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NIGHT RAID REPORT NO. 805

BOMBER COMMIAND REPORT ON NIGHT OF LEATIONS

31st DECE BER, 1944 1st JANUARY, 1945

OSTINGTID NY: Oslo Fjord (shipping): Berlin: Ludwigshafen

SUPPLARY

1. 155/166 aircraft attacked the marshalling yards at Osterfeld, in the Ruhr, but caused little damage. Lancasters bombed shipping in Oslo fjord, and Mosquitos visited Berlin and Ludwigshafen. 4/372 aircraft failed to return.

TEATHER FORECAST

Bases Generally fit until nearly morning.

Targets Half cover of St-cu. and Cu. over Ruhr, to 10,000'. Oslo, Skaggerek and Katteget will have no cloud and good visibility.

OSTERFELD MY

PLAN OF ATTACK

OBOU groundmarking. H = 1845.

SORTIES

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7-10/10ths. thin cloud, tops 5-10,000'.

TRRATIVE OF ATTACK

f. The markers fell in a tight group straddling the W. end of the yard. Most brows bombed their glow, and a good concentration was achieved. Several fires took told, and were visible for 60 miles, despite the cloud.

AY RECO: NAISSANCE

The sidings were rendered 35%, u/s, and the facilities 20%, u/s. A crater locked the service tracks of the roundhouse at the E. end; 12 craters were caused in the sidings, and a number of wagons and other vehicles were damaged. One of the wagon repair shops was hit, and an unidentified building was gutted. The trough running lines were not affected. Some of this damage may have been caused to the daylight raids of 20th November and 11th December.

DAY DEFINES

3 to 5 Gruppen of Germon fighters opposed the Osterfeld force, but their introl ers plotted our bombers so insecurately that they achieved only 6 interspicione, 2 of these developed into attacks, and in one of them a Lancoster shot in Me.103. Flak was slight to moderate.

CASUALIT S

9. 2/166 sireraft (1.25) were lost on Osterfeld. One was comed and shot down by heavy flak at 12,000' over Julich, 2 others were irreporably downged in combat, one creshing near Liege and the other in England.

OSDO FJORD (SHIPPING)

10. 28 Lancesters were despetched to attack the cruisers KOLN and EMDEM, lying at anchor in Oslo fjord. The flares fell wide, but the KOLN was bombed by moonlight. When the bombing began, the cruiser began to move northwards at a high speed. Bombs fell close to the EMDEM, and one near miss was claimed on her port side. This ship swung to starboard and come to a standatill after the bombing. No fighters were met, and flak was slight. One Lancaster was destroyed in embat off the Norwegian coast of the Skoggerak. No recommaissance was undertaken.

BERLIN

11. 67/73 Mosquitos delivered a concentrated attack on Berlin through 8-10/10ths. cloud. All returned sofely.

LUD:/ICSHAFIN

12. 12/12 OBOE Mosquitos bombed the I.C. Perbenindustric chemical factory, and an oil refinery, both at Ludwigshafen. 11 aircraft made successfully controlled runs, the twelfth bombing on D.R. No aircraft was lost; but one landed at Brussels after being mildly injured by flak, and was destroyed on the ground on the next day by a strafing anamy aircraft. Inother was seriously demaged by fighter attack.

MINEL, YING

13. 24/26 Holifoxes and Lancasters laid 112 mines in the Katterat and the Skaggerak, and off the Norwegian part of Prederikstad at the S.E. tip of Oslo fjord. One Lancaster was shot down by a fighter into the Skaggerak.

BOMBER SUPPORT ETC.

14. 10 Stirlings provided a Minifell screen; 2 Fortresses operated JOSTLE, and 17 aircraft dropped WINDOW towards Osnabruck, to distract fighters from the Osterfeld raiders. 33 Masquitas carried out intruder patrols, destroying a He.129 in the Oologne area 15 minutes before the first markers fell on Osterfeld. Other aircraft were engaged on reduce flights, signals patrols and special operations. Mo further losses were systemed.

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NIGHT RAID REPORT 10.306

BOTHER COMMAND REPORT ON NIGHT OPERATIONS 1/2nd JANUARY, 1945

DORTMUND/MINISTERSTEIN Benzol Plant: GRAVENHORST (Mitteland cansl): VOHWINKEL M/Y

SUMMARY

The stretch of the Mitteland canal at Gravenhorst, and the marsialling yards at Volwinkel (between Cologne and Dortmund) were accurately attached in bright modalight and clear weather. Both were heavily damaged; but a force which bombed the Ministerstein benzel plant at Dortmund was less successful. Despite the favourable conditions for fighters, and the fact that nearly 300 aircraft were routed via the North Sea and the Frisians, only 1/598 aircraft was lost. 6 other crashed in England or allied territory and were wrocked; but our introders destroyed at least 6 E/A in combat.

WEATHER FORDOUST

 Boses. A warm and cold front will cause trouble towards midnight; until then, most boses will be fit.

Targets. Patchy thin st-ou. over all targets.

DORTMUND: GRAVENHORST: VOHTINKEL

PLANS OF ATTACK

- Dortmund. O'NOE groundmarking. H = 1915
- 4. Gravenhorst. 5 Group NEWH.VEN. H = 1915
- 5. Volumined G-H with groundmarking. (G-H circroft were to bomb on G-H, and some were to drop T.I., at which non-G-H circroft were to cim). H = 1930.

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ARATIVE OF ATTACKS

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- Gravenhorst A helf-mile strutch of the const was pitted with craters, banks being so severely broken that their original positions could not be

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distinguished from the photographs. This section of the conal was drained. borges were proceed or stranded, and the conal was rendered 100; u/s.

11. Volwinkel. The weight of the attack fell on the S.W. half of the tatracks and rolling stock suffering heavy damage. The wagon repair shop near a sorting sidings was entirely destroyed; the station was randered 70% u/s, the sidings 60% u/s (100% u/s for through working) and the through running lines 25

ENEMY DEFENCES

12. The Dortmund and Gravenhorst raiders flew across the North Sea and the Frisians in clear weather and bright mosnlight, without a single fighter apposing them. The faint attacks on Hanau and Hannover and the jamming of the Germans airborne radar were the main facts: in the deception of the defences, for no lattern 11 Gruppen were airborne against our forces. The Volwinkel force reported three combats. Flak was slight, despite the clear weather.

C.SU.LTIES

13. The Cravenhorst and Dortmund attacks were completed without loss. On aircraft was lost to flak between Cologne and Dusseldorf on the Vohwinkel raid; was destroyed by allied A.A. and German flak, and crashed near Namur; one crash near Maastricht; and 2 were wrecked in landing accidents.

H.N.U

14. 24/28 Masquitas carried out a feint attack on Hanau, just E. of Frank: on-Main, 15 minutes before the start of the raids on Dortmund and Gravenharst. They bombed accurately in clear weather. No aircraft was last, but one crashe return.

H.MNOVER

15. At the same time as the Hanau raid, 26/27 Mosquitos carried out anoth: faint attack, this time on Hanabur. The markers were tightly grouped, and the bombing was concentrated in the marked area.

BOMBER SUPPORT ETC.

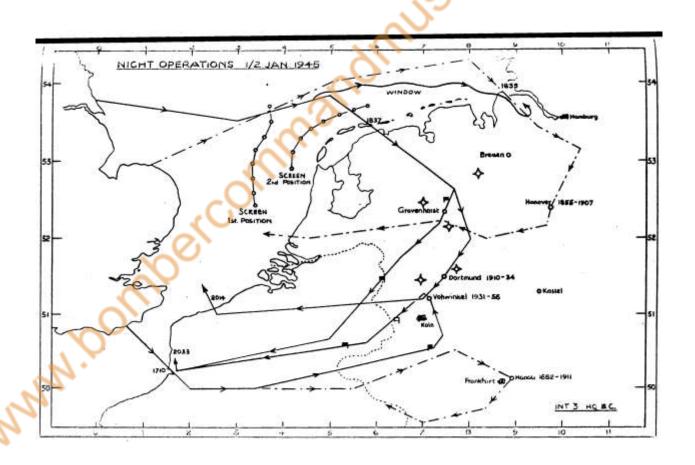
16. 59 Masquitos of 100 Group and 11 of Fighter Command intruded with consable success, destroying 6 M/m (2 Ju.88, 1 Ju.88C., 1 Ju.188, 1 Me.110 and 1 M/m. 1 Ju.88 probably destroyed, and another damaged. A Mar.88 was coned and shot district own defences near Dusseldorf. 11 Stirlings provided a MANDREL screen; 25 dropped VANDON towards Hamburg; and 5 aircraft operated JOSTED. A Masquito and out a special investigation patrol. No losses were sustained, but an intruder crashed near Marhem, and both the crew were killed.

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BOMBER COMPLIND REPORT OF STIGHT OFFICITORS

2/3rd. J.J.W.LY, 1945.

MAZ BUAG: LUDWIGSH.FRN: Berlin: Hanau: Castrop Mauxel.

SUPPLIEN

1. The city of Nuremburg and the great chemical works at Ludwigshafen were successfully attacked in good weather, for the total loss of only 4/910 bombers. Hosquitos bombed Berlin and carried out experimental attacks and intruder patrols.

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2. Bases: - Generally fit. Slight risk of fog or low stratus in S.

Thrgets:- Good bhance of little or no cloud at Nuremburg. Risk of thin St.-cu. at 8,000' over Ludwigshafen.

NUMERBURG: LUDWIGSHLFE

PLANS OF .. TT .CA

- 3. Furnishing Controlled NEWH NEW II with emergency skymarking. H = 1930.
- Ludwigshafen OBOE groundmarking with emergency skymarking. H =1845.

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TEATHER TYPES IN CED

Clear with good visibility at Naremburg; snow on ground. Cloud en route thinned and broke up E. of 0700 E. Tina at 17,000': 020-030°/45-50 m.p.h. fariable amounts of thin cloud at Ludwigan few, up to 10/10ths; but ground detail as visible. Wind at 19,000': 030°/55 i.p.h. Nearly full mean, rising after the attacks at about 2020.

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- Nurraburg Ground details were clearly identified, and the T.I. fell in triangular group with the apex almost on the ..P. The bombing was concentrated, no a late raced aircraft reported "3 large areas of solid fire to the N.N.W., and one to the S.E., with many smaller fires over the whole area".
- Ludwigshafen. The evidence of crews suggested that the raid on this was extrarely successful. The target was visually identified and the arking and bombing were both concentrated. Fires were visible for 60 miles.

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- 9. <u>Nuremburg</u> Intense damage was clusted throughout Nuremburg. The old city was largely devastated; 7 priority factories were hit, the hand, works (diesel engines, etc., pr.1), and Siemens Shuckertworke a.G. in landgraben-strasse (electric motors, etc. pr.2) suffering especially severely. The group of railway workshops in the N.W. corner of the city, the main passenger station and the municipal gasworks were all bidly damaged, and in the 3. marshalling yard 200-300 wagons were destroyed or demailed. Show and shadow nide it impossible to detect items of minor damage.
- 10. <u>Lucwigshafen</u> Much new damage was caused to I.G. Farbenindustrie, especially to the intermediates and dyestuffs plant in the S. of the works, where at least 12 buildings were affected. The area of the nitrogen and methanol plant also received a notable weight of bombs, a gasholder, a gas generating plant 3 other buildings being damaged. Scattered incidents occurred throughout the works.

EMERY DEFENCES

11. Our bombers were not plotted until they reached Strasbour, but there the found 2 Gruppen already airborne, and several combats took place between Strasbourd Stuttgart. But the enemy failed to follow up this early advantage, and few interceptions were effected during the rest of the operation. The Ludwigshafen force was not attacked once. Flak was slight at Nuremburg, decreate negligible; and slight to moderate at Ludwigshafen. Allied was engaged a number of aircraft in the Metz-Verdum area, camaging several bombers and causing at least two casualties.

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12. The Nuremburg force costroyed 3 fighters between Strusbourg and Stuttgar with one probably destroyed and 3 dunged. 100 Group high-level intruders shown a Ju. 138 at Reinheim (near Derestlat), a Ju. 33 S.E. of Lalwigshafen and a Ju. 38 at Crailsheim.

CASUALTIES

13. 4/521 aircraft (0.8%) were lost on Nuremburg - 2 to fighters and 1 to finear Stuttgart, and one to fighter on the first homeword log. 2 others were destroyed by allied in the Metz-Verdun area, 2 in a collision, and a fifting all landing accident. No bomber was lost on Lulwigshafen, but 2 were wrecked in landing and taxying accidents. Pew aircraft were hit by flok.

BERLIN

14. 49 53 Mesquites bended Berlin through 10/10ths, cloud (teps 15,000'). The markers quickly disappeared, but were fairly well grouped. The bombing, however, was centered. Slight predicted flak was encountered, with a few searchlights. One H squite was lost, probably over Dessau, to "unknown causes"

HANAU

15. 6/7 non-OBOE Mosquitos bombed Hanau, through 10/10 ths. cloud. One of the 4 Y-aircraft dropped markers, and 4 directift ditacked these. One bombed GEE, and the seventh reached the target but failed to release its bombs. No casualties.

CLISTIOP RIVXEL

16. 8/9 OBOE Mosquitos bombed a tar benzol plant at Castrop Rauxel, 6 on OBOE and 2 on D.R. One aircraft was lost without trace.

BOMBER SUPPORT ETC.

27/32 Mesquitos of 100 Group empleted high-level intruder patrols, destroying 2 Ju. 88 and 1 Ju. 188. 8/9 Mesquites intruded at low level, sheeting up a convey of lerries and a factory on the W. side of the railway S. of Babberg. In explosion was claimed to have occurred in the factory. 10/10 Mesquites of Pighter Command intruded without incident, and other circuaft previded a M.NDRM screen centred on Metz, dropped WINDOW between Coblenz and Frankfurt, and completed recool and signals patrols. No further lesses were sustained.

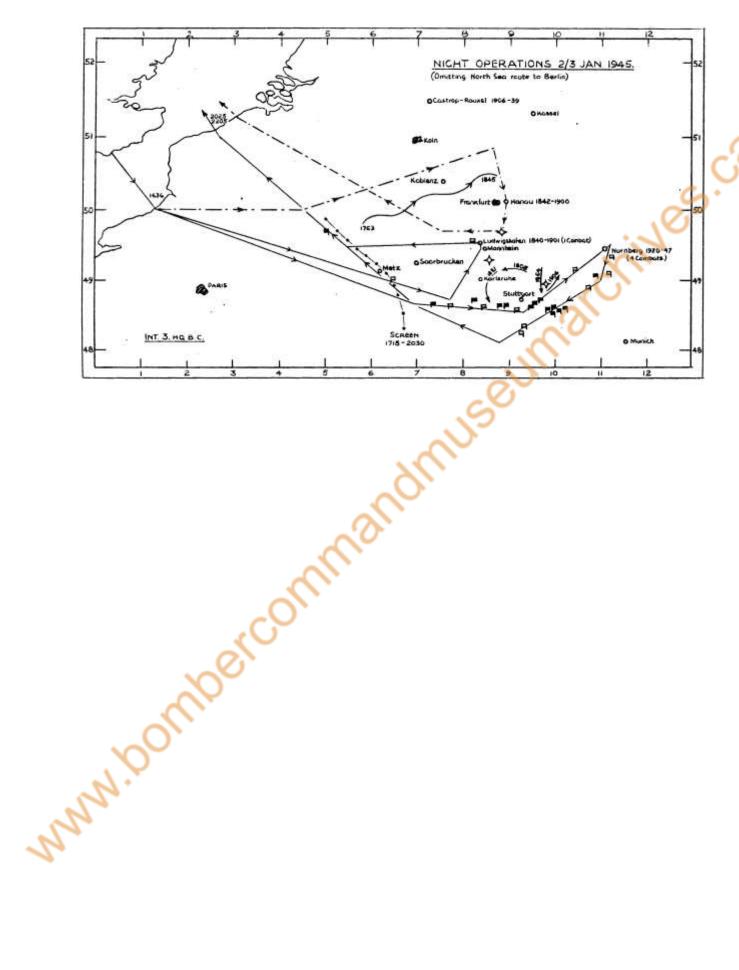
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BOLERA COMEND REPORT ON NIGHT CHERATIONS

3/4th. J.NU.RY, 1945.

Ludwigshafen: Neuss.

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- 1. Lulwigsharen 3/3 OBCE Arsquit s (u/t) betaled the MY at Lucwigshareb, at 2350 hours.
- 2. House 2/3 (NCE Mesquites (u/t) have the H/Y at House, seen after midnight, the third being abortive. If cosmulties were sustained on this night.

WENTHER FUNC ST

Jases:- Snow showers will spread inland from the cast crast.

Targets:- Buch cloud ver J. Jersany.

SCRTIES

4.	No.	cf	aircraft despatched 6
	"	**	" reporting attack on princry file 5
	11	33	abortive sorties 1
	11	11	aircraft missing

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5. 10/1. ths. at both targets.

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MIS/JT. 10/S. 26342/6/CRS4, 15th. January, 1945.

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#### BOMBER COMMUND REPORT OF MIGHT CHERITIONS

#### 4/5th. January, 1945.

## HOYAN (enemy-held strongo int): Berlin: News MY.

#### SUMPLARY

1. 2 forces of Mosquites bombed Berlin before midnight, and towards dawn Lancisters in strength delivered a damaging attack on the encoy-held port of keyan, at the mouth of the Gironde. 7/452 Liveraft were lest or wrecked, mistly as the result of non-enemy action.

#### TE.THER PORECLOT

Bases:- Generally fit, but snow showers will full in southern Groups.
 Target:- Little cloud at Royan. Much Cu. over Channel and N. France.

#### ROY.N

#### FLJ: CF ATTACK

3. 1st. Attack - 5 Gp. NEWH.VEN, with sector bombing. H = 0400.
2nd. Attack - 8 Gp. controlled NEWH.VET. H = 0530.

#### SCHTLES

#### Z.THER EPERIENCED

No cloud, except 7/10ths. thin a-ou. at 12,500'. Good visibility. Wind at 12,000': 020 / 55 knots.

## LOULTP E F .. LCK

in the first attack, the bimbing was delayed for 2 minutes because of fully initial Larking. The final marking, however, was accurate, and the timbing was concentrated. In oil fire was started, emitting much smake. No tarking difficulties were experienced in the second attack, and another fine incentration was achieved. All crows were able to see the built-up area and the tay to the south.

## L'V RECOIM, I 38. L'ICE

. (K.3545). Damage was severe and concentrated, especially in the town Entre. ...large area extending from the port westwards to the Bl.de la Ocean in northern's to the Rue de Chateau d'Eau was almost devastated, and so was an area along the N. side of the Grand Conche near the Casina. Heavy damage was aused in the area between the railway station and the Rue Font de Cherves. 3 intracks, the bus station, the tramway depot, the slaughter house, the railway station, the gasworks, the police station, the town hall and several other inicipal buildings were damaged in varying degrees; 6 hetels were destroyed and damaged, while 9 others were covered with smoke in the nost severely damaged ..../part of the town.

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#### THEMY DEFE CES

8. " fighters. Slight flak, no erate at times.

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9. 4/354 aircraft (1.1%) were lost, all in the first attack. 2 collided the target, and one fell to the light guns. The fate of the fourth is unknown aircraft collided near Cognac on the way home and were wrocked, while one had ergine failure soon after take-off and crashed after being abandoned its crew.

#### BEGLIN

10. Two forces, each of 32 Mosquitos, bombed Berlin at 2000 and midnight respectively. The first force found the capital covered with 8-10/10 ths. stand the marking was scattered. Crews bambed on the glow of the T.I. The second force found all but the E. of the term clear of cloud; but their mark and bombing there also scattered. No fighters. Slight to moderate flak, we great searchlight activity. No losses.

#### NEUSS /.

11. 5/7 ONCE Mosquitos, manned by u/t crews, name successfully centrolled runs a timet the M/Y at News. The other 2 bonded alternative targets on Lancat leura and one at Grevenbroich. No casualties.

## MET. RECCE: SIGN. JS P. TROIS.

12. [/] Mrsquitos carried cut nut.rucce. flights, and 2/2 Halifaxes complisions is purels, all without incident.

DC/S. 2-1 7 2/0854, 11th . r. . 1945.

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5/6th. J.NU.RY, 1945.

*LIMCVER: HOUFF.LIZE (encry str ng rint): Borlin: Rauxel:Neuss.

SUPPLARY

1. Hannover was twice attacked by stren forces, with devastating effect. The German stringpoint at Hauffailize, in junistedt's salient, was effectively bumbed and Mesquitos carried out 2 raids on Berlin. German fighters achieved more success than had lately fallen to them, and we lost 31 b mbers, with 6 more wrecked beyond repair.

WE TELDEN FOR BOLLET

2. Bossis - Generally fit until 0100. Procipitation in Yorks after midnight.

The getwin Doubtful cloud amounts at Halmover: possibly & cover of cu. and st.-o. to 10-12,000', with occasional breaks, possibly good clearances in the area. Polisient contrails above 15,000'. No forecast given for Houffalize.

HARNOVIE : HOUR LA IZE.

FLMS OF .TT.CK

H = 1920. and. attack - Mark NEW I with emergency skymarking. H = 2150.

OBOE _roundmarking, backed up by 5 Gp. Lancs. H = 0300.

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E.THER EXPERIENCED

Hannever 1st. - 10/10ths, st.-cu., tops 4-10,000'. Wind at 18-19,000'. No moon.

2nd. attack - cloudless. Wind at 18-19,000': 350° 435 n.p.h. No moon.

Houffalize 9-10/10ths. low st. or st.-cu., tops 4,000'. Wind at 1,000': 3300/15-20 m.p.h. Half moon, rising at 0030.

TT.CKS

Fig. ver Most crews in the first force bombed on skymarkers or on the claw of ... through the cloud. The later raiders found many fires berning throughout the city; the T.I. were well placed in the N. half of the built-up area was left ablee under a heavy pall of smoke.

9. Houffalize The markers were accurately placed, and crews brabed the through gaps. A good attack was reported.

DAY RECOMNAISSANCE

- 10. Hannover Widespread damage was caused, especially in the dense industrial area near Brink (where practically no factory escaped unseathed and most were severely hit), the area N. of the "minholz MY and the S. suburb of Herrenhausen. The Hainholz MY and the central goods station suffered useful damage. Details of the considerable incustrial damage are given in Interpretation report No. K. 3644 and its 2 supplements.
- 11. Houffalize The whole villige was blanketer with creature. None of the roads was hit, but 4 single truck railway lines running from the callage a severed in many places. (See K. 3557).

ENERTY DEFINICIS

12. Fighters reacted in unusual strongth, an achieved their most consider; success for nearly 5 months. Grad and it impossible for the bumbers to keep low on route, and the first force was plotted over the North Sea 2 hours before they attacked Hannover, which was identified as the target at H + 8. 8 combats were reported between Bremen and Hannover; 3 attacks and 2 combats over the target; and a few more combats on return. The second Hunnover force net few fighters, and the Houffalize raiders reported only 1 attack. A number of the R/A were jet-propelled. Flak was slight to necessate it Hannover during the first raid, increasing to intense when the second force arrived in clear weather. Few bombers were comed, however. Little flak was net at Houffalize.

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13. ... bomber claimed to have destroyed a Mc.163 or jet projectile on the route to Hannover, and bur intrucers shot down a Ju.88, a Hc.129 a Me.110, and a He.111.

CASULTIES

14. 30/304 aircraft were lost from these 3 raids, 25 of them from the first Hannover att ek. The causes of loss are estimated as follows:

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1 neur Groningen, 6 near Bremen, 2 on the last leg in, 1 at target and 3 S. of Osnabruck on return.

3 more aircraft were wreated - 1 in collision, 1 by British m/g fire and one if . 1 moing accident. ...ll crashed in allied territory.

BUKLIN

15. Mesquites delivered 2 attacks on Ferlin through 10/10 ths. cloud. 20/35 attacked in the first at 1936 hours, and 25/34 in the second at 2211. No aircraft was lost, but one crashed near Doubi after being hit by flak and was destroyed.

C.STROP R.UXR.

16. 6/6 OBOE Mosquitos bombed the tur benzel plant at Gustrep hauxel, as a reint to the Hunnever raid.

NEUSS VY.

17. 8/8 OBCE Mosquites bembed the House M/Y, causing a fire.

BOMBER SUPPORT ETC.

18. 103 bomber support irroraft were notive. Intruders costrojed a Ju.88, a He.111, He. 129 and a Me.110. MINDEL screens were provided off the Dutch coast, and WINDOW was dropped towards the Elle estuary. Other circust completed signals patrols, etc. One intruder was lost and another crashed in Heliand and was wrecked.

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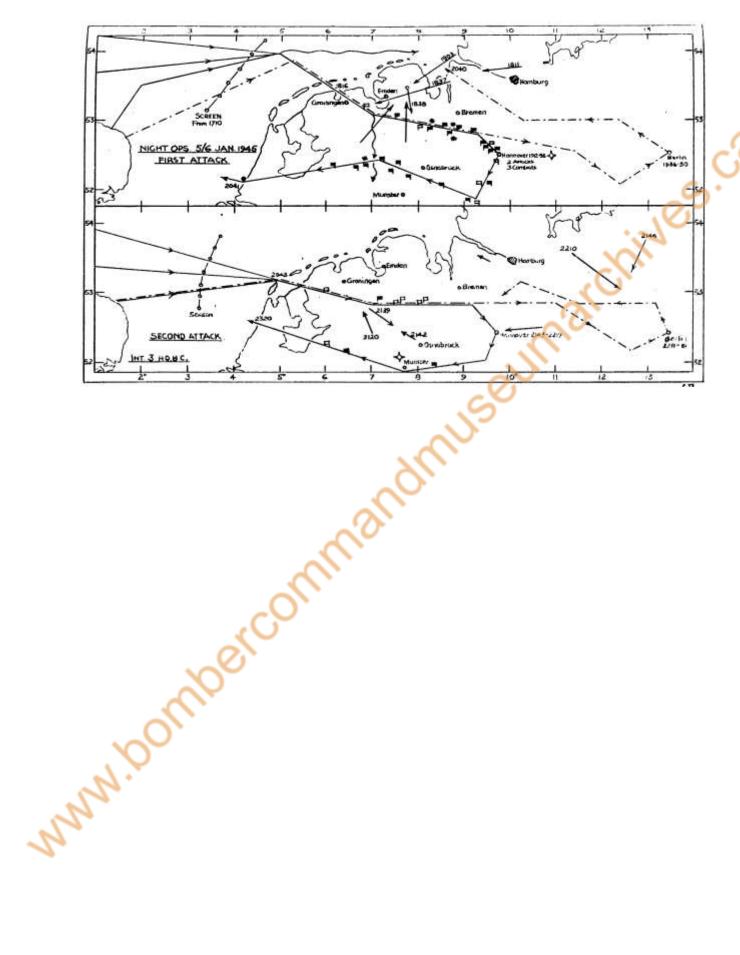
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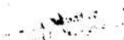
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6/7th. J.JIULEY, 1945

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SUPPLEXY

1. 793 sorties were despatched, the time and E/Y of Hanau, E. of Frankfurt, and the E/Y at News being the main tingets. All were covered with cloud, but useful camage was caused. Over 200 mines were laid in the eastern Baltic, and Mesquites lambed massel and the tar tenzel plant at Castrop Rauxel. Opposition was alight, but 10 aircraft were lost, 4 in collisions.

WELT ER FOLDOUST

Bases: Poor conditions after 2100. .. few Lases will hold till 2300.

Tar;ets:- 10/10 ths. st.-cu. at both Hanau and Newss, base 6,000', tops

HOLD: HEARD MY: NEURS LYY.

PLAS OF ATTACK

Hanau (t.wn and H/Y) OBOE grounds trking + emergency H2S skymarking on tach A/P. H = 1900 on town: 1914 on H/Y.

Louiss /Y GH groundmarking and skymarking. H = 1845.

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THE CENTRIES CED

Hante 10/10 ths. layer cloud, tops 4,000'. Wind at 18,000': 0-050 725-70 knots.

Nous: 3-10/10ths, thin stratus or lifted fog. Wind at 19,000'r

SEATIVE OF ATTACKS

Hanau The attack opened early, with the T.I. falling quickly into the qui. The asymmetres soon followed, well placed in relation to the T.I.; the Tarkers, all a the few, were well grouped, and most grows attacked on them. I cobing the cocontrated until the later stages.

Hence 1/V Crews abserved a large glow in the town, and reported that the markers fill to the D.E. of this. The beating was rather scattered.

..../9. House MAY.

9. News MV The T.I. disappointed into the cloud, but their glow was. wisible in the centre of the skynikers, which cell in a compact line from N-j. Crews but at a these, or by means of precision levices. In good concentration was obtained.

DAY ABOOK ALSAJICE

- 10. Hantu (K.3698) Great domage was caused in the town, but the photographs were of too poor a quality to allow of a detailed assessment. The railway workships, a group of barracks to the S., and the priority 1 metal works of Heracus-Vacuum-Schmelze ...G. were seen to have been seriously hit. Business and residential property was wisely devastated.
- 11. Hansu M/Y (K.3741) The ficilities were rendered 45% u/s; the sidings 90% u/s and the through running lines 5% u/s. That was the state of the M/Y when photographs were obtained ever a month liter, and notural damage must have been much more considerable. As it was, the transhipment shed, the goods deput, the passenger station and many way no were severely hit. Additional camage was visible in the tyre flotbry of Doutsche Luniup (pr.1), and the main post office and the gasworks and power station were seen to have suffered budly.
 - 12. News M/Y (2.3563) 3 me camage was caused to the southern two-thirds of the target. The transhipment shed and the large roundhouse of the Walcoc. depot were heavily hat an several small traces a lumber ings were demalished. Several cratery are caused in the serting and godes strings, where a number of wag as very derailed; but the through running lines were intact. Here serious dance was caused to the adjacent bulk factory of lawer and Schaurte, where several large buildings were seriously effected, and many cinor buildings sustained moderate damage.

E EMY DEFINCES

13. These operations involved only shallow penetrations into enemy-held territory, of opposition from both flot and fighters was almost negligible. Few fighters remoted, and they were confused by the Resquito attack on Assel and a WINDOW throat to the Ruhr.

C SU LTIES

14. 6 dr are relost, all belonging to the force raiding Hanau town. 4 of these last core caused by collisions, one just beyond Koblenz and the other over the target. One was destroyed by fighter near Darmstadt. A Halifax experienced angles failure while taxying, and crashed. A Lancaster was serious damaged by flak, and another crashed near Louvain on the way home from Neuss.

K SSI

15. 12/20 Manguitos bomber massel between 1050 and 1925 hours, as a facint to the main raids. There was 10/10 ths. cloud onl results were unobserved. 5 mircraft bombed Hanau and 1 wettingen. No casualties.

C.STROP TAINEL

16. 4/6 OBOK Mosquites attacked the ter bensel plant at Custrop Hauxel. The others were aboutive.

MEL.YDG

17. 46/49 Panousters laid 234 mines in the eastern Baltic, off Swinemunde, Pillay, Danol and Gaynia. 2 discraft were lost: one to flak over Denmark and the other to ship's flak N.W. of Danzig bay. The minelayers were intensively plotted by the or noting the controllers, who may have suspected that a bender force was Mying low behind them over the North Sea; but no combats were reported.

BONGER SURKAIT ATC.

32 Mesquites intruded, but have a chains. 15 heavies provided a 24 others dropped #2100# ver the dahr, and 6 more operated Market screen; Chives.ca Other aircraft carried out si mais atrels and recee. flights. WHILEW Halifaxes were lost without trace.

MLWJT. DC/S. 26342/2/C 64, 12th. .pril, 1945.

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BOMBER COMMIND REPORT OF MIGHT CHILLTICHS

7/8th. J.W.FY, 1945.

MUNICH: Hannover: Nuremburg: Hanau.

YELDON:

597/654 aircraft attacked Manich in two separate waves, with a 2-hour nterval. Great damage was caused, especially to public buildings, which are f especial importance in this large administrative control of the Nazi party. Insquitos attacked Muramburg, Hannever and the N/Y at Hanau. 11 aircraft are lost, and 6 more were wrecked in crashes.

E.THER FORDER

asses:- Generally fit. After 0400, snow showers will affect all tations E. of a line from Pelixstowe to Middleton St. George. Diversions to raining Groups.

Targets:- .. layer of st.-ou. to 7,000' at Munich, with a layer of this-ou. above. Total cloud amount: 10/10ths.

MUNICH

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1st. attack: 5 Gp. controlled PackaTTL, with energency skymarking = 2030.

2nd. attack: P.R.M.TT. with energency skymarking. H = 2230.

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1st. attack: no cloud at target, below 7-10/10 ths. thin petchy a-st. at -20,000'. Route: 10/10 ths. cu. from France to near target, with tops to 500', near a front 50-80 miles wide near iniens, but b-10,000' near target. The peaks clear on return. Wind at 13,000': 310'/2L knots.

2nd. att.ck: '10/10ths. cu., tops d-10,000'. Loute is above, except that the frintal belt lay S.E. of Paris. Wind at 10,000': 270°/30 km ts.

No moon during operations. (Half moon rose at 0300 hours).

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6. The marking and beading were both a neentrated in the first attack. The second force found the second kers thinly scattered at first, and although interbetter concentration was reported, the bother concentration was reported, the bother concentration was reported,

L.V RECOUNTINGS.COE

7. Much frush damage was caused, centred on the main passenger station and extending out order to be buildings trasse. Y. to Mys hendurgstrasse and S. to Musshauman, so in a rundhouse in the main My was helf destroyed; 3 large railway within an were severely damaged; and a large shell was hit in the goods yard. Mission are work had taken alone in this area, however, and this damage may have been caused in an earlier letting. The 4M were serviceable and active on 16th. Feb. The slaughterh use, the storage centre and transay deput were severely affected. Industrial promises suffered less than administrative buildings, only 3 minor industries being affected. But many public buildings were damaged, including the Mazi party building in Barerstrasse, the Ministry of the Interior, the Defence Office, the land finance office, the main customs house the law courts, a police station, a post office, a museum and several buildings of the University. Business and residential property were widely damaged.

(K. 3753).

ENERY DEFENCE.

8. The first 1 see met very little fighter specialism, despite the fact that warning was brain from the Strasburg area an hour before the raid began, and that the tarm was correctly guessed at H-24. Only no interception was effects. This force returned some S. of Switzerland unnelested. The second force was detected E.W. I Namey, and had the controllers had a clearer picture of our intentions, savire lesses night have been inflicted. But it 0900 L, when the main force was hearing straight for Stuttgart, Willew aircraft and Rescuites colliberately despend that impression, while the main force to minutes behing turned away towards Ulm. Only 5 attacks were reported. 70-80 searchlights exposed against the first force in clear weather, but they seen dowsed in the heavy flak quickly petered out. In the second attack, the heavy guns fired a necessate and decreasing barrage, while scarchlights illuminated the cloud for the benefit of the fighters.

CEYOMEN TERMINE

9. Bombers of the second force chained to have destroyed 1 jet. and 1 Ju.38. Our intruders made no chaims.

CasulaTIES

10. None of the first force was lost, but 4 crushed in France, and 2 more in this country, 5 altogether being destroyed. 10/436 aircraft were lost in the second attack: 4 were destroyed in callisions, 3 by flak (Stuttgart 1, Manich 2), and 3 by fighters (Stuttgart 1, Manich 2). One aircraft which collided with one of the missing aircraft came down at Laon on the way home, completely wrecked. Few aircraft were hit by flak.

NU KENDUAG

11. 18/10 Mosquites carried out a feint attack on Murcoburg from 2212-2220 hrs. 4 aircraft dropped markers on H2S and the rest attacked accordingly. Slight lefences - no capualties.

H_INCVER

12. 51/54 M again a delivered a concentrated attack on Hunnover from 2215-2240 despite 10/10ths. On the One aircraft crashed in Holland, ofter its fuel system had failed.

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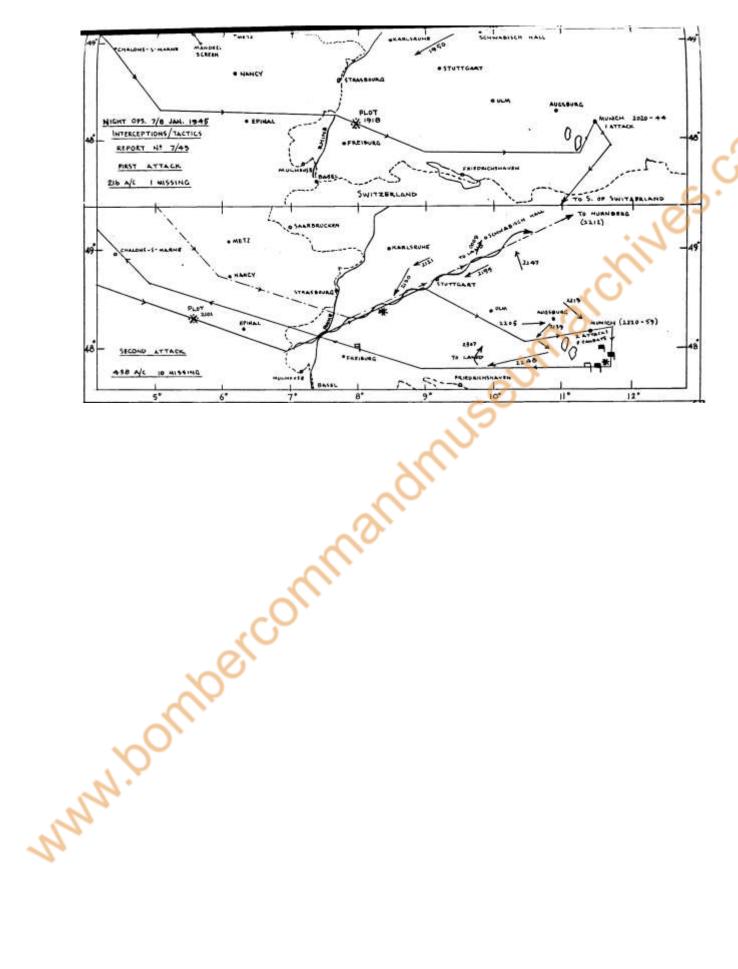
BOMBER SUFFER COUNCE.

14. 56 squites intruded at high level, and 7/9 at lew level. No claims we made. 10/15 aircraft provided a MATLEE screen W. of Metz; 3/3 complete. ST.E patrols, and 10/13 dropped VIDOW past Stuttgart twards Muremburg. Other aircraft carried out signals patrols and recoo. flights. 1 Mesquit was lost without trace.

MLM/JT. Mc/s.26342/2/CRS4, 12th. -pril, 1945.

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10/11th. J.2/U.2Y, 1945.

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STORT LICY

- t. Hannover 50/50 Mosquites busber Hunn ver from 1856-1910 in clear weather. The marking and benting were that a contrated and good fires were left burning. We mireraft was lost on this might, but no Masquite crashed a return.
- 2. "Siron" tur 3 H2S Mesquit sources at a round trip, visiting in turn Cologne, Coblenz, Wiesbaden and Jonhor. All the arcraft teched Cologne; but no aircraft then had to return how. A position as at except for slight heavy flak at Hennehim. One aircraft was conaged by flak and another by a landing accident.
- 3. Met. recoe. 2/2 % squit's carried out net, recor. flights.

FLERE FOR ST. ST

L. Resear- Much cloud. Snow on sleet showers.

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LITHER ECHLISICE

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BONDER COM LED RELOTE ON LIGHT CLARATIONS

12/13th. J.NU.CY, 1945.

Fortsetzung: Carolinengluca.

SUPPLACE

- 1. Fortsetzung 9 CROE Mosquitos were despatched against the benzel plant at Forsetzung, in the muhr. 5 bembed on CROE and 3 on GER/LL. The minth aircraft attacked Dortmund. No lesses.
- 2. Car linengluck 10/11 OBCE Mesquites made successfully controlled runs against another benzol plant at Car linengluck (a suburb of Bochum), 6 on CHOZ and 4 on GEE/DR. One aircraft was abortive; and one crashed on return.
- 3. Minelaying 24/32 Halifaxes lai. 98 mines in Kiel harbour and the Little Belt. 4 aircraft were lost.

WE THER FURECUST

bases: - Mich low cloud and rain S. if Humber soon after dusk, gradually spreading northwards.

Targeto:- 10/10ths. ever W. Berkeny. Broken st.-ou ever mining areas.

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TEATHER MILERAPHICED

1. 10/10ths, thin low st-cu. over both targets; some aircraft reported no cloud, but thick haze. 8-10/10ths, st.-cu. over mining areas, with low patents and rain.

ENTY LEPHONS

The Mr prites were intensively plotted, but no fighters reacted to them. It least 6 Grapen were, however, airborne against the mineleyers, probably in the kinese to intercept a possible attack on Berlin. 5 combats took place, 3 with Ju.38's and 2 with U/I aircraft. Slight to moderate flak was met.

CLSULLTIES

1/32 minchaying Halifaxes (12.5,) were lost - 2 to fighters, 1 to heavy flak from Mando Island and 1 to "unkn wm causes". A Hasquite crushed on return from Carthinengluck and was wrocked.

10/S. 26342/6, 01884, 10th. april, 1945.

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NIGHT RAIL REPORT NO. 815

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DOMBER COMMAND REPORT ON MIGHT OPERATIONS

13/14th. JANUARY, 1945.

SLIKERUCKEN M/Y: POLITZ Synthetic oil plant.

SUDBLRY

1. Bad weather at bases limited our effort, but the marhalling yards at Smarbrucken and the synthetic oil plant at Politz, near stettin, were both attacked with devastating effect. 5/555 bentiers were lost.

WEATHER FOR CLIST

 Bases:- Much low cloud, "th rain are erizzle. Visibility moderate, locally poor. Preczing level: 1,500'.

Targets:- Saarbrucken probably clear at 2000, but risk of thin st. or st.-cu., with poor or bad visibility. Similar for Politz at 2100.

PLUS OF TICK

- Saurbrucken OLCE groundaurking, with emergency skymarking. H = 1900 (1915 on 2nd. ../P.)
- 4. Politz 5 Cp. NEVH.VAY. H = 2215.

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WE THER EXPERIENCED

- E. Saarbrucken Cloudless, except for a few patches of st. over high ground, tops 2,000'. Vertical visibility hazy. No moon.
- '. Politz No cloud. No moon. dina at 14-13,000': 30-40 m.p.h.

HARACTV OF TICKS

Both attacks were reported as accurate and concentrated. Conditions at Politz paralited bombing by 5 Group's low marking technique, although in view of the weather forward it had been planned as a blind bombing raid.

A. RECOUNTAINS CE

Starbrucken (... 3763) These pards, already heavily damaged, were alrest paralyses by this attack. Almost every part of the traffic centre was securely hit, except the European sidings at the W. and f the target. The extensive sorting sidings received a great weight of bambs, every line being out. Rearly all the through lines were severed, and many important buildings, including the main passenger station, received direct hits. The daylight raids by small forces of Benber Command e ntributed to the levestation, but nest of it must be attributed to this night attack.

9. Politz (K.3797) This attack, together with that of 8/9th. Pet.1945, when some 450 aircraft bombed the target in clear weather, reduced the synthetical plant to shambles. The whole target was saturated with bombs, leaving a wake of wrecked buildings, shattered tanks are hunareds of feet of snashed or backy buckled piping. The water gas plants, methane steam plant and gas purification, compressor house, main power station, 2 injector circulator house gas washing and purification house and that all the storage tanks were heavildenaged. The maximum repair effort could not have resulted in any production for 2-3 menths, and no trace of repair activity was visible on 11 reh 3rc., the date of photography,

ENEMY DEFENCES

6 attacks, one of which resulted in the less of a bember. 5 Group took a circuitous raute to Sambracken, and not no fighter opposition at all, although they were accurately plotted over the last 100 miles of the raute. The controllers evidently anticipated an attack on Berlin, and then, realizing their mistake, supposed that the force would return on a direct westerly raute. 9 or 10 Gruppen of fighters opposed the Politz force, but only 7 combats (including 5 attacks) were reported, all over the target. From apposition was slight at aboth targets, although over 350 heavy and light guns were believed to be guarding the Politz cil plant. No E/s were claimed as cestryed by our bombers.

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11. No aircraft was lost on Sambrucken, although one crashed at Gisers after colliding with another aircraft. The latter received only minor damage. . second Halifux was destroyed in a landing accident, after its engine had caught fire. 2/225 aircraft (0.95) were lost on Politz; one was destroyed by a fighter over the target, and the other came down in Sweden on the cutward route, for unknown reas ns.

MIN'ELLY ING

12. 10/10 Lancasters laid 47 mines off Swinchunde, without indicent.

BOMBER SULLYOUT DIC.

13. 100 Group provided a M.NDRM, screen W. of Luxemburg to deny the energy long range varning and to confuse his platting. 22 Fosquites intruded at high and low level, attacking airfields at Griessvalb, Dieholz and W. of Steinhauer Lake. Other aircraft operated JOSTLE, and carried out roose flights and sign. patrols. One intruder was lost without trace.

MLM/JT. EC/S.26342/2/CRS4, 13th. .pril, 1945.

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BOMBER COSIND REPORT ON NIGHT OFFRITIONS

14/15th. J.J.W.Rv, 1945.

LEUK. / ERSEBURG synthetic cil pl.mt: JL. N. G.... fuel depot: GREVENBROICH M/Y: Berlin: unnheim

SUPLRY

1. The Leuna/Merseburg synthetic oil plant as nest severely damaged in 2 attacks by strong bomber forces. Other forces visited the fuel depot at lulmen and the M/Y at Grevenbreich, seriously damaging the latter. Descrites bombed Berlin and Mannheim. Only 11/1,215 directift were left, but bid reather caused 18 mers to crash on return.

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2. Bases: - Generally fit until 0200. 3 no 8 Groups may have low st. soon after midnight.

Targets:- Good chance of no cloud in Ruhr ret, and it Leura. Peer herizental visibility. Well broken st.-cu. or st. over all the route, probably only 1,000° thick.

LEURL: DULMEN: CREVENBROICH

PLUS OF .TT.CH

- Leuns. 1st. attack: 5 Gp. controlled NE H.VEN. H = 2100.
 2nd. attack: controlled NE H.VET + chergency skymarking. H=0001.
- Dulmen CBCE groundmarking. H = 2320.
- Grevenbrich OBOE groundnerking. H = 1935.

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VELTHER EXPERIENCED

Clear at Grevenbroich and Dulmen, and for the first attack on Leuna. The second force in Leuna found the target envered with 10/10 ths. st., fog or smake. Butes to all targets: well broken cloud over continent, but 9/10 ths. st.-ou. ver if rth Sea, tops 4-5,000'. Tuch st. 20 riles S. of Leuna. Wines: at 15,000', 060'/20 m.p.h.; st 21,000', 0709/30 m.p.h. No morn.

TIVE OF .TT CKS

Louna The early markers were souttered, but heter mesticre well ruped and were assessed as accurate. The binding was fairly encentrated, but we made it difficult to assess results. The second attack was made in kynirkers, and was reported as concentrated. H2S checks suggested that the for rivers here well placed over the AP.

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9. Dulmen and Grevenbraich concentrated.

th these attacks were accurate and

D.Y ERCOUTLISSLUCE

- 10. Louna (K.3673). The entire plant suffered severe carage, nearly every important installation being seriously hit.
- 11. <u>Dulmen</u> (K. 3739) Dum to t this target was light and scattered. We than 350 craters were visible in the normality just S. and S.E. of the plant.
- 12. Grevenbrich (K. 3739) This traffic centre was squarely hit. All through running lines were out; the pares depot, station buildings and a quint of relling stock were badly canaged, and a number of industrial premises in the team were affected.

MINE DESCRIPTIONS

13. Attacks and combuts were few in number, and no interception in force and achieved. Aperics of complex counter-measures, including Posquito attacks on Berlin and Annheim, a large-scale diversion towards the Dutch islanes and a Wallow faint were the Ruhr, completely deceived the enemy, who was further highlicapped by widespread mist over his airfields. Flak was slight to nevertifier the first attack on Leuna, moderate to intense for the second raid, and negligible at Dulmen and Grevenbreich.

HNEW LIKELIFY DESTROYED

14. Our benters claimed to have destroyed 3 E/. (but 2 may have been jet projectiles) and to have demaged 2 more. British intruders also destroyed 3 E/. and damaged 2.

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15. Crows' observations suggested the fallering causes of less:

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Very por weather was not in Engline on return, and no less than 20 aircraft crashed and were destroyed. This figure includes all the night's operations.

BEKLIN

16. 2 forces of M squites delivered accurate feint attacks on Berlin in claventher. 34/41 attacked from 2035-2045, on 35/42 from 2356-0011. No aircraft was lost, but 2 crushed on the Continent, and 6 perc in England.

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MINETAING

18. 29/31 aircraft laid 136 mines in the Kittegat and off Oslo and Laese Rende. No losses.

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110/126 aircraft carried out a liversionar succep over the North Sea towards the Dutch islands. 100 Grap provided 1. DRH screens 50 miles W. of the Little front, and WINDOW feints towards Farmingin and the Ruhr. www.bombercommandmuseumandmuse iron it operated JOUTLE and carried out signals patrols and recor. flights. isquit's intruded, and destroyed 3 and demaged 2 3/1. I intruder and one aircraft

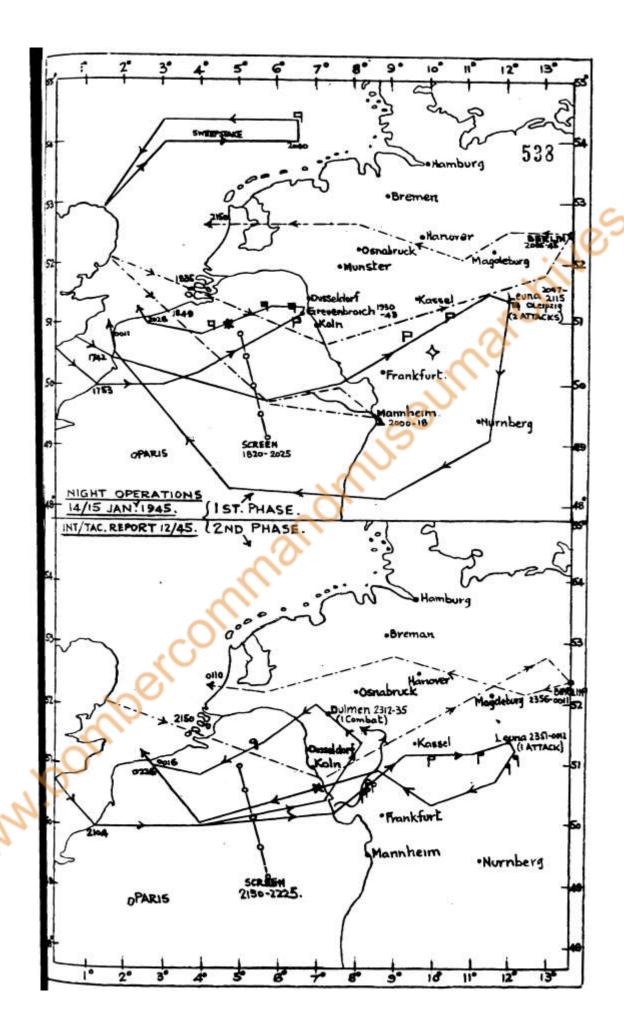
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PONCER COMMENT CLOSE CONTINUE CENTRATORS

ZEITZ: TRUM and M. TR-MINGE synthetic fil plants: M.GDETRG: Mannheim: Haltur.

SUPPLEY

1,233 aircraft were despitched, taily deep into Control and S.E. Germany, for the loss of 23 aircraft, with 5 were wreaked in limiting or taxying crashes, (a total of 2.7% destroyed). In a mithetic of plants if trux and Zeitz, both in the Leipzig area, were most severely formally a rail of the plant at Wanne Bickel in the labr failed because of chase along but in there large force devastated the greater part of the city of force large. Morely 300 enemy aircraft were mirrores, but they were deceived by our childrents counter-measures; and the string flux defences of Zeitz and Frux were as rathered by the concentration of our boths. Something 9) German righters were destroyed.

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2. Fewes:- Pe, and lew stratus in southern Groups in evening; but a additions will gradually improve. Northern Groups fit all night.

Tarjots:- Much stratus and at-ou. ever W. Germany, breaking to mil towards Leigzij and Magdeburg areas; though the litter target is more doubtful. Visibility jenerally por.

ZEITZ: RUX: WONE SIC. TO TENTAGE.

ALUS OF ATTACK

- 3. Zeitz Controlled N3 M.VEV II. H = 2215.
- Brux 5 Gp. controlled MINIMAN. H = 2230.
- 5. Manne Bickel G-H grounder and a energency sign rking. H = 0215.
- Mandelur Controlled MEFLVEN II + emergency skymerking. H = 2140.

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- 10. Frux 10/10 ths. on et i lew st. er st.-cu. ver target area. Wind at 1., 11: 500/25 n.p.h. house as above.
- 11. Winne Bickel . 1:/1 the st.-ou., tops 5-7,000', ever whole route ...d target. Wind it 20,000': 520'/20 c...h.
- 12. M. Mchung Clear, except for a tokes of low eleud. Route as for Zeitz. Grand hate. Wine at 13,000: 320/30 r.j.h.
- 13. Monor row, setting it 2005 h.c., it is all m (lef rela/c reached encay territory).

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12. It the attacks were reported as accurate and highly concentrated, even through the dense about at frux and Wanne Eickel. Hagdeburg was described by lite arrivals as burning from end to one, and the glow of these fires was visible for 100 miles.

HAY RECYMPLESS JICE

- 15. Zeitz (K. 3766) Great Change was caused, particularly in the northern half of the target. The vital injector nouses and winkler gas generator were damaged, tegether with all refining and storage facilities. Little reconstructions were was visible.
- 10. Frux (K. 3693) Priorically every institution in this plant was costructed for the following for the following following for the following foll
- 17. <u>Wanne Bickel</u> (K. 3705) Reconneiss not through were not obtained until after to attack delivery on 2/3rd. Obracy by over 300 aircraft, again through 10,10ths, close. For incidents were visible in the target area.
- 18. Audobury (1. 5725) This attack, together with several Masquito raise and the increase capital tattacks of 3rd. and 5th. February, devastated the greater part of Phycetury. (4. of the buildings in the tuilt-up area were destroyed or dranged. In ustries suffered very heavily, ever 40 being affect including 9 priority factories. Transportation I cilities were heavily hit, especially the railway goods pares and war houses. The great Ravensburg barrawere gutted, and many public buildings were conclished. The worst deviatation occurred within the old fortifications.

MENY DIFFEREN

they succeeded in making no more than 30 attacks in our bombers. The Magdebur force swept over the Weser estuary on a route similar to that followed by the "sweepstake" diversion two nights earlier, and the enemy undoubtedly supposed to this was another such feint. He nade a few contacts beyond Hannever with the tail of the force, and caused casualties. Only 3 attacks were nade over Magdeburs and opposition was slight on the honeward run. This was partly because the 3 JD controller, W. of Hannever, after planning return-route interception of the "agdeburg raiders, sent his fighters towards Leipzig to ward off the Zeitz force. None of our other bomber forces, however, was seriously engaged; the were well protected by cloud until they were near to their targets, and for our off the return routes. The discontant towards Kiel and, later, the Mosquit feint on a nahein distracted the cours llers still further. Fluk was not as head been expected at Ma debury of Zeitz, despite the clear weather, and clear reduced opposition at Brux, which is not heavily defenced.

CROMER TENSOR. MENE

20. The Hagdeburg force elained to have destroyed 3 (probably 4) 1/1, and have damaged 2 merc. I have other she't down institution route to Brux, and our introders chained 4 merc.

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- 21. Zeitz 3/323 (2.53) w/c lost 5 to lighters (Schweinfurt, Coburg and Linar outwards, and Paderborn, Hengele and Zwolle howeverds); 2 to flak (Frankfurt and target). 2 other aircraft crashed in France one because of chains failure and flak, the other after being hit by both flak and fighter.
- 22. Frux 1/237 (0.43) ./c lest, without trace. No other aircraft on this target was damaged at all.
- 23. <u>Vann. Eickel</u> 1/133 (3.7.,) Lirer of t lest, without trace. 2 others were procked in landing or taxying accidents.
- 24. Bigleburg 17/371 m/c (4...) has: him collishing off the Yerkshire cust, sutheand; to fighters (blat con man ver in lincelury, sutheane; 2 it target; 2 just after and 1 near Humm ver, hand unit); to flak (1 c ned N.W. of Majdeburg, 1 at target and 1 at Humm ver); 2 to main in causes. He returning see was wrocked beyon in the set.

25. 17/17 Mesquites carried out a reant office on Marchein from 2106-2120, combing very accurately in clear seather. We losses.

HALLUG

21. 3/9 Mes guites thacked Hashur from 2102-2105, through 10/10 the cloud. The minth banked in alternative target.

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27. 27/31 -incasters and Halifaxes 1 is 125 mines in the Kattegat and Oslo jord. No fighters were met, and no escalation were sustained.

DONNER SUP YOU ETC.

in 100 Gr 1) provided elaborate counter-measures to cover the deep mentrations into 3.E. Germany. MINDELL screens were set up in Central France a ff the Lutch islands; WINDEX droppers threatened an attack on Kiel, while the middling force was approaching the Weser estuary; JOSTLE aircraft operated, and 2 Masquit s intruded, destroying 2 Mo.110, 1 Ju.133 and 1 Me. 219. 6/7 Masquit at Malifaxes completed signals patrols. 1 Masquito was lost without trace; and Frances crached on landing, for unknown reasons, and was destroyed.

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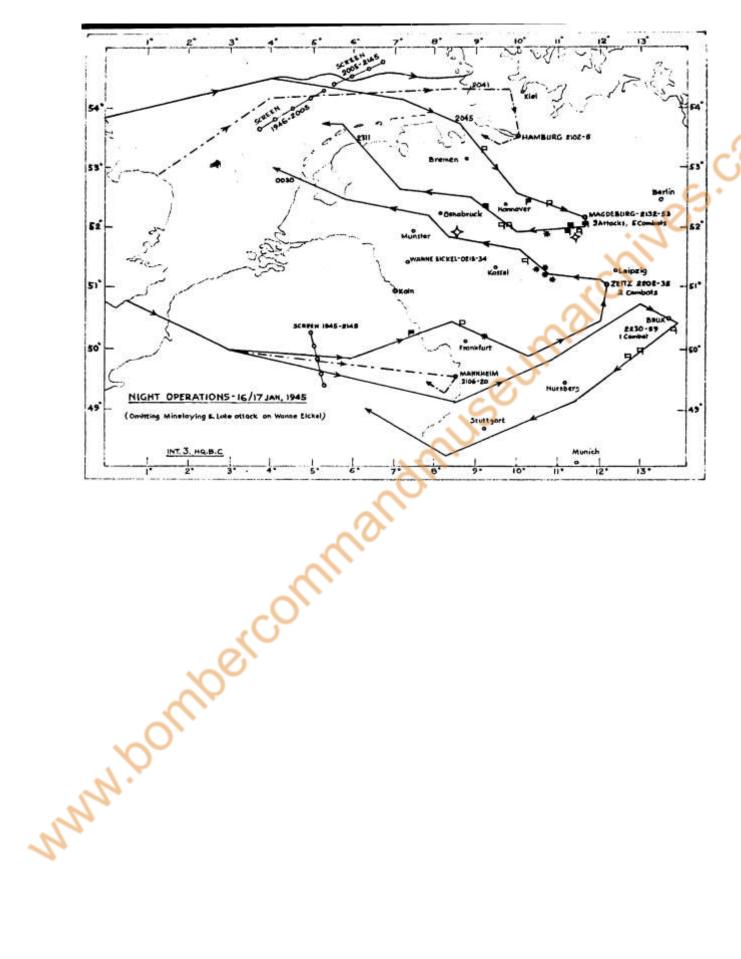
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17/13th. A.M.Y. 1945.

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- 1. Ruthen 8/8 OBOE Mesquites (u/t) attacked the vil storage plant at Ruthen, near Seest. No aircraft was lost on this night.
- 2. Majdebur: at 0500, 69/72 M squit's bonded Migleburg, the scene of the provious night's heavy attack.
- 3. HRS trials 3/3 HRS Mesquites beabed Colorne, Koblenz, Frankfurt and Mannheim on a round trip.
- 4. Buber support etc. 100 Group provided similar counter-measures to those used on the previous night to support the heavy raids on Leuna and Zeitz. They put up a MANDAEL screen over Bolgium, and THOOWAD from 1840 towards Giossen over the area N. If Frankfurt that had recently been used for penetrations. Long range night fighters also operated, causing at least 5 Gruppen of German fighters to react. It combats were reported.

TEATHER FOLECUST

5. Bases:- Fit.

Targets: - Much cloud ever J. Germany.

SCRTIES

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7. 8-10/10ths. to 10-15,000' over all targets.

ENERY DEFINCES

8. Slight to moderate flak was met at Hajleburg, and a Masquito was attacked and slightly lamaged by a T/E jet fighter near the city. No other E/L were beerved.

C.SULTIES

9. No aircraft was lost. One was slightly damaged in o mtat, and another by non-enemy action.

EM/JT. EC/S. 26342/6/CH34, 21st. mril, 1945.

HITTIGH, MALLEDONG, COLOURS - KOBLENZ - PRANCEUPT - MANNIETH, ETC. 1//18th JANUARY 1945

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BOMBER COMMIND REPORT ON TIGHT OF FITTINGS

18/19th. J.M. C., 1945.

Ruthon: Sterkra c/Holton: H2S trials.

SUMPLERY

- 1. Ruthen 6/7 030E Mosquites (u/t) ttacked the all storage plant at authen, near Seest. No aircraft was lost on this night.
- 2. Sterkrade 50/56 Mesquites braked the synthetic fil plant at Sterkrade/Holten. The target was devered with crifting layer cloud, and only 4 aircraft were able to bomb on markers. The rest attacked by novigational aids. One aircraft had to cause down near Brussels on the return, because of engine failure; and 2 more were very budly damaged in liming accidents.
- 3. H2S trials 12 Y-Mosquitos were detailed to carry out H2S trials, bubing Dusseldorf, Kassel and Koblenz on a round trip. 12 attacked Dusseldorf, 9 Kassel and 8 Koblenz. No counter-measures were planned by 100 Group in support of these operations.

JE. THER FOUNDLIST

. Bising. Generally fit, despite showers. Good visibility.

Targets:- Variable Cb. over Ruhr, with occasional clearances.

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E.THER EXPERIENCE

10/10ths. drifting layer cloud over all targets, tops 25,000'.

EFECES

Negligible.

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one l'aquito come down near Brussels on return because of engine failure, it was not individual. 2 more were nearly wrecked in landing crashes.

.WJT. ./s.26342/6/0HS4, .ml. ..pril, 1945.

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BOMBER COMMIND REPORT ON MIGHT OFFRITIONS

21/22nd. J.J. 1945.

Kassel: Mainz.

SUPPLARY

- 1. Karsel 71/76 M squites attacked massel from 2027-2039 hrs. through 5-8/10 the min cloud. The marking and be bing were both concentrated. One 4 squite data not source.
- hins. 4/4 CBOE Mosquites name successfully controlled runs against
- 5. Brober support etc. 100 Group provided a MATREE, screen and despatched TREOW aircraft across the chine S. of Colema, while Masquites intruded at high level. The enemy, however, apparently made but a stight reaction. No combats were reported, and no lesses were sustained apart from that already tentioned. Other aircraft carried out signals p trels, recoefflights and special operations without incident.

3. THER PORECLIST

Bases: - Snow showers in coastal areas; fit inlind until late.

Taranti:- Much medium and convection cloud over 7. German, with

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MY DIFFERCES

No fighters. Slight flak from both targets.

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22/23rd. J.NULRY, 1945.

EXUCALLUSEN benzel plant: FELSELLIACHEN: Hannever: Dertound.

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1. 287/302 bombers caused great lange to the benzel paint of Vereinigte stablworks at Duisburg/Druckhausen, in elect weather. Many installations of the adjacent Thyssen steelworks were hit. 152 ironift were set to Golsenkirchen, but cloud rendered their attack rather ineffection. Insquites bombed Hannover and Dortmund. No righters were met, no no 2/599 aircraft were lost.

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2. Bases: - Widespread smake and for after 2500 hours. Gare diversions.

Targets:- Melium cloud should disperse to small mounts towards the mahr, where there will be a good chance of less than 3/10 ths. St.-ou., tops 6-3,000'. It worst, not more than half cover is expected. Much me had cloud on route; but tops should not extend above 15,000'.

DRUCKHAUSEN: GELBE MAL CELL

MANS OF ATTACK

 OPCE groundmarking + emergency skymarting a+ both targets. H = 2000 at Bruckhausen; 2230 at Gelsenkirchen.

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- 5. <u>Pruckhausen</u> 3-5/10ths. st-cu. fro: Prench coast to C4E., tops 5,000'. S of ad and good visitility beyon. 342., including target. Vanc at 21,000': 316/10.
- the target, where tops lowered to 4,000'. Some large ortales E. f 05 E. Wind to targetheaten. Hen up for both stacks (first quester).

GRATIVE OF ATLICKS

- Prockhausen Crevs had a Difficulty in visually identifying the target of alight. The markers were punctual, accurate and well lacked up, and the alight was a mountrated as temporarily to diliterate the markers. Good fires were established.
- The markers and also are into the cloud, but they seemed in their glow to be a maintrated, and the agrankers was real placed in relation. To the flow of the P.I. The busing the appropriate real amountrated.

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MY LEAST CE

- 9. Truckhausen (A.3000). Severe configures caused to the benzel plant; 3 of the 5 letteries of trens were missentled as a result of the raid, and another severely damaged. The lenz'l scrubing plant, the menthal distillation plant and an exhauster house were also seriously hit. In heavy gencentration buts also real a the lagast Thomas steelwards I. of the target, damaging our installations are destroying a manufactor of rolling stock.
- to. Joisenkitched (1. 5775) Hoderate business /residential and slight industrial unit, and caused to the P. and north central parts of the town, mostly between Kaiser and Homzellern Strisse. 3 priority factories and several wards uses were affect in a minor logice.

EMELY DEPENDED

11. Fighters reacted to both raics, but the me attacks. The Bruckhausen force was protected by HTDCW crapters flocing the area W. of the target on a wide front, and by a feint raid in Lord up front one for the month, while the Gelsenkins raiders were screened by British inducers in LVH ECW feint towards Frankfurt. One Mo. 202 was damaged by a Linciptor, the W. failing to return the boober's fire. In materiate barrage was fire by the heavy guns protecting Bruckhausen, decreasing as the attack progressed, while 50-30 searchlights formed comes of 10 beams, mainly W. and 3. of the target. Flok was slight at Gelsenkirchen.

CAST CATES

12. 2/302 aircraft were lost on Bruckhausen, both to target flak. No loss were sustained on Colsenirchen, but a Halifax crashed on return, because of entrouble, and in ther was all but wreeked in a taxying accident.

HLENCVLR

13. 47/40 hesquites witheres Hammever through 10/10 ths. cloud from 1907-191.

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14. 5/6 Mesquites offered out a faint attack on Lorthung from 1958-2003, to distract fighters from the Truckhamon force. The sixth Mesquite bombed elsewing the Ruhr. No casualties

POWER SURFORM THE.

15. 100 Gr up provided LETTH and JOSTLI support to the bombers, and despitation of the first through the Ruhi on , later, the ris Frankfurt. 40 Mosquitos introded it high an low level. 3 E/L were contacted and chased, but no combit resulted. 1/T one rail targets were strafe. Mi danaged. Other aircraft carried at single patr is in rease. flights. In losses.

MAYJT. 30/3.26342/4/0.34, 25th. ...ril, 1945.

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BOMBER COMMEND REPORT ON NIGHT OPERATIONS

26/27th. J.NU.RY, 1945.

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2. Bases: - Widespread mist in f ...

Target: - Vuriable low clou , with p tohy nelium cloud.

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4. 3-10/10 ths. cloud to 10-12,000'.

MERCY DESCRIPTIONS

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MM/T. C/S.26342/6/0054, 3rd. --pril, 1945.

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BOMBER COMMEND REPORT ON MIGHT OFFICTIONS

27/28th. JATLRY, 1905.

Berlin

SUPPLIKY

*. 8/12 Misquites attacked Berlin between 1947 and 2107 hours, through dense cliud. Owing to technical triubles, 2 mireraft binned Canatruck and 1 Hannever. The twelfth was abortive. One Misquite carried out a actirecce. flight. No casualties were sustained.

FEATHER FORECAST

2. Pases:- Snow showers and for.

Target:- 10/10 ths.

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EATHER EXPERIENCED

- 10/10 ths. to 8-10,000'.

DE Y DEFENCES

. No fighters r flok.

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WJT. 8.2342/0/ChS4, 2. april, 1945.

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23/27th. C.J. U.N. 1945.

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SUPPLIKY

t. The Fernwestheim M/Y and the industrial creater Euffenhauen, both at stuttgart, were attacked by strong forces, but 1/10ths, came removed our tenting ineffection. Megligible dampe was exact. Resquite banked Perlim and Mainz. Enemy fighters made a number of interceptions in the bright modnlight, but we lost only 9/771 circraft.

WELTIEM FORECLET

2. Lises: - Prequent shows showers, it's per visibility, in F. Ibdorate to god visibility in J., where showers will to year.

Tergets:- 10/10ths. 1 yer olul, it Stuttjurt.

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3. Mixed CDCE groundmarking and CDCE skymerals at both timets, - emergency H23 skymerking. H = 2030 at Kornwestman, 2330 at Zumfenhausen.

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i. 10/10ths. st.-cu. over target, tops 6-11,000', curing both attacks, but thinner for the second. Putchy a-st. at 15,000' and cirrus at 20-24,000'. Pull mean. Man.: (1) 010°/45 m.p.h. (2) 030°/55 m.ch. large breaks in st.-cu. ver Prince: 10/10ths. beyond 0800 3. 4 and 3 characteristic on return.

ZGLITTYE OF ITTLEKS

- rly concentrated. Most crows behind on the skyn rkers, high vere thin and
- 7. Zuffenhausen Changed wands delign the titack, in the tarking was late, but a fair c noentration of skymarkers was achieved, no the glow of fires was maible through the cloud.

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. (K.3751 and Ki.337) 2 tracks in the E musesthein yields were cut, and relevate darkie was caused to the Salan new The Zullenhauser area was apparently untruched.

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MEMY DEFINICES

g. 2 Gruppen of enemy Plinters for the first attack, but name only a stack. The second force at a Grupen, which the contact over the target and intercepted the tail of the same mon the last leg in, and continued attacking the blabers over the first 70 miles of the return route. This for reported 11 attacks, apart from at least 6 more which are known to have result busher lesses. (our crows enemy of 2 Ju. 33 mil 1 Mc. 109. Flak was slight largely because of the dense close.

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- 10. Kornwesthein 1/230 (f.d.,) leat, probably to target flak. Another crashed in France, probably after a vary been than see in combat, and was we No landing crashes.
- 11. Zuffenhausen 3/376 (2.13) lest 5 to lighters (1 near Heilbrenn, outbound; 1 at target; 4 beyond 0.0 E, homeo mo): 1 to flak, N. of target t under an causes. One aircraft come down near Coulommiers after being ladaraged in contact, and another blow up while tarying.

M.INZ

12. 7/6 Masquites carried out a foint attack on Mainz from 2020-2034, be on navigational aids through thick cloud. Slight heavy flak, no fighters. casualties.

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13. Mesquites carried out 3 ttacks on Berlin. 2/3 bended at 1954 and 3 57/60 attacked from 2037-2095, and 4/4 from 2112-2126. The second attack was empontrated, although the solital was elvered with 10/10ths. cloud all night. No looses were sustained.

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14. 6/6 Lancasters laid 30 mines in the ditteget without incident.

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15. 10. Gr up provided 1.6. The screen E. of Versum for the first attack, niroraft concerned later operating as a WILLOI patrol to simulate a second attended for the screen with the screen with a screen was provided for the second force, on Zuffenhausen, was unsupported by any feint attack. 6/6 aircraft operated JOSTLE. 34 Mes of 100 Grup and 10 of Fighter Capital intruded, estroying 1 U/I. E/a in contain demagning another on the grand at lillis. 1/5 Helifaxes and Mesquites cout signals patrols, and 1 Mesquite carried out a set, recoefflight. No casualties.

ML:/JT. 30/S.26342/4/CHS4, 25th. mril, 1945.

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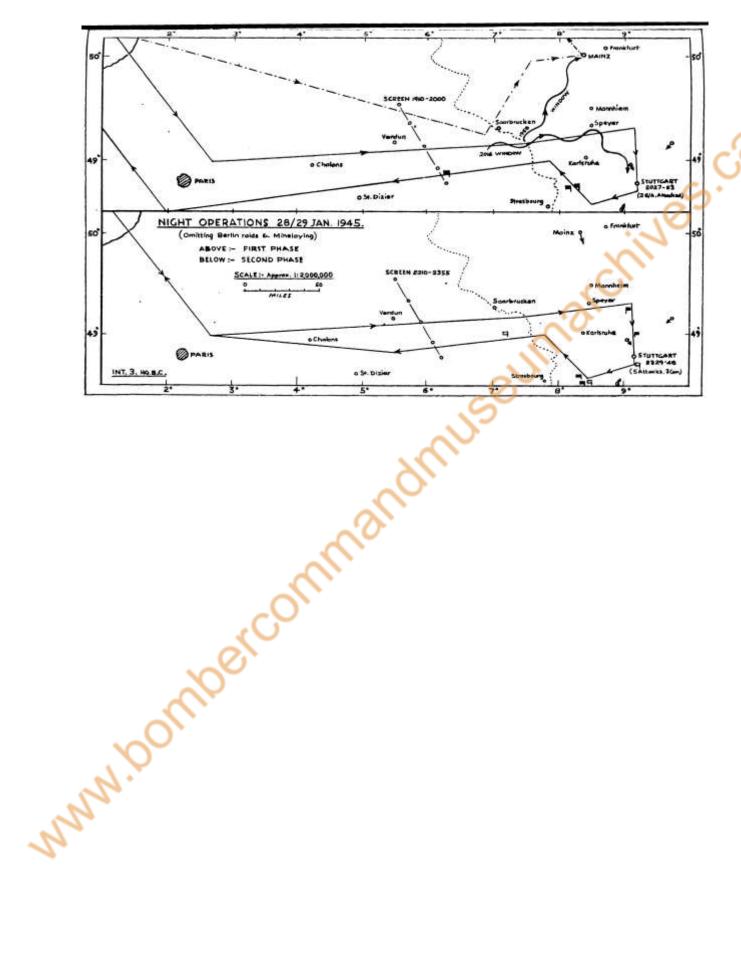
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MIGHT RED HERCKY NO. 825

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BOMBER COMMUND REPORT ON NIGHT OFFICTIONS

29/30 th. J.NU.RY, 1945.

Berlin

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1. 52/59 M squitos delivered . concentratos attack on Berlin from 1926-1930. M aircrast was lost or damaged, although all but one had to be diverted on return.

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Target: - Little cloud.

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4. 7-19/10 ths. low drifting cloud, tops 3-5,000'.

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5. Slight predicted heavy flak. No fighters.

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6. None.

EC/S. 263 2/6/C S4, 23rd. .p.:il, 1945.

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Bases:- Poor weather.

Targets:- 10/10ths. over Rube.

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4. 10/10 ths. to 29,000' at both targets.

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5. Ilil.

C.CHLITIES

6. No losses. One Mosquito has to some communication for return because of engine trouble, but was only slap to the desired.

MLY/ST. C/S. 263,2/6/CRUL, 2nd. May, 1945.

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