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* JOSEPH W. HAYTER - BOSTON *
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* * NOVEMBER 1944 * *
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* First Lieutenant WALTER H. BISHOP * *
* (Historical Officer) * *
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1. **PERSONNEL** (e.g., changes effected by the transfer of the unit or by new arrivals).

2. **STRENGTH** (e.g., strength as of 30 November 1944):
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| OFFICERS | ***** 22 |
| ENLISTED | ***** 244 |
| TOTAL | ***** 266 |

3. **PERSONNEL** (e.g., personnel of the unit):

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- Second Lieutenant [Name] - [Regiment] - [Date] - 11 Nov 1944.
 Second Lieutenant [Name] - [Regiment] - [Date] - 30 Nov 1944.

5. **PERSONNEL** (e.g., personnel of the unit):

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| 1/1st [Name] - 13th Br [Regiment] to [Unit]. | 2/1st [Name] - [Regiment] - [Date] - [Award]. |
| 2/1st [Name] - 4th Br [Regiment] to [Unit]. | 1/1st [Name] - [Regiment] - [Date] - [Award]. |
| 2/1st [Name] - 1st [Regiment] to [Unit]. | |
| 2/1st [Name] - 4th [Regiment] to [Unit]. | |
| 2/1st [Name] - 1st, 2nd, 3rd Br [Regiment] to [Unit]. | |
| 1/1st [Name] - [Regiment]. | |
| 1st [Name] - 1st [Regiment] to [Unit]. | |
| 2nd [Name] - 1st [Regiment] to [Unit]. | |
| 1/1st [Name] - 12th Br [Regiment] to [Unit]. | |
| 1/1st [Name] - 1st [Regiment] to [Unit]. | |
| 2/1st [Name] - [Regiment]. | |
| 2/1st [Name] - 2nd, 3rd, 4th, Br [Regiment], 1st [Regiment], 6th Br [Regiment] to [Unit]. | |
| 2/1st [Name] - 2nd [Regiment] to [Unit]. | |
| 1/1st [Name] - 14th Br [Regiment] to [Unit]. | |
| 1/1st [Name] - 3rd Br [Regiment] to [Unit]. | |
| 1st [Name] - [Regiment]. | |
| 1/1st [Name] - 18th Br [Regiment] to [Unit]. | |
| 2/1st [Name] - 8th Br [Regiment] to [Unit]. | |
| 1st [Name] - 24th Br [Regiment] to [Unit]. | |
| 2/1st [Name] - 1st [Regiment] to [Unit]. | |
| 1/1st [Name] - 13th Br [Regiment] to [Unit]. | |
| 2/1st [Name] - [Regiment]. | |
| 1/1st [Name] - 1st [Regiment] to [Unit]. | |
| 1st [Name] - 3rd Br [Regiment] to [Unit]. | |
| 2nd [Name] - [Regiment]. | |
| 2/1st [Name] - 2nd [Regiment] to [Unit]. | |
| 2/1st [Name] - 1st [Regiment] to [Unit]. | |
| 1/1st [Name] - 11th Br [Regiment] to [Unit]. | |
| 2/1st [Name] - [Regiment]. | |
| 2/1st [Name] - 9th Br [Regiment] to [Unit]. | |
| 1/1st [Name] - [Regiment]. | |
| 2/1st [Name] - 2nd [Regiment] to [Unit]. | |

Installation X

HISTORY OF THE 397TH FIGHTER SQUADRON

Section B

* SECTION B *
* Narrative *
* Covering the Month of *
* NOVEMBER 1944 *

ALA A-84, Obievres, Belg--(Nov 1)--Receipt of a sizeable report from the Ninth TAC's "Confirmation of Victory Credits Board" today disclosed the full confirmation of claims made previously by seven pilots of this squadron. The awards went to First Lieutenant Henry P. Hamilton and Second Lieutenants Milton S. Dander, James P. Loren, Jr., and Frederick C. Stoll, Jr., credited with the destruction of an ME-109 apiece in the area of Eupen, Germany, and to Captain Roy D. Carlson and Second Lieutenants William A. Preston and Kenneth E. Helen, who jointly claimed the destruction of one ME-410.

Operational leaves of two days in Paris were granted o/a this date to First Lieutenants John P. Ellis, Thomas G. Eishle, Edward W. Lons and David M. Sharp, and Second Lieutenants Bob V. Barker, James E. Pauler, Charles E. Patrick and John I. Melliesen.

A new cook, Sergeant Frederick Cullen, was assigned to the unit today, per paragraph 2 of group special order number 150.

Only five men were listed on the squadron's EM promotion list for November, the smallest roster in the whole 568th Group. Those "favored" were Sgt Robert F. Serbian, promoted to 2/Sgt; Cpls Lewis E. Horst, Ralph E. Hume and Peter Lohack, promoted to Sgt; and Pfc Jesse A. Lewis, promoted to Cpl. The advancements were granted per paragraph 7 of group special order number 131, issued this date.

NOV 2 -- The squadron inaugurated their November operational calendar today by flying top cover for the 395th and 396th Squadrons on a dive bombing mission directed at an enemy rail bridge. Weather conditions that included a 10/10 cloud coverage over the target area, however, made the accomplishment of the mission impossible, and the squadron returned to base without incident.

Major James J. Barbine, squadron operations officer, assumed command of the organization today, replacing Major Randall W. Hendricks, who was transferred to Ninth TAC.

NOV 3 -- Today's first mission was a dive bombing attack on an enemy fuel dump northeast of Eupen. Seventeen 500-pound general purpose bombs were rained on the target in an effective pattern, but the success of the mission was shadowed by the loss of one of the squadron's most popular and consistently good pilots. Second Lieutenant William A. Preston's plane was hard-hit by enemy flak as he approached the target area. He skillfully piloted his damaged plane back over friendly territory, but, in his attempt to bail out, he was apparently unable to turn clear. His body was recovered; his chute untouched. Others on the mission were Carlson, Leary, C. J. Bauer, Foltz, Bisgini, D. M. Sharp, Barker, Priccoll, R. D. Sharp, Terry and Weinstein.

The squadron's second mission of the day was to have been a dive bombing attack on a power plant. The 397th was to have flown top cover. Weather again prevented accomplishment of the mission. The squadron turned back at Archen. On the mission were O'Connell, Barney, Regal, Bisgini, Krause, Wright, Horlacher, Fein, Foltz, Evans, Arps and C. J. Bauer.

Major Richard E. Leary was appointed squadron operations officer today. Capt O'Connell and Lt Hamilton left for England today for an operational rest of seven days.

NOV 4 -- Support for the 28th Infantry at Schmidt, Germany, was the purpose of today's only mission, a bomb-carrying assignment that resulted in an effective attack on a concentration of German tanks in that area. Eleven bombs were dropped on the target; Lieutenant Olden scored a direct hit on a tank. No strafing was attempted. On the mission were Carbine, Burney, Rogal, Weinstein, Olden, Evans, Stoll, Faulay, Carlson, Baker, Leary and Fawer.

NOV 5 -- Rail-cutting west of Cologne was the intention of today's first mission, but the ground controllers had different ideas when the squadron arrived over the assigned area. The formation was vectored to a point about seven miles west of Dusseldorf, and there dropped all of their bombs. Participating were Driscoll, R D Sharp, Leary, Weinstein, Krause, Fein, Burney, Hogan, Horlacher, Bender, Kerr and Barker.

Today's second mission was similar to the first, but the squadron mistook the town of Herff for the assigned target and dropped 20 of their bombs there. Two planes bombed the assigned target, a railroad bridge, but a high wind carried the bombs east of the objective. In Herff, the squadron's bombing started an oil fire and a strafing attack that followed resulted in damage to a small group of box cars. On the mission were Carbine, Kalen, D M Sharp, G L Bauer, Olden, Evans, Stoll, Faulay, Foltz, Patrick, Rogal and Biagini.

Another report from the Ninth TAC's "Confirmation of Victory Credits Board" received here today disclosed the confirmation of the previously submitted claims of Major Thomas J. Carbine and First Lieutenant (now Captain) Roy D. Carlson to a jointly destroyed ME-109, and Second Lieutenant Manuel K. Soo to an ME-109 destroyed alone.

Six new pilots were assigned to the squadron per group special orders published today. They are First Lieutenant Dallas J. Glary and Second Lieutenant Billy B. Arledge, Leonard R. Kostrach, Jack L. Conant, Cyril J. Koczny, Leslie R. Leavoy. All were assigned per paragraph four of 368th Group Special Orders Number 133.

NOV 6 -- Provision of top cover for the group's other two squadrons on a rail-cutting mission was the purpose of today's first assignment. Results of the bombings were not observed and the mission was generally uneventful. On the mission were Carbine, Patrick, Kerr, Baker, Olden, White, Stoll, Evans, Leary, Frisbie, Burney and Bender.

Carrying a full load of 500-pound general purpose bombs on their second mission of the day, the squadron played an active role in the group's second rail-cutting assignment of this date. The formation successfully located the assigned target and dropped 21 bombs in a close pattern. Two definite cuts in the track were scored. Participating were Carlson, Horowitz, D M Sharp, G L Bauer, Driscoll, Weinstein, Parker, R D Sharp, Foltz, Wright, Potter and Cassidy.

NOV 7 -- Lieutenants Foltz and Barker opened today's operational activity by flying a weather recon mission in the area of Liège, Aachen and Koblenz.

Today's second mission employed a full three-flight tactical formation for a combination dive-bombing, recon assignment directed against a warehouse southwest of Bonn and observation coverage of the Elsdorf-Carolstein-Kyllburg-Liburg area. The assigned target for the dive bombing phase of the mission was successfully located and 20 bombs were dropped in the area with good results. On the mission were Driscoll, R D Sharp, Weinstein, Leary, White, Rogal, Fawer, Carlson, Horowitz, Potter and Kalen. Kalen hit the jacket of the bomb run, scoring two direct hits on an ammo dump with highly effective results. No strafing was attempted.

Group special orders published today placed Capt Harris F. Krause of this squadron on temporary duty for three days at Shiley Rocket Range.

NOV 8 -- Today's only mission was an almost totally uneventful top cover assignment for the 395th and 396th Squadrons on a rail cutting mission. The two bomb-carrying squadrons were unable to locate the assigned targets and dropped their bombs elsewhere with

unobserved results. No strafing was attempted. On the mission were Carbine, Politz, Olden, Barber, D. L. Sharp, Brown, Baker, Cessady, Stoll and Fauley.

NOV 11 -- Twenty-six years ago today our dads and uncles put down the tools of war that they, in but nineteen months, had learned to loathe, and started packing their ax and drawers with the gay anticipation of returning to their coveted civilian status. Some of us did similar packing today, but it was only for a trip to the laundry or to turn into QM for replacement -- the 1944 Army has decided it best to stick around for a while.

Here on the base, there were no Armistice Day festivities, no celebration, no variation from the routine. It was strictly "...business as usual". The Belgian civil population in nearby Oisures, however, did take time out to observe, not celebrate, the holiday by paying tribute to their dead of both World Wars. A platoon of 21 enlisted men from this squadron participated in the activity. The event was inaugurated with a Solemn High Mass in the village church, with four of the local civil clergy officiating. Following was a parade to the local cemetery, where rites were held at the graves of the civil and military populace who had given their lives in this and the last war, including the graves of a dozen or more Allied soldiers recently buried there. The ceremonies were concluded in the village square, where a floral wreath was placed on the World War Memorial on the town hall.

Oisures, Belgium, hardly a dot on the map of Europe, honored their dead today, shed a few well called for tears, and then pledged themselves, and their lives if need be, to the Allied cause and to the interests of the lasting peace to come.

Meanwhile, the squadron was flying two missions in the same interests. Major Carbine and Lieutenant Politz started the squadron's operational Armistice Day parade by flying a weather recon mission in the Cologne-Damm area. Major Carbine spotted a single German locomotive during the course of the mission, strafed and damaged it.

The weather was found to be not entirely favorable, but the squadron dispatched three flights on a support job for the advancing 28th U. S. Infantry Division anyway. The formation dropped 20 bombs on a railroad track, but the results were generally poor due to the prevailing weather conditions. Second Lieutenant Joe A. Furney, veteran 397th pilot who recently returned to the squadron following a long stay in the hospital recovering from injuries sustained when he bailed out into the English Channel last June, was lost on this mission. His plane was hit hard by enemy flak in the target area and he reported over R/T that he was going to bail out. He was last contacted five miles east of Aachen. Others on the mission were Driscoll, Hogan, Arps, Weinstein, Olden, Evans, Stoll, Fauley, Leary, Wright and Patrick.

A new pilot, Major Anthony A. Rozge, was assigned to the squadron per special orders published today. A new sheet metal specialist, Cpl Warren D. Cantrell, was assigned to the organization by the same orders.

NOV 12 -- Squadron orders published today appointed First Lieutenant Richard H. Eickensdorfer as Squadron Historical and Security Officer, in addition to his other duties.

NOV 13 -- Army Special Orders published today assigned a new pilot, Second Lieutenant Carl W. Uterhart, to the squadron.

NOV 15 -- Squadron orders published today relieved Captain Dean L. Williams from duty as Squadron Executive Officer, effective this date.

NOV 18 -- Ground force support, dive bombing and armed recon was the three-fold purpose of today's first mission. The ground force support phase was for the First Infantry, the dive bombing as directed by the ground controllers, and the armed recon was in the area of Eschweiler and the Rhine River. The squadron bombed a varied assortment of targets pointed out by the ground controllers with effective results. On the mission were Carbine, Vickerman, Barber, Patrick, Horlacher, Cessady, Fonder, Baker, Krombe,

Hogan, Sco and Fair.

Support through dive bombing for the First Infantry Division at Bressanich and ground recon between Eschweiler and the Rhine River was also the purpose of today's second mission, a three-flight, bomb-carrying assignment that was executed in accordance with plan. The formation successfully contacted the ground controllers and were directed by smoke bombs to a wooded area southeast of Heistain. The entire squadron bombed at this point and the results were thought to be good, although the nature of the target was not observed. On the mission were Carlson, Karowitz, Kerr, Helen, Volts, Wright, Fetter, Frisbie, Leary, Gray, Hamilton and Marini.

Receipt of squadron orders today disclosed the appointment of Capt Stanley L. Johnson as Squadron Executive Officer, replacing Capt Earl L. Williams, recently relieved. First Lieutenant Carl H. Hundlach was appointed, by the same orders, to replace Capt Johnson as Squadron Adjutant and Base Officer, and Second Lieutenant John L. Dixon will replace Lt Hundlach as Squadron Supply and Transportation Officer. Lt Dixon was formerly Tech Supply and Assistant Engineering Officer. Lt Hundlach has also been designated as Army Air Forces Aid Society Officer.

NOV 19 -- Two more combination ground force support, dive bombing and armed recon missions were flown by the squadron today. The ground force support was again for the First Infantry Division at Bressanich and the armed recon work was in the area west of the Rhine. Two bombs and GP's both were used on the day's first mission. Targets were marked by the ground controllers and the formation dropped their entire load on the assigned areas with accurate results. Capt Carlson's flight destroyed two locomotives in a strafing attack that followed the bombing, and, following this incident, Capt Carlson and Lt Hamilton teamed up and destroyed three military trucks via the same process. On the mission were Carlson, Karowitz, Kerr, Helen, Leary, R D Sharp, Arps, Baker, Dams, Jonant, Hamilton and Bender.

Today's second mission was identical to the first, excepting the addition of a leaflet dropping assignment. The First Infantry was contacted and the squadron was directed to bomb 20 gun placements. Seventeen bombs were dropped on the assigned target, but the results were not observed. The mission was otherwise eventful. Participating were Carbine, Ferens, Wickerman, Cassidy, Ira ne, Wright, Sco, Hogan, Horlacher, Kostrach, Barker and Heistain.

NOV 20 -- Inclement weather generally prevailed today, with scattered rain and hail storms. Operational activity was at a standstill, with everything grounded, and there was little activity of any kind.

NOV 21 -- Today's bad weather finally broke about noon and permitted a ground support mission for the 1st Inf Div to take-off in the early afternoon. However, there was still too much cloud cover over the target area for close support work. Our planes were directed to the small town of Pinesfeld where all of our bombs were dropped. The results were thought to be excellent as flames and columns of smoke were seen. Cloud cover prevented any action on the recon sweep which followed. Pilots on the mission were Carbine, Leavoy, Stoll, Weinstein, Volitz, Wright, Cassidy, Frisbie, Horlacher, Barker, and Fauler.

Captain Roy D. Carlson and 2nd Lt John A. Hellmuth were sent to the Air Force rest home for seven days by Group Special Orders Number 140 of this date.

A tragic accident, which occurred today, resulted in the death of 1st Merrill A. Holmes and the serious injury of 2nd Lt Leslie A. Fraiz. A personnel carrier in which they were riding was hit by part of a dismounted gun bracket on the back of a 2 1/2 ton truck which was traveling in the opposite direction.

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The gun mount broke Sgt Valdes' neck, killing him almost instantly. 1st Lt [unclear] suffered a broken clavicle. Both of these men were old members of the 47th. 1st Lt [unclear] was sent to the 40th Field Hospital and later transferred to the 113th General Hospital. Their assignments dated from 3 June 1944, when they joined this organization at Westover Field, Mass. Sgt Valdes came from Manserville, Mass and 1st Lt [unclear] from Berwin, Missouri.

NOV 22 -- Bad weather marked by rain and high wind kept all planes grounded today. Group Special Orders number 109, dated 17 November 1944, received today, awarded the Good Conduct Medal to the following enlisted men of this organization: 1st Charles J. Hood, 1st Walter J. Lewis, Friedrich T. Nelson, Charles E. Stacey, 1st Edward J. Stewart, Albert J. Salomanni, James T. King, Walter J. [unclear], William J. Silbriest, Edmond Koswin, Samuel Swarr, Melvin J. Kavelbaker, William J. [unclear], Frank A. Howell, John [unclear], and Vernon L. Heiss ----- for exceptional service as "Stokers and Sideliners".

In the same order, three new pilots were assigned to this squadron. They are 1st Lt William J. [unclear], 1st Lt James J. Vandell, and 2nd Lt James E. Hutneron.

NOV 23 -- This being the next-to-last Thursday in November, Thanksgiving was celebrated today in accordance with our recent democratic tradition. There was plenty of turkey for all and it was a most welcome interlude in our daily fare. Services for all denominations and the private thoughts of each man marked the more serious side of the occasion.

The weather, however, did not smile on this festive day and was, if possible, a little worse than usual. No flying was attempted.

NOV 24 -- A continuation of bad weather kept all the planes grounded again today. Report number 33 of the History Credits Board, dated 16 Nov 44, confirmed the destruction of one of the two P-40's claimed by Capt Charles A. Holt on the 11th, and places the other in the category of "possibly destroyed, unconfirmed."

Group Special Orders No. 141 of this date assigned seven new pilots to this squadron. They are 2nd Lt Charles E. Huckle, 1st Lt James E. Hunt, Benjamin J. Salason, George W. Hickman, John A. Gail, James H. Tolen, and Ralph W. Thornton.

2nd Lt Charles E. Holtz was sent on temporary duty for three days to the Spicer Rocket Range.

NOV 25 -- After a long spell of bad weather, our planes today accomplished a highly successful mission. Again it was support for 1st Inf Div, which directed them to bomb a train east of Duren. The train was completely destroyed by bombing and strafing in which Major Leary and Lt Hamilton particularly distinguished themselves. Major Leary scored a bulls eye with a bomb on the locomotive which had been detached from the train and hidden near a small building. On the armed recon which followed, the squadron had a field day strafing everything in the countryside between Duren and the Rhine River; it's name and Hamilton finished off nine small vehicles between them, as well as two larger vehicles each. Major Leary and Lt Arps each destroyed one vehicle and Major Leary damaged two others. The squadron also strafed a number of haystacks near Hammich which were thought to conceal tanks. Tracks could be seen leading into these haystacks and several men were seen running out of them during the strafing. Those on the stacks were Leary, Lewis, Arps, E. Sharp, Pema, Arledge, Hamilton, Patrick, Krause, Vandell, Baker, and Loren.

NOV 26 -- The squadron today continued its support for the 1st Inf Div by attacking two gun positions and a troop concentration east of Duren. The targets were marked with red smoke and the controller reported that the results were excellent. A later written report stated that the area was completely neutralized. The squadron was called upon to straf the road east of Duren, but only one trailer loaded with boxes was seen. It was quickly dispatched by strafing. Pilots on the mission were: Carbine, Arledge, Weinstein, Potter, Wright, Barker, Hogan, Olden, Leavoy, Stoll, and Evans.

1971 -- Today the 1st Inf Div allowed our planes to bomb the town of Reich. Sixteen five hundred pound bombs were dropped in palace pattern and left the town burning. Eight fragmentation bombs were then dropped on a cluster of artillery positions with equally excellent results. Then our planes reaped a huge harvest of Jerry transportation with plenty of targets available and good weather to aid them. Capt Krause's flight smashed up a train of fifty flak cars destroying the engine as well as severely damaging three trains of about twenty cars each and a single locomotive. They also strafed and damaged several gun positions. Major Leary and Lt Uterhart teamed up to destroy a locomotive and fifteen cars. Major Leary then added two locomotives and twenty motor vehicles to his score as well as damaging four gun positions. Lt's Krue and J. Sherr strafed and damaged a locomotive and fifteen cars as well as shooting up a small town. Major Leary had a close call when his plane got pretty well shot up by flak southeast of Neuss. He told the controller that he was going to bail out, but he managed to belly-in safely on our side of the bomb line. Pilots on the mission were: Leary, Kostach, Krue, H. B. Sherr, Kane, White, Hamilton, Patrick, Kruege, Mandel, Cain, and Uterhart.

In a formal presentation ceremony of the 46th Army Area, Major General Bessie presented awards to the deserving officers and enlisted men of the 46th and 465th Groups. Col Stecker, CG of the 46th and Base Commander read the citations. The following awards were made to members of this squadron: Bronze Star Medal to 1st Lt Carl E. Flick and 2nd Lt Andrew J. Johnson, Air Medal to Major Thomas J. Carbine, Capt Morris E. Krause, 1st Lt Vernon W. Friable, and 2nd Lt's Edgar W. Parker, Robert E. Cassady, Donald L. Evans, Kenneth E. Keller and Charles E. Patrick.

1972 -- The squadron was briefed on another support mission for the 1st Inf Div, but after several court-cases of the take-off due to bad weather, the mission was scrubbed.

1973 -- Unexpected good weather today sent our pilots into action again on two missions. The first mission was to have been an escort for the 1st Inf Div again, but after the planes were bombed up, it was suddenly decided that they were to escort formation of B-26's. The escort was uneventful and they bombed back through overcast at the direction of the controller. Major Carbine and his flight strafed and damaged a train at Vattweias. On this mission were: Carbine, Lewis, J. Sherr, Cassady, Perry, Kostach, J. E. Taver, Kalen, Krause, Mandel, Bender, and Sicini.

The second mission another hurry up call to escort more B-26's. The mission was uneventful and bad weather prevented any observation of the bombing results. Pilots on the mission were: Leary, Kostach, Stoll, Evans, Bender, Cassady, Parker, Cain, Krause, Arledge, Hamilton, and Patrick.

1974 -- A day of clear weather enabled the squadron to wind up this month's operational activity with two highly successful missions both in support of the 1st Inf Div. On the first mission, the town of Loehren and the railroad through it were plastered with 22 bombs. Lt Keller scored a direct hit on the tracks. In the armed races which followed, Major Leary and Lt's Weinstein and Kalen strafed and damaged seven armored vehicles, destroyed a locomotive, and damaged five flat cars. The second mission resulted in the destruction of an enemy command post and severe damage to railroad installations in the town of Rheinbeck. Lt's Leo, Olson, and Sicini particularly distinguished themselves by the accuracy of their bombing. Those participating in this mission were: Carbine, Kostach, Leo, Olson, Perry, Kostach, Sicini, Alden, Weaver, Stoll, and Keller.

2nd Lt George E. Dickler of Conleone, Ohio was killed on a training mission late afternoon. He had been with the squadron less than a week. He went into a simulated bomb run from which his plane failed to recover.

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CONFIRMATION OF VICTORY CREDITS BOARD - AIR

29 October 1944.

The "Confirmation of Victory Credits Board", as appointed by par. 2, SO 171, this Headquarters dated 22 October 1944, awards victory credit claims to the following officers this command:

NAME	GROUP	SQDN	1944 DATE	VICTORY CLAIM			CONFIRMED VICTORY			UNCONFIRMED VICTORY			E/A	PLACE	REMARKS	
				D	P	IM	D	P	DM	D	P	DM				
1st Lt Robert E. Caldwell	368	395	27-7	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	FW 190	E of Coutances	None
1st Lt Robert E. Caldwell	368	395	27-7	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	ME 109	E of Coutances	None
2nd Lt Milton S. Bender	368	397	11-9	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	ME 109	Eupen	None
1st Lt Henry B. Hamilton	368	397	11-9	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	ME 109	Eupen	None
2nd Lt James P. Hogan Jr.	368	397	11-9	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	ME 109	Eupen	None
2nd Lt Frederick C. Stoll Jr.	368	397	11-9	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	ME 109	Eupen	None
2nd Lt William A. Preston	368	397	20-9	1/3	0	0	1/3	0	0	0	0	0	0	ME 410	16050 Area	Share with Lt's Carlson and Kalen
1st Lt Roy D. Carlson	368	397	20-9	1/3	0	0	1/3	0	0	0	0	0	0	ME 410	16050 Area	Share with Lt's Preston and Kalen
2nd Lt Kenneth E. Kalen	368	397	20-9	1/3	0	0	1/3	0	0	0	0	0	0	ME 410	16050 Area	Share with Lt's Preston and Carlson

Members:

APPROVED:

By command of Major General QUESADA:

PHILLIPS METVILLE,
Colonel, Air Corps,
President of Board.

{ Lt Col JAMES K. DOWLING, AC _____

{ Major WILLIAM M. ROWE, AC _____

{ Captain HARRY R. JAMES, AC _____

A.C. KINGAID,
Brig Gen, USA,
Chief of Staff.

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1st Lt, Air Corps,
Intelligence Officer,
397th Ftr Sqdn.

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1st TACTICAL AIR COMMAND
APO 595, U. S. Army

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CONFIRMATION OF VICTORY CREDITS BOARD - 311

5 November 1944

The "Confirmation of Victory Credits Board", as appointed by par. 2, SC 171, this Headquarters, dated 22 Oct 44, awards victory credit claims to the following O's this command:

NAME	GMP	SAD	1944 DATE	VICTORY CLAIM			CONFIRMED VICTORY			L/A	PLAC	REMARKS	
				D	P	DA	D	P	DA				

Maj THOMAS J CARBINE	368	397	6/10	1	0	0	1	0	0	AE	109	03132	Share w/Lt RD Carlson
1/Lt ROY D CARLSON	368	397	6/10	1	0	0	1	0	0	AE	109	03132	Share w/Maj T Carbine
2/Lt MANUEL K SOO	368	397	6/10	1	0	0	1	0	0	AE	109	03132	None

APPROVED:

By command of Major General WELLS:

A. C. KINGAID,
Brig Gen, USA,
Chief of Staff

Members:

PHILLIPS MELVILLE,
Colonel, Air Corps,
President of Board.

(Lt Col JAMES K DOWLING, AG _____
; (Major WILLIAM M ROWE, AG _____
; (Captain HARRY R JAMES, AG _____

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MORTON H. MAGNUS,
1st Lt, Air Corps,
S-2 O, 397 F Sq.

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The "Confirmation of Victory Credit Board", as appointed by par. 2, SC 171, this Headquarters dated 22 October 1944, awards victory credit claims to the following officers this command:

NAME	GROUP	SCORE	DATE	VICTORY CREDIT BOARD	CONFIRMATION	PLACE	REMARKS
			1944	DEATH	VICTORY	VICTORY	
Capt Carlos L. Tolbott	368	307	11-9	200	100	010	ST 109 Limbourg None
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Members:

/s/ P. Melville (Lt Col JAMES K. DOWNING, AG)
 /t/ PHILLIPS MELVILLE, Colonel, Air Corps, President of Board. (Major WILLIAM H. ROWE, AG /s/ William H. Rowe
 (Captain HARRY R. JAMES, AG/s/ Harry R. James

APPROVED:

By command of Major General QUESADA:

/s/ A. C. Kincaid
 /t/ A. C. KINCAID,
 Brig Gen, USA,
 Chief of Staff.

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368th Fighter Group

30 November 1944

SUBJECT: Air Support Mission Log - 26 Nov

TO : Gp 30; 3p 3-2; 3p 3-3; 306 3-2; 306 3-3; 307 3-2.

1. The following Air Support Mission Log of the 368th Fighter Group for 26 November 1944 is published for your information and interest.

2. These reports originate from Infantry, Armored and Field Artillery Observation Posts ("O.P.s"). These O.P.s are manned by trained intelligence personnel and are usually located on the highest ground at the front line where the battle front can be observed.

3. It has been requested that such reports be forwarded to this office on all missions so that this information may be disseminated to the squadron.

/s/ William L. Davis
/s/ William L. Davis
Capt., Inf.
368th FG

AIR SUPPORT MISSION LOG - 26 Nov 44

Ref: 1066687

MISSION	TOT	SCADAN	TIME	COORDS	RESULTS	REMARKS
21-2	1400	025476	025476	025476	Bombs on tpt. 16 1/2 bombs dropped at 025476. 8 Frag bombs dropped on enemy of water at 042503	32nd PI and 18 MP Co's ret. One of troops, bombs on tpt, very effective, area completely neutralized. See footnote below.

Footnote: These two targets had originally been discovered by 100th AF too close to friendly troops and more appropriate for artillery targets.

"A. B. C. 100th AF"

/s/ William L. Davis
Major, Inf.

1st Lt, Air Corps,
368th FG, 2nd Lt, Officer.

C O N F I D E N T I A L

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397th Ftr Sqdn 9-2 Rpt on a D/Bomb Mission - 3 Nov 44 - Sqdn Mission No. 274.

- A -- Opns O No. _____, Mission No. "Y21-5", Mission No. for Day: ONE - 3 Nov 44.
Mission was dive bombing of fuel dump NE of Duren (F-160550).
B -- 368 F Gp - 397 F Sq - 12 A/O Disp -- One abort (belly-tank on fire).
C -- UP: 1039 -- crossed B.Line on way in at 1110 -- TOP: 1120 -- Crossed B.Line
on way out at 1200 -- DOWN: 1250.
D -- One of our A/O missing (hit by enemy flak at F-0540) -- Second Lieutenant
WILLIAM A. HRESTON - 'NYR'.
E -- B/Load: 12 x 2 x 500-lb GP's (Inst Nose, 1/40 tail) -- 17 bombs in tgt area.
Three bombs jet 3 of Duren -- two ret to base by abort. - Two on A/O missing.
Lt B B SHARP, Lt KEAR and Lt WEINSTEIN scored good hits in the oil storage
area. Fires and smoke were observed. Three near misses on the main 'L'-shaped
storage bldg were observed as well as several hits among the other installations.
Lt HRESTON's plane was hit by enemy flak as he approached the tgt area, SW of
Duren (at F-0540). 'Sweepstakes' reported that he bailed-out in friendly terri-
tory, but he was not seen to bail-out by any member of the squadron. After the
bombing, the squadron made a sweep directly south to about L-1580. They returned
to Duren and home without incident.
F -- Hvy, mod, very acc flak at F-0540.
G -- A rocket contrail heading straight up was observed at F-4005 at alt of 25,000'.
Our planes were flying at 18,000'.
H -- Wea: Over tgt area -- 9/10 Strato Cumulus cloud cov, base 9,000', top 10,000'.
Visib 3 mi below clouds, unlimited above.
On the last half of the trip home there was 7/10 cov, base 3,000', top
4,500'.
I -- Code not used.

All Bombs: CARLSON FOLTZ DRISCOLL
 LEARY BIABINI SHARP R D
 HRESTON * SHARP D M KEAR
 BAUER, G. L. ** BARKER WEINSTEIN

* NYR

** Abortive.

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397th Ftr Sqn S-2 Sgt on a D/Boch Mission - 5 Nov 44 - Sqn Mission No. 275.

- 1-- Comd Co. _____, Mission No. "Y21-6", Mission No. for Day: 101 - 5 Nov 44
Mission was to have been dive bombing of a power plant at F-342635, 397th
Sqn was to have been for cover. Weather prevented accomplishment.
- 2-- 368th Ftr Sq - 397th Ftr Sqn -- 12 A/C Disp -- 12 Weather Shorts.
- 3-- TP: 1445 -- 1641; 1641.
- 4-- III
- 5-- 12 A/C used as escort. Sq flew to the vicinity of Liege where they contacted
Marmite and Sweepstakes. There they decided not to complete the mission. The
Sq flew on to Aachen and returned to the base without incident.
- 6-- III
- 7-- III
- 8-- 17/10 Cloud cover, Stratus and Clouds during entire mission.
- 9-- Code not used.

NO. 1008:	CLIFFORD	WATSON	WILSON
	SMITH	WATSON	WILSON
	WATSON	WATSON	WILSON
	WATSON	WATSON	WILSON, G. L.

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397th Ftr Sqdn S-2 Rpt on a Ground Force Support Mission - 4 Nov 44 - Mission 276.

- A -- Opns O No. _____, Mission No. "Y21-3", Mission No. for Day: ONE - 4 Nov 44. Mission was to support "Hoppercraft" (28th Inf) at Schmidt (F-0630) and to conduct an armed recon for a radius of 25 mi N, NE, E, and S of Schmidt.
- B -- 368th Ftr Gp - 397th Ftr Sqdn -- 12 A/C Disp -- One abort (E/Ldr believed that he was hit, and his wingman accompanied him home without dropping bombs).
- C -- UP: 1503 -- TOT: 1537 (Tgt was on b/line) -- Crossed b/line on way out at 1500 -- DOWN: 1531.
- D -- 2 of our A/O dam by enemy flak at F-3530, Cat "A".
- E -- B/Load: 8 x 2 x 500-lb HP's -- Fuels: Inst nose, 1/40 tail -- 11 bombs in tgt area. 2 jet (armed) at F-1633 -- 1 jet (armed) at F-0640 -- 2 ret to base. 4 A/O used as escort. Squadron reached asgd area, town of Schmidt (F-0630), but was unable to contact "Hoppercraft" due to radio trouble. "Marmite", however, attempted to vector squadron to a tgt (small bridge at F-1127). Due to a garbled radio, the squadron was misdirected considerably south of the intended tgt. Another tgt at F-1033 (small bridge) was then asgd through "Marmite". Before this tgt was reached, "Hoppercraft" came on the air and directed the squadron to attack a concentration of tanks in Schmidt (F-0630). Our planes dropped 10 bombs in a close pattern on this tgt and one bomb immediately E of Schmidt. Lt OLDEN was seen to score a direct hit on a tank. No strafing.
- F -- hvy, int, acc AA at F-3530. A band of flak, approx 4 mi wide, extending from Schmidt to the outskirts of Luakirchen, hvy, int, acc. hvy, int, very acc AA at F-3530.
- G -- A flying bomb was observed at 1500 hrs, flying through our formation at 1,500', headed West NW, towards Brussels or Antwerp. It was seen in the vicinity of Liege. Three very large puffs of black smoke were observed at a distance NW of Cologne. They were thought to be signals for enemy fighters to come in.
- H -- Wea: 7/10 Nimbo-Stratus cloud cov over tgt area, base 1,000', top 2,500'. Good visib. Intermittant Nimbo-Stratus layers from 2,000' to 9,000' on way home. 15 mi visib.
- I -- Code not used.

Bombs: CARBINE - BURNEY - ROSAL - WEINSTEIN
Bombs: OLDEN - EVANS - STOLL - FAULEY
Escrt: CARLSON - BAKER - LEAHY - G L BAUER

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397th Ftr Sqdn S-2 Mgt on a Rail-Cutting Mission - 5 Nov 44 - Sqdn Mission No. 277.

- A -- Opns O No. _____, Mission No. "Y21-4", Mission No. for Day: ONE - 5 Nov 44.
Mission was to have been rail-cutting west of Cologne (F-1350 to F-2757) and
dive-bombing of bridge at F-272575. An alternate tgt, in case of bad wea, was
the rail line south of Cologne (F-3529 to F-4925).
- B -- 368th F Gp -- 397th F Sq -- 12 A/O Disp -- One abort (part of canopy came off).
- C -- UP: 1006 -- Crossed b/line on way in at 1030 -- TOT: 1100 -- Crossed b/line on
way out at 1130 -- DOWN: 1207.
- D -- Nil.
- E -- B/Load: 12 x 2 x 1,000-lb GP's -- Fuse: Inst nose, 1/40 tail -- 22 bombs in tgt ar-
ea. Squadron contacted "Sweepstakes". It was told to proceed NE and contact
"Disco". "Disco" vectored them to a point believed to be about 7 mi W of
Dusseldorf (F-2090). All bombs were released at this point. After bombing,
the squadron proceeded to the alternate tgt, where they acted as top cover
while "Serum" Squadron went down to strafe a train. "Serum" Squadron saw an
unknown squadron strafing with good results and retired.
- F -- Hvy, weag, inacc AA at Euskirchen.
- G -- A flying bomb was seen at a distance west of Cologne, heading west in a high arc
at about 20,000', at 1045 hrs.
- H -- Wea: 10/10 cloud cov -- top 8,000, base unknown.
- I -- Code not used.
- All Bombs: DRISCOLL -- R D SHARP -- LEARY -- WEINSTEIN (Abort)
KRAUSE -- FEIN -- BURNEY -- HOGAN
HURLACHER -- BENDER -- KERR -- BARKER

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397th Tr Sqn B-2 Ret on Railroad Bridge Five Bombing - 1st Coy 44 Sqn, Mission No. 27

1 - one No. _____, Mission No. "121-44", Mission No. for 1st Coy 44 Sqn. Mission was to dive bomb a bridge at E-186647 and to cut a rail line (E-1520 to E-1700). An alternate tgt was a bridge at E-34222 and cutting of rail line (E-3120 to E-3445).

2 - 368th F. S. - 397th F. Sqn - 12 1/2 Mig - no shorts.

3 - 1400 - Crossed R/line on way in at 1400 - 1410 - Crossed R/line on way out 1445 - 1450 - 1440.

4 - Nil.

5 - R/Load; 12x2x500 lbs - Fuel: Inst - one 1/40 tail - 24 bombs in tot area.

The sqdn dropped 20 bombs on Verff (E-16705), mistaking it for the assigned tgt. An oil fire was observed. Two planes bombed on the assigned tgt, i.e., bridge at E-186647. The bombs fell slightly West of the bridge due to a very high wind. A small rake of box cars was strafed at Verff.

6 - Rvc, 1st sec flak at E-3385. Light mod incc - at E-1146.

7 - Three rocket contrails were observed at 1515 hours describing high arcs at from 10 to 30 thousand feet altitude near Koblenz, at E-4000, and south of Cologne respectively.

8 - sec: scattered low level clouds were observed over tot area, top 11000 feet, less limited visibility to from 10 to five miles.

9 - Code not used.

All names: Carbine - Cole - Sharp - L. L. Loper -

1 - Loper - Loper - Stoll - Toulet -

2 - Holtz - Patrick - Royal - St. Louis -

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397th Ftr Sqdn 3-2 rpt on rail cutting mission (top cover) - 6 Nov 44 Sqdn mission No 279

- A -- Opns O No. _____, Mission No. '121-4', mission for day: one - 6 Nov 44.
Top cover for rail cutting mission - green system - line "1" (F-352) to F-3645),
alternate tgt line "F2" (L-3297 to F-6518).
- B -- 368th F Gp -- 597th F Sqdn -- 12 A/C Disp -- No Aborts.
- C -- UP: 1209 -- Crossed bomb line on way in 1225 -- TD: 1250 -- crossed bomb line on
way out 1310 -- DOWN 1348.
- D -- Cns of our A/C damaged at F-4050 by enemy flak, Cat. 4/5.
- E -- 12 A/C used as escort. Tropic Sqdn served as top cover for Flapper and Serum
Sqdns. out to the assigned tgt (F-352) to F-3645), a rail line on the Green System,
and returned home without incident, results of bombing were not observed.
- F -- Rvy Mod very accurate AI at F-4050.
- G -- Nil
- H -- Weather: 5/10 cloud cover over tgt area - fair weather cumulus, base unknown top
12,000 visibility good.
- I -- Code not used.

No bombs: Carbine - Patrick - Kerr - Baker
Olden - White - Stoll - Evans
Leary - Frisbie - Burney - Bender

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397th Ftr Sqdn S-2 Rpt on a Rail-Cutting Mission - 6 Nov 44 - Sqdn Mission 280.

- A -- Opns O No. _____, Mission No. "Y21-4", Mission No. for Day: IWO - 6 Nov 44. Mission was rail-cutting, "Green System", Line "A" (F-1550 to F-1759).
- B -- 368th Ftr Gp -- 397th Ftr Sqdn -- 12 A/C Disp -- one abort (pilot error; misunderstanding of belly-tank mechanism).
- C -- UP: 1510 -- Crossed b/line on way in at 1535 -- TGT: 1550 -- Crossed b/line on way out at 1610 -- DOWN: 1648.
- D -- Nil.
- E -- B/Load: 12 x 2 x 500-lb GP's -- Fuse: Inst nose, 1/40 tail -- 21 bombs in tgt area. One jet (safe) at F-2860 -- 2 ret to base. The squadron reached the asgd tgt and bombed in a close pattern. Lt D SHARP made one cut on the line at F-1656. Lt BAUER scored a cut at F-1452. Many near misses were observed.
- F -- Hvy, very int, very acc AA at F-0341. A belt of flak extending about 10 mi S from Duren, hvy, int, acc.
- G -- Nil.
- H -- Wea: 1/10 to 2/10 cloud cov over tgt area, and a layer of cirrus, base 18 to 20,000', top unknown. Good visib.
- I -- Code not used.

All Bombs: CARLSON HONOWITZ SHARP, DM, BAUER, GL
BRISCOLL DEINSTEIN BARKER SHARP, RD
FOLT, WRIGHT (abort) POTTER CASSADY

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397th Ftr Sqdn S-2 Rpt on a Weather Recce Mission - 7 Nov 44 - Sqdn Mission No. 281.

- A -- Opns O No. _____, Mission No. "VOOO 70th Ftr Wing", Mission No. for day ONE
7 Nov 44. Weather Recce in the area of Liege, Aachen, and Koblenz.
- B -- 368th Ftr Gp -- 397th Ftr Sqdn -- 2 A/C Disp -- No Aborts.
- C -- UP: 0959 -- Crossed B/line ^{over} way in at 1005 -- Crossed B/line on way out
at 1100 -- DOWN: 1157.
- D -- Nil.
- E -- Nil.
- F -- Light, weak, inacc flak at L-5596.
- G -- At about 1105 while our planes were in the area of Verviers, Sweepstakes
reported a flying bomb in the vicinity, our pilots observed nothing.
- H -- Area of Liege, Aachen, and Koblenz; Lowest cloud layer - Cumulus Clouds;
base 3,000 feet; top 5,000 feet - Next layer - Strato-Cumulus Clouds; base
5,500 to 6,000 feet; top 8,000 feet to 8,500 feet; highest layer - Strato-
Cumulus Clouds; base 8,000 feet or a little higher; top 13,000 feet.
Cloud coverage- lowest layer 4/10; next layer 9/10; highest layer 9/10 or
10/10. Visibility ranged from five to ten miles. No icing. No rain. Altitudes
of tops and bottoms of clouds layers were very irregular and variable.
- I -- Sqdn code not used.

No Bombs: POLTE AND BAKER

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397th Ftr Sqdn 3-2 Rpt on a D/Bomb & Recon Mission - 7 Nov 44 - Sqdn Mission No. 282.

- A -- Opns O No. _____, Mission No. "Y21-6", Mission No. for Day: TWO - 7 Nov 44.
D/Bomb warehouses SSW of Bonn. (F-463107) and recon in area of Elsdorf (F-1860),
Gerolstein (L-2481), Kyllburg (L-1861), and Bitburg (L-1353).
- B -- 368 F Wp - 397 F Sq -- 11 A/C Disp -- One abort (engine running roughly).
- C -- UP: 1202 -- TOT: Crossed b/line on way in at 1235; bombed at 1300; crossed b/line
on way out at 1355 -- DOWN: 1448.
- D -- One A/C slightly dam (small hole) -- flak -- Cat "A".
- E -- B/Load: 11 x 2 x 500-lb GP's -- Fuse: Inst nose, 1/40 tail -- 28 bombs in tgt area;
2 bombs ret to base. Twenty (20) bombs were dropped in the asgd tgt area.
There were many hits in the warehouse area. A fire was seen at the NE end of a
forrest very close to the warehouses. Another fire was seen among the warehouses.
Lt KALEH scored two direct hits on an ammo dump in the warehouse area, and black
smoke was seen. No strafing. (Andernach).
- F -- Hvy, mod, inacc AA at F-7604./ Lgt, mod, inacc AA in the area of L-0278.
Hvy, wk, inacc AA at F-4800. Hvy, mod, fairly acc AA at F-7400. (this was a N/Y).
- G -- Many hospa were seen at Andernach (F-7604). From 40 to 50 goodswagons were
seen in a N/Y at F-7400. There was hvy, mod, fairly acc AA at this place. No
engins was seen attached to the goodswagons.
- H -- Tgt area: 5/10 to 6/10 Cumulus cloud cov, base 4,000', top 10,000', good visib.
- I -- Code not used.

All Bombs: IRISOLL R D SHARP WEINSTEIN
LEARY WHITE ROGAL (Abort) Lt BAUER
CARLSON HROWITZ POTTER KALEH

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577th Ftr Sqdn 2-2 rpt on low level mission (rail yards and bridge bombing,
8 Nov 44 - Sqdn mission No. 10)

- A -- Opns O NO. _____, mission no. 121-4, mission 2. In day 10 - 8 Nov 44.
Mission was to have been top cover for 577th and 587th in cutting of line F of
Green system (L-5277 to L-6718, and dive bombing of bridges on line F at F-596056
and F-487150. tgts were not found and bombing was done elsewhere.
- B -- 568th Ftr Sq -- 577th Ftr Sqdn -- 10 A/C Disp. -- No aborts.
- C -- 08: 0955 -- 101: Crossed b/line on way in at 1029; 107th and 106th bombed
between 1040 and 1055; crossed b/line on way out at 1107, down at 1141.
- D -- Nil.
- E -- All ten A/C were used as escort (10: cover). The assigned tgts were not found
and the bombing was done elsewhere. Our pilots could not determine the location
of the tgts bombed, nor could they determine the nature of the tgts or the
results of the bombing.
No strafing.
- F -- Ivy, weak, inacc fix at L-5282.
Ivy, weak, inacc fix at L-5200.
- G -- An engine was seen in a marshalling yard at L-5282. No cars were seen with the engine
this engine had steam up but on the approach of our planes steam was turned off.
A military convoy consisting of 12 or 13 vehicles was seen moving west at an
undetermined pace.
- H -- 8/10 or 9/10 cloud coverage - Stratus clouds - this layer was on the ground -
visibility unknown.
9/10 cloud coverage - Stratus clouds - base 10,000 to 12,000 feet - top
unknown - visibility very good.
3/10 cloud coverage - Cirrus clouds - base 25,000 or 30,000 feet - top
unknown -
- I -- Sqdn code not used.

No Bombs: CABLE LEWIS SMITH
 FOLEY D A GRANT CASSADI
 JONES EVANS STICK TADDA

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397th Ftr Sqdn 3-2 apt on a weather recon mission - 11 Nov 44 - Sqdn Mission No. 284.

- A -- Opns No. _____, Mission No. _____ 70th Fighter Wing, Mission No. for day 041
11 Nov 44. Weather recon in vicinity of Cologne, and Bonn.
- B -- 368th Ftr Sq -- 397th Ftr Sqdn -- 2 1/2 hrs -- no aborts.
- C -- Op: 0810 -- crossed B/line on way in 0855 -- fuel 0805 -- crossed B/line on way out
at 0925 -- Down: 0930.
- D -- Nil.
- E -- A single locomotive was damaged by strafing at 1-2, A. *7047, Y. C. 11/11/44*
- F -- Sight, int, fairly acc, at Sulzbach (P-2552).
- G -- radio jammed on both "A" and "B" channels from tgt area to Siegen.
- H -- Sea 10/10 cover area of tgt; rain showers. Three cloud layers: base 500', top 1,000',
base 3,500' - to 5,000', base 8,000' - to 10,000, Cumulus and thin stratus.
Poor vis in showers, light haze. Visibility otherwise good. OVC on top.
- I -- Code not used.

No Bombs: 0810 and 0811.

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397th Ftr Sqdn S-2 Rpt on a D/Bomb mission -- 11 Nov 44 -- Sqdn Mission No. 285.

- A -- Opns O No _____, Mission No "Y21-2", Mission No for Day: TWO - 11 Nov 44. Support for "Hopcraft" (28th Inf Div). The sqdn was to have bombed open gun emplacements at F-070589, F-069591, F-076591, and F-075384. Wca conditions made the bombing of these tgts impossible and the sqdn bombed a RR track in the area of ~~_____~~. *F3535*
- B -- 368 Ftr Gp - 397 Ftr Sqdn -- 12 A/O Disp --
- C -- UP: 1519. -- TOT: Crossed b/line on way in at 1550; bombed at 1620; crossed b/line on way out at 1640 -- DOWN: 1725.
- D -- One A/O Dam -- flak -- Cat "A".
One A/O Missing -- Plane was 5 mi E of Aachen when "Sweepstakes" was last in contact with it -- flak.
The plane of Second Lieutenant JOE R. BURNEY, O-745288, was hit by flak in the area of ~~_____~~, the area of the RR track bombed by the sqdn. Other pilots of the sqdn saw his plane smoking. Lt Burney was heard reporting over R/T that he was going to bail-out. "Sweepstakes" lost contact with him when he was 5 mi E of Aachen. On this date this point was on our side of the b/line.
- E -- 12 x 2 x 500-lb GP's Loaded -- Fuse: Inst nose, 1/40 tail -- 20 in'tgt area. 4 bombs rat to base.
Bad wca conditions prevented our planes from bombing the asgd tgts. Inst cad, our planes bombed a RR track in the area of ~~_____~~. The hits were scattered and the results were poor. No strafing. *F3535*
- F -- Hvy & lgt, int, acc AA in the tgt area of ~~_____~~. *F3535*
Hvy, wk, inacc AA at F-5520.
- G -- Nil.
- H -- Tgt Area: 9/10 Cumulus cloud cov; base 5 to 4,000'; top 10,000'; good vis.
- I -- Code was not used.

ALL BOMBS:	ERISCOLL	OLDEN	LEAHY
	HOGAN	EVANS	WRIGHT
	ARPS	STOLL	BURNEY
	WEINSTEIN	FAULEY	PATRICK

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577th Ftr Sqdn 3-2 Sgt on a Ground Force support, Dive bombing, and Armed Recce Mission -- 18 Nov 1944 -- Sqdn Mission No. 255.

- A -- Opns C No. _____, Mission No. _____, Mission No. per Day: _____ -- 18 Nov 44, support for "Rocky" (let for advisors), located at Grossenion, K-242; dive bombing of tgts at K-242, K-255, and K-256; armed recce between Grossenion and Rhine river.
- B -- 366th Ftr Gp, -- 577 Ftr Sqdn -- 18 Nov 44 -- 10 sorties.
- C -- UP: 1000 -- EGT 1104 -- 1000 1000.
- D -- Nil.
- E -- 12 x 2 x 500 lb HP bombs -- used: 1st nose, 1/3 tail -- 10 in tgt areas -- 3 bombs jettisoned armed at K-245 -- one bomb jettisoned armed at K-247. Our planes contacted "Rocky", "Rocky" assigned as a bombing tgt a cross road in a woods at K-247 and sent 4 first and 1 light bomb this tgt. There were troops in the woods and some artillery fire was seen there. One flight bombed this tgt, six bombs were dropped there, and the results were good. Before this flight bombed another flight bombed after this tgt, but missed it. This second flight bombed a wooded road at K-247. Results of the bombing were good. Second flight assigned our eight light bombs, back to be bombed by one flight; but as only one flight with bombs remained, only one of these tgts could be bombed. This tgt was located at K-247. Light bombs were dropped on red smoke there. Six bombs were dropped on the wooded road at K-247. Red smoke was placed on all three tgts. Some green smoke was seen. Lt Bauer particularly distinguished himself in the bombing, he scored a direct hit on the cross roads at K-247. No strafing.
- F -- div, very int, acc flak at Suren and Loschweiler (this flak was fired at midium bombers, not at our own planes. div, mod, acc flak at F-0147, light, int, inacc flak in the tgt area.
- G -- During the armed recce nothing was seen on the roads. At another time three white vehicles were seen between Loschweiler and Suren. A few vehicles were seen at or near this place, parked by the side of the road. At about 1145 four P47's were seen at a low altitude in a woods in the area of K-9645. They looked as if they might be strafing. No sqdn designations were seen on these planes as our planes were to far away. At about the same time our planes heard "Disco" calling and saying that the P47's strafing in a woods must be careful because of the fact that our troops were present in the woods. It cannot be determined of course whether or not the woods to which "Disco" referred was the same woods as that in which the four P47's mentioned above were seen.
- H -- weather was very good and had good affect on the mission.
- I -- Sqdn Code was not used.

ALL BOMBS:	CARBINE	HORLAGHER	BRADY
	VICKERMAN	CASSADY	HOGAN
	BARKER	BENDER	BOG
	PATRICK	LT BAUER	FEIN

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357th Ftr Sqdn 5-2 Rpt on a B/Load mission - 18 Nov 44 - Sqdn. Mission No. 227.

- A -- Opns O No. _____, Mission No. "Y21-2", Mission No. for Day: two - 18 Nov 44.
Support for "Sooty" (1st Inf Div), located at Gressenich, A-9242; armed recon
betw Eschweiler and Aachen.
- B -- 365 Ftr op - 357 Ftr sqdn -- 12 A/C Disp -- no aborts.
- C -- Jt: 1443 -- Tgt: 1550 -- crossed b/line going in at 154, -- crossed b/line on
way out at 1600 -- D.O.N.: 1650.
- D -- One of our w/c dwn, by enemy flak -- Cat 'A'.
- E -- B/Load: 12 x 2 x 500-lb GP's -- fuse: inst nose, 1/40 tail -- 25 bombs in tgt area.
The bomb ret to base.
Sqdn contacted "Sooty" at A-9242 on 'L' channel and were switched to "A" channel.
"Sooty" fired three red and one white smoke bombs into woods 1/2 mi SE of Heistein.
All of our planes bombed at this point, F-022491. Results were believed to be
good, although nature of tgt was not observed.
- F -- Hvy, wk, very acc AA at R9553; Hvy, wk, very acc AA at F0346;
- G -- A large, low bidg was observed very near to the location bombed at F021450, from
which there was a great deal of rocket fire. There were no important observations
on the fighter sweep north of A Eschweiler and Aachen.
- H -- North of tgt area, 7/10 Cumulo Nimbus, base 6,500', top 7,500', 10 mi visib.
South of tgt area, clear except for scattered stratus at 15,000'.
- I -- Code not used.
- ALL BOMBS: GANSON HODWILL KERR KIRBY
FOLLO WILHEI POLLS RUSSE
BLAKE CLARY HAMILTON PIAZZINI

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397th Ftr Sqdn G-2 Apt on a Ground Force support, live bomb, and ground recon mission
19 Nov 44 -- Sqdn mission no. 236.

- A -- Opns O No. _____, mission No. "21-2", mission no for day: _____ --
19 Nov 44, support for "Booby" (1st Inf Division), located at Arnsenien,
K-9842; and armed recon in region west of Rhine river.
- B -- 368th Ftr Gp -- 377th Ftr Sqdn -- 12A/8 Disp -- No aborts.
- C -- JP: 0748 -- Crossed B/line on way in 0318 - 121 0320 -- crossed B/line on way out
0900 -- DDMM: 0809.
- D -- Three of our AA damaged at F-0247 by enemy flak; two cat "A" -- one cat "AC".
(Lt Dams's plane was damaged in the landing gear and he made a successful
bolly landing at the base.)
- E -- B/load: 6x2500lb GF Bombs -- Fuse Inst nose -- 1/4 tail, 6x2x260 Frag bombs --
fuse Inst nose non delayed tail. 24 in tgt area's
Sqdn contacted "Booby" which fired white smoke on a point north of Heistein
at F-0246 as a marker for the frag bombs. A road from F-0249 to F-0247 was
assigned as a tgt for the 500lb bombs. All bombs were dropped on the assigned
tgts with great accuracy, there were many hits and near misses on the road. After
the bombing the sqdn contacted "Sweepstakes" and was directed to two train
at F-2154 and F-2426 of 20 and 30 cars resp. Capt Carlson's flight reported
the destruction of both locomotives. Typhoons were strafing the cars at the
same time with good results. The sqdn flew south to Wallenthal at F-163198
where Capt Carlson and Lt Hamilton destroyed three trucks by strafing.
- F -- Light, inten, acc AA from F-0248 to K-9644.
light inten, fairly acc AA at F-2454.
Hvy, weak, very acc AA south of Duren.
Light, inten, acc AA two to three miles east of Eschweiler.
- G -- Hvy small arms fire was observed at F-0247. A large bomb explosion was seen
at F-9241, producing a large cloud of black smoke. Radios were jammed on
"A" channel in tgt area.
- H -- Weather was ex and had no bearing on mission.
- I -- Gds not used.

FRAG BOMBS:	CARLSON	1200	1200	1200
	HAMILTON	1200	1200	1200
GF BOMBS:	DAVIS	1200	1200	1200
	HAMILTON	1200	1200	1200

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397th Fighter Sqdn S-2 Rpt on Ground Force Support ~~and~~, Dive Bombing, Leaflet Bombing, and Armed Recce Mission -- 19 Nov 44 -- Sqdn Mission No. 289.

- A -- Opns O No. _____, Mission No. "Y21-2", Mission No. for day: TWO -- 19 Nov 44 -- Support for "Booty" (1st Inf Division) located at Grossenich, K-9842; Leaflet dropping at F-1115, F-1109, and F-0704; and armed recce in region west of Rhine River.
- B -- 368th Ftr Gp -- 397th Ftr Sqdn -- 12 A/C Disp -- No Aborts.
- C -- UP: 1252 -- Crossed B/line on way in at 1310 -- TOT: 1320 -- Crossed B/line on way out 1420 -- DOWN: 1504 .
- D -- One of our A/C damaged by enemy flak -- Cat "A".
- E -- B/load 6 x 2x 500 GP Bombs -- Fuse: Inst nose, 1/40 tail -- 3 x 2 x 260 Frag Bombs -- Fuse: Inst nose, non delayed tail -- 3 x 2 x Leaflet Bombs -- 21 Bombs in tgt area -- one jet armed at F-0827 -- two leaflet bombs jet at F-0570 instead of assigned tgt F-1115. The sqdn first flew to Schleiden (F-1115) where leaflets were to be dropped. These leaflets hung up and the sqdn proceeded to F-1109 and F-0704 where the leaflets were dropped. Our planes then flew to Grossenich where they contacted "Zaty" "Booty". "Booty" directed them to a tgt at K-098468 where 20 gun emplacements were reported. 17 bombs were dropped at this point but results were not observed. "Booty" then directed them to Merken (F-075505) where no activity was observed but two planes went down to straf the streets. Our planes then conducted a recce sweep circling to the outskirts of Cologne and home. Two trains were seen west and southwest of Cologne but were not strafed due to flak.
- F -- Light , Mod, acc, AA at K-1047; light mod, inacc AA at F-0552; light inten, inacc AA at F-1115; hvy, mod, acc, AA at F-1575; hvy, weak, inten, acc, AA at F-530.
- G -- Nil.
- H -- Thin layers of Cirro-Stratus Clouds at 16,000 and 7,500 over tgt area -- Visibility ex.
- I -- Sqdn code not used.
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| | (CARBINE | BOMB 500lb GP--- | (HOLLAGER |
| FRAG BOMBS: ----- | (FEREGO | | (KOSTRACK |
| | (TIBERMAN | | (SALLER |
| BOMB 500 lb GP | (JAGSADY | | (REINSEIN |
| | (KLAUSE | | |
| LEAFLET BOMBS----- | (WRIGHT | | |
| | (SOO | | |
| BOMB 500lb GP --- | (HOLAN | | |

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397th Ftr Sqdn S-2 Rpt on a Dive Bombing & Armed Recon Mission - 21 November 1944
(Squadron Mission #290)

- A -- Opns C No _____, Mission No. "Y21-2", Mission No. for Day: OAS - 21 Nov 44.
Support for "Booty" (1st Inf. Div, located at Gressenich, A9042, and armed
recon betw "Booty" and Rhine R.
- B -- 368th Ftr Gp - 397th Ftr Sqdn -- 11 A/O Dism -- No aborts. (TOT: 1315) --
- C -- UP: 1254 -- Crossed B/Line on way in at 1305 -- TOT: 1315 -- Crossed B/Line
on way out at 1350 -- TOT: 1425.
- D -- One of our A/O Dism at Bruhl -- enemy small arms fire -- Cat 'A'.
- E -- 8 x 2 x 500-lb GPs -- Fuse: Inst nose, 1/40 tail --
3 x 2 x 250 Frag bombs, Inst nose, non-delay tail -- 22 bombs in tgt area.
Sqdn contacted "Booty" and were relayed through "Sweepstakes" to "Disco I",
as there was too much cloud cover for close support work. "Disco I" directed
them to the town of Einsfeld at F-153448, where all bombs were released.
Large flames and columns of smoke were seen. The squadron then returned to
Sqdn "Booty" and were directed on an armed recon along the Eschweiler-Duren road.
Cloud cover prevented observation. Then they were directed to the woods north
of Duren, thence eastward to the outskirts of Cologne. A train was sighted
near Bruhl, but was not attacked due to cloud drifting.
- F -- Hwy, mod, fairly acc AA at F-1648. Hwy, mod, very acc AA in Bruhl area.
- G -- Two contrails were sighted, one near Koblenz and one near Dusseldorf, but
their nature was undetermined. A group of at least 10 barges was sighted
on the Rhine R. north of Cologne. A smoke rocket was seen about 25 mi E of
Liege.
- H -- Wea: 5 to 7/10 cloud cov over tgt area, with a series of layers of thin Stratus
and Cumulus clouds; base 2,500'; top 14,000'; visib OAVU above; poor below due
to mist.
- I -- Code not used.

500-lb GPs: CARENE LEAVY STOLL WEINHEIM FOLTZ WRIGHT CASSADY FRISBIE
250-lb Frags: HURLACHER BARKER FAULEY

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297th Ftr Sqdn S-2 rpt on a ground support and live bombing mission - 25 Nov 44
(Sqdn Mission No. 131)

- A -- Opns C No. _____, mission to "141-2", mission No. for day: 025 -- 25 Nov 44.
Support for "141-2" (air and live) located at Hamouillet, 1-3047, and armed
ropes in the radio area of the live area.
- B -- 36th Ftr Sq -- 297th Ftr Sqdn -- 12 A/C Miss -- 10 aborts.
- C -- 08:10:1 - crossed h/line on way in at 112, - 08:10:2 - crossed h/line on
way out at 141 - 08:10:3 - 141.
- D -- Two of our A/C delayed. Sat _____
- E -- 8 x 2 x 500lb of bombs - 1000 tail -- 1 x 2 x 500lb frag
bombs - Fuse: inst nose, non-delayed tail. 24 bombs in tgt area.
The sqdn contacted "141-2" but due to cloud cover at the Hamouillet area
they were directed to bomb the train, east of 141-2 at 1-174 and to bomb a
wooded area at 1-175. Major Leary and Lt Hamilton destroyed the train with
bombs and strafing. Major Leary saw a car sit on the locomotive which
had been detached from the train and hidden in the lee of a small building.
On the road east of 141-2 at 1-175 and 1-180 Lt Hamilton
destroyed nine small Crosley type autos and Major Leary destroyed one of
and damaged two. Captain Krause and his flight destroyed five in a wooded
area at 1-180. The sqdn then straddled a column of haystacks in a field west
of 141-2. Men were seen to run out of the haystacks and tracks
were seen leading into them, which confirmed the suspicion that they concealed
tanks. Lt Hamilton destroyed two at 1-180, Lt Hamilton destroyed two at
at 1-185, and Lt Leary destroyed one at 1-187.
- F -- Hvy, weak, fairly acc flak throughout the 141 area.
- G -- A wrecked P-47 was seen at 1-174. Four or five small trains were seen heading
east from 141-2 at 1-205. In the road east of 141-2 there was fairly heavy
motor traffic. Ten to fifteen were seen.
- H -- 5/16 cumulus clouds; base 2,000, top 7,000 -- 1/10 stratus clouds;
base 2,000, top 7,000. Visibility: 1000.
- I -- sqdn code not used.
- J -- Ground control very good. No anti-aircraft encountered.

500lb BF: LEARY LEARY LEARY LEARY LEARY LEARY LEARY LEARY LEARY LEARY
260lb Frag: KRAUSE YONDEL LEARY LEARY LEARY LEARY LEARY LEARY LEARY LEARY

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397th Ftr Sqn S-2 rpt on a ground support and armed reconnaissance mission - 25 Nov 1944
(see Mission No. 123)

- A -- Opus C No. _____, Mission No. 123-7, Mission No. for Day: 123 -- 25 Nov 44.
Support for 800th (Inf Div) at 2-1447 near Burechik and 1447 recon in area west of Kline K.
- B -- 360th Ftr Sq -- 397th Ftr Sqn -- 11 AC 5109 -- 2 AC 5110.
- C -- Op: 1247 - Crossed Kline K way in and out 1447 - 1447. (Time on way out 1421 - 2047: 1,302).
- D -- Two of our 1/8 damaged out in enemy flak.
- E -- 7 x 2 x 500lb AC - Fuser: inst nose, 1/40 tail -- 4 x 1 x 500lb frag bombs - Fuser: inst nose, non-delayed tail. 22 bombs in 1st area. Our planes were directed by 800th to the gun position on the southwest shore of a small lake at 2-55046, where eight frags were dropped. Two fell in the lake but the remainder were well concentrated on the 1st. 800th then marked a troop concentration with two 100 smoke bombs at 2-55046. The 100 bombs were dropped at this point and 800th reported that the results were excellent. There were then directed by 800th on an armed recon north of Kline but observed nothing of importance. Upon being released by 800th, they swept eastward from Kline to the vicinity of 2-1147 where they observed unidentified AC 5110 gun bombing and strafing a number of haystacks which were believed to contain tanks. They were then called by 800th to straf on the road west of Kline but upon arriving no traffic was observed. The strafe and destroyed one trailer loaded with boxes.
- F -- Light, intense, acc 14 at 2-1147. Heavy, intense, acc 14 at 2-1044.
- G -- Light, acc 14 at 2-0747.
- H -- Light to tan 11 were seen on a road south of Kline at 2-1147. What was thought to be an air plane on fire at 5,500 feet was seen at 2-1147. A possible 1-2 rocket contrail was seen at 2-2035.
- I -- Sea: 5/10 cumulus cloud cover base 5,500, top 5,500 in 1st area. Visibility poor into the sun, 20 miles in other direction.
- J -- Sqn cone not used.
- K -- 800th's control was good. Sweepstakes for 1447 action in its relay, the first part of messages cut out.

500th AC 5110: 500th AC 5110 500th AC 5110 500th AC 5110 500th AC 5110

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527th Ftr Sqdn 3-apt on a ground support, fire bombing, and armed reconnaissance mission --
21 Nov 44 -- Squad Mission No. 224 --

- A -- Ops No. _____, Mission No. 224-1, Squad No. 1 (apt) -- 17 Nov 44,
Support for Booty (1st Air Div) at Maastricht, F-0777, fire bombing of tgts
assigned by Booty - cross-country from 1st Air Div front and into river.
- B -- 500th Ftr Sq -- 500th Ftr Sq -- 11 1/2 sq -- 1000 sq.
- C -- Out 1045 - cross-country/line on way in at 1100 - 1st 1100 - crossed b/line on
way out at 1110 - 1st 1110.
- D -- Major Leary, was hit by flak as he was straining from gun positions at F-1879,
he flew generally west. At first he took suspicions that he was going to
tail out. He was given fuel on our side of the b/line about seven miles east
of Maastricht. He was later heard over radio saying that he would belly-in. He
landed at 1110 in the vicinity of Maastricht, water damage, oil and some that he
was damaged. His tank of bombs was damaged, fuel and possibly suffered
other damage. The other plane was damaged by flak out of sight.
- E -- 500lb GP bombs - flak: 1st nose, 1/40 tail - 2 x 2 x 2 bombs frag
bombs - 1st nose, non-delayed tail. No bombs in tgt areas.
Booty assigned to the tgt for the entire day. Maastricht is the town of
which, F-0777. The tgt was marked with the red targets. All sixteen bombs
dropped in the town and results were excellent. The town was seen smoking.
Booty assigned to the tgt for the night frag bombs artillery, position in a
town at 1110. The artillery positions were clustered around buildings:
all light bombs fell in the tgt area, and the hits were closely concentrated.
The results were excellent. All our pilots did excellent bombing work.
Stranding: Capt Brown's flight strafed 1110, flak cars pulled by a locomotive
at F-2774, the train was moving south, the locomotive was destroyed, and the
cars were raised and damaged. Capt Krause's flight strafed a locomotive and
twenty cars at 1116. The locomotive was damaged, and no steam was seen
issuing from it. The cars were raised and damaged. Capt Krause's flight
strafed a locomotive and twenty cars at 1117. The locomotive was damaged,
and the cars were raised and damaged. Capt Krause's flight strafed a locomotive
and cars at F-2777. The locomotive was damaged and the cars were raised and
damaged. Capt Krause's flight strafed and damaged gun positions northwest of our
area. Major Leary and Lt Sternhart strafed a locomotive and twelve to fifteen
cars at F-1879. The locomotive was destroyed, and the cars were damaged. Lt's
Arps and Lt Sharp strafed and damaged a locomotive and fifteen cars at F-1879.
Lt A D Sharp strafed a town in the vicinity. Major Leary and Lt Sternhart
strafed and damaged four gun positions at F-1879. They strafed ~~xxxxxxx~~ and
damaged two horse drawn vehicles just east of this point, and Lt Sternhart
strafed a town just northwest of this point. ^{Major Leary destroyed a locomotive at F-1863 and 5 vehicles at}
^{F-1860. He damaged 15 vehicles at F-1860.}
- F -- One burst of flak was seen from one gun of unknown type and acc at F-2774.
ivv, mod, fairly acc flak in the area southwest and west of Cologne.
Light, inten, and very acc flak in the area of Grevenhagen (area of F-1870).
Light, mod, fairly acc flak in the area of the tgt boats at F-1871.
- G -- Much traffic was seen on roads west of Cologne. Much traffic was seen in the
area of F-2770 moving toward the front.
- H -- The weather was excellent. On the way back our pilots observed that a cover
was building up over Duren and Aachen.
- I -- Sqdn code not used.
- J -- Booty's ground control was good, and sweepstakes was poor. Marmite was out on
"2" channel.
- 500lb GP BOMBS: LEARY UERNHART ARPS AND SHARP DANE WHITE HAMILTON PATRICK
260lb FRAG BOMBS KRAUSE YANDEL BOG ROFAN

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MISSION REPORT OF 57TH FG ON AREA COVER MISSION BY 309 44 (MISSION 295)

- A - Ops & _____ mission, 4-1-44 mission, for day-- 1 27 May 44
 B - Area Cover for 3-25's in area of 1140, about 30 mi SE of Koblenz.
 Dive bombing and armed recce.
 C - 568 FG 397 Fg 12 A/C dispatched, no abortives.
 D - Sp- 1046, Gross S/L on way in- 1140, 101- 1130, Gross S/L on way out- 1210,
 Down- 1246.
 E - Nil
 F - 8 x 2 x 500 lb bombs, inst nose, 1/40 tail, 4 x 2 x 200 frag bombs, inst nose,
 non-delayed tail. Bombs in tgt area- 29. 1 x 500 lb bomb lost on takeoff.
 The sqdn contacted 12 plus 3-25's on their way home at approx. 1630 and accompa-
 nied them for about 15 mi without event. They then contacted German 1 on
 G channel and were directed to F322 on the outskirts of Bussirkchen. They
 bombed thru the overcast from an altitude of 17,000 ft at this point. Next
 they went on a fitr sweep to the SE. Maj Cartine and his flight strafed a
 train of 15 cars at the small town of Vetschlar (E20546). The train was damaged
 but detailed results were not observed.
 G - Ivy, intense, inacc. at E2057
 " Mod " at Bussirkchen
 H - One possible V-2 contrail was sighted at 1140 hours heading west about 30 mi
 S of Bussirkchen. Two haystacks were observed which may conceal tanks at E2046,
 SE of Duren.
 I - Weather 3/10 multi-layer cumulo-stratus clouds base 2000 top 10000 in tgt area.
 Visibility 3 mi or less between layers; CAVG above.
 J - Sqdn code not used
 K - Sweepstakes receiver was out, otherwise good.

500 lb bombs:	Carbine	Werr	200 lb frags:	Krause
	Lewis	Conant		Fandel
	De Sharp	W. Bauer		Bender
	Cassady	Malen		Biagini

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4-2 Report of Bombing Mission to Berlin, 22 Nov 44

- A - Ops Ord _____ Mission to Berlin 22 Nov 44
Escort for one Op of B-29's 4/7 at Berlin - 1st at Berlin.
- B - 268 B-29's 4/7 - 1st 4/7 escorted by 4/7.
- C - Op - 1455. 1st - 1st. 1st. 1st. 1st. 1st. 1st. 1st. 1st. 1st.
- D - 4/7 as briefed at Berlin at 1500 hrs. Bombers were left at Berlin at 1620 hrs. The B-29's flew at 15,000 ft and bombed at Berlin. Our planes flew at alt between 16,000 ft and 16,500 ft. Weather conditions made impossible observation of bombing results.
- E - Very weak, inaccurate flow in tgt area. This flow was fired not at our planes but at bombers.
- F - At 1445 hrs a red contrail was seen in the Berlin area. It was flying upward and slightly left. At 1450 hrs a red contrail was seen in the area of Berlin. It was flying left. At 1455 hrs a red contrail was seen in the Berlin area. It was flying left. All three contrails were at very high altitudes.
- G - There was a solid overcast from Berlin to the tgt with unknown base and top at 6000 ft. The visibility in the tgt area was unlimited above the overcast.
- H - Radar data was not used.
- I - Ground control was good.
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387th Air Bn Report on a ground force support, air support and armed recon mission - 23 Nov 41 - near Minsk, U.S.S.R.

- 1 -- One C-47, pilot: Lt. 'Mik-2', Mission No. 1234, 23 Nov 41. Support for 'Mik-2' located at Minsk, 23 Nov 41. - have location of tgt assigned by 'Mik-2' - Armed recon tow tow tow and tow tow.
- 2 -- 387th Air Bn, 387th Air Bn - 12 1/2 day - one short (engine one back-firing and missing, and plug blew out,
- 3 -- 08:00 - crossed b/line on way in at 1000 - 10:00 - crossed b/line on way out at 1000 - 10:00.
- 4 -- One A/C damaged by flak - 1/2 tail.
- 5 -- 2 x 2 x 500lb of bombs - fuse; 1/2 tail - 1 x 2 x 500lb frag bombs - fuse; inst nose, non-damaged tail. 12 other bombs in tgt area. 2 five hundred lb bombs brought back by operations.
- Our planes contacted 'Mik-2'. 'Mik-2' signal as 'Mik-2' left town of Minsk, at 1-05:40. Red and white smoke was placed on the left side and bombs were dropped in the left area on both sides of track and in town. In town, although dropped in the general left area, fell slightly southeast of the town. The results were excellent. All our pilots did excellent work. One pilot, who scored a direct hit, particularly distinguished himself. When our planes were in armed recon. A V-1 was seen exploding its engine as a signal for our planes to follow it, this A-21 led our planes to seven armored vehicles at 1-05:40. It strafed these vehicles in order to point them out to our planes. Major Leary and Lt's Weinstein and Nelson made two passes at these vehicles and damaged them. Major Leary and Lt's Weinstein strafed and damaged a locomotive at 1-05:45, when it suddenly stopped this locomotive, and locomotive was attached to three or four goods cars. The train was stationary at time of strafing. Major Leary and Lt's Weinstein and Nelson strafed an object both shown (1-05:40) and (1-05:45) to results observed.
- 7 -- Any enemy A/C report over Minsk, but none seen.
- 8 -- 10:00, made flak southeast of Minsk between Minsk and 1-05:45. slight, and, see flak three miles southeast of Minsk.
- 9 -- Two big trucks were seen at 1-05:45. About fifty vehicles were seen in three towns in the area of 1-05:45. there were four sixteen to twenty vehicles in each town. These trucks and these vehicles were strafed because of flak and because our pilots' ammo was getting low. At 1-05:45, our pilots saw a long track wall camouflaged with netting. There were two buildings at the northern end of track, and there was a revetment at the southern end. Neither the fifty vehicles nor the long track with its revetment and two buildings was reported to Hweepstaken, because Hweepstaken said, upon being questioned as to the necessity of a report on the area, that he had just received such a recon report on that area. A big explosion was observed at Minsk (1-05:45) at 1100 our planes saw a V-1 at 1-05:45. This V-1 was flying at 2700 feet on a course of 150° true. Our artillery was reported to be firing on Minsk, 1-05:45.
- 11 -- Area of Minsk: low scattered clouds at 3,000' and at 4,000' with layers between two cloud formations. 5/10 cloud coverage.
- 12 -- Gqdn code was not used.
- 13 -- Ground control was good.
- 500lb BOMB: one seen (1-05:45) at 1100.
- 250lb BOMB: one seen (1-05:45) at 1100.

30th Str Sqdn - 51 apt on a ground support, live bombing, and smoke screen -
 30 Nov 44 - 0910 (1000) - 1400

- Spns C No. _____, mission No. 101-2, mission No. for days 100- 100- 100- 100- 100- 100- 100-
 Support for 30th Str Sqdn (1st Lt), located at Lang Erweh, 1-2424 - Live bombing -
 Armed force 1st Lt and 1st Lt front and 1st Lt back.
- B -- 30th Str Sqdn - 51 apt on a ground support, live bombing, and smoke screen were not closed,
 C -- 30th Str Sqdn - 51 apt on a ground support, live bombing, and smoke screen were not closed,
 D -- all
- E -- 8 x 2 x 250lb GP bombs - fuse: inst nose, 1/40 tail -- 4 x 2 x 250lb Frag Bombs -
 fuse: inst nose, non-delayed tail. All bombs in the area. Two straggling planes returned
 to base by abortive. Four straggling planes were shot down by 30th. These
 were 1st Lt. The 1st Lt was a 1st Lt in the area, 1-2424. The 1st Lt was at first hung-up and
 then fell at 1-2424. The 1st Lt was a 1st Lt in the area, 1-2424. The 1st Lt was at first
 selected in the course of an armed force. The 1st Lt was the 1st Lt in the area, 1-2424.
 The frags were dropped in the area, but the frags were scattered. The frags were
 dropped by a straggling plane and scattered on the north side of town. There
 were two direct hits on a cross point. Explosions and smoke were seen. Three
 pilots particularly distinguished themselves in the bombing, they were 1st Lt
 1st Lt, 1st Lt, and 1st Lt. The 1st Lt scored the two hits on the cross point.
 There was some strafing as our planes were hit down to bomb.
- F -- 1st Lt, 1st Lt, 1st Lt at 1-2424. 1st Lt and 1st Lt, 1st Lt, 1st Lt at 1-2424.
 Two bursts on 1st Lt, 1st Lt at 1-2424. 1st Lt and 1st Lt, 1st Lt, 1st Lt at
 1-2424. 1st Lt, 1st Lt, 1st Lt at 1-2424.
- G -- At a time when none of our planes had hung-up bombs, there was an insistent
 call from the 1st Lt to the effect that one of our planes had a hung-up bomb. The word
 'tropic' (radio call sign) was used. A train of ten cars going southeast was seen
 in the area of 1-2424. A white car (automobile) was seen at 1-2424. The train
 and the auto were not attacked because of clouds and generally had good conditions.
 The weather conditions were such that bombing a target in the course of the armed force
 was itself a notable feat. Daysticks were seen at 1-2424.
- H -- The weather was good and clear at Lang Erweh (1-2424), the location of Doody. There
 were scattered clouds with bases at 1,000' and tops at 2,000' to 3,000'.
 Near river to east of Brft Canal: Multi-layer clouds - base two thousand feet -
 top 6,000' to 8,000'. - Visibility poor down sun, five miles up sun. - 10/10 to
 10/10 cloud coverage from near river to Brft Canal, 10/10 cloud coverage east of
 Brft Canal.
- I -- sqdn code not used.
 J -- ground control radio was good. ground control reported a target at 1-2424, but nothing
 in the nature of target was to be seen there.

300lb GP Bombs: 2000lb (1st Lt) 1000lb (1st Lt) 1000lb (1st Lt) 1000lb (1st Lt) 1000lb (1st Lt) 1000lb (1st Lt) 1000lb (1st Lt)

250lb GP Bombs: 2000lb (1st Lt) 1000lb (1st Lt) 1000lb (1st Lt) 1000lb (1st Lt) 1000lb (1st Lt) 1000lb (1st Lt) 1000lb (1st Lt)

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1. Pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-10, the undersigned hereby assumes command, vice, Major General, transferred.

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1. Having been assigned this organization per memo, HQ, 36th Fighter Group, dated 2 November 1944, Major [Name], [Rank], is hereby assigned to duty as [Title], [Location], [Rank], and [Rank] relieved.

[Signature]
[Rank], [Rank],
Major, Air Corps,
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MORTON H. MAGNUS, O-578477,
12 November 1944.

ORDERS)
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NO. 26)

1. In addition to his other duties 1st Lt Richard H. Slickmeyer, O-962268, is appointed Squadron Historical Security Officer, vice, 1st Lt Morton H. Magnus, O-578477, relieved.

1100 J. CARROLL,
Major, Air Corps,
Commanding.

Headquarters
397th Fighter Squadron

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APO 370, 1. 1. 1. 1.
17 November 1944

Order)
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NO. 27)

1. Captain Dean L. Williams, O-288481, is relieved from duty as
Squadron Executive Officer, effective this date.

J. G. Gaudin
Maj. J. Gaudin,
Major, Air Corps,
Commanding.

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HEADQUARTERS
368TH FIGHTER GROUP

APO 595, U. S. Army
30 October 1944

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 130)

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✓1. The following named officers are granted two (2) days operational leave, will proceed fr this sta o/a 30 October 1944 to Paris, France, reporting upon arrival to Ninth Air Force Liaison Officer, American Express Building, Auber and Scribe. Upon completion of this leave O's will ret to proper orgn and sta. TD by MT. 60-105 P 432-02 A 212/50425 and 60-114 P 432-02 A 212/50425.

AUTH: Ltr, 9 AF, file 220.711, subj: "Rest and Recuperation Leaves for Combat Crew Personnel," dated 10 Oct 1944, and teletype IX TAC, 0809C dated 26 Oct 1944.

1st Lt JAMES M. IVEY	0665803	AC (In charge)
2d Lt BRYCE A. RALSTON	01168872	AC
✓1st Lt JOHN P. FOLTZ	0745337	AC
✓1st Lt NORMAN H. FRISBIE	026336	AC
✓2d Lt BOB V. BARKER	0763463	AC
✓2d Lt JAMES E. FAULEY	0767174	AC

✓2. Having been asgd this orgn per par 24, SO 8, Hq 134th Repl Bn, dtd 23 Oct 1944, the following named EM, are further asgd to Eq as indicated:

✓Sgt (060) Frederick Cullen	32449077	397th Fighter Squadron
Cpl (060) Leon J. Derome	31268699	395th Fighter Squadron

✓3. The following named officers are granted two (2) days operational leave, will proceed fr this sta o/a 1 Nov 1944 to Paris, France, reporting upon arrival to Ninth Air Force Liaison Officer, American Express Building, Auber and Scribe. Upon completion of this leave O's will ret to proper orgn and sta. TD by MT. 60-105 P 432-02 A 212/50425 and 60-114 P 432-02 A 212/50425.

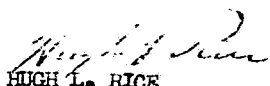
AUTH: Ltr, 9 AF, file 220.711, subj: "Rest and Recuperation leaves for Combat Crew Personnel," dated 10 Oct 1944, and teletype IX TAC, 0809C dated 26 Oct 1944.

✓1st Lt EDWARD W. DAME	0745312	AC (In charge)
✓1st Lt DAVID M. SHARP	0680093	AC
✓2d Lt CHARLES B. PATRICK	0770383	AC
2d Lt GRADON E. MONGAR	0770363	AC
2d Lt GEORGE E. SWINK	0769998	AC

(Travel directed is pursuant to auth contained in Ltr, Hq ETOUSA, 24 May 1944).

By order of Colonel MEYERS:

OFFICIAL:


HUGH L. RICE
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

HUGH L. RICE
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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HEADQUARTERS
368TH FIGHTER GROUP

AFO 595, U. S. Army
1 November 1944

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 131 :

1. 2d Lt CHARLES E. RIFE, 0887235, AC, is placed on ID for approximately three (3) days, will proceed from this sta o/a 2 Nov 1944 to Shiray Rocket Range on matters pertaining to this command. TDN by MT. Upon completion of this TD 0 will ret to proper orgn and sta. 60-105 F 432-02 A 212/50425 and 60-114 F 432-02 A 212/50425. AUTH: VOCC, 70th Fighter Wings.

2. The following named officers are granted two (2) days operational leave, will proceed fr this sta o/a 3 November 1944 to Paris, France, reporting upon arrival to Ninth Air Force Liaison Officer, American Express Building, Auber and Scribe. Upon completion of this leave 0's will ret to proper orgn and sta. TDN by MT. 60-105 F 432-02 A 212/50425 and 60-114 F 432-02 A 212/50425.

AUTH: Ltr, 9 AF, file 220.711, subj: "Rest and Recuperation Leaves for Combat Crew Personnel," dated 10 Oct 1944, and teletype IX TAC, 0809C dated 26 Oct 1944:

Capt CARLOS M. TALBOTT	025797	AC (In charge)
Capt MEREDITH W. HENRY	0796688	AC
1st Lt CHARLES J. KENNEDY JR	0805635	AC
1st Lt GEORGE F. CHILMAN	0697055	AC
1st Lt JOSEPH S. NOLAN	0802337	AC
1st Lt WILLIAM J. GARRY	0679856	AC
2d Lt RUSSELL J. GROSJEAN	0769807	AC
2d Lt WALTER R. JOHNSON	0814696	AC
2d Lt NEALY C. RIEMANN	0710008	AC
2d Lt JOHN A. HELLIESEN	0815332	AC

3. The following named officers are placed on a period of TD for approx thirty (30) days, fr this sta o/a 3 Nov 1944 to 1st Transport Group (Frov) Site A-81-C, for the purpose of ferrying planes to units of the IX Tactical Air Command. Upon completion of this TD, officers will ret to their proper orgn and sta. TDN by MT. 60-105 F 432-02 A 212/50425 and 60-114 F 432-02 A 212/50425.
AUTH: Teletype, IX-TAC N 46 C.

1st Lt WILLIAM J. GARRY	0679856	AC
2d Lt JOHN W. STRICKLAND	0697063	AC

4. Under the provisions of AR 615-5, 30 June 1943 and upon the recommendation of his Orgn Comdr, Sgt (060) David Scheinbart, 32399749, 395th Ftr Sq, is reduced to the gr of Pvt for inefficiency.

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SO 131, Hq 368th Ftr Gp, dtd 1 Nov 1944, Cont'd.

5. Under the provisions of AR 615-5, 30 June 1943, and upon the recommendation of their Orgn Comdr, the following named EM, 395th Ftr Sq, are promoted to grades as indicated:

TO BE STAFF SERGEANT (TEMP)

Sgt (750) Vito J. Bafilo 13047083

TO BE SERGEANT (TEMP)

Cpl (911) Thomas H. Barron 32866855
Cpl (631) Dux H. Schneider 14173825

TO BE CORPORAL (TEMP)

Ifc (345) Charles W. Race 33760928
Ifc (060) Alphonse L. Swisher 36476516
Ifc (747) Peter E. Boland 12020798
Ifc (747) Robert C. Heller 32872662
Ifc (747) Silas Thompson 34444788
Ivt (060) David Scheinbart 32399749

TO BE PRIVATE FIRST CLASS (TEMP)

Ivt (747) Herbert N. Carp 12145495
Ivt (911) Robert L. Skiver 37569730
Ivt (809) John T. Connolly 31230431
Ivt (911) Earl E. Bailey 17034247
Ivt (409) William F. McCarley 34514105

6. Under the provisions of AR 615-5, 30 June 1943, and upon the recommendation of their Orgn Comdr, the following named EM, 396th Ftr Sq, are promoted to grades as indicated:

TO BE STAFF SERGEANT (TEMP)

Sgt (747) Leonard W. Forter 32551088

TO BE SERGEANT (TEMP)

Cpl (747) Richard H. Pottberg 12157803

TO BE CORPORAL (TEMP)

Ifc (620) Richard S. Ross 35229492

TO BE PRIVATE FIRST CLASS (TEMP)

Ivt (911) Clarence H. Fowler 14139889
Ivt (590) Henry R. Robinson 39130162
Ivt (747) Raymond Stamper 35448086
Ivt (747) John A. Upham 31066351
Ivt (911) John C. Wood 14053200

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SO 131, Hq 368th Ftr Gp, dtd 1 Nov 1944, Cont'd.

7. Under the provisions of AR 615-5, 30 June 1943, and upon the recommendation of their Orgn Comdr, the following named EM, 397th Ftr Sq, are promoted to grades as indicated:

TO BE STAFF SERGEANT (TEMP)

Sgt (502) Robert F. Serbian 39695862

TO BE SERGEANT (TEMP)

Cpl (060) Lewis S. Horst 33562653
Cpl (747) Ralph E. Hume 15354786
Cpl (747) Lester Loback 32332285

TO BE CORPORAL (TEMP)

Pfc (25b) Jesse A. Lewis 39455134

(Travel directed is pursuant to auth contained in Ltr, Hq European T of Opns USA, 24 May 1944)

By order of Lt Col PEREGO:

OFFICIAL:

HUGH L. RICE,
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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HEADQUARTERS
368TH FIGHTER GROUP

AFO 595, U. S. ARMY
3 November 1944

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 132)

1. Pursuant to auth contained in 3rd Ind fr Ninth Air Force, 21 Apr 1944 to Ltr, Hq U S Strategic Air Forces in Europe, 20 Mar 1944, file 245.8 x 354.7, subj: "Auth for Mont Alws at Air Force Rest Homes," the following named officers are placed on temp dy, will proceed fr Hq 368th Ftr Gp to Eynsham Hall, AAF Sta 567 UK, o/a 3 Nov 1944 for a period of seven (7) days, exclusive of travel time, for the purpose of carrying out the instructions of the CG, Ninth Air Force. Upon completion of this temp dy, they will ret to proper orgn and sta. TDN by MT, mil acft or rail.

Where Govt qrs and subs are not available, reimbursement for actual cost of qrs are not to exceed 4.00 dollars per day and per diem 1.25 dollars in lieu of subs is atzd while in a travel status, in accordance w/Far 2, Cir 63, Hq European T of Opns USA, 5 June 1944. 60-105 F 432-02 A 212/50425 and 60-136 F 432-02 A 212/50425.

Per diem 1.25 dollars in lieu of subs is atzd in accordance with Far 4, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, Reg No 30-3, 29 Sept 1944. 60-136 F 410-01 A 212/50200.

Capt RUSSELL A. O'CONNELL 0732326 AC
1st Lt HENRY B. HAMILTON 0805617 AC

2. Capt HAROLD J. KESSLER, 0561410, AC, is appointed Investigating Officer to investigate Courts-Martial charges against Pvt Robert B. Dunlap, 13009110, 397th Fighter Squadron. Complete report of investigation on WD AGO Form No 120 will be submitted to this Hq in triplicate.

3. The following named O are placed on TD for a period of approximately five (5) days, will proceed fr this sta o/a 5 Nov 1944 to IX TAC reporting to Information Desk, IX TAC by 1600 hours, 5 Nov 1944 for the purpose of attending an indoctrination course. Each O will bring bedding roll and suitable clothing for field trips. Upon completion of this TD, O will ret to prop orgn and sta. TDN by MT, mil acft or rail. 60-105 F 432-02 A 212/50425. Auth: TWX IX TAC N47J.

Lt Col PAUL P. DOUGLAS JR 0432187 AC
Capt MARSHALL E. MUMAW 0732315 AC
Capt CARLOS M. TALBOTT 025797 AC

4. Having been asgd this orgn per par 5, SO 180, Hq IX TAC, dated 1 Nov 1944, 1st Lt (4822) THOMAS G. MCNAHAN, 0583418, AC, is further asgd 396th Ftr Sq.

5. So much of par 3, SO 130, this Hq, as, as pertains to 1st Lt DAVID M. SHARE, 0680093, AC, is deleted. (Pertains to operational leave for officers)

SO 192, Hq 368th Ftr Gp, dtd 3 Nov 1944, Cont'd.

6. The VOCO 368th Ftr Gp of 31 Oct 1944, under exigencies which prevented the issuance of advance orders, are hereby confirmed and made of record:

*The following named officers are appointed to witness and verify the cash balance of Major JOHN F. VOLIVA, 0911398, FD, Accountable Disbursing Officer, as of the close of business, 31 Oct 1944:

Capt GEORGE E. MYERS	0569530	AC
1st Lt ROBERT J. NACHTWEY	0569537	AC*

7. 1st Lt MERVIN E. WARD, 0869713, AC, is appointed Gp Armament and Chemical Officer, princ duty.

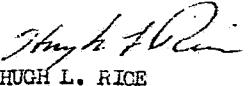
8. So much of par 2, SO 191, this Hq. cs, as pertains to 1st Lt WILLIAM J. GARRY, 0679856, AC, is deleted. (Pertains to operational leave for officers).

(Travel directed is pursuant to auth contained in Ltr, ETOUSA, 24 May 1944).

By order of Lt Col FEREGO:

HUGH L. RICE,
Major, Air Corps,
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HEADQUARTERS
368TH FIGHTER GROUP

AFO 595, U. S. Army
5 November 1944

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 133

1. The following named officers are granted two (2) days operational leave, will proceed fr this sta o/a 5 November 1944 to Paris, France, reporting upon arrival to Ninth Air Force Liaison Officer, American Express Building, Amber and Scribe. Upon completion of this leave O's will ret to proper orgn and sta. TDN by MT. 60-105 P 432-02 A 212/50425 and 60-114 P 432-02 A 212/50425. AUTH: Ltr, 9 AF, file 220.711, subj: "Rest and Recuperation Leaves for Combat Crew Personnel," dated 10 Oct 1944, and teletype IX TAC, 0809C dated 26 Oct 1944:

1st Lt WALTER G. LOUGHARY	0802321	AC	(In charge)
2d Lt BOYD E. JOHNSON	0766544	AC	
2d Lt ROBERT M. PAGE	0770112	AC	
2d Lt HAROLD D. HAMMETT	0770258	AC	

2. Cpl (245) Joe Zolin, 39274332, 397th Ftr Sq, is placed on TD for a period of approximately five (5) days, will proceed fr this sta o/a 5 Nov 1944 for the purpose of driving officers to Hq IX TAC. Upon completion of this TD, EM will ret to proper orgn and sta. TDN by MT. 60-105 P 432-02 A 212/50425. AUTH: TWX IX TAC N47J.

3. 1st Lt JOHN M. LCEB, 0681684, AC, is placed on TD for approximately three (3) days, will proceed from this sta o/a 6 Nov 1944 to Shimay Rocket Range on matters pertaining to this command. TDN by MT. Upon completion of this TD O will ret to proper orgn and sta. 60-105 P 432-02 A 212/50425 and 60-114 P 432-02 A 212/50425. AUTH: VOCC, 70th Fighter Wing.

4. Having been asgd this orgn per par 11, SO 18, Hq 134th Rpl Bn, dtd 2 Nov 1944, the following named officers are further asgd to Sq as indicated:

395th Fighter Squadron

Capt (1055) VIRGIL NORIEGA	0404093	AC
2d Lt (1055) CARL E. HORD	0561306	AC
2d Lt (1055) WALTER W. SCOTT	0830338	AC

397th Fighter Squadron

2d Lt (1055) BILLY B. ARLEDGE	0711903	AC
2d Lt (1055) LEONARD H. KOSTRACH	0830016	AC
2d Lt (1055) JACK L. CONANT	0715476	AC
2d Lt (1055) CYRIL J. KONESNY	0830015	AC
2d Lt (1055) LESLIE R. LEAVOY	0830020	AC
1st Lt (1055) DALLAS J. CLARY	0816748	AC

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SO 133, Hq 368th Ftr Gp, dtd 5 Nov 1944, Cont'd.

5. Par 2, SO 113, this Hq, cs, pertaining to appointment of Special Courts-Martial, is rescinded.

6. A Special Courts-Martial is aptd to meet at such time and place as may be designated by the President thereof, for the trial of such persons as may be properly brought before it:

DETAIL FOR THE COURT

Major JAMES R. WERNLI	0386976	AC
Capt ERNEST R. FENDLETON	01698240	AC
Capt STANLEY C. JOHNSON JR	0583430	AC
Capt ROBERT G. BERGMAN	0567286	AC
Capt LEONARD L. KREMEN	01578724	QMC
Capt RICHARD R. WEISS	0570712	AC
Capt MAURICE D. POWELL	0650448	AC (Trial Judge Advocate)
1st Lt SAMUEL KUSHNER	0856309	AC (Defense Counsel)

(Travel directed is pursuant to auth contained in Ltr, Hq European T of Cops USA, 24 May 1944.)

By order of Lt Col FEREGO:

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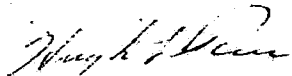
SPECIAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 196)

1. Sgt Yates M. Hampton, 34036414, 1293rd Military Police Co (Avn) is placed on temp dy for a period of approximately one (1) day, will proceed fr this sta o/a 11 Nov 1944 to pick up Pvt Robert E. Dunlap, 13009110, 397th Ftr Sq, now confined at the Ninth Air Force Continental Stockade, APO 696. Upon completion of this TD, EM will return to proper sta and orgn. 60-105 F 432-02 A 212/50425 and 60-114 F 432-02 A 212/50425. AUTH: VCCG, IX TAC.
 2. Lt Col PAUL P. DOUGLAS, JR, 0432187, AC, is appointed Deputy Commander, vice Lt Col FRANK S. FEREGO, 0426422, AC, reld.
 3. Sgt (555) Joseph O. Cardwell, 34709495, 395th Ftr Sq, is placed on temp dy for a period of approximately six (6) weeks, will proceed fr this sta o/a 13 Nov 1944 to No 8 School of Technical Training, Wector, Lancashire, for the purpose of attending a course of instruction in Sheet Metal. Advance FX rations are authorized. Upon completion of this temp dy, EM will ret to proper sta and orgn. TDN by MF, mil acft or rail. 60-105 F 432-02 A 212/50425 and 60-136 F 432-02 A 212/50425. AUTH: Ltr, Hq IX TAC, file 352, subj: "Assignment of Personnel to Training Schools," dtd 7 Nov 1944.
 4. Having been asgd this orgn per par 6, SO 183, Hq IX TAC, dtd 4 Nov 1944. Cpl (555) Warren D. Cantrell, 33560453, is further asgd to 397th Ftr Sq.
 5. Having been asgd this orgn per par 8, SO 185, Hq IX TAC, dtd 7 Nov 1944. Major (1055) ANTHONY A. ROZGA, 0421653, AC, is further asgd to 397th Ftr Sq.
- (Travel directed is pursuant to auth contained in Ltr, Hq European T of Opns U' 24 May 1944)

By order of Lt Col FEREGO,

OFFICER:


HUGH L. RICE,
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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HEADQUARTERS
368TH FIGHTER GROUP

APO 595, U. S. Army
13 November 1944

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 137)

1. The following named EM, Hq 368th Ftr Gp, are placed on temp dy for a period of three (3) days, will proceed fr this sta o/a 13 November 1944 to the 2nd, 7th and 16th Air Depots for the purpose of procuring aircraft supplies. Upon completion of this temp dy, EM will ret to proper orgn and sta. TIN by MT. 60-105 P 432-02 A 212/50425 and 60-114 P 432-02 A 212/50425. AUTH: VOCC IX TAC.

T/Sgt (826) Delmar C. Eicher 15068175
T/Sgt (911) Seldon D. Fox 6362900

2. Capt ROBERT G. BERGMAN, 0567286, AC, is placed on temp dy for a period of approximately three (3) days, will proceed fr this sta o/a 14 November 1944 to Hq IX TAC for the purpose of attending a photographic meeting. Upon completion of this temp dy, he will ret to proper orgn and sta. TIN by MT. 60-105 P 432-02 A 212/50425. AUTH: TWX IX TAC.

3. Having been asgd this orgn per par 1, SO 21, Hq 124th Rpl Bn (AAF) dated 5 Nov 1944, the following named officers are further asgd to Sq as indicated:

<u>395TH FIGHTER SQUADRON</u>			
2d Lt (1055)	JOSEPH T. SPRINGS	0827532	AC
F/O (1055)	JOHN W. RUSSELL	T62605	AC
<u>396TH FIGHTER SQUADRON</u>			
2d Lt (1055)	EDWIN J. SODERLUND	0707747	AC
<u>397TH FIGHTER SQUADRON</u>			
2d Lt (1055)	CARL W. UTERHART	0826806	AC

(Travel directed is pursuant to auth contained in Ltr, Hq European T of Opns USA, 24 May 1944)

By order of Lt Col PEREGO:

OFFICIALS

Maurice D. Powell
MAURICE D. POWELL,
Capt., Air Corps,
Assistant Adjutant.

MAURICE D. POWELL,
Capt., Air Corps,
Assistant Adjutant.

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HEADQUARTERS
368TH FIGHTER GROUP

APO 595, U. S. Army
17 November 1944

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 139)

1. Capt WILLIAM E. QUINLAN, 0566474, AC, is placed on temp dy for a period of approximately three (3) days, will proceed fr this sta c/a 18 Nov 1944 to Hq Ninth Air Force and to the Army Pictorial Service, Paris, France, for the purpose of obtaining athletic equipment. Upon completion of this temp dy, he will ret to proper orgn and sta. TDM by MT. 60-105 F 432-02 A 212/50425 and 60-114 F 432-02 A 212/50425. AUTH: VCGG IX TAC.

2. Capt VADIE P. WYLAND, 0505551, CMT, 1293rd Military Police Co (Avn) is placed on temp dy for a period of approximately six (6) days, will proceed fr this sta c/a 20 Nov 1944 to Cherbourg, France for the purpose of appearing as a witness in a General Courts-Martial. Upon completion of this temp dy, O will ret to proper orgn and sta. TDM by MT. 60-105 F 432-02 A 212/50425 and 60-114 F 432-02 A 212/50425. AUTH: VCGG Normandy Base Section.

3. A Special Courts-Martial is aptd to meet at such time and place as may be designated by the senior member thereof, for the trial of such persons as may be properly brought before it;

DETAIL FOR THE COURT

Major JAMES R. WERNLI	0386976	AC
Capt ERNEST R. BENDLETON	01638240	AC
Capt STANLEY C. JOHNSON JR	0583430	AC
Capt ROBERT G. BERGMAN	0567286	AC
Capt LEONARD L. KREMEN	01578724	CJMC
Capt RICHARD R. WEISS	0570712	AC
Capt WILLIAM T. MCGANN	01035940	CWS (Trial Judge Advo)
Capt FRANKLIN A. DICK	0565197	AC (Defense Counsel)

4. Under the provisions of AR 95-10 and in accordance with authority contained in Articles of War 10, Lt Col LEMUEL R. GORRELL, 0415495, AC, is appointed Summary Court, vice Capt MAURICE D. POWELL, 0650448, AC, reld.

5. Under the provisions of Par 1 c (4) (c), AR 345-415, as amended by Changes #4, 1st Lt SAMUEL R. SCHOFIELD, 0582942, AC, is appointed Investigating Officer to investigate and report upon all the circumstances connected with the incurrence of injuries of T/Sgt Paul E. Travlek, 14081785, c/a 30 August 1944, and to determine whether injuries were incurred in line of duty or as a result of his own misconduct. Complete Reports of Investigation on WD AGO Form 51 will be submitted in quintuplicate.

SO 139, Hq 368th Ftr Gp, dtd 17 Nov 1944, Cont'd.

6. Having been asgd this orgn per par 1 SO 309, Hq 128th Rpl Bn (AAF) dated 12 Nov 1944, the following named officers are further asgd to Sq as indicated:

1st Lt (1055) JAMES J. BINTER	0661697	AC	395th Fighter Squadron
1st Lt (1055) ARNER L. JONES	0668246	AC	396th Fighter Squadron

7. Having been asgd this orgn per par 11, SO 28, Hq 134th Rpl Bn (AAF) dated 12 Nov 1944, the following named officers are further asgd to Sq as indicated:

1st Lt (1055) WILLIAM S. LEWIS	0793003	AC	397th Fighter Squadron
1st Lt (1055) HENRY A. YAUDEL	0804268	AC	397th Fighter Squadron
2d Lt (1055) JAMES E. HUTCHERSON	0829997	AC	397th Fighter Squadron
2d Lt (1055) GEROLD H. BREUER	0716049	AC	396th Fighter Squadron
2d Lt (1055) JOSEPH H. HUNT	0829996	AC	396th Fighter Squadron
2d Lt (1055) DONALD D. CAMPBELL	0714864	AC	396th Fighter Squadron
2d Lt (1055) ROBERT J. HELLWIG	0829990	AC	395th Fighter Squadron
2d Lt (1055) VERNON M. JETTY	0830001	AC	395th Fighter Squadron
2d Lt (1055) THOMAS F. HOADE JR	0829991	AC	395th Fighter Squadron

8. Under the provisions of AR 615-5, 30 June 1944 and upon the recommendation of their Orgn Comdr, the following named EM, 395th Ftr Sq, are reduced to the gr of Pvt for misconduct:

Cpl (405) Edward G. Fountain	12190244
Cpl (861) Joseph H. Daniel	34727907

9. The VCCO 368th Ftr Gp of 10 Nov 1944, under exigencies which prevented the issuance of advance orders, are hereby confirmed and made of record:

"Lt Col PAUL I. DOUGLAS, JR, 0432187, AC, is appointed Gp Air Inspector vice Lt Col FRANK S. HEREGO, 0426422, AC, reld."

10. The VCCO 368th Ftr Gp of 10 Nov 1944, under exigencies which prevented the issuance of advance orders, are hereby confirmed and made of record:

"Lt Col JOHN D. W. HAESLER, 0432193, AC, is appointed Gp Tactical Inspector vice Lt Col FRANK S. HEREGO, 0426422, AC, reld."

11. Pvt Sidney E. Jacques, 39748918, is placed on temp dy for a period of approximately three (3) days, will proceed fr this sta c/a 18 Nov 1944 to Branch Office of the JAG, Hq ETCUSA, A/C 887 for the purpose of appearing for an interview. Upon completion of this temp dy, EM will ret to proper orgn and sta. TDN by MT. 60-105 F 432-02 A 212/50425 and 60-114 F 432-02 A 212/50425. AUTH: Ltr Hq BQTJAG, subj: "Assignment of Enlisted Man", file 220.3, dtd 13 Nov 1944.

12. Pursuant to the auth contained in 3rd Ind fr Hq Ninth Air Force, 21 April 1944 to Ltr, Hq US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, 20 March 1944, file 245.8 x 354.7, subj: "Auth for Mont Alvs at Air Force Rest Homes," the following named officers are placed on temp dy, will proceed fr Hq 368th Ftr Gp to AAF Sta 524, c/a 18 Nov 1944 for a period of seven (7) days, exclusive of travel time, for the purpose of carrying out the instructions of the CG, Ninth Air Force. Upon completion of this temp dy, they will ret to proper orgn. TDN by MT, rail acft or rail.

SO 139, Hq 368th Ftr Gp, dtd 17 Nov 1944
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Where Govt qrs and subs are not available in the UK, reimbursement for actual cost of qrs not to exceed \$4.00 per day and per diem \$1.25 in lieu of subs is atzd while in a travel status, in accordance w/Par 2, Cir 63, Hq European T of Opns, USA, 5 June 1944. 60-105 F 432-02 A 212/50425.

Air Force Combat crew personnel on temporary duty as patients in Rest Homes are authorized reimbursement for additional cost of subsistence at the rate of \$1.25 per day for officers and \$2.25 per day for enlisted men, irrespective of whether adequate Government messing facilities are available, in accordance w/Par 4, United States Strategic Air Forces in Europe Reg No 30-3B, 29 September 1944.

1st Lt WALTER G. LUCHEARY 0802321 AC
2d Lt LOUIS D. HAMILTON 0745369 AC

13. The following named EM, Sq indicated, are placed on temp dy for a period of approximately seven (7) days, will proceed fr this sta o/a 18 Nov 1944 to Hq Com Zone reporting prior to 1600 hours, 19 Nov 1944 to Capt Weaver, Office of the Signal Officer, 26 Ave Kleber, Paris, for the purpose of attending a course in radio. Gas masks and blankets will be taken. Upon completion of this temp dy, EM will ret to proper orgn and sta. TDM by MT, nil acft, or rail. 60-105 F 432-02 A 212/50425 and 60-114 F 432-02 A 212/50425. AUTH: TWX IX TAC N459J.

M/Sgt (898) Thomas K. Smith 15064991 Hq 368th Fighter Group
M/Sgt (542) Edward A. Long 35453637 395th Fighter Squadron.

14. The following named EM, Sq indicated, are placed on temp dy for a period of approximately eight (8) days, will proceed fr this sta o/a 18 Nov 1944 to Hq 70th Fighter Wing reporting prior to 1600 hours, 19 Nov 1944, reporting thereat to the Squadron Commander, for the purpose of attending wire chiefs school. Cots and blankets will be taken. EM will be attached to Hq & Hq Sq, 70th Fighter Wing for rations and quarters. Upon completion of this temp dy, EM will ret to proper orgn and sta. TDM by MT, nil acft or rail. 60-105 F 432-02 A 212/50425. AUTH: VCCG 70th Fighter Wing.

Sgt (236) Robert G. Post 36712324 395th Fighter Squadron
Cpl (590) Charles M. Hicks 18182276 Hq 368th Fighter Group

15. Sgt Yates M. Hampton, 34036414, 1293rd Military Police Co (Avn) is placed on temp dy for a period of approximately one (1) day, will proceed fr this sta o/a 19 Nov 1944 to pick up Pvt Joseph A. Piper, 11021095, 29th MR&R Sq (Less Det A) now confined at the Ninth Air Force Continental Stockade, APO 696. Upon completion of this temp dy, EM will ret to proper orgn and sta. 60-105 F 432-02 A 212/50425 and 60-114 F 432-02 A 212/50425. TDM by MT. AUTH: VCCG IX TAC.

16. 2d Lt ROLAND C. POTTER, 0695339, AC, is placed on temp dy for a period of three (3) days, will proceed fr this sta o/a 20 Nov 1944 to Shinay Rocket Range on matters pertaining to this command. TDM by MT. Upon completion of this TD, O will ret to proper orgn and sta. 60-105 F 432-02 A 212/50425 and 60-114 F 432-02 A 212/50425. AUTH: VCCG 70th Fighter Wing.

50 199, Hq 368th Ftr Gp, dtd 17 Nov 1944. Cont'd.

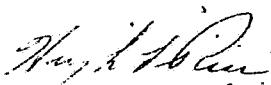
17. Under the provisions of AR 600-68, the following named EM, 997th Ftr Sq, having completed the required amount of serv in the Army of the United States and having demonstrated fidelity through faithful and exact performances of duty, efficiency through capacity to produce desired results, and whose behavior has been such as to deserve emulation, are awarded Good Conduct Medals for exemplary behavior, efficiency, and fidelity:

S/Sgt Charles W. Wood	16054828
Sgt Walter J. Lewis	32280056
Sgt Frederick L. Nelson	39121195
Sgt Charles T. Stoner	35797256
Cpl Raymond E. Parrott	32699981
Cpl Albert J. Calocrossi	31396567
Cpl James R. Ewing	15332241
Cpl Walter J. Gatz	12193399
Cpl William D. Gilchrist	37676673
Cpl Edison Goodwin	35386661
Cpl Manuel Guerra	38455756
Cpl Calvin M. Hazelbaker	35609322
Cpl William H. Hogarth	33597443
Cpl Frank S. Stowell	39199927
Cpl John Tomassacci	33351633
Cpl Herman C. Weis	36438623

(Travel directed is pursuant to auth contained in Ltr, Hq European T of Opns USA, 24 May 1944)

By order of Lt Col PEREGO:

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HEADQUARTERS
368TH FIGHTER GROUP

AF0 595, U. S. Army
21 November 1944

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 140)

1. The following named EM, Sq indicated, are placed on temp dy for a period of approximately three (3) days, will proceed fr this sta o/a 21 Nov 1944 to Hq IX TAC for the purpose of appearing as a witness in a General Courts-Martial. Upon completion of this temp dy, EM will ret to proper sta and orgn. TDN by MT. 60-105 P 432-02 A 212/50425. AUTH: VCOG IX TAC.

1st Sgt (502) Salvatore S. Galisano	33085252	395th Fighter Sq
Sgt (566) John H. Kays	13044551	395th Fighter Sq

2. The following named EM, Sq indicated, are placed on temp dy for a period of five (5) days, will proceed fr this sta o/a 21 Nov 1944 to A-42 for the purpose of attending a course in armment. Blankets will be taken. Upon completion of this temp dy, EM will ret to proper sta and orgn. TDN by MT. 60-105 P 432-02 A 212/50425 and 60-114 P 432-02 A 212/50425. AUTH: TWX IX TAC.

S/Sgt (911) Michael W. Roccivicky	35028447	396th Fighter Sq
Sgt (911) Robert G. Hoffman	16119003	395th Fighter Sq
T/Sgt (911) William Malone	32375607	397th Fighter Sq

3. Maj JAMES R. WERMLI, AC, 0386975, is appointed Investigating Officer to investigate the circumstances surrounding the accidental death of Sgt Merrill C. Holmes, 11030522, 397th Ftr Sq, which occurred on 21 November 1944. Complete Report of Investigation on WD AGO Form 51 will be submitted to this headquarters in quintuplicate.

4. Maj JAMES R. WERMLI, AC, 0386975, is appointed Investigating Officer to investigate the circumstances surrounding the injuries incurred by S/Sgt Leslie H. Angle, 17176013, 397th Ftr Sq, incurred on 21 November 1944. Complete Report of Investigation on WD AGO Form 51 will be submitted to this headquarters in quintuplicate.

5. S/Sgt Joseph C. Ellis (014) 34306751, 64th Airrome Sq, is placed on temp dy for a period of approximately ten (10) days, will proceed fr this sta o/a 23 Nov 1944 to 370th Ftr Gp reporting upon arrival to Lt Col Joyce. TDN by MT. Upon completion of this TD, EM will ret to proper orgn and sta. 60-105 P 432-02 A 212/50425. AUTH: VCOG IX TAC.

6. Pursuant to auth contained in IX TAC Memo 125-7, dtd 20 Nov 1944, Capt ROBERT G. BERGMAN, AC, 0567286, is appointed Group Graves Registration Officer in addition to his other duties.

SO 140, Hq 368th Ftr Gp, dtd 21 Nov 1944 (Cont'd)

7. The FN O and EM are placed on a period of temp dy for a period of approx two (2) days, will proceed fr this sta o/a 24 Nov 1944 to Army Pictorial Serv, Paris, France, and Hq Ninth AF, for the purpose of procuring Spec Serv Equipment. Upon comp of this temp dy O and EM will ret to proper sta and orgn. TDN by MT. 60-105 P 432-02 A 212/50425 and 60-114 P 432-02 A 212/50425.

WOJG ALBERT R. SILVERS W2128703 USA
Sgt Henry S. Kornatcski 13055898 Hq 368th Ftr Gp

8. Pursuant to the auth contained in 3rd Ind fr Hq Ninth Air Force, 21 April 1944 to Ltr, Hq US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, 20 Mar 1944, file 245.8 x 354.7, subj: "Auth for Mnt ALws at Air Force Rest Homes," the following named officers are placed on temp dy, will proceed fr Hq 368th Ftr Gp to AAF Sta 524, o/a 25 Nov 1944 for a period of seven (7) days, exclusive of travel time, for the purpose of carrying out the instructions of the CG, Ninth Air Force. Upon completion of this temp dy, they will ret to proper sta and orgn. TDN by MT, mil acft or rail.

Where Govt qrs and subs are not available in the UK, reimbursement for actual cost of qrs not to exceed \$4.00 per day and per diem \$1.25 in lieu of subs is atzd while in a travel status, in accordance w/Far 2, Cir 63, Hq European T of Opns, USA, 5 June 1944. 60-105 P 432-02 A 212/50425.

Air Force Combat crew personnel on temp dy as patients in Rest Homes are atzd reimbursement for additional cost of subs at the rate of \$1.25 per day for officers and \$2.25 per day for EM, irrespective of whether adequate Govt messing facilities are available, in accordance w/Far 4, US Strategic AF in Europe Reg No. 3C-3B, 29 Sept 1944.

Capt ROY D. CARLSON 0678630 AC
2d Lt JOHN A. HELLIESEN 0815332 AC

(Travel directed is pursuant to auth contained in Ltr, Hq European T of Opns, USA, 24 May 1944)

By order of Lt Colonel PEREGO:

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HEADQUARTERS
368TH FIGHTER GROUP

APO 89 5, U S Army,
24 November 1944,

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 141)

1. Having been asgd 368th Ftr Gp per Par 1 SO 35, Hq 134th Repl Bn (AIF) dtd 19 Nov 1944, the FN Officers are further asgd orgns as indicated:

2d Lt HERBERT F. KOENIG	0830251	AC	39 5th Fighter Sq
2d Lt LAWRENCE P. MARSCHE	0830269	AC	39 5th Fighter Sq
2d Lt STEPHEN L. WALPIN	0710102	AC	396th Fighter Sq
2d Lt CHARLES E. LEGRAND	0830023	AC	396th Fighter Sq
2d Lt CECIL R. HUFF	0529995	AC	396th Fighter Sq
2d Lt CHARLES J. HUCKE	0710698	AC	397th Fighter Sq
2d Lt LEROY S. HUNT	0707626	AC	397th Fighter Sq
2d Lt BENJAMIN L. FOLESON	0716235	AC	397th Fighter Sq
2d Lt GEORGE E. FICKMAN	0719332	AC	397th Fighter Sq
2d Lt JOHN R. KEIL, JR.	0710713	AC	397th Fighter Sq
2d Lt JAMES M. POLEN	0716234	AC	397th Fighter Sq
2d Lt RALPH W. THORNTON	0712060	AC	397th Fighter Sq

2. 2d Lt CHARLES E. RIFE, 0887235, AC, is placed on temp dy for an indefinite period, will proceed fr Hq 368th Ftr Gp to 3rd Central Medical Establishment, Hq Ninth Air Force, APO 696, for the purpose of receiving medical examination. Upon completion of this temp dy O will ret to proper orgn and sta. TDN by MF or mil acft. 60-105 P 432-02 & 212/50425 and 60-114 P 432-02 & 212/50425. AUTH: Ltr, 9AF, file 322, subject "Central Medical Establishment," dated 29 Oct 1944.

3. Sgt Yates M. Hampton, 34056414, 1293rd Military Police Co (Avn), is placed on temp dy for a period of approx one (1) day, will proceed fr this sta o/a 25 Nov 1944 to pick up Pvt Joseph A. Piper, 11021095, 29th MR&R Sq (Less Det A), now confined at the Ninth AF Continental Stockade, APO 696. Upon completion of this temp dy, SM will ret to proper orgn and sta. TDN by MF, 60-105 P 432-02 & 212/50425 and 60-114 P 432-02 & 212/50425. AUTH: VOOG IX TAC.

4. The following named officers, orgn indicated, are placed on temp dy for an indefinite period, will proceed fr this sta o/a 25 Nov 1944 to Hq IX Tactical Air Command, APO 895. Upon comp of this temp dy, O's will ret their proper orgn and sta. TDN by MF or mil acft. 60-105 P 432-02 & 212/50425. AUTH: VOOG IX TAC.

5. UIC AF 600-66, the FN EM, atchd Hq 368th Ftr Gp, having completed the required amount of serv in the AUS and having demonstrated fidelity through faithful and exact performances of duty, efficiency through capacity to produce desired results, and whose behavior has been such as to deserve emulation, are awarded Good Conduct Medals for exemplary behavior, efficiency, and fidelity:

Pvt Robert F. Lampe . 1221449
Pvt Sydney B. Jacques 33748138

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SD 141, Hq 368th Ftr Gp, dtl 24 Nov 1944 (Cont'd)

6. 2d Lt CHARLES R. FOLTZ, 0199835, AC, is placed on temp dy for a pd of three (3) days, will proceed fr this sta o/a 25 Nov 1944 to Shimay Rocket Range on matters pertaining to this command. TDN by MT. Upon com pf this Temp dy, O will ret to proper orgn and sta. 6C-105 F 432-02 & 212/50425 and 6C-114 P 432-02 & 212/50425. AUTH: VCCG 70th Fighter Wing.

By order of Lt Colonel FEREGO:

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HEADQUARTERS
368TH FIGHTER GROUP

APO 595, U. S. Army
27 November 1944

SPECIAL ORDERS)
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NUMBER 142)

1. The following named Officer and enlisted man are placed on temp dy for approx three (3) days will proceed fr this sta o/a 27 Nov 1944 to 134th Repl Bn (AAF), APO 149, U. S. Army, for the purpose of disposing of baggage of officers of this organization. TDN by MT. 60-105 P 432-02 A 212/50425 and 60-114 P 432-02 A 212/50425. Upon comp of this temp dy O and EM will ret to proper sta and orgn. AUTH: TWX 134th Repl Bn (AAF) and VCCG IX TAC.

1st Lt DALE G. CLMSTEAD 01593766 AC
Pfc Ralph R. May 34624963

2. The following named officers are appointed Class "A" Finance Agents to Major JOHN P. VOLIVA, FD, for Officers' Vouchers and enlisted men's payroll for the month of November for units as indicated:

1st Lt MARVIN E. WARD	0863713	AC	Hq 368th Fighter Group
1st Lt SAMUEL R. SCHOFIELD	0582942	AC	395th Fighter Squadron
Capt MEREDITH W. HENRY	0796630	AC	396th Fighter Squadron
1st Lt CARL H. GUNDLACH	0571336	AC	397th Fighter Squadron
1st Lt WILLIAM R. RAMSAY	0374008	AC	21st Weather Squadron Det "R"
1st Lt WILLIAM R. RAMSAY	0874008	AC	40th Mobile Com Sq Det "R"
1st Lt LEO N. CULKIN	01595448	CME	1293rd M I Co (Avn) Less Det "A"
2d Lt HIRAN D. FLACK	01558233	ORD	45th Ord Bomb Disposal Squadron
2d Lt ROBERT L. STAREUCK	01103342	CE	2137th Engr (Avn) F/F Platoon
1st Lt MICHAEL R. DANIELS	02047615	MAC	218th Medical Dispensary (Avn)
Capt WILFUR F. SAUL	0314164	AC	Hq & Hq Sq, 34th Service Group
Capt ROBERT S. GRUHN	01634830	SC	1074th Signal Co (Less Det A & B)
Capt CHARLES D. HEIDLER	0422540	AC	29th MR&R Sq (Less Det A)
1st Lt JOHN S. DRISCOLL	01593547	QMC	382nd Air Service Squadron
1st Lt JAMES W. WOODS	01636849	SC	1074th Signal Co (Det B)
1st Lt JOHN P. FANYON	01555340	ORD	1814th Ord S&M Co (Avn)
1st Lt PAUL M. FORGES	01581839	QMC	1221st QM Co Sv Gp (Avn) Det A
1st Lt DALLAS D. ALSUP	01577050	QMC	2499th QM Trk Co Avn (Det A)
1st Lt SAMUEL KUSHNER	0356309	AC	29th MR&R Sq (Det A)
1st Lt KAYE H. JONES	01043036	CAC	784th AAA Auto Wpns Bn

3. Par 4, SO 141, this Hq. cs, pertaining to the temp dy of officers to Hq IX TAC, is amended by adding the following named officers:

Capt ROY L. BOWLIN JR 025637 AC
Capt ALFRED E. FERTON 0447208 AC
1st Lt JOHN F. FOLTZ 0745337 AC

SO 142, Hq 368th Ftr Gp, dtd 27 Nov 1944, Cont'd.

4. Pvt (631) Ernest C. Dennis, 18051450, 395th Ftr Sq, is placed on temp dy for a period of two (2) days, will proceed fr this sta o/a 28 Nov 1944 for the purpose of driving officer to Hq Ninth Air Force, APO 696. Upon completion of this temp dy, EM will ret to proper orgn and sta. TDN by MT. 60-105 P 432-02 A 212/50425 and 60-114 F 432-02 A 212/50425.

(Travel directed is pursuant to auth contained in Ltr, Hq European T of Opns USA, 24 May 1944)

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368TH FIGHTER GROUP

APO 595, U. S. Army
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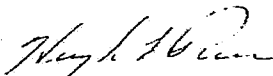
In the case of Pvt Robert E. Dunlap, 13009110, 397th Fighter Squadron,
368th Fighter Group, tried 14 November 1944.

So much of Special Courts-Martial Orders Number 31, Headquarters 368th
Fighter Group, 16 November 1944, which reads, "but the execution of so much
of the sentence as provides for confinement at hard labor is suspended" is
rescinded for cause. Ninth Air Force Stockade is designated as the place of
confinement.

By order of Lt Col FIREGO:

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