

OPERATIONS RECORD BOOK

APPENDIX

DETAIL OF WORK CARRIED OUT

By **NO. 419 (REAF) SQUADRON**

SECRET

T.S. 700

FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 19 43

CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	
		UP	DOWN		
R.123865	F/Sgt. Eydolfson H.C.	P.	00.01	08.22	Successful. Target LEIPZIG with 1 x 2,000 lb x 30 lb. I.C. and 630 x 4 lb. incendiaries. Target identified by red flares with green at were in bombsight. No results observed owing tion of cloud. Red glow in cloud gave appear results, PFF considered good.
J.13832	F/O. C.E. SIDDALL	Nav.			
R.112995	F/Sgt. McCaughey L.A.	A/B.			
1043547	Sgt. Pattie J.H.	W/Op.			
1588557	Sgt. Tunstall R.D.	F/E.			
R.152421	Sgt. Cossar E.	U/G.			
1559512	Sgt. Gallacher G.	R/G.			
J.18875	F/O. D.T. Cook	P.	23.55	08.28	
J.21918	F/O. O.W. Fonger	Nav.			
R.120893	F/Sgt. Campbell H.H.	A/B.			
1148066	Sgt. Packer R.	W/Op.			
1019368	Sgt. Grieve J.F.	F/E.			
R.169934	Sgt. Legault R.E.	U/G.			
R.176124	Sgt. Robertson D.W.	R/G.			
R.123639	F/Sgt. Parker J.A.	P.	00.06	01.44	Unsuccessful. Target LEIPZIG with bombload a Mission abandoned at 5403N 0023E at 00.15 hrs owing to icing and port motor undercarriage jammed. It was found impossible to raise or wheel right after take-off. All bombs dropped 5403N 0023E, 0050 hrs., 6,000 ft.
J.14498	F/O. F.Hartnett	Nav.			
R.124234	F/Sgt. Donald J.D.	A/B.			
1236337	Sgt. Rees R.N.	W/Op.			
R.58461	Sgt. Raine H.T.	F/E.			
1890043	Sgt. Hopper D.A.	U/G.			
R.180730	Sgt. Fournier G.N.A.	R/G.			
J.22143	F/O. A.J. Byford	P.	23.40	02.18	
J.21355	F/O. R.V. DALY	Nav.			
R.114756	Sgt. Prentice F.W.	A/B.			
1249334	Sgt. Tenny R.	W/Op.			
1845031	Sgt. Holder A.L.	F/E.			
R.188973	Sgt. Fraser M.C.	U/G.			
1834457	Sgt. Daruley L.	R/G.			
159032	F/O. J.G. Hamilton	P.	00.03	01.16	Unsuccessful. Target LEIPZIG with bombload a Mission abandoned at 5429N 0032W due to cooling port inner engine which was in danger of catch 00.30 hrs., 6,500 ft. 1 x 2,000 lb. H.C. and incendiary bombs dropped live at 5435N 0013W, 3,500 ft.
4398457	Sgt. Rogers B.	Nav.			
1318315	Sgt. Elsey W.C.	A/B.			
1387471	Sgt. Spinks S.E.	W/Op.			
1806465	Sgt. Vickers D.G.	F/E.			
1890004	Sgt. Wiggins W.H.	U/G.			
651746	Sgt. Harris R.W.	R/G.			
J.5747	F/Lt. A.G. Hermitage	2nd.P.			
J.20078	F/O. E.H. Betcher	P.	25.43	08.04	
R.147617	F/Sgt. Johnson T.B.	Nav.			
GAN. 1530	Sgt. Baylow J.A.	A/B.			
1317446	Sgt. Darney B.	W/Op.			
1282476	Sgt. Baylis E.J.	F/E.			
R.193785	Sgt. Turbitt D.G.	U/G.			
R.158726	Sgt. Rebb T.M.	R/G.			

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J.22145	F/O. L.T. Lucas	P.	23.58	08.40	Successful. Target LEIPZIG with 1 x 2,000 lb. x 30 lb. I.C. and 630 x 4 lb. incendiaries. 10 Target identified by red flares with green stars T.I. Bombed green T.I. Observed huge red explosion 5/10 secs. White blaze of fires seen 02.02 hrs. coast north of track at about 52:55N 04:45E. FF and good fires seen taking hold in T/A as A/C 1
J.21363	F/O. G.P. Davies	Nav.			
R.146421	Sgt. Hairsine J.E.	A/B.			
R.445640	F/Sgt. Pluta J.	W/Op.			
R.132218	Sgt. Herriott C.R.	F/E.			
R.190802	Sgt. Dehoux J.F.G.R.	U/G.			
R.185480	Sgt. Johnson T.R.N.	R/G.			
J.21370	F/O. J.C. Turnbull	P.	23.36	08.09	Successful. Target LEIPZIG with bombload as ab 10/10ths cloud, tops 14,000 ft. Target identified by flares with green stars, and H2S. Red flares stars in B/S. Cloud obscured visibility, glow cloud was all that was visible of T/A. Hydraulic u/s on return journey.
J.14793	F/O. E.T. Albert	Nav.			
J.23638	F/O. A.H.A. McBain	A/B.			
1575683	Sgt. Gillett R.G.	W/Op.			
1604784	Sgt. Board D.M.	F/E.			
R.193130	Sgt. Hutt C.A.	U/G.			
R.225229	Sgt. Malec J.	R/G.			
R.128415	F/Sgt. Krantz W.T.	2nd.P.			
J.9072	F/Lt. J.A. Westland	P.	23.39	08.02	Successful. Target LEIPZIG with bombload as ab 10/10ths low cloud. Target identified by red-green stars, and red and green T.I. Bombed cen T.I. on ground which cascaded at 04:00 hrs. S looked good, but about 12 clusters of T.I. appeared scattered. Large orange explosion lit up cloud. Glow of fires on cloud could be seen on leaving
J.14776	F/O. J.E. Hall	Nav.			
J.22864	F/O. G.W. Galvin	A/B.			
1311306	Sgt. Beer S.W.	W/Op.			
1653123	Sgt. Davies H.G.	F/E.			
1179709	F/Sgt. Stapley C.G.	U/G.			
R.141311	Sgt. Atkinson W.S.	R/G.			
R.136052	F/Sgt. Palmer F.H.	P.	23.33	07.59	Successful. Target LEIPZIG with bombload as ab 10/10ths cloud, tops 7/10,000 ft. Target identified by red flares with green stars, also green T.I. on Bombed red flares with green stars. T/A could due to cloud, tremendous billows of smoke seen cloud. Route markers and PFF markers exceptional
J.11952	F/O. F. Forrest	Nav.			
J.23462	F/O. G.E. Lemerick	A/B.			
1331709	F/Sgt. Reilly F.T.	W/Op.			
1649552	Sgt. Parrott J.H.	F/E.			
R.188384	Sgt. Tarbet R.	U/G.			
R.90747	Sgt. Milner M.G.	R/G.			
J.18989	F/O. R.K. Methemal	P.	23.46	08.56	Successful. Target LEIPZIG with bombload as ab 10/10ths cloud, tops 8,000 ft. Target identified markers seen above A/C and green T.I. below in B/S. Judging by large glow seen, fires must concentrated and burning well. Two large spots orange coloured, seen at 04:05 hrs. and 04:04 hrs. white flares seen dropped to South of target at 20,000 ft., lasting 30 secs.
R.131750	W/O. Chiswell H.B.	Nav.			
R.121885	F/Sgt. Edwards B.	A/B.			
1377811	F/Sgt. Keldall H.B.	W/Op.			
R.69309	F/Sgt. Pollard C.H.	F/E.			
R.108409	F/Sgt. Mercier J.L.	U/G.			
R.123028	F/Sgt. Marritt R.H.	R/G.			
J.10959	F/O. J.C. Stewart	2nd. P.			
1389404	F/Sgt. Margomes C.H.	P.	23.38	08.38	Successful. Target LEIPZIG with bombload as ab 10/10ths cloud, tops about 5,000 ft. Target identified by red flares with green stars, red and green T.I. concentration red flares in B/S. Bomb doors did first open, put A/C in shallow dive, doors open centre of flares overshoot slightly, the edge of Glow of many small fires seen, also one large N. of T.I.
1578686	F/Sgt. Lees P.	Nav.			
1651879	Sgt. Round D.S.	A/B.			
1553983	Sgt. McKene W.J.	W/Op.			
1653801	Sgt. Packer W.F.R.	F/E.			
R.139838	Sgt. Sylvester V.S.	U/G.			
958380	Sgt. Sullivan R.W.G.	R/G.			

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			UP	DOWN	
R.145227	Sgt. Thompson R.L.	P.	23.55	08.12	Successful. Target LEIPZIG 1 x 2,000 lb. H.C. L.C., and 630 x 4 lb. incendiaries. 10/10th 10,000 ft. Target identified by red flares stars, flak and E.T.A. Bombed green stars and of red flares. Red glow of fire seen reflect PFF well concentrated and attack appeared well. Moderate icing over base at 00.12 hrs. 6200 ft. no opposition encountered.
R.139545	Sgt. Webb F.H.	Nav.			
R.130425	Sgt. Maloney S.J.	A/B			
1320259	Sgt. Bilyard R.G.	W/Op.			
1873080	Sgt. Cooper J.	F/E			
R.193150	Sgt. Carrol A.	U/G			
R.493039	Sgt. Barry W.J.	R/G			
R.130234	F/Sgt. McLeod D.K.	P.			
J.21569	F/O. J.R. Piper	Nav.	23.34		
R.142664	Sgt. Beattie J.L.	A/B			
1561517	Sgt. Gettings J.	W/CP.			
R.61333	Sgt. LeBoldus M.B.	F/E			
R.183946	Sgt. Hackbart A.H.	U/G			
R.178400	Sgt. Lethwaite D.C.	R/G			
J.22143	F/O A.J. Byford	P.	16.13	23.45	Successful. Target FRANKFURT with 2 x 1,000 x 50 lb. L.C., 900 x 4 lb. incendiaries. 6/10 cloud, tops 8/9,000 ft. Target identified by fires en route and PFF technique. 1 x 1,000. Jettisoned at 5007N 0902E 20,000 ft. 19.46 hr over T/A, slightly off course, bombed on built. No fires observed until leaving T/A, then two seen, no explosions.
J.21355	F/O R.V. Daly	N.			
R114756	F/S Prentice, F.W.	A/B			
1249334	Sgt. Tomy, R.	W/C			
1845031	Sgt. Holder, A.L.	F/E			
R188975	Sgt. Fraser, N.C.	U/G			
1834457	Sgt. Darnley, L.	R/G			
R114083	Sgt. Patterson, C.E.G.	P.	16.18	23.50	Successful. Target FRANKFURT with bombload. Scattered cloud, 6/10ths, tops 6,000 ft. Target by built up area and red T.I. A/C early, red from distance of 6 miles, disappeared by time it, bombed where T.I. seen. PFF yellow marked red spot fire seen on way in, none on way out (90 x 4) incendiaries brought back. Area of up by scattered incendiaries.
R158761	F/S Bailey, W.A.	N.			
R129879	Sgt. Darbyshire, D.E.	A/B			
1507140	Sgt. Jones, G.	W/C			
1865976	Sgt. Evans, G.F.	F/E			
R196076	Sgt. Chawanski, A.P.	U/G			
R107102	F/S Child, P.C.	R/G			
R137426	F/S McNary, J.C.	P.			
J.21188	F/O F.H. Love	N.	16.12	23.31	Successful. Target FRANKFURT with bombload. 5/10ths cloud, 12,000 ft. Target identified and green T.I. Bombed centre of red T.I. on sticks incendiaries seen burning around marked seen on bombing. Red spot fires seen, glow to be seen from distance of 100 miles on return.
R145370	Sgt. Long, R.C.	A/B			
R109823	W/O Chartrand, J.L.E.	W/C			
I604133	Sgt. Hill, A.G.	F/E			
R183560	Sgt. Sangster, D.S.M.	U/G			
R130395	W/O Barnes, W.H.	R/G			
J.22145	F/O L.T. Lucas	P.	16.07	18.41	Unsuccessful. Target FRANKFURT with bombload. Furthest point reached 5352N 0125E, 17.35 hr. Full load jettisoned at 5352N 0116E, 17.37 hr. A/C forced to return as W/T defective and star engine w/a.
J.21363	F/O G.P. Davies	N.			
R146421	F/S Hairings, J.E.	W/E			
R115610	F/S Pluta, J.	W/C			
R132218	Sgt. Harriott, G.R.	F/E			
R190892	Sgt. DeLoux, J.F.G.R.	U/G			
R185480	Sgt. Johnson, T.R.N.	R/G			

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159032	F/O J.G. Hamilton	P.	16.15	23.54	Successful. Target FRANKFURT with 2 x 1,000 lb x 30 lb. L.C., 900 x 4 lb. incendiaries. 5/10ths cloud, tops 8/10,000 ft. Target identified by yellow T.I., sky marking seen, probably enemy. centre of scattered green T.I. on ground. Good of fires burning well, visible 180 miles after.
1398137	F/S Rogers, B.	N.			
1318315	F/S Elsey, W.G.	A/B			
1387471	Sgt. Spinks, S.E.	W/O			
1806465	Sgt. Vickers, D.G.	F/E			
1890004	Sgt. Wiggins, W.H.	U/G			
651746	Sgt. Harris, R.W.	R/G			
J.3747	F/L A.G. Hermitage	2nd P.			1 x 1,000 lb. M.C. jettisoned 5212N 0205E, 22,000 ft. Aerial flare path on way out of target 100 flares in lane. Route markers not seen.
J.20078	F/O B.E. Betcher	P.	16.02	23.17	Successful. Target FRANKFURT with bombload as thin layer cloud, 8/10ths. Target identified by scattered green T.I. Large white flare which streets in B/S. A few good fires had been seen separate columns of smoke rising through clouds appeared scattered. Enemy red T.I. seen S.W. appeared to be much better imitation than former
R.147617	F/S Johnson, T.B.	N.			
CAN.1530	Sgt. Barlow, J.A.	A/B			
R120617	F/S Salaba, J.J.	W/O			
1282476	Sgt. Baylis, E.J.	F/E			
R193135	Sgt. Turbitt, D.G.	U/G			
R158726	Sgt. Robb, T.M.	R/G			
J22470	F/O A.L. Warren	2nd P.			
R131972	Sgt. Hawkes, V.L.	P.	15.50	23.57	Successful. Target FRANKFURT with bombload as 4/10ths drifting cloud, tops 10,000 ft. Target by red spot fires, red, green and yellow T.I. red and green T.I. near ground. Many incendiary T.I., no real big fires or explosions seen. S as A/C left T/A. Three lots of red T.I. seen, by two lots of green T.I., indicating FFF early
R143004	F/S Fletcher, W.J.K.	N.			
J25529	F/O F.B. Houston	A/B			
R103819	W/O McDewitt, D.R.	W/O			
1604784	Sgt. Board, D.M.	F/E			
R155285	Sgt. Bowman, A.H.	U/G			
R159331	F/S Beckett, A.C.	R/G			
R.110962	F/S MacLennan, E.H.	P.	15.54	23.15	Successful. Target FRANKFURT with bombload as 6/10ths thin cloud in T/A. Ground fires visible identified by scattered red and green T.I. Bom A/P. Good concentration of fires, results good visible over 100 miles. T.I. over target appeared unable to get sufficient concentration to bomb correct heading. A/C bombed on second run, not on first run. Spoof attack on MANNHEIM visible
J.20409	F/O A.R. Baker	N.			
R146767	F/S Glancy, P.G.	A/B			
1575653	Sgt. Woodhall, A.R.	W/O			
1607179	Sgt. Harris, D.W.H.	F/E			
R88321	Sgt. Auld, J.H.	U/G			
1590775	Sgt. Stephenson, E.V.	R/G			
1389404	F/S Marjoram, G.H.	P.	16.10	23.24	Successful. Target FRANKFURT with bombload as 5/10ths low cloud, 5,000 ft. Target identified green T.I., bombed centre scattered red T.I. on target marking very scattered, may possibly have dummies. No fires seen on bombing run, four inside markers on leaving T/A. Route markers on way in and way out. Attack considered unsuccessful
1578686	F/S Lees, P.	N.			
1651879	Sgt. Round, D.S.	A/B			
1553983	Sgt. McKane, W.J.	W/O			
1653801	Sgt. Packer, W.F.R.	F/E			
R139838	Sgt. Sylvester, V.S.	U/G			
958380	Sgt. Sullivan, R.W.G.	R/G			
R128415	F/S Wranke, W.T.	2nd P.			
J.20065	F/O R.L. Bos	P.	15.59	23.01	Successful. Target FRANKFURT with bombload as 6/10ths drifting cloud, 6/8,000 ft. Target identified red spot fires, and all FFF techniques. Bombed thought to be on ground, green T.I. being to go T.I. Dummy T.I. being dropped N.E. of T/A, both green. 1 x 1,000 lb. M.C. released manually 8. at 20.10 hrs., 19,000 ft. Route markers seen on way out.
J14190	F/O J.V. Smith	N.			
R141512	F/S McLelland, J.G.	A/B			
1312230	Sgt. Hayter, A.J.	W/O			
1801234	Sgt. Dearman, L.W.	F/E			
R141373	F/S Fox, K.G.	U/G			
R151215	Sgt. Salskeld, H.A.	R/G			

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J21370	F/O J.C. Turnbull	P.	16.21	23.11	Successful. Target FRANKFURT with 2 x 1,000 lb. x 30 lb. L.C., 900 x 4 lb. incendiaries. 8/10 tops 12,000 ft. Target identified by red and cascading, and rivers seen. Bombed centre of green T.I. on ground. Scattered fires seen on hold. Large explosion seen at 19.40 hrs. 6 of red flames lasting few seconds then subsided. Route markers not seen.
J14793	F/O E.T. Albert	N.			
J23638	F/O A.H.A. McGain	A/B			
1575683	Sgt. Gillett, R.G.	W/O			
1019368	Sgt. Grieve, J.F.	F/E		00.03	
R193130	Sgt. Hutt, C.A.	U/C			
R225229	Sgt. Malec, J.	R/G			
R147417	F/S McIvor, R.K.	2nd P.			
J10959	F/O J.G. Stewart	P.	15.56	00.01	Successful. Target FRANKFURT with bombload as above. No cloud, slight haze. Target identified by triangle in good concentration. Own bombs marked by red T.I., attack considered successful. Orange explosion and puff of black smoke seen on leaving T/A. Supply of window exhausted. Red spot fires seen 5015N 0730E, 19.23 hrs.
120430	F/O W.E. Coleman	N.			
CAN. 10218A	F/S Cooper, D.M.	A/B			
143653	F/O S.E. Bedford	W/O			
1515050	Sgt. Hickford, W.A.	F/E			
R173303	Sgt. Curren, H.O.	U/C			
1811123	Sgt. Endacott, D.R.	R/G			
1320032	F/S Scade, G.M.	P.	16.04	23.27	Successful. Target FRANKFURT with bombload as above. Drifting low cloud, 4-6/10ths, tops 8,000 ft. river, and red T.I. on ground seen. T.I. down about 10 loads incendiaries seen before T.I. fires seen south of target. One can of S.B.C. Many yellow T.I. and flares seen about 20 miles slightly early, had to weave.
1577546	Sgt. Dickinson, W.O.R.	N.			
R142403	F/S Thompson, G.O.	A/B			
1431076	Sgt. Hallett, A.W.	W/O			
1587653	Sgt. Capper, C.H.	F/E			
1818825	Sgt. Mason, T.D.	U/C			
R173938	Sgt. Lee, G.R.	R/G			
R118534	F/S Herbert, R.G.	P.	15.52	21.29	Unsuccessful. Target FRANKFURT with bombload as above. Furthest point reached 5130N 0445E. Jettisoned load 5142N 0219E, 19.00 hrs., 17,000 ft. H.E. safe but exploded in sea. A/C returned owing being w/s. A/C 100 miles off track before coming w/s, and target could not have been reached in past bombing time, consequently operation abortive.
J20236	F/O P.A. Ebdon	N.			
R158805	F/S Cardno, M.B.	A/B			
1318176	Sgt. Ginn, J.E.	W/O			
R51651	Sgt. Petrina, M.J.	F/E			
R75742	Sgt. Miles, R.L.	U/C			
1890041	Sgt. Crisp, B.A.	R/G			
J5679	S/L H.R.F. Dyer	P.	16.51	00.06	Successful. Target BERLIN with 2 x 1,000 lb. x 30 lb. L.C., 900 x 4 lb. incendiaries. 10/10 tops 5/8,000 ft. Target identified by red T.I. stars, 6 red flares with green stars in E/S. excellent, no brown marking seen. Clouds well glow, unable to ascertain whether fires or S/B.C. one S.B.C. 90 x 4 lb. 5340N 0330E 15,000 ft. which hung up over T/A. H2S and monica w/s. due to wind variation, wind broadcast received reaching target on H2S. Spoof attacks seen, and MANSBURG 19.33 hrs. Wind broadcast help.
J22182	F/O H.A. MacKensie	N.			
J22543	F/O L.D. Swanton	A/B			
1070070	Sgt. Brooks, W.B.	W/O			
1800967	Sgt. Bolton, W.F.	F/E			
1377881	W/O Greenall, J.	U/C			
R165298	Sgt. Dunsan, T.F.	R/G			
J22470	F/O A.L. Warren	2nd P.			
J18875	F/O D.T. Cook	P.			Unsuccessful. Target BERLIN with bombload as above. Furthest point reached 5304N 0522E 18.37 hrs. Returned early owing to port inner engine being 1,000 lb. M.C., 2 x 30 lb. L.C., and incendiaries 5304N 1510E 18.39 hrs. 15,000 ft.
J21918	F/O O.F. Fonger	N.			
R120893	F/S Campbell, H.H.	A/B	16.54	21.15	
1148066	Sgt. Fudge, R.	W/O			
1019368	Sgt. Grieve, J.F.	F/E			
R163539	Sgt. Cingras, P.H.	U/C			
R17612	Sgt. Robertson, D.W.	R/G			

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J22143	F/O R.J. Byford P.	16.39	00.22	Successful. Target BERLIN with 2 x 1,000 lb. 30 lb. L.C., 900 x 4 lb. incendiaries. 10/10ths over T/A, tops 10/12,000 ft. Target identified by flares with green stars, centre of these in B/ marking numerous. Reflection of very concentrated could be seen through cloud, visible for a distance of 100 miles. A/C slightly late in bombing. Wind heard and used by Navigator.
J21355	F/O R.V. Daly N.			
R114756	F/S Francis, F.W. A/B			
1249334	Sgt. Penny, R. W/O			
1845031	Sgt. Holder, A.L. F/E			
R188973	Sgt. Fraser, H.C. U/C	16.34	00.47	Successful. Target BERLIN with bombload as above 10/10ths cloud, target identified by PFF sky Red flare with green stars, centre of these in B/ Heavy red glowing fires seen in line running in T/A. PFF marking well concentrated. Spoof attack LEIPZIG 19.48 hrs., MAGDEBURG 19.50 hrs. A/C 18:58 hrs., "Q" at 19.34 hrs., "R" at 19.30 hrs.
R144083	Sgt. Patterson, C.H.C. P.			
R158961	F/S Bailey, W.A. N.			
R129879	Sgt. Derbyshire, D.E. A/B			
1507140	Sgt. Jones, G. W/O			
1865976	Sgt. Evans, G.W. F/E	16.52	00.20	Successful. Target BERLIN with bombload as above 10/10ths cloud, tops 8/10,000 ft. Target identified by red flares with green stars which were in B/S explosions seen in T/A with reddish flames at 20:24 hrs. Line of fires running N. to S. in long area seen through cloud. Spoof attacks 19.40 hrs., MAGDEBURG 19.35 hrs. A/C "P" seen at 19.43 hrs., "Q" and "S" not seen.
R196076	Sgt. Chawinski, A.P. U/C			
J16079	F/L L.J. Toms R/C			
159032	F/O J.G. Hamilton P.			
1398137	F/S Rogers, B. N.			
1318515	F/S Elmy, W.G. A/B	16.53	00.21	Successful. Target BERLIN with bombload as above 10/10ths cloud, tops 16,000 ft. Target identified by flares with green stars, bombed centre of these seen reflected through cloud over very large area 100 miles from T/A. 1 x 1000 lb. M.C. dropped 23.20 hrs. 7,000 ft. Sky marking dropped from height, before A/C reached T/A; these were over 20,000 ft., by the time T/A reached they had a Broadcast winds heard, found very useful.
J9899	F/L W.W.D. Brown W/O			
1806465	Sgt. Vickers, D.G. F/E			
10601032	T/S Blount, B.W. U/C			
651746	Sgt. Harris, R.W. R/C			
J21924	F/L H.A. Hewitt P.	16.51	23.53	Successful. Target BERLIN with bombload as above 10/10ths cloud. Target identified by red flares with green stars, these were in B/S, about 200 miles north of T/A making turn W. 530LN 1315E 20,000 ft. Saw smoke through clouds to port. T/A yellow 19.04 hrs. at 19.22 hrs. at "Q", at 19.49 hrs. at "R". Broadcast winds received, results good.
R144248	W/O Foley, C.F. N.			
J21534	F/O H.A. Lee A/B			
R120617	Sgt. Salaha, J.H. W/O			
1673134	Sgt. Rimondson, J. F/E			
R139638	Sgt. Griffiths, W.F. U/C	16.23	00.02	Successful. Target BERLIN with bombload as above 10/10ths cloud, tops 8/10,000 ft. Target identified by Radar and red flares with green stars, flares in B/S. Large orange flares seen through cloud at 19.04 hrs. Marker flares a little scattered, "P" at 19.02 hrs., 20 miles south of track on second from T/A due to winds. A/C 4 minutes late over target. Evasive action to avoid flak. Broadcast of wind
R140327	Sgt. Broadhurst, J.W. R/C			
J5747	F/W A.G. Hermitage 2nd P.			
J18957	F/O J.R. Morrison P.			
J9508	F/L P.T. Judah N.			
J20815	F/O E.A. Ryland A/B	16.23	00.02	Successful. Target BERLIN with bombload as above 10/10ths cloud, tops 8/10,000 ft. Target identified by Radar and red flares with green stars, flares in B/S. Large orange flares seen through cloud at 19.04 hrs. Marker flares a little scattered, "P" at 19.02 hrs., 20 miles south of track on second from T/A due to winds. A/C 4 minutes late over target. Evasive action to avoid flak. Broadcast of wind
J19056	F/O W.R. Touchie W/O			
1684161	Sgt. Looney, H. F/E			
R132130	F/S Johnson, A.E. U/C			
R104429	F/S Lynk, J.H. R/C			
J20078	F/O B.E. Betcher P.	16.23	00.02	Successful. Target BERLIN with bombload as above 10/10ths cloud, tops 8/10,000 ft. Target identified by Radar and red flares with green stars, flares in B/S. Large orange flares seen through cloud at 19.04 hrs. Marker flares a little scattered, "P" at 19.02 hrs., 20 miles south of track on second from T/A due to winds. A/C 4 minutes late over target. Evasive action to avoid flak. Broadcast of wind
R147617	F/S Johnson, T.B. N.			
CAN.1530	Sgt. Barlow, J.A. A/B			
1317446	Sgt. Darnay, R. W/O			
1282476	Sgt. Baylis, E.J. F/E			
R193135	Sgt. Turbitt, D.C. U/C	16.23	00.02	Successful. Target BERLIN with bombload as above 10/10ths cloud, tops 8/10,000 ft. Target identified by Radar and red flares with green stars, flares in B/S. Large orange flares seen through cloud at 19.04 hrs. Marker flares a little scattered, "P" at 19.02 hrs., 20 miles south of track on second from T/A due to winds. A/C 4 minutes late over target. Evasive action to avoid flak. Broadcast of wind
R158726	Sgt. Robb, T.M. R/C			

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CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT
		UP	DOWN	
R131972 Sgt. Haffes, V.L. P.		16.20	23.46	Successful. Target BERLIN with 2 x 1,000 lb. 30 lb. L.C., 900 x 4 lb incendiaries. 10/10th tops 15,000ft. Bombed on E.T.A. 20.10 hrs., glow lasting five mins. where bombs hit. Red from BERLIN visible. Spoof attack at MAGDEBURG flew over LEIPZIG endeavouring to avoid flares target doing this, so bombed E.T.A. Turned back attempting to get back on homeward track and at COLTISHALL due to petrol shortage. Seven received which were of great help.
R143004 F/S Fletcher, W.J.K. N.				
J25529 W/O F.E. Howison A/B				
R103819 W/O McDevitt, D.R. W/O				
1604784 Sgt. Board, B.M. F/E				
R155285 Sgt. Bowman, A.M. U/C				
R159351 F/S Beckett, A.C. R/C				
R110962 F/S MacLean, E.H. P.				Successful. Target BERLIN with bombload as 10/10ths cloud, tops 8,000 ft. Target identified flares with green stars, bombed centre of the glow of fires seen through cloud from some distance T/A. Broadcast winds found useful. Very good especially on return.
J20409 W/O A.R. Baker N.		16.46	00.56	
R146767 F/S Glanville, P.G. A/B				
1575653 Sgt. Woodhall, A.R. W/O				
1607179 Sgt. Harris, D.W.H. F/E				
R88321 Sgt. Auld, J.H. U/C				
1590775 Sgt. Stephenson, E.V. R/C				
R130234 F/S McLeod, D.K. P.		16.29	00.41	Successful. Target BERLIN with bombload as 10/10ths cloud, tops 12/14,000 ft. Target identified red flares with green stars, centre of green markers had been in B/S, markers disappeared. Bright red glow seen on cloud. PFF well done at 19.15 hrs., "Q" at 19.32 hrs. "R" at 2,000 mins. over T/A due to wind changes, winds broadcast especially on return.
J21569 F/O J.R. Piper N.				
R112661 Sgt. Neattie, J.L. A/B				
1561517 Sgt. Gattings, J. W/O				
R61333 Sgt. Leboldus, M.B. F/E				
R189979 Sgt. Minnett, M. U/C				
R183946 Sgt. Hackbart, A.H. R/C				
R118334 F/S Herbert, R.G. P.		16.55	00.48	Successful. Target BERLIN with bombload as 10/10ths cloud, tops 8,000 ft. Target identified flares with green stars, centre of 5 of these glow over large area seen on cloud, visible at a hundred miles. Saw "P" at 19.09 hrs., "R" at 19.51 hrs. Off track on return weather. Winds broadcast found very useful.
J20236 F/O F.A. Maden N.				
R158805 F/S Dardine, M.B. A/B				
1318176 Sgt. Owen, L.F. W/O				
1604114 Sgt. Hall, J.W.F. F/E				
R75742 Sgt. Miles, R.I. U/C				
1690041 Sgt. Crisp, B.A. R/C				
J21370 W/O J.C. Turnbull P.		16.42	00.12	Successful. Target BERLIN with bombload as 10/10ths cloud, tops 16/18,000 ft. Target identified sky markers, red flares with green stars, 4 in row in B/S. Orange explosion seen through cloud. Spoof raid markings good. Saw "P" at 19.07 hrs., "R" at 19.49 hrs. Broadcast winds 7 times and considered very helpful. Green seen descending 22.49 hrs., 5350N 0355E 17,000
J44793 F/O E.R. Albert N.				
J23638 F/O A.H.A. McBain A/B				
1575683 Sgt. Elliott, R.G. W/O				
R60144 Sgt. Michael, R.G. F/E				
R393130 Sgt. Hutt, C.A. U/C				
R225229 Sgt. Malec, J. R/C				
J10959 F/O J.G. Stewart P.		16.44	00.05	Successful. Target BERLIN with bombload as 10/10ths cloud, 12,000 ft. Target identified red flares with green stars, centre of these large explosion seen in T/A at 20.11 hrs. on glow of fires seen for 90 miles after leaving broadcast received and found very useful. Sp at LEIPZIG and MAGDEBURG seen.
120430 F/O W.E. Coleman N.				
143653 F/O S.E. Bedford W/O				
1425050 Sgt. Mickford, W.A. F/E				
R173303 Sgt. Curran, H.O. U/C				
1811125 Sgt. Endicott, D.R. R/C				

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		UP	DOWN					
R128369	F/S Johnson, I.W.	P.	16.37	00.31	Successful. Target BERLIN with 2 x 1,000 lb. 30 lb. L. C., 900 x 4 lb. incendiaries. 10/ tops 10/15,000 ft. Target identified by red green stars, centre of these in R/S. Reflecti concentrated in large area seen through cloud, 80/100 miles from T/A. Saw "p" at 18.52 hrs., hrs., "R" at 19.54 hrs. Deviated S. of track wings not as strong as predicted. Wind broad			
R93589	F/S Sachs, L.M.T.	N.						
R160198	Sgt. Hodson, B.W.	A/B						
R97332	W/O Wade, L.A.	W/O						
R165924	Sgt. Shuman, A.	F/E						
R192910	Sgt. Morris, E.	U/C						
R176776	Sgt. Rogers, H.W.	R/G						
J18989	W/O R.K. Metheral	Pi	16.27	00.18	Successful. Target BERLIN with bombload as ab 10/10ths cloud, 10/12,000 ft. Target identifi flares with green stars, centre of these in P/ glow of fires seen on cloud, large size red glo seen on cloud at 20.11 hrs. Saw T.I. yellow "R" 19.49 hrs., "Q" 19.25 hrs. 7 sets of brog heard, found very useful. Marker flares rathe			
R131730	W/O Chiswell, H.F.	N.						
R12885	F/S Edwards, B.	A/B						
1377811	F/S Kelsall, H.B.	W/O						
R69309	Sgt. Ballard, C.H.	F/E						
R108409	F/S Mercier, J.L.	U/C						
R123028	F/S Harritt, R.H.	R/G						
R115227	F/S Thompson, R.L.	P.				16.48	} POW	This A/C took off to attack BERLIN with bomblo since which time nothing has been heard from i must be presumed to be due to enemy action.
R139545	Sgt. Webb, P.H.	N.						
R130425	Sgt. Maloney, S.J.	A/B						
1320259	Sgt. Bilyard, R.G.	W/O						
1873080	Sgt. Cooper, J. G.	F/E						
R193150	Sgt. Carrol, A.S.	U/C						
R193039	Sgt. Barry, W.J.	R/G						

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				Up	Down		
3rd/4th Dec.	HALIFAX II LW. 327 "A"	R.123865 F/Sgt. E. J. Wilson H.C. P. J.13832 F/O. C. E. SUGGILL Nav. R.112925 F/Sgt. McLaughlin L.A. A/B 1043547 Sgt. Pattle J.H. W/O 1588557 Sgt. Tunstall R.D. F/O R.152421 Sgt. Cosnar E. U/O 1559542 Sgt. Gallacher G. R/O	P.	00.01	06.22	Successful. Target LEIPZIG with 1 x 2,000 lb. H.C., 2 x 30 lb. I.C. and 630 x 4 lb. incendiaries. 10/10ths cloud. Target identified by red flares with green stars, which were in bombight. No results observed owing to concentration of cloud. Red glow in cloud gave appearance of good results, FFF considered good.	A.1146
3rd/4th Dec.	HALIFAX II JD. 456 "B"	J.18875 F/O. D. L. Cook P. J.21918 F/O. O. W. Fonger Nav. R.120893 F/Sgt. Campbell H.H. A/B 1148066 Sgt. Radner R. W/O 1019368 Sgt. Grrove J.F. F/O R.149934 Sgt. Legault R.E. U/O R.176124 Sgt. Robertson D.W. R/O	P.	23.35	08.28	Successful. Target LEIPZIG with bombload as above. 10/10 the cloud, tops to 10,000 ft. Target identified by red flares and green stars, clusters of these in bombight, A/G one of first to attack, consequently tore to pieces. Result of attack, although it did appear concentrated.	A.1147
3rd/4th Dec.	HALIFAX II JD. 420 "D"	R.123659 F/Sgt. Farber J.A. P. J.14198 W/O. E. Hartnott Nav. R.124234 F/Sgt. Donald J.D. A/B 1236337 Sgt. Ross R.N. W/O R.58461 Sgt. Raine H.T. F/O 1090363 Sgt. Hopper D.A. U/O R.180730 Sgt. Fournier G.N.A. R/O	P.	00.06	01.44	Unsuccessful. Target LEIPZIG with bombload as above. Mission abandoned at 540N 0023E at 00.15 hrs., 5,000 ft., owing to icing and port engine undercarriage wheel being jammed. It was found impossible to raise or lower the wheel right after take-off. All bombs dropped live at 540N 0023E, 0020 hrs., 5,000 ft.	A.1148
3rd/4th Dec.	HALIFAX II JD. 456 "B"	J.22143 F/O. A. J. Byford P. J.21322 F/O. E. V. DALY Nav. R.114756 Sgt. Prentice F.W. A/B 1243334 Sgt. Tenny E. W/O 1845031 Sgt. Holder A.L. F/O R.188973 Sgt. Fraser M.C. U/O 1234452 Sgt. Darnley L. R/O	P.	23.40	02.18	Unsuccessful. Target LEIPZIG with bombload as above. Mission abandoned at 525N 0050E, 00.30 hrs. Impossible to gain height up 11,455 ft. in time to reach target due to icing conditions in cloud over base. 1 x 2,000 lb. H.C. and live incendiaries jettisoned safe, 1 SRG hung up and brought back. Rear turret and mid-under blipper peroxide ice up in cloud over base.	A.1149
3rd/4th Dec.	HALIFAX II LW. 325 "H"	159032 F/O. J. G. Hamilton P. 1398457 Sgt. Rogers B. Nav. 1318315 Sgt. Elzey W.G. A/B 1387471 Sgt. Sydney S.E. W/O 1890465 Sgt. Vidlers D.G. F/O 1890006 Sgt. Wiggins W.H. W/O 651746 Sgt. Harris R.V. R/O J.3747 F/Lt. A. G. Hermitage 2nd P.	P.	00.05	01.16	Unsuccessful. Target LEIPZIG with bombload as above. Mission abandoned at 5435N 0052E due to coolant leak in port inner engine which was in danger of catching fire at 00.20 hrs., 6,500 ft. 1 x 2,000 lb. H.C. dropped safe and incendiary bombs dropped live at 5435N 0013E, 00.43 hrs., 3,500 ft.	A.1150
3rd/4th Dec.	HALIFAX II JP. 128 "A"	J.20078 F/O. E. A. Ditcher P. R.147617 F/Sgt. Johnson T.B. Nav. 648. 1530 Sgt. Bayley J.A. A/B 1317446 Sgt. Denny B. W/O 1282476 Sgt. Baylis E.J. F/O R.193125 Sgt. Turbutt D.S. U/O R.155726 Sgt. Robb T.M. R/O	P.	23.43	08.04	Successful. Target LEIPZIG with bombload as above. 10/10ths cloud, tops 7/10,000 ft. Target identified by sky markers, bombed concentration of these. Explosion at 04.18 hrs. in centre of glow of fires seen. Attack did not seem particularly concentrated, but appeared to be getting better as A/G left 2/4.	A.1151

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				UP	DOWN			
3rd/4th Dec.	HALIFAX II DF. 731	J.22145 F/O. L. T. Lucas J.21361 E/O. G. P. Davies R.446421 Sgt. Halford J. E. R.132218 Sgt. Flute J. R.190802 Sgt. Deaux J. F. G. R. R.185480 Sgt. Johnson T. R. N.	F/O. E/O. A/B. W/O. F/E. U/O. R/O.	P. Nav. A/B. W/O. F/E. U/O. R/O.	23.58	08.40	Successful. Target LEIPZIG with 1 x 2,000 lb. H.C., 24 x 30 lb. L.G. and 630 x 1 lb. incendiaries. 10/10ths cloud. Target identified by red flares with green stars and green T.I. Bombed green T.I. Observed huge red explosion lasting 5/10 secs. White blast of fires near 02.02 hrs. on Dutch coast north of track at about 52.55N 04.58E. FFF good, and good fires seen taking hold in 2/A as A/C left.	A.1152
3rd/4th Dec.	HALIFAX II JF. 721	J.21370 F/O. J. C. Turnbull J.24793 F/O. E. T. Albert J.23638 F/O. A. H. A. Mobain 1575653 Sgt. Gillett R. G. 1604784 Sgt. Board D. M. R.193130 Sgt. Hut C. A. R.225229 Sgt. Maloe J. R.128445 P/Sgt. Kreutz W. T.	F/O. F/O. F/O. Sgt. Sgt. Sgt. Sgt.	P. Nav. A/B. W/O. E/A. U/O. R/O. 2nd P.	23.36	08.09	Successful. Target LEIPZIG with bombload as above. 10/10ths cloud, tops 14,000 ft. Target identified by red flares with green stars, and H.S. Red flares with green stars in B/S. Cloud obscured visibility, glow through cloud was all that was visible of 2/A. Hydraulics were up on return journey.	A.1153
3rd/4th Dec.	HALIFAX II JH. 953	J.9072 F/O. J. A. Westland J.44776 F/O. J. E. Hall J.22864 F/O. G. W. Selvin 1311366 Sgt. Best G. W. 1653123 Sgt. Davies H. G. 1179709 P/Sgt. Bayley U. C. R.41311 Sgt. Atkinson W. B.	F/O. F/O. F/O. Sgt. Sgt. P/Sgt. Sgt.	P. Nav. A/B. W/O. F/E. U/O. R/O.	23.39	08.02	Successful. Target LEIPZIG with bombload as above. 10/10ths low cloud. Target identified by red flares with green stars, and red and green T.I. Bombed centre green T.I. on ground which occurred at 04.00 hrs. Sky markers looked good, but about 12 clusters of T.I. appeared scattered. Large orange explosion lit up cloud at 04.01 hrs. Glow of fires on cloud could be seen on leaving.	A.1154
3rd/4th Dec.	HALIFAX II JD. 184	R.136052 P/Sgt. Palmer F. H. J.11952 F/O. E. Ferreat J.22462 F/O. C. E. Lemariak 1331709 P/Sgt. Reilly F. T. 1648652 Sgt. Parrott J. H. R.188384 Sgt. Tarbet E. R.90747 Sgt. Milner W. G.	P/Sgt. F/O. F/O. P/Sgt. Sgt. Sgt. Sgt.	P. Nav. A/B. W/O. F/E. U/O. R/O.	23.33	07.59	Successful. Target LEIPZIG with bombload as above. 10/10ths cloud, tops 7/10,000 ft. Target identified by red flares with green stars, also green T.I. on each side. Bombed red flares with green stars. 2/A could not be seen due to cloud, tremendous billows of smoke when penetrating cloud. Route markers and FFF markers exceptionally good.	A.1155
3rd/4th Dec.	HALIFAX II JD. 468	J.48989 F/O. R. K. Westhead R.131780 F/O. Oldwell H. B. R.121689 P/Sgt. Edwards B. 137811 P/Sgt. Keldall H. B. R.69309 P/Sgt. Pollard C. H. R.108409 P/Sgt. Merdier J. L. R.123028 P/Sgt. Merritt R. H. J.10959 F/O. J. G. Stewart	F/O. F/O. P/Sgt. P/Sgt. P/Sgt. P/Sgt. P/Sgt. F/O.	P. Nav. A/B. W/O. F/E. U/O. R/O. 2nd P.	23.16	08.56	Successful. Target LEIPZIG with bombload as above. 10/10ths cloud, tops 8,000 ft. Target identified by sky markers seen above A/C and green T.I. below. Green T.I. in B/S. Judging by large glow seen, fires must have been concentrated and burning well. Two large explosions both orange coloured, seen at 04.03 hrs. and 04.04 hrs. Three white flares seen dropped to South of target from about 20,000 ft., lasting 30 secs.	A.1156
3rd/4th Dec.	HALIFAX II HL. 162	138940 P/Sgt. Marjoram G. H. 1578686 P/Sgt. Lees F. 1654879 Sgt. Round D. S. 1553983 Sgt. McKee W. J. 1653801 Sgt. Pacher W. F. R. R.139838 Sgt. Sylvester V. S. 958380 Sgt. Sullivan K. W. G.	P/Sgt. P/Sgt. Sgt. Sgt. Sgt. Sgt. Sgt.	P. Nav. A/B. W/O. F/E. U/O. R/O.	23.38	08.38	Successful. Target LEIPZIG with bombload as above. 10/10ths cloud, tops about 5,000 ft. Target identified by red flares with green stars, red and green T.I. Edge of concentration red flares in B/S. Bomb doors did not at first open, put A/C in shallow dive, doors open although centre of flares overshoot slightly, the edge being bombed. Glow of many small fires seen, also one large fire slightly N. of T.I.	A.1157

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3rd/4th Dec.	HALIFAX II LW 282 "A"	R.145227 Sgt. Thompson R.L. R.139545 Sgt. Webb F.H. R.148425 Sgt. Maloney S.J. 1320559 Sgt. Hilyard R.G. 1873080 Sgt. Cooper J. R.193150 Sgt. Carrol A. R.193039 Sgt. Barry W.J.	Sgt. Thompson R.L. Nav. Sgt. Webb F.H. A/S Sgt. Maloney S.J. W/Op. Sgt. Hilyard R.G. P/S Sgt. Cooper J. W/C Sgt. Carrol A. U/C Sgt. Barry W.J. R/C	P.	23.55	08.12	Successful. Target LIMPIC 1 x 2,000 lb. H.G., 2 x 30 lb. L.G., and 500 x 4 lb. incendiaries. 10/10ths cloud, tops 10,000 ft. Target identified by red flares with green stars, flak and H.T.A. Bombed green stars and concentration of red flares. Red glow of fire seen reflected in cloud. PFF well concentrated and attack appeared well concentrated. Moderate icing over base at 00.12 hrs. 6200 ft. Little or no opposition encountered.	A.1158
3rd/4th Dec.	HALIFAX II JD 459 "A"	R.130234 P/Sgt. McLeod D.F. J.21549 P/O. J.R. Piper R.442664 Sgt. Beattie J.L. 1561517 Sgt. Gettings J. R.61333 Sgt. Ingham M.B. R.183946 Sgt. Backhart A.H. R.178400 Sgt. LAMBERT D.C.	P/Sgt. McLeod D.F. Nav. P/O. J.R. Piper A/S Sgt. Beattie J.L. W/Op. Sgt. Gettings J. P/S Sgt. Ingham M.B. P/S Sgt. Backhart A.H. U/C Sgt. LAMBERT D.C. R/C	P.	23.34		Successful. Target LIMPIC with bombload as above. 10/10ths cloud at 10,000 ft. Target identified by red and green sky markers. Attack well concentrated, many explosions seen, glow on clouds seen for some distance after leaving T/A. A/G sustained damage by flak, port wing and port inner nacelle and port outer oil tank inboard. PFF markers well placed and concentrated, considered very successful raid. A/G landed at BRATTING COMMON.	A.1159
26/21st Dec.	HALIFAX II JW 327 "A"	J.22143 P/O. A.J. Byford J.21325 P/O. R.V. Daly R.14756 P/S. Prentice, P.W. 124934 Sgt. Searcy, R. 1845031 Sgt. Holder, A.L. R.180973 Sgt. Fraser, R.G. 1834457 Sgt. Darley, L.	P/O. A.J. Byford Nav. P/O. R.V. Daly A/S P/S. Prentice, P.W. W/Op. Sgt. Searcy, R. P/S Sgt. Holder, A.L. P/S Sgt. Fraser, R.G. U/C Sgt. Darley, L. R/C	P.	16.13	23.45	Successful. Target FRANKFURT with 2 x 1,000 lb. H.G., 2 x 30 lb. L.G., 300 x 4 lb. incendiaries. 6/10ths working cloud, tops 6,000 ft. Target identified by red and green flares and H.T. incendiaries. 1 x 1,000 lb. H.G. incendiary at 500W 0902Z 20,000 ft. 19.46 hrs. A/G early over T/A, slightly off course, bombed on built-up area. No fires observed until leaving T/A, then two concentrations seen, no explosions.	A.1160
20/21st Dec.	HALIFAX II JD 456 "A"	R.14083 Sgt. Patterson, C.H.G. R.158761 P/S. Bailey, W.A. R.129879 Sgt. Derbyshire, D.E. 1807240 Sgt. Jones, G. 1865976 Sgt. Evans, G.F. R.196076 Sgt. Chasinski, A.P. R.107102 P/S. Onda, F.C.	Sgt. Patterson, C.H.G. Nav. P/S. Bailey, W.A. A/S Sgt. Derbyshire, D.E. W/Op. Sgt. Jones, G. P/S Sgt. Evans, G.F. P/S Sgt. Chasinski, A.P. U/C P/S. Onda, F.C. R/C	P.	16.18	23.50	Successful. Target FRANKFURT with bombload as above. Scattered cloud, 6/10ths, tops 6,000 ft. Target identified by built up area and red T.I. A/G early, red T.I. seen from distance of 6 miles, disappeared by time A/G reached it, bombed where T.I. seen. PFF yellow markers seen, one red spot fire seen on way in, none on way out. One 50 x 4 incendiary brought back. Area of 10 miles lit up by scattered incendiaries.	A.1161
20/21st Dec.	HALIFAX II JD 420 "D"	R.137426 P/S. McNary, J.G. J.21388 P/O. F.H. Love R.145570 Sgt. Long, R.C. R.109823 P/O. Chartrand, J.L.W. 1604135 Sgt. Hill, A.D. R.189566 Sgt. Sangster, D.S.M. R.150595 P/O. Barnes, W.H.	P/S. McNary, J.G. Nav. P/O. F.H. Love A/S Sgt. Long, R.C. W/Op. P/O. Chartrand, J.L.W. P/S Sgt. Hill, A.D. P/S Sgt. Sangster, D.S.M. U/C P/O. Barnes, W.H. R/C	P.	16.12	23.31	Successful. Target FRANKFURT with bombload as above. 5/10ths cloud, 12,000 ft. Target identified by red, yellow and green T.I. Bombed centre of red T.I. on ground. Many sticks incendiaries seen burning around markers, no fires seen on bombing. Red spot fires seen, glow of fires could be seen from distance of 100 miles on return.	A.1162
20/21st Dec.	HALIFAX II JD 455 "A"	J.22143 P/O. L.E. Lucas J.21363 P/O. G.F. Davies R.144621 P/S. Harrison, J.E. R.115610 P/S. Fitch, J. R.152228 Sgt. Harriott, G.R. R.190892 Sgt. DeLong, J.P.G.R. R.183420 Sgt. Johnson, T.R.N.	P/O. L.E. Lucas Nav. P/O. G.F. Davies A/S P/S. Harrison, J.E. W/Op. P/S. Fitch, J. P/S Sgt. Harriott, G.R. P/S Sgt. DeLong, J.P.G.R. U/C Sgt. Johnson, T.R.N. R/C	P.	16.07	18.41	Unsuccessful. Target FRANKFURT with bombload as above. Furthest point reached 555W 0125Z, 17.35 hrs., 14,000 ft. Full load jettisoned at 552W 0116Z, 17.37 hrs., 14,000 ft. A/G forced to return as W/T defective and starboard inner engine w/s.	A.1163

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20/21st Dec.	HALIFAX II LN 325 "H"	159032 P/O J.G. Hamilton P. 1398137 P/S Rogers, B. N. 1518315 P/S Missy, W.G. A/B 1387471 Sgt. Spinks, S.E. W/O 1806465 Sgt. Vickers, D.C. P/M 1890004 Sgt. Wiggins, W.H. U/C 651746 Sgt. Harris, R.W. R/G J.3747 P/T A.G. Hurntage 2nd P.	P.	16.15	23.54	Successful. Target FRANKFURT with 2 x 1,000 lb. M.C., 2k x 30 lb. L.C., 300 x 1 lb. incendiaries. 5/10ths thin cloud, tops 8/10,000 ft. Target identified by green and yellow T.I., sky marking seen, probably enemy. Bombed centre of scattered green T.I. on ground. Good concentration of fires burning well, visible 100 miles after leaving T/A. 1 x 1,000 lb. M.C. jettisoned 5212W 0205H, 22.05 hrs., 14,000 ft. Aerial flare path on way out of target about 100 miles in time. Route markers not seen.	A.1164
20/21st Dec.	HALIFAX II JP 125 "L"	J.20078 P/O B.E. Hatcher P. R.147617 P/S Johnson, T.E. N. CAN.1530 Sgt. Barlow, J.A. A/B R120617 P/S Saliba, J.A. W/O 1282476 Sgt. Bayliss, E.J. P/E R393135 Sgt. Tubbitt, D.C. U/C R258726 Sgt. Robb, T.M. R/G J22470 P/O A.L. Warren 2nd P.	P.	16.02	23.17	Successful. Target FRANKFURT with bombload as above. Thin layer cloud, 8/10ths. Target identified by about 4 scattered green T.I. Large white flare which showed up streets in S/E. A few good fires had been started, two separate columns of smoke rising through clouds. Attack appeared scattered. Easy red T.I. seen S.W. of T/A, these appeared to be much better indication than formerly used.	A.1165
20/21st Dec.	HALIFAX II DT 731 "M"	R133972 Sgt. Hawkes, V.L. P. R143004 P/S Fletcher, W.J.K. N. J25529 P/O F.E. Houston A/B R103819 W/O McDavitt, D.R. W/O 1604784 Sgt. Board, D.M. P/E R155225 Sgt. Downey, A.M. U/C R159321 P/S Beckett, A.C. R/G	P.	15.50	23.57	Successful. Target FRANKFURT with bombload as above. 4/10ths drifting cloud, tops 10,000 ft. Target identified by red spot fires, red, green and yellow T.I. Bombed red and green T.I. near ground. Many incendiaries around T.I., no real big fires or explosions seen. Smoke rising as A/C left T/A. Three lots of red T.I. seen, later followed by two lots of green T.I., indicating FFF early.	A1166
20/21st Dec.	HALIFAX II JP 119 "O"	R.110962 P/S MacLean, E.H. P. J.20409 P/O A.R. Baker N. R146767 P/S Glancy, P.G. A/B 1575653 Sgt. Woodhall, A.R. W/O 1607479 Sgt. Harris, D.W.H. P/E R88321 Sgt. Auld, J.H. U/C 1590775 Sgt. Stephenson, R.V. R/G	P.	15.54	23.15	Successful. Target FRANKFURT with bombload as above. 6/10ths thin cloud in T/A. Ground fires visible, target identified by scattered red and green T.I. Bombed estimated A/P. Good concentration of fires, results good, fires visible over 100 miles. T.I. over target appeared scattered, unable to get sufficient concentration to bomb T.I.'s on correct heading. A/C bombed on second run, no FFF visible on first run. Spoof attack on MANSHEIM visible.	A1167
20/21st Dec.	HALIFAX II LN 258 "P"	1389404 P/S Marjoram, G.H. P. 1578536 P/S Lees, F. N. 1651879 Sgt. Round, D.B. A/B 1553983 Sgt. McKean, W.J. W/O 1653801 Sgt. Pecker, W.F.R. P/E R139630 Sgt. Sylvester, T.S. W/O 558380 Sgt. Sullivan, R.W.G. R/G R128115 P/S Grant, T.T. 2nd P.	P.	16.10	23.24	Successful. Target FRANKFURT with bombload as above. 5/10ths low cloud, 5,000 ft. Target identified by red and green T.I., bombed centre scattered red T.I. on ground. Target marking very scattered, may possibly have bombed dumps. 20 fires seen on bombing run, four medium mass fires seen inside markers on leaving T/A. Route markers clearly seen on way in and way out. Attack considered successful.	A.1168
20/21st Dec.	HALIFAX II JD 459 "Q"	J.20065 P/O R.L. Bos P. R14190 P/O J.V. Smith N. R141512 P/S McLellan, J.G. A/B 1312230 Sgt. Hayter, A.J. W/O 1801234 Sgt. Dearman, L.W. P/E R141373 P/S Fox, K.G. U/C R352125 Sgt. Salkeld, H.A. R/G	P.	15.59	23.01	Successful. Target FRANKFURT with bombload as above. 6/10ths drifting cloud, 6/8,000 ft. Target identified by red spot fires, and all FFF technique. Bombed red T.I. thought to be on ground, green T.I. being to part of red T.I. Dummy T.I. being dropped N.E. of T/A, both red and green. 1 x 1,000 lb. M.C. released manually S.W. of DOWN at 20.10 hrs., 19,000 ft. Route markers seen on way in and way out.	A.1169

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20/21st Dec.	HALIFAX II LW 239	J21370 P/O J.C. Turnbull J14793 P/O E.T. Albert J23838 P/O A.H.A. McFain 157568 Sgt. Gallett, R.G. 1013568 Sgt. Griev, J.F. R193130 Sgt. Butt, C.A. R225229 Sgt. Malec, J. R147417 P/S Molvor, R.R.	P. N. A/B W/O P/E U/O P/O 2nd P.	16.21	23.11	Successful. Target FRANKFURT with 2 x 1,000 lb. M.O., 2 x 30 lb. L.G., 900 x 4 lb. incendiaries. 8/10ths cloud, tops 12,000 ft. Target identified by red and green T.I. ascending, and rivers seen. Bombed centre of concentration green T.I. on ground. Scattered fires seen obtaining good hold. Large explosion seen at 19.40 hrs., brilliant burst of red flame lasting few seconds then subsiding quickly. Route markers not seen.	A-1170
20/21st Dec.	HALIFAX II JN 953	J10959 P/O J.C. Stewart 120430 P/O W.E. Coleman GN 10218A P/S Cooper, D.M. 143653 P/O S.E. Hadford 1515060 Sgt. Hickford, W.A. R173303 Sgt. Curran, H.O. 1811125 Sgt. Endacott, D.R.	P. N. A/B W/O P/E U/O P/O	15.56	00.01	Successful. Target FRANKFURT with bombload as above. No cloud, slight haze. Target identified by red T.I.'s in triangle in good concentration. One bomb seen in area marked by red T.I., attack considered successful. Large orange explosion and puff of black smoke seen at 19.40 hrs. on leaving P/A. Supply of windor exhausted at 20.00 hrs. Red spot fires seen 5015N 0730E, 19.23 hrs., 20,000 ft.	A-1171
20/21st Dec.	HALIFAX II LW 282	1320032 P/S Soade, G.M. 1577545 Sgt. Dickkason, W.O.E. R142405 P/S Thomson, C.O. 1431076 Sgt. Hallett, A.W. 1587653 Sgt. Casper, C.H. 1818825 Sgt. Mason, T.D. R173938 Sgt. Lee, G.R.	P. N. A/B W/O P/E U/O P/O	16.04	23.27	Successful. Target FRANKFURT with bombload as above. Drifting low cloud, 4-6/10ths, tops 8,000 ft. Route markers, river, and red T.I. on ground seen. T.I. dead on time, about 10 loads incendiaries seen before T.I. dropped. Heavy fires seen south of target. One seen of S.R.O.'s hung up. Many yellow T.I. and flames seen about 20 miles away. A/O slightly early, had to weave.	A-1172
20/21st Dec.	HALIFAX II JD 468	R118534 P/S Herbert, R.G. J20236 P/O P.A. Ebdon R158805 P/S Gardner, H.B. 1318176 Sgt. Quinn, D.E. R51651 Sgt. Petrina, M.J. R75742 Sgt. Miles, R.L. 1890041 Sgt. Crisp, D.A.	P. N. A/B W/O P/E U/O P/O	15.32	21.29	Unsuccessful. Target FRANKFURT with bombload as above. Furthest point reached 5130N 0445E. Jettisoned full bombload 5145N 0215W, 19.00 hrs., 17,000 ft. H.E. jettisoned safe but exploded in sea. A/O returned owing to D.N. Compass being w/s. A/O 100 miles off track before compass discovered w/s, and target could not have been reached until 30 mins. past bombing time, consequently operation abandoned.	A-1173
29/30th Dec.	HALIFAX II LW 327	J5679 S/L H.E.F. Dyer J22482 P/O H.L. MacKenzie J22542 P/O L.R. Sumner 1079070 Sgt. Brooke, W.B. 1800957 Sgt. Bolton, H.P. 1377881 W/O Greenall, J. R169296 Sgt. Dunsen, H.G. J22470 P/O A.L. Warren	P. N. A/B W/O P/E U/O W/O 2nd P.	16.51	00.06	Successful. Target BHELIN with 2 x 1,000 lb. M.O., 2 x 30 lb. L.G., 900 x 4 lb. incendiaries. 10/10ths low stratus, tops 5/8,000 ft. Target identified by red flames with green stars, 6 red flames with green stars in W/S. Very backing conditions, no known markings seen. Clouds will lift up by 2.00, unable to ascertain whether fires or S/L. Dropped one S.R.O. 90 x 4 lb. 5340N 0330W 15,000 ft. 22.43 hrs. which hung up over P/A. H2S and smoke w/s. A/O late on P/A due to wind varying; wind broadcast received but no help in reaching target on P/A. Spoor attacks seen, IMPREG 19.48 hrs. and MACHBOMB 19.55 hrs. Wind broadcast help to keep on track home.	A-1174
29/30th Dec.	HALIFAX II JD 456	J18875 P/O D.T. Cook J21318 P/O C.W. Fonger R120895 P/S Campbell, H.H. 1148066 Sgt. Fudge, R. 1019368 Sgt. Grierson, J.F. R163539 Sgt. Cingras, P.H. R176188 Sgt. Robertson, P.H.	P. N. A/B W/O P/E U/O P/O	16.54	21.15	Unsuccessful. Target BHELIN with bombload as above. Furthest point reached 5304N 0522E 18.37 hrs. 15,000 ft. Returned early owing to port inner engine being w/s. 2 x 1,000 lb. M.O., 2 x 30 lb. L.G., and incendiaries jettisoned 5304N 1510E 18.39 hrs. 15,000 ft.	A-1175

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29/30th Dec.	HALIFAX II JD.480 "B"	J22143 P/O R.J. Byford P.		16.39	00.22	Successful. Target BERLIN with 2 x 1,000 lb. M.C., 2 x 30 lb. L.C., 900 x 4 lb. incendiaries. 10/10ths cloud over T/A, tops 10/12,000 ft. Target identified by red flares with green stars, centre of these in E/S. PFF sky marking numerous. Reflection of very concentrated fires could be seen through clouds, visible for a distance of 100 miles. A/C slightly late in bombing. Wind broadcast heard and used by Navigator.	A.1176
		J21355 P/O R.V. Daly H.					
		E114756 P/S Pringle, F.W. A/A					
		124934 Sgt. Tenny, R. W/O					
		1845031 Sgt. Holder, A.L. P/S					
E188973 Sgt. Fraser, M.C. W/O							
1834457 Sgt. Darnley, L. R/O							
29/30th Dec.	HALIFAX II JD.486 "B"	E144083 Sgt. Patterson, C.H.G. P.		16.34	00.47	Successful. Target BERLIN with bombload as above. 10/10ths cloud, target identified by PFF sky marking. Red flare with green stars, centre of these in line in E/S. Heavy red glowing fires seen in line running east to west in T/A. PFF marking well concentrated. Spoof attacks seen. LEIPZIG 19.48 hrs., MAGDEBURG 19.30 hrs. A/C "B" seen at 18.58 hrs., "q" at 19.14 hrs., "s" at 19.30 hrs.	A.1177
		E158861 P/S Bailey, F.K. H.					
		E128579 Sgt. Derbyshire, D.E. A/S					
		1507440 Sgt. Jones, G. W/O					
		1865976 Sgt. Evans, G.P. P/S					
E196676 Sgt. Chawinski, A.F. W/O							
J16079 P/L L.J. Tomes R/O							
29/30th Dec.	HALIFAX II LN.325 "H"	159632 P/O J.G. Hamilton P.		16.52	00.20	Successful. Target BERLIN with bombload as above. 10/10ths cloud, tops 8/10,000 ft. Target identified by red flares with green stars which were in E/S. Two large explosions seen in T/A with reddish flames at 20.23 and 20.28 hrs. Line of fires running N. to S. in T/A covering long area seen through cloud. Spoof attacks seen, LEIPZIG 19.46 hrs., MAGDEBURG 19.35 hrs. A/C "H" seen 19.03 hrs. "B" at 19.43 hrs., "q" and "s" not seen.	A.1178
		1596137 P/S Rogers, B. H.					
		1318315 P/S Elang, W.G. A/S					
		J28899 P/L W.W.D. Brown W/O					
		1864465 Sgt. Vickers, D.G. P/S					
10601032 P/S Elouet, R.W. W/O							
651746 Sgt. Harris, R.W. R/O							
29/30th Dec.	HALIFAX II HL.189 "J"	J21924 P/L H.A. Hewitt P.		16.53	00.21	Successful. Target BERLIN with bombload as above. 10/10ths cloud, tops 12,000 ft. Target identified by red flares with green stars, bomb centre of these. Fires seen reflected through cloud over very large area, visible 100 miles from T/A. 1 x 1000 lb. M.C. dropped 54.25N 0110E 23.20 hrs. 7,000 ft. Sky marking dropped from too great height; before A/C reached T/A, these were cascading from 20,000 ft., by the time T/A reached they had come down slightly. Broadcast winds heard, found very useful.	A.1179
		E12154 P/O H.A. Lee A/S					
		E120617 Sgt. Salala, J.H. W/O					
		1673134 Sgt. Edmondson, J. P/S					
		E139638 Sgt. Griffiths, W.F. W/O					
E140327 Sgt. Broadhurst, J.W. R/O							
J3747 P/L A.G. Hermitage 2nd P.							
29/30th Dec.	HALIFAX II LN.239 "K"	J18957 P/O J.R. Morrison P.		16.31	23.53	Successful. Target BERLIN with bombload as above. 10/10ths cloud. Target identified by red flares with green stars, these were in E/S, about due north of BERLIN after making turn W. 5501N 1315E 20,000 ft. Saw smoke spiralling through clouds to port. P/L, yellow 19.04 hrs. at "B", at 19.22 hrs. at "q", at 19.49 hrs. at "R". Broadcast six winds received, results good.	A.1180
		J9508 P/L F.T. Judah H.					
		J20845 P/O E.A. Ryland A/S					
		J19056 P/O W.R. Touchie W/O					
		1684161 Sgt. Lacey, H. P/S					
E132130 P/S Johnson, A.E. W/O							
E104429 P/S Lynch, J.H. R/O							
29/30th Dec.	HALIFAX II JP.125 "L"	J20078 P/O S.E. Detcher P.		16.23	00.02	Successful. Target BERLIN with bombload as above. 10/10ths cloud, tops 8/10,000 ft. Target identified by radar and red flares with green stars, flares and stars in E/S. Large orange flames seen through cloud at 20.17 hrs. Marker flares a little scattered, "B" at 19.02 hrs., "q" 19.18 hrs., 20 miles south of track on second leg away from T/A due to winds. A/C 4 minutes late over T/A due to evasive action to avoid flak. Broadcast of winds helpful.	A.1181
		E14761 P/S Johnson, J.B. H.					
		GAN.1530 Sgt. Barclay, J.A. A/S					
		1317246 Sgt. Darnley, R. W/O					
		J282276 Sgt. Baylis, H.J. P/S					
E193135 Sgt. Smith, D.G. W/O							
E158726 Sgt. Robb, T.M. R/O							

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29/30th Dec.	HALIFAX II DE 731	E131972 Sgt. Holmes, V.L. P. E143004 P/S Fletcher, W.J.K. N. J25529 P/O P.M. Bondson A/S E103819 P/O McGeiff, D.R. W/O 1604784 Sgt. Board, D.M. P/S E155285 Sgt. Bowman, A.M. P/O E159331 P/S Beckett, A.C. P/O	P. N. A/S W/O P/S P/O	16.20	23.46	Successful. Target BERLIN with 2 x 1,000 lb. M.C., 2x x 30 lb. L.C., 900 x 4 lb incendiaries. 10/10ths cloud, tops 15,000ft. Bombed on E.T.A. 26.10 hrs. Bright white glow lasting five mins. when bombs hit. Red orange glow from BERLIN visible. Spoof attack at MAGDEBURG seen, A/O flew over LEIPZIG endeavouring to avoid flak. A/O late on target doing this, so bombed E.T.A. Turned N. for 11 mins. attempting to get back on homeward track and did so, landed at COLTSHALL due to petrol shortage. Seven winds broadcast received which were of great help.	A.1182
29/30th Dec.	HALIFAX II JP 119	E110962 P/S MacLean, R.H. P. J20809 P/O A.K. Baker N. E146767 P/S Clancy, P.G. A/S 1575653 Sgt. Woodhall, A.R. W/O 1607179 Sgt. Hamlin, D.W.H. P/S E88321 Sgt. Auld, J.H. P/O 1590775 Sgt. Stephenson, R.V. P/O	P. N. A/S W/O P/S P/O	16.46	00.56	Successful. Target BERLIN with bombload as above. 10/10ths cloud, tops 8,000 ft. Target identified by red flares with green stars, bombed centre of mass. Good glow of fires seen through cloud from some distance from W/A. Broadcast winds found useful. Very concentrated attack.	A.1183
29/30th Dec.	HALIFAX II LW 258	E130234 P/S McLeod, D.K. P. J21569 P/O J.R. Piper N. E112661 Sgt. Beattie, J.L. A/S 1545317 Sgt. Gattings, J. W/O E61333 Sgt. Lechlain, M.B. P/S E189979 Sgt. Misset, M. P/O E153946 Sgt. Mackbert, A.H. P/O	P. N. A/S W/O P/S P/O P/O	16.29	00.11	Successful. Target BERLIN with bombload as above. 10/10ths cloud, tops 12/14,000 ft. Target identified by red flares with green stars, centre of green glow where sky markers had been in P/S, markers disappeared as A/O bombed. Bright red glow seen on cloud. FFF well concentrated, "P" at 19.15 hrs., "Q" at 19.32 hrs. "R" at 2,000 hrs. A/O 14 mins. over W/A due to wind changes, winds broadcast helpful especially on return.	A.1184
29/30th Dec.	HALIFAX II JD 459	E118334 P/S Herbert, E.G. P. J20236 P/O P.A. Brown N. E158805 P/S Darling, M.R. A/S 1318176 Sgt. Owen, L.F. W/O 1604314 Sgt. Hall, J.W.F. P/S E75742 Sgt. Miles, R.L. P/O 1890041 Sgt. Crisp, B.A. P/O	P. N. A/S W/O P/S P/O	16.55	00.48	Successful. Target BERLIN with bombload as above. 10/10ths cloud, tops 8,000 ft. Target identified by red flares with green stars, centre of 5 of these in P/S. Reddish glow over large area seen on cloud, visible over a distance of a hundred miles. Saw "P" at 19.09 hrs., "Q" at 19.27 hrs., "R" at 19.51 hrs. Off track on return owing to adverse weather. Winds broadcast found very useful.	A.1185
29/30th Dec.	HALIFAX II JP 121	J21370 P/O J.C. Campbell P. J14793 P/O S.S. Abbott N. J23638 P/O A.H.A. McEwan A/S 1576688 Sgt. Gattings, E.G. P/O E60844 Sgt. Richard, R.G. P/S E892130 Sgt. Hart, G.A. P/O E225229 Sgt. Malco, S. P/O	P. N. A/S P/O P/S P/O	16.42	00.12	Successful. Target BERLIN with bombload as above. 10/10ths cloud, tops 16/18,000 ft. Target identified by sky markers, red flares with green stars, 4 of these in P/S. Orange explosion seen through cloud on run-up. Spoof raid markings good. Saw "P" at 19.07 hrs., "Q" at 19.23 hrs., "R" at 19.49 hrs. Broadcast winds received 7 times and considered very helpful. Green and yellow T.I. seen descending 22.49 hrs., 5530N 0355E 17,000 ft.	A.1186
29/30th Dec.	HALIFAX II JM 953	J10959 P/O J.C. Stewart P. 120430 P/O W.H. Colman N. CAN 102184 P/S Gosper, D.M. A/S 153653 P/O S.H. Roberts W/O 1625050 Sgt. Richard, W.A. P/S E273505 Sgt. Curran, R.O. P/O 1811125 Sgt. Macneil, D.R. P/O	P. N. A/S W/O P/S P/O	16.44	00.05	Successful. Target BERLIN with bombload as above. 10/10ths cloud, 12,000 ft. Target identified by HES and red flares with green stars, centre of these in bombight. Large explosion seen in W/A at 20.11 hrs. on run-in. Red glow of fires seen for 30 miles after leaving W/A. Wind broadcast received and found very useful. Spoof attacks at LEIPZIG and MAGDEBURG seen.	A.1187

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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES
				Up	Down		
29/30th Dec.	HALIFAX II JD. 11A "A"	R128569 P/S Johnson, I.W. P. R99589 P/S Sachs, L.M.T. H. R160198 Sgt. Rodman, R.T. A/B R97232 W/O Wade, L.A. W/O R169928 Sgt. Simman, A. P/S R198910 Sgt. Morris, S. P/S R176776 Sgt. Rogers, H.W. P/O		16.37	00.31	Successful. Target BERLIN with 2 x 1,000 lb. M.C., 2 x 30 lb. L. C., 900 x 4 lb. incendiaries. 10/10ths cloud, tops 10/15,000 ft. Target identified by red flares and green stars, centre of these in N/S. Reflection of fires concentrated in large area seen through cloud, visible 80/100 miles from T/A. Saw "P" at 18.52 hrs., "Q" at 19.25 hrs., "R" at 19.54 hrs. Deviated S. of track on return, wings not as strong as predicted. Wind broadcast heard & used.	A.1188
29/30th Dec.	HALIFAX II JD. 468 "A"	R18989 P/O R.K. Metherell P1 R131730 W/O O'Neill, H.F. H. R128885 P/S Edwards, E. A/B 1377811 P/S Kelsall, E.B. P/O R69309 Sgt. Pollard, D.H. P/S R108409 P/S Hardier, J.L. U/C R125028 P/S Harritt, R.H. P/O		16.27	00.18	Successful. Target BERLIN with bombload as above. 10/10ths cloud, 10/12,000 ft. Target identified by red flares with green stars, centre of these in P/S. Very little glow of fires seen on cloud, large pink red glow of explosion seen on cloud at 20.11 hrs. Saw T.I. yellow "P" at 19.08 hrs., "R" 19.49 hrs., "Q" 19.25 hrs. 7 sets of broadcast kinda heard, found very useful. Marker flares rather scattered.	A.1189
29/30th Dec.	HALIFAX II LN. 282 "A"	R145227 P/S Thompson, R.L. P. R139545 Sgt. Webb, F.H. H. R130425 Sgt. Maloney, S.J. A/B 1320259 Sgt. Hilgard, H.G. P/O 1873080 Sgt. Cooper, J. G. P/M R193156 Sgt. Carmel, A.S. U/C R193039 Sgt. Barry, W.J. P/O		16.48		This A/C took off to attack BERLIN with bombload as above since which time nothing has been heard from it and its loss must be presumed to be due to enemy action.	A.1190

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