

TELETYPE REPORT:

KHI V 14TH CBW NR 2 -DD-

FROM 14- CBW 24/2359A DEC 44.
TO KHI

CONFIDENTIAL 14- CBW D-101-E ATTN, DIVISION NAVIGATOR

LEAD NAVIGATOR'S TELETYPE FROM 14- COMBAT BOMB WING FOR MISSION ON 24 DEC 44

2D BOMBARDMENT DIVISION FIELD ORDER 554

TARGETS: ELLER, WITTLICH, RUWER AND PFALZEL

ORDER OF UNITS:
2BD F/O 554. 392BG LEAD 2BD, 491BG SECOND, 44BG SPLIT IN WING

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FROM WEN 24/2202A DEC 44.
TO KHI ATTN: DIV BOMB A-3
PNT A-3
14- CW A-3 ATTN: WING BOMB. (INFO ONLY)

CONFIDENTIAL 392 BG D-225-E

HEADING : LEAD BOMBARDIER'S AND NAVIGATOR'S TELETYPE REPORT

14- COMBAT WING 392- BOMB GROUP
DATE OF MISSION 24 DECEMBER 1944
OBJECTIVE: RUWER, GERMANY ("A" WING)
OBJECTIVE: PFALZEL, GERMANY ("B" WING)

"A" WING
LD SQ LEAD BOMB LEADER FROM 44- GROUP
HR SQ LEAD BOMBARDIER 1- LT. J.E. BENNETT 3-7
HR SQ LEAD MICKEY OPERATOR 2- LT. R.L. ADELSTEIN 14-7
HR SQ LEAD DR NAVIGATOR 1- LT. T.G. KIRKWOOD 30-15
LL SQ LEAD BOMBARDIER 1- LT. T.H. MACKELFRESH 13-1
LL SQ LEAD MICKEY OPERATOR 2- LT. R.W. SPROWLS 7-1
LL SQ LEAD DR NAVIGATOR 1- LT J (N.M.L.) MOHR 20-13

"B" WING
LD SQ LEAD BOMB LEADER FROM 44- GROUP
LL SQ LEAD BOMBARDIER 2- LT A.R. WILLIAMS 13-1
LL SQ LEAD MICKEY OPERATOR 2- LT. C.H. BADER 9-2
LL SQ LEAD DR NAVIGATOR 2- LT. T. (N.M.I.) BALIDES 19-10

A. ON THE BOMB RUN - POSITION

- 1. LD "A" WING LD "B" WING
- 2. YES
- B. HOW FORMATION BOMBED
- 1. SQUADRONS
- 2. "A" WING - LD 1- HR 3- LL 2- "B" WING LD 2- LL 1-
- 3. XXXXXXXXXXXX

C. TARGET BOMBED

- 1. "A" WING YES - PRIMARY "B" WING YES - PRIMARY
- 2. XXXXXXXXXXXX
- 3. XXXXXXXXXXXX

D. AIRCRAFT OVER THE TARGET.

- 1. "A" WING LD 8 HR 10 LL 9 "B" WING LD 7 LL 10
- 2. "A" WING LD 12 X 500 GP M-64 1/10 N. 1/40 T. NO. 3 A/C ON LD AND DEP LD
GH A/C CARRIED 4 X 500 GP M-64 PLUS SMOKE BOMBS.
HR 12 X 500 GP M-64 LL 12 X 500 GP
M-64 LEAD AND DEP LD A/C CARRIED 4 X500 GP PLUS SMOKE BOMBS
"B" WING LD 24 X 250 GP M-57 1/40 TAIL DEP LD A/C ON GH LD A/C CARRIED
6 X 250 GP M-57 PLUS SMOKE BOMBS. LL 4 A/C 24 X 250 GP M-57
4 A/C 22 X 250 GP M-57 LEAD AND DEP LD A/C CARRIED 6 X 250 GP M-57 PLUS
SMOKE BOMBS.

3. MINIMUM FOR ALL AIRCRAFT

- 4. "A" WING LD NONE HR NONE LL 11 A/C "B" WING LD 2 A/C LL NONE
- 5. ALL xxxxxx A/C ABORTED (xxx = UNREADABLE)
- 6. NO

E. AIRCRAFT BOMBING WITH OTHER GROUPS

- 1. NONE
- 2. NONE

F. SIGHTING OPERATION

- 1. HR & LL "A" WING VISUAL LL "B" WING VISUAL
- 2. "A" WING HR 2250 21850 LL 21000 20400 "B" WING LL 21900 21400
- 3. "A" WING HR 80 DEG 72 DEG LL 84 DEG 78 DEG "B" WING LL 102 DEG 95 DEG.
- 4. "A" WING HR 2 MIN 30 SEC. LL 3 MINUTES. "B" WING LL 3 MINUTES
- 5. "A" WING HR SPERRY M-2 LL NORDEN "B" WING LL NORDEN
- 6. ALL LEAD A/C SIGHTING FOR DEFLECTION AND RANGE BOTH
-7. "A" WING HR YES A-5 LL NO P.D.L. "B" WING LL YES C-1
- 8. "A" WING HR 1425 LL 1424 "B" WING LL 1427
- 9. MPI WAS USED BY ALL LEAD BOMBARDIERS
- 10. NONE
- 11. "A" WING HR 119 KNOTS LL 141 KNOTS "B" WING LL 143 KNOTS
- 12. "A" WING HR 69 KNOTS LL 56 KNOTS "B" WING LL 56 KNOTS
- 13. "A" WING 16PP DEGREES LL 6 DEGREES "B" WING LL 6 DEGREES

- G. 1. NONE
- 2. NONE
- 3. NONE

4.NONE
5."A" WING HR MODERATE, ACCURATE FLAK LL NONE "B" WING LL NONE
6.NONE
7.NONE
H. H2X NOTES
 ALL BOMBING DONE VISUALLY
I. GH NOTES
 ALL BOMBING DONE VISUALLY
J. "A" WING HR BOMBING WAS EXCELLENT
K. NAVIGATION NOTES

1.	BUNCHER 21	1137	12000	
	KINGS LYNN	1142	12000	
	NEW HUNSTANTON	1145	12000	
	WELLS	1150 $\frac{1}{2}$	12000	
	5242N 0117E	1200	12000	
	BUNCHER 24	1207	12000	ENGLISH COAST OUT
	5237N 0220E	1230 $\frac{1}{2}$	12000	CONTROL POINT A
	5114N 0254E	1252	18000	ENEMY COAST IN
2.	5028N 0505E	1342 $\frac{1}{2}$	23000	
	4941N 0549E	1406 $\frac{1}{2}$	23000	IP
	4947N 0642E	1425 $\frac{1}{2}$	23000	TARGET RUWER GERMANY
3.	4939N 0636E	1430	22500	RALLY POINT
	4940N 0548E	1436	22300	
	5112N 0251E	1515	11000	ENEMY COAST OUT
	5228N 0145E	1543	4000	ENGLISH COAST IN
	BASE	1558	3000	
4.	FOR SOME REASON WE WENT OVER AND CIRCLED BRUSSELS LOSING TEN (10) MORE MINUTES WHEN ALREADY FOURTEEN (14) MINUTES LATE ON BRIEFED TIMES NOTE : NAVIGATION DATA FROM LD A/C HR SQ "A" WING 3			

---JOHNSON---

BT 24/2200A DE044.
AS/FC
CC LINE 11 UNDER SIGHTING OPERATION SHD RD 119 KNOTS LL 141 KNOTS ETC
GTS AR
PNT R..... 0910/25A GABLE AR