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C.A.F. STATION	1.2.44	Aircrew not engaged on flying proceeded to R.C.A.F. Station Dalton where a film oon	
OLTHORPE		01637 9/tdr. Molernon, Pilet proceeded to No. 1 R.C.D.U., Rescott, to attend a course	
		on engine meanings arrived on posting from No. 1666, Son. Units In following arrayed on posting from No. 1666, Son. Units J. 2576970 2/0 Wilson R.E. Pilet R.159955 Sgt. Landry J.G.M. Pilet J. 2500.7 P.O. Basson J.B. Bav. E.151125 2/S Bayer A.V. Bav.	
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		H. 1501. Sgt. Purseux R. U. M./AC R. 16181. Sgt. Vincent J.F.R. A/G. R. 193367 Sgt. Purseux R. U. M./AC R. 161851. Sgt. Pilon J. J. R. MI/AC R. 1618255 Sgt. Pulon J. J. R. MI/AC R. 1618255 Sgt. Malpas H. J. (Rat) 1558359 Sgt. Mar R. J. (R. A. F. J. Char) Plying consisted of 9 Maght Gross-Country flights.	·)
	2.2.44	The Station Inspection was carried out by Air Commodore C.M. McDeen, (M.C.,)"D.F.G.," the Base Commander. After the inspection, the bi-monthly pay parade was, held in the B. & I Hangar.	
		Eleven aircrew H.C.O'S were interviewed for the purpose of commissioning, by the mass.	
	26.2.0	Communitors Thying training was carried out as follows: 3 aircraft on local flying and 2 on Mir/ Air provides.	
70.00	3,2,44	C 1181 P/Lt. L.H. Lecours, Pilot, returned from No. 1666 Conversion Unit on completion of ground training. The undermosphoused arrived from 1666 Con. Unit. on posting to this unit to orew with	
		P/Lt. Lecents. 1,55167 Sgt. Desideler; J.T.H. F/E (R.A.F.) The flying programs was as follows: 1 A/G on air test. 11 aircraft on Bull's Eye	
		Expresses. Expresses timed assisted as posting from 166, Con. But for Flight Ingineer Leader dution The underseationed assisted as posting from 178 (R.A.F.)	
	4-2-44	The following crews arrived on posting from 1664 Con. Unit. E. 14,1989 F/B Brisson J.F.C. Pilot J.21,15 F/O L'Abbe J.W. Filot of J.21,180 B/O Regists R.C. Her. J.24,023 E/O Gravel T.G. Evy. J.26,983 E/O Bankseders J.T. V/AC B.96579 WOZ Dabe H.E. W/AC	
		P. 16170 Set. Burton J. P. A. R. 187514 Set. Girrard H. H. We	
	4.40		¥ The second sec
	4.3 • 17.7]	The flying was as follows: I sirereft on Air Teast: (6 sirereft on Dull's hye Emerciaes.	
	5.2.44	J.15457 A/B/Lt. L.A. Wainwright "DEC" Squa. Signals Leader, proceeded to 61 HGAF Bass on posting, for interactor Batter in No. 6 Group Aircrew School. Plying was carried out as follows: 1 aircrewft dual check and solo flying: 2 A/C on local solo: 1 A/C on local flying and orose 1 aircrewft dual check and solo flying: 2 A/C on local solo: 1 A/C on local flying and orose	- 04
		ocuntry: A A/C on Air to Air practice and bombing and I on circuits and landings.	With.

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	6.2.44	No flying was carried out the bad weather conditions.	
	7-2-44	Capt. McIntyre of the Royal Canadian Engineer Corps and Capt. Pairbanks of the Royal Corps	
		reported for a week's general observation with the squadron. C. 1637 S/Ldr. R.A. McLermon, returned from No. 1 E.C.D.U., Mescott where he attended a course	
		on What was Handling	
		Flying was carried out as follows: 4 1/0 on cross country, 2 1/0 on fighter affiliation and practice bombing. 1 1/0 on fighter affiliation, 1 on practice bombing and 1 on local	
		Taying.	
	8.2.44	The undermentioned aircrew returned from 1666 Con. Unit on completion of ground training.:-	- Carlos
	0.244	J;20711 2/0 Boyd W.H.G. Hav. 138420 F/0 Sherriff J.B. W/AG (R.A.F.)	
		8.153221 Sgt. Cox 5-C. B/A	
		1851862 Sgt. Powell LeE AG (R.A.F.) Flying was as follows: - 2 aircraft on dual and local solo, 3 A/C on local solo, 2 A/D	
		on local sole and cross country and 2 4/C on cross country and bombing.	
	9.2.44	Flying training was carried out as follows: One aircraft on fighter affiliation, two on	
	70 2044	fighter affiliation and air to air firing and one aircraft on local flying.	
TO PERCENT AND ADDRESS.		In the evening the Leeds Sylvious Concert Party gave a performance in the station gymanium.	
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	10.2.44	All flying was cancelled due to bad weather.	14 14
		S/L Seabourne, the group Air-Sea Resous Officer gave a lecture to all aircrew at 1100 hrs.	
		Commander R.A. MacDonald R.N., gave a lecture to all aircrew at 0945hrs. on minelaying.	
	11.2.44	who Occioes Comending C. 626 W/C B.D. Richer and admitted to Navburn Hospital in Forks	
		Plying was as follows: Nine aircraft on Bull's Bye exercises and 4 aircraft on cross-	
		One aircraft L. W. 395 "O" orashed at Droitwich near Birmingham and all the occupants	
		as listed here-under, were killed.	
		R.118590 F/S Aubin G.D. Pilot 1319639 F/S Mitton S.H. Mav. (RAF).	
		P. St. 360 Set Debrey W. S. SOP/AG	
		R. 125906 B/S Albert J.H. B/A	
		R. 111696 Sgt. Mayyille F.J. A/C R. 174,119 Sgt. Fluory R. MU/AG. 801922 Sgt. Shanshan J.J. F/E (RAF)	
		801922 Sgt. Shanahan J.J. P/E (RAF)	
		The under mentioned brother of Sergeant Debrny, who was flying as passager in the same aircraft, was also killed. 0.100506 Pts. J.R. Dubrny Signalman of No. 1 Canadian Line	
		of Communication Signals, E.C.C.S. Camerica irry England.	
• * * *	12.2.44	J. 3567 S/L E.W. Blenkinsop "A" Flight Commander assumed temperary command of the	
		squadron vice Wing Commander Richer who was admitted to hospital.	
		Flying training she sensisted of the following: two aircraft on fighter affiliation,	
		two on fighter affiliation and practice bosbing and six on night cross-country.	

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	13-2-44		The first to the property of the state of th	
C.A.P. STATION	2002044		The following personnel proceeded to R.A.F. Station Pershore to attend funeral of	
OL/HORPE .			S/L J.K Laplante R.C. Chaplain	
			J.14794 B/O J.G. Regimbald Nav.	
<i>a</i>			J. 2364 B/O J. II. Desert	
			R. 198410 Sgt. H.J. Daoust A/G	
			The under mentioned to Linton having been detailed as second pilot for the night's operation:	
			R.157746 M/S Waite A.H. Pilot	
	14.2.44		The inspection of No. 2 and 3 living sites was carried out in the morning by the Station	
	242-244		OC PERSONS	
			No flying was carried out due to amfatourable weather.	
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	15:2:44		All flying was cancelled due to bad weather conditions.	1/
			In the evening at 1830 hres that formight ly pay partials was held. The following pilots participated in the might operation with Linton and Middleton St. George	
			as and filots: was assumed the second of the	20,
		-	9/1 Locomto 3/5 Weite 2/9 Ellect 3/5 Std-11	
			B/S Vincent F/O L'Abbe Sgt. Hall Sgt. Stark.	
	16.2.44		10 arems were detailed for might operations but this was later cancelled. All flying was	
			cancelled due to unfavourable meather condition. Lectures were given to the aircrew by	
			9 oroms were detailed for operations in the evening, but this order was esmeelled during	
	17-2-44		the day. The following aircrew personnel proceeded to Green in order to warms and the	
			Soundron at the Emeral of Soliger Set. J.J. Superham Plant Series (D. 1 2)	
			his life in a flying accident on the night of lith February:-	26.*
			1450691 Sgt. Adms Co. 178 R.A.F. 65427 Sep. Open J.S. 1/6 P.A.F.	
			8-65-27 Set. Own L.S. · A/G R.A.F. R. 96579 W Dube H.B. · W/AG	
			B. 55806 Bot Borohard I.P. MG	
	18.2.44	D.	The might quaration, for which 10 opens had been detailed, was cancelled in the afternoom. One aircraft was also detailed for a cores country but was cancelled due to weather	
			conditions	1000
			the control of the second to the second that the second to the second the second to the second to the second to	
,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	19.2.44		10 sirrorst were detailed for bombing operation over Leipzig, Cereany but only two took-off in view of the fact that there sircreft of A20 Squadron begged and blocked the runny,	
			in view of the fact that three aircraft of A20 Squadron bogged and blocked the runner.	A3.203
			the remainder of the aircraft were too late to take-off.	Al202 Incl.
***************************************	SG* S* 77		the remainder of the aircraft were too iste to take-off, attack one as a second tope 8.10,000 fe. over target no details could be seen. Glow of fires chald be seen through alouds, about 100 miles way. First over target was alight to moderate with searchington, not firective. Separators mainly mode but believed ensur were using decor flavor Red at restrict 90°.	TIZOZ TROP
			100 wiles away . Plat one to the country of the seen through clouds, about	
		-	Skymarkers mainly good but believed enemy were using decay flares Red at position "Q".	
	2.7.2.7.2	magnition of a		
			Capt. Townsend of No. 1 Canadian Line of Communication of Signals visited the squadron in connection with inquiry into the accidental death of Pt. J.R. Dubrey, on the night of	
	The same of		connection with inquiry into the accidental death of Pt. J.R. Dubroy, on the night of	11 4/2
			11th Pabruary, 1946	11 11 111

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	20, 2, 44	8 cross were detailed for operations over Stuttgart. Attack appears to have been successful as cross report many fires, rather scattered, but no nd P.F.F. Markets.	A1203
		Glow dould be seen about 100 miles away. Defences: Heavy flak, slight, in loose barrage up to 24,000 ft. Searchlights few and ineffective. Weather over target; 5 to 7/16ths.	41210
		cloud, tops about 6.000 ft. P. F. F. aky markers good and T. L. visible at times through breaks in cloud. Fighter opposition: sightings only. One aircraft returned early due to	11303
	23.8.48	Starboard outer engine U/S. One aircraft is missing: the crew was as follows:- R.157A6 E/S Majos A.H. Pilot R.81728 P/S MoDougall W. May.	
		R. 81728 R/S MoDougall W. May. 2 R. 90362 W02 Redman N. c. W/AC R. 140155 R/S Powell R. A. R/A	
		R-191867 Sgt. Gamon H.Z. A/G R-197851 Sgt. Gibson G.T. M/AG	
		The following pulots proceeded to No. 1 L. B. D. U. Bescott to attend course on engines handli	
	7.0.00	J.15603 F/Lt. Vancoun H.L. (DEO) Pilot	146
	3	Mying training consisted of 4 nigh cross country and 1 aircraft on Air to Air firing.	
	21.2.44	The aquatron was not bequired for operations to-day. Two night cross-country were carried out.	
	76.2.	Capt. G.A.W. Hemard of the H.L.I. and Lt. R.E. Smith, R.C.A., reported for a week's observation and familiarisation training with the Squadron.	
	22, 2, 44	10 siroraft were required for operations but this was cancelled. 1 test flight was carried out during the day, all other flying being cancelled due to was ther conditions.	
		on all accurate an travelles. One characters to take to take the ta	
	23:2:44	The squadron was not required for operations to days 1 member of cape mismost crows were given the day off. Bying commisses of cross-countries, bombing practices and dual instruction to new arrivals,	
	21: 2.14	10 aircraft were detailed for night operations over Schweinfurt, Germany. Once A/C	
	240 2044	did not take-off due to the trouble, one returned early due to oxygen going U/S . Attack appeared to be successful but return scattered. Opposition: Moderate heavy flak.	#1211 #0 #1219 1
		A barrage from about 23,000 ft. S/L, non effective, weather: no cloud, alight ground hote- safely. 5 pilots participated in the might operation as 2nd pilot with 406 Squadrons, linter and all returned safely.	
	25.2.44		A1220
KSSEZ Y		Thirepers were desailed to attack Augeburg. Due aircraft did not take-off due to both port engines ciling up and one A/C was scrubbed due to crew not having had sufficient alams. Grews report fires all over the town with large columns of black small rising up to 16,000 ft.	. A1224 I
	77***	The P.P.F. were hing on time and the markers were well descentracted. Weather over target was clear with slight ground hass, probably smoke. All aircraft attempted photographs. One-aircraft did not return, the crew was composed as follows:	

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	25.2.44		Cont'd. CANSAS P/S Stowell C.H. Pilot 1815605 Set. Command P.W. D/io. D. i. D.	178 In the						
			R-157997 P/S Brigher R. W. Add - R.A.F.							
			R. 1084.86 WO2 Fullum J. E.M. W/On a 2012570 G.							
			R-156907 Sgt. Dinamore G.J. B/A							
	26.2.44		The squadron was stood from for the day . Aircrew personnel were given the day off.	***************************************						
	27.2.44		The swuadron was stood down. The regular Sunday Services were held with a good number							
	28.2.44		One aircraft was engaged on practice of circuits and feathering during the day.							
			J. 3467 S/Ldr. E.W. Blenkinson, proceeded on posting to No. 405 Squadron and relinquished temporary command of Squadron.							
			C. 1637 S/Ldr. McLernon R.A. Assumes temporary command of Squadron.							
			10 aircraft were detailed for night bogbing operations, but this was cancelled before							
			2 cross-country and practice bombing were carriedly out.							
	29.2.44		The english and the state of th							
	-//		The squadron was not required for operations to-day. One aircraft was engaged on fighter affiliation during the day.	***************************************						

			HONOURS AND AWARDS : C. 626 W/Cdr. B. D. RICHER Officer Commanding Awarded Distinguished							
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3			COMMISSIONS:T/P/O 0.J. Harper F/E C.19525 appointed to a commission wef. 16.12.43.							
			PROMOTIONS:							
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			1/2/0 2. F. Bush J. 27119 presented to 1/2/0 wes. 11.12.43							
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