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22 JULY 1944

LOADING LIST
BOX I
FLIGHT I

1. 1717 P
Major R.F. Price ✓
Lt. A.R. Hand ✓
S/S D.H. Simpson
T/S L.G. Robbins

w/R

2. 125 M
Capt. G.M. McNulty ✓
Lt. F.H. Bursiel ✓
S/S G.F. Love
S/S F.L. Adair

w/R

3. 176 T
Lt. T. Clausen ✓
Sgt C. Fetke
Sgt T.G. Euga

w/R

FLIGHT II

1. 764 X
Lt. R.V. Miracle ✓
S/S B.C. Sieg
S/S J.C. Burkhalter

w/R

3. 362 L
Lt. L.G. Peede ✓
S/S E.E. Kelly
S/S G.L. Hibbs

2. 210 Q
Lt. L.E. Cannon ✓
Sgt J.W. Robinson ✓
Sgt E.P. Brzezinski

w/R

4. 150 N
Lt. W.E. Downing ✓
S/S E.S. Dickenson
S/S K.E. Harnbeck

w/R

FLIGHT III

1. 745 I
Lt. R.D. Lasher ✓
S/S H.R. Hedrick
S/S A.J. Antanaitis

w

3. 195 D
Lt. F.W. Harris ✓
S/S D. Hantske
S/S E.A. Damico

w

2. 819 K
Lt. E.B. Kreh ✓
S/S E. Shelton
Sgt E.L. Schaefer

w/R

4. 480 B
Lt. C.C. Mish ✓
S/S C.J. Clark
S/S R.F. Chustz

w/R

FLIGHT IV

1. 211 C
Lt. W.J. Greene ✓
S/S J.A. Ochaba
S/S W.F. Colbert

@

w/R

3. 750 M-1
Lt. T.J. Leonard
S/S O.B. Evans
S/S T.A. Palmer

@

*Retained Only
No Sarts*

2. 209 K-1
Lt. D.T. Sommers ✓
Sgt S.R. Zaklikiewicz
Sgt J.L. Johnson

@

4. 674 R
Lt. D.F. Shea ✓
S/S R.E. Lee
S/S F.G. Falk

@

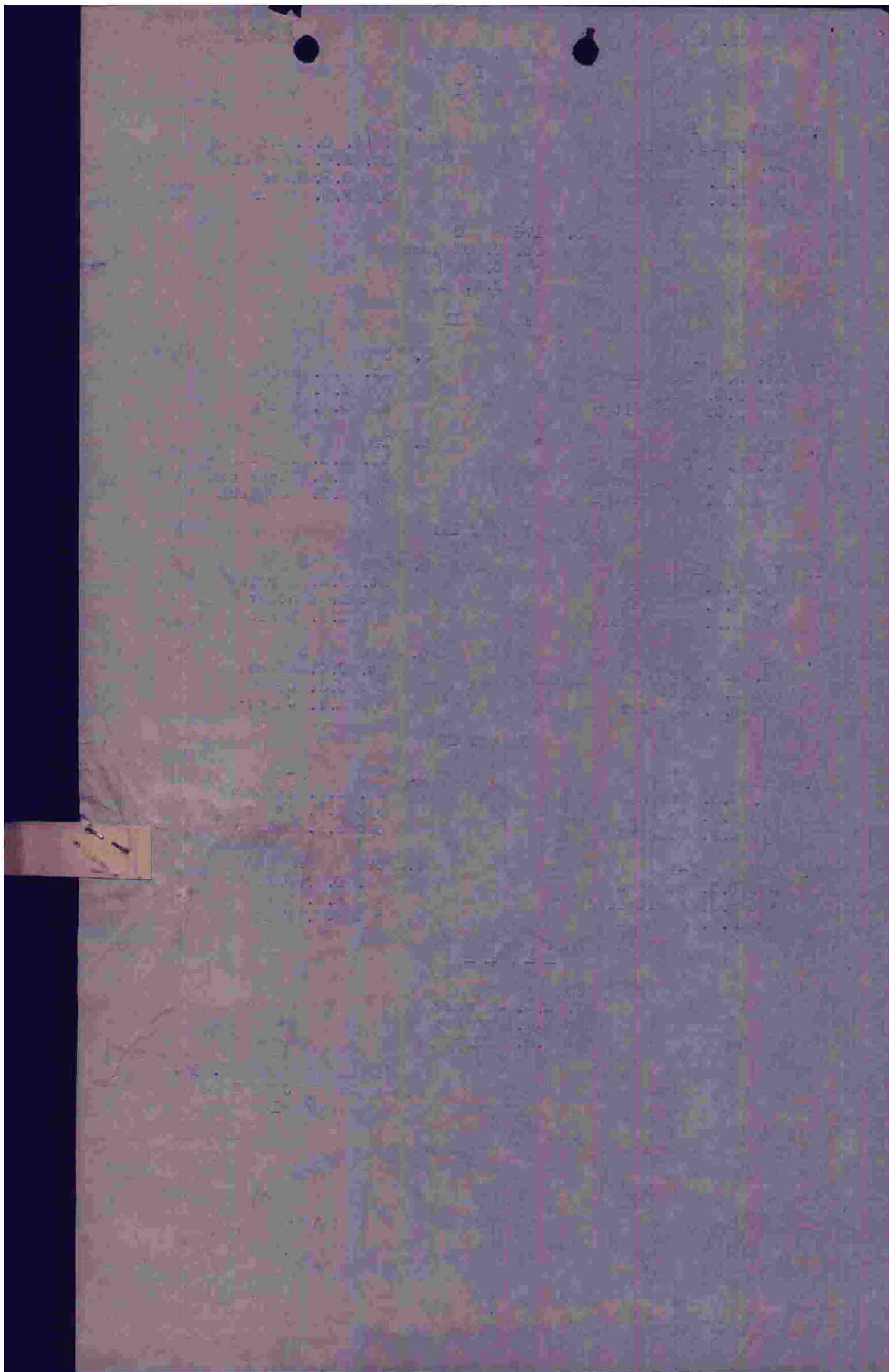
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380 N
Lt. E.L. Johnson ✓
S/S W.J. Donahue
S/S M.R. Brayn

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LOADING LIST
BOX NO. II
FLIGHT I

1. ✓ 1711 "S"
Lt. L.A. Marzolf ✓
Lt. J.T. Beck ✓
S/Sgt. H.E. Wellin
S/Sgt. L.G. Kutzer

w/R

2. ✓ 712 "H"
Major J.G. Napier ✓
Lt. J. Madenfort ✓
S/Sgt. C. L. Webb
S/Sgt. F.M. Citty

w/R

3. ✓ 937 "B"
Lt. A.R. Durante ✓
S/Sgt. H.T. Best
S/Sgt. I.R. De Giusti

w/R

FLIGHT II

1. ✓ 214 "C"
Lt. R.V. Wheeler ✓
S/Sgt. J. L. Czeck ✓
S/Sgt. J.S. Brower

w/R

3. ✓ 219 "D"
Lt. D.E. Herman ✓
S/Sgt. A.D. Garrett ✓
S/Sgt. J.C. Young

w/R

2. ✓ 925 "G"
Lt. W.H. Ames ✓
Sgt. H.S. Fessler *
Sgt. R.J. Brown

w/R

4. ✓ 956 "Z"
Lt. R.C. Morehouse ✓
S/Sgt. L.A. Zygiel ✓
S/Sgt. A.J. Burgess

w/R

FLIGHT III

1. ✓ 363 "L"
Lt. J.D. Adams ✓
S/Sgt. P.L. Clearman ✓
S/Sgt. A.J. Zeikus

w/R

3. ✓ 221 "F"
Lt. D.L. Withington ✓
S/Sgt. R.J. Mahoney ✓
Sgt. L.D. Mc Elhattan

w/R

2. ✓ 714 "N"
Lt. H.F. Pair ✓
S/Sgt. H.A. Marion ✓
S/Sgt. V.P. Adams

w/R

4. ✓ 951 "P"
Lt. J.H. Miller ✓
S/Sgt. R.G. Schrom ✓
S/Sgt. J. Galender

w/R

FLIGHT IIII

1. 900 "Q" *Returned Early*
Lt. W.A. Peck ✓
S/Sgt. A.E. Bergeron ✓
S/sgt. H.E. Kelton

w/R

Mo Santos

3. 202 "E-1"
Lt. L.E. Poundstone ✓
Sgt. A.J. Burland ✓
Sgt. K. Heath

w/R

2. 929 "G-1"
Lt. P. Dantas ✓
S/Sgt. A.L. Nielsen ✓
S/Sgt. W.E. Fields

w/R

w/R

4. 961 "E"
Lt. E.J. Beath ✓
S/Sgt. C.D. LaNave ✓
Pvt. L. Moskowitz

w/R

SPARE

390 "G-1"
Lt. J.E. Blongren ✓
Sgt. L. R. Fleming ✓
Sgt. M. Bockach

w/R

(13)

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REPORT NO. 101

REPORT I

3. "A" 317
Major J.C. Hester
Lt. J. Anderson
Sgt. G. J. Webb
Sgt. R. M. O'Leary

1. "B" 318
Lt. J.C. Hester
Lt. J.T. Beck
Sgt. R.M. Walker
Sgt. J.C. Walker

3. "C" 319
Lt. J.C. Hester
Sgt. R.T. Hart
Sgt. J.L. De Gault

REPORT II

3. "D" 320
Lt. J.C. Hester
Sgt. J.L. Bennett
Sgt. J.C. Young

1. "E" 321
Lt. R.V. Wheeler
Sgt. J.L. Cook
Sgt. J.L. Brown

4. "F" 322
Lt. J.C. Hester
Sgt. J.L. Bennett
Sgt. J.C. Young

2. "G" 323
Lt. W.H. James
Sgt. H.C. Taylor
Sgt. R.L. Brown

REPORT III

3. "H" 324
Lt. J.C. Hester
Sgt. J.L. Bennett
Sgt. J.C. Young

1. "I" 325
Lt. J.C. Hester
Sgt. J.L. Bennett
Sgt. J.C. Young

4. "J" 326
Lt. J.C. Hester
Sgt. J.L. Bennett
Sgt. J.C. Young

2. "K" 327
Lt. H.E. Smith
Sgt. H.A. Taylor
Sgt. V.L. Adams

REPORT IV

3. "L" 328
Lt. J.C. Hester
Sgt. J.L. Bennett
Sgt. J.C. Young

1. "M" 329
Lt. W.H. James
Sgt. H.C. Taylor
Sgt. R.L. Brown

4. "N" 330
Lt. J.C. Hester
Sgt. J.L. Bennett
Sgt. J.C. Young

2. "O" 331
Lt. J. Hester
Sgt. J.L. Bennett
Sgt. J.C. Young

REPORT V

3. "P" 332
Lt. J.C. Hester
Sgt. J.L. Bennett
Sgt. J.C. Young

PRIORITY

FROM: 416TH BOMB GROUP (L)

TO : 1X BOMBING COMMAND

TO: 97TH COMBAT WING

416 BG Y _____ E

SECRET IN THE CLEAR

"J" FORM OPERATIONAL

CLEARANCE F-2

22 JULY 1944

PREPARED BY MAJOR HAROLD A. RADETSKY

A.

B. 1848

C. SELSY BILL

D. BOX 1 R/T REDBROWN ONE

668 11 P M T X Q L O I K D B N

670 4 O K-1 M-1 R

670 1 (SPARE) N-1

FFF 1 X

GROUP LEADER 668 P

DEPUTY 668 M

BOX 11 R/T REDBROWN TWO

671 10 S B C G D Z L N F P

669 5 H Q C-1 B-1 E

669 1 (SPARE) C-1

SECOND BOX LEADER 671 S

DEPUTY 669 H

E. 11,000

F. GABOURG

G. 1912

H. 33 MINUTES

J. GABOURG

K. SELSY BILL

L. 2011

M. 1. T.O. 1736 E.T.D. 1756 E.T.A. 2044

2. 6 X 500 GP

3. 4 HOURS

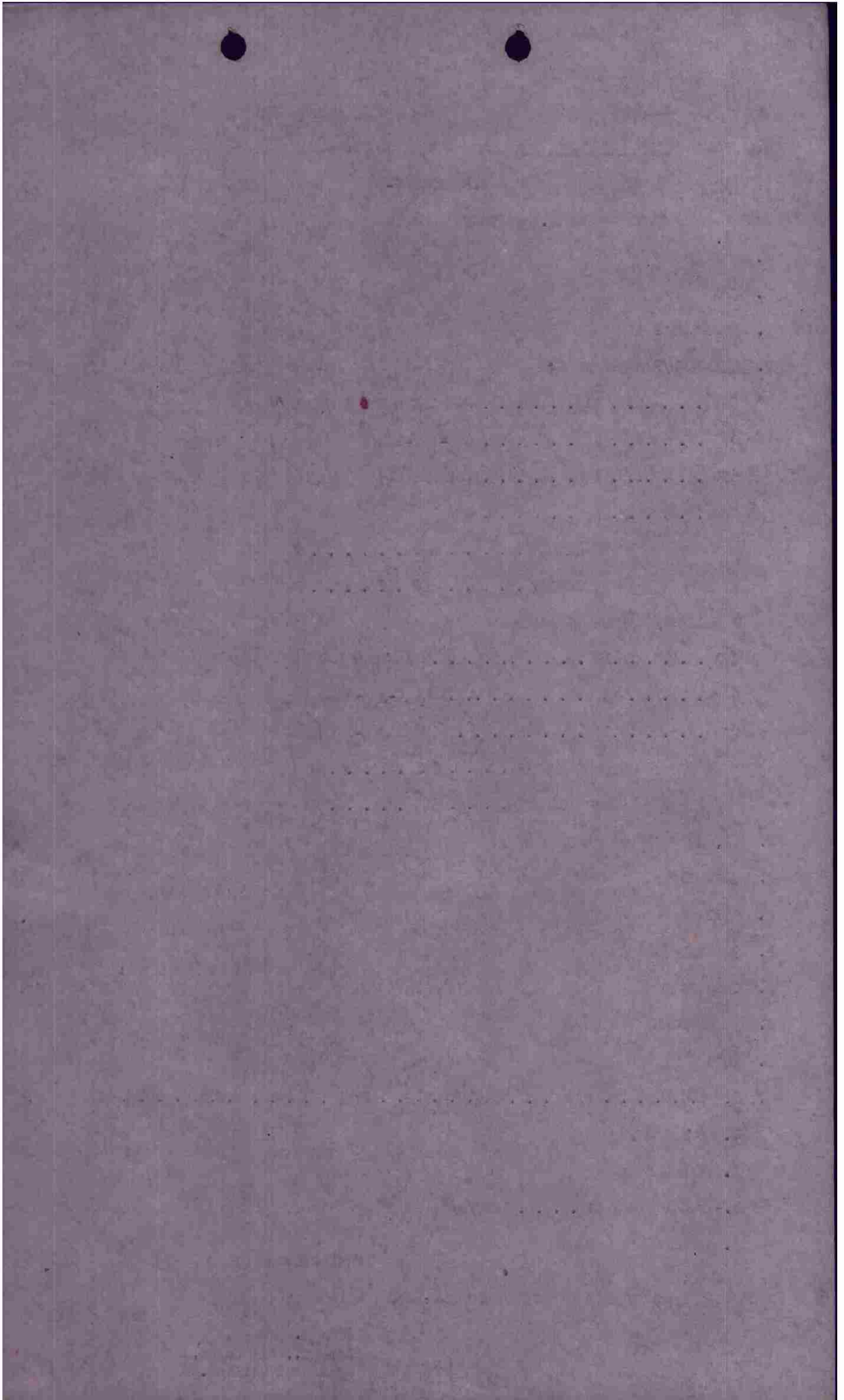
4. BOX 1 & BOX 11 4800/B/2

5. NONE

MACE COBOMER 416

I CERTIFY THAT THIS IS OFFICIAL BUSINESS:

JOHN M. BONURA,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Ops' Stat Officer.



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HEADQUARTERS
416th BOMB GROUP (L)
OFFICE OF THE WEATHER OFFICER

AFPO 140
22 July 1944

SUBJECT: INTERROGATION REPORT

TO : Staff Weather Officer, Headquarters IX Bomber
Command, AFPO 140, U.S. Army.

BASE AT TAKEOFF: 7/10 stratus clouds at 1000 ft. 10/10
stratocumulus at 6000 ft. tops 6000 ft.
Visibility 7 mi.

ROUTE OUT : Scattered stratus clouds 3-5/10 at 1000 ft.
Stratocumulus overcast 10/10 tops 6000 ft.
all the way to the target including over
the channel. Visibility over 10 miles above
the overcast.

TARGET : Large breaks in overcast about 9/10 over
target area. Tops 6000 ft. Visibility over
10 miles.

ROUTE BACK : Same as route out.

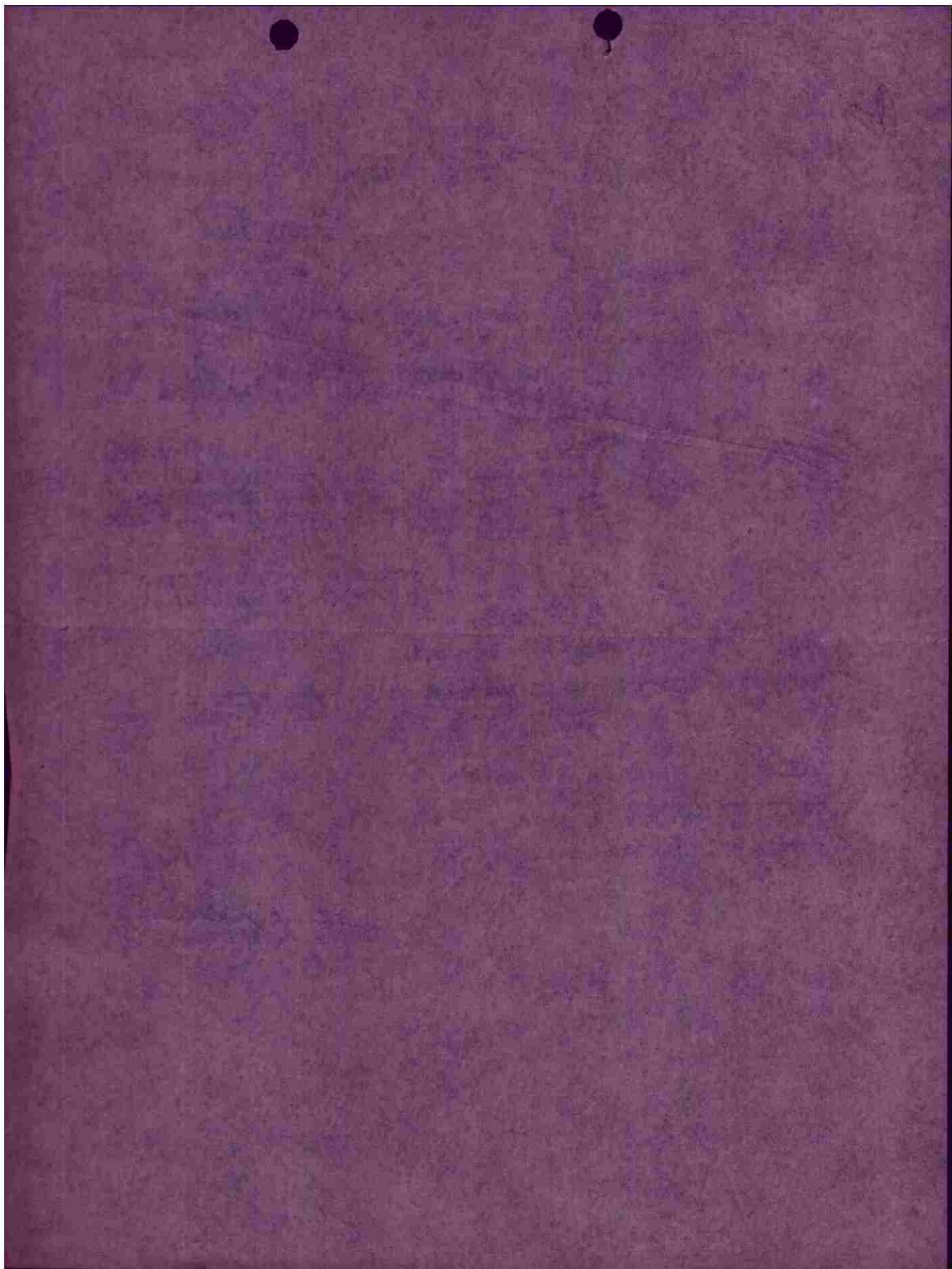
BASE AT LANDING: 8500 ft overcast with breaks 9/10. 3/10
stratus at 1500 ft. Visibility 7 mi. Tops
of overcast 6000 ft.

WINDS : As forecasted.

TIME OVER TARGET: 1930

EFFECT OF WEATHER ON BOMBING: None

Lester E. Brinwanger
LESTER E. BRINWANGER
2nd Lt. A.C.



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

FROM: COBOMGR 416

TO : COCOBTWIG 97 ATT: SIG 0

A - YS - 102

B - 22 JULY 1944

C - 32 A/C

D - 671 - S - GEE TEMPORARLY INAP OVER CHANNEL, REPAIRED AND CHECKED OK.
671 - F - VHF RECEIVER OUT, RETUNED AND CHECKED OK.

E - 10 QDM'S FROM BOATDECK.
FORMATION USED LOCAL BUNCHER BEACON FOR ASSEMBLY AND FOR HOMING.

F - NONE.

MACE COBOMGR 416

OFFICIAL:

DANIEL J. NOLAN
1ST LT., AIR CORPS,
SIGNAL OFFICER.

OICOG OIHAK OIYAA OIGOF V OILAI OILAI 01/22 "OP"
 FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 22/1550B Y-129-E
 TO COMBOMCOM IX
 409TH BOMB GROUP. (INFO)
 416TH BOMB GROUP.
 410TH BOMB GROUP. (INFO)

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY BT
 SECRET SENT IN THE CLEAR AUTH: LT COL MC AFEE

97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
 A P O 140
 22 JULY 1944

FIELD ORDER NO. 137-441

MAPS: NORMAL

1. B. (2) NINTH FIGHTER COMMAND WILL FURNISH P-47 ESCORT FOR THIS WING.

2. THIS WING WILL ATTACK A MILITARY OBJECTIVE IN FRANCE.

ZERO HOUR: 22/1930B

3. A. 416TH BOMB GROUP.
 (1) 4800/B/2.
 (2) 2 BOXES OF 15 A/C.
 (3) WITH P-47'S AT SELSEY BILL AT 11,000 FEET.
 1ST BOX ZERO MINUS 43 MIN.
 2ND BOX ZERO MINUS 42 MIN.
 (4) BASE TO MAIDENHEAD TO SELSEY BILL TO 49 DEG. 17 MIN. NORTH
 00 DEG. 03 MIN. WEST TO 48 DEG. 45 MIN. NORTH 00 DEG. 00
 MIN. TO TARGET.
 (5) TARGET TURN LEFT TO 49 DEG. 17 MIN. NORTH
 00 DEG. 03 MIN. WEST AND RETRACE ROUTE.
 (6) 1ST BOX BOMB AT 12,500
 2ND BOX BOMB AT 12,000
 BOTH BOXES LEAVE ENEMY COAST 1,000 FEET BELOW BOMBING ALT.
 (9) M.P.I. ILL. 4800/9 REF: 053025.
 (10) 6 X 500 G.P. FUSED 1/10 SEC. NOSE 1/40 SEC. TAIL.
 (12) TIME OVER TARGET: 1 ST BOX ZERO HOUR.
 2 ND BOX ZERO PLUS 1 MIN.
 (13) NO SECONDARY OR CASUAL TARGET WILL BE BOMBED.

X. (1) TO (4) NO CHANGE.

4. NO CHANGE.

5. COMMUNICATIONS:

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP.

- (2) REDBROWN
- (3) SHOWDOWN

X. GENERAL INFORMATION.

- (3) DELETE 96/96 ADD 136/136
- (10) VBAT/VBAT

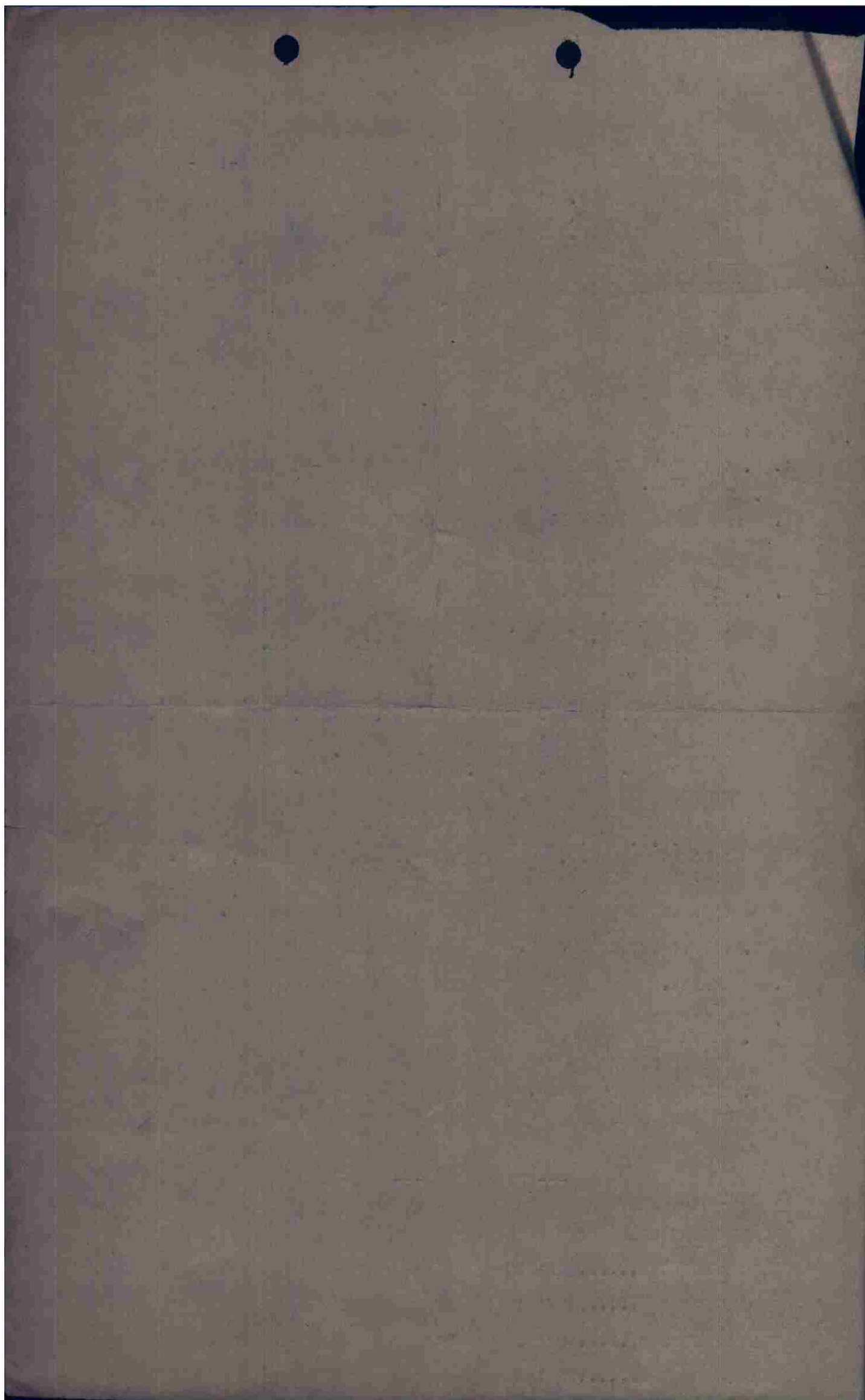
---COCBTWIG 97---

BT 22/1550B

FK AR.

ALL STATIONS HOLD FOR K WITH R

OICOG K WITH R		
OICOG / OILAI R.....22/1610B	CRN	AR
OIHAK K WITH R		
OIHAK / OILAI R.....22/1610B	JAB	AR
OIYAA K WITH R		
OIYAA / OILAI R.....22/1610B	RSS	AR
OIGOF K WITH R		
OIGOF / OILAI R.....22/1610B	MW	AR



OICOG LAI V YAA YAA 11/22 GP

FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP (D) 22/2235B
 TO HQ IX BOMBER COMMAND ATTN: A-2
 HQ 97TH COMBAT WING ATTN: A-2
 CONFIDENTIAL BT

Y-429-D

OPFLASH NO. 103 FOR JULY 22 1944

- A. (1) ~~EREN~~ BOURTH R.R. EMBANKMENT
 (2) BOURTH R.R. EMBANKMENT
- B. (1) 416TH BG
 (2) 30 A-20'S AND 2 PPF B-26 AIRCRAFT.
 (3) NONE
 (4) 32 INCLUDING 2 PPF B-26 AIRCRAFT ON PRIMARY
- C. (1) 1725
 (2) 1930 AND ONE HALF - 1932
 (3) 2124
- D. (1) NONE
 (2) 0-0-0
 (3) 0-0-0
- E. UNOBSERVED DUE TO CLOUD COVER
- F. (1) (A) NIL
 (B) NIL
 (2) (A) NIL
 (B) NIL
- G. 6-12 UNIDENTIFIED SE FIGHTERS IN TARGET AREA CAME UP FROM CLOUD COVER, 47'S INTERCEPTED THEM, NO PASS ON OUR FORMATION 1926 CONVOY OF SEVERAL HUNDRED VEHICLES VIEWED FROM 11,000 FT. BETWEEN LE MERLEMONT (Q 5338) AND LAIGLE (Q 7843) STANDING STILL, DEADED WEST, PREVIOUSLY REPORTED AS HOT NEWS. 1930, 10 SMALL VEHICLES OBSERVED AT LAIGLE FROM 11,000 FT. K (Q 7843). 1929, A M/Y AT LAIGLE WITH ~~XXXX~~ 40-50 R.R. CATS IN IT, OBSERVED FROM 11,000 FT. (Q 7843) 1933 REGULAR ROWS OF NUMEROUS EVENLY SPACED OBJECTS IN THILY SPACED WOODED AREA, ONE MILE SQUARE, IMMEDIATELY TO NORTH OF TARGET OBSERVED THROUGH HOLES IN CLOUDS (Q 9447) THOUGHT TO BE VEHICLES
- H. (1) 8/10'S CLOUDS TOPS 6000 FT. VISI. 7-10 MILES
 (2) 10/10'S TOPS 6000 FT.
- I. 164 X 500 GP ON PRIMARY INCLUDING 8 X 500 GP CARRIED BY W 2 PPF B-26 AIRCRAFT
- J. BOX I ~~XXXX~~ 12,500 FT.
 BOX II 11,900 FT.

BT 22/2235B

RSS AS

CC IN THE LINE UNDER THE LINE D STARTING 1926 THE MXX NAME SHOULD XET BE ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ LE MERLEAULT AND LE MERLEMONT AS SENT RPT

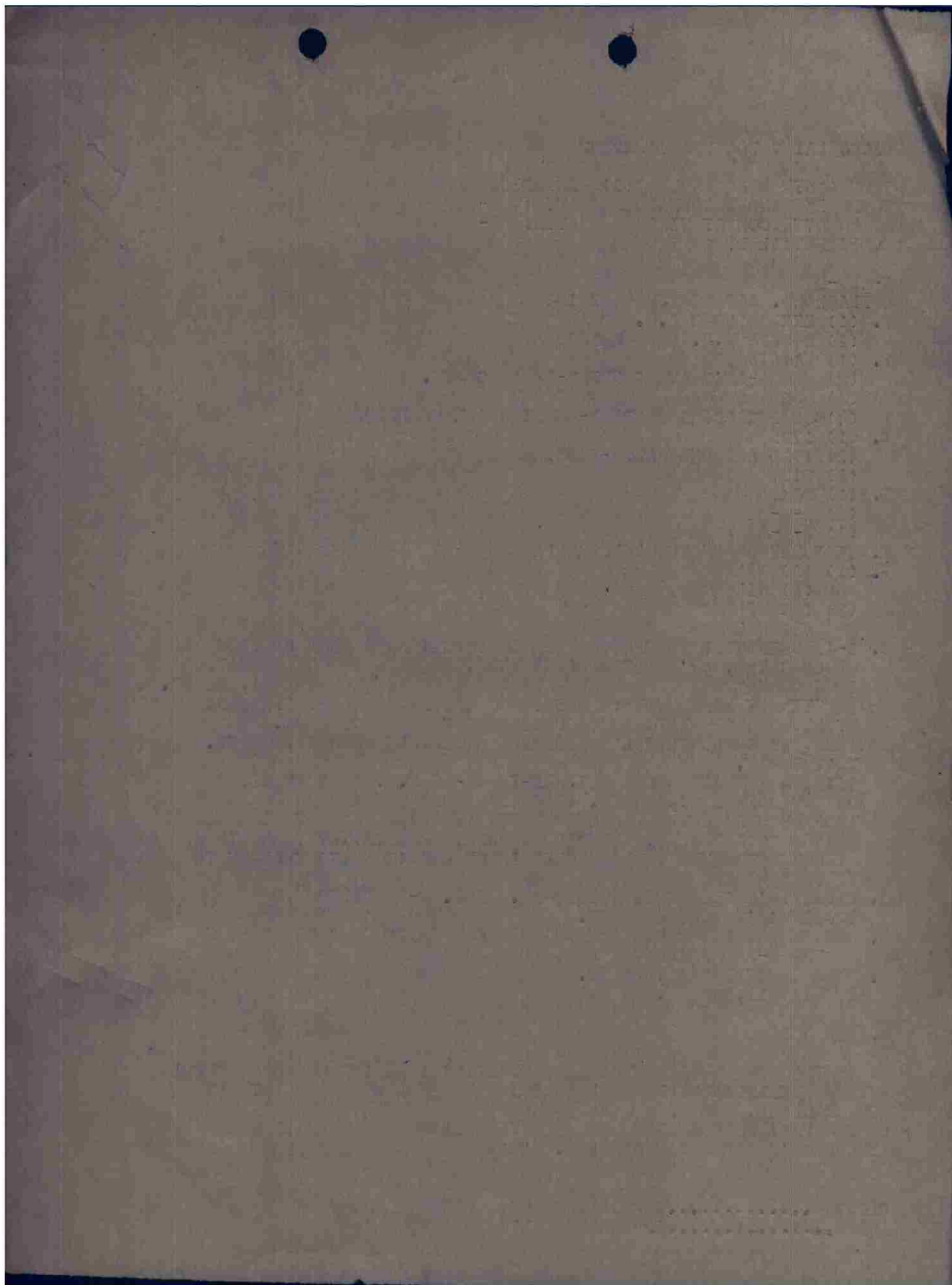
LE MERLEAULT

CC THE LAST WORD IN THE LINE STARTING 1933 SHOULD BE THINLY

THESE CC'S ARE ALL UNDER PAR. "G"

AR

OICOG R.....22/2300B DEG AR
 LAI R.....22/2300B LEG AR



Y-430-D

OICOG LAI V YAA YAA 12/22 "OP"
T-ADDRESSEE

FROM HDQTS 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 22/2325B
TO HDQTS 9TH AIR FORCE ATTN: P.I. OFFICER
HDQTS 9TH BOMB COMMAND ATTN: P.I. OFFICER
HDQTS 97TH COMBAT WING ATTN: P.I. OFFICER

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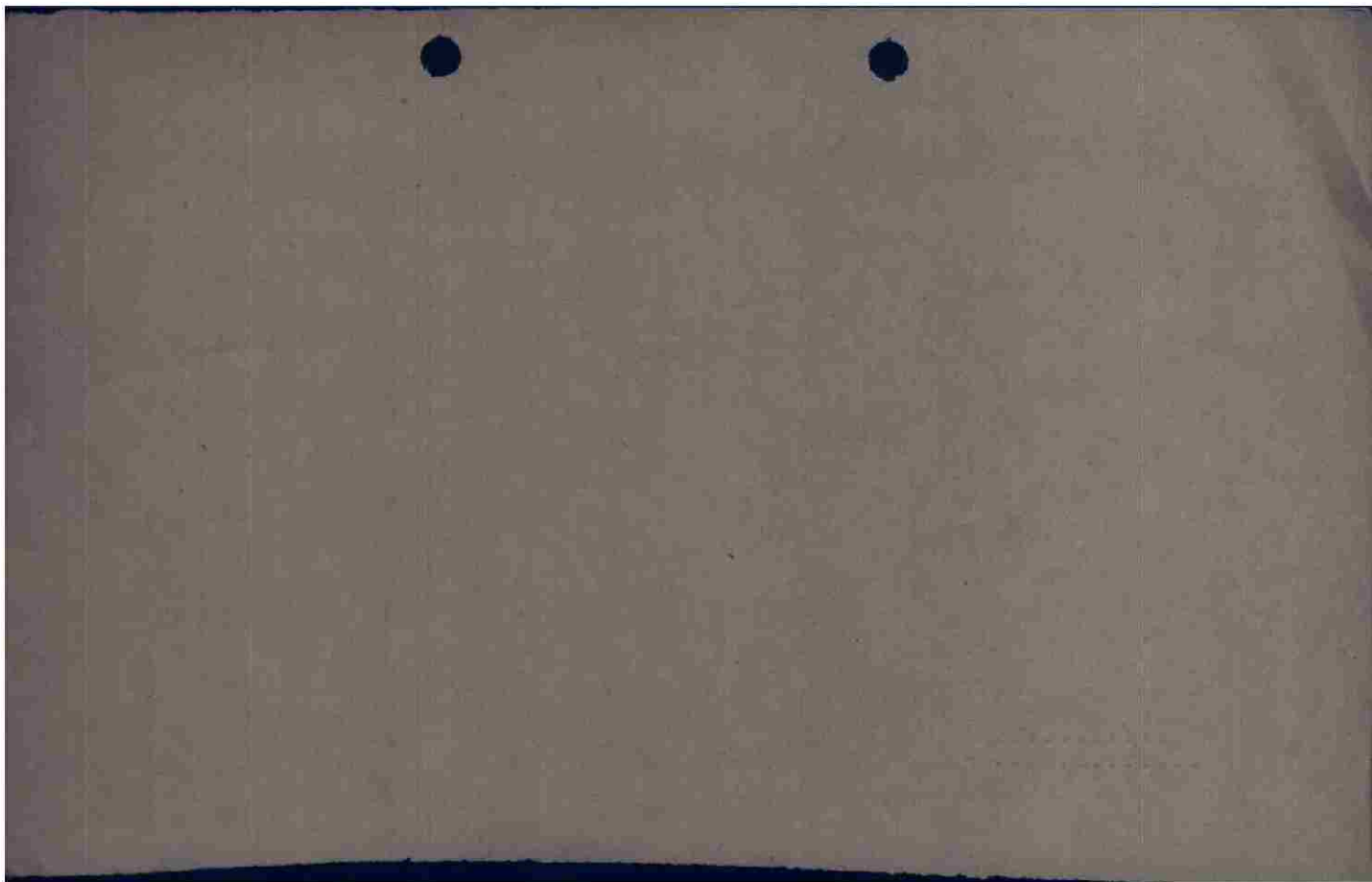
Y-430-D
FIRST PHASE REPORT S/A PHOTOS 22/7/44

- A. BOURTH R.R. EMBANKMENT
- B. SAME AS A
- H. 1930
- K. PFF MISSION, NO PHOTO COVERAGE DUE TO 10/10 CLOUDS OVER TARGET AREA.

BT 22/2325B
FD AR
OICOG R.....221330B DWE AR
LAI R.....;22/2330B LEG AR

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