bombs jettisoned at 1900 hrs, from 7000 ft from position 53 58N-03 08E fused. Furthest point reached 54 00N-03 20E.	

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11/2/43	LANCASTER	P/Lt. L.V. VERRAN	Bombing	1743	2242	Primary attacked, 2006 hrs, 18,000 ft. 10/10 cloud at approx: 13000 ft but scattered tops up to 20,000 ft	
Contd.	E.D. 495	SGT. W. SMITHSON P/O P.T. JOHNSON P/O L.H. GEACH P/O L.H. MOUTRAY SGT. K.W. CHALK SGT. K.E. MATTHEWS	Wilhelmshaven.			Both warning and release point flares seen, the latter being seen in the bomb sights when bombs dropped. One flash seen after bombing and large red glow on cloud as aircraft left. No other results observed.	
13/2/43	LANCASTER	SGT. L. BOGZAR	Bombing Lorient	1856	0130	Primary attacked, 2111 hrs. 14,000 ft. (A). Good visibility and river and estuary visually identified. A.P. in sights. Bombs seen bursting and a considerable number of fires seen but not as extensive as other large scale raids. 1 SBC hung-up.	
	E.D. 489	SGT. J.V. VINALL SGT. J.P.H. CARRERE SGT. V.A. COLSON SGT. R.S. WEBB SGT. R.K. BURGAR SGT. G.V. BROWNELL					
	LANCASTER	P/O R. VAN NOTE	Bombing Lorient	1858	0126	Primary attacked 2125 hrs. 12,000 ft. No cloud - vis. fairly good and A.P. was visually identified and in sights. Bomb (A) burst near A.P. Well concentrated fires inside target area smoke from which was easily visible 30 miles away.	
	E.D. 487	SGT. H. HOUNSOME P/O E. GRAVER SGT. B.H. <del>TUBBS</del> SGT. A.M. HURDY SGT. G. SCOTT SGT. R.T. DALE					
	LANCASTER	P/O C.A. HALE	Bombing Lorient	1853	2140	No target attacked, returned from position 51 35N 01 58 W owing to intercom. being u/s. 1 x 4000 HC bomb jettisoned safe - 2049 hours, 5,000 ft. 53 31N - 01 02E. 96 x 30 incendiaries brought back to base.	
	E.D. 494	SGT. A.V. MARTIN SGT. V. NUNN SGT. G.W. HALEB SGT. P.V. PILPER SGT. C. CLARK SGT. H.L. JONES					

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13/2/43	LANCASTER	SGT. E.J.W. DAVIS	Bombing Lorient	1853.	0104.	(a) Primary attacked/ 2114 hrs. 10,000 ft. (b) 2140 hrs. 10,000 ft. No cloud vis. good. A.P. and detailed features of town seen. First run (a) 4000 HZ hung up but inc. fell across A.p. Second run (b) cookie released manually but was not seen to burst. Little evidence of fires near our A.P. but considerable fires in town which appeared to be more widespread than previous attack.	
Contd.	E.D. 559	SGT. H.V. FULLARD SGT. J. VAUGHAN SGT. J.S. AIRD SGT. J.A. JONES- BOED SGT. R.V. DARLINGTON SGT. T.A. BERTWICK					
	LANCASTER	F/Lt. J.V. VERRAN	Bombing Lorient	1903.	0040.	Primary attacked, 2122 hrs. 12,000 ft. no cloud - layer of smoke and target identified visually. A.P. in sights when bombs dropped (B) Results of own bombs could not be seen but large number of fires especially around A.p. 1/3 SBC hung-up.	
	E.D. 495	SGT. E.S. SMITHSON P/O P.T. JOHNSON P/O L.H. GEACH P/O J.H. MOUTRAY SGT. K.W. CHALK SGT. K.E. MATTHEWS					
	LANCASTER	F/O T. WILMOT	Bombing Lorient	1855.	0020.	Primary attacked, 2112 hrs. 11,000 ft. Clear, moonlight and fires and built-up area easily seen. Bombs (B) dropped across A.P. which was clearly seen. Three large fires observed near A.P. "A" and several others scattered in town.	
	E.D. 499	SGT. G.L. ROBERTS P/O W.A.G. GALIENNE SGT. C. DUCKETT SGT. W. CATES SGT. G.H. PEARCE SGT. B. TAYLOR					
	LANCASTER	F/O W.B. COYAN	Bombing Lorient	1907.	0036.	Primary attacked, 2113 hrs. 13,000 ft. Hazy over target - possibly smoke screen, moonlight. Flak & fires seen from near English coast. Target identified and in sights when bombs (B) dropped. Enormous fires and large number of bomb bursts in whole target area. One SBC failed to release and was jettisoned in sea.	
	E.D. 502	SGT. S. DOSWELL P/O A.J. TURNER P/O B.J. SMITH SGT. G.A. TAYLOR SGT. L.S. PIDDES SGT. W. BERRIE					

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13/2/43 Contd.	LANCASTER E.D. 480	S/Ldr. G.W.J. JARRET SGT. H. PREGIOUS SGT. G. SMITH P/O A.G. Seymour SGT. I. FRANCIS SGT. A.P. BAINES SGT. J. MILES	Bombing Lorient.	1900.	0112.	Primary attacked, 2126 hrs. 12,000 ft. No cloud - vis. good. Promontory containing A.P. and town visually identified. A.P. in sights when bombs (B) dropped but smoke interfered with pin-pointing of same.	
	LANCASTER E.D. 492	F/SGT. I.M. MARSHALL SGT. S. NANCEKIVELL P/O W. SWINBURNE SGT. J.J. MIESEN P/O R.A. NEWTON, DFM SGT. J.L. ELLIOTT SGT. O.G. BRASMUS	Bombing Lorient.	1901.	0100.	Primary attacked. 2123 hours. 12,000 ft. Clear & vis. good and target visually identified. AP. estimated on second run from ground detail and fires and was in sights when bombs (B) released. Many fires in town centre and others getting going in A.P. area. Other bomb bursts seen.	
	LANCASTER E.D. 520	F/SGT. J.H.C. WALSH SGT. H.H. JONES SGT. B.E. RAVEN SGT. V.J. TARR SGT. L.A. BEWICK P/O S.M. HOBSON SGT. C.J. HOUBERT	Bombing Lorient.	1906.	0055.	Primary attacked 2127 hrs. 13,000 ft. Clear, moonlight and river and town clearly identified. Inc. estimated to have fallen in A.P. area (B) Whole town area was well alight. Three large fires in A.P. "A" area with pall of thick black smoke drifting across town.	
	LANCASTER E.D. 501	SGT. T.P.B. DOOLAN SGT. J.T. PRATT SGT. E.L. CRAMP F/SGT. J.R. BUCKLEY SGT. W.J. CHAPPEL SGT. R. MOSELEY SGT. H.J. IRONS	Bombing Lorient.	1905.	0405.	Primary attacked 2146 hrs. 12,000 ft. Clear, moonlight and river and built-up area visually identified. Bombs (B) dropped in allotted area of A.P. Several very large red fires concentrated in town and dock area with pall of thick smoke up to 6,000 ft. Glow could be seen from English coast.	

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14/2/43	LANCASTER E.D. 495	F/L. J.V. VERRAN SPT. R. BROWN SPT. W. SMITHSON P/O P.T. JOHNSON P/O L.H. TEACH P/O J.H. MOUTRAY SPT. K.W. CHALK SPT. K.E. MATTHEWS	Bombing Milan.	1954.	0352.	Main target attacked from 12,000 ft. at 2241 hrs. Visibility good, and town was identified visually. Bombs (A) not seen to explode owing to other bombing taking place.	
	LANCASTER E.D. 499	F/O T. WILMOT SPT. G.L. ROBERTS P/L. W.I.N.G. DOUG SPT. C. DUCKETT SPT. W. OATES SPT. G.H. PEARCE SPT. B. TAYLOR	Bombing Milan.	1949.	0334.	Main target attacked from 12,000 ft. at 2241 hrs. PFF. flares and built up area seen. Bombs dropped. (B) Pilots remarks: Trip successful. Target considered to have been well bombed. About 5 large fires seen.	
	LANCASTER E.D. 502	F/O W.B. COWAN SPT. S. DOSWELL P/O A.J. TURNER P/O B.J. SMITH SPT. G.A. TAYLOR SPT. L.S. FIDDES SPT. W. BERRIE	Bombing Milan.	1904.	0338.	Main target attacked from 12,000 ft. at 2240 hrs. Built up area identified and run in made from PFF. flares. Target in bomb sight when bombs (B) dropped. Many large fires appeared from centre of the town.	
	LANCASTER E.D. 492	F/SGT. I. MARSHALL SPT. S. MANCEWELL P/O W. SWINBURNE SPT. J.J. MIKSEN P/O R.A.A. NEWTON, DEM SPT. J.L. ELLIOTT SPT. O.G. EPASMUS	Bombing Milan.	1952.	0300.	Main target attacked, from 11,000 feet at 2242 hours. T.I. markers seen, although P.F.F. late. Bombed middle of three concentrated T.I. sticks and our own incendiaries fell alongside (B). Good red fires seen from over the Alps.	

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SGT. O.G. ERASMUS

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(\*9511) Wt 9250-56 60,000 lbs T.S. 700

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14/2/43 Contd.	LANCASTER E.D. 520	F/SGT. J.H.C. WALSH	Bombing Milan.	1851.	0316.	Main target attacked from 12,000 feet at 2244 hours. Built up area clearly seen and bombed between T.I. flares. Bombs (B) . Many large fires.	
		SGT. H.L. JONES					
		SGT. R.E. RAVEN					
		SGT. V.J. TARR					
		SGT. L.A. BERNICK					
		P/O S.M. HOBSON					
		SGT. G.J. HOUBERT					
	LANCASTER E.D. 501	SGT. T.P.B. DOOLAN	Bombing Milan.	1857.	0305.	Main target attacked from 10,000 feet at 2236 hours. P.F.F. FLARES AND BUILT area seen. Target in sights when bombs (B) dropped. Many large fires seen after leaving area.	
		SGT. J.T. PRATT					
		SGT. E.L. GRAMP					
		F/SGT. J.R. BUCKLEY					
		SGT. W.J. CHAPPLE					
		SGT. R. MOSELEY					
		SGT. H.J. IRONS					
16/2/43	LANCASTER E.D. 501	SGT. R. BROWN	Bombing Lorient.	1854.	0112.	Primary attacked. 2054 hrs. 14,300 ft. "A". P.F.F. flares (red) seen. No ground identification on bombing dazzle. Markers seen and appeared slightly to West of A.P. and taken into account, on aiming. Three pools of incends. seen bursting and fires starting. 4 x 30 lbs inc. hung up and brought back.	
		SGT. R.A. STOREY					
		F/O B. CAREY					
		SGT. C.P. KING					
		SGT. H. JENKINS					
		SGT. R.J.M. COX					
		SGT. J.A. BLAND					
	LANCASTER E.D. 520	SGT. E.J.W. DAVIS	Bombing Lorient.	1903.	0106.	Primary attacked. 2049 hrs. 10,000 ft. "B" Load. T/I Markers seen bursting near Aiming Point. T/I Markers in sights and burst of 4000 lb. bomb seen among buildings - fires started. No fires on arrival. Two very big red fires developing as aircraft left (one near Aiming Point).	
		SGT. H.W. FULLARD					
		SGT. J. WAUGHAN					
		SGT. J.S. AIRD					
		SGT. J.A. JONES - FORD					
		SGT. R.W. DARLINGTON					
		SGT. T.A. BETWICK					

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16/2/43 Contd.	LANCASTER E.D. 492	P/O G.F. ROBERTSON SGT. BROWN P/O R.H. SMITH P/O E.J. KNELL SGT. Mc GOWAN P/O E.N.A. ARMSTRONG SGT. ALLAN	Bombing Lorient.	1858.	0140.	Primary attacked. 2050 hrs. 14,000 ft. Identified visually and by T.I. marker flares. Aiming Point in sights. Bursts of own bombs not seen on account of number of incendiaries burning over target. Plenty of incendiaries seen burning and 4 fires seen on leaving target. 90 x 4lb. inc. hung up and brought back.	
	LANCASTER E.D. 480	S/Ldr. G.W.J. JARRETT SGT. H. PRECIOUS SGT. SMITH P/O A.G. SEYMOUR SGT. I FRANCIS SGT. A.P. BAINES SGT. MILES	Bombing Lorient	1900.	0055.	Primary attacked. 2050 hrs. Ground detail clearly seen. T/I's seen but not in sights. Nearest T/I's were slightly off A.P. A.P. was in sights. 4000lb. seen to burst on NW coast line of peninsular. Approx. 3 bundles T/I's seen in area. Over 1 stick of incendiaries straddled target.	
	LANCASTER E.D. 493	P/O R. VAN NOTE SGT. HOUNSOME P/O E. GRAVER SGT. TUBBS SGT. CUEEN SGT. SCOTT SGT. DALE	Bombing Lorient.	1908.	0050.	Primary attacked. 2051 hrs. 12,000 ft. "B" load. Identified by Marker Flares and Visually by Docks etc. Aiming Point on which T/I's were burning was in sights. 4000 lb. seen to burst and believed on the Aiming Point. Several other bursts seen in same area. At least 10 sticks of incendiaries seen burning over target area but too early for any fires to have developed.	
	LANCASTER E.D. 489	SGT. S. BOEZAR SGT. J.W. VINALL P/SGT. J.P.H. CARPENE SGT. C.S. WATTS SGT. R.S. WEBB P/SGT. F.K. BURGAR SGT. G.W. BROWELL	Bombing Lorient	1910.	0122.	Primary attacked. 2056 hrs. 14,000 ft. "B" load. Identified by Coastline, river and T/I Markers. Aiming Point also identified visually. T/I. Markers and A.P. in sights. Burst seen in target area. Quite a few fires going at the time.	

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(\*9511) Wt. 9255-36 60,000 5/42 T.S. 200

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				Up	Down		
16/2/43	LANCASTER	P/O C.A. HALE	Bombing Lorient.	1901½	0130.	Primary attacked. 2054 hours. 14,000 ft. "B" load. T.I. Markers burning near A/P in sights. Many 4000 seen bursting during bombing run. Attack appeared very concentrated. Target seen covered by fires and smoke after leaving. 1 SBC. hung up and jettisoned.	
Contd.	E.D. 494	SGT. MARTIN P/O W. SWINBURNE SGT. HALLS SGT. PIPER SGT. C. CLARK SGT. H.L. JONES					
	LANCASTER	P/O J.A. MITCHELL	Bombing Lorient.	1908.	0127.	Primary attacked. 2053 hrs. 14,000 ft. "A" load. T.I. Markers seen to be well placed slightly N. of A.P. "Z" but were in sights. Burst not seen (covered by searchlights). Many sticks of incendiaries seen across target but only one red fire started as aircraft left.	
	E.D. 490	SGT. E.S.K. DOBSON SGT. QUINEY P/O E.W. SANGER SGT. CUTLER SGT. W.K. LAWSON P/O V.C. SHERRING					
	LANCASTER	P/Sgt. C.P. Mc DONALD	Bombing Lorient.	1855.	0105.	Primary. 2055 hrs. 8,000 ft. "A" Load. Identified by river and T/I Markers. Markers and Aiming Point in sights. Incends. concentrated and many small fires seen to start.	
	E.D. 559	SGT. T. FARRINGTON SGT. V. NUNN SGT. G.M. PALBY SGT. M.A. COLES SGT. E.S. WOODS P/O J. CREEBIN					
18/2/43	LANCASTER	P/O R. VAN NOTE	Bombing	1759.	2305.	Primary attacked. 2033 hrs. 18,500 ft. Clear - medium haze and docks were pin-pointed. T.I. markers in bomb sight and bombs (B) believe to have dropped N.E. of naval dockyard. Several sticks of inc. scattered in town. Nickels dropped in target area.	
	E.D. 493	SGT. HOUNSOME P/O E. GRAVER SGT. QUEEN SGT. TUBBS SGT. SCOTT SGT. DALE	Wilhelmshaven.				

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18/2/43	LANCASTER	SGT. BROWN	Bombing	1802.	2346.	Primary attacked. 2037 hrs. 14,000 ft. No cloud - vis.	
Contd.	E. D. 490	SGT. STOREY	Wilhelmshaven.			Fair. Green marker flares and a dock seen and bombs	
		F/O B. CAREY				estimated to have gone in W. part of town (A). There was	
		SGT. C. P. KINE				a good deal of smoke in target area. Nickels dropped in	
		SGT. JENKINS				target area.	
		SGT. COX					
		SGT. BLAND					
	LANCASTER	F/O J. A. MITCHELL	Bombing	1800.	0002.	Primary attacked, 2041 hrs. 18,000 ft. Clear good vis. Naval	
	E. D. 487	SGT. DOBSON	Wilhelmshaven.			Dockyard and Docks pin-pointed. T.I. markers in bombsight	
		SGT. QUINEY				and bombs (B) seen to fall just W. of Naval Dockyard. Two	
		F/O E. W. SANGER				good fires with several explosions near Dockyard. Nickels	
		SGT. CUMBER				dropped in WILHELMSHAVEN area.	
		SGT. W. K. LAWSON					
		F/O V. G. SHEPPING					
	LANCASTER	F/O C. A. HALE	Bombing	1805.	2315.	Primary attacked. 2035 hrs. 20,000 ft. Bright moonlight, vis.	
	E. D. 494	SGT. MARTIN	Wilhelmshaven.			6-10 miles. Target identified visually and by T.I. markers.	
		SGT. POWELL				T.I. markers in sight when bombing (B). Bombing was con-	
		SGT. HALLS				centrated and a large number of fires seen, the glow of	
		SGT. PIPER				which could be seen 80 miles away "just like sunset". One	
		SGT. CLARK				SBC. hung up. Nickels dropped between SPIEHERROUGE and	
		SGT. JONES				target.	
	LANCASTER	F/SGT. J. P. McDONALD	Bombing	1812.	2252.	Primary attacked, 2039 1/2 hours, 19,000 ft. Weather clear and	
	E. D. 559	SGT. T. PARRINGTON	Wilhelmshaven.			target was identified both visually and by warning flares and	
		SGT. V. V. NUNN				T.I. markers. Bombs (A) dropped in centre of town and 4000	
		SGT. C. M. PALSY				ft. was seen to burst. A fair concentration of incends. over	
		SGT. M. A. COLES				town but fires had not yet taken hold. Nickels were	
		SGT. WOOD				dropped over target.	
		F/O J. CREBBIN					

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SGT. WOOD  
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dropped over target.

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(75511) Wt. 925-56 60,000 5/42 I.S. 700

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18/2/42	LANCASTER	F/Lt. J.V. VERRAN F/Sgt. LEWIS	Bombing	1801.	2303.	Primary attacked, 2044 hrs. 17,500 ft. No cloud, good vis. T.I. markers and Docks and basin seen clearly. T.I. markers in bomb sight when bombs (A) released. 4000 HC. seen to explode. Built-up area was well alight. Nickels dropped over target.	
Contd.	E.D. 495	SGT. SMITHSON P/O F.T. JOHNSON P/O L.H. GEACH P/O J.H. MOUNTRAY SGT. CHALK SGT. MATTHEWS	Wilhelmshaven.				
	LANCASTER	P/O T. WILMOT SGT. ROBERTS P/O W.A.G. GALIENNE SGT. DUCKETT SGT. W. OATES SGT. C.H. FEARCE SGT. TAYLOR	Bombing Wilhelmshaven.	1804.	2312.	Primary attacked, 2034 hours, 19,000 ft. No cloud, full moon and visibility excellent. Target visually identified and T.I. markers in bomb sights. Bombs (A) fell in built-up area South of BAUHAFEN. Several other bursts seen and three fires which were increasing in size as aircraft left. Nickels dropped.	
	LANCASTER	F/Sgt. I. MARSHALL F/Sgt. HUNTER SGT. S. NANCEKIVELL P/O W. SWINBURNE SGT. J.J. MIESEN SGT. TELFORD SGT. J.L. ELLIOTT SGT. O.G. ERASMUS	Bombing Wilhelmshaven.	1809.	2331.	Primary attacked, 2035 hours, 19,000 ft. No cloud vis. moderate. Docks and town seen and T.I. markers in bomb sights when bombs (A) released. 4000 HC. burst seen just W. of BANHAVEN. Several good fires seen. Nickels dropped over target area.	
	LANCASTER	SGT. E.J.W. DAVIS SGT. H.W. FULLARD SGT. J. VAUGHAN SGT. J.S. AIRD SGT. J.A. JONES-FORD SGT. R.W. DARLINGTON SGT. T.A. BERWICK	Bombing Wilhelmshaven.			Aircraft failed to return.	

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18/2/43	LANCASTER E.D. 480	S/Ldr. G.W.J. JARRETT	Bombing Wilhelmshaven.	1803.	2306.	Primary attacked, 2035 hrs. 20,000 ft. Clear. good vis. T.I. markers seen and in bomb sight. Bombs (A) estimated to have dropped about 1/2 mile W. of naval dockyard. Several good fires in town and one really good one S. of Dockyard. Nickels dropped in WILHELMSHAVEN area.	
		SGT. PRECIOUS					
		SGT. SMITH					
		P/O A.G. SEYMOUR					
		SGT. I FRANCIS					
		P/Lt. D.H. BIRD					
		SGT. MILLES					
		P/SGT. WALSH					
		SGT. JONES					
		SGT. RAVEN					
	LANCASTER E.D. 520	P/SGT. WALSH	Bombing Wilhelmshaven.	1806.	2300.	Primary attacked, 2037 hrs. 19,000 ft. No cloud, good visibility and target clearly identified both visually and by T.I. markers, which were in bomb sights when bombs (A) released. 4000 HC. seen to burst in town where several good fires were seen. Nickels dropped in town area.	
		SGT. JONES					
		SGT. RAVEN					
		SGT. TARR					
		SGT. BERTWICK					
		P/O S.M. HOBSON					
		SGT. ARMSTRONG					
		SGT. T.P.B. DOOLAN					
		SGT. PRATT					
		SGT. E.L. CRAMP					
	LANCASTER E.D. 501	P/SGT. J.R. BUCKLEY	Bombing Wilhelmshaven.	1810.	2327.	Primary attacked, 2036 hours, 18,000 ft. Clear. good visibility and docks and dockyard were pin-pointed. T.I. markers in sights and bombs (B) thought to have dropped just W. of Dockyard. Good fires burning around naval dockyard. Nickels dropped in target area.	
		SGT. H.J. IRONS					
		SGT. S. BOEVAR					
		SGT. J.V. VINABL					
		P/SGT. J.P.H. GARRETT					
		SGT. G.S. WATTS					
		SGT. R.S. WEBB					
		P/SGT. R.K. BURGAR					
		SGT. G.W. BROWELL					
		19/2/43					
SGT. S. BOEVAR							
SGT. J.V. VINABL							
P/SGT. J.P.H. GARRETT							
SGT. G.S. WATTS							
SGT. R.S. WEBB							
P/SGT. R.K. BURGAR							
SGT. G.W. BROWELL							

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brought back to base, also one container fell with incendiaries. Nickels not dropped.

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19/2/43	LANCASTER E.D. 502	P/O W.B. COWAN	Bombing	1800.	2220.	Primary attacked, 2004 hrs. 16,000 ft. No cloud - vis. good except for haze or smoke screen. Three groups of T.I. markers seen. Bombs (A) aimed at centre of T.I. markers. Glow of fires could be seen but obscured by believed smoke screen. Nickels dropped over target area.	
		SGT. S. DOSWELL	Wilhelmshaven.				
		P/O A.J. TURNER					
		P/O B.J. SMITH					
		SGT. TAYLOR					
		SGT. L.S. FIDDES					
	LANCASTER E.D. 566	P/O G.F. ROBERTSON	Bombing	1808.	2052.	No target attacked, task abandoned and aircraft returned early owing to both port engines fluctuating and losing power and one starboard engine losing power on return. Bombs (B) jettisoned safe at 1940 hrs., from 10,000 ft. from position 53.40N - 07.30E.	
		SGT. BROWN	Wilhelmshaven.				
		P/O R.H. SMITH					
		P/O E.J. KNELL					
		SGT. MCGOWAN					
		P/O E.N.A. ARMSTRONG					
21/2/43	LANCASTER E.D. 487	S/Ldr. G.S. FRY	Bombing Bremen.	1835.	2329.	Primary attacked, 2051 hrs. 16,500 ft. 10/10 cloud - vis. good. P.F.F. flares seen on track and red marker bombs in target area. Red and green stars in sights when bombs (A) released. One bomb was seen to explode.	
		SGT. RITCHIE					
		SGT. L. LEES					
		SGT. W.A. COLSON					
		P/O D. ROGERS					
		SGT. A.E. PELLY					
	LANCASTER E.D. 494	P/O C.A. HALE	Bombing Bremen.	1844.	2344.	Primary attacked, 2051 hrs. 20,000 ft. 10/10 cloud tops 10,000'. Red PFF flares seen and fires under cloud. Bombs (B) were dropped on green stars but no results were observed. Incendiary fires seen under cloud.	
		SGT. MARTIN					
		SGT. ROWELL					
		SGT. HALES					
		SGT. PIERR					
		SGT. CLARK					
		SGT. JONES					

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21/2/43	LANCASTER	SGT. BROWN	Bombing Bremen.	1848.	0014.	Primary attacked, 2055 hours, 16,000 ft. 10/10 cloud.	
Gontd.	E. D. 490	SGT. STOREY F/O B. CAREY SGT. KING SGT. JENKINS SGT. COX SGT. BLAND				Target identified by red sky markers. PFF flares in bomb sights but bombs (B) not seen to explode. Glow seen on cloud after bombing. One SBC hung up due to electrical failure and was jettisoned at 54.2N - 06.37E. 2136 hours. from 10,000 feet.	
	LANCASTER	F/SGT. G.P. McDONALD	Bombing Bremen.	1846.	2353.	Primary attacked, 2047 hours, 16,000 ft. 10/10 low cloud.	
	E. D. 551	SGT. T. PARRINGTON SGT. V.W. NUNN SGT. G.M. PALEY SGT. M.A. COLES SGT. WOOD F/O J. CREBBIN				Target identified by PFF markers. Bombs (A) dropped on T.I. markers and bomb was seen to burst. No other results observed through cloud. One SBC hung up and was brought back to base.	
	LANCASTER	F/O J.A. MITCHELL	Bombing Bremen.	1850.	0010.	Primary attacked, 2100 hours, 18,000 feet. 10/10 cloud	
	E. D. 495	SGT. DOBSON SGT. QUINEY F/O E.W. SANGER SGT. CUTLER SGT. W.K. LAWSON F/O V.G. SHERRING				tops 5,000 ft. Identified by PFF and marker flares. Markers in sights as bombs (B) were released. 3 fires seen under cloud as aircraft left. One SBC hung up.	
	LANCASTER	F/O W.A. MEYER	Bombing Bremen.	1857.	2355.	Primary attacked, 2100 hrs. 18,000 ft. 10/10 cloud tops	
	E. D. 480	SGT. HUNTER SGT. N.R. MCCORKINDALE SGT. D. WILLBEE SGT. S.H.G. SINCLAIR SGT. A.D. HART SGT. T.W. JOHNSON				8/10,000 feet. Identified by green and red flares. Bombs (B) dropped on red cascading flares. Flash of 4000 HC. seen under cloud and orange coloured fires were also seen starting under cloud. Fuselage was hit by heavy flak.	

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21/2/43	LANCASTER	SGT. BROWN	Bombing Bremen.	1848.	0014.	Primary attacked, 2055 hours, 16,000 ft. 10/10 cloud.	
Contd.	E.D. 490	SGT. STOREY F/O B. CAREY SGT. KING SGT. JENKINS SGT. COX SGT. BLAND				Target identified by red sky markers. PFF. flares in bomb sights but bombs (B) not seen to explode. Glow seen on cloud after bombing. One SBC hung up due to electrical failure and was jettisoned at 54.2W - 06.37E. 2136 hours. from 10,000 feet.	
	LANCASTER	F/SGT. C.P. McDONALD	Bombing Bremen.	1846.	2359.	Primary attacked. 2047 hours. 16,000 ft. 10/10 low cloud.	
	E.D. 551	SGT. T. PARRINGTON SGT. V.W. NUNN SGT. G.M. PALEY SGT. M.A. COLES SGT. WOOD F/O J. CREBBIN				Target identified by PFF. markers. Bombs (A) dropped on T.I. markers and bomb was seen to burst. No other results observed through cloud. One SBC hung up and was brought back to base.	
	LANCASTER	F/O J.A. MITCHELL	Bombing Bremen.	1850.	0010.	Primary attacked, 2100 hours, 18,000 feet. 10/10 cloud	
	E.D. 495	SGT. DOBSON SGT. QUINEY F/O E.W. SANGER SGT. CUTLER SGT. W.K. LAWSON F/O V.C. SHERRING				tops 5,000 ft. Identified by PFF and marker flares. Markers in sights as bombs (B) were released. 3 fires seen under cloud as aircraft left. One SBC hung up.	
	LANCASTER	F/O W.A. MEYER	Bombing Bremen.	1857.	2355.	Primary attacked, 2100 hrs. 18,000 ft. 10/10 cloud tops	
	E.D. 480	SGT. HUNTER SGT. N.R. McCORKINDALE SGT. D. WILLBEE SGT. S.H.G. SINCLAIR SGT. A.D. HART SGT. T.W. JOHNSON				8/10,000 feet. Identified by green and red flares. Bombs (B) dropped on red cascading flares. Flash of 4000 ft. seen under cloud and orange coloured fires were also seen starting under cloud. Fuselage was hit by heavy flak.	

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21/2/43	LANCASTER E.D. 501	SGT. T.P.B. DOOLAN SGT. PRATT SGT. E.L. CRAMP P/SGT. J.R. BUCKLEY SGT. CHAPPLE SGT. MOSELEY SGT. H.J. IRONS	Bombing Bremen	1841.	2359.	Primary attacked, 2051 hours, 18,000 feet. 10/10 cloud tops 7/8,000 feet. Target identified by ground markers which were visible through cloud and these were in sights when bombs (A) were dropped. Flash of bomb seen through cloud, and also glow of fires.	
	LANCASTER E.D. 520	P/SGT. J.H.C. WALSH SGT. H.L. JONES SGT. R.E. RAVEN SGT. V.J. TARR SGT. L.A. BERNICK P/O S.M. HOBSON SGT. C.J. HOUBEPT	Bombing Bremen	1839.	2348.	Primary attacked, 2053 hours, 18,000 feet. 10/10 cloud & vis: above good. Identified by PFF flares and marker bombs. Bombs (A) dropped on flares. Three glows seen beneath cloud.	
	LANCASTER E.D. 599	P/SGT. I. MARSHALL SGT. S. NANCEKIVELL SGT. SMITH SGT. J.J. MIHSEN SGT. T.W. TELFER SGT. J.L. ELLIOTT SGT. O.G. ERASMUS	Bombing Bremen	1852.	0016.	Primary attacked, 2053 hours, 18,000 feet. 10/10 cloud - vis: above good. Identified by red PFF flares. PFF flares in bomb sights when bombs (A) released but results were unobserved owing to cloud. One good fire seen underneath cloud as aircraft left. Aircraft hit by flak on port side of port engine.	
	LANCASTER E.D. 499 <sup>0</sup>	P/O G.F. ROBERTSON SGT. BROWN P/Lt. W.I.N.G. DOIG P/O E.J. KNELL SGT. MCGOWEN P/O E.N.A. ARMSTRONG SGT. ALLAN	Bombing Bremen	1851.	2341.	Primary attacked, 2054 hours, 18,000 feet. Vis: good-10/10 cloud. Identified by PFF T.I. marker bombs which were in sights as bombs (B) were released. No bursts observed but glow of incendiaries was seen on cloud. Mid-upper turret perspex pierced by flak.	

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25/2/43	LANCASTER E. D. 489	SGT. S. BOGZAR	Bombing	1936.	0305.	Primary attacked. 2325 hours. 14,000 ft. Identified by red and green PFF marker incends. Ground detail not visible. Explosion of own 1 x 4000 lb. seen. Markers seen in bomb sights. Several explosions from bombs of other aircraft seen.	
		SGT. J. V. VINALL	Nuremberg.				
		F/SGT. J. P. H. CARRERE					
		SGT. G. S. WATTS					
		SGT. R. S. WEBB					
		F/SGT. R. K. BURGAR					
	LANCASTER E. D. 493	S/Ldr. G. S. FRY	Bombing	1950.	0300.	Primary attacked. 2325 hours. 10,500 ft. Identified by white flares seen after orbiting followed by red and then green T/I markers over target. Concentration of T/I markers in sights. Own results not seen. A number of fires getting hold in target area including one particularly large one similar to petrol or oil fire. Special nickels dropped.	
		SGT. RITCHIE	Nuremberg.				
		SGT. J. LEES					
		SGT. W. A. COLSON					
		P/O D. ROGERS					
		SGT. A. E. FELLY					
	LANCASTER E. D. 494	P/O C. A. HALE	Bombing	1936.	0347.	Primary attacked. 2323 hours. 10,000 feet. "B" load. Identified by red and green T/I markers over target. T/I markers in sights. No results could be observed. Numerous fires in target area which appeared well concentrated and increasing as aircraft left. 2 SBO's hung up and jettisoned between MANNHEIM & LUXEMBERG.	
		SGT. MARTIN	Nuremberg.				
		SGT. FOWELL					
		SGT. HALES					
		SGT. PIPER					
		SGT. CLARK					
	LANCASTER E. D. 558	SGT. BROWN	Bombing	944.	0310.	Primary attacked. 2324 hrs. 11,400 ft. "B" load. Identified by yellow markers at position "A" on time. Prelim. burning white were late, seen at 2312 hrs. Red T/I's seen ahead but green T/I's in sights, centre of stick of 3 clusters. Bombs seen to burst a little to S. of markers. Many other bombs seen in area - 2 fires in target area as aircraft left.	
		SGT. STOREY	Nuremberg.				
		P/O B. CAREY					
		SGT. KING					
		SGT. JENKINS					
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25/2/43	LANCASTER E.D. 551	F/SGT. G.P. McDONALD SGT. T. PARRINGTON SGT. V.M. NUNN SGT. C.M. PALEY SGT. M.A. GOLES SGT. WOOD P/O J. CREBBIN	Bombing Nuremburg.	1925.	0245.	Primary attacked. 2325 hrs. 13,500 ft. "B" load. Identified by white preliminary flares and red and green T/I markers. Concentration of T/I markers in bomb sight and 4000 lb. bomb seen to burst among markers. Large number of fires taking hold as aircraft left.	
	LANCASTER E.D. 495	P/O J.A. MITCHELL SGT. DOBSON SGT. QUINEY P/O E.W. SANGER SGT. CUTLER SGT. W.K. LAWSON P/O V.C. SHERRING	Bombing Nuremburg.			Aircraft failed to return.	
	LANCASTER E.D. 479	W/Cdr. J.M. SOUTHWELL, DFC F/SGT. LEWIS F/Lt. W.I.N.G. DOIG P/O A.G. SEYMOUR F/Lt. J.A.G. SKINNER, DFC F/Lt. BIRD SGT. PLEASANCE	Bombing Nuremburg.	1922.	0317.	Primary attacked. 2325 hours. 10,000 feet. Identified by PFF, 25 mins late. T/I markers seen. Bombed centre of cluster of green T/I which were in sights. Intends. seen round T/I markers but covering a wide area.	
	LANCASTER E.D. 499	F/Lt. G.F. ROBERTSON SGT. BROWN P/O R.H. SMITH P/O E.J. KNELL SGT. W.J. REID P/O E.N.A. ARMSTRONG SGT. ALLEN	Bombing Nuremburg.	1955.	0400.	Primary attacked. 2330 hours. 12,000 feet. Identified by yellow markers seen 49.17N. 08.26 E. 2235. White 15 mls. short of target 23.13 hrs. Red and green T/I markers seen over target at 2317 hrs. Concentration of markers in sights. Many bomb bursts seen. Fires very numerous scattered over whole town. 50.20N. 02.40E. 0440 hrs. 18,000 feet. 4000 lb. bomb dropped off. Container jettisoned at 49.17N. 08.26 E. 0047 hrs. 20,000 ft. to save fuel. Only 20 mins. Fuel left when landing.	

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25/2/43 Contd.	LANCASTER	P/SGT. I. MARSHALL	Bombing Nuremberg.	1948.	0252.	Primary attacked. 2326 hrs. 11,000 feet. Identified by EPR markers. Ground detail not visible. Large explosion believed to be own 4000 lb. seen. Markers seen in sights. Many explosions of other aircraft seen. Special markers dropped. "A" load.	
	E.D. 589	SGT. S. NANCEKIVELL SGT. SMITH P/Lt. R.V. HIGGINSON, DFM SGT. T.W. TELFER SGT. J.L. ELLIOTT					
	LANCASTER	SGT. O.G. FRASMUS		1954.	0408.	Primary attacked. 2326 hours. 10,000 feet. "A" load. Identified by yellow and white marker flares. 7/1's green and a few red in sights. More green seen after bombing. Many bursts seen in area. Some very good fires also seen in target area.	
	E.D. 702	SGT. T.P.B. DOOLAN SGT. PRATT SGT. E.L. CRAMP P/SGT. J.R. BUCKLEY SGT. CHAPPEL SGT. MOSELEY SGT. H.J. IRONS	Bombing Nuremberg.				
	LANCASTER	P/O W.A. MEYER	Bombing	1927.	0314.	Primary attacked. 2325 hours. 12,000 feet. Identified by yellow markers seen although late. White preliminary warning markers not seen until after the first target red markers had appeared. They were 21 minutes late. Green markers in sights and bombs seen to burst. Many fires appeared to be getting hold and glow seen a stern for some time. Several 4000 lb. bomb bursts seen.	
	E.D. 480	SGT. HUNTER SGT. N.R. McCORMICK SGT. D. WILLBEE SGT. S.H.G. SINCLAIR SGT. A.D. HART SGT. F.W. JOHNSON	Bombing Nuremberg				
	LANCASTER	P/SGT. HUNTER	Bombing			Aircraft failed to return.	
	E.D. 420	SGT. K.E. MATTHEWS SGT. ESSEN SGT. McINTYRE SGT. L.A. BERNICK SGT. WILKINS SGT. BLABER	Bombing Nuremberg.				

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26/2/43	LANCASTER E.D. 751	F/SQT. J.H.C. WALSH	Bombing Cologne.	1854.	0026.	Primary attacked. 2135 hrs. 17,000 ft. "A" load. Identified by <del>PTF</del> red and green markers. Green markers in sights. Own results unobserved owing to target conditions. Whole target area obscured by smoke which made it impossible to recognise ground detail. Several red glows reflected through smoke gave impression of concentration of fires but these could not be pinpointed.	
		SGT. H.L. JONES					
		SGT. R.E. RAVEN					
		SGT. V.J. TAER					
		SGT. T.W. TELFER					
		P/O S.M. HOBSON					
LANCASTER E.D. 489	SGT. S. BOZAR	Bombing Cologne.	1920.	0011.	Primary attacked. 18,000 ft. "A" load. Identified by red and green flares. Built up area also visually identified. Red markers had burned out before arrival. Green followed and were seen in bomb sights. Explosion of own 4000 lb. bomb seen. Numerous explosions from bombs of other aircraft seen to be wellplaced on green markers. Nickels dropped.		
							SGT. J.W. VINALL
							F/SQT. J.P.H. CARRERE
							SGT. C.S. WATTS
							SGT. R.S. WEBB
							F/SQT. R.K. BURGAR
LANCASTER E.D. 479	S/Ldr. G.W.J. JARRETT	Bombing Cologne.	1922.	0009.	Primary attacked. 2134 hrs. 18,000ft. "A" load. Identified by red T/I markers followed by green. Green flares slightly to left of bomb sight. Explosion of own 4000 lb. bomb seen and also those of other aircraft.		
							SGT. H. PRECIOUS
							SGT. SMITH
							P/O A.G. SEYMOUR
							SGT. I FRANCIS
							SGT. A.P. BAINES
LANCASTER E.D. 494	P/O G.P. HALE	Bombing Cologne.	1933.	0005.	Primary attacked. 2126 hrs. 18,000 ft. "A" load. Identified by red T/I's as target was approached. These had gone out when aircraft reached target, but there were 3 clusters of green T/I's in area. Centre of cluster of green T/I's in <del>unobserved</del> sights. Bombs seen to burst. Other bursts seen and good fires spread over target area. Nickels dropped.		
							SGT. MARTIN
							SGT. POWELL
							SGT. HALES
							SGT. PIPER
							SGT. CLARK
		SGT. JONES					

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26/2/43 Contd.	LANCASTER E.D. 558	SGT. BROWN SGT. STOREY P/O B. CAFFEY SGT. KING SGT. JENKINS SGT. COX SGT. BLAND	Bombing Cologne.	1905.	0018.	Primary attacked. 2134 hours. 16,500 ft. Identified by T/I markers. Bombed slightly beyond T/I markers. (Green). Many medium fires seen. Nickels dropped in target area.	
	LANCASTER E.D. 499	P/Lt. G.F. ROBERTSON SGT. L. BROWN P/O R.H. SMITH P/O E.J. KNELL SGT. REID P/O E.N.A. ARMSTRONG SGT. ALLAN	Bombing Cologne.	1905.	2145.	No target attacked - oxygen failed in mid upper turret. Furthest point reached 52.30N.03.19E. 1 x 4000 lb. bomb jettisoned safe at 52.55N.03.00E. 15,000 ft. 2049 hours. Incends. brought back to base.	
	LANCASTER E.D. 502	SGT. T.P.B. DOOLAN SGT. PRATT SGT. E.L. GRAMP P/SGT. J.R. BUCKLEY SGT. CHAPPLE SGT. MOSELEY SGT. IRONS	Bombing Cologne.	1912.	0025.	Primary attacked. 2129 hours. 17,500 ft. Red T/I's seen at 21.12 hours. Green T/I's in sights. Results difficult to assess owing to very large number of incends. going down. Nickels dropped. Pilot states "Crew state PFF T/I's were reasonably well concentrated."	
	LANCASTER E.D. 480	P/O W.A. MEYER SGT. HUNTER SGT. N.R. McCORKINDALE SGT. D. WILLBEE SGT. SINCLAIR SGT. A.D. HART SGT. T.W. JOHNSON	Bombing Cologne.	1905.	2346.	Primary attacked. 2129 hrs. 18,000 ft. "B" load. Identified by markers dropped by PFF. Green markers seen in bomb sights. Own 4000 lb. bomb seen to explode amongst flares. Several explosions of bombs from other aircraft seen. Nickels dropped.	

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28/2/43	LANCASTER E.D. 487	S/Ldr. G.S. FRY	Bombing	1830.	0001.	Primary attacked. 2117 hours. 12,000 feet. Red and green T.I's seen. 2 clusters of red T.I's went down together and were 1/2 mile apart and estimated 1 1/2 miles from earlier greens. The more N. Easterly of two red T.I. clusters in sights when bombs (A) were released. One very large fire in area of red T.I's. Some smaller fires also burning. Bombing appeared to be well concentrated.		
		SGT. RITCHIE	St. Nazaire.					
		SGT. J. LEES						
		F/Lt. R.Y. HIGGINSON, DFM						
		P/O D. ROGERS						
LANCASTER E.D. 489		SGT. A.E. FELLY	Bombing	1842.	2345.	Primary attacked. 2121 hours. 15,000 ft. Red T.I. markers and estuary seen in light of chandelier flares. Green T.I's in sights when bombs (A) released, no bursts observed. On way in to bomb large explosion seen with much smoke. Smoke over target was then up to 10,000 ft. Fires fairly well concentrated.		
		SGT. J. PULLMAN	St. Nazaire.					
		SGT. S. BOEZAR						
		SGT. J.W. VINALL						
		F/SGT. J.P.H. GARRETT						
LANCASTER E.D. 551		SGT. G.S. WATTS	Bombing	1832.	0110.	Primary attacked. 2113 hours. 14,000 ft. Red T.I's seen also green T.I's. Red T.I's in bomb sights when bombs (B) dropped. A number of big fires well in target area. 4 x 30 lbs. incendiaries brought back although jettison taken.		
		SGT. R.S. WEBB	St. Nazaire.					
		F/SGT. R.K. BURGAR						
		SGT. G.W. BROWELL						
		F/SGT. H.C. LEWIS						
LANCASTER E.D. 558		SGT. D. COWIE	Bombing	1833.	0052.	Primary attacked. 2117 hours. 13,000ft. Red and green markers seen and red T.I. markers in sights when bombs (B) were dropped. Good fires were seen around T.I. markers which were close together.		
		SGT. B.L. LAYCOCK	St. Nazaire.					
		SGT. J.I. MITCHELL						
		SGT. R.C. HITCHCOCK						
		SGT. M. CUNNINGHAM						
		SGT. J.H. HOWARD						
		SGT. W.H. BROWN						
		SGT. STOREY						
		F/O B. CAREY						
		SGT. C.P. KING						
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	LANCASTER E.D. 589	P/SGT. I. MARSHALL SGT. S. NANCEKIVELL SGT. WATSON P/O S.L. MANFIELD SGT. T.W. TELFER SGT. R.V. PLEASANCE SGT. O.G. ERASMUS	Bombing St. Nazaire.	1834.	0017.	Primary attacked. 2133 hrs. 16,000 ft. Red T.I's seen ahead. Bombs (A) dropped on concentration of green T.I. markers. Two particularly large concentrations of fires, one near green T.I's and one two to three miles North.	
	LANCASTER E.D. 499	W/O WHITE SGT. TUTT P/O H. ROBERTSON P/O G.J. GIBBINGS SGT. BAKER SGT. W.R. JAKEWAY P/O N. BIRD	Bombing St. Nazaire.	1835.	0105.	Primary attacked. 2123 hours. 15,000 ft. Red T.I's and coastline seen. Green T.I's in sights when bombs (A) dropped. One large fire which appeared to originate N. of concentration of T.I. markers and also a number of others.	
	LANCASTER E.D. 480	P/O W.A. MEYER SGT. W.H. HUNTER SGT. N.R. MCCORKINDALE SGT. D. WILLBEE SGT. S.H.G. SINCLAIR SGT. A.D. HART SGT. T.W. JOHNSON	Bombing St. Nazaire.	1829.	2335.	Primary attacked, 2119 hours. 15,000 ft. Target identified by red T.I. markers, which were in sights when bombs (A) were released. Many fires in S.E. part of town. Black smoke rising to about 2,000ft. On run in large cloud of grey smoke obliterated target. A/C. slightly damaged by flak.	

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WADDINGTON.	1/3.		<p>The following crews were briefed for an attack on BERLIN:-</p> <p>"A" (F/O. VAN NOTE); "B" (SGT. BOGZAR); "D" (S/L. PRY); "J" (F/L. VERRAN); "M" (F/L. COWAN); "N" (SGT. BROWN); "W" (W/O. SOUTHWELL, DFC); "Z" (S/L. JARRETT); "U" (F/O. MEYER); "O" (F/SGT. WALSH); "X" (F/O. WILMOT).</p> <p>Take-off commenced at 1850 hours. The raid was considered very successful and many large fires were left burning. The glow could be seen for over 100 miles on the return journey.</p> <p>"J" (F/L. VERRAN) crashed near base on return and three of the crew were killed. The remainder received serious injuries and were removed to hospital.</p> <p>"O" (F/SGT. WALSH) returned early owing to engine trouble.</p>		
	2/3.		No operations were detailed for today. Some local flying was carried out.		
	3/3.		<p>Ten crews were detailed for operations as follows, the target being HAMBURG:-</p> <p>"A" (F/O. VAN NOTE); "B" (F/SGT. LEWIS); "D" (F/SGT. WALSH); "G" (SGT. HOBBS); "N" (SGT. BROWN); "V" (F/L. COWAN); "O" (F/SGT. MARSHALL); "Z" (S/L. JARRETT); "U" (F/O. MEYER); "P" (W/O. WHITE)</p> <p>"P" returned early. The remainder bombed the target. The general opinion of the crews was that the attack was successful, with concentrated bombing.</p>		
	4/3.		No operations were detailed and flying was reserved for training. One aircraft carried out flying practice and at night one crew completed a "Bullseye" exercise.		
	5/3.		<p>The following crews were detailed for a night bombing attack on ESSEN:</p> <p>"N" (SGT. BROWN); "A" (F/O. VAN NOTE); "B" (SGT. BOGZAR); "P" (F/SGT. LEWIS); "G" (SGT. HOBBS); "V" (F/L. COWAN); "Z" (S/L. JARRETT); "U" (F/O. MEYER); "P" (W/O. WHITE); "O" (F/SGT. WALSH)</p> <p>All aircraft succeeded in reaching and bombing the target, which was identified by the PFF markers. All crews agreed that the trip was successful, with bombs well placed and good fires left burning.</p>		

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WADDINGTON.	6/3.		Some navigation training was carried out in the afternoon. Ten crews were briefed for operations at night, but these were subsequently cancelled.		
	7/3.		Night flying tests were carried out in preparation for operations which had been ordered for the night, but once again these were cancelled.		
	8/3.		Ten crews, as below, were detailed for an attack ON NURNBERG at night:- "A" (P/O. VAN NOTE); "D" (S/L. FRY); "G" (SGT. HOBBS); "M" (P/SGT. LEWIS); "N" (SGT. BROWN); "B" (P/SGT. MARSHALL); "R" (W/O. WHITE); "V" (P/L. COWAN); "X" (P/O. WILMOT); "W" (P/SGT. WALSH). All aircraft took off, but "X" (P/O. WILMOT) returned early as the D.R. compass became U/S. The remainder found and bombed the target. Crews reported that PFF markers were not concentrated, with the result that the bombing was somewhat scattered. "G" (SGT. HOBBS) landed at TANGMERE on return.		
	9/3.		"G" returned from its diversion airfield, Tangmere. The following were detailed for operations at night against MUNICH:- "X" (P/O. WILMOT); "Z" (P/L. ROBERTSON); "V" (P/O. MEYER); "O" (W/O. WHITE); "R" (SGT. DOOLAN); "G" (P/O. HALE); "M" (P/SGT. LEWIS). All aircraft took off and bombed their objective with good results. Many fires were started. "X" (P/O. WILMOT) landed at TANGMERE on return. One aircraft and crew were detailed for a "Bullseyes" exercise at night, but this had to be abandoned after a few hours flying owing to icing conditions.		
	10/3.		During the morning "X" returned from TANGMERE. Four aircraft as below were detailed for a "Gardening" operation at night: "P" (SGT. DOOLAN); "W" (P/SGT. WALSH); "A" (P/O. VAN NOTE); "Y" (SGT. HOBBS). All aircraft successfully planted their vegetables in the allotted areas. The trip was otherwise uneventful.		

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"P" (SGT. DOOLAN); "W" (P/SGT. WALSH); "A" (P/O. VAN NOTE); "Q" (SGT. HOBBS).  
 All aircraft successfully planted their vegetables in the allotted areas. The trip was otherwise uneventful.

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WADDINGTON.	11/3.		<p>During the morning one crew carried out air firing practice.</p> <p>Operations were ordered for the night, the following being detailed to attack STUTT GART:-</p> <p>"U" (P/O. MEYER); "X" (P/O. WILMOT); "Z" (P/L. COWAN); "W" (P/L. ROBERTSON); "R" (P/SGT. WALSH); "P" (W.O. WHITE); "A" (P/O. VAN NOTE); "D" (SGT. HOBBS); "M" (P/SGT. LEWIS); "Y" (SGT. SWIRE); "N" (P/O. HALE).</p> <p>All aircraft took off, but one ("W") returned early owing to failure of the D.R. compass. The remainder attacked the primary target. Reports of the crews indicate that their efforts achieved good results. Not much opposition was experienced over the target area.</p>		
	12/3.		<p>One u/t crew carried out bombing and X-country exercise during the day.</p> <p>ESSEN was chosen as the target for the following crews at night:-</p> <p>"G" (P/O. HALE); "Y" (SGT. SWIRE); "N" (P/L. ROBERTSON); "Z" (P/L. COWAN); "U" (P/O. MEYER); "R" (SGT. DOOLAN); "P" (P/O. WILMOT); "O" (W.O. WHITE).</p> <p>All aircraft reached their target and bombed it. The raid was concentrated and many large fires were left burning.</p>		
	13/3.		<p>During the day, three crews carried out training, with cross-country, bombing, air firing and GEE training.</p> <p>Two aircraft were detailed for mining operations at night, as follows:-</p> <p>"Y" (SGT. HOBBS); "G" (P/SGT. LEWIS).</p> <p>Both aircraft took off on their mission, but "Y" was unable to locate his allotted area owing to sea fog. Mines were dropped in an alternative area. The other aircraft, "G", failed to return.</p>		
	14/3.		<p>Little flying was carried out and operations were detailed for the night, but these were later cancelled.</p>		
	15/3.		<p>Once again operations which had been planned for the night were cancelled. A little local flying was undertaken during the day.</p>		1 33

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WADDINGTON.	16/3.		Two crews carried out a cross-country flight in the day. At night some low flying practice was undertaken. The only other flying was air tests in readiness for operations at night, but these were again cancelled.		
	17/3.		No operations being detailed, the whole day's flying was devoted to training. Two crews were occupied with air-sea firing. Three other crews undertook bombing practice. Three "Bullseyes" were detailed at night, but only one crew completed the exercise.		
	18/3.		Nothing of operational importance occurred. There was no flying.		
	19/3.		Nothing of operational importance occurred and again there was no flying.		
	20/3.		Seven crews carried out bombing and <del>and</del> air firing practice during the day. Two others completed cross-country flights.		
	21/3.		No operations were ordered and the only flying undertaken was cross-country, and air firing training.		
	22/3.		<p>The following were detailed for a bombing raid on ST. NAZAIRE at night:-</p> <p>"V" (P/SGT. MARSHALL): "U" (P/L. MEYER): "X" (P/O. WILMOT): "Z" (S/L. JARRETT): "R" (SGT. DOOLAN): "D" (P/L. HOBBS): "J" (SGT. HOBBS): "B" (SGT. BOCZAR): "N" (SGT. BROWN): "M" (SGT. TURP). "N" (SGT. BROWN) did not reach the target, but returned early owing to inter-comm. and TRQ trouble. The remaining aircraft reached ST. NAZAIRE, where they dropped their loads.</p> <p>On return to this country, the aircraft were diverted and landed as follows:-</p> <p>"U" - CHIPPING WARDEN. "D", "B" and "Z" - FORTREATH. "M", "V" and "X" - ST. EVAL.</p> <p>"J" - EXETER. "R" - COLERNE. "N" - WICKENBY.</p>		

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WADDINGTON.	23/3.		The only flying carried out was the return of aircraft from their diversion airfields.		
	24/3.		Some air tests were undertaken, but operations detailed for the night were later cancelled.		
	25/3.		No flying was carried out. Nothing of operational importance occurred.		
	26/3.		The following crews were detailed for a night bombing attack on DUISBURG:- "Z" (S/L. JARRETT); "W" (P/L. ROBERTSON); "V" (W.O. WHITE); "O" (P/SGT. MARSHALL); "T" (P/SGT. WALSH); "Y" (P/L. HOBBS); "D" (P/O. HALE); "A" (P/O. VAN NOTE); "B" (SGT. BOGZAR); "N" (SGT. BROWN); "J" (P/O. PARAMORE); "M" (SGT. TURP). "J" and "M" were cancelled, but the remainder took off on their mission. "W" returned early owing to engine failure. The others reached and bombed the target. Observation of results was difficult owing to cloud, and bombing on the whole was dispersed. "A" was hit by flak over the target area.		
	27/3.		BERLIN was picked as the target at night for the following crews:- "O" (W/C. SMITH, DSO); "Z" (S/L. JARRETT); "X" (P/L. ROBERTSON); "V" (W.O. WHITE); "T" (P/SGT. WALSH); "R" (SGT. DOOLAN); "U" (P/O. VAN NOTE); "N" (SGT. BROWN); "B" (SGT. BOGZAR); "J" (P/O. HALE); "D" (S/L. FRY); "M" (P/L. HOBBS). "R"'s trip was cancelled, but the other aircraft took off. All of them attacked the target in good weather conditions. The results were very satisfactory and many fires were burning in the area.		
28/3.		One or two aircraft carried out a.i.f. tests, but otherwise there was no flying.			
29/3.		Once again BERLIN was the objective for an attack at night by the following crews:- "O" (SGT. TURP); "T" (P/O. PARAMORE); "X" (P/L. ROBERTSON); "V" (W.O. WHITE); "R" (SGT. DOOLAN); "J" (P/O. HALE); "A" (P/O. VAN NOTE); "B" (SGT. BOGZAR); "D" (S/L. FRY); "M" (P/L. HOBBS);		65 62	

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WADDINGTON	29/3		"N" (SGT. BROWN); "Y" (SGT. SWIRE).
	(contd)		"T" was cancelled. The remainder took off for BERLIN. "X" (F/L. ROBERTSON) came back early owing to icing conditions. The others encountered difficult weather conditions en route to the target, but they succeeded in reaching BERLIN and dropping their bombs. Considerable damage is estimated to have been done.
	30/3.		The main flying carried out was a cross-country and TR. practice by one u/t crew.
	31/3.		No operations were ordered and the day was spent in training. Some cross-countries, air firing, bombing and fighter affiliation were practised.
			<u>SUMMARY OF MOVEMENTS OF OFFICERS FOR MARCH, 1943.</u>
	1/3.		F/O. H.A. CLARK posted from No. 1661 Conversion Unit.
	2/3.		F/O. F.T. JOHNSON, F/O. J.H. MOUTRAY, F/L. J.V. VERRAN, posted to SHQ. WADDINGTON.
	9/3.		F/O. C.W. FOX posted from No. 1654 Conversion Unit.
	13/3.		F/O. K.E. FRASER posted from SHQ. WADDINGTON.
	14/3.		F/O. W. SWINBURNE posted to No. 19 O.T.U.
	15/3.		W/C. J.M. SOUTHWELL, DFC. posted to SHQ. WADDINGTON.
	15/3.		W/C. K.B.F. SMITH, DSO. posted from SHQ. WADDINGTON.
	15/3.		F/O. J.C. CREBBIN posted to No. 83 Squadron.
	16/3.		F/L. A.M. HOBBS posted from SHQ. WADDINGTON.
	16/3.		F/O. A. FLANNAGAN posted to No. 115 Squadron.
	20/3.		F/O. P. ARCHER posted from No. 20 O.T.U.
	22/3.		F/O. D. ROGERS posted to No. 1661 Conversion Unit.
	27/3.		F/O. T. WILMOT and F/O. W.A.S. GALLIENNE posted to No. 83 Squadron.
	29/3.		F/O. J.F. LELEU posted from No. 1654 Conversion Unit.
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				UP	DOWN		
1/3/43.	LANCASTER ED.589.	P/SGT. J.H. WALSH. SGT. H.L. JONES. SGT. R.E. RAVEN. SGT. V. TARR. SGT. T.W. TELFER. SGT. C.J. HOUBERT. P/O. S.M. HOBSON.	Bombing raid - BERLIN.	1906.	2040.	No target attacked. Aircraft would not climb - final s/o engine out. Jettisoned I.B's 19.43 hours. 4,500 ft. 53.57N 00.40 E. 4000 HC. 54.18N 00.51 E. 1950 hours. 5,500 ft.	
	LANCASTER ED.487.	S/L. G.S. FRY. SGT. A.M. RITCHIE. SGT. J. LEESE. SGT. W.A. COLSON. P/O. D. ROGERS. SGT. J. FELLY. SGT. J. PULLMAN.	Bombing raid - BERLIN.	1901.	01.40.	Primary attacked. "A" load. 22.11 hrs. 19,400 ft. Identified by Marker flares. Main concentration of markers in sight. Own bomb burst not seen. Large fires were burning well in the area and could be seen for 140 miles after leaving target. By the light of the fires and photo flashes, the built up area was clearly defined and bends in river easily identified. Pilot states "Raid considered most successful and pilot thought fires were better than anything since 'Ruin', a sight which Londoners would have been pleased to see.	
	LANCASTER. ED.558.	SGT. R. BROWN. SGT. K. STOREY. P/O. B. CARRY. SGT. C.P. KING. SGT. H. JENKINS. SGT. R. COX. SGT. J. BLAND.	Bombing raid - BERLIN.	1858.	0205.	Primary attacked. 22.15 hrs. 18,500 ft. Identified by Marker flares. Main concentration in sight. Own bursts not identified. PFF marker area well covered with fires, which could be seen for about 100 miles after leaving target.	
	LANCASTER ED.493.	P/O. R. VAN NOYE. SGT. H. HOUNSOME. P/O. E. GRAVER. SGT. B.H. TUBBS. SGT. A.M. QUEEN. SGT. G. SCOTT. SGT. R.T. DALE.	Bombing raid - BERLIN.	1901.	0214.	Primary attacked 2217 hours. 19,200 ft. Red and green markers seen and centre of concentration in sight when bombs dropped. Bursts observed close to green cluster in centre of concentration of markers. Approx. 40 fires already burning. Own bombs fell on fires and added to them. Some bombs seen dropped outside the target area.	CS CN

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1/3/43 (contd.)	LANCASTER ED. 492.	W/CDR. J.M. SOUTHWELL, DFC. SPT. N.H. SWILES.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1920.	0240.	Primary attacked, 2222 hours, 47,000 ft. Red F.I. markers and built-up area seen in light of bursts. Concentration of red and green F.I. markers in sights when bombs were dropped. Fires were well concentrated and the glow could be seen from Hannover. Port inner engine on fire over target, was extinguished and feathered.		
		F/L. W.I.N.G. DOIG. F/L. R.Y. HIGGINSON, D.F.M. F/L. J.A.G. SKINNER, D.F.C. F/L. D.H. BIRD.						
		SPT. R.V. FHEASANGE.						
		SPT. S. BOZAR. SPT. J. VINALL.	BOMBING - BERLIN.	1903.	0232.	Primary attacked, 2220 hours, 20,000 ft. Red and green F.I. markers clearly seen, but unfortunately not in bomb sights when bombs dropped owing to violent evasive action becoming necessary. Results of own bombing not observed but explosions of bomb from other aircraft seen to be well placed.		
		F/SPT. J.P.H. CARRETE. SPT. C.S. WATTS. SPT. R.S. WEBB.						
		F/SPT. R.K. BURGAR. SPT. G.W. BROWELL.						
		S/L. G.W.J. JARRETT. SPT. H. FRESIOUS. SPT. G. SMITH. P/O. W.A. SEYMOUR. SPT. I. FRANCIS. SPT. A.P. BAINES. SPT. J. MILES.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1905.	0236.	Primary attacked 2225 hours, 18,000 ft. Target identified by red flares and F.I. markers. Bombed slightly north of concentration of F.I. markers as the area contained by these was already well covered with fires. Own bomb seen to burst followed by incendiaries. Numerous well concentrated fires in area defined by P.F.F.		
		F/L. W.A. MEYER. SPT. W.H. HUNTER SPT. N.C. McCORKINDALE. SPT. DOWLLEES. SPT. S.H. SINCLAIR. SPT. A.D. HART. SPT. T.W. JOHNSON.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1905.	0310.	Primary attacked, 2211 hrs., 18,000 ft. Targets identified by F.I. markers and visually. Built up area being seen in light of gun flashes etc. Two red F.I.'s in centre of concentration in bomb sights when bombs were dropped. Results of own bombing not observed. Many explosions seen and fires were raging all around the F.I. markers. Minor flak damage to bomb doors.		

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1/3/43 (contd.)	LANCASTER ED.490.	F/Lt. J.V. VERRAN. SGT. AD SMITHSON. P/O. F.T. JOHNSON. P/O. L.H. GEACH. P/O. J.A. MOUTRAY. SGT. KW CHALK. SGT. KE MATTHEWS.	Bombing raid - BERLIN.	1902.		Believed primary attacked. Aircraft crashed near base on return. Three members of the crew were killed, remainder injured, therefore no other details available.	
	LANCASTER ED. 499.	F/O. T. WILMOT. SGT. G.L. ROBERTS. P/O. W.A.G. GALLIENNE. SGT. C. DUCKETT. SGT. W OATES. SGT. CH BEARCE. SGT. B TAYLOR.	Bombing raid - BERLIN	1907.	0300.	Primary attacked, 2219 hours, 18,000 ft. Identified by red and green markers which were in bomb sights when bombs were released. Several large concentrations of fires in city centre area, glow of which could be seen for 100 miles. Starboard outer engine hit and caught fire over target.	
	LANCASTER ED. 551.	F/Lt. W.B. COWAN. SGT. S. DOWELL. P/O. A.J. TURNER. P/O. B.J. SMITH. SGT. L. TAYLOR. SGT. L.S. FIDDES. SGT. W. BERRIE.	Bombing raid - BERLIN.	1859.	0310.	Primary attacked, 2219 hours, 19,000 ft. Target identified visually and by EFP flares. Bombs dropped on concentration of green and red T.I. markers. Concentration of large fires seen burning on leaving the target.	
3/3/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 566.	W.O. AM WHITE. SGT. N. TUTT. P/O. H. ROBERTSON. P/O. G.J. GIBBINGS. SGT. WA BARKER. SGT. WR JAKEWAY. P/O. N BIRD.	Bombing raid - <del>BERLIN</del> HAMBURG.	1906.	2214.	No target attacked. Returned early owing to icing and intercom. being u/s. Bombs jettisoned at 2044 hrs. 20,000 ft. pos. 5 39N. 06.01E. Special report: Approx. six steady lights believed to be ships seen at pos. 5 39N - 06.01E, some light flak also, at 2044 hrs. 20,000 ft.	1

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3/3/43 (contd)	LANCASTER ED. 493.	F/O. R. VAN NOPE. SGT. H. HOUNSOME. P/O. E. GRAVER. SGT. B. H. TUBBS. SGT. AM QUSEV. SGT. G. SCOTT. SGT. K. DALE.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	1855.	2349.	Primary attacked, 2133 hrs. 20,000 ft. Target identified both visually and by Red and Green T.I. markers. Concentration of T.I. markers in sights when bombs dropped. Explosion of own 4000 HG. seen to right of PFF markers. Several explosions from bombs of other aircraft seen.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 502.	F/Lt. W. B. GOWAN. W/O. K. B. F. SMITH, D.S.O. SGT. DOSWELL. P/O. A. J. FURNER. P/O. B. J. SMITH. SGT. L. TAYLOR. SGT. L. S. FIDDES. SGT. WOOD.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	1854.	2353.	Primary attacked, 2134 hrs. 20,000 ft. Yellow markers seen and also red and green T.I. markers seen. Cluster of T.I.s in centre of large concentration in bomb sights when bombs released. Numerous incendiaries and at least a dozen major fires burning in the target area. One SBC. or part hung-up and brought back to base.	
	LANCASTER ED. 480.	F/O. T. WILMOT. SGT. G. L. ROBERTS. P/O. W. A. G. GALLIENNE. SGT. C. DICKETT. SGT. W. OATES. SGT. C. H. FEARCE. SGT. B. TAYLOR.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	1858.	2359.	Primary attacked, 2139 hours, 18,000 ft. Red and green PFF markers clearly seen and were well concentrated. Satuary also identified. Centre of concentration in sights when bombs dropped. Results of own bombing not observed but explosion of bombs from other aircraft seen.	
	LANCASTER ED. 494.	SGT. A. R. HOBBS. SGT. R. THOMAS. SGT. S. J. ARGENT. F/Lt. R. Y. HIGGINSON, D.F.M. SGT. W. J. REID. SGT. D. N. BYSOUTH. SGT. H. L. HUETHER.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	1858.	0019.	Primary attacked, 2135 hrs, 18,500 ft. Target clearly identified by fires and red and green T.I. Markers. Centre of concentration of T.I. markers in sights when bombs released. Own bursts not observed. 15 to 20 fires counted in area as aircraft was leaving. Very large pall of smoke from fires may have obscured some of it.	

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3/3/43. (contd.)	LANCASTER. ED. 598.	SGT. R. BROWN. SGT. R. STOREY. P/O. B. CAREY. SGT. C.P. KING. SGT. H. JENKINS. SGT. R. COX. SGT. J. BROWN BLAND.	Bombing -   HAMBURG.	1852.	0008.	Primary attacked, 2137 hours, 18,000 ft. Yellow markers seen and on T.I. marker in sights when bombs were dropped. River also seen. Results could not be observed. There were numerous fires but not as many as would be expected.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 589.	F/SGT. I.M. MARSHALL. SGT. S. NANCEKIVELL. SGT. K.G. MOTT. P/O. S.L. MANFIELD. SGT. T.W. TELFER. SGT. R.V. PLEASANCE. SGT. O.G. ERASMUS.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	1905.	0016.	Primary attacked, 2134 hours, 20,000 ft. Yellow markers seen and target was identified by T.I. markers - red and green - and by river. Main concentration of T.I.'s in sights when bombs released. Appeared to be good concentration of fires around T.I.s.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 479.	S/L. G.W.J. JARRETT. SGT. H. ERECIOS. SGT. G. SMITH. P/O. W.A. SEYMOUR. SGT. I. FRANCIS. SGT. A.P. BAINES. SGT. J. MILLS.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	1850.	0024.	Primary attacked, 2136 hours, 14,000 ft. Target identified both visually and by Red and Green T.I. markers. Centre of concentration of markers in sights as bombs released. Own bursts not seen but several others in a fairly large area around T.I.s seen. Several good fires seen but rather scattered.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 489.	F/SGT. H.C. LEWIS. SGT. D. GOWIE. SGT. R. LAYCOCK. SGT. J. MITCHELL. SGT. K. HITCHCOCK. SGT. R. CUNNINGHAM. SGT. J.M. HOWARTH.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	1902.	0028.	Primary attacked, 2136 hours, 14,000 ft. Yellow markers first seen then concentration of red and green markers which were in bomb sights when bombs were dropped. Burst of own bomb was seen also about eight others seen to explode. A good number of fires starting to burn and a great deal of smoke over whole area.	1

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3/3/43 (contd.)	LANCASTER ED. 487.	P/SGT JH WALSH. SGT. HL JONES. SGT. RE RAVEN. SGT. V TARR. P/L. J.A.G. SKINNER, D.F.G. P/O. S.M. HOBSON. SGT. CJ HOUBERT.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	1901.	0013.	Primary attacked, 2133 hours, 18,000 ft. P.F.F. markers red and green clearly seen and Auben Alster identified. Concentration of T.I.s in sights when bombs were dropped. Results of own bombing not observed as aircraft was held by searchlights at time of bombing.	
5/3/43.	LANCASTER ED. 479.	SL. G.W.J. JARRETT. SGT. H. PRECIOS. SGT. G SMITH. P/O. W.A. SEYMOUR. SGT. I. FRANCIS. SGT. A? BAINES. SGT. J MILES	Bombing - ESSEN.	1910.	2330.	Primary attacked, 2118 hours, 20,000 ft. Target identified by PFF red and green markers. Main concentration of red T.I. markers in sights when bombs released. Own 4000HC seen to burst 300 yards West of main fire. One extremely large fire surrounded by several other smaller fires covering an area approx 5 sq. miles. Fires were concentrated in one area and there was no evidence of any indiscriminate bombing outside the target area.	
	LANCASTER ED. 589.	P/SGT. JH WALSH. SGT. HL JONES. SGT. RE RAVEN. SGT. V TARR. SGT. TW TELFER. P/O. S.M. HOBSON. SGT. ES WOOD.	Bombing - ESSEN.	1920.	2359.	Primary attacked, 2118 hours, 18,000 ft. Yellow markers seen and later red and green markers also seen. Centre of concentration of T.I. markers in sights when bombs released. Own bursts not seen. Numerous fires and explosions seen in target area. Also one large explosion observed followed by one large red glow.	
	LANCASTER ED. 493.	P/O. R. VAN NOTE. SGT. H HOINSOME. P/O. E GRAVER. SGT. BH TUBBS. SGT. AM QUEEN. SGT. G SCOTT. SGT. RT DALE.	Bombing - ESSEN.	1905.	0030.	Primary attacked, 2115 hours, 20,000 ft. Timed run made from yellow markers to red T.I.s which were in sights when bombs were dropped. Burst observed near red T.I. markers. One very large explosion seen slightly west of target. Fires were well concentrated and Red T.I.s were observed to be falling in this area.	

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5/3/43 (contd.)	LANCASTER ED. 502.	F/L. W.B. COWAN.	Bombing -	1909.	2347.	Primary attacked, 2117 hours, 18,000 ft. Run up made from yellow markers which were clearly seen. Main concentration of green markers in sights as bombs were released. Own results not observed. Target area covered with mass of fire. One violent explosion observed on approach to target, followed by others shortly afterwards.	
		SGT. DOSWELL.	ESSEN.				
		F/O. A.J. TURNER.					
		F/O. B.J. SMITH.					
		SGT. L. TAYLOR.					
		SGT. L.S. FIDDES.					
		SGT. W. BERRIE.					
	LANCASTER ED. 480.	F/O. W.A. MEYER.	Bombing -	1910.	2351.	Primary attacked, 2123 hrs., 17,500 feet. Yellow markers seen and timed run made to target. Two clusters of red T.I.s seen together and these were in sights when bombs dropped. Many fires concentrated around markers and many bursts in the area of fires. A big explosion was seen followed by a red flash and a dense cloud of smoke.	
		SGT. W.H. HUNTER.	ESSEN.				
		SGT. N.R. McCORKINDALE.					
		SGT. D. WILLBEE.					
		SGT. S.H. SINCLAIR.					
		SGT. A.D. HART.					
		SGT. T.W. JOHNSON.					
	LANCASTER ED. 487.	F/SGT. H.C. LEWIS.	Bombing -	1916.	0008.	Primary attacked, 19,000 feet, 2127 hours. Target identified by red and green markers. Red markers in sights when bombs dropped. Large explosion seen ten minutes after leaving target. Many large fires also seen. Glow seen 120 miles after leaving target.	
		SGT. D. COWIE.	ESSEN.				
		SGT. R. LAYCOCK.					
		SGT. J. MITCHELL.					
		SGT. R. HITCHCOCK.					
		SGT. R. CUNNINGHAM.					
		SGT. J.M. HOWARTH.					
	LANCASTER ED. 558.	SGT. R. BROWN.	Bombing -	1914.	0025.	Primary attacked, 17,000 ft. 2118 hours. Timed run made from yellow markers. Green and red markers seen and main concentration of green markers in sights when bombs were released. Own results not observed. Target area covered with mass of fire, the glow of which could be seen for an hour after leaving the target. One very violent explosion lit up sky.	
		SGT. R. STOREY.	ESSEN.				
		F/O. B. CAREY.					
		SGT. C.P. KING.					
		SGT. H. JENKINS.					
		SGT. R. COX.					
		SGT. J. BLAND.					

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5/3/43 (contd.)	LANCASTER ED. 566.	W.O.A WHITE. SGT. N TUTT. P/O. H ROBERTSON. P/O. G GIBBINGS. SGT. W BARKER. SGT. W JAKEWAY. P/O. N BIRD.	Bombing - ESSEN.	1911.	2335.	Primary attacked, 2116 hours, 18,000 feet. Target identified by green markers and fires. Green markers seen cascading down and bombs were aimed at estimated position of markers. Area covered with mass of fire and pall of smoke.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 489.	SGT. S. BOCZAR. SGT. J VINALL. P/SGT. J.P.H. GARRERE. SGT. C.S WATTS. SGT. R.S WEBB. P/SGT. R.K BURGAR. P/SGT. G.W BROWELL.	Bombing - ESSEN.	1915.	0007.	Primary attacked - 2119 hours, 18,000 ft. Timed run made from yellow markers. PFF red and green markers not seen but on run-up 3 very large fires were observed and bombs were aimed at left-hand fringe of these. Two violent explosions lit up the sky.	
	LANCASTER ED. 494.	SGT. A.R. HOBBS. SGT. R THOMAS. SGT. S.J ARGENT. SGT. W THOMPSON. SGT. W.J. REID. SGT. D.N. BYSOUTH. P/SGT. H.L. HUETHER.	Bombing - ESSEN.	1917.	0008.	Primary attacked, 2125 hours, 18,000 ft. Timed run made from yellow markers and green T.I.s seen on approach to target followed by red T.I.s which were observed in the centre of a large fire. Red T.I. markers in sights when bombs dropped. Own results not observed owing to numerous explosions from bombs of other aircraft. Numerous huge fires were raging and explosions were countless.	
8/3/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 494.	SGT. A.R. HOBBS. SGT. R THOMAS. SGT. S.J ARGENT. SGT. W THOMPSON. SGT. W.J. REID. SGT. D.N. BYSOUTH. P/SGT. H.L. HUETHER.	Bombing - NUENBERG.	1952.	0315.	Primary attacked, 2344 hours, 15,000 feet. 4 x 4000 HG. and 10 SBG.s dropped but results not observed. The attack was fairly concentrated and 20 to 30 fires could be seen. Fairly heavy and intense flak on target also searchlights. Weather over target was clear with slight ground haze.	

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8/3/43 (contd)	LANCASTER ED. 654.	F/SGT J WALSH. SGT. H.L. JONES. SGT. R E RAVEN. SGT. D WILLIAMS. SGT. E C BISHOP. P/O. S.M. HOBSON SGT. E S WOOD.	Bombing - NURNBERG.	1957.	0255.	Primary. 2341. hours. 16,000 feet. Identified by red and green markers. Green markers in bombs sights. Good visibility but considerable ground haze. Not many fires seen on arrival but by the time aircraft left target area a number of large fires had got a good hold. Own bombing results not observed.	
	LANCASTER ED. 499.	F/O. T. WILMOT. SGT. G L ROBERTS. P/O. W.A.G. GALLIENNE. SGT. C DUCKETT. SGT. W. GATES. SGT. CH. BEARGE. SGT. B TAYLOR.	Bombing - NURNBERG.	1958.	2324.	No target attacked. Returned early owing to DR. compass going completely astray. 1 x 4000 jettisoned at 2144 hrs. 15,000 ft. 189° m 50.32° N. 00.47° E. 810 x 4 lb. brought back to base and 90 x 4 lb. "X" type bombs. Pilot states "Steered North in error; obtained two "Gee" fixes and finally pinpointed on Rooklington's landmark beacon. Attempted to make time up but half an hour behind schedule over Channel so jettisoned and returned to base."	
	LANCASTER ED. 589.	F/SGT. IM. MARSHALL. SGT. SWIRE. SGT. K G MOTT. P/L. R.Y. HIGGINSON, SGT. T W TELFER. SGT. R.V. PLEASANCE. SGT. O.G. ERASMUS.	Bombing - NURNBERG. D.F.M.	2021.	0314.	Primary attacked. 2334 hrs. 14,000 ft. Identified by flares over target. Concentration of red and green flares in bomb sights. Scattered fires. Yellow T.I.s markers on route out 15 miles N. of Stuttgart.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 501.	W.O. AM WHITE. SGT. N TUTT. P/O. H ROBERTSON. P/O. G GIBBINGS. SGT. W BARKER. SGT. W JAKEWAY. P/O. N BIRD.	Bombing - NURNBERG.	1955.	0258.	Primary attacked. 2336 hours. 18,500 ft. Identified by yellow flares at Bom. "A". On approach to target 3 clusters of green T.I.s were seen but widely separated, by at least 5 miles. Two reds seen but these appeared to fizzle out before reaching ground. On run up, some ground detail observed in light of photo flashes. Spatterly group of green T.I.s in sights and just before release some illumination of ground revealed built up areas. Bursts not seen.	

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8/3/43. (contd)	LANCASTER ED. 558.	<del>SGT R BROWN</del> SGT R STOREY P/O. B. GAREY. SGT. C.P. KING. SGT. H. JENKINS. SGT. R. COX. SGT. J. BLAND.	Bombing - NURNBERG.	1951.	0924.	Primary attacked. 23.34 hrs. 15,500 ft. Identified by yellow T.I's going in and white and red flares seen in target area. The centre of red and green T.I's was in sights. On arrival nothing much happened but a number of fires had started on leaving and could be seen from Saarbrucken.	
	LANCASTER ED. 487.	S/L. G.S. FRY. SGT. R.E. TURP. SGT. AM. KITCHIE. P/O. J. LEES. SGT. W.A. COLSON. P/L. J.A.G. SKINNER, D.F.C. SGT. J. FELLY SGT. J. FULLMAN.	Bombing - NURNBERG.	1949.	0904.	Primary attacked. 23.31 hours. 13,500 feet. Identified by marker flares and built up area. One red and two green T.I. markers in centre of the area in sights. Results of own bombing not observed. Explosion of bomb from other aircraft seen.	
	LANCASTER ED. 493.	P/O. R. VAN NOTE. SGT. H. HOUNSOME. P/O. E. GRAVER. SGT. B.H. TUBBS. SGT. R.M. QUEEN. SGT. G. SCOTT. SGT. R.T. DALE.	Bombing - NURNBERG.	1953.	0254.	Primary attacked. 23.34 hrs. 13,800 ft. Identified by marker flares. Two red and one green in bomb sight. Explosion of own 4000 lb. seen to be a slight overshoot. Several fires were burning but other bombing was not observed.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 502.	P/L. W.R. GOWAN. SGT. S. DOWELL. P/O. A.H. TURNER. P/O. B.J. SMITH. SGT. L. TAYLOR. SGT. L.S. FIDDES. SGT. W. BERRIE.	Bombing - NURNBERG.	1956.	0309.	Primary attacked. 23.34 hrs. 15,000 ft. Identified by yellow T.I's and red seen at 23.14 hrs. Green in sights. centre of cluster of three. Bombing was seen near to the markers but as they were scattered so was the bombing. As aircraft left approx. 20 fires seen in area. Some were burning in target area.	

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8/3/43 (contd.)	LANCASTER ED. 551 1/2	F/SGT. H.C. LEWIS. SGT. D. GOWIE. SGT. R. LAYCOCK. SGT. J. MITCHELL. SGT. R. HITCHCOCK. SGT. R. CUNNINGHAM. Sgt. J.M. HOWARTH.	Bombing - NURNBERG.	1954.	0349.	Primary attacked. 23.38 hours. 14,000 ft. Identified by flares - centre of concentration in sights. Own burst not seen but numerous other bursts seen mainly around EFP. flares - some scattered round outskirts.	
9/3/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 589.	W.O. AM WHITE. SGT. N TUTT. P/O. H ROBERTSON. P/O. G.J GIBBINGS. SGT. W BARKER. SGT. W JAKEWAY. P/O. N BIRD.	Bombing - MUNICH.	2048.	0358.	Primary attacked. 0030 hrs. 15,000 ft. Yellow P.T. markers seen on track and target identified by red and green markers and many fires already burning. Fires in sights when bombs dropped but results of own bombing not observed. Explosions from bombs of other aircraft seen. Nickels dropped.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 494.	P/O. C.A. HALE. SGT. A MARTIN. Sgt. K POWELL. Sgt. G.E. HALES. SGT. R.V. PIPER. SGT. C CLARK. SGT. H.L. JONES.	Bombing - MUNICH.	2044.	0400.	Primary attacked. 0023 hrs. 14,000 ft. White track flares seen and also green and white flares over AMER SEE from which a timed run was made. Centre of concentration of red T.I.'s in sights when bombs released. Built up area was clearly seen. Large number of fires and one explosion which lit up the sky for about 4 seconds estimated to be in town. Nickels dropped over target.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 477.	P/O. H ROBERTSON. SGT. W BROWN. P/O. A.H. SMITH. P/O. E.J. KNELL. SGT. M MCGOWAN. P/O. E.N. ARMSTRONG. SGT. G ALLAN.	Bombing - MUNICH.	2041.	0353.	Primary attacked. 0025 hrs. 12,000 ft. White and green markers seen on track and green and red T.I.'s were concentrated and seen in sights as bombs were released. Results of own bombing not observed but several explosions from bombs of other aircraft seen. Nickels dropped.	

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	LANCASTER ED. 501.	SGT. T.G. DOOLAN. SGT. J. PRATT. SGT. EL. CRAMP. F/SGT. BUCKLEY. SGT. W.J. CHAPELLE. SGT. R. MOSELEY. Sgt. J. IRONS.	Bombing - MUNICH. 666	2050.	0412.	Primary attacked, 0023 hrs. 13,000 ft. White T.I.s on track were late but red and green T.I.s were well placed and concentrated. Green T.I. markers in sights, when bombs dropped but no results seen owing to searchlights. Several explosions from bombs of other aircraft seen around T.I. markers. Nickels distributed over target area.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 551.	F/SGT. H.C. LEWIS. SGT. D. COWIE. SGT. R. LAYCOCK. SGT. J. MITCHELL. SGT. R. HITCHCOCK. SGT. R. CUNNINGHAM. SGT. J.M. HOWARTH.	Bombing - MUNICH.	2045.	0430.	Primary attacked. 0030 hrs. 14,000 ft. Target identified by red T.I. markers and fires which were in sights when bombs were dropped. Results of own bombing not observed. Explosions from bombs of other aircraft seen to be in and around fires. Nickels over area.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	F/O. T. WILMOT. SGT. G.L. ROBERTS. F/O. W.A.G. GALLIENNE. SGT. C. DUCKETT. SGT. W. GATES. SGT. C.H. BEARCE. SGT. B. TAYLOR.	Bombing - MUNICH.	2038.	0400.	Aircraft landed away at Tangmere.	

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10/3/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 501.	SGT. F.C. DOOLAN. SGT. J. PRATT. SGT. E.L. CRAMP. P/SGT. J.R. BUCKLEY. SGT. W.J. CHAPPEL. SGT. R. MOSELEY. SGT. H.J. IRONS.	GARDENING. Sweet Pea 1.	1806.	0107.	Vegetables successfully planted 2123 hours, 1,000 ft. 224 (m). Enpointed from GWEDSER ODDE. Visibility good - area clear of cloud.	
	LANCASTER ED. 493.	P/O. R. VAN NOTE. SGT. H. HOUNSOME. P/O. E. GRAVER. SGT. B.H. TUBBS. SGT. A.M. QUEEN. SGT. G. SCOTT. SGT. R.T. DALE.	GARDENING. Sweet Pea 11.	1804.	0238.	Vegetables successfully planted 2202 hours, 800 ft. 157 (m). Enpointed from MOENS KLINT. Slight haze, no cloud over Garden.	
	LANCASTER ED. 694.	SGT. A.R. HOBBS. SGT. R. THOMAS. SGT. S.F. ARGENT. Sgt. W. THOMPSON. SGT. W.J. REID. SGT. D.N. BYSOUTH. P/SGT. H.L. HUEATHER.	GARDENING. WILLOWS.	1808.	0201.	Vegetables successfully planted, except 300 jettisoned safe 00.34 hrs. 55.00 N. 03.48 E. 239 (m) 8,000 ft. 180 I.A.S.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 654.	P/SGT. J.H. WALSH. SGT. H.L. JONES. SGT. R.E. RAVEN. SGT. D. WILLBER. SGT. E.C. BISHOP. P/O. S.M. HOBSON. SGT. J. BELLY.	GARDENING Sweet Pea 1.	1807.	0211.	Vegetables successfully planted in allotted area, 21.40 hrs. 900 ft. 168 (m). 170 mph. at 1,000 yds interval. Fair - no cloud - visibility good. Enpointed on 54.34 N. 00.58 E.	11

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11/3/43.	LANCASTER ED. 654.	F/L. G.F. ROBERTSON	Bombing - Stuttgart.	2020.	2248.	No target attacked. D/R compass failed. Owing to failure of D/R compass, went off course and by the time error had been discovered it was too late to keep schedule. Load jettisoned at 22.15 hrs. 10,000 ft. 53.17 N. 01.32 E.	
		SGT. W. BROWN.					
		F/O. R.H. SMITH.					
		F/O. E.J. KNELL.					
		SGT. J.W. PDM.					
		F/O. E.N. ARMSTRONG.					
		SGT. G. ALLAN.					
	LANCASTER ED. 558.	F/O. C.A. HALE	Bombing - STUTTART.	2021.	0221.	Primary attacked. 2316 hrs. 12,000 ft. Identified by Marker flares - not in sights. Deliberate aim taken slightly to left of cluster of green between two incendiary - explosion of own 4000 bomb seen. Explosion from bombs of other aircraft seen and one large and several smaller fires were burning.	
		SGT. A. MARTIN.					
		SGT. R. FOWELL.					
		SGT. G.E. HALES.					
		SGT. R.V. PIER.					
		SGT. C. CLARK.					
		Sgt. H.L. JONES.					
	LANCASTER ED. 551	F/SGT. H.C. LEWIS.	Bombing - STUTTART.	2017.	0228.	Primary attacked. 2319 hrs. 14,000 ft. Identified by green T/I markers and visual identification of River Neskak. Concentration of green T/I markers in sights. Good fires concentrated in town area.	
		SGT. D. COWIE.					
		SGT. R. LAYCOCK.					
		SGT. J. MITCHELL.					
		SGT. R. HITCHCOCK.					
		SGT. R. CUNNINGHAM.					
		SGT. J.M. HOWARTH.					
	LANCASTER ED. 479.	F/L. W.B. COWAN.	Bombing - STUTTART.	2028.	0244.	Primary attacked. 2325 hrs. 15,000 ft. Identified by Marker flares - green well concentrated. Cluster of green in sights. Results of own bombing not observed. Several other aircraft were bombing at about the same time. Explosion of bombs seen to be well placed. Nickels dropped.	
		SGT. K.C. TURP.					
		SGT. F.W. SANDERSON.					
		F/O. A.J. TURNER.					
		F/O. B.J. SMITH.					
		F/L. J.A.G. SKINNER, D.F.C.					
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11/3/43 (contd.)	LANCASTER ED. 480.	F/O. W.A. MEYER. SGT. WH HUNTER. SGT. N.R. McCORKINDALE. SGT. D WILLBEE. SGT. S.H. SINCLAIR. SGT. A.D. HART. SGT. T.W. JOHNSON.	Bombing - STUTTGART.	2016.	0236.	Primary attacked. 2321 hrs. 14,000 ft. Identified by Green T/I markers, slightly to port in sights. Three fairly good fires in N.W. part of town, and one in N.E. Several smaller ones just South of main fires. Not particularly well concentrated.	
	LANCASTER ED. 589.	W.O. AM WHITE. SGT. N TUTT. F/O. H ROBERTSON. F/O. GJ GIBBINGS. SGT. W BARKER, SGT. W JAKEWAY. F/O. N BIRD.	Bombing - STUTTGART.	2030.	0240.	Primary attacked. 2331 hrs. 15,000 ft. Identified by markers seen on approach to target - faded out before bombing. Main fires in sights. One extremely good concentration of fires, and thick pall of smoke.	
	LANCASTER ED. 499.	F/O. T. WILMOT. SGT. G.L. ROBERTS. F/O. W.A.G. GALLIENNE. SGT. C DUCKETT. SGT. W. OATES. SGT. C.H. PEARCE. SGT. B TAYLOR.	Bombing - STUTTGART.	2019.	0246.	Primary attacked. 2319 hours. 14,000 ft. Identified from red and green markers and ground detail. Looked like a large stadium identified visually. Green markers in bomb sight. Results of own bombing not observed. Many large explosions from bombs of other aircraft seen at about same time. Incendiary fires were building up and to North large fires were burning.	
	LANCASTER ED. 493.	F/O. R. VAN NOTE. SGT. H. HOUNSOME. F/O. E GRAVER. SGT. B.H. TUBBS. SGT. A.M. QUEEN. SGT. G SCOTT. SGT. R.T. DALE.	Bombing - STUTTGART	2013.	0301.	Primary attacked. 2325 hrs. 19,000 ft. Identified from marker incendiaries. Green T/I's seen but had extinguished before bombing. Bombed position where concentration had been in vicinity of railway station owing to edge of fires confirming with line of west side of river. Own burst seen 10-15 good fires and several others starting. Well concentrated on the whole.	42

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11/3/43. (contd.)	LANCASTER ED. 487.	SGT. A.R. HOBBS.	Bombing -	2022.	0310.	Primary attacked. 2334 hours. 14,000 feet. Identified by green and white illuminating flares. Bombed centre of main concentration of fires. T/I. markers faded out, before bombing. Several large fires appeared to be merging into concentration. Numerous smaller fires outside main concentration.	
		SGT. R THOMAS.	STUTT GART.				
		SGT. S.J ARGENT.					
		SGT. W THOMPSON.					
		SGT. W.J. REID.					
		F/SGT. H.L. HUETHER.					
	LANCASTER ED. 501.	F/SGT. J.H WALSH.	Bombing -	2025.	0252.	Primary attacked. 2326 hours. 14,000 ft. Identified by marker flares. Bombs aimed at main concentration of fires. About 3/4 fires concentrated - glow subdued by pall of smoke. On approach to target, large sheet of flame rose to about 2,000 ft. resembling an explosion.	
		SGT. H.L JONES.	STUTT GART.				
		SGT. R.E RAVEN.					
		SGT. W.A. COLSON.					
		SGT. E.C. BISHOP.					
		F/O. S.M. HOBSON.					
		SGT. RUSSELL.					
	LANCASTER ED. 694.	SGT. W.H SWIRE.	Bombing -	2024.	0232.	Primary attacked. 2321 hours. 16,000 ft. Identified by incendiaries seen and target area burning ahead. Bombed on concentration of red T/I's and fires. 10 SBC's only dropped - 4000 lb. and 2 Sbc's hung up. Several good fires, quite well concentrated. 4000 lb. and 16 x 30 lb. incends. hung up and brought back to base.	
		SGT. G.R GILBERT.	STUTT GART.				
		SGT. E.W COOK.					
		SGT. G.H EVANS.					
		SGT. R.D FRANCIS.					
		SGT. W WATTS.					
		SGT. R.R FEELEY.					
12/3/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 501.	SGT. T.C. DOOLAN.	Bombing -	1920.	2344.	Primary attacked. 2138 hrs. 19,000 ft. Target identified by red and green markers, bombs were aimed at centre of them. Own bursts seen and others well concentrated. Extensive rectangular shaped concentration of fires, area appeared to be burning well.	
		SGT. J PRATT.	ESSEN.				
		SGT. E.L. CRAMP.					
		F/SGT. J.R. BUCKLEY.					
		SGT. W.J CHAPPLE.					
		SGT. R MOSELEY.					
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12/3/43 (contd.)	LANCASTER ED. 479.	F/L. W.B. COWAN. P/O. C.W. FOX. SGT. SANDERSON. P/O. A.J. TURNER. P/O. B.J. SMITH. SGT. L. TAYLOR. SGT. L.S. FIDES. SGT. W. HERRIE.	Bombing - ESSEN.	1914.	2330.	Primary attacked. 2125 hours. 16,000 ft. Red F.I. markers and green concentrations seen. Green F.I. markers in bomb sights when bombs dropped and bursts were observed in area of fire. Nicks dropped in target area.	
	LANCASTER ED. 589.	W.O. AM WHITE. SGT. N TUFT. P/O. H ROBERTSON. P/O. GJ GIBBINGS. SGT. W BARKER. SGT. W JAKEWAY. P/O. N BIRD.	Bombing - ESSEN.	1916.	2340.	Primary attacked, 2133 hrs. 18,000 ft. Target identified by green markers which were in bomb sight at time of bombing. Several bursts seen including own. Fires very concentrated in target area with black smoke. Red fires seen from 120 miles away.	
	Lancaster ED. 566.	P/O. T. WILMOT. SGT. GL ROBERTS. P/O. W.A.G. GALLIENNE. SGT. C. DUCKETT. SGT. W. OATES. SGT. CH PEARCE. SGT. B TAYLOR.	Bombing - ESSEN.	1917.	2337.	Primary attacked. 2136 hours. 16,000 ft. Red and green F.I.s seen; green F.I.s in bomb sight when bombs dropped. There were a number of fires - two particularly large ones and own bursts could not be identified in the general conflagration.	
	LANCASTER ED. 494.	P/O. C.A. HALE. SGT. A MARTIN. SGT. R. FOWELL. SGT. GE HALES. SGT. RV PIER. SGT. C CLARKE. SGT. HL JONES.	Bombing - ESSEN.	1919.	2346.	Primary attacked. 2133 hours. 18,000 feet. White markers seen and ahead red and green F.I. markers seen. Concentration of green markers which were surrounded by fires were in bomb sight when bombs were dropped. Very concentrated fires all merged into one large mass - smoke 2-3,000 ft. high.	13

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	LANCASTER ED. 694.	SGT. W.H. SWIRE. SGT. G.K. GILBERT. SGT. E.W. COOK. SGT. G.H. EVANS. SGT. K.D. FRANCIS. SGT. W. WATTS. SGT. R.R. FEELEY.	Bombing - ESSEN.	1921.	2333.	Primary attacked, 2132 hours, 16,000 ft. White markers seen and also red and green T.I.'s over target. Green T.I. markers seemed fairly well concentrated and bombs were aimed at the centre of them. Fair number of fires around the markers and one particularly large one.	
	LANCASTER ED. 558.	F/L. G.F. ROBERTSON. SGT. W. BROWN. F/O. R.H. SMITH. F/O. E.J. KNELL. SGT. J.W. FIMM. F/O. E.N. ARMSTRONG. SGT. G. ALLAN.	Bombing - ESSEN.	1923.	2316.	Primary attacked. 2134 hrs. 17,500 ft. No white markers seen but red T.I. markers seen and centre of cluster in sights at time of bombing. A huge explosion was seen on run-up to target and a further very large orange coloured explosion was seen on turning away.	
13/3/43.	LANCASTER ED. 551.	F/SGT. H.C. LEWIS. SGT. D. COWIE. SGT. R. LAYCOCK. SGT. J. MITCHELL. SGT. R. HITCHCOCK. SGT. R. CUNNINGHAM. SGT. J.M. HOWARTH.	Gardening. "Spinach".	2008		Aircraft failed to return.	

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13/3/43 (contd)	LANCASTER ED. 694.	SGT. A.R. HOBBS. SGT. R. THOMAS. SGT. S.J. ARGENT. SGT. W. THOMPSON. SGT. W.J. REID. SGT. D.N. BYSOUTH. P/SGT. H.L. HUETHER.	Gardening "Spinach".	2000.	0553.	Unable to pinpoint owing to sea fog. Vegetables (200-300 4001 200) planted in Silverthorne area. 0227 hours. 3,000 ft. 275 M. 180 mph. No cloud, visibility good.	
22/3/43.	LANCASTER ED. 480.	F/L. W.A. MEYER. SGT. W.H. HUNTER. SGT. N. McCORKINDALE. SGT. D. WILLEBE. SGT. S.H. SINCLAIR. SGT. P.P. HART. SGT. T.W. JOHNSON.	Bombing - ST. NAZAIRE.	1940.	0046.	Primary attacked. 2142 hours. 12,000 feet. Identified by red T/I markers, concentration of which were in sights. Bombs seen to burst on S. side of concentration. Flak hole in starboard door.	
	LANCASTER ED. 487.	W/O. K.B.F. SMITH, DSO. F/L. A.M. HOBBS. SGT. F.W. SANDERSON. SGT. R.G. MOTT. P/O. S.L. MANFIELD. SGT. E.C. BISHOP. Sgt. W.C. ROWLANDS. SGT. W. SLATER.	Bombing - ST. NAZAIRE.	1908.	0001.	Primary attacked. 2147 hours. 12,500 ft. Identified by T/I flares which were bombed at Aiming Point "B". Flare concentration hit. 2 x 1000 lb. bombs hung up and jettisoned.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 551.	SGT. K.C. TURP. SGT. D. BAILEY. P/O. H.A. CLARKE. SGT. W.F. FREEZE. SGT. J.W. PIMM. SGT. S.E. RUSSELL. SGT. T. SHELMEKDINE.	Bombing - ST. NAZAIRE.	1917.	0044.	Primary attacked. 21.47 hrs. 12,000 ft. Identified by red T/I markers which were in bomb sights. Results of own bombing not seen but fires were starting in target areas. 1 x 4000 GP jettisoned - hung up. At 21.47 hrs. 12,000 ft. St. Nazaire, returning. Incendiary bar from other aircraft above penetrated edge of starboard wing. At 49.04N 02.56W 21.10 hrs. 15,000 ft. Rear and M/V gunners of another aircraft weaving overhead fired four second bursts at Lancaster.	44

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22/3/43 (contd.)	LANCASTER ED. 489.	SGT. S. BOCCAR. P/O. H. PARAMORE. SGT. J. VINALL. P/SGT. J. P. H. CARRERE. SGT. C. S. WATTS. SGT. R. S. WEBB. P/SGT. R. K. BURGAR. P/SGT. G. W. BROWELL.	Bombing - ST. NAZAIRE.	1913.	0012.	Primary attacked. 2149 hrs. 15,000 ft. Visual pinpoints on liver and green and red T/I's seen. Centre of red T/I's in sights. Some bomb bursts seen. Not much fire in area but was increasing as aircraft left. 1 x 1000 GP hung up but released almost immediately.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 578.	SGT. R. BROWN. SGT. K. STOREY. P/O. B. CAREY. Sgt. C. J. KING. SGT. H. JEWKINS. SGT. R. COX. SGT. J. BLAND.	Bombing - ST. NAZAIRE.	1900	2357.	No target attacked. Intercom. and F89 u/s. Bombs jettisoned safe.	
	LANCASTER. IM. 909.	SGT. A. R. HOBBS. SGT. R. THOMAS. SGT. S. J. ARGENT. SGT. M. THOMPSON. SGT. W. J. REID. SGT. D. N. BYSOUTH. P/SGT. H. L. HUETHER.	Bombing - ST. NAZAIRE.	1914.	2332.	Primary attacked. 2145 hrs. 12,000 ft. Green and red markers in sight. Some bombs seen bursting in target area. 3 x 1000 jettisoned at 22:07 hrs. 12,000 ft. Hung up when bombing and could not be released manually.	
	LANCASTER ED. 589.	P/SGT. I. M. MARSHALL. SGT. M. THOMPSON. SGT. J. MCGUBBIN. P/O. A. J. TURNER. P/O. B. J. SMITH. SGT. L. TAYLOR. SGT. L. S. FIDDES. SGT. R. V. FLEASANCE.	Bombing - ST. NAZAIRE	1939.	0004.	Primary attacked. 2203 hours. 13,000 ft. Identified from Green and Red T/I markers. Bombed green which appeared just before bombing. Concentrated effort but results not impressive.	

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22/3/43 (contd.)	LANCASTER ED. 479.	S/L. G.W.J. JARRETT. SGT. H. PRECIOUS. SGT. G. SMITH. P/O. W.A. SEYMOUR. SGT. I. FRANCIS. SGT. A.P. BAINES. SGT. J. MILES.	Bombing - ST. NAZAIRE.	1911.	0010.	Primary attacked. 2143 hrs. 12,000 ft. Green and Red T/I markers seen and concentration of red in bomb sights. Results of own bombing not seen.	
	LANCASTER ED. 499.	P/O. T. WILMOT. SGT. G.L. ROBERTS. P/O. N.A. SULLIENNE SGT. C.A. DUCKETT SGT. W. DATES. SGT. CH. PERCE SGT. B. TAYLOR	Bombing - ST. NAZAIRE.	1905.	23.32.	Primary attacked, 2147 hrs. 13,000 ft. Identified by River Loire and Town and Docks. Centre of Green and Red T/I's in sights. Numerous fires around aiming point.	
	LANCASTER ED. 501.	SGT. T.C. DOOLAN. P/O. C.W. FOX. SGT. J. PRATT. SGT. E.L. CRAMP. P/SGT. J.R. BUCKLEY. SGT. W.J. CHAPBLE. SGT. R. MOSELEY. SGT. J. IRONS.	Bombing - ST. NAZAIRE.	1905	23.35	Report not yet received. Primary attacked, 2140 hrs. 12,500 ft. heading 200° (ml). Target was identified by green T.I. markers which were in sights when bombs were released. 1 x 1000 GP bomb up and was brought back to base.	
26/3/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 654.	P/O. G. ROBERTSON. SGT. W. BROWN. P/O. R.H. SMITH. P/O. E.J. KNELL. SGT. W.J. CHAPBLE. P/O. E.N. ARMSTRONG. SGT. G. ALLAN.	Bombing - DUISBERG.	1905.	2031.	No target attacked. Port inner engine failure. 1 x 4000 lb jettisoned safe, at 53.25 N. 01.20 E. 8,000 ft. 19.45 hrs. Incends. at 53.10N. 00.40 E. 4,000 ft. 19.30 hrs.	

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26/3/43 (contd.)	LANCASTER	F/O. R. VAN NOTE.	Bombing -	1906	2324.	Primary attacked. 21,400 ft. 18,000 ft. 1900 m. Identified by Green and Red flares. R/P flares not seen and bombs dropped at expiration of timed run from green flares. Results not seen owing to cloud.		
	ED. 493.	SGT. H HOUNSCHE.	DUISBERG.					
		F/O. E. GRAVER.						
		SGT. P. H. TUBBS.						
		SGT. A. M. QUEEN.						
		SGT. G. SCOTT.						
		SGT. R. T. DALE.						
		F/SGT. I. M. MARSHALL.	Bombing -	1906.				
		ED. 509.	SGT. W. THOMPSON.	DUISBERG.				
			F/O. A. J. TURNER.					
		F/O. B. J. SMITH.						
		SGT. L. TAYLOR.						
		SGT. L. S. FIELDS.						
		SGT. R. V. FLEASANCE.						
	LANCASTER	W. O. A. M. WHITE.	Bombing -	1904.	2347.	Primary attacked. 2142 hrs. 18,500 ft. Identified by prelim. flares - no R/P flares seen. Bombs were released on timed run from green steady flares by 2 1/2 mins. After bombing some flares green with red stars were seen but these were probably 20 miles apart. No results could be observed.		
	ED. 502.	SGT. N. TUTT.	DUISBERG.					
		F/O. H. ROBERTSON.						
		F/O. G. J. GIBBINGS.						
		SGT. W. BARKER.						
		SGT. N. JANEWAY.						
		F/O. N. BIRD.						
	LANCASTER	SGT. S. BOZAR.	Bombing -	1901.				
	ED. 489.	SGT. J. VINALL.	DUISBERG.	0018.				
		F/SGT. J. P. H. CARRERE.						
		SGT. C. S. WATTS.						
		SGT. R. S. WEBB.						
		F/SGT. R. K. BURGAR.						
		F/SGT. G. W. BROWNELL.						

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	LANCASTER ED. 487.	P/O. G.A. HALE. SGT. A RITCHIE. SGT. R FOWELL. SGT. G.E. HALES. SGT. R.V. PIER. SGT. C. CLARKE. SGT. H.L. JONES.	Bombing - DUISBURG.	1900.	0016.	Primary attacked. 21.54 hrs. 19,000 ft. Identified by red and green flares. Run made over further red and green flares. No results could be observed except that at about 21.52 hours large red glow under cloud as if of explosion.	
	LANCASTER ED. 696.	F/SGT. J.H. WALSH. SGT. H.L. JONES. SGT. R.E. RAVEN. SGT. G.H. EVANS. SGT. T.W. TELFER. P/O. S.M. HOBSON. SGT. E.S. WOOD.	Bombing - DUISBURG.	1908.	0029.	Primary attacked. 21.56 hours. 19,000 ft. Identified by warning and A.P. flares seen scattered over wide area. A.P. flare in sights. Bombing very scattered.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 558.	SGT. R. BROWN. SGT. R. STOREY. P/O. B. CAREY. SGT. H. JENKINS. SGT. R. COX. SGT. J. BLAND. SGT. C.P. KING	Bombing - DUISBURG.	1858.	0031.	Primary attacked. 21.54 hrs. 19,000 ft. Identified by red and green prelim. flares. Target not in sights. own burst seen also incends. seen burning through cloud. Several bursts seen mainly to S. & E. and flashed seen after bombing. very scattered.	1

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26/3/43 (c ont'd.)	LANCASTER. ED. 649.	F/L. A.M. HOBBS. SGT. F.W. SANDERSON. SGT. K.G. MOTT. F/O. S.L. MANFIELD. SGT. E.C. BISHOP. SGT. W.C. ROWLANDS. F/SGT. W. SLATER.	Bombing - DUISBERG.	1857.	0035.	Primary attacked, 2136 hrs. 17,500 ft. Red and green Marker flares seen but not R/P flares. Bombs dropped at expiration of timed run from green flares. Results of own bombing not seen.	
66 26/3/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 551.	F/L. A.M. HOBBS. SGT. F.W. SANDERSON. SGT. K.G. MOTT. F/O. S.L. MANFIELD. SGT. E.C. BISHOP. SGT. W.C. ROWLANDS. SGT. W. SLATER.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2019.	0320.	Primary attacked. 2317 hrs. 19,000 ft. Yellow Markers seen from which a timed run was made. Concentration of green T.I. Markers in sights when bombs dropped. Two good fires seen in target area. Nickels dropped after bombing.	
	LANCASTER ED. 566.	F/O. C.H. HALE. SGT. G.R. GILBERT. SGT. R. FOWELL. SGT. G.E. HALES. SGT. R.V. PIPER. SGT. C. CLARK. SGT. H.L. JONES.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2026.	0303.	Primary attacked. 2316 hours. 18,000 ft. Yellow markers first seen and run-up was made to red and green T.I.S. Centre of concentration of fires and T.I.s in sights at time of bombing. Large area of intense fires seen with bomb bursts continually going off. Large explosion seen in middle of it at 2311 hours. As aircraft left this area had become target of fire reflected on the smoke and cloud. Nickels dropped.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 487.	S/L. G.S. FRY. SGT. A. RITCHIE. F/O. J. LEES. F/O. W.A. COLSON. SGT. J.W. EDM. SGT. J. BELLY. SGT. J. FULLMAN.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2018.	0320.	Primary attacked, 2306 hours, 17,500 ft. Target identified by red and green T.I. markers but these appeared somewhat scattered. Red T.I.s in bomb sights at time of bombing but own results not observed. Explosions from bombs of other aircraft seen amongst T.I. markers.	

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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES.
				Up	Down		
27/3/43.	LANCASTER ED. 558.	SGT. R. BROWN. SGT. R. STONEY. P/O. B. CAREY. SGT. C. P. KING. SGT. H. JENKINS. SGT. R. COX. SGT. J. BLAND.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2016.	0312.	Primary attacked, 2305 hrs. 18,500 ft. Yellow track markers and red and green T.I. markers seen. A red cluster of T.I.s dropped exactly on track and EPA from yellow markers seen in sights at time of bombing. Bursts observed a little ahead of T.I.s. Fires were seen to be taking hold and on leaving there were a number of individual fires fairly well concentrated.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 502.	W.O. AM WHITE. SGT. N. TUTT. P/O. H. ROBERTSON. P/O. G. J. GIBBINGS. SGT. W. BARKER. SGT. W. JAKEWAY. P/O. N. BIRD.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2015.	0327.	Primary attacked. 2315 hours. 18,000 ft. Yellow markers seen and concentration of 4 or 5 green T.I. markers in sights when bombs dropped. About a dozen fires were burning.	
	LANCASTER ED. 480.	P/O. R. VAN NOTE. SGT. H. HOUNSOME. P/O. E. GRAVER. SGT. B. H. TUBBS. SGT. A. M. QUEEN. SGT. G. SCOTT. SGT. R. J. DALE.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2023.	0339.	Primary attacked. 2313 hours. 17,000 ft. Yellow track markers seen. Timed run made and centre of concentration observed in sights of red and green T.I. markers in sights at time of bombing. Bursts observed amongst T.I.s. Many good fires seen in target area and these were fairly well concentrated. Some bombs appeared to be short of target as well as some fires which seemed SW of area of T.I. Nickels dropped.	
	LANCASTER ED. 479.	S/L. G. W. J. JARRETT. SGT. H. PRECIOUS. SGT. G. SMITH. P/L. R. Y. HIGGINSON, SGT. I. FRANCIS. SGT. A. BAINES. SGT. J. MILES.	Bombing - BERLIN. D.F.M.	2020.	0345.	Primary attacked. 2320 hours. 20,000 ft. Target identified by green T.I. markers which were in bomb sights at time of bombing. 4000 lb. bomb seen to burst. Nickels dropped over target.	47

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27/3/43 (contd).	LANCASTER ED. 589.	W/C. K.B.F. SMITH, DSO.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2017.	0324.	Primary attacked. 2316 hours. 18,000 ft. Yellow T.I. Markers from which a timed run was made. Concentration of green T.I. markers in sights at time of bombing. Good fires seen fairly well concentrated. Nickals dropped.	
		SGT. W.M. SWIRE.					
		SGT. W. THOMSON.					
		F/O. A.J. TURNER.					
		P/O. B.J. SMITH.					
		SGT. L. TAYLOR.					
		SGT. L.S. FIDDES.					
		SGT. R.V. PLEASANCE.					
	LANCASTER ED. 489.	SGT. S. BOOZAR.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2028.	0346.	Primary attacked. 2320 hours. 12,000 ft. Timed run made from yellow markers and green T.I. markers were in sights at time of bombing.	
		SGT. J. VINALL.					
		F/SGT. J.P.H. CARRERE.					
		SGT. C.S. WATTS.					
		SGT. R.S. WEBB.					
		F/SGT. R.K. BURGAR.					
		F/SGT. G.W. BROWELL.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 696.	F/SGT. J.H. WALSH.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2025.	0335.	Primary attacked. 2321 hours. 20,000 ft. Yellow markers seen and concentration of green T.I.s in sights as bombs released. There were a number of fires taking hold.	
		SGT. H.L. JONES.					
		SGT. R.E. RAVEN.					
		P/O. K.E. FRASER.					
		SGT. T.W. TELFER.					
		P/O. S.M. HOBSON.					
		SGT. E.S. WOOD.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	F/L. G. ROBERTSON.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2021.	0340.	Primary attacked. 2312 hours. 18,000 ft. Yellow markers seen and concentration of red and green T.I. markers in bomb sights at time of bombing. Good fires seen fairly well concentrated and glow could be seen from green markers on coast on return. Huge column of black smoke seen on run in.	
		SGT. W. BROWN.					
		F/O. R.H. SMITH.					
		F/O. E.J. KNELL.					
		F/SGT. K. GREENE.					
		F/O. E.N. ARMSTRONG.					
		SGT. G. ALLAN.					

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29/3/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	F/L. G. ROBERTSON. SGT. W BROWN. F/O R.H. SMITH. F/O. E.J. KNELL. F/SGT. K GREENE. F/O. E.N. ARMSTRONG. SGT. G ALLAN.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2205.	0111.	No target attacked. Task abandoned owing to severe icing conditions. Bombs jettisoned safe at 2312 hours. 54.14N. 05.00E from 7,000ft.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 501.	SGT. T.C. DOOLAN. SGT. J. FRATT. SGT. E.L. CRAMP. F/SGT. J.R. BUCKLEY. SGT. W.J. CHAPPLE. SGT. S.E. RUSSELL. SGT. E.S. WOOD.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2206.	0452.	Primary attacked. 0115 hrs. 18,000 ft. Timed run made from lake which was identified visually with aid of flares and concentration of markers were in sights when bombs released. Bombing appeared to be fairly concentrated and an orange flame explosion lasting 1/2 secs seen about 0119 1/2 hrs.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 502.	W.O. AM WHITE. SGT. N TUTT. F/O. H ROBERTSON. F/O. G.J. GIBBINGS. SGT. W BARKER. SGT. W JAKEWAY. F/O. N BIRD.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2150.	0444.	Primary attacked 0106 hours. 19,000 ft. Yellow markers seen and lake identified by white flares, timed run made and cluster of red T.I.s in sights near river. Widespread incendiaries burning and many 4000 HC's seen to burst. Some fires developed to a red glow and were visible for 10 mins. after leaving target.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 558.	SGT. R. BROW. SGT. R. STOREY. F/O. B. CAREY. SGT. C.P. KING. SGT. H JENKINS. SGT. R COX. SGT. J BLAND.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2135.	0518.	Primary attacked, 0402 hours, 19,000 ft. Yellow markers and white flares seen enabling visual pinpoint of lake to be made. Timed run made to target area and red T.I.s in sights when bombs dropped. Bomb bursts seen and fires were developing rapidly as aircraft left.	4

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29/3/43 (contd.)	LANCASTER ED. 694.	SGT. P.M.H. SMITH.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2145.	0500.	Primary attacked. 0106 hrs. 16,000 ft. Green flares with red stars seen and concentration of red T.I.s in sights at time of bombing. Own burst not seen but several others close together and a few good fires seen. Aircraft slightly damaged by flak.	
		SGT. G.L. GILBERT.					
		SGT. E. MOOK.					
		SGT. G.H. EVANS.					
		SGT. K.D. FRANCIS.					
		SGT. N. WATT.					
		F/SGT. R.R. FEELAY.					
		F/L. A.M. HOBBS.					
		SGT. F.W. SANDERSON.					
		SGT. K.G. MOTT.					
LANCASTER ED. 551.	LANCASTER ED. 489.	F/O. S.L. MANFIELD.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2207.	0541.	Primary attacked. 0126 hrs. 18,000 ft. Yellow markers seen and white flares assisted visual identification of Lake. Bombs released between two main clusters of red T.I.s which were in sights. Many bursts were seen and a few fires at first but these later were developing.	
		SGT. E.C. BISHOP.					
		SGT. N.C. ROWLANDS.					
		F/SGT. N. SLATER.					
		SGT. S. BOZAR.					
		SGT. J. VINALL.					
		F/SGT. J.P.H. GARREBS.					
		SGT. G.C. WATTS.					
		SGT. R.S. WEBB.					
		F/SGT. K.K. BURGAR.					
F/SGT. G.W. BROWELL.							
LANCASTER ED. 493.	LANCASTER ED. 493.	F/O. R. VAN NOFE.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2159.	0514.	Primary attacked. 0144 hours. 20,000 ft. White flares and red T.I.s seen, concentration of red T.I.s in sights at time of bombing as were also several small isolated fires. Good fires, however, later developed in target area.	
		SGT. H. HAINES.					
		F/O. E. GRAVER.					
		SGT. B.H. CRUBBS.					
		SGT. A.M. QUEEN.					
		SGT. G. SCOTT.					
		SGT. A.T. DALE.					

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29/3/43 (contd.)	LANCASTER ED. 539.	SGT. K.C. TURP. SGT. D. BAILEY. F/O. H.A. CLARK. SGT. W.F. FREEZE. SGT. J.W. PIMM. SGT. S.E. SILVESTER. SGT. T. SHELMEKDINE.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2120	0545	Landed at West Malling. Details to follow. Primary attacked. 01.04 hrs. 18,000 ft. heading 305° (m) Target was identified by cluster of red T.I.'s. Centre of concentration of red T.I.'s in sights when bomb released. Own results not observed but many fires were seen around T.I. markers. 8 x 30lbs. incendiaries hung up and were brought back to base. P.4. compass inaccurate. Wireless aerial u/s due to icing.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 566.	F/O. G.A. HALE. SGT. W. THOMSON. SGT. R. POWELL. SGT. G.E. HALES. SGT. R.V. PIER. SGT. C. CLARK. SGT. H.L. JONES.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2202.	0436.	Primary attacked. 0106 hrs. 20,000 ft. Timed run made from lake which was identified by white flares and green flares with red stars. Centre of cluster of red T.I.'s in sights at time of bombing. Not much activity at this time but when 120 miles on way home red glow from fires could still be seen.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 487.	S/L. G.S. FRY. SGT. A.M. RITCHIE. F/O. J. LEES. F/O. W.A. COLSON. F/SGT. J.L. CRAWFORD, SGT. J. KELLY. SGT. J. FULLMAN.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2153.	0441.	Primary attacked. 0104 hours. 18,000 ft. Lake seen with assistance of white flares and green flares with red stars. Bombs aimed at centre of area ringed by red T.I. markers. Little activity seen on arrival but after leaving target area evidence of fires taking hold could be seen from a considerable distance.	

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WADDINGTON.	1/4.		Nothing of operational importance occurred. Bombing and air firing practice were carried out, together with some T.R. training.	
	2/4.		Most of the day was devoted to training, including fighter affiliation. At night, two crews were occupied in practice cross-country flights and landings. Three crews, as follows, were detailed for a bombing attack on LORIENT at night:- "W" (P/O. PARAMORE); "A" (P/O. FOX); "X" (SGT. MCGUBBIN). "N" was obliged to return early with engine trouble, without completing its mission. The other two aircraft reached LORIENT, which they bombed. The attack was on a small scale and no results could be observed.	
	3/4.		In the morning one crew received fighter affiliation training. At night, two crews were given cross-country exercises. Thirteen crews were briefed to attack ESSEN at night. The crews concerned were as follows:- "B" (SGT. BOGZAR); "D" (S/L. FRY); "N" (P/O. HALE); "J" (SGT. HOBBS); "M" (SGT. BROWN); "Y" (SGT. SWIRE); "Z" (S/L. JARRETT); "U" (P/L. MEYER); "V" (W.O. WHITE); "O" (SGT. MCGUBBIN); "T" (P/SGT. WALSH); "R" (SGT. DOOLAN); "X" (P/O. PARAMORE). It was necessary to cancel the sortie in respect of "X" owing to technical trouble. The remaining aircraft took off for the target which they attacked with great success. Many good fires were started and bombing was concentrated. Two of our aircraft failed to return - "Z" (S/L. JARRETT) and "Y" (SGT. SWIRE).	
	4/4.		Twelve crews were detailed to attack KIEL during the night. They were:- "B" (SGT. BOGZAR); "F" (P/O. FOX); "G" (P/O. HALE); "J" (SGT. HOBBS); "M" (P/O. PARAMORE); "N" (SGT. BROWN); "W" (SGT. MCGUBBIN); "P" (SGT. DOOLAN); "T" (P/SGT. WALSH); "O" (W/C. SMITH); "X" (W.O. WHITE); "U" (P/L. MEYER). Every aircraft took off, but owing to cloud over the target area it was not possible to identify the target visually. Bombs were released on the red glow which could be seen below	

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WADDINGTON.	4/4		the cloud. No results could be observed and it was not considered to be a successful attack.	
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	5/4.		Nothing of operational importance occurred. No flying was carried out.	
	6/4.		The whole day's flying was devoted to training. Air firing, cross-country, practice bombing, fighter affiliation and circuits and landings were carried out. At night three Bullseye exercises were undertaken, of which one had to be cancelled owing to a petrol leak. Sgt. Ingram and crew, flying in aircraft "P" on this exercise, crashed near MILBENHALL and were all killed. The cause of the accident is being investigated.	
	7/4.		Nothing of operational importance occurred, and no flying was carried out. The advance party of the Squadron proceeded to the satellite airfield at BARNBY, LINCOLN, preparatory to the Squadron moving there.	
	8/4.		Some cross-country practice flights were carried out during the day as well as some air firing practice. Five crews, as follows, were detailed to attack DUISBURG at night: "B" (SGT. DOZAR); "J" (SGT. HOBBS); "W" (SGT. BROWN); "U" (P/O. MEYER); "R" (SGT. BOGIAN). "J" encountered severe icing conditions on the way out and was obliged to return early without reaching the target. The weather interfered with the effort made by the other four aircraft, and prevented them from identifying the target. Bombs were dropped on B7A. The glow of what was believed to be fired could be seen below cloud, but no results of the attack could be observed.	
	9/4.		In the afternoon, two crews took part in fighter affiliation exercises. Another was engaged in practice bombing. At night, one cross-country exercise was carried out. Six crews were detailed for a night bombing attack, the target selected again being DUISBURG: "U" (P/O. MEYER); "W" (W/O. HALES); "G" (P/O. HALES); "J" (SGT. HOBBS); "B" (SGT. BROWN); "L" (P/O. PARAKORE.)	

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"U" (P/L. MEYER); "V" (W.O. WHITE); "G" (P/O. HALE); "J" (SGT. HOBBS); "B" (SGT. BROWN);  
 "L" (P/O. PARAMORE.)

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WADDINGTON.	9/4		All the aircraft took off, but the Squadron had the misfortune to lose three of these aircraft which failed to return. The other three aircraft reached their target, but the PFF markers were scattered and identification of the aiming point was difficult. After bombing, some fires were seen to be burning.	
	10/4.		Seven crews were detailed for an attack at night on FRANKFURT. They were:- "X" (P/L. ROBERTSON); "W" (SGT. McCUBBIN); "R" (W/C. SMITH); "D" (P/O. FOX); "B" (P/L. HOBBS); "N" (P/O. VAN NOTE); "G" (P/O. HALE). All the aircraft took off to carry out their task. In the absence of T/I's, bombing was very scattered, which prevented a successful attack from being made. 10/10ths cloud conditions prevailed over the target area and results of bombing could not be seen. On return, "X" landed at EXETER. "R" (W/C. SMITH) failed to return.	
	11/4.		During the morning, "X" returned from EXETER where it had landed last night. Cross-country exercises were carried out by two crews, but there was little other flying during the day.	
	12/4.		In the afternoon, one crew was occupied with air firing practice. The only other flying was N.F.T.'s in preparation for operations at night, but these were cancelled. Wing Commander P. BURNETT assumed command of the Squadron.	
	13/4.		Seven crews were detailed for operations at night. The target chosen for attack was the Italian port of SPEZIA. The crews were:- "B" (SGT. TURP); "D" (P/O. FOX); "G" (P/O. HALE); "N" (SGT. BROWN); "X" (P/L. ROBERTSON); "W" (SGT. McCUBBIN); "Y" (SGT. STOUT). "Y" was cancelled, but the remainder took off. "D" failed to locate the target, but the others reached and bombed it. PFF flares illuminated the area and the docks could be seen. Many fires were left burning and the attack can be considered a success. Squadron personnel who were not required in connection with these operations, moved to	

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WADDINGTON.	13/4	(contd)	the satellite airfield of BARINEY. Flying crews proceeded by air, the remainder travelled by road. The intention was that BARINEY should become operational on the 14th April.	
BARINEY.	14/4.		<p>During the day the remainder of the Squadron moved to BARINEY, and the whole Squadron movement was carried out smoothly. On arrival at BARINEY, all personnel worked vigorously, with the result that five crews took off on operations at night, their target being STUTTGART. They were as follows:-</p> <p>"D" (P/O. BOGZAR); "G" (P/O. VAN NOTE); "Y" (P/L. HOBBS); "U" (P/L. MEYER); "W" (SGT. SAXTON).</p> <p>All aircraft reached the target, and although they were too late to see the F/I. markers, large fires were already burning and these were bombed. The attack was concentrated and considered by all crews to be very successful.</p>	
	15/4.		Little flying was carried out during the day, but at night four crews carried out bombing and cross-country practice. No operations were ordered for the day.	
	16/4.		<p>Eight crews were detailed to operate at night, the target being the Skoda Works at PILSEN. They were:- "G" (P/O. HALE); "N" SGT BROWN; "Y" (P/O. FOX); "S" (P/O. BOGZAR); "T" (SGT. TURP); "X" (P/L. ROBERTSON); "Y" (SGT. McCUBBIN); "Y" (SGT. SAXTON).</p> <p>All aircraft reached the target area where fires were burning. Bombing was concentrated and from the results observed it was considered that the Works received considerable damage. Two aircraft, "W" and "G", landed at Ford on return, three, "X", "U" and "T" landed at TANGMERE, and "Y" landed at W. MALLING.</p>	
	17/4.		<p>During the morning "X", "U", "T", "W", "G" and "Y" returned to BARINEY.</p> <p>At night three crews carried out practice bombing and cross-country flying. Operations were not ordered today.</p>	
	18/4.		At night two crews carried out circuits and landings, while the following crews took off	

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BABINEY.	18/4	(contd)	<p>for another attack on SHERZIA:-</p> <p>"G" (W.O. WOOD); "M" (SGT. TURP); "S" (SGT. EVANS); "Z" (P/O. WAKEFORD).</p> <p>Although it was intended that battleships as well as the docks should receive our attention, no battleships could be seen, and bombs were dropped in the dock area which was clearly identified. Good results were observed, including some hits on a Naval barracks.</p> <p>"G" landed at MANSTON on return owing to lack of petrol.</p>	
	19/4.		<p>No operations were detailed for today, and the time was spent in training. At night a "Bullseye" exercise was carried out by one crew.</p>	
	20/4.		<p>Six crews, as follows, were detailed to attack STETTIN at night:-</p> <p>"G" (P/L. MEYER); "J" (W.O. WOOD); "M" (P/O. VAN NOTE); "Y" (W/C. BURNETT); "W" (SGT. SFOUT); "Z" (SGT. EVANS).</p> <p>With the exception of "Z", all aircraft bombed the target, which was well marked by PFF. There was good concentrated bombing and many fires were started.</p> <p>"Z" (SGT. EVANS) was hit by flak when near the target area and this caused fire to break out, but this was swiftly extinguished. Shortly afterwards, the port engine was hit and caught fire. The engine was feathered and eventually the fire went out. The bomb load was jettisoned from about 200-500 feet without the Captain's knowledge, owing to a breakdown of the inter-comm. The explosions severely damaged the aircraft, but the Captain succeeded in bringing it back.</p>	
	21/4.		<p>No operations were ordered today, but some training was carried out, including bombing, air firing and fighter affiliation during the day. Two "Bullseyes" detailed for the night were cancelled.</p>	
	22/4.		<p>In the afternoon, bombing and air firing practice was carried out.</p> <p>Two aircraft, "G" (SGT. BROWN) and "W" (SGT. McCUBBIN), flew to WADDINGTON to load up</p> <p>BROWN</p>	52

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			with mines for a Gardening sortie at night. Both aircraft took off from WADDINGTON, but "G" failed to return. "W" reached its allotted area in good weather conditions and dropped its vegetables.		
	23/4.		The only flying was by one crew who carried out bombing practice at WAINPIEST.		
	24/4.		Cross-country flying, air firing and bombing practice were undertaken during the day. Operations were ordered for the night, but these were subsequently cancelled.		
	25/4.		No operations were ordered for today, and the day was spent in training. This included formation flying, practice bombing, fighter affiliation and cross-country at night.		
	26/4.		A cross-country flight was carried out at night and the following crews were detailed to attack DUISBURG:- "X" (F/L. ROBERTSON); "T" (SGT. McCUBBIN); "P" (SGT. EVANS); "V" (SGT. STOUT); "A" (F/O. VAN NOTE); "X" (F/L. HOBBS); "L" (F/L. MEYER); "M" (SGT. TURP); "N" (F/O. FOX). Of these, "M" (SGT. TURP), was cancelled, but the others left BARNBY on their mission. Visibility over the target was good and identification was made from markers. All aircraft dropped their bombs and as they were leaving a good many fires were seen to be developing.		
	27/4.		Apart from some air firing practice, there was little flying carried out during the day.		
	28/4.		In the morning and afternoon, bombing practice was undertaken, while the following crews were briefed for a night mining operation:- "X" (F/L. ROBERTSON); "R" (SGT. NUÑEZ); "A" (F/O. VAN NOTE); "N" (F/O. HALE); "D" (F/O. WAKEFORD). All aircraft set off and encountered good weather conditions on the way to their allotted areas where mines were laid. The trip was uneventful, except that "N" received some attention from the defences and the rear turret was holed and rendered u/s by light flak.		

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areas where mines were laid. The trip was uneventful, except that "W" received some attention from the defences and the rear turret was holed and rendered u/s by light flak.

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BARINEY.	29/4.		There were no operations detailed and the day was spent in air firing and bombing practice.	
	30/4.		The following crews were detailed to carry out an attack against ESSEN, from which operation "R" failed to return:- "V" (S/L. McFARLANE); "W" (SGT. McCUBBIN); "P" (SGT. STOUT); "T" (SGT. SAXTON); "R" (SGT. NUNEZ); "A" (F/O. VAN NOTE); "B" (F/O. BOGZAR); "E" (F/O. WAKEFORD); "K" (W.O. WOOD); "M" (SGT. TURP); "D" (F/O. HALE); <del>"S" (SGT. SCURSON)</del> .  <del>"P" was</del> cancelled as the aircraft <del>was</del> <sup>was</sup> u/s. Of the remainder, "B" and "K" returned early, the former owing to icing conditions and the latter on account of sickness on the part of the Navigator. All the others reached the target area and dropped their bombs on the position marked by the PFF. Owing to cloud, it was impossible to observe any results, but a red glow was seen below the cloud.  <u>SUMMARY OF OFFICERS' MOVEMENTS FOR APRIL, 1943.</u> E/O. G.R. DALE posted from RAF, WADDINGTON (N.E.). E/O. J.B. REEVES posted from No. 1660 Conversion Unit. E/O. J.F.K. GORR, DFM. posted from SWINDSBY. W/C. P. BURNETT posted from H.Q. No. 5 GROUP. E/O. J.A. WAKEFORD posted from No. 1506 B.A.T. Flight. S/L. R. McFARLANE, DFC. posted from No. 1661 Conversion Unit. E/O. K.N. GIBSON posted from No. 49 Squadron. E/O. T. MELLARD posted from No. 1661 Conversion Unit. F/L. J.N. DERBYSHIRE posted from No. 1660 Conversion Unit. E/O. W.A. COLSON posted to No. 1661 Conversion Unit. E/O. J. LEES posted to No. 16 O.T.U. E/O. J.J. MISSIN posted to No. 1661 Conversion Unit. S/L. G.S. FRY posted to No. 17 O.T.U.	
	1/4.		E/O. G.R. DALE posted from RAF, WADDINGTON (N.E.).	
	5/4.		E/O. J.B. REEVES posted from No. 1660 Conversion Unit.	
	12/4.		E/O. J.F.K. GORR, DFM. posted from SWINDSBY.	
	12/4.		W/C. P. BURNETT posted from H.Q. No. 5 GROUP.	
	12/4.		E/O. J.A. WAKEFORD posted from No. 1506 B.A.T. Flight.	
	12/4.		S/L. R. McFARLANE, DFC. posted from No. 1661 Conversion Unit.	
	13/4.		E/O. K.N. GIBSON posted from No. 49 Squadron.	
	13/4.		E/O. T. MELLARD posted from No. 1661 Conversion Unit.	
	21/4.		F/L. J.N. DERBYSHIRE posted from No. 1660 Conversion Unit.	
	21/4.		E/O. W.A. COLSON posted to No. 1661 Conversion Unit.	
	22/4.		E/O. J. LEES posted to No. 16 O.T.U.	
	24/4.		E/O. J.J. MISSIN posted to No. 1661 Conversion Unit.	
	29/4.		S/L. G.S. FRY posted to No. 17 O.T.U.	

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2/4/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 496.	P/O. G.W. FOX. SGT. T. HUGHES. SGT. W.H. HODSON. SGT. J. PIPER. SGT. T.N. ROBINSON. SGT. L. NUGENT. SGT. R. VERVOORN.	Bombing - LORIENT.	2104.	0150.	Primary attacked. 23.09 hours. 14,000 ft. Estuary of River seen, and confirmed by Green T/I's. First Green T/I's went out quickly and it is suggested that they fell in the estuary. 2nd cluster of T/I's green were in sights and only one cluster of red T/I's seen. Bomb bursts not seen. No results observed. No fires seen in area.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 578.	P/O. A.F. PARAMORE. SGT. J. VINALL. P/O. E. HESKETH. SGT. A.M. COULTRAD. SGT. D.H. MACTIER. SGT. A.D. BENNING. SGT. A.D. WOOD.	Bombing - LORIENT.	2107.	0035.	No target attacked. Port outer engine u/s. Returned from position 49.42 N 03.30 W. 11 x 1000 lbs. jettisoned at 49.42 N. 03.30 W "safe"	
	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	SGT. J. MCGUBBIN. SGT. N.D. OWEN. SGT. B. SHERRY. SGT. K.J. DIGNALL. SGT. A.M. SMITH. SGT. P. LYNAM. SGT. C. STEWART.	Bombing - LORIENT.	2105.	0157.	Primary attacked. 23.08 hours. 14,000 ft. 185°. Visual identification of estuary. First cluster of Green T/I's seemed to drop in water and soon went out. 2nd cluster also appeared in water but nearer to Town of Lorient, off Keroman Peninsula. These were in sights but bombs released short in order to ensure their being on land. One lot Red T/I's only seen after bomb dropped. No bursts seen, or fires.	
3/4/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 799	P/O. G.A. HALE. SGT. T. HUGHES. SGT. R. FOWELL. SGT. G.E. HALES. SGT. R.V. PIPER. SGT. C. CLARK. SGT. H.L. JONES.	Bombing - ESSEN.	2020.	0005.	Primary attacked. 2212 hrs. 19,000 ft. 150°. Identified by Green, Red and Yellow Target Markers. Centre of main concentration of Green T/I's in sights. Fires appeared to be rather scattered during initial stages of attack but began to merge into one large concentration later. Thick black smoke rising to 2/3,000 ft. Glow of fires could be seen from Dutch Coast.	CT 127

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3/4/43.	LANCASTER ED. 502.	W.O. A.M. WHITE. SGT. N. TUTT. F/O. H. ROBERTSON. F/O. G.J. GIBBINGS. SGT. W. BARKER. SGT. W. JAKEWAY. F/O. N. BIRD.	Bombing - ESSEN.	1959.	0015.	Primary attacked. 2213 hours. 17,000 ft. Identified by Marker flares. Red T/I markers in centre of concentration seen in sights. Results of own bombing not observed. Explosion from bombs of other aircraft seen in the area of T/I markers. 180 x 4 lb. inc. jettisoned.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 487.	SGT. G.S. FRY. SGT. A.M. RITCHIE. F/O. J. LEES. F/O. W.A. COLSON. F/SGT. J.L. CRAWFORD. SGT. J. KELLY. SGT. J. FULLMAN.	Bombing - ESSEN.	1956.	0007.	Primary attacked. 2215 hours. 16,500 feet. Identified by Red and Green T/I and flares. Centre of concentration of Green T/I Markers. Special leaflets dropped.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 551½	SGT. R. BROWN. SGT. R. STOREY. F/O. B. CAREY. SGT. C.F. KING. SGT. H. JENKINS. SGT. R. COX. SGT. J. BLAND.	Bombing - ESSEN.	1955.	0030.	2217 hours. 17,000 ft. Identified by Green T/I markers. Centre of concentration of green markers in sights. About 15 very large fires were concentrated and merging. Thick pall of smoke rising up to 56,000 ft. Glow of fires could be seen from Dutch coast.	
	LANCASTER ED. 489.	SGT. S. BOZAR. SGT. J. VINALL. F/SGT. J.P.H. CARRERE. SGT. C.S. WATTS. SGT. R.S. WEBB. SGT. R.K. BURGAR. F/SGT. G.W. BROWELL.	Bombing - ESSEN.	1953.	0036.	Primary attacked. 2216 hours. 18,000 ft. Identified by Marker flares. Green T/I Markers on furthest edge of concentration of markers seen in bomb sights. Results of own bombing not observed. Explosion from bombs of other aircraft seen. Special leaflets dropped.	

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3/4/43 (contd)	LANCASTER ED. 566.	SGT. A.R. HOBBS. SGT. R. THOMAS. SGT. S.J. ARGENT. SGT. W. THOMPSON. SGT. W.J. HEID. SGT. D.N. BYSOUTH. P/SGT. H.L. HUNTHER.	Bombing - ESSEN.	1950.	0045.	Primary attacked. 2221 hours. 19,000 ft. Identified by Red T/I's. which were in bomb sights. Results of own bombing not seen. Large concentration of fires around T/I's. Some fires seen about 1 mile to West of T/I's.	
	LANCASTER ED. 501.	SGT. T.P.B. DOOLAN. Sgt. J. PRATT. SGT. E.L. CRAMP. SGT. J.R. BUCKLEY. SGT. W.J. CHAPPLE. SGT. R. MOSELEY. SGT. H.J. IRONS.	Bombing - ESSEN.	2002.	0040.	Primary attacked. 2214 hours. 18,000 ft. Identified by Green T/I's in bomb sights. Fires well concentrated and burning well.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 696.	P/SGT. J.H. WALSH. SGT. H.L. JONES. SGT. R.E. RAVEN. P/O. K.E. FRASER. SGT. T.W. TELFER. P/O. S.M. HOBSON. SGT. E.S. WOOD.	Bombing - ESSEN.	2003.	0053.	Primary attacked. 2221 hours. 18,000 ft. Red and Green T/I. Markers and EFP. flares assisted in identifying target. Red T/I Markers in sights. Several large fires well concentrated in target area and dense pall of black smoke rising up to 3/4,000 ft.	
	LANCASTER ED. 589.	SGT. J. McCUBBIN. SGT. N.D. OWEN. SGT. B. SHERRY. SGT. K.S. DAGNALL. Sgt. A.M. SMITH. SGT. P. LYNAM. SGT. C. STEWART.	Bombing - ESSEN.	2001.	0104.	Primary attacked. 2214 hours. 20,000 ft. Identified by Green flares at DERSTEN and at target. Largest concentration of green T/I in bomb sights. A fairly large concentration of fires in target area seen on leaving target.	ST CT

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3/4/43.	LANCASTER ED. 480.	P/L. W.A. MEYER.	Bombing - ESSEN.	2000.	0054.	Primary attacked. 2214 hrs. 18,000 ft. Identified by prelim. warning flares and green and red markers in target area, Red 7's in sights. Concentrated fires one very big one, and a black column of smoke in target area. These fires were developing to a deep red glow.	
		SGT. W.H. HUNTER.					
		SGT. N.R. MCCORMINDALE.					
		SGT. D. WILBER.					
		SGT. S.H. SINGLAIR.					
		SGT. A.D. HART.					
		SGT. T.W. JOHNSON.					
		SGT. W.H. SWIRE.					
		SGT. G.R. GILBERT.					
		SGT. E.W. COOK.					
SGT. G.H. EVANS.							
SGT. R.D. FRANCIS.							
SGT. W. WATT.							
P/SGT. R.R. FEELEY.							
4/4/43.	LANCASTER ED. 479.	S/L. G.W.J. JARRETT.	Bombing - ESSEN.	2100.	0201.	Aircraft failed to return - no messages received.	
		SGT. H. FRECHOUX.					
		SGT. G. SMITH.					
		P/O. W.A. SEMOUR.					
		SGT. I. FRANCIS.					
		P/O. G.E. DALE.					
		SGT. J. MILES.					
		SGT. R. BROWN.					
		SGT. R. STONEY.					
		P/O. B. CAHST.					
SGT. G.P. KING.							
SGT. H. JENKINS.							
SGT. H. COX.							
SGT. R. BLAND.							
<p>Primary attacked. 2214 hrs. 17,000 ft. Identified by track indicators and target marker flares. Run over area thus marked and although the colours had disappeared altogether a white light, which may have been flares or incendiaries, was reflected on the cloud and this was in sights when bombs were released. A few red glows seen on cloud as aircraft left suggesting that some fires had started.</p>							

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4/4/43 (contd)	LANCASTER ED. 662.	SGT. T.P.B. DOOLAN. SGT. J. PRATT. SGT. E.L. CRAMP. SGT. J. McALLISTER. SGT. W.J. CHAPPELLE. SGT. R. MOSELEY. SGT. H.J. IRONS.	Bombing - KIEL.	2059.	0156.	Primary attacked. 2327 hours. 15,500 ft. Identified by T/I. markers red and green. Concentration of green in sights. Own burst and several others seen in same area. Three or four fires seen reflected on cloud.	
	LANCASTER ED. 499.	W.O. AM. WHITE. SGT. N. TUTT. F/O. H. ROBERTSON. F/O. G.J. GIBBINGS. SGT. W. BARKER. SGT. W. JAKEWAY. F/O. N. BIRD.	Bombing - KIEL.	2055.	0208.	Believed primary attacked. 2325 hours. 12,000 ft. Identified by ETA and glow of fires seen below cloud. Bombed estimated position of Red T/I.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 480.	F/L. W.A. MEYER. SGT. W.H. HUNTER. SGT. N.R. McCORKINDALE. SGT. D. WILLEBE. SGT. S.H. SINCLAIR. SGT. J. BULLY. SGT. C.F. SARGENT.	Bombing - KIEL.	2056.	0210.	Primary attacked. 2328 hours. 16,000 ft. Identified by track indicators seen to burst and fall through cloud. All that was visible on arrival was red glow, T/I's or fires. These were in sights when bomb released. At 23.50 hours, rear gunner looking back from TONNING, saw a great explosion below cloud which settled down with a deep red glow.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 799.	F/O. C.A. HALE. SGT. A.E. INGRAM. SGT. R. POWELL. Sgt. G.E. HALES. SGT. R.V. PIER. SGT. C. CLARK. SGT. H.L. JONES.	Bombing - KIEL.	2058.	0218.	Estimated primary. 2325 hours. 18,000 ft. Identified by Marker flares. Concentration of fire in bomb sights. From glow through cloud, fires appeared to be spread/rectangular area 5/10 miles long and 3/5 miles deep.	

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4/4/43	LANCASTER ED. 499.	SGT. S. BOCZAR. SGT. J. VINALL. P/O. J. LEES. SGT. C.S. WATTS. SGT. R.S. WEBB. P/SGT. R.K. BURGAR. P/SGT. G.W. BROWELL.	Bombing - KIBL.	2104.	0203.	Primary attacked. 2350 hours. 18,000 feet. Identified by Green T/Markers. Estimated position of green. Glow of fires below cloud.	
	LANCASTER ED. 566.	SGT. A.R. HOBBS. SGT. R. THOMAS. SGT. S.J. ARGENT. SGT. W. THOMPSON. SGT. W.J. REID. SGT. D.M. BYSOUTH; P/SGT. H.L. RUTHER.	Bombing - KIBL.	2102.	0214.	Primary attacked. 23:26 1/2 hours. 19,000 ft. Identified by FFA and D/R from Mando - fires burning below cloud. Centre of main concentration of fire in bomb sights. Glow of very large fire and several smaller ones reflected through cloud. A rather violent explosion was observed at 23:40 hours followed by another of lesser intensity and at same position, at 2350 hours, which occurred slightly NE. of main concentration and considerably increased the size of one of the smaller fires.	
	LANCASTER ED. 654.	SGT. J. McCUBBIN. SGT. ND. OWEN. SGT. G. SHERRY. SGT. K.J. BAGWELL. SGT. P.M. SMYTH. SGT. P. LYNAM. SGT. C. STEWART.	Bombing - KIBL.	2059.	0225.	Primary attacked. 2320 hours. 21,000 ft. Identified by yellow track indicators seen to burst and fall into cloud and leave yellow glow below cloud. At target Green and Red Glows seen reflected on cloud. Centre of concentration of several green and one red glow in sights. Red glow of a fire, as distinct from T/I's reflected in cloud just South of concentration of T/I's. Two bursts fired by P/O at 5/8 fighter at 23:33 hrs. 21,000 ft which dived away and disappeared without reply.	
	LANCASTER ED. 497.	P/O CN. FOX. SGT. I. HUGHES. SGT. M.H. HODSON. SGT. R.V. PIERCE. SGT. T.N. ROBERTSON. SGT. L. NUGENT. SGT. O.G. ERASMUS.	Bombing - KIBL.	2103.	0215.	Primary attacked. 2336 hours. 14,000 ft. Identified by marker flares. Fires in bomb sights when P/O had been seen to enter. Results not observed.	

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3/4/43 (contd).	LANCASTER ED. 551.	P/O. A.F. PARAMORE.	Bombing -	2103.	0253.	Primary attacked. 18,000 ft. 2322 hours. 195° W. Identified by green and red T/I's seen. Markers had died out, glow of markers in sights. Own burst not seen but several others seen in area. Incendiaries seen burning on leaving target. Glow of fires could be seen, fairly well concentrated and one large fire to North of the town.	
		SGT. A.J. MCGOY.	KIEL.				
		P/O. E. HESKETH.					
		SGT. A.M. COULTHARD.					
		SGT. D.H. MACTIER.					
		SGT. R.D. BENNING.					
	LANCASTER ED. 489.	W/C. K.E.F. SMITH, DSO.	Bombing	2054.	0248.	2331 hours. 18,000-ft. Identified by red and green T/I markers. Fires in bomb sights where FFF markers had been seen to go down. Results not observed. One can of 30 lb. inc. hung up and later jettisoned.	
		SGT. G.H. SAXTON.	KIEL.				
		SGT. D.C. FERRIS.					
		F/L. W.I.N.G. DOIG.					
		SGT. (A.M.) MORRIS.					
		SGT. J. REDDISH. F/L. D.H. BIRD. SGT. J. DUNNIN.					
8/4/43.	LANCASTER ED. 566.	SGT. A.R. HOBBS.	Bombing -	2042.	0027.	No target attacked - returned due to severe icing conditions. Jettisoned bomb load at 52.40N. 03.22 E. 2245 hours. 16,000 ft.	
		SGT. R. THOMAS.	DUISBURG.				
		SGT. S.J. ARGENT.					
		SGT. W. THOMPSON.					
		SGT. W.J. REID.					
		SGT. D.N. BYSOUTH. F/SGT. H.L. HUSTHER.					
	LANCASTER ED. 578.	SGT. R. BROWN.	Bombing -	2044.	0203.	Estimated primary attacked. 23.35 hours. 20,500 ft. FFF aids not seen. Last fix 23.43 hrs. 51.55N 06.07E. Bombs gone on ETA. Glows believed fires seen below and bombs dropped on ETA overshoot. Results not observed.	
		SGT. R. STOREY.	DUISBURG.				
		F/O. B. CAREY.					
		SGT. A.M. COULTHARD.					
		SGT. H. JENKINS.					
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8/4/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 489.	F/O. S. MOCZAR. SGT. J. VINALL. F/O. J. P. H. CARRERE. SGT. R. S. WATTS. SGT. R. K. WEBB. F/SGT. R. K. BURGAR. F/SGT. G. W. BROWELL.	Bombing - DUISBURG.	2045.	0235.	Estimated primary attacked. 23.43 hrs. 18,000 ft. HFF aids not seen. Last GEE fix 52.32N. 04449 E. 23.16 hours. Glows believed fires, noyed below cloud. Glow of fires in bomb sights. Results not observed. Explosion seen after bombs gone.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 501½	SGT. T. P. B. DOOLAN. SGT. J. PRATT% SGT. E. L. CRAMP. SGT. R. PIER. SGT. W. J. CHAPPLE% SGT. V. HILL. SGT. R. MOSELEY	Bombing - DUISBURG.	2040.	0223.	Believed primary attacked. 23.45 hours. 18,000 ft. Identified only by ETA and much flak. 10/10ths cloud covered target area.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 480.	F/L. W. A. MEYER. SGT. W. H. HUNTER. SGT. N. R. McCOCKINDALE. SGT. D. WILLESE. SGT. S. H. SINCLAIR. SGT. A. D. HART. SGT. T. W. JOHNSON.	Bombing - DUISBURG.	2039.	0240.	Primary attacked. 23.39½ hrs. 17,500 ft. Identified only by last GEE fix. A slight glow red and green in colour was seen slightly to port on ETA. Turned on to these and bombed quickly before they disappeared. No time to manoeuvre on to correct heading. If this had been done there would have been nothing to bomb whatever. No results seen.	
9/4/43.	LANCASTER.	F/O. G. A. HALE. SGT. SAKTON. SGT. DODDS. SGT. R. POWELL. SGT. G. E. HALES. SGT. R. V. PIER. SGT. G. CLARK. SGT. H. L. JONES.	Bombing - DUISBURG.	2043.	0108.	Primary attacked. 23.10 hrs. 19,000 ft. Target identified by GEE fix and green P.I's which were in bomb sights when bombs released. Several bomb bursts and some incendiaries seen. Well concentrated good fires seen on leaving target and glow could be seen from West. Nickels dropped over target.	

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9/4/43 (contd)	LANCASTER ED. 558.	SGT. EVANS.	Bombing - DUISBURG.	2047.	0120.	Primary attacked. 2317 hours. 20,000 ft. Three red warning flares seen but did not last long enough to get round to them (did three orbits). One white A.P. flare seen. Homed to target on Gee. One red glow seen on leaving target. Nickels dropped.	
		SGT. R. BROWN.					
		SGT. R. STONEY.					
		F/O. B. CAREY.					
		SGT. G. KING.					
		SGT. H. JENKINS.					
		SGT. R. COX.					
		SGT. J. BLAND.					
	Lancaster ED. 480.	F/L. W. A. MEYER. SGT. STOUT. SGT. W.H. HUNTER. SGT. N.R. McCORKINDALE. SGT. D. WILBEE. SGT. S.H. SINCLAIR. SGT. A.D. HART. SGT. T.W. JOHNSON.	Bombing - DUISBURG.	2049.	0112.	Primary attacked. 2314 hours. 17,000 ft. Target identified by preliminary warning red flares and green F.I.s which were in bomb sights after two orbits had been made around the red flares. 4000 HC. seen to burst and fires were seen concentrated around the green F.I.s. Nickels dropped over the target.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 566.	SGT. A.R. HOBBS. SGT. R. THOMAS. SGT. S.J. ARGENT. SGT. W. THOMPSON. SGT. W.J. REID. SGT. D.N. BYSOUTH. F/SGT. H.L. HUETHER.	Bombing - DUISBURG.			Aircraft missing - no messages or signals received.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 502.	W.O. A.M. WHITE. SGT. N. TUTT. F/O. H. ROBERTSON. F/O. G.J. GIBBINGS. SGT. W. BARKER. SGT. W. JAKEWAY. F/O. N. BIRD.	Bombing - DUISBURG.			Aircraft missing - no messages or signals received.	

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9/4/43 (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 806.	P/O. A.F. PARAKEE, SGT. T. HUGHES, P/O. E. HESKETH, SGT. A.M. COULTHARD, SGT. R.D. HENNING, SGT. D.H. MACFARLANE, SGT. R.D. WOOD.	Bombing - MISBURG.			Aircraft missing - no messages or signals received.	
10/4/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 799.	P/O. G.A. HALE, SGT. J.D. DODS, SGT. E. POWELL, SGT. G.E. HALES, SGT. R.V. PIER, SGT. C. CLARK, SGT. H.L. JONES.	Bombing - FRANKFURT.	0020.	0616.	Primary attacked. 03.02 1/2 hours. Identified by IR. Green and red flares. Tined run made to 7/1. Flares. Nickels over target area.	
	LANCASTER ED. 578.	P/O. R.O. VAN NOTE, SGT. H. HOINSOME, P/O. E. GRAVER, SGT. B.H. TUBBS, P/SGT. S.H. CRAWFORD, SGT. G. SCOTT, SGT. R.T. DALE.	Bombing FRANKFURT.	0023.	0632.	Flak concentration in vicinity of FRANKFURT attacked. 03.05 1/2 hours. 14,500 ft. Target not identified. Results of bombing net observed. Nickels dropped.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	P/L. G.F. ROBERTSON, SGT. W. BROWN, P/O. R.H. SMITH, P/O. E.J. KNELL, P/SGT. K. GRESBY, SGT. W. HERRIE, SGT. G. ALLAN.	Bombing - FRANKFURT.	0012.	0625.	Believed primary attacked. 03.05 1/2 hours. 14,500 ft. Not identified. Marker flares seen at position "B" (Green). Tined run made and bombs released but no 7/1 flares seen before or after bombing. Results not seen.	

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10/4/43. (contd).	LANCASTER ED. 654.	SGT. J. McCUBBIN. SGT. M.D. OWSEN. SGT. B. SHERRY. SGT. K.J. DAGNALL. SGT. A.M. SMITH. SGT. P. LYNAM. SGT. C. STEWART.	Bombing - FRANKFURT.	0024.	0612.	Primary attacked. 0309 hours. 16,000 ft. Green flares seen at position "E" and red with green stars over target. Red flare with green stars in bomb sight. Results not seen.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 487.	F/O. G.W. FOX SGT. J. PRATT. SGT. W.H. HODSON. SGT. J. PIPER. SGT. T.N. ROBINSON. SGT. C.F. SARGENT. SGT. R. VERVOORN.	Bombing - FRANKFURT.	0017.	0543.	Primary attacked. 0309 hours. 16,000 ft. Yellow sky markers seen at position "E". Timed run brought aircraft over a reddish whitish glow. Circled glow waiting f/i markers which did not appear. Bombed reddish glow seen on 57A timed run. None seen except that glow appeared to increase after bombing.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 501.	W/G. K.B.F. SMITH, DSO. <del>XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX</del> SGT. W. THOMSON. F/O. A.J. TURNER. F/O. B.J. SMITH. SGT. G.A. TAYLOR. SGT. L.S. FIDES. F/O. R.V. PLEASANCE	Bombing FRANKFURT.			Aircraft failed to return.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 489.	F/L. A.M. HOBBS SGT. F.W. SANDERSON. Sgt. K.G. MOTT. F/O. S.L. MANFIELD. SGT. E.C. BISHOP. SGT. W.C. ROWLANDS. F/SGT. W. SLATER.	Bombing - FRANKFURT.	0014.	0636.	Primary attacked. 03.00 hours. 18,000 feet. Arrived at turning point marked by flares, did timed run into target and dropped bombs. On leaving target red f/i markers immediately astern. Nickels dropped 45 miles away from target on way in.	

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13/4/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 489.	SGT. K. TURP. SGT. D. BAILEY. P/O. H.A. CLARK. SGT. FREEZE. SGT. J. PUM SGT. S.E. SILVESTER. SGT. F. SHELMERDINE.	Bombing - SPEZIA.	2047.	0625.	Green and white flares seen at posn. "A". Flares over target made identification possible on arrival. Run made over target to try to identify ships, but these could not be picked out. On second run over target, all but one flare had gone out. Missing point in sights and bombs seen to burst in town close to A.P. Attack was made at 01.56 hours from 7,000 Feet.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 487.	P/O. C.W. FOX. SGT. J. FRAVY. SGT. W.H. HODSON. SGT. J. PIER. SGT. T.N. ROBINSON. SGT. P. RUSSELL. SGT. C.F. SARGENT.	Bombing - SPEZIA.	2050.	0636.	No bombs seen at position "A". DR. navigation failed to locate target and aircraft was over the sea. Flew North until coast was reached. River estuary, two headlands and a built up area seen which was believed to be GENOA. This built up area was in the sights when bombs were dropped from 8,000ft at 0207 hours.	
	LANCASTER ED. 799.	P/O. G.A. HALE. SGT. J.D. BODDS. SGT. R. POWELL. SGT. G.E. HALES. SGT. R.V. PIER. SGT. C. CLARK. SGT. H.L. JONES.	Bombing - SPEZIA.	2053.	0621.	Primary attack 0156 hrs. 5,500 ft. Visually identified from shape of docks in the light of white illuminating flares. No ships could be seen. A further run up made and A.P. was in sights. Own bursts not observed. Numerous fires were seen, some very large just North of A.P. and in docks to the South.	
	LANCASTER ED. 538.	SGT. R. BROWN. SGT. R. STOREY. P/O. B. CAHBY. SGT. C.P. KING. SGT. H. JENKINS. SGT. R. COX SGT. J. BLAND.	Bombing - SPEZIA.	2049.	0620.	Target attacked at 0155 hrs. 8,000 ft. F.I. seen and also white illuminators but smoke screen hid warships. Town only seen. Bombed town which was in sights. Bursts seen - several good fires seen in town.	

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13/4/43. (contd)	LANCASTER ED. 499.	F/L. G.F. ROBERTSON. SGT. W. BROWN. P/O. R.H. SMITH. P/O. E.J. KNELL. P/SGT. GREENE. SGT. W. HERRIE. SGT. G. ALLAN.	Bombing - SPEZIA.	2049.	0617.	Target attacked 01.43 1/2 hours. 7,200 ft. Green and white flares seen at Position "A". Target could be identified visually in light of flares despite smoke screen. Run up made SW-NE. Docks seen at Westerly edge of estuary. Bombs released slightly right of A.P. on line of main dock entrance. No results of own bombs seen. A few other sticks of bombs seen across dock and town area and some good fires were developing.	
	LANCASTER ED. 654.	SGT. J. McCUBBIN. SGT. N.D. OWEN. SGT. B. SHERRY. SGT. K.J. DAINALL. SGT. A.M. SMITH. SGT. J. LYNAM. SGT. C. STEWART.	Bombing - SPEZIA.	2053.	0631.	Attacked 01.47 hrs. 8,000 ft. HFF. flares illuminated the area. Fires were seen in centre of the town and in the woods to the West. Detail in the harbour was obscured by cloud. Bombs were aimed at the torpedo harbour. Results not observed. Large fire seen in centre of the town.	
14/4/43.	LANCASTER ED. 480.	F/L. W.A. MEYER. SGT. EVANS. SGT. W.H. HUNTER. SGT. N.R. McCORKINDALE. SGT. D. WILLIAMS. SGT. S.H. SINCLAIR. SGT. A.D. HART. SGT. T.W. JOHNSON.	Bombing - STUTTGART.	2218.	0441.	Attacked 01.28 1/2 hrs. 15,000 ft. T.I. yellow markers seen, and on arrival at target one red and several green T.I.s ahead. Markers had extinguished before arrival so bombed concentration of fires. Centre of concentration of fires in sights. 2 or 3 bursts seen, own bursts not observed. Very good fires, well concentrated.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 831.	F/L. A.M. HOBBS. Sgt. STOUT. SGT. F.W. SANDERSON. SGT. K.G. MOTT. P/O. S.L. MANFIELD. SGT. E.C. BISHOP. SGT. W.C. ROWLANDS. SGT. W. SLATER.	Bombing - STUTTGART.	2216.	0436.	Attacked. 01.32 hrs. 16,000 ft. Yellow ground markers seen at posns. A. & B. Timed run made from posn. B. No green markers seen. Bombed on mass of fire and smoke. Very concentrated fires seen. Large explosion, yellow in colour at 01.28 hrs.	

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14/4/43 (cont)	LANCASTER ED. 799.	P/O. R. O. VAN NOTE. SGT. H. HOUNSOME. P/O. E. GRAVER. SGT. B. H. TUBBS. SGT. A. M. JENSEN. SGT. S. SCOTT. SGT. R. F. DALE.	Bombing - STUTTGART.	2219.	0450.	Attacked 01.30 hrs. 15,500 ft. Yellow markers seen at Post A & B. Green T/I markers seen ahead as approaching STUTTGART. Bombed large red fires.	
	LANCASTER ED. 654.	SGT. G. H. SAXTON. SGT. D. C. FERRIS SGT. N. C. DONALD. SGT. M. MORRIS. SGT. J. REDDISH. SGT. J. C. OWEN. SGT. J. BURNIN.	Bombing - STUTTGART.	2220.	0455.	Attacked 01.28 hrs. 15,000 ft. T.I. yellow markers seen - Green T/I markers over target had extinguished before arrived - bombed concentration of fires. Own bursts seen and several others on run up.	
	LANCASTER ED. 487.	P/O. S. BOGZAR. SGT. G. A. NUNEE. SGT. J. W. HALL. P/O. J. B. H. CAMPBELL. SGT. C. S. WATTS. SGT. R. S. WEBB. P/SGT. R. K. BURGAR. P/SGT. G. W. BROWNE.	Bombing - STUTTGART.	2224.	0501.	Attacked 01.35 hrs. 15,000 ft. T/I yellow markers seen at Post. A & B. Green T I markers seen over target but had gone out by the time aircraft arrived. Never seen during up. Bombed large concentration of fire. Well concentrated fires were observed and tremendous columns of smoke.	
16/4/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 799.	P/O. G. A. HALE. SGT. J. DODDS. SGT. R. POWELL. SGT. G. B. HALES. SGT. V. PIPER. SGT. C. CLARK. SGT. H. L. JONES.	Bombing - SKODA WORKS, PILSEN.	2118.	0545.	Attacked primary. 01.45 hrs. 7,000 ft. Green fires only seen after bombing. Three runs made and factory clearly seen in light of illuminators. Factory in flames. Bursts seen also bursts of many other aircraft. Several explosions seen in factory.	

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16/4/43. (contd).	LANCASTER ED. 558.	W.O. W. WOOD. SGT. R. BROWN. SGT. R. STOREY. F/O. B. CAREY. SGT. C. P. KING. SGT. H. JENKINS. SGT. R. COX. SGT. J. BLAND.	Bombing - SKODA WORKS, PILSEN.	2119.	0600.	Attacked 01.44 hrs. 8,000 ft. No Green T/I until after bombing. Illuminators seen but did not illuminate factory on first run, nor on second. Only river, wood and built up area. Results not seen. Flak hole in port wing. Aerial shot away. Landed at Tangmere.	
	LANCASTER ED. 831.	F/O. G. W. FOX. SGT. J. PRATT. SGT. W. H. HODSON. SGT. J. PIER. SGT. T. N. ROBINSON. SGT. P. RUSSELL. SGT. C. F. SARGENT.	Bombing - SKODA WORKS, PILSEN.	2120.	0540.	Primary attacked 22.07 hrs. 6,000 ft. Green T/I seen then illuminators, but these only showed woods to S.E. of fires. Bomb Aimer saw buildings as bombs released. Bombed N.E. end of fires. Small explosions and three definite fires seen beyond Green markers.	
	LANCASTER W.4133.	F/O. S. BOCCAR. SGT. J. VINALL. F/O. J. P. H. CARRERE. SGT. C. S. WATTS. SGT. R. S. WEBB. F/SGT. R. K. BURGAR. F/SGT. G. W. BROWELL.	Bombing - SKODA WORKS, PILSEN.	2127.	0600.	Primary attacked 01.48 hrs. 10,000 ft. One T/I Green seen but on far side of illuminators which failed to light up factory owing to haze and some smoke. Bombed centre of concentration of fires which was under concentration of illuminators. Built up area seen in light of explosions from cookies.	
	LANCASTER ED. 836.	SGT. A. M. TUREP. SGT. D. BAILEY. F/O. H. A. CLARK. SGT. W. FREEZE. SGT. J. W. PIMM. SGT. S. E. SILVESTER. SGT. T. SHELMEARDINE.	Bombing - SKODA WORKS,	2125. 2127.	0555. 0557.	Primary attacked, 01.58 hrs. 6,000 ft. Yellow markers seen at posn. "X". Green T/I's seen and bombed red glow E. of markers. Red glow in sights. No bursts seen. Explosion seen just before bombing - reddish glow - may have been bomb burst. Good fires well concentrated. Very large amount of smoke. Nickels dropped over target.	

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16/4/43. (contd)	LANCASTER ED. 499.	F/L. G.F. ROBERTSON. SGT. G.A. NUNN. SGT. W. BROWN. P/O. R.H. SMITH. P/O. E.J. KNELL. P/SGT. K. GREENE. SGT. J. KELLY. SGT. G. ALLEN.	Bombing - SKODA WORKS. PILSEN.	2122.	0620.	Primary attacked. 01.45 hrs. 8,000 ft. No Green T/I. Seen. Illuminators seen but failed to penetrate thick smoke haze. Bombed centre of fires and smoke in conjunction with many others. Results not seen.	
	LANCASTER ED. 654.	SGT. J. McCUBBIN. SGT. N.D. OWEN. SGT. B. SHERRY. SGT. K.F. DAVALL. SGT. A.M. SMITH. SGT. P. LYNAM. SGT. C. STEWART.	Bombing - SKODA WORKS, PILSEN.	2124.	0543.	Primary attacked. 0456 hours. 7,000 ft. Green T/I seen. Three runs made. Illuminators seen but too much smoke to identify factory. Bombed centre of mass of fires and smoke in West part of the town which corresponded with position relative to river, woods S.W. Own bursts not seen. Mass of fires and smoke observed. One dull red explosion with orange flames,	
	LANCASTER. ED. 480.	SGT. G.H. SEXTON. SGT. D.C. FERRIS. SGT. W.C. MACDONALD. SGT. R.M. MORRIS. SGT. J. REDDISH. SGT. J.C. OWEN. SGT. J. BUNTIN.	Bombing - SKODA WORKS, PILSEN.	2135.	0604.	Landed at W. Malling. Details to follow.	
18/4/43.	LANCASTER W.4133.	SGT. J. EVANS SGT. V.G.L. SMITH. SGT. R. BORTHWICK. SGT. F. ROBINSON. SGT. T. MYERSCOUGH. SGT. H. ASHDOWN. SGT. D.W. BROUGH.	Bombing - SPESIA.	2103.	0638.	Primary attacked. 0207 hrs. 8,000 ft. Too late to see T/I. markers except in distance ahead, and on tip of peninsula. Saw large fire, identified built up area. Docks were covered in smoke and fore. Town in sights. Own bombs believed to have caused a large cloud of grey smoke. Large fires near A.P. but also scattered all over the town and some on the peninsula near T.I.	

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18/4/43, (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 834.	F/O. J. A. WAKEFORD.	Bombing - SPEZIA.	2108.	0645.	Primary attacked. 0215 hrs. 6,000 ft. Battleships not seen. Timed run from PALMARIA. Town and northern part of docks visually identified. A.P. in sights. Own bursts not seen. Warehouse seen burning in northern dock area, also several nice fires.	
		SGT. J. OWEN.					
		F/O. J. B. REEVES.					
		SGT. H. J. HAWKES.					
		SGT. A. B. BACKLER.					
		SGT. H. L. WILSON.					
		SGT. C. F. DOHANEY.					
LANCASTER. ED. 799.		W. O. WE WOOD.	Bombing - SPEZIA.	2110.	0614.	Primary attacked. 0220 hours. 9,000 ft. Battleships not seen. Bomb aimer identified visually. Bombed docks on East side of harbour. Burst seen near large fire. Landed at Manston.	
		SGT. C. CLAYTON.					
		SGT. CHIPPERFIELD.					
		F/O. T. MELLARD.					
		SGT. G. M. CAINES.					
		SGT. H. G. WATSON.					
		SGT. J. R. BAKER.					
LANCASTER ED. 551.		SGT. K. G. TURF.	Bombing - SPEZIA.	2107.	0637.	Primary attacked. 0154 hrs. 6,000 ft. Battleships not seen. Timed run started from PALMARIA but abandoned when town clearly seen ahead. Northern part of docks revealed by glare of Red T.I. Visual pin-pointing. Believed Naval Barracks very slightly North of A.P. in sights. Twelve bursts (including six caused from this aircraft) burst on barracks which were completely covered by smoke immediately afterwards.	
		SGT. D. BAILEY.					
		F/O. H. A. CLARK.					
		SGT. W. F. FREEZE.					
		SGT. J. W. PDM.					
		SGT. S. E. SILVESTER.					
		SGT. T. SHELBERDINE.					
20/4/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 831.	W/C. P. BURNETT.	Bombing - STETTIN.	2142.	0525.	Primary attacked. 0119 1/2 hrs. 14,000 ft. Timed run from STOLZENBURG. Green T.I. seen. Bombed on timed run, CENTRE OF CONCENTRATION of markers in sights. Own burst not seen. Concentration good. Very good fires.	
		SGT. J. PRATT.					
		F/L. W. I. N. G. DOIG.					
		F/O. E. J. KNELL.					
		F/L. J. A. G. SKINNER, D.F.C.					
		F/L. D. H. BIRD.					
		SGT. W. BERRIE.					

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20/4/43 (contd)	LANCASTER ED. 654.	SGT. G.S. STOUT.	Bombing - STETTIN.	2144.	0520.	Primary attacked. 0120 hrs. 12,000 ft. NEUMERF not identified (west of track) but green T.I. seen. Oder River seen. Bombed concentration of 5 green T.I. Own bursts not seen. Concentration appeared good. Only twofires on outskirts. Fires seen for 100 miles.	
		SGT. J. GURNEY.					
		SGT. J.H. BRYANT.					
		SGT. K. GAVIN.					
		SGT. H. NUTTALL.					
		SGT. D. BURDEN.					
		SGT. V. CORNISH-UNDERWOOD.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 834.	SGT. J. EVANS.	Bombing - STETTIN.	2149.	0404.	No target attacked. Bombs jettisoned safe 55.37 N. 10.20E. 2359 hours. 200- 500 ft. Port outer engine caught fire. Fire started in cockpit and under pilots seat. Port wing tip hit. Port side of fuselage hit. Fires extinguished. Explosion of jettisoned bombs caused severe damage to the aircraft.	
		SGT. VGL SMITH					
		SGT. R. BORTHWICK.					
		SGT. F. ROBINSON.					
		SGT. J. MYERSCOUGH.					
		SGT. H. ASHDOWN.					
		SGT. DW BROUGH.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 799.	F/L. W.A. MEYER.	Bombing - STETTIN.	2143.	0511.	Primary attacked. 0112 hours. 14,000 ft. Yellow markers seen at position "B". Timed run made from STOLZENBURG white flares and very numerous red T.I. seen over target followed by green T.I. Green T.I. insights. Own bursts not seen, but two others seen at time of bombing. Numerous fires well concentrated and a large red explosion in S.W. part of town lasting 4 - 5 seconds.	
		SGT. W.H. HUNTER.					
		SGT. N.R. McCORKINDALE.					
		SGT. D. WILLIAMS.					
		SGT. S.H. SINCLAIR.					
		SGT. A.D. HART.					
		SGT. T.W. JOHNSON.					
	LANCASTER. W.4964.	W.O. WÉ WOOD.	Bombing - STETTIN.	2147.	0524.	Primary attacked. 0119 hrs. 14,000 ft. Yellow markers seen at position "B" and timed run made from late near STOLZENBURG. Red T.I. and white flares seen over target when approaching and green T.I. seen over target. Outline of factory seen by flash in sights slightly to left of T.I. Own burst not seen. Numerous fires well concentrated were observed.	
		SGT. C. CLAYTON					
		SGT. CHIPPERFIELD.					
		P/O. T. MELLARD.					
		SGT. G.M. CAINES.					
		SGT. HG WATSON.					
		SGT. WL BARKER.					

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20/4/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 551.	F/O. R.O. VAN NOTE. SGT. H. HOUNSOME. F/O. E. GRAVER. SGT. B.H. TUBBS. SGT. A.M. QUEEN. SGT. G. SCOTT. Sgt. R.T. DALE.	Bombing - STETTIN.	2145.	0547.	Primary attacked. 0122 hrs. 15,000 ft. Yellow markers at position "B". Timed run made from LUCKOW with pinpoint on lake near Hintersee and Stolzenburg. T.I. and whiteflares seen when approaching target. Green T.I. seen over target, N.W. corner of town identified visually. Green T.I. in sights. Burst seen, also 2 or 3 others in same place. Good fires well concentrated and some scattered incendiaries seen.	
22/4/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 654.	SGT. J. MCCUBBIN. SGT. ND OWEN. SGT. B. SHERRY. SGT. K.J. DAGVALL. SGT. P.M. SMITH. SGT. P. LYNAM. SGT. C. STEWART.	Mining - FURZE.	2048.	0620.	Mines laid at 02.02 hrs. 500 ft. Clear, good visibility, moonlight. Aircraft picked up French coast North of Biarritz and flew along it until Cape Higher was seen and identified. Circled twice and timed run of 1.8 mins. made to allotted position.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 799.	SGT. R. BROWN. SGT. R. STOREY. F/O. B. CAREY. F/L. R.Y. HIGGINSON. SGT. H. JENKINS. SGT. R. COX. SGT. J. BLAND.	Mining. D.F.M.			Aircraft failed to return.	
26/4/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 493.	F/O. R.O. VAN NOTE. SGT. H. HOUNSOME. F/O. E. GRAVER. SGT. A.B. QUEEN. SGT. B.H. TUBBS. SGT. J.C. SPEELE. SGT. R.T. DALE.	Bombing - DUISBURG.	0007.	0435.	Primary attacked. 0225. 18,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I's. Docks also seen. Red T.I. in bomb sights. Fires starting which appeared well concentrated in target area.	1.

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26/4/43 (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 700.	SGT. J. P. DUNCAN.	Bombing - DUISBURG.	0003.	0435.	Primary attacked. 0219 hrs. 19,000 ft. Yellow markers at position "A". Red T.I. markers seen. Bombed concentration of Red T.I. Bomb seen to burst just outside concentration of Red T.I. Incendiaries started dropping just after aircraft bombed and attack opened well. 30 minutes after setting course home good red glow had developed.	
		F/L. A.M. HOBBS, D.F.C.					
		SGT. F.W. SANDERSON.					
		SGT. K.G. MOTT.					
		SGT. E.G. BISHOP,					
		F/O. S.L. MANFIELD.					
		SGT. W.C. ROWLANDS.					
		F/SGT. W. SLATER.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 699.	F/L. W.A. MEYER.	Bombing - DUISBURG.	0005.	0415.	Primary attacked. 0221 hrs. 20,000 ft. Yellow T.I.'s seen also red A.P. T.I.'s which were seen to fall on East side of Rhine South of Dooks which were identified. Bombed red T.I. Bursts not seen. Too early to see many fires on arrival but attack appeared to be opening promisingly.	
		SGT. W.H. HUNTER.					
		SGT. N.R. McCORKINDALE.					
		SGT. S.H. SINCLAIR.					
		SGT. D. WILBEE.					
		SGT. A.D. HART.					
		SGT. T.W. JOHNSON.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 558	F/O. C.W. FOX.	Bombing - DUISBURG.	0042.	0453.	Primary attacked. 0233 hours. 21,000 ft. Yellow T.I. Seen. Green and red very concentrated. Big concentration of both red and green T.I. markers in sights. Bursts not seen. Fires were very concentrated, but very elongated.	
		SGT. S.G. BLUNDEN.					
		SGT. W.H. HODSON.					
		Sgt. T.N. ROBINSON.					
		SGT. J. FIBER.					
		SGT. P. RUSSELL.					
		SGT. C.F. SARGENT.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	F/L. G.P. ROBERTSON.	Bombing - DUISBURG.	2350.	0500.	Details to follow.	
		F/L. R.N. DERBYSHIRE.					
		SGT. W. BROWN.					
		F/O. R.H. SMITH.					
		F/SGT. K. GREENE.					
		F/O. E.J. KNELL.					
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26/4/43 (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 836.	SGT. J McCUBBIN. SGT. ND OWEN. SGT. B SHERRY. SGT. KJ Dagnall. SGT. AM SMITH. SGT. D LYNAM. SGT. C. STEWART.	Bombing - DUISBURG.	0011.	0450.	Primary attacked. 0231 hrs. 20,000 ft. Red T.I. seen. No ground detail observed. Bombed red T.I. Extensive fires stretching 3 miles to the East from red T.I. were seen. Very good blaze.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 589.	SGT. J EVANS. SGT. VGL SMITH. SGT. R BORTHWICK. SGT. F ROBINSON. SGT. T MYERSCOUGH. SGT. H. ASHDOWN. SGT. DW BROUGH.	Bombing - DUISBURG.	0030.	0517.	Primary attacked. 0239 hours. 18,000 ft. Yellow markers seen at position "A". The red and green T.I. Red markers were in concentration of green, but slightly to S.W. Red T.I. in sights. Burst seen and several seen round concentration. Numerous fires well concentrated were seen.	
	LANCASTER ED. 656.	SGT. GS SPOUT. SGT. E SULLIVAN. SGT. JH BRYANT. SGT. K GAVIN. SGT. H. NUFFALL. SGT. D BURDEN. SGT. V CORNISH-UNDERWOOD.	Bombing - DUISBURG.	0032.	0512.	Primary attacked. 0239 hours. 20,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I.'s. Yellow flares also seen. Main concentration of T.I. in bomb sights. Good concentration of fires in target area.	
28/4/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	F/L. G.F. ROBERTSON. SGT. W. BROWN. F/O. R.H. SMITH. F/O. E.J. KNELL. F/SGT. K. GREENE. SGT. R. MOSELEY. SGT. A. BULLY.	Mining.	2045.	0325.	Mines laid in allotted area.	1

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28/4/43 (contd).	LANCASTER. ED. 838.	SPT. G.A. NUNEZ.	Mining.	2053.	0342.	Vegetables planted in allotted position at 0002 hours. 2,000 feet.	
		SPT. G COLLINS.	SILVERTOWN.				
		SPT. A BEARD.					
		SPT. E.F. DOOLITTLE.					
		SPT. R.A. PHARLAN.					
		SPT. J BAYLIS.					
		SPT. DR BARKER.					
LANCASTER. ED. 493.	LANCASTER. ED. 493.	P/O. M.V. HAZEL.	Gardening -	2051.	0345.	Mines laid at 0011 hours. 3,500 ft. in allotted position.	
		SPT. H. HOUNSALL.	VICTORIA.				
		P/O. G. STAFF.					
		SPT. B.H. TUBBS.					
		SPT. A.M. JONES.					
		SPT. G. SCOTT.					
		SPT. R.T. DALE.					
LANCASTER. ED. 487.	LANCASTER. ED. 487.	P/O. J.A. WAKEFIELD.	Gardening -	2055.	0309.	Mines laid at 0003 hours. 3,000 ft. in allotted position. Quiet trip.	
		SPT. J OWEN.	HASTERTON.				
		P/O. J.B. BEEVES.					
		SPT. H.J. HAWKIDGE.					
		SPT. A.B. BACKLIS?					
		SPT. H.L. WILSON.					
		SPT. C.F. BOHANEY.					
LANCASTER. ED. 558.	LANCASTER. ED. 558.	P/O. G.A. HALE.	Gardening -	2051.	0351.	Mines laid in allotted position at 0014 hours. 2,500 ft. Rear turret hole and rendered u/s by light flash at SANDVIG (West coast of Denmark).	
		SPT. J.D. COBES.	VICTORIA.				
		SPT. R. DOBELL.					
		SPT. G.E. HUNTS.					
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30/4/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 493.	P/O. R.O. VAN NUTS. SGT. H. HOINSOME. P/O. E. GRAVER. SGT. B.H. TUBBS. SGT. A.M. QUEEN. SGT. G. SCOTT. SGT. R.T. DALE.	Bombing - ESSEN.	0015.	0447.	Primary attacked. 0306 hrs. 21,000 ft. Red flare not seen, but green F.I. seen at a great distance. T.I. red and green stars seen with white flare. T.I. in sights. No results observed over target, but at 0333 explosion seen from 23,000 ft. which lit up whole sky for at least 5 seconds.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 489.	P/O. S. BOGZAR. SGT. J. VINALL. P/O. J.P.H. GARRETT. SGT. G.S. WATTS. SGT. R.S. WEBB. P/SGT. H.K. BURGAR. P/SGT. G.W. BROWELL.	Bombing - ESSEN.	0024.	0344.	No target attacked. Owing to icing bombs jettisoned safe at 0223 hours. 18,000 ft. 53.15N. 0332E. 90 x 4-lb. inc. hung up and brought back to base.	
	LANCASTER ED. 609.	P/O. A. WAKEFORD. SGT. A. OWEN. P/O. J.B. REEVES. SGT. H.J. HAWKIDGE. SGT. A.B. BARKER. SGT. H.L. WILSON. SGT. C.F. DOHANEY. P/Lt. MERYSHING.	Bombing - ESSEN.	2357.	0457.	Primary attacked. 0304 1/2 hrs. 19,700 ft. Red and green flares seen at positions "A" and "Y". And R.P. flares also seen. Red and green star flares in bomb sights. Results of bombing not seen. Glow of fires seen on cloud.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 689.	W/O. W.E. WOOD. SGT. C. GLAYTON. SGT. CHIPPERFIELD. P/O. T. MELLARD. SGT. G.M. GAINES. SGT. W.R. BARKER. SGT. H.G. WATSON.	Bombing - ESSEN.	0021.	0336.	No target attacked. Navigator lost consciousness owing to failure of oxygen supply. 1 x 4000 lb. and 4 x 4-lb. inc. jettisoned fused at 0235, position uncertain owing to sickness of navigator. Last fix obtained (GCR) 52.48N 02.52 E. at 0218 hours. Aircraft turned at 0225 hours, 22,000 feet, and jettisoned on reciprocal course. 630 x 4-lb. inc. brought back to base.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 551.	SGT. K.C. TUMP. SGT. D. BAILEY. P/O. H.A. CLARK. SGT. W.F. FREEZE. SGT. J.W. FIDM. SGT. S.E. SILVESTER. SGT. T. SHELLEDINE.	Bombing - ESSEN.	0020.	0420.	Primary attacked. 0311 hours. 20,000 ft. Red. T.I. seen ahead but had burnt out on arrival. Bombed on ETA from green track indicator. No results seen at time of bombing. Large explosion seen after leaving, at between 0333 and 0333 1/2 hrs. 90 x 4lb. inc hung up and brought back to base.	

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30/4/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 487.	F/O. C.A. HALE. SGT. J.D. DODDS. SGT. R. POWELL. SGT. G.E. HALES. SGT. R.V. PIPER. SGT. C. CLARK. SGT. H.L. JONES.	Bombing - ESSEN.	0002.	0450.	Primary attacked. 0301½ hrs. 20,000 feet. T.I. flares seen, also T.I. red with green stars. T.I. sky markers in sights. No results seen, but glow of fires observed after leaving. 30 x 4lb. inc hung up and were brought back. Flak holes were made in rear fuselage of aircraft.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 656.	S/Lt. R. McFARLANE, DFC. SGT. W. GRIFFITHS. SGT. GE LOCKEY. P/O. K.N. GIBSON. SGT. R. WILLIAMS. SGT. L.F. COLLINS. P/O. J. GORE, DFM.	Bombing - ESSEN	0026.	0452.	Primary attacked. 0304½ hrs. 20,000 ft. Red and green track indicating flares seen at correct positions, then red flares with green stars over target. Position of flare in sights, flare bomb extinguished. A red glow was observed under cloud. Both wings were slightly holed by heavy flak over target.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 654.	SGT. J. McCUBBIN. SGT. AD OWEN. SGT. B. SHERRY. SGT. K.J. TAYNALL. SGT. AM SMITH. SGT. P. LYNAM. SGT. C. STEWART.	Bombing - ESSEN.	0049.	0504.	Primary attacked. 0259 hrs. 20,000 ft. Red and green flares seen at positions "A" and "Y" and also the R/P flares. White R/P flare in bomb sight. Results of own bombing not seen due to cloud.	
	LANCASTER ED. 836.	SGT. GH SUTTON. SGT. DC FERRIS. SGT. Wc McDONALD. SGT. RM MORRIS. SGT. J. REDDISH. SGT. JC OWEN. SGT. J. BUNTIN.	Bombing - ESSEN.	0019.	0515.	Primary attacked. 0306 hrs. 20,000 ft. Red and green and white flare seen at correct positions. Red flare with green stars over target. Red flare with green stars in sights before bombing. Disappeared through cloud as bombs went. Own bursts not seen, but some seen on run up.  Glow of fires was observed under the cloud, fairly well concentrated.	
	LANCASTER ED. 838	SGT. G.A. NUNEZ. SGT. G. COLLINS. SGT. A BEARD. SGT. ET DOOLETTLE. SGT. RA KNATMAN. SGT. J. BAYLISS. SGT. DR BARBER.	Bombing - ESSEN.			Aircraft failed to return.	

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BARINEY.	1943 1/5.		No flying carried out. Nothing of operational importance occurred.		
	2/5		Some practice bombing was carried out during the day and aircraft were taken on test in readiness for operations, which had been detailed for the night. These, however, were later cancelled.		
	3/5.		Operations were ordered for the night, but again they were cancelled.		
	4/5.		During the daytime some practice bombing was carried out. The following aircraft and crews were prepared for a night attack against DORTMUND:- "A" (F/O. VAN NOTE); "B" (F/O. BOCZAR); "D" (F/L. WAKEFORD); "G" (F/O. HALE); "J" (SGT. DUNCAN); "K" (S/L. HOBBS); "M" (SGT. TURP); "N" (W.O. WOOD); "X" (F/L. ROBERTSON); "Y" (F/L. DERBYSHIRE); "W" (SGT. McCUBBIN); "P" (SGT. STOUT); "V" (SGT. SAKTON); "O" (S/L. McFARLANE). All the aircraft reached and bombed the target. Weather conditions were good and bombing was heavily concentrated. Many large fires were left burning in the area, and it was considered that DORTMUND was severely damaged.		
	5/5.		No operations were ordered today. Only a little local flying was undertaken during the day.		
	6/5.		Operations being ordered for the night, aircraft were air tested in readiness, but later operations were cancelled, and no further flying was undertaken.		
	7/5 $\frac{1}{2}$		No operations were detailed for today. One crew was engaged on bombing, but apart from this the day was uneventful.		
	8/5.		Nothing of operational importance occurred and no flying was carried out.		
	9/5.		The only flying carried out was air tests in preparation for operations at night, but these		

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BARDNEY.	9/5	(contd)	were subsequently cancelled.		
	10/5.		Nothing of operational importance occurred. No flying was carried out.		
	11/5.		Several crews carried out bombing practice and aircraft were tested for operations which had been ordered for the night. Again, however, they were cancelled.		
	12/5.		The following aircraft and crews were detailed to carry out an attack against DUISBURG at night: "B" (P/O. BOGZAR); "D" (P/O. FOX); "C" (P/O. HALE); "K" (P/L. WAKEFORD); "M" (S/L. HOBBS); "N" (P/L. MEYER); "T" (P/L. DERBYSHIRE); "X" (P/L. ROBERTSON); "W" (SGT. McCUBBIN); "V" (SGT. EVANS); "J" (SGT. SAXTON); "U" (SGT. DUNCAN). All aircraft took off and encountered good weather conditions on the way to the target. The attack was concentrated and considered by all crews to be very successful.		
	13/5.		Operations were again ordered, the following being detailed to attack PILSEN at night: "A" (P/O. HALE); "B" (P/O. BOGZAR); "D" (P/O. FOX); "H" (S/L. HOBBS); "J" (W/O. WOOD); "M" (SGT. TURP); "N" (P/L. MEYER); "K" (P/L. WAKEFORD); "L" (P/O. WOODHOUSE); "O" (W/CDR BURNETT); "T" (S/L. McFARLANE); "X" (P/L. ROBERTSON); "P" (SGT. SAXTON); "W" (SGT. SPOUT); "V" (SGT. EVANS); "U" (SGT. DUNCAN). All aircraft took off, but "T" (S/L. McFARLANE) returned early as one engine caught fire. "H" (S/L. HOBBS) also returned early owing to inter-comm. trouble. The remaining aircraft bombed the area marked by the P.F.F. and bombing was very concentrated. Doubt was expressed by several crews as to whether the pathfinders had, in fact, located the target.		
	14/5.		No operations were ordered for today and no flying took place.		
	15/5.		During the day bombing practice was carried out by many crews. During the night six crews undertook Bullseye exercises. There were no operations.		

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BARNBY.	9/5 (cont'd)		were subsequently cancelled.	
	10/5.		Nothing of operational importance occurred. No flying was carried out.	
	11/5.		Several crews carried out bombing practice and aircraft were tested for operations which had been ordered for the night. Again, however, they were cancelled.	
	12/5.		The following aircraft and crews were detailed to carry out an attack against DUISBURG at night: "B" (P/O. BOCCAR): "D" (P/O. FOX): "G" (P/O. HALE): "K" (P/L. WAKEFORD): "M" (S/L. HOBBS): "N" (P/L. MEYER): "T" (P/L. DERBYSHIRE): "X" (P/L. ROBERTSON): "W" (SGT. McCUBBIN): "Y" (SGT. EVANS): "J" (SGT. SUTTON): "U" (SGT. DUNCAN). All aircraft took off and encountered good weather conditions on the way to the target. The attack was concentrated and considered by all crews to be very successful.	
	13/5.		Operations were again ordered, the following being detailed to attack PILSNER at night: "A" (P/O. HALE): "B" (P/O. BOCCAR): "D" (P/O. FOX): "H" (S/L. HOBBS): "J" (W.G. WOOD): "M" (SGT. TURP): "N" (P/L. MEYER): "K" (P/L. WAKEFORD): "L" (P/O. WOODHOUSE): "O" (W/ODR. BURWELL): "T" (S/L. McPARLANE): "X" (P/L. ROBERTSON): "P" (SGT. SUTTON): "W" (SGT. STOUT): "Y" (SGT. EVANS): "U" (SGT. DUNCAN). All aircraft took off, but "T" (S/L. McPARLANE) returned early as one engine caught fire. "H" (S/L. HOBBS) also returned early owing to inter-comm. trouble. The remaining aircraft bombed the area marked by the P.F.F. and bombing was very concentrated. Doubt was expressed by several crews as to whether the pathfinders had, in fact, located the target.	
	14/5.		No operations were ordered for today and no flying took place.	
	15/5.		During the day bombing practice was carried out by many crews. During the night six crews undertook Bullseye exercises. There were no operations.	

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undertook Bullseye exercises. there were no operations.

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BARDNEY.	16/5.		Most of the day was devoted to bombing training, while one Bullseye exercise was carried out at night.		
	17/5.		Again most of the flying was bombing practice, and in addition air firing was practised. Night bombing practice was carried out by one crew.		
	18/5.		There was no flying and the day passed uneventfully.		
	19/5.		Bombing and air firing practice filled most of the day's programme of flying and four crews took part in cross-country and practise bombing at night.		
	20/5.		Again bombing practice was carried out, both by day and night. No operations were ordered.		
	21/5.		The whole day was devoted to training, mostly bombing and air firing.		
	22/5.		No operational effort was called for today and the time was spent in training.		
	23/5.		The following crews were ordered to attack DORTMUND at night:- "L" (P/L. MEYER); "H" (P/O. HALE); "A" (P/O. VAN NOTE); "N" (P/O. WOOD); "K" (P/L. WAKEFORD); "M" (P/O. BOOZAR); "D" (P/O. FOX); "J" (SGT. GILL); "T" (P/L. DERBYSHIRE); "V" (S/L. McFARLANE); "Y" (P/O. WOODHOUSE); "W" (SGT. EVANS); "X" (P/O. HEAD); "U" (SGT. LIVINGSTONE); "S" (SGT. LYON); "Z" (SGT. HALL); "O" (W/C. BURNETT). All the aircraft attacked the target where many fires were started. They were mainly concentrated although others were scattered over the area.		
	24/5.		No flying was carried out and no operations were ordered		

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BARNBY.	25/5.		<p>The following crews were briefed to carry out a night attack against MUSSELDORE:-</p> <p>"L" (P/L. MEYER); "A" (P/O. VAN NOTE); "W" (W/O. WOOD); "K" (P/L. WAKEFORD); "H" (P/O. BOZAR); "D" (P/O. FOX); "J" (SGT. GILL); "E" (SGT. HALL); "O" (S/L. McPARLANE); "M" (P/L. DERBYSHIRE); "N" (SGT. LIVINGSTONE); "W" (SGT. McCUBBIN); "Z" (P/O. WOODHOUSE); "V" (SGT. EVANS); "Y" (SGT. STOUT); "S" (SGT. LYON); "X" (P/O. HEAD).</p> <p>All aircraft took off, but "M" (SGT. LIVINGSTONE) returned to base early owing to engine trouble. "Z" (P/O. WOODHOUSE) failed to return. All other aircraft reached the target, where some cloud was encountered which rendered observation of results difficult. Many fires were started but these were somewhat scattered over a wide area.</p> <p>No flying was carried out. Operations were ordered, but these were later cancelled.</p> <p>The following crews were briefed for an attack at night on ESSEX:-</p> <p>"A" (P/O. VAN NOTE); "D" (P/O. FOX); "E" (SGT. HALL); "H" (P/L. MEYER); "J" (SGT. GILL); "K" (P/L. WAKEFORD); "N" (P/O. BOZAR); "O" (P/L. DERBYSHIRE); "X" (P/O. HEAD); "Y" (SGT. EVANS); "Y" (SGT. STOUT); "S" (SGT. LYON); "U" (SGT. LIVINGSTONE); "W" (P/O. HALE).</p> <p>Each aircraft set off on its mission, but "M" "E" (SGT. HALL) was obliged to return early to base without completing its mission. The remaining aircraft found the target area, although 6-10/10ths cloud conditions prevailed. Bombing was heavily concentrated and the glow of fires could be seen below cloud.</p> <p>A little local flying was undertaken as well as three cross-countryes, but two of these were not completed.</p> <p>Practice bombing was carried out during the morning and the following crews were ordered to attack WUPPERTAL at night:-</p> <p>"X" (P/L. ROBERTSON); "W" (SGT. McCUBBIN); "T" (P/L. DERBYSHIRE); "V" (SGT. EVANS); "U" (SGT. HINGAN); "O" (P/O. HEAD); "S" (SGT. ROBINSON); "Y" (SGT. STOUT); "A" (P/O. VAN NOTE); "D" (P/O. FOX); "H" (S/L. HOBBS); "K" (SGT. GILL); "L" (P/L. MEYER); "M" (P/O. BOZAR); "N" (W/O. WOOD); "E" (SGT. HALL).</p>
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(SGT. DUNGAN): "O" (F/O. HEAD); "S" (SGT. ROBINSON); "Y" (SGT. STOUT); "A" (F/O. VAN NOTE);  
 "D" (F/O. FOX); "H" (S/L. HOBBS); "K" (SGT. GILL); "L" (F/L. MEYER); "M" (F/O. BOOZAR);  
 "N" (W.O. WOOD); "E" (SGT. HALL).

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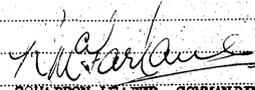
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BARINEY.	29/5	(contd)	All aircraft took off, but "E" (SGT. HALL), returned early owing to engine trouble. "V" (SGT. VANS) received damage from flak and jettisoned its bombs outside the target area. The other aircraft bombed the target and many fires were started. These were well concentrated and burning fiercely when the aircraft left.		
	30/5		The only flying undertaken was a cross-country flight by one crew. No operations were ordered.		
	31/5		No operations were ordered for today and the time was spent in the following training:- High level bombing, three-engine flying, air firing and cross-country flights.		
			<u>SUMMARY OF OFFICERS' MOVEMENTS FOR MAY, 1943.</u>		
	2/5		F/O. H.A. TAYLOR posted from No. 1660 Con. Unit.		
	3/5		F/O. H.W. WOODHOUSE posted from No. 1661 Con. Unit.		
	12/5		F/L. W.B. COWAN posted to No. 1660 Con. Unit.		
	14/5		F/L. D.H. BIRD posted to No. 1661 Con. Unit. F/L. G.A. PATTEN, MBE, posted from 1661 Con. Unit.		
	14/5		F/O. D.J. WATSON posted from H.Q. No. 5 Group.		
	15/5		F/O. R.S. SHAW and F/O. M.R. HEAD posted from No. 1661 Con. Unit.		
	19/5		F/O. H.A. CLARK posted to No. 83 Squadron.		
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				Up	Down		
4/5/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 493.	SGT. WAKEFIELD.	Bombing. DORTMUND.	2153.	03070	Primary attacked. 0134 1/2 hours. 22,500 ft. Yellow, red and green markers seen. Green T.I. in sights. Height helped accurate bombing by giving longer and steadier run up. Some sticks of incendiaries seen jettisoned North of target but main attack appeared to be well concentrated. Target covered with smoke up to 5,000 ft. About 40% fires tending to merge. Particularly large gush of flame at 1035 hours. Resulting fires could be seen for 10 minutes.	
		F/O. R.O. VAN NOTE.					
		SGT. H. HOUNSOME.					
		F/O. E. GRAVER.					
		SGT. B.H. TUBBS.					
	LANCASTER ED. 489.	SGT. A.M. QUEEN.	Bombing DORTMUND.	2155.	0318.	Primary attacked. 0134 hours. 18,000 ft. Remains of yellow markers seen. Green with red T.I. alongside seen. Bombed green. Height helped to steady bombing run. Fires very concentrated with very big columns of smoke.	
		F/O. S. BOZGAR.					
		SGT. J. VINALL.					
		F/O. J.P.H. CARRERE.					
		SGT. G.S. WATTS.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 487.	SGT. R.S. WEBB.	Bombing. DORTMUND.	2134	0232.	Primary attacked. 0102 hrs. 19,500 ft. Identified by green T.I.'s. Yellow T.I.'s seen on track. Green T.I.'s in bomb sights. Incendiaries and 4,000 lb. bomb seen to explode. Glow of fires seen from Zuyder Zee on return.	
		F/O. J.A. WAKEFORD.					
		F/O. J. WOODHOUSE.					
		SGT. OWEN.					
		F/O. J.B. REEVES.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 666.	SGT. H.J. HAWKRIDGE.	Bombing. DORTMUND.	2147.	0326.	Primary attacked 0135 hrs. 21,000 ft. Yellow T.I. seen. Timed run. Green T.I. seen. Concentration of T.I. red bombed. Green had gone out. Some aircraft carrying incendiary load appeared to bomb short, but concentration of H.B.'s and H.O.'s appeared excellent. Several large orange explosions seen, largest being at 0129 hrs. slightly to West of fires. One very large orange fire seen burning S.E.	
		SGT. A. B. BACKLER.					
		SGT. WILSON.					
		SGT. C. DOHANEY.					
		F/O. G.A. HALE.					
		SGT. J. DODDS.					
		SGT. R.M. POWELL.					
		SGT. G.E. HALES.					
		SGT. R.V. PIPER.					
		SGT. C. CLARK.					
		SGT. H.L. JONES.					

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				Up	Down		
4/5/43 (contd)	LANCASTER.	SGT. J. D. DUNCAN.	Bombing.	2202.	0410.	Primary attacked. 0155 hrs. 19,000'. Red T.I.'s seen also green T.I.'s but these had gone out on arrival. Red T.I.'s in sights. Fierce fires well concentrated with a few scattered bombs outside main area. Many bomb bursts seen amongst fires. Smoke seen up to estimated height of 8,000'. Glow of fires reflected on the pall of smoke so that it could be seen from Dutch coast.	
	REF. W.4964.	SGT. S.G. BLUNDEN. P/SGT. H.T. BROWN. SGT. G. BAFFLEY. SGT. S. HUGHES. SGT. L.G. WARNER. SGT. D. & McMILLAN.	DORMUND.				
	LANCASTER. ED. 551.	SGT. K.C. TURP. S. SGT. D. BAILEY. P/O. H.A. CLARKE. SGT. W.F. FREEZE. SGT. J.W. PIMM. SGT. S.E. SILVESTER SGT. T. SHELMEKDINE.	Bombing. DORMUND.	217.	0336.	Primary attacked. 0127 hrs. 19,000 ft. Yellow track marker seen at posn. 'X'. About 8 red T.I. seen over target, then four green. Green T.I. in sights. Green were in the centre of red concentration. Own burst not seen, but several others, well concentrated. Fires very numerous and well concentrated. 0113 hrs. large orange explosion, burned about 16 seconds, flames to about 3,000 ft., followed by pall of smoke. Very large fire seen just after bombing.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 558.	W.O. V.E. WOOD. SGT. C. CLAYTON. SGT. E.L. CRAMP. P/O. T. MELLARD. SGT. G.T.M. GAINES. SGT. W.R. BARKER. SGT. H.G. WATSON.	Bombing. DORMUND.	2150.	0330.	Primary attacked. 0132 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by green and red T.I.'s. Yellow T.I. on track also seen. Green T.I. in bomb sights. Greater height should, if anything improves accuracy of bombing. Many big fires seen to be well concentrated. On run up on target a large explosion seen slightly to East of red T.I.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	P/L. G. ROBERTSON. SGT. W. BROWN. P/O. R.H. SMITH. P/O. E.J. KNELL. P/SGT. K. GREENE. P/O. E.W. ARMSTRONG. SGT. A. BILLY.	Bombing. DORMUND.	2138.	0250.	Primary attacked. 18,000 ft. 0106 1/2 hrs. Identified by red T.I.'s. Yellow T.I.s on track also seen. Concentration of red T.I.'s in bomb sights. Accuracy of bombing not affected height. Results of own bombing not seen. On leaving target, although early, bombing seemed confined to two concentrations.	

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4/5/43.	LANCASTER.	F/L J.N. DERBYSHIRE.	Bombing.	2152.	0340.	Primary attacked 0133 hrs. 20,000 ft. Yellow T.I. seen also red and green T.I. seen. Bombed green T.I. Some scattered bombing, but mainly well concentrated. Considerable black oil smoke, origin believed 2 miles West of A.P.	
	ED. 836.	SGT. E. SULLIVAN.	DORTMUND.				
		SGT. E. GILL.					
		SGT. F. OVEREND.					
		SGT. E. OAKES.					
		SGT. E.G. COLE.					
		SGT. T. PARSON.					
	LANCASTER	SGT. J. McCUBBIN.	Bombing.	2156.	0309.	Primary attacked. 0131 hrs. 21,000 ft. Yellow track indicators seen at posn. "X". Red T.I. over target, and green T.I. seen after bombing. Centre of concentration of red T.I. in sights. Own burst not definitely seen, but several others seen, well concentrated. Fires numerous and in one main concentration, Several other fires scattered round concentration.	
	ED. 654.	SGT. N. D. OWEN.	DORTMUND.				
		SGT. B. SHERRY.					
		SGT. K.J. DAGMALL.					
		SGT. AM. SMITH.					
		SGT. P. LYNAM.					
		SGT. C. STEWART.					
	LANCASTER.	SGT. G.S. STOUT.	Bombing -	2149.	0331.	Primary attacked. 0138 hrs. 20,000 ft. Yellow T.I. seen at posn. "X" then red T.I. over target. Green seen on run up but had extinguished on arrival. Centre of red T.I. concentration in sights. Own burst not seen. One bomb burst (not 4000 lb) seen on leaving target. Fires very numerous and well concentrated. Scattered incendiaries on outskirts of concentration. Very large explosion at 0134 hrs.	
	ED. 589.	SGT. <del>MORRIS</del> J.A. GURVEY.	DORTMUND.				
		SGT. J.H. BRYANT.					
		SGT. K. GAVIN.					
		SGT. A. NUTTALL.					
		SGT. D. BURDEN.					
		SGT. V. CORNISH-UNDERWOOD.					
	LANCASTER.	SGT. G.H. SAXTON.	Bombing.	2154.	0400.	Primary attacked. 0135 hrs. 21,500 ft. Yellow T.I. seen at posn. "X". Red and green T.I. seen while approaching target, but green had fizzled out on arrival. Red T.I. in sights. 4,000lb. seen to burst. Several bursts seen well concentrated. At 0135 hrs. very large dull red explosion causing column of red orange fire which burned for a considerable time, followed by a pall of smoke.	
	ED. 656.	SGT. D.C. FERRIS.	DORTMUND.				
		SGT. W.C. McDONALD.					
		SGT. R.M. MORRIS.					
		SGT. J. REDDISH.					
	2	SGT. J.C. OWEN.					
		SGT. J. BUNTIN.					

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4/5/43.	LANCASTER ED. 700.	S/L. R. McFARLANE.	Bombing.	2150.	0324.	Primary attacked 0132 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I.'s. Concentration of red T.I. in bomb sights. Many 4,000 lb. bombs seen to explode in target area. Large fires well concentrated, and glow seen from Zuyder Zee on return.	
		SGT. W. GRIFFITHS.	DORTMUND.				
		SGT. G.E. LOCKEY.					
		P/O. K.N. GIBSON.					
		SGT. R. WILLIAMS.					
		SGT. L.F. COLLINS.					
		F/O. J. CORK.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 689.	S/L. A.M. HOBBS.	Bombing.	2441.	0245.	Primary attacked. 0106 hrs. 20,000 ft. Yellow markers good. Green markers and red seen. Red markers appeared to be short of green (North). Canals seen momentarily in in light of photo flash. Green markers had gone out during run up so overran red markers already seen to be short. Attack appeared to open promisingly. Aircraft lit up by huge orange explosion and lasted 5 seconds.	
		SGT. F.W. SANDERSON.	DORTMUND.				
		SGT. K.G. MOTT.					
		F/O. SL. MANFIELD.					
		SGT. E.C. BISHOP.					
		SGT. W.C. ROWLANDS.					
		F/SGT. P. SLATER.					
12/5/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 836.	F/L. J.N. DERBYSHIRE.	Bombing -	2342.	0424.	Primary attacked. 0230 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by yellow T.I.'s on track and red and green T.I.'s on target. Centre of concentration of green T.I.'s in bomb sights. No red T.I. at actual time of bombing. Bombs concentrated around the T.I.'s. A very big fire seen 2 miles North of target. much smoke. Height did not affect accuracy of bombing.	
		SGT. E. SULLIVAN.	DUISBURG.				
		SGT. J. GILL.					
		SGT. F. OVEREND.					
		SGT. E. OAKES.					
		SGT. G. COLE.					
		SGT. J. PARSONS.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	F/L. G.P. ROBERTSON.	Bombing.	2342.	0424.	Primary attacked <sup>0204</sup> <del>0230</del> hrs. <sup>18</sup> <del>20</del> ,000 ft. Identified by yellow T.I.'s on track and red and green T.I.'s on target. Centre of concentration of green T.I.'s in bomb sights. No red T.I. Yellow markers seen at posn. "X" and red and green T.I.'s over target. River identified. Red T.I. in sights. Two red and one green T.I. seen in all - two red close together. Two good bursts seen. 0209 hrs. very large red explosion. flared up and died down almost immediately.	
		SGT. W. BROWN.	DUISBURG.				
		F/O. R.H. SMITH.					
		F/O. E.J. KNELL.					
		F/SGT. K. GREENE.					
		F/O. E.N. ARMSTRONG.					
		SGT. A. FELLY.					

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12/5/43. (contd)	LANCASTER ED. 654.	SGT. J. McCUBBIN. SGT. N.D. OWEN. SGT. B. SHERRY. SGT. K.J. DAGNALL. SGT. A.M. SMITH. SGT. P. LYNAM. SGT. C. STEWART.	Bombing - DUISBURG.	2348.	0426.	Primary attacked 0230 hrs. 20,000 ft. Yellow markers seen at posn. "X", red and green T.I's seen over target. River seen on approach. Centre of concentration of red T.I's in sights. One green and four red T.I's seen in all. Red T.I's were in circle within about two miles of each other. Very large explosion seen in direction of target at 0214 hrs. Lit up area and died down again. Red T.I's had been dropped in that position.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 656½	SGT. J. EVANS. SGT. V.G.L. SMITH. SGT. R. BORTHWICK, SGT. F. ROBINSON. SGT. A. FIELDING. SGT. H.I. ASHDOWN, SGT. D.W. BROUGH.	Bombing - DUISBURG.	2350.	0446.	Primary attacked. 0234 hrs. 19,500 ft. Yellow markers not seen. Red and green T.I's seen over target. River seen on approach. Red T.I in sights. T.I's seemed rather scattered. T.I. bombed was near concentration of red. Several bursts seen seemed well concentrated. Very large explosion about 0229 hrs. in centre of T.I's flared up and lasted about 10 seconds before dying down.	
	LANCASTER. W.4964.	SGT. G.H. SAXTON. SGT. D.C. FERRIS. SGT. W.C. McDONALD. SGT. R.M. MORRIS. SGT. J. REDDISH. SGT. J.C. OWEN. SGT. J. BUNTIN.	Bombing - DUISBURG.	2345.	0441.	Primary attacked. 0231 hrs. 20,000 ft. Red T.I. in sights the only one alight at time of bombing. Position was seen in centre of concentration of red and green T.I's, these had fizzled out. Several bursts seen, some appeared slightly short of target. Very large explosion seen just after bombing slightly to West of markers, burned for several seconds. Fires very numerous.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 480.	SGT. J.D. DUNGAN. SGT. S.G. BLUNDEN. P/SGT. H. BROWN. SGT. G. BARTLEY. SGT. S. HUGHES. SGT. L.G. WARNER. SGT. D.B. McMILLAN.	Bombing. DUISBURG.	0001.	0430.	Primary attacked. 0231 hrs. 19,500 ft. Centre of concentration of green T.I's in bomb sights. No red T.I. at actual time of bombing. Bombing seemed well concentrated and a big fire seen in dock area.	

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12/5/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 489.	F/O. S. BOZAR. SGT. LYON. SGT. J. V. WALL. P/O. J. P. H. CARRERE. SGT. C. S. WATTS. SGT. R. S. WEBB. F/SGT. R. K. BURGAR. F/SGT. G. W. BROWELL.	Bombing - DUISBURG.	2341.	0406.	Primary attacked. 0212 hrs. 17,500 ft. One red T.I. believed in bomb sight but perspex smashed by heavy flak. Attack opened with fairly good concentration.	
	LANCASTER ED. 487.	F/O. C. W. FOX. SGT. K. McCHERRY. SGT. W. H. HODSON. SGT. R. PIPER. SGT. T. N. ROBINSON. SGT. P. RUSSELL. SGT. C. F. SARGENT.	Bombing - DUISBURG.	2349.	0414.	Primary attacked. 0223 1/2 hrs. 19,000 ft. Red T.I. in sight. Red T.I.'s were in centre of concentration of green and the T.I. bombed was one of the centre red ones. One very large explosion at 0216 1/2 hrs. South of concentration of markers. Red sheet of flame shot up to about 1000 ft., then died down, two smaller explosions followed immediately after. Two others seen at N.W. corner of concentration.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 666	F/O. C. A. HALE. SGT. J. D. DODDS. SGT. R. FOWELL. SGT. G. E. HALES. SGT. R. V. PIPER. SGT. C. CLARK. SGT. H. L. JONES.	Bombing - DUISBURG.	2339.	0410.	<del>Primary attacked</del> Target reached 0202 hrs. Yellow track indicators seen. Also red and green T.I. Made three runs but bomb doors failed to open each time. All bombs brought back. Hydraulic feed pipe shot away in encounter with JU.88 claimed as probably destroyed. Also ancillary controls, port outer damaged. U/S.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 689.	F/L. J. A. WAKEFORD. F/O. H. WOODHOUSE. SGT. J. OWEN. F/O. J. B. REEVES. SGT. H. J. HAWKRIEDE. SGT. A. B. BACKLER. SGT. H. L. WILSON. SGT. C. F. DOHANEY.	Bombing. DUISBURG.	2334.	0359.	Primary attacked 0207 hrs. 18,500 ft. One red T.I. in bomb sight. Height did not affect accuracy of bombing. Quite a number of bombs seen to fall on the T.I.'s. 1 x 1000 lb. hung up.	

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12/5/43.	LANCASTER	S/L. A.M. HOBBS.	Bombing -	2330.	0356.	Primary attacked. 0202 hrs. 19,000 ft. Yellow T.I.'s seen at position "X" and timed run made from them. Two red T.I.'s seen over target. Green were not seen till after leaving target. River seen and possibly docks. Two red T.I.'s in sights. Stick of bombs seen to burst near red T.I.'s. First bombing seen from some distance away on return. Seemed well concentrated.	
	ED. 551.	SGT. F.W. SANDERSON. SGT. K.G. MOTT. SGT. C.P. KING. SGT. E.C. BISHOP. SGT. W.C. ROWLANDS. F/SGT. W. SLATER.	DUISBURG.				
	LANCASTER.	F/L. W.A. MEYER.	Bombing -	2340.	0420.	Primary attacked. 0225 1/2 hrs. 20,000 ft. Yellow track indicators seen. Two red T.I. and 1 green T.I. close together. Accurate GEE fix obtained as incendiaries left aircraft and timed run made from yellow. One red T.I. in sights. Bombs very concentrated round the markers.	
	ED. 558.	SGT. W. HUNTER	DUISBURG.				
		SGT. N.R. McGEORIKINDALE.					
		SGT. D. WILLBEE.					
		SGT. S.H. SINCLAIR.					
13/5/43.	LANCASTER.	W/CDR. P. BURNETT.	Bombing -	2127.	0507.	Primary attacked. 0124 hrs. 11,500 ft. Track markers, yellow and white seen. Approx. 12 T.I. markers seen, well concentrated at first but tending to scatter. Cluster of red T.I.'s in sights. Bursts seen adjacent to concentration.	
	ED. 700.	SGT. W.F. JOWERS.	PILSEN.				
		F/L. W.I.N.G. DOIG, D.F.C.					
		F/L. H.A. TAYLOR.					
		F/L. J.A.G. SKINNER, D.F.C.					
		F/L. D.H. BIRD.					
	LANCASTER,	S/L. R. McFARLANE, DFC.	Bombing.	2150.	0012.	No target attacked. Aircraft returned from position 53.20 N. 03.55 E. owing to outer starboard engine catching fire and pilot found engine would not feather. Both outboard engines running very rough prior to engine catching fire. 1 x 4000 lb. HC & 10 x 500 lb. HC jettisoned live at 53.20N. 03.30E. 2259 hrs.	
	ED. 836.	SGT. W. GRIFFITHS.	PILSEN.				
		SGT. G.E. LOCKEY.					
		p/O. K.N. GIBSON.					
		SGT. R. WILLIAMS.					
	SGT. L.P. COLLINS.						
	F/O. J. GORK, DFC.						

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19/5/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	F/L. G.F. ROBERTSON. SGT. W. BROWN. F/O. R.H. SMITH. F/O. E.J. KNELL. F/SGT. K. GREENE. F/O. E.N. ARMSTRONG. SGT. J. MOSELEY. SGT. G.H. SAYTON. SGT. D.C. FERRIS. SGT. W.C. McDONALD. SGT. R.M. MORRIS. SGT. J. REDDISH. SGT. J.C. OWEN. SGT. J. BLUNTIN.	Bombing - PILSEN.	2126.	0440.	Primary attacked. 0120 1/2 hrs. 12,000 ft. Identified by yellow and white T.I.'s on track and two red T.I.'s on target. One red T.I. in bomb sight. Bombing well concentrated around the red T.I.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 589.	SGT. G.H. SAYTON. SGT. D.C. FERRIS. SGT. W.C. McDONALD. SGT. R.M. MORRIS. SGT. J. REDDISH. SGT. J.C. OWEN. SGT. J. BLUNTIN.	Bombing - PILSEN.	2142.		Aircraft failed to return - no signals received.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 654.	SGT. G.S. STOUT. SGT. F.R. GURNEY. SGT. J.H. BRYANT. SGT. K. GAVIN. SGT. A. NUTTALL. SGT. D. BURDEN. SGT. V. CORNISH-UNDERWOOD.	Bombing - PILSEN.	2130.	0524.	Primary attacked. 0122 hrs. 12,000 ft. Identified by yellow and white T.I.'s on track and illuminating flares and red, and one red T.I. on target. One red T.I. in bomb sights. Bombing well concentrated round the red T.I.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 656.	SGT. J. EVANS. SGT. V.G.L. SMITH. SGT. R. BOPPHWISK. SGT. F. ROBINSON. SGT. FLEMING. SGT. JEFFREY. SGT. H.I. ASHDOWN. SGT. D.W. BROUGH.	Bombing - PILSEN.	2133.	0548	Primary attacked. 0120 1/2 hrs. 14,500 ft. Yellow markers at "X". White at "B", red and green over target. Red T.I. in sight, only one seen. Others went down after bombing. Bombs seen to burst near T.I. - built up area seen. A few fires seen and several bursts - seemed well concentrated.	

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13/5/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 480.	SGT. J. D. DUNCAN. SGT. S. G. BLUNDEN. P/SGT. H. T. BROWN. SGT. G. BARTLEY. SGT. S. HUGHES. SGT. L. G. WARNER. SGT. D. B. McMILLAN.	Bombing - PILSEN.	2137.	0505.	Primary attacked. 0121 hrs. 12,000 ft. Identified by yellow and white T.I's on track and illuminating flares and two red T.I's on target. 2 red T.I's merged in bomb sights, too early to see much results from bombing, but 1 x 4000 seen to explode very near T.I.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 699.	F/O. H. WOODHOUSE. SGT. J. DAKER. SGT. J. B. CORRETT. SGT. H. J. WARREN. SGT. W. SMITH. SGT. A. G. COFFIN. SGT. E. L. MATTHEWS.	Bombing - PILSEN.	2136. <del>2137.</del>	0515. <del>0505.</del>	Primary attacked 0125 hrs. 10,000 ft. Yellow and white track indicators seen. One red T.I. seen at 0114 hours, followed by a cluster and two or three minutes later. Cluster of red T.I's in sights. No results seen, but bombing accurate on markers. After igniting, red markers gave the impression of burning in open country.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 493.	F/O. C. A. HALE. SGT. J. B. DODDS. SGT. R. POWELL. SGT. G. E. HALES. SGT. R. V. PIPER. SGT. C. CLARK. SGT. H. L. JONES.	Bombing - PILSEN.	2125.	0451.	Primary attacked. 0119 hrs. 10,000 ft. Identified by yellow and white T.I's on track, and illuminated flares and red and green T.I's on target. One red T.I. in bomb sight. Bombs well concentrated round T.I.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 489.	F/O. S. BOGZAR. SGT. LYON. SGT. J. VYNALL. F/O. J. P. H. CARRERE. SGT. G. S. WATTS. SGT. R. S. WEBB. P/SGT. R. K. BURGAR. P/SGT. G. W. BROWELL.	Bombing - PILSEN.	2128.	0455.	Primary attacked. 0125 hrs. 12,000 ft. Track indicators on route seen. 9 red T.I's seen in a cluster and one red T.I. 3 miles N.W. Centre of cluster of T.I's in sights. Bursts seen believed to be own adjacent to T.I's. Attack appeared to be concentrated on T.I's.	

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13/5/43. (contd)	LANCASTER ED. 487.	F/O. C.W. FOX.	Bombing -	2135.	0511.	Primary attacked. 0125 hrs. 9,000 ft. Large number of red T.I's seen, mostly concentrated. Concentration of red T.I'S in sights. Bursts not seen. Good glow of fires seen, still seen after leaving KASSEL. Starboard outer u/s at target - returned on three engines.	
		SGT. R.H. McCLEERY.	PILSEN.				
		SGT. W.H. HODSON.					
		SGT. J. PLEER.					
		SGT. T.N. ROBINSON.					
		SGT. P. RUSSELL.					
		SGT. G.F. SARGENT.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 831.	S/L. A.M. HOBBS, DFC.	Bombing -	2138.	0045.	No target attacked. Returned early from TEXEL owing to inter-comm to both mid upper and rear turrets being u/s. 1 x 4000 lb. HC and 10 x 500 lb. MC. jettisoned (live) in channel between DEN HELDER and SOUTH TEXEL at 2324 hrs.	
		SGT. F.W. SANDERSON.	PILSEN.				
		SGT. K.G. MOTT.					
		SGT. KING.					
		SGT. E.C. BISHOP.					
		SGT. W.G. ROWLANDS.					
		F/SGT. F. SLATER.					
	LANCASTER W. 4964.	W/O. W.E. WOOD.	Bombing -	2134.	0540.	Primary attacked. 0122 hrs. 12,000 ft. Identified by yellow and white T.I's on track and illuminating flares and red T.I's on target. Cluster of 3/4 red T.I's in bomb sights. Bombs well concentrated on red T.I's. 1 x 4000 lb. seen to explode on red T.I.	
		SGT. G.E. CLAYTON.	PILSEN.				
		SGT. E.L. CRAMP.					
		F/O. T. MELLARD.					
		SGT. G.P.M. CAINES.					
		SGT. W. BARKER.					
		SGT. H.G. WATSON.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 551	SGT. K.C. TURP.	Bombing -	2132.	0501.	Primary attacked. 0423 hrs. 12,000 ft. Yellow markers at "X" also two greens. White markers at "B". Red markers over target, also some green. Centre of red concentration of T.I. in sights. Bombs seen to burst, believed slightly to West of target. Fires not numerous. Any bursts seen. Seemed fairly concentrated.	
		SGT. K. PACK.	PILSEN.				
		F/O. H.A. CLARK.					
		SGT. W.F. FREEZE.					
		SGT. J.W. PIMM.					
		SGT. S.E. SILVESTER.					
		SGT. T. SHELMEYNE.					

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13/5/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 578.	F/L. W.A. MEYER.	Bombing - PILSEN.	2129.	0448.	Primary attacked 0117 hrs. 10,000 ft. Yellow markers and two track indicators at pos. "X" White markers and one green at posn. "B". White markers very scattered. Two red markers seen adjacent. P.F.F. 3 minutes late. Bombed the two red markers. After bombing more red markers seen but very scattered. 4000 lb. seen to burst near to red markers. No fires seen but too early to judge effectiveness of attack.	
		SGT. W.R. HUNTER.					
		SGT. N.R. McCORKINDALE.					
		SGT. D. WILLEBE.					
		SGT. S.H. SINCLAIR.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 689.	F/L. J.A. WAKEFORD.	Bombing. PILSEN.	2131.	0453.	Primary attacked. 0126 hrs. 7,100 ft. Yellow markers at position "X" White markers, also some red and one green at position "B" Red markers and green seen over target and several clusters of white flares. Red T.I. in centre of red concentration in sights. Many good bursts seen. Well concentrated. Fires not very numerous at time of bombing, but several explosions. Large red explosion in centre of markers at 0125 hours approx. flared up and died down again leaving column of smoke after bombing another large explosion seen, approx. 0129 hrs.	
		SGT. J. OWEN.					
		F/O. J.B. REEVES.					
		SGT. H.J. HAWKBRIDGE.					
		SGT. A.B. BACKLER.					
23/5/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 700.	W/CDR. P. BURNETT.	Bombing - DORTMUND.	2225	0400.	Primary attacked. 0143 hrs. 24,000 ft. No yellow markers seen. Red and green T.I's seen. Bombed two adjacent red T.I. Green T.I. very scattered. Very big fires seen near T.I's, but also a large number of additional fires scattered over a very wide area.	
		SGT. W. JOWERS.					
		F/L. J. BRECKELL.					
		F/L. H.A. TAYLOR.					
		F/L. J.A.G. SKINNER, DFC.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 699.	MAJOR MULLOCK.	Bombing - DORTMUND.	2209.	0255.	Primary attacked. 0103 hrs. 20,000 ft. Yellow markers seen at posn. "X" and timed run made from these. One red T.I. seen over target followed by green 10/15 miles short of of the red. More Red seen after bombing. One red T.I. in sights. One burst seen and another nearby. Too early to observe results. One stick of incendiaries was seen very short of the target.	
		F/L. C.A. PATTEN.					
		F/L. W.A. MEYER.					
		SGT. W.R. HUNTER.					
		SGT. N.R. McCORKINDALE.					
		SGT. D. WILLEBE.					
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		SGT. A.D. HART.					
		SGT. T.W. JOHNSON.					

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23/5/43. (cont'd)	LANCASTER. ED. 831.	P/O. C. A. HALE.	Bombing - DORTMUND.	2212.	0258.	Primary attacked. 0102 hrs. 21,500 ft. Identified by yellow T.I. on track and red and green T.I. over target. Timed run made from yellow T.I. and red T.I. in bomb sight. 3 x 4000 lb HC seen to fall within 200 yards of T.I. prior to releasing our bombs. Large explosion seen at S.W. point of target at 0108 hours.						
		SGT. J. D. DODDS.										
		SGT. R. POWELL.										
		SGT. C. E. HALES.										
		SGT. R. V. FIER.										
		SGT. K. MOSSLEY.										
		SGT. H. I. JONES.										
		P/O. R. O. VAN NOTE.						2238.	0935.	Primary attacked. 0140 hrs. 21,000 ft. No yellow markers seen. Red T.I. seen before arrival at target but had fizzled out on arrival. Green T.I. seen approx. 2000 yds. posn. as red. Centre of concentration of Green T.I. in sights. Own burst not seen, but several others seen to burst very near markers. Many good fires well concentrated including one large oil fire with column of smoke.		
		LANCASTER. ED. 493.						SGT. H. HOUNSOME. P/O. E. GRAVER. SGT. B. H. TUBBS. SGT. A. M. QUEEN. SGT. G. SCOTT. SGT. R. T. DALE.	Bombing - DORTMUND.	2231.	0349.	Primary attacked. 0143 hrs. 20,000 ft. No yellow markers but red and green T.I.'s seen over target. Fires very numerous, but spread over a very large area.
		LANCASTER. ED. 689.						P/O. W. E. WOOD. SGT. C. E. CLAYTON. P/O. E. L. CRAMP. P/O. T. MELLARD. SGT. G. T. M. CAINES. SGT. E. R. BARKER. SGT. H. G. WATSON. P/L. J. A. WAKEFORD. SGT. J. OWEN. P/O. J. B. REEVES. SGT. H. J. HAWKRIE. SGT. A. B. BACKLER. SGT. F. A. BAIVES. SGT. C. P. DOHANEY.	Bombing - DORTMUND.	2211.	0903.	Primary attacked. 0103 hrs. 18,300 ft. Yellow T.I. seen. Timed run from posn. "X". Bombed red T.I. 49 secs. after E.T.A. timed run (considerable weaving). Bombing seemed to be very concentrated round red T.I. which went down at 0058 followed by another at 0102 which was adjacent and backed up by two greens.

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29/5/43 (contd)	LANCASTER.	F/O. S. BOZAR.	Bombing -	2210.	0300.	Primary attacked. 0104 hrs. 19,500 ft. Yellow T.I. seen on track from which timed run was made and red T.I. on ETA. Red T.I. in bomb sights. Three 4000 lb. HC seen to explode close to T.I.'s. 0104 hrs. large explosion seen.	
	ED. 551 1/2	SGT. J. VINALL.	DORTMUND.				
		F/O. J.P.H. CARRERS.					
		SGT. G.S. WATTS.					
		SGT. R.S. WEBB.					
	F/SGT. R.K. BURGAR.						
	F/SGT. G.W. BROWELL.						
	LANCASTER.	F/O. G.W. FOX.	Bombing -	2235.	0330.	Primary attacked. 0137 1/2 hrs. Yellow T.I. on track not seen. Red and green T.I.'s on target. Centre of concentration of green T.I.'s in bomb sights. No red at time of bombing. Fires seen which appeared rather scattered.	
	ED. 487.	SGT. L.H. McGLEERY.	DORTMUND.				
		SGT. W.H. HODSON.					
		SGT. J. PIPEP.					
		SGT. F.N. ROBINSON.					
		SGT. P. RUSSELL.					
		SGT. C.F. SARGENT.					
	LANCASTER.	S/L. R. McFARLANE, DFC.	Bombing -	2236.	0327.	Primary attacked. 0136 hrs. 21,000 ft. Yellow T.I. seen at posn. "X". No timed run as aircraft early at posn. "X". Trying to waste time. Bombed early as new red T.I. went down and some difficulty in distinguishing red T.I. from fires. Red T.I. in sight. Glow seen from ZUIDER ZEE in spite of very strong smoke haze.	
	ED. 656	SGT. W. GRIFFITHS.	DORTMUND.				
		SGT. G.E. LOCKEY.					
		F/O. K.N. GIBSON.					
		SGT. R. WILLIAMS.					
		SGT. L.F. COLLINS.					
		F/O. J. CORK, DEM.					
	LANCASTER	F/L. J.N. DERBYSHIRE.	Bombing -	2239.	0346.	Primary attacked. 0139 hrs. 20,000 ft. Yellow T.I. seen too late to make timed run. Red T.I. and cluster of green seen. Bombed red T.I. surrounded by cluster of green. Fairly large fires seen. Much smoke. Main fires very concentrated. Several subsidiary fires in wider area.	
	ED. 836.	SGT. E. SULLIVAN.	DORTMUND.				
		SGT. J. GILL.					
		SGT. F. OVERKIND.					
		SGT. E. OAKES.					
		SGT. E. COLE.					
		SGT. T. PARSONS.					

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23/5/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 975	F/O. H.W. WOODHOUSE.	Bombing -	2240.	0346.	Primary attacked. 0138 hrs. 21,000 ft. Posn. not identified. Green T.I. seen on target and river also seen. Centre of concentration of green T.I.'s in bomb sights. No red at time of bombing. Large column of heavy black smoke seen rising to about 10,000 ft. with flames underneath.	
		SGT. L. DAKER.	DORTMUND.				
		SGT. J.B. CORBETT.					
		SGT. H.J. WARREN.					
		SGT. W. SMITH.					
		SGT. A.G. COFFIN.					
		SGT. E.L. MATTHEWS.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 654.	SGT. J. EVANS.	Bombing -	2230.	0355.	Primary attacked. 0140 hrs. 21,000 ft. No yellow T.I. seen (South of track) Red and green T.I. markers seen. Bombed centre of 3 red T.I. Some scattered green in vicinity. At 0139 hrs. a 4000 lb. bomb seen to explode. Large explosion with orange flames followed by big column of smoke.	
		SGT. V.G.L. SMITH	DORTMUND.				
		SGT. R. BORTHWICK.					
		SGT. F. ROBINSON.					
		SGT. T. MYERSCOUGH.					
		SGT. H.I. ASHDOWN. SGT. D.W. BROUGH.					
	LANCASTER. ED ED. 499.	F/O. N.R. HEAD.	Bombing -	2237.	0357.	Primary attacked 0140 hrs. 18,000 ft. Yellow T.I.'s seen on track from which timed run was made, and by red and green T.I.'s over target. Red T.I.'s in bomb sights. Four good fires seen well concentrated in target area and some small scattered fires also seen.	
		SGT. E.W. EDWARDS.	DORTMUND.				
		SGT. D.R. WALTER.					
		F/O. R.S. SHAW.					
		F/SGT. F.J. MERCHANT.					
		SGT. F.S. FINLAY. SGT. C. STEWART.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 480.	SGT. J.K. LIVINGSTONE	Bombing -	2233.	2339.	Primary attacked. 0137 hrs. 20,000 ft. Yellow markers at posn. "X" and timed run made from there. Red T.I. seen on run up but had fizzled out on arrival. Green T.I. dropped in posn. of red. Centre of cluster of green in sights. Own burst seen and several others well concentrated. Numerous fires well concentrated though a large number of scattered inc.	
		SGT. F. HODSON.	DORTMUND.				
		SGT. F.T. WATSON.					
		SGT. H.C. BREWER.					
		SGT. J. FRENDERGAST.					
		SGT. R.N. BROWN. SGT. T.C. TAYLOR.					

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23/5/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. W. 4133.	SGT. J. H. LYON.	Bombing -	2234.	0339.	Primary attacked. 0145½ hrs. 19,000 ft. Yellow markers at posn. "X" and timed run made from them. Red and green T.I's seen over target. One red T.I. in sights. Numerous fires not very concentrated.	
		SGT. K. PACK.	DORTMUND.				
		SGT. R. W. CORKILL.					
		SGT. H. W. JEFFREY.					
		SGT. A. FIELDING.					
		SGT. P. G. DENYER.					
		SGT. G. CLEGG.					
	LANCASTER. W. 4964.	SGT. J. H. GILL.	Bombing -	2232.	0405.	Primary attacked. 0139 hrs. 18,000 ft. Yellow T.I's seen, but aircraft had passed and no timed run made. Red and green T.I's seen. Ran over a large number of incendiaries which appeared to be short and bombed green T.I. which was in centre of main concentration of T.I's, incendiaries and fires. Bombing appeared to be spread over a large area.	
		SGT. M. McPHERSON.	DORTMUND.				
		SGT. R. V. GOUGH.					
		SGT. B. P. DEVINE.					
		SGT. W. A. MORTON.					
		SGT. K. McDONAGH.					
		SGT. R. McKEE.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 574.	SGT. G. E. HALL.	Bombing -	2237.	0205.	No target attacked. 1 x 4000 lb. HC jettisoned safe at posn. 53.49N. 02.05E, 13,000 ft., owing to failure of rear turret. 96 x 30 lb. inc. brought back to base.	
		SGT. L. FIELD.	DORTMUND.				
		SGT. N. D. EVANS.					
		SGT. E. GOLBERT.					
		SGT. O. J. OVERINGTON.					
		SGT. K. CHALK.					
		SGT. H. G. WILLIAMS.					
25/5/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 699.	F/L. W. A. MEYER.	Bombing -	2251.	0943.	Primary attacked, 0146½ hrs. 20,000 ft. Yellow markers seen at posn. "X" and timed run made from them. Some red T.I's seen. but had dropped through cloud on arrival, so bombed on time and distance run. No bursts seen owing to layer cloud. Very scattered incendiary fires over a very large area.	
		SGT. W. R. HUNTER.	DUSSELDORF.				
		SGT. N. R. McCORKINDALE.					
		SGT. D. WILLBEE.					
		SGT. S. H. SINCLAIR.					
		SGT. A. D. HART.					
		SGT. T. W. JOHNSON.					

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25/5/43. (contd)	LANCASTER ED. 493.	F/O. R.O. VAN NOTE.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	2325.	0356.	Primary attacked 0212½ hrs. 20,500 ft. Yellow T.I.'s seen at posn. "X". Red and green T.I.'s and river seen on run up. Centre of cluster of green T.I.'s in bomb sight. No red T.I.'s visible at time of bombing. 4000lb. HC. seen to explode near green T.I.	
		SGT. H. HOUNSOME.					
		F/O. E. GRAVER.					
		SGT. E.H. TUBBS.					
		SGT. A.M. QUEEN.					
LANCASTER ED. 588.	LANCASTER ED. 588.	W.O. W.E. WOOD.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	2324.	0501.	Primary attacked. 0215 hrs. 20,000 ft. Yellow markers seen at posn. "X", but had fizzled out on arrival. Red and green T.I. seen. One red T.I. seen, but dropped through cloud before bombing so bombed centre of concentration of green T.I.'s approx. in same posn. as red. Several blunts seen very scattered. Scattered fires over a large area.	
		SGT. C. CLAYTON.					
		F/O. E.L. CRAMP.					
		F/O. T. MELLARD.					
		SGT. G.T.M. CAINES.					
LANCASTER ED. 689.	LANCASTER ED. 689.	F/L. J.A. WAKEFORD.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	2252.	0328.	Primary attacked. 0147 hrs. 18,000 ft. Yellow T.I. seen. One red T.I. seen at 0128 hrs. but no others seen until 5 minutes after bombing. Timed run from posn. "X". Incendiaries seen scattered on a very wide area.	
		F/SGT. BOWER.					
		SGT. J. OWEN.					
		F/O. J.B. REEVES.					
		SGT. H.J. HAWKBRIDGE.					
LANCASTER ED. 831.	LANCASTER ED. 831.	F/O. S. BOGZAR.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	2253.	0334.	Primary attacked. 0141 hrs. 20,000 ft. Yellow markers seen at posn. "X" and timed run made from these. No T.I. seen at target. No T.I. seen so bombs dropped on timed run. Very few fires scattered at time of bombing, but glow could be seen from Dutch coast on return.	
		SGT. J. VINALL.					
		F/O. J.P.H. CARRERE.					
		SGT. R. JOHNS.					
		SGT. C.S. WATTS.					
		SGT. R.S. WEBB.					
		F/SGT. R.K. BURGAR.					
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25/5/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 487.	F/O. G.W. FOX. SGT. R.H. McCLEERY. SGT. W.H. HOBSON. SGT. J. PIPER. SGT. T.N. ROBINSON. SGT. P. RUSSELL. SGT. C.F. SARGENT.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	2828.	0435.	Primary attacked. 0216 hrs. 21,000 ft. Yellow T.I's not seen. Timed run started from EPA posn. "X". One red T.I. seen also one green just short of red. Other greens seen over a very wide area. also other reds, but too far to estimate distance. Bombed red T.I. Carpet of incendiaries spreading out in shape of a "V" with apex at posn "X". Little sign of fires catching hold except for one red explosion which died down very quickly.	
	LANCASTER W. 4964.	SGT. TH GILL. SGT. M McMERSON. SGT. R.V. GOUGH. SGT. B.P. DEVINE. SGT. WA MORTON. SGT. K. McDONAGH. SGT. R. McKEE.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	2311.	0412.	Primary attacked. 0205 hrs. 19,000 ft. No yellow markers until after run up. Green T.I's only over target. Centre of concentration of green T.I's in sights. No red T.I's seen. Smoke and haze obscured target. Very scattered incendiary fires burning - some about 10 miles S.E. of target. Column of smoke rising from NEUSS area.	
	LANCASTER ED. 574.	SGT. GE HALL. SGT. L. FIELD. SGT. W.D. EVANS. SGT. E. COLBERT. SGT. O.J. OVERINGTON. SGT. K. CHORLEY. SGT. H.G. WILLIAMS.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	2312.	0448.	Primary attacked. 0210 hours. 20,000 ft. Yellow markers at posn. "X". Timed run made from there. Red and Green T.I. over target. One red T.I. in sights. Several bursts seen before bombing. Very scattered. Very few fires. One good fire to North of town.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 700.	S/L. R. McFARLANE. SGT. W. GRIFFITHS. SGT. G.E. LOCKEY. F/O. K.N. GIBSON. SGT. R. WILLIAMS. SGT. L.F. COLLINS. F/O. J. COEK, DEM.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	2254.	0324.	Primary attacked. 0144 hrs. 21,000 ft. Yellow T.I's seen at posn. "X" from which timed run was made. No red or green T.I's seen at posn time of bombing. 2 red T.I's seen to disappear in cloud on run up to target. On results not observed.	

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25/5/43. (cont'd)	LANCASTER ED. 836.	P/L. S. DERBYSHIRE.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	2321.	0941.	Primary attacked. 0214 hrs. 20,000 ft. Red and green T.I.'S seen. Yellow T.I.'s not seen. Centre of cluster of green T.I.'s in bomb sight. Red T.I. had gone out at time of bombing. Scattered fires in two main groups.		
		SGT. J. D. DODDS.						
		SGT. J. GILL.						
		SGT. F. OVEREND.						
		SGT. E. OAKES.						
		SGT. E. G. COLE.						
		SGT. T. PARSONS.						
		SGT. A. K. LIVINGSTONE.		2303.	0943.			Returned early from 51.53N. 03.10W. owing to port outer engine cutting which also caused rear turret to become u/s. 1 x 4000 HC jettisoned safe at 52.10N. 03.00W. 0900H
		SGT. F. PARSONS.						0120 hrs. 17,000 ft. 360°M. 96 x 90 lb. inc brought back to base.
		SGT. F. T. WATSON.						
SGT. H. C. BREWER.								
SGT. J. PRENDERGAST.								
SGT. R. N. BROWN.								
SGT. T. C. TAYLOR.								
LANCASTER. ED. 634.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	SGT. J. McCUBBIN.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	2329.	0417.	Primary attacked. 0214 hrs. 21,000 ft. Yellow T.I. seen at post. "X". Although red could be seen from 60 miles, no red T.I. seen during timed run up. Bombed concentration of green which approximately coincided with SPA timed run. Observed incendiaries stretched in line from post "X" to target.		
		SGT. N. D. OWEN.						
		SGT. B. SHERRY.						
		SGT. K. J. DUFFALL.						
		SGT. W. J. CHAPPEL.						
		SGT. P. LYNAM.						
		SGT. G. STEWART.						
		P/O. H. W. WOODHOUSE.		2319.				Aircraft failed to return. No signals received.
		SGT. L. DAKER.						
		SGT. A. B. CORBETT.						
SGT. H. S. WARREN.								
SGT. W. SMITH.								
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(\*10094-9513) Wt 9531-342 105M 1242 T.S. 700

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25/5/43. (contd)	LANCASTER ED. 656	SGT. J. EVANS. SGT. F. HODSON. SGT. R. BORTHWICK. SGT. F. ROBINSON. SGT. T. MYERSCOUGH. SGT. H.I. ASHDOWN. SGT. D.W. BROUGH.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	2390.	0445.	Primary attacked. 0210 hrs. 21,000 ft. Yellow T.I. markers seen and timed run started. 1 1/2 minutes before ETA was up no reds visible ahead (which bomb aimer estimated he would have been able to see) and timed run abandoned in favour of cluster of green T.I. Concentration of 3/4 green T.I. in sights. After bombing more green T.I. seen in same posn but three reds further North. No positive indication of concentration of fires anywhere.	
	LANCASTER ED. 975	SGT. G.S. STOUT. SGT. J.R. GURNEY. SGT. J.H. BRYANT. SGT. K. GAVIN. SGT. A. NUTTALL. SGT. D. BURDEN. SGT. V. CORNISH/UNDERWOOD.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	2320.	0351.	Primary attacked. 0205 hrs. 20,000 ft. No yellow markers seen. Red and green T.I.'s over target. Two red T.I.'s seen very far apart from each other and cluster of green in between. Centre of concentration of green T.I.'s in sights. 4000 lb. seen to burst slightly short of green T.I.'s. Very few fires seen but on leaving target cloud layer was lit up by sudden red glow, very bright and lasting about 5 seconds.	
	LANCASTER W. 4133.	SGT. J.H. LYON. SGT. K. PACK. SGT. R.W. COREKILL. SGT. H.W. JEFFREY. SGT. A. FIELDING. SGT. A.G. DENYER. SGT. G. CLEGG.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	2327.	0438.	Primary attacked. 0214 hrs. 18,000 ft. Yellow T.I. seen on track and red and green T.I. and river also seen. One red T.I. in bomb sights. Fires appeared to be scattered.	
	LANCASTER ED. 499.	F/O. MR. HEAD. SGT. E.W. EDWARDS. SGT. D.R. WALTER. F/O. R.S. SHAW. P/SGT. F.J. MERCHANT SGT. F.S. FINLAY. SGT. ELLIOTT.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF	2318.	0442.	Primary attacked. 0207 hrs. 18,000 ft. Yellow T.I. at posn. "X" not seen. Red and green T.I. seen. One red T.I. in bomb sights. Fires appeared to be scattered.	

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27/5/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 493.	F/O. R.O. VAN NOTE.	Bombing -	2202.	0302.	Primary attacked. 0051 hrs. 20,500 ft. Red and green track flares seen. Timed run worked out accurately. R/P. red with green stars seen. R/P. flares in sights. Incendiaries appeared to be well concentrated but slow to catch hold, although a good glow reported later after leaving target.	
		SGT. H. HOUNSOME.	ESSEN.				
		F/O. E. GRAVER					
		SGT. B.H. TUBBS.					
		SGT. A.M. QUEEN.					
		SGT. G. SCOTT.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 487.	F/O. C.W. FOX.	Bombing -	2203.	0307.	Primary attacked. 0055 hrs. 21,000 ft. Red and green track flares seen. R/P. flares seen. Release point flares in sights. Bombing appeared concentrated but had not caught hold by time aircraft left.	
		SGT. R.H. McGLEERY.	ESSEN.				
		SGT. W.H. HODSON.					
		SGT. J. PIPER.					
		SGT. T.N. ROBINSON.					
		SGT. P. RUSSELL. SGT. C.F. SARGENT.					
LANCASTER. ED. 5744.	SGT. G.E. HALL.	Bombing -	2240.	0155.	Returned from 53.51N. 01.50 E. 1 x 4000 HG fused jettisoned from 19,000 ft. at 0050 hrs. 96 x 30 lb. inc. brought back to base.		
	SGT. L. FIELD.	ESSEN.					
	SGT. W.D. EVANS.						
	SGT. E. COLBERT.						
	SGT. G. OVERINGTON.						
	SGT. K. CHORLEY. SGT. H.G. WILLIAMS.						
LANCASTER. ED. 831.	F/L. W.A. MEYER.	Bombing -	2200.	0254.	Primary attacked. 0048 hrs. 19,500 ft. Red and green track flares seen and R/P. flares green with red stars also seen R/P. flares in bomb sights. Big explosion seen at 0947 hrs 1 mile to port of R/P flares which lit up cloud for 5 seconds.		
	SGT. W.R. HUNTER.	ESSEN.					
	SGT. N.R. McCORMICKINDALE.						
	SGT. D. WILLBEE.						
	SGT. J. ROBINSON.						
	SGT. S.H. SINCLAIR. SGT. A.D. HART. SGT. T.W. JOHNSON.						

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27/5/43.	LANCASTER.	SGT. TH. GILL.	Bombing -	2227.	0341.	Primary attacked. 0127 hrs. 21,000 ft. Red and green track flares seen. R/P. flares red with green stars and white also seen. R/P. flares red with green stars in bomb sights. Explosion seen at 0122 hours which well lit up town.		
(contd)	W. 4964.	SGT. M. MOPHERSON.	ESSEN.					
		SGT. RV GOUGH.						
		SGT. BP DEVINE.						
		SGT. WA MORTON.						
		SGT. K. McDONAGH.						
		SGT. R. McKEE.						
	LANCASTER	F/L. J.A. WAKEFORD.	Bombing -	2201.	0305.	Primary attacked. 0049 hrs. 20,000 ft. Ran over first red steady, then green, both of which on time. Red with green stars in sights. Burst of 4000 lb. seen below cloud. No other clusters seen away from target. A very large explosion on leaving target.		
	ED. 689.	SGT. J. OWEN.	ESSEN.					
		F/O. J.B. REEVES.						
		SGT. H.J. HAWKIDGE.						
		SGT. A.B. BACKLER.						
		SGT. PA BAINES.						
		SGT. G.F. DOHANEY.						
	LANCASTER.	F/O. C.A. HALE.	Bombing -	2158.	0248.	Primary attacked. 0046 hrs. 21,500 ft. Red and green track flares seen. R/P. flares red with green stars seen. R/P flares in sights. Two explosions at 0049 hours lit up cloud. Explosions believed approx. 1/2 mile apart.		
	ED. 654.	SGT. J.B. DODDS.	ESSEN.					
		SGT. R. POWELL.						
		SGT. G.E. HALES.						
		SGT. Z.V. PIPER.						
		SGT. R. MOSELEY.						
		SGT. H.L. JONES.						
	LANCASTER.	F/O. S. BOGZAR.	Bombing -	2155.	0257.	Primary attacked. 0049 hours. 19,500 ft. Red and green track flares and R/P flares red with green stars seen. R/P flares in bomb sights. Explosion seen on leaving target at 0054 hours.		
	ED. 588.	SGT. J. VINALL.	ESSEN.					
		F/O. J.P.H. CARRERE.						
		SGT. G.S. WATTS.						
		SGT. R.S. WEBB.						
		F/SGT. R.K. BURGAR.						
		F/SGT. G.W. BROWELL.						

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27/5/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 700.	P/L. J.N. DERBYSHIRE.	Bombing -	2230.	0354.	Primary attacked. 0124 hrs. 21,000 ft. Red and green track indicators seen, also three R/P flares in line. Bombed centre of R/P flare. Good red glow seen below cloud. Rear turret fuselage and starboard wing holed by heavy flak - ESSEN area.	
		SGT. J. OWEN.	ESSEN.				
		SGT. J. GILL.					
		SGT. F. OVEREND.					
		SGT. J. OAKES.					
		SGT. EG COLE.					
		SGT. T. PARSONS.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	P/O. M.R. HEAD. SGT. E.W. EDWARDS.	Bombing - ESSEN.	2232.	0400.	Primary attacked 0125 hrs. 13,500 ft. Red and green steady seen ahead, but had gone out before reaching target, however enabled a line to be taken on which to run up. Owing to height impossible to get R/P flares in sight. Settings changed and bombs released on estimated position of target, and on ETA of aircraft, which worked out exactly. Beyond faint glow of what were probably fires, nothing else could be seen.	
		SGT. D.R. WALTER.					
		P/O. R.S. SHAW.					
		P/SGT. F.J. MERCHANT.					
		SGT. F.S. FINLAY.					
		SGT. ELLIOTT.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 656.	SGT. J. EVANS. SGT. R. TAYLOR. SGT. R. BORTHWICK. SGT. F. ROBINSON. SGT. T. MYERSGOUGH. SGT. H.I. ASHDOWN. SGT. D.W. BROUGH.	Bombing - ESSEN.	2207.	0311.	Primary attacked. 0050 hrs. 21,000 ft. Red and green track flares seen. R/P. Flares red with green stars and white also seen. Timed run made from red track flares and bombed on ETA. R/P. flares were out at time of bombing. Big explosion seen at 0047 hours. Another seen at 0064 hrs. Many fires seen well concentrated. 4000 lb. HC seen to explode in centre of target area.	
		SGT. S. STOUT	Bombing -	2228.	0340.	Primary attacked. 0124 hrs. 21,000 ft. Red and green track flares seen. R/P. red with green stars and white also seen. Cluster of R/P. flares, red with green stars and white in bomb sight. Good fires seen well concentrated.	
		SGT. J. GURVEY.	ESSEN.				
		SGT. J.H. BRYANT.					
		SGT. K. GAVIN.					
		SGT. H. NUTTALL.					
		SGT. MITCHELL.					
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27/5/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. W. 4133.	SGT. JH LYON.	Bombing -	2251.	0332.	Primary attacked. 0125 hours. 20,000 ft. Ran over first red steady from which timed run was made and checked over green steady. Red with green stars in sights plus white flares. Evidence of fires below cloud. Impression gained was that these were confined to a reasonably small area.	
		SGT. K. PACK.	ESSEN.				
		SGT. RW GORKILL.					
		SGT. HW JEFFREY.					
		SGT. A FIELDING.					
		SGT. AG DENYER.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 480.	SGT. J LIVINGSTONE.	Bombing -	2226.	0325.	Primary attacked. 0125 hours. 20,000 ft. Red and green track indicator flares seen. Two release point red with green stars and three white flares. Aimed between two red (with green stars) flares. Incendiaries spread some distance North of main concentration. Very large explosion seen 20 miles ahead at very approx. 0100 hrs. lit up whole sky.	
		SGT. F. PARSONS.	ESSEN.				
		SGT. FT WATSON.					
		SGT. HC BREWER.					
		SGT. J. FRENDERGAST.					
		SGT. RN BROWN.					
29/5/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 493.	F/O. R.O. VAN NOTE.	Bombing -	2215.	0342.	Primary attacked 0104 hrs. 19,100 ft. Identified by HFF red and green markers. Concentration of green F.I.'s in bomb sights. Not seen to cascade. Red F.I.'s were dropping in same position. Both types of T.I.'s were seen to cascade same position immediately afterwards. Large concentration of fires appeared to be in the closely built up city area of BAMEN, and extending into the narrow belt. One particularly large bright red fire to the N.E. of the main concentration.	
		SGT. H. HOUNSOME.	WUPBERTAL.				
		F/O. E. GRAVER.					
		SGT. B.H. TUBBS.					
		SGT. A.M. QUEEN.					
		SGT. G. SCOTT.					
✓ New 10/5/43	LANCASTER. ED. 787.	F/O. C.W. FOX.	Bombing -	2219.	0348.	Primary attacked. 0124 1/2 hrs. 19,000 ft. Yellow T.I.'s on track. Red and green T.I.'s also seen. One red T.I. bombed but not seen to cascade. One red T.I. in bomb sight. Good fires seen well concentrated.	
		SGT. J.D. DODDS.	WUPBERTAL.				
		SGT. W.H. HODSON.					
		SGT. J. PIPER.					
		SGT. T.N. ROBINSON.					
		SGT. P. RUSSELL.					
		SGT. H.L. JONES.					

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29/5/49. (contd)	LANCASTER ED. 831.	S/L. A.M. HOBBS. SGT. F.W. SANDERSON. SGT. K.G. MOTT. SGT. V.J. TARR. SGT. E.C. BISHOP. SGT. W.C. ROWLANDS. F/SGT. W. SLATER	Bombing - WUPPERTAL.	2218.	0338.	Primary attacked. 0103 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by red and green P.F.F. markers. Centre of concentration of green markers in sights. Not seen to cascade. Both red and green markers seen to cascade, same position immediately afterwards. Solid mass of fire concentrated in area of P.F.F. markers. No evidence of any indiscriminate bombing.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 689.	SGT. T.H. GILL. SGT. M. McPHERSON. SGT. R.V. GOUGH. SGT. B.P. DEVINE. SGT. W.A. MORTON. SGT. K. McDONAGH. SGT. R. McKEE.	Bombing - WUPPERTAL.	2230.	0402.	Primary attacked. 0128 hrs. 17,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I. markers. Cluster of red T.I. in bomb sights. These were cascading as bombs dropped. Very large concentration of orange-red fires burning in area marked by red and green T.I. Thick black smoke rising, possibly from the S.E. of town in narrow belt.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 699.	F/L. W.A. MEYER. SGT. W.R. HUNTER SGT. R. POWELL. SGT. D. WILLBEE. SGT. S.H. SINCLAIR. SGT. A.D. HART. SGT. T.W. JOHNSON.	Bombing - WUPPERTAL.	2216.	0317.	Primary attacked. 0105 1/2 hrs. 18,500 ft. Yellow markers seen somewhat scattered, but still helpful. Red markers seen on ground. Bombed red markers. Seen to cascade at 0058 hrs. Red fires concentrated round red T.I. Columns of dark grey smoke.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 551.	F/O. S. BOOZAR. SGT. J. VINALL. F/O. J.P.H. CARRERS. SGT. C.S. WATTS. SGT. R.S. WEBB. F/SGT. R.K. BURGAR. F/SGT. G.W. BROWELL.	Bombing. WUPPERTAL.	2217.	0332.	Primary attacked 0058 1/2 hrs. 19,000 ft. Yellow T.I.'s on track. Gee fix. Red and green T.I.'s also seen. One green T.I. marker bombed and seen to cascade. Time unobserved. One green T.I. in bomb sights at release of bombs. No red T.I. at time of bombing. Several 4000 lb. H.C.'s seen to explode on and near red T.I.'s on approaching target.	

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29/5/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 558.	W.O. W.E. WOOD. SGT. G. CLAYTON. F/L. J. BRECKELL. P/O. T. MELLARD. SGT. G.T.M. GAINES. SGT. W.R. BARKER. SGT. H.G. WATSON.	Bombing - WUPPERTAL.	2228.	0420.	Primary attacked. 0133 hrs. 21,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I. markers. Red T.I. in bomb sight. T.I. was seen to cascade. Whole town appeared to be covered with solid mass of fire, red in colour, and thick black smoke rising up to about 15,000 ft. Fires exceptionally well concentrated.	
	LANCASTER. R. 5744.	SGT. G.E. HALL. SGT. L. FIELD. SGT. W.D. EVANS. SGT. E. GOLBERT. SGT. O.F. OVERINGTON. SGT. K. CHORLEY. SGT. H.G. WILLIAMS.	Bombing - WUPPERTAL.	2225.	0133.	Returned early from 52.10N. 00.40E. 1 x 4000 lb. H.C. jettisoned at 0040 hours, 19,000 ft. Safe, but exploded. 96 x 30 lb. inc brought back to base. Port outer engine u/s.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	F/L. G.F. ROBERTSON. SGT. COXON. F/O. R.H. SMITH. F/O. E.J. KNELL. F/SGT. K. GREENE. F/O. E.W. ARMSTRONG. SGT. G. ALLAN.	Bombing - WUPPERTAL.	2220.	0357.	Primary attacked. 0124 hrs. 16,500 ft. Yellow T.I.'s seen on track. Red and green T.I.'s also seen. One green T.I. marker bombed and seen to cascade at 0117 hours. One green T.I. marker in bomb sight at release of bombs. Many good fires seen merging. Large explosion seen at 0119 hours. Fall of smoke seen up to about 10,000 ft.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 654.	SGT. M. McCURBIN. SGT. N.D. OWEN. SGT. B. SHERRY. SGT. K.J. DUNNALL. SGT. A.M. SMITH. SGT. P. LYNAM. SGT. G. STEWART.	Bombing - WUPPERTAL.	2221.	0355.	Primary attacked. 0119 hrs. 20,000 ft. Yellow T.I. seen at posn. "A". Red and green T.I. seen when approaching. Centre of concentration of three T.I.'s in sight. No red available at time. Seen to cascade in quick succession one minute earlier. Good red fires seen.	

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29/5/43. (contd)	LANCASTER ED. 836.	F/L JN DERBYSHIRE. SGT. J. HODSON. SGT. J. GILL. SGT. F. OVEREND. SGT. E. OAKES. SGT. E.G. COLE. SGT. J. PARSONS.	Bombing - WUPPERTAL.	2233.	0407.	Primary attacked. 0126 hrs. 20,500 ft. Yellow markers seen at posn. *A*. Red and green markers seen ahead. One red T.I. in sights. Seen to cascade a few seconds before release of bombs. Large circle of concentrated fires observed. Red T.I. seen dropping in fire.	
	LANCASTER ED. 656	SGT. J. EVANS. SGT. PEARCE. SGT. R. BORTHWICK. SGT. F. ROBINSON. SGT. T. MYERSCOUGH. SGT. H.I. ASHDOWN. SGT. D.W. BROUGH.	Bombing - WUPPERTAL.	2234.	0421.	No target attack. Yellow markers not seen. Believed passed N. of DUSSELDORF. Judging from defences encountered and GCS putting aircraft continually S. of track in error, believed crossed Rhine N. of DUSSELDORF. Intense opposition encountered from searchlights and flak. Aircraft hit and many close bursts. Much weaving to escape searchlights, but large fires and T.I. red markers seen to cascade. Set course for fires when aircraft was reported to be on fire. B/Aimer ordered to jettison the ins. and retain 4000 HG. but he pushed jettison bar across. Crossed target and continued on home track.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 975.	SGT. G.S. STOUT. SGT. J. GURNEY. SGT. J.H. BRYANT. SGT. K. GAVIN, SGT. H. NUTTAL. SGT. D. BURDEN. SGT. V. CORNISH/UNDERWOOD.	Bombing - WUPPERTAL.	2227.	0412.	Primary attacked. 0125 hrs. 21,000 ft. Yellow T.I. seen on track. Red and green T.I. also seen. One red T.I. bombed and seen to cascade at 0121 hours. One red T.I. in bomb sights at release of bombs. Fires very concentrated large explosion at 0126 hours.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 480.	SGT. DD DUNCAN. SGT. SG BLUNDEN. P/SGT. HT BROWN. SGT. G BARTLEY. SGT. S HUGHES. SGT. LG WARNER. SGT. DB McMILLAN.	Bombing - WUPPERTAL.	2222.	0425.	Primary attacked. 0135 hrs. 20,000 ft. Yellow T.I.'s on track not seen. Red and green T.I.'s seen. Two red T.I.'s bombed and seen to cascade simultaneously at 0132 hrs. Two red T.I. in bomb sights at release of bombs. Many good fires seen well concentrated.	

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29/5/43 (contd)	LANCASTER ED. 700.	F/O. MR HEAD. SGT. EW EDWARDS. SGT. DR WALKER. F/O. RS SHAW. F/SGT. FJ MERCHANT. SGT. FS FINLAY. SGT. ELLIOTT.	Bombing - WUPPERTAL.	2232.	0405.	Primary attacked. 0124 hrs. 16,500 ft. Identified by P.F.F. red and green markers. Cluster of red T.I. in bomb sights. These were seen to cascade. Very large concentrated mass of fire in area marked by T.I. markers. Volume of black smoke hung over the area. Aircraft holed in two or three places, presumed caused by shrapnel from heavy flak between COLOGNE and DUSSELDORF at 0115 hrs. 17,000 ft.	
	LANCASTER. W 4133.	SGT. NJ ROBINSON. SGT. R TAYLOR. SGT. TR DAVIS. SGT. RJ PITTMAN. SGT. ME JONES. SGT. LE MITCHELL. SGT. J CASEY.	Bombing - WUPPERTAL.	2229.	0452.	Primary attacked. 0134 hrs. 20,000 ft. Yellow T.I. on track not seen. Red and green T.I.'s seen. One red T.I. bombed, but not seen to cascade. One red T.I. in bomb sights at release of bombs. Good fires spread over a large area.	

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BARNEY.	1/6.		No operations were ordered. All flying was confined to training activity which included cross-country flying, bombing and three-engine flying.		
	2/6.		MM operations were ordered, but these were cancelled at a later hour. In addition to N.F.T.'s practice bombing was carried out.		
	3/6.		No operations were required today, and no flying was carried out.		
	4/6.		N.F.T.'s and air firing practice were undertaken, but no operations were called for,		
	5/6.		16 Aircraft were required for operations at night and N.F.T.'s were carried out accordingly. The effort was, however, later cancelled and the only other flying carried out was a night cross-country exercise.		
	6/6.		Again operations were called for and again they were cancelled. Apart from the usual N.F.T.'s no flying was done.		
	7/6.		Yet again operations which had been ordered were cancelled. Some practice bombing and timed runs were made, but there was no other flying.		
	8/6.		Only one aircraft took off, for an air test, which was the only activity except for ground training.		
	9/6.		Although aircraft were prepared for operations at night, the effort was called off. There was no other activity.		
	10/6.		Nothing of operational importance occurred. One aircraft carried out a fighter affiliation exercise.		83

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BARINEY.	11/6.		<p>Operations were resumed when the following aircraft and crews were detailed for a night attack on DUSSELDORF:-</p> <p>"O" (W/C. BURNETT); "R" (SGT. LYON); "T" (F/L. DERBYSHIRE); "U" (SGT. DUNCAN); "W" (SGT. McCUBBIN); "X" (F/L. ROBERTSON); "Y" (SGT. STOUT); "Z" (SGT. ROBINSON); "S" (SGT. LIVINGSTONE); "A" (F/O. VAN NOTE); "D" (F/O. FOX); "E" (F/L. BUNKER); "H" (S/L. HOBBS); "J" (SGT. GILL); "K" (F/L. WAKEFORD); "L" (F/L. MEYER); "M" (SGT. HALL); "N" (W.O. WOOD); "G" (SGT. EVANS)</p> <p>"M" returned early owing to weather conditions. All other aircraft reached their objective which was bombed successfully. The attack was concentrated and many large fires were left burning.</p>	
	12/6.		<p>Operations were detailed with the task of bombing BOCHUM at night. The following aircraft and crews were prepared:-</p> <p>"A" (F/O. VAN NOTE); "D" (F/O. FOX); "G" (F/O. HALP); "E" (F/O. BOGZAR); "J" (SGT. GILL); "K" (F/L. WAKEFORD); "L" (F/L. BUNKER); "M" (SGT. HALL); "N" (W.O. WOOD); "S" (SGT. DUNCAN); "T" (SGT. LYON); "R" (SGT. EVANS); "U" (F/L. DERBYSHIRE); "W" (F/SGT. McCUBBIN); "X" (W/C. MATHESON); "Y" (SGT. LIVINGSTONE); "Z" (SGT. ROBINSON)</p> <p>All aircraft took off, but "R" returned early as the main hydraulic feed pipe to the rear turret burst, rendering the turret u/s. The remaining aircraft made a successful job of their attack. Many fires were started and it was assumed that a considerable amount of damage was inflicted on BOCHUM. One aircraft ("N" - W.O. WOOD) failed to return.</p>	
	13/6.		<p>The Squadron was not called upon to operate today, but bombing training was undertaken.</p>	
	14/6.		<p>OBERHAUSEN was chosen as the recipient of our bombs tonight and the following crews were detailed to deliver them :-</p> <p>"Q" (SGT. EVANS); "R" (SGT. LYON); "S" (F/O. HEAD); "T" (F/L. DERBYSHIRE); "U" (SGT. DUNCAN); "X" (F/L. ROBERTSON); "Y" (SGT. STOUT); "Z" (SGT. LIVINGSTONE); "A" (F/O. VAN NOTE); "D" (F/O. FOX); "L" (F/L. BUNKER); "J" (SGT. ALDERSLEY); "M" (SGT. HALL)</p>	

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(SGT. EVANS): "X" (SGT. LYON): "S" (P/O. HEAD): "P" (P/L. ROBERTSON): "Q" (SGT. BUNKER):  
 "X" (P/L. ROBERTSON): "Y" SGT. STOUT: "Z" (SGT. LIVINGSTONE): "A" (P/O. VAN NORT): "D"  
 (P/O. FOX): "L" (P/L. BUNKER): "J" (SGT. ALDERSLEY): "M" (SGT. HALL).

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BARINEY.	14/6	(contd)	All aircraft set off on their mission, but two of them, "M" and "X", returned early owing to technical trouble. Of the remainder, "Q" (SGT. EVANS) failed to return, and the others reached the target and dropped their loads. The attack was only beginning when they went in, but on the return journey many large fires were seen to be burning in the target area.  Other activity during the night was the carrying out of cross-country exercises by three crews in preparation for a special operation in the near future.		
	15/6.		The only flying was intensive high level bombing practice by five crews detailed for special operations shortly.		
	16/6.		At night, the five special crews continued their training with more high level bombing. Operations were also undertaken by the following aircraft and crews, whose objective was COLOGNE. Of these "D" failed to return. "D" (SGT. ALDERSLEY): "L" (P/L. BUNKER): "M" (SGT. HALL): "B" (P/O. HEAD): "T" (SGT. LYON): "X" (P/L. ROBERTSON): "Z" (SGT. LIVINGSTONE).  This much-bombed city received further punishment from our aircraft, although the results were not as good as expected, as the P.P.F. technique was not up to standard.		
	17/6.		The five crews continued their special training by day and night. No other flying of importance was carried out.		
	18/6.		Nothing of operational importance occurred, and little flying was carried out.		
	19/6.		Several crews carried out low level bombing practice and three crews took part in a night cross-country exercise.		
	20/6.		A little local flying was carried out during the day and the five crews who had been receiving special training were now called upon to carry out the operation. They were as		

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BARISET.	20/6 (contd)		<p>follows:-</p> <p>"M" (P/Sgt. McQUEEN); "H" (S/L. HOBBS); "B" (P/O. BOCCAR); "G" (P/O. HALT); "K" (P/L. WAKEFORD).</p> <p>Their task was to bomb the Zeppelin sheds at FRIEDRICHSHAVEN where the enemy is making vital radio location equipment. After bombing they were to fly on to North Africa and land at one of our bases there, with the object of attacking another target on the journey home. At Friedrichshaven, which all five aircraft reached without difficulty, very little opposition was encountered and the attack was pressed home with great success. Large fires were left burning and it was thought that a hangar was in flames. All aircraft contained their flight to BLIDA in North Africa, where they landed safely.</p>	
	21/6.		<p>The following aircraft and crews were required for a night bombing attack on KREFELD:-</p> <p>"L" (P/L. RUMFERT); "A" (Sgt. HALL); "W" (Sgt. BILLING); "O" (S/L. McFARLANE); "P" (W/O. MATHEWSON); "S" (Sgt. LYON); "T" (P/L. DREYSHIRE); "X" (P/L. ROBERTSON); "Y" (P/O. WAD); "Z" (Sgt. LIVINGSTONE).</p> <p>All aircraft took off and reached the target which was bombed with success, the attack being a concentrated one.</p>	
	22/6.		<p>It was decided that the Ruhr was to be visited again tonight and the following aircraft and crews were prepared to attack MULHEIM:-</p> <p>"O" (P/O. HEAD); "P" (W/O. MATHEWSON); "S" (Sgt. DUNCAN); "T" (P/L. DREYSHIRE); "Y" (Sgt. RAINIER); "Z" (Sgt. LIVINGSTONE); "A" (Sgt. MACKENZIE); "W" (Sgt. GILL); "L" (Sgt. DUNN); "M" (Sgt. HALL).</p> <p>Of these, "L" failed to return, while "W" and "M" returned early with technical trouble. The remainder dropped their loads on Mulheim where good fires were seen to be burning after they left.</p>	
	23/6.		<p>Our five aircraft in North Africa left at night on their return journey carrying a bomb load</p>	

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Our five aircraft in North Africa left at night on their return journey carrying a bomb load

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BARNE Y.	23/6	(contd).	destined for SPEZIA in Italy. There they found a very large fire burning and dumped their loads on it. They continued their flight to England and landed at base without incident.		
	24/6.		Twelve aircraft, as follows, were detailed for an attack on ELBERFELD at night:- "O" (W/C. BURFETT); "P" (W/C. MATHESON); "Y" (F/L. ROBERTSON); "S" (SGT. DUNCAN); "W" (SGT. LYON); "Z" (SGT. LIVINGSTONE); "K" (SGT. MACKENZIE); "M" (SGT. ROBINSON); "D" (SGT. GILL); "E" (SGT. BILLING); "H" (SGT. HALL); "B" SGT. PAINTER.  Of these "K" was cancelled as the rear turret was u/s. The remainder took off, but "D" returned early with engine trouble. The others bombed the target and many fires were started, the glow of which could be seen from the North Sea. W/C. Matheson's aircraft, after jettisoning the 4,000-lb. bomb, was hit by flak over the target, rendering the port inner and starboard outer engines u/s. The navigator was wounded. With great skill, W/C. Matheson brought his aircraft back to base on two engines and made a perfect landing.		
	25/6.		SELSENKIRCHEN was the target for the following aircraft and crews at night:- "Y" (F/O. HEAD); "T" (F/L. DERBYSHIRE); "W" (F/SGT. McCUBBIN); "Z" (SGT. LIVINGSTONE); "O" (S/L. McPARLANE); "B" (SGT. GILL); "D" (SGT. MACKENZIE); "G" (F/O. HALL); "H" (S/L. HOBBS); "K" (F/L. WAKEFORD); "M" (SGT. BILLING).  "H" failed to return and "K" and "M" returned early with technical defects. The remaining aircraft attacked the target, but owing to 10/10ths cloud in the <del>area</del> area it was not possible to observe results. However, the glow of fires could be seen reflected through the cloud and every indication was given of a successful attack.		
	26/6.		Nothing of operational importance occurred. The only flying was by one u/s crew at night who took part in a cross-country exercise.		
	27/6.		Nothing of operational importance occurred. High level bombing practice was carried out by several crews.		

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BARNEY.	28/6.		<p>The A.O.C No. 5 Group, Air Vice Marshal Hon. R. A. Cochrane, C.B., C.B.E., A.F.C., visited the station during the day and inspected sections and personnel. He expressed satisfaction with what he saw and on return sent a message of appreciation to all ranks for the efficiency displayed.</p> <p>Operations were ordered for the night, when an attack was being carried out on COLOGNE. The following aircraft and crews took part:-</p> <p>"A" (F/O. WELLS); "B" (F/L. DERBYSHIRE); "D" (SGT. MACKENZIE); "E" (SGT. BILLING); "G" (SGT. GILL); "K" (F/L. WAKEFORD); "M" (SGT. HALL); "S" (SGT. DUNCAN); "T" (SGT. PAINTER); "V" (SGT. ROBINSON); "W" (SGT. LYON); "Z" (SGT. LIVINGSTONE); "Y" (F/O. HEAD)</p> <p>All aircraft took off, but "B" and "K" returned early with technical failures. The remainder bombed COLOGNE. 10/10ths cloud conditions were encountered over the target, rendering observation of results difficult. The glow of fires could, however, be seen and gave every indication that the attack was successful. There was considerable enemy fighter activity, and one enemy aircraft is claimed to have been destroyed by "A". All our aircraft returned.</p>		
	29/6.		Nothing of operational importance occurred. Some high level bombing practice was performed during the day and at night one u/t crew carried out a cross-country flight.		
	30/6.		<p>The day was spent in training, which included low level bombing and cross country at night.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-O-O-O-O-</p> <p>During the month, the following awards were announced to Squadron personnel:-</p> <p><u>Bar to the Distinguished Flying Cross</u> Wing Commander J.M. SOUTHWELL, D.F.C.</p> <p><u>Distinguished Flying Cross.</u> Flight Lieutenant W.B. COWAN.</p> <p><u>Distinguished Flying Medal.</u> Flight Sergeant I.M. MARSHALL.</p> <p>Sergeant S.J. NANCEKIVELL.</p>		

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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES.
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11/6/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 493.	F/O. R.O. VAN NOPE. SGT. H. HOUNSCOME. F/O. E. CRAVER. F/SGT. B.H. TUBBS. SGT. A.M. QUEEN. SGT. R.T. SCOTT. SGT. G.R. DALE.	Bombing. DUSSELDORF.	2301.	0319.	Primary attacked. 0129 hours. 19,800 feet. One red T/I in sights. After bombing green T/I's fell fairly close to the red T/I. On leaving target bursts from other bombing appeared to be well placed in relation to the markers. Red T/I's seen to cascade.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 487.	F/O. C.W. FOX. SGT. ANDERSON. SGT. W.H. HODSON. SGT. J. PIPER. SGT. W. ROBINSON. SGT. S.E. RUSSELL. SGT. C.F. SARGENT.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	2333.	0415.	Primary attacked, 0207 hours. 19,000 ft. Timed run from yellow T.I's at posn. "A". Red and green T.I. Markers. Two red T.I. markers in sights at time of bombing, which were seen to cascade. Very good concentration of fires.	
	LANCASTER. R. 5744.	F/L. R.H. BUNKER. SGT. W. POSSETT. SGT. W.A. GALL. F/O. J. PRIOR. SGT. J. LEVER. SGT. R.G. LOMAS. SGT. P.G. HAYLER.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	2340.	0427.	Primary attacked. 0211 hrs. 20,000 ft. Good visibility. Smoke up to 18,000 ft. Timed run from yellow T.I. markers. Red and green T.I. Markers. Red T.I. markers in sights at time of bombing. Seen to cascade. Good fires burning with much smoke.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 831.	S/L. A.M. HOBBS. SGT. F.W. SANDERSON. SGT. K.G. MOTT. F/L. H.A. TAYLOR. SGT. F.C. BISHOP. SGT. W.C. <del>SEMPER</del> ROWLANDS. SGT. V. SLATER.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	2248.	0328.	Primary attacked. 0124 hrs. 20,000 ft. Timed run from posn. "X". Yellow T.I's at "A". Red and green T.I. markers seen. Red T.I. marker in sights at time of bombing. This was seen to cascade. Incendiaries seen burning round T.I. markers.	

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11/6/43	LANCASTER	SGT. T.H. GILL.	Bombing.	2330.	0448.	Primary attacked. 0205 hrs. 18,000 ft. Timed run from 0205 hrs. 18,000 ft. Yellow T.I. at "A". Red and green T.I. markers seen. Red T.I. marker in sight at time of bombing. Yellow T.I. at position "A" seen. Red and green T.I. seen. Wanganui flares seen from 50 miles away from target area. Reds in sight on bombing. Smoke up to 18,000 feet prevented observation of detailed results. Aircraft hit by flak over target while taking photo. Hydraulic pipe line fractured. Bomb doors remained open. Battis used for landing for undercart and flaps.	
(Contd)	W.4964.	SGT. M. McPHERSON. SGT. R.V. GOUGH. SGT. B.P. DEWINE. SGT. IWA MORTON. SGT. K. McDONALD. SGT. B. McKEE.	DUSSELDORF.				
	LANCASTER. ED. 689.	W/C. AN MATHESON. F/L. J.A. WAKEFORD. SGT. J. OWEN. P/O. J.B. REEVES. SGT. H.J. HAWKBRIDGE. SGT. A.B. BACKLER. SGT. H.L. WILSON. SGT. C.F. DOHANEY.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	2240.	0320.	Primary attacked. 0126 hours. 18,300 ft. One red T.I. seen. Sky marker red with green stars seen on approaching target. Yellow T.I.s on track not seen until 01.36 hrs. on way out from target. Gap between red T.I.s from 01.16 to 01.30. No green T.I.s seen until 01.33. One red T.I. in bomb sights at release of bombs. Approx. 10 miles S.E. and N.W. of target. Concentration of about 4 ground markers seen in each case pink in colour. Not seen to cascade but burst on ground for a considerable time.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 699.	F/L. W.A. MEYER. SGT. H. HUNTER. SGT. N.R. McCORKINDALE. SGT. D. WILLBEE. SGT. S.H. G. SINCLAIR. SGT. J.L. ELLIOTT. SGT. T.V. JOHNSON.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	2328.	0402.	Primary attacked. 0207 hrs. 19,000 ft. Yellow T.I.s seen on track. One red T.I. seen. Fires well concentrated. One large column of grey smoke seen rising to 18,000 ft. Another seen rising to 10,000 feet.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 551	SGT. G.E. HALL. SGT. L. FIELD. SGT. W.D. EVANS. SGT. E. COLBERT. SGT. O.J. OVERINGTON. SGT. K. CHORLEY. SGT. H.G. WILLIAMS.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	2343.	0230.	No target attacked. Returned early due to weather conditions and inability to break cloud at any time. From 52.18M. 02.20M. Jettisoned 1 x 4000 lb. MC. (025) fused at 52.43M. 02.28 M. 01.25 hrs. Incendiaries brought back to base. Reached height of 20,500 ft. and still unable to break cloud.	

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11/6/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 558.	W/O. V.T. WOOD. SGT. C. CLAYTON. P/O. CROFTER. P/O. T. MELLARD. R/SGT. J.L. CRANFORD. SGT. V.R. BARKER. SGT. H.G. WATSON.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	2302.	0332.	Primary attacked. 0135 hrs. 21,000 ft. Yellow T.I's seen ahead was a flare red with green stars which had gone out well before arrival. <del>Further red with green stars ignited ahead and flare white on own level. This sent down and at an estimated height of 12,000 ft. burst out leaving a white flare still burning. Flare white in sights where flare red with green stars had been. On leaving target it was obvious attack was well concentrated and several good fires were burning at this early stage. 2 containers of 4lb incendiaries jettisoned approx 50 miles short of target to aid in gaining height.</del>	
	LANCASTER. ED. 700.	W/O. P. BURNETT. SGT. W.J. JOWERS. P/L. J. BREACKALL. SGT. CHARLTON. P/L. J.A.G. SKINNER. P/L. C.A. PATTEN. SGT. O.G. ERASMUS.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	2319.	0406.	Primary attacked. 0204 hrs. 23,000 ft. Yellow T.I's seen on run up. Centre of cluster of 2 or 3 red T.I's in bomb sights. Green T.I. near red. The area around the T.I's was a dense mass of fires.	
	LANCASTER. EE. 136.	SGT. J.H. LYON. SGT. K. PACKY. SGT. R.W. CORKILL. SGT. H.V. JEFFREY. SGT. A. FIELDING. SGT. A.G. DENYER. SGT. G. GLEGG.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	2345.	0434.	Primary attacked. 0216 hrs. 18,000 ft. Yellow T.I's seen. Centre of cluster of red T.I's in sights. One green only seen which was close to the reds. Appeared to be an excellent concentration of fires, glow from which could be seen on crossing Dutch coast homewards.	
	LANCASTER. V. 4133.	SGT. J. EVANS. SGT. SMITH. SGT. R. BORTHWICK. SGT. V.J. TARR. SGT. T. MYERSCOUGH. SGT. H.I. ASHDOWN. SGT. D.W. BROUGH.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	2355.	0417.	Primary attacked. 0245 hrs. 49,000 ft. Timed run from yellow T.I's. Red T.I. Markers. Red T.I. markers in bomb sights at time of bombing. Seen to cascade. Column of smoke up to 20,000 ft.	

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11/6/43. (contd)	LANCASTER, ED. 836.	F/L. J.N. DERBYSHIRE SGT. SULLIVAN. SGT. J. GILL. SGT. F. OVEREND. SGT. E. OAKES. SGT. E.G. COLT. SGT. T. PARSONS. SGT. BOYD.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	2325.	0356.	Primary attacked. 0201 hrs. 19,000 ft. Yellow T.I.'s seen on track from which timed run was made. Red and green T.I.'s and sky markers seen on approaching target. One R/P flare in bomb sights. As bombs released a red T.I. was seen to cascade immediately to the right of bomb sights. Fires well concentrated and a great deal of smoke seen.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 480.	SGT. J.D. DUNCAN. SGT. S.G. BLUNDEN. F/SGT. H.T. BROWN. SGT. G. BARTLEY. SGT. S. HUGHES. SGT. L.G. WARNER. SGT. D.B. McMILLAN.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	2300.	0345.	Primary attacked. 0133 hrs. 18,000 ft. Yellow at position A seen, also red and green, but these were no longer seen when over target. Bombed on red T.I. in sights. Many bomb bursts seen. Nickels dropped.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 654.	F/SGT. J. McCUBBIN. SGT. N.D. OWEN. SGT. B. SHERRY. SGT. K.J. DAGNALL. SGT. A.M. SMITH. SGT. P. LYNAM. SGT. C. STEWART.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	2339.	0421.	Primary attacked. 0211 hrs. 21,000 ft. Yellow seen at poan. "A". Red and green T.I. seen. Reds in sights on bombing run - went out during run, but bombs released on estimated poan, where red had been seen. Smoke from well concentrated fires up to 15,000 ft. prevented detailed results being seen. 4000 lb. jettisoned at 0129 hrs. 20,000 ft. owing to severe icing.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	F/L. G.F. ROBERTSON. SGT. V. BROWN. F/O. R.H. SMITH. F/O. E.J. KNELL. F/SGT. K. GREENE. F/O. E.N. ARMSTRONG SGT. G. ALLAN.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	2249.	0324.	Primary attacked. 01.24 1/2. 20,000 ft. 1 red T.I. seen. Yellow T.I.'s on track and green T.I.'s not seen. One red T.I. seen to cascade at 01.21. One red T.I. in bomb sights at releasing of bombs. Too early to see any results.	

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11/6/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 975.	SGT. G.S. STOUT. SGT. J. GURNEY. S/L. SANDS. SGT. K. GAVIN. F/O. SMITH. SGT. J. BURDEN. SGT. V. CORNISH-UNDERWOOD.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	2318.	0405.	Primary attacked. 0207 1/2 hrs. 21,000 ft. Yellow T.I. seen. Red but no green. Red T.I. in sight on bombing. Haze was seen to cascade. Own bombing results not seen. but good red fires and smoke to 15,000 ft.	
	LANCASTER. W. 5011.	SGT. N.J. ROBINSON. SGT. R. TAYLOR. SGT. T.R. DAVIS. SGT. R.J. PITMAN. SGT. W.E. JONES. SGT. L.E. MITCHELL. SGT. J. JASSY.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	2342.	0412.	Primary attacked. 0207 hrs. 20,200 ft. Yellow T.I. posn. "A" seen, also red and green. Wanganui red green stars and white steady seen at approx 0202 hrs. Red not seen over target. Bombed centre of concentration of green, seen to cascade. Smoke from fires up to 15,000 ft. prevented observation of own results.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 666.	SGT. J. LIVINGSTONE. SGT. F. PARSONS. SGT. P.T. WATSON. SGT. H.C. BREWER. SGT. J. PRENDERGAST. SGT. R.N. BROWN. SGT. T.C. TAYLOR.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	2335.	0430.	Primary attacked. 0211 hrs. 21,000 ft. No cloud. Visibility good apart from smoke. Yellow T.I.'s on track and one red T.I. seen. One red T.I. in bomb sights at release of bombs. Not seen to cascade. Fires well concentrated. Large column of black smoke seen rising to 20,000 feet.	
12/6/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 493.	F/O. R.O. VAN NOTE. SGT. H. HOUNSOME. F/O. E. CRAVER. F/SGT. B.H. TUBBS. SGT. A.M. QUEEN. SGT. G. SCOTT. SGT. R.P. DALE.	Bombing - BOCHUM.	2228.	0329.	Primary attacked. 0123 hrs. 21,500 ft. 2 yellow T.I. markers first seen at 0110 1/2 hours. Timed run made from yellow markers at 0116 hours. Bombed centre of concentration of two red T.I. seen to cascade at 0115 hrs. Fires seen scattered in a line running SW. to NE with the main concentration to S.W.	

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	LANCASTER. ED. 666.	F/O. C.A. HALE. SGT. J.D. DODDS. SGT. R. POWELL. P/SGT. G.E. HALTS. SGT. R.V. PIPER. SGT. C. CLARK. SGT. H.L. JONES.	Bombing - BOCHUM.	2230.	0320.	Believed <del>MUNSTER</del> area attacked. Yellow T.I's on track and red T.I's seen. Bombs were released early approx. 3 miles from A.P. Aircraft was coned and heavily engaged and as A.S.I. and Altimeter and V.S.I. were frozen up sufficient evasive action could not be taken to get out of cone of S/L's.	
	LANCASTER ED. 831.	F/O. S. BOGZAR. SGT. J.W. VINALL. F/O. J.P.H. GARRER. SGT. C.S. WATTS. SGT. R.S. WEBB. P/SG. R.K. BURGAR. P/SGT. G.W. BROWELL.	Bombing - BOCHUM.	2235.	0354.	Primary attacked. 0125 hrs. 20,500 ft. Timed run from yellow T.I's. Red and green T.I. Markers. Red T.I's seen to cascade at 0118 hrs. Red T.I's obscured by cloud. Centre of cluster of green T.I's in sights at time of bombing. Not seen to cascade. Good fires concentrated on T.I. markers.	
	LANCASTER. W.4964.	SGT. T.H. GILL. SGT. M. McPHERSON. SGT. R.V. GOUGH. SGT. B.P. DUVINE. SGT. H.A. MORTON. SGT. K. McDONAGH. SGT. R. McKEE.	Bombing - BOCHUM.	2240.	0345.	Primary attacked. 0125½ hrs. 19,000 ft. Yellow markers seen some distance ahead. Red markers seen, also green. One red marker in sights. Seen to cascade at 0125 hours. Large orange explosion seen approx 0120 hrs. Fires not had time to grow by time aircraft bombed, but appeared fairly concentrated, 4000 lb. hung up and was jettisoned in MUNSTER area at 0132 hours.	

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12/6/43. (contd)	LANCASTER ED. 689.	F/L. J.A. WAKEFORD. SGT. J. OPEN. P/O. J.B. REEVES. SGT. H.J. HAMFRIDG. SGT. A.B. BACKLER. SGT. EME. WILSON. SGT. G.F. DOHANEY.	Bombing - BOCHUM.	2229.	0348.	Primary attacked 0148 hrs. 19,000 ft. Yellow T.I. seen on track. Two adjacent red markers in sights. Both seen to cascade at 0116 hrs. Bombing and incendiary fires started slightly North of T.I. but appeared to improve later.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 699.	F/L. R.A. BUNKER. SGT. W. POSSET. SGT. WA GALL. P/O. J. PRIOR. SGT. J. LEVER. SGT. R.G. LOMAS. SGT. F.G. HAYLER.	Bombing - BOCHUM.	2239.	0338.	Primary attacked. 0221 hrs. 20,000 ft. Yellow seen 0112 hrs. Red 0117 hrs. Greens not seen. Yellow cascaded at approx. 20,000 ft. Red not seen, well below. Red T.I. in sights. Attack appeared to be developing rapidly. Mid-upper holed. Flak fragments in port.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 551.	SGT. G.T. HALL. SGT. L. FIELD. SGT. W.D. EVANS. SGT. F. COLBERT. SGT. O.J. OVERINGTON. SGT. K. CHORLEY. SGT. H.G. WILLIAMS.	Bombing - BOCHUM.	2241.	0345.	Primary attacked. 0149 hours. 21,500 ft. Yellow T.I.'s on track and red T.I.'s seen. One red T.I. in bomb sights at release of bombs. Not seen to cascade. Fires well concentrated and glow seen from Zuyder Zee on return.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 558.	W.O. W.F. WOOD. SGT. C. CLAYTON. P/O. ARCHER. P/O. T. MELLAND. P/SGT. J.L. CRAWFORD. SGT. V.R. BARKER. SGT. H.G. WATSON	Bombing - BOCHUM.	2243.		Aircraft missing - no signals received.	

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12/6/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 136.	SGT. J. EVANS. <del>MMH</del> SGT. SMITH. SGT. R. BORTHVICK. SGT. V. J. TARR. SGT. T. MYERSCOUGH. SGT. H. I. ASHDOWN. SGT. D. V. BROUGH.	Bombing - BOCHUM.	2243.	0015.	No target attacked. 5 minutes after take-off main hydraulic feed pipe to rear turret burst. Turret u/s. 1 x 4000 lb. HC 4 x 500 lb. MC & 1080 x 4 lb. jettisoned safe at posn. 5328N. 0133E.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 836.	F/L. J. N. DERBYSHIRE. Sgt. T. SULLIVAN. SGT. J. GILL. SGT. F. OVEREND SGT. H. OAKES. SGT. E. C. COLE. SGT. T. PARSONS.	Bombing - BOCHUM.	2241.	0349.	Primary attacked. 0128 1/2 hrs. 19,500 ft. Yellow T.I's burning out on ground as aircraft passed over. Green T.I's seen ahead followed at 0127 hrs. by one red T.I. which was seen to cascade from about 10,000 ft. Red T.I. in sights. This had not quite reached ground. There were a fair number of fires concentrated around the T.I's, but tended to spread to the East of these.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 480.	SGT. J. D. DUNCAN. SGT. S. G. BLUNDED. F/SGT. H. T. BROWN. SGT. G. BARTLEY. SGT. S. HUGHES. SGT. L. G. WARNER. SGT. D. B. McMILLAN.	Bombing - BOCHUM.	2236.	0356.	Primary attacked 0124 hrs. 20,000 ft. Yellow markers seen at 0111 hrs. Red T.I's markers seen, also green. Two adjacent red T.I. in sights seen to cascade about 8 minutes earlier. Fires seen to be well concentrated and could be seen from Dutch coast.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 654.	F/SGT. J. McCUBBIN. SGT. N. D. OWEN. SGT. B. SHERRY. SGT. K. J. DAGNALL. SGT. A. M. SMITH. SGT. P. LYNAM. SGT. C. STEWART.	Bombing - BOCHUM.	2232.	0335.	Primary attacked. 0123 hrs. 21,000 ft. Centre of cluster of red T.I's in sights burning on ground. Green T.I's well concentrated round red T.I's. Main concentration of incendiaries seemed approx. 1 mile North of T.I's. The first lot of H.B. seen appeared very close to the red T.I. One explosion bigger than that of a bomb and red in colour occurred at 0125 hrs. On running in to target from posn. "A" at 0117 hrs. and igniting at approx. 25,000 ft. were flares white plus flares red and some green breaking out of these in a direction West of the target area, but impossible to estimate actual distance. These were anaemic in colour and would not be confused with Wanganui.	

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12/6/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	W/C. J. MATHESON. SGT. J. M. ANDERSON. SGT. A. G. BOYD. SGT. E. O. CHARLTON. F/O. A. E. SMITH. F/SGT. M. T. WARD. SGT. F. EDWARDS.	Bombing - BOCHUM.	2302.	0418.	Primary attacked. 0152 hours. 20,000 ft. Cluster of 3/4 red T.I. Markers. Red T.I. seen to cascade at 0147 hours. Scattered fires. Oxygen failure to mid upper and rear turret (repaired after 20 minutes). P.F.F. good but bombing rather scattered.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 975.	SGT. J. LIVINGSTONE. SGT. F. PARSONS. Sgt. F. T. WATSON. SGT. H. G. BREWER. SGT. J. PRENDERGAST. SGT. R. N. BROWNE. SGT. T. C. TAYLOR.	Bombing - BOCHUM.	2252.	0400.	Primary attacked. 0144 hrs. 21,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I. Yellow T.I. on track not seen. One red T.I. in bomb sights at release of bombs. Not seen to cascade. Good fires well spreading over a large area.	
	LANCASTER. W. 5011.	SGT. N. J. ROBINSON. SGT. R. TAYLOR. SGT. T. R. DAVIS. SGT. R. J. PITTMAN. SGT. W. B. JONES. SGT. L. E. MITCHELL. SGT. J. CASTY.	Bombing - BOCHUM.	2318.	0410.	Primary attacked. 0142 hrs. 22,000 ft. Identified by red T.I. and green seen to burst at 0140 hours, but not to cascade. Red T.I. in sights on bombing and red appeared to be North of main concentration of fires. Unable to identify own burst. Many bursts seen which appeared more concentrated to S. of target area.	
	LANCASTER R. 5744.	SGT. J. H. LYON. SGT. K. PACK. SGT. R. W. CORKILL. SGT. H. V. JEFFREY. SGT. A. FIELDING. SGT. A. G. DENYER. SGT. G. CLEGG.	Bombing - BOCHUM.	2242.	0408.	Primary attacked. 0128 hours. 20,500 ft. Identified by yellow T.I.'s seen ahead. Red T.I. burning on ground in sights. Previously seen to burst at 0127 and cascade. Green T.I.'s also very accurate. Three good fires were burning near the T.I.'s. Impression on leaving target was that there were gaps which if later filled should make for a successful attack. On approaching Dutch coast glow from target could still be seen.	16

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14/6/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 493.	F/O. R.O. VAN NOTT.	Bombing - OBERHAUSEN.	2229	0309.	Primary attacked. 0126 hrs. 21,000 ft. Timed run from red steady, burst at 0110 hrs. Green (burst at 0111 hrs) flare went down on arrival. Red flare with green stars in sight burst at 0125 hrs. Incendiaries seen to be burning were concentrated. At time of bombing not many fires, but after leaving target area red glow was increasing.		
		SGT. H. HOUNSCOME.						
		F/O. T. GRAVER.						
		F/SGT. B.H. TUBBS.						
		SGT. A.M. JUREN.						
		SGT. R.T. SCOTT.						
		SGT. G. DALE.						
LANCASTER. ED. 487.	F/O. C.V. FOX.	SGT. J.P. BILLING.	Bombing - OBERHAUSEN.	2232.	0310.	Primary attacked. 0123 hrs. 20,000 ft. Red and green steady flares and R/P flares red with green stars in bomb sight. One red flare with green stars in bomb sights. No other flares seen. Good fires seen after leaving target.		
								SGT. W.H. HODSON.
								SGT. J. PIPER.
								SGT. T.N. ROBINSON.
								SGT. P. RUSSELL.
		SGT. C.F. SARGENT.						
LANCASTER. N. 4964.	SGT. J.A. ALDERSLEY.	SGT. P. HALL.	Bombing - OBERHAUSEN.	2247.	0336.	Primary attacked. 0134 hrs. 16,000 ft. Red and green steady flares and R/P flares red with green stars seen. Being below flares, latter could not be in bomb sights, but allowance made to avoid undershooting. Good fires seen in target area but some fires seen about 10 miles South.		
								SGT. P. WEBSTER.
								SGT. H. POPPLESTONE.
								SGT. G.J. SINCLAIR.
								SGT. H.F. FOYNER.
		SGT. D.G. WREMBLAY.						
LANCASTER. ED. 699.	F/L. R.H. BUNKER.	SGT. W. POSSET.	Bombing - OBERHAUSEN.	2235.	0323.	Primary attacked 0121 hrs. 20,000 ft. Timed run from red flare, checked on green R/P flares seen. R/P flare had just burnt out, bombed on WPA. Good fires seen. Large explosion seen at 0124 hrs. to East of A.P.		
								SGT. W.A. GALL.
								F/O. J. PRIOR.
								SGT. J. LEVER.
								SGT. R.G. LOMAS.
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14/6/43.	LANCASTER.	SGT. G.E. HALL.	Bombing -	2240.	0208.	No target attacked. Returned early from Dutch coast owing to mid-upper gunner's electrical heating and sight system having failed. Fuses repeatedly blew. Full bomb load jettisoned.	
(contd)	ED. 551.	SGT. L. FIELD.	OBERHAUSEN.				
		SGT. W.D. EVANS.					
		SGT. E. COLBERT.					
		SGT. O.J. OVERINGTON.					
		F/SGT. C. HOUBERT.					
		SGT. H.G. WILLIAMS.					
	LANCASTER, LM. 329.	SGT. J. EVANS.	Bombing -	2256.		Aircraft missing. No signals received.	
		SGT. SMITH.	OBERHAUSEN.				
		SGT. R. BORTHVICK.					
		SGT. V.J. TARR.					
		F/SGT. W.J. CHAPPLIN.					
		SGT. H.I. ASHDOWN.					
		SGT. D.V. BROUGH.					
	LANCASTER. EB. 136.	SGT. J.H. LYON.	Bombing -	2246.	0332.	Primary attacked 0131 hrs. 19,000 ft. Timed run from red tracking flare. Green seen ahead but had gone out. Release flare seen. Appeared better than Bochum, but below Dusseldorf. Red explosion at 0126 hrs. Died away quickly. Release point flare burst above aircraft. Bombed on ETA. Worked out well.	
		SGT. J. PACK.	OBERHAUSEN.				
		SGT. R.W. CORKILL.					
		SGT. H.W. JEFFREY.					
		SGT. A. FIELDING.					
		SGT. A.G. DENYER.					
		SGT. G. CLEGG.					
	LANCASTER. W. 4133.	F/O. M.R. HEAD.	Bombing -	2238.	0340.	Primary attacked 0130 hrs. 20,000 ft. Red steady dropped beside aircraft at 0124 hours. Timed run made up to 15 R/P flares over the steady. R/P flares red with green stars in sights. Incendiary loads seen to go down appeared rather scattered and at time of bombing there were not many fires.	
		SGT. E.W. EDWARDS.	OBERHAUSEN.				
		SGT. D.R. WALTER.					
		F/O. R.S. SHAW.					
		F/SGT. F.J. MERCHANT.					
		SGT. F.S. FINLAY.					
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14/6/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 836.	F/L. J.N. DERBYSHIRE. SGT. S. SULLIVAN. SGT. J. GILL. SGT. F. OVEREND. SGT. E. OAKES. SGT. F.G. COLE. SGT. T. PARSONS.	Bombing - OBERHAUSEN.	2237.	0313	Primary attacked 0122 hours. 18,000 ft. Timed run made from red tracking flares, checked on green. R/P flares 100 feet below and 50 yards to the left with aircraft on correct heading and air speed. Flares had already got going on arrival. Huge orange explosion seen at 0121 hrs. followed by some expansion of fires.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 480.	SGT. J.D. DUNGAN. SGT. S.G. BLUNDEN P/SGT. H.T. BROWN. SGT. G. BARTLEY. SGT. S. HUGHES, SGT. L.G. WATNER. SGT. D.B. McMILLAN.	Bombing - OBERHAUSEN.	2239.	0317.	Primary attacked 0124 hours. 18,000 ft. Red and green steady flares and R/P flares red with green stars seen. One flare red with green stars in bomb sights. Bombing appeared to be rather scattered.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	F/L. G.F. R. OBERTSON. SGT. BROWN. F/O. R.H. SMITH. F/O. T.J. KWELL. F/SGT. K. GREENE. F/O. F.N. ARMSTRONG. SGT. G. ALLAN.	Bombing - OBERHAUSEN.	2236.	0125.	No target attacked. Returned early from 20 miles off Southwold owing to starboard outer engine excessive surging in hot and cold air and fluctuations of oil pressure and temperature. Aircraft would not attain greater height than 16,000 ft. x 4000 lb HP and 4 x 500 lb jet fuel used. Incendiaries brought back to base.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 975.	Warrant Officer SGT. G.S. SPOUT. SGT. J. GURVEY. SGT. J.H. BRYANT. SGT. K. GAVIN. SGT. McCOYAN. SGT. D. BURDEN. SGT. V. CORNISH-UNDERWOOD.	Bombing - OBERHAUSEN.	2245.	0320.	Primary attacked 0127 hrs. 20,000 ft. Red and green steady flares and R/P flares red with green stars and white seen. One R/P flare red with green stars in bomb sights. On leaving target fires seen to be well concentrated.	

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14/6/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. W. 5011.	SGT. J. LIVINGSTONE. SGT. F. PARSONS. SGT. F.T. WATSON. SGT. H.C. BREWER. SGT. J. FRENDERGAST. SGT. R.N. BROWNE. SGT. T.C. TAYLOR.	Bombing - OBERHAUSEN.	2244.	0330.	Primary attacked. 0138 hours, 21,000 ft. Timed run from red tracking flares checked on green. R/P flares seen ahead. R/P flares had just gone out. Bombed estimated position checked on timed run which brought aircraft over fires. Good red fires, fairly well concentrated. Still visible Amsterdam area. At approx. 0123 hours explosion over target seen well ahead. Lit up sky.	
16/6/43	LANCASTER. ED. 487.	SGT. J.A. ALDERSLEY. SGT. P. HALL. SGT. P. WEBSTER. SGT. H. FOPPLESTONE. SGT. G.J. SINCLAIR. SGT. H.F. POYNTER. SGT. D.G. TREMBLAY.	Bombing - COLOGNE.	2223.		Aircraft missing - no signals received.	
	LANCASTER ED. 699.	F/L. R.A. BUNKER. SGT. W. POSSEE. SGT. W.A. GALL. P/O. J. PRIOR SGT. J. LEVER. SGT. R.G. LOMAS. SGT. F.G. HAYLER.	Bombing - COLOGNE.	2219.	0255.	Primary attacked. 0104 hrs. 21,000 ft. Green flares at posn "A" seen at 0055 hrs. Turned on to track 115° (flares still ahead). 4 more green flares seen, two slightly to starboard, two to port, all some miles apart. Steered between the flares track 115°. Very bright green flare, white flare adjacent, seen 20 to 20 miles directly ahead. Bombed green and white flares, both in sights. Attack appeared very scattered at time of bombing..	
	LANCASTER. ED. 551.	SGT. G.E. HALL. SGT. L. FIELD. SGT. W.D. EVANS. SGT. E. COLBERT. SGT. O.J. OVERINGTON. F/SGT. C. HOUBERT. SGT. H.G. WILLIAMS.	Bombing - COLOGNE.	2220.	0310.	Primary attacked 0114 hrs. 20,000 ft. Green steady flares on track. R/P flares red with green stars and white, and one green T.I. seen. One green seen to cascade at 0112 hrs in centre of cluster of 3 R/P flares red with green stars. Green T.I. in bomb sights at release of bombs. Fires seen a little short of green T.I.	96

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16/6/43	LANCASTER. EE. 188.	F/O. M.R. HEAD. SGT. W.W. EDWARDS. SGT. D.R. WALTER. F/O. R.S. SHAW. F/SGT. F.J. MERCHANT. SGT. P.S. FINLAY. F/SGT. N. McCOOMBS.	Bombing - COLOGNE.	2217.	0305.	Primary attacked. 0101 hrs. 20,000 ft. 2 green flares seen at posn. "A" Timed run started ETA. timed run 5 to 6 green flares seen. No red with green stars so assumed these were sky markers for target, but continued in uncertainty. Saw a river presumed the Rhine, turned and saw a green ground marker on Eastern side of river. One believed green ground T.I. in sights. 4 scattered sticks of incendiaries only results seen. 90 x 4lb. incendiaries hung up and brought back to base.	
	LANCASTER. R. 5744.	SGT. J.H. LYON. SGT. K. PACK. SGT. R.W. GORKILL. SGT. H.W. JEFFREY. SGT. A. FIELDING. SGT. A.G. DENYER. SGT. G. CLEGG.	Bombing - COLOGNE.	2225.	0410.	Primary attacked 0112 hrs. 21,000 ft. At 0100 hours 4 lots of double green flares seen in line at right angles to track. At 0106 hrs red with green stars seen ahead on track (114°)m. R.P. flare s in sights. Results very disappointing. Owing to lack of brake pressure aircraft was diverted to WITTING.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 499	F/L. G.F. ROBERTSON SGT. BROWN. F/O. R.H. SMITH. F/O. E.J. KNELL. SGT. McGOWAN. F/O. E.N. ARMSTRONG SGT. G. ALLAN.	Bombing - COLOGNE.	2218.	0302.	Primary attacked. 0106 hrs. 20,500 ft. Bombs released on ETA from timed run and one minute after bombing two or three red T.I.'s were seen to cascade in a posn. estimated from the timed run to have coincided with the target at 0117 hours and 0119 hours. Two flares red with green stars and white stars were seen to go down in a position estimated to be 51-05N 06-10E. No results could be seen apart from a few scattered bomb bursts.	
	LANCASTER. W. 5011.	SGT. J. LIVINGSTONE. SGT. P. PARSONS. SGT. F.T. WATSON. SGT. H.G. BREWER, SGT. J. FRENDERGAST SGT. R.N. BROWN. SGT. T.C. TAYLOR.	Bombing - COLOGNE.	2224.	0250.	Primary attacked. 0106 hrs. 22,000 ft. Green steady flares seen on track from which timed run was made. No R/P flares or green T.I.'s seen until after bombing. As no R/P flares or green T.I.'s were seen on run up to target bombs were dropped on ETA. After bombing R/P was with green stars and 1 green T.I. seen to cascade at 0107 hours where bombs had dropped. Results not seen, but glow of fires seen after leaving target.	

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after leaving target.

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20/6/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 654.	F/SGT. J. McCUBBIN. SGT. N.D. OWEN. SGT. B. SHERRY. SGT. K.J. BARNALL. SGT. A.M. SMITH. SGT. P. LYNAM. SGT. C. STEWART.	Bombing - ZEPPELIN SHEDS, FRIEDRICHSHAVEN.	2148.	0750.	Primary attacked. 0247 hrs. 10,000 ft. Identified visually. Bombs dropped on green mark and believed seen to burst. Good deal of smoke at target at time of bombing. Two good fires seen on leaving target, one thought to be hangar.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 831.	S/L. A.M. HOBBS. SGT. F.W. SANDERSON. SGT. K.G. MOTT. SGT. C.P. KING. SGT. E.C. BISHOP. SGT. W.C. ROWLANDS. F/SGT. P. SLATER.	Bombing - ZEPPELIN SHEDS, FRIEDRICHSHAVEN.	2149.	0755.	Primary attacked. 0308 hrs. 12,250 feet. Bomb burst seen, but target was already one mass of black smoke. Fire still visible at 0324 hours.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 188.	P/O. S. BOZAR. SGT. J.W. VINALL. P/O. J.P.H. CARRERS. SGT. C.S. WATTS. SGT. R.S. WEBB. F/SGT. R.K. BURGAR. F/SGT. G.V. BROWELL.	Bombing - ZEPPELIN SHEDS, FRIEDRICHSHAVEN.	2145.	0748.	Primary attacked. 0248 hrs. Bombs in one stick at all bombs. Bombs seen to burst slightly to left. One fire seen giving much smoke, visible 50 miles from target.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 666.	F/O. C.A. HALE. SGT. J.D. DODDS. SGT. J. POWELL. F/SGT. G.E. HALES. SGT. J. PIPER. SGT. C. CLARK. SGT. H.L. JONES.	Bombing - ZEPPELIN SHEDS, FRIEDRICHSHAVEN.	2145.	0800.	Primary attacked. 0251 hrs. 14,000 ft. Identified visually on green T.I. Bombing results unobserved. One large fire and several small ones in target area.	

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20/6/43.	LANCASTER.	F/L. J.A. WAKEFORD.	Bombing -	2156.	0738.	Primary attacked. 0301 hrs. 10,500 ft. Bombs aimed by indirect method, time and distance run from pre-determined point. Bursts not observed. Two main fires and much smoke seen at target. Rear gunner reported fires seen from 14,500 feet. 50 miles from target. What appeared to be airship sheds seen after bombing and some members of crew believe it was burning.	
(contd)	ED. 689.	SGT. J. OWEN.	ZEPPELIN SHEDS,				
		F/O. J.B. REEVES.	FRIEDRICHSHAVEN				
		SGT. H.J. HAWKRIEGE.					
		SGT. A.B. BACKLER.					
		SGT. H.L. WILSON.					
		SGT. G.F. DOHANEY.					
21/6/43,	LANCASTER.	S/L. R. McFARLANE.	Bombing -	2302.	0317.	Primary attacked. 0139 hrs. 19,950 ft. Identified by red and green T.I.'s. Fires seen in target area and bombing seemed well concentrated.	
	ED. 700.	SGT. K. PAINTER.	KREFELD.				
		SGT. W. BRIFFITHS.					
		SGT. G.E. LOCKEY.					
		F/O. F.N. GIBSON.					
		SGT. R. WILLIAMS.					
		SGT. L.F. COLLINS.					
		F/O. J. CORK.					
	LANCASTER.	W/O. A.W.S. MATHESON.	Bombing -	2347.	0351½	Primary attacked. 0213 hrs. 19,700 ft. Ran up on red T.I.'s which cascaded at 02.09 hrs. M.P.I. of cluster of red T.I.'s in sights including that mentioned above. Main concentration of fires were around the red T.I.'s. Green T.I.'s were slightly to the North, but reasonably close to the red T.I.'s.	
	QA. 679.	SGT. J.M. ANDERSON.	KREFELD."				
		SGT. H.J. BOYD.					
		SGT. E.O. CHARLTON.					
		F/O. A.E. SMITH.					
		F/SGT. M.T. WARD.					
		SGT. F. EDWARDS.					
	LANCASTER.	SGT. J.H. LYON.	Bombing -	2300.	0320.	Primary attacked. 01.34 hrs. 19,000 ft. One red T.I. marker in sights at time of bombing. T.I. seen to cascade at 01.27 hrs. Early concentration of fires very slightly to port of first T.I. markers.	
	W. 4133.	SGT. K. PACK.	KREFELD.				
		SGT. R.W. CORKILL.					
		SGT. H.V. JEFFREY.					
		SGT. A. FIELDING.					
		SGT. A.G. DENYER.					
		SGT. G. OLEGG.					

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21/6/43. (contd)	LANCASTER ED. 836.	F/L. J.N. DERBYSHIRE. SGT. F. SULLIVAN. SGT. J. GILL. SGT. F. OVEREND. SGT. F. OAKES. SGT. F.G. COLE. SGT. T. PARSONS.	Bombing - KREFELD.	23.04.	03.22.	Primary attacked. 01.38 1/2 hrs. 19,000 ft. Two red T.I's seen ahead to cascade at 01.37 hrs. One Red T.I. in sights which had been seen to cascade as above. That fires were burning at this time were close to the T.I's.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	F/L. G.F. ROBERTSON. SGT. W.BROWN. F/O. R.H. SMITH. F/O. F.J. KNELL. F/SGT. K. GREENE. F/O. E.N. ARMSTRONG. SGT. G. ALLAN.	Bombing - KREFELD.	2301.	0315.	Primary attacked. 0139 hrs. 18,500 ft. Two red T.I. seen to cascade at 01.28 hrs followed by 4 very accurate sticks of bombs and a number of green T.I. which were extremely accurate. Two Red T.I. in sights seen to cascade at 01.36 hrs. Attack started with great accuracy by P.P.F. and first wave. Incendiaries appeared very concentrated.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 975.	F/O. M.R. HEAD. SGT. E.W. EDWARDS. SGT. D.R. WALTER. F/O. R.S. SHAW. F/SGT. F.J. MERCHANT. F/SGT. W.J. McCOOMBS. SGT. F.S. FINLAY.	Bombing - KREFELD.	2338.	0345.	Primary attacked. 0210 hrs. 20,400 ft. Ran up on cluster of red T.I's which were seen to cascade at 0159 hours. M.P.I. of cluster of red T.I's as above still burning on ground. One good fire just where the red T.I's were which after leaving the target developed considerably. Bombing appeared close to red T.I's. Greens also very close to red T.I's.	
	LANCASTER. W. 5011.	SGT. J. LIVINGSTONS. SGT. F. PARSONS. SGT. F.T. WATSON. SGT. H.C. BREWER. SGT. J. PRENDERGAST. SGT. R.N. BROWN. SGT. T.C. TAYLOR.	Bombing - KREFELD.	2333.	0401.	Primary attacked. 0214 hrs. 19,900 ft. Identified by red and green T.I's. One red T.I. seen to cascade at 02.11 hrs. In bomb sights at release of bombs. Bombing very concentrated.	95

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21/6/43: (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 699.	F/L. R. BUNKER.	Bombing - KREFELD.	2343.	0354.	Primary attacked. 02.12 hrs. 21,000 ft. One green T.I. in sights. No red visible at actual time of bombing.  Very concentrated fires. Much smoke. Fires visible from Dutch coast. A few scattered sticks short but vast majority dead on A.P. markers.	
		SGT. H. DENNESS.					
		SGT. W. POSST.					
		SGT. WA GALL.					
		P/O. J. PRIOR.					
		SGT. J. LEVER.					
		SGT. LG LOMAS.					
		SGT. FG HAYLER.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 493.	SGT. G.E. HALL.	Bombing-	2345.	0347.	Primary attacked. 02.10 1/2 hrs. 21,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I's. Two red T.I's seen to cascade at 02.07 1/2 hrs. Two red T.I's in bomb sights at time of bombing. Fires well concentrated around T.I's.	
		SGT. L. FIELD.	KREFELD.				
		SGT. W.D. EVANS.					
		SGT. E. COLBERT.					
		SGT. O.J. OBERINGTON.					
		F/SGT. C. HOUBERT.					
		SGT. H.G. WILLIAMS.					
	LANCASTER. R. 5744.	SGT. JB BILLING.	Bombing -	2342.	0428.	Primary attacked. 02.21 hrs. 21,000 ft. Red and green T.I's seen to cascade at 02.16 hrs. which had burnt out when target was reached. Bombs therefore dropped where T.I's were estimated to have fallen and where fires were well concentrated. Never seen. Bombing seemed well concentrated apart from small number of under-shoots.	
		SGT. F. HOPE.	KREFELD.				
		SGT. KE MORIARY.					
		SGT. HM COATES.					
		SGT. JM CAMPBELL.					
		SGT. JB FINDLAY.					
		SGT. RJ CURTIS.					
22/6/43	LANCASTER. ED. 700.	F/O M.R. HEAD.	Bombing -	2238.	0318.	Primary attacked. 0123 1/2 hrs. 19,000 ft. Red T.I's used on which to run up cascaded at 0122 hrs. Some fires obtaining a hold as aircraft left. These were near the red T.I's Green T.I's were seen to be close to the reds.	
		SGT. E.V. EDWARDS.	MULHREIM.				
		SGT. D.R. WALTER.					
		F/O. R.S. SHAW.					
		F/SGT. F.J. MERCHANT.					
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22/6/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. JA.679.	F/O. HVS. MATHISON. SGT. Jm ANDERSON. SGT. AG BOYD. SGT. E.O. CHARLTON. F/O. AE SMITH. F/SGT. M.T. WARD. SGT. F. EDWARDS.	Bombing - MULHEIM.	2244.	0351.	Primary attacked. 0127 hrs. 18,500 ft. Fires burning close to and around red T.I.'s. Target area a mass of flame. Vicinity of target hydraulics shot away. Port outer caught fire and extinguished promptly. Engine feathered. Mid-upper turret holed. Bomb doors would not close.	
	LANCASTER. W. 4133.	SGT. J.D. DUNCAN. SGT. S.G. BLU DEN. F/SGT. H.T. BROWN. SGT. G. BARTLEY. SGT. S. HUGHES. SGT. L.G. WEAVER. SGT. D.B. McMILLAN.	Bombing - MULHEIM.	2235.	0321.	Primary attacked. 0118 hours. 14,000 ft. Yellow T.I. seen at 0114 hours approx. 9 miles to port beam. Aircraft caught by searchlight and held at 19,500 ft. Considerable heavy flak directed at aircraft. 4,000 ft. lost in evading. Aerial shot away and very bumpy as flak became more accurate. Bombs released approx. 3 miles from target, but bearing unknown. Attack had not started, but good fires seen after leaving.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 836.	F/L. J.N. DERBYSHIRE SGT. E. SULLIVAN. SGT. J. GILL. SGT. F. OVEREND. SGT. W. OAKES. SGT. E.G. COLE. SGT. T. PARSONS.	Bombing - MULHEIM.	2237.	0023.	No target attacked. Returned early from 53.45N. 0141 W. Port outer u/s just after take-off.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 975.	SGT. K. PAINTER. SGT. T. DEACON. SGT. KC SAUNDERS. SGT. E.S. BACON. SGT. T. ANDREWS. SGT. SF HOWE. SGT. D.W. ANGELL.	Bombing - MULHEIM.	0325.	0350.	Primary attacked. 0152 hrs. 20,000 ft. Yellow T.I. not seen (off track to starboard), but red and green T.I. seen ahead. One green T.I. in sights. No reds burning at time of bombing. Very concentrated mass of fire. Some few overshoots.	

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22/6/43 (contd)	LANCASTER W. 5011.	SGT. J. LIVINGSTONE.	Bombing -	2241.	0312.	Primary attacked. 0126 hrs. 20,000 ft. Yellow markers seen. Red T.I. seen cascading ahead. One red T.I. in sights. Seen to cascade at 0123 hours. Good fires seen after leaving target.	
		SGT. F. PARSONS.	MULHEIM.				
		SGT. F.T. WATSON.					
		SGT. H.C. BREWER.					
		SGT. J. PRENDERGAST.					
		SGT. F.W. BROWN.					
	SGT. T.C. TAYLOR.						
LANCASTER ED. 493.	SGT. D. MACKENZIE. SGT. R. JONES. P/O. T. McCALL. SGT. R. REID. SGT. G.A. FILLIOL. SGT. L.F. GILKES. SGT. W.M. WELSH.	Bombing -	2309.	0407.	Primary attacked. 0152 hrs. 20,000 ft. Ran up on a red T.I. which was seen to cascade. One red T.I. in sights. Green T.I.'s were near. Numerous fires near markers. Could be seen from coast going home.		
		MULHEIM.					
LANCASTER. R. 5744.	SGT. T.H. GILL. SGT. M. McPHERSON. SGT. R.V. GOUGH. SGT. B.P. DEVINE. SGT. W.A. MORTON. SGT. T.R. DAVIS. SGT. R. McFEE.	Bombing -	2242.	0326.	Primary attacked. 0124 hrs. 19,600 ft. Identified by yellow T.I. markers & red T.I. markers and green T.I.'s. Red T.I. disappeared into cloud. Cluster of green in sights at time of bombing, seen to cascade at 0123 hours.		
		MULHEIM.					
LANCASTER. ED. 699.	SGT. H. DENNESS. SGT. C. HUNT. SGT. A.G. BRYAN. P/O. W. WINFIELD. SGT. A.F. DAY. SGT. J. KILSBY. SGT. E.W. GERAGHTY,	Bombing -	2317		Aircraft missing - no signals received.		
		MULHEIM.					

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22/6/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 551.	SGT. G.E. HALL. SGT. L. FIELD. SGT. W.D. EVANS. SGT. E. COLBERT. SGT. O.J. OVERINGTON. P/SGT. C. HOUBERT. SGT. H.G. WILLIAMS.	Bombing - MULHEIM.	2315.	0203.	No target attacked. Returned early from 52.50 N. 02.10 W. Maximum height obtained 18,000 feet. Maximum air speed obtained 120 indicated. Navigator estimated aircraft would be 30 minutes late at target.	
23/6/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 654.	F/SGT. J. McCUBBIN. SGT. N.D. OWEN. SGT. B. SHERRY. SGT. K.J. DAGNALL. SGT. A.M. SMITH. SGT. P. LYNAM. SGT. C. STEWART.	Bombing - SPEZIA.	1931.	0440.	Primary attacked. 0003 hours. 10,000 ft. Bombed on W.T. instruction a point 500 yards North of large oil fire just south of submarine pens. These instructions received from W/Odr. Gomm 2359 hrs. Considered last bomb started red fire approx. 4,000 yds. north of oil fire. Oil fire was good but rest of bombing was scattered.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 831.	S/L. A.M. HOBBS. SGT. F.W. SANDERSON. SGT. K.G. MOTT. SGT. C.P. KING. SGT. E.O. BISHOP. SGT. W.C. ROWLANDS. F/SGT. P. SLATER.	Bombing - SPEZIA.	1925.	0440.	Primary attacked. 0006 hrs. 8,000 ft. Ordered to bomb 500 yards north of oil fire. Own bursts seen. Some incendiaries believed to be on slopes of hill and in woods but good fires and tremendous smoke from docks which rose above height of aircraft.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 188.	P/O. S. BOGZAR. SGT. J.W. VINALL. P/O. J.P.H. CARRERE. SGT. C.S. WATTS. SGT. R.S. WEBB. P/SGT. R.K. BURGAR. P/SGT. G.W. BROWELL.	Bombing - SPEZIA.	1931.	0435.	Primary attacked. 0004 hours. 9,500 ft. Ordered by W/T to bomb 500 yards North of oil fire, which had been started at beginning of attack. Own burst not seen. Damage thought not be very impressive beyond the oil fire, but bombing appeared accurate.	

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23/6/43 (contd)	LANCASTER ED. 666.	P/O. C. A. HALES. SGT. J. D. DODDS. SGT. R. POWELL. P/SGT. G. E. HALES. SGT. R. V. PIPER. SGT. C. CLARK. SGT. H. L. JONES.	Bombing - SPZLA.	1920.	0435.	Primary attacked 2341 hours. 9,000 ft. Visual identification of harbour installations. No P.P.P. flares at this time. Oil storage in inner harbour. The area around the Electricity Shop was lit up by bursts from bombs. At time of bombing a terrific explosion occurred followed by black smoke up to 8,000 feet. Considered to be result of own bomb. Indirect attack ordered but unable to pinpoint run off point clearly. Target already identified so bombed visually.	
	LANCASTER ED. 689.	P/L. J. A. WATKINS. SGT. MIMI OWEN. P/O. J. B. REEVES. SGT. H. J. HAWKIDOR. SGT. A. B. BACKLER. SGT. H. L. TILSON. SGT. C. F. DOHANTY.	Bombing - SPZLA.	1931.	0455.	Primary attacked 2356 hrs. 8,500 ft. Point formation and distance could not be seen. Ran up on green T.I. (2353) ordered by W/T to bomb oil fire. Was very close to this. Green T.I. in sights. Burst of 4,000 lb. seen alongside of green T.I. Large oil fire burning.	
24/6/43	LANCASTER ED. 700.	W/O. P. BURNETT. SGT. J. W. JOWERS. P/O. J. A. BRECKELL. SGT. T. OVEREND. P/L. J. A. G. SKINNER. P/L. C. A. PATTEN. SGT. O. G. FRASMUS.	Bombing - ELBERFELD.	2250.	0354.	Primary attacked 0133 hours. 24,300 ft. No yellow track indicators seen. Ran up on red T.I.'s which had burnt out on arrival. At 0132 hours a green T.I. was seen to cascade and go down accurately and this was selected. One green T.I. in sights. Burst could not be observed among fires. Fires were impressive and comparable to the previous Wharfedale raid. On coming away the red T.I.'s and greens were going down among the fires.	
	LANCASTER JA. 679.	W/O. ANS MATHEWSON. SGT. J. M. ANDERSON. SGT. A. G. BOYD. SGT. H. Q. CHARLTON. P/O. H. E. SMITH. P/SGT. M. T. WARD. SGT. F. EDWARDS.	Bombing - MUPPERAL.	2253.	0600.	Primary attacked 0138 hrs. 18,500 ft. Yellow T.I. seen. Red and green T.I. seen. 1 x 4000 lb. jettisoned 0101 hrs. unable to gain height. Aircraft hit by heavy flak over target. Port inner and starboard outer failed. Navigator wounded in the face. Holes in roof, cockpit and fuselage. One hole at least in every engine cowling. While navigators were unconscious (oxygen mask knocked off and bleeding) steered South to get well clear of defences after being cornered. Lost height to 4,000 feet from 12,000 ft. Weaving and diving in night. 4000 ft. Navigator came round set course for nearest point in France. Finally got organised and set course for home. Retrievable everything possible including camera.	

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height to 5,600 feet from 12,000 ft. weaving and diving in  
sights. After navigator came round set course for nearest point  
in France. Finally got organised and set course for home.  
Jettisoned everything possible including camera.

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	LANCASTER. W. 4133.	SGT. J.D. DUNGAN. SGT. S.G. BLUNDEN. SGT. D.R. WALTER. SGT. G. BARTLEY. SGT. S. HUGHES. SGT. L.G. WARNER. SGT. D.B. McMILLAN.	Bombing - ELBTRFIELD.	2217.	0351.	Primary attacked. 0111 hrs. 18,000 ft. Yellow T.I. on track from which timed run was made and red and green T.I.'s. One red T.I. seen to cascade at 0110 hours and in bomb sights at release of bombs. Fires seen well concentrated.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 654.	SGT. J.H. LYON. SGT. K. PACK. SGT. R.W. CORKILL. SGT. H.V. JEFFREY. SGT. A. FIELDING. SGT. A.G. DENYER. SGT. G. GLEGG.	Bombing - ELBTRFIELD.	2220.	0347.	Primary attacked 0118 hrs. 19,000 ft. Yellow T.I. seen. Red 0104 hrs. Followed by more red and greens. One red in sights on bombing. Own results not seen but many other bursts. Large explosion seen in built up area marked by red at 0116 hrs.	
	LANCASTER. W. 5011.	SGT. J. LIVINGSTONE. SGT. F. PARSONS. SGT. F.T. WATSON. SGT. H.G. BREWER. SGT. J. PRENDERGAST. SGT. R.N. BROWNE. SGT. T.C. TAYLOR.	Bombing - ELBTRFIELD.	2216.	0340.	Primary attacked. 0109 1/2 hrs. 19,500 ft. T.I. yellow seen. Two red T.I. seen well ahead. Ran up and bombed another red T.I. Not seen to cascade. After bombing, two green seen to cascade very near, fell right over the red. Only a few incendiaries seen at time of bombing, but very concentrated. After leaving target good red fires seen to break out.	

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24.6/43	LANCASTER ED. 551.	SGT. N.J. ROBINSON. SGT. R. TAYLOR. SGT. TR DAVIS. SGT. R.J. PITMAN. SGT. W.E. JONES. SGT. L.E. MITCHELL. SGT. J. CASSY.	Bombing - ELBERFELD.	2310.	0423.	Primary attacked. 0135 hrs. 19,500 ft. Yellow T.I's seen near Dasseldorf. 0126 hrs appeared like a bunch cascading. Aircraft went up to these but as they were obviously miles off position, ignored them. Red T.I. in bomb sights on bombing 0134 hours. Green T.I's seen to starboard at 0133 hours. Results of own bombing not seen. Large red glow seen and smoke up to 15,000 ft. few bomb bursts seen at time of bombing.	
	LANCASTER EE. 188.	SGT. K. PAINTER. SGT. T. DEACON. SGT. R.C. SAUNDERS. SGT. DE BACON. SGT. T. ANDREWS. SGT. SF HOWE. SGT. DW ANGELL.	Bombing - ELBERFELD.	2251.	0417.	Primary attacked. 0140 hrs. 17,500 ft. Yellow T.I's on track and red and green T.I. Three green T.I's seen to cascade at 0136 hrs. Centre of cluster of three green T.I's in bomb sights. Flares well concentrated apart from a few scattered ones. On leaving target heavy smoke seen rising to about 10,000 ft.	
	LANCASTER JA. 692.	SGT. T.H. GILL. SGT. M. McHERSON. SGT. R.V. GOUGH. SGT. H.P. DEVINE. SGT. W.A. MORTON. SGT. T.R. DAVIS. SGT. R. MCKEE.	Bombing - ELBERFELD.	2219.	0142.	No target attacked. Port outer engine giving excessive flame. Bomb load jettisoned and returned early.	
	LANCASTER R. 5744.	SGT. SP BILLING. SGT. F. HOPE. SGT. KE MORIANTY, SGT. HM COATES. SGT. SM CAMPBELL. SGT. SB FINDLAY. SGT. RJ CURTISS.	Bombing - ELBERFELD.	2254.	0446.	Primary attacked. 0141 hrs. 16,000 ft. Run up on two clusters of red T.I's and three greens, which were being dropped accurately. Centre of pattern of red T.I's and green T.I's in sights. Aircraft received flat holes in fuselage, nose and flaps.	

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24/6/43 (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 831.	SGT. G.E. HALL. SGT. L. FIELD. SGT. V.D. EVANS. SGT. E. COLBERT. SGT. O.J. OVERINGTON. SGT. K. CHORLEY. SGT. H.G. WILLIAMS.	Bombing - ELBERFELD.	2249.	0420.	Primary attacked. 0139 hrs. 19,000 ft. Ran up on two red T.I.'s and green T.I. which was close to them. These were burning on ground and were not actually seen to cascade. Bursts could not be seen owing to fires and smoke.	
<i>25/6/43</i>	LANCASTER. EE. 188.	SGT. T.H. GILL. SGT. M. McPHERSON. SGT. R.V. GOUGH. SGT. B.P. DEVINE. SGT. W.A. MORTON. SGT. T.R. DAVIS. SGT. R. MCKET.	Bombing - GELSENKIRCHEN.	2234.	0344.	Primary attacked. 01.25 hrs. 19,500 ft. Saw red steady ahead at 01.16 hrs. Headed 194° (m) and saw 2 greens astern. Continued on timed run. No. R.P. flares on E.T.A. of timed run. Released 1/2 minute later. Then saw R.P. flares approx. 6 miles further ahead. During timed run saw red and green flares either side of track. No results observed.	
	LANCASTER. JA. 692.	SGT. <i>D</i> MACKENZIE. SGT. <i>R</i> JONES. F/O. <i>T</i> McCALL. SGT. <i>R</i> REID. SGT. <i>GA</i> FILLIOL. SGT. <i>LF</i> GILCES. SGT. <i>NW</i> WELSH.	Bombing - GELSENKIRCHEN.	2254.	0403.	Primary attacked. 01.40 hrs. 20,000 ft. Red and green track flares seen in correct order for some distance. Made timed run. R.P. flares in sights. Good fires seen.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 666.	F/O. C.A. HALT. SGT. J.D. DODDS. SGT. R. POWELL. F/SGT. G.E. HALES. SGT. R.V. PIER. SGT. C. CLARK. SGT. H.L. JONES.	Bombing - GELSENKIRCHEN.	2231.	0319.	Primary attacked. 01.22 hrs. 19,000 ft. Red steady flares on track seen from which timed run was made. Green flares also seen but ignored as they went out in same position as red flares. No. R.P. flares seen until after bombing. Bombed on E.T.A. after timed run from red steady flares. No results observed.	99

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25/6/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 831.	F/O. SAMS. P/L. A.M. HOBBS. SGT. F.W. SANDERSON. SGT. K.G. MOTT. SGT. C.P. KING. SGT. F.C. BISHOP. SGT. W.C. ROWLANDS. P/SGT. P. SLATER.	Bombing - GELSENKIRCHEN.	2230.		Aircraft missing. No signals received.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 689.	F/L. J.A. WAKSFORD. SGT. NEWTON. SGT. J. OWEN. P/O. J.B. REEVES. SGT. H.J. HAWKBRIDGE. SGT. A.B. BACKLER. SGT. H.L. MILSON. SGT. C.F. DOHANEY.	Bombing - GELSENKIRCHEN.	2232.	0150.	No target attacked. Returned early from 10 miles from Dutch coast on track. All bombs jettisoned. Rear turret u/s through loss of oil owing to burst pipe.	
	LANCASTER ED. 975.	F/O. M.R. HEAD. SGT. F.W. EDWARDS. SGT. D.R. WALTER. P/O. R.S. SHAW. P/SGT. F.J. MERCHANT. SGT. F.S. FINLAY. P/SGT. McCOOMBS	Bombing - GELSENKIRCHEN	2233.	0948.	Primary attacked. 01.31 hrs. 19,000 ft. Bombed on time! Run from red flares confirmed position by red and green P.P. flares. No results of own bombing seen.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 836.	F/L. J.N. DERBYSHIRE. P/O. H. WELLS. SGT. E. SULLIVAN. SGT. J. GILL. SGT. P. OVEREND. SGT. E. OAKES. SGT. T. PARSONS.	Bombing - GELSENKIRCHEN	2229.	0340.	Primary attacked. 01.18 hrs. 19,000 ft. Red and green steady flares seen but appeared to be reversed positions. Bombed on E.T.A. Scattered fires seen.	

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25/6 43 (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 654.	P/SGT. E. McCUBBIN.	Bombing -	2228.	0333.	Primary attacked. 0124 hrs. 19,000 ft. Red and green flares widely scattered. First red seen at 01.14 hrs. astern after passing position "A". Orbited and other tracking flares red and green seen very wide. Timed run made from estimated position of first red tracking flare. No R/P flares seen. Bombed on T.T.A. Cloud prevented any observation of results beyond bomb flickers.	
		SGT. N.D. OWEN.	GELSENKIRCHEN.				
		SGT. B. SHERRY.					
		SGT. G. BARTLEY.					
		SGT. A.M. SMITH.					
		SGT. P. LYNAM.					
		SGT. C. STEWART.					
	LANCASTER. W. 5011.	SGT. J. LIVINGSTONE.	Bombing -	2249.	0352.	Primary attacked. 0141 hrs. 20,000 ft. Red and green steady flares on track, and R.P. flares. Red steady flares having gone out, timed run was made from their estimated position. R.P. flares in bomb sights at release of bombs. Results not seen.	
		SGT. F. PARSONS.	GELSENKIRCHEN.				
		SGT. F.T. WATSON.					
		SGT. H.G. BREWER.					
		SGT. J. PRENDERGAST.					
		SGT. R.N. BROWN.					
		SGT. T.G. TAYLOR.					
LANCASTER. ED. 551.		SGT. J.P. BILLING.	Bombing -	2250.	0105.	No target attacked. Returned early. Port inner engine failed at 00.05 hrs.	
		SGT. F. HOPE.	GELSENKIRCHEN.				
		SGT. K.E. MORIARTY.					
		SGT. H.M. COATES.					
		SGT. J.M. CAMPBELL.					
		SGT. J.B. FINDLAY.					
		SGT. R.D. CURTISS.					
LANCASTER. ED. 700.		S/L R. McFARLANE.	Bombing -	2227.	0322.	Primary attacked. 0128 hrs. 20,000 ft. Ran over red flares and saw course was approx. 194° (m) correct heading. P.P. flares in sights. No results observed. One hole in tail caused by flak also striking former.	
		SGT. W. GRIFFITHS.	GELSENKIRCHEN.				
		SGT. G.E. LOCKEY.					
		P/O. K.N. GIBSON.					
		SGT. R. WILLIAMS.					
		SGT. L.F. COLLINS.					
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28/6/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 493.	F/O. <i>R</i> WELLS. SGT. <i>D</i> NUTTMAN. SGT. <i>A</i> DUNCAN SGT. <i>K</i> GARRETT. SGT. <i>F</i> SMITH. SGT. <i>N</i> GOUGH. SGT. <i>S</i> MOSS.	Bombing - COLOGNE.	2344.	0420.	Primary attacked. 0219 hrs. 20,500 ft. Ran over green steady flares. Red T/I's were going into cloud. P.P. flares red with green stars seen and used for bombing. P.P. flares in sights. Large red glow on the cloud observed around the position where the T/I's were dropping through cloud. At 02.19 hrs there was evidence of an explosion. J.U. 88 claimed as destroyed at GLADBACH 15 miles east, 02.34 hours.	
	LANCASTER. EE. 183.	F/L. J.N. DERBYSHIRE SGT. E. SULLIVAN. SGT. J. GILL. SGT. F. OVEREND. F/L. THOMPSON. SGT. E. OAKES. SGT. E.G. COLF. SGT. T. PARSONS.	Bombing - COLOGNE.	2246.	0309.	No target attacked. Bomb load jettisoned as rear turret was u/s. At position 24 miles N.W. TUIREMONT while a test was being made of the rear turret which was found jerky and sluggish in operation, a twin-engined enemy aircraft made three attacks. During engagement the turret packed up completely. As there was another 25 minutes to go, Captain decided to turn back.	
	LANCASTER. JA. 692.	SGT. D. MACKENZIE. SGT. R. JONES. F/O. T. McCALL. SGT. R. REID. SGT. G.A. FILLFUL. SGT. L.F. GILKES. SGT. W.M. WELSH.	Bombing - COLOGNE.	2304.	0418.	Primary attacked. 0215 hrs. 19,000 ft. Two P/P flares in sights, glow of fires seen but cloud made assessment of results difficult.	
	LANCASTER. R. 5744.	F/SGT. J.P. BILLING. SGT. F. HOPE. SGT. K.E. MORIARTY. SGT. M.M. COATES. SGT. J.M. CAMPBELL. SGT. J.B. FINDLAY, SGT. R.D. CURTIS.	Bombing - COLOGNE.	2313.	0409.	Primary attacked. 02.05 1/2 hrs. 20,500 ft. Identified by green track flares, red and green T/I's and P.P. flares. One red T.I. in bomb sights, seen to cascade at 02.05 hrs. Results not seen. Glow of fires reflected in cloud.	

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28/6/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 666.	SGT. T.H. GILL. SGT. M. McPHERSON. SGT. R.V. GOUGH. SGT. B.P. DEVINE. SGT. W.A. MORTON. SGT. K. McDONAGH. SGT. R. MORRIS.	Bombing - COLOGNE.	2244.	0948.	Primary attacked. 01.54 hrs. 18,500 ft. Identified by green track flares, R/P. flares and red T/I. One red T/I in bomb sight seen to cascade at 01.54 hrs. Results of own bombing not observed.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 689.	F/L J.A. WAKEFORD. SGT. G. NEWTON. SGT. J.T. OWEN. F/O J.B. REEVES. SGT. H.J. HAWKRIE. SGT. A.B. BACKLER. SGT. C.F. DOHANEY. SGT. H.L. WILSON.	Bombing - COLOGNE.	2245.	0336.	Primary attacked. 01.45 hrs. 18,500 ft. Bombed on T.T.A. R/P. flares subsequently seen to drop in same position. Bombing results not seen apart from dispersed glow of fires below cloud.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 551.	F/SGT. G.W. HALL. SGT. L. FIELD. SGT. E.D. EVANS. SGT. E. GOLBERT. SGT. O.J. OVERTON. SGT. K. CHORLEY. SGT. H.G. WILLIAMS.	Bombing - COLOGNE.	2306.	0206.	No target attacked. Returned early from 30 miles off Southwold on track at 01.00 hrs. owing to showers of sparks and flames coming from port inner engine.	
	LANCASTER. W. 4133.	SGT. J.D. DUNCAN. SGT. S.G. BLUNDEN. F/O R.H. SMITH. SGT. G. BARTLEY. SGT. S. HUGHES. SGT. L.G. WARNER. SGT. D.B. McMILLAN	Bombing - COLOGNE.	2248.	0928.	Primary attacked. 01.44 hrs. 20,000 ft. No green track flares seen. No T/I seen. No R.P. flares seen (before bombing). Bombed on T.T.A. (T.O.T. had expired). Last Gee fix 50.42N 05.52 E. Three minutes after bombing believed green T/Is seen at some distance away.	

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28/6/43 (contd)	LANCASTER ED. 836.	SGT. K. PAINTER. SGT. T. DEACON. SGT. R.C. SAUNDERS. SGT. J.W. BACON. SGT. T. ANDREWS. SGT. S.F. HONS. SGT. D.W. ANGELL.	Bombing - COLOONY.	2314.	0425	Primary attacked. 02.45 hrs. 20,000 ft. Green steady flares seen and passed over. A red T/I was seen ahead to cascade at 02.10 hrs. and disappeared into cloud. Within a few seconds R.P. flares red with green stars ignited. P.P. flares in sights when bombing. There was a fairly concentrated glow below cloud which the rear gunner could still see when heading coast on the way home. There were a few scattered glows between target and green steady flares.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 656.	SGT. N.J. ROBINSON. SGT. R. TAYLOR. SGT. T.R. DAVIS. SGT. R.J. PITMAN. SGT. W.F. JONES. SGT. L.E. MITCHELL. SGT. J. CASBY.	Bombing - COLOONY.	2252.	0412.	Primary attacked. 0205 hrs. 20,100 ft. No green tracking flares seen. Red T/I's seen to cascade some distance ahead. Bombed R.P. flares (in sights). No ground markers available. Some bombing appeared accurate, but cloud interfered with assessment of results. Glow indicated strong fire at point bombed.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 654.	SGT. J.H. LYON. SGT. K. PAK. SGT. R.V. COVILL. SGT. H.V. JEFFERY. SGT. A. FIELDING. SGT. A.G. DENTON. SGT. G. CLERG.	Bombing - COLOONY.	2254.	0351.	Primary attacked. 0148 hrs. 18,000 ft. Green track flares seen at 01.41 hrs. while approaching green release point seen and also red T/I ahead at 01.45 hrs. T.I. ground markers had disappeared in cloud at time of release of bombs. Bombed R.P. flares. Glow obscured assessment of results. Glow of fires seen.	
	LANCASTER. M. 5011.	SGT. J. LIVINGSTONE. SGT. F. PARSONS. SGT. P.T. WATSON. SGT. H.C. BREWER, SGT. J. FENNIGAN. SGT. R.N. BROWN. SGT. T.C. TAYLOR.	Bombing - COLOONY.	2249.	0339.	Primary attacked. 01.50 hrs. 20,000 ft. Green tracking flares seen. Timed run made. Just before timed run red T/I cascaded at 01.41 hrs. and was seen to disappear in clouds. R.P. flares seen at the same time. Bombed R.P. flares (in sights). A number of aircraft seen to bomb before flares or markers.	

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28/6/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 975.	F/O. M.R. HEAD. SGT. E.W. EDWARDS. SGT. D.R. WALTER. F/O. R.S. SHAW. F/SGT. F.J. MERCHANT. SGT. F.S. FINLAY. F/SGT. V.J. MCCOOMBES.	Bombing - COLOGNE.	2247.	0342.	01.52 hrs. Primary attacked at 20,000 ft. On approaching target no flares were seen until green steady was seen behind at 01.44 hrs. Aircraft orbited to make another run and saw red T's at 01.47 hrs which disappeared into the cloud. P.P. flares released with green stars went off at same time and these were used for bombing. P.P. flares in sights. Results could not be observed.	
			<i>H. Bennett.</i>				
			WING COMMANDER, COMMANDING NO. 9 SQUADRON, BARINET.				

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BARDNEY.	1/7.		No operations were ordered today. Air to sea firing, practice bombing and night cross country exercises were carried out.		
	2/7.		Nothing of operational importance occurred. No flying was undertaken.		
	3/7.		Aircraft were tested in readiness for operations at night. The target picked was COLOGNE, and the following were prepared:- "A" (SGT. MACKENZIE); "B" (F/L BUNKER); "C" (P/O WELLS); "D" (F/L FOX); "E" (F/SGT. BILLING), "G" (SGT. GILL); "K" (F/L WAKEFORD); "P" (SGT. NEWTON); "S" (SGT. PAINTER); "U" (F/LT. ROBERTSON); "V" (F/SGT. ROBINSON); "W" (SGT. LYON); "Y" (P/O STOUT); "Z" (F/SGT. LIVINGSTONE). All aircraft took off and on return reported very concentrated fires in the target area. These could be seen for 100 miles. Large explosions were also observed during the attack. From this raid, "K" (F/L WAKEFORD and crew) failed to return.		
	4/7.		Orders were given for operations to be carried out at night, but these were later cancelled. Some low level bombing practice was undertaken during the day, whilst at night one crew took part in a cross-country exercise.		
	5/7.		Operations were again cancelled, after having been ordered earlier during the day. There was little activity, apart from some local flying.		
	6/7.		No operational effort was called for today. Cross-country flying, bombing and air firing were practised.		
	7/7.		No operations were ordered, and the day was spent in extensive bombing training. In addition, some air firing practice was carried out.		
	8/7.		In the afternoon some bombing practice was undertaken and aircraft were flown on air test in		

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BARINEY.	8/7 (Contd)		<p>readiness for operations which had been ordered for the night. The target was again COLOGNE, with the following aircraft and crews taking part:-</p> <p>"A" (SGT. MACKENZIE); "B" (SGT. BLACK); "C" (S/L. DERBYSHIRE); "D" (F/L. FOX); "E" (F/SGT. BILLING); "G" (SGT. NEWTON); "N" (F/O. WELLS); "O" (S/L. McFARLANE); "P" (F/O. HEAD); "R" (SGT. LYON); "S" (SGT. DUNCAN); "V" (F/O. ANSTERS); "W" (F/SGT. McCUBBIN); "Y" (SGT. TURNBULL); "Z" (F/SGT. LIVINGSTONE).</p> <p>All aircraft took off, but "E" returned early with engine trouble. 9-10/10ths cloud conditions were encountered by the remaining aircraft over the target area, which made observation difficult. Crews reported that the P.F.F. were late, but fires were started, the glow of which could be seen below the cloud. Several large explosions lit up the area at intervals.</p>	
	9/7.		<p>Operations were again ordered, this time the target chosen being GELSENKIRCHEN. The following aircraft and crews were prepared:-</p> <p>"B" (SGT. BLACK); "C" (F/O. WELLS); "D" (SGT. NEWTON); "G" (SGT. GILL); "P" (F/O. HEAD); "R" (SGT. LYON); "U" (SGT. DUNCAN); "V" (F/SGT. ROBINSON); "Z" (F/O. STOUT); "X" (F/LT. ROBERTSON); "W" (F/SGT. McCUBBIN); "O" (F/L. BUNKER).</p> <p>All aircraft set off on their mission, and crews reported a successful attack. 10/10ths cloud over the target obscured results, but the glow of many fires was seen reflected.</p> <p>"U" (SGT. DUNCAN and crew) failed to return.</p>	
	10/7.		<p>Apart from two crews engaged on practising circuits and landings, no flying was carried out today,</p>	
	11/7		<p>Operations were ordered for the night, but were cancelled. The only flying was a night cross-country by one crew, who were recalled and did not complete the exercise.</p>	
	12/7.		<p>Some practice bombing was undertaken in the afternoon. The following aircraft and crews were prepared for a night attack on TURIN:-</p>	

\*0393 W/L 51579-3544, 116M 3/43 T.S. 700

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Some practice bombing was undertaken in the afternoon. The following aircraft and crews were prepared for a night attack on TURIN:-

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BARDNEY.	12/7 (Contd)		"C" (P/O. WELLS); "D" (P/L. FOX); "L" (P/L. BUNKER); "M" (SGT. GILL); "O" (W/C. BURNETT); "X" (P/L. ROBERTSON); "V" (P/SGT. ROBINSON); "Z" (P/SGT. LIVINGSTONE); "W" (P/O. STOUT); "P" (P/O. ANSTEE); "R" (SGT. TURNBULL). These aircraft took off, but "V" returned early with engine trouble. The other aircraft found the target and left good fires burning there. Crews reported concentrated bombing.		
	13/7.		Cross-country exercises were carried out by two crews at night. There was no other flying.		
	14/7.		During the day a full programme of bombing and aim firing practice was carried out. No operations were ordered.		
	15/7.		The following crews were detailed to attack the transformer stations at REGGIO NCL EMILIA in ITALY at night:- "L" (P/L. BUNKER); "O" (W/CDR. BURNETT); "P" (P/O. HEAD). After bombing the target, the flight was to continue to one of our bases in North Africa, from where a return journey was being made later. Unfortunately, owing to weather conditions, the crews were not successful and were unable to carry out their mission as ordered. Visibility prevented the target from being located, and "O" (W/CDR. BURNETT) bombed a small marshalling yard in an unknown town. "L" (P/L. BUNKER) bombed GENOA. The two aircraft continued to North Africa, where they landed without incident. The remaining aircraft, "P", sent out the following message at 04.05 hours: "Hit by another aircraft - trying to make base". Nothing further was heard from the aircraft and it was subsequently reported missing.		
	16/7.		No operations were ordered and the day was spent in extensive training. High level bombing practice, circuits and landings and night cross countries were the main features.		
	17/7.		High level bombing practice was undertaken during the day. At night three crews were engaged		

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Bardney.	17/7 (Contd).		on a Bullseye exercise, but were recalled before completing their task.	SECRET
	18/7.		Practice bombing was carried out in the daytime. At night two cross-country exercises were completed.	
	19/7.		Bombing and air firing practice kept up at night. There was no flying at night.	
	20/7.		Operations detailed for the night were cancelled. There was little activity during the day.	
	21/7.		During the afternoon, "L" (P/L. BUNKER), returned from North Africa, via Gibraltar, but no operation was undertaken on the way.	
			Practice bombing and air firing were carried out by several crews during the day.	
	22/7.		Operations were cancelled after several aircraft had carried out air tests in readiness. There was no other flying.	
	23/7.		W/Cdr. Burnett and crew returned in "O" from North Africa, via Gibraltar. Operations were ordered for the night and once again cancelled. A night cross-country and bombing exercise was undertaken by one crew.	
	24/7.		The following aircraft and crews were prepared for an attack on HAMBURG at night, which was the beginning of a great assault on this city:- "A" (SGT. MACKENZIE); "B" (SGT. BLACK); "C" (P/SGT. WARD); "D" (P/L. FOX); "E" (SGT. GILL); "F" (P/O. ERVINE); "G" (SGT. NEWTON); "H" (P/SGT. HALL); "I" (P/SGT. GRAHAM); "J" (P/L. ROBERTSON); "K" (P/O. PAINTER); "L" (P/O. STOUT); "M" (P/L. MITCHELL); "N" (P/SGT. ROBINSON); "O" (SGT. TURBULL); "P" (P/O. ANSTEE). All aircraft took off and reached their objective. Bombing was very concentrated and on a	

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"P" (P/O. IRVING); "J" (SGT. NEWTON); "M" (P/SGT. HALL); "N" (P/SGT. GRAHAM); "LW" (P/L. ROBERTSON); "S" (P/O. PAINTER); "W" (P/O. STOUT); "U" (P/L. MITCHELL); "V" (P/SGT. ROBINSON); "Z" (SGT. TURBULL); "E" (P/O. ANSTER).  
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BARNEY.	24/7	(Contd)	large scale. Numerous large fires were left burning and these could be seen for 150 miles on the return journey.	
	25/7.		ESSEN was the target for the following aircraft and crews at night:- "C" (S/L. DERBYSHIRE); "D" (P/SGT. WARD); "H" (P/O. IRVING); "J" (P/SGT. GRAHAM); "L" (P/L. BUNKER); "M" (P/SGT. HALL); "N" (P/O. WELLS); "G" (P/L. MITCHELL); "W" (P/SGT. McCUBBIN); "Z" (P/SGT. LIVINGSTONE); "V" (P/O. ANSTER). The eleven aircraft took off, but "J" (P/SGT. GRAHAM) returned early with technical trouble. "Z" (P/SGT. LIVINGSTONE) also returned early with a leaky oxygen supply. The remainder bombed the target, where good fires were started. The attack was a heavy one.	
	26/7.		No operations were ordered, but practice bombing was undertaken during the day. At night three u/t crews completed cross-country exercises.	
	27/7.		HAMBURG was again the target for the following aircraft and crews at night:- "O" (W/CDR. BURNETT); "S" (SGT. TURNBULL); "U" (SGT. SIDDL); "V" (SGT. PAYNE); "W" (P/L. MITCHELL); "Z" (SGT. WALKUP); "R" (P/SGT. LIVINGSTONE); "D" (P/O. PAINTER); "A" (SGT. MACKENZIE); "B" (P/SGT. WARD); "E" (P/O. BILLING); "G" (SGT. GILL); "H" (P/O. IRVING); "J" (P/SGT. GRAHAM); "L" (P/O. HADLAND); "M" (P. SGT. HALL); "N" (P/O. WELLS); "C" (S/L. DERBYSHIRE); All aircraft reached the target where a concentrated attack was made and very large fires were left burning, with huge columns of smoke. It is considered that HAMBURG has suffered severe damage.	
	28/7.		Nothing of operational importance occurred. Some practice bombing was carried out during the afternoon.	
	29/7.		Practice bombing and air firing were carried out during the day.	

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			Continuing the offensive against HAMBURG, the following aircraft and crews were detailed for a further attack at night:- "O" (P/L BUNKER): "R" (SGT. PAYNE): "S" (P/O. PAINTER): "U" (P/L. ROBERTSON): "V" (P/SGT. ROBINSON): "W" (P/SGT. McCUBBIN): "Z" (P/O. STOUT): "A" (SGT. MACKENZIE): "N" (SGT. WALKUP): "G" (SGT. SIDDLER): "B" (P/O. HADLAND): "C" (P/SGT. GRAHAM): "D" (P/L. FOX): "E" (P/O. BILLING): "H" (P/O. ERVINE): "J" (P/SGT. WARD): "M" (P/SGT. HALL). More devastation was caused in the city by heavy bombing and many good fires were started which gave off volumes of smoke. From this attack, "D" (P/L. FOX and crew) is missing.		
	30/7.		The following aircraft and crews took off to attack REMSCHEID at night, after 15 crews had previously been detailed for the raid:- "E" (P/O. BILLING): "R" (P/SGT. LYON): "U" (P/L. MITCHELL): "V" (P/L. ROBERTSON). The raid was not a heavy one and bombing was rather scattered. Several fires were started in the target area,		
	31/7.		Operations were ordered to be carried out at night, but were later cancelled. - o - o - o - o - o - o - o - o - o - o -		
	6/7.		SUMMARY OF MOVEMENTS OF OFFICERS FOR THE MONTH. P/O. J.P.H. CARRERS posted to No. 16 O.T.U.		
	7/7.		P/O. C.A. HALE posted to No. 18 O.T.U. P/O. H.A. DICKINSON, P/O. W.D. ERVINE and P/O. H.J. MAY posted from No. 1661 Conversion Unit.		
	8/7.		P/O. D. McDONALD posted from No. 1661 Conversion Unit.		
	9/7.		P/L. J.F. MITCHELL and P/O. J.N. WYATT posted from No. 1660 Conversion Unit.		
	19/7.		P/L. H.A. TAYLOR posted to R.C.A.F. "R" Depot, Warrington.		
	19/7.		P/O. G. BELL posted from No. 1660 Conversion Unit.		
	20/7.		P/O. L. HADLAND and P/O. K.H. BEAMES posted from No. 1660 Conversion Unit.		
	20/7.		P/O. K.J.H. HILLS and P/O. K.W. ARMSTRONG posted from No. 1661 Conversion Unit.		

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 P/O. K.J.H. HILLS and P/O. K.W. ARMSTRONG posted from No. 1661 Conversion Unit.

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			<p>The following awards to Squadron personnel were announced during the month:</p> <p>Distinguished Flying Cross; F/L. J.A. WAKEFORD and F/L. D.F.H. BIRD.</p> <p>Bar to Distinguished Flying Medal; Flight Sergeant F. GREENE.</p> <p>Distinguished Flying Medal; Sergeant T.P.B. DOOLAN.</p>		
			<p><i>Bennett.</i></p> <p>WING COMMANDER, COMMANDING          NO. 9 SQUADRON, BARINNEY.</p>		

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				Up	Down		
3/7/43.	LANCASTER. W. 4133.	SGT. K. PAINTER. SGT. T. DEACON. SGT. R.G. SAUNDERS. SGT. J.E. BACON. SGT. T. ANDREWS. SGT. S.F. HOWE. SGT. D.W. ANGELL.	Bombing - COLOGNE.	2248.	0440.	Primary attacked. 0142 hrs. 19,000 ft. Green tracking flares seen. Timed run coincided exactly with green T.I. Red T.I. seen ahead but had burnt out. Centre of concentration of green T.I.'s in sights. Fires very concentrated. After leaving target several gushes of red flame seen to well up at irregular intervals. Presumed explosions. Fires seen for 100 miles.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 480.	F/L. G.F. ROBERTSON. SGT. W. BROWN. F/O. R.H. SMITH. F/O. E.J. KNELL. W/O. K. GREENE. SGT. A.P. BAINES. SGT. J.L. ELLIOTT.	Bombing - COLOGNE.	2222.	0410.	Primary attacked. 0118 hrs. 19,000 ft. Green tracking flares seen some distance to starboard (See fix just after poem. V). Red T.I. seen well backed up with green. Whine seen momentarily. One red T.I. in sights. Seen to cascade at 0116 hrs. Attack started well. Good concentration. Glow seen as far as 300.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 676 1/2	F/SGT. N.J. ROBINSON. SGT. R. TAYLOR. SGT. T.R. DAVIS. SGT. R.J. PITMAN. SGT. W.E. JONES. SGT. L.F. MITCHELL. SGT. J. CASEY.	Bombing - COLOGNE.	2241.	0444.	Primary attacked. 0153 hrs. 20,000 ft. Green steady flares in track. R/P. flares and red and green T.I.'s. River also seen. One red T.I. in bomb sights, seen to cascade at 0152 hrs. Good fires well concentrated around T.I.'s.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 654.	SGT. J.H.S. LYON. SGT. K. PACK. SGT. R.W. CORKILL. SGT. H.W. JEFFREY. SGT. A. FIELDING. SGT. A.G. DENYER. SGT. G. CLEGG.	Bombing - COLOGNE.	2225.	0425.	Primary attacked. 0120 hrs. 19,000 ft. Green steady flares seen on track. R/P. flare and red T.I.'s. River also seen. One red T.I. in bomb sights, seen to cascade at 0117 hrs. Bombing appeared to be rather scattered at beginning of attack. Large explosion seen at 0118 hours.	107

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3/7/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 975½	P/O. ANSTER.	Bombing - COLOGNE.	2228.	0400.	Primary attacked, 0122 hrs. 19,000 ft. Green steady flares were seen as expected, from which red T.I.'s could be seen ahead. Bombing run carried out on a red T.I. which had been seen to burst a minute before release. Red T.I. in sights. Greens were reasonably close to red T.I. Fires developing rapidly - this noticed particularly on leaving target. The concentration around the T.I.'s indicated generally good bombing.	
		P/O. G.S. STOUT.					
		SGT. J. GURNEY.					
		SGT. J.H. BRYANT.					
		SGT. K. GAVIN.					
		SGT. MC McGOWAN.					
		SGT. D. BURDEN.					
		SGT. V. CORNISH-UNDERWOOD.					
LANCASTER. W. 5011.		F/SGT. J. LIVINGSTONE.	Bombing - COLOGNE.	2224.	0359.	Primary attacked. 0120½ hrs. 20,000 ft. Green steady flares seen on track. R/P flares and red and green T.I.'s seen. River also seen. One red T.I. in bomb sights, not seen to cascade. Own 4000 lb HC seen to explode near red T.I. Fires well concentrated.	
		SGT. F. PARSONS.					
		SGT. F.T. WATSON.					
		SGT. H.C. BREWER.					
		SGT. J. PENNERGAST.					
		SGT. R.N. BROWNE.					
		SGT. T.C. TAYLOR.					
LANCASTER ED. 493.		SGT. D. MACKENZIE	Bombing - COLOGNE.	2230.	0350.	Primary attacked. 0120 hrs. 20,000 ft. Time and distance run made from green steady to red T.I.'s. M.P.I. of pattern of red T.I.'s burning on ground. It was noticed that the green backing up flares were somewhat scattered. These were ignored. At this time there was indication of fires starting. These were close around the T.I.'s which were going down in the centre.	
		SGT. R. JONES,					
		F/O. E. McCALL.					
		SGT. R. REID.					
		SGT. G.A. FILLEUL.					
		SGT. L. GILKES.					
		SGT. W.M. WELSH.					
LANCASTER. EE. 188.		F/L. R. BUNKER.	Bombing - COLOGNE.	2253.	0346.	Primary attacked. 0118 hrs. 19,000 ft. Green T.I. flares seen at posn. "A". Red T.I. seen. One red T.I. in sights, seen to cascade immediately before (0118). River seen very slightly to port as bombs released. Attack started off extremely well.	
		Sgt. W. POSNER.					
		SGT. W.A. GALL.					
		P/O. J. PRIOR.					
		SGT. J. LEVER.					
		SGT. R.G. LOMAS.					
		SGT. F.G. HAYLER.					

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3/7/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 836.	F/A.R. WELLS. SGT. D.J. NUTMAN. SGT. A. DUNCAN. SGT. K. GARNETT. SGT. F. SMITH. SGT. W. GOUGH. SGT. S. MOSS.	Bombing - COLOGNE.	2246.	0434.	Primary attacked. 0150 hrs. 20,000 ft. Time and distance run from green steady to red T.I.'s. M.P.I. of three red T.I.'s in sights. Backing up with green T.I.'s was good, as these were close to reds. There was a good concentration of fire around the T.I.'s and noticeably few fires away from this.	
	LANCASTER JA. 692.	F/L. C.W. FOX. SGT. J.D. DODDS. F/O. W.H. HODSON. SGT. J. PEPPER. SGT. T.N. ROBINSON. SGT. P. RUSSELL. SGT. C.F. SARGENT.	Bombing - COLOGNE.	2216.	0346.	Primary attacked. 0119 hrs. 17,000 ft. Green steady flares on tracks R/P flares and red T.I.'s seen. One red T.I. in bomb sights, not seen to cascade. Own 4000 lb. EC seen to burst near the red T.I. Early bombing seemed well concentrated in target area.	
	LANCASTER. R. 5744.	F/SGT. J.P. BILLING. SGT. F. HOPE. SGT. K.E. MORIARTY. SGT. H.M. GOATES. SGT. J.M. CAMPBELL. SGT. J.B. FINDLAY. SGT. R.D. CURTIS.	Bombing COLOGNE.	2256.	0433.	Primary attacked. 0139 hrs. 20,000 ft. Timed run from green steady flares to red T.I.'s. Red T.I. seen burning on ground and in centre of fires, in sights. Large mass of fires practically no gaps. Glow could be seen from coast on homeward run.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 666.	SGT. T.H. GILL. SGT. I.C.B. BLACK. SGT. M. McPHERSON. SGT. R.V. GOUGH. SGT. B.P. BEVINE. SGT. W.A. MORTON. SGT. K. McDONAGH. SGT. R. McKEE.	Bombing - COLOGNE.	2229.	0426.	Primary attacked 0428 hrs. 16,000 ft. Green flares at position A. Timed run from posn. A. Red and green T.I. markers seen. Ground detail - river identified. One red T.I. marker in sights at time of bombing. Seen to cascade at 0127. Fires concentrated round T.I. markers.	108

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				Up	Down		
3/7/43 (contd)	LANCASTER.	SGT. FORTER. P/L. J.A. WATFORD.	Bombing - COLOGNE.	2217		Aircraft missing. No signals received.	
	ED. 689.	SGT. J.E. OWEN. P/O. J.B. REEVES. SGT. H.J. HAWKIDGE. SGT. A.B. BACKLER. H.L. SGT. W.P. WILSON. SGT. C.P. DOHANEY.					
	LANCASTER.	SGT. C. NEWTON	Bombing -	2244.	0425.	Primary attacked. 0146 hrs. 19,800 ft. Green track flares seen. Thred run made but red T.I. appeared one minute before E.T.A. up (No red T.I. further ahead). One red T.I. in sights. Not seen to cascade. Town appeared to be well alight.	
	JA. 679.	SGT. J. TURNER SGT. P. HALL. SGT. E.J. DICK. SGT. J. KEAN. SGT. W.J. WILKINSON SGT. R. McPHERAN.	Bombing - COLOGNE.				
	LANCASTER.	S/L. R. McPHERANE. SGT. W. GRIFFITHS. SGT. G.E. LOCKEY. P/O. K.N. GIBSON. SGT. R. WILLIAMS. SGT. L.P. COLLINS.	Bombing - COLOGNE.	2220.	0409.	Primary attacked. 0121 hrs. 21,000 ft. Tracking flares late. Had to orbit until they appeared at 0114 hrs. One P.P. flare in sights. Many 4,000 lb. bursts seen below cloud and beneath P.P. flares. Explosion seen at 0122 hrs. which lit up sky in sustained flash lasting 3 seconds.	
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	LANCASTER.	P/O. J. CORK. P/O. M.R. HEAD. SGT. T.W. EDWARDS. SGT. D.R. WALTER. P/O. K.S. SHAW. P/SGT. F.J. MERCHANT. SGT. F.S. FINLAY. P/SGT. W.J. MCCOONDS.	Bombing - COLOGNE.	2218.	0426.	Primary attacked. 0119 hrs. 20,500 ft. Green steady tracking flares from which timed run was made. P.P. flares red with green stars and red T.I.s seen. P.P. flares with green stars in bomb sights. 2 red T.I.s seem to disappear through cloud. Very large explosion seen at 0121 hrs. lit up cloud.	
	JA. 679.						

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8/7/43.	LANCASTER. EB. 136.	SGT. J. H. S. LYON.	Bombing -	2216.	0414.	Primary attacked. 20,000 ft. Green flares seen <del>explosion</del> , <del>explosion</del> at posn. A. at 0112 hrs. Timed run made from green flares. Red flares with green stars seen. One red flare in sights at time of bombing seen to go down at 0115 hrs. At 0118 hrs., very large explosion seen followed by even larger explosion at 0125 hrs. which lasted about 14 seconds.	
		SGT. K. PACK.	COLOGNE.				
		SGT. R. W. CORKILL.					
		SGT. H. W. JEFFREY.					
		SGT. A. FIELDING.					
	LANCASTER. W. 4133.	SGT. A. G. DENYER.		2217.	0355.	Primary attacked. 0120 hrs. 22,000 ft. Green track flares seen. Timed run made which brought aircraft in sight of two R.P. flares. One R.P. flare in sights. Large explosion, bright orange, at 0121 hrs. Explosion lit up sky showing other aircraft 2,000 ft. below.	
		SGT. G. CLEGG.					
		SGT. J. D. DUNCAN.	Bombing -				
		SGT. S. G. BLUNDEN.	COLOGNE.				
		F/SGT. H. T. BROWN.					
	LANCASTER. E ED. 656.	SGT. G. BARTLEY.		2229.	0420.	Primary attacked. 21,000 ft. Green steady flares seen. R.P. flares seen ahead but had gone out when time came for bombing. In absence of R.P. flares bombed further edge of glow which could be seen below cloud. Glow from fires seen below cloud which was fairly intense. Bursts probably from 4,000 lb. bombs could be seen in this patch of light.	
		SGT. S. HUGHES.					
		SGT. L. G. WARNER.					
		SGT. D. B. McMILLAN.					
		P/O. J. ANSTEE.	Bombing -				
	LANCASTER. ED. 654.	SGT. C. W. CARTWRIGHT	COLOGNE.	2221.	0402.	Primary attacked. 0110 hrs. 21,000 ft. No green tracking flares or R.P. flares at this time. Bombing carried out on BFA from a Gee fix. No results could be observed as aircraft was in first wave of attack.	
		SGT. A. BIRCHENOUGH.					
		SGT. A. F. P. STANISLAUS.					
		SGT. F. C. WHALE.					
		SGT. W. J. CHADDOCK.					
		SGT. F. G. L. KERR.					
		F*SGT. J. McCUBBIN.	Bombing -				
		SGT. N. D. OWEN.	COLOGNE.				
		SGT. B. SHERRY.					
		SGT. K. J. DAGNALL.					
		F/SGT. A. M. SMITH.					
		SGT. P. LYNAM.					
		SGT. C. STEWART.					

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8/7/43.	LANCASTER.	SGT. W.W. TURNBULL.	Bombing -	2233.	0447	Primary attacked. 0118 $\frac{1}{2}$ hrs. 21,300 ft. Green tracking flares seen ahead at 0109 hrs. Turned to green and made timed run R.P. flares appeared to time, followed by another soon afterwards. One R.P. flare in sights.	
(contd)	ED. 975.	SGT. J. WELLINGS.	COLOGNE.				
		SGT. J. WATERHOUSE.					
		SGT. J. McMASTER.					
		SGT. B. OWEN.					
		SGT. J. MICHAEL.					
		F/SGT. C.J. HOUBERT.					
	LANCASTER	F/SGT. J. LIVINGSTONE.	Bombing -	2223.	0358	Primary attacked. 0118 hrs. 21,000 ft. Green tracking flares at posn. A. Red flares with green stars. Timed run from green flares. One R.P. flare in sights at time of bombing. Fires appeared to be concentrated from the glow seen through the cloud at the beginning of the attack.	
	W. 5011.	SGT. F. PARSONS.	COLOGNE.				
		SGT. F.T. WATSON.					
		SGT. H.C. BREWER.					
		SGT. J. PRENDERGAST.					
		SGT. R.N. BROWN.					
		SGT. T.C. TAYLOR.					
	LANCASTER.	SGT. D. MACKENZIE.	Bombing -	2230.	0405.	Primary attacked. 0124 hrs. 22,000 ft. Green steady track indicator flares seen. R.P. flares in sights. Glow from fires could be seen from below cloud.	
	ED. 493.	SGT. R. JONES.	COLOGNE.				
		F/O. T. McCALL.					
		SGT. R. REID.					
		SGT. G.A. FILLEUL.					
		SGT. L.F. GILKES.					
		SGT. W.M. WELSH.					
	LANCASTER.	SGT. I.C.B. BLACK.	Bombing -	2225.	0430.	Primary attacked. 20,000 ft. Green tracking flares seen. Timed run from green flares. Red flares with green stars seen. Red flare died out as bombs released. At 0122 hrs large red and white explosion seen and a similar explosion seen at 0125 hrs.	
	ED. 188.	SGT. E. BUTTON.	COLOGNE.				
		F/O. G.E. McTAGGART.					
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8/7/43. (contd)	LANCASTER	P/O. W.D. IRVING. S/L. J.N. DERBYSHIRE.	Bombing -	2222.	0411.	Primary attacked. 0116 hrs. 21,000 ft. Green steady tracking flares identified from which timed run was made. Centre of R.P. flares, red with green stars and white in bomb sights. Results not seen. R.P. flares not seen to drop before 0114 hours. Bombing before this time appeared to be slightly South.	
	ED. 836.	SGT. E. SULLIVAN.	COLOGNE."				
		SGT. J. GILL.					
		SQT. F. OVEREND.					
		SGT. E. OAKES.					
		SGT. E.G. COLE.					
		SGT. T. PARSONS.					
	LANCASTER.	F/L. C.W. FOX.	Bombing -	2219.	0350.	Primary attacked. 0117 hrs. 18,000 ft. Green track indicator flares seen at 0111 hrs. Red flares with green stars in sights. At 0118 hrs. two big explosions in target area. 0122 1/2 hrs. further explosion. 0126 hrs another larger. 0154 hrs. further very large explosion. Accompanied by glow under cloud.	
	JA. 692.	F/SGT. J.D. DODDS.	COLOGNE.				
		P/O. W.H. HODSON.					
		SGT. J. PIPER.					
		SGT. T.N. ROBINSON.					
		SGT. P. RUSSELL.					
		SGT. C.G. SARGENT.					
	LANCASTER.	F/SGT. J.P. BILLING.	Bombing -	2227.	0114.	Returned early. Port inner engine out.	
	R. 5744.	SGT. F. HOPE.	COLOGNE.				
		SGT. K.E. MORIARTY.					
		SGT. H.M. CHATES.					
		SGT. J.M. CAMPBELL.					
		SGT. J.B. FINDLAY.					
		SGT. R.D. CURTIS.					
	LANCASTER.	SGT. C. NEWTON.	Bombing -	2224.	0454.	Primary attacked. 0122 1/2 hrs. 20,000 ft. No green steady flares seen when expected. A timed run from last known D.P. position was started. On the run up green steady burst away to starboard, which corresponded with ETA for that posn. Timed run then continued. No R.P. flares seen, but red T.I.'s could be seen in divisions in cloud. Red T.I.'s in sights. Bright patch seen under cloud. A large explosion was noticed just before bombing.	110
	ED. 666.	SGT. J. TURNER.	COLOGNE.				
		SGT. P. HALL.					
		SGT. E.J. DUCK.					
		SGT. J. RYAN.					
		SGT. W.J. WILKINSON.					
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8/7/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. R. 5700.	F/O. R. WELLS. SGT. D.J. NUTTMAN. SGT. A. DUNCAN. SGT. K. GARNETT. SGT. F. SMITH. SGT. W. GOUGH. SGT. S. MOSS.	Bombing - COLOGNE.	2232.	0450.	Primary attacked. 0123 hours. 21,000 ft. Green steady tracking flares identified, from which timed run made. R.P. flares red with green stars seen. R.P. flares red with green stars in bomb sights. Explosion at 0122 hrs. Good glow of fires reflected on cloud.	
9/7/43.	LANCASTER. JA. 679.	F/O. M.R. HEAD. SGT. E.W. EDWARDS. SGT. D.R. WALTER. F/O. R.S. SHAW. F/SGT. P.J. MERCHANT. SGT. F.S. FINLAY. F/SGT. W.J. MCGOONBS.	Bombing - GELSENKIRCHEN.	2232.	0426.	Primary attacked 0116½ hrs. 21,500 ft. Red steady seen at 0107 hrs., followed by green steady 0110 hrs. and R.P. flares ahead at 0112 hrs. R.P. flares in sights. 0120 hrs orange coloured glow through cloud lasting some seconds. Two-three minutes later similar, but not so intense, slightly South of R.P. flares.	
	LANCASTER. RE. 136.	SGT. J.H.S. LYON. SGT. K. PACK. SGT. R.W. CORKILL. SGT. H.W. JEFFREY. SGT. A. FIELDING. SGT. A.G. DENYER. SGT. G. CLEGG.	Bombing - GELSENKIRCHEN.	2254.	0518.	Primary attacked. 0138 hrs. 20,000 ft. First seen were the R.P. flares. R.P. flares in sights. These actually were in the cloud tops. While flares for longer burning were there as expected. At 0137 hrs. there was a vivid blue and white explosion. One small patch was observed which looked as if originated in fires.	
	LANCASTER. W. 4133.	SGT. J.D. DUNCAN. SGT. S.G. BLUNDEN. F/SGT. H.T. BROWN. SGT. G. BARTLEY. SGT. S. HUGHES SGT. L.G. WARNER. SGT. D.B. McMILLAN.	Bombing - GELSENKIRCHEN.	2231.		Aircraft missing - no signals received.	

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9/7/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 636.	F/SGT. N.J. ROBINSON.	Bombing -	2252.	0522.	Primary attacked. 0138 1/2 hrs. 22,000 ft. Red and green track flares seen and R.P. flares ahead from position "A". One R.P. flare in sights. Own burst not identified. Fair concentration only, but with explosion lighting whole sky at 0138 hrs., and minor explosions afterwards.	
		SGT. R. TAYLOR.	GELSENKIRCHEN.				
		SGT. T.R. DAVIS.					
		SGT. R.J. PITMAN.					
		SGT. W.E. JONES.					
		SGT. L.E. MITCHELL.					
	LANCASTER. W. 3011.	F/O. G.S. STOUT.	Bombing -	2234.	0443.	Primary attacked. 19,500 ft. Red and green steady tracking flares and R.P. flares seen. Timed run made from green tracking flares. Bombed on WTA no R.P. flares being visible. at time of bombing. Those seen on run up had gone out. Large explosion seen at 0120 hrs. Results not seen. Glow of incendiaries seen reflected on cloud on leaving the target.	
		SGT. J. GURNEY.	GELSENKIRCHEN.				
		F/SGT. J.H. BRYANT.					
		SGT. K. GAVIN.					
		SGT. E. MCGOWAN.					
		SGT. D. BURDEN.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	F/L. G.F. ROBERTSON.	Bombing -	2253	0515.	Primary attacked. 0138 hrs. 18,000 ft. Red and green track flares seen. R.P. flares ignited 1,000 ft. above. Bombed slightly to port of R.P. flares. Gigantic explosions, orange red, followed one minute after release of bombs. dead on track astern were observed. Lit up whole sky. Blowed up many thousand feet.	
		SGT. W. BROWN.	GELSENKIRCHEN				
		F/O. R.H. SMITH.					
		F/O. E.J. KNELL.					
		W/O. K. GREENE.					
		F/SGT. A.P. BAINES.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 654.	F/SGT. J. MCGUBBIN.	Bombing -	2230.	0447.	Primary attacked. 0114 hrs. 21,000 ft. No track indicator flares had gone down. No R.P. flares seen. Bombs released on WTA from Gee fix 5259N. 0521E as ordered in absence of flares. No results could be seen. R.P. flares could be seen behind 2 1/2 minutes. after bombing.	
		SGT. N.D. OWEN.	GELSENKIRCHEN.				
		Sgt. B. Sherry.					
		SGT. R. WILLIAMS.					
		F/SGT. A.M. SMITH.					
		SGT. P. LYNAM.					
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9/7/43 (cont'd)	LANCASTER.	F/O. R. WELLS.	Bombing -	2252.	0709.	Primary attacked. 0149 hrs. 20,000 ft. Red and green steady tracking flares and R.P. flares seen. Timed run made from green steady tracking flares. R.P. flares, red with green stars in bomb sights. Reflection on cloud of big fire seen dead below the R.P. flares.			
	ED. 836.	SGT. D.J. NUFFMAN.	GELSENKIRCHEN.						
		SGT. A. DUNCAN.							
		SGT. K. GARRETT.							
		SGT. F. SMITH.							
		SGT. W. GOUGH.							
		SGT. S. MOSS.							
	LANCASTER.	SGT. C. NEWTON.	Bombing -	2247.	0547.			Primary attacked. 0136 hrs. 16,000 ft. Red steady flares and green steady seen followed by R.P. flares all of which were igniting above own height, which was maximum obtainable at time. Mk. 14 bomb sight u/s. Bomb sight used theoretically and estimated that bombs fell in target area. Not until aircraft had gained about 4,000 ft. after take off was it seen that the sight was u/s. Three separate red glows could be seen below cloud.	
	ED. 692.	SGT. J. TURNER.	GELSENKIRCHEN.						
		SGT. P. HALL.							
		SGT. E.J. DUCK.							
		SGT. J. RYAN.							
		SGT. W.J. WILKINSON.							
	LANCASTER.	SGT. R. McFERRAN.	Bombing -	2249.	0535.			Primary attacked. 0137 hrs. 19,000 ft. Red steady tracking and R.P. flares seen. Green steady tracking flares not seen and timed run made from red tracking flares. Bombed on WPA. Bomb sights perpendicular up and he was unable to see R.P. flares despite efforts to clear icing. Track passed over R.P. flares. Large explosion seen at 0140 hrs.	
	ED. 666.	SGT. T.H. GILL.	GELSENKIRCHEN.						
	SGT. M. McHERSON.								
	SGT. R.V. GOUGH.								
	F/SGT. B.P. DEVINE.								
	SGT. W.A. MORTON.								
	SGT. K. McDONAGH.								
	SGT. R. MCKEE.								
LANCASTER.	F/L. R. BUNKER.	Bombing -	2233.	0424.	Primary attacked. 0112 hrs. 20,500 ft. No flares on WPA at posn. WPA and target. After passing each position appropriate flares seen some distance astern. Bombed on WPA. After bombing R.P. flares seen at 0113 hr and estimated stick fell approx. 3 miles west of flares. Last GWT fix 20°N. 0329E. No results seen except that other aircraft bombing flares appeared to bomb to starboard as we did.				
ED. 700.	F/SGT. G.A. GRAHAM.	GELSENKIRCHEN.							
	SGT. W. FOSSETT.								
	SGT. W.A. GALL.								
	P/O. J. PRIOR.								
	SGT. J. LEVER.								
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				Up	Down		
9/7/43 (contd)	LANCASTER EE. 188.	SGT. I.C.B. BLACK. SGT. E. BUTTON. P/O. G.E. McTAGGART. SGT. G. BROTHERS. SGT. A.E. BAUMANN. SGT. W.H.A. CARDWELL. SGT. D.T. GORDON.	Bombing - BELSENKIRCHEN.	2303.	0531.	Primary attacked. 0145 hrs. 18,500 ft. Ran up on red steady from which timed run was made and checked on green steady, carried on to R.P. flares on correct heading. These had just gone out on arrival. R.P. flares lined up in sights, burnt out on arrival. Bombs released and WTA corresponded correctly. Large red glow could be seen below cloud.	
12/7/43.	LANCASTER ED. 656.	F/SGT. N.J. ROBINSON SGT. R. TAYLOR. SGT. T.R. DAVIS. SGT. R.J. PITMAN. SGT. W.E. JONES. SGT. L.E. MITCHELL. SGT. J. CASEY.	Bombing - TURIN.	2240.	0226.	No target attacked. Returned early - port inner engine out. Incendiaries brought back to base. Remainder of load jettisoned safe.	
	LANCASTER. W. 5011.	F/SGT. J. LIVINGSTONE SGT. F. PARSONS. SGT. F.T. WATSON. SGT. H.C. BREWER. SGT. J. PRENDERGAST. SGT. R.N. BROWNE. SGT. T.G. TAYLOR.	Bombing - TURIN.	2245.	0832.	Primary attacked. 0205 hours. 19,000 ft. Green steady tracking flares and red and green T.I.'s seen. One red T.I. in bomb sights seen to cascade at 0156 hours. Bombing well concentrated around T.I.'s. Big explosion seen at 0202 hrs.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 654.	P/O. G.S. STOUT. SGT. J. GURNEY. F/SGT. J.H. BRYANT. SGT. K. GAVIN. SGT. E. McGOWAN. SGT. D. BURDEN. SGT. V. CORNISH-UNDERWOOD.	Bombing - TURIN.	2229.	0829.	Primary attacked. 0153 hrs. 16,000 ft. Green T.I. markers seen at Lake Annecy. Red T.I. markers on target. Built up area seen. One red T.I. marker in sights at time of bombing which was seen to cascade at 0152 hours.	

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12/7/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. JA. 679.	F/O. J. ANSTEE. SGT. C.W. CARTWRIGHT. SGT. A. BIRCHENOUGH. F/O. A.F.P. STANISLAUS. SGT. R.C. WHALE. SGT. W.J. CRADDOCK. SGT. P.G.L. KERR.	Bombing - TURIN.	2238.	0913.	Primary attacked. 0205 hrs. 18,500 ft. Green steady tracking flares and red and green T.I.'s seen. River also seen. One red T.I. in bomb sights, seen to cascade at 0203 hours. Bombing well concentrated around T.I.'s.	
	LANCASTER. EE. 136.	SGT. W.W. TURNBULL. SGT. J. WELLINGS. SGT. J. WATERHOUSE. SGT. J. McMASTERS. SGT. B. OWEN. SGT. J. MICHEAL. SGT. C.R. BOLT.	Bombing - TURIN.	2227.	0807.	Primary attacked. 0231 hrs. 16,700 ft. Late over target and no tracking flares or T.I.'s seen. River DOPA seen and fires in target area. Centre of concentration of fires in bomb sights. Own 4000 lb. HC seen to explode in target area. Good fires seen rather scattered to N. and N.E.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	F/L. G.P. ROBERTSON. SGT. W. BROWN. F/O. R.H. SMITH. F/O. E.J. KNELL. W/O. K. GREENE. F/SGT. AP. BAINES. SGT. J.L. ELLIOTT.	Bombing - TURIN.	2228.	0820.	Primary attacked. 0201 hrs. 18,500 ft. Green markers seen at Lake Annecy. Red T.I. seen. One red T.I. in sights. Seen to cascade at approx. 0159 hrs. Built up area seen by photo flash. Good concentration, but not up to Ruhr standards.	
	LANCASTER. EE. 188.	SGT. I.C.B. BLACK. SGT. E. BUTTON. F/O. G.E. McTAGGART. <del>SGT. S. BROTHERS.</del> <del>DELISTE.</del> SGT. A.E. BAUMANN. SGT. D.T. GORDON. SGT. W.H.A. CARDWELL.					

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12/7/43.	LANCASTER.	F/O. R. WELLS.	Bombing -	2235.	0910.	Primary attacked. 0210 hrs. 17,500 ft. Green markers seen at Lake Ancey. No markers at target. Bombed concentrated mass of fires burning in built up area. Fires very concentrated all in one area of 2 - 3 miles radius.	
(contd)	ED. 836.	SGT. D.J. NUTTMAN.	TURIN.				
		SGT. A. DUNCAN.					
		SGT. K. GARNETT.					
		SGT. F. SMITH. SGT. W. GOUGH. SGT. S. MOSS.					
	LANCASTER.	F/L. C.W. FOX.	Bombing -	2230.	0904.	Primary attacked. 0200 hrs. 15,000 ft. Green steady flares over Lake Ancey. Red T.I.'s not seen to cascade backed up accurately by two greens. M.P.I. in sights. Bursts could be seen in built up area as aircraft left. Too early to see results.	
	JA. 692.	F/SGT. J.D. DODDS.	TURIN.				
		F/O. W.H. HODSON.					
		SGT. J. PIPER.					
		SGT. T.N. ROBINSON. SGT. P. RUSSELL. SGT. W.H.A. CARDWELL.					
	LANCASTER.	F/L. R.A. BUNKER.	Bombing -	2231.	0824.	Primary attacked. 0154 hrs. 19,500 ft. Green markers seen at Ancey. Yellow T.I.'s seen followed almost immediately by red T.I. One red T.I. in sights. Streets of town seen by bomb aimer. 5 x 4000 lb HC. seen by rear gunner. Three very close together, and two slightly further South but all definitely in the town.	
	JA. 852.	SGT. W. POSSEE.	TURIN.				
		SGT. W.A. GALL.					
		F/O. J. PRIOR.					
		SGT. J. LEVER. SGT. R.G. LOMAS. SGT. F.G. HAYLER.					
	LANCASTER.	SGT. T.H. GILL.	Bombing -	2243.	0946.	Primary attacked. 0225 hrs. 18,000 ft. Tracking flares not seen. One green T.I. seen when 40 miles away on approaching target. River seen. There being no T.I.'s at time of bombing bombs were aimed at the centre of the main concentration of fires. Fires were well concentrated apart from some scattered fires to the North.	
	ED. 551.	SGT. M. McPHERSON.	TURIN.				
		SGT. R.V. GOUGH.					
		F/SGT. B.P. DEVINE					
		SGT. W.A. MORTON.					
		SGT. K. McDONACH. SGT. T. MCKER.					

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12/7/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 700.	W/C. P. BURNETT. P/O. W. J. JOWERS. F/L. J. A. BRECKALL. E/L. H. A. TAYLOR. E/L. J. A. G. SKINNER. F/L. C. A. PATTEN. SGT. O. G. ERASMUS.	Bombing - TURIN.	2234.	0840.	Primary attacked. 0202 hrs. 17,000 ft. Red T.I. seen ahead. Built up area in light of flashes also could be seen. Red T.I. burning out on ground which had previously been seen to cascade four minutes earlier. This was accurately backed up by two greens. Majority of bursts seen appeared to be well in target area. Not much evidence of fires could be seen at this time.	
15/7/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 700.	W/C. P. BURNETT. P/O. W. J. JOWERS. F/L. J. A. BRECKALL. E/L. H. A. TAYLOR. E/L. J. A. G. SKINNER. F/L. C. A. PATTEN. SGT. C. A. DAVIS.	Bombing - REGGIO NEL EMILIA.	2215	0820	Due to bad visibility the target could not be found. Bombs were dropped on a small marshalling yard in an unknown town.	
	LANCASTER.	P/O. M. R. HEAD. SGT. E. W. EDWARDS. SGT. D. R. WALTER. P/O. R. S. SHAW. P/SGT. F. J. MERCHANT. SGT. F. S. FINLAY. P/SGT. W. J. MCCOMBS.	Bombing - REGGIO NEL EMILIA.	2250.		Aircraft missing.	
	LANCASTER. JA. 679.	P/O. R. A. BUNKER. SGT. W. ROSSETT. SGT. W. A. GALL. P/O. J. PRIOR. SGT. J. LEVER. SGT. R. G. LOMAS. SGT. F. G. HAYLER.	Bombing - REGGIO NEL EMILIA.	2221.	08406.	Primary not attacked because starboard inner engine became u/s before reaching the Alps which were negotiated below safety height. After crossing the Alps the aircraft was of necessity far off track. Amended course was steered in an attempt to get on track again, but no pinpoints were seen owing to poor visibility. Course was then set for the coast and pinpoint was made 20 miles South of Genoa. Primary could not have been attacked before daylight and centre of town was bombed from 6,000 ft. at 0403 hrs. The town could be clearly seen. Centre of town in bomb sights in which bombs were seen to explode.	

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24/7/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 493.	SGT. D. MACKENZIE.	Bombing -	2238.	0435.	Primary attacked. 0110 1/2 hrs. 20,000 ft. Route markers seen T.I. yellow and red and green T.I.'s seen. One red T.I. in bomb sights seen to cascade at 0108 hrs. Bombing appeared to be well concentrated. Four explosions seen.	
		SGT. R. JONES.	HAMBURG.				
		F/O. T. McCALL.					
		SGT. R. REID.					
		SGT. G.A. FILLEUL.					
	LANCASTER. ES. 188.	SGT. I.C.B. BLACK.	Bombing -	2305.	0442.	Primary attacked. 0138 hrs. 19,500 ft. Yellow seen 0115 hrs. Red seen over target at 0135 hrs. Greens 0137 hrs. As red had gone out concentration of greens bombed. Too many fires at time of bombing to pick out own bombs.	
		SGT. E. BUTTON.	HAMBURG.				
		F/O. G.E. McTAGGART.					
		SGT. G. BROTHERS.					
		SGT. A.E. BAUMANN.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 896.	F/SGT. C. WARD.	Bombing -	2300.	0419.	Primary attacked. 0137 hrs. 19,500 ft. Route markers yellow, and green T.I.'s seen. One green T.I. in bomb sights, seen to cascade at 0135 hrs. Only one green T.I. seen at time of bombing. Bombing well concentrated. Thick black column of smoke seen rising to 18,000 ft.	
		SGT. J. SUTTON.	HAMBURG.				
		SGT. E. KEENE.					
		SGT. G.L. JAMES.					
		SGT. G.F.K. BEDWELL.					
	LANCASTER. JA. 692.	F/L. C.W. FOX.	Bombing -	2227.	0324.	Primary attacked. 0102 1/2 hrs. 18,000 ft. Yellow 0040 off track. 0042 yellow well placed. Green 0101. Red 0101 1/2. Very well placed in target area. Red T.I. in sights on bombing. Aircraft in early wave, no great results observed.	
		SGT. PAYNE.	HAMBURG.				
		F/SGT. J.D. DODDS.					
		P/O. W.H. HODSON.					
		SGT. J. PIER.					
		SGT. T.N. ROBINSON.					
		SGT. P. RUSSELL.					
		SGT. C.F. SARGENT.					

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24/7/53. (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 666.	SGT. T.H. GILL.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2232.	0338.	Primary attacked. 0109 hrs. 18,000 ft. Yellow T.I.'s on coast. Reds and greens over target, Ground detail seen. River identified. Red T.I. in sights. 1st red cascaded at 0102 hrs. Two others in quick succession followed by two greens. Many bursts seen. Very good fires well concentrated. Two large explosions 0108 hrs approx in immediate vicinity of T.I.	
		SGT. H.R. WALKUP.					
		SGT. M. McPHERSON.					
		SGT. R.V. GOUGH.					
		F/SGT. B.P. DEVINE.					
		SGT. W.A. MORTON.					
LANCASTER. JA. 869.	P/O. W.D. ERVINE.	SGT. D. LEYSHON.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2310.	0407.	Primary attacked. 0146 hrs. 21,000 ft. Yellow T.I. at coast. Reds and greens at target. Centre of concentration of five T.I.'s in sights. Reds had all extinguished on arrival. Greens were cascading frequently. Several bursts seen in run up. Thick column of black smoke up to 18,000 ft. Slightly S.W. of main concentration of fires. Town centre well ablaze.	
		P/O. H.J. MAY.					
		SGT. A.B. GILES.					
		SGT. F. LOMAX.					
		SGT. J.C. DICKINSON.					
		P/O. H.A. DICKINSON.					
LANCASTER W. 4964.	SGT. C.F. NEWTON	SGT. J. TURNER.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2313.	0415.	Primary attacked. 0146 hrs. 18,400 ft. Yellow 0124 hrs. No reds seen at all. Green at 0144. Bombed concentration of greens, which were in sights. No results of own bombing observed. Too many fires seen to pick out anything definite.	
		SGT. P. HALL.					
		SGT. E.J. DUCK.					
		SGT. J. RYAN.					
		SGT. W.J. WILKINSON.					
		SGT. R. McPERRAN.					
LANCASTER. ED. 551.	F/SGT. G.E. HALL.	SGT. L. FIELD.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2235.	0336.	Primary attacked. 0112 hrs. 20,000 ft. Route markers yellow and red and green T.I.'s seen. River also seen. One red T.I. in bomb sights, seen to cascade at 0109 hrs. Bombing seemed to be well concentrated around T.I.'s. Explosion seen at 0108 hrs.	
		SGT. E.D. EWANS.					
		SGT. E. COLBERT.					
		SGT. O.J. OVERINGTON.					
		SGT. K. CHORLEY.					
		SGT. H.G. WILLIAMS.					

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24/7/43.	LANCASTER.	F/SGT. G.A. GRAHAM.	Bombing -	2309.	0400.	Primary attacked. 0143 hrs. 20,000 ft. Yellow T.I. on coast.	
(contd)	R. 3700.	SGT. W. STATHAM. P/O. D. McDONALD. SGT. R.M. INNES. SGT. A.F. WILLIAMSON. SGT. H. ALTUS.	HAMBURG.			and green T.I. over target. Centre of concentration of green in sights. No reds observed. First green cascaded approx. 0139 hrs. Very good fires, concentrated. Town centre seemed well ablaze.	
	LANCASTER. JA. 852.	SGT. K. MELLOP. F/L. G.F. ROBERTSON. W/O. HADLAND. SGT. W. BROWN. P/O. R.H. SMITH. P/O. E.J. KNELL. W/O. K. GREENE. F/SGT. AP. BAINES. SGT. J.L. ELLIOTT.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2228.	0328.	Primary attacked. 0105 hrs. 18,000 ft. Yellow T.I. at coast. Red and green T.I. over target. Red T.I. in sights. Two reds were 2 miles apart. Good fires, but in two concentrations, round each red T.I.	
	LANCASTER. W. 4133.	P/O. K. PAINTER. SGT. T. DEACON. SGT. R.G. SAUNDERS. SGT. J.E. BACON. SGT. T. ANDREWS. SGT. S.F. HONE. SGT. D.W. ANGELL.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2231.	0343.	Primary attacked. 0105 hrs. 18,000 ft. Yellow 0042. 0102 red. Greens at 0102. Red in sights on bombing. Bombs well spread. At 0108 hrs. huge amber yellow explosion which lasted 10-15 seconds and lit up inside of aircraft. On leaving target good fires developing and attack appeared successful. Fires seen 175 miles from target.	
	LANCASTER ED. 654.	P/O. G.S. STOUT. SGT. W. SIDNALL. SGT. J. GURNEY. P/SG. J.H. BRYANT. SGT. K. GAVIN. SGT. E. MCGOWAN. SGT. D. BURDEN. SGT. V. CORNISH-UNDERWOOD.	Bombing HAMBURG.	2223.	0320.	Primary attacked. 0105 hrs. 20,000 ft. Route markers yellow and red and green T.I's seen. River and docks also seen. One red T.I. in bomb sights seen to cascade at 0102 hours. 4,000 lb. seen to explode close to red T.I. Explosion seen at 0108 hrs.	

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24/7/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. WV. 198.	F/L. J.P. MITCHELL. SGT. A.N. JONES. P/O. J.N. WYATT. SGT. E. RENFREY. SGT. F. JOHNSON. SGT. B.G. ROGERS. SGT. E. HARKETT.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2311.	0411.	Primary attacked. 0138 hrs. 19,500 ft. Route markers yellow and green T.I. seen. Centre of concentration of green T.I.'s in bomb sights. Seen to cascade 0135. Fires were well concentrated.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 656.	F/Sgt. N.J. ROBINSON. SGT. R. TAYLOR. SGT. T.E. DAVIS. SGT. R.J. PITMAN. SGT. W.E. JONES. SGT. L.E. MITCHELL. SGT. J. GASTB.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2222.	0348.	Primary attacked. 0107 hrs. 20,200 ft. Route markers yellow and red and green T.I.'s seen. River also seen. One red T.I. in bomb sights. Seen to cascade at 0104 hrs. Bombing appeared well concentrated around T.I.'s. Big explosion seen at 0106.	
	LANCASTER. W. 5011 1/2	SGT. W.W. TURNBULL. SGT. J. WELLINGS. SGT. J. WATERHOUSE. SGT. J. McMASTER. SGT. B. OWEN SGT. J. MICHAEL. SGT. C.R. BOLT.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2307.	0428.	Primary attacked. 0140 hrs. 19,500 ft. Yellow T.I.'s on coast. Green T.I.'s over target. Green T.I. in sights. Centre of cluster of greens. Central town area well ablaze. Fall of black smoke up to 15,000 ft. possibly in N.E. area.	
	LANCASTER. R. 5744.	P/O. J. ANSTEE. SGT. C.W. CARTWRIGHT. SGT. A. BIRCHENOUGH. P/O. A.F.P. STANISLAUS. SGT. R.C. WHALE. SGT. W.J. GRADDOCK. SGT. P.G.L. KERR.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2234.	0333.	Primary attacked. 0113 hrs. 18,800 ft. Yellow 0040 seemed off track. 0043 second bunch of yellow on track. Green seen cascading 0105 hrs. and reds 0108 hrs. Red T.I. in sights on bombing. No startling results of bombing seen.	

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25/7/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 896.	S/L. J.N. DERBYSHIRE. SGT. E. SULLIVAN. SGT. J. GILL. SGT. F. OVEREND. SGT. E. OAKES. SGT. E.G. COLE. SGT. T. PARSONS.	Bombing - ESSEN.	2130.	0211.	Primary attacked. 0033 hrs. 19,500 ft. Identified by red T.I. Route markers T.I. yellow not seen. Green T.I. seen on leaving target. One red T.I. in bomb sights, seen to cascade at 0032 hours. 1 x 4000 lb. seen to explode in centre of three red T.I. burning on ground. Some early bombing before first T.I. markers were dropped appeared to be short.	
	LANCASTER. JA. 692.	F/SGT. C. WARD. SGT. J. SUTTON. SGT. E. KEENE. SGT. G.L. JAMES. SGT. G.F.K. BEDWELL. SGT. N.P. DIXON. SGT. W.L. DORAN.	Bombing - ESSEN.	2154.	0250.	Primary attacked. 0107 Hrs. 20,000 ft. Yellow markers seen and timed run made from them. Red T.I. cluster and fires seen. One cluster of red T.I. was in bomb sights. Seen to cascade one minute before bombs gone. Bomb burst seen slightly short of red T.I. Fires in target not fully visible owing to enormous pall of smoke which reached to higher level than aircraft. At 0142 hrs. Lancaster had almost reached Dutch coast on return when a vast explosion was seen back in target area which lit up the sky.	
	LANCASTER JA. 859.	F/O. W.D. ERVINE. SGT. D. LEYSHON. F/O. H.J. MAY. SGT. A.B. GILES. SGT. F. LOMAX. SGT. J.G. DICKINSON. F/O. H.A. DICKINSON.	Bombing - ESSEN.	2136.	0230.	Primary attacked. 0040 hrs. 21,000 ft. Red and green T.I.'s over target. Red T.I. in sights. Centre of concentration of reds and greens. Approx. 0055 hours first red cascaded. Good fires well concentrated. Bomb bursts well on T.I.'s.	
	LANCASTER. W. 4964.	F/SGT. G.A. GRAHAM. Sgt. W. Statham. F/O. D. McDONALD. SGT. R.M. INNERS SGT. A.F. WILLIAMSON. SGT. H. ALTUS. SGT. K. MELLOR.	Bombing - ESSEN.	2159.	0044.	Returned early from over base at 15,000 ft. owing to inter-comm. failure at mid-upper gunners and pilots positions and electrical failure in mid-upper turret. 4000 lb. HC jettisoned safe. Incendiaries brought back to base.	

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25/7/43 (contd)	LANCASTER. JA. 852.	F/L. R.A. BUNKER.	Bombing - ESSEN.	2133.	0215.	Primary attacked. 0041 hrs. 18,500 ft. Yellow markers seen but these were late and were astern. Red and green T.I.'s seen at target and also fires. One red T.I. in sights, not seen to cascade. Fewer green T.I.'s than usual. Own bombs not identified. Most fires well concentrated. Few scattered ones.											
		SGT. W. POSSEE.															
		SGT. W.A. GALL.															
		P/O. J. PRIOR.															
		SGT. J. LEVER.															
	LANCASTER. ED. 551.	P/SGT. G.E. HALL. SGT. L. FIELD. SGT. W.D. EVANS. SGT. E. COLBERT. SGT. O.J. OVERINGTON. SGT. K. CHORLEY. SGT. H.G. WILLIAMS.	Bombing - ESSEN.	2135.	0220.	Primary attacked. 0047 hrs. 21,000 ft. Yellow markers seen. Timed run done from these. Red and green T.I. seen. One cluster of red T.I. was in sights, seen to cascade 45 secs before bombs gone. Bombs seen to burst just short of red T.I. A moderate number of fires seen, but these were developing rapidly.											
	LANCASTER. R. 5700.	P/O. R. WELLS. SGT. D.J. NUTMAN. SGT. A. DUNCAN. SGT. K. GARNETT. SGT. P. SMITH. SGT. W. GOUGH. SGT. S. MOSS.						Bombing - ESSEN.	2134.	0227.	Primary attacked. 0035 hrs. 22,000 ft. Red and green T.I.'s seen. Route markers T.I. yellow seen, but behind. One red T.I. in bomb sights, seen to cascade at 0033 hrs. Bombing was well concentrated around T.I.'s and fires were starting.						
	LANCASTER. ED. 656.	P/O. J. ANSTEE. SGT. G.W. CARTWRIGHT. SGT. A. BIRCHENOUGH. P/O. A.F.F. STANISLAUS. SGT. R.C. WHALE. SGT. W.J. CRADDOCK. SGT. P.G.L. KERR.											Bombing - ESSEN.	2132.	0218.	Primary attacked. 0042 hrs. 20,600 ft. Red and green T.I.'s over target. One red T.I. in sights, in centre of several reds. Greens were close by to Eastwards. First red cascaded at 0033 hrs. At 0052 hrs large explosion and red glow. Bomb bursts very numerous and well concentrated.	

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25/7/43 (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 666.	F/L. J.F. MITCHELL SGT. A.N. JONES. P/O. J.N. WYATT/ SGT. E. RENFREY. SGT. F. JOHNSON. SGT. B.G. ROGERS. SGT. E. FLUNKETT.	Bombing - ESSEN.	2137.	0224.	Primary attacked. 0042 hrs. 20,000 ft. Red and green T.I.'s seen. Route markers T.I. yellow not seen. One red T.I. in bomb sights, seen to cascade at 0040 hrs. Bombing well concentrated round red T.I.'s.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 654.	F/SGT. J. McCUBBIN. SGT. N.D. OWEN. P/O. B. SHERRY. SGT. K. DAGNALL. F/SGT. A.M. SMITH. SGT. P. LYNAM. SGT. C. STEWART.	Bombing - ESSEN.	2125.	0204.	Primary attacked. 0034 hrs. 20,000 ft. Red and green T.I.'s over target. Red T.I. in sights. First red T.I. cascaded at 0027 hrs. second red which fell slightly to Northward was bombed. Many bursts round T.I.'s. First bomb burst was direct hit on red T.I. Incendiaries were falling short. Good fires starting, quite well concentrated. One large flare up seen when leaving target.	
	LANCASTER. W. 5011.	F/SGT. J. LIVINGSTONE SGT. F. PARSONS. SGT. F.T. WATSON. SGT. H.C. BREWER. SGT. J. PRENDERGAST. SGT. R.N. BROWNE. SGT. T.C. TAYLOR.	Bombing - ESSEN.	2142.	2335.	Returned early at 16,000 ft. over base at 2246 hours owing to leak in oxygen supply which was exhausted at 2300 hours.	
27/7/43:	LANCASTER. ED. 493.	SGT. D. MACKENZIE. SGT. R.H. JONES. F/O. T. McCALL. SGT. R. REID. SGT. G.A. FILLEUL. SGT. L.F. GILKES. SGT. W.M. WELSH	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2246.	0324.	Primary attacked. 0112 hrs. 20,000 ft. Yellow track markers seen at posn. "X", but not at posn. "Y" as there was cloud and therefore no timed run was possible. M.P.I. of 3 yellows T.I.'s and two greens. One very noticeable fire had got hold near T.I.'s. There were numerous others.	

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27/7/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. EE. 188.	F/SGT. C. WARD. SGT. J. SUTTON. SGT. E. KEENE. SGT. G.L. JAMES. SGT. G.F.K. BRIDWELL. SGT. N.F. DIXON. SGT. WL. DORAN.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2244.	0350.	Primary attacked. 0133 hrs. 20,200 ft. Yellow 0049 hrs. Yellow 0124 hours posn "Y". Green 0133 hrs. Green T.I. in sights on bombing. Explosion of own 4000 lb. bomb seen.	
	LANCASTER R. 5744.	P/O J.P. BILLING. SGT. F. HOPE. SGT. K.E. MORIARTY. SGT. H.M. COATES. SGT. J.M. CAMPBELL. SGT. J.B. FINDLAY. SGT. R.D. CURTIS.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2243	0340.	Primary attacked. 0104½ hrs. 21,000 ft. Yellow track indicators seen at posn. "Y". Yellow and green T.I. seen over target. Centre of concentration of green T.I. in sights at time of bombing, seen to cascade at 0102 hours - yellow T.I. having burnt out. Two dull red explosions seen when running up to target. Docks identified in glow from fires which were well concentrated.	
	LANCASTER. ED.666.	SGT. T.H. GILL. SGT. M. McPHERSON. SGT. R.V. GOUGH. F/SGT. B.P. DEVINE. SGT. W.A. MORTON. SGT. K. McDONAGH. SGT. R. McKEE.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2221.	0326.	Primary attacked. 0102½ hrs. 17,200 ft. Yellow T.I.'s seen at posn. "Y", from which timed run was made. Yellow and green T.I.'s seen. Centre of cluster of green T.I.'s in sights at time of bombing. Yellow T.I.'s having burned out. Fires seen burning from posn "E". Smoke seen over target up to 23,000 ft.	
	LANCASTER. WA. 869.	P/O W.D. ERVINE. SGT. D. LEYSHON. P/O H.J. MAY. SGT. A.B. GILLES. SGT. F. LOMAX. SGT. J.C. DICKINSON. P/O H.A. DICKINSON.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2254.	0402.	Primary attacked. 0137½ hrs. 19,000 ft. Yellow route markers, and green T.I.'s. One green T.I. in bomb sights, seen to cascade at 0136 hrs. Very large fires with smoke rising to 25,000 ft.	

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27/7/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. W. 4964.	F/SGT. G.A. GRAHAM. SGT. W. STATHAM. P/O. D. McDONALD. SGT. K.M. INNESS. SGT. A.F. WILLIAMSON. SGT. H. ALTUS. SGT. K. MELLOR.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2303.	0357.	Primary attacked. 0138 hrs. 18,000 ft. Yellow route markers and yellow and green T.I's. No yellow T.I's seen at time of bombing. One green T.I. in bomb sights, seen to cascade at 0136 hrs. Good fires seen and large column of smoke rising to 25,000 ft.	
	LANCASTER. JA. 852.	F/O. L. HADLAND. SGT. K.N. TAYLOR. SGT. S. GREENWOOD. P/O. K. BEAMES. SGT. J. GASKELL. SGT. C. DAVIS. SGT. A.D. TIREL.	Bombing. HAMBURG.	2302.	0417.	Primary attacked. 0131 hrs. 18,000 ft. Yellow route markers and yellow and green T.I's. Centre of concentration of yellow and green T.I's in bomb sights. Target area was one mass of flames.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 551.	F/SGT. G.E. HALL. SGT. L. FIELD. SGT. W.D. EVANS. SGT. E. COLBERT. SGT. O.J. OVERINGTON. SGT. K. CHORLEY. SGT. H.G. WILLIAMS	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2238.	0343.	Primary attacked. 0109 hrs. 21,400 ft. Yellow 0056 hrs. Yellow 0107 hrs. Greens 0107½ hrs. Bombed two yellow and two green T.I's. No results of own bombing seen.	
	LANCASTER. R. 5700.	F/O. R. WELLS. SGT. D.J. NUTMAN. SGT. A. DUNCAN. SGT. K. GARNETT. SGT. P. SMITH. SGT. W. GOUGH. SGT. S. MOSS.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2242.	0331.	Primary attacked. 0109 hrs. 20,000 ft. Yellow route markers and yellow and green T.I's. No yellow T.I's seen at time of bombing. One green T.I. in bomb sights, seen to cascade at 0108 hrs. Good fires seen to be starting and well concentrated around T.I's.	

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27/1/43 (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 700.	W/C. P. BURNETT. G/C. S. C. ELWORTHY. F/L. J. A. BRICKALL. F/O. H. BELL. SGT. G. T. M. CAINES. MAJOR MULLOCK. F/L. C. A. PATTEN.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2304.	0355.2	Primary attacked. 0132½ hrs. 22,000 ft. Yellow track markers at "Y" satisfactory. Middle of group of yellow T.I's in sights. Large blocks of fires in target area. Appeared to be some tendency to undershoot.	
	LANCASTER. W. 4133.	SGT. W. W. TURNBULL. SGT. J. WELLINGS. SGT. J. WATERHOUSE. SGT. B. OWEN. SGT. J. MICHAEL. SGT. C. R. BOLT.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2228.	0331.	Primary attacked. 0105 hrs. 18,500 ft. Yellow 0016½ hrs. Posn. "Y" yellow 0039 hrs. Well on track. Green 0056 hrs. Concentration of greens in sights on bombing. No definite results seen.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 198.	SGT. W. SIDDLE. SGT. A. MOSELEY. SGT. R. C. T. LODGE. P/O. K. HILLS. SGT. C. CULLEY. SGT. MOORE. SGT. R. E. JONES.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2257.	0402.	Primary attacked. 0121 hrs. 19,500 ft. Yellow track indicators O.K. at posn. "Y". Middle of pattern of 4 green T.I's in sights. There was one large patch of fire with smoke up to 25-30,000 ft.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 656.	SGT. G. RAYNE. SGT. C. A. GILBERT. P/O. K. W. ARMSTRONG. SGT. S. C. YOUNG. SGT. J. B. ROBINSON. SGT. N. D. BENNETT. SGT. P. A. S. TWINN.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2306.	0346.	Primary attacked. 0130 hrs. 20,000 ft. Yellow 0102 hrs. Yellow 0125 hrs. Greens 0125. Greens seen on run up and in sights on bombing. No definite results of own bombing.	

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(\*10084-9311) WL 16331-2345 102M 12/12 T.S. 700

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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES.
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27/7/43 (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 654.	F/L. J.P. MITCHELL. SGT. A.N. JONES. P/O. J.N. WYATT. SGT. E. BENFREY. SGT. F. JOHNSON. SGT. B.G. ROGERS. SGT. E. PLUNKETT.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2235.	0335.	Primary attacked. 0107 hrs. 20,000 ft. Yellow track markers seen at posn. "Y". M.P.I. of yellow and green T.I's. Shortly after bombing large explosion in target area. Fires were getting hold as aircraft left area.	
	LANCASTER. EE. 136.	F/SGT. J. LIVINGSTONE. SGT. F. PARSONS. SGT. F.T. WATSON. SGT. H.G. BREWER. SGT. J. PRENDERGAST. SGT. R.N. BROWNE. SGT. F.C. TAYLOR.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2230.	0309.	Primary attacked. 0103 hrs. 21,500 ft. Yellow route markers and yellow and green T.I's. Buildings seen. Centre of concentration of yellow and green T.I's in sights. Seen to cascade at 0101 hours. Bombing well concentrated around T.I's and good fires starting. Big explosion seen at 0104 hours.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 836.	S/L. J.N. DERBYSHIRE. SGT. W. BROWN. F/O. R.H. S MITH. F/O. E.J. KNELL. W/O. K. GREENE. F/SGT. A.P. BAINES. SGT. J.L. ELLIOTT.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2239.	0341.	Primary attacked. 0111 hrs. 18,000 ft. Yellow route markers and yellow and green T.I's seen. Built up area also seen. Centre of concentration of yellow and green T.I's in bomb sights. Bombing well concentrated and good fires seen.	
	LANCASTER. JA. 692.	D/O. K. PAINTER. SGT. T. DEACON. SGT. R.G. SAUNDERS. SGT. J.T. BACON. SGT. T. ANDREWS. SGT. S.F. HONE. SGT. D.W. ANGELL.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2234.	0315.	Primary attacked. 0102½ hrs. 19,500 ft. Yellow track markers seen. Dock area could be seen. M.P.I. of yellow T.I's in sights. No green T.I's seen. Fires were seen to start in close proximity to yellow T.I's.	

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27/7/43 (contd)	LANCASTER. W. 5011.	SGT. H.K. WALKUP. SGT. R.H. TURBELL SGT. M.G. WRIGHT. SGT. P.A. DRAGON. SGT. A.J. GURR. SGT. W.H. MULLETT.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2252.	0359.	Primary attacked. 0134 hrs. 19,500 ft. Yellow track indicators seen. Timed run made from posn. E. Yellow and green T.I. seen. Centre of concentration of yellow T.I.'s in sights. Large concentration of fires seen. Ground detail could be identified in glow from fires which appeared to be more concentrated than on previous attack.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 700.	SGT. K. WOOLLARD P/O. R.A. BUNKER. SGT. W. POSSE. SGT. W.A. GALL.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2229.	0307.	Primary attacked. 0046 1/2 hrs. 19,000 ft. Red T.I.'s and flares at east seen at 0020. Yellows and greens over target. One yellow T.I. in sights. Many yellow and greens cascading at same time. Too early to see results. Much smoke seen over target after leaving.	
	LANCASTER. EE. 136.	P/O. J. PRIOR. SGT. J. LEVER. SGT. R.G. LOMAS. SGT. P.G. HAYLER. SGT. C. PAYNE. SGT. C.A. GILBERT. P/O. K.W. ARMSTRONG. SGT. S.C. YOUNG. SGT. J.B. ROBINSON. SGT. N.D. BENNETT. SGT. P.A.S. TWINN.	Bombing - HAMBURG	2300.	0404.	Primary attacked. 0124 hrs. 19,500 ft. Red T.I.'s and red flares seen. Ran up and bombed on gap between two groups of green T.I.'s. Fires burning showed up buildings. Area of fires not so large as last attack.	
	LANCASTER. W. 4133.	P/O. K. PAINTER. SGT. T. DRAGON. SGT. R.G. SAUNDERS. SGT. J.E. BACON. SGT. T. ANDREWS. SGT. S.F. BURNHAM HONE. SGT. D.W. ANGELL.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2236.	0319.	Primary attacked. 0053hrs. 19,000 ft. Track markers constant. Timed run made and two minutes before WPA concentration of green T.I. seen. Continued on track for one minute. Decided to bomb far edge of one green T.I. as docks were then identified visually. GWT fix taken at 0054 hrs. gave 530N. 10E. Fires seemed to be going well for 2nd wave. Building with 5 chimneys alongside a road seen well ablaze. Explosion at 0054 hours just S.W. of this building lit up aircraft.	

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SGT. I. ANDREWS.  
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29/7/43 (contd)	LANCASTER. DV. 198.	F/L. G.F. ROBERTSON. SGT. W. BROWNE. F/O. R.H. SMITH. F/O. E.J. KNELL. W/O. K. GREENE. F/SGT. A.P. BAINES SGT. J.L. ELLIOTT.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2219	0305.	Primary attacked. 0045 hrs. 17,000 ft. Red track markers and red flare seen at "X" approx. 0015 hrs. Yellow T.I. markers seen at 0038 hrs. exactly, followed by green T.I. later, approx. 0042 hrs. Homed on to target with G33. Bombed centre of concentration of 4 or more yellow T.I. which were in sights and well concentrated. Burst of 4,000 lb. seen by rear gunner. Too early to assess results of attack.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 656.	F/SGT. N.J. ROBINSON. SGT. R. TAYLOR. SGT. T.R. DAVIS. SGT. R.J. PITMAN. SGT. W.E. JONES. SGT. L.E. MITCHELL. SGT. J. CASEY.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2230.	0330.	Primary attacked. 0052 hrs. 19,800 ft. Red T.I.'s and flares on coast at 0024 hrs. Second lot at 0028 hrs. 0044 hrs. yellow T.I.'s went down over target, greens followed. Yellow T.I. in middle of concentration in sights. Bursts not observed, but good fires well concentrated were starting up.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 654 1/2	F/SGT. J. McCUBBIN. SGT. N.D. OWEN. P/O. B. SHERRY. SGT. K. DAGNALL. F/SGT. A.M. SMITH. SGT. P. LYNAM. SGT. C. STEWART.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2228.	0319.	Primary attacked 0051 hrs. 19,800 ft. Red track indicators and red flares seen at "X". At 0045 green T.I.'s seen to cascade. Yellow T.I.'s also going down near. M.P.I. of greens in sights. Green T.I.'s were going down in midst of fires, which appeared to be well concentrated and at this time smoke was up to a height estimated about 7,000 feet. One very large fire thought to be oil.	
	LANCASTER. W. 5011.	P/O. G.S. STOUT. SGT. J. GURNEY. F/SGT. J.H. BRYANT. SGT. K. GAVIN. SGT. E. McGOWAN. SGT. D. BURDEN. SGT. V. CORNISH-UNDERWOOD.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2227.	0315.	Primary attacked. 0046 hrs. 19,500 ft. Route markers T.I. red, and yellow and green T.I.'s seen. Centre of concentration of yellow and green T.I.'s in bomb sights. First yellow T.I. seen to cascade at 0038 hrs. first green at 0043 hrs. Early bombing appeared to be rather more scattered than in the first of the recent attacks.	

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29/7/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. R. 5700.	SGT. H.R. WALKUP.	Bombing -	2254.	0357.	Primary attacked. 0126 hrs. 20,000 ft. Red route markers and yellow and green T.I's seen. Centre of concentration of yellow and green T.I's in bomb sights. Target area was a mass of fire.	
		SGT. R.H. TURRELL.	HAMBURG.				
		SGT. M.C. WRIGHT.					
		SGT. P.A. DRAGON.					
		SGT. A.J. GURR.					
		SGT. R.H. MULLETT.					
LANCASTER. ED. 666.	✓	SGT. W. SIDDLER	Bombing -	2256.	0409.	Primary attacked. 0124 hrs. 20,000 ft. Red T.I's on coast. 6 greens over target. Green T.I. in sights, middle of cluster of 5 greens very close together. Several bursts seen, well concentrated. Incendiaries tended to undershoot. Many fires in target area covering town centre. Many fires seemed to have burnt out. Much smoke over a very wide area.	
		SGT. A. MOSELEY.	HAMBURG.				
		SGT. R.C.T. LODGE.					
		F/O. H. BELL.					
		SGT. G. CULLEY.					
		SGT. MOORE.					
LANCASTER. ED. 493.	✓	SGT. D. MACKENZIE	Bombing -	2234.	0310.	Primary attacked. 0052 hrs. 19,400 ft. Track markers seen at least 5 miles apart. One T.I. seen to cascade at 0026 hrs. and another seen on ground at 0033. T.I. markers yellow seen to cascade at 0046 hrs. T.I. markers green seen to cascade at 0056 hrs. T.I. marker green seen to cascade at 0104 hrs. Other markers seen between times but exact time unknown. Bombed centre of concentration of yellow and green. Fires well concentrated. Appeared not quite so intense as 2nd attack on city, but little sign of scattered bombing.	
		SGT. R.H. JONES.	HAMBURG.				
		F/O. T. McCALL.					
		SGT. R. REID.					
		SGT. G.A. FULLER.					
		SGT. L.F. GILKES.					
LANCASTER. ED. 188.	✓	F/O. L. HADLAND.	Bombing -	2302.	0423.	Primary attacked. 0123 hrs. 19,800 ft. Red route markers and yellow and green T.I's seen. One green T.I. in bomb sights, seen to cascade at 0122 hrs. Yellow T.I's burning on ground could not be clearly distinguished. Fires more concentrated than on last attack.	
		SGT. K.N. TAYLOR.	HAMBURG.				
		SGT. S. GREENWOOD					
		F/O. K. BEAMTS					
		SGT. J. GASKELL.					
		SGT. C. DAVIS.					
		SGT. A.D. TIRREL.					

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SGT. J. GASKELL.

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SGT. A. D. TIREL.

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29/7/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 836.	F/SGT. G. A. GRAHAM	Bombing -	2252.	0347.	Primary attacked. 0124 hrs. 20,000 ft. Red T.I's and red flare O.K. at posn. "X". M.P.I. of green T.I's in sights. Fires were illuminating shells of houses and was a concentrated burning mass.	
		SGT. W. STATHAM.	HAMBURG.				
		P/O. D. McDONALD.					
		SGT. R. M. INNESS.					
		SGT. A. F. WILLIAMSON.					
		SGT. H. ALTUS.					
		SGT. K. MELLOR.					
	LANCASTER. MM. JA. 692.	F/L. C. W. FOX.	Bombing -	2223.		Aircraft missing. No signals received.	
		F/SGT. J. D. DODDS.	HAMBURG.				
		P/O. W. H. HODGSON.					
		F/O. ROSSIE.					
		SGT. J. PIPER.					
		SGT. T. N. ROBINSON.					
		SGT. P. RUSSELL.					
		SGT. C. F. SARGENT					
	LANCASTER. R. 5744.	P/O. J. P. BILLING.	Bombing -	2225.	0330.	Primary attacked. 0048 1/2 hrs. 20,000 ft. Red T.I's and flare useful at posn. "X". Yellow T.I's somewhat scattered. Greens within yellows, bombed concentration, ie. M.P.I. On running up to target not much appeared to be happening. Fires then developed remarkably quickly into a concentrated mass with much smoke.	
		SGT. F. HOPE.	HAMBURG.				
		SGT. K. E. MORIARTY.					
		SGT. H. M. GOATES.					
		SGT. J. M. CAMPBELL.					
		SGT. J. B. FINDLAY.					
		SGT. R. D. CURTIS.					
	LANCASTER. JA. 869.	F/O. W. D. ERVINE.	Bombing -	2301.	0348.	Primary attacked. 0121 hrs. 21,000 ft. Red T.I's on coast 0101 hrs. Greens over target. Yellows indistinguishable. Centre of concentration of greens in sights. Very good red fires, well concentrated, Bomb bursts well round P.I's.	
		SGT. D. LEYSHON.	HAMBURG.				
		P. O. H. J. MAY.					
		SGT. A. B. GILES.					
		SGT. F. LOMAX.					
		SGT. J. C. DICKINSON.					
		P/O. H. A. DICKINSON.					

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29/7/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. W. 4964.	F/SGT. G. WARD. SGT. J. SUTTON. SGT. F. KEENE. SGT. G. I. JAMES. SGT. G. F. K. BEDFELL. SGT. N. F. DIXON. SGT. W. L. DORAN.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2242.	0400.	Primary attacked. 0118 hrs. 20,000 ft. Track markers consistent at posn. "Y". Two green T.I.'s seen to cascade at 0117 hrs. close together. One other seen on ground slightly West, but obscured by smoke. No yellow T.I. visible. Two green T.I.'s in sights. Fires appeared concentrated but not so numerous as other attacks. Large quantity of smoke but no column. 100 miles away leaving target fires appeared to flare up considerably.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 551.	F/SGT. G. E. HALL. SGT. L. FIELD. SGT. W. D. WYANS. SGT. E. GOLBERT. SGT. O. J. OVERTON. SGT. K. CHORLEY. SGT. H. G. WILLIAMS.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2258.	0354.	Primary attacked. 0119 hrs. 20,200 ft. Red route markers and yellow and green T.I.'s. One green T.I. in bomb sights, seen to cascade at 0118 hrs. Yellow T.I. burning on ground could not be distinguished on account of fires. Bombing well concentrated and target area was a solid mass of fire.	
	LANCASTER R. 5744	F/O J. P. BILLING. SGT. F. HOPE. SGT. K. E. MORIARTY. SGT. R. REID. SGT. M. M. CAMPBELL. SGT. J. B. FINLAY. SGT. R. D. CURTIS.	Bombing - REMSCHIED.	2216.	0246.	Primary attacked. 0100 hrs. 20,000 ft. First red T.I. at target seen at 00.55 hrs. No greens seen. Accurate fix obtained. Four red T.I. seen in a row. Centre of T.I. in sights. Four fires seen near T.I.'s on leaving. Other bombs bursts occurred simultaneously with own bursts.	
	LANCASTER. EE. 156.	F/SGT. J. H. S. LYON. SGT. K. PACK. SGT. F. L. CHIPPERFIELD. SGT. H. W. JEFFREY. SGT. A. M. FIELDING. F/SGT. H. HUBERT. SGT. G. CLEGG.	Bombing - REMSCHIED.	2212.	0254.	Primary attacked. 0103 hrs. 17,000 ft. Red and green T.I.'s seen. One red T.I. in bomb sights seen to cascade at 00.58 hrs. Bombing on first red T.I. appeared to be short and generally rather scattered.	

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SGT. A. M. FIELDING.

F/SGT. HOUBERT.

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30/7/43.	LANCASTER.	F/L. J. F. MITCHELL.	Bombing -	2209.	0250.	Primary attacked. 0107 hrs. 20,000 ft. Red and green T.I.'s seen. Red T.I. in bomb sight seen to cascade at 0104 hours.	
(contd)	DV. 198	SGT. A. M. JONES.	REMSCHWID.			Large fire seen on leaving the target, some bombing appeared to under-shoot.	
		F/O. J. N. WYATT.					
		SGT. E. RENFREY.					
		SGT. F. JOHNSON					
		SGT. B. G. ROGERS.					
		SGT. E. PLUNKETT.					
	LANCASTER.	F/L. G. F. ROBERTSON.	Bombing -	2210.	0258.	Primary attacked. 0110 hrs. 17,000 ft. At 00.55 hours red T.I. cascaded. Three reds and one green on target. One red seen 15 miles south of target. Red T.I.'s in sights. No concentration of markers. Scattered fires, much smoke.	
	ED. 656.	SGT. W. BROWN.	REMSCHWID.			Bomb bursts seen also scattered.	
		F/O. R. H. SMITH.					
		F/O. E. J. KNELL.					
		SGT. E. MCGOWAN.					
		F/SGT. A. P. BAINES.					
		SGT. J. L. ELLIOTT.					
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BARNEY.	1943.	1/8	The only flying was an airfiring exercise by one crew.	
		2/8.	<p>After some local flying and NPT's, the following crews were briefed for a night attack on HAMBURG:-</p> <p>"A" (SGT. MACKENZIE); "B" (SGT. BLACK); "C" (P/SGT. GRAHAM); "E" (P/O. BILLING); "G" (P/O. HADLAND); "H" (P/O. ERVINE); "J" (P/O. NEWTON); "M" (P/SGT. HALL); "N" (P/O. WELLS); "O" (P/O. STOUT); "R" (P/O. PAINTER); "S" (SGT. PAYNE); "U" (P/L. MITCHELL); "V" (P/L. ROBERTSON); "W" (SGT. SIDDLE); "Z" (SGT. WALKUP).</p> <p>Weather conditions encountered were most unfavourable, with severe icing, electrical storms and cloud. This resulted in several aircraft being unable to locate the target. P/O. STOUT returned early owing to engine trouble. Owing to an aircraft being bogged before take-off, three aircraft were late in getting away, and were recalled by Group Headquarters.</p> <p>The aircraft which reached HAMBURG found difficulty in identifying the target owing to cloud. After bombing, the glow of fires could be seen through cloud, but it was not considered that the raid was a success.</p> <p>SGT. MACKENZIE failed to return.</p>	
		3/8.	No operations were ordered and crews carried out intensive training, when they were engaged on air firing practice, low level bombing and slow flying exercise.	
		4/8.	A further programme of training was carried out during the day, crews taking part in high level bombing, air firing practice, cross-country exercises. Operations were ordered, but were cancelled at a later hour.	
		5/8.	No operational effort was called for, and there was little flying apart from a night cross-country exercise by one crew.	
		6/8.	As operations were detailed for the night, NPT's were carried out in preparation. However,	

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Further operations were ordered for the night, with the following aircraft and crews:-  
 "O" (W/CDR. BURNETT); "R" (P/SGT. LYON); "V" (SGT. WALKUP); "W" (P/SGT. McCUBBIN);

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BARDNEY.	10/8	(Contd)	"X" (P/O. ANSTEE); "Z" (SGT. PAYNE); "B" (SGT. BLACK); "C" (S/L. DREYSHIRE); "E" (SGT. KNIGHT); "G" (P/O. JAMES); "H" (SGT. WARWICK); "J" (P/O. NEWTON) "M" (SGT. MAIR). When the aircraft reached the target they found considerable cloud. This interfered with the attack, but many good fires were seen to be burning. These appeared to be taking hold. "W" was attacked by a fighter when over the target. The mid-upper gunner was killed and the rear gunner wounded. They claimed, however, that the fighter was damaged in the encounter. "M" attacked a secondary target, believed FRANKFURT.	
	11/8.		There was very little flying, the only activity being a cross-country exercise by one crew.	
	12/8.		The day was spent in training, crews taking part in indirect bombing and special exercises. The following were detailed to attack MILAN at night:- "O" (S/L. BUNKER); "R" (SGT. TURNBULL); "U" (P/O. STOUT); "V" (P/L. BRAIN); "X" (P/O. PAINTER); "Z" (P/SGT. LIVINGSTONE); "B" (P/O. JAMES); "C" (P/O. WARD); "E" (P/O. BILLING); "G" (SGT. GILL); "H" (SGT. WARWICK); "J" (SGT. KNIGHT); "M" (SGT. MAIR). "R" returned early owing to GEE becoming u/s. The remainder reached the target where fires were already burning on arrival. The ac were soon concentrated and there was little evidence of scattered bombing. The attack was considered to be very successful.	
	13/8.		There was little flying and this was confined to practice bombing and air firing.	
	14/8.		Further bombing practice was carried out during the day and the following aircraft and crews were prepared for a night attack on MILAN: "R" (SGT. TURNBULL); "X" (P/L. BRAIN); "C" (SGT. KNIGHT); "G" (P/O. JAMES); "H" (P/O. HADLAND); "M" (SGT. MAIR). All aircraft reached the target and bombed it in excellent weather conditions. Fires were well concentrated and the results were good for a small scale attack.	

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BARDNEY	15/8.		MILAN was again chosen as the objective for the following aircraft and crews at night:- "B" (SGT. BLACK); "G" (SGT. WARWICK); "H" (P/O. WELLS); "J" (P/SGT. HALL); "E" (P/SGT. LYON); "U" (P/L. MITCHELL); "V" (P/SGT. ROBINSON); "X" (P/O. ANSTER); Again the weather was excellent and the attack was concentrated. Several explosions were observed in the town area, and large fires were left burning. On the way out, "X" shot down an enemy fighter which attempted to intercept.		
	16/8.		Nothing of operational importance occurred. Some practice bombing was carried out by four crews.		
	17/8.		A new, but important target, was chosen for a large scale attack at night, in which the following aircraft and crews were detailed to take part. The objective was the experimental establishment at FEENEMUNDE:- "B" (SGT. BLACK); "C" (P/O. WELLS); "E" (P/O. BILLING); "G" (SGT. GILL); "J" (P/O. NEWTON); "M" (P/SGT. HALL); "O" (S/L. BUNKER); "R" (P/SGT. LYON); "U" (P/O. STOUT); "V" (P/SGT. ROBINSON); "X" (P/L. BRAIN); "Z" (P/SGT. LIVINGSTONE). The target was found by all our aircraft and well taken care of. Many buildings were seen on fire, and the whole area was a mass of flames.		
	18/8.		Nothing of operational importance occurred.		
	19/8.		During the day aircraft were engaged on NFF's and practice bombing in preparation for operations, which had been ordered at night. These were later cancelled, and the only night flying was a cross-country by one aircraft.		
	20/8.		Most of the day's flying was devoted to practice bombing.		
	21/8.		No operations were detailed. Air firing was carried out by several crews.		

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21/8.	No operations were detailed. Air firing was carried out by several crews.

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BARINEY.	22/8.		<p>The following aircraft and crews were detailed for a night attack on LEVERKUSEN:</p> <p>"B" (P/O. JAMES); "C" (P/SGT. GRAHAM); "D" (SGT. WARWICK); "E" (SGT. KNIGHT); "G" (SGT. MAIR); "H" (P/O. WELLS); "P" (SGT. TURNBULL); "S" (P/L. BRAIN); "Y" (SGT. WALKUP); "Z" (SGT. PAYNE); "V" (P/SGT. ROBINSON).</p> <p>Owing to 10/10ths cloud, location of the target was made very difficult. Fires and P.F.'s were not seen by several aircraft, who bombed on ETA. As a result, the bombing was not concentrated, but the glow of fires could be seen through cloud. These were rather scattered, and the raid was not as successful as it was hoped to have been.</p>		
	23/8.		<p>BERLIN was picked as the objective for an attack by the following aircraft and crews at night:</p> <p>"U" (P/L. MITCHELL); "Y" (P/O. STOUT); "S" (P/O. ANSTEE); "X" (P/O. PAINTER); "V" (SGT. TURNBULL); "Z" (P/SGT. LIVINGSTONE); "B" (SGT. BLACK); "C" (P/SGT. GRAHAM); "D" (P/O. WELLS); "E" (P/O. BILLING); "G" (SGT. GILL); "H" (P/O. NEWTON); "N" (P/O. WARD).</p> <p>All aircraft attacked the target in good weather conditions. The opinion of all crews was that the attack proved successful. Large areas of fires were seen and bombs were concentrated on the positions marked by P.F.F.</p>		
	24/8.		<p>No operations were detailed for today. A few crews were engaged on local flying and ferrying. One crew carried out a night cross-country exercise.</p>		
	25/8.		<p>Owing to the unserviceability of the runways at BARINEY, it became necessary to operate from another airfield whilst repairs were being effected. Equipment was moved to WOODHALL SPA with the intention that personnel should be conveyed there daily and return at night. The whole day was spent in effecting the move by road and the aircraft were ferried to WOODHALL in readiness.</p>		
WOODHALL SPA.	26/8.		<p>Nothing of operational importance occurred.</p>		125

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WOODHALL SPA.	27/8.		<p>The following aircraft and crews were required to carry out a night attack against MUNCHENGLADBACH:</p> <p>"B" (P/O. JAMES); "C" (S/L. DERBYSHIRE); "D" (SGT. WARWICK); "H" (P/O. IRVINE); "G" (P/O. MAIR); "N" (SGT. KNIGHT); "O" (P/O. McCUBBIN); "U" (P/O. ENGLISH); "Y" (SGT. SIDDLER); "Z" (P/O. PAYNE); "R" (P/O. LYON); "V" (P/SGT. ROBINSON); "T" (SGT. WALKUP); "S" (P/O. BRILL); "X" (P/O. PAINTER).</p> <p>"B" was obliged to return early because of an unserviceable rear turret. The remaining aircraft attacked in very favourable weather conditions. PFF. markers appeared to be well placed and bombing was concentrated around them. On leaving, these areas were a mass of flames and there seems little doubt that the raid was very effective.</p>		
	28/8		No flying was undertaken during the day.		
	29/8.		The only flying was that of crews returning from the diversion airfields, where they landed after returning from operations on the night of 27/28th.		
	30/8.		<p>The undermentioned were detailed to attack the towns of MUNCHENGLADBACH and REHEYDT.</p> <p>"B" (SGT. BLACK); "D" (P/O. HADLAND); "E" (P/SGT. GRAHAM); "G" (P/O. JAMES); "H" (P/O. NEWTON); "M" (P/SGT. HALL); "N" (P/O. WARD); "O" (S/L. DERBYSHIRE); "U" (P/L. MITCHELL); "Y" (P/O. SIDDLER); "T" (P/O. PAYNE); "R" (P/O. ENGLISH); "S" (SGT. WALKUP); "V" (P/O. BRILL); "X" (P/O. PAINTER).</p> <p>The target attacked by our aircraft was REHEYDT, where considerable cloud covered the town. The results were disappointing, and the fires which were left were not impressive. MUNCHENGLADBACH appeared to have been attacked with a much greater degree of success.</p> <p>"M" (P/SGT. HALL and crew) failed to return.</p>		
	31/8.		<p>Once again, BERLIN was the objective for the following:-</p> <p>"B" (P/O. MAIR); "D" (SGT. WARWICK); "E" (SGT. KNIGHT); "G" (P/O. GILL); "H" (P/O. IRVINE); "N" (P/O. HADLAND); "U" (P/L. BRAIN); "Y" (SGT. ROBINSON); "R" (P/O. ENGLISH); "S" (P/O.</p>		

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 "N" (P/O. HADLAND); "U" (P/L. BRAIN); "Y" (SGT. ROBINSON); "R" (P/O. ENGLISH); "S" (P/O.

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WOODHALL SPA.	31/8 (contd)		ANSTEE); "O" (P/O. LYON); "Z" (P/SGT. LIVINGSTONE); "T" (P/O. PAINTER). "O" and "G" returned early with technical troubles, after jettisoning their bomb load. The remainder reached the German capital, which was obscured by a great deal of cloud. PFF markers were scattered and as a result bombing was not as concentrated as it should have been. However, many fires were left, but the impression given was that, on the whole, the attack was disappointing.		
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SUMMARY OF OFFICERS' MOVEMENTS FOR AUGUST, 1943.					
	2/8.		P/O. S. JAMES posted from No. 1661 Conversion Unit.		
	3/8.		P/O. H.B. SMALL posted from No. 1660 Conversion Unit.		
	4/8.		P/O. J.F. CORK posted to No. 467 Squadron. P/L. J.H. MOUTRAY posted from R.A.F. Station, Waddington.		
	9/8.		P/L. G.J. BRAIN, P/O. F.E. FORESHEW and P/O. A.H. MILWARD posted from No. 1654 Con. Unit.		
	11/8.		S/L. R. McFARLANE, DFC. posted to No. 50 Squadron.		
	18/8.		P/O. W. ENGLISH and P/O. J.E. EVANS posted from No. 1660 Conversion Unit.		
	19/8.		P/O. E.J. KNELL posted to No. 29 O.T.U. P/O. R.H. SMITH posted to No. 14 O.T.U. P/L. G.F. ROBERTSON posted to No. 12 O.T.U.		
	21/8.		P/O. D.J. BRILL, P/O. A.W. WESTON, P/O. R. BUTLER, and P/O. G.J. LITTLE posted from No. 1661 Conversion Unit.		
	27/8.		P/O. K.N. GIBSON posted to No. 49 Squadron.		
	28/8.		P/O. J.P. BILLING posted to No. 97 Squadron.		
	29/8.		P/O. R. DAVIES posted from No. 1661 Conversion Unit.		
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The following awards to Squadron personnel were announced during the month:					
DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS.					
			P/L. W.A. MEYER. P/O. E. GRAVER. P/O. E.O. VAN NOTE. P/O. E.L. CRAMP.		

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			<p><b>SECRET.</b></p> <p>DISTINGUISHED FLYING MEDAL.</p> <p>FLIGHT SERGEANT B. H. TUBBS. SGT. T. W. JOHNSON. SGT. N. R. MCCORKINDALE.</p> <p>SGT. S. H. G. SINCLAIR.</p> <p>WING COMMANDER COMMANDING NO. 9 SQUADRON HARVEY.</p>	

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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES.
				Up	Down		
2/8/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 700.	P/O. G.S. STOUT. SGT. J. GURNEY. F/SGT. J.H. BRYANT. SGT. K. GAVIN. SGT. H. NUTTALL. SGT. D. BURDEN. W/O. R. SMITH.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2331.	0304.	Returned early from 53.45N. 03.13E. Owing to starboard outer being u/s.	
	LANCASTER. EE. 176.	P/O. K. PAINTER. SGT. T. DEACON. SGT. R.C. SAUNDERS. SGT. J.E. BACON. SGT. T. ANDREWS. SGT. S.P. HONE. SGT. D.W. ANGELL.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2329.	0439.	No target attacked. Reached approx. posn. "B" and met severe icing, electrical storms and cloud up to 25,000 ft. Returned out to sea and then made second attempt to run in. Same weather encountered so jettisoned load.	
	LANCASTER. W. 4133.	SGT. C. PAYNE. SGT. C.A. GILBERT. P/O. K.W. ARMSTRONG. SGT. S.C. YOUNG. SGT. J.B. ROBINSON. SGT. N.D. BENNETT. SGT. P.A.S. TWINN.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	0003.	0525.	Primary attacked. 0227 hrs. 18,500 ft. Red T/I's seen at posn. "B". F/Eng. could get an occasional glimpse of river. There were 7 or 8 green T/I's on which a run could be made, and centre of these was in sights. They were lost as aircraft ran into cloud immediately after bombing. Estimated bombs fell on Western part of town. There were scattered fires and some incendiaries. These were all that could be seen.	
	LANCASTER. MEM. DV. 198.	F/L. J.F. MITCHELL. SGT. A.M. JONES. P/O. J.N. WYATT. SGT. E. HENFREY. SGT. F. JOHNSON. SGT. B.G. ROGERS. SGT. E. HUNKETT.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	0005.	0448.	Primary attacked. 0228 hrs. 19,000 ft. Bombed on ETA. Last GEE fix 54.12 N. 05.27 E. No red markers seen at posn. "B". No flares or markers seen. Glow offires seen below cloud.	

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2/8/43 (contd)	LANCASTER. MS ED. 656	PLT. G.F. ROBERSON	Bombing - HAMBURG.	2332.	0329.	Primary not attacked. Bombed WANGEROOGE. 0129 hrs. 18,000 ft. Identified visually - no results seen. Encountered solid bank of cloud near German coast reaching up to at least 24,000 ft. Severe electric storms. Decided to bomb Wangerooge as only nearby alternative.	
		SGT. W. BROWN.					
		P/O. R.H. SMITH.					
		P/O. E.J. KNELL.					
		SGT. E. MCGOWAN.					
		P/O. E.N. ARMSTRONG.					
		SGT. J.L. ELLIOTT.					
		SGT. W. SIDDLE.					
		SGT. A. MOSELEY.					
		SGT. R.C.T. LODGE.					
P/O. K. HILLS.							
SGT. G. CULLEY.							
SGT. R.E. JONES.							
SGT. MOORE.							
LANCASTER. W. 5011.	LANCASTER. W. 5011.	SGT. H.R. WALKUP.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	0008.	0453.	Primary attacked. 0236 hrs. 19,000 ft. D.R. to target. Gee u/s after electrical storm. Yellow T.I's at target. River Elbe seen on run down to approx. posn. "C". Red glow was seen under cloud at posn. "B" presumably T.I's and seemed accurate. Bombed visually among yellow T.I's. Bomb sights lost up and useless. A few good fires including one large red one. Scattered glow could be observed seen from 80 miles away on return. On leaving target a 'cookie' was seen to burst which lit up ground and shape of Aussee Alster believed seen. Incendiaries very scattered. Aircraft missing. No signals received.	
SGT. R.H. TURRELL.							
SGT. M.C. WRIGHT.							
SGT. P.A. BEACON.							
SGT. A.J. GURR.							
SGT. R.H. MULLETT.							
SGT. K. WOOLLARD.							
SGT. D. MACKENZIE.							
SGT. R.H. JONES.							
P/O. T. McCALL.							
SGT. E. REID.							
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2/8/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. EE. 188.	SGT. I.C.B. BLACK.	Bombing -	0014.	0548.	Primary attacked. 0237 hrs. 18,000 ft. Believed red track markers seen behind aircraft on track at posn. b. Bombed on revised ETA (due to having to avoid cloud - last Gee fix 54.18N. 06.11E). Glow of fires seen through break in cloud. Glow seen from Heligoland area on return.	
		SGT. E. BUTTON.	HAMBURG.				
		P/O. G.E. McTAGGART.					
		SGT. G. BROTHERS.					
		SGT. A.E. BAUMANN.					
		SGT. W.H.A. CARDWELL.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 836.	F/SGT. G.A. GRAHAM.	Bombing -	0055.	0304.	No target attacked. Recalled by Group owing to late start due to aircraft being bogged on runway.	
		SGT. W. STATHAM.	HAMBURG.				
		P/O. D. McDONALD.					
		SGT. R.M. INNESS.					
		SGT. A.F. WILLIAMSON.					
		SGT. H. ALTUS.					
LANCASTER. R. 5744.	✓	P/O. J.P. BILLING.	Bombing -	2346.	0430.	Primary attacked. 0146 hrs. 16,000 ft. No P.F.F. flares seen going out or coming back. No results observed.	
		SGT. F. HOP-E	HAMBURG.				
		SGT. K.E. MORIARTY.					
		SGT. PITMAN.					
		SGT. J.M. CAMPBELL.					
		SGT. J.B. FINDLAY.					
LANCASTER. ED. 666.	✓	P/O. L. HADLAND.	Bombing -	0053.	0308.	No target attacked. Aircraft recalled by Group owing to late start. Trouble on runway - another aircraft bogged. All bombs jettisoned.	
		SGT. K.N. TAYLOR.	HAMBURG.				
		SGT. S. GREENWOOD.					
		P/O. K. BEAMES.					
		SGT. J. GASKELL.					
		SGT. A.D. TIREL.					
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2/8/43. (cont'd)	LANCASTER.	F/O. W.D. ERVINE.	Bombing - HAMBURG.	0046.	0210.	No target attacked. Recalled by Group owing to late start caused by another aircraft being bogged on runway.			
	LANCASTER.	SGT. D. LEYSHON.							
	JA. 869.	F/O. H.J. MAY.							
		SGT. A.B. GILLES.							
		SGT. F. LOMAX.							
		F/O. H.A. DICKINSON							
		SGT. J.C. DICKINSON.							
	LANCASTER.	F/O. C.P. BEWTON.		Bombing -	0015.		0455.	Primary attacked. 0237 hrs. 17,500 ft. Red T.I.'s seen at posn "B". Fires, estimated in target area, could be seen ahead on approach. On running up fires were seen in sights and during the run the Air Bomber fairly certain that green T.I.'s were also there through gaps in cloud. Fires of a considerable size, i.e., distinct from isolated fires caused by scattered bombing. Bursts from loads of other aircraft were observed in this area.	
	ED. 551.	SGT. J. TURNER.		HAMBURG.					
		SGT. F. HALL.							
	SGT. E.J. DUCK.								
	SGT. J. RYAN.								
	SGT. R. McPHERAN.								
	SGT. W.J. WILKINSON.								
LANCASTER.	F/SGT. G.E. HALL.	Bombing -	0012.	0451.	Attacked position estimated 8 miles W.S.W. of HAMBURG. 0217 hrs. 20,000 ft. A cluster of green T.I.'s in sights at time of bombing, which was seen to cascade at 0216 hrs. Glow of fires seen reflected through cloud.				
	SGT. L. FIELD.	HAMBURG.							
	SGT. W.D. EVANS.								
	SGT. E. COLBERT.								
	SGT. O.J. OVERINGTON.								
	SGT. K. CHORLEY.								
	SGT. H.G. WILLIAMS.								
LANCASTER.	F/O. R. WELLS.	Bombing -	0028.	0548.	Primary attacked, 0250 hrs. 17,000 ft. Believed red T.I. seen to starboard of track at posn "B". No target indicators seen. Bombed on TPA. Last Gee fix 54.20N, 07.00E. Glow of fires seen through cloud.				
P. 5700.	SGT. D.J. NUTTMAN.	HAMBURG.							
	SGT. A. DUNGAN.								
	SGT. K. GARRETT.								
	SGT. F. SMITH.								
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7/8/43.	LANCASTER. EE. 188.	SGT. I.C. B. BLACK. SGT. E. BUTTON. F/O. G.E. McTAGGART. SGT. G. BROTHERS. SGT. A.E. BAUMANN. SGT. W.H.A. CARDWELL. SGT. D.T. GORDON.	Bombing - MILAN.	2113.	0614.	Primary attacked. 01.22 hrs. 15,000 ft. Track markers seen. Target Indicator red seen and town clearly illuminated by flares. Several greens seen between 01.15 hrs. and 01.22 hrs. Centre of concentration of green T/I in bomb sights. One green seen to cascade approx. 0117 hrs. Own bursts not identified. At 01.25 hrs. large explosion. Sheet of yellow flame about four times size of a 4,000 lb. burst.	
	LANCASTER. R. 5744.	F/SGT. G.A. GRAHAM. SGT. W. STATHAM. F/O. D. McDONALD. SGT. R.M. INNESS. SGT. A.F. WILLIAMSON. SGT. H. ALTUS. SGT. K. MELLOR.	Bombing - MILAN.	2118.	0545.	Primary attacked. 0113 hrs. 17,000 ft. Aircraft on run in arrived slightly early and flak was extremely accurate. It was obvious <del>when</del> over town and bombs were released. Green T/I's were seen to cascade at 01.14 hrs. behind aircraft and it is estimated own bombs were among them. Too early to see any results.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 666.	F/O. L. HADLAND. SGT. K.N. TAYLOR. SGT. S. GREENWOOD. F/O. K. BEAMES. SGT. J. GASKELL. SGT. C. DAVIS. SGT. A.D. TIREL.	Bombing - MILAN.	2115.	0547.	Primary attacked. 0121 hrs. 17,500 ft. Green T.I's. Lake Bouget 00.25 hrs. Red T/I over target 00.12 hrs. Green T.I's at 0117 hrs. Two clusters of greens, bombed between the two. Green T.I's were late, so continued on course after seeing reds and then bombed on reciprocal. Good fires starting in a restricted area but several well concentrated. Nickels dropped.	
	LANCASTER. JA. 869.	F/O. W.D. ERVINE. SGT. D. LEYSHON. F/O. H.J. MAY. SGT. A.B. GILES. SGT. F. LOMAX. SGT. J.C. DICKINSON. F/O. H.A. DICKINSON.	Bombing MILAN.	2116.	0540.	Primary attacked. 01.20 1/2 hrs. 17,000 ft. Green flares seen at pom. "D". P.F.F. flares and red T.I's. Green T.I's seen. Ground detail identified. Centre of concentration of green T.I's in sights at time of bombing seen to cascade at 01.20 hrs. Large explosion seen on leaving target similar to petrol exploding.	129

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7/8/43. (cont d)	LANCASTER. ED. 836.	S/L. J.N. DERBYSHIRE. SGT. E. SULLIVAN. SGT. J. GILL. SGT. F. OVEREND. SGT. E. OAKES. SGT. E.G. COLE. SGT. T. PARSONS.	Bombing - MILAN.	2112.	0528.	Primary attacked. 0114 hrs. 17,000 ft; Track markers seen. Red T.I. seen to cascade at 0114 hrs. and town simultaneously clearly identified by aid of flares. Captain realized aircraft was one minute early but decided not to bomb on reciprocal after another run as target was clearly seen. Immediately after bombs went down (during camera run) green T.I. seen to cascade around red T.I. Bombs seen to burst immediately adjacent to red T.I.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 700.	W/CDR. P. BURNETT. SGT. TURRELL. F/L. J.A. BRECKALL. F/L. E. BELL. F/L. J.H. MOUTRAY. F/L. C.A. PATTEN. SGT. G.A. DAVIS.	Bombing - MILAN.	2102.	0542.	Primary attacked. 0122 hrs. 16,000 ft. Green flares seen at Bouget. Ran up on green T/I's of which first was seen to cascade at 0115 hrs. Ground details could also be seen. Aircraft was early and at time few results could be seen until a very large explosion took place at 0125 hrs, and lasted several seconds and after it died down a fierce remained.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 198.	F/O. J. ANSTEE. SGT. C.W. CAMWRIGHT. SGT. A. BIRCHENOUGH. F/O. A.F.P. STANISLAUS. SGT. R.C. WHALE. SGT. W.J. CRADDOCK. SGT. P.G.L. KERR.	Bombing - MILAN.	2108.	0533.	Primary attacked. 0119 hrs. 16,000 ft. Very accurate green T.I's over Lake Bourget at 00.32 hrs. Green T/I's at 0117 hrs. over target. Flares and red T/I's also in evidence. Green T I' in sights. Centre of concentration of greens. Considered bombed slightly to South-West of town centre. A few fires just starting. One very large three sided building seen ablaze near the markers. Approximately 0123 hrs. a very large red explosion leaving large fire blazing to South of track.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	F/L. G.F. ROBERTSON. SGT. W. BROWN. F/O. R.H. SMITH. F/O. E.J. KNELL. SGT. E. MCGOWAN. F/O. E.N. ARMSTRONG. SGT. J.L. ELLIOTT.	Bombing - MILAN.	2111.	0535.	Primary attacked. 0117 hrs. 17,000 ft. Track markers seen at Bouget. Target markers seen. While circling Red T.I. seen. Town clearly seen illuminated by flares. Made second run and three green T/I's seen close together at 0116 hrs. Centre of concentration of green T/I's in sights. Too early to judge results of attack.	

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7/8/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 654.	F/SGT. J. McCUBBIN.	Bombing -	2110.	0537.	Primary attacked. 0120 hrs. 17,000 ft. Track markers seen. Red and green T/I seen. 0114 hrs. red seen to cascade. 0115 hrs. green T/I's seen burning, one Northern outskirts, one off towards Southern outskirts. More Southernly green seen backed up by further greens. Bombed on centre of concentration of green T/I's. Own bursts seen. Started very large fire. Smoke seen immediately rising to 1,000 ft. Flames followed up to same height. Very spectacular.	
		SGT. N.D. OWEN.	MILAN.				
		P/O. B. SHERRY.					
		SGT. K. Dagnall.					
		F/SGT. A.M. SMITH.					
		SGT. C. STEWART.					
		SGT. P. LYNAM.					
	LANCASTER. EE. 136.	F/SGT. J.H.S. LYON.	Bombing -	2107.	0531.	Primary attacked. 0117 hrs. 14,000 ft. First green flare seen astern at 0023 hrs. Flares, red and green T/I's seen. Ground detail identified. Green T/I in sights at time of bombing seen to cascade at 0115 hrs. At 0120 hrs. large explosion seen which started fires burning.	
		SGT. K. PACK.	MILAN.				
		SGT. R.W. COREKILL.					
		SGT. H.W. JEFFREY.					
		SGT. A.M. FIELDING.					
		SGT. A.G. DENYER.					
		SGT. G. CLEGG.					
9/8/43	LANCASTER. EE. 188.	F/O. R. WELLS.	Bombing -	2301.	0457.	Primary attacked. 0142 hrs. 18,000 ft. P.F. red T.I. and flares seen for marking. M.P.I. of green T.I's in sights. There were by this time more fires than expected, which were well concentrated around green T.I's. Large explosion observed at 0137 hours lasting several seconds.	
		SGT. WARWICK.	MANNHEIM.				
		SGT. D.J. NUTMAN.					
		SGT. A. DUNCAN.					
		SGT. K. GARNETT.					
		SGT. F. SMITH.					
		SGT. W. GOUGH.					
		SGT. S. MOSS.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 836.	F/SGT. G.A. GRAHAM.	Bombing -	2318.	0518.	Primary attacked. 0156 hrs. 18,500 ft. Green and yellow T/I's seen. Target seen by fires 0136 hrs. First green T/I seen 0150 hrs. Centre of concentration of greens and yellows in sight. Very good fires over whole of town area. Nothing very scattered.	
		SGT. W. STATHAM.	MANNHEIM.				
		P/O. D. McDONALD.					
		SGT. F.M. INNESS.					
		SGT. A.P. WILLIAMS.					
		SGT. H. ALTUS.					
		SGT. K. MELLOR.					

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7/8/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 654.	F/SGT. J. McCUBBIN. SGT. N. D. OWEN. P/O. B. SHERRY. SGT. K. DAGNALL. F/SGT. A. M. SMITH. SGT. C. STEWART. SGT. P. LYNAM.	Bombing - MILAN.	2110.	0537.	Primary attacked. 0120 hrs. 17,000 ft. Track markers seen. Red and green T/I seen. 0114 hrs. red seen to cascade. 0115 hrs. green T/I's seen burning, one Northern outskirts one off towards Southern outskirts. More Southernly green seen backed up by further greens. Bombed on centre of concentration of green T/I's. Own bursts seen. Started very large fire. Smoke seen immediately rising to 1,000 ft. Flames followed up to same height. Very spectacular.	
	LANCASTER. EE. 136.	F/SGT. J. H. S. LYON. SGT. K. PACK. SGT. R. W. CORKILL. SGT. H. W. JEFFREY. SGT. A. M. FIELDING. SGT. A. G. DENYER. SGT. G. CLEGG.	Bombing - MILAN.	2407.	0531.	Primary attacked. 0117 hrs. 14,000 ft. First green flare seen astern at 0023 hrs. Flares, red and green T/I's seen. Ground detail identified. Green T/I in sights at time of bombing seen to cascade at 0115 hrs. At 0120 hrs large explosion seen which started fires burning.	
9/8/43	LANCASTER. EE. 188.	F/O. R. WELLS. SGT. WARWICK. SGT. D. J. NUTMAN. SGT. A. DUNCAN. SGT. K. GARNETT. SGT. F. SMITH. SGT. W. GOUGH. SGT. S. MOSS.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	2301.	0457.	Primary attacked. 0142 hrs. 18,000 ft. P.F. red T.I. and flares seen for marking. M.P.I. of green T.I's in sights. There were by this time more fires than expected, which were well concentrated around green T.I's. Large explosion observed at 0137 hours lasting several seconds.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 836.	F/SGT. G. A. GRAHAM. SGT. W. STATHAM. P/O. D. McDONALD. SGT. R. M. INNESS. SGT. A. F. WILLIAMSON. SGT. H. ALTUS. SGT. K. MELLOR.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	2318.	0518.	Primary attacked. 0156 hrs. 18,500 ft. Green and yellow T/I's seen. Target seen by fires 0136 hrs. First green T/I seen 0150 hrs. Centre of concentration of greens and yellows in sight. Very good fires over whole of town area. Nothing very scattered.	

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9/8/43. Contd.	LANCASTER. K. 5744.	P/O. J. P. BILLING. SGT. F. HOPE. SGT. K. E. MORIARTY. SGT. H. M. COATES. SGT. J. M. CAMPBELL. SGT. J. B. FINDLAY.	Bombing - MANNHEIM	2320.	0505.	Primary attacked. 0151 hrs. 19,000 ft. At 0130 hours red T.I.'s seen to cascade ahead. Then green T.I.'s to cascade at 0140 hours. Greens were dropping and going almost immediately into cloud. One could be seen and this was in sights. There were some fires but cloud obscured somewhat. There was a big explosion at 0135 hours which lit up a wide area.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 666.	SGT. R. D. CURRISS. P/O. L. HADLAND. SGT. K. N. TAYLOR. SGT. S. GREENWOOD. P/O. K. STEWART. SGT. J. GASKELL. SGT. C. DAVIS. SGT. A. D. TIERL.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	2327.	0531.	Primary attacked. 0200 hours. 18,500 ft. One green and several yellow T.I.'s seen. Concentration of green and yellows in sights. Good glow of fires under cloud. Seemed well concentrated, especially in East part of target.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 551	P/SGT. G. E. HALL. SGT. L. J. G. FIELD. SGT. W. D. EVANS. SGT. E. COLBERT. SGT. O. J. OVERTON. SGT. R. A. CHORLEY. SGT. H. C. WILLIAMS.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	2314.	0526.	Primary attacked. 0151 hrs. 18,200 ft. Three clusters of green T.I. seen to cascade at 0150 hrs. (Red T.I. had been observed at 0130 hrs). Bombed centre of nine green T.I. Several sticks seen in vicinity of green T.I. and several minor explosions, but considerable seepage westwards.	
	LANCASTER. JA. 869.	P/O. W. D. ERVINE. SGT. D. LEVISON. P/O. H. J. MAY. SGT. A. B. GILES. SGT. F. LOMAX. SGT. J. C. DICKINSON. P/O. H. A. DICKINSON.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	2317.	0534.	Primary attacked. 0202 hrs. 20,000 ft. A few scattered markers in target area. Only one green T.I. seen above cloud which extinguished before arrival. Position of green T.I. in sights. Good glow of fires under the cloud. Column of smoke up to about 20,000 ft. in target area.	

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9/8/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 700.	S/L. R.A. BUNKER, F/L. BRAIN. SGT. W. POSSETT. SGT. W.A. GALL. P/O. J. PRIOR. SGT. J. LEVER. SGT. F.G. LOMAS. SGT. F.G. HAYLER.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	2259.	0452.	Primary attacked. 0137 hrs. 19,500 ft. Yellow flames and red T.I. seen. No greens seen until 0136 hrs. (cascading). No yellow T.I's seen at all. 2 green T.I's in sights. After a hesitant start waiting for green T.I. attack opened with a violent explosion with yellow reddish flame lighting up clouds for nearly one minute at 0136.	
	LANCASTER. EE. 136.	SGT. W.W. TURNBULL. SGT. J. WELLINGS. SGT. J. WATERHOUSE. SGT. J. McMASTERS SGT. B. OWEN. SGT. J. MICHAEL. P/SGT. C.J. HOUBERT.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	2310.	0521.	Primary attacked. 0159 hrs. 16,500 ft. Green T/I's ahead 10 to 12 minutes before bombing. Centre of pattern of green T/I's burning on ground, in sights. Fires appeared well concentrated around T/I's. It was noticed two minutes after bombing time above, that a load went down in a position probably two miles west of the target followed by a very healthy fire and much black smoke.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 198.	SGT. W. SIDDLER. SGT. A. MOSELEY. SGT. R.C.T. LODGE. P/O. HILLS. SGT. C. CULLEY. SGT. MOORE. SGT. R.E. JONES.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	2312.	0529.	Primary attacked. 0157 hrs. 18,500 ft. Yellow T/I's seen ahead then greens could be seen. Centre of concentration of 8 green T/I's in sights previously seen to cascade at 0156 hrs. No scattered fires seen. Fires quite impressive and around T/I's.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 656	SGT. G. PAYNE. SGT. G.A. GILBERT. P/O. K.W. ARMSTRONG. SGT. S.C. YOUNG. SGT. J.B. ROBINSON. SGT. N.D. BENNETT. SGT. P.A.S. TWINN.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	2316.	0620.	Primary attacked. 0203 hrs. 17,000 ft. Green T/I's seen ahead, but none on arrival at target. In absence of T/I's centre of fires in sights. Fires fairly considerable.	

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9/8/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 700.	S/L. R.A. BUNKER, F/L. BRAIN. SGT. W. POSSEP. SGT. W.A. GALL. P/O. J. PRIOR. SGT. J. LEVER. SGT. R.G. LOMAS. SGT. F.G. HAYLER.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	2259.	0452.	Primary attacked. 0137 hrs. 19,500 ft. Yellow flares and red T.I. seen. No greens seen until 0136 hrs. (cascading). No yellow T.I's seen at all. 2 green T.I's in sights. After a hesitant start waiting for green T.I. attack opened with a violent explosion with yellow reddish flame lighting up clouds for nearly one minute at 0136.	
	LANCASTER. EE. 136.	SGT. W.W. TURNBULL. SGT. J. WELLINGS. SGT. J. WATERHOUSE. SGT. J. McMASTERS SGT. B. OWEN. SGT. J. MICHAEL. P/Sgt. C.J. HOUBERT.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	2310.	0521.	Primary attacked. 0159 hrs. 16,500 ft. Green T/I's ahead 10 to 12 minutes before bombing. Centre of pattern of green T/I's burning on ground, in sights. Fires appeared well concentrated around T/I's. It was noticed two minutes after bombing time above, that a load went down in a position probably two miles west of the target followed by a very healthy fire and much black smoke.	
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	LANCASTER. ED. 656	SGT. G. PAYNE. SGT. C.A. GILBERT. P/O. K.W. ARMSTRONG. SGT. S.C. YOUNG. SGT. J.B. ROBINSON. SGT. N.D. BENNETT. SGT. P.A.S. TWINN.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	2316.	0620.	Primary attacked. 0203 hrs. 17,000 ft. Green T/I's seen ahead, but none on arrival at target. In absence of T/I's centre of fires in sights. Fires fairly considerable.	

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9/8/43. (Contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 654.	SGT. MAIR, P/O. G. STOUT, SGT. J. GURNEY, P/SGT. J. H. BRYANT, SGT. K. GAVIN, SGT. H. NUTTALL, SGT. D. BURDEN, W/O. R. SMITH.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	2300.	0525.	Primary attacked. 0144 hrs. 16,000 ft. First yellow seen to cascade at 0127 hrs. well ahead. First red seen to cascade at 0131 hrs. well ahead. Green T.I. seen scattered over a wide area. Bombed centre of concentration of green T/I which were however, obscured by cloud. Only fair concentration, considerable short bombing, but good orange explosion at 0137 hrs. Lasting one minute lighting up aircraft at 16,000 ft.	
	LANCASTER. W. 5011.	P/SGT. J. LIVINGSTONE, SGT. KNIGHT, SGT. P. PARSONS, P/SGT. P. G. WATSON, SGT. H. C. BREWER, SGT. J. FRENDEGAST, SGT. R. N. BROWNE, SGT. T. C. TAYLOR.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	2252.	0500.	Primary attacked. 0144 hrs. 17,000 ft. Red T/I's and flares and green T/I's seen. No yellows. Green T/I in sights. Centre of concentration. First green T/I cascaded at 0120 hrs. the second at 0136 hrs. Good fires fairly well concentrated. A good many were on the LUDWIGSHAFEN side of the river.	
	LANCASTER ED. 499.	P/O. K. PAINTER, SGT. T. DEACON, SGT. R. C. SAUNDERS, SGT. J. E. BACON, SGT. T. ANDREWS, SGT. S. F. HONE, SGT. D. W. ANGELL.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	2255.	0454.	Primary attacked. 0155 hrs. 18,000 ft. Flares and red markers appeared to time but a distinct pause before any yellow or green T/I although two isolated green markers seen a few miles to port going towards target. Bombed concentration of yellow markers. Eventually attack appeared to open reasonably well, concentration appeared to be elliptical running North and South.	
10/8/43.	LANCASTER. EE. 188.	SGT. I. C. B. BLACK, SGT. E. BUTTON, P/O. G. E. McTAGGART, SGT. G. BROTHERS, SGT. A. T. BALMANN, SGT. D. T. GORDON, SGT. W. H. A. CARDWELL.	Bombing - NURNBERG.	2213.	0543.	Primary attacked. 0131 hrs. 18,000 ft. Red T.I. seen ahead. Not seen to cascade. Green T.I. also not seen to cascade. One green T.I. in sights. Impossible to estimate centre owing to cloud. Occasional glimpses only seen. After bombing saw good volume of fire with three good fires outstanding. Still visible after recrossing Rhine.	

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10/8/43. (Contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 836.	S/L. J.N. DERBYSHIRE. SGT. E. SULLIVAN. SGT. J. GILL. SGT. F. OVEREND. SGT. R. OAKES. P/SGT. E.G. COLF. SGT. T. PARSONS.	Bombing - NURNBERG.	2149.	0509.	Primary attacked. 0110 1/2 hrs 18,000 ft. First red T.I. seen to cascade 0100 hrs. No green T.I. seen cascading through cloud but were seen on ground through gaps. Scattered. One green T.I. in sights seen through gap. Unable to judge centre as only occasional glimpses seen. Immediately after bombing more greens seen by rear gunner some distance astern, and further ahead by bomb aimer. Fires appeared very scattered.	
	LANCASTER. R. 5744.	SGT. R.A. KNIGHT. SGT. T. BRADFORD. SGT. G.A. MUNRO. SGT. J.W. NOBLE. SGT. D.G. CONNOR. SGT. R.G. NELSON. SGT. ADAMS.	Bombing - NURNBERG.	2223.	0554.	Primary attacked. 0140 hrs. 19,000 ft. Glow of fires seen under cloud, then green markers went down on approach to target. Ground detail seen through break in cloud, thought could be FURTH-NURNBERG canal. Only green markers seen. Estimated centre of green T/I'S in sights. Results difficult to observe owing to cloud. Better fires and more concentrated than on MANHEIM raid.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 666.	P/O. P. JAMES. SGT. G. TOMLINSON SGT. G.E. LOCKEY. SGT. A.H. HOWIE. SGT. R.W. BURFE. SGT. N.W. CHIVERS. SGT. H. GROXON.	Bombing - NURNBERG.	2209.	0551.	Primary attacked. 0141 hrs. 17,100 ft. Approaching target a good glow of fires seen but dispersed. One green T/I seen to cascade at 0136 hrs. A number of green T/I's followed. Definitely scattered. Bombed estimated centre. Good fires, but very scattered.	
	LANCASTER. W. 4964.	P/O. C.P. NEWTON. SGT. J. TURNER. SGT. P. HALL. SGT. E.J. DUCK. SGT. J. RWAN. SGT. W.J. WILKINSON. SGT. R. McFERRAN.	Bombing - NURNBERG.	2216.	0610.	Primary attacked. 0150 hours. 19,800 ft. No T/I seen on run-up. Green T/I seen after bombing 0152 hrs. Spoof T/I seen at 0105 hrs. Town seen and identified and as no green T/I on bombing, bombed concentration of fires. No results of own bombing seen, but fires taking good hold.	

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10/6/43.	LANCASTER.	SGT. A. MAIR.	Bombing -	2221.	0541.	Primary not attacked. Due to complete failure of oxygen at all points, aircraft turned back at 00.55 hrs. 43 minutes later oxygen supply became serviceable and aircraft turned again. At 01.33 hrs. being near FRANKFURT, it was decided to bomb that city. Slight built up area could be seen. Bo bed centre of concentration of searchlights. Fires seen burning. Many searchlights and a flak opened up.	
(Contd)	ED. 551.	SGT. J. STONTHOUSE. SGT. D.J. ADAMS. SGT. T.J. FOUNDER. P/SGT. T.H. DENNIS. SGT. J. ZAMMITT.	NURBERG.				
	LANCASTER.	SGT. W. ROBERTSON.	Bombing -	2144.	0507.	Primary attacked. 0106 hrs. 16,000 ft. Red T/I seen in target area 0055 hrs. First green T/I cascaded at 0100 hours. Yellow at same time. Bomb estimated centre of green T/I's as they penetrated cloud. Good red glow seen under cloud and well concentrated incendiaries seen through a break. Results very difficult to see.	
	EE. 136.	P/SGT. J.H.S. LYON. SGT. K. PACK. SGT. R.W. CORKILL. SGT. H.W. JEFFERY. SGT. A.M. FIELDING. SGT. DWYER.	NURBERG.				
	LANCASTER.	SGT. G. CLERG.	Bombing	2152.	0536.	Primary attacked. 0112 hrs. 19,200 ft. Fires first seen then two green T/I's before arrival over target. On arrival severe greens and yell ws scattered on ground. Bomb estimated centre of green T/I's. Fires quite good in centre of T/I's, but much undershooting of incendiaries towards FURTH.	
	IV. 198.	SGT. H.R. WALKUP. SGT. R.H. TURELL. SGT. M.C. WRIGHT. SGT. P.A. DEACON. SGT. A.J. GUER. SGT. R.H. MULLETT. SGT. E. WOOLLARD.	NURBERG.				
	LANCASTER.	P/SGT. J. McCUBBIN.	BOMBING.	2145.	0515.	No target attacked. During the bombing run aircraft was attacked by a JU.88 and received certain damage. The W.U. Gunner (Sgt. Lyman) was killed and the rear gunner (Sgt. Stewart) wounded. Bomb Almer had pressed bomb release and taken jettison action at first sign of tracer, but electrical circuit went U/s immediately and Bomb Almer was unaware that bombs had not been released. He immediately went into the front turret and in ensuing encounter which lasted eleven minutes succeeded in getting in several bursts, the last of which caused sparks to appear from port wing of JU.88 which was not seen again. Bombs jettisoned in mid-chamber manually by Bomb Almer.	
	ED. 654.	SGT. N.D. OWEN. P/O. B. SHERRY. SGT. K.J. DAGNALL. P/SGT. A.M. SMITH. SGT. P. LYNAM. SGT. C. STEWART.	NURBERG.				

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(10964-2322) Wt. 9331-2345 1034 1242 T.S. 700

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10/8/43 (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	F/O. J. ANSTEFF. SGT. C.W. CARTWRIGHT. SGT. A. BIRCHENOUGH. F/O. A.P.P. STANISLAUS. SGT. R.C. WHALE. SGT. W.J. CRADDOCK. SGT. P.G.L. KERR.	Bombing - NURNBERG.	2214.	0538.	Primary attacked. 0141 hrs. 18,300 ft. Reds seen through cloud 0136 hrs. No yellow seen. No green T.I. seen on bombing. Green seen at 0148 after bombing. No green seen on bombing. Bombed on TFA plus glow of fire seen through slight gap in cloud. No 250 lb. incendiaries seen on return. No results of own bombing.	
	LANCASTER. W. 5011.	SGT. C. PAYNE. SGT. C.A. GILBERT. F/O. K.W. ARMSTRONG. SGT. S.C. YOUNG. SGT. J.B. ROBINSON SGT. N.D. BENNETT. SGT. P.A.S. TWINN.	Bombing - NURNBERG.	2219.	0548.	Primary attacked. 0138 hrs. NE 19,500 ft. Visibility above cloud good. No T.I. seen on reaching the target. Spoof T.I. seen at 01.09 hrs. No 250 lb. seen on return. No results of own bombing. Good concentration glowing through cloud.	
	LANCASTER. JA. 869.	SGT. K.E. WARWICK. SGT. THOMAS. SGT. T. BUTTERFIELD. SGT. J. GRAHAM. SGT. D. MUNN. P/O. H.B. SMALL. SGT. N.B. OWEN.	Bombing - NURNBERG.	2224.	0606.	Primary attacked. 0142 hrs. 20,000 ft. Glow from T/I markers reflected on cloud in sights at time of bombing. Fires appeared to be spread over a wide area.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 700.	W/C. P. BURNETT. SGT. BOWYER. F/L. J.A. BRECKELL. F/L. G. BELL. F/L. J.H. MOUTRAY. F/L. C.A. PATTEN. SGT. C.A. DAVIS.	Bombing NURNBERG.	2212.	0510.	Primary attacked. 0129 hrs. 20,000 ft. Flare seen during run up but not afterwards. Green T.I. seen to cascade 0126 hrs. Bombed estimated position centre of concentration of green T.I. Green T.I. cascaded same position immediately afterwards. Very scattered bombing.	133

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12/8/43	LANCASTER. EE 188.	P/O. P. JAMES. SGT. G. TOMLINSON. SGT. G.E. LOCKY. SGT. A.H. HOWTS. SGT. R.E. BURKE. SGT. N.W. CHIVERS. SGT. H. CROXON.	Bombing - MILAN.	2155.	0626.	Primary attacked. 0140 hrs. 18,000 ft. Target first seen by fires at 01.18 hrs. Then green T/I at 01.23 hrs. Town burning well. Another green at 01.34 hrs. Concentration of five greens seen and centre in sights. Good fires, concentrated on the whole. Not much scattered bombing.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 836.	P/O. C. WARD. SGT. J. SUFTON. SGT. E. KEENE. SGT. G.I. JAMES. SGT. G.F.K. FIDWELL. SGT. N.F. DIXON. SGT. W.L. DORAN.	Bombing - MILAN.	2140.	0610.	Primary attacked. 0130 hrs. 18,500 ft. Green T/I first seen to cascade at 01.25 hrs. Red and yellow markers had also been seen. Bombed centre of two greens. Fires appeared well concentrated but below HAMBURG standard. No evidence of bombs falling outside town.	
	LANCASTER. R 5744.	P/O. J.P. BILLING. SGT. F. HOFER. SGT. K.F. MORLATH. SGT. H.M. COATES. SGT. J.M. CAMPBELL. SGT. J.B. FINDLAY. SGT. R.D. CURTIS.	Bombing - MILAN.	2131.	0532	Primary attacked. 0116 hrs. 18,000 ft. Three red T.I's seen burning in centre of town buildings and street detail visually seen and further illuminated by Red T.I. No green T.I. visible. Bombed centre of town which was situated between two red T.I. Good fires developed immediately after aircraft left target.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 666.	SGT. T.H. GILL. SGT. M. McPHERSON. SGT. R.V. GOUGH. P/SGT. B.P. DEVINE. SGT. W.A. MORTON. SGT. L.F. COLLINS. SGT. R. MCKEEN.	Bombing - MILAN.	2139.	0606.	Primary attacked. 0132 hrs. 18,500 ft. Yellow markers seen to cascade, time unknown. 3 green markers seen, two adjacent ones slightly further away. Bombed centre of concentration of green T.I. Many fires seen but bombing appeared rather scattered.	

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12/8/43.	LANCASTER. JA. 869.	SGT. K.E. WARWICK.	Bombing -	2143.	0630.	Primary attacked. 0135 hrs. 19,000 ft. Green fires seen at "D". Red T/I's and fires seen in target area. Two clusters of green T/I's close together seen to cascade at 0133 hrs. Bombs seen to burst, own not identified. Fires somewhat scattered but some good ones burning with deep red glow. Large explosion seen after leaving at 0143 hours.	
		SGT. THOMAS.	MILAN.				
		SGT. T. BUTTERFIELD.					
		SGT. J. GRAHAM.					
		SGT. D. MUNN.					
		F/O. H.B. SMALL.					
		SGT. N.B. OWEN.					
LANCASTER. W. 4964.		SGT. R.A. KNIGHT.	Bombing -	2154.	0620.	Primary attacked. 0135 hrs. 18,000 ft. Centre of concentration of green T/I's in sights. Good fires, seemed well concentrated, covering a large area.	
		SGT. T. BRADFORD.	MILAN.				
		SGT. G.A. MUNRO.					
		SGT. J.W. NOBLE.					
		SGT. D.G. CONNOR.					
		SGT. R.E. JONES.					
		SGT. R.G. NELSON.					
LANCASTER. ED. 551.		SGT. A. MAIR.	Bombing -	2147.	0623.	Primary attacked. 0136 hrs. 17,500 ft. River, fires and red and yellow T/I's seen on approach to target. Both green T/I's in sights. Bombs not seen to burst. Many good fires well concentrated. One particularly large fire on west side of target area. Slight view obtained of burning buildings. Large explosion seen astern in target area after aircraft had left at 0211 hrs.	
		SGT. J. STONEHOUSE.	MILAN.				
		SGT. D.J. ADAMS.					
		SGT. T.J. FOUNDER.					
		F/SGT. T.H. DENNIS.					
		SGT. J. ZAMMITT.					
		SGT. W. ROBERTSON.					
LANCASTER. ED. 700.		S/L. R. BUNKER.	Bombing -	2127.	0527.	Primary attacked. 0117 hrs. 19,000 ft. Town identified visually and very clearly. Bombed only green T.I. visible. Early results of bombing appeared rather scattered, but gave indication of improving almost immediately. Good fires seen after leaving.	
		SGT. W. FOSSE.	MILAN.				
		SGT. W.A. GALL.					
		F/O. J. PRIOR.					
		SGT. J. LEVER.					
		SGT. R.G. LOMAS.					
		SGT. P.G. HAYLER.					

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12/8/43. (Contd)	LANCASTER ED. 136.	SGT. W.W. TURNBULL. SGT. J. WELLINGS. P/SGT. CHIPPERFIELD. SGT. J. McMASTERS SGT. B. OWEN. SGT. J. MICHAEL. SGT. C.W. BOLT.	Bombing - MILAN.	2136.	0110.	No target attacked. Gee completely u/s. Returned early. Jettisoned load.	
	LANCASTER DW 198.	P/O. G. STOUT. SGT. J. GURNEY. P/SGT. J. H. BRYANT. SGT. K. GAVIN. SGT. H. NUTTALL. SGT. D. BURDEN. W/O. R. SMITH	Bombing - MILAN.	2126	0539.	Primary attacked. 0120 hrs. 16,500 ft. Green flares seen at position "D". On approach to target white flares and yellow and green T.I's seen. 3 clusters of green T.I's seen. Centre of this cluster was in sights. Bombs seen to burst close to centre cluster of greens. No fires visible at time of bombing, but a considerable glow was seen as aircraft left area.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 656.	P/L.C.J. BRAIN. SGT. C.E. BOWSER. P/O. F.E. FORRISHAW. SGT. H.T. JOLLIFFE. P/O. A.H. MILWARD. SGT. N.E. ADAMS, SGT. D.A. FOWLEY.	Bombing - MILAN.	2153.	0617.	Primary attacked. 0134 hrs. 20,000 ft. Bombed centre of concentration of 6-10 green T/I's seen on run up, some of which were lost in cloud. M/C heard giving orders to bomb green T/I straight and level. Very good fires and certainly burning in centre of town. Some sticks seen on outskirts but very little scattered.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	P/O. K. PAINTER. SGT. T. DEACON. SGT. R.C. SAUNDERS. SGT. J.E. BACON SGT. T. ANDREWS. SGT. P. HONES. SGT. D.W. ANGELL.	Bombing - MILAN.	2144.	0608.	Primary attacked. 0130 hrs. 18,000 ft. Target first identified by red T/I's. Ground detail seen. Green T/I's seen at 0115 hrs. Bombed between two concentrations of green T/I's. Fires well concentrated on the whole with some undershooting.	

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12/8/43. (Contd.)	LANCASTER. W. 5011.	F/SGT. J. LIVINGSTONE. SGT. F. PARSONS. F/SGT. F.T. WATSON. SGT. H.C. BREWER. SGT. J. FRENDEGAST. SGT. R.N. BROWNE. SGT. T.C. TAYLOR.	Bombing - MILAN.	2125.	0534.	Primary attacked 0116 hrs. 17,500 ft. Red and yellow T/I's in target area and ground detail identified. First green T/I cascaded at 0115 hrs. Green T/I in sights. Other greens around it, seen afterwards. Bomb bursts seen over ground detail, fires just starting.	
14/8/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 836.	SGT. R.A. KNIGHT. SGT. T. BRADFORD. SGT. G.A. MUNRO. SGT. J.W. NOBLE. SGT. D.G. CONNOR. SGT. R.E. JONES. SGT. R.G. NELSON.	Bombing - MILAN.	2127	0604	Primary attacked. 0126 hrs. 17,000 ft. Green flares seen over Lake Bourget. Red, yellow and green T/I's over target area. Centre of concentration of green T/I's in sights. First green cascaded at 0117 hrs. About six greens seen at time of bombing. 4000 lb. HC. thought to have burst in built up area, following one dropped by another aircraft which exploded on some already burning buildings. Fires fairly well concentrated. No undershooting observed.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 666	F/O. F. JAMES. SGT. G. TOMLINSON. SGT. G.E. LOCKEY. SGT. A.H. HOWIE. SGT. R.E. BURKE. SGT. N.W. CHIVERS. SGT. H. CROXON.	Bombing - MILAN.	2120.	0643.	Primary attacked. 0124 1/2 hrs. 16,200 ft. Green flares seen at Lake Bourget, then red, yellow and green T/I's seen in target area, also white flares on other target. Centre of concentration of four green T/I's in sights. Fires seen well concentrated. Not much undershooting.	
	LANCASTER. JA. 869.	F/O. L. HADLAND. SGT. K.N. TAYLOR. SGT. S. GREENWOOD. F/O. K. BEAMES. SGT. J. GASKELL. SGT. A.D. TIREL. SGT. C. DAVIS.	Bombing - MILAN.	2126.	0557.	Primary attacked. 0124 1/2 hrs. 18,000 ft. Markers accurate at Lake Bourget. Flares and red T/I seen. First green seen to cascade at 0117 1/2 hrs. Centre of concentration of three green T/I in sights. Town appeared to be bombed evenly all over.	

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14/8/43. (Contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 571.	SGT. A. MAIR. SGT. J. STONEHOUSE. SGT. D. J. ADAMS. SGT. GRAHAM. P/Sgt. T. H. DENNIS. SGT. J. ZAMMITT. SGT. W. ROBERTSON.	Bombing - MILAN.	2123.	0606.	Primary attacked. 0120 hrs. 15,800 ft. Route markers very accurate. Flares seen and first red T/I at 0113 hrs. First green cascaded at 0117 hrs. Five green T/I seen at time of bombing. Three in a tight cluster and two approx 1 mile further North. Centre of concentration of three green in sights. Little sign of mech-bombing, before we bombed. Leaving target bombing appeared concentrated. Fires seen in centre of town.	
	LANCASTER. EE. 136.	SGT. W. W. TURNBULL. SGT. J. WELLINGS. P/Sgt. CHIPPERFIELD. SGT. J. McMASTERS. SGT. B. OWEN. SGT. MICHAEL. SGT. C. W. BOLT.	Bombing - MILAN. CHIPPERFIELD.	2422.	0610.	Primary attacked. 0121 hrs. 18,000 ft. Green flares at Lake Bourget at 00.30 hrs. Centre of concentration of green T/I's in sights. Promising fires, though not as yet well concentrated, one or two good fires seen on other target.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	F/Lt. C. J. BRAIN. SGT. C. F. BOWYER. P/O. F. E. FORSHEW. SGT. H. T. JOLLIFFE. P/O. A. H. MILWARD. SGT. N. E. ADAMS. SGT. D. A. POWLEY.	Bombing - MILAN.	2120.	0621.	Primary attacked 0131 hrs. 17,000 ft. Route markers very accurate. Flares and red T/I over target and flares over factory clearly seen and distinguished. Three very red fires seen burning S.W. part of town some distance apart. One appeared to be large honey-combed looking building. Main fires in centre of town, very good and well concentrated.	
15/8/43.	LANCASTER. EE. 136.	F/Sgt. J. H. S. LYON. SGT. K. PACK. SGT. R. W. CORRIE. SGT. H. W. JEFFERY. SGT. A. FIELDING. SGT. A. G. DWYER. SGT. G. CLFEGG.	Bombing - MILAN.	2026.	0415.	Primary attacked. 0008. hrs. 14,500 ft. Centre of two green T/I in sights. Ground detail and large buildings seen in flashes of bomb bursts but mainly obscured by smoke. Fires very concentrated. One large building a mass of flames.	

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15/8/43 (contd)	LANCASTER. DV. 198.	F/L. J.F. MITCHELL. SGT. A.M. JONES. P/O. J.N. WYATT. SGT. E. RENFREY. SGT. F. JOHNSON. SGT. B.G. ROGERS. SGT. E. PLUNKETT.	Bombing - MILAN.	2019.	0429.	Primary attacked. 0011 hrs. 16,000 ft. Green T/I's over town. M.P.I. of green T/I'S in sights. Own bursts could not be distinguished among others. Bursts of other aircraft were around the T/I's. At this time nothing much in way of fires had started.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 656.	F/SGT.N.J. RONINSON. SGT. R. TAYLOR, SGT. T.R. DAVIS. SGT. P.J. PITMAN. SGT. W.E. JONES. SGT. L.F. MITCHELL. SGT. J. CASEY.	Bombing - MILAN.	2030.	0426.	Primary attacked. 17,000 ft. Bombed centre of green T/I which seemed fairly close together. Good concentration. Some incendiaries undershooting.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	F/O. J. ANSTEE. SGT. C.W. CARTWRIGHT. SGT. A. BIRCHENOUGH. P/O. A.F.P. STANISLAUS. SGT. R.C. WHALE. SGT. W.J. GRADDOCK. SGT. P.G.L. KERR.	Bombing - MILAN.	2032. <del>2030</del>	0423.	Primary attacked. 0017 hrs. 16,000 ft. Green T/I in sights, thought to be in South part of target. Only one green T/I seen at time of bombing. Good fires, seen very well concentrated. No scattered bombing seen, very good explosion seen in centre of concentration of fires at 0016 hrs. probably caused by 4000 lb HC. On the way to target rear gunner shot down and destroyed an enemy fighter in the Chartres area.	
	LANCASTER. JA. 869.	F/O. R. WELLS. SGT. D.J. NUTMAN. SGT. A. DUNCAN. F/SGT. K. GARNETT. SGT. F. SMITH. SGT. W. GOUGH. SGT. S. MOSS.	Bombing MILAN.	2023. <del>2020</del>	0418.	Primary attacked 0015 hrs. 16,500 ft. Green fires seen at Lake Bourget correct time and position. Red T/I's in TARGET area 0011 hrs. First green cascaded at 0013 hrs. Position between two concentrations of green T/I's in sights. Fires well concentrated. Very large explosion in area of T/I's at 0027 hrs. Lit up large area of town for two to three seconds and left good fire burning.	136

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(10964—9511) Wt. 9533—2345 1038 1245 T.S. 700

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17/8/43	LANCASTER.	F/O. R. WELLS.	Bombing -	2132.	0404.	Primary attacked. 0044 hrs. 6,000 ft. Ruden island seen from North end of which time and distance run was made. Green T.I's seen and through break in smoke road also seen. Centre of two green T.I's in bomb sights which were seen to cascade at 0043 hrs. Buildings in target area seen burning and big column of smoke also seen.	
(Contd)	ED. 836.	SGT. D.J. NUTMAN.	PERNEUMUNDE.				
		SGT. A. DUNCAN.					
		F/SGT. K. GARNETT.					
		SGT. F. SMITH.					
		SGT. W. GOUGH.					
		F/SGT. S. MOSS.					
	LANCASTER.	F/O. J.P. BILLING.	Bombing -	2141.	0430.	Primary attacked. 0053 hrs. 6,000 ft. Red markers seen to go down ahead, but had burnt out by the time Ruden was reached. Green T.I's seen over target. Timed run from post. "C", timed sections, and finally coincided with markers. Green T.I. markers in sights at time of bombing which were seen to cascade at 0051 hrs. Fires well concentrated around green T.I's, which were seen burning on sheds.	
	R. 5744.	SGT. F. HOPE.	PERNEUMUNDE.				
		SGT. K.E. MORIARTY.					
		F/O. K.N. GIBSON.					
		F/SGT. J.M. CAMPBELL.					
		SGT. J.B. FINDLAY.					
		SGT. R.D. CURTIS.					
	LANCASTER.	SGT. T.H. GILL.	Bombing -	2130.	0414.	Primary attacked. 0044 hrs. 6,000ft. Yellow and green T.I's seen on target. Green T.I. markers in sights at time of bombing, which were seen to cascade at 0042 hours. Fires well concentrated round green T.I's, which appeared to be very accurate.	
	ED. 666.	SGT. M. McPHERSON.	PERNEUMUNDE.				
		SGT. R.V. GOUGH.					
		F/SGT. B.P. DEVINE.					
		SGT. W.A. MORTON.					
		SGT. K. McDONAGH.					
		SGT. R. McKEE.					
	LANCASTER.	F/O. C.P. NEWTON.	Bombing -	2124	0451.	Primary attacked. 0057 hrs. 6,500 ft. No red markers seen. Green T.I's coincided exactly with timed run done from Ruden Island. Target identified visually. Green T.I's in sights at time of bombing. Fires well concentrated round green T.I. markers, and buildings seen to be hit.	
	W. 4964.	SGT. J. TURNER.	PERNEUMUNDE.				
		SGT. P. HALL.					
		SGT. E.J. DUCK.					
		SGT. J. RYAN.					
		SGT. R. McFERRAN.					
		SGT. W.J. WILKINSON.					

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17/8/43 (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 551.	F/SGT. G.E. HALL.	Bombing -	2131.	0420.	Primary attacked. 0048 hrs. 6,750 ft. Northern end of Rugen obscured. Checked time run over Southern end. Same procedure as V/9. Identified Ruden. No T.I. Timed run from Northern tip of peninsula coincided with green T.I. to the second which Master of Ceremonies ordered to bomb. Green T.I. in sights. All bursts seen. 4000lb. MC appeared nearest to T.I. very slightly to starboard. Three concentrations of fire at points F, B and E. Fire at B being most impressive.	
		SGT. L.J.G. FIELD.	PENEMUNDE.				
		SGT. W.D. EVANS.					
		SGT. E. COLBERT.					
		SGT. O.J. OVERINGTON.					
LANCASTER. ED. 700.	S/L. R.H. BUNKER.	Bombing -	2138.	0409.	Primary attacked "E". 0050 hrs. 8,000 ft. Bombs released on expiry of 80 second run from Ruden. Own bursts could not definitely be identified from the many others, which could be heard and felt. Commentary heard from M/C was that attack was going well and to bomb the greens. Majority of bursts were around and close to green T.I's.		
	SGT. W. FOSSE.	PENEMUNDE.					
	SGT. W.A. GALL.						
	F/O. J. PRIOR.						
	SGT. J. LEVER.						
	SGT. R.G. LOMAS.						
LANCASTER. ED. 136.	F/SGT. J.H.S. LYON.	Bombing -	2126.	0407.	Primary attacked. 0044 hrs. 5,000 ft. Red spot fires at the island, then flares and red and green T.I's over target. Timed run made from the island. Green T.I. in centre of concentration of greens in sights. Greens were thought to be right over target, which was visible at time. Results seemed very promising. An exceptional concentration of aircraft and good and accurate fires. Buildings could be seen burning.		
	SGT. K. PACK.	PENEMUNDE.					
	SGT. R.W. CORKILL.						
	SGT. H.W. JEFFERY.						
	SGT. A. FIELDING.						
	SGT. A.G. DENYER.						
LANCASTER. DV. 198.	F/O. G.E. STOUT.	Bombing -	2129.	0424.	Primary attacked. 0044 hrs. 6,000 ft. Cluster of T.I. in sights. Own bursts not seen. Whole peninsula a mass of fire.		
	SGT. J. GURNEY.	PENEMUNDE.					
	F/SGT. J.H. BRYANT.						
	SGT. K. GAVIN.						
	SGT. H. NUTTALL.						
	SGT. D. BURDEN. W/O. R. SMITH.						

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 (1094-9511) WL 3631-2345 105M 1242 T.S. 700

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17/8/43. (Contd)	LANCASTER.	F/SGT. N.J. ROBINSON. SGT. R. TAYLOR.	Bombing - PENEMUNDE.	2127.	0403.	Primary attacked. 0045 1/2 hrs. 7,000 ft. North end of Rugen obscured by cloud, but S.W. end clear. Time and distance run from peninsula west of Middlehaven to tip of Thieszow. Green T.I. in sights. Stick fell along green T.I. very slightly to port, believed 100 yards. Big fire observed in A.P. "F". Fires seen to be starting around A.P. "F".	
	ED. 656.	SGT. T.R. DAVIS. SGT. P.J. PITMAN. SGT. W.E. JONES. Sgt. L.E. MITCHELL. SGT. J. CASSY.					
	LANCASTER.	F/L. C.J. BRAIN. SGT. C.E. BOWYER. P/O. F.E. FORESHEW. SGT. H.T. JOLLIFF. P/O. A.H. MILWARD. SGT. W.E. ADAMS. SGT. D.A. POWEY.	Bombing - PENEMUNDE.	2134.	0436.		
17/8/43.	LANCASTER.	F/SGT. J. LIVINGSTONE. SGT. F. PARSONS. F/SGT. F.T. WATSON.	Bombing - PENEMUNDE.	2137.	0418.	Primary attacked. 0048 hrs. 7,000 ft. Peninsula west of Middlehaven identified. Rugen island seen with red markers falling near north end. Time and distance run made from north end of Rugen island. Green T.I.'s also seen. One green T.I. in bomb sights. Not seen to cascade. Bomb bursts seen in target area around T.I.'s.	
	W. 5011.	SGT. H.C. BREWER SGT. J. PRENDERGAST F/SGT. C.J. HOUBERT. SGT. T.C. TAYLOR.					
	LANCASTER.	P/O. F. JAMES. SGT. G. TOMLINSON. SGT. G.E. LOCKEY. SGT. A.H. HOWIE. SGT. R.E. BURKE. SGT. N.W. CHIVERS. SGT. H. CROXON.	Bombing - LEVENHUSEN	2133.	0213.		

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22/8/43. (Contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 836.	P/Sgt. G.A. GRAHAM. Sgt. W. STATHAM. P/O. D. McDONALD. Sgt. R.M. INNESS. Sgt. A.F. WILLIAMSON. Sgt. H. ALTUS. Sgt. K. WELLS.	Bombing - LEVERKUSEN.	2125.	0204.	Believed Primary attacked. 0018 hrs. 15,000 ft. A lucky break in lower cloud occurred at target and approx 6 clusters of green T.I. were seen. Not seen to cascade. Widely scattered. Centre of concentration of green T.I.s was in sights. No results seen. An area of fires was seen through gap in cloud in area.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 648.	Sgt. K.F. WARWICK. Sgt. THOMAS. Sgt. T. BUTTERFIELD. Sgt. J. GRAHAM. Sgt. D. MUNN. P/O. H.B. SMALL. Sgt. N.B. OWEN.	Bombing - LEVERKUSEN.	2134.	0218.	Believed primary attacked. 0034 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by WTA and fires, correct track. Reddest part of fires in sights. Glow of many fires very widespread.	
	LANCASTER. R. 5744.	Sgt. R. KNIGHT. Sgt. T. BRADFORD. Sgt. G.A. MUNN. Sgt. J.W. NOBLE. Sgt. D.G. CONNOR. Sgt. L.F. COLLINS. Sgt. R.G. NELSON.	Bombing - LEVERKUSEN.	2136.	0215.	Primary attacked. 0033 hrs. 18,000 ft. Patch of red T.I.s and three patches of green seen through cloud. Red in centre of one green. Red had disappeared through cloud, so estimated position in centre of green in sights. Numerous fires, but very widespread. Two explosions seen approx. 0015-0020 hours in direction of target when approaching position 'D'.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 666.	Sgt. A. MAIR. Sgt. J. STONEHOUSE. Sgt. D.J. ADAMS. P/O. K.N. GIBSON. P/Sgt. T.H. DENNIS. Sgt. J. ZAMMIT. Sgt. W. ROBERTSON.	Bombing - LEVERKUSEN.	2128.	0206.	Primary attacked. 0014 hrs. 17,500 ft. No T.I. seen. No Wanganui flares. Bombed on WTA. Bombed most promising fires when WTA up. Very scattered fires.	

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22/8/43. (Contd)	LANCASTER. JA. 869.	F/O. R. WELLS. SGT. D. LEYSHON. F/O. H.J. MAY. SGT. A.B. GILBS. SGT. F. LOMAX. SGT. J.C. DICKINSON. P/O. H.A. DICKINSON.	Bombing - LEVERKUSEN.	2109.	0150.	Primary attacked. 0008 hrs. 18,500 ft. WTA over target 0002 hrs. Two orbits made, but neither red nor green T.I's nor flares were seen. Last GFT fix 2339 hours. After two orbits in target area, fires seen were bombed. Fires were scattered over a wide area.	
	LANCASTER. EE. 136.	SGT. W.W. TURNBULL. SGT. J. WELLINGS. SGT. J. WATERHOUSE. SGT. J. McMASTERS. SGT. LYON. SGT. J. MICHAEL. SGT. C.R. BOLT.	Bombing - LEVERKUSEN.	2112.	0146.	Believed primary attacked. 0004 hrs. 17,500 ft. W.T.A. Bonn and Cologne believed identified by flak and correct track maintained. Last GFT fix at 2308 hrs. 51.08N. 03.57E. Several fires seen in area of bombing. Several bomb bursts from other aircraft seen in same area.	
	LANCASTER. W. 4158.	F/L. C.J. BRAIN. SGT. C.E. BOWYER. F/O. F.E. FORESHEW. SGT. H.T. JOLLIFFE. P/O. A.H. MILWARD. SGT. N.E. ADAMS. SGT. D.A. FOWLEY.	Bombing - LEVERKUSEN.	2130.	0154.	Primary attacked. 0012 hrs. 21,000 ft. No T.I's or P.F.P. flares seen. Bombs released on WTA target. Only bomb flashes seen through cloud, appeared very scattered. On time and distance run approaching target at 0004 hrs, bright orange explosion seen ahead which illuminated the whole sky and, where gaps occurred in top layer of cloud, several other aircraft could be seen silhouetted.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 975.	SGT. H.R. WALKUP. SGT. R.H. TURRBELL. SGT. M.C. WRIGHT. Sgt. P.A. DEACON. SGT. A.J. GURR. SGT. K. WOOLLARD. SGT. R.H. MULLETT.	Bombing - LEVERKUSEN.	2142.	0210.	Primary attacked. 0027 hrs. 20,000 ft. At time of bombing no T.I's or flares were seen. About one minute after leaving target green T.I's were seen burning on ground widely scattered. Bombed on WTA. Only glow of fires reflected on cloud was seen.	

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22/8/43.	LANCASTER. W. 5011.	SGT. C. PAYNE. SGT. C.A. GILBERT. F/O. K.W. ARMSTRONG. SGT. S.C. YOUNG. SGT. J.B. ROBINSON. SGT. N.D. BENNETT. SGT. P.A.S. TWINN.	Bombing - LEVERKUSEN.	2127.	0202.	Primary attacked. 0007 hrs. 19,000 ft. No T.I. seen. No Waganui flares. Bombed on WPA. Some incendiaries seen, but no sign of real fire.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 636.	F/SGT. N.J. ROBINSON F/O. ENGLISH. SGT. R. TAYLOR. SGT. T.R. DAVIS. SGT. R.J. FITZMAN. SGT. W.E. JONES.	Bombing - LEVERKUSEN.	2210.	0156.	Primary attacked. 0013 hrs. 19,500 ft. No T.I. seen. No Waganui flares. Bombed on WPA. Selected most promising fire in absence of other guides. Glow of scattered fires seen.	
23/8/43.	LANCASTER. EE. 188.	SGT. L.E. MITCHELL. SGT. J. CASKY. SGT. I.C.B. BLACK. SGT. F. BUTTON. F/O. G.E. McFAGGART. SGT. G. BROTHERS. SGT. A.E. BAUMANN. SGT. D.T. GORDON. SGT. M.H.A. CARDWELL.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2040.	0404.	Primary attacked. 0012 hrs. 18,600 ft. Red and green T/I's seen. Centre of concentration of green T/I's in sights at time of bombing which were seen to cascade at 00.09 1/2 hrs. Good fires seen burning round T/I markers. Glow of fires could be seen from the Danish coast.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 836.	F/SGT. G.A. GRAHAM. SGT. V. STAFFAM. F/O. D. McDONALD. SGT. R.M. INNESS. SGT. A.F. WILLIAMSON. SGT. H. ALTUS. SGT. K. MELLOR.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2033.	0445.	Primary attacked. 0020 hrs. 19,000 ft. Identified by green T/I's, seen to cascade at 0015 hrs. M.P.I. of green T/I's in sights. Numerous fires well concentrated round T/I's.	

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23/8/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 648.	F/O. R. WELLS. SGT. D.J. NUTMAN. SGT. A. DUNCAN F/SGT. K. GARBETT. SGT. F. SMITH. SGT. W. GOUGH. F/SGT. S. MOSS.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2035.	0308.	Primary attacked. 2348 hrs. 18,000 ft. Green T/I on starboard of track, red spot marker and green T/I seen. Centre of two green T/I's in bomb sights. Seen to cascade at 23.45 hours and 23.47 hrs. Bombing was concentrated around the green T/I's.	
	LANCASTER. R. 5744.	F/O. J.P. BILLING. SGT. F. HOPE. SGT. K.E. MORIARTY F/O. K.N. GIBSON. SGT. J.M. CAMPBELL SGT. J.B. FINDLAY. SGT. R.D. CURTIS.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2042.	0352.	Primary attacked. 0008 hrs. 19,000 ft. Red and green T/I's seen. Centre of concentration of green T/I's in sights at time of bombing. Seen to cascade at 00.07 hrs. Good fires seen burning which were well concentrated round the T/I markers.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 666.	SGT. T.H. GILL. SGT. M. McHERSON. SGT. R.V. GOUGH. F/SGT. B.P. DEVINE. SGT. W.A. MORTON. SGT. K. McDONAGH. SGT. R. MCKEE.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2025.	0340.	Primary attacked. 2352 hrs. 16,000 ft. Identified from main cluster of green T/I's seen to cascade at 2347 hrs. Pattern of streets could be seen in light of explosion. M.P.I. of green T/I's in sights. Fires were starting and were concentrated around markers.	
	LANCASTER JA. 869.	F/O. C.P. NEWTON. SGT. J. TURNER. SGT. P. HALL. SGT. E.J. DUCK. SGT. J. RYAN. SGT. R. McFERRAN. SGT. W.J. WILKINSON.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2037.	0400.	Primary attacked. 0013 hrs. 18,700 ft. Green and red track markers seen. No spot fires. Green and red T/I's seen on target. Greens seen to cascade at 23.55 hrs. Greens very concentrated. Centre of green T/I's in sights. Very good fires burning furiously. Untouched part of town could be seen, surrounding the fires.	

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23/8/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. R. 5700	F/O. C. WARD. SGT. J. SUTTON. SGT. E. KENNEDY. SGT. G.L. JAMES. SGT. G.F.K. BIRDWELL. SGT. N.F. DIXON. SGT. W.L. DORAN.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2039.	0400.	Primary attacked. 0011 hrs. 19,000 ft. Cluster of green T/I's in sights. Very good fires, well concentrated. Little or no scattered bombing. One very large explosion approx. 0010 hours, reddish colour. Lasted about 5 secs.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 198.	F/L. J.F. MITCHELL. SGT. A.M. JONES. F/O. J.N. WATT. SGT. T. FENBY. SGT. F. JOHNSON. SGT. B.G. ROGERS. SGT. E. PLUNKETT. F/O. G.E. STOURT. SGT. J. GURNEY. F/SGT. J.H. BRYANT. SGT. K. GAVIN. SGT. H. NUTTALL. SGT. D. BURDEN. W/O. R. SMITH.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2038.	0320.	Primary attacked. 0007 hrs. 19,000 ft. Red and green T/I's over target area. Red and green T/I's to port and starboard on route at 2232 hrs. Green T/I in sights. One of several greens which had extinguished on arrival. Very good fires well concentrated. 1 or 2 green T/I's slightly astray.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 975.	F/O. G.E. STOURT. SGT. J. GURNEY. F/SGT. J.H. BRYANT. SGT. K. GAVIN. SGT. H. NUTTALL. SGT. D. BURDEN. W/O. R. SMITH.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2023.	0324.	Primary attacked. 2358 hrs. 21,000 ft. Green T/I on starboard of track seen but red T/I on port of track and red spot markers not seen. Red and greens over target seen. Centre of cluster of green T/I's (directed by M/C) in bomb sights. Bombing well concentrated around T/I's. Very little scattered bombing seen.	
	LANCASTER W. 4158.	F/O. J. ANSTEE. SGT. C.W. CARRWRIGHT. SGT. A. BIRCHENROUGH. F/O. A.W.F. SWANISLAUS. SGT. R.C. WEALE. SGT. W.J. CHADDOCK. SGT. C.A. DAVIS.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2049.	0356.	Primary attacked. 0019 hrs. 19,000 ft. Fires from target seen from a great distance. Green T/I's over target at 2344 hrs. Cruise Muggelsee also identified visually. Centre of four green T/I's in sights. Very good fires well concentrated. Two very large explosions at 0011 hrs. and 0014 hrs. yellowish flareups lasting several seconds.	

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23/8/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	F/O. K. PAINTER. SGT. T. DEACON. SGT. R.C. SAUNDERS. SGT. J.F. BACON. SGT. T. ANDREWS. SGT. S.F. HOME. SGT. D.W. ANGELL.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2041.	0341.	Primary attacked. 0018 hrs. 19,500 ft. Red and green track indicator markers and red and green T/I's seen. Centre of cluster of four green T/I's in bomb sights. Seen to cascade at 0016 hrs. Bombing and fires more concentrated than crew had seen before at any other target. Big explosion at 0014 hrs.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 676.	SGT. W.W. TURNBULL. SGT. J. WELLS. SGT. J. WATERHOUSE. SGT. J. McMASTERS. SGT. LYON. SGT. J. MICHAEL. SGT. C.R. BOLT.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2047.	0400.	Primary attacked. 0015 1/2 hrs. 16,500 ft. Green T/I'S seen ahead. Space between two clusters of green T/I's in sights. Fires well centred on green T/I's. Attack considered very successful. More impressive than Hamburg. Rear gunner could see fires 150 miles on home run. Two large explosions very brilliant seen at 0010 and 0013 hrs lasting some seconds. It appeared that PFF were dropping green T/I's around the edge of the very large area of fires so that the attack should spread.	
	LANCASTER. W. 5011.	F/SGT. J. LIVINGSTONE. SGT. F. PARSONS. F/SGT. F.T. WATSON. SGT. H.C. BREWER. SGT. J. PRENDERGAST. SGT. L.F. COLLINS. SGT. T.C. TAYLOR.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2023.	0316.	Primary attacked. 2349 1/2 hrs. 19,000 ft. Red and green track markers seen. One spot marker believed seen but thought out of position (to port of track). Target red indicators seen also greens. Reds scattered but greens exceptionally well concentrated. First greens cascaded at 2344 1/2 2346 2348 hrs. Centre of tight concentration bombed. Attack opened very well, concentrated. Fires seen from Rostock area.	
27/8/43	LANCASTER. EE. 188	F/O. F. JAMES. SGT. G. TOMLINSON. SGT. G.E. LOCKEY. SGT. A.H. HOWIE. SGT. R.E. BURKE. SGT. N.W. CHIVERS. SGT. B. CROXON.	Bombing - NURNBERG.	2120.	0141.	No target attacked. Returned early from 10 miles south of Beachy Head owing to rear turret being u/s. This occurred prior to setting course and efforts to make it serviceable were unsuccessful owing to bursting of hydraulics.	

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27/8/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 836.	S/L. J. N. DERBYSHIRE. SGT. T. SULLIVAN. SGT. K. GILL. SGT. F. OVEREND. SGT. F. OVEREND. SGT. E. OAKES.	Bombing - NURNBERG.	2121.	0437.	Primary attacked. 0107 hrs. 19,500 ft. Route markers seen. No red T.I's seen. Succession of green T.I's seen; appeared rather dispersed but within area covered there was an enormous fire. Bombed centre of three definite concentrations of green T.I. in sights. One enormous fire and a little wide bombing observed.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 648.	F/SGT. E. G. COLE. SGT. T. PARSONS. SGT. K. E. WARWICK. SGT. THOMAS. SGT. T. BUTTERFIELD. F/SGT. J. GRAHAM. SGT. D. MUNN. F/O. H. B. SMALL. SGT. N. B. OWEN. F/O. A. MAIR. SGT. J. STONHOUS. SGT. D. J. ADAMS. F/O. K. N. GIBSON. F/SGT. T. H. DENNIS. SGT. J. ZAMMITT. SGT. W. ROBERTSON.	Bombing - NURNBERG.	2122.	0504.	Primary attacked. 0104 hrs. 21,000 ft. Red T.I's seen at position "X" followed by Green T.I's seen ahead. There were two collections of green T.I's over target disposed N.W. and S.W. of the town, which could be identified visually. N.P.I. of cluster of T.I's green on N.W. side of town seen to cascade at 0102 hrs. Fires were widespread, but were within the limits of the town.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 869.	F/O. W. D. ERVINE. /SGT. D. LEYSHON. F/O. H. J. MAY. SGT. A. B. GILES. SGT. F. LOMAX. SGT. J. C. DICKINSON F/O. H. A. DICKINSON	Bombing - NURNBERG.	2117.	0520.	Primary attacked, 0107 hrs. 20,000 ft. Track indicators seen. Red T.I's seen ahead. Green T.I's seen cascading, from <del>the</del> very approx. 0053 onwards. Centre of two greens T.I's in sights. Actual fires nicely concentrated in vicinity of green T.I. but some scattered incs.	
	LANCASTER. JA. 869.	F/O. W. D. ERVINE. /SGT. D. LEYSHON. F/O. H. J. MAY. SGT. A. B. GILES. SGT. F. LOMAX. SGT. J. C. DICKINSON F/O. H. A. DICKINSON	Bombing - NURNBERG.	2112.	0452.	Primary attacked. 0102 hrs. 20,000 ft. Route markers seen going in, but too scattered at posn. "Y" coming out. Target markers seen. Many T.I. green seen cascading some distance before reaching target. Centre of concentration of green T.I. in sights. Very concentrated fires seen.	

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(\*1004-9317) WL 933-145 1034 12/42 T.S. 700

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27/8/43. (Contd)	LANCASTER. R. 5700.	SGT. R.A. KNIGHT. SGT. T. BRADFORD. SGT. C.A. MUNRO. SGT. J.W. NOBLE. SGT. D.G. CONNOR. SGT. C.A. DAVIS. SGT. R.G. NELSON.	Bombing - NURNBERG.	2125.	0505.	Primary attacked. 0108 hrs. 19,000 ft. Green T.I's seen. Centre of concentration of green T.I. markers in sights, and overshoot by one sec. T.I's seen to cascade at 0106 hrs. Good fires seen burning. Well concentrated round the T.I. markers.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 700.	P/O. J. McCUBBIN. SGT. N.D. OWEN. P/O. B. SHERRY. SGT. K.J. DAGVALL. F/SGT. A.M. SMITH. F/SGT. C.G. HOUBERT. F/SGT. J.L. ELLIOTT.	Bombing - NURNBERG.	2129.	0439.	Primary attacked. 0105 hrs. 19,000 ft. Red T.I's seen at pos. "X". Green T.I's over target. Centre of concentration of green T.I. in sights. Results very promising. Good fires well concentrated.	
	LANCASTER. DT. 198.	P/O. W. ENGLISH. SGT. MITCHELL. P/O. J.T. EVANS. SGT. L.V. FUSSELL. SGT. L.G. LANE. SGT. D.R. CARLILE. SGT. P.W. HEWITT.	Bombing - NURNBERG.	2123.	0519.	Primary attacked. 0105 hrs. 20,000 ft. Green T.I's were going down on approach to target and looked somewhat scattered. There was a cluster which appeared nearer centre of the whole, and these were used for bombing. M.P.I. of green T.I's in sights. Fires very numerous and were centred on T.I's. No ground could be seen owing to smoke.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 975.	SGT. W. SIDDLER. SGT. A. MOSELEY. Sgt. R.C.T. LODGE. PO. K. HILLS. SGT. C. CULLY. SGT. R.T. JONES. SGT. MOORE.	Bombing - NURNBERG.	2124.	0517.	Primary attacked. 0101 hrs. 21,000 ft. Red T.I's on track and red and green T.I. and yellow T.I. seen. Four green T.I's in bomb sights seen to cascade at 0100 1/2 hrs. Bombing appeared to be well concentrated and good fires seen around green T.I's.	142

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27/8/43.	LANCASTER M. 3011.	P/O. C. PAYNE. SGT. G. A. GILBERT. CP/O. K. W. ARMSTRONG. SGT. S. C. YOUNG. SGT. J. B. ROBINSON. P/SQT. N. D. BENNETT.	Bombing - NURNBERG.	2126.	0445.	Primary attacked. 0104 hrs. 20,000 ft. Red T.I.'s seen before arrival at target. Green T.I.'s went down in three concentrations. Centre of one concentration of green T.I.'s in sights. Good fires, well concentrated. A certain amount of under-shooting with incendiaries.	
	LANCASTER EE. 136.	SGT. P. A. S. TWINN. P/O. J. H. S. LYON. SGT. K. PACK. SGT. R. W. CORNILL. SGT. H. W. JEFFERY.	Bombing - NURNBERG.	2119.	0411.	Primary attacked. 0103 hrs. 19,000 ft. Track markers seen. Target green T.I. seen from three onwards. M.P.I. of three green T.I.'s which appeared to be a mile east of main concentration of fires.	
	LANCASTER ED. 656	SGT. A. FIELDING. SGT. C. DENYER SGT. A. G. CLEGG. P/SGT. N. J. ROBINSON. SGT. R. TAYLOR. SGT. W. K. DAVIS. SGT. R. J. FITMAN. SGT. W. E. JONES. SGT. L. F. MITCHELL. SGT. J. CASTY.	Bombing - NURNBERG.	2128.	0500.	Primary attacked. 0102 hrs. 18,000 ft. Route markers seen at pos. 'X'. Red seen ahead. On arrival green T.I. on ground. Green seen to cascade at 0054 hrs. 0056 hrs. Centre of two greens in sights. Nice concentration of fires seen. Some incendiaries fell short.	
	LANCASTER M. 361.	SGT. H. R. WALKUP. SGT. R. H. FURFELL. SGT. M. G. WRIGHT. SGT. P. A. DRAGON. SGT. A. J. GURR. SGT. W. H. MULLIFF. SGT. K. WOOLLARD.	Bombing - NURNBERG.	2118.	0427.	Primary attacked. 0100 hrs. 21,000 ft. Red T.I.'s on track, and red, yellow and green T.I.'s seen in target area. Centre of two green T.I.'s in bomb sights, seen to cascade at approx 0055 hrs. Bombing appeared to be well concentrated. Good fires seen.	

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27/8/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	F/O. D. J. BRILL.	Bombing -	2133.	0515.	Primary attacked 0102 hrs. 23,000 ft. Route markers seen at pos. "X". Green T.I's seen over target. Centre of concentration of green T.I's in sights at time of bombing, seen to cascade at 0100 hrs. Good fires burning round T.I. markers. Glow could be seen 90 miles before reaching target.	
		SGT. J. STONE.	NURNBERG.				
		F/O. A. W. WESTON.					
		F/O. R. BUTLER.					
		SGT. H. CHAPPELL.					
		SGT. F. J. BATTLE.					
	F/O. G. J. LITTLE.						
27/8/43	LANCASTER. W. 4158.	F/O. K. PAINTER.	Bombing -	2127.	0443.	Primary attacked. 0103 hrs. 20,000 ft. Red T.I's seen at position "X". Whole P.F.F. technique then could be seen on approach to target. M.P.I. of green T.I's burning on ground. There were two groups and the one bombed were which appeared nearer the centre of the town, estimated to be somewhat N.E. of centre. At this time fires were rather scattered and gave appearance of only just getting hold. They were fairly well spread but no wide bombing.	
		SGT. T. DEACON,	NURNBERG.				
		SGT. R. C. SAUNDERS.					
		SGT. J. E. BACON.					
		SGT. T. ANDREWS.					
		SGT. S. HONE.					
	SGT. L. F. COLLINS.						
30/8/43.	LANCASTER. EE. 188.	SGT. I. C. B. BLACK.	Bombing -	0002.	0500.	In RHEYDT attacked 0243 hrs. 18,000 ft. Red seen to cascade early in bombing run, time not noted as expecting another later. No further red seen but two greens followed the red and later one more green which disappeared into the cloud. No T.I. visible. Bombed centre of big fire. Two smaller fires adjacent and fire at presumed MUNICHEN GLADBACH seen to port. Fires seen approx on TFA. Fire at northern target concentrated but fires at Rheydt not impressive.	
		SGT. E. BUTTON.	MUNICHEN.				
		F/O. G. E. McTAGGART.	MUNICHEN-GLADBACH.				
		SGT. G. BROTHERS.					
		SGT. A. V. BAUMANN.					
		SGT. D. T. GORDON.					
	SGT. W. H. A. CARDWELL.						
30/8/43.	LANCASTER. RED. 648.	F/O. L. HADLAND.	Bombing -	0005.	0503.	Primary attacked. (RHEYDT). 0240 hrs. 18,000 ft. Red T/I seen to cascade during run up, time not noted, but believed 0237 hrs. approx. Followed by two greens, accurate, and another two more accurate greens. These T.I. seen to drop into a concentration of fires. Greens not actually visible at time of release but fires in bomb sight. Mass of fires seen.	
		SGT. K. N. TAYLOR.	MUNICHEN GLADBACH				
		SGT. S. GREENWOOD.					
		F/O. K. BEAMES.					
		SGT. J. GASKELL.					
		SGT. C. DAVIS					
	SGT. A. D. TIRREL.						

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30/8/43 (contd)	LANCASTER. R. 5744.	F/Sgt. G.A. GRAHAM. Sgt. W. STATHAM. P/O. D. McDOWD. Sgt. R.M. INNESS. Sgt. A.F. WILLIAMSON. Sgt. H. ALTUS. Sgt. F. MELLOR.	Bombing - MUNCHEN GLADBACH	0013.	0457.	THEYDIT attacked. 0240 hrs. 18,000 ft. Red T.I.'s seen to cascade far ahead at 0218 hrs. Fires burning on arrival at target. Green T.I.'s seen to cascade at 0220 hours and 0234 hours. Reds had burnt out. Bombed centre of concentration of 3 - 4 clusters of greens. A good concentration of T.I.'s and fires were seen, but there was also a certain amount of scattered bombing outside the concentration.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 666.	P/O. F. JAMES. Sgt. G. TOLLINSON. P/O. G.T. LOCKEY. Sgt. A.H. HOWLE. Sgt. R.F. BURKE. Sgt. N.W. CHIVERS. Sgt. H. CROXON.	Bombing - MUNCHEN GLADBACH.	0011.	0453.	THEYDIT attacked. 0236 hrs. 18,500 ft. Pan up on greens but just as about to bomb saw red T.I. on ground through break in clouds. This red T.I. in sights. Fires at Munchen Gladbach appeared to have got well hold. At Theydtt had hardly started, but good glow seen after leaving. Could see the two distinct concentrations.	
	LANCASTER. JA. 869.	P/O. C.P. NEWTON. Sgt. J. TURNER. Sgt. P. HALL. Sgt. T.J. DUCK. Sgt. J. RYAN. Sgt. CRADDOCK. Sgt. W.J. WILKINSON.	Bombing - MUNCHEN GLADBACH.	0015.	0515.	THEYDIT attacked. 0244 hrs. 19,000 ft. Red T.I. seen at 0243 hrs. No green seen at all. Bombed red T.I. No results of own bombing. Bursts seen of other bombs at time.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 551.	F/Sgt. G.E. HALL. Sgt. L.J.G. FIELD. Sgt. W.D. EVANS. Sgt. T. COLBERT. Sgt. O.J. OVERINGTON. Sgt. R.A. CHURLEY. Sgt. H.G. WILLIAMS.	Bombing - MUNCHEN GLADBACH	0008.		Aircraft missing. No signals received	

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30/8/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER. R. 5700.	P/O. C. WARD. SGT. J. SUTTON. SGT. E. KEENE. SGT. G.L. JAMES. SGT. G.B.K. BEDWELL. SGT. N.F. DIXON. SGT. W.L. DORAN.	Bombing - MUNICHEN GLADBACH.	2357.	0550.	RHEBYDT attacked 0239 hrs. 19,000 ft. First red seen to cascade at 0228 hrs. Followed by one green two minutes later. No further T.I.'s seen. When about to bomb on T.I. fires seen on ground through gap and these fires were bombed. Fires more impressive on Northern target.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 700.	S/L J.N. DERBYSHIRE. SGT. ORD. SGT. E. SULLIVAN. SGT. K. GILL. SGT. F. OVEREND. SGT. E. OAKES. P/SGT. E.G. COLF. SGT. T. PARSONS.	Bombing - MUNICHEN GLADBACH	0016.	0446.	RHEBYDT attacked 0236 hrs. 19,700 ft. Red and green T.I.'s seen. One red T.I. burning on ground (seen to cascade at approx 0232 hours) backed up by two greens. Red had almost gone out. Bombed between red and the two green adjacent. Too much cloud to assess results. Some concentration, but considerable scattered fires.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 198.	P/L J.F. MITCHELL. SGT. A.M. JONES. P/O. J.N. WYATT. SGT. W. HENFREY. SGT. F. JOHNSON. SGT. B.G. ROGERS. SGT. E. PLUNKETT.	Bombing - MUNICHEN GLADBACH	0009.	0449.	RHEBYDT attacked 0240 hrs. 19,000 ft. Bombed glow of red and green T.I. seen through cloud. No results of own bombing seen. Other bombs seen to burst.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 975.	P/O. W. SIDDLF. SGT. A. MOSTLEY. SGT. R.C.T. LODGE. P/O. K. HILLS. SGT. E. McHOWAN. SGT. MOORE. SGT. R.E. JONES.	Bombing - MUNICHEN GLADBACH.	0018.	0516.	RHEBYDT attacked. 0236 1/2 hrs. 20,000 ft. One red T.I. in sights on bombing. Own bombs seen to burst close to red T.I. causing a good fire.	144

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30/9/43.	LANCASTER.	P/O. C. PAYNE.	Bombing -	0014.	0507.	RHEYDF attacked 0240 hrs. 20,000 hrs. Fires seen in two	
(Contd)	LM. 361.	SGT. G.A. GILBERT.	MUNCHEN GLADBACH.			places suggesting the two A.P.'s. No T.I.'s seen on approach	
		F/O. K.W. ARMSTRONG.				and not many fires. Mainly incendiaries burning. Saw four	
		SGT. S.C. YOUNG.				clusters of red T.I.'s reflected on and in gaps through	
		SGT. J.B. ROBINSON.				cloud. Greens seen before target reached but none visible	
		SGT. N.D. BURNETT.				at time of bombing. Bombed centre of four clusters of red	
		SGT. P.A.S. TWINN.				T.I.'s. Northern target seemed a good concentration of fire,	
	LANCASTER R.	F/O. W. ENGLISH.	Bombing -	0006.	0508.	but Southern target not impressive.	
	EE. 136.	SGT. MITCHELL.	MUNCHEN GLADBACH			RHEYDF attacked 0238 hrs. 18,000 ft. Red T.I.'s and fires	
		F/O. J.T. EVANS.				seen ahead when approaching the target. One red T.I. only	
		SGT. L.V. FUSSELL.				visible and this was beneath cloud and was in sights.	
		SGT. L.G. Lane.				Seen to cascade at 0236 hrs. Fires were burning well at	
		SGT. D.V. CARLILE.				Northern A.P. but cloud prevented observation of results	
		SGT. P.W. HEWITT.				on own target, plus pre-occupation with fighter.	
	LANCASTER.	SGT. H.R. WALKUP.	Bombing -	0012.	0453.	RHEYDF attacked. 0238 hrs. 19,500 ft. Two red T.I.'s seen	
	W. 4158.	SGT. R.H. TURBELL.	MUNCHEN GLADBACH			to cascade at 0222 hours, 3 green at 0222 hrs. well	
		SGT. M.C. WRIGHT.				placed over target. Red T.I. in sights on bombing. No	
		SGT. P.A. DEACON.				results of own bombing seen, but good fires seen and	
		SGT. A.J. GURR.				explosion of other bombs seen close to red T.I.	
		SGT. C.A. DAVIS.					
		SGT. K. WOOLLARD.					
	LANCASTER.	F/O. D.J. BRILL.	Bombing -	0017.	0537	RHEYDF attacked 0235 hrs. 20,000 ft. Fires and red T.I.'s	
	ED. 656.	SGT. J. STONE.	MUNCHEN GLADBACH.			seen on approach. No greens seen. Red T.I. seen burning	
		F/O. A.W. WESTON.				on ground and another cluster cascaded at 0234 hours.	
		F/O. R. BUTLER.				Bombed M.P.I. of 3 red T.I.'s. Good concentration of fires	
		SGT. H. CHAPPELL.				to North so that it was believed that first A.P. was	
		SGT. F.J. BATTLE.				well bombed, but Southern target was very widespread and	
		P/O. G.J. LITTLE.				fires extended many miles to south.	

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30/8/43. (Contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	P/O. K. PAINTER. SGT. T. DEACON. SGT. R.C. SAUNDERS. SGT. J.W. BACON. SGT. T. ANDREWS. SGT. S. HONEY. SGT. D.W. ANGELL.	Bombing - MUNICH GLADBACH	0007.	0454.	REYDT attacked 0238 hrs. 19,800 ft. At 0224 hours red T.I.'s seen to cascade. 0226 hrs green T.I.'s seen. Bombed concentration of green T.I. seen glowing through cloud. No results of own bombing seen.	
31/8/43	LANCASTER EE. 188.	P/O. A. MAIR. SGT. J. STONTHOUS. SGT. D.J. ADAMS SGT. BOUNDER. SGT. G.T.M. CAINES. SGT. MITCHELL. SGT. W. ROBERTSON.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2019.	0415.	Primary attacked. 2358 hrs. 20,000 ft. Green T/I's seen at position "X". Green T/I's seen over target. Red and green markers seen at positions "Y" and "Z". Centre of concentration of green T/I's in sights at time of bombing (seen to cascade at 2356 hours). Fires appeared to be scattered.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 648.	SGT. K.E. WARWICK. SGT. THOMAS. SGT. T. BUTTERFIELD. SGT. J. GRAHAM. SGT. D. MUNN. P/O. H.B. SMALL. SGT. N.B. OWEN.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2017.	0410.	Primary attacked. 0003 hrs. 18,000 ft. No T/I's seen at position "X" going to target. No P.F.P. at target. Arriving in target area scattered fires could be seen through gaps in the cloud. This agreed with RTA. EGabs released on fires burning. Following bursts of bombs, there was a large explosion which lit up whole of sky followed by a respectable fire. Results as far as could be seen in the conditions of cloud seemed to be scattered over a wide area.	
	LANCASTER. R. 5744.	SGT. R.A. KNIGHT. SGT. T. BRADFORD. SGT. G.A. MUNRO. SGT. J.W. NOBLE. SGT. D.G. CONNOR. SGT. MULLETT. SGT. R.G. NELSON.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2021.	0412.	Primary attacked. 0011 hrs. 19,000 ft. Several greens well concentrated amongst fires. Three clusters seen to cascade during last leg, 10 minutes before bombing, which were approximately 5 miles or more short to South East. Times not noted. Centre of greens in sights. Bombs not seen. Others seen to explode. Six or seven very big fires one 4000lb. seen amongst these and a large fire developed at that point.	115

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31/8/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 666.	P/O. T.H. GILL. SGT. M. McPHERSON. SGT. R.V. GOUGH. SGT. J. DUCK. SGT. F.J. RYAN. SGT. L.F. COLLINS. SGT. K. McKEN.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2014.	2222.	No. targets attacked. Port. outer cut. after take-off. Bombs jettisoned safe.	
	LANCASTER. JA. 869.	P/O. W.D. REVINE. SGT. D. LEYSHON. P/O. H.J. MAY. SGT. A.B. GILFS. SGT. F. LOMAX. SGT. J.C. DICKINSON. P/O. H.A. DICKINSON. P/O. L. HADLAND. SGT. K.N. TAYLOR. SGT. S. GREENWOOD. P/O. K. BEAMES. SGT. J. GASKELL. SGT. A.D. TIRREL. SGT. C. DAVIS.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2011.	0414.	Primary attacked. 00.00 hrs. 17,000 ft. Green T/I's in fair numbers could be seen in an area enclosed by fires. Some greens were scattered. Pop-up on a cluster which had been seen to cascade at 2399 hours. M.P. of Green T/I's in sights. Fires were more scattered than usual but difficult to see due to cloud. There was a large explosion at 00.15 hours which occurred in the area.	
	LANCASTER. R. 700.	P/O. L. HADLAND. SGT. K.N. TAYLOR. SGT. S. GREENWOOD. P/O. K. BEAMES. SGT. J. GASKELL. SGT. A.D. TIRREL. SGT. C. DAVIS.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2019.	0407.	Primary attacked. 2338 hours. 17,500 ft. Red T/I seen approaching target followed by accurate greens. Good concentration. M.P. of three to four greens in sights. Good concentration of fires round the markers but considerable scattered bombing. Difficult to assess owing to cloud.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 198.	P/O. C.J. BRAIN. SGT. C.T. BOWTER. P/O. F.T. FORRESTY. SGT. H.T. JOLLIFFE. P/O. A.H. MILWARD. SGT. N.T. ADAMS. SGT. D.A. ROWLEY.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2019.	0345.	Primary attacked. 2352 hrs. 21,000 ft. Green T/I's seen at position "X". Red and green T/I's seen at target. Tracking markers seen at positions "Y" and "Z". One green T/I in sights at time of bombing, majority of T/I's lost to sight below cloud. T/I seen to cascade at 2358 hours. T/I's very scattered, from glow reflected on cloud fires appeared very widespread.	

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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES
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31/8/43 (ctond)	LANCASTER. ED. 975.	F/SGT. N.J. ROBINSON. SGT. R. TAYLOR. SGT. T.R. DAVIS. SGT. R.J. PITMAN. SGT. W.F. JONES SGT. L.E. MITCHELL. SGT. J. CASSY.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2023.	0352.	Primary attacked. 2357 hrs. 19,000 ft. Markers seen. Cascading green 2354 hrs. Green T/I's (centre) in sights. Three clusters were wide apart. Fires very scattered.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 136.	F/O. W. ENGLISH. SGT. MITCHELL. F/O. J.E. EVANS. SGT. L.V. FUSSELL. SGT. L.G. LANE. SGT. D.W. CARLILE. SGT. P.W. HEWITT.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2016.	0343.	Primary attacked. 0009 hrs. 18,000 ft. Green T.I. seen ahead. No T.I. visible at time of bombing. Bombed fire in believed vicinity of T.I. which had burnt out. Cloud obscured accurate assessment. Results that could be observed were not spectacular.	
	LANCASTER. W. 415B.	F/O. J. ANSTEE. SGT. C.W. CARTWRIGHT. F/O. B.J. SHERRY. F/O. A.F.P. STANISLAUS. SGT. R.C. WHALE. SGT. W.J. CRADDOCK. SGT. P.G.L. KERR.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2015.	0330.	Primary attacked. 2353 hours. 20,000 ft. Red and green T.I.'s seen on approach. Centre of concentration of greens as estimated through cloud was in sights. Own bombs not seen. Others were seen. Some fires were going but results very disappointing. The degree of fires would have been about right for the first wave, instead of the last.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 700.	F/O. J.H.S. LYON. SGT. K. BARK. SGT. R.V. COCKILL. SGT. H.W. JEFFERY. SGT. A. FIELDING. SGT. G. DENYER. SGT. A.G. CLEGG.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2020.	2317.	No target attacked. Rear turret door u/s. Could not stay closed in slip stream. Detonated bombs safe.	

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WOODHALL SPA.	1/9.		Nothing of operational importance occurred. A little local flying was carried out during the day.		
	2/9.		Nothing of operational importance occurred.		
	3/9.		The following aircraft and crews were detailed for a night attack on BERLIN:- "B" (SGT. BLACK): "D" (P/O. WARD): "E" (P/O. NEWTON): "G" (S/L DERBYSHIRE): "H" (P/SGT. GRAHAM): "O" (W/CDR. BURNETT): "X" (P/O. McCUBBIN.): "R" (P/O. LYON): "S" (P/O. BRILL): "T" (P/O. TURNBULL): "U" (P/L. MITCHELL): "V" (P/SGT. ROBINSON): "Z" (P/O. PAYNE). The target was located, and favourable weather conditions were found there. Many fires were already burning on arrival, where the P.F.F. had done a good job. Bombing was concentrated around these areas and the results gave the impression of a highly successful attack.		
BARDNEY.	4/9.		Repairs having completed to the airfield at BARDNEY, personnel and equipment returned from WOODHALL SPA. Nothing of operational importance occurred.		
	5/9		Operations were ordered against MANNHEIM, the following being detailed to take part:- "B" (P/O. MAIR): "D" (SGT. WARWICK): "E" (SGT. KNIGHT): "G" (P/O. GILL): "H" (P/O. SEVINGE), "N" (P/O. HADLAND): "O" (S/L. BUNKER): "R" (P/O. McCUBBIN): "T" (SGT. WALKUP): "U" (P/O. SIDDLER): "V" (P/O. ENGLISH): "X" (P/O. PAINTER): "Y" (P/O. STOUT): "Z" (P/O. BRILL). Weather conditions were good and many fires were found burning in the target area, and these were bombed. All crews were confident that the attack had a devastating effect. Two aircraft, "E" (SGT. KNIGHT) and "G" (P/O. GILL), failed to return.		
	6/9.		MUNICH was chosen as the target to be attacked at night by the following aircraft and crews:- "B" (SGT. BLACK): "H" (P/O. NEWTON): "V" (P/O. WARD): "O" (S/L. DERBYSHIRE): "S" (P/O. ANSTEE)		

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BARNEW.	6/9	(contd)	<p>"W" (P/O. TURNBULL): "U" (P/L. MITCHELL): "V" (P/O. LYON): "X" (P/O. SIDDEP): "Y" (P/O. PAYNE).</p> <p>All aircraft reached the target where observation was hampered by cloud. P.P.F. had marked the target efficiently, and bombing was concentrated in these areas. Many fires were burning, the glow of which could be seen below cloud. It was not possible to see any other results.</p> <p>On return, "Y" (P/O. SIDDEP and crew), ran short of petrol and crashed at the airfield. All the occupants, with the exception of the wireless operator, sustained injuries, which necessitated their removal to hospital.</p>	SECRET.
	7/9.		<p>Nothing of operational importance occurred. Some cross country flights and practice bombing were undertaken.</p>	
	8/9.		<p>During the daytime, cross country flights were carried out. Operations were detailed for the night, but were later cancelled.</p>	
	9/9.		<p>Again, operations which had been detailed, were cancelled.</p>	
	10/9.		<p>Nothing of operational importance occurred.</p>	
	11/9	to	<p>From the 11th to 21st September, the Squadron was "stood-down" from operations. The whole period was spent in intensive training, both on the ground and in the air.</p>	
	21/9.		<p>Training included, air firing, low flying practice, low level bombing, homing on dinghy radio, cross countries (day and night), circuits and landings, high level bombing, fighter affiliation, clay pigeon shooting, etc.</p>	
	22/9.		<p>The following aircraft and crews took off to carry out a night attack against BARNEW. "B" (SGT. ORD): "C" (1st Lt. ROBERTS): "D" (P/L. WELLS): "E" (P/O. SPANAM): "F" (P/O. WATSON): "L" (P/L. HADLAND): "M" (P/O. JAMES): "N" (P/O. CRABTREE): "O" (W/CDR. BURTON): "P":</p>	

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22/9. The following aircraft and crews took off to carry out a night attack against HANOVER:-  
 "B" (SGT. ORD): "C" (1st Lt. ROBERTS): "D" (F/L. WELLS): "G" (P/O. GRAHAM): "H" (P/O. IRVING);  
 "L" (F/L. HADLAND): "M" (P/O. JAMES): "N" (F/SGT. CRABTREE): "O" (W/CDR. BURNETT): "T"

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BARINEY.	22/9	(contd)	(S/L. BUNKER): "U" (F/L. MITCHELL): "V" (P/O. ROBINSON): "W" (P/O. ENGLISH): "Y" (P/O. STOUT): "Z" (P/O. LIVINGSTONE), "Y" (P/O. STOUT) returned early owing to a u/s D.R. compass. The remainder proceeded to the target, where they found P.F.F. markers and bombed them. The attack was concentrated and good fires were left burning. "N" (F/SGT. CRABTREE) failed to return.	
	23/9.		The following aircraft and crews were detailed to bomb MANNHEIM at night:- "B" (P/O. BLACK): "C" (1st Lt. ROBERTS): "D" (F/L. WELLS): "L" (SGT. ORD): "H" (P/O. IRVING); "M" (P/O. JAMES): "O" (P/O. LIVINGSTONE): "S" (P/O. BRILL): "T" (P/O. TURNBULL): "U" (F/L. MITCHELL): "V" (P/O. ROBINSON): "W" (P/O. ENGLISH): "X" (F/L. BRAIN): "Y" (P/O. STOUT): "Z" (P/O. WARD). All proceeded to the target <del>man</del> which was readily identified from the P.F.F. technique. Bombing was concentrated in a short time, and many large fires were left burning in the town. "L" (SGT. ORD) failed to return.	
	24/9.		Nothing of operational importance occurred. Fighter affiliation exercises were carried out.	
	25/9.		Further fighter affiliation exercises were undertaken. Operations were detailed for the night, but were later cancelled.	
	26/9.		Again operations were cancelled, after having been detailed earlier.	
	27/9.		HANOVER once more was the objective for the following at night:- "B" (P/O. MAIR): "C" (1st Lt. ROBERTS): "D" (F/L. WELLS): "G" (P/O. WARWICK): "H" (P/O. WARD): "M" (P/O. JAMES): "O" (W/CDR. BURNETT): "S" (P/O. ANSTEE): "U" (F/L. MITCHELL): "V" (P/O. LYON): "X" (P/O. ENGLISH): "W" (P/O. WALKUP): "Y" (P/O. BRILL): "Z" (P/O. LIVINGSTONE).	

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	27/9 (contd)		<p>"W" (1st Lt. ROBERTS) returned early with defective A.S.I. and inter-comm. The remainder proceeded to the target area, which was illuminated by the P.P.F. Weather conditions were good and fires were already burning. Bombing was concentrated into the area marked and a good many fires were burning when our aircraft left.</p> <p>Nothing of operational importance occurred.</p> <p>The following aircraft and crews were detailed to carry out a night bombing attack on BOCHUM:-</p> <p>"B" (P/O. MAIR): "C" (1st Lt. ROBERTS): "D" (P/L. HADLAND): "G" (P/O. NEWTON): "H" (P/O. JAMES): "I" (P/O. MARR): "J" (P/L. MITCHELL): "K" (P/O. BRILL): "L" (P/O. WALKUP): "M" (P/O. ANSTEE): "N" (P/O. ENGLISH).</p> <p>They all set off, but "P" (P/Sgt. ARGENT) and "X" (P/O. ANSTEE) returned early with technical troubles. Visibility was good over the target. Bombing appeared very concentrated and quite good fires were seen burning in the target area. Crews reported seeing fires on leaving the target and the attack appeared to be a good concentrated one.</p> <p>On the return flight, "D" (P/L. HADLAND and crew), was flying low over the sea, and owing to a defective altimeter which gave an incorrect reading, the aircraft crashed into the sea about 5 miles off MABLETHORPE. The Flight Engineer and Air Bomber, Sergeant Taylor and P/O. BEAMES were unable to escape and have been reported missing. The other members of the crew succeeded in boarding the dinghy and were rescued after 6 1/2 hours afloat, by a launch of the Air Sea Rescue Service, and brought safely ashore.</p> <p>The following two crews were also detailed for operations, their task being a mine-laying mission:-</p> <p>"Z" (P/O. LIVINGSTONE) and "Y" (P/O. ERVINE). Visibility was good and vegetables were planted in allotted positions. A/C "Y" was coned by four searchlights on headland used as pinpoint, but held course until last vegetable was planted. A/C "Z" encountered light and heavy flak during run up from pinpoint.</p>	
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"Z" (P/O. LIVINGSTONE) and "H" (P/O. BAVINE). Visibility was good and Vegetables were planted in allotted positions. A/C "Z" was coned by four searchlights on headland used as pinpoint, but held course until last vegetable was planted. A/C "H" encountered light and heavy flak during run up from pinpoint:

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BARINEY	30/9.		Nothing of operational importance occurred. Day cross-country flights were carried out by several crews. -o-o-o-o-	
			<u>SUMMARY OF OFFICERS' MOVEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.</u>	
	5/9.		F/O. D.A.A. GRAY, 1st LT. E.G. ROBERTS (U.S.A.A.F.), P/O. F.G. ARLISS and P/O. W. CHADWICK posted from No. 1661 Con Unit.	
	7/9.		P/O. K. HILLS and P/O. W. SIDDLE posted to RAF Waddington.	
	11/9.		P/O. K. PAINTER posted to No. 97 Squadron.	
	15/9.		P/O. J. McCUBBIN, DFC., posted to No. 84 O.T.U.	
	20/9.		P/O. C. PAYNE and P/O. K.W. ARMSTRONG posted to No. 514 Squadron.	
	21/9.		P/O. D.A. KEEBLE posted from No. 1661 Conversion Unit.	
	22/9.		P/O. B.J. SHERRY posted to No. 14 O.T.U.	
	23/9.		F/L. J.A.G. SKINNER, DFC. posted to Headquarters, No. 5 Group.	
	24/9.		F/O. J.G. DOHERTY, P/O. G. MARTIN, and P/O. J. CHADVERTON posted from No. 1661 Con. Unit.	
	25/9.		F/O. D. BOWES, P/O. K.H.H. COOK and P/O. B. OTTER posted from No. 1661 Con. Unit.	
	28/9.		F/O. D.A.A. GRAY posted to No. 514 Squadron. P/O. W. SIDDLE posted from RAF WADDINGTON. P/O. W.M. REID and P/O. R.D.H. PARKER posted from No. 1654 Con. Unit.	
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			The following awards to Squadron personnel were announced during the month:-	
			DFC:- P/O. S. BOGZAR, P/O. J.P.H. CARRERE, P/L. C.A. PATTEN, MBE., W/CDR. P. BURVETT, P/O. C.A. HALE and P/O. J. McCUBBIN.	
			DDM:- SGT. R.V. PIPER and SGT. J.W. VINALL.	
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			<i>Keenett.</i> WING COMMANDER, COMMANDING NO. 9 SQUADRON, BARINEY	

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9/9/43.	LANCASTER. HE. 188.	SGT. I.G.B. BLACK. SGT. E. BUTTON. P/O. G.E. McTAGGART. SGT. G. BROTHERS. SGT. A.E. BAUMANN. SGT. D.T. GORDON. SGT. W.H.A. CARDWELL.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1954.	0420.	Primary attacked. 2326 hrs. 18,100 ft. P.P.P. red and green markers seen. Centre of green, north of red markers in sights. Many fires concentrated around T.I. markers. Glow of fires seen 100/125 miles away on return journey.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 648.	P/O. C. WARD. SGT. J. SUTTON. SGT. E. KEENE. SGT. G.L. JAMES. SGT. G.F.K. BEDWELL. SGT. N.F. DIXON. SGT. W.L. DORAN.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1951.	0422.	Primary attacked. 2330 hrs. 19,500 ft. Identified by red and green T.I. markers on target. Bombed northern half of green T.I. markers which were well concentrated. Fires already burning and well concentrated around T.I. markers with many incendiary fires starting up. Big explosion seen at 2327 hrs. Fires still visible after leaving enemy coast on return at least 150 miles away.	
	LANCASTER. R. 5744.	P/O. C.P. NEWTON. SGT. J. TURNER. SGT. P. HALL. SGT. E.J. DUCK. SGT. J. RYAN. SGT. R. McFERRAN. SGT. W.J. WILKINSON.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2001.	0414.	Primary attacked. 2329 hrs. 21,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I. markers. Bombed northern half of green T.I. markers. A large fire was burning close to the T.I. markers, and other scattered fires throughout the target area. A large explosion was observed at 2324 hrs. Fires still visible from enemy coast on return journey.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 666.	S/L. J.N. DERBYSHIRE. SGT. E. SULLIVAN. P/O. K. GILL. SGT. F. OVEREND. SGT. E. OAKES. P/SGT. E.G. COLE. SGT. R. PARSONS.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1958.	0348.	Primary attacked. 2329 1/2 hrs. 21,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I. markers. Bombed northern of green T.I. markers which were cascading N.W. of the red T.I. markers. Fires were just springing up in a line between the red and green T.I. markers including one or two big fires already burning. A big explosion observed at 2329 hrs. Glow of fires still visible in sky on approaching Swedish coast.	150

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3/9/43. (Contd)	LANCASTER. JA. 869	P/Sgt. G.A. GRAHAM.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1959.	0417.	Primary attacked. 2336 hours. 19,500 ft. Identified by time and distance run from yellow T.I.'s and by red and green T.I.'s over target. Bomber northern half of green T.I. markers which were well concentrated. Well established fires were burning around T.I. markers, were closely concentrated with bulge towards south. Fires were growing rapidly during own time over target.	
		SGT. W. STATHAM.					
		P/O. D. McDONALD.					
		SGT. R.M. INNESS.					
		SGT. A.P. WILLIAMSON.					
		SGT. H. ALTUS.					
		SGT. K. MELLOR.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 700.	W/CDR. P. BURNETT.	Bombing - BERLIN	1959.	0400.	Primary attacked. 2326 hrs. 22,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I.'s. Bombed on northern edge of green T.I.'s which were rather scattered. Concentrated fires in a line across the centre of the target with many scattered fires.	
		SGT. W. POSSES.					
		F/L. J.A. BRECKELL.					
		P/O. K.J. HILLS.					
		F/L. J.H. MOUTRAY.					
		F/L. G.A. PATTEN.					
		SGT. C.A. DAVIS.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	P/O. J. McCUBBIN.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1956.	0408.	Primary attacked. 2330 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by P.F.P. red and green markers. Bombed centre of northern concentration of green T.I. Fires concentrated around markers turning to red glow. At 2324 in target one large explosion lit up sky for about 3 seconds.	
		SGT. N.D. OWEN.					
		P/O. B. SHERRY.					
		P/Sgt. K.J. MAGNALL.					
		P/Sgt. A.M. SMITH.					
		P/Sgt. G. HOUBERT.					
		SGT. J.L. ELLIOTT.					
	LANCASTER. EM. 136.	P/O. J.H.S. LYON.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2002.	0425.	Primary attacked. 2334 hrs. 18,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I. markers. Bombed on southern half of green T.I. markers, which were well placed. Well established fires were burning around T.I. markers with other scattered fires starting up. Glow of fires still visible from enemy coast. Smoke from the target was rising to 19,000 to 20,000 feet.	
		SGT. K. PACK.					
		SGT. R.W. CORKILL.					
		SGT. H.W. JEFFERY.					
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		SGT. A.G. CLEGG.					

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3/9/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER. W. 4178.	F/O. D.J. BRILL. SGT. J. STONE. P/O. A.W. WESTON. P/O. R. BUTLER. SGT. H. CHAPPELL. P/O. C.J. LITTLE. SGT. F.J. BATTLE.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1957.	0431.	Primary attacked. 2357 hrs. 22,000 ft. Identified by red and green markers. Centre of green markers in southern area in sights. Many fires concentrated around T.I. markers. At 2322 hrs in target area terrific explosion lit up sky for 10 seconds.	
	LANCASTER. LM. 361.	P/O. W.W. TURNBULL. SGT. J. WELLINGS. SGT. J. WATERHOUST. P/O. J. McMASTERS. SGT. OWEN. SGT. J. MICHAEL. SGT. C.R. BOLT.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2000.	0400.	Primary attacked. 2325 hrs. 21,000 ft. Identified by P.F.P. red and green markers. Centre of concentration of red and green markers in sights. Fires well concentrated around marker. After leaving target at 2324 hours one large explosion lit sky for a few seconds.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 198.	F/L. J.F. MITCHELL. SGT. A.N. JONES. P/O. J.N. WYATT. SGT. E. RENNERT. SGT. P. JOHNSON. SGT. B.G. ROGERS. SGT. E. PLUNKETT.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1952.	0355.	Primary attacked. 2330 hours. 20,000 ft. Identified by P.F.P. green and red markers. Many small fires concentrated around T.I. markers.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 656.	F/SGT. N.J. ROBINSON. SGT. R. TAYLOR. SGT. F.R. DAVIS. SGT. R.J. PITMAN. SGT. W.E. JONES. SGT. L.E. MITCHELL. SGT. J. CASSY.	Bombing - B BERLIN.	1950.	0351.	Primary attacked. 2331 hrs. 21,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I. markers. Bombed southern half of green T.I. markers which were well concentrated. Well established fires burning round the T.I. markers.	

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3/9/43. (Contd)	LANCASTER. W. 5011.	F/O. G. PAINÉ. SGT. C.A. GILBERT. F/O. K.W. ARMSTRONG. SGT. S.C. YOUNG. SGT. J.B. ROBINSON. F/SGT. M.D. BENNETT SGT. P.A.S. TWINN.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1955	0412.	Primary attacked. 2322 hours. 21,000 ft. Bombed on STA. No markers seen on account of clouds. Bombed glow of fires. Many fires seen after leaving target concentrated around markers that came down after we had left target.	
5/9/43.	LANCASTER. EB. 188.	F/O. A. MAIR, SGT. J. STONEHOUSE. SGT. D.J. ADAMS. SGT. F.J. FOUNDER. F/SGT. T.H. DENNIS. SGT. W.H.A. CARDWELL. SGT. W. ROBERTSON.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	2024.	0321.	Primary attacked. 2333 hours. 21,000 ft. Identified by red track markers and green F.I's at target. Greens seen to cascade at 2332 hours. Several clusters all in the same place in centre of fires, in sights. Bombs not seen to burst. Fires well concentrated except for some bombing short.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 648.	SGT. K.E. WARWICK. SGT. THOMAS. F/SGT. T. BUTTERFIELD. SGT. J. GRAHAM. SGT. D. MUNN. F/O. H.B. SMALL.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	2020.	0254.	Primary attacked. 2337 hrs. 19,000 ft. Green F.I's being dropped in good numbers. Middle of group of 4 greens burning on ground. These were on the S.E. side of fires already burning. Fires were massed near markers. There was one particularly good one with large quantities of smoke.	
	LANCASTER. R. 5744.	SGT. N.B. OWEN. SGT. R. KNIGHT. SGT. T. BRADFORD. SGT. C. MUNRO. SGT. D.G. CONNOR. SGT. C.A. DAVIS. SGT. J.W. NOBLE. SGT. R.G. NELSON.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	2027.		Aircraft missing. No signals received.	

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5/9/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 666.	P/O. T.H. GILL. SGT. M. McPHERSON. SGT. R.V. GOUGH. SGT. W.A. MORTON. SGT. R. McDONAGH. P/SGT. B.P. IRVING. SGT. R. McKEE.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	2026.		Aircraft missing. No signals received.	
	LANCASTER. JA. 869.	P/O. W.D. IRVINE. SGT. D. LEYSHON. P/O. H.J. MAY. SGT. A.B. GILES. SGT. P. LOMAX. P/O. H.A. DICKINSON. SGT. J.C. DICKINSON.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	2022½	0240	Primary attacked. 2337 hrs. 18,000 ft. Cluster of 5 green T.I.'s seen to cascade at 2336 hrs. M.P.I. of green T.I.'s in sights. Numerous fires around markers. Bombing appeared well concentrated around the T.I.'s.	
	LANCASTER. R. 5700.	P/O. L. HADLAND. SGT. K.N. TAYLOR. SGT. S. GREENWOOD. P/O. K. BEAMES. SGT. J. GASKELL. SGT. A.D. TIRREL. SGT. C. DAVIS.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	2032.	0256.	Primary attacked. 2355 hrs. 19,500 ft. Identified by track markers, by red and yellow T.I. ahead and by green T.I. First green seen at 2302 hours. Centre of concentration of 6 green T.I.'s in sights. Good concentration of fires. Little sign of scattered bombing. Fires burning in a built up area.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 700.	S/L. R.H. BUNKER. SGT. W. POSSEE. SGT. J. LEVER. SGT. R.G. LOMAS. P/O. J. PRIOR. SGT. F.G. HAYLER. SGT. W.A. BALL.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	2025.	0224.	Primary attacked. 2328½ hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by red route markers. Red, yellow T.I. seen ahead, and by green T.I. Centre of concentration of 2 green T.I.'s in sights. Circle of fires, but no pall of smoke. Unimpressive.	

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DATE	LANCASTER TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME	DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REMARKS.
5/9/49 (Contd)	LANCASTER IS. 436.	P/O. J. McCUBBIN. SGT. N.D. OWEN. P/O. B.J. SHERRY. P/SGT. K.J. DACKALL. P/SGT. A.M. SMITH. P/SGT. G.J. ROBERT.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	2021. 0259.	Primary attacked. 2330 hours. 19,000 ft. Identified by green T.I.'s. Centre of pattern of 4 or 5 green T.I.'s burning on ground. Fires showed every indication of first class attack. There were 40 or 50 fires. Area of fires tended to stretch to W. and S.W. of T.I.'s. Aircraft was attacked by fighter near target, almost destroying port fin, and damaging rear and M.U. turrets. M.U. gunner wounded in left shoulder and head.	
	LANCASTER IM. 361.	SGT. J.L. ELLIOTT. SGT. R.R. WALKUP. SGT. R.H. TURKELL.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	2016. 0303.	Primary attacked. 232 hrs. 21,900 ft. Identified by track markers, by red, yellow T.I. ahead and by green T.I. First green seen to cascade at 2302 hours. Centre of concentration of several green T.I. in sights. Concentration of fires exceptionally good round green T.I. Best seen since Hamburg.	
	LANCASTER IV. 198.	SGT. K. WOOLLAED. SGT. W.H. MURPHY. P/O. W.E. SIDDEB. SGT. R.W. MOSSEY. SGT. R.O.T. LODGE. P/O. K.J.H. HILLS. SGT. J.W. GULLEY. SGT. R.E. JONES.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	2023. 0230.	Primary attacked. 2329 hrs. 20,000 ft. Red T.I. markers seen on route. Red and green markers seen in target area. Green T.I.'s seen to cascade at 2302 and 2307 hrs. Centre of concentration of green T.I.'s seen which was overshoot by 1 second. Good fires concentrated round the T.I. markers.	
	LANCASTER ED. 676.	SGT. G.C. MOORE. P/O. W. ENGLISH. SGT. MITCHELL. P/O. J.E. EVANS. SGT. L.V. FUSSELL. SGT. L.G. LANE. SGT. D.R. CAMMIE. SGT. P.W. REWITT.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	2011. 0258.	Primary attacked. 2333 hrs. 20,000 ft. Saw track markers going in, but not on return. Red and green T.I.'s at target. A succession of green T.I. seen to cascade during run up and they all fell in same place and were in sights. Attack not impressive at first, but fires developed and could be seen for a great distance on return.	

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 SGT. P.W. HEWITT.

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(\*9511) Wt. 9250-56. 60,000 5/42 T.S. 700

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5/9/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER ED. 499.	P/O. K. PAINTER. SGT. T. DEACON. SGT. R.C. SAUNDERS. SGT. J. E. BACON. SGT. T. ANDREWS. SGT. S. HONE. SGT. D.W. ANGELL.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	2017.	0300.	Primary attacked. 2320 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by red T.I. seen ahead and by green T.I. Bombed concentration of green T.I. Bombing very concentrated.	
	LANCASTER ED. 975.	P/O. G.E. STOUT. SGT. J. GURNEY. P/SGT. J.H. BRYANT. SGT. K. GAVIN. SGT. H. NUTTALL. SGT. D. BURDEN. W/O. R. SMITH.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	2022.	0229.	Primary attacked. 2330 hours. 18,000 ft. Track markers seen. Red and green T.I's at target. Green T.I's, centre of row of 4 in sights. The T.I's bombed were to North of main concentration which had gone out. Considerable fires and smoke, but appeared scattered.	
	LANCASTER W. 5011.	P/O. D.J. BRILL. SGT. J. STONE. P/O. A.W. WESTON. P/O. R. BUTLER. SGT. H. CHAPPELL. SGT. R. BATTLE. P/O. C.J. LITTLE.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	2018.	0316. 2	Primary attacked. 2339 hrs. 22,000 ft. Red T.I. markers seen on track. Red and green T.I's seen over target. Centre of concentration of red and green T.I's in sights at time of bombing. Good fires concentrated round T.I. markers appeared to be a tendency to undershoot.	
6/9/43.	LANCASTER ES. 188.	SGT. I.G.B. BLACK. SGT. B. BUTTON. P/O. G.E. McTAGGART. SGT. G. BROTHERS. Sgt. MYERSCOUGH. SGT. W.H.A. CARDWELL. SGT. D.T. GORDON.	Bombing - MUNICH.	1945.	0421.	Primary attacked. 2340 hrs. 20,900 ft. Run up between P.P.F. red T.I's and green T.I's on north side of target as briefed. Those to south could also be seen. Space between red and green T.I's in sights as ordered. I see extra allowed. At time of bombing fires were not impressive but cloud made it difficult to assess results.	CT 66

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6/9/43. (Contd)	LANCASTER. JA. 869.	P/O. C.P. NEWTON.	Bombing - MUNICH.	1953.	0439.	Primary attacked. 2349 hrs. 20,300 ft. Red T.I.'s at point "X" on track. Red and green T.I.'s seen over target and white flares. A point midway between the estimated centre and the northern edge of the main concentration of green T.I.'s which was overshoot by 1 second was in sight. Large explosion seen on southern side of target at 2348 hrs. and inclined to be an undershoot. Fairly good fires seen burning in target area. Some undershooting.	
		SGT. J. TURNER					
		SGT. F. HALL.					
		SGT. E.J. DUCK.					
		SGT. J. RYAN.					
		SGT. R. McFERRAN.					
		SGT. W.J. WILKINSON.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 658.	P/O. C. WARD.	Bombing - MUNICH.	1941.	0435.	Primary attacked 2348 hrs. 22,000 ft. Identified by track markers, red and yellow seen ahead and by green T.I. Bombed 1 green T.I. No other being visible owing to cloud. Fires burning in built up area. Reflection on ground seen for 100 miles. Some concentrations but rather scattered generally.	
		SGT. J. SUTTON.					
		SGT. E. KEENE.					
		SGT. G.L. JAMES.					
		SGT. G.F.K. REDWELL.					
		SGT. H.P. DIXON.					
		SGT. W.L. DORAN.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 700	S/L. J.N. DERBYSHIRE.	Bombing - MUNICH	1948.	0958.	Primary attacked. 2338 hrs. 21,000 ft. Identified by route markers, by red and yellow (believed) seen ahead and by green T.I. Bombed centre of a cluster of 3 green T.I. but owing to cloud impossible to say whether these were the only T.I. available at the time. Too much cloud to assess. Some fires seen in built up area illuminated by photo flashes.	
		SGT. E. SULLIVAN.					
		P/O. K. GILL.					
		SGT. F. OVEREND.					
		SGT. E. OAKES.					
		F/SGT. E.G. COLE.					
		SGT. T. PARSONS.					
	LANCASTER. W. 4158.	P/O. J. ANSTEE.	Bombing - MUNICH.	1946.	0415.	Primary attacked. 2337 hrs. 21,000 ft. Track markers seen. Two red T.I.'s seen to cascade into cloud about 5 minutes before reaching target. Several clusters of greens seen through cloud and aimed south of centre of these. Observation difficult through cloud. Believed some fires burning as a red glow was reflected on cloud.	
		SGT. C.W. CARTWRIGHT.					
		SGT. A. BIRCHENROUGH.					
		SGT. T.E.B. GRAHAM.					
		SGT. R.C. WHALE.					
		SGT. W.J. CRADDOCK.					
		SGT. P.G.L. KERR.					

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6/9/43 (contd)	LANCASTER. IM. 361.	P/O. W.W. TURNBULL. SGT. J. WELLINGS. SGT. J. WATERHOUSE. P/O. J. McMASTERS. SGT. B. OWEN. SGT. J. MICHAEL. SGT. C.R. BOLT.	Bombing - MUNICH.	1935.	0404.	Primary attacked. 2334 hours. 20,500 ft. Saw P.F.F. red T.I's and green T.I's north and south. Ran up between red T.I's and green T.I's on south side. This area was in sights as briefed. Several scattered fires around the T.I's at this time, but later look more impressive.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 198.	P/L. J.F. MITCHELL. P/O. D.A.A. GRAY. SGT. A.N. JONES. P/O. J.N. WYATT. SGT. E. RENFREY. SGT. F. JOHNSON. SGT. B.G. ROGERS. SGT. E. HANKETT.	Bombing - MUNICH.	1938.	0401.	Primary attacked. 2334 hrs. 21,000 ft. Track markers seen. Red and yellow T.I's seen on approach. Just before aircraft arrived first cluster of greens seen to cascade at 2333 hrs, others followed immediately before bombing. South of centre of them in sights. Some bomb bursts seen amongst green T.I's but cloud prevented observation of other results.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	P/O. J.H.S. LYON. P/SGT. E.J. GRABTREE. SGT. K. TACK. SGT. R.W. CORNILL. SGT. H.W. JEFFERY. SGT. A. FIELDING. SGT. A.G. DENTYER. SGT. G. CLEGG.	Bombing - MUNICH.	1936.	0418.	Primary attacked. 2338 hrs. 19,000 ft. Red T.I's seen at dawn. "X". No green T.I's seen over target - red T.I's and white flares only. Most northerly concentration of 4 red T.I's in sights at time of bombing. First wave appeared very scattered.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 975.	P/O. W.E. SIDDLER. SGT. R.W. MOSELEY. SGT. R.G.T. LODGE. P/O. E.J.H. HILLS. SGT. J.W. CULLEY. SGT. R.E. JONES. SGT. C.C. MOORE.	Bombing - MUNICH.	1949.	0405	Primary attacked. Crash landed at Minting on return. Six members of the crew admitted hospital. Further details of sortie not available.	

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6/9/43- (Contd)	LANCASTER. W. 5011.	F/O. G. PAYNE.	Bombing - MUNICH.	1947.	0410.	Primary attacked. 2346 hrs. 20,500 ft. Identified by route markers, red and yellow T.I. seen ahead. No green T.I. seen owing to cloud. Bombed south of reds, where estimated greens should have been. Fires appeared well concentrated in spite of cloud but difficult to assess.	
		SPT. C.A. GILBERT.					
		F/O. K.W. ARMSTRONG.					
		SPT. S.C. YOUNG.					
		SPT. J.B. ROBINSON.					
22/9/43	LANCASTER. ES. 188.	SPT. R.G. ORD.	Bombing - HANOVER.	1905.	0043.	Primary attacked. 2150 hrs. 19,000 ft. Red and green T.I's seen. Centre of concentration of green T.I's in sights at time of bombing, seen to cascade at 2145 hours. Good fires seen burning round the T.I. markers, the glow of which could be seen from the coast on return. Large column of black smoke up to about 16,000 feet to the West of the aiming point.	
		SPT. PALMER.					
		F/O. E. DAVIES.					
		SPT. T.E.B. GRAHAM.					
		SPT. J. WILSON.					
LANCASTER. ED. 836.	LANCASTER. ED. 836.	1st Lt. E.G. ROBERTS.	Bombing - HANOVER.	1849.	0031.	Primary attacked. 2138 hours. 18,000 ft. Green T.I's seen, M.P.I. of 8 green T.I's in sights. After bombing, fires were becoming concentrated though before arrival they seemed rather scattered.	
		SPT. P. SHAW.					
		F/O. F.G. ARLISS.					
		F/O. W. CHADWICK.					
		SPT. A. BAILEY.					
LANCASTER. ED. 648.	LANCASTER. ED. 648.	F/L. R. WELLS.	Bombing - HANOVER.	1848.	0004.	Primary attacked. 2132 hrs. 20,000 ft. Red and yellow T.I's and flares seen in target area. First green T.I's seen to cascade at 2127 hrs. in built up area. Centre of concentration of green T.I's in sights at time of bombing, which were seen to cascade at 2129 hours. Good fires burning round T.I. markers, but some scattered bombing to the West of the aiming point.	
		SPT. D.J. NUTMAN.					
		F/O. A.U. DUNCAN.					
		F/SPT. K. GARNETT.					
		F/SPT. F. SMITH.					
		SPT. W. GOUGH.					
		F/SPT. S. MOSS.					

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turning round T.I. markers, but some scattered bombing to the west of the aiming point.

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(\*size) Wt. 925-30 50,000 3/4s T.S. 700

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22/9/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER. DV. 284.	P/O. G.A. GRAHAM. SGT. W. STATHAM. P/O. D. McDONALD. SGT. R.M. INNESS. SGT. A.E. WILLIAMSON SGT. H. ALTUS. SGT. K. MELLOR.	Bombing - HANOVER,	1940.	0020.	Primary attacked. 2151 hrs. 19,500 ft. Identified by P.F.F. flares. Red and yellow T.I. seen well ahead at 2124 hours onwards. First green T.I. seen to cascade at 2133 hrs. Centre of concentration of approximately 6 green T.I. in sights, which were partially obscured by smoke. Not actually seen to cascade. Attack appeared well concentrated but with usual incendiaries undershooting.	
	LANCASTER. JA. 869.	P/O. W.D. ERVINE. SGT. D. LEYSHON. P/O. H.J. MAY. SGT. A.B. GILES. SGT. F. LOMAX. P/O. H.A. DICKINSON. SGT. J.C. DICKINSON.	Bombing - HANOVER.	1853.	0007.	Primary attacked. 2143 hrs. 19,500 ft. Identified by red, yellow and green T.I.'s. Centre of cluster of 7 green T.I.'s in sights, one of which was seen to cascade at 2142 hours. Big fires seen well concentrated around green T.I.'s. Much smoke.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 399.	P/L.L. HADLAND. SGT. K.N. TAYLOR. SGT. S. GREENWOOD. P/O. K. BEAMES. SGT. J. GASKELL. SGT. A.D. TIRREL. SGT. W. DAVIS.	Bombing - HANOVER.	1848.	0001.	Primary attacked. 2134 hours. 20,000 ft. Identified by P.F.F. flares, red, yellow and green T.I. First green seen to cascade 2128 hours and followed by 5 greens in a cluster dead on marker at 2131 hours and further almost immediately afterwards. Cluster of many green T.I. all close together in sights. Red and green T.I. seen clearly to be burning in the town. As aircraft left target, good fires beginning to get hold. Later looking back successful attack appeared assured.	
	LANCASTER. JA. 690.	P/O. F. JAMES. SGT. G. TOMLINSON. P/O. G.E. LOCKY. SGT. A.H. HOWIE. SGT. R.E. BURKE. SGT. N.W. CHIVERS. SGT. H. CROXON.	Bombing - HANOVER.	1852.	0035.	Primary attacked 2150 hrs. 19,000 ft. Identified by P.F.F. flares, yellow and red T.I. and by green T.I. Houses in built up area seen burning. Bombed centre of concentration of green T.I. which were burning in a tight circle. Bombing very concentrated, much black smoke seen shrouding target.	

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22/9/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER. R. 5700.	F/SGT. GRANTREE. SGT. MACRITCHIE. SGT. G. B. SALES. SGT. J. N. NOBLE. SGT. V. HIRST-GEE. SGT. EVEREST. SGT. V. J. LANDER.	Bombing - HANOVER.	1856.		Aircraft missing. No signals received.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 700.	W/GDR. P. BURNETT. SGT. T. SULLIVAN. F/L. J. A. BROCKELL. F/L. G. BELL. F/L. J. H. MOUTRAY. F/O. T. N. ARMSTRONG. F/L. G. A. PATTEN.	Bombing - HANOVER.	1855.	00121	Primary attacked. 2146 hrs. 22,000 ft. Identified by green T.I's and lake short of target. Centre of pattern of green T.I's was visible at time. In target itself was one very bright fire. Attack at first seemed scattered but later was definitely building up and had an impressive core of fires. The bright fire mentioned appeared to be in south part of town.	
	LANCASTER. LM. 361.	S/L. R. H. BUNKER. SGT. W. POSSEE, SGT. W. A. GALL. F/O. J. PRIOR. SGT. J. LEVER. SGT. R. G. LOMAS. SGT. P. G. HAELER.	Bombing - HANOVER,	1851.	2350.	Primary attacked. 2134 hours. 21,000 ft. Identified visually by lake, short of target and green T.I's. M.P.I. of green T.I's in sights. Impression gained was that the attack was well placed. There was one large column of smoke seen on arrival to be coming from target. As aircraft was in first wave it was too early to expect anything spectacular. After leaving, glow could be seen 80 miles away.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 198.	F/L. J. F. MITCHELL. SGT. A. M. JONES. F/O. J. H. WYATT. SGT. E. KENNEDY. SGT. F. JOHNSON. SGT. B. G. ROGERS. SGT. E. PLINKETT.	Bombing - HANOVER.	1846.	2356.	Primary attacked. 2132 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by P.F.F. flares, red and yellow T.I. and by green T.I. Three green T.I. seen to cascade at 2130 hours. Centre of 3 green T.I. in sights. Could plainly see streets and houses in built up area. After bombing saw many green T.I. widely scattered. Fires were burning but had not developed before aircraft had left. Good glow seen later.	

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22/9/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER ED. 656	P/O N.J. ROBINSON. SGT. R. TAYLOR. F/SGT. T.R. DAVIS. SGT. R.J. PITMAN. SGT. W.T. JONES. F/SGT. W.H. CARDWELL. SGT. J. CASSY.	Bombing - HANOVER	1845.	0027.	Primary attacked. 2140 hrs. 19,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I's, Steinhuder Meer and junction of river Rhine and Weser-Elbe Canal visually identified. Centre of cluster of green T.I's in bomb sights, two of which were seen to cascade at 2138 hrs. Bombing seemed well concentrated and good fires resulted.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 654.	F/O. W. ENGLISH. SGT. MITCHELL. F/O. J.B. EVANS, SGT. L.V. FUSSELL. SGT. L.G. LANF. SGT. D.W. CARLYLE. SGT. P.V. HEWITT.	Bombing - HANOVER.	1907	0039.	Primary attacked. 2147 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by red, yellow and green T.I's. Steinhuder Meer visually identified. Centre of cluster of 4 1/2 green T.I. in bomb sights, seen to cascade at 2145 hrs. Fires well concentrated in target area.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 293.	P/O. G.S. STOUT. E/SGT. ARGENTY. SGT. J. GURNEY. F/SGT. J.H. BRYANT. SGT. K. GAVIN.  SGT. H. NUTTALL. SGT. D. BURDEN. W/O. R. SMITH.	Bombing - HANOVER.	1902.	2141.	No target attacked. Aircraft returned early owing to u/s D/R. compass. 400lb. HC. jettisoned.	
	LANCASTER. W. 5011.	P/O. J. LIVINGSTONE. SGT. F. PARSONS. F/SGT. F. WATSON. SGT. H.C. BREWER. F/SGT. J. PRENDERGAST. F/SGT. R.N. BROWNE. SGT. T.C. TAYLOR.	Bombing - HANOVER,	1842.	2353.	Primary attacked. 2133 hrs. 19,000 ft. Identified by red, yellow and green T.I's. Built up area visually identified. Centre of cluster of 4 green T.I's in bomb sights, two of which were seen to cascade at 2120 hours and 2131 hrs. Early bombing was well concentrated around the green T.I's. Numerous fires seen on leaving the target.	

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29/9/43.	LANCASTER. EE. 188.	P/O. I.C.B. BLACK. SGT. E. BUTTON. P/O. G.E. McTAGGART. SGT. G. BROTHERS. SGT. G.T.M. CAINES. SGT. W.H.A. CARDWELL. SGT. D.T. GORDON.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	1856.	0133.	Primary attacked. 2153 hours. 19,500 feet. Identified by bend in river, green T.I's and general P.F.F. technique. Centre of pattern of green T.I's seen to cascade previously. There was a lot of smoke and evidence of fires getting hold and these were near the T.I's.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 836.	1st Lt. E.G. ROBERTS. SGT. P. SHAW. P/O. F.G. ARLISS P/O. W. CHADWICK. SGT. A. BAILEY. SGT. T.H. TIBBLES. SGT. R.J. DARBY.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	1908.	0152.	Primary attacked. 2208 hrs. 18,000 ft. Route markers seen seen at positions "X" and "Y". Saw red T.I's in target area and green T.I's seen. M.P.I. of green T.I's in sights at time of bombing. Some undershoots and some scattered fires south of the target.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 648.	F/L. R. WELLS. SGT. D.J. NUTMAN P/O. A.U. DUNCAN. F/SGT. K. GARNETT, F/SGT. E. SMITH. SGT. W. GOUGH. F/SGT. S. MOSS.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	1852.	0107.	Primary attacked. 2153 hrs. 19,000 ft. Identified by red, yellow and green T.I's. Red and green route markers seen. Rivers also seen. Centre of cluster of 5 green T.I's in bomb sights, three of which were seen to cascade at 2150 hrs. Early bombing appeared to be a little scattered due to first green T.I's being also scattered. Good fires forming as target left.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 399.	SGT. R.C. ORDA SGT. PALMER. P/O. E. DAVIES. SGT. GRAHAM. SGT. WILSON. SGT. WILLIAMS. SGT. FOWLER.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	1909.		Aircraft missing. No signals received.	

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23/9/43 (contd)	LANCASTER. JA. 869.	F/O. W.D. WERVING.	Bombing - MANNHEIM.	1858.	0121.	Primary attacked. 2151 hrs. 19,000 ft. Identified by green T.I's also yellow T.I's dropped for P.F.F. M.P.I. of green T.I's previously seen to cascade at 2150 hours. One good fire burning at this time. On leaving target a large column of smoke was seen.	
		SGT. D. LEYSHON.					
		P/O. H.J. MAY.					
		SGT. A.B. GILLES.					
		SGT. F. LOMAX.					
		SGT. J.C. DICKINSON.					
		P/O. H.A. DICKINSON.					
	LANCASTER. JA. 690.	F/O. F. JAMES.	Bombing -	1903.	0146.	Primary attacked, 2207 hrs. 18,000 ft. Identified by red, yellow and green T.I's. Red and green route markers seen. First green T.I. seen to cascade at 2142 hrs. Centre of cluster of 5 green T.I's in bomb sights, three of which were seen to cascade at 2200 hrs. There appeared to be a little undershooting but, in the main, fires were well concentrated.	
		SGT. G. MCCLINSON.	MANNHEIM.				
		P/O. G.E. LOCKY.					
		SGT. A.H. HOWIE.					
		SGT. R.E. BURKE.					
		SGT. N.W. CHIVERS.					
		SGT. H. CROXON.					
	LANCASTER ED. 700	P/O. J.K. LIVINGSTON.	Bombing -	1849.	0105.	Primary attacked. 2159 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by green T.I. M.P.I. Green T.I. in sights. Fires concentrated and beginning to take hold. T.I's concentrated and on time.	
		SGT. P. PARSONS.	MANNHEIM.				
		F/SGT. F.C. WATSON.					
		SGT. H.C. BREWER.					
		SGT. J. PRENDERGAST.					
		F/SGT. R.N. BROWNE					
		SGT. T.C. TAYLOR.					
	LANCASTER. W. 4158.	F/O. D.J. BRILL.	Bombing -	1913	0149.	Primary attacked. 2204 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified from green T.I's. On running in some buildings could be seen in the light of flash from a 4000lb. Centre of cluster of green T.I's in sights. Results generally considered better than on last attack. Fires were quite impressive and all that were seen were within an area confined by the flares being dropped around the target area, presumably for fighters.	
		SGT. J. STONE.	MANNHEIM.				
		F/O. A.W. WESTON.					
		P/O. R. BUTLER.					
		SGT. CULLEY.					
		F/O. G.J. LITTLE.					
		SGT. F.J. BATTLE.					

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23/9/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER. LM. 361.	P/O. W. W. TURNBULL.	Bombing -	1906.	0137.	Primary attacked. 2203 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by red and green markers seen at positions "X" and "Y". P.F.P. red and yellow T.I.'s. seen in target area and green T.I.'s. Ground detail identified. M.P.I. of green T.I.s in sights. Incendiary fires appeared well concentrated, but no good fires were seen.	
		SGT. J. WELLINGS.	MANNHEIM				
		SGT. J. WATERHOUSE.					
		P/O. J. McMASTERS.					
		SGT. OWEN.					
		SGT. J. MICHAEL.					
		SGT. G.R. BOLT.					
	LANCASTER. DV. 198.	F/L. J.F. MITCHELL.	Bombing -	1904.	0114.	Primary attacked. 2156 hrs. 19,000 ft. Identified by PFF flares, yellow T.I. red T.I. and by green T.I. Centre of tight concentration of green T.I. in sights. As aircraft left target one particularly large dull red fire seen to break out very near T.I. concentration.	
		SGT. A.M. JONES.	MANNHEIM.				
		P/O. J.N. WYATT.					
		SGT. E. RENFREY.					
		SGT. F. JOHNSON.					
		SGT. B.G. ROGERS.					
		SGT. E. PLUNKETT.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 656.	P/O. N.J. ROBINSON	Bombing -	1904.	0123.	Primary attacked. 2157 hrs. 18,500 ft. Identified by red, yellow and green T.I. Red and green route markers seen. Bend in river also seen. Centre of cluster of four green T.I.'s in bomb sights seen to cascade at 2154 hrs. Bombing was well concentrated and good fires were starting.	
		SGT. R. TAYLOR.	MANNHEIM.				
		F/SGT. ARGENT.					
		F/SGT. T.R. DAVIS.					
		SGT. R.J. PITMAN.					
		SGT. W.E. JONES.					
		SGT. ROBERTSON.					
		SGT. J. CASEY					
	LANCASTER. LM. 654.	P/O. W. ENGLISH.	Bombing -	1900.	0131.	Primary attacked. 2209 hrs. 19,500 ft. Identified by PFF flares. Red and yellow T.I. and by green T.I. On bombing run most of the many green T.I. already seen had gone out leaving only one green left, which had cascaded at 2008 approx. This T.I. in sights. Concentrated fires, but not thought to be as good as last Mannheim attack.	
		SGT. MITCHELL.	MANNHEIM.				
		P/O. J.E. EVANS.					
		SGT. L.V. FUSSELL.					
		SGT. L.G. LANE.					
		SGT. D.W. CARLYLE.					
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23/9/43 (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	F/L.C. J. BRAIN.	Bombing -	1907	035	Primary attacked 2206 hours. 14000ft. Identified by green T.I. markers. No. T.I. visible at time of bombing. Target covered with smoke. Starboard outer U/S.	
		SGT. G. E. BOWYER.	MANNHEIM				
		F/O. F. E. FORBESHEW.					
		SGT. H. T. JOLLIFFE.					
		F/O. A. H. MILWARD.				Centre of target not attacked owing to turret being U/S and not having sufficient height to allow for defensive manouevres.	
		SGT. N. E. ADAMS.					
		SGT. D. A. POWLEY.					
LANCASTER. DV. 293.	F/O. G. S. STOUT.	SGT. J. GURNEY.	Bombing -	1901.	0117.	Primary attacked. 2209 hrs. 12,000 ft. Identified from P.F.F. flares red, yellow T.I. and by green T.I. seen ahead. No T.I. actually burning where bombs released. Greenish glow seen where T.I.'s had been and judged to be short of burning built up area. Bombed to over-shoot the green glow. Photo flash revealed built up area.	
		F/SGT. J. H. BRYANT.	MANNHEIM.				
		SGT. K. GAVIN.					
		SGT. H. NUTTALL.					
		SGT. D. BURDEN.					
		W/O. R. SMITH.					
LANCASTER. W. 5011.	F/O. G. WARD.	SGT. J. SUTTON.	Bombing -	1859.	0153.	Primary attacked. 2211 hrs. 19,000 ft. Identified by PFF flares, red, yellow T.I. and by green T.I. Centre of concentration of four green T.I. in sights. Good fires with reasonable concentration and considerable smoke, but great increase in undershooting up to four miles approx.	
		SGT. E. KEENE.	MANNHEIM.				
		SGT. G. L. JAMES.					
		SGT. G. F. K. BEDWELL.					
		SGT. N. F. DIXON.					
		SGT. W. L. DORAN.					
27/9/43	LANCASTER. ES. 185.	F/O. A. MAIR.	Bombing	1927.	0115.	Primary attacked. 2226 hrs. 20,300 ft. Flares seen at Steinhuder Meer off track to North, no timed run possible, but P.F.F. T.I.'s red and yellow seen and also green T.I. Too late for green T.I. - bombed northern edge of good fires believed burning in built up area. Good fires, well concentrated.	
		SGT. J. STONEHOUSE.	HANOVER.				
		SGT. D. J. ADAMS.					
		SGT. FOUNDER. T. J.					
		F/SGT. T. H. DENNIS.					
		F/SGT. R. ALTUS.					
		SGT. W. ROBERTSON.					

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27/9/43	LANCASTER.	1st Lt. E. G. ROBERTS.	Bombing -	1926.	2205.		No target attacked. Aircraft returned early owing to defective inter-conn and A.S.I. Bombload jettisoned.	
(cont'd)	ED. 836	SGT. P. SHAW. P/O. P. G. ARLISS. P/O. W. CHADWICK. SGT. A. BILLY. SGT. T. H. TIBBLES. SGT. R. J. DARRY.	HANNOVER.					
	LANCASTER.	P/LT. R. WELLS. P/SGT. W. J. SYMS. SGT. D. J. NUFMAN. P/O. A. U. DINGAN. P/SGT. K. GARRETT. P/SGT. P. SMITH. SGT. W. GOUGH. P/SGT. S. MOSS.	Bombing - HANNOVER.	1930.	0041.		Primary attacked. 2222 hrs. 20,500 ft. Flares seen at Steinhuder Meer. Timed run made which checked up to within three seconds with green T.I. W.P.I. of three green T.I's seen glowing through intense smoke. Main area of fire very adjacent to T.I.	
	LANCASTER.	P/O. K. E. WARWICK. SGT. THOMAS. WHITING. P/SGT. T. BUTTERFIELD. SGT. J. GRAHAM. SGT. D. MUNN. P/O. H. B. SMALL. SGT. N. B. OWEN.	Bombing - HANNOVER.	1929.	0045.		Primary attacked. 2212 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by red, yellow and green T.I's. Steinhuder Meer and white flares also seen. Centre of cluster of five green T.I's in bomb sights seen to cascade at 22.11 1/2 hrs. Bombing well concentrated round green T.I's which were accurately placed.	
	LANCASTER.	P/O. G. WARD. SGT. J. SUTTON. SGT. E. KEENE. SGT. G. L. JAMES. SGT. G. F. K. BEDWELL. SGT. N. P. DIXON. SGT. W. L. DORAN.	Bombing - HANNOVER.	1916.	0024.		Primary attacked. 2203 hrs. 21,000 ft. Steinhuder Meer identified visually. Timed run to target. Red and yellow T.I's and green seen at target. M.P.I. of greens in sight. Fires not great at first but appeared rapidly and developed so that they could be seen from a great distance on return. Well concentrated.	

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27/9/43 (cont'd)	LANCASTER JA. 690.	P/O. J. J. JONES. SGT. G. T. TOLBERT. P/O. G. G. GONZALEZ. SGT. A. H. HENNING. SGT. P. T. TAYLOR. SGT. R. J. JONES. SGT. H. H. HARRIS.	Bombing -	1910.	1930.	Primary attacked. 2247 hrs. 22,000 ft. Time of distance run from lake at 10.2.2. T.I.'s, red, yellow and green seen at target. T.I.'s green seen in bomb sights. Results of bombing not observed. Fires were built up around the T.I.'s.	
	LANCASTER JA. 700.	P/O. G. G. GONZALEZ. SGT. P. T. TAYLOR. P/O. J. J. JONES. SGT. A. H. HENNING. SGT. R. J. JONES. SGT. H. H. HARRIS.	Bombing -	1910.	1930.	Primary attacked. 2200 hrs. 22,000 ft. Identified by T.I.'s. Flares white, red and yellow T.I. and by beam T.I. Flares seen at commander's ear. T.I.'s of green T.I. in sights. Fires concentrated round green T.I.	
	LANCASTER JA. 415.	P/O. J. J. JONES. SGT. P. T. TAYLOR. P/O. J. J. JONES. SGT. A. H. HENNING. SGT. R. J. JONES. SGT. H. H. HARRIS.	Bombing -	1910.	1930.	Primary attacked. 2200 hrs. 22,000 ft. Time of distance run made from lake at 10.2.2. T.I.'s green, red and yellow seen in sights. Results of bombing not observed. Fires seemed to be well placed and were built up.	
	LANCASTER JA. 418.	P/O. J. J. JONES. SGT. P. T. TAYLOR. P/O. J. J. JONES. SGT. A. H. HENNING. SGT. R. J. JONES. SGT. H. H. HARRIS.	Bombing -	1910.	1930.	Primary attacked. 2205 hrs. 21,500 ft. Route flares seen at commander's ear. (2000 lbs) Time of distance run from lake identified visually checked up with position of beam T.I.'s. Red and yellow also seen. Centre of concentration of apparatus about green T.I. in sights. Built up area and river seen during bombing run, but not visible when bombs were actually released. One large fire surrounded by many smaller fires and much smoke.	159

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27/9/43 (contd)	LANCASTER 30. 656	S/O. J. H. S. LYON. P/O. J. W. B. WOOD. SPT. F. B. B. B. B. S/O. J. W. B. WOOD. SPT. F. B. B. B. B.	Bombing Bombing	1011	1005		Primary attacked 200 hrs. 21, 500 ft. Identified by red and green m.t.s. White flares and phosphor seen also seen. Centre of cluster of three green m.t.s in bomb sights. 1 m.t.s. subsequently noted by a stream of green m.t.s. Bombing well concentrated around 7.15. 4800 ft. explosion seen at 20.013 hrs. <del>Reference</del>	
	LANCASTER 30. 400	S/O. J. H. S. LYON. P/O. J. W. B. WOOD. SPT. F. B. B. B. B.	Bombing	1015	1005		Primary attacked 200 hrs. 21, 500 feet. Identified by red and green m.t.s. Centre of cluster of three green m.t.s in bomb sights. 1 m.t.s. subsequently noted by a stream of green m.t.s. Bombing well concentrated around 7.15. 4800 ft. explosion seen at 20.013 hrs. <del>Reference</del>	
	LANCASTER 30. 651	S/O. J. H. S. LYON. P/O. J. W. B. WOOD. SPT. F. B. B. B. B.	Bombing	1015	1005		Primary attacked 200 hrs. 21, 500 ft. Identified by red and green m.t.s. Centre of cluster of three green m.t.s in bomb sights. 1 m.t.s. subsequently noted by a stream of green m.t.s. Bombing well concentrated around 7.15. 4800 ft. explosion seen at 20.013 hrs. <del>Reference</del>	
	LANCASTER 30. 233	S/O. J. H. S. LYON. P/O. J. W. B. WOOD. SPT. F. B. B. B. B.	Bombing	1015	1005		Primary attacked 200 hrs. 21, 500 ft. Identified by red and green m.t.s. Centre of cluster of three green m.t.s in bomb sights. 1 m.t.s. subsequently noted by a stream of green m.t.s. Bombing well concentrated around 7.15. 4800 ft. explosion seen at 20.013 hrs. <del>Reference</del>	
	LANCASTER 30. 233	S/O. J. H. S. LYON. P/O. J. W. B. WOOD. SPT. F. B. B. B. B.	Bombing	1015	1005		Primary attacked 200 hrs. 21, 500 ft. Identified by red and green m.t.s. Centre of cluster of three green m.t.s in bomb sights. 1 m.t.s. subsequently noted by a stream of green m.t.s. Bombing well concentrated around 7.15. 4800 ft. explosion seen at 20.013 hrs. <del>Reference</del>	

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29/9/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER ED. 896.	1st Lt. E.G. RIBBENS. SGT. P.S. SHAW. P/O. F.G. AELISS. P/O. W. CHADWICK. SGT. A. BAILEY. SGT. T.H. TIBBLES. SGT. R.J. DABY.	Bombing- BOCHUM.	1924 2136	Primary attacked 2103 hrs. 12,000 feet. Identified by Wengani flares and T.I. Markers seen above and ahead. 450 x 4lb and 24 x 30 lb. incendiaries. Detached 500 50W 06° 00' N 2025 hours. 15,000 feet.	
	LANCASTER ED. 648.	P/Lt. L.G.A. HADLAND. P/O. R.V. COMANS. SGT. K.N. TAYLOR. SGT. DS GREENWOOD. P/O. K.H. BEAMES. SGT. J. GASKELL. SGT. A.D. TIRREL. SGT. C. DAVIS.	Bombing- BOCHUM.	1920	Primary attacked 2051 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by Wengani flares and red and green T.I.'s. Bombed centre of (believed) 2 red T.I. Bombs appeared and concentrated. Detached 5 miles off Makiéwarp approx. 2000 hrs. owing to bad vis. with 10/10ths stratus down to 500 ft. Six of the crew were rescued but the Air Bomber and Flight Engineer are missing.	
	LANCASTER DY. 284.	P/O. G.P. NEWTON. SGT. J. TURNER. P/O. P. HALL. SGT. E.J. DUCK. SGT. J. RYAN. SGT. ADAMS. SGT. W.J. WILKINSON.	Bombing- BOCHUM.	1826 2249	Primary attacked 2038 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by 1 Red T.I.'s. The two Red T.I.'s bombed coincided with T.T.A. and also time and distance run from green track indicators. No results apart from own bursts could be seen.	
	LANCASTER JA. 690.	P/O. F. JAMES. SGT. G. WILKINSON. P/O. G.F. LOCKEY. SGT. A.H. ROWIE. SGT. R.E. BURKE. SGT. N.W. CHIVERS. SGT. H. CROKON.	Bombing- BOCHUM.	1815 2254	Primary attacked 2103 hrs. 19,000 feet. Identified by Red and green T.I. Green steady flares on track also seen. Two red T.I.'s in bomb sights seem to cascade at 2102 hrs. Bombing appeared to be a little scattered with some undershooting. Explosion seen at 2101 hrs. Bombing appeared to be too scattered for a small target.	

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29/9/43 (contd)	LANCASTER. LM. 361.	F/SGT. J. ARGENT. SGT. W. LYONS. SGT. P.J. BEGLEY. F/O. D.A. KESBLE. SGT. G. FRADLEY. F/SGT. A.K. TREVENA. SGT. V.G. KNOX.	Bombing- BOCHUM.	1814	2102	No target attacked. Mid upper turret U/S. Hydraulic pipe burst. Decided not to proceed owing to turret U/S and crew on first trip.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 198.	F/L. J.F. MITCHELL. P/O. R.A. BAYLON. SGT. A.M. JONES. P/O. J.N. WYATT. SGT. E. RENFREY. SGT. F. JOHNSON. SGT. B.G. ROGERS. SGT. E. HUNKETT.	Bombing- BOMBING.	1803	2257	Primary attacked 2050 hours. 19,500 feet. Identified by Wanganui flares and one red T.I. seen ahead at 2040 hrs. No further flares or T.I. seen until 2049 hrs. Two T.I. red at 2049 hrs. backed up with green T.I. Leaving target saw only one red fire which was not impressive.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 656	F/O. D.J. BRILL. SGT. J. STONE. F/O. A.W. WESTON. P/O. R. BUTLER. SGT. H. CHAPPELL. P/O. C.J. LITTLE. SGT. F.J. BATTLE.	Bombing- BOCHUM.	1811	2255	Primary attacked 2059 hrs. 21,000 ft. Time and Distance Run made from green markers at poen "Y". Red and Green T.I.'s over target. Centre of concentration of green T.I.'s in sights at time of bombing. T.I.'s seen to cascade at 20.45 hrs. Quite good fires burning in target area some scattered incendiaries. Appeared to be quite a good concentrated attack.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 654.	P/O. H.R. WALKUP. SGT. R.H. TURWELL. F/SGT. M.C. WRIGHT. SGT. P.A. DEACON. F/SGT. A.J. WURR. SGT. K. WOOLLARD. SGT. MULLETT.	Bombing- BOCHUM.	1806	2319	Primary attacked 2057 hrs. 20,000 ft. Green track markers seen and then red T.I.'s going down on approach to target. There was in the first wave little to be seen and no fires appeared to have started. P.F.F. were at least three minutes late. Wanganui technique seen but not used.	

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29/9/43	LANCASTER	P/O. J. ANSTEE.	Bombing-	1813	2135	No target attacked.	
(Contd)	ED. 499.	SGT. C. W. CARTWRIGHT. SGT. A. BIECHENROUGH. P/O. K. CHADDETON. SGT. R. C. WHALE. SGT. W. J. GRADDOCK. SGT. P. G. L. KERR.	BOCHUM.			Starboard outer U/S. Unable to climb above 9000 feet.	
	LANCASTER.	P/O. W. ENGLISH.	Bombing-	1812	2343	Primary attacked 2102 hrs. 19,500 ft. Identified by Red and Green T.I.'s and P/P flares red with Green stars.	
	DV. 293	SGT. MITCHELL. P/O. J. F. EVANS. SGT. L. V. FUSSELL. SGT. I. G. LANE. SGT. D. W. CARLYLE. SGT. P. W. HEWITT.	BOCHUM.			Green steady flares on track also seen. One red T.I. in Bomb sights. Not seen to cascade. The attack opened well. Early bombing was well concentrated around the T.I.'s.	

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BARNEY.	1/10.		<p>Fighter affiliation exercises were carried out during the day. Lateral air tests were carried out in preparation for the night's operations. High level bombing practice was also undertaken by two crews.</p> <p>The following aircraft and crews were detailed for an attack on HAGEN at night:-</p> <p>"B" (P/L. WELLS): "C" (1st LT. ROBERTS): "G" (P/O. JAMES): "H" (P/O. MAIR): "J" (P/O. NEWTON): "M" (P/SGT. ARGENT): "U" (P/O. ANSTEE): "V" (P/O. BRILL): "W" (P/O. HANCOCK): "X" (P/L. BRAIN): "Y" (P/O. ENGLISH): "Z" (P/O. BAYLON).</p> <p>Aircraft encountered 10/10ths cloud conditions over the target, which rendered observation of results very difficult. P.F.F. markers could be seen and these were bombed. On leaving the target, the glow of fires was seen reflected on the cloud.</p> <p>"X" and "U" returned early with engine trouble, and were unable to fulfil their remaining mission.</p>	SECRET
	2/10.		<p>The following were detailed for an attack on MUNICH:-</p> <p>"B" (P/O. COMANS): "C" (P/L. WELLS): "G" (P/O. MAIR): "H" (P/O. ERVINE): "J" (P/O. NEWTON): "M" (P/SGT. ARGENT): "O" (S/L. BUNKER): "T" (P/L. BRAIN): "V" (P/L. MITCHELL): "W" (P/O. WALKUP): "Y" (P/O. ANSTEE).</p> <p>The aircraft found good weather conditions over the target area. Flares were seen, and the target identified from T.I.'s. Bombing was concentrated around the T.I.'s and many bomb bursts were seen. Several large fires were left burning.</p>	
	3/10.		<p>Some local flying was carried out during the day. The following were detailed to bomb KASSEL at night:-</p> <p>"B" (P/O. COMANS): "C" (S/L. DERBYSHIRE): "G" (P/O. GRAHAM): "H" (P/O. LIVINGSTONE): "J" (P/O. JAMES): "O" (W/CDR. BURNETT): "T" (P/O. LYON): "U" (P/L. MITCHELL): "V" (P/O. BRILL): "W" (P/O. WALKUP): "X" (P/O. ANSTEE): "Y" (P/O. ENGLISH): "Z" (P/O. LIVINGSTONE).</p> <p>Aircraft proceeded to the target in good weather conditions. The target was identified and heavily bombed. A very large explosion was seen and many fires started.</p> <p>Whilst over the target, "W" (P/O. WALKUP) was attacked by an enemy fighter, which damaged</p>	

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	3/10	(contd)	the Lancaster and killed Sgt. LESLIE, the mid-upper gunner. However, the enemy aircraft was claimed as destroyed as a result of the encounter.		
	4/10.		FRANKFURT was the target for the following aircraft and crews at night:- "O" (P/O. LIVINGSTONE); "U" (P/S T. ARGENT); "V" (P/O. BRILL); "X" (P/L. BRAIN); "Q" (S/L. DERBYSHIRE); "G" (P/O. GRAHAM); "H" (P/O. ERVINE); "J" (P/O. NEWTON); "M" (1st LT. ROBERTS). The weather was good as the aircraft proceeded to the target. They found P.F.F. markers well placed and bombing was concentrated. Good fires were left burning and a large explosion was seen. The trip was considered by all crews to be very successful.		
	5/10.		No flying was carried out. Operations were ordered for the night, but were later cancelled.		
	6/10.		Again operations were cancelled after preparations were made during the day.		
	7/10.		Fighter affiliation exercises were carried out during the day. Operations were detailed for the night, the target being STUTTGART; the following took part:- "B" (P/L. WELLS); "C" (1st LT. ROBERTS); "D" (P/O. COMANS); "H" (P/O. MAIR); "J" (P/O. NEWTON); "M" (P/O. JAMES); "O" (S/L. BUNKER); "T" (P/O. TURNBULL); "U" (P/O. LYON); "X" (P/O. BAYLON); "Y" (P/SGT. ARGENT). Crews found 10/10ths cloud conditions over target. This resulted in bombing not being up to the usual standard of concentration, owing to the disposition of P.F.F. markers. Several large explosions were observed in the target area, and after leaving the glow of fires was seen reflected in the clouds. Two aircraft "Q" (1st LT. ROBERTS) and "H" (P/O. MAIR) failed to return.		
	8/10.		The following aircraft and crews took part in a night attack on HANNOVER:- "O" (P/O. LYON); "T" (P/O. TURNBULL); "U" (P/O. GRAHAM); "V" (P/O. ROBINSON); "X" (P/SGT. ARGENT); "Y" (P/O. ENGLISH); "B" (P/O. BLACK); "J" (P/O. WARD).		

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The following aircraft and crews took part in a night attack on HANNOVER:-

"O" (P/O. LYON): "T" (P/O. TURNBULL): "U" (P/O. GRAHAM): "V" (P/O. ROBINSON): "X" (P/O.

ARGENT) "Y" (P/O. ENGLISH): "B" (P/O. BLACK): "J" (P/O. WARD).

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BARDNEY.	8/10	(contd)	Aircraft attacked in good weather conditions. P.F.F. markers were well placed, and this enabled concentrated bombing to be carried out. Several explosions were seen in the target area and good fires were started.		
	9/10		Air tests were made as operations were ordered to be carried out at night. This order was later cancelled.		
	10/10		No flying was carried out.		
	11/10		One air test was carried out. One crew completed a cross-country exercise at night.		
	12/10		No flying was carried out.		
	13/10		Bombing exercises, a weather test and fighter affiliation exercises were carried out during the day. Cross-country exercises were completed by two crews at night.		
	14/10		The whole day's flying consisted of low flying practice by several crews.		
	15/10		Some bombing practice was carried out. Other flying, which had been arranged, had to be cancelled owing to bad weather.		
	16/10		Three crews took part in fighter affiliation exercises. The only other flying was by one crew engaged on air test and practice bombing.		
	17/10		One crew completed a fighter affiliation exercise. Other aircraft were flown on air tests.		
	18/10		Two crews carried out night cross-country exercises. The following were detailed to bomb HANNOVER at night:-		

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BARINEY	18/10	(contd)	<p>"O" (P/O. LIVINGSTONE); "P" (P/O. TURBULL); "U" (P/L. MITCHELL); "V" (P/O. ROBINSON);                      "X" (P/O. GOULD); "Y" (P/O. ENGLISH); "B" (P/O. BLACK); "G" (P/O. COMANS); "J" (P/O. WARD);                      "L" (P/O. ERVINE); "M" (P/O. JAMES); "N" (P/O. WALKUP)</p> <p>The weather interfered with the night's work. P.F.F. markers were found in the target area. Bombing, however, was scattered, and clouds prevented observation of results. One or two large explosions were noticed in the area and the glow of fires could be seen below cloud.</p> <p>"N" (P/O. WALKUP) returned early owing to the illness of the Captain after taking off.</p> <p>"K" (P/O. GOULD) failed to return.</p>	<p>"O" (P/O. LIVINGSTONE); "P" (P/O. TURBULL); "U" (P/O. ROBINSON); "V" (P/O. MITCHELL); "X" (P/O. GOULD); "Y" (P/O. ENGLISH); "B" (P/O. BLACK); "G" (P/O. COMANS); "J" (P/O. WARD); "L" (P/O. ERVINE); "M" (P/O. JAMES); "N" (P/O. WALKUP); "K" (P/O. GOULD); "C" (S/L. DERBYSHIRE); "D" (P/O. ERVINE); "E" (P/O. BAYLLEN); "F" (P/O. BLACK); "H" (P/O. MANNING); "I" (P/O. REID); "M" (P/SGT. STINE); "L" (P/O. MANNING); "N" (P/O. REID); "N" (P/SGT. STINE).</p>
	19/10.		<p>Air tests were made as operations were ordered for the night, but they were later cancelled.</p>	
	20/10.		<p>A night bombing attack was ordered against LEIPZIG, with the following aircraft and crews taking part:-</p> <p>"O" (P/O. LIVINGSTONE); "S" (P/O. CHAMBERS); "T" (P/O. LYON); "U" (P/L. MITCHELL); "V" (P/O. ROBINSON); "Y" (P/O. BAYLLEN); "B" (P/O. BLACK); "C" (S/L. DERBYSHIRE); "D" (P/O. ERVINE); "E" (P/O. BAYLLEN); "F" (P/O. BLACK); "H" (P/O. MANNING); "I" (P/O. REID); "M" (P/SGT. STINE); "L" (P/O. MANNING); "N" (P/O. REID); "N" (P/SGT. STINE).</p> <p>Very bad weather was encountered by our crews all the way to the target. Conditions over the target itself were no better and 10/10ths cloud prevailed. No P.F.F. markers could be found and crews were obliged to bomb on E.T.A. This resulted in very scattered bombing and as no results could be observed, the attack was not considered to be a success. One crew also completed a night cross-country exercise.</p>	
	21/10.		<p>Some local flying was carried out, but nothing of operational importance occurred.</p>	
	22/10.		<p>The following aircraft and crews were detailed to attack KASSEL at night:-</p>	

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BARNET.	22/10	(contd)	"B" (F/O. MANNING); "C" (F/O. COMANS); "D" (P/O. GLOVER); "E" (P/O. WARWICK); "J" (F/SGT. SYME); "N" (F/O. REID); "O" (P/O. LIVINGSTONE); "Q" (P/O. SIDDLER); "S" (SG. LING); "T" (P/O. TURNBULL); "U" (P/O. KYON); "V" (F/SGT. ARGENT); "Y" (P/O. BAYLON).  The weather was good and aircraft had little difficulty in locating the target. Concentrated bombing was carried out and many fires were started. Some large explosions were also seen. There was considerable fighter activity and "B" was attacked, resulting in the death of the mid-upper gunner. The rear gunner was wounded and the aircraft received some damage. "S" and "V" returned early, without completing their mission.		
	23/10.		A little local flying was carried out by several aircraft.		
	24/10.		Flying was restricted to training. This consisted of high level bombing practice and cross-country flights.		
	25/10.		Bombing training was ordered, but was later cancelled.		
	26/10.		Nothing of operational importance occurred.		
	27/10.		Two aircraft carried out air tests.		
	28/10.)		Nothing of operational importance occurred.		
	29/10.)				
	30/10.		Operations were ordered and air tests were carried out accordingly. The operational order was later cancelled.		

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	31/10.		Nothing of operational importance occurred. -0-0-0-0-9-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-		
			<u>SUMMARY OF OFFICERS' MOVEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.</u>		
	5/10.		F/O. D.J. BRILL, P/O. A.W. WESTOB, P/O. R. BUTLER and P/O. G.J. LITTLE posted from to No. 97 Squadron.		
	7/10.		F/O. S.D. SMITH posted from No. 1661 Conversion Unit.		
	11/10.		F/O. A.E. MANNING, F/O. J.W. HEARN posted from No. 1661 Con. Unit.		
	11/10.		P/O. W.J. CHAMBERS posted from No. 1661 Conversion Unit.		
	18/10.		F/O. J.S. MIDDLETON, P/O. J.C.R. LING and P/O. J. GLOVER posted from No. 1660 Conversion Unit.		
	19/10.		F/L. W.J. BEESTON posted from No. 106 Squadron. -0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-		
			The following awards to Squadron personnel during the month:- D.S.O. - W/Cdr. P. BURNETT, D.F.C. D.F.C. - F/Lt. J.A. BRECKELL, F/L. G.F. RIBERTSON, P/O. H.R. WALKUP. D.F.M. - SGE. J. MULLETT.		

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				UP	DOWN		
1/10/43.	LANCASTER. EE. 188	F/L. R. WELLS. F/O. REID. SGT. D.J. NUTMAN. P/O. A.U. DUNCAN. P/SGT. K. GARNETT. P/SGT. F. SMITH. SGT. W. GOUGH. SGT. F. MELLOR.	Bombing - HAGEN.	1826.	2354.	Primary attacked. 2102 hrs. 18,000 ft.. Identified by red and green T.I. No red T.I's visible at time of bombing.  2 green T.I's in bomb sights seen to cascade at 2101 hrs.  Flares seen to be starting on leaving target.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 836	1st. LT. E.G. ROBERTS. SGT. P. SHAW. P/O. F.G. ARLISS. P/O. W. CHADWICK. SGT. A. BAILEY. SGT. T.H. TIBBLES. SGT. R.J. DAREY.	Bombing - HAGEN.	1839.	0027.	Primary attacked. 2108 hrs. 18,500 ft. Identified by red and green T.I's. Two red T.I's in bomb sights seen to cascade at 2104 hrs. Two red T.I's in bomb sights seen to cascade at 2104 hrs. Cloud conditions prevented results of bombing being seen.	
	LANCASTER. DV 284	F/O. F. JAMES. SGT. G. TOMLINSON. P/O. G.E. LOCKEY. SGT. A.H. HOWIE. SGT. R.E. BURKE. SGT. N.W. CHIVERS. SGT. H. CROXON.	Bombing - HAGEN.	1846.	2350.	Primary attacked. 2100 hrs. 20,100 ft. Identified by red and green T.I's. Centre of cluster of 4 red T.I's in bomb sights seen to cascade at 2058 hrs. Too early to see any results of bombing.	
	LANCASTER. JA. 869.	P/O. A. MAIR. SGT. J. STONEHOUSE. SGT. D.J. ADAMS. SGT. T.J. FOUNDER. P/SGT. T.H. DENNIS. SGT. L.F. COLLINS. SGT. W. ROBERTSON.	Bombing - HAGEN.	1829.	2352.	Primary attacked. 2101 hrs. 19,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I. M.P.I. of 3 red T.I. (1 seen to cascade approx. 2000 hrs) in sights. Too early to assess results.  Good glow seen after leaving.	

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1/10/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. W. 4964.	P/O. C.P. NEWTON. SGT. J. TURNER. P/O. P. HALL. SGT. F.J. DUCK. SGT. J. RYAN. SGT. R. MCFERRAN. SGT. W.J. WILKINSON. P/SGT. J. ARGENT. SGT. W. LYONS. SGT. P.J. HEGLEY. P/O. D.A. KEEBLE. SGT. G. FRADLEY. P/SGT. A.K. TREVENA. SGT. V.C. KNOW. P/O. R.A. BAYLON. SGT. F.S. COFFE. P/O. B. OTTER. SGT. J.K. WIDDOP. SGT. E. EGAN. SGT. R.J. BARONI. SGT. A. RICHARDSON.	Bombing - HAGEN.	1841.	0001.	Primary attacked. 2104 hrs. 17,500 ft. Identified by red and green T.I. markers. Red T.I. markers in sights at time of bombing, which were seen to cascade at 2103 hrs. Fires were well concentrated round the T.I. markers.	
	LANCASTER. IM. 361.	P/SGT. J. ARGENT. SGT. W. LYONS. SGT. P.J. HEGLEY. P/O. D.A. KEEBLE. SGT. G. FRADLEY. P/SGT. A.K. TREVENA. SGT. V.C. KNOW. P/O. R.A. BAYLON. SGT. F.S. COFFE. P/O. B. OTTER. SGT. J.K. WIDDOP. SGT. E. EGAN. SGT. R.J. BARONI. SGT. A. RICHARDSON.	Bombing - HAGEN.	1820.	2357.	Primary attacked. 2102 hrs. 21,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I.'s. One red T.I. in bomb sights seen to cascade at 2100 hrs. Cloud conditions prevented results of bombing being seen.	
	LANCASTER. W. 5011½	P/O. R.A. BAYLON. SGT. F.S. COFFE. P/O. B. OTTER. SGT. J.K. WIDDOP. SGT. E. EGAN. SGT. R.J. BARONI. SGT. A. RICHARDSON.	Bombing - HAGEN.	1831.	0001.	Primary attacked. 2108 hrs. 17,500 ft. Identified by P.F.P. flares. M.P.I. of 2 red T.I. in sights. White glare seen through clouds. No results observed.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 656½	P/O. D.J. BELL. SGT. J. STONE. P/O. A.W. WESTON. P/O. R. BUTLER. SGT. H. CHAPPELL. P/O. C.J. LITTLE. P/SGT. F.J. BATTLE.	Bombing - HAGEN.	1823.	0022.	Primary attacked. 2100 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I.'s. One red T.I. in bomb sights seen to cascade at 2059 hrs. On 4,000 lb. HC. seen to explode on the red T.I. Glow of fires on cloud seen after leaving the target.	

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1/10/43 (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 654	F/O. J.R. HANCOCK. SGT. G.L.G. WILLIAMS. P/O. G. MARTIN. P/O. CHADDEFORN. SGT. G.S., PENFOLD. SGT. N.J. SORGE. SGT. J. SWINDLEHURST.	Bombing - HAGEN.	1827.	0010.	Primary attacked. 2109 hrs. 17,300 ft. Identified by red and green T.I. One red T.I. in sights. Glow of good fires seen on cloud, believed fairly compact.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	F/L. G.L. BRAIN. SGT. C.E. BOWYER. P/O. F.E. FORSHEW. SGT. H.T. JOLLIFFE. P/O. A.H. MILWARD. SGT. N.E. ADAMS. SGT. D.A. FOWLEY.	Bombing - HAGEN.	1825	1930.	No target attacked. Port inner engine caught fire. Bombs jettisoned and aircraft returned early.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 293.	F/O. W. ENGLISH. SGT. MITCHELL. P/O. J.E. EVANS. SGT. L.V. RUSSELL. SGT. L.G. LANE. SGT. D.V. CARLYLE. SGT. P.W. HEWITT.	Bombing - HAGEN.	1824.	2352.	Primary attacked. 2101 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I. One red T.I. in sights. Big red glow seen in cloud following the red T.I. At 2103 hrs. very bright blue flash lasting 2 to 3 seconds. Too early to assess any further results.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 196.	F/O. J. ANSTEE. SGT. C.W. CARTWRIGHT. SGT. A. BIRCHENOUGH. P/O. DOHERTY. SGT. R.C. WHALE. SGT. W.J. CRADDOCK. SGT. P.G.L. KERR.	Bombing - HAGEN.	1833.	2030.	No target attacked. Starboard outer seized solid. Bombs jettisoned and aircraft returned early.	

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2/10/43.	LANCASTER. ES. 188.	F/O. J.V. COMANS.	Bombing -	1908	0908	Primary attacked. 2242 hrs. 17,000 ft. Flares seen over lake and T.I's going down ahead. M.P.I. of 4 green T.I.'s previously seen to cascade. Distinct indications of creep back from main concentrations of fires. There was one very large orange fire which was increasing but this also was an "undershoot" in relation to the majority of the T.I's.	
		SGT. K. RANDLE.	MUNICH.				
		F/O. D. BOWES.					
		F/O. K.H.H. COOK.					
		SGT. R.G. WOOLFORD.					
		SGT. G. WIDDIS.					
		SGT. A.D. BOLLAND.					
LANCASTER. ED. 836.		F/L. R. WELLS.	Bombing -	1843.	0232.	Primary attacked. 2235 hrs. 19,000 ft. Flares illuminated water but unable to identify northern tip of Wurm See. Target identified by T.I. red and green. M.P.I. of 2 red T.I. Bomb Almer thought he identified built up area by flashes of 4000 lb. bombs and by two flares. Considerable number of short sticks and T.I. were rather scattered. Another cluster of red T.I. seen to port as we bombed. Too early to assess results.	
		SGT. D.J. NUTMAN.	MUNICH.				
		F/O. A.U. DUNCAN.					
		F/SGT. K. GARNETT.					
		F/SGT. P. SMITH.					
		SGT. K. MELLOR.					
		SGT. W. GOUGH.					
LANCASTER. DW. 284.		F/O. A. MAIR.	Bombing -	1845.	0231.	Primary attacked. 2237 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I.'s. Yellow route markers and white flares also seen. Red spot fires not seen at Wurm See nor was North tip of lake visually identified. Centre of cluster of 3 red T.I's and one green T.I. in bomb sights, seen to cascade at 2234 hrs. Bombing concentrated around the T.I's but only a few fires seen.	
		SGT. J. STONEHOUSE.	MUNICH.				
		SGT. D.J. ADAMS.					
		SGT. T.J. FOUNDER.					
		F/SGT. T.H. DENNIS.					
		SGT. L.F. COLLINS.					
		SGT. W. ROBERTSON.					
LANCASTER. JA. 869.		F/O. W.D. ERVINE.	Bombing -	1842.	0300.	Primary attacked. 2356 hrs. 21,000 ft. Flares illuminated Wurm See, but unable to pin point. Red and green T.I. seen ahead. Red T.I. in sights. Well concentrated fires.	
		SGT. D. LEYSHON.	MUNICH.				
		F/O. H.J. MAY.					
		SGT. A.B. GILES.					
		SGT. P. LOMAX.					
		F/O. H.A. DICKINSON.					
		SGT. J.C. DICKINSON.					

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2/10/43 (contd)	LANCASTER. W. 4964.	P/O. C.P. NEWTON. SGT. J. TURNER. P/O. P. HALL. SGT. E.J. DUCK. SGT. J. RYAN. SGT. R. McFERRAN. SGT. W.J. WILKINSON.	Bombing - MUNICH.	1847.	0252.	Primary attacked. 2240 hrs. 21,500 ft. Identified by red and green T.I.'s. Route markers yellow and white flares, and red spot fires seen through cloud at Wurm See. North tip of Wurm See could not be visually identified. Centre of cluster of 3 red T.I.'s in bomb sights, seen to cascade at 2237 hrs. Good fires seen. Some T.I.'s seen to fall short of the main fires.	
	LANCASTER. JA. 690.	F/SGT. J. ARGENT, SGT. W. LYONS. SGT. P.J. BEGLEY. P/O. D.A. KNEBLE. SGT. G. FRADLEY. F/SGT. A.K. TREVENA. SGT. V.G. KNOW.	Bombing - MUNICH.	1841.	0241.	Primary attacked. 2235 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I. Bombed concentration of red and green T.I. Our results not seen. Exceptionally large fires seen close to T.I.'s. Glow seen from Straßbourg.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 700.	S/L. R.H. BUNKER. SGT. W. POSSE. SGT. W.A. GALL. P/L. G. BELL. SGT. J. LEVER, SGT. R.G. LOMAS. SGT. F.G. HAYLER.	Bombing - MUNICH.	1853.	0250.	Primary attacked. 2240 hrs. 21,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I.'s, white flares seen over Wurm See, but owing to cloud conditions the northern tip of the lake could not be accurately identified. Timed run was made from what was considered the northern tip of Wurm See from water pin point but on completion of run found to be some miles short of the T.I.'s and it was decided that the pin point had been inaccurate. Continued on run to bomb T.I.'s. Centre of cluster of 3 red T.I.'s in sights, seen to cascade at 2239 hrs. Bombing appeared concentrated. Good fires and smoke.	
	LANCASTER. LM. 361.	P/L. C.J. BRAIN. SGT. C.E. BOWYER. P/O. F.E. FORESHEW. SGT. H.T. JOLLIFFE. P/O. A.H. MILNARD. SGT. N.E. ADAMS. SGT. D.A. FOWELY.	Bombing - MUNICH.	1850.	0250.	Primary attacked. 2238 hrs. 23,000 ft. Bombing done by time and distance run from northern tip of Wurm See. Bombing appeared well concentrated in area of T.I.	

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2/10/43 (cont'd)	LANCASTER.	P/O. J. ANSTRE.	Bombing - MUNICH.	1851.	0250.	Primary attacked. 2239 hrs. 21,500 ft. Flares revealed water, but northern tip of Wurm See not identified. Target identified visually, river and built up areas seen and by P.R.F. red and green T.I. Green T.I. rather scattered, W.P.I. of 2 red T.I. in sights. Much smoke, fires seem to be getting a hold. Some concentration. More short bombing than usual.				
	LANCASTER, ED. 654.	P/O. H.R. WALKUP. SGT. R.H. TURBELL. P/SGT. M.C. WRIGHT. SGT. F.A. DEACON. P/SGT. A.J. GURR. SGT. LESLIE. SGT. MULLETT.						0201.	Primary attacked. 2237 hrs. 21,000 ft. Target and lake could not be identified, as bombed on red and green T.I.'s. Centre of 3 green T.I.'s in sights. Reds and greens were fairly well concentrated. On leaving target, fairly good fires were seen, well concentrated.	
	LANCASTER, ED. 656	P/L. J.F. MITCHELL. SGT. A.M. JONES. P/O. J.N. WYATT. SGT. F. PERREY. SGT. F. JOHNSON. SGT. B.G. ROGERS SGT. E. PLUNKETT,						1849	0250	Primary attacked. 2237 hrs. 21,000 ft. Identified northern tip of lake and carried out timed run. Bombs released at end of 3 mins. 48 secs, timed run. Bom burst seen, in the light of which was some built up area. There were fires starting estimated slightly north of T.I.'s
	LANCASTER, ES. 188.	P/O. J.V. COMANS. SGT. K. RANDLT. P/O. D. BOWES. P/O. M.H.H. COOK. SGT. R.G. WOOLFORD. SGT. G. WIDDIS. SGT. A.D. BOLLAND.						1835	0001.	No target attacked. Starboard inner damaged by M/G fire from Lancaster. Engine caught fire. Mission abandoned and bomb load jettisoned.

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3/10/43 (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 836.	S/L. J.N. DERBYSHIRE	Bombing -	1837.	0033.	Primary attacked. 2118 hrs. 20,000 ft. One red T.I. seen at 2114 hrs but no other red seen. One green T.I. in sights. Bombing appeared fairly well concentrated although B/A saw ground from light of flares showing odd buildings, but no congested built up areas in immediate vicinity of T.I.	
		SGT. E. SULLIVAN.	KASSEL.				
		P/O. K. GILL.					
		F/SGT. P. OVEREND.					
		SGT. F. OAKES.					
		SGT. OWEN.					
	LANCASTER. MM DV. 284.	P/O. G.A. GRAHAM.	Bombing -	1844.	0028.	Primary attacked. 2130 hrs. 20,400 ft. Target identified by red and green T.I.'s, fires and searchlights. Centre of 5 green T.I.'s in sights. Good fires, well concentrated. Very little under or over shooting.	
		SGT. W. STATHAM.	KASSEL.				
		P/O. D. McDONALD.					
		SGT. R.M. DUNN.					
		SGT. A.F. WILLIAMSON.					
		F/SGT. H. ALTUS.					
		SGT. K. MELLOR.					
	LANCASTER. JA. 869.	P/O. J. LIVINGSTONE.	Bombing -	1829.	0005.	Primary attacked. 2117 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by green T.I.'s. Built up area visually identified. No red T.I.'s were seen. Centre of cluster of 4 green T.I.'s in bomb sights, seen to cascade at 2115 hrs. Too early to see results other than two sticks falling near the green T.I.'s.	
		SGT. THOMAS.	KASSEL.				
		F/SGT. F.C. WATSON.					
		SGT. H. BREWER.					
		F/SGT. J. PRINDERGAST.					
		F/SGT. R.N. BROWN.				After leaving target good fires well concentrated seen.	
		SGT. T.C. TAYLOR.				Very big explosion seen at 2207 hrs, 502N 0605E.	
	LANCASTER. JA. 690.	P/O. F. JAMES.	Bombing -	1840.	0043.	Primary attacked. 2132 hrs. 20,500 ft. Identified by green T.I.'s. No red T.I. were seen in target area. Centre of cluster of 4 green T.I. in bomb sights, seen to cascade at approx. 2130 hrs. Good fires concentrated round the green T.I.'s.	
		SGT. G. TOMLINSON.	KASSEL.				
		P/O. G.E. LOCKEY.					
		SGT. R.H. HOWIE.					
		SGT. R.E. BURKE.					
		SGT. N.W. CHIVERS.					
		SGT. H. CROXON.					

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3/10/43 (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 700.	W/CDR. P. BURNETT.	Bombing -	1838.	0040.	Primary attacked. 2130 hrs. 22,500 ft. Identified by green T.I's. Previously red T.I's had been seen at posn. "X". Centre of pattern of green T.I's in sights. No reds seen. Fair number of fires around the green T.I's, thought to be built up area. 2205 hrs. after leaving target, a very large explosion was seen.	
		F/O. W.J. JOWERS.	KASSEL.				
		S/L. SANDS.					
		F/L. G. BELL.					
		F/L. J.H. MOUTRAY.					
		F/O. H.B. SMALL.					
		F/L. C.A. PATTEN.					
	LANCASTER. IV. 198.	F/L. J.F. MITCHELL.	Bombing -	1856.	0031.	Primary attacked. 2218 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by green T.I's. No red seen. One green T.I. in bomb sights, not seen to cascade. Bombing appeared concentrated. Two big fires seen on leaving. At 2159 hrs when 115 miles from target enormous bright red explosion seen in direction of target.	
		SGT. A.M. JONES.	KASSEL.				
		F/O. J.N. WYATT.					
		SGT. E. RENNERTY.					
		SGT. P. JOHNSON.					
		SGT. B.G. ROGERS.					
		SGT. E. PLUNKETT.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 656.	F/O. D.J. BRILL.	Bombing -	1833.	0043.	Primary attacked. 2131 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I's. Centre of cluster of 3 green T.I's in bomb sights; seen to cascade at 2130 hrs. Two red T.I.'s seen burning on ground, partially obscured by smoke. The three green T.I's in bomb sights were seen to fall in same posn. as the two red T.I's. Bombing well concentrated and very good fires seen. A particularly big explosion seen at 2206 hrs from 5040N 0750E.	
		SGT. J. STONE.	KASSEL.				
		F/O. A.W. WESTON.					
		F/O. R. BUTLER.					
		SGT. H. CHAPPELL.					
		F/O. C.J. LITTLE.					
		SGT. F.J. BATTLE.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 654.	F/O. H.R. WALKUP.	Bombing -	1836.	0040.	Primary attacked. 2121 hrs. 21,000 ft. Identified by green T.I's. Bombs dropped in target area. T.I's not in sights owing to combat. Good fires seen on leaving target. Combat with F.W. 190 on run up to target resulting in enemy aircraft being destroyed. Mid-upper gunner killed and Lancaster's inter-com. and oxygen connection from main spar to rear being severed and fuselage damaged.	
		SGT. R.H. TURRELL.	KASSEL.				
		F/SGT. M.G. WRIGHT.					
		SGT. P.A. DRACON.					
		F/SGT. A.J. GURR.					
		SGT. J. LESLIE.					
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3/10/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. DV. 291.	F/O. W. ENGLISH. SGT. MITCHELL. F/O. J.E. EVANS. SGT. L.V. FUSSELL. SGT. L.G. LANE. SGT. D.V. CARLYLE. SGT. P.W. HEWITT.	Bombing - KASSEL.	1839.	0045.	Primary attacked. 2131 hrs. 20,000 ft. Yellow, green and one red T.I. seen in target area. Centre of 4 green T.I.'s in sights. One red cascaded at 2127 hrs. some way apart from the greens. Good fires, well concentrated. About 15 minutes after leaving target a very large orange flash was seen in target area, lasting about 5 secs, before dying down.	
	LANCASTER. LM. 361.	F/O. J.H.S. LYON. SGT. K. PACK. F/O. R.W. CORKILL. SGT. H.W. JEFFERY. SGT. A. FIELDING. SGT. A.G. DENYER. SGT. L.F. COLLINS.	Bombing - KASSEL.	1911.	0013.	Primary attacked: 2117 1/2 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by green T.I.'s. No reds seen until leaving target. Concentration of 3-4 green T.I.'s in bomb sights, previously seen to cascade at 2114 hrs. Two loads seen to go down at posn. "Y" (white T.I.'s). One very large building seen near the particular green T.I.'s used for bombing. When coming away numerous fires could be seen but scattered and there was good deal of greyish smoke.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	F/O. J. ANSTEE. SGT. C.W. CARTWRIGHT. SGT. A. BIRCHENROUGH. F/O. DOHERTY. SGT. R.G. WHALE SGT. W.J. GRADDOCK. SGT. F.G.L. KERR.	Bombing - KASSEL.	1841.	0038.	Primary attacked. 2132 hrs. 20,700 ft. Identified by red and green T.I. Red cascaded at 2112 hrs. M.P.I. of 2 or more green T.I. No reds seen on bombing run. Bombing well concentrated round T.I.	
4/10/43.	LANCASTER. ED. 836.	S/L. J.N. DERBYSHIRE. SGT. F. SULLIVAN. F/O. K. GILL. F/SGT. F. OBEREND. SGT. E. OAKES. F/SGT. E.G. COLS. SGT. T. PARSONS.	Bombing - FRANKFURT.	1810.	0036.	Primary attacked. 2135 hrs. 20,500 ft. Identified by P.F.F. flares and T.I. yellow and by red and green T.I. M.P.I. of three red T.I. in sights. Concentrated attack, fires steadily increasing. Considerable black smoke seen.	

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4/10/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER. DV. 284.	P/O. G.A. GRAHAM. SGT. W. STATHAM. P/O. D. McDONALD. SGT. R.M. INNES. SGT. A.F. WILLIAMSON. SGT. H. ALTUS. SGT. W. ROBERTSON.	Bombing - FRANKFURT.	1819.	0047.	Primary attacked. 2146 hrs. 20,500 ft. Identified by P.F.F. flares, yellow T.I. and by red and green T.I. M.P.I. of a green T.I. in sights. No red seen during bombing run. Concentration particularly good. Very big orange explosion 2136 hrs. lasting over 30 secs. followed by a second explosion at the end of this period.	
	LANCASTER. JA. 869.	P/O. W.D. ERVINE. SGT. D. LEYSHON. P/O. H.J. MAY. SGT. A.B. GILES. SGT. F. LOMAX. P/O. H.A. DICKINSON. SGT. J.C. DICKINSON.	Bombing - FRANKFURT.	1808.	0025.	Primary attacked. 2136 hrs. 20,000 ft. Red and green T.I's seen in target area. River Main was also seen to port on approaching target. Red T.I. in sights. First reds seen to cascade at 2129 hours. Very good fires well concentrated.	
	LANCASTER, W. 4963.	P/O. C.P. NEWTON. SGT. J. TUERNER. P/O. P. HALL. SGT. E.J. DUCK. SGT. J. RYAN. SGT. R. McFERRAN. SGT. W.J. WILKINSON.	Bombing - FRANKFURT.	1842.	0052.	Primary attacked. 2145 hours. 20,500 ft. Identified by red and green T.I's in target area. Centre of concentration of 8 or 9 green T.I. in sights. No reds visible at time of bombing. Reds appeared as bombs dropped. Very good fires extremely well concentrated, very thick smoke billowing away from target. Glow of fires could be seen 120 miles away on return.	
	LANCASTER. JA. 690.	1st L T.E.G. ROBERTS. SGT. P. SHAW. P/O. F.G. ARLISS. P/O. W. CHADWICK. SGT. A. BAILEY. SGT. T.H. TIBBLES. SGT. W.J. DABBY.	Bombing - FRANKFURT.	1823.	0055.	Primary attacked. 2145 hrs. 19,500 ft. Identified by red and green T.I's. Built up area visually identified. Centre of cluster of 3 green T.I's in bomb sights. Seen to cascade at 2144 hrs. No red T.I's seen at time of bombing. Good fires well concentrated. A very big orange explosion seen on approaching target at 2130 hrs.	

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4/10/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 700.	P/O. J. LIVINGSTONE. SGT. THOMAS. F/SGT. F.C. WATSON. SGT. H.C. BREWER. F/SGT. J. FRENDEGAST. F/SGT. R.N. BROWN. SGT. T.C. TAYLOR.	Bombing - FRANKFURT.	1811.	0011	Primary attacked. 2130 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I's. Built up area and river visually identified. One red T.I. in bomb sights, seen to cascade at 2131 1/2 hrs. Early bombing well concentrated. Large explosion seen at 2138 hrs, N.W. of main concentration.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 198.	F/SGT. G. ARGENT, SGT. W. LYONS. SGT. P.J. BEGLEY. F/O. D.A. KEEBLE. SGT. G. FRADLEY. F/SGT. A.K. TREVENA. SGT. V.C. KNOW.	Bombing - FRANKFURT,	1821.	0040.	Primary attacked. 2142 hrs. 20,000 ft. P.F.F. T.I. red and green seen. P.F.F. T.I. red seen in bomb sight. Results of own bombing not observed. Several good fires were observed to be well placed.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 656	F/O. D.J. BRILL., SGT. J. STONE. F/O. A.W. WESTON. F/O. R. BUTLER. SGT. H. CHAPPELL. F/O. C.J. LITTLE. F/SGT. F.J. BATTLE.	Bombing - FRANKFURT,	1820.	0114.	Primary attacked. 2147 hrs. 20,400 ft. Identified by P.F.F. flares yellow and red and green T.I's. M.P.I. of approx 5 green T.I. in sights. No red seen on bombing run. Good fires seen at Mannheim and at target particularly well concentrated. Orange explosion at approx. 2131 hrs. But also fires seen at Darmstadt.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	F/L. C.J. BRAIN. SGT. C.E. BOWYER. F/O. F.E. FORESHEW. SGT. H.T. JOLLIFFE. F/O. A.H. MILWARD. SGT. N.E. ADAMS. SGT. D.A. POWLEY.	Bombing - FRANKFURT.	1815.	0038.	Primary attacked. 2134 1/2 hrs. 21,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I's. Built up area and river visually identified. Two red T.I's in bomb sights seen to cascade at 2133 hrs. Bombing fairly well concentrated. Good fires and very large orange explosion seen at 2136 hrs, felt at 21,000 ft. Another explosion seen at 2138 hrs.	170

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	LANCASTER. ED. 488.	F/L. R. WELLS. SGT. D.J. NUTMAN. P/O. A.U. DUNCAN. P/SGT. K. GARRETT. P/SGT. P. SMITH. SGT. W. GOUGH. P/SGT. S. MOSS.	Bombing - STUTTGART.	2055.	0317.	Primary attacked. 0014 hrs. 19,000 ft. Yellow and green T.I's seen in target area. Centre of concentration of 3 green T.I's in sights. First greens at 0006 hrs. No reds visible. Some red wanganai flares seen. A few scattered fires observed. Too early to observe results.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 836.	1st Lt. E.G. ROBERTS. SGT. P. SHAW.	Bombing - STUTTGART.	2058.		Aircraft missing. No signals received.	
	LANCASTER. BV. 284.	P/O. F.G. ARLISS. P/O. V. CHADWICK. SGT. A. BAILEY. SGT. T.H. TIBBLES. SGT. R.J. DAREY. P/O. J.W. COMANS. SGT. K. RANDLE. P/O. D. BOWES. P/O. K.R.H. COOK. SGT. R.G. WOLFORD. SGT. G. WIDDIS. SGT. A.D. BOLLAND. P/O. A. MAIR. SGT. J. STONEHOUS. (SGT. D.J. ADAMS. SGT. T.J. POUNDER. P/SGT. T.H. DENNIS. SGT. L.P. COLLINS. SGT. W. ROBERTSON.	Bombing - STUTTGART.	2041.	0340.	Primary attacked. 0016 hrs. 21,000 ft. Identified by red T.I's on approaching target and green T.I's and P.P.F. flares. No red T.I's at time of bombing. Centre of cluster of 4 green T.I's in bomb sights, seen to cascade at 0016 hrs. After leaving target good fires seen concentrated around the T.I's with some scattered bombing North and South.	
	LANCASTER. JA. 869.		Bombing - STUTTGART.	2046.		Aircraft missing. No signals received.	

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7/10/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER. W. 4964.	P/O. C.P. NEWTON.	Bombing - STUTTGART.	2059.	0305.	Primary attacked. 0010 hrs. 19,500 ft. Identified by green T.I's and W/P flares, red with green stars. Centre of cluster of 4 green T.I's in bomb sights, seen to cascade at 0009 hours. Good concentrated fire seen after leaving target, and some scattered fires seen.	
		SGT. J. TURNER.					
		P/O. P. HALL.					
		SGT. E.J. DUCK.					
		SGT. J. RYAN.					
		SGT. R. McFERRAN.					
		SGT. W.J. WILKINSON.					
	LANCASTER. JA. 690	P/O. F. JAMES. SGT. G. TOMLINSON. P/O. G.E. LOCKEY. SGT. A.H. HOWIE. SGT. R.E. BURKE. SGT. N.W. CHIVERS. SGT. H. CROXON.	Bombing - STUTTGART.	2044.	0256.	Primary attacked. 0011 hrs. 20,600 ft. No greens available at time of bombing. One Wanganui flare in sights. Very scattered bombing indeed and fires unimpressive.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 700.	S/L. R.H. BUNKER. SGT. W. FOSSYS. SGT. V.A. GALL. F/L. G. BELL. SGT. J. LEVER. SGT. R.G. LOMAS. SGT. F.G. HAYLER.	Bombing - STUTTGART	2052.	0250.	Primary attacked. 0010 1/2 hrs. 21,000 ft. Identified by P.P.F. flares and T.I. greens seen ahead and scattered Wanganui flares. On bombing run Wanganui flares seen to be widely scattered and as green T.I. could be seen bombed W.P.I. of 4 greens. No red T.U. seen. After bombing saw a smallish red glow on cloud and another even smaller glow on cloud some miles N.E. Later other A/C bombed out glow and fires tended to improve. Minor flare up or explosion at 0011 hrs. 1 mile 0800 from point of aim.	
	LANCASTER. IM. 361.	P/O. W.W. TURNBULL. SGT. J. WELLINGS. SGT. J. WATERHOUSE. P/O. J. McMASTERS SGT. OWEN. SGT. L. MITCHELL. SGT. J. CASEY.	Bombing - STUTTGART,	2051	0311.	Primary attacked. 0010 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by yellow and green T.I's. Centre of concentration of 6 Green T.I's in sights. Yellows were first seen at 0001 hrs greens went down immediately afterwards and in same place. Reds did not appear at all. Two good fires were seen near concentration of T.I's, but attack had not really started and it was too early to observe results.	

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7/10/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. DV. 198.	F/O. J.H.S. LYON. SGT. T. PARSONS. F/O. R.W. CORKILL. SGT. H.W. JEFFERY. SGT. A. FIELDING. SGT. A.G. DENYER. SGT. G. CLEGG.	Bombing - STUTTGART	2042.	0316.	Primary attacked. 0011 hrs. 19,000 ft. Identified by green and yellow T.I's and P/P flares red with green stars. Two green T.I's in bomb sights, seen to cascade at 0011 hrs. Cloud conditions prevented results of bombing being seen but orange red glow of fires and smoke could be seen on leaving the target. Explosion seen at 0007 hrs.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	F/O. R.A. BAYLON. SGT. F.S. COPE. F/O. B. OTTER. SGT. J.K. WIDDOP. SGT. E. EGAN. SGT. SORGE. SGT. A. RICHARDSON.	Bombing - STUTTGART.	2054.	0235.	Primary attacked. 0018 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by P.P.F. flares yellow T.I. one Wanganui flare and by red and green T.I. Centre of concentration of one or more red T.I. in sights. Glow of good fires seen below cloud. Explosion reported by rear gunner at 0025, and confirmed by Captain	
	LANCASTER. DV. 293.	F/SGT. J. ARGENT. SGT. W. LYONS. SGT. P.J. BEGLEY. F/O. D.A. KEBBLE. SGT. G. FRADLEY. F/SGT. A.K. TREVENA. SGT. V.G. KNOX.	Bombing - STUTTGART.	2053.	0324.	Primary attacked. 0014 1/2 hrs. 22,000 ft. Identified by yellow, red and green T.I's in target area. Bombed centre of concentration of 6 green T.I's. Reds were not visible at time of bombing. First red was seen at 0003 hours. Two main concentrations of T.I's were seen, bombed the most northerly as explosion was seen in the vicinity. About 8 good fires, scattered, seen. One good explosion approx 0012 hrs. red flare up lasted about 2 seconds.	
8/10/43	LANCASTER. EE. 188.	F/O. I.C.B. BLACK. SGT. E. BUTTON. F/O. G.E. McTAGGART. SGT. G. BROTHERS. SGT. E. MYERSCOUGH. SGT. W.H.A. CARDWELL. SGT. D.T. GORDON.	Bombing - HANNOVER.	2311.	0405.	Primary attacked. 0140 hrs. 20,500 ft. Identified by red and green T.I's in target area. Built up area could be seen. Centre of cluster of three green T.I's in sights. Reds had extinguished before time of bombing. Greens cascaded at 0138 - 0138 1/2 hrs. Moderate fires, seemed concentrated near T.I's. Explosion at 0138 1/2 hrs. red flash and column of black smoke, another explosion at 0142 hrs, very large red flare-up lasting several seconds, appeared twice in same place, very large column of black smoke.	

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cascaded at 0138-0138 hrs. Moderate fires, seemed concentrated near T.I.'s. Explosion at 0138 hrs. red flash and column of black smoke, another explosion at 0142 hrs. very large red flare-up lasting several seconds, appeared twice in same place, very large column of black smoke.

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8/10/43 (contd)	LANCASTER. W. 4964.	P/O. C. WARD. SGT. J. SUTTON. SGT. E. KEENE. SGT. G.L. JAMES. SGT. G.F.K. BEDWELL. SGT. N.F. DIXON. SGT. W.L. DORAN.	Bombing - HANNOVER.	2303.	0356.	Primary attacked, 0143 hrs. 21,000 ft. Identified by yellow flares and red and green T.I.'s. No red T.I.'s at time of bombing. Centre of cluster of four green T.I.'s in bomb sight, seen to cascade at 0142 hrs. Bombing usually well concentrated but some undershooting. Large explosion seen at 0141 hrs.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 700	P/O. J.H.S. LYON. SGT. F. PARSONS. P/O. R.W. CORKILL. SGT. H.W. JEFFERY. SGT. A. FIELDING. SGT. A.G. DENYER. SGT. T. PARSONS.	Bombing - HANNOVER.	2302.	0347.	Primary attacked. 0137 hrs. 21,500 ft. Identified by Newhaven flares and by red and green T.I. M.P.I. of three or more red T.I. in sights. Flares and T.E. particularly well concentrated. Fires promising but not yet taken hold.	
	LANCASTER. LM. 361.	P/O. W.W. TURNBULL. SGT. J. WELLINGS. SGT. J. WATERHOUSE. P/O. J. McMASTERS. SGT. OWEN. SGT. BARONI. SGT. C.F. BOLT.	Bombing - HANNOVER.	2259.	0346.	Primary attacked. 0137 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I.'s. Centre of cluster of three red T.I.'s in bomb sights, seen to cascade at approx. 0135 hrs. Most of the bombing appeared to be well concentrated, but there was a little undershooting. Big explosion seen at 0142 hours.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 198.	P/O. G.A. GRAHAM. SGT. W. STATHAM. P/O. D. McDONALD. SGT. R.M. INNESS. SGT. A.F. WILLIAMSON.	Bombing - HANNOVER.	2306.	0402.	Primary attacked. 0142 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by large number of Newhaven flares, yellow, red and green T.I. Only green T.I. available at time of bombing. M.P.I. five green T.I.'s in sights. Fires burning well and very concentrated.	

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8/10/43. (Contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 656.	F/O. GOULD.	Bombing - HANNOVER.	2300.	0352.	Primary attacked. 0139 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I's in target area. M.P.I. of seven red T.I's in sights. About four small fires, not very near the T.I's. Attack did not seem to have really started. An explosion was seen near the concentration of T.I's immediately after bombing (0139 hrs). Dull red glow lasting for one second and column of thick black smoke.	
		F/O. N.J. ROBINSON.					
		SGT. R. TAYLOR.					
		F/SGT. T.R. DAVIS.					
		F/O. SMITH.					
		SGT. W.E. JONES.					
		F/SGT. COLES.					
		SGT. J. CASSEY.					
	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	F/SGT. J. ARGENT.	Bombing -	2307.	0400.	Primary attacked. 0139 hrs. 20,500 ft. Newhaven flares yellow T.I. seen ahead and red and green T.I. Caught by searchlights during bombing run and bombed eventually half a mile west of M.P.I. of two or more red T.I. surrounded by six green T.I. T.I. very concentrated but few fires had yet caught hold. Minor explosion seen at 0140 approx.	
		SGT. GRAIN.	HANNOVER.				
		SGT. P.J. BEGLTY.					
		F/O. D.A. KNEBLE.					
		SGT. G. FRADLEY.					
		F/SGT. A.K. TREVENA.					
		SGT. V.C. KNOX.					
	LANCASTER. DV. 293.	F/O. W. ENGLISH.	Bombing -	2304.	0349.	Primary attacked. 0142 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by red green and yellow T.I's. A cluster of three green T.I's in bomb sights, seen to cascade at about 0140 hrs. These green T.I's were in the middle of two red T.I's and were therefore bombed in preference to either of the red T.I's. Bombing well concentrated.	
		SGT. MITCHELL.	HANNOVER.				
		F/O. J.E. EVANS.					
		SGT. L.V. BUSSELL.					
		SGT. L.G. LANE.					
		SGT. D.W. CARLYLE.					
		SGT. P.W. NEWITT.					
18/10/43.	LANCASTER. EE. 188.	F/O. I.C.B. BLACK.	Bombing -	1727.	2231.	Primary attacked. 2019 hrs. 20,800 ft. Identified by green T.I. No Wanganui flares seen. Very few T.I. seen, so no opinion as to concentration - Flare up seen very approx. 2017 hrs. Glow seen under clouds on leaving, but results generally not impressive.	
		F/O. REID.	HANNOVER.				
		SGT. B. BUTTON.					
		F/O. G.E. McTAGGART.					
		SGT. M.M. BROTHERS.					
		SGT. A.E. BAUMANN.					
		F/SGT. W.H.A. CARDWELL.					
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18/10/43 (Contd.)	LANCASTER. DV 284.	F/O. J.V. COMANS. SGT. K. RANDLE. F/O. D. BOWES. F/O. K.H.H. COOK. SGT. R.G. WOOLFORD. SGT. G. WIDDIS. SGT. A.D. BOLLAND.	Bombing - HANOVER.	1717.	2232.	Primary attacked. 2020 hours. 20,500 ft. Identified by green T.I. No other markers seen until after bombing when one Wanganui flare reported by Navigator astern. M.P.I. of cluster of green T.I. in sights. Bombing appeared very scattered, but a huge explosion observed at approx. 2017 hrs.	
	LANCASTER. W. 4963.	F/O. C. WARD. SGT. J. SUTTON. SGT. E. KEENE. SGT. G.L. JAMES SGT. G.F.K. BEDWELL. SGT. N.F. DIXON. SGT. W.L. DORAN.	Bombing - HANOVER.	1718.	2236½.	Primary attacked. 2022 hrs. 21,500 ft. Yellow and green T.I.'s seen at target. M.P.I. of 5 T.I. green in sights. Bomb seen to burst. Approx. 8 fires burning to east of green T.I.'s. Bright yellow explosion at 2015½ hrs.	
	LANCASTER. W. 5010.	F/O. W.D. IRVINE. F/SGT. SYMS. SGT. D. LEYSHON. F/O. H.J. MAY. SGT. A.B. GILES. SGT. F. LOMAX, F/O. H.A. DICKINSON. SGT. J.C. DICKINSON.	Bombing - HANOVER.	1716.	2223.	Primary attacked. 2016½ hrs. 19,500 ft. Red, green and yellow T.I.'s seen in target area. Few scattered fires, glow seen through cloud. Too early to assess results.	
	LANCASTER. JA. 690.	F/O. P. JAMES. SGT. G. TOMLINSON. F/SGT. ARCHER. SGT. A.H. HOWIE. SGT. R.E. BURKE. SGT. N.W. CHIVERS. SGT. H. CROXON.	Bombing - HANOVER.	1725.	2239½.	Primary attacked. 2020 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I.'s in target area. M.P.I. of 5 green T.I.'s. No reds visible. First red 2014 hrs. No reds appeared after that time. No results visible. Bombing was scattered, very few bomb bursts seen and a few incendiaries to N.W. of green T.I.'s.	173

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	LANCASTER. ED. 700.	P/O. J.F. LIVINGSTONE. F/O. MANNING. SGT. F. PARSONS. F/SGT. F.T. WATSEN. SGT. H.C. BREWER. F/SGT. J. PRENDERGAST, SGT. R.N. BROWNE. SGT. T.C. TAYLOR.	Bombing - HANOVER.	1723.	2229.	Primary attacked. 2017 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by green and yellow T.I.'s and yellow flares. M.P.I. of three green T.I.'s in bomb sights. Not seen to cascade. No red T.I. seen at time of bombing. Cloud conditions prevented results of bombing being seen. Incendiaries appeared rather scattered. Large explosion seen at 2017 1/2 hrs.	
	LANCASTER. LM. 361.	P/O. W.W. TURNBULL. SGT. J. WELLINGS. SGT. J. WATERHOUSE. P/O. J. McMASTERS. SGT. OWEN. SGT. A.G. DENYER. SGT. G.R. BOLT.	Bombing - HANOVER.	1722.	2234.	Primary attacked. 2019 hrs. 21,000 ft. Yellow route markers for P.P.F. seen. Yellow and green T.I.'s seen. Brief glimpse of built up area in light of 4,000 lb. bomb or photo flash seen through gap in cloud. Three green T.I.'s seen close together. These were in sights. A few fires burning around T.I.'s (green). Too early to have got going.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 198.	P/O. J.F. MITCHELL. SGT. CHAMBERS. SGT. A.M. JONES. P/O. J.N. WYATT. SGT. E. RENFREY. SGT. F. JOHNSON. SGT. B.G. ROGERS. SGT. E. PLUNKETT.	Bombing - HANOVER.	1714	2225.	Primary attacked. 2019 hrs. 20,000 ft. P.P.F. flares seen through small breaks in cloud and also green T.I. Centre of concentration of green T.I. on ground. Not seen to cascade. Very scattered, both T.I. and bombing. 4 x 4000 lb hung up. Manually released over North sea on return.	

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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES
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18/10/43 (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 656.	P/O. N.J. ROBINSON. SGT. R. TAYLOR. P/SGT. T.R. DAVIS. SGT. R.J. PITMAN. SGT. W.E. JONES. SGT. R. McFERRAN. SGT. J. CASEY.	Bombing - HANOVER.	1718.	2225.	Primary attacked. 2018 hrs. 21,000 ft. Identified by green flares and some built up area. M.P.I. of 2 green T.I.'s in sights. No reds visible. At 2016 hrs large dull red explosion seen. Fires just starting. Bombing seemed very scattered.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 499.	P/O. GOULD. SGR. GRAIN. SGT. HODGES. P/O. SMITH. SGT. REED. P/O. TITOP. SGT. BARLEGS.	Bombing - HANOVER.	1743.		Aircraft missing. No signals received.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 293.	P/O. W. ENGLISH. SGT. MITCHELL. P/O. J.E. EVANS. SGT. L.V. FUSSELL. SGT. L.G. LANE. SGT. D.V. CARLYLE. SGT. P.V. HEWITT.	Bombing - HANOVER.	1720.	2235.	Primary attacked. 2010 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by red, green and yellow T.I. One red T.I. in bomb sights. Seen to cascade at 2019 hrs. Bombing appeared to be scattered.	
20/10/43.	LANCASTER. EE. 188.	P/O. I.C.B. BLACK. SGT. E. BUTTON. P/O. G.S. McTAGGART. SGT. G. BROTHERS. SGT. A.E. BAUMANN. P/SGT. W.H.A. CARDWELL. SGT. D.T. GORDON.	Bombing - LSSIPZIG.	1732.	0042.	Primary attacked. 2104 hrs. 19,500 ft. No P.F.P. flares seen. Bombed on ETA. Red spot fires seen. Last GCR fix Ditch coast. Checked on Berlin attack seen on correct bearing. No results seen.	

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20/10/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. DV. 334.	S/L. J.N. DERBYSHIRE. SGT. E. SULLIVAN. P/O. K. GILL. F/SGT. F. OVEREND. SGT. E. OAKES. F/SGT. E.G. COLE. SGT. T. PARSONS.	Bombing - LEIPZIG.	1722.	0019.	Primary attacked. 2103 hrs. 21,500 ft. No red and green T.I's or R/P. flares seen at time of bombing, but red T.I's seen in area where bombs were dropped after setting course from posn. "P". Searchlights below cloud and little heavy flak also seen. Bombed on ETA. Considered in target area as red P.I's seen falling in same area later.	
	LANCASTER. W. 5010.	P/O. A.E. MANNING. SGT. BURKITT. P/O. J.W. HEARN. SGT. P. WARYWODA. SGT. G. BURTON HOES. SGT. A. BIRKENSRAW. SGT. G.G. PROVIS.	Bombing - LEIPZIG.	1802.	0057.	Primary attacked. 2114 hrs. 19,000 ft. One red and three green T.I seen. No M T.I's were seen at time of bombing so bombs were dropped in estimated position of the red T.I. seen on run up to target. Scattered fires observed.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 284.	P/O. R.E. WARWICK. SGT. THOMAS. F/SGT. T. BUTTERFIELD. SGT. J. GRAHAM. SGT. D. MUNN. P/O. E.N. ARMSTRONG. SGT. E.B. OWEN.	Bombing - LEIPZIG.	1731.	0048.	Primary attacked. 2106 hrs. 21,000 ft. Identified by ETA and fires. T.T.A. from visual pin point on Texel 1917 hrs. No P.P.F. markers of any kind visible throughout trip.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 332.	P/O. W.D. ERVINS. F/SGT. BLOVER. SGT. D. LEYSHON. P/O. H.J. MAY. SGT. A.B. GILES. SGT. F. LOMAX. P/O. H.A. DICKINSON. SGT. J.C. DICKINSON.	Bombing - LEIPZIG.	1725.	0028.	Primary attacked. 2104 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by ETA from position "G". No results seen. Bombed on ETA from red spot fires at position "G". No T.I's, flares or any P.P.F. markers at target or elsewhere.	

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20/10/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. JA. 690.	F/O. W.M. REID.	Bombing - LEIPZIG.	1723.	0105.	Primary attacked. 2130 hrs. 16,000 ft. No P.P.F. flares seen. Arrived on E.T.A. at 2119 hrs and orbited, examining fires seen burning over an extremely wide area. Eventually decided to bomb fires in neighbourhood of the only searchlight.	
		SGT. S.W. RICHARDS.					
		F/O. R.D.H. PARKER. SGT. D.G. MOIR.					
		SGT. B. HARTHILL. SGT. C.J. WILHELM. SGT. G. BROWN.					
LANCASTER. DV. 327.	W. 4964.	F/SGT. J. SYME.	Bombing - LEIPZIG.	1727.	0020.	Primary attacked. 2111 hrs. 21,500 ft. Identified by one green T.I. seen on approaching target. No T.I.'s on P/P flares seen at time of bombing, but bombs dropped in estimated position of the green T.I. seen on run-up to the target. Results not seen.	
		SGT. WHITING					
		SGT. E. HUBBERT.					
		P/O. J.C. DOHERTY.					
		SGT. CATTLEY.					
		SGT. J. HERON. SGT. J.R. WOODS.					
LANCASTER. W. 4964.	W. 4964.	F/O. C. WARD.	Bombing - LEIPZIG.	1726	0038.	Primary attacked. 2109 hrs. 21,000 ft. One green T.I. seen by rear gunner after aircraft had passed and just on E.T.A. Circled back. Above green T.I. in sights, just visible below cloud where cloud was less thick. No bombs seen to burst. A few scattered sticks of incendiaries, but no signs of fires.	
		SGT. J. SUTTON.					
		SGT. E. KEENE.					
		SGT. G.L. JAMES.					
		SGT. G.F.K. BEDWELL.					
		SGT. N.F. DIXON. SGT. W.L. DORAN.					
LANCASTER. ED. 700.	ED. 700.	P/O. J.K. LIVINGSTONE.	Bombing - LEIPZIG.	1720.	0043	Primary attacked. 2107 hours. 18,000 ft. No red or green T.I.'s or R/P flares seen. Incendiaries seen burning below cloud. Bombed on ETA. Results of bombing not seen owing to cloud.	
		SGT. P. PARSONS.					
		F/SGT. F.T. WATSON.					
		SGT. H.C. BREWER.					
		F/SGT. J. PRENDERGAST.					
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20/10/43. (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 721 <sup>1</sup>	P/O. W.J. CHAMBERS. SGT. W.E. HAYWOOD. SGT. S. GIBSON. SGT. J. HANNON. SGT. MULCUCK. SGT. A. STEWARD. F/SGT. J. CAMPBELL.	Bombing - LEIPZIG	1728.	0055.	Primary attacked. 2114 hrs. 20,000 ft. Believe saw red spot fires at position "X" through cloud, but uncertain. No other P.F.F. flares seen. Last Gee fix Texel. When T.T.A. up saw nothing. Circled and later saw scattered bombing. Bombed glow of fires. Very scattered bombing.	
	LANCASTER. LM. 361.	P/O. J.H.S. LYON. SGT. LING. SGT. K. PACK. P/O. R.W. CORKILL. SGT. H.W. JEFFERY. SGT. A. FIELDING. SGT. A.G. DENYER. SGT. G.R. BOLT.	Bombing - LEIPZIG.	1724.	0017.	Primary attacked. 2102 hrs. 20,000 ft. One red T.I. only seen. Cascaded at 2100 hrs. which appeared on ETA. One red T.I. in sights. First wave appeared to bomb indiscriminately in the absence of markers.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 198.	P/L. J.F. MITCHELL. SGT. A.M. JONES. P/O. J.N. WYATT. SGT. E. RENEVEY. SGT. P. JOHNSON. SGT. B.G. ROGERS. SGT. E. PLUNKETT.	Bombing - LEIPZIG.	1718.	0025.	Primary not attacked. No flares visible. Picked unidentified airfield at 52° 50N. 07° 20 E. and bombed it from 19,500 ft. Flarepath and aerodrome beacon and perimeter light seen. Flarepath in sights. Incendiaries seen burning across flarepath. 4000 lb. exploded within aerodrome perimeter. Lights then doused.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 656	P/O. N.J. ROBINSON. SGT. R. TAYLOR. F/SGT. T.R. DAVIS. SGT. R.J. PITMAN. SGT. W.E. JONES. F/SGT. MITCHELL. SGT. J. CASEY.	Bombing - LEIPZIG.	1717.	0025.	Primary attacked. 2108 hrs. 19,500 ft. No P.F.F. markers seen in estimated target area. Glow of, believed, red spot fires seen at position "X". Last Gee fix off Dutch coast but Bremen identified by flak and attack on Berlin seen. When T.T.A. up, orbited twice hoping to see markers, finally bombed glow of fires in estimated greatest searchlight concentration. Very scattered bombing. Two good fires seen at some distance after leaving.	

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20/10/43 (contd)	LANCASTER. DV. 293.	P/O. R.A. BAYLDON. SGT. F.S. COPE. F/O. B. OTTER. SGT. J.K. WIDDOP. SGT. E. EGAN. SGT. R.J. BARONI. SGT. A. RICHARDSON†	Bombing - LEIPZIG.	1730.	0040.	Primary attacked. 2405 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by red T.I. which disappeared shortly afterwards. Bombs released in estimated position of where T.I. had been seen, in absence of any other markers. No results seen.	
22/10/43.	LANCASTER. EE. 188.	F/O. A.E. MANNING. SGT. BURKITT. F/O. J.W. HEARN. SGT. P. WARYWODA. SGT. C. BURTON HOES. SGT. G.G. PROVIS. SGT. A. BIRKINSHAW.	Bombing - KASSEL.	1812‡	2356.	Primary attacked. 2409 hrs. 19,000 ft. Identified by P.F.F. flares, and by red and green T.I. M.P.I. of one red T.I. in sights. Very concentrated fires seen, almost one blaze. Shot up by 4 twin engine fighters (3 JU.88 and one unidentified) over target, 2411 - 2417 hrs. Hydraulics u/s, other damage to fuselage, tail plane, etc. Mid-upper gunner killed and rear gunner wounded.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 334.	F/O. J.V. COMANS. SGT. K. RANDLE. F/O. D. BOWES. F/O. K.H.H. COOK. SGT. R.G. WOOLFORD. SGT. G. MIDDIS. SGT. A.D. BOLLAND.	Bombing - KASSEL.	1803.	0005.	Primary attacked 2408 hrs. 20,500 ft. Identified by P.F.F. flares, yellow, red and green T.I. One red T.I. in sights. Very large fire seen. Red T.I. bombed, dropped on S.E. corner of fire. Another smaller but intense fire seen to flare-up at 2400 hrs. 4 to 5 miles S.E. of main fire. Much black smoke later.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 332.	F/O. J. GLOVER. SGT. W.F. BELDEN. F/O. J.S. MIDDLETON. SGT. W. NAUGHTON. SGT. C.F. RUANE. SGT. J.R. WOOD. SGT. H. WOOD.	Bombing - KASSEL.	1805.	0019.	Primary attacked. 2415 hrs. 18,500 ft. Yellow, red and green T.I.'s in target area. Bombed position between two red T.I.'s which had extinguished on arrival. Good fires well concentrated. One large fire a few miles to S.E. of target.	

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22/10/43 (contd)	LANCASTER IV. 284.	P/O. K.E. WARWICK. SGT. THOMAS. P/SGT. T. BUTTERFIELD. SGT. J. GRAHAM. SGT. D. MUNN. P/O. E.N. ARMSTRONG. SGT. N.B. OWEN.	Bombing - KASSEL.	1804.	2334.	Primary attacked. 2103½ hrs. 21,000 ft. Identified by red, green and yellow T.I's and yellow flares. One red T.I. in bomb sights, not seen to cascade. Bombing well concentrated around T.I's.	
	LANCASTER. W. 4964.	P/SGT. E.J. SYME. SGT. WHITING. SGT. E. HUBBERT. P/O. J.C. DOHERTY. SGT. CATTLEY. SGT. SORCE. SGT. J. HERON.	Bombing - KASSEL.	1806.	0029.	Primary attacked. 2108 hrs. 18,000 ft. Identified by yellow, red and green markers. One green T.I seen to cascade. Two large red fires in area west of river where green T.I's were being dropped. Other lesser fires reaching North of target area. Considerable amount of undershooting with 4 lb. incendiaries.	
	LANCASTER. IV. 327.	P/O. W.M. REID. SGT. S.W. RICHARDS. P/O. R.D.H. PARKER. SGT. D.G. MOIR. SGT. E. HARTHILL. SGT. C.J. WILFELM. SGT. G. BROWN.	Bombing - KASSEL.	1802.	0003.	Primary attacked. 2116 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by yellow, green and red T.I's in target area. Centre of three green T.I's in sights. Very good concentration of fire - resembled one large fire over a mile square. Large explosion at 2137 hrs. Deep red flare-up lasting several seconds and leaving a dull glow.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 700.	P/O. J.K. LIVINGSTONE. SGT. T. PARSONS. P/SGT. F.T. WATSON. P/SGT. H.C. BREWER. P/SGT. J. FRENDEGAST. P/SGT. R.N. BROWN. SGT. T.C. TAYLOR.	Bombing - KASSEL.	1757.	2317.	Primary attacked. 2101½ hrs. 21,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I's and yellow flares. One red T.I. in bomb sights, not seen to cascade. Early bombing appeared well concentrated, but slightly to N.W. of T.I's.	

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22/10/43 (contd)	LANCASTER. DV. 340.	P/O. W.F. SIDDLF. SGT. WILSON. F/SGT. A.W. ARCHER. P/O. W. CHADBERTON. SGT. J.W. CULLEY. SGT. J.C. PARKER. SGT. C.C. MOORE.	Bombing - KASSEL.	1808.	0002.	Primary attacked. 2106 hrs. 20,000 ft. T.I's red and green seen. Concentration of red and green T.I's in sights. Seen to cascade. Bombed in centre of concentration of fire. Fires concentrated in west of target area.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 721.	SGT. J.G.R. LING. SGT. L. MOSS. SGT. H. LAWS. SGT. T. FLETCHER. SGT. E.A. GAULD. SGT. E.J. RUSH. SGT. I. PRADA.	Bombing - KASSEL.	1807.	2210.	No target attacked. D.R. compass u/s. Directional gyro reported to be spinning with only 30 degrees of bank. Bomb load jettisoned.	
	LANCASTER. LM. 361.	P/O. W.W. TURNBULL. SGT. BLOW. SGT. J. WELLINGS. SGT. J. WATERHOUSE. P/O. J. McMASTER. SGT. OWEN. F/SGT. L.F. MITCHELL. SGT. G.R. BOLT.	Bombing - KASSEL.	1758.	2332.	Primary attacked. 2103 1/2 hrs. 20,500 ft. Identified by P.F.W. flares, yellow T.I. and by red and green T.I. One red T.I. seen in middle of large fires surrounded by greens. Bombed deliberately to overshoot red T.I. by 2 secs. Very large fires surrounded by many smaller fires left burning.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 198.	P/O. J.H.S. LYON. SGT. K. PARK. P/O. R.W. CORKILL. SGT. H.W. JEFFERY. SGT. A. FIELDING. SGT. A.G. DENYER. SGT. H. CROSSON.	Bombing - KASSEL.	1801.	2336.	Primary attacked. 2102 hrs. 21,000 ft. Identified from yellow, red and green T.I's in target area. Red T.I. in sights. Red and greens were numerous and well concentrated. First red at 2050 hrs, first green at 2051 hrs. Good fires. Concentration very good at start of attack, but as it progressed there was some undershooting.	

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22/10/43 (contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 656.	F/O. J. ARGENT. SGT. W. LYONS. SGT. P.J. BEGLEY. F/O. D.A. KEEBLE. SGT. G. FRADLEY. F/SGT. A.K. TREVENA. SGT. V.C. KNOX.	Bombing - KASSEL.	1851.	2057.	Took off late, owing to burst hydraulic pipe, with result aircraft reached position "A" at 1943 hours. Could not catch up concentration of aircraft, so task abandoned. Bombs jettisoned and aircraft returned to base.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 293.	F/O. R.A. BAYLOIN. SGT. M.S. COPE. F/O. B. OTTER. SGT. J.K. WIDDOP. SGT. E. EGAN. SGT. R.J. BARONI. SGT. A. RICHARDSON.	Bombing - KASSEL.	1900.	2354.	Primary attacked. 2103 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by P.F.F. flares, yellow T.I. and by red and green T.I. First red T.I. cascaded at 2050 hrs. One red T.I. in sights, which was backed up by 2 greens. Fires very concentrated, much smoke in centre.	

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BARDNEY.	1/11.		Nothing of operational importance occurred.		
	2/11.		A little local flying was carried out. Otherwise, there was nothing to report.		
	3/11.		Air tests were carried out during the day in preparation for operations at night. Thirteen crews were detailed to take part in an attack on DUSSELDORF.  Weather conditions were good and all aircraft reached their objective. P.F.F. markers were seen, and enabled concentrated bombing to be carried out. As a result, good fires were left burning over a large area.		
	4/11.		Nothing of operational importance occurred.		
	5/11.		The whole day was spent in training, which consisted chiefly of practice bombing. One night area-country exercise was completed.		
	6/11.		Air tests were carried out, together with practice bombing by some crews.		
	7/11.		N.F.T.'s were completed during the day in readiness for operations which had been detailed for the night. However, operations were cancelled at a later hour.		
	8/11.		Operations were again called for, but were cancelled after the necessary preparations were made.		
	9/11.		Once more, after preparing for operations at night, the order was cancelled, and crews were stood down.		
	10/11.		17 crews were detailed for operations at night. The railway <del>and</del> marshalling yards at MODANE were chosen as the night's objective, with the intention of destroying one of the enemy's main lines of communication with Italy.  Weather conditions were favourable, but some mist was found in the valley in the target area.		

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BARINEY.	10/11	(Contd)	Bombing was concentrated and many hits were seen on the marshalling yards. It was difficult to assess the full result of the attack owing to the mist and smoke, but it was considered to be highly successful.  Not one aircraft from Bomber Command was lost on this raid.
	11/11.		Some air tests and local flying were the only activities of the Squadron during the day. Operations had been detailed for the night, but were cancelled.
	12/11.		The whole day was spent in training. This consisted of practice bombing, cross-country exercises, H.L. bombing. Four night bombing exercises were also completed.
	13/11.		Further bombing practice was undertaken during the day, together with some local flying.
	14/11.		Nothing of operational importance occurred.
	15/11.		Intensive bombing training was carried out during the day. In addition, some local flying was done.
	16/11.		N.E.T.'s and bombing practice were carried out by some crews, but no operational effort was called for.
	17/11.		The whole day's flying was confined to practice bombing, with eleven crews taking part. At night, three cross-country exercises were completed.
	18/11.		Preparations were made during the day for operations at night, when 18 crews were detailed to bomb BERLIN. Weather conditions were not too good, and 10/10ths cloud conditions prevailed over the target area. This rendered observation of results difficult. The glow of fires could be seen below cloud and several explosions were noticed. The attack was not concentrated, owing to scattered markers laid by the P.F.F.

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BARINEY.	18/11	(Contd)	Two aircraft, "Z" (P/O. LESTS) and "G" (P/O. GRAHAM) failed to return. P/O. ARDENT and P/O. COMANS returned early without completing their mission.		
	19/11		In the afternoon two crews were engaged on a dinghy search over the North Sea. The only other flying was the return of crews from the airfields to which they were diverted last night.		
	20/11		Nothing of operational importance occurred.		
	21/11				
	22/11		N.F.T.'s were completed as operations were ordered for the night. 13 crews were called upon to take part in another raid on BERLIN. They all set off on their mission, but "D" (P/O. WARWICK) returned early owing to engine trouble. Again there were 10/10ths clouds over BERLIN, but P.F.F. markers were well faced and a concentrated attack developed. The glow of fires lit up the clouds over a large area and some explosions were seen. Otherwise, no results could be observed.		
	23/11		Once again, BERLIN was the objective for 13 crews at night. Two returned early, "P" (P/O. LING) and "M" (P/O. BAYLENN), owing to technical difficulties. There were 10/10ths cloud at the target, but the P.F.F. Wanganui technique was good. This enabled a concentrated attack to be made and the glow of many good fires could be seen reflected in the clouds. On return, "W" (P/O. WARD) crashed near base, but the crew was unhurt. "V" (P/O. ROBINSON) also crashed, resulting in all members of the crew being killed with the exception of the two gunners, P/SGT. MITCHELL and SGT. CASEY. They were injured and were removed to hospital.		
	24/11		Nothing of operational importance occurred.		
	25/11		Operations were called for at night and the necessary preparations were made, but the order was later cancelled.		

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B ARINEY.	26/11.		Ten aircraft and crews were detailed for a further attack on BRFLIN. They set off in good weather conditions. It was clear over the target and a concentrated attack was carried out. There were huge fires left burning in the area. "O" (P/O. BALDWIN) was obliged to attack a secondary target, FOBLINZ.		
	27/11.		Nothing of operational importance occurred.		
	28/11.		Four night cross-country exercises were completed. The only other flying was the return of crews from the airfields to which they had been diverted on the 26th.		
	29/11		Two night cross-country exercises were completed. There was some local flying during the day.		
	30/11.		Operations were ordered for the night, but were later cancelled.		
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			SUMMARY OF OFFICERS' MOVEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.		
	4/11.		F/L. H.C. BROOKER posted to No. 53 Base, Waddington.		
	5/11.		P/O. H.W. JEFFERY posted to No. 1661 Conversion Unit.		
			P/O. F.T. WATSON & P/O. R.W. COYILL posted to No. 17 O.T.U.		
	6/11.		P/O. G. MARTIN posted from WADDINGTON.		
	7/11.		P/O. J.R. HANCOCK posted from WADDINGTON.		
	9/11.		P/O. F.G. PARSONS posted to No. 1668 Conversion Unit.		
	14/11.		W/O. P. BURNETT, P/O. J.V. WRIGHT & P/O. D.J. WATSON posted to No. 53 Base.		
	14/11.		W/O. F.L. PORTER posted from No. 1654 Conversion Unit. S/L. P.H. BUNKER posted to No. 1654 Conversion Unit.		
	15/11.		P/O. W. ENGLISH, P/O. J.W. EVANS, P/O. J.C. DOHERTY & P/O. SMYTH posted to No. 630 Squadron.		
	17/11.		P/O. J.S. MIDDLETON posted to WADDINGTON.		
	18/11.		P/O. G. MARTIN posted to WADDINGTON.		
	19/11.		P/O. S.J. HINTON, & P/O. P.H. GEORGE posted from 1661 Conversion Unit.		

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P/O. G. MARTIN posted to WADDINGTON.  
P/O. T.J. HINTON, & P/O. P.H. GEORGE posted from 1661 Conversion Unit.

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BARINEY.	20/11.		F/L. J.A. BECKELL posted to No. 1662 Conversion Unit. F/L. T.H. MARTEFACE posted from No. 619 Squadron. P/O. J.E. LOGAN, P/O. W.F. PEARSON & P/O. D.H. PEARCE posted from No. 1660 Conversion Unit.		
	21/11.		P/O. R.C. COLLINS posted from No. 1661 Conversion Unit.		
	25/11.		F/L. V.J. BEESTON posted to WADDINGTON.		
	26/11.		P/O. V.J. JOWERS & F/L. J.H. MOUTRAY posted to SCAMPTON.		
	27/11.		F/L. C.A. PATTEN posted to SCAMPTON.		
	30/11.		P/O. R.W. MATHERS & P/O. R.R. NIGHTINGALE posted from No. 1661 Conversion Unit.		
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The following awards to Squadron personnel were announced during the month:-					
D.F.C.:- P/O. V.J. JOWERS, P/O. B.J. SHERRY, F/L. J.H. MOUTRAY.					
D.F.M.:- P/SGT. J.F. MERCHANT, SGT. C.A. STEWART, P/SGT. A.M. SMITH.					
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<i>W. J. J. J.</i> KING COMMANDER, COMMANDING NO. 9 SQUADRON, BARINEY.					

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3/11/43.	LANCASTER. DV. 334.	F/O. J.V. COMANS.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	1652.	2133.	Primary attacked. 1955 hours. 21,000 ft. Identified by green and red T.I.'s and Wanganui flares. One red T.I. in sights. Fires appeared scattered but some tending to merge.	
		SGT. K. RANDLE.					
		F/O. D. BOWES.					
		F/O. K.H.H. COOK.					
		SGT. R.G. WOOLFORD.					
		SGT. WIDDIS.					
LANCASTER. DV. 332	P/O. J. GLOVER. SGT. W.F. BELBEN. F/O. J.S. MIDDLETON. SGT. W. NAUGHTON. SGT. G.F. RUANE. SGT. J.R. WOOD. SGT. H. WOOD.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	1656.	2145.	Primary attacked. 1955 hrs. 19,000 ft. Red and green T.I. markers seen. Centre of concentration of three green T.I.'s in sights at time of bombing. Fires appeared to be well concentrated.		
							SGT. W.F. BELBEN.
							F/O. J.S. MIDDLETON.
							SGT. W. NAUGHTON.
							SGT. G.F. RUANE.
							SGT. J.R. WOOD.
LANCASTER. DV. 284.	P/O. G.A. GRAHAM. SGT. W. STATHAM. P/O. D. McDONALD. SGT. R.M. INNES. SGT. A.F. WILLIAMSON F/SGT. H. ALFUS. SGT. K. MELLOR.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	1702.	2116.	Primary attacked. 1947 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by red T.I.'s and R/P flares. Built up area seen. M.P.I. of three red T.I.'s seen to cascade at 1945 hours. Early bombing appeared well concentrated around the red T.I.'s.		
							P/O. G.A. GRAHAM.
							SGT. W. STATHAM.
							P/O. D. McDONALD.
							SGT. R.M. INNES.
							SGT. A.F. WILLIAMSON
LANCASTER. W. 4564.	P/O. C.P. NEWTON. SGT. J. TURNER. P/O. P. HALL. SGT. E.J. DUCK. SGT. J. RYAN. SGT. R. McFERRAN. SGT. W.J. WILKINSON.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	1654.	2120.	Primary attacked. 1945 hrs. 22,000 ft. Identified by red T.I.'s and Wanganui flares. M.P.I. of three red T.I.'s in sights. Bombing of first wave aircraft appeared concentrated around red T.I.'s.		
							P/O. C.P. NEWTON.
							SGT. J. TURNER.
							P/O. P. HALL.
							SGT. E.J. DUCK.
							SGT. J. RYAN.

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3/11/43. (Contd)	LANCASTER. W. 5010.	F/L. L. G. HADLAND. SGT. A. W. CHERINGTON, DUSSELDORF. SGT. S. GREENWOOD. P/O. BROWN, G. R. SGT. J. GASSELL. SGT. A. D. TIRREL. SGT. MULLETT.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	1658.	2127.	Primary attacked. 1954 hrs. 21,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I.'s and R/P flares. No T.I.'s red seen at time of bombing. One green T.I. in bomb sights seen to cascade at 1953 hours. Bombing seemed well concentrated.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 321.	P/O. A. F. MANNING. SGT. BURKITT. P/O. J. W. HEARN. SGT. P. VAYNODA. SGT. G. BURTON-HOPES. SGT. ZAMMITT. SGT. W. L. DORAN.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	1700.	2142.	Primary attacked. 2005 hrs. 18,500 ft. Identified by red and green T.I.'s and R/P flares. No T.I.'s seen at time of bombing. One R/P flare in bomb sights. Good fires well concentrated.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 700.	S/L. J. N. DERBYSHIRE. SGT. B. SULLIVAN. P/O. K. GILL. P/O. SGT. P. OBEREND. SGT. E. OAKES. P/SGT. RIG. COLE. P/SGT. T. PARSONS.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	1650.	2114.	Primary attacked. 1945 hrs. 21,500 ft. Identified visually by sight of River Rhine and by three red T.I.'s. M.P.I. of three red T.I.'s in sights. Too early to assess but fires starting in area of red T.I.'s seen after turning off target. 1949 hrs. six sticks of incendiaries seen on ground short of main fire.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 721.	P/O. J. G. R. LING. SGT. L. MOSS. SGT. H. LAWS. SGT. T. FLETCHER. SGT. F. A. GAULD. SGT. E. J. RUSH. SGT. I. PRADA.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	1707.	2149.	Primary attacked. 1953 hrs. 21,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I.'s and by Wagnui flares. M.P.I. of several green T.I.'s in sights. Red T.I. had gone out. Large area of fire mainly south of T.I. seen. Some haze or smoke.	

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3/11/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER. LM. 361.	F/O. H. BLOW. SGT. F.S. COLMAN. SGT. S.W.A. MURRELL. SGT. H.P. SMITH. SGT. R.O. SMITH. SGT. R. HARTLEY. SGT. W.F. MILLER.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	1703.	2136.	Primary attacked. 1952 hrs. 21,500 ft. Identified by red and green T.I's. One red T.I. in bomb sights, seen to cascade at approx 1948 hours. Good fires well concentrated.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 656½	F/O. N.J. ROBINSON. SGT. R.G. TAYLOR. F/SGT. T.R. DAVIS. SGT. R.J. PITMAN. SGT. R.E. JONES. F/SPT. L.E. MITCHELL. SGT. J. CASEY.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	1651.	2125.	Primary attacked. 1945 hrs. 22,000 ft. Ground detail identified. Red and green T.I's seen. Red T.I's rather scattered. One red T.I. in sights at time of bombing. (Chose the most Northerly red T.I.). Fires appeared to concentrated and well placed on the bend of the river.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 293.	F/O. W. ENGLISH. SGT. MITCHELL. F/O. J.E. EVANS. SGT. L.V. FUSSELL. SGT. L.G. LANE. SGT. D.V. CARLYLE. SGT. P.W. HSWITT.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	1657.	2130.	Primary attacked. 1955 hrs. 21,000 ft. Identified by green T.I. markers. Wanganui flares seen at 1946 hrs. Centre of concentration of three green T.I's in sights, at time of bombing. T.I's seen to cascade at 1950 hrs. Fires appeared to be well concentrated.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 340.	W/OPMP/LC.J. BRAIN. SGT. LEYS. SGT. C.E. BOWYER. F/O. F.E. FORBESHEW. SGT. H.T. JOLLIFFE. F/O. A.H. MILWARD. SGT. N.E. ADAMS. SGT. D.A. FOWLEY.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	1700.	2125.	Primary attacked. 1945 hrs. 21,500 ft. Identified by red T.I. and Wanganui flares. M.P.I. of three red T.I's in sights. Attack opened with reasonably accurate bombing on red T.I's.	

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3/11/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER. DY. 198	F/SGT J. ARGENT. SGT. W. LYONS. SGT. P.J. BEELEY. F/O. D.A. KEEBLE. SGT. G. PRADLEY. F/SGT. A.K. TREVINA. SGT. V.C. KNOX.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	1655.	21291	Primary attacked. 1953 hrs. 21,500 ft. Identified by red and green T.I. ans by Wanganul flares. M.P.I. three green T.I. in sights. No reds available at time of bombing. Large area of incendiaries, with much smoke in the centre of this circle which obscured the fires.	
10/11/43.	LANCASTER. EE. 188.	P/O. I.C.B. BLACK. SGT. E. BUTTON. F/O. G.S. McTAGGART. SGT. G. BROTHERS. SGT. A.W. BAUMANN. F/SGT. W.H.A. CARDWELL. SGT. D.T. GORDON.	Bombing - <del>DUSSELDORF.</del> MODANE.	2033.	0445.	Primary attacked. 0112 hrs. 12,100 ft. Identified by red and green T.I.'s. Lake not visually identified. One red T.I. in bomb sights, not seen to cascade. Bombing appeared to be rather scattered.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 334.	F/O. A.W. MANNING. Sgt. Burkitt. F/O. J.W. HEARN. SGT. P. WARYODA. SGT. C. BURTON-HOPES. SGT. ZAMBITT. SGT. J. SWINDLEHURST.	Bombing - MODANE.	2047.	0454.	Primary attacked. 0112 hrs. 15,000 ft. Small lake identified visually. P.F.F. T.I.'s red and green seen. Centre of concentration of P.F.F. T.I.'s green seen in bomb sight. Result of own bombing not observed. Several incendiary fires seen.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 332.	F/L. W.D. IRVINE. SGT. SGT. D. LEYSHON. F/O. H.J. MAY. SGT. A.B. GILES. SGT. F. LOMAX. F/O. H.A. DICKINSON. F/SG. J.C. DICKINSON.	Bombing - MODANE.	2034.	0446.	Primary attacked. 0104 hrs. 15,000 ft. Red and green T.I.'s seen, also lake. Red T.I. in sights. Concentration of H.E.'s. but incendiaries scattered to the N.W.	

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3/11/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER. DV. 198	F/SGT J. ARGENT. SGT. W. LYONS. SGT. P. J. BEMLEY. F/O. D. A. KEBBLE. SGT. G. FRADLEY. F/SGT. A. K. TREVINA. SGT. V. G. KNOX.	Bombing - DUSSELDORF.	1655.	21291	Primary attacked. 1953 hrs. 21,500 ft. Identified by red and green T.I. ans by Vanguard flares. W.P.I. three green T.I. in sights. No reds available at time of bombing. Large area of incendiaries, with much smoke in the centre of this circle which obscured the fires.	
10/11/43.	LANCASTER. EF. 188.	F/O. I. C. B. BLACK. SGT. E. BUTTON. F/O. G. F. McTAGGART. SGT. G. BROTHERS. SGT. A. T. BAUMANN. F/SGT. W. H. A. 'ARDWELL'. SGT. D. T. GORDON.	Bombing - MODANE. MODANE. MODANE. MODANE. MODANE. MODANE. MODANE.	2033.	0445.	Primary attacked. 0112 hrs. 12,100 ft. Identified by red and green T.I.'s. Lake not visually identified. One red T.I. in bomb sights, not seen to cascade. Bombing appeared to be rather scattered.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 324.	F/O. A. T. MANNING. Sgt. Burkitt. F/O. J. W. HEARY. SGT. P. VARYODA. SGT. C. BURTON-HOFFS. SGT. ZAMBITT. SGT. J. SWINDEHURST.	Bombing - MODANE. MODANE. MODANE. MODANE. MODANE. MODANE. MODANE.	2047.	0454.	Primary attacked. 0112 hrs. 15,000 ft. Small lake identified visually. P.P.F. T.I.'s red and green seen. Centre of concentration of P.P.F. T.I.'s green seen in bomb sight. Result of own bombing not observed. Several incendiary fires seen.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 332.	F/L. W. D. ERVINE. SGT. SGT. D. LEYSON. F/O. H. J. MAY. SGT. A. B. GILES. SGT. F. LOMAX. F/O. H. A. DUFFUSON. F/SG. J. C. DICKINSON.	Bombing - MODANE. MODANE. MODANE. MODANE. MODANE. MODANE.	2034.	0446.	Primary attacked. 0104 hrs. 15,000 ft. Red and green T.I.'s seen, also lake. Red T.I. in sights. Concentration of H.F.'s. but incendiaries scattered to the N.W.	

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10/11/43. (Contd)	LANCASTER. W. 4964.	R/O. W.M. REID.	Bombing - MODANE.	2053.	0508.	Primary attacked. 0110 hrs. 15,000 ft. Small lake seen, timed run not made but used as check. Identified target by red and green T.I. Railway lines seen in valley. One red T.I. seen in sights. Considerable number of incendiaries seen on mountains up to 8 miles south of target but consider upwards of 70% effort fell on target while aircraft was in vicinity.						
		SGT. RICHARDS. S.W.										
		F/O. R.D.H. PARKER.										
		SGT. D.G. MOIR.										
		SGT. B. HARTHILL.										
		SGT. C.J. WILHELM.										
LANCASTER. W. 5010.	F/L. L.G. HADLAND. SGT. A.W. CHERPINGTON. SGT. S. GREENWOOD. F/O. C.R. BROWN. SGT. J. GASKELL. SGT. A.D. TIRREL. SGT. F. WOOLLARD.	Bombing - MODANE.	2041.	0432.	Primary attacked. 15,000 ft. 0102 hrs. Identified by red and green T.I.'s. Lake not visually identified. M.P.I. of 3 red T.I.'s in bomb sights seen to cascade at 0100 hrs. Early bombing appeared well concentrated, but results of bombing could not be accurately assessed owing to low fog and smoke.							
							SGT. A.H. HOWES.					
							SGT. R.F. BURKE.					
							SGT. N.W. CHIVERS.					
							SGT. H. CROSSON.					
							LANCASTER. MM. JA. 690.	F/O. F. JAMES. SGT. G. TOMLINSON. P/O. G.E. LOOKEY. SGT. A.H. HOWES. SGT. R.F. BURKE. SGT. N.W. CHIVERS. SGT. H. CROSSON.	Bombing - MODANE.	2051.	0443.	Primary attacked. 0106 hrs. 15,200 ft. Small lake identified visually and P.F.F. T.I.'s red and green seen. P.F.F. T.I. red seen in bomb sight. Results of own bombing not observed. At 0106 hrs an explosion seen to right of concentration of P.F.F. T.I.'s.
LANCASTER. DV. 327.	F/L. R.F. WELLS. F/SGT. J. MCCOMB. SGT. D.J. NUTTMAN. P/O. A.U. DUNCAN. F/SGT. K. GARNETT. F/SGT. P. SMITH. SGT. S.V. GOUGH. F/SGT. W. MOSS.	Bombing - MODANE.	2032.	0436.	Primary attacked. 0103 hrs. 15,000 ft. Small lake identified visually. Red and green P.F.F. T.I.'s seen. P.F.F. T.I. red seen in bomb sight at end of timed distance run from small lake. Result of own bombing not observed. Scattered incendiary fire seen.							

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10/11/43	LANCASTER.	P/O. J. GLOVER.	Bombing -	2045.	0448.	Primary attacked. 0110 hrs. 15,000 ft. Identified by green T.I.'s. These were in sights. Fires seen, but numerous scattered incendiaries.	
(Contd)	IV. 284.	SGT. W.F. BELLEN.	MODANE.				
		P/O. J.S. MIDDLETON.					
		SGT. W. NAUGHTIN.					
		SGT. C.F. RUANE.					
		SGT. J.R. WOOD.					
		SGT. H. WOOD.					
	LANCASTER.	P/L. J.F. MITCHELL.	Bombing -	2029.	04151.	Primary attacked. 0103 hrs. 15,000 ft. Identified by red spot fires seen at 0047 hrs. and also by red and green T.I.'s at target. Cluster of three reds in bomb sights and own bursts seen to straddle red T.I. No other bursts seen. Red and green T.I.'s well concentrated.	
	ED. 700.	SGT. A.N. JONES.	MODANE.				
		P/O. J.N.G. WYATT.					
		SGT. E. HENFREY.					
		SGT. F. JOHNSON.					
		SGT. B.G. ROGERS.					
		P/SGT. F. PLUNKETT.					
	LANCASTER.	P/O. J.C.R. LING.	Bombing -	2040.	0456.	Primary attacked. 0110 hrs. 15,000 ft. Identified by green T.I.'s. Lake visually identified. No red T.I.'s seen. M.P.I. of 6 green T.I.'s in bomb sights. Position of green T.I. checked but timed run from the lake. Some of the bombing was scattered.	
	ED. 721.	SGT. L. MOSS.	MODANE.				
		SGT. H. LAWS.					
		SGT. T. FLETCHER.					
		SGT. E.A. GAULD.					
		SGT. E.J. RUSH.					
		SGT. I. PRADA.					
	LANCASTER.	P/O. R.A. BAYLON.	Bombing -	2055.	0440.	Primary attacked. 0108 hrs. 15,000 ft. Lake hidden. Target identified by red T.I.'s. Entrance to tunnel visually pinpointed. One green T.I. in sights. Incendiaries seen lining mountains either side of valley for some distance short of target but a high portion of attack appeared to fall on yards and entrance to tunnel.	
	IM. 961.	SGT. F.S. COPE.	MODANE.				
		P/O. B. OTTER.					
		SGT. J.K. WIDDUP.					
		SGT. E. EGAN.					
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		SGT. A. RICHARDSON.					

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10/11/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER DV. 198.	P/O. H. BLOW. SGT. F.S. COLMAN. SGT. S.W. A HURRELL. SGT. H.P. SMITH. SGT. RO. SMITH. SGT. R. HARTLEY. SGT. W.E. MILLER.	Bombing - MODANE.	2049.	0504.	Primary attacked. 0412 hrs. 15,000 ft. Valley identified and 2 green T.I.'s seen. Green T.I.'s in sights. V.I.'s fairly concentrated and fires beginning to take hold. Incendiaries scattered to south.	
	LANCASTER ED. 656.	P/O. N.J. ROBINSON. P/O. PORTER. SGT. E.G. TAYLOR. P/SGT. T.R. DAVIS. SGT. B.J. PITMAN SGT. W.E. JONES. P/SGT. L.E. MITCHELL. SGT. J. CASEY.	Bombing - MODANE.	2030.	0434.	Primary attacked. 0059 hrs. 15,800 ft. Lake seen 31 miles target, but too late for timed run although used as a check. Marshalling yards identified visually and several fire tracks seen. Identification helped by glow of our red T.I. Very accurate. Deliberately bombed visually say 300 yards short of red T.I.	
	LANCASTER <del>MODANE</del> DV. 293.	P/O. C. WARD. SGT. J. SUTTON. SGT. E. KEENE. SGT. G.L. JAMES. SGT. G.F.K. BIRDWELL. SGT. N.F. DIXON. SGT. W.L.L. DOPAN.	Bombing - MODANE.	2052.	0036.	No target attacked. Port inner engine overheated. necessitating early return.	
	LANCASTER DV. 340.	P/O. LYES. SGT. HUNN. SGT. FISHER. SGT. SHAND. SGT. DRAKE. SGT. SORGE. SGT. HARRIS.	Bombing - MODANE.	2043.	0515.	Primary attacked. 0110 hrs. 15,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I.'s. Lake visually identified. One red T.I. in bomb sight seen to cascade at 0109 hrs. Main bombing appeared well concentrated but there was some scattered bombing.	184

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10/11/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER. EE. 136.	P/O. W.E. SIDDLER.	Bombing -	2054.	0446.	Primary attacked. 0109 hrs. 15,000 ft. Identified by 4 or 5 green T.I.'s. Bombed centre of green T.I.'s. Identified lake 4 miles W.S.W. of target. Found pall of smoke and haze over A.P. with 4 or 5 green scattered around over area of 1 mile, and glow of good fire in centre.	
		SGT. WILSON.	MODANE				
		F/SGT. M.C. WRIGHT.					
		F/SGT. MACHIN.					
		SGT. J.W. CULLEY.					
		SGT. J.C. PARKER.					
10/11/43	LANCASTER. W. 5011.	P/O. V.J. CHAMBERS.	Bombing -	2038.	0502.	Primary attacked. 0109 hrs. 15,000 ft. P.F.F. T.I. green seen. M.P.I. of P.F.F. T.I. green seen in bomb sight. Several explosions from bombs of other aircraft seen in the valley and H.C. bombs were also seen to be exploding on the hill sides,	
		SGT. W.E. HAYWOOD.	MODANE.				
		F/L. BEESTON.					
		SGT. J. HANNON.					
		SGT. MULCUCK.					
		SGT. A. STEWARD.					
18/11/43.	LANCASTER. JA. 711.	P/O. G. WARD.	Bombing -	1714.	0105.	Primary attacked. 2106 hrs. 23,000 ft. Identified by Wanganui flares and one green T.I. Nothing seen beyond one green T.I. except one large red explosion, at approx. 2115 hrs just after leaving position "D" in target area. Spot fires seen at position "X" at 2016 hrs.	
		SGT. J. SUTTON.	BERLIN.				
		SGT. E. KEENE.					
		SGT. G.L. JAMES.					
		SGT. G.F.K. BEDWELL.					
		SGT. N.P. DIXON.					
10/11/43	LANCASTER. EE. 188.	P/O. I.C.B. BLACE.	Bombing -	1716.	0116 1/2.	Primary attacked. 2104 1/2 hrs. 22,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I.'s. Centre of cluster of three green T.I.'s seen to cascade at approx. 2100 hrs. 2102 and 2104 hrs. Red and green T.I.'s seen before bombing. Size of fires and effect of attack could not be assessed owing to cloud conditions. P.F.F. concentration appeared reasonable. On leaving target area large explosion seen at 2113 1/2 hrs.	
		SGT. PROUD.	BERLIN.				
		SGT. R. BUNTON.					
		P/O. G.E. McTAGGART.					
		SGT. G. BROTHERS.					
		SGT. A.T. BALMANN.					
		F/SGT. W.H.A. CARDWELL.					
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18/11/43 (contd)	LANCASTER. DV. 334.	S/L. J.N. DERBYSHIRE.	Bombing -	1713.	0040.	Primary attacked. 2101 hrs. 22,500 ft. Identified by red and green T.I's and Wanganui flares. 1 Wanganui flare seen at approx zero - 5. Whilst getting into position for this 1 red T.I. seen to cascade into clouds a little to North. At 2100 hrs. glow from this red T.I. was in sight. Carried on for 1 minute and bombed. Immediately after bombing some green T.I's cascaded in the area. 1 red T.I. was seen.	
		SGT. E. SULLIVAN.	BERLIN.				
		P/O. K. GILL.					
		F/SGT. F. OVEREND.					
		F/SGT. J. OAKES.					
		F/SGT. E.G. COLF.					
		F/SGT. T.J. PARSONS.					
LANCASTER. DV. 332.	LANCASTER. DV. 332.	F/L. W.D. ERVINE.	Bombing -	1710.	0129.	Primary attacked 2111 hrs. 21,500 ft. M.P.I. of two green T.I's seen to cascade at 2109 hrs. Yellow flares, red and green T.I's seen before bombing. Cloud prevented assessment of fires and effect of attack. P.F.F. concentration very poor. Route markers seen at position "Y". Only a few route markers seen at position "Z" and they appeared to be inaccurate.	
		SGT. D. LEYSHON.	BERLIN.				
		P/O. H.J. MAY.					
		SGT. A.B. GILES.					
		SGT. F. LOMAX.					
		P/O. H.A. DICKINSON.					
		F/SGT. J.C. DICKINSON.					
LANCASTER. DV. 284.	LANCASTER. DV. 284.	P/O. G.A. GRAHAM.	Bombing -	1725.		Aircraft missing. No. signals received.	
		F/SGT. McCOMB.	BERLIN.				
		SGT. W. STATHAM.					
		P/O. D. McDONALD.					
		SGT. R.M. WATNESS.					
		Sgt. A.F. WILLIAMSON.					
		F/SGT. H. ALTUS.					
		SGT. K. MELLOR.					
LANCASTER. W. 4964.	LANCASTER. W. 4964.	P/O. W.M. REID.	Bombing -	1742.	0150.	Primary attacked. 2106 hrs. 22,100 ft. M.P.I. of further of 3 green T.I's cascaded at 2104 hrs. Red T.I. seen forming very wide rough triangle with greens inside. Concentration fair only but many other aircraft bombed in same vicinity. Glow on cloud indicated three distinct circular fires covering estimated area of seven square miles. Big explosion (orange) at 2114 hrs approx.	
		SGT. S.W. RICHARDS.	BERLIN				
		P/O. R.D.H. PARKER.					
		Sgt. D.G. MOIR.					
		SGT. B. HARTHILL.					
		SGT. C.J. WILHELM.					
		SGT. G. BROWN.					

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19/11/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER.	F/O. S. JAMES.	Bombing -	1724.	0119.	Primary attacked, 2107 hrs. 21,000 ft. P.F.F. generally scattered. Three 'anganu' flares (first at 2053 hrs) also red (one cascaded 2058 hrs) and green T.I.'s seen. NO concentrated bombing. Explosion seen at 2114 hrs.							
	J.A. 690.	SGT. G. THLINSON. PO. G.E. LOCKY. SGT. A.H. HOVE, SGT. P.E. BURKE. SGT. N.W. CHIVERS. SGT. H. CROSSON.	BERLIN.										
	LANCASTER.	F/L. L.G. HADLAND.	Bombing -	1719.	0058.			Primary attacked 2102 hrs. 21,000 ft. Two green T.I.'s seen. Glow of fires reflected on 10/10ths cloud below. Route markers seen at positions "X", "Y" & "Z".					
	IV. 371.	SGT. A.W. CHERRINGTON. SGT. S. GRETWOOD. F/O. C.R. BROWN. SGT. J. GASKELL. SGT. A.D. TIEEL.	BERLIN.										
	LANCASTER.	SGT. F. ROLLARD.	Bombing -	1727.	0112.					Primary attacked, 2105 hrs. 22,000 ft. Glow of green T.I.'s seen through cloud. Had attempted to bomb 'anganu' flare but too late. Glow of incendiaries or small fires only seen. P.F.F. very scattered. Spoof fighter flares seen North of target. Very few fighters seen.			
	ED. 700.	F/L. J.F. MITCHELL. F/SGT LASHAM SGT. A.M. JONES. F/O. J.H.G. WATF. SGT. E. KENFREY. SGT. P. JOHNSON. SGT. B.G. ROGERS.	BERLIN.										
	LANCASTER.	F/SGT. E. PLUNKETT.	Bombing -	1720.	0420.							Primary attacked, 2102 hrs. 21,500 ft. Identified by green and red T.I.'s. Nothing seen except the T.I.'s cascade before they disappeared into cloud.	
	IV. 340.	S/L. C.P. BRAIN SGT. C.F. BOYCEP. F/O. P.E. POPPSHEW. SGT. H.T. HOLLIFES. F/O. A.H. MILWARD. SGT. N.E. ADAMS. SGT. D.W. FOWLES.	BERLIN.										

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18/11/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER. EE. 136	F/O. H. BLOW. SGT. P.S. COLMAN SGT. S.V.A. HURFELL SGT. H.P. SMITH. SGT. R.O. SMITH. SGT. HARTLEY. SGT. W.E. MILLER.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1741.	01271.	Primary attacked. 2121 hrs. Identified by green and red T.I.'s. Glow of fires below, on the clouds, scattered, covering large area. Yellow T.I.'s seen at position "Y". Helpful Rear and M.U. turrets u/s. Attack did not appear to be concentrated.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 721.	F/O. J. ANSTETT. SGT. C.W. CARTWRIGHT. F/SGT. ARCHER, F/O. A.F. STANISLAUS. SGT. R.C. WALE. SGT. T.J. CRADDOCK SGT. P.G.L. KERR.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1723.	01521.	Primary attacked. 2113 hrs. 22,500 ft. One green T.I. seen to cascade at 21.10 hrs. Yellow flares and red and green T.I.'s seen before bombing. Effect of attack and fires not seen owing to cloud. P.F.F. T.I.'s scattered over a vast area. Difficult to judge which to bomb.	
	LANCASTER. LM. 361.	F/O. W. TURBULL. SGT. J. WELLINGS. F/L. J. BESTON. P/O. J. MCMASTER. SGT. OWEN. SGT. BARONI. SGT. C.F. BOLT.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1726.	0012	Primary attacked. 2107 hrs. 24,000 ft. M.P.I. of several green T.I. with glow of fire on cloud adjacent seen. Every sign of scattered bombing. P.F.F. near Kees widely dispersed. Few glows of fires seen through cloud.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 198.	F/O. J.R. HARGROCK. SGT. G.L.G. WILLIAMS. F/O. B. OTTER. F/O. CHADDERTON. SGT. G.S. FENFOLD. SGT. H.J. SORGE. SGT. J. SWINDLHURST.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1729.	01221.	Primary attacked. 2105 hrs. 21,500 ft. Glow of centre of green T.I.'s in sights. Red and green T.I.'s seen cascading at target when at position "C". Glow of two separate fires seen. Green T.I.'s scattered at first then more concentrated.	186

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18/11/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER M. 293.	W/O. F. L. FOSTER. SGT. W. FOSETT. SGT. W. A. GALL. P/O. J. A. PRIOR. SGT. J. LEVER. SGT. R. G. LUMAS. SGT. F. G. HAYTER.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1724.	01144.	Primary attacked. 2107 hrs. 21,000 ft. No concentration of T.I.'s observed between 2102 and 2108 hrs. Eventually bombed on T.F.A. plus 1 minute. After bombing saw green T.I. some distance on both beams and ahead of where we bombed. 10/10ths cloud obscured any results. P.F.P. not concentrated at all as far as could be seen.	
	LANCASTER M. 5011.	P/O. J. ARGENT. SGT. V. LIONS. SGT. P. J. BEGLEY. P/O. D. A. KEEFER. SGT. G. FRADLEY. P/SGT. A. K. FEVERA. SGT. V. C. INOX.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1717.	1930.	No target attacked. Returned early owing to illness of Navigator. Bomb load jettisoned. Port outer engine failed and belly landing was made.	
	LANCASTER ED. 532.	P/O. J. V. GEMANS. SGT. F. RANDE. P/O. D. BOWES. P/O. E. H. COOK. SGT. R. G. WOODFORD. SGT. G. WIDDIS. SGT. A. D. BOLLA D.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1754.	1916.	No target attacked. Returned early owing to engine trouble. Bomb load jettisoned.	
	LANCASTER ED. 871.	P/O. L. S. SGT. HUNN. SGT. FISHER. SGT. DRAPE. SGT. GORDON. SGT. SHAND. SGT. HARRIS.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1752.		Aircraft missing. No signals received.	

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22/11/43	LANCASTER. EE. 488.	F/L. R. WELLS. SGT. FLOWRIGHT, SGT. D.J. NUTMAN. F/O. A.U. DUNGAN. F/SGT. K. GARNETT. F/SGT. F. SMITH. SGT. W. GOUGH. F/SGT. S. MOSS.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1644.	2310.	Primary attacked. 2018 hrs. 21,000 ft. Three Wanganui flares seen in a cluster with two more to the North approx 2 miles. Bombed the centre flare (of the three flares in the cluster) which was the most Easterly of the three. At 20.22 hrs. very violent red explosion on ground lit up whole sky and lasted 12 seconds, dying out very gradually.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 334.	F/O. J.V. COMANS. SGT. K. RANDLE. F/O. D. BOWES. F/O. K.H.H. COOK. SGT. R.G. WOOLFORD. SGT. G. VIDDIS, SGT. A.D. BOLLAND.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1652.	2335.	Primary attacked. 2021 hrs. 21,000 ft. First saw a succession of Wanganui all but one of which were very concentrated. Later saw one green T/I which cascaded approx 2020 hrs. in immediate vicinity of two Wanganui flares. Clouds lit up by photo flashes and cookies which appeared well concentrated.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 332.	F/O. K.F. WARWICK. SGT. THOMAS. F/SGT. P. BUTTERFIELD. F/SGT. J. GRAHAM. SGT. D. MUNN. F/O. E.N. ARMSTRONG. F/SGT. N.B. OWEN.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1650.	1908.	No target attacked. Abandoned trip at 5340V 0050L due to starboard engine inner engine oil temperature high. Bombs jettisoned.	
	LANCASTER. W. 4964.	F/O. C.P. NEWTON. SGT. J. TURNER. F/O. F. HALL. SGT. FAIRCLOUGH. SGT. J. RYAN. SGT. R. McFERRAN. SGT. W. WILKINSON.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1648.	2317	Primary attacked. 2010 hrs. 23,500 ft. One Wanganui flare in lights. Red glow on clouds over wide area. Green T.I's at position "X".	

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22/11/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER. W. 5010.	P/O. G. WARD. SGT. G. SUTTON. SGT. J. SUPTON. SGT. T. KEENE. SGT. G.L. JAMES. SGT. G.K. BIRDWELL. SGT. N.F. DIXON. P/SGT. L. DORAN.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1653.	2323.	Primary attacked. 2006 hrs. 21,500 ft. Saw two "anganui flares on run-up but one disappeared. Flare bombed ignited thirty seconds before bombing. Looking back after bombing, saw at least six "anganui flares well concentrated in the area bombed and also five green T.I's. Clouds lit up by reddish glow. Considerable improvement on last attack. Orange explosion seen at 2010 hours.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 700.	P/O. W. TURNBULL. SGT. J. WELLSING. SGT. J. WATERHOUSE. P/O. J. McMASTER. SGT. G.T.M. CAINES. SGT. J.R. WOOD. SGT. C.R. BOLT.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1646.	2320.	Primary attacked. 2004½ hrs. 21,000 ft. Nothing seen through cloud. Glow of route markers seen through clouds at "T" at 1915 hrs. and at "Z" at 2105 hrs. Not seen any "T".	
	LANCASTER. DV. 340.	P/O. H. BLOW. SGT. F.S. COLMAN. SGT. S.W.A. HURRELL. SGT. H.P. SMITH. SGT. R.O. SMITH. SGT. HARTLEY. SGT. W.E. MILLER.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1657.	2353.	Primary attacked. 2020 hrs. 21,000 ft. Glow of fires seen on cloud, appeared as if concentrated. "anganui flares were close together, near red and green T.I's. Attack appeared more concentrated than the last.	
	LANCASTER. EE 136	P/O. W.J. CHAMBERS. SGT. W.E. HAYWOOD. P/L. J. BEESTON. SGT. J. HANNON. SGT. MULLUCK. SGT. A. STEWARD. P/SGT. J. CAMPBELL	Bombing - BERLIN.	1711.	2346.	Primary attacked. 2020 hrs. 20,000 ft. M.P.I. of four or five "anganui flares in sights. Saw "anganui flares - bright red glow beneath cloud in the middle of "anganui flares. P.F.F. concentration good.	

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22/11/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 721.	P/O. J. ANSTETT.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1654.	2351.	Primary attacked. 2025 hrs. 20,350 feet. Concentrated "anganui" flares and somewhat scattered red T.I's seen.  No bombing results owing to cloud except explosion at 2023 hrs.	
		F/SGT. ARCHER.					
		F/O. A.F. STANISHKAS					
		SGT. R.G. WHALE.					
		P/O. W.J. CRADDOCK.					
		SGT. P.G.L. FERR.					
LANCASTER. IM. 361.		F/O. W. REID.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1655.	2328.	Primary attacked. 2024 hrs. 21,000 ft. 10/10ths cloud prevented observation of results. One large orange explosion seen at 2022 hrs lasted almost 20 seconds at its peak of brilliancy. During action taken to avoid another Lancaster on outward journey at 21,000 feet 1833 hrs, aircraft went into a spin for 30 to 40 seconds down to 13,000 ft. when recovery was effected. All gyro instruments toppled.	
		SGT. S.W. RICHARDS.					
		F/O. R.D.H. PARFET.					
		SGT. D.G. MOIR.					
		SGT. B. HARTHILL.					
		SGT. C.J. WILFELM.					
		SGT. G. BROWN.					
LANCASTER. DV. 198.		P/O. J.G.R. LING.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1658.	2342.	Primary attacked. 2022 hrs. 22,000 ft. Three "anganui" flares in a cluster in sights. Fire glow on clouds about six miles long by 3/4 miles wide. One explosion at 2020 hrs. another at 2020 1/2 hrs in similar position.	
		SGT. L. MOSS.					
		SGT. H. LAWS.					
		SGT. T. FLETCHER.					
		SGT. F.A. GAULD.					
		SGT. E.J. RUSH.					
		SGT. I. PRADA.					
LANCASTER. DV. 293.		F/O. R.A. BAYLON.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1651.	2330.	Primary attacked. 2020 hrs. 20,500 ft. "anganui" flares in sights. A number of "anganui" flares seen before bombing.  Fairly concentrated glow of fires on cloud.	
		SGT. F.E. COPE.					
		F/O. B. OTTER.					
		SGT. J.K. WIDDOP.					
		SGT. E. EGAN.					
		SGT. R.J. BARONI.					
		SGT. A. RICHARDSON.					

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22/11/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER	F/O. S. JAMES.	Bombing -	1740.	2339.	Primary attacked. 2017 hrs. 21,000 ft. The glow of a flare seen on clouds and an explosion seen. Other message only. P.P.F. activity seen.	
	ED. 656.	SGT. G. TULLINSON.	BERLIN.				
		F/O. G. B. LOFFEY.					
		SGT. A.H. HONTE.					
		SGT. R.F. BURKE.					
		SGT. N.W. CHIVERS.					
23/11/43	LANCASTER.	SGT. J. GROSSON.	Bombing -	1650.	2336.	Primary attacked. 2007 hrs. 22,000 ft. Many P.P.F. flares seen which were fairly well concentrated. A good glow on clouds, with orange glows marking flares underneath. Very unpleasant last 100 miles on homeward trip due to descending through cloud and very heavy rain.	
	ET. 198.	SGT. K. RAVILF.	BERLIN.				
		F/O. D. BOVES.					
		F/O. K.H.H. COOK.					
		SGT. F.C. WOOLFORD.					
		SGT. G. WIDDIS.					
		SGT. A.D. BOLLAND.					
	LANCASTER.	F/L. W.D. ERVINE.	Bombing -				
	DV. 332.	SGT. D. EYSHON.	BERLIN.				
		F/O. H.J. MAY.					
	SGT. A.B. GILES.						
	SGT. F. HOGAN.						
	F/O. H.A. DICKINSON.						
	F/SGT. J.J. DICKINSON.						
23/11/43	LANCASTER.	F/O. C.P. NEWTON.	Bombing -	1656.	2350.	Primary attacked. 2000 hrs. 21,500 ft. Concentrated Wanganui flares, but no T.I.'s. Bomb explosions concentrated - no fire glow seen at T.I.'s, but considerable glow seen from 120 miles on homeward trip. Explosions on 20 p hrs.	
	W. 4964.	SGT. J. TURNER.	BERLIN.				
		F/O. P. HALL.					
		F/SGT. ALLEN.					
		SGT. J. RYAN.					
		SGT. R. McFERRAN.					
		SGT. W.J. WILKINSON.					

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23/11/43 (Cont'd)	LANCASTER. W. 5010.	F/L. L.G. HADLAND.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1658.	2331.	Primary attacked. 2005 hrs. 20,000 ft. T/I's with Wanganui flares all quite well concentrated. A large area of cloud reflected glows from fires below. Route markers at all three positions very good. Last 100 miles of trip home difficult due to cloud 1,00 ft. base, lower in places and bumpy indeed.														
		SGT. A.W. CHEERINGTON.																		
		SGT. S. GREENWOOD.																		
		F/O. J.R. BROWN.																		
		SGT. J. GASKELL.																		
LANCASTER. JA. 690.	P/O. K.E. WARWICK. SGT. THOMAS. P/SGT. T. BUTTERFIELD. P/SGT. J. GRAHAM. SGT. G.T.M. CAIRNS. P/O. E.N. ARMSTRONG. P/SGT. N.B. OWEN.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1707.	2337.	Primary attacked. 2008 hrs. 19,000 ft. Red T/I seen at 1958 hrs. then 5 or 6 Wanganui flares followed by 2 or 2 green T/O. Wanganui flares rather scattered but two green T/I adjacent, with two further greens one short and one beyond the other two. Even glow of red fires seen through cloud. Still visible for 120 miles.															
							LANCASTER. DV. 327.	P/O. C. WARD. SGT. J. SUTTON. SGT. E. KEENE. SGT. G.L. JAMES. SGT. G.P.K. BEDWELL. SGT. N.P. DIXON. SGT. W.L. DORAN.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1657.	2350.	Primary attacked. 2010 hrs. 19,500 ft. Reflected glow of fires seen on cloud for estimated 8 miles long direction of attack 2 miles broad. All route markers seen fused. Trip went uneventfully except some difficulty in getting height. crossed Dutch coast in at 15,000 ft. On return to base after getting pancake did one overshoot due to the carriage not coming down (according to lights) On making a turn to port for second approach into funnel at indicated height of 500 ft. aircraft did a gentle shallow dive to starboard. It not respond to controls but crashed, crew unhurt.								
														LANCASTER. ED. 700.	P/O. W. TURNBULL. SGT. J. WELLINGS. SGT. J. WATERHOUSE. P/O. J. McMASTER. SGT. OWEN. SGT. K. WOOLLARD. SGT. G.R. BOLT.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1659.	2342.	Primary attacked. 2007 hrs. 19,500 ft. First saw red T/I then a Wanganui, then three T/I's well concentrated. Carpet of fire seen through cloud mainly estimated 12 miles long by three miles wide seen after bombing. Glow seen for 100 miles, great improvement on last night in fact no comparison. Best of five attacks we have taken part in.	189

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23/11/43 (Cont'd)	LANCASTER DV. 340.	S/L. G. J. BRAIN.	Bombing - BERLIN.	4703.	2324.	Primary attacked. 2005 hrs. 21,500 ft. Four red T.I.'s cascaded at 1956 hrs f ollowed by several greens and Waganui flares. Glow of concentrated fires on cloud.	
		SGT. C. F. BOWYER.					
		P/O. F. F. FORTSHEW.					
		SGT. H. T. JOLLIFFS.					
		P/O. A. H. HILWARD.					
		SGT. N. E. ADAMS.					
		SGT. D. A. POWERY.					
		P/O. J. ANSTEE.					
		SGT. C. W. CARTWRIGHT.					
		P/SGT. ABBOTT.					
LANCASTER ED. 721.	LANCASTER ED. 721.	P/O. A. F. STANISLAUS.	Bombing - BERLIN.	4704.	0002.	Primary attacked. 2014 hrs. 19,500 ft. Concentrated Waganui flares from 2000 hrs. Green T.I.'s in same area. Bombing concentrated.	
		SGT. R. O. WHALEY.					
		P/O. W. J. CRADDOCK.					
		SGT. P. G. L. KERR.					
		P/O. J. G. R. LING.					
		SGT. I. MOSS.					
		SGT. H. LAWS.					
		SGT. T. FITCHETT.					
		SGT. E. A. GAULD.					
		SGT. T. J. RUSH.					
SGT. H. COOPE.							
LANCASTER DV. 498.	LANCASTER DV. 498.	P/O. H. BLOW.	Bombing - BERLIN.	4703.	2347.	Primary attacked. 2012 hrs. 20,500 ft. The glow from the fires reflected on the clouds was roughly circular - five miles across. Waganui flares pretty well close together. T.I.'s not so concentrated. Route markers all seen and used.	
		SGT. F. S. COLMAN.					
		SGT. S. W. A. HURRELL.					
		SGT. H. P. SMITH.					
		SGT. R. O. SMITH.					
		SGT. HARTLEY					
		SGT. H. HILWARD.					
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23/11/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER. W.M. ED. 656.	P/O. N.J. ROBINSON. P/O. G.G. HINTON. SGT. R.G. TAYLOR. P/SGT. T.R. DAVIS. P/SGT. B.J. PITMAN. SGT. W.E. JONES. P/SGT. L.E. MITCHELL SGT. J. CASEY.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1708.		This aircraft crashed on return at approx. 234 hrs. 10 miles N.E. of base. Sgt. Casey and P/Sgt. Mitchell taken to R.A.F. Hospital, Pauceby. Remainder of crew killed.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 293.	P/O. R.A. BAILEY. SGT. F.S. COPE. P/O. B. OTTER. SGT. J.K. WIDDOP. SGT. E. EGAN. SGT. R.J. BARON. SGT. A. RICHARDSON.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1700.	2005.	Returned early. No target attacked. Engines overheating. Difficulty in climbing. Bomb load jettisoned.	
26/11/43.	LANCASTER. ES. 188.	P/O. W.M. REID. SGT. S.V. RICHARDS. P/O. P.D.H. PARKER. SGT. D.G. MOIR. SGT. B. HARTHILL. SGT. D.J. WILFELM. SGT. G. BROWN.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1721.	005.	Primary attacked. 2125 hrs. 21,500 ft. Many red T.I's a few green T.I's and some scattered. Wanganui flares seen before bombing. A few fires seen burning. P.P.P. concentration T.I's good but Wanganui scattered.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 331.	P/O. K.E. WARWICK. SGT. THOMAS. P/SGT. T. BUTTERFIELD. P/SGT. J. GRAHAM. P/SGT. G.T.M. CAINES. P/O. F.N. ARMSTRONG. P/SGT. N.B. OWEN.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1728.	0003.	Primary attacked. 2126 hrs. 21,000 ft. Green T.I's cascaded 2123 hrs. Few incendiaries dropped short, but good concentration of fires in centre of T.A. Route markers seen.	101

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26/11/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER DV. 332.	F/O. J. V. COMANS. SGT. K. RANDLPH. F/O. D. BOWES. F/O. K. H. CROK. SGT. R. G. WOLFORD. SGT. G. WIDDIS. SGT. A. D. BOLLAND. F/L. R. WELLS.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1722.	0024.	Primary attacked. 2122 hours. 21,000 ft. Two concentrations of fires seen West and West of A.P. Green flares dropped in centre of concentrations. Attack concentrated. Best of three this week.	
	LANCASTER. W. 5010.	SGT. D. J. NUTTMAN. P/O. A. U. DUNCAN. F/SGT. K. GARRETT. F/SGT. F. SMITH. SGT. B. V. COUGH. F/SGT. S. MOSS.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1719.	0121.	Primary attacked. 2120 hrs. 22,000 ft. Centre of smoke incendiary flares which fell 2118 hrs., in sights. Arrived target area 2110 hours. Before attack opened was covered, came out and re-bombarded again. 2114 hrs. when saw red T.I.s also a number of incendiaries burning on ground. On leaving target fires had increased intensity covering a big area with thick black smoke rising to 8,000 ft at. Considered a successful attack.	
	LANCASTER. JA. 690.	F/O. F. JAMES. SGT. G. WOLINSKI. P/O. G. E. LOCKY. SGT. A. H. YOVIE. SGT. R. E. BURKE. SGT. N. W. CHIVERS. SGT. H. CROFTON. P/O. P. A. BAULDON. SGT. F. S. COFF. F/O. B. CUTTS. SGT. J. K. WIDDY. SGT. MULOCK. SGT. P. J. BARNHILL. SGT. A. RICHARDSON.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1725.	0040.	Primary attacked. 2119 hrs. 21,000 ft. Green T.I. in sights. Saw P.P.F. activity, and two sticks incendiaries which overshoot T.I's.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 700.		Bombing - BERLIN.	1727.	2330.	Primary not attacked. Inertive target, incendiary, bombed. Defences active.	

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26/11/43 (Contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 136.	P/O. J.G.R. LING. SGT. L. MOSS. SGT. H. LAWS. SGT. T. FLETCHER. SGT. E.A. GAULD. SGT. F.J. RUSH. SGT. I. PRADA.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1724.	0115.	Primary attacked. 2125 hrs. 22,000 ft. Bomb sight went u/s on run up. Took rough line on centre of cluster of green T.I. Target area lacerated by huge fires. P.P.F. markers concentrated and accurate.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 198	P/O. J.R. HANCOCK SGT. G.L.G. WILLIAMS P/O. F.T. FORESHEW. P/O. K. CHADWORTH. SGT. G.S. PENFOLD. SGT. N.J. SORGE. P/SGT. J. CAMPBELL.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1729.	0014.	Primary attacked. 2126 hours. 21,000 ft. Fires were going well and appeared well concentrated. T.I.'s also well laid. Route markers seen.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 721.	P/O. J. ARGENT. SGT. V. LYONS. SGT. J. WATERHOUSE. P/O. D.A. KEBBLE. SGT. G. FRADLEY. P/SGT. A.K. FRYWEN. SGT. V.C. KNOX.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1726.	0158.	Primary attacked. 2123 hrs. 21,000 ft. Wanganui flares also red and green T.I.'s seen before bombing. Attack appeared concentrated except for few scattered fires. P.P.F. good and on time. 1 x 4000lb. hung up.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 340.	P/O. J. ANSTEE. SGT. C.W. CARTWRIGHT. P/SGT. ARCHER. P/O. A.F. STANISLAUS. SGT. R.C. WHALE. P/O. W.J. CRADDOCK. SGT. P.G.L. KERR.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1720.	0220.	Primary attacked. 2124 hrs. 21,200 ft. Fires were going well and were well concentrated. M.U. Gunner could see outline of built up area in fires. Route markers seen.	

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BARINEY.	1/12.		Operations were ordered for the night, but were cancelled later.		
	2/12.		Twelve aircraft and crews were detailed to carry out operations at night, the target being BERLIN. There was some cloud over the target, but P.F.F. markers were found to be concentrated. Good fires were seen to be left burning in the area. "D" (P/LT. WELLS) failed to return. "C" (P/O. WARWICK) crashed on return to this country.		
	3/12.		A little local flying was carried out during the day. At night, seven aircraft took off to attack LEIPZIG. Conditions of 10/10ths cloud were found over the target, but P.F.F. had concentrated their markers and a good attack followed. Good fires could be seen reflected on the clouds below. It was not possible to observe the extent of damage caused owing to the cloud. "M" (P/O. PEARCE) was attacked by an enemy fighter when approaching the target and damaged considerably. In addition, the mid-upper gunner was wounded, but the mission was completed successfully.		
	4/12.		Some local flying was undertaken during the day, as well as one cross-country exercise.		
	5/12.)		Nothing of operational importance occurred.		
	6/12.)				
	7/12.)				
	8/12.)				
	9/12.		The whole day was devoted to training. This included bombing, air firing and Gee homing.		
	10/12.		Further training was carried out, with practice bombing and air firing as the main features. At night two "Bullseyes" were completed.		
	11/12.		More training was undertaken during the day. This consisted of bombing and air firing.		

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Bardney.	11/12	(Contd)	pilot's bombing, Gee homing, and landing, and fighter affiliation.		
	12/12.		The training programme completed during the day included bombing, air to sea firing, pilot's bombing, fighter affiliation, and night bombing and landings.		
	13/12.		Crews undertook further training during the day, when they took part in practice bombing, fighter affiliation, circuits, landings, and overshoots.		
	14/12.		Nothing of operational importance occurred.		
	15/12.				
	16/12.		The day was spent in preparation for operations at night, when 13 aircraft took off to attack BERLIN. 10/10ths cloud were over the target area, but in spite of this a concentrated attack was made. The glow of fires was seen, but further results could not be seen owing to cloud. "Y" (P/O. BAYLEN) and "B" (P/O. BLACK) failed to return.		
	17/12.		Nothing of operational importance occurred.		
	18/12.				
	19/12.		Training was carried out, consisting of air tests, bombing and cross country flights.		
	20/12.		Fourteen aircraft took off on operations against FRANKFURT. Only a small number of P.F.P. markers were found and these were somewhat scattered. Some fires were seen below cloud, but the attack was not very concentrated. A few explosions were also observed in the target area. "O" (P/O. ARGENT) was ditched in the North Sea on return.		
	21/12.		One night-cross country exercise was carried out. There was no other flying.		

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One night cross country exercise was carried out. There was no other flying.

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BARDNEY.	22/12.		The whole day was spent in training, the programme being made up of fighter affiliation, practice bombing and two "Bullseye" exercises at night.		
	23/12.		Thirteen aircraft and crews were prepared for operations at night against BERLIN. A concentrated attack was made, although some scattered fires were seen to be burning outside the main area of fire.		
	24/12.		Only two aircraft were airborne, and these were engaged on altitude tests, cross-country and practice bombing.		
	25/12.		Nothing of operational importance occurred.		
	26/12.				
	27/12.		Some flying was done consisting of altitude tests, fighter affiliation, air to sea firing and practice bombing.		
	28/12.		Weather prevented any flying from being carried out.		
	29/12.		Twelve aircraft took off for operations, the target being BERLIN. "W" (P/O. HANCOCK) returned early owing to inter-com. failure. The remaining aircraft found the target, which was covered by 10/10ths cloud. Concentrated P.F.F. Markers were in position, and a good attack ensued. Detailed observation of results was not possible owing to the cloud, but the glow of fires could be seen.		
	30/12.		There was little flying undertaken, only four aircraft being airborne. These were engaged on fighter affiliation, air firing and practice bombing.		
	31/12.		Nothing of operational importance occurred.		

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2 Dec.	LANCASTER. EB. 188.	P/O. I.C.B. BLACK. SGT. E. BUTTON. P/O. G.E. McTAGGART. P/O. D. MORETON. SGT. A.E. BAUMANN. P/SGT. W.H.A. CARDWELL. SGT. D.T. GORDON.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1636.	2326½.	Primary attacked. 2018 hrs. 20,800 feet. Identified by red and green T/I's and R/P flares. Centre of three green T/I's, seen to cascade at 2017 and 2017½ hrs. Scattered R/P. Flares and green T/I's seen, the latter not before 2010 hrs. Two good fires and attack appeared to be effective. Green T/I's well concentrated but R/P flares scattered.	
	LANCASTER. EW. 334.	P/O. K.E. WARWICK. SGT. DAVISON, R.W. P/SGT. T. BUTTERFIELD. P/SGT. J. GRAHAM. SGT. MUNN, D.I.T. SGT. RICKARD, C. SGT. H. JONES. P/SGT. N.B. OWEN.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1645.		This aircraft crashed at R.A.F. Station, GAMSTON, the satellite of OSSINGTON. Sgt. Rickard and P/Sgt. Owen were injured. The remainder of the crew were killed.	
	LANCASTER. W. 5010.	SGT. R.W. FLOWRIGHT. SGT. W.C. LEWIS. SGT. N.H.B. LUCAS. P/SGT. R.P. ALLEN. SGT. H. HANNAH. SGT. P. COOR. SGT. N.F. WELLS.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1640.	0006.	Primary attacked. 2018 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by Wanganui flares and green T/I's. Bombing and fires appeared concentrated over fairly wide area.	
	LANCASTER. W. 4964.	P/O. C.P. NEWTON. P/O. SANDY, W.S. SGT. J. TURNER. P/O. P. HALL. P/L. G. BELL. SGT. J. RYAN. SGT. R. McPERRAN. SGT. W.J. WILKINSON.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1644.	2329½.	Primary attacked. 2025 hrs. 24,000 ft. Wanganui flares somewhat scattered. Fair sized fires over large area round green T/I's. Red T/I's scattered over area at approx. posn. "Y" outward 1944 hours. Homeward 2114 hrs.	

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2 Dec. (contd)	LANCASTER. IV. 332.	P/L. R. WELLS. SGT. D. J. NUTTMAN. P/O. A. U. DUNCAN. P/SGT. K. GARRETT. P/SGT. F. SMITH. SGT. R. V. GOUGH. P/SGT. S. NOSS.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1634.		Aircraft missing. No signals or messages received after take off.	
		P/O. D. H. HEARCE. SGT. C. W. HOWE. P/O. J. E. LOGAN. P/O. W. E. PEARSON. SGT. W. R. DORAN. P/SGT. E. A. THOMAS. SGT. WRIGHT, A. R.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1635.	2349.	Primary attacked. 2043 hrs. 21,000 ft. Centre of green T/I's (9) in sights, not seen to cascade. BOMB No. R/P. flares seen. Bombing appeared well concentrated and good fires resulted. Too late over target to assess P.F.F. concentrated.	
		W/C. E. L. FORSTER. SGT. C. W. CARPWRIGHT. P/O. W. A. GALL. P/O. J. A. PRIOR. SGT. J. LEVER. P/O. E. N. ARMSTRONG. SGT. P. G. HAYLER.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1637.	2336.	Primary attacked. 2022 hrs. 20,000 ft. There was a fairly good main concentration of red and green T/I's. Wanganui flares also were fairly well concentrated. Some fires were starting.	
		P/O. K. L. FORSTER. SGT. R. J. BAIRD. SGT. R. N. BACON. SGT. D. D. McLEAN. SGT. A. L. PICKERING. SGT. R. F. FRODICKER. SGT. G. A. SANGSTER.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1642.	2319.	Primary attacked. 2023 hrs. 20,300 ft. Centre of three green T/I's in sights. Wanganui flares and red T/I's fairly well concentrated with a few scattered green T/I's. Two large fires in target area with scattered ones to the South West.	

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2 Dec (Contd)	LANCASTER. ED. 721.	P/O. J.G.R. LING. SGT. L. MOSS. SGT. H. LAWS. SGT. T. FLETCHER. SGT. E.A. GAULD. SGT. E.J. RUSH. SGT. I. PRADA.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1643.	2339.	Primary attacked. 2025 hrs. 21,000 ft. Centre of three Wanganui flares in sights. Fires scattered except small concentration to the South. Green T/I's seen after bombing.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 198.	F/SGT. R.L.G. LASHAM. SGT. W. YATES. SGT. C. BOSLEY. SGT. H. WILSON. SGT. D.S. NICHOLLS. SGT. R.F. FOWELL. SGT. E.W. CLARK.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1641.	0032.	Primary attacked. 2030 hrs. 20,000 ft. The centre of three green T/I's in sights. A fair number of fires were seen. Wanganui flares only seen before bombing but green T/I's dropped just before, so we bombed them.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 654.	P/O. J.R. HANCOCK. SGT. G.L.G. WILLIAMS. P/O. F.E. FORESHEW. P/O. K. CHADERTON. SGT. G.S. PENFOLD. SGT. N.J. SORGE. SGT. SWINDLEHURST, J.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1657.	2323.	Primary attacked. 2024 hrs. 20,000 ft. One green T/I in bomb sights seen to cascade at 2022 hours. No green T/I's seen before 2011 hrs. Red T/I's seen but no R/P flares. No outstanding fires seen and bombing appeared to be somewhat scattered. P.F.F. concentration good.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 293.	P/O. R.A. BAYLDON. SGT. P.S. COPE. P/O. B. OTTER. SGT. J.K. WIDDOP. SGT. E. EGAN. SGT. R.J. BARONI. SGT. A. RICHARDSON.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1639.	2322.	Primary attacked. 2020 hrs. 20,500 ft. P.F.F. Wanganui flare in sights. Glow of fires seen reflected on clouds. No T/I's seen, only sky markers seen before bombing - their concentration was good.	

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3 Dec.	LANCASTER. EE. 188.	SGT. D.P. FROUD.	Bombing - LEIPZIG.	0027.	0733.	Primary attacked. 0407 hrs. 21,000 ft. Centre of P.F.F. flares red with green stars in sights. P.F.F. flares were fairly well concentrated. Glow on clouds from fires below.	
		SGT. BRLEEN, W.F.					
		SGT. D. CARLICK.					
		SGT. L.T. FAIRCLOUGH.					
		SGT. W.H. SHIRLEY.					
		SGT. S.L. JONES.					
		SGT. R.L. BIERS.					
	LANCASTER, W. 4964.	SGT. R.W. BLOWRIGHT.	Bombing - LEIPZIG.	0031.	0803.	Primary attacked. 0414 hrs. 21,300 ft. Identified by red and green T/I's and R/P flares. Centre of three green T/I's seen to cascade at 0412 hrs. Bombing appeared well concentrated and good fires seen through cloud gaps. P.F.F. concentration good, particularly the green T/I's.	
		SGT. W.C. LEWIS.					
		SGT. N.H.B. LUCAS.					
		F/SGT. R.P. ALLEN.					
		SGT. H. HANNAH.					
		SGT. F. CORR.					
		SGT. N.F. WELLS.					
	LANCASTER. JA. 690.	F/O. D.H. BEARGE.	Bombing - LEIPZIG.	0028.	0710.	Primary attacked. 0408 hrs. 20,000 ft. Area lit up with <del>Wanganui</del> Wanganui flares, a few green T/I's, fighter flares and glow on clouds from fires below and cloud in one place dark with smoke. Aircraft attacked by enemy fighters and received considerable damage.	
		SGT. C.W. HOWE.					
		F/O. J.E. LOGAN.					
		F/O. W.E. PEARSON.					
		SGT. W.R. DORAN.					
		SGT. WRIGHT, A.R.					
		F/SGT. E.A. THOMAS.					
	LANCASTER. DV. 340.	F/O. K.L. PORTER.	Bombing - LEIPZIG.	0026.	0747.	Primary attacked. 0407 hrs. 20,500 ft. Identified by R/P flares. Fires seen but results could not be accurately assessed owing to cloud conditions. P.F.F. concentration good. No green T/I's seen.	
		SGT. R.J. BAIRD					
		SGT. R.N. BACON.					
		SGT. D.D. McLEAN.					
		SGT. A.L. PICKERING.					
		SGT. R.F. HEDICKER.					
		SGT. G.A. SANGSTER.					

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3 Dec Contd.	LANCASTER. ED. 721.	F/SGT. R.L.G. LASHAM. SGT. W. YATES. SGT. C. BOSLEY. SGT. H. WILSON. SGT. D.S. NICHOLLS. SGT. R.F. POWELL. SGT. BOLTON, E	Bombing - LEIPZIG.	0023.	0725.	Primary attacked. 0408 hours. 20,000 ft. Identified by red and green T/I's and R/P flares. Centre of large concentration of R/P flares in sights. Through gap in cloud large and well concentrated fires seen and bombing appeared to have been well concentrated. P.F.P. R/P flares well concentrated.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 198 1/2	F/L. J.F. MITCHELL. SGT. W. JONES. P/O. J.N.G. WYATT. SGT. E. RENFREY. SGT. F. JOHNSON. SGT. B.R. ROGERS. F/SGT. E. PLUNKETT.	Bombing - LEIPZIG.	0011.	0716.	Primary attacked. 0405 1/2 hrs. 21,000 ft. Identified by red T.I's and R.P. flares. Centre of cluster of 8 R/P flares in sights. Glow of fires seen but effect of attack could not be assessed owing to cloud. P.F.P. concentration good.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 654.	P/O. W.W.W. TURNBULL. SGT. J. WELLINGS. SGT. J. WATERHOUSE. P/O. J. McMASTER. SGT. OWEN, G. SGT. MICHAEL, J. SGT. C.F. BOLT.	Bombing = LEIPZIG.	0025.	0744.	Primary attacked. 0407 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by red T/I, green T/I and Wanganui flares. The middle of two green T/I's in sights. Glow of three distinct fires seen on the clouds. A plenty display of all P.P.F. technique especially the flares which were well concentrated.	
16 Dec.	LANCASTER. JA. 711.	F/SGT. A.J. JUBB. SGT. L. MOSS. SGT. J.N. CARTER. P/O. R.S. Collins. F/SGT. A.C. JOHNS. SGT. R. WHALLEY. SGT. F. BOLTON.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1657.	0019.	Primary attacked. 2010 hrs. 20,000ft. Identified by red and green T.I's and R/P flares. Centre of cluster of 4 green T.I's in sights, seen to cascade at 2008 hrs and 2009 hrs. Glow of fires seen but cloud prevented accurate observation. Green T.I's appeared well concentrated.	

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Dec 16.	LANCASTER. EE. 188.	P/O. I.C.B. BLACK. SGT. E. BUTTON. P/O. G.E. McTAGGART. SGT. G. BROTHERS. SGT. A.E. BAUMANN. SGT. N. ADAMS. SGT. D.T. GORDON.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1647.		Aircraft missing. Heard by BARNBY Control on P/T at 2348 hours. No further news of this aircraft.	
	LANCASTER. W. 4964.	P/O. J.V. COMANS. SGT. THOMAS, J. P/O. D. BOWES. P/O. K.R.H. COOK. SGT. R.G. WOOLFORD. SGT. G. WIDDIS. SGT. A.D. BOLLAND. P/O. G.P. NEWTON. SGT. J. TURNER. P/O. P. HALL. P/SGT. E.J. LUCK. SGT. J. RYAN. SGT. E. McFERRAN. SGT. WJ. WILKINSON. SGT. R.W. PLOWRIGHT. SGT. W.C. LEWIS. SGT. N.H.B. LUKAS. P/SGT. R.P. ALLEN. SGT. H. HANNAH. SGT. F. CORR. SGT. N.P. WELLS.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1644.	0014.	Primary attacked. 2007 hrs. 20,500 ft. Identified by red flares with green stars and green T.I's. Centre of three concentrated green T.I's in sights. Two orange fires seen reflected on cloud on run in.	
	LANCASTER. W. 4964.	SGT. A.D. BOLLAND. P/O. G.P. NEWTON. SGT. J. TURNER. P/O. P. HALL. P/SGT. E.J. LUCK. SGT. J. RYAN. SGT. E. McFERRAN. SGT. WJ. WILKINSON. SGT. R.W. PLOWRIGHT. SGT. W.C. LEWIS. SGT. N.H.B. LUKAS. P/SGT. R.P. ALLEN. SGT. H. HANNAH. SGT. F. CORR. SGT. N.P. WELLS.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1639.	2355.	Primary attacked. 2003 hrs. 24,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I's and P.P.P. flares. Centre of a concentration of green T.I's in sights. Very numerous red T.I's and green T.I's and P.P.P. Wanganui flares which latter were in general 5/6 miles South of T.I's. Glow of two firms areas seen in clouds.	
	LANCASTER, W. 5010.	SGT. WJ. WILKINSON. SGT. R.W. PLOWRIGHT. SGT. W.C. LEWIS. SGT. N.H.B. LUKAS. P/SGT. R.P. ALLEN. SGT. H. HANNAH. SGT. F. CORR. SGT. N.P. WELLS.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1659.	2386.	Primary attacked. 2010 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by Wanganui flares and green T.I's cascading. Centre of three green T.I's cascading, in sights. Wanganui flares and red and green T.I's somewhat scattered until after bombing. No effects of bombing seen owing to cloud.	

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bombing. No effects of bombing seen owing to cloud.

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Dec 16	LANCASTER.	F/Lt. L.G. HADLAND.	Bombing -	1651.	2352.	Primary attacked. 2004 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by P.F.F. T.I's and Wanganui flares. Centre of a cluster of greens in sights, which coincided with centre of Wanganui flares. Some T.I's scattered, but mainly well concentrated, as also were the Wanganui flares. Glow of fires on cloud visible for considerable distance after leaving target.	
Contd	ED. 700.	SGT. C.E. BOWYER.	BERLIN.				
		F/SGT. S. GREENWOOD.					
		SGT. H. JOLLIFFE.					
		SGT. J. GASKELL.					
		SGT. A.D. TIRREL.					
		SGT. FOWLEY, DA.					
	LANCASTER.	R/O. K.L. PORTER.	Bombing -	1648.	0010.	Primary attacked. 2007 hours. 20,500 ft. Identified by green T.I's. Centre of three green T.I's in sights. P.F.F. fair before bombing. Slight glow seen over wide area. Yellow T.I's accurate at three positions given.	
	DV. 340.	SGT. R.J. BAIRD.	BERLIN.				
		F/SGT. R.N. BACON.					
		SGT. D.D. McLEAN.					
		SGT. A.L. PICKERING.					
		SGT. R.F. HEDICKER.					
		SGT. G.A. SANGSTER.					
	LANCASTER.	F/SGT. R.L.C. LASHAM.	Bombing -	1700.	0010.	Primary attacked. 2006 hrs. 21,000 ft. Identified by green T.I's and R/P flares. M.P.I. of R/P flares in sights, which appeared accurate and concentrated, then the two green T.I's seen. Results of bombing not seen owing to cloud. R/P flares well concentrated.	
	ED. 721.	SGT. W. YATES.	BERLIN.				
		SGT. C. BOSLEY.					
		SGT. H. WILSON.					
		SGT. D.S. NICHOLLS.					
		SGT. R.F. POWELL.					
		SGT. I. PRADA					
	LANCASTER.	P/O. W.W.W. TURNBULL.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1641.	0024.	Primary attacked. 2001 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by Wanganui flares, also red and green T.I's. Centre of two GREEN T.I's cascading at 1958 1/2 hrs. in sights. P.F.F. concentrated before bombing, but scattered after. No effects seen. Yellow T.I's seen at 3 positions as ordered.	127
	LM. 361.	F/O. R. MATHERS.					
		SGT. J. WELLINGS.					
		SGT. J. WATERHOUSE.					
		P/O. J. McMASTER.					
		SGT. OWEN, B					
		SGT. MICHAEL, J					
		SGT. C.R. BOLT.					

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16 Dec.	LANCASTER. IV. 198.	P/Lt. J. F. MITCHELL SGT. A. M. JONES. P/O. J. N. G. WATF. P/SGT. E. KEARNEY. SGT. E. JOHNSON SGT. SPARKS SGT. B. G. ROGERS. P/SGT. E. PLINKETT.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1646. 2354.	Primary attacked. 2005 hrs. 18,000 ft. Identified by R/P flares and green T.I.'s. M.P.I. of R/P flares in sights. Low cloud prevented observation of results of bombing. R/P flares well concentrated.	
	LANCASTER. W/EM IV. 395.	P/O. W. REID. SGT. S. W. RICHARDS. P/O. R. D. H. PARKER. SGT. D. G. MOIR P/O. A. H. MILWARD. SGT. G. J. WILHELM. SGT. G. BROWN.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1647. 2359.	Primary attacked. 2008 hours. 20,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I.'s and R/P flares. M.P.I. of R/P flares in sights. Glow of fires seen but cloud prevented accurate assessment of results. R/P flares well concentrated.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 654.	P/O. H. BLOW. SGT. P. S. COLLMAN SGT. S. W. A. HURRELL. SGT. H. SMITH. SGT. R. O. SMITH. SGT. GASSON, R.N.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1648. 2378.	Primary attacked. 2006 hrs. 20,600 ft. Identified by P.P.F. T.I.'s and Wanganui flares. Centre of Wanganui flares in sights. Glow of fires seen on clouds over an area of several miles. Two concentrations of Wanganui flares seen about 3 miles apart. Only a few T.I.'s seen - also a bit scattered.	
	LANCASTER. IV. 293.	SGT. W. E. MILLER. P/O. R. A. BAYLON. SGT. F. E. COBE. P/O. B. OTTER. SGT. J. K. WIDDOP. SGT. E. EGAN. SGT. R. J. HAKONI. SGT. A. RICHARDSON.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1643.	Aircraft missing. No news after take-off.	

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20 Dec.	LANCASTER. JA. 711.	P/O. C. WARD. SGT. J. SUTTON. SGT. E. KEENE. SGT. G.L. JAMES. SGT. G.F.K. BEDWELL. SGT. N.F. DIXON. SGT. W.L. DORAN.	Bombing - FRANKFURT.	1708.	2243.	Primary attacked. 1945 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by green T.I's and Wanganui flares, The centre of two green T.I's were in sights, and were all that were visible. A few Wanganui flares seen about 4 miles short of green T.I's. One or two small fires seen to North of Green T.I's. P.F.F. was a bit haphazard and very sparse in number. The attack seemed thin and scattered.	
	LANCASTER. W. 4235.	F/O. A.E. MANNING. SGT. BURKITT. F/O. J.W. HEARN. SGT. P. WARYODA. SGT. G.T.M. CAINES. SGT. LAMITT. SGT. C. BOLTON.	Bombing - FRANKFURT.	1653.	2247.	Primary attacked. 1942 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by R/P flares. These were seen on run up to target. No green T.I's or R/P flares seen at time of bombing and bombs aimed at estimated position of R/P flares previously seen beyond concentration of incendiaries. Bombing appeared scattered and P.F.F. concentration poor.	
	LANCASTER. LL. 742.	F/L. W.D. ERVINE. S/L. BACKWELL-SMITH. SGT. D. LEYSHON. F/O. H.J. MAY. F/SGT. A.B. GILES. SGT. F. LOMAX. F/O. H.A. DICKINSON. F/SGT. J.C. DICKINSON.	Bombing - FRANKFURT.	1653.	2247.	Primary attacked. 1942 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by R/P flares. These were seen on run up to target. No green T.I's or R/P flares seen at time of bombing and bombs aimed at estimated position of R/P flares previously seen beyond concentration of incendiaries. Bombing appeared scattered and P.F.F. concentration poor.	
	LANCASTER. IV. 396.	P/O. J. GLOVER. SGT. C.E. BOWYER. F/O. J.S. MIDDLETON. SGT. W. NAUGHTON. SGT. C.F. RUANE. SGT. J. WOOD. SGT. BROWN, G.	Bombing - FRANKFURT.	1703.	2230.	Primary attacked. 1950 hrs. 11,000 ft. Identified by R/P flares. At 19,500 ft. JU 88 made two attacks ten minutes before Lanc. reached the target, and Lanc. was riddled from stem to stern. Severe damage was caused. Intercom was rendered u/s and bombs dropped on written instructions from Navigator when over centre of target area. Fires and incendiaries seen fairly well concentrated. P.F.F. concentration poor.	136

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20 Dec	LANCASTER. W. 4964.	SGT. D.P. FROUD, SGT. JOHNSON, R, SGT. D. CARLICK, SGT. L.T. FAIRCLOUGH, SGT. W.H. SHIRLEY, SGT. S.L. JONES, SGT. RL. BIEERS.	Bombing - FRANKFURT.	1729.	2008.	No target attacked. Aircraft returned easily owing to electrical failure. Bomb load jettisoned.	
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	LANCASTER. W 5010.	SGT. R.W. FLOWRIGHT, SGT. W.C. LEWIS, SGT. N.H.B. LUCAS, P/SGT. R.P. ALLEN, SGT. H. HANNAH, SGT. P. CORR, SGT. N.F. WELLS.	Bombing - FRANKFURT.	1701.	201.	Primary attacked. At 1944 hrs. 20,500 ft. Identified by red and green T.I.'s. One green T.I. in sights. Three red and several scattered single green T.I.'s seen before bombing. Fires scattered, but developed into one main concentration with a smaller one to the West.	
	LANCASTER. IM. 422.	P/O. S. JAMES, SGT. G. TOMLINSON, P/SGT. A.W. ARCHER, SGT. A.H. HOWIE, SGT. R.E. BURKE, SGT. N.W. CHIVERS, SGT. H. CROXSON.	Bombing - FRANKFURT.	1711.	2256.	Primary attacked. 1947 hrs. 21,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I.'s and Wanganui flares. There was a good area of fire where the green T.I. was. Wanganui flares in same area. Judging by the searchlights these fires etc. were on the Eastern side of the target area.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 700.	P/O. E.G. ARGENT, SGT. W. LYONS, SGT. R.G.T. LODGE, P/O. D.A. KEBBLE, SGT. G. FRADLEY, P/SGT. A.K. FIEVERA, SGT. V.C. KNICK.	Bombing - FRANKFURT.	1702.	2232	Primary attacked. 1946 hrs. 20,000 ft. Incendiaries scattered over very large area. No fire glow seen. Only one green T.I. and one Wanganui flare seen. After bombing attacked by ME.210 and JU.88. Petrol tanks hit and considerable damage caused to aircraft. Rear gunner. Sgt. Knox was killed. Owing to loss of fuel on return journey, aircraft was ditched approximately four miles from English coast, 15 miles North of Yarmouth. Crew boarded dinghy and were picked up 4 hours later by A.S.R. launch and landed at Yarmouth. The body of Sgt. Knox went down with the wreckage.	

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20 Dec Contd.	LANCASTER. DW. 340	F/O. R.W. MATHERS. SGT. A. BALL. SGT. T.A. CAVE. F/O. W.A. BRAUN. SGT. J.R. DONALDSON. F/O. R.R. NIGHTINGALE. F/SGT. DEAN, B.S.	Bombing - FRANKFURT.	1709.	2314.	Primary attacked. 1946½ hrs. 20,500 ft. Identified by red and green T.I.'s. Centre of three green T.I.'s in sights. Sticks of incendiaries all around target area. No fires seen on run but red glow seen on clouds about 15 minutes later.	
	LANCASTER. EE. 136.	F/O. J.G.R. LING. SGT. L. MOSS. SGT. CARTER, J.N. SGT. T. FLETCHER. SGT. E.A. GAULD. SGT. E.J. RUSH. SGT. I. PRADA.	Bombing - FRANKFURT.	1704.	2258.	Primary attacked. 1947½ hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by yellow T.I.'s. In sights - 2 green T.I.'s cascading at 1947½ hrs, which replaced red. Green and red T.I.'s seen mostly scattered. Fires concentrated, but scattered to West.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 721.	F/O. F.L.C. LASHAM. SGT. W. YATES. SGT. C. BOSLEY. SGT. H. WILSON. SGT. D.S. NICHOLLS. SGT. R.F. POWELL. F/SGT. C. MOORE.	Bombing - FRANKFURT.	1707.	2302.	Primary attacked. 1947 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by one green T.I. and one R/P flare. Green T.I. and R/P flare seen on run up to target, had burned out and bombs were aimed at target concentration of fires. Fires appeared to be very scattered. P.F.F. concentration very poor. Route markers not definitely seen.	
	LANCASTER. LM. 361	F/O. W.W.W. TURNBULL. F/SGT. SHEPARD, W.J. SGT. J. WELLINGS. SGT. J. WATERHOUSE. F/O. J. McMASTER. SGT. B. OWEN. SGT. J. MICHAEL. SGT. C.R. BOLT.	Bombing - FRANKFURT.	1659.	2239.	Primary attacked. 1943 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by yellow T.I.'s and built up area. Several yellow T.I.'s and 1 green T.I. seen before bombing. Main concentration of fires going well, but fair amount of undershooting. Glow seen from approx 150 miles on return. 4 or 5 explosions in rapid succession in centre of concentration at 1948 hours.	199

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20 Dec	LANCASTER. IV. 198.	F/L. J. P. MITCHELL. G/C. P. SANGSTER, N.C. SGT. A. M. JONES. P/O. J. N. G. WYATT. P/SGT. E. HENFREY. SGT. F. JOHNSON. SGT. B. G. ROGERS. P/SGT. E. PLUNKETT	Bombing - FRANKFURT.	1658.	2232.	Primary attacked. 1944 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I's and R/P flares. One green T.I. in bomb sights, seen to cascade at 1941 hours. At time of bombing only one green T.I. seen. Bombing appeared rather scattered. Large explosion seen at 1946 hours. Route markers not seen on ground owing to cloud.	
	LANCASTER. IV. 395.	P/O. CHAMBERS, W. J. SGT. W. E. HAYWOOD. P/O. R. D. H. PARKER. P/SGT. COATES, H. M. G. SGT. MULOCK, J. M. SGT. A. STEWARD. P/SGT. J. CAMPBELL. P/O. H. BLOW. SGT. F. S. COLMAN. SGT. S. W. A. HURRELL. SGT. H. P. SMITH. SGT. R. O. SMITH. P/SGT. PARKER, J. C. SGT. W. E. MILLER.	Bombing - FRANKFURT.	1706.	2252.	Primary attacked. 1945 hrs. 20,000 ft. One green T.I. in sights. No other T.I's seen. Plenty of scattered fires spread over a wide area. Many sticks on incendiaries seen under shooting the very few T.I's seen. No Wanganui flares seen. 1 x 1000 lb. returned to base. Could not jettison.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 654.		Bombing - FRANKFURT.	1716.	1951.	No target attacked. Abandoned owing to port inner engine catching fire.	
23 Dec	LANCASTER JA. 711.	P/O. C. WARD. SGT. J. SUFYN. SGT. E. KEENE. P/L. G. BELL. SGT. G. F. K. BEDWELL. P/SGT. N. P. DEKON. P/SGT. W. L. DORAN.	Bombing - BERLIN.	0028.	0744.	Primary attacked. 0409 hrs. 22,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I's and Wanganui flares. In sights was the centre of several green T.I's on the ground - not seen to cascade. Did not impress as a very successful operation. Only saw two red in fires. Far too much under shooting by main force of the T.I's. Perhaps about 20 sticks which did not appear to be aimed at any T.I's which could be seen.	

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23 Dec. Contd.	LANCASTER. W. 4235.	F/O. A.J. JUBB. SGT. BURKITT, W.F. SGT. J.N. CARTER. F/O. R.C. COLLINS. P/SGT. A.C. JOHNS. SGT. R. WHALLEY. SGT. F. BOLTON.	Bombing - BERLIN.	0031.	0829.	Primary attacked. 0407 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I's and R/P flares. Centre of three green T.I's in bomb sight seen to cascade at 0406 hours and 0406 1/2 hrs. Fires appeared well concentrated. P.F.F. concentration good. Port inner engine hit by flak and put u/s.	
	F/LANCASTER. LL. 742.	F/L. W.D. ERVINE. SGT. D. LEYSHON. F/O. H.J. MAY. P/SGT. A.B. GILES. SGT. F. LOMAX. F/O. H.A. DICKINSON. P/SGT. J.C. DICKINSON.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2353.	0741.	Primary attacked. 0406 hrs. 20,500 ft. Identified by red and green T/I's and R/P flares. Centre of cluster of R/P flares in sights. Well concentrated incendiaries seen burning in centre of green T/I's but fires had not developed. Green T/I's were seen at time of bombing but they were short of R/P flares so latter were bombed. P.F.F. concentration good.	
	LANCASTER. W. 4964.	F/O. G.P. NEWTON. SGT. J. TURNER. F/O. P. HALL. F/O. WICKHAM, G.W.G. P/SGT. E.J. DUCK. SGT. J. RYAN. SGT. R. McPERRAN. SGT. W.J. WILKINSON.	Bombing - BERLIN.	0024	0731.	Primary attacked. 0407 hrs. 23,000 ft. Identified by Wanganui flares. These were seen on run up. Then caught by large cone of searchlights. Evaded but caught again five seconds later. Accurate flak. After straightening up found aircraft had overshoot flares by approximately one mile. Released bombs immediately.	
	LANCASTER. W. 5010.	SGT. D.P. FROUD. SGT. F. HARMAN. SGT. D. CARLICK. SGT. L.T. FAIRCLOUGH. SGT. W.H. SHIRLEY. SGT. HARRIS, W.J. SGT. R.L. BIERS.	Bombing - BERLIN.	0027.	0800.	Primary attacked. 0406 hrs. 22,500 ft. Identified by P.F.F. markers. M.P.I. of green T.I's in sights. T.I. and Wanganui flares seen on run up. Wanganui flares appeared well North of T.I's. Fires appeared to be scattered over a wide area. Route markers seen as reported.	200

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23 Dec Contd.	LANCASTER LM. 422.	F/O. S. JAMES. SGT. G. TOMLINSON. F/SGT. ARCHER, AW SGT. A.H. HOWIE. SGT. R.F. BURKE. SGT. N.W. CHIVERS. SGT. H. CROXSON.	Bombing - BERLIN.	0029.	0744	Primary attacked. 0412 hrs. 21,000 ft. Identified by green T.I's and R.P. flares. Centre of three green T.I's in sights. Approx. 12 R/P flares very concentrated seen. Two or three green T.I's in same position seen before bombing. Concentrated bombing resulting in a glow over a small area.	
	LANCASTER. DN. 340.	W/CDR. E.L. PORTER. SGT. W. POSSEE. F/O. W.A. GALL. F/O. J.A. PRIOR. SGT. J. LEVER. SGT. R.G. LOMAS. F/SGT. F.G. HAYLER.	Bombing - BERLIN.	0018.	0806.	Primary attacked. 0416 hrs. 20,500 ft. Identified by P.P.F. flares and T.I's. One green T.I. in sights. T.I's and Wanganui flares seen stretching approximately 10 miles East to West. Scattered bombing seen on time of release. Little sign of concentration. Bombed to East of general effort, fires not impressive.	
	LANCASTER. EE. 136.	F/O. W.E. SIDDLE. SGT. A.R. WILSON. F/O. HEARN, J.W. F/SGT. MACHIN, N. SGT. J.W. CULLEY. F/SGT. J.C. PARKER. F/SGT. C.C. MOORE.	Bombing - BERLIN.	0032.	0803.	Primary attacked. 0414 hrs. 21,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I's and R/P flares. In sights a centre of cluster of green T.I's, three of which were seen to cascade at 0412 hrs. Fires seen well concentrated. T.I's rather scattered. R/P flares concentrated.	
	LANCASTER, ED. 721.	F/O. R.L.G. LASHAM. SGT. W. YATES. SGT. G. BOSLEY. SGT. H. WILSON. SGT. D.S. NICHOLLS. SGT. R.F. POWELL. SGT. I. PRADA.	Bombing - BERLIN.	0033.	0758.	Primary attacked. 0407 hrs. 20,500ft. Identified by red and green T.I's and R/P flares. Centre of cluster of four green T.I's in bomb sights, two of which were seen to cascade at 0405 hrs. Large fires seen near the green T.I's. A little scattered bombing also seen. P.P.F. concentration good.	

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				Up	Down		
23 Dec Contd.	LANCASTER. LM 361.	P/O. W.W.W. TURNBULL. SGT. J. WELLINGS. SGT. J. WATERHOUSE. P/O. HALFORD, C.W. P/O. J. McMASTER. SGT. B. OWEN. SGT. J. MICHAEL. SGT. C.R. BOLT.	Bombing - BERLIN.	0016.	0735.	Primary attacked. 0404 hrs. 21,500 ft. Identified by Wanganui flares. Two were seen before bombing, one was chosen and this was in sights. After bombing saw one red and one green T.I. on ground approximately 1/4 mile port astern. Little sign of concentration seen.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 198.	P/O. R.W. MATHERS. SGT. A. BALL. SGT. T.A. CAVE. P/O. W.A. BRAUN. SGT. J.R. DONALDSON. P/O. R.R. NIGHTINGALE. SGT. A.F. BARTLETT.	Bombing - BERLIN.	0012.	0752.	Primary attacked. 0407 1/2 hrs. 21,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I's and R.P. flares. Centre of approx. five green T.I's in sights. Some fire glow and smoke seen.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 395.	P/O. CHAMBERS, W.J. SGT. W.E. HAYWOOD. SGT. LUCAS, N.H.B. F/SGT. GOATES, H.M.R. F/SGT. G.T.M. CAINES. SGT. A. STEWARD. F/SGT. J. CAMPBELL.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2032 1/2.	0800.	Primary attacked. 0419 hrs. 18,000 ft. Identified by Wanganui flares and green T.I's. M1 P.F.F. indicators had gone out when aircraft was over target. Bombed estimated position of wher they were, which coincided with the position of a fire. Red glow on clouds suggested that fires were burning well underneath.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 654.	P/O. H. BLOW. SGT. F.S. COLMAN. SGT. S.W.A. HURRELL. SGT. H.F. SMITH. SGT. R.O. SMITH. SGT. E.J. RUSH. SGT. W.E. MILLER.	Bombing - BERLIN.	2357.	0751.	Primary attacked. 0416 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by red, green T.I's and Wanganui flares. Centre of two green T.I's in sights. Glow of fires seen through cloud and smoke. Red and yellow T.I's seen when still 5 miles from the target. Greens only visible when in target area. About six Wanganui flares well concentrated.	

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29 Dec	LANCASTER. IM. 550.	F/O. A.E. MANNING.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1659.	2359.	Primary attacked. 2023 hrs. 20,500 ft. Identified by Wanganui flares red with green stars. Bombed between two clusters of Wanganui flares. A large number of well concentrated R/P flares. Several had died out by the time the aircraft bombed leaving two separate clusters of flares. Good glow of fires seen at time of bombing. Glow still visible 250miles away.	
		SGT. BURKITT, W.F.					
		F/O. J.W. HEARN.					
		SGT. P. WATWOODA.					
		SGT. G.P.M. GAINES.					
		SGT. ZAMMITT, J.J.					
		F/SGT. J. CAMPBELL.					
		F/Lt. W.D. FEVILL.					
		S/Lt. BACKWELL-SMITH.					
		SGT. D. BENSON.					
F/O. H.J. MAY.							
F/SGT. A.B. GILES.							
SGT. F. LOMAX.							
F/O. H.A. DICKINSON.							
F/SGT. J.C. DICKINSON.							
LANCASTER. W. 4964.	SGT. D.P. FROUD.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1657.	0019.	Primary attacked. 2018 hrs. 23,000 ft. Identified by Wanganui flares. A good concentration of flares had disappeared into the clouds before arrival of aircraft over Wasm, but two more appeared just where they had been. These were bombed. Considerable fire glow on cloud covering an area approximately six miles across.		
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SGR. D. CAELICK.							
SGT. L.T. FAIRCLOUGH.							
SGT. W.H. SHIRLEY.							
SGT. S.L. JONES.							
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F/SGT. E.A. THOMAS.							
LANCASTER. W. 5010.	F/O. D.H. FEARCE.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1703.	0017.	Primary attacked. 2020 hrs. 19,500 ft. Identified by Wanganui flares. Centre of two were in sights. 10/10ths cloud over target but glow could be seen on them from fires below.		
SGT. C.W. HOWE.							
F/O. J.E. LOGAN.							
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29 Dec Contd	LANCASTER. Lk. 745.	F/O. S. JAMES. SGT. G. TOMLINSON. P/SGT. A.W. ARCHER. SGT. A.H. HOWIE. SGT. R.E. BURKE. SGT. N.W. CHIVERS. SGT. H. CROXSON.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1650.	2345.	Primary attacked. 2009 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by red T/I and Wanganui flares. Centre of cluster of 4 Wanganui flares in sights. Well concentrated marking. Reflection of fires on cloud seen after aircraft had left the target area.	
	LANCASTER. Lk. 422.	P/O. J. GLOVER. SGT. W.F. BELLEN. P/O. J.S. MIDDLETON SGT. W. NAUGHTON. SGT. C.F. RUANE. SGT. J.R. WOOD. SGT. H. WOOD.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1656.	2334.	Primary attacked. 2017 hrs. 20,000 ft. Wanganui flares seen. Single flare remaining out of cluster of 4 or 5 in sights. Cluster of approx. 6 flares seen on approach but all but one had burnt out by time aircraft bombed. Glow of fires seen on cloud after aircraft had left target area.	
	LANCASTER. Dk. 340.	P/O. K.L. PORTER. SGT. R.J. BAIRD. SGT. R.N. BACON. SGT. D.D. McLEAN. SGT. A.L. PICKERING. SGT. R.P. HEDICKER SGT. G.A. Sangster.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1648.	0002.	Primary attacked. 2022 hrs. 20,500 ft. Identified by Wanganui flares. Centre of cluster in sights. Concentration of approx. 7 flares seen. Two isolated flares seen, one to the S.E. and one to the West. Good glow of fires seen after leaving the target.	
	LANCASTER. EE. 136.	P/O. W.E. SIDDLER. P/SGT. PEAK, C/P SGT. A.R. WILSON. SGT. S. GREENWOOD. P/SGT. MACHIN, N SGT. J.W. CULLEY. P/SGT. J.C. PARKER. P/SGT. C.C. MOORE.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1649.	0004.	Primary attacked. 2015 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by R/P flares. M.P.I. of three R.P. flares in sights. Glow of fires seen on cloud. No detailed observations possible owing to cloud. R/P flares well concentrated.	

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29 Dec Conts	LANCASTER. ED. 721.	F/O. R.W. MATHERS. SGT. A. BALL. SGT. T.A. CAVE. F/O. W.A. BRAUN. SGT. J.R. DONALDSON. F/O. R.R. NIGHTINGALE SGT. A.P. BARTLETT.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1651.	0011.	Primary attacked. 2021 hrs. 20,700 ft. Identified by R/P flares and red T.I's. Centre of 8-10 R.P. flares in sights. One red T.I. follows by R/P flares approx same position, all concentrated. Slight glow seen over fairly wide area.	10 15
	LANCASTER. LM 361.	F/SGT. W.J. SHEPPARD. SGT. R. JOHNSTON. F/O. J.G. GLASHAN. SGT. J. MULHEARN. SGT. W.J. TOOMEY. SGT. W.J. HARRIS. F/SGT. DEAN, BS	Bombing - BERLIN.	1647.	0014.	Primary attacked. 2016 hrs. 21,500 ft. Identified by R/P flares. One of these in sights. Very little result of attack seen. Slight flak damage sustained to starboard wing.	
	LANCASTER. DV. 395.	F/O. H. BLOW. SGT. F.S. COLMAN. SGT. S.W.A. HURRELL. SGT. H.P. SMITH. SGT. R.O. SMITH. SGT. CASSON, RW SGT. W.E. MILLER.	Bombing - BERLIN.	1642.	2341.	Primary attacked. 2007 hrs. 20,000 ft. Identified by red and green T.I's and R/P flares. M.P.I. of 5 used R/P flares in sights. Glow of fires seen on cloud but latter prevented any detailed observation. R.P. flares well concentrated.	
	LANCASTER. ED. 654.	F/O. J.R. HANCOCK. SGT. G.L. G. WILLIAMS. F/O. F.E. FOMESHEW. F/O. K. CHADERTON. SGT. G.S. PENFOLD. SGT. N.J. SORGE. SGT. SWINDLEHURST, J	Bombing = BERLIN.	1658.	1959.	No target attacked owing to general failure of intercom. Bombs jettisoned and returned to base.	

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