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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE & FLIGHT	REFERENCES
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3-9-43	LANCASTER III						
	"J"	G.1399 P/O Paugier J.E., D.S.O., D.F.O., J. 8817 S/L Towell P.G., D.F.C., R. 7663 P/S Anthony M.H., J. 10021 P/O Kowther J.C., J. 17751 P/O Sipple J.R., J. 15167 S/L Clark J.W., D.F.O., G. 9576 SGT Holland G.G.		2013	0510	<b>BOMBING ATTACK ON "BERLIN" 6 AIRCRAFT DETAIL</b> (J) (P/O PAUGIER J.E., D.S.O., D.F.O.) Bombload:- 2 LB. T.I. Red "A"; 2 Ord. T.I. Red; 1 x 4000 H.O.; 1 LB. T.I. Yellow; 1 LB. T.I. Red "J"; 1 x 1000 G.P. LD. 1 x 500 G.P. T.Inst.; 1 T.I. No. 8 Red Spot "T"; 1 Flare Red/Green Stars. Visibility was hazy, with 10/10 cloud all round target, but no cloud over target. Bombed on time RUM TOWN BRANDENBURG at 2315 hours from 20,500 feet. "Y" equipment was w/s. After bombing saw Red T.I.s scattered at first but well con- centrated later, with excellent backing-up by S.I. Green. Fires commencing about ten minutes after leaving target. Over Berlin at 2318 hours, aircraft suffered slight damage from heavy flak at 20,500 feet. Aircraft landed base.	A-1
	"G"	J. 7298 P/O Lefroy H.K., 108152 P/L Cole C.W., J. 20164 P/O Lawrence W.J., 1128351 SGT Filling M., R. 121875 SGT O'Dell J.G., R. 67163 SGT Lavanagh J., 993118 SGT Scott P.J.		2025	0408	(G) (P/O LEFROY H.K.) Bombload:- 2 LB. T.I. Green; 2 Ord. T.I. Green; 1 LB. T.I. Red; 1 LB. T.I. Yellow; 1 x 4000 H.C.; 1 T.I. No. 8 Red Spot "J"; 1 x 1000 G.P. LD.; 1 x 500 G.P. T.Inst.; 1 Flare Red/Green Stars. Visibility was nil in target area with 10/10 cloud. Believed mistook Genthin for Brandenburg on "Y". Made timed run and mistook Brandenburg for Berlin. Load released at 2324 hours from 20,000 feet. Immediately after bombing, realized that target bombed was not Berlin. Proceeded on track and passed over Berlin where the T.I. Red and T.I. Green were well concentrated. Many good fires burning and numerous small explosions. Compass inaccurate. Aircraft returned to base. (G) (P/O LEFROY H.K.) Bombload: (Same as "J") Visibility was moderate with no cloud in target area. Bombed centre of two closely adjacent clusters of city at 2324 hours from 21,000 feet. Own T.I. Red not dropped. Immediately after bombing, other Red T.I. and Green T.I. dropped with excellent concentration. Bombing was also well concentrated. No fires observed when over target but a good glow was later seen from Baltic Coast. Aircraft returned to base. (A) (P/O CLINTON H.S., D.F.C.) Bombload:- 2 LB. T.I. Green "A"; 2 Ord. T.I. Green (C & J); 1 x 4000 H.C.; 5 x 500 M.C. T.Inst. Visibility was fair with no cloud in target area. Bombed centre of excellent concentration of T.I. Red and T.I. Green at 2325 hours from 19,000 feet. Own T.I. Green not seen. Numerous promising fires among and close around Berlin. at 2325 hours, 19,000 feet, saw three red flares dribbling steady succession of green stars about 18 miles to North. Believed Bologna. Aircraft returned to base.	
	"M"	J. 21942 P/O Sattler M., 155160 P/O Pawcett H., R. 96398 P/S Card H.C., R. 9072 P/O Watson H.M., J. 13558 P/O Anderson W.R.W., D.F.O., R. 143335 SGT SGT McMan J., 576764 SGT James D.B.		2014	0356	(M) (P/O SATTLER M.) Bombload: (Same as "J") Visibility was moderate with no cloud in target area. Bombed centre of two closely adjacent clusters of city at 2324 hours from 21,000 feet. Own T.I. Red not dropped. Immediately after bombing, other Red T.I. and Green T.I. dropped with excellent concentration. Bombing was also well concentrated. No fires observed when over target but a good glow was later seen from Baltic Coast. Aircraft returned to base. (A) (P/O CLINTON H.S., D.F.C.) Bombload:- 2 LB. T.I. Green "A"; 2 Ord. T.I. Green (C & J); 1 x 4000 H.C.; 5 x 500 M.C. T.Inst. Visibility was fair with no cloud in target area. Bombed centre of excellent concentration of T.I. Red and T.I. Green at 2325 hours from 19,000 feet. Own T.I. Green not seen. Numerous promising fires among and close around Berlin. at 2325 hours, 19,000 feet, saw three red flares dribbling steady succession of green stars about 18 miles to North. Believed Bologna. Aircraft returned to base.	
	"A"	J. 16202 P/O Clinton H.S., D.F.C., R. 9169 P/O Neville S.R., R. 110995 SGT March J.J., 1386456 SGT Stanley H.B., R. 133754 SGT Lawrence A.K., R. 137134 SGT Parker A.S., 641790 SGT Dunnett C.A.		2024	0438	(A) (P/O CLINTON H.S., D.F.C.) Bombload:- 2 LB. T.I. Green "A"; 2 Ord. T.I. Green (C & J); 1 x 4000 H.C.; 5 x 500 M.C. T.Inst. Visibility was fair with no cloud in target area. Bombed centre of excellent concentration of T.I. Red and T.I. Green at 2325 hours from 19,000 feet. Own T.I. Green not seen. Numerous promising fires among and close around Berlin. at 2325 hours, 19,000 feet, saw three red flares dribbling steady succession of green stars about 18 miles to North. Believed Bologna. Aircraft returned to base.	

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	"X"	D.2248 P/L Weber J.A., 119344 P/L Hewitt I., D.F.O., J.17565 P/O Holtby G., D.F.O., R.97049 P/S Ricard P., J.17793 P/O Grandock B.A., R.87400. P/O BUTTING S.H., J.17712 P/O Maclean R.S.		2016	0359	BOMBING ATTACK ON "NANKIN" (CONTINUED) "LUNGH" (X) (P/L WEBER J.A.) Bomblead:- 2 LB. T.I. Green (A); 2 Ord. T.I. Green (O & J); 1 x 4000 H.G.; 5 x 500 G.P. T.Inst. Visibility was good with nil cloud in target area. Centre of concentration of four Red T.I. burning on ground in bomb-sight when load released at 2318 hours from 20,000 feet. Own green T.I.s seem to cascade on centre of Red T.I. Fires had just started on leaving target. Marking appeared good. Camera w/s. Aircraft returned to base undamaged.	A-1
	"Z"	0.16452 124821 P/L Schneider M., P/O Bilson H P.V., 139043 SGT Bundy F.V., J.17442 P/O Farman G.A., R.63841 SGT Tucker J.A., J.16957 P/O Botkin R.T., 619879 SGT Connolly J.J.		2015	0416	Bomblead:- 1 x 4000 H.G., 7 x 500 G.P. T.Inst. Visibility was good with nil cloud in target area. Bombed centre of cluster of four T.I. Red, at 2313 hours from 20,700 feet. Soon after leaving, some rather scattered Red cascaded, followed by Reds and Greens well concentrated. At 21:28 hours, tremendous flare-up rising to 10,000 feet. A Lancaster came within 50 feet of aircraft over target. Aircraft returned to base undamaged.	
3-9-43							
	"X"	D.2248 P/L Weber J.A., D.F.O., 119344 P/L Hewitt I., D.F.O., J.17565 P/O Holtby G., D.F.O., R.97049 P/S Ricard P., J.17793 P/O Grandock B.A., R.87400. P/O BUTTING S.H., J.17712 P/O Maclean R.S.		1947	0131	BOMBING ATTACK ON "NANKIN" 1A AIRCRAFT DAMAGED (X) (P/L WEBER J.A., D.F.O.) VISITIT Bomblead:- 1 x 4 Flares White (3 B & 1 D); 1 T.I. Green (C) 2 LB. T.I. Yellow (A); 2 Ord. T.I. Yellow (O); 1 x 4000 HG; 6 x 500 GP (2 LD); 1 Flare Red/Green Stars. Visibility was good in target area with nil cloud and no moon. River banks identified (on track on R. side). The horseshoe shape of Central City area and two river bridges to North-east all identified. Aiming Point as indicated in bomb-sight when load released at 2258 hours from 18,000 feet. Bombs not seen to explode. No fires observed or bombing results. Aircraft returned to base.	A-2
	"J"	J.2998 P/O Lefroy H.K., 106152 P/L Cole G.V., J.20164 P/O Lawrence W.J., 1128381 SGT Filling M., R.121873 SGT O'Dell J.L., R.67163 SGT Kawarough J., 953118 SGT Scott P.J., J.20576 P/O McEwan R.A., 2nd Pilot.		1946	0140	(J) (P/O LEFROY H.K.) Visibility was moderate in starlight with nil cloud. Bombed on "T" equipment from 20,000 feet at 2310 hours. Good concentration of T.I. Red and T.I. Green. T.I. Yellow appeared to be bang on when leaving target. Aircraft landed back at base undamaged. Bomblead:- 4 x 4 Flares White (3 B & 1 D); 1 Flare Red/Green Stars; 2 LB T.I. Red (C); 1 x 4000 HG; 6 x 500 GP (2 LD).	
	"K"	J.21942 P/O Sattler M., 155160 P/O Sawcott H., J.18179 P/O Card H.C., 119079 P/O Watson H.F., J.13558 P/O Anderson W.R.W., D.F.O., R.143335 SGT McEwan I., 576764 SGT James D.B., 116422 P/O Bowring H.H. 2nd Pilot.		1945	0139	(K) (P/O SATTLER M.) Visibility was good with no cloud and slight haze in target area. Bombed on "X" at 2255 hours from 20,000 feet. Own T.I. Red went about 1 1/2 miles South of estimated position of aiming point. Nothing seen on arrival but afterwards saw bend in river and built up area by light of flares. On leaving, numerous T.I. Red and T.I. Green were falling in a good concentration on estimated position of Aiming Point with a good cover of incendiaries. Route markers T.I. Red on way to target were well placed. Aircraft landed base. Bomblead:- (Same as "J")	

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5-9-43	HALIFAX III					<b>HEAVY ATTACK ON "MAREUX" (CONTINUED)</b>	A-2
	"A"	J.1717 W/O Macintosh, S.O. J.10707 1943 W/O Gordon H.A., J.17265 W/O Holroyd S.O. J.112412 W/O Williams H.A., 110213 W/O Anderson J., S.113003 W/O Wells H.A., S.60637 SOT Kensington H.		0900		(X) (W/O BURNETT G.A., W/O YARBURY Bombard:- 2 Hb. Hb. Green (A), 2 Hb. 2, L. Green (O.S.S.); 3 x 500 GP (1 LD); 2 x 1000 GP; Visibility was good in target area with all clouds. Centre of J.T.I. Red in bombight when load released at 2309 hours from 18,000 feet. Own T.I. Green west in centre of T.I. Red. On arrival, found numerous Red and Green T.I. well concentra- ted, with bur. ing incendiaries and small fires well concentra- ted on them. The T.I. appeared to be East of river but bombing had spread across to West bank. At 0001 hours, a large explosion was observed from centre of target. Air- craft returned to base undamaged.	
	"B"	S.110031 SOT Larson H.A., S.110678 W/O Redmond J.A.H., S.117462 SOT Hatch H.A., S.100049 SOT Harrison H.A., S.100054 SOT Uren H.A., S.1001 SOT Toss W.A.H., 195084 SOT Thomson T.		1943	0915	Bombard:- Visibility was good in target area with all clouds but target was hazy with smoke. Concentration of Yellow T.I. and head of river identified on S.110031. Concentration of Yellow T.I. in bombight when load released at 2316 hours from 17,000 feet. Own bombs and T.I. Green not seen to explode. Many bombs seen to explode two miles Northwest of aiming point. Many orange fires over large area to Northwest of aiming point. Aircraft returned to base. (W) (W/O SCHNEIDER H.) Bombard:- 2 Hb. Hb. Green (A); 2 Ord. Hb. Green (O.S.S.); 1 x 400 GP; 6 x 500 GP (2 LD). Visibility was good in target area with all clouds and no smoke. Concentration of Red T.I. in bombight when load released at 2301 hours from 20,100 feet. No bombs seen. Many scattered Red fires and incendiaries mainly to South of aiming point. Aircraft returned to base undamaged. (A) (W/O CLIMON H.A., W/O) Bombard:- (Same as "A") Visibility was good with no cloud in target area. Bombard centre of concentration of Red T.I. at 2303 hours from 19,000 feet. Own T.I. Green not seen. T.I. Red concentration very good. T.I. Yellow scattered. Many incendiary fires and one terrible explosion (yellowish red) looked like a gasometer. Lancaster seen within 50 feet of own aircraft over target. Aircraft returned to base.	
	LANCASTER III						
	"A"	J.16882 W/O Schuster H.A., S.126021 W/O Bilson H.A., S.119081 SOT Wilson H.A., J.17602 W/O Farmer H.A., S.65041 SOT Hawthorn H.A., J.16257 W/O Jordan H.A., 61979 SOT Conolly H.A.		1943	0152	(W) (W/O SCHNEIDER H.) Bombard:- 2 Hb. Hb. Green (A); 2 Ord. Hb. Green (O.S.S.); 1 x 400 GP; 6 x 500 GP (2 LD). Visibility was good in target area with all clouds and no smoke. Concentration of Red T.I. in bombight when load released at 2301 hours from 20,100 feet. No bombs seen. Many scattered Red fires and incendiaries mainly to South of aiming point. Aircraft returned to base undamaged. (A) (W/O CLIMON H.A., W/O) Bombard:- (Same as "A") Visibility was good with no cloud in target area. Bombard centre of concentration of Red T.I. at 2303 hours from 19,000 feet. Own T.I. Green not seen. T.I. Red concentration very good. T.I. Yellow scattered. Many incendiary fires and one terrible explosion (yellowish red) looked like a gasometer. Lancaster seen within 50 feet of own aircraft over target. Aircraft returned to base.	
	"A"	J.16882 W/O Clinton H.A., W/O 129269 1943 W/O HAVILL H.A., S.112995 SOT Marsh J., 110506 SOT Stanley H.A., S.131734 SOT Lawrence A.H., S.137111 SOT Parker H.A., S.11790 SOT Dunnett G.A.		1943	0150	(A) (W/O CLIMON H.A., W/O) Bombard:- (Same as "A") Visibility was good with no cloud in target area. Bombard centre of concentration of Red T.I. at 2303 hours from 19,000 feet. Own T.I. Green not seen. T.I. Red concentration very good. T.I. Yellow scattered. Many incendiary fires and one terrible explosion (yellowish red) looked like a gasometer. Lancaster seen within 50 feet of own aircraft over target. Aircraft returned to base.	

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5-9-43	LANCASTER III					BOMBING ATTACK ON "MANHEIM" (CONTINUED)	A-2
	"D"	111977 P/O Wood K.R., J.21815 P/O Rodpath J.N.R., 1390343 SGT Bundy E., 112673 SGT Hedley W.M., R.107156 P/S Johnson G.G., R.108342 SGT Brunet B., 158258 SGT Lovelock J.H.		2007	0208	(D) (P/O WOOD K.R.) Bombload:- (Same as SIX "A") It was dark with no moon in target area. Target was hazy with smoke, otherwise clear. Centre of cluster of 4 Green T.I. in bombight when load released at 2310 hours from 19,700 feet. One T.I. Green cascaded amongst other Green. One 4,000 lb. bomb appeared to be one of 3 seen landing 1/2 to 1 mile southwest of Green T.I.s. Fire covered large area with black smoke. Target could be seen burning 40 minutes away. Aircraft returned to base undamaged.	
	"B"	243664 P/O South G.J., J.27183 P/O Don G.H., 1385731 P/S Fireham J.P., 138016 SGT Hill W.H., R.U.7280 SGT Douglas G.L., R.78919 P/S Howard T.J., 639576 SGT Holland G.C.		2016	0222	(B) (P/O SOUTH G.J.) Bombload:- (Same as "A") Visibility was good in starlight with nil cloud in target area. Bombed concentration of Green T.I. at 2327 hours from 12,500 feet. T.I. Green well concentrated. Intense fires burning all round. Large yellowish-red explosion was seen. One aircraft, presumably Lancaster, came to within 50 feet about forty miles from target on way outward. Aircraft returned to base undamaged.	
	"B"	R.134132 SGT Bonikowski A., R.109243 SGT McKillop G.H., R.118118 SGT O'Neil G.H., 1025625 SGT Bicksville G., R.71360 SGT Edmarson S., R.94531 SGT Charant J.M.A., 1804728 SGT Cole P.S.		1944	0210	(B) (SGT BONIKOWSKI A.) Bombload:- 1 x 4000 HB; 8 x 500 GP. (2 LD). Visibility was fair with no cloud but much smoke in target area. Centre of three T.I. Green in bombight when load released at 2314 hours from 18,600 feet. All T.I. were well concentrated. Area round T.I. solidly covered with burning incendiaries with slight over and under-shoot heading Northeast - Southwest. Believed photo flash hung up. Lancaster came within 100 feet in target area. Aircraft returned to base.	
	"A"	658181 SGT Brunton A.G., 1550695 SGT Thomson R., R.109822 SGT Broderick L., 1082027 SGT Bridge J., 1391449 SGT Agate G.B., 1693472 SGT Miller J.L., 535897 SGT Hewitson G.			MISSING	(A) (SGT BRUNTON A.G.) Bombload:- 2 x 500 GP. (2 LD). This aircraft failed to return from this operation and nothing has been heard from this crew since time of take off.	
	"E"	J.10954 P/O Pitt A.B., R.134601 SGT Drook A.J., R.115322 SGT Searles H., 1019616 SGT Dampsey J.H., J.87923 P/O Cole K.A., J.2398 P/O Edwards H.S., 297685 SGT Catrith B.L.		1926	0304	(E) (P/O PITT A.B.) Bombload:- (Same as "A") Visibility was good with no moon and nil cloud in target area. Cluster of three Green T.I. in bombight when load released at 2313 hours from 16,900 feet. Ref in concentration of Green T.I.s and aimed at three Green T.I.s in centre. Four 500 lb. bombs released and five hung-up for four or five seconds. The area covered by T.I.s was all on fire, incendiary and red, and one large explosion occurred on bomb run 1/2 mile to Northeast. Some scattered fires to southwest. Aircraft suffered one small hole from heavy flak. Aircraft returned to base.	

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5-9-43	HALIFAX II					BOMBING ATTACK ON "MANNHEIM" (CONTINUED)	A-2
	"B"	R.124967 SGT Phillips W.G., R.123641 SGT Wood G.H., 1118052 P/S Anderson J. R.113281 SGT Rogers J.H., R.116132 SGT R.14886 SGT Lapierre G., 1582657 SGT Wilson W.	Burke J.H.	1927	2113	(D) (SGT PHILLIPS W.G.) Bombload:- (Same as "A") Mission was abandoned immediately on take off. Port outer streaming smoke and on climbing petrol leak was noticed on starboard outer. 2 x 500 GP (2 LB) Jettisoned late 5216 H. 0212 E at 2016 hours from 9,000 feet. Aircraft landed base.	
	"U"	P.21371 P/O Campbell A.P., R.130735 SGT Cavin T.H., R.149435 SGT Dunn J.B., 1048958 SGT Redhead J., J.26496 P/O Thompson D.H., R.65780 SGT Cameron E., 1304724 SGT Leslie P.W.		1928	0205	(U) (P/O CAMPBELL A.P.) Bombload:- (Same as "A") There was haze and no cloud in target area. Course of 4 Red T.I. in bombsight when load released at 2302 hours from 17,500 feet. Red T.I. well concentrated. Green T.I. were scattered. Yellow flares in clusters all over target. Saw slight bend in river running North and South with built up area on both banks. Burning incendiaries and small fires were well concentrated and centred on the T.I. The main weight of attack was to East of the river. Aircraft returned to base.	
6-9-43	LANCASTER III					BOMBING ATTACK ON "MUNICH" - 8 AIRCRAFT DESTROYED	A-3
	"X"	L.2448 P/L Weber J.A., D.F.O., 119344 P/L Hewitt I., D.F.O., J.9703 P/L Sperry G.A., D.F.O., R.97049 P/S Clarendon G., J.17793 P/O Craddock B.A.S. J.27104 P/O Rutting S.H., J.17712 P/O Jackson B.H., J.20576 P/O McLennan B.A.S., 2nd Pilot.		2000	0314	(X) (P/L WEBER J.A., D.F.O.) Bombload:- 4 x 4 Flares white; 2 LB T.I. Red; 1 x 1000 MG; 2 x 1000 MG; 1 Flare Red/Green Stars. Visibility was good over target with no moon with 6 to 20/10 thin stratus clouds. Bombed on "X" equipment. Also saw one red T.I. cascading and one burning on ground at 2327 hours from 20,000 feet. "X" position corresponded to actual pine point of other Red T.I. going down. One Red T.I. seen going down through clouds. One Red/Green Flare dropped. Large explosion seen on leaving target. Fires had not started; Monica n/a. Aircraft returned to base undamaged.	
	"Y"	J.12522 P/O Battler M., 155160 P/O Cannock H., J.16173 P/O Gard H.C., 169079 P/O Watson H.P., J.13558 P/O Anderson S.H.W., D.F.O., R.143335 SGT Robson I., 58676 SGT James D.B., 136412 P/O Downing W.H., 2nd Pilot.		2001	0320	(Y) (P/O BATTLE M.) Bombload:- (Same as "X") Visibility was good above cloud in target area. Bombed on "Y" at 2327 hours from 20,900 feet. Nothing seen. Red/Green Stars not released in order to avoid confusion. Aircraft returned to base undamaged.	
	"Z"	J.16432 P/L Schneider M., 126821 P/O Bilson F.W., R.74463 P/S Anthony S.H., D.F.O., J.17242 P/O Purves G.A.S., R.61841 SGT Hunter J.A., J.16957 P/O Molton S.H., 619879 SGT Connolly J.J.		2002	0323	(Z) (P/L SCHNEIDER M.) Visibility was good above cloud in target area. Target identified by 2 Green T.I. on built up area. One Green T.I. in bombsight when load dropped at 2330 hours from 20,000 feet. GP bombs not seen to explode. Two T.I.'s green were seen on run up, one was later observed by cloud. Second Green T.I. 500 yards to East of oval park was bombed. Bombs not seen because of cloud. No fires seen Bombload:- (Same as "X") Aircraft returned to base undamaged.	

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	"A"	J.16202 P/O Clinton R.S., D.F.C., 129569 P/O NEVILLE S.L., R.110995 SGT March J.W., 138645 SGT Stanley H.H., R.137754 SGT Lawrence A.K., R.137114 SGT Parker A.S., 641790 SGT Darnett G.		2010	0330	<b>BOMBING ATTACK ON "MUNICH" (CONTINUED)</b> (A) (P/O CLIFDEN R.S., D.F.C.) <b>How Bombled:</b> - (Same as '1') It was dark with no moon and 5 to 7/10 thin broken cloud in target area. Target identified by concentration of Red T.I., ground, river and built up areas. Checked by '1'. Concen- tration of Red T.I. in bombight when load released at 2325 hours from 20,000 feet. Own bombs not seen. Numerous fair- ly scattered bomb bursts seen amongst T.I. areas. No results observed. No fires were seen as target was covered with cloud on leaving. Aircraft returned to base. (C) (P/O LEFRAY H.K.) <b>Bombled:</b> - (Same as '1') Dark, no moon, 5/10 thin scattered cloud between 12 and 14,000 feet in target area. Visibility moderate to poor. Concentration of group of six T.I. Red in bombight when load released at 2338 hours from 19,500 feet. Bombs not seen to explode. No results observed. Two fair sized fires seen on leaving, one mile west of concentration of Red T.I.s. Munich u/a. Aircraft returned to base unengaged.	A-3
	"C"	L.7588 P/O LeFray H.K., 108152 P/O Dolo G.W., J.20164 P/O Lawrence W.J., 1188251 SGT Billing S.F., R.121673 SGT D'All J.C., R.67163 SGT Kavanagh J., 993112 SGT Scott P.J.		2012	0316	(D) (P/O WOOD K.R.) <b>Bombled:</b> - (Same as '1') Visibility was clear above cloud in target area. No moon. Large concentration of fires in bombight when load dropped from 20,000 feet at 2311 hours. Scattered fires were burning well but no T.I.s seen. Own green T.I. not dropped. Air- craft returned to base undamaged.	
	"D"	L11977 P/O Wood K.R., J.21915 P/O Bedarth P.H., R.139694 SGT Bundy F.W., 112673 SGT Hedley W.H., R.107156 P/S JOHNSON G.C., R.108327 SGT Parker A.S., 1282638 SGT Lovelock J.H.		2017	0336	(B) (P/O SOUTH G.S.) <b>Bombled:</b> - (Same as '1') Visibility was very good in target area with no moon and 5/6 TOBY'S thin stratus cloud. Gap in cloud on bombing, at 2342 hours from 18,200 feet on cluster of Green T.I. in bombight. Own green T.I. not seen to cascade. Large ex- plosion seen in course of fires. Large volume of orange flame rose and died down suddenly. Fires were burning round concentration of T.I.s. while over target were heading 280 degrees magnetic, T.A.S. 210 knots, height 15,100 feet. Our aircraft was attacked by one single engine unidentified enemy aircraft. This attack came from the port low level at a range of 200 yards passing into str'd bow. One short burst was fired by the enemy aircraft, and our aircraft did not fire from any turret. The enemy aircraft passed into clouds and was not seen again. No damage was suffered by our aircraft. Returned to base.	
	"E"	L13664 P/O South G.S., J.27183 P/O Dean G., 1326731 P/S Finahan S.F., 1380026 SGT Hill W.R., R.147280 SGT Douglas G.L., R.78919 P/S Howard T.J., 699576 SGT Holland G.C.		2028	0353	(B) (P/O BOWDREY A.) <b>Bombled:</b> - 1 x 1000 H.C.; 7 x 500 GP. Visibility was heavy with 10/10 cloud over target with occa- sional gaps away from target. Bombed T.I. Green which was in centre of concentration of Red T.I. at 2327 hours from 18,700 feet. On run in to target, saw a few explosions in target area and good fires burning. Saw glow from fires 160 miles away on homeward journey. Aircraft returned to base.	
	"F"	L134132 P/S Bonikowsky A., R.109643 SGT MacMillan S.F., R.119116 SGT O'Neil G.H., R.97113 SGT Buchanan G.R., R.71360 SGT Binnsman S., R.96581 SGT Charest J.V.A., 1804728 SGT Cole P.S.		2003	0326		

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8-9-43	HALIFAX II					<b>BOMBING ATTACK ON "POBQ" 3 AIRCRAFT DETAILLED</b>	A-4
	"N"	R.136507 SGT Nielsen C., R.6498 SGT Army D.M., R.148811 SGT Milward L.V., R.1093 W/O Cooper R., R.109858 SGT Wells G.J., R.166148 SGT McLaughlin J., R.66348 SGT Parson G.W.		2043	2346	(N) (SGT NIELSEN C.) Bombload:- 4 IS P.I. Green 'G'; 5 x 1000 GP (ED.025); 6 x 500 GP (ED.025). It was hazy with no cloud in target area. Centre one of 3 T.I. in bombsight when load dropped from 16,000 feet at 2211 hours. Own T.I. Green cascaded on others. Plenty of bomb flashes on very solid concentration of T.I. Green. One small fire was seen. Aircraft returned to base.	
	"K"	P.17117 P/O McHenry C.S., D.P.G., P.16787 P/O Panton H.W., J.17565 P/O Holby L.M., D.F.M., 1123412 SGT Williams R.G., 1102225 P/S Rodrick J., R.115098 P/S Welch H.R., R.60637 SGT Sondergaard A.G.		2041	2338	(K) (P/O MCHENRY C.S., D.P.G.) Bombload:- (Same as 'N') No cloud with ground haze in target area. Centre of several concentrated T.I. Green in bombsight when load dropped at 2205 hours from 17,000 feet. Own Green T.I. under shot slightly. T.I. Red in bombsight. Bombed with fixed sights. Saw own bomb flashes right on T.I. Red. Bombing was well concentrated on T.I. Green. Bombing even more concentrated than on first target. One fire seen at previous aiming point. Aircraft returned to base.	
	"G"	R.115931 SGT Larson R.H., J.14672 P/O Pederson J.H.R., R.117462 SGT Smith R., 103049 SGT Harrington J.B., R.180464 SGT Uron E.F., R.59961 SGT Dobb J.F., 155609 SGT Thomson T.		2042	2350	(G) (SGT LARSON R.H.) Bombload:- (Same as 'N') No cloud with ground haze in target area. Concentric T.I. Red in bombsight when load dropped from 16,000 feet at 2209 hours. Saw built-up area in light of T.I. Numerous bomb flashes seen but no fires. Ground haze but increased and nothing seen except T.I.s and bomb flashes. Aircraft returned to base.	
15-9-43	LANCASTER III					<b>BOMBING ATTACK ON "MUNLUOON" 12 AIRCRAFT DETAILLED</b>	A-5
	"E"	P.17018 P/O Cowan H., 1237656 SGT Dulpin D.M., 113105 P/S Milne R.D., 1376009 SGT Langley D.J., R.137822 SGT Hirschfeld G.D., 1336926 SGT Haas D.F., R.59023 SGT Hirst H.R.		2043	0230	(E) (P/O COWAN H.) Bombload:- 1 x 4 Flares White, 2 IS T.I. Yellow; 1 Ord. T.I. Green; 1 x 400 MG; 1 x 1000 MG; 3 x 500 MG. Visibility was good in moonlight with 8/10 cloud at 5,000 feet in target area. Bombed concentration of T.I. Reds at 2331 hours from 6,000 feet. On run in, T.I. Yellow appeared to be short to North of target to 4th. Slight bombings fires seen burning around T.I. Reds. Clouds of smoke seen on leading target. A few shades were seen burning on leading target. Aircraft returned to base. (One straggler seen in within 100 feet in target area.)	
	"A"	J.16202 P/O Clinton H.S., D.F.G., 129369 P/O Neville S.L., R.110995 SGT Marsh J.M., 1186456 SGT Stanley H.L., R.133754 SGT Lawrence A.K., R.137214 SGT Parker A.S., 641790 SGT Darnett G.		2044	0220	(A) (P/O CLINTON H.S., D.F.G.) Bombload:- 4 x 4 Flares White; 1 Ord. T.I. Red; 1 x 4000 MG; 5 x 1000 GP 1 x 500 MG. Visibility was good with 9/10 cloud at 11,000 feet in target area. Primary identified by cluster of T.I. Red. T.I. W/S. Cluster of 4/5 T.I. Red in bombsight when load released at 2344 hours from 11,000 feet. Own T.I. not dropped and own bomb bursts not seen. 2 large fires seen close together slightly to Southeast of T.I. Red. Large shades burning. Large explosions. At least three heavy fires seen round target. Bombed base.	

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15-9-43	LANCASTER III						
	"C"	J. 7288 P/O Leffroy H.K., 108152 P/L Cole G.W., J. 20164 P/O Lawrence W.J., 1328351 SGT Phillips M., R. 121873 SGT O'Dell J.G., R. 67163 SGT Kavanagh J., 991118 SGT Scott F.J.		2046	0218	<p>UNUSUAL BOMBING ATTACK ON "MONMOUTH" (CONTINUED)</p> <p>(C) (P/O LEFFROY H.K.) Bombload:- 2 LB TI Green; 2 Ord T.I. Green; 1 x 4000 MG; 4 x 1000 MG; 3 x 500 MG.</p> <p>Visibility was good with moonlight and 10/10 cloud at 10,000 feet. Concentration of TI Red in bombight when lead released at 2334 hours from 4,000 feet. Nothing seen before bombing but a few small fires were seen burning on leeward target area. Very few TI GREEN seen. Concentration of other T.I.s appeared to be poor. One Stirling seen within 100 feet over target. Aircraft returned to base.</p>	A-5
	"B"	J. 15664 P/O South G.S., J. 17185 P/O Dean G.H., 1385731 P/S Fincham S.F., 1380018 SGT Hill W.R., R. 147280 SGT Douglas G.L., R. 79219 P/S Howard T.J., 539276 SGT Holland G.C.		2045	0223	<p>(B) (P/O SOUTH G.S.) Bombload:- (Same as "C")</p> <p>Visibility was good with moonlight and 10/10 cloud at 10,000 feet. Orders of Group or Green T.I.s around which were a few Red T.I.s in bombight when lead released from 2335 hours to 2339 hours. Few fires seen on arrival; two runs made across target endeavouring to get rid of a bomb hangover. Bombing appeared to be just North of the town or probably near or on target. Bombing was also going on, on what appeared to be dunes about 15 miles to Northeast and Northeast with scattered bombs falling in open country Southeast and Northeast of target. No estimate possible of TI concentration owing to cloud. Aircraft returned to base undamaged.</p>	
	HALIFAX II						
	"H"	J. 16306 P/O Dennis G.R., 128888 R. 131603 P/S Wilcock H.J., J. 17444 P/O Gilbey J.P., 1281648 P/S Harcourt A., R. 168827 SGT Peterson R.F., 1376451 SGT Smith D.F., 651329 SGT Lane L.A.		2057	0234	<p>(H) (P/O DENNIS G.R.) Bombload:- 3 x 1000 MG; 3 x 500 MG.</p> <p>Visibility was good in target area with 9/10 cloud at 5,000 feet. Primary identified visually and streets seen and details of target clearly seen. Aiming point indicated in bombight when lead released at 2339 hours from 4,000 feet. One bomb burst across burning factory buildings. One town was well lit up by flares, and target clearly seen with TI Yellow, Red and Green burning on it. Bombing well alight with many fires and smoke up to 6,000 feet. Believed decoy fires seen to Northwest and West of target and several leads of incendiaries one or two miles to Northeast of target. At 2348 hours, no evidence of bombs on town. Aircraft returned to base undamaged.</p>	
	"E"	J. 20776 P/O McIlwain H.A., J. 11103 P/O Quayle D.R., R. 121528 SGT Schneider G.R., 1498721 SGT Halliwell J., R. 128695 SGT Macpherson H.F., R. 109601 SGT Martin M.J., 1723530 SGT Cornwall H.B.		2058		<p>(E) (P/O MCILWAIN H.A.) Bombload:- (Same as "H")</p> <p>Visibility was good in target area with 5/10 cloud at 7 to 8,000 feet. TI Red in bombight when lead released at 2334 hours from 12,000 feet. One bomb burst in centre of TI Red. At 2324 hours, nothing at all seen on arrival, orbited. Found TI Red in centre of good fires; the latter rather scattered. Believed decoy fire two miles Northeast of target - white lights rectangular shape. Aircraft returned to base undamaged.</p>	

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<b>15-9-43</b>	<b>LANCASTER III</b>					<b>BOMBING ATTACK ON "MONTLUZON" (CONTINUED)</b>	<b>A-5</b>
	"1"	<b>S/L WELSER W., J.12442 P/L Blwood G.N., J.14898 P/O Cousins F., R.10490 SGT Mayou F.N., J.18127 P/O Coburn J., J.12855 P/O Banks H.G.G., S7A.18 SGT Henry T.N.</b>		<b>2042</b>	<b>0209</b>	<b>(V) (P/L WELSER W.) Bombload:-</b> (Same as "1") Visibility was good below cloud in target area. Primary identified visually and aiming point clearly seen. Run down river. Town and lake to Southwest and details of target positions identified. Aiming Point as indicated in bombight when load released at 2327 hours from 5,100 feet. Own TI Yellow and bombs not seen. Picked up seven North of target at 2324 hours. On run in saw TI Yellow and flares dropped ahead bang on target. Target well illuminated and possible identified. At 2327 hours, saw TI Green on centre of town. Other TIs Red and Green were rather scattered, Reds mainly to East of target. The target was well bombed and a large column of black smoke was rising to 10,000 feet but the town also got it - three sticks of incendiaries across town, and another across river Northeast of target. Aircraft returned to base.	
	"2"	<b>J.16432 S/L Schneider W., J.26821 P/O Blumen P.W., R.11532 SGT Bourles H.B., J.17442 P/O Farnum G.A., R.65841 SGT Baker J.A., J.14957 P/O Bekkin R.T., G19879 SGT Connolly J.J., R.130672 P/S MacKinnon L.L., 2nd Pilot.</b>		<b>2047</b>	<b>0214</b>	<b>(Z) (S/L SCHNEIDER W.) Bombload:-</b> (Same as "1") Visibility was good above 6/10 thin cloud at 7 to 8,000 feet, in target area. TIs seen ahead on run in, but cloud covered actual target. Bombed on centre of cluster of Red in bombight at 2329 hours from 11,900 feet. Bombing appeared to cover both factory and town. Sticks of incendiaries seen burning short of target. Cloud of black smoke up to 10,000 feet seen after leaving. On leaving, fires covering the area could be seen under the cloud and lighting up the base of it. Aircraft returned to base undamaged.	
	"3"	<b>R.12467 SGT Phillips W.G., R.123641 SGT Wood E.H., J.118852 P/S Anderson J., J.131281 SGT Rogers J.H., R.136132 SGT Burke J.W., R.216466 SGT Lapierre G., 1582657 SGT Wilson W.</b>		<b>2040</b>	<b>0201</b>	<b>(N) (SGT PHILLIPS W.G.) Bombload:-</b> 1 x 4000 MG; 1 x 1000 MG; 5 x 500 MG. 7/10 cloud with very small breaks at 10 to 11,000 feet in bright moonlight in target area. Red TI in bombight when load dropped from 11,200 feet at 2334 hours. On arrival, yellow TI seen at and also some bombs and incendiaries. Struck target and a few small fires seen but difficult to observe owing to cloud. Thick column of black smoke rising to about 10,000 feet seen on leaving, from centre of bombing. No early on target and too much cloud to get any picture of concentration of TIs. TIs could however, be seen on ground through gaps in cloud. Aircraft returned to base.	
	<b>HALIFAX II</b>						
	"4"	<b>R.136507 SGT Nielsen D., R.84498 SGT SNEY J. R.148811 SGT Milward L.V., R.31093 SGT Cooper H., R.109868 SGT Wells J., R.146148 SGT McLaughlan J., 1696348 SGT Fenton G.</b>		<b>2036</b>	<b>0207</b>	<b>(N) (SGT NIELSEN G.) Bombload:-</b> (Same as "1") 4/10 cloud at 8,000 feet in moonlight in target area. Concentration of Red and Green TI in bombight when load dropped at 2334 hours from 12,400 feet. TI Red and Green appeared to be well concentrated with a few fires burning Northwest of TIs and a heavy cloud of smoke. Aircraft landed base.	

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15-9-43	HALIFAX II					<u>BOMBING ATTACK ON "MONTAGUON" (CONTINUED)</u>	A-5
	"H"	L.120811 SGT Floren H.A., R.134463 SGT Gumborg H., J.22524 P/O Astbury J.W., R.75482 SGT Johnston W., R.53024 SGT Jones W., R.100619 SGT Annis L.D., L.11110 SGT Houlding E.G.		2039	0238	(V) (SGT FLOREN H.A.) (Bombload) Same as "H". 7/10 cloud at 9,000 feet in target area. Centre of Red and Green TIs in bombight when load dropped from 10,000 feet at 2355 hours. On arrival, black smoke seen falling to about 10,000 feet. TIs appeared scattered in a fairly wide ring of Red and Green. Two T1 Yellows seen before arriving. Bombing appeared spread at first, but becoming concentrated on leaving. About 2340 hours, a large explosion seen with a big flash. 1 x 1000 MG hung up over target, fell some later at 23:28 N. 00,50 W. at 0123 hours from 9,000 feet, fused. Aircraft returned to base undamaged.	
	LANCASTER III	L.15213 P/L Bennett G., D.F.C., J.14781 P/O Baker E., R.153085 SGT Davies P.C., R.061159 SGT Rodgers A., D.F.M., R.180404 P/O Jool W.V., R.167560 P/S Frame J.H., R.1381572 SGT Ross J.K.		2043	2302	(L) (P/L BENNETT G., D.F.C.) Bombload:- (Same as "H"). Mission abandoned at 2123 hours, 10,000 feet, with port outer engine stopped, due to oil leakage. Jettisoned 56.20 N. 0040 W. at 2144 hours from 8,500 feet "safe". Returned to base.	
16-9-43	LANCASTER III					<u>BOMBING ATTACK ON "MORANS" 2 AIRCRAFT DETAINED</u>	A-6
	"H"	J.15243 P/L Bennett G., D.F.C., J.14781 P/O Baker E., R.153085 SGT Davies P.C., R.061159 SGT Rodgers A., D.F.M., R.180404 P/O Jool W.V., R.167560 P/S Frame J.H., R.1381572 SGT Ross J.K.		1959	0513	(H) (P/L BENNETT G., D.F.C.) Bombload:- 1 x 1000 MG, 10 x 500 LB L.D. Visibility clear with full moon and 2/10 cloud at 10,000 feet in target area. Primary identified visually and by Red and Green T1 cascading. Entry and exit of valley recognized with glint of railway lines at Aiming Point seen. Bombed concentra- tion of 4 T1 Green at previously identified aiming point at 0012 hours from 15,000 feet. Four T1 Red seen ground aiming point on dummy run. On bombing run, T1 Green seen ascending in concentration on glint of railway lines and explosion of bombs seen in good concentration. Aircraft returned to base undamaged.	
	HALIFAX II	L.135047 SGT Borrowes R.D., R.141138 SGT Mitchell F., R.137796 SGT Leslie A.H., R.131045 P/S Montgomery R.J., R.111795 SGT Spearman G.D., R.104431 SGT Pothier R.F., R.108358 SGT Reigren R.H.		1957	0338	(H) (SGT BORROWES R.D.) Bombload:- 5 x 1000 LB L.D. No cloud, full moon and good visibility in target area. Railway tracks and river bend identified. Bombed concentra- tion of T1 Green on previously visually identified aiming point at 0009 hours from 12,500 feet. Bomb explosions were concentrated on T1 and two to three hundred yards to North East of T1 Greens. Aircraft returned to base.	
	"H"	J.13171 P/O Campbell A.F., R.130735 SGT Gavin T.D., R.144435 SGT Dunn J., R.104892 SGT Rodhead J., J.28496 P/O Dempsey W.H., R.45740 SGT Cameron D., R.100472 SGT Leslie D.H.		1958	0351	(V) (P/O CAMPBELL A.F.) Bombload:- (Same as "H"). No cloud, moonlight and good visibility in target area. Pri- mary identified visually. Railway lines seen in river valley. Yellow flares dropped on mountain side. Some bombs appeared to be aimed at flares. T1 concentration was good. No fires or explosions seen with exception of a small number of blue/green flashes on ground. Aircraft returned to base.	

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22-9-43	LANCASTER III						
	"X"	L.2448 P/L Weber J.A., D.F.C., 119544 P/L Hewitt L., D.F.C., J.9783 P/L Sweeny G.A., D.F.C., R.97049 P/S Hoard P., J.17793 P/O Craddock B.A., R.57604 P/S Ritting S.H., D.F.M., J.17712 P/O MacLean R.S., J.20627 P/O Clark G.T. 2nd Pilot.		1844	2349	<b>BOMBING ATTACK ON " HANOVER " 9 AIRCRAFT DETAIL</b> (X) (P/L WEBER J.A., D.F.C.) Bombload:- 1 x 4 Flares White; 1 TI Green; 2 LB TI Yellow; 1 x 4000 MG; 6 x 1000 MG. Visibility was good with no moon in target area. Target identified visually and built up area seen but no details observed. Built up area in headlights and lead dropped from 20,000 feet at 2131 hours, but bombs not seen to burst. Some built up area was seen and two orbits made in endeavour to recognize details and no details observed. Two 4,000 lb. bombs seen to burst 1/2 mile to south of a built up area but no fires seen. Red T.I.'s seemed to be on outskirts of built up area. Aircraft returned to base. (S) (P/O GOWAN H.) Bombload:- 4 x 4 Flares White; 2 LB TI Red; 1 x 4000 MG; 6 x 1000 MG (T.Inst.). Visibility clear with no moon in target area with slight ground haze. "Y" u/s. Concentration of Green TI in centre of concentration of Red. Lead released on concentration of Green TI at 2127 hours from 19,000 feet. Bombs not seen to burst. Several 4,000 lb. bombs seen to burst in built up area, glare of fires could be seen from near coast on leaving. At 2135 hours, large explosion to north of town observed. Red T.I.'s at Hanover were scattered and one fragment carried to North of town. The Green fell at approximately centre of Reds at 2126 hours and this was bombed. Aircraft returned to base.	A-6
	"Z"	J.17018 P/O Gowan H., 1237656 P/S Culpin D.W., R.76463 P/S Anthony E.H., D.F.M., 1576089 P/S Langley D.J., R.137822 P/S Hirschfeld G.D., 1356926 P/S MacC C.F., R.58023 SGT Hurst H.E., R.190572 P/S MacKinnon I.L. 2nd Pilot.		1859	0013	(S) (P/O GOWAN H.) Bombload:- 4 x 4 Flares White; 2 LB TI Red; 1 x 4000 MG; 6 x 1000 MG (T.Inst.). Visibility clear with no moon in target area with slight ground haze. "Y" u/s. Concentration of Green TI in centre of concentration of Red. Lead released on concentration of Green TI at 2127 hours from 19,000 feet. Bombs not seen to burst. Several 4,000 lb. bombs seen to burst in built up area, glare of fires could be seen from near coast on leaving. At 2135 hours, large explosion to north of town observed. Red T.I.'s at Hanover were scattered and one fragment carried to North of town. The Green fell at approximately centre of Reds at 2126 hours and this was bombed. Aircraft returned to base.	
	"Y"	J.10822 P/L Weiser W., J.11442 P/L Ellwood G.D., 114888 P/O Cousins F., J.18381 P/O Mayou F.D., J.18127 P/O Gouren I., J.18855 P/O Banks H.C.C., 7118 SGT Coary T.H., 111476 P/O Schubach H.W.A. 2nd Pilot.		1840	2356	(Y) (P/L WEISER W.) Bombload:- (Same as 'S'). Good visibility with no cloud in target area. Lead released on Red T.I.'s cascading at 2127 hours from 21,000 feet. On approaching target, incendiary fires just taking hold - on leaving target, Red T.I.'s burning on ground and Green T.I.'s cascading surrounded by incendiaries in a ring one mile away from rising point. Aircraft returned to base unchanged.	
	"U"	P.1359 P/L Logan L.E., D.F.C., 155091 P/O Edman A., 1527439 P/S Watts S.L., 117875 P/S Holden A., R.84578 SGT Gowan H.M., 336766 P/S Ridgway W.D., R.103971 SGT Boulter F.C.		1822	0020	(U) (P/L LOGAN L.E., D.F.C.) Bombload:- (Same as 'S'). Visibility hazy with 2/10 cloud and starlight in target area. Concentration of T.I.'s Green in bombight when lead released at 2141 hours from 19,000 feet. Saw TI Red cascading whilst approaching target. A few small fires spreading rapidly to the northern half of target, also small fires south of target. Good concentration of TI Green. Aircraft returned to base.	

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22-9-43	LANCASTER III						
	"A"	J.16202 P/O Clinton H.S., D.F.O., 129569 P/O Neville S.B., R.110995 SGT March J., R.138645 SGT Stanley H., R.133754 SGT Lawrence A.L., R.137114 SGT Parker A.S., 611750 SGT Bennett G.		1843	2318	BOMBING ATTACK ON "HARVARD" (CONTINUED) 'CALLEBURG' (A) (P/O CLINTON H.S., D.F.O.) Bombload:- 1 1000 lb 'C'; 1 LB TI Red 'A'; 2 x 4 Flares White; 1 x 4,000 lb; 2 x 16 x 30 Incendiaries; 6 x 12 x 30 Incendiaries. Visibility was good with thin haze in target area. Bombed visually in centre of concentration of Red TIs at 2112 hours from 29,000 feet. TIs seen to ignite and cascade and 4,000 lb. bomb seen to explode. On run up at 2057 hours, saw Red TIs ascending over flares. After circuit, bombed in centre of Red TI. Bombs working, but unsatisfactory. Aircraft returned to base.	A-47
	"M"	J.15218 P/L Bennett G., D.F.O., J.14781 P/O Baker E., R.25908 SGT Davies F.C., 1061139 SGT Rodgers A., D.F.O., R.180404 SGT Joel W.V., R.167560 SGT Frane J.H., 1381572 SGT Bass J.		1841	2322	(M) (P/L BENNETT G., D.F.O.) Bombload:- 2 x 4,000 lb; 2 x 16 x 30 Incendiaries; 10 x 12 x 30 Incendiaries. Visibility clear with no moon and some slight haze in haze in target area. Primary identified visually and by Red TI. Concentration of Red TI in bombsight when load released at 2100 hours from 20,000 feet. 4,000 lb. bomb believed burst just North of Marshalling Yard. Some bombs large on either side of railway. Several bombs on built up area. Three 4,000 lb. bombs burst on either side of railway. No fires were seen. Aircraft returned to base undamaged.	
	"G"	J.7598 P/O Lefroy H.K., 108152 P/L Cole G.W., J.20164 P/O Lawrence S.J., 1128951 SGT Pilling E., R.121873 SGT O'Dell J.G., R.67163 SGT Kavanagh J., 993118 SGT Scott P.J.		1836	2310	(G) (P/O LEFROY H.K.) Bombload:- (Same as 'A'). Visibility clear with no moon and little ground haze in target area. Target identified visually and built up area recognised. RAILWAY to south of town running north and two streams identified. Built up area in bombsight when load released at 2105 hours from 19,500 feet. Built up area bombed which was one mile to North of concentration of Red TI. No fires seen. Aircraft landed base.	
	"U"	D.3664 P/O South G.J., J.17185 P/O Dunn G.M., 1346731 P/O Finches G.F., 1380016 P/S Mill W.R., R.147280 SGT Douglas G.L., R.78913 P/S HOWARD T.J., 639276 SGT Holland G.C.		1837	2328	(U) (P/O SOUTH G.J.) Bombload:- (Same as 'A'). No cloud with starlight and ground haze in target area. Target identified by Red TI and visually. Bombed visually on centre of town, presumed railway station at 2106 hours from 19,800 feet. One 4,000 lb. bomb seen to explode. A few bombs seen exploding but no fires seen. Concentration of TI was at least three miles short of centre of town. Aircraft landed base.	
	"B"	A.1577 P/O Wood K.H., 62925 P/O Godpath J.H., 136043 SGT Bury F.W., 112673 P/S Huxley W.M., R.187156 P/O Johnson G.O., R.108322 SGT Brunet E.C., 1582638 SGT Lovelock J.H.		1902	0025	BOMBING ATTACK ON "HARVARD" (CONTINUED) (B) (P/O WOOD K.H.) Bombload:- 2 LB TI Green 'A'; 2 Ord. TI Green 'C' and 'D'; 1 x 4,000 lb; 6 x 1000 lb. Visibility clear with no moon, and ground clear except for smoke in target area. Concentration of Green TI in bombsight when load released at 2146 hours from 15,000 feet. One bomb not seen to burst. A concentration of 5 TI GREEN were seen on bombing run. On leaving the target red fires were commencing in about 1 mile to West of Green TI approximately 2 miles long and a pall of smoke one mile to East. Aircraft returned to base.	A-6

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22-9-43	LANCASTER III					<b>BOMBING ATTACK ON "HANOVER" (CONTINUED)</b>	A-6
	"D"	P. 115931 SGT Larson R.H., J. 14672 P/O Oderson J.M.K., R. 117462 SGT Wright R., 1080549 SGT Harrington J.B., R. 180164 SGT Uren E.F., R. 55961 SGT Dubs J.F., 1596094 SGT Thomson T.		1852	0015	(D) (SGT LARSON R.H.) Bombload:- 6 x 2,000 lb. Visibility good in target area with no cloud. Bombs not seen to burst. Smoke on arrival at target. Low concentration of Red and Yellow TIs ascending. Bombed on Navigator's Aid TIs at 2126 hours from 17,000 feet. On leaving target area, fires seen well concentrated. Saw large secondary explosion and black smoke rising. Aircraft returned to base.	
	"O"	J. 20576 P/O McLennan E.A., J. 14188 P/O Cayle D.H., R. 121328 SGT Schneider G., 149321 SGT Halliwell S., R. 129695 SGT Brooker M. F.V., R. 8660 SGT Martin H., 1723530 SGT Corwell H.L.		1845	0008	(O) (P/O MCLENNAN E.A.) Bombload:- (Same as D) Good visibility with no cloud in target area. Primary identified by TI Yellow and also built up area smoke. Bombed on centre of TI Yellow at 2134 hours from 20,000 feet. On arrival at target at 2124 hours, saw two Red TI concentration on ground, one 5/8 miles away from the other. On run in at 2133 hours, saw yellow TIs which were on ground. Bombed on TIs and at same time saw Green TIs ascending 2 mile Northeast of Yellow TIs. Incendiary fires were scattered around aiming point. Aircraft suffered damage to starboard wing tip from heavy flak. Returned to base.	
	"K"	G. 16306 P/O Dransie G.R., 798512 W/O Evans J.H., J. 17444 P/O Gilbey J.F., 118148 P/O Bisham A., R. 165827 SGT Peterson R.F., 1576461 SGT Smith G.W., 651329 SGT Lane E.A.		1856	0057	(K) (P/O DRANSIE G.R.) Bombload:- (Same as D) Visibility was good with ground mist in target area. Target identified visually by concentration of fires. Load released on fires at 2139 hours from 20,000 feet. On arrival over target, no TIs down at 2125 hours, so passed over target. On second run in, TIs were had burned out and visually identified river and bombed centre of concentration of fires between river and railway. Target was well hit on leaving target and smoke was rising up to 10,000 feet. Aircraft returned to base undamaged.	
	"P"	J. 14059 P/O St. Louis E.A., J. 17407 P/O Long S.H., R. 149118 SGT O'Neil G., 144548 P/O Gardner R.A., D.F.C., 147118 P/O Reid G.S., 1254188 W/O Goldpink V.B., 143997 P/O Slade S.J.		1902	0002	(P) (P/O ST. LOUIS E.A.) Bombload:- (Same as D) 2/10 cloud in starlight with heavy visibility in target area. TI Yellow in bombight when load released at 2136 hours from 18,300 feet. Saw own TI Green cascade and our bombs explode on aiming point. Saw two large red fires on target and on leaving, saw a heavy cloud of black smoke. Small fires around target. Concentration of TI was extremely good. Aircraft returned to base undamaged.	

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23-9-43	LANCASTER III						
	"B"	1177018 P/O Cowan H., 1237656 P/S C.M. In S.V., R.76463 P/S Anthony S.H., D.M.M., 1376008 P/S Langley D.J., R.137822 P/S Hirschfeld G.D., 1356926 P/S Maco G.P., R.58023 SGT Harat H.R.		1923	0059	<b>BOMBING ATTACK ON "MANNHEIM" 1A AIRCRAFT DETAILED</b> (J) (P/O GOWEN H.) Bombload:- 1 x 4 Flares White; 2 LB TI Yellow 'A' and 'C'; 1 TI Green 'C'; 1 x 1000 MG; 5 x 1000 MG. Visibility was very good in target area and ground detail clearly seen. Target identified visually. 1st 4000 ft. river identified and details of town with circular town at fork of river, seen. Aiming Point in bombight was released at 2141 hours from 16,500 feet. Bombs fell near aiming point. 4,000 lb. bomb seen to burst 200 yards overshoot. Fork of river recognised and red TI seen at junction of river. Actual aiming point was marked with Green and Yellow TIs. One very big explosion with smoke seen at 2134 hours. Flares brought back - not required. Aircraft returned to base undamaged.	A-8
	"B"	R.134132 P/S Bonikowski A., R.10984, SGT McKillop S.B., R.149118 SGT O'Neil S., R.74682 P/S Johnston N., R.71360 SGT Minaxson S., R.96581 SGT Charost F.H.A., 1804728 SGT Cole P.S.		1919	0042	(D) (P/S BONIKOWSKI A.) Bombload:- 1 x 4,000 MG; 6 x 1000 MG. Bombardment good in starlight with slight haze in target area. Bombardment concentration of TI Green ascending at 2140 hours from 18,500 feet. Saw own bombs explode. Saw river and bombed target by Green TI. Large explosion seen but no fires after. A few small fires were seen burning. Good concentration of TI around aiming point but a few scattered TIs. Aircraft returned to base.	
	"C"	J.7598 P/O Lefroy H.K., 108152 P/L Cole G.R., J.20164 P/O Lawrence H.J., 1128351 SGT Pilling R., R.121873 SGT O'Dell J.G., R.67165 SGT Ewanagh J., 593318 SGT Scott P.J.		1918	0101	(C) (P/O LEFROY H.K.) Bombload:- 1 Flare Red/Green Stars; 4 x 4 Flares White; 2 LB TI Red 'A' and 'C'; 1 x 1000 MG; 5 x 1000 MG. Visibility clear, no cloud and moderate ground visibility in target area. Bombed blind -- very good image on 30/30 scale at 2142 hours from 19,000 feet. No observations. Aircraft returned to base.	
	"A"	J.16202 P/O Clinton H.S., D.F.C., 123569 P/O Neville S.E., R.110995 SGT March J., 136646 SGT Stanley H.L., R.113754 SGT Lawrence A.K., R.147111 SGT Parker A.S., 643790 SGT Dummett C.Z.		1910	0211	(A) (P/O CLINTON H.S., D.F.C.) Bombload:- 1 Flare Red/Green Stars; 1 TI Red 'C'; 1 LB TI Red 'A'; 2 x 4 Flares White; 1 x 4,000 MG; 3 x 16 x 30 incendiaries; 6 x 12 x 50 incendi. No cloud, and visibility slightly hazy in target area. Con- centration of Red TI in bombight when load released at 2136 hours from 18,000 feet. Intention was to hold up Red TIs but one dropped at time of bombing owing to electrical failure. On first run in, no TIs were down. After orbit ran up for second time, and bombed on Red TIs on ground. Before bombing at 2134 hours, saw terrific explosion in South- east part of town. Reddish flame on leaving target, attack appeared to be well concentrated. Aircraft landed base.	

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23-9-43	LANCASTER III					<b>BOMBING ATTACK ON "MANNING" (CONTINUED)</b>	A-8
	"F"	J.14059 P/O St. Louis B.A., J.17407 P/O Long S.H.; J.16887 P/O T. D. J.10021 P/O Lowther J.C., A17118 P/S Head G.S.; J.25481 W/O G.14343 W.S., J.13997 P/O Glade S. J.10133 P/O Cloutier W.B.B. 2nd Pilot.		1924	0116	(D) (P/O ST. LOUIS B.A.) Bombload:- 2 LB TI Green 'A'; 2 TI Green 'G' and 'J'; 1 x 4,000 HB; 5 x 1,000 HB. Both air and ground visibility were very good in target area. Red TI seen on West bank of river. Red TI in bush-sight when load released at 2145 hours from 19,000 feet. 4,000 lb. bomb seen to burst on West bank. Built up area recognized and river bend seen north of town. Attack very concentrated on fork of river at dock area. Aircraft returned to base.	
	"V"	J.10822 P/L Weiser W., J.11442 P/L Ellwood G.B., J.13858 P/O Cousins Y., J.18181 P/O Mayou E.H., J.18127 P/O Coburn L.G., J.12855 P/O Banks H.C.C., J.17458 P/O Gony-F.H., J.20627 P/O Clark G. 2nd Pilot.		1916	0118	(V) (P/L WEISER W.) Bombload:- (Same as 'D'). No cloud in starlight with slight haze in target area. Load released at 2144 hours from 19,000 feet and own Green TI seen to burst near aiming point. A few small fires were starting. Red/Green Stars brought back - not recorded. Aircraft returned to base.	
	"O"	J.10976 P/O McDonnan B.L., J.14188 P/O Doyle D.B., R.12152 SGT Schneider G., J.15872 SGT Halliwell E., R.18949 SGT Hochreck M.F.V., L.8960 SGT Martin H.J., J.173530 SGT Cornwell H.L.		1920	0028	(O) (P/O MCDONNAN B.L.) Bombload:- 6 x 1,000 HB. Visibility clear, no cloud, no moon and slight haze in target area. Concentration of Green TI in bush-sight when load released at 2138 hours from 20,000 feet. Green incendiaries beginning to start fires on leaving. Aircraft returned to base.	
	"K"	J.16306 P/O Dennis G.R., J.18512 W/O Evans J.K., J.17444 P/O Gibby J.F., J.110648 P/S Handhurst A., R.16827 P/T Peterson R.F., J.157461 SGT Smith D.L., J.15159 SGT Lane E.A.		1922	0123	(K) (P/O DENNIS G.R.) Bombload:- 1 x 4000 HB; 6 x 1000 HB. Visibility very clear with slight haze to west in target area. Centre of TI Yellow concentration in bush-sight when load released at 2144 hours from 18,000 feet. Bombs seen to explode in built-up area. On run-in at 2144 hours, saw built up area with Yellow TIs on ground and Red TI cascading. On leaving target, saw large explosion followed by black smoke rising to 8,000 feet. Appeared to be a well concentrated attack. Aircraft returned to base.	
	"G"	J.13667 P/S MacKinnon L.L., J.22431 P/O Gordon H.D., J.183981 P/S Gordon V., J.17021 SGT CORRELL G., J.156389 SGT Bunde J.L., J.151468 SGT Wakers T., J.58024 SGT Chappell R.V.		1913	0048	(G) (P/S MACKINNON L.L.) Bombload:- 1 x 4,000 HB; 3 x 16 x 30 Incend.; 10 x 12 x 30 Incend. Clear with good visibility in target area. Load released on Red TI at 2134 hours from 19,000 feet. On run-in saw Red TI on ground, bombed on this. Half minute before bombing, noticed Green TI cascading and at time of bombing Red TI seen to ignite and cascade 2 mile to port. Saw built up area and river on leaving target. Attack appeared well concentrated and going well. Aircraft returned to base.	
	"L"	G.1359 P/L Logan L.E., D.F.C., J.15091 P/O Liversy A., J.152739 P/S Watts G., J.17674 P/S Holden A.J., R.64878 SGT Gorman W.H., J.336706 P/O Ridgway W.D., J.103971 SGT Boulter P.C.		1909	0138	(L) (P/L LOGAN L.E., D.F.C.) Bombload:- (Same as 'G'). Very visibility with no cloud in target area. Concentration of Red TI in bush-sight when load released at 2135 hours from 19,000 feet. On run in at 2138 hours, saw built up area around river and two Red TIs cascading. Bombed between Red TIs. Did not observe any fires on leaving target. Aircraft landed base.	

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23-9-43	LANCASTER III					<b>BOMBING ATTACK ON "MANWELD" (CONTINUED)</b>	A-8
	"Z"	J.16432 S/L Schneider H., 119344 P/L Hewitt I., D.F.C., J.9783 P/L Swaney G., D.F.C., J.17442 P/O Farman G.A., J.5981 P/S Hickox J.L., J.16957 P/O Eakin R.L., S49872 SGT O'Sullivan J.J., 111176 P/O Triltsch H.W.A. 2nd Pilot, 111977 P/O Wood K.R., J.21915 P/O Redpath J.H.R., 139054 SGT Dunly F.W., 1126573 P/S Hedley W.H., E.107156 W/O Johnson U.C., R.108322 SGT Brunet H.C., C.82638 SGT Lovelock J.H.		1917	0126	(Z) (S/L SCHNEIDER H.) Bombed:- (Same as 'O'). Air and ground visibility was good in target area. Bombed on 'Y' with good image at 2144 hours from 19,000 feet. Own 4,000 lb. bomb seen to burst at foot of river. Aircraft returned to base.	
	"B"			1912	0049	(B) (P/O WOOD K.R.) Bombed:- (Same as 'G'). Visibility was clear with no cloud and good ground visibility in target area. Bombed visually at 2133 hours from 20,000 feet on railway lines to North of town recognized and TI Red seen to be on town built up area. Glow of flames seen on leaving town. Big explosion on West fringe of town seen at 2134 hours. Aircraft returned to base.	
	"U"	143664 P/O South G.J., J.17183 P/O Ewan G.H., 1385731 P/S Pinham S.F., 1380086 P/S Hill W.R., E.147288 SGT Douglas G.L., R.78919 P/S Howard T.J., 599776 SGT Holland G.G.		1911	0054	(U) (P/O SOUTH G.J.) Bombed:- (Same as 'A'). No cloud in starlight with good visibility in target area. Centre of TI Red concentration in bomb site when load released at 2133 hours from 18,500 feet. Seen lit up by flames with large explosion in built up area at 2134 hours. On leaving target, attack appeared to be well concentrated. Aircraft returned to base.	
	"M"	J.15248 P/L Bennett G., D.F.C., J.14781 P/O Baker S., R.153085 SGT Davison F.C., 1064199 SGT Rodgers A., D.F.M., 1180101 SGT Joel H.V., J.167560 SGT James J.L., 1381572 SGT Ross J.L.		1921	0107	(M) (P/L BENNETT G., D.F.C.) Bombed:- (Same as 'B'). No cloud in starlight with slight haze in target area. Primary identified visually. River and features recognized. Bombed visually identified aiming point at 2141 hours from 19,000 feet. Saw own 4,000 lb. bomb exploding near aiming point. Large explosion seen which appeared to flare up, and also a few scattered fires. This appeared to be short of target early, but later on concentration of TI was good. Aircraft returned to base.	
27-9-43						<b>BOMBING ATTACK ON "BRUNSWICK" - 2 AIRCRAFT DETAIL</b>	A-9
	"A"	112676 P/O Triltsch H.W.A., 102102 P/O Rose H.S., 1392298 SGT Kanarona A., 111206 SGT Abbott A.G., 106157 P/O Wood G.G., 1542477 SGT Bostock W., 1623883 SGT Harrison J.		1921	0012	(A) (P/O TRILTSCH H.W.A.) Bombed:- 1 x 4,000 lb. 12 x 50 x 4 incendiaries. Good visibility with no cloud in target area. TI Red in bomb sight when load released at 2145 hours from 20,000 feet. Own bursts seen 1 mile North of TI Red in built up area. On arrival found 2 loads of incendiaries lying across a built up area with TI Red on Southwest edge and TI Green on North East edge. Aircraft returned to base.	

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27-9-43	LANCASTER III						
	"L"	G.1359 S/L Logan L.E., D.F.C., 155091 P/O Livsey A., 1527439 P/S Watts G., 1178754 P/S Holden A.J., R.84578 P/S Gorman W.M., 338706 P/S Ridgway W.D., R.103971 SGT Souther F.G.		1920	MISSING	<b>BOMBING ATTACK ON " BRUNSWICK " (CONTINUED)</b> (L) (S/L LOGAN L.E., D.F.C.) Bombed:- 1 x 4 Flares White; 1 TI Red; 1 TI White; 1 LB TI Red; 1 Flare Red/Green Stars; 1 x 4,000 MG; 4 x 1,000 MG. This aircraft failed to return from this operation and nothing has been heard from this crew since time of take off. This is the second time that S/L Logan, D.F.C., has been reported missing from operations with this Squadron. He first went missing on March 11/12, 1943, and escaped and returned to the Squadron continuing operations after a short leave in Canada.	A-9
	"I"	142443 P/L Weber J.A., D.F.C., 119344 P/L Howitt L., D.F.C., J.9783 P/L Sweeney G.A., D.F.C., R.97049 P/S Richard E., J.17791 P/O Craddock R.A., R.87404 P/O Nutting S.H., D.F.M., J.17712 P/O Maclean R.G.		1945	2529	<b>BOMBING ATTACK ON " HARROVER " 2 AIRCRAFT DESTROYED</b> (I) (P/L WEBER J.A., D.F.C.) Bombed:- 1 x 4 Flares White. 1 TI Green; 5 LB TI Red; 5 TI Red; 1 x 4,000 MG. Visibility was good with no cloud in target area. Built up area and TI seen. Cluster of Red TI and one Green TI in bombight when load released at 2158 hours from 20,000 feet. Aiming point could not definitely be identified vi- sually. One 4,000 lb. bomb (possibly one bomb) near Red and Green TI's. One bundle of flares across built up area. 2 Red TI seemed in centre of town few seconds before bombing. Lots of fires were seen with incandescence orange and red, but none very large. AIRCRAFT RETURNED TO BASE UNDAUNTED. (V) (P/L WEBER J.A., D.F.C.) Bombed:- 4 x 4 Flares White; 1 TI Yellow; 1 LB TI Yellow; 1 x 4,000 MG; 4 x 1,000 MG; 1 Flare Red/Green Stars; Visibility was fair with no cloud in target area. Very good image of target on 'Y' equipment. Aircraft bombed on 'Y' at 2157 hours from 21,000 feet. On run in to Aiming Point, Yellow TI's ascending at 2155 hours. Aircraft was then seen by two searchlights. Made violent manoeuvre but unable to shake them off. Released bombs when passing over Yellow TI's and built up area and pilot's impression of TI's given 2 1/2 minutes after bombing when searchlights were shaken off. On leaving target it appeared to be well able and well concentrated attack. Unable to do timed run as lake not picked up on 'Y'. Aircraft returned to base undamaged.	A-10
	"V"	J.10822 P/L Weiser W., J.11442 P/L Hilwood C.E., 148838 P/O Cousins F., J.18381 P/O Mayou P.H., J.18127 P/O Coburn L., J.12855 P/O Banks H.G.G., 571518 SGT Geary T.H.		1945	0020		

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<b>27-9-43</b>	<b>LANCASTER III</b>						
	"B"	J.17018 P/O Cowan H., 15922 P/O Dulpin H., R.7663 P/S Anthony E.H., R.F.M., 1576009 P/S Langley D.J., R.137822 P/S Hirschfeld G.D., 1356926 P/S Maco G.F., R.58023 SGT Hurst H.R.		1941	0005	<b>BOMBING ATTACK ON "MANOVER" (CONTINUED)</b> (S) (P/O GOWAN H.) Bomblead:- (Same as 'A'). Good vertical visibility with no cloud in target area. Bombed on 'Y' and quite a good image obtained. Load released at 2155 hours from 20,000 feet. Searchlights at Manover active from about 2145 hours to 2154. TI Yellow and flares white cascaded. On arrival found excellent concentration of Red and Green TI with Yellow TI around them. No incendi- aries or fires but numerous bomb flashes on and close around the TI. 1 x 4 Flares white hung up over target. Aircraft returned to base undamaged.	A-10
	"C"	J.7598 P/O Lefroy H.K., 108152 P/L Cole G.H., J.20164 P/O Laurence H.J., 1128551 SGT Pilling H., R.121873 SGT O'Neil J.G., R.67163 P/S Kavanaugh J., 993118 SGT Scott P.J.		1944	0012	(G) (P/O LEFROY H.K.) Bomblead:- 2 TI Green; 1 P/O Flare; 2 LB TI Green; 1 x 4,000 MG; 5 x 1,000 MG; 2 x 500 MG. No cloud with good visibility in target area. Concentration of Red TI's in bombight when load released at 2155 hours from 20,000 feet. Saw own green TI's ignite and cascade over built up area. On approaching target at 2156 hours, Yellow TI's were on ground and cascading. Saw Hayer and built up area. At 2158 hours, Red TI's burst and cascaded. Bombed on those at 2159 hours. On leaving target, flares were starting up and attack appeared to be going well. London working well. Aircraft returned to base undamaged.	
	"D"	J.14059 P/O St. Louis B.A., J.17407 P/O Long S.H., J.16827 P/O Triggs F.D., J.10021 P/O Leather J.C., A17118 P/S Reed G.S., 1254181 W/O Goldspink W.E., 143997 P/O Slade S.J.		1945		(D) (P/O ST. LOUIS B.A.) Bomblead:- (Same as 'G'). This aircraft failed to return from this operation and nothing has been heard from this crew since time of take off.	
	"E"	J.15248 P/L Bennett G., D.F.C., R.1781 P/O Baker H., R.153085 SGT Hedges P.G., 1061159 SGT Rodgers A., R.18000 SGT Joel W.V., R.167960 SGT Pease J.H., 1381572 SGT Bass J.L.		1946	0027	(E) (P/L BENNETT G., D.F.C.) Bomblead:- (Same as 'G'). Visibility was good with no cloud in target area. TI Red in bombight when load released at 2209 hours from 20,000 feet. Saw Green TI but not seen to cascade. Explosive time wasted on route to target owing to Navigator's watch being four minutes slow. Error only discovered on approach to target. On arrival found good concentration of burning incendiaries close around one TI Red with tendency to spread to North. Another TI burning about one mile to the West of the incendiaries other one and clear of incendiaries. Aircraft returned to base undamaged. While over the target area of Manover, 20,000 feet, our Lancaster was attacked by an ME.109 from the SW below at 200 yards. Enemy a/s broke away past bow below. One short burst was fired by bomb aimer of the Lancaster; enemy a/c did not return fire. Enemy a/c was lost and was not seen again.	

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27-9-43	LANCASTER III					<b>BOMBING ATTACK ON "HANOVER" (CONTINUED)</b>	
	"H"	J. 21942 P/O Sattler M., 155160 P/O Purcut H., J. 18179 P/O Card R.G., 149099 P/O Watson H.J., J. 13558 P/O Anderson W.R.W., D.F.O., R. 143335 SGT Widman L., 576784 SGT James R.B.		2022	0055	(V) (P/O SATTLER M.) Bombload: - (Same as 'G'). Visibility was good with no cloud in target area. Concentration of Green XI in bombsight when load released at 2220 hours from 20,000 feet. Own bombs not seen to burst. No built up area recognized. Green XI appeared to be on East edge of orange fire area with a few scattered incendiaries one mile Northwest of concentration of Green XI. Some fairly large fires in area to West of concentration of Green XI were observed. Aircraft returned to base undamaged.	A-10
	"K"	J. 20576 P/O McEwan B.A., J. 14188 P/O Quayle D.B., R. 121328 SGT S. J. J. J. SGT G.H., 1498721 SGT Mallinell E., R. 129695 SGT Boothcock M. P.V., R. 89606 SGT Martin H.J., 1723530 SGT Cormwell H.L.		1942	0027	(X) (P/O MCEWAN B.A.) Bombload: - 6 x 2,000 lbs. Clear with good visibility in target area. Concentration of Yellow XI covering half mile circle in bombsight when load released at 2156 hours from 21,000 feet. Own stick of bombs seen to have slightly overbombs. A time run was made from Lake Steinhuder - was 24 seconds out on target. Only Yellow XI's down when bombing target which appeared good in good concentration of 1 mile circle with more scattered on a definite built up area. The factory recognized was the river to the West of built up area. One of four heavy bombs were seen to explode near East bank of river. No fires seen on leaving. Aircraft returned to base undamaged.	
	"G"	R. 115931 P/S Larson R.H., J. 14672 P/O Pederson J.H.K., R. 117462 SGT Hitch R.D., 1080549 SGT Strington J.B., R. 180464 SGT Uren R.W., R. 59961 SGT Dabe J.D.H., 1556084 SGT Thomson T.		1957	0031	(G) (P/S LARSON R.H.) Bombload: - (Same as 'V'). No cloud and fair visibility in target area. Concentration of Green XI's in bombsight when load released at 2202 hours from 21,000 feet. On run in, saw large concentration of Yellow and Green XI's on ground. Good concentration of fires in target area with smoke rising to 6,000 feet. Smoke haze was covering the whole town which prevented identification of any built up area. Fighter flare over target at 22,000 feet. Aircraft returned to base undamaged.	

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