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2nd/3rd January	LANCASTER I KB 722 A	PO MALLEN RD	Pilot	1447	2239	Target NUREMBERG with 1 x 4000 lb HC NI and 10 x 500 lb GP TD-025. Primary at 1932.5 hrs from 18,000 ft. 057 degs. 150 mph. Weather clear with some haze. Ident. by red and green T.I.s - bombed centre of the road. W/B clearly heard - lots of ground detail could be seen. Large explosion at 1940 hrs. Fires could still be seen 30 miles after leaving the target. H28 u/s and throwing fuel - A/G landed at BRADWELL HALL.	A.1
2nd/3rd January	LANCASTER I KB 721 B	PO REBALLACK GP	Pilot	1501	2345	Target NUREMBERG with bombload same as "A". Primary at 1929.1 hrs from 17,000 ft. 044 degs. 155 mph. Ident. visually and by red and green T.I.s - bombed centre of latter. Weather clear. Marking well concentrated, target well ablaze. Large orange explosion at 1925 hrs.	A.2
2nd/3rd January	LANCASTER I KB 804 R	PO MARTIN SW	Pilot	1452	2346	Target NUREMBERG with 1 x 4000 lb HC NI; 1 x 500 lb HD TD-025 and 9 x 500 lb GP TD-025. Primary at 1943 hrs from 17,000 ft. 210 degs. T. 160 mph. Weather clear with some haze. Ident. and bombed on red T.I.s. T/A obscured by fire and smoke - one large explosion in the centre of it all.	A.3 <i>Bombed at 1943</i>
2nd/3rd January	LANCASTER I KB 733 G	FL OCLLARD HW	Pilot	1502	0010	Target NUREMBERG with bombload same as "R". Primary at 1930.3 hrs from 16,500 ft. 041 degs. T 155 mph. Weather clear. Ident. visually and by red T.I.s - undershot red T.I.s as per MB. Target well marked - T.I.s concentrated, should be a good prang.	A.4
2nd/3rd January	LANCASTER I KB 761 H	PO BRUDS RM	Pilot	1423	2321	Target NUREMBERG with bombload same as "A". Primary at 1930.6 hrs from 16,000 ft. 046 degs. T. 155 IAS. Vis. clear. Ident. visually and by red and green T.I.s. Bombed centre of red and green T.I.s as per MB. Large explosion at 1940 hrs. About 30 S/T's doused as illuminating flares went down - a really good prang - everything perfect.	A.5
2nd/3rd January	LANCASTER I KB 762 J	PO TULK PH	Pilot	1438	0028	Target NUREMBERG with 1 x 4000 lb HC NI and 945 x 4 lb. incendiary and 105 four lb. incendiary 'X' type. Primary at 1932.4 hrs from 18,000 ft. 040 degs. T. 155 mph. Weather clear. Ident. target visually and also by FFF. Bombed the red T.I. with an overshoot as ordered by MB. A really good prang. Glow of fires and one large explosion at 1940 with black smoke like oil installations.	A.6
2nd/3rd January	LANCASTER I KB 797 K	FL SHARPE SW	Pilot	1451	2330	Target NUREMBERG with bombload same as "J". Primary at 1931.8 hrs from 17500 ft. 025 degs. 160 mph. Clear weather and good vis. Ident. by red and green T.I.s. Bombed visually. Target well lit up by FFF flares. One large explosion in T/A at 1942 hrs. Well concentrated attack.	A.7
2nd/3rd January	LANCASTER I KB 767 M	FL HUNTER DB	Pilot	1449	0018	Target NUREMBERG with bombload same as "J". Primary at 1934.6 hrs from 16,000 ft. 049 degs. 180 mph. Clear weather with good vis. Ident. target by red and green T.I.s. Bombed centre of T.I.s. Scattered fires in T/A. Large explosion seen. Good attack.	A.8

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2nd/3rd January	LANCASTER X KB 74B O	P26673 FO OSBORN WF	Pilot	1442	0014	Target NUREMBERG with bombload same as "A". Primary at 1936 hrs from 19,000 ft. 329 degs. 165 mph. 3/10ths low cloud. Target identified by red and green TIs. Overshot red TIs by one sec. Whole T/A covered by mass of planes. Large explosion in Northern half of target. Target well pranged.	A.9
2nd/3rd January	LANCASTER X KB 786 P	P8412 SL MCKINNON WF	Pilot	1432	2325	Target NUREMBERG with bombload same as "A". Primary at 1933.9 hrs from 17,500 ft. 028 degs. 2. 150 mph. Clear weather. Target ident. by TIs and fires. Bombed visually. Fires followed by explosions in T/A. 1 x 500 GP hung up and brought back to base. Attack successful.	A.10
2nd/3rd January	LANCASTER X KB 772 R	P15819 FL BISHOP AA	Pilot	1440	0020	Target NUREMBERG with bombload same as "A". Primary at 1933 hrs from 17,000 ft. 0000 degs. 140 mph. Clear weather. Ident. target by TIs. - bombed markers. Large explosion seen in T/A. Attack successful.	A.11
2nd/3rd January	LANCASTER X KB 746 S	P26413 FO COX HL	Pilot	1450	2352	Target NUREMBERG with bombload same as "A". Primary at 1933 hrs from 16,500 ft. 063 degs. 2. 160 mph. Clear weather. Bombed TIs in centre of fires. Huge explosion in centre of T/A. The attack was good. A/C shot at and hit by own anti-artillery at 1903N 0530E. 1748 hrs at 10,000 ft. Other British A/C were also being shot at.	A.12
2nd/3rd January	LANCASTER X KB 799 W	P57102 FO VADNE NR	Pilot	1446	2328	Target NUREMBERG with bombload same as "A". Primary at 1928.3 hrs from 16,000 ft. 009 degs. 155 mph. Ident. target by TIs and visually. Bombed an red and green TIs. FI were well placed in town and well concentrated. The attack was well ablaze.	A.13
2nd/3rd January	LANCASTER X KB 732 X	P16112 FL HALKETT AM	Pilot	1434	2355	Target NUREMBERG with 1 x 4000 lb HX NI, 5 x 500 lb USA BAF ANL.38 and 5 x 500 lb USA GP ANL.64. Identified target by red and green TI and visually. Bombed 500 yds. to stbd. of main concentration of markers at 1933.5 hrs from 17,500 ft. 048 degs. 160 mph. Marking good, concentrated and well placed. Incendiaries early in attack fell short but as attack progressed crept into town. Good attack.	A.14
2nd/3rd January	LANCASTER X KB 700 Z	P12477 FL WARNER AGR	Pilot	1426	2328	Target NUREMBERG with bombload same as "A". Primary at 1933 hrs. from 16900 ft. 038 degs. T. 155 mph. Weather clear. Ident. target visually. - bombed red TIs an per MB. Really good prang. - everything concentrated in centre of town. Very large explosion at 1933 hrs. A/C overran runway on landing. Collided with tractor and burnt out @ all crew safe and uninjured.	A.15
5th/5th January	LANCASTER X KB 722 A	P91024 FO MALLIN MD	Pilot	1367	0020	Target HANNOVER with 16 x 500 lb GP TD.025 and 2 x 500 lb MG TD.025 (abortive O.E.T.) Detonated whole - lost live O.E.T. at approx. 1250N 0750E at 2128 hrs from 16,000 ft. The following is a statement made by the Navigator (P/O Miller) and the B/Gunner (Sgt. Drinka). At 2117 hrs at 5250N 0700E /20,000 ft.	A.16

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5th/6th January	LANCASTER I KB 722 A	J91024 PO MALLIN ND	Pilot	1907	0020	(Copy 1) 20,000 ft a Lancaster flying ahead of and below us cork- screws and opened fires. It is not known whether there were strikes on our A/C or not. Sgt. Drinka (R/Observer) saw liquid spraying from both inner engines, 2nd first time port - at 2123 hrs the 2 inner engines were afire and had to be flooded. Fires extinguished. Bomb jettisoned at 2128 hrs. Intercom dead, blind flying panel E/S, lights out. A/C turned around and set course for Brussels but decided to go on to Juvin-court. Were unable to land there because of fog. Set course for Manston, but the pilot decided to land in France if possible. He found a hole in the fog and made a belly landing in a field about 2 miles from Guise, near the road to St. Quentin. A/C was badly damaged. Bomb aimer, P/S Dickson, was out about the face, legs and hands, and his shoulders was injured. Engineer Sgt. Hall, out about the left eye. MU/AG, Sgt. Poole, and the Pilot, P/O Mallen, had sprained ankles, the other member of the crew uninjured. Injured members of the crew were transported to the local hospital at Guise and thence to the American Military Hospital At St. Quentin. P/O Miller (Nav.) POE Casson (WAF) and Sgt. Drinka (R/O) proceeded to RAF Station at Epigny, from whence they were flown to England.	
5th/6th January	LANCASTER I KB 721 B	0994 SL NORRIS RW	Pilot	1926	0049	Target HANOVER with 4 x 500 lb GP TD.025 and 16 x 500 lb USA GP AM.64 TD.025. Primary at 2153.5 hrs from 18,000 ft 110(T), 155 IAS. Clear. Ident by red and green TIs and fires in T/A. Bombed on red TI. There was a mass of fires cover- ing the whole city. Some outline of buildings seen. Inter- com and M/R Upper V/S. Good Attack - PFF was down on the existing fires. The whole town was alight.	A.17 <i>Good</i> <i>1900.0.0.0.0</i>
5th/6th January	LANCASTER I KB 804 E	J25474 PO GRIFFITH ED	Pilot	1917	0035	Target HANOVER with 7 x 500 lb GP TD.025 and 15 x 500 lb US TD.025. Primary at 2150.5 hrs from 19,000, 120 degs, 155 mph. Clear. Ident by green TI seen cascading, red TI and visually. Bombed on centre of red TI. TI well concentrated A sq mile of built up area seen blazing from previous attack. Bombing well concentrated in T/A. Good attack. 4 x 500 lb MS hung up and jettisoned safe at 2152M.06448, 2230 hrs from 19,000 ft. In T/A at 2150.5 hrs at 19,000 ft, 2nd wing port wing parter in nose, rear turret, fuselage forward of R/turret floor at rest position damaged, presumably by flak - possibly incendiary. A 4 lb incendiary came up into the bomb bay and through the floor. Other damage possible from same cause.	A.18
5th/6th January	LANCASTER I KB 753 G	J68129 PO MARTIN EW	Pilot	1909	0055	Target HANOVER with 20 x 500 lb USA GP AM.64 TD.025. Clear. Ident by red and green TI. Primary at 2153.6 hrs from 20,000 ft, 143(T) 155 IAS. Bombed on red TI. Numerous medium size explosions and lots of smoke. PFF concentrated in T/A. Enthusiastic about attack.	A.19

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5th/6th January	LANCASTER I KB 761 H	J27355 FO BRUINS BM	Pilot	1853	0029	Target HANOVER with 11 x 500 lb GP TD.025 and 9 x 500 lb MG TD.025. Primary at 2150.5 from 18,500 ft. 126 degs. 155 mph. Clear, vis good. Identified by red TI's on N. edge of fires. Bombed on centre of red TI's on N. side of town. Town was blazing furiously from previous attack. Bombs landing on TI's. A fairly big explosion seen at 2149 hrs. Good attack.	A.20 <i>Good</i>
5th/6th January	LANCASTER I KB 769 I	J27874 FO TREFORD GO	PILOT	1842	0056	Target HANOVER with 20 x 500 lb USA GP AN.64 TD.025. Primary at 2153.8 from 19,000 ft. 120 degs. 155 mph. Clear, but smoke and haze. Identified by red and green TI's. Bombed centre of red TI's. Very concentrated - fires well burning. Excellent attack.	A.21
5th/6th January	LANCASTER I KB 797 K	J6214 FL HUYER DB	Pilot	1901	0058	Target HANOVER with 2 x 500 GP TD.025, 3 x 500 lb MG TD.025, 15 x 500 lb USA GP AN.64 TD.025. Primary at 2153.4 from 20,000 ft. 130 degs(?) 170 mph. Clear, identified by red and green TI's and fires in and around the A/P. Bombed concentration of red TI's. Large explosion in centre of A/P at 2152 hrs. Flames rose 500/1000 ft. - lots of smoke and fires seen from previous attacks. Very good attack. 1 x 500 lb USA hung up and jettisoned live at 5152N 0040E at 2218 hrs from 20,000 ft. Pieces from previous miss seen 100 miles before reaching target.	A.22
5th/6th January	LANCASTER I KB 854 L	J35681 FO REBALAK GP	Pilot	1915	0046	Target HANOVER with 9 x 500 lb GP TD.025 and 11 x 500 lb MG TD.025. Primary at 2153.4 from 19,500 ft. Weather clear and vis good. Target identified by red and green TI's and fires. Bombed centre of red TI's. Target burning well. Whole town seemed to be in flames. FFZ well concentrated, some overabot of incendiaries seen but balance of bombing was well concentrated. Jettisoned 1 x 500 lb MG TD.025 at 5202N 0206E safe. Heading 130 degs, 155 mph.	A.23
5th/6th January	LANCASTER I KB 787 M	J27764 FO FULK PH	Pilot	1846	0104	Target HANOVER with 4 x 500 lb GP TD.025 and 16 x 500 lb USA GP AN.64 TD.025. Primary at 2153.5 from 20,000, 137 degs 165 mph. Clear, identified by red and green TI's. Bombed centre of red TI's. Good do - fires covered a large area and were well burning. He could see fire glow on run in 80 miles away and on way out for over 100 miles. Excellent attack.	A.24
5th/6th January	LANCASTER I KB 745 O	J27560 FO MILLAR HW	Pilot	1903	0040	Target HANOVER with 4 x 500 GP TD.025 and 16 x 500 lb USA GP AN.64. Primary at 2153.2 hrs from 19,500 ft on heading of 101 degs. 155 L.A.S. Bombed centre of red TI's. The whole town was burning furiously and glow of fires could be seen for 200 miles as a run off target. Weather clear and looked like good going.	A.25

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5/6th January	LANCASTER X KB 786 P	J9757 FL ARMSTRONG WR	Pilot	1916	0021	Target HANOVER with 20 x 500 lb USA GP AN.64 TD.025. Primary at 2149.8 hrs from 19,000 ft. 157 degs (T) 155 mph Clear. Identified by red and green TI's, visually by river and built up areas. Bombed on built up areas surrounded by TI's red and green. Target burning solidly from previous attacks. PFF seemed to be spreading the attack by scattering survivors.	A.26
5/6th January	LANCASTER X KB 772 R	J15819 FL BISHOP AA	Pilot	1844	0016	Target HANOVER with 15 x 500 lb GP TD.025, 2 x 500 lb MC TD.025, 2 x 500 lb USA GP AN.64 TD.025 and 1 x 500 lb USA SGP ANM.58 TD.025. Primary at 2149 hrs from 20,000 ft. 150 degs 155 mph. Clear. Identified by green TI and left bank of river burning. Bombed on red TI's going in to make left of the river. The green TI's were going down into the centre of the fires already burning - fires were well concentrated around the A/P. First attack going so well that it seemed senseless to bomb on the same side of the river - PFF was going down into the centre of the fires already burning and the fires were very well concentrated.	A.27
5/6th January	LANCASTER X KB 758 V	J12477 FL WARNER AGR	Pilot	1905	0025	Target HANOVER with 8 x 500 lb GP TD.025, 4 x 500 lb MC TD.025 and 8 x 500 lb USA SGP ANM.58 TD.025. Primary at 2150.2 hrs from 19,500 ft. 172 degs (T) 155 mph Clear. Identified target by red TI's and fires from previous attack. A/C steady on target and orbited at 2146 to stbd to lose time. Overshot TI's as they were on the Northern edge of the city. Town was a mass of flames - some bomb bursts seen in 2/4. Jettisoned live 1 x 500 lb MC due to hang up at 5154N 0828E at 2211 hrs from 19,000 ft. Most successful attack and previous one was still burning well as A/C went in.	A.28
5/6th January	LANCASTER X KB 799 W	J37102 FO VATNE NR	Pilot	1904	0024	Target HANOVER with 3 x 500 lb GP TD.025, 1 x 500 lb USA GP AN.64 TD.025 and 18 x 500 lb USA SGP ANM.58 TD.025. Primary at 2150.2 hrs from 19,000 ft. 152 degs (T) 150 mph. Clear but some ground haze. Identified by red and green TI's and fires from first attack. Bombed on red TI - 2/A burning well from previous attack - whole thing a mass of flames. Very good attack. Jettisoned 1 x 500 lb USA GP AN.64 TD.025 safe at 5222N 0329E from 16,000 ft. at 2307 hrs.	A.29
6th January	LANCASTER X KB 733 S	J88129 FO MARTIN BW	Pilot	1606	2233	Target HANAU with 1 x 4000 lb HC NI Trinitol and 12 x 150 x 4 lb Inc. 105 'X' Type. Primary at 1912.4 hrs from 20,000 ft 138 degs (T) 160 mph. through 10/10ths cloud. Identified target by red TI's. Bombed glow on cloud of red TI. Too much cloud to assess but could see red glow of fires on cloud.	A.30

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6th January	LANCASTER X KB 761 H	J37355 FO BRUDNS	RM	Pilot	1524	2221	Target HANAU with 1 x 4000 lb HC NI Minol and 12 x 150 x 4 lb Inc. 105 IX1 type. Bombed primary at 1912 hrs from 18,500 ft. 138. 155. through 10/10ths cloud up to 10,000 ft. Identified target by wanganui red flares with green stars. Bombed centre of red flares with green stars. Cloud base 145 with massive white glow.	A.31
6th January	LANCASTER X KB 712 L	J35681 FO RETAILLACK	GP	Pilot	1523	2227	Target HANAU with bombload same as "G". Bombed primary at 1911.5 hrs from 20,000 ft. 167W 155. through 10/10ths cloud tops 10,000 ft. Identified target by sky markers and red TI. No assessment possible. Bombed near edge of glow on cloud. Sky markers had gone but no details seen.	A.32
6th January	LANCASTER X KB 787 K	J24764 FO TULK	PH	Pilot	1502	2241	Target HANAU with bombload same as "G". Bombed primary at 1912.2 hrs from 18,000 ft. 138. 155. through 10/10ths cloud tops 10,000 ft. Bombed estimated centre of sky markers. Nothing seen at all. No results seen.	A.33
6th January	LANCASTER X KB 718 O	J26575 FL OSBORN	FW	Pilot	1519	2245	Target HANAU with bombload same as "H". Bombed primary at 1912.9 hrs from 18,000 ft. 140. 155. through 10/10ths cloud up to 4000 ft. Ident. target by glow of red TI and wanganui red with green stars. Bombed glow of red TI's. wanganui had gone out.	A.34
6th January	LANCASTER X KB 774 P	J7007 FL WATTS	JW	Pilot	1554	2232	Target HANAU with bombload same as "L". Bombed primary at 1913.9 hrs from 18,500 ft. 146. 160. through 10/10ths cloud up to 10,000 ft. Identified target by wanganui red with green stars. Bombed red glow on cloud.	A.35
6th January	LANCASTER X KB 772 R	J27560 FO HILLAN	RW	Pilot	1515	2239	Target HANAU with bombload same as "L". Bombed primary at 1912.9 hrs from 19,000 ft. 137a 170. through 10/10ths cloud. Identified target by wanganui red with green stars and geo. Bombed red glow on cloud.	A.36
6th January	LANCASTER X KB 785 S	0994 SL NORRIS	RW	Pilot	1501	2249	Target HANAU with bombload same as "H". Bombed primary at 1912.7 hrs from 19,500 ft. 148W 155. Identified target by sky markers and glow on cloud. 10/10ths cloud tops 10/13,000 ft. Bombed on glow on clouds as sky markers had gone out. No estimate possible.	A.37
6th January	LANCASTER X KB 767 U	J26413 FL OCK	RL	Pilot	1552	2223	Target HANAU with bombload same as "I". Bombed primary at 1912.7 hrs from 20,000 ft. 140T 155. through 10/10ths cloud. tops between 6 and 10,000 ft. Ident. target by wanganui flares. Bombed where wanganui flares burnt out, on the red glow. Too much cloud to assess results.	A.38

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6th/6th January	LANCASTER I KB 752 V	J9757 FL ARMSTRONG WR	Pilot	1531	2226	Bombed primary 1912.6 hrs from 18500 ft 137 degs, 155 mph Target HANAU with bombload same as "Q". 10/10ths cloud tops to 8,000 ft. Identified target by red CI's cascading and flares red with green stars. Bombed flares red with green stars. Cloud base lit with white glow. Impossible to judge results.	A-39
6th January	LANCASTER I KB 797 K	J6214 FL HUNTER DB	Pilot	1547	2229	Target HANAU with bombload same as "Q". Bombed primary at 1912 hrs from 19,500 ft, 138 degs, 170 mph, through 10/10ths cloud tops up to 8,000 ft. Identified target by red flares with green stars. Bombed glow of magnesium flare disappearing into cloud. No results seen.	A-40
6th January	LANCASTER I KB 799 W	J89431 FO MOGENSEN JW	Pilot	1521	2246	Target HANAU with bombload same as "Q". Bombed primary at 1913.8 hrs from 19500 ft, 140 degs (T) 160 mph, through 10/10ths cloud tops 12-15,000 ft. Identified target by red flares with green stars. Bombed red glow on clouds. Too much cloud to assess attack could only see a red glow on clouds.	A-41
6th January	LANCASTER I KB 732 X	J29876 FO GRIFFITH ED	Pilot	1509	2145	Target HANAU with 20 x 500 lb GP. Ed. 925. Bombed primary at 1913.5 hrs from 19,000 ft, 138 degs, 155 mph, through 10/10ths cloud tops 10,000 ft. Identified target by red flares with green stars. Bombed centre of glow on cloud. Flares had disappeared into cloud, w/o bombed their glow. No result observed.	A-42
6th January	LANCASTER I KB 721 B	J29886 FO HANBY IA	Pilot	1525	2230	Target HANAU with bombload same as "X". Bombed primary at 1912.2 hrs from 18,000 ft, 138 degs, 158 mph, through 10/10ths cloud tops 8-10,000 ft vis poor. Identified target by red and green flares with green stars. Bombed red CI disappearing into cloud. Marking quite well concentrated. Marking reddish glow on clouds. Cannot assess attack.	A-43
6th/8th January	LANCASTER I KB 761 H	J12477 FL WARNER AGE	Pilot	1842	0309	Target MUNICH with 1 x 400 lb HC HI Tripartite, 8 x 50 clusters 6002 fuse 0/610 capsule. Primary through 10/10th cloud tops 14,000 ft with poor vis. at 2231.2 hrs from 16,500 ft 081 degs, 155 IAS. Target identified by red CI's. Bombed centre of flares. No bombing results observed. A/G landed SWINDEN.	A-44
7th/8th January	LANCASTER I KB 707 K	J16953 FL BARLOW JP	Pilot	1835	0253	Target MUNICH with bombload as "H". Primary at 2231.2 hrs through 10/10th cloud tops about 10,000 ft with good vis from 18,000 ft, 090 degs, 160 IAS. Target identified by flares. Bombed centre of flares. Marking good. Bombing results not observed. A/G landed SWINDEN.	A-45
7th/8th January	LANCASTER I KB 748 O	J26673 FL OSBORN WW	Pilot	1836	0248	Target MUNICH with bombload as "H". Primary through 10/10th cloud tops ranging up to 15000 ft with poor vis at 2231.2 hrs from 19,000 ft, 084 degs, 165 IAS. Target identified by flares. Bombed centre of flares. No bombing results observed. A/G landed SWINDEN.	A-46

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7th/8th January	LANCASTER I KB 746 S	J25383 FL SHEAHAN GL	Pilot	1831	0305	Target MUNICH with bombload same as "H". Primary through 10/10th cloud tops about 20,000 ft at 2235.5 hrs from 21000 ft. 086 degs, 160 IAS. Target identified by H2B, markers seen late after bombing. Bombed on H2B run with Dfr as H2B faded. Bombing very scattered. 8thd inner cutting intermittently in wheels trip and 3 engines landing WMSB; cause unknown suspected coolant leak. A/C landed SWINDREBY	A-47
7th/8th January	LANCASTER I KB 767 U	J89431 FO MOGROGE JW	Pilot	1845	2303	Aberative M. O. R. T. Target MUNICH with bombload same as "H". Jettisoned 1 x 4000 lb HI Trinitol, 8 x 14 cluster 42 case Q/640 GMP (safe) at 2218N 0332E 2112 hrs from 10, 800 ft. Oxygen leak first discovered crossing the English Coast. Gauges showed them only about 35 min. supply. Checked gauges found them to be correct and were unable to find leak.	A-48
7th/8th January	LANCASTER I KB 799 152 W V	J27874 FO TEDFORD GO	Pilot	1849	0249	Target MUNICH with bombload same as "H". Primary through 10/10th cloud tops approx 12,000 ft at 2233 hrs from 18500 ft. 085 degs 160 IAS. Target identified by TI's. Bombed centre of TI's. Marking fairly well concentrated. No bombing results seen. Jettisoned 1 x 4000 HI. Hung up over target ab. at 4002N 0045E at 0400 hrs from 12,000.	A-50
14/15th January	LANCASTER I KB 841 A	J23026 FL DAWSON JG	Pilot	1851	0405	Target MESSERSMIDT with 2 x 500 lb GP LD 37 Pistols, 1 x 4000 lb HI HI Trinitol, 2 x 500 lb HI HI 20,025, 6 x 500 lb HI HI 20,025, 2 x 500 lb GP HI. Primary at 2354.7 hrs from 19,000 ft 098 degs, 160 IAS. Vis clear with low layt in clouds. Identified target by H2B. Bombed by H2B. No results seen of previous attacks. No bombing results observed.	A-51
14/15th January	LANCASTER I KB 721 B	J16761 FL CORLEND HF	Pilot	1888	0408	Target MESSERSMIDT with 1 x 500 lb GP 37 Pistols, 1 x 500 lb GP 37 Pistols, 1 x 4000 HI HI Trinitol, 2 x 500 lb HI HI 20,025, 6 x 500 lb GP HI. Primary at 0003.6 from 21,000 ft. 098 degs, 155 IAS. Cloud with a fairly thick base. Identified target by glow of red and green TI's. Three explosions broke through base about 40 sec after bombing, followed by intermittent explosions as A/C ran off. Looking fairly well concentrated, glow from previous attack could be seen from 40 miles on run in.	A-52
REPORT ON 7th/8th January	A/C "W" FOR 7th/8th LANCASTER I KB 799 W	J57102 FO VANCE HR	Pilot	1844	0245	Target Munich with bombload as "H". Primary through 10/10th clouds tops approx 8,000 ft with poor vis, at 2235.5 hrs from 19,000 ft. 083 degs (s) 155 IAS. Target identified by TI's and H2B film. Bombed glow of red TI. Marking and bombing very scattered. A/C landed SWINDREBY.	A-49

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14/15th January	LANCASTER X KB 761 H	J2112 FL HALKETT AM	Pilot	1853	0453	Target MESSERSCHMIDT with 1 x 500 lb GP 37 B Pistols, 1 x 4000 lb HC NI Trinatol, 2 x 500 lb MC TD-025, 6 x 500 lb USA GP TD-025, 2 x 250 lb GP TI. Primary at 0003 hrs from 20,000, 020 degs, 155 IAS. Weather clear up to target. T/A obscured by smoke or haze - vis good. Identified target by 8-10 green TIs, 3 red flares, yellow stars. Bombed centre of green TI, TI well concentrated. Bombing seemed to be scattered at beginning of attack but well concentrated on red TI later. Reddish glow on haze seen coming out. Difficult to assess. Not thought to be a good attack. A few yellow jetted green TIs and red flares/yellow stars at 0002 hrs 5045H, 1145H 17,000 ft. Had to turn aside to avoid them.	A.53
14th/15th January	LANCASTER X KB 769 I	J27674 FL FREDFORD GO	Pilot	1842	-	Nothing has been heard from this A/C since take-off. The crew was as follows: J27674 P/O Sealed GO (Pilot) 15 trips 59 points, 96.15 hrs. J28781 P/O Eddy J (Nav), J27483 P/O Gunner GAT (A/B), J20323 P/O Thomson GA (W/GP), 2212840 Sgt. Williams R.G. (W/Eng), H210991 P/O Marshall, H (U/G) HINDLE, P/O Mundy as (W/G) all had 14 trips, 55 points, 89.30 hrs.	A.54
14th/15th January	LANCASTER X KB 797 K	J25474 FO GRIFFITH ED	Pilot	1850	0410	Target MESSERSCHMIDT with 1 x 4000 lb HC NI Trinatol, 2 x 500 lb MC TD-025, 8 x 500 lb USA GP TD-025, 2 x 250 lb GP TI. Primary at 0003.5 from 21,000 ft, 029 degs, 155 mph 10/10 thin cloud 4-5000 ft. Vis good. Identified target by red & green TIs and wanganul. Bombed centre of mixed red and green TI. Markers on the whole well concentrated. Bombing well concentrated on markers. Quite large explosions seen. Small red glow of previous attack seen to south. Fairly good attack.	A.55
14th/15th January	LANCASTER X KB 845 L	J6214 FL HINTER DB	Pilot	1826	0340	Target MESSERSCHMIDT with 2 x 500 lb GP 37 Pistols, 1 x 4000 lb HC NI Trinatol, 8 x 500 lb USA GP TD-025, 2 x 250 lb GP TI. Primary through 10/10th smoke and haze at 2353 hrs from 19,000, 065 degs (T), 150 IAS. Identified target by H28. Bombed by H28. Attack was scattered without visible results. A/G was on target early and about 15 A/G bombed before, but could see no visible results of their bombing. Attack was not really going when going in.	A.56
14/15th January	LANCASTER X KB 787 M	J3476 SL BLACK CH	Pilot	1824	0400	Target MESSERSCHMIDT with bombload as "L". Primary at 2356.4 hrs from 18,000 ft, 005 degs (T), 160 IAS. Clear with smoke Target identified by flares. Faint glow under cloud from previous attack. No other xxx assessment can be made.	A.57
14/15th January	LANCASTER X KB 786 P	J7007 FL WATTS JW	Pilot	1830	0339	Target MESSERSCHMIDT with 2 x 500 lb GP 37 Pistols, 1 x 4000 lb HC NI Trinatol, 8 x 500 lb GP TD-025, 2 x 250 lb GP TI. Primary at 0002 hrs from 21,000 ft, 070 degs, 155 IAS through 10/10th cloud or smoke up to 4,000 ft. Ident. target by red flares with yellow stars. No results seen of either our attack or previous one. Impossible to judge results. FFF scattered. Jett. 1 x 500 lb GP TD-025 (Safe) approx. 5050N 1140E 0016 hrs from 18,000 ft.	A.58

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14/15th January	LANCASTER X KB 772 R	J12477 FL. WARNER AGR	Pilot	1833	0345	Target MERSERBERG with 1 x 500 lb GP 37 pistols; 1 x 500 lb GP 37B pistols; 1 x 4000 lb HD HI Minol; 2 x 500 lb MC TD-025; 5 x 500 lb GP TD-025; 2 x 250 lb GP TR. Primary at 2354.5 hrs from 19,000 ft. 062 degs. 160 IAS. Clear but smoke haze up to 2000 ft. Ident. by H2B. No results seen. A/C bombed by H2B.	A-59
14th/15th January	LANCASTER X KB 746 S	J25383 FL. SHRAHAN GL	Pilot	1832	0359	Target MERSERBERG with 2 x 500 lb GP 37 pistols; 1 x 4000 lb HD HI Trinabtl; 2 x 500 lb MC TD-025; 1 x 500 lb USA GP TD-025; 2 x 250 lb GP TI. Primary at 0004.1 hrs from 20,000 ft. 090 degs. 140 IAS. 9/10th cloud tops 6-8000 ft. Ident. by Wanganui and red and green TI's. Bombed green TI's. MS not heard. Many bomb bursts illuminating the cloud and in a concentrated area. As A/C turned away a huge glow was seen in the W/A. Stbd. timer caught on take off 1,000 ft. and worked up all the way to target and back and stbd. outer from French Coast on return. If TI's correct raid should be good. Cloud cover made it difficult to assess.	A-60
14th/15th January	LANCASTER X KB 854 T	0994 GE. NORRIS JW	Pilot	1839	0407	Target MERSERBERG with 1 x 500 lb GP 37 pistol; 1 x 500 lb GP 37B pistols; 1 x 4000 lb HD HI Trinabtl; 1 x 500 lb MC TD-025; 2 x 250 lb GP TI. Primary at 0006 hrs from 20,000 ft. 092 degs. 155 IAS. Clear with low lying haze. Ident. red and green TI's and illuminating flares. Bombed on red and green TI's. Cookies seen to explode in W/A. No results of previous attack. Bomb bursts right around TI's. Intercom w/S. Just after take-off. Emergency used. No results seen.	A-61
14/15th January	LANCASTER X KB 823 U	J9757 FL. ARMSTRONG WR	Pilot	1848	0425	Target MERSERBERG with 1 x 500 lb GP 37 pistols; 1 x 500 lb GP 37B pistols; 1 x 4000 lb HD HI Minol; 2 x 500 lb MC TD-025; 6 x 500 lb GP TD-025; 2 x 250 lb GP TI. Primary at 0005 hrs 21,000 ft. 068 degs. 155 IAS. 10/10th cloud tops 4,000 ft. Visibility above good. Ident. by red flares with yellow stars. Effort poor. Bombed on wanganui flares. (MS heard - very erratic bombing.) Jett. 1 x 500 lb GP 37 pistol (safe). 5200 ft. 025 degs. 10,000 ft. at 0241 hrs. Tactics and route exceptionally good. About 12 a/c flew right to bombing line on way in with Navigation lights on. About 3 from our line out to England with Navigation lights on.	A-62
14/15th January	LANCASTER X KB 799 W	J37102 FO. VANCE NR	Pilot	1847	--	This aircraft took off to attack MERSERBERG with 1 x 500 lb GP 37 pistols; 1 x 500 lb GP 37B pistols; 1 x 4000 lb HD HI Minol; 2 x 500 lb MC TD-025; 6 x 500 lb GP TD-025; 2 x 250 lb GP TI. Nothing further was heard from this a/c since take-off and its loss must be presumed to be due to enemy action. The names of the missing crew members are as follows: (P) J37102 P/O H. H. Vane with 30 sorties, 114 pts. 175.45 hrs. (N) J40375 P/O H. R. Rager (A/B) J. 37814 P/O H. V. Ross (W/P) J184173 P/S Chatwin, F. H. and (R/O) J92529 P/O Woods G. S. with 29 trips, 110 pts. and 169.35 op. hrs. (P/B) J62296 Sgt. Mitchell, B. C. (M/U) J262395 P/S Woods, R. C. both with 28 trips 107 pts. and 166.35 hrs.	A-63

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16/17th January	LANCASTER I EB 94 A	J23026 FL DAWSON FC	Pilot	1714	0149	Target KRITZ with 1 x 4000 lb HC HF Trinatol, 10 x 500lb GP AMM. 64 ED.025 and 4 x 250 lb GP TI. Primary at 2215. 7 hrs from 19,000 ft. 010 degs 160 IAS. Clear with some haze - via radio ident visually by built-up area; railway line. Illuminating flares and red and green T.I.'s. Bombed on spot and green T.I.'s. MB heard clearly. Bombs seen to fall in T/A. At first attack seemed scattered, later well concentrated. Large reddish explosion and black smoke at 2218. 5 hrs. Large orange explosion with black smoke at 2218 hrs. Tactics and route very satisfactory. Not very good. Attack looked good.	A.64
16/17th January	LANCASTER I EB 721 B	J25383 FL SHEAHAN GL	Pilot	1717	0139	Target KRITZ with 1 x 4000 lb HC HF Trinatol, 10 x 500 lb GP AMM. 64 ED.025 and 4 x 250 lb GP TI. Primary at 2214. 2 hrs from 18,000 ft. 130(7) degs, 155 IAS. Ident by red and green T.I.'s, all explosion and noise. Clear, some ground haze. via good. Bombed red and green T.I. Port side of TI on oil tanks. Red and green T.I.'s at 2210 hrs, two salvoes, first green as off and the rest well concentrated. Series of very large explosions, tanks going up. Lots of flames lit up whole sky at 2217 hrs. Considered very good attack.	A.65
16/17th January	LANCASTER I EB 733 C	J10761 FL COLLARD HF	Pilot	1722	0156	Target KRITZ with bombload same as "A". Bombed primary at 2214. 4 hrs from 18,000 ft. 135 degs, 160 IAS. Clear, via good. Ident visually by illuminating flares, red and green T.I.'s. Bombed centre of red T.I.'s on MB's instructions. First green at fell short but three salvoes of red, well concentrated. Right in centre of T/A. Bombing accurate and well concentrated in small area. Big orange explosion at 2215 hrs. Not much smoke in T/A, several fires seen starting up. An excellent attack. Route and tactics approved, avoided flak positions.	A.66
16/17th January	LANCASTER I EB 761 H	J85304 FO NICHES BA	Pilot	1722	0155	Target KRITZ with bombload same as "A". Bombed primary at 2214. 4 hrs from 19,000 ft. 340 degs 160 IAS. Clear, via excellent. Ident by illuminating flares, salvoes of red and green T.I.'s. Bombed centre of red and green T.I. concentrated. Illuminating flares at 2207.5. Salvoes of green and red at 2211 hrs. Concentration good. Attack judged as excellent. Route and tactics good.	A.67
16/17th January	LANCASTER I EB 845 L	J24761 FO METIVIER BA	Pilot	1731	0223	Target KRITZ with bombload same as "A". Primary at 2215. 3 hrs from 18,500 ft. 005 degs, 160 IAS. Clear, ident by red and green T.I.'s and illuminating flares. Bombed 300 yds short of red and green T.I.'s on MB's instructions. T.I.'s well concentrated. Route and tactics approved, avoided defended areas.	A.68

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16/17th January	LANCASTER I KB 787 M	C994 SL NORRIS RW	Pilot	1716	0152	Target KRITZ with bombload same as "A". Primary at 2215 hrs from 18,000 ft. 345 degs (2), 155 IAS. Clear with smoke haze. Vis good. Ident by red and green TI's and MB. Bombed red and green TI's on MB's instructions. Bombing most accurate and area was well alight on the run up. Large explosion with tower of black smoke rising to 17,000 ft. Best fires were seen. Could be seen for 20 mins. after leaving 2/A.	A.69
16/17th January	LANCASTER I KB 750 H	J25474 FO GRIFFITH ED	Pilot	1732	0218	Target KRITZ with bombload same as "A". Primary at 2216 hrs from 19,000 ft. 355 degs. 150 IAS. Ident by red and green TI's and illuminating flares. Bombed mixed red and green TI's. One large explosion at 2214 hrs. Smoke and route good. Attack very good. Clear, vis good.	A.70
16/17th January	LANCASTER I KB 748 O	J26675 FL OSBORN WW	Pilot	1734	0205	Target KRITZ with bombload same as "A". Primary at 2216.5 hrs from 18,500 ft. 320 degs. (2), 160 IAS. Thin patchy cloud at 10,000 ft. Vis fair. Ident by red and green TI's and illuminating flares, snow and scattered buildings. Bombed on red 2/A. Red large explosions 2213 and 2218.5 hrs which lit up whole sky. Route and tactics good, especially route home. Very good attack.	A.71
16/17th January	LANCASTER I KB 786 P	J7007 FL WATTS JW	Pilot	1729	0144	Target KRITZ with bombload same as "A". Primary at 2217 hrs from 18,000 ft. 302 degs, 155 IAS. Clear, vis good. Ident by red and green TI and illuminating flares. Bombed periphery of red TI. TI's well concentrated also bombing 3-4 big explosions about 2217 hrs. Several fires starting. Route and tactics satisfactory. Attack should be exceptionally good. Best in Pilot's experience.	A.72
16/17th January	LANCASTER I KB 772 R	J89431 FO MCKENGE JW	Pilot	1738	0202	Target KRITZ with bombload same as "A". Primary at 2216 hrs from 19,000 ft. 006 degs, 160 IAS. Clear. Bombed centre of red and green concentration of TI's. Fires well together and burning furiously. Large explosion 2217.5 hrs with black smoke to 5,000 ft and orange flame. Everything really good. Including attack.	A.73
16/17th January	LANCASTER I KB 854 T	J16122 FL HALETT AM	Pilot	1718	0141	Target KRITZ with bombload same as "A". Primary at 2217 hrs from 18,500 ft. 360 degs, 160 IAS. Clear vis good. Ident by red and green TI's. Bombed centre of red and green TI's which would be about centre of 2/A. Good concentration bombing. Large white explosion with black smoke at 2215 hrs. Very large reddish explosion at 2222 hrs which lit up sky for miles. Route good, tactics good. Should prove successful.	A.74
16/17th January	LANCASTER I KB 823 U	J3757 FL ARMSTRONG ER	Pilot	1728	0226	Target KRITZ with bombload same as "A". Primary at 2216.9 hrs from 18,000 ft. 002 degs, 160 IAS. Clear with wispy smoke and good haze. Ident by red and green TI's and illuminating flares. Bombed centre of red and green TI's which were right across building. Very well concentrated. At 2214 hrs large explosion with orange flame. Another at 2217 which lit up whole sky for 30 seconds. Excellent attack.	A.75

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28/29th January	LANCASTER I KB 733 G	J36355 FO HUDNE IM	Pilot	1616	0005	Target STUTTGART with 1 x 4000 lb HC NI Minol, 7 x 500 lb AN.M.56, 2 x 500 lb MC TD.025, 1 x 500 lb GP LD, 6 x 250 lb GP TL, 10 x 5 EG 97 Nichols. Primary at 2035.2 hrs from 18,500 ft, 160 degs, 160 mph through 10/10ths cloud with up to 12,000 ft. Gnat target by waggled red with yellow stars. Bombed waggled red. First flares red with yellow stars down at 202. Impossible to judge results. A/C landed SHURBY .	A.76
28/29th January	LANCASTER I KB 787 M	J3476 SL BLACK CM	Pilot	1622	0017	Target STUTTGART with 1 x 4000 lb HC NI Minol, 2 x 500 lb MC TD.025, 7 x 500 lb GP AN.M.56, 1 x 500 lb GP LD, 6 x 250 lb GP TL, 0 x 4 EG 97 Nichols. Primary at 2034.7 hrs, from 20,000 ft, 174 degs, 150 mph. Thick haze up to 19,000 ft, vis very poor. Identified target by flares red yellow stars. Could not check by nav aids. Bombed red flares with yellow stars. Only one flare seen at bombing time. At about 2035 hrs flare green went down right under the flare we bombed. Vis was so poor flares were indistinct. Flares - 1st flares appeared to be like 5 minol. Could not see the target area. A very good route but consider A/G were too high. Vapor trails were too obvious at the heights flown, and moon was bright. Cannot appreciate attack. A/G was straight and level from time light went on until end of picture time and during bombing run also from time bombs away. A/G landed SHURBY .	A.77
28/29th January	LANCASTER I KB 750 N	J12877 FL WARDER AGR	Pilot	1649	0038	Target STUTTGART with 1 x 4000 lb HC NI Trinitol, 9 x 500 lb GP AN.M.56, 1 x 500 lb GP LD, 6 x 250 lb GP TL, 9 x 4 EG 97 Nichols. Primary at 2040.8 hrs from 17,000 ft, 177 degs, 160 mph. Layers of haze up to 20,000 ft. Identified target by green flares red stars. Bombed concentration of 8 flares green red stars. Flashes seen through clouds, no other details observed due to clouds. Tactics good. Winds incorrect, straight and level during bombing run. did not notice whether indicating light was on. A/G landed SHURBY .	A.78
28/29th January	LANCASTER I KB 748 O	J37558 FO BOWEN DS	Pilot	1651	0021	Target STUTTGART with 1 x 4000 lb HC NI Trinitol, 10 x 500 lb GP AN.M.56, 6 x 250 lb GP TL. Primary at 2044.6 hrs from 18,000 ft, 180 degs, 170 mph. Stratus layer of haze up to 19,000 ft. Identified target by red flares, yellow stars. Bombed two red flares with yellow stars. Only two flares seen, ground details obscured due to cloud. Route tactics good. Winds incorrect. Straight and level on bombing run, indicating light on. A/G landed SHURBY .	A.79
28/29th January	LANCASTER I KB 772 R	J27560 FO MILLAR RE	Pilot	1653	0016	Abortive O.R.T. Target STUTTGART with 1 x 4000 lb HC NI Minol, 4 x 500 lb GP TD.025, 2 x 500 lb MC TD.025, 3 x 500 lb SGP AN.M.56, 1 x 500 lb GP LD, 6 x 250 GP LD TL, 0 x 4 EG 97 Nichols. 10/10ths stratus up to 19,000 ft. Flares red with yellow burning out on run up. Whole load brought back unable to identify 2/A. Flares just burning out ahead of A/G at 2037. Green flares with red stars bursting at 2041 after A/G turned off target. A/G landed SHURBY .	A.80

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28/29th January	LANCASTER I KD 746 S	J25383 FL SHEAHAN GL	Pilot	1629	2342	Abortive O.E.E. Target STUTTGART with 1 x 4000 lb HD HI Mk. 2 x 500 lb GP AM. 64, 1 x 500 lb GP AM. 64, 6 x 250 lb GP II, 9 x 4 3/8 MG nickel. No sky markers or flares seen in area. All bombs jettisoned safe except 1 x 250 GP II (live) at 5015N 0018E 2318 hrs, 15,000 ft. Not enough fuel to bring bombs back. Dropped bombs in S. jettisoning area. No pulse (GR) was strong. Pilot couldn't understand why not allowed to bomb Stuttgart on GR - ordered not to. Landed SIRHUNT	A.81
28/29th January	LANCASTER I KD 854 T	J46442 FL HALSETT JM	Pilot	1654	0013	Target STUTTGART with 1 x 4000 lb HD HI Trinitol, 9 x 500 lb GP AM. 64, 1 x 500 lb GP AM. 64, 6 x 250 lb GP II, 0 x 4 3/8 MG nickel. Primary at 2046.0 hrs from 19,000 ft, 177(E) degs, 160 mph 10/10ths cloud 19,000 ft. Yes poor vertically and horizontally. Identified target by three flares red yellow stars. Bombed red flares yellow stars. No other observation due to cloud. Route and tactics O.K. Fair tailwind. No re- marks seen. Only one group of flares seen. A/G straight and level when picture taken. Landed SIRHUNT.	A.82
28/29th January	LANCASTER I KD 823 U	J25474 FO GRIFFITH ED	Pilot	1643	0014	Target STUTTGART with 1 x 4000 lb HD HI Trinitol, 2 x 500 lb GP AM. 64, 1 x 500 lb GP AM. 64, 7 x 200 lb GP AM. 64, 0 x 4 3/8 MG nickel. Primary at 2043 hrs from 18,500 ft, 177(E) degs, 160 mph. Identified target by green flares red stars. Target obscured by 10/10ths cloud. D.B. compass N/S. A/G straight and level indicating light was showing. Tactics good, incorrect wind. A/G landed SIRHUNT.	A.83
28/29th January	LANCASTER I KD 852 V	J9757 FL ARMSTRONG WR	Pilot	1631	0020	Target STUTTGART with bombload same as "U". Primary at 2038 hrs from 18,000 ft, 177 degs, 160 mph, through thick base. 10/10ths cloud stratus tops 5/4000 ft. via point. Ident target by red flares with yellow stars. Bombed midway between two flares red with yellow stars. Only low sky markers were visible when we bombed. Nothing could be seen below owing to cloud. Route was good, weather brilliant poor, tactics very satisfactory. Correct angles attack. A/G was straight and level when bombs dropped, indicating light did not go on, was also straight and level between time bombs away and time of picture. A/G landed SIRHUNT.	A.84
28/29th January	LANCASTER I KD 761 H	J68129 FO MARTIN BW	Pilot	1653	0005	Target STUTTGART with 1 x 4000 lb HD HI Trinitol, 2 x 500 lb GP AM. 64, 8 x 500 lb GP AM. 64, 6 x 250 lb GP II. Primary at 2053 hrs from 21,000, 184 degs, 150 mph. 10/10ths cloud tops 20,000 ft. Ident target by 250 lb GP AM. 64 through cloud. Bom- ed glow on cloud, sky markers had gone out. Navigator said he had Stuttgart on H2S and another attack would be seen in pro- gress, bombs flashes seen. A/G was late owing to change in winds, tried to increase speed sufficiently to jump with stream without success. On arriving over Stuttgart, city seen as identified by H2S. A/G was well south of and over target area. Made sure of it because of close proximity of P.O.W. camp. Jettisoned 1 x 500lb GP AM. 64 at 2058N 0002E	A.85

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28/29th January	LANCASTER I KB 761 H	J88129 FO MARTIN HW	Pilot	1653	0005	(cont'd) 2308 hrs from 11,000 ft. Route and tactics were good but owing to difficulty with adverse winds, we were late getting to the target. A/C straight and level from time bombs released until after camera had turned over. A/C landed OKENBY.	
28/29th January	LANCASTER I KB 721 B	J85304 FO NICHOLS BA	Pilot	1640	0011	Target STUTTGART with 1 x 4000 lb HC NI Minol, 2 x 500lb MC ED.025, 7 x 500 lb GP AM.64, 1 x 500 lb GP LD, 6 x 250lb GP FI, 0 x 5 MG 97 Nickals. Primary at 2038-8 hrs from 19,500 ft, 177 degs, 155 mph. Target identified by flares green with yellow stars H28 and G28. Bombed green flares with yellow stars. Impossible to assess results. Markings not seen until 2035 and only one lot seen. Camera operated although nose down slightly. Route and tactics satisfactory. A/C landed STURBY.	A.86
28/29th January	LANCASTER I KB 841 A	J230265L DAWSON FC	Pilot	1636	0009	Target STUTTGART with 1 x 4000 lb HC NI Eristaly, 2 x 500 lb MC ED.025, 7 x 500 lb GP AM.64, 1 x 500 lb GP LD, 6 x 250lb GP FI, 0 x 5 MG 97 Nickals. Primary at 2045 hrs from 20,000 ft, 178(E) degs, 150 mph. 10/10ths cloud tops approx 8,000 ft, thick base. Identified target by flares red yellow stars. Bombed group of flares. Two red with yellow stars at centre of group. These were the only markers seen. Could not see target owing to cloud conditions. Route and tactics good but number of A/C who tracked south over Stuttgart very small. A large number turned west right after bombing leaving too few to go in over Stuttgart. A/C straight and level from before bombs dropped until after camera turned over. Consider attack unsuccessful markers late. A/C landed STURBY.	A.87
28/29th January	LANCASTER I KB 839 D	J24764 FO TULK FH	Pilot	1626	0041	Target STUTTGART with 1 x 4000 lb HC NI AMT, 2 x 500 lb GP ED.025, 7 x 500 lb GP AM.64, 1 x 500 lb GP LD, 6 x 250 lb GP FI, 0 x 5 MG 97 Nickals. Primary at 2045,3 hrs from 19,000 ft, 174 degs, 165 mph. 10/10ths cloud status up to 17,000 ft. Identified target by red flares with yellow stars and H28. Bombed red flares. Impossible to judge results. Route and tactics good. Camera operated. A/C straight and level. A/C landed STURBY.	A.88
28/29th January	LANCASTER I KB 797 K	J24764 FL METIVIER HA	Pilot	1620	0016	Target STUTTGART with 1 x 4000 lb HC NI Minol, 2 x 500lb MC ED.025, 7 x 500 lb GP AM.64, 1 x 500 lb GP LD, 6 x 250lb GP FI, 0 x 5 MG 97 Nickals. Primary at 2043 from 20,000 ft, 170 degs, 160 mph. 10/10ths cloud status up to 19,000 ft. Identified target by green flares with red stars, H28. Bombed green flares. Route and tactics good. A/C banked to starboard to avoid collision when camera operating. A/C landed STURBY.	A.89

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