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Croft	1.4.45		No Operations carried out today and there were no training flights as the surface wind was up to 50 m.p.h. The Air Sea Rescue Officer from Topcliffe visited the Flight Engineers Section. The Flight Engineers Section held a discussion on the logs for their last trip. Log books for March were made up. Ground training was carried out by all other Sections.		
Croft	2.4.45		Flying training was carried out this morning. The training program for the afternoon had to be cancelled because of Operations. The Operations was cancelled early in the afternoon and ground training and lectures were given by Sections.		
Croft	3.4.45		Crews detailed for Operations twice today but on both occasions the Operation was cancelled.		
Croft	4.4.45		Thirteen crews were detailed for Operations early in the morning. Navigation briefing was held at 0245 hrs. and Main at 0345 hrs. Shortly before completion of Main Briefing the Operation was cancelled. Later in the day twelve aircraft were called for for Operations. Navigation briefing was held at 1545 hrs. and Main Briefing one hour later. All aircraft took off successfully for an attack on Leuna.		
Croft	5.4.45		All twelve aircraft returned safely to Base early this morning from their attack on Leuna. Twelve aircraft were called for for Operations. Briefing were tentatively set for 1600 and 1700 hours, later changed to 1900 and 2000 hours, later it was cancelled. All aircraft ordered to stand by an station. A meeting of the Victory Loan Campaign members was held at 14.00 hours.		
Croft	6.4.45		No Operations today. However, in the late afternoon word came through to be prepared for tomorrow. Preparations were made on the Squadron today for the commencement of the Dominion of Canada EIGHTH Eighth Victory Loan Campaign. The objective given the Squadron is \$0,5,000.00 which is \$15,000.00 over the objective allotted us on the last campaign. The undementioned personnel were screened from Operations with effect today: - J14087 P/L T. Coghlan, pilot, with 31 trips, 119 points, E158339 P/S F. Newrok, Nav., 30 trips, 115 points, E179470 P/S J. Holden, B/A., 30 trips, 115 points, E161408 W/O G. Wilson, WO/AG., 30 trips, 115 points, E162688 P/S G. Fullerton, A/G., 30 trips, 115 points, 189561 S SGT J. Robbins, P/S., 30 trips, 115 points. Some new crews carried out flying training in the morning but adverse weather made it necessary to cancel all training flights scheduled for the afternoon. Lectures were given to new crew members by the Engineer Leader and the Gunnery Section reports training on Glem		

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Craft	6 Feb 45 (Continued)		Martin turret and night vision in the afternoon. Bendix and Fishpond training done by the Wireless Operators. Thirteen bombing details were scheduled but with the exception of one, all were cancelled due to weather weather conditions. Three new crews were instructed on practice bombing.		
Craft	7 Feb 45		Twelve crews were detailed for Operations today. After one change in briefing times, Navigation briefing was held at 16.00 hrs. and Main at 1700 hrs. Shortly after 1700 hours the Operations was cancelled. Some training flights were made. New pilots and Flight Engineers were lectured by the Deputy Flight Engineer Leader. Night vision and turret manipulation was done by the Air Gunners. New Wireless Operators were taken on a tour of Lancaster X aircraft and other attended Fishpond and Bendix training. The Bombing Section reports that eight crews were detailed for bombing exercises, but these had to be cancelled due to Operations. Others were on Ldgt trainer training. Navigators were doing dry swims and touring aircraft. #9532 S/L H.M. Smith was attached here today from '431 Squadron where he has just completed his first Operational tour. His duties will be Squadron Training Officer.		
Craft	8 Feb 45		Twelve crews were on Operations today. Navigation briefing was held at 1600 hours and Main Briefing at 1700 hours. All aircraft had taken off successfully for an attack on Hamburg, by 1957 hours. Five new pilots went along on their second tickle trip. 6846 W/O A.P. Blackburn, our Squadron Commander, proceeded to 6 Group Headquarters to assume his new duties this morning. 01052 S/L J.C. Mulvihill, recently attached to this Squadron to undertake Squadron Commanders duties takes over. No posting action has been taken yet. Ground training was carried out in all sections for new crews. The Gunnery Leader reports that at last we have a Glenn Martin training turret fully equipped with Gyro and ready for use. The delay for the Gyro and someone who knew how to assemble it.		
Craft	9 Feb 45		On return from the attack on Hamburg all aircraft landed safely at Oakleigh, to which they were diverted. All returned safely to Base this afternoon. The attack was assessed as good. The Military situation was given to all survivors at the regular 0915 hours morning conference. The Squadron Commander and the Adjutant attended the weekly Station Commander Conference this morning at 11.15 hrs. At approximately 1700 hours word came through that we would be required for Operations		

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Craft	9.4.45		timescrew. The Eighth Canadian Victory Loan campaign commenced today officially. Our objective is \$5,000.00	
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Craft	10.4.45		Seventeen aircraft were detailed for Operations today. By 1323 hours all aircraft were airborne. The attack was on Leipzig. Weather over the target was clear as a ball and crew assessed the attack as excellent. Unfortunately though, we had an early return because of engine failure. By 2238 hours all aircraft had returned to base. J44564 P/O W. Roethen, the Bomb Aimer with crew piloted by J42439 P/O H. Hooper was hit in the head with flak. Six H.C.O.'s were interviewed today for commissions. G1052 S/L J.O. Mulvihill, our new Squadron Commander, attended a conference at Station Headquarters regarding preparations for Post "V" Day activities for aircrew and groundcrew. Shortly after lunch today application completed on the Eighth Victory Loan totalled \$11,600.00 with more promised. Cash purchases were \$850.00, cheque purchases were \$5,150.00 and Assignment purchases were \$25,600.00. Number of purchasers was 162. J1A087 P/L T. Gaghan and crew, recently soreamed proceeded to 6 Group Headquarters this afternoon for an interview with the A.O.C. 179603 P/O M.V. Saunders, spare WO/AIR, the Squadron's head boy, was placed under close arrest again today for misbehaving. P/O Saunders is awaiting a Court Martial for being absent without leave and also issuing bad cheques. The Early Return from the Operation was aircraft "C" piloted by J36615 P/O G.C. Marlow. The port outer meter out on take off and the port inner could only be used at half throttle. Superchargers on both engines had broken away from moorings. On inspection after landing it was found necessary to change both port engines, hence there was no indication of an illegitimate early return. The pilot is to be complimented on his ability which enabled him to bring his aircraft and crew safely back to base.	
Craft	11.4.45		No Operations today. All aircrew were given the present military situation at the regular morning conference. Ground training was given in all Sections.	
Craft	12.4.45		Make and send today. All aircrew attended the regular morning conference at 0915 hours. Total Bonds sold to date on the Eighth Victory Loan as at 12.00 hours was \$41,200.00 Training was carried out by all sections both flying and ground. Definite information is on hand now about circumstances that happened to J36861 P/O J.O. Stewart, pilot, and crew which went mission on	

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Graft	12-4-45		<p>15/16.3.45 while attacking Hagen. J45708 P/O J. Ayette the only survivor of the crew was interrogated by the Senior Intelligence Officer and the following is the report which was received from the Intelligence : - " The only survivor of this crew P/O J. Ayette, J45708, reports that when over the target bombs could not be released. B/A was heard to say that there was a blown fuse. The fuse mentioned was replaced and an orbit made. The B/A was sure that the fuse was cause of trouble but bombs failed to release on second attempt. B/A was heard to suggest to Captain to go back a third time and release ^{normally} normally. The Captain decided it was to late and would proceed. to the jettison area. When on course of 2481F about twenty minutes from target they were approached from port quarter down by what was thought to be JU.88. No fires exchanged, our aircraft corkscrowed to port, enemy aircraft lost. Approximately 4 minutes later attacked by JU88 almost dead astern and slightly below 300 yds and closing in and fired short burst. The Rear Gunner had no chance to fire and the MI/NE did not see enemy aircraft. Enemy aircraft lost. Our aircraft not hit. At approximately 5-10 minutes later Navigator heard over intercom to say "Oh My God ", then intercom dead. Rear Gunner then saw fierce fire in fuselage. Rear Gunner immediately bailed out with clothing on fire at approximately 10,000 ft. Dropped well over 1000 ft. before pulling rip-cord in order to put out fire. Chute opened for approximately 1 minute and then collapsed. Something tangled behind Rear Gunner neck and held head down. Successful in getting untangled and chute opened. During this time a twin-engine aircraft heard above but not seen due to position of head. Rear Gunner thinks it was the slipstream of E/E aircraft which caused chute to collapse. Landed in irrigation ditch on farm on outskirts of Lenden. Picked up three hours later by Capt. Montanus, 25th American General Hospital, Tongras. Rear Gunner not being sure of position was hiding or would have been picked up sooner. Rear Gunner was well taken care of and placed in hospital at above place. At St. Trond, Rear Gunner gave particulars to an American Lt. to be forwarded to base. When Rear Gunner got into ambulance he learned that five bodies had been found. He heard the next morning that the 6th had been found by an American Sergeant ambulance driver. Rear Gunner suffered second degree facial and neck burns. In above hospital for 8 days then transferred to 39th British General Hospital at Hasselt for 1 day. Transferred to evacuation A/F in Brussels and landing at A/F in Ghent at 1645 hrs. the same day. Has just arrived</p>	SECRET.	References to Appendices

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Craft	12.4.45		from Tapley Hospital and to report to same Hospital on April 3rd for approximately 2 days. * Since then it is believed that P/O J. Ayotte has been posted to "R" Depot for Re-patriation.		
	(Continued)				
Craft	13.4.45		All fifteen operational crews participated in Operations today. Two new pilots went along as Second Dicks. By 2037 hours all aircraft became airborne for an attack on Kiel. Incidentally while watching take-off an announcement came over the tannoy that one of the Allies Armies had entered Berlin. This was later refuted by Bomber Command. All new crews carried out ground training. The sad news of President Roosevelt's death which occurred yesterday was received this morning.		
Craft	14.4.45		All aircraft which attacked Kiel last night returned safely to this country and were all directed to Gaydon, all returning safely to base later on in the day. No further Operations today.		
Craft	15.4.45		Fourteen aircraft were detailed for Operations today. Navigation briefing was held at 1400 hrs. and Main at 15.00 hrs. At approximately 1630 hours the operations was cancelled. Ground training was carried out in all sections with three exercises being completed before flying details were cancelled due to Operations.		
Craft	16.4.45		This Squadron was called for fifteen aircraft today. Navigation briefing was scheduled for 1500 hours and Main at 1600 hours. At approximately 1230 hours these briefing times were delayed five hours. All fifteen aircraft took off successfully for an attack on Schwandorf, by 2322 hrs. Some ground training was carried out today, air gunners doing night vision. Glenn Martin turret training and skeet shooting. Ground training was carried out by all other sections. The regular Station Commander's Monday morning conference was held at 1115 hours this morning. The present war front situation was given by one of the Station Intelligence Officers. This was followed by a discussion on the Eighth Victory Loan Campaign. This Squadron has purchased \$47,200.00 worth so far.		
Craft	17.4.45		All crews which attacked Schwandorf last night returned safely to base just in time for breakfast. Fourteen crews claimed to have attacked the primary. Crews assessed the attack as very good. After eating all crews went to bed. Flying training was carried out by crews which are not Operational yet. It was a quiet day with operational crews sleeping and all new crews on training. New crews were training on drop-wings, link and practice bombing details.		

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Craft	18.4.45		No Operations today. Plenty of training carried out. Flight Engineers ^{completing} submitting logs on Schwandorf raid in addition to other training. The Gunnery Section report that gunnery training was in full swing both ground and air. All gunners not flying were on night vision and sheet shooting. The bombing section report that of the eighteen bombing details scheduled, ten were completed and other Bomb-Aimers were sheet shooting. The Navigators spent most of the morning leg-marking.		
Craft	19.4.45		This Squadron was detailed for Operations today. Training was carried out.		
Craft	20.4.45		No Operations today. Most sections were busy today painting and cleaning up their sections. Some dingy drills were carried out. Night vision and turret manipulation training was done by all Air Gunners not flying. The Signals Section report that D.I.'s were done on all aircraft, a lecture given on discipline, some fishpond training was carried out and the Section equipment was painted. The Bombing Section report that three Bomb-Aimers were on gaggle training, seven bombing details completed, six new men attended a lecture in the Bomb-Dump. The Navigation Section reports that all navigators spent the morning going through the Base Navigation Review and the afternoon on speed-ups.		
Craft	21.4.45		No Operations today. Word came through at approximately 1700 hours that we would be required for Operations tomorrow morning. Fifteen crews were detailed. Navigation briefing was at 0345 hrs. and Main briefing at 0445 hrs. These times, however, were delayed to 11.15 hrs. and 12.15 hrs. Training carried out in all section for new crews. The Eighth Victory Loan Drive ended today. Total application for the Squadron came to 146 totalling \$56,750.00. These Bonds could only be purchased by Canadian personnel of which we have approximately 246.		
Craft	22.4.45		The fifteen crews on Operations today had early meals at 10.45 hrs. Navigation briefing was held at 11.15 hrs. and Main at 12.15 hrs. Two crews, leading the gaggle, were dashed over to Middleton St. George for a special briefing. By 1614 hrs. all fifteen aircraft successfully took off for an attack on Bremen. Weather over the target as 5-8/10ths added and the target was obscured. On instruction from the Master Bomber no aircraft dropped their bombs on the target. Crews report that the gaggle formation was good. By 2205 hrs. all aircraft had returned safely to base.		

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Craft	23.4.45		No Operations today until at approximately 1700 hours word came through that we would be required for fifteen aircraft for an early morning effort. Aircrew to be awakened about midnight, meals at 0015 hours tomorrow with Navigation briefing at 0100 hrs. and Main at 0200 hours. Some ground training was done today but most aircrew were preparing for tomorrow Operations.		
Craft	24.4.45		The early morning attack laid on for today was postponed. The morning was taken up by briefings. The attack was cancelled. Ground training was carried out in the afternoon.		
Craft	25.4.45		Fifteen aircraft which were detailed for Operations today took off successfully by 1505 hours for an attack on the Naval defences at Wangerooze. The target was obscured by smoke and assessment was difficult. All aircraft had returned safely back to base by 2014 hours. A lecture was given to Flight Engineers not flying. Air Gunners met on "Ops" did night vision, turret manipulation and sheet shooting training. The Signals section reports their office was painted.		
XXXX	XXXX		Rehearsal details planned were recalled because of Operations.		
Craft	26.4.45		Today an Operation was pending but cancelled later. Some training was done in all sections.		
Craft	27.4.45		This Squadron was detailed for Operations today but the attack was subsequently cancelled. All the Squadron was cleaned up and everyone in best blues for the visit of Canada's High Commissioner the Honourable Vincent Massey.		
Craft	28.4.45		No Operations today. The Met and military situation was given to all aircrew at the regular morning conference at 0915 hours. Training carried out in all Sections.		
Craft	29.4.45		Make and mend today. Most aircrew were given the afternoon off which made it very quiet around the Sections. Training was carried in all section during the morning.		
Craft	30.4.45		No Operations again today. Looking at the War maps it looks as if our Operational days are now practically over.		
			GARUDAITS : Nil		
			FORWARDS:-		
			Pilot J21308 P/L Millay w.o.f. 3.4.45		
			Nav R219008 SGT Cook, G. w.o.f. 3.4.45		
			R/A J1226 W/O Tschibinsky, A. w.o.f. 3.4.45		

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FORWARDS-IN (Cont'd)					
			WO/AIR 2204667 SGT Booth, W. w.o.f. 3-4-45		
			MU/AG 2176996 SGT MacArthur, A. w.o.f. 2-4-45		
			R/AG 2280902 SGT Dunn, A. w.o.f. 3-4-45		
			W/E(P) 1567279 W/S Newton, F. w.o.f. 3-4-45		
			Pilot 240876 P/O MacDonald, J. w.o.f. 5-4-45		
			Nav 243569 P/O McAllochan, G. w.o.f. 5-4-45		
			R/A 243877 P/O McMorris, F. w.o.f. 5-4-45		
			WO/AG 2208302 SGT Mackie, R. w.o.f. 5-4-45		
			MU/AG 2204606 SGT Chelle, R. w.o.f. 5-4-45		
			R/AG 2284785 SGT Knutson, A. w.o.f. 5-4-45		
			W/E(P) 168172 SGT Williams, F. w.o.f. 5-4-45		
			Pilot 241842 P/O Walker, D. w.o.f. 4-4-45		
			Nav 2202246 P/S Leavitt, R. w.o.f. 4-4-45		
			R/A 242090 P/O Howson, T. w.o.f. 4-4-45		
			WO/AG 2195786 W/O Lough, J. w.o.f. 4-4-45		
			MU/AG 246217 P/O Lake, D. w.o.f. 4-4-45		
			R/AG 246109 P/O Colledge, J. w.o.f. 4-4-45		
			W/E(P) 1626120 W/S Miller, K. w.o.f. 4-4-45		
			Pilot 293355 P/O Hill, F. w.o.f. 5-4-45		
			Nav 2252266 SGT Langman, R. w.o.f. 5-4-45		
			R/A 243936 P/O Grant, D. w.o.f. 5-4-45		
			WO/AG 2219789 P/S Egan, A. w.o.f. 5-4-45		
			MU/AG 2290067 W/S Ireland, B. w.o.f. 5-4-45		
			R/AG 2277655 SGT Newton, R. w.o.f. 5-4-45		
			W/E 043985 P/O Paulson, F. w.o.f. 5-4-45		

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FORGING-III (Cont'd)					
			Pilot J93434 P/O McGuire, D. W.o.f. 64445		
			Nav J29971 P/O Bruce, H. W.o.f. 64445		
			B/A J28298 P/O Boulet, J. W.o.f. 64445		
			WO/AG E106412 W/O Down, A. W.o.f. 64445		
			MU/AG E275720 SGT Parker, W. W.o.f. 64445		
			B/AG E269206 SGT Smith, E. W.o.f. 64445		
			P/R(P) E223483 SGT MacDonald, R. W.o.f. 64445		
			Pilot J87738 P/O Bonar, D. W.o.f. 64445		
			Nav J40913 P/O Hall, N. W.o.f. 64445		
			B/A J43870 P/O Perry, W. W.o.f. 64445		
			WO/AG E095688 P/S Sully, A. W.o.f. 64445		
			MU/AG E281337 SGT Noonan, J. W.o.f. 64445		
			B/AG E222103 P/S Smith, G. W.o.f. 64445		
			P/R(P) M190434 SGT Churchill, L. W.o.f. 64445		
			Pilot J24473 P/O Kaguk, H. W.o.f. 64445		
			Nav J42716 P/O Unwin, V. W.o.f. 64445		
			B/A J43942 P/O Ure, A. W.o.f. 64445		
			WO/AG J46060 P/O Brumwell, J. W.o.f. 64445		
			MU/AG E298890 SGT McDonald, J. W.o.f. 64445		
			B/AG E88561 SGT Darby, W. W.o.f. 64445		
			P/R(P) E223508 P/S Lausway, G. W.o.f. 64445		
			Pilot J41811 P/O Mott, A. W.o.f. 14445		
			Nav J41382 P/O Long, J. W.o.f. 14445		
			B/A J43871 P/O Cummings, A. W.o.f. 14445		
			WO/AG J52458 P/O Anthony, M. W.o.f. 14445		
			MU/AG E284746 SGT Davison, E. W.o.f. 14445		
			B/AG E278837 SGT Roche, W. W.o.f. 14445		
			P/R(P) O418816 P/O Derry, O. W.o.f. 14445		

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POSTINGS-IN (Cont'd)					
Pilot	JL1996	F/O	Anderson, M.	W.o.f. 14.4.45	
Nav	JL1692	F/O	Smith, E.	W.o.f. 14.4.45	
B/A	JL0933	F/O	MacDonald, D.	W.o.f. 14.4.45	
WO/AG	JL6023	F/O	Cooper, H.	W.o.f. 14.4.45	
MI/AG	R285166	SGT	McQuig, F.	W.o.f. 14.4.45	
F/AG	R20111	F/S	Beet, A.	W.o.f. 14.4.45	
F/E	CL9329	F/O	McGiv, G.	W.o.f. 14.4.45	
Pilot	JL3009	F/O	Thomson, W.	W.o.f. 21.4.45	
Nav	KL92391	F/S	White, L.	W.o.f. 21.4.45	
B/A	K220711	F/S	Bell, J.	W.o.f. 21.4.45	
WO/AG	R204072	F/S	Malligan, H.	W.o.f. 21.4.45	
MI/AG	R283311	SGT	McLean, C.	W.o.f. 21.4.45	
F/AG	R201193	W/O	McMurrish, W.	W.o.f. 21.4.45	
F/E(F)	CL7825	F/O	Jolley, W.	W.o.f. 21.4.45	
WO/AG	JL7878	F/E	Sibbald, R.	W.o.f. 14.4.45 (N/E Sick)	
Pilot	CL052	W/O	Mulvihill, J.G.	W.o.f. 25.4.45 (Ceases attachment)	
POSTINGS-OUT					
F/E	1590431	SGT	Windle, K.	W.o.f. 17.4.45 to No. 431 Squadron	
A/C	R276855	F/S	Flett, G.	W.o.f. 9.4.45 to No. 419 Squadron	
A/C	R267436	WO2	Walkden, A.	W.o.f. 3.4.45 to R Depot	
A/C	R200478	F/S	Noodie, J.	W.o.f. 28.4.45 to R Depot	
F/E	188096	F/O	Coates, R.	W.o.f. 16.4.45 to A.C.A.C.	
F/E	186096	F/O	Fischer, R.	W.o.f. 4.4.45 to No. 64 Base	
Pilot	J87340	F/L	Alger, M.	W.o.f. 27.4.45 to R Depot	
Pilot	J92660	F/O	Ferris, G.	W.o.f. 27.4.45 to R Depot	
Nav	J35762	F/O	Pittman, H.	W.o.f. 27.4.45 to R Depot	
B/A	J36273	F/O	Birch, R.	W.o.f. 27.4.45 to R Depot	

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			Pilot J14688 P/L Henry, R. w.e.f. 19.4.45 to R Depot		
			Pilot J35150 P/L Wagon, J. w.e.f. 19.4.45 to R Depot		
			R/A J27388 P/O Jarvis, J. w.e.f. 19.4.45 to R Depot		
			WO/AG J89151 P/O Williams, W. w.e.f. 19.4.45 to R Depot		
			WO/AG J89191 P/O Woodstock, J. w.e.f. 19.4.45 to R Depot		
			WO/AG J92356 P/O Jones, J. w.e.f. 19.4.45 to R Depot		
			A/G J87606 P/O Dallmer, P. w.e.f. 19.4.45 to R Depot		
			A/G J40553 P/O Grimmer, W. w.e.f. 19.4.45 to R Depot		
			A/G J88067 P/O McDermill, A. w.e.f. 19.4.45 to R Depot		
			A/G J89442 P/O McDonald, J. w.e.f. 19.4.45 to R Depot		
			A/G J93185 P/O Scollard, W. w.e.f. 19.4.45 to R Depot		
			A/G J93226 P/O Baxter, J. w.e.f. 19.4.45 to R Depot		
			A/G J93163 P/O Cowlin, P. w.e.f. 19.4.45 to R Depot		
			A/G J93149 P/O Pyras, R. w.e.f. 19.4.45 to R Depot		
			A/G J18443 P/L Lewis, A. w.e.f. 19.4.45 to R Depot		
			Pilot J14067 P/L Coghlan, T. w.e.f. 19.4.45 to HQAF Q/S HQS.		
			Pilot J87333 P/L Telford, R. w.e.f. 9.4.45 to R Depot		
			R/A J11498 P/L Hunt, R. w.e.f. 9.4.45 to R Depot		
			A/G J30396 P/O Talbot, M. w.e.f. 1.4.45 to R Depot		
			Pilot J29213 P/L Barr, V. w.e.f. 29.3.45 to R Depot		
			A/B J35735 P/O Gifford, P. w.e.f. 29.3.45 to R Depot		
			P/E C90656 P/O Lynch, W. w.e.f. 29.3.45 to R Depot		
			Pilot C846 W/O Blackburn, A. w.e.f. 25.3.45 to No. 6 Group		
			WO/AG J31009 P/O Bewillie, J. w.e.f. 24.3.45 to R Depot		
			A/G J16790 P/L Myers, J. w.e.f. 5.4.45 to R Depot		
			WO/AG J30875 P/O Murphy, M. w.e.f. 2.4.45 to 22 O.T.U.		
			Pilot J30792 P/O Hart, P. w.e.f. 16.3.45 to R Depot		

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POSTINGS-OUT (Cont'd)						
A/G	J89230	P/O	Whish, H.	w.e.f. 16.3.45 to R Depot		
A/G	J89096	P/O	Thompson, W.	w.e.f. 16.3.45 to R Depot		
A/G	J90101	P/O	Newman, W.	w.e.f. 16.3.45 to R Depot		
A/G	J89157	P/O	Noble, D.	w.e.f. 16.3.45 to R Depot		
A/G	J89616	P/O	Cook, W.	w.e.f. 8.4.45 to No. 64 Base.		
Pilot	J9178	P/L	Buttle, T.	w.e.f. 29.3.45 to No. 405 Squadron		
Nav	R181534	W/O	Anderson, F.	w.e.f. 29.3.45 to No. 405 Squadron		
W/A	J92179	P/O	Burns, T.	w.e.f. 29.3.45 to No. 405 Squadron		
WO/AG	J90137	P/O	Maudrall, J.	w.e.f. 29.3.45 to No. 405 Squadron		
WU/AG	R261406	P/S	Fleming, G.	w.e.f. 29.3.45 to No. 405 Squadron		
P/AG	R271659	P/S	McAlpine, J.	w.e.f. 29.3.45 to No. 405 Squadron		
P/E	1795800	SOT	O'Kelly, J.	w.e.f. 29.3.45 to No. 405 Squadron		
PROMOTIONS						
P/E	1570070	SOT	Elbourn, J.	to P/S w.e.f. 1.1.45		
P/E(F)	1605489	SOT	Tierney, L.	to P/S w.e.f. 21.4.45		
P/E(F)	1684179	SOT	Williams, F.	to P/S w.e.f. 28.1.45		
P/E	1604994	SOT	White, D.	to P/S w.e.f. 18.7.44		
WO/AG	R97725	SOT	Hughes, J.	to P/S w.e.f. 19.1.45		
A/G	R265012	P/S	Farrish, J.	to W02 w.e.f. 14.4.45		
Nav	R181145	P/S	Kay, A.	to W02 w.e.f. 14.4.45		
A/G	R286115	SOT	Dickie, G.	to P/S w.e.f. 14.4.45		
A/G	R290440	SOT	Chidley, R.	to P/S w.e.f. 14.4.45		
A/G	R88561	SOT	Darby, N.	to P/S w.e.f. 14.4.45		
A/G	R290705	SOT	Chapman, P.	to P/S w.e.f. 14.4.45		
A/S	R289551	SOT	Gunter, T.	to P/S w.e.f. 14.4.45		
A/G	R278800	SOT	MacDonald, A.	to P/S w.e.f. 30.1.45		
WO/AG	R254523	SOT	Soobie, M.	to P/S w.e.f. 24.1.45		

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			PROMOTIONS (Cont'd)		
			A/G E200478 P/S Moodie, E. to W02 w.o.f. 14.4.45		
			A/G E205850 P/S Neourse, W. to W02 w.o.f. 14.4.45		
			A/G E216254 P/S Saunders, F. to W02 w.o.f. 14.4.45		
			NAV E219208 SGT Cook, G. to P/S w.o.f. 21.1.45		
			A/G E209215 P/S Thompson, A. to W02 w.o.f. 14.4.45		
			A/G E281337 SGT Noonan, J. to P/S w.o.f. 14.4.45		
			A/G E275720 SGT Parker, W. to P/S w.o.f. 14.4.45		
			A/G E230890 SGT McDonald, J. to P/S w.o.f. 14.4.45		
			A/G E282817 SGT Keetch, M. to P/S w.o.f. 14.4.45		
			WO/AG E219789 P/S Egan, A. to W02 w.o.f. 17.4.45		
			A/G E284746 SGT Danielson, A. to P/S w.o.f. 14.4.45		
			WO/AG E208302 SGT Mackie, R. to P/S w.o.f. 5.2.45		
			NAV E202246 P/S Leavitt, R. to W02 w.o.f. 28.4.45		
			NAV E197605 P/S Roberts, G. to W02 w.o.f. 28.4.45		
			A/G E284785 SGT Knutson, A. to P/S w.o.f. 14.4.45		
			A/G E280895 SGT Greshy, J. to P/S w.o.f. 14.4.45		
			A/G U284686 SGT Chelle, R. to P/S w.o.f. 14.4.45		
			NAV E219208 SGT Cook, G. to P/S w.o.f. 21.1.45		
			A/G E269507 SGT O'Keefe, D. to P/S w.o.f. 14.4.45		
			NAV E192391 P/S White, L. to W02 w.o.f. 28.4.45		
			P/S 183901 P/O Matthews, G. to P/O w.o.f. 20.2.45		
			P/S 186645 P/O Cameron, Y. to P/O w.o.f. 14.3.45		
			P/S 186145 P/O Booth, G. to P/O w.o.f. 20.2.45		
			Pilot J36268 P/O Jenkins, E. to A/P/L w.o.f. 13.3.45		
			Pilot J36615 P/O Marlow, G. to A/P/L w.o.f. 13.3.45		
			Pilot J87340 P/O Alger, G. to A/P/L w.o.f. 13.3.45		
			B/A J35531 P/O Fox, G. to A/P/L w.o.f. 9.4.45		

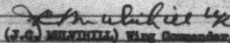
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PROMOTIONS (Cont'd)					
Pilot	01052	S/L	Mulvihill, J. to A/W/C w.e.f. 25.3.45		
Pilot	39326	P/O	Murray, V. to A/W/O w.e.f. 20.2.45		
A/G	388203	P/O	Stewart, J. to 2/W/O w.e.f. 6.1.45		
P/A	74456	P/O	Rothman, W. to 2/W/O w.e.f. 21.10.44		
A/B	11734	P/O	Hosman, T. to A/W/L w.e.f. 19.4.45		
Pilot	317017	P/O	Dundas, E. to A/W/L w.e.f. 29.3.45		
COMMISSIONS					
P/E	188078	S/O	Grindrod, J. Comm. w.e.f. 18.3.45 (195667)		
P/A	1189453	P/S	McLeod, A. Comm. w.e.f. 3.3.45 (394333)		
Nav	1158339	P/S	Rawlyok, F. Comm. w.e.f. 6.2.45 (394177)		
A/G	1130350	P/S	St. Germain, R. Comm. w.e.f. 12.2.45 (394178)		
A/G	1126288	P/S	Fullerton, G. Comm. w.e.f. 12.2.45 (394172)		
WO/AG	1218021	P/S	Cleaves, G. Comm. w.e.f. 12.2.45 (394190)		
NAV	1181145	P/S	Kay, A. Comm. w.e.f. 12.2.45 (394214)		
WO/AG	1198034	P/S	Crappier, G. Comm. w.e.f. 17.3.45 (394266)		
P/A	1179470	P/S	McAdam, J. Comm. w.e.f. 17.3.45 (394291)		
WO/AG	1131619	P/S	Tait, Y. Comm. w.e.f. 26.10.44 (394327)		
A/G	1205850	P/S	Houree, W. Comm. w.e.f. 17.3.45 (394361)		
A/G	1251699	P/S	Smith, M. Comm. w.e.f. 17.3.45 (394433)		
WO/AG	1123176	WO2	Harder, W. Comm. w.e.f. 2.11.44 (394115)		
WO/AG	1161408	WO1	Wilson, G. Comm. w.e.f. 6.2.45 (394331)		
HONOURS & AWARDS : Nil					
CHANGES IN COMMAND : 01052 W/C J.C. Mulvihill, pilot, replaces 0846 W/O A.P. Blackburn as Commanding Officer of the Squadron.					
CHANGES IN GRADE/STATUS : Nil					
ATTESTMENT OF CHANGE : - 21 LANDINGS MARK X					

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			LANCASTER X OPERATIONAL FLYING TIME BY DAY : - 75 hrs. 45 mins.		
			LANCASTER X OPERATIONAL FLYING TIME BY NIGHT : - 662 hrs. 40 mins.		
			LANCASTER X NON-OPERATIONAL FLYING TIME BY DAY: - 368 hrs. 25 mins.		
			LANCASTER X NON-OPERATIONAL FLYING TIME BY NIGHT:- 118 hrs. 30 mins.		
			TOTAL FLYING TIME DURING THE MONTH OF APRIL : - 1,233 hrs. 20 mins.		
			Number of Operational Sorties : - 101 Sorties		
			NUMBER OF COMBAT : - 1 Combat (Reports attached)		
			NUMBER OF ENEMY AIRCRAFT DESTROYED : - One JU,88 - Two with no claims.		
			<u>WEIGHT OF BOMBS</u>		
			Weight of bombs dropped during the first three months of year		Weight of Bombs dropped for the Month of April, 1945
			Bombs 3,516,860 lbs or 1,904 English Tons		Bombs : 920,000 lbs. or All English Tons.
			TOTAL WEIGHT OF BOMBS DROPPED IN FIRST FOUR MONTHS OF THE YEAR : 4,436,860 lbs or 2,115 Eng. Tons.		
			<u>STRENGTH OF SQUADRON AS AT 23.59 HOURS ON 30TH APRIL, 1945</u>		
			<u>Officers</u>		<u>Airmen</u>
			R.C.A.F.	R.A.F.	R.C.A.F. R.A.F. RCAF
			Aircrew 152	17	100 10 1
			Groundcrew 1	-	- - -
			TOTAL	17	100 10 1
			<u>COMMANDING OFFICER'S REMARKS :</u>		
			The month has been relatively quiet with seven operations being carried out dropping 920,000 lbs of bombs on enemy territory. 101 Sorties have brought our grand total to 2,606 since the formation of Squadron. Fortunately no casualties occurred during April and ten new crew joined the Squadron. The war situation at the present time is exceptionally good and it looks like the 200 Operations will be all for 434 Squadron in Phase One.		
			 (J.G.) MULVIHILL, Wing Commander, Commanding Officer, No. 434 Squadron (R.C.A.F.).		

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