

303rd BG (H) Combat Mission No. 136

18 April 1944

Target: Heinkel Aircraft Component Factory, Oranienburg, Germany

Crews Dispatched: 35

Crews Lost: Lt. Holdcroft - 10 POW

Crew Members Lost or Wounded: 1 crewman wounded by flak

Length of Mission: 8 hours, 40 minutes

Bomb Load: 42 x 65 lb Incendiary bombs

Bombing Altitudes: Group A - 25,300 ft; Group B - 24,000 ft

Ammo Fired: 1,475 rounds

Thirty-five aircraft, plus two 482BG PFF B-17s, took off to bomb an aircraft factory at Oranienburg. The secondary target, if PFF bombing was required, was the Friedrichstrasse Station, Berlin, Germany. There was no last resort target.

There were two abortive aircraft: #42-31241 *Spirit of Wanette*, 427BS (**Savage**), returned after reaching 4,000 feet over Molesworth. The oxygen feeder line to the ball turret broke; #42-97284 *Ain't Misbehavin*, 359BS (**Assenheimer**), returned after one hour with a leak in the oil line that caused the No. 4 prop governor to run away.

At the target there were 2/10 to 3/10 thin cirrus clouds at 26,000 feet and 2/10 to 3/10 cumulus with tops at 5,000 feet. Visibility was restricted by haze and smoke, but it thinned out over the target, permitting a visual sighting by the bombardier. The 303BG-A formation dropped 1,286 65-lb. M47A1 incendiary bombs from 25,300 feet on the primary target. The 303BG-B formation dropped bombs from 24,000 feet. Because of the clouds, it was necessary to maneuver some on the bomb run, requiring bombardiers to make rapid adjustments in their bombsights. This affected bombing results. One aircraft dropped 50 parcels of USG 39 leaflets over the primary target. Bombs were released at 1445 hours.

Weak enemy aircraft opposition was encountered. Crews, for the most part, reported seeing only two to four. In a few isolated cases, as many as 25 were observed in the target area. There were no direct attacks on the 303rd BG(H), although attacks on other Groups were reported. Flak was meager to moderate and accurate over the target and at points on the return route. One man was wounded from flak. Twelve lead Forts sustained minor flak damage and one, major damage. In the low Group, one B-17 had minor damage.

The Road Back #42-97552, piloted by 1Lt. Lloyd L. **Holdcroft**, flying in the No. 4 position in the high 360BS-O of the Low Group, was missing. It was last seen just before making a turn after the target. Two engines were hit by flak and allowed to windmill. It continued on a straight course after the target and left the formation. They flew for 90 minutes before crash landing, throwing out all non-essential items. At one point an ME-109 flew alongside, recognized that the B-17 could offer little resistance, saluted, and flew away.



LLOYD L. HOLDCROFT CREW - 360th BS

(crew assigned 360BS: 16 Nov 1943 - photo: 26 Nov 1943)

(Back L-R) 1Lt Lloyd L. Holdcroft (P-POW), 1Lt Clyde W. Bradley, Jr. (CP-POW),
 T/Sgt John A. DeMarco (E-POW), 1Lt Charles M. Pace (N-POW), 1Lt Milton S. Riley (B)
 (Front L-R) S/Sgt Lloyd F. Kern (BT-POW), S/Sgt Robert A. Krumholz (TG-POW),
 S/Sgt Walter C. Slusser (WG-POW), S/Sgt Walter L. Hustus (WG-POW),
 T/Sgt Walter G. Francis, Jr. (R-POW) - 1Lt John J. O'Donnell (B-POW) was a substitute for Riley

The missing B-17 crashed near Soltau, Germany (between Hamburg and Hannover, 65 kilometers north of Hannover) in a narrow field with the wheels up. The entire crew survived the crash and became prisoners of war after an attempt to evade capture by German civilians. The crewmen were on their last mission. Taken prisoner were Lt. **Holdcroft**, 1Lt. Clyde W. **Bradley**, Jr., 1Lt. Charles M. **Pace**, 1Lt. John J. **O'Donnell**, T/Sgt. John A. **DeMarco**, T/Sgt. Walter G. **Francis**, Jr., S/Sgt. Lloyd F. **Kern**, S/Sgt. Walter L. **Hustus**, S/Sgt. Walter C. **Slusser** and S/Sgt. Robert A. **Krumholz**.

Maj. Glynn **Shumake**, Group Operations officer, who was the flight commander, said the mission was a huge success. "The target is definitely destroyed—there is no question about it," he reported. "The smoke and flames came through the patchy clouds at 10,000 feet even before we left the area. We had almost no opposition. There were four or five enemy fighters, but they made no attempt to bother us." 2Lt. James A. **Stavast**, bombardier on the *Fortress Thru Hel'en Hiwater*, said, "The bombing looked pretty good to me. They were all right in there, in spite of the flak they threw at us on the bomb run."

1Lt. Deane L. **Barnes**, pilot of the lead aircraft of the second Group turned in a good mission report: "The opposition was practically nil and I am sure we hit the target. Smoke and flames were coming up to 10,000 feet and covered the entire target," he said. The bombardier, 1Lt. Joseph F. **Fahlbusch**, said he didn't get a good look at the target because of the smoke. He said, "Someone must have hit the oil dump before we got there."

There was such a thick black cloud of smoke that we could hardly see the target. Several targets in little towns along the route were also burning." T/Sgt. James L. **Frey**, a top turret gunner, said he had little to do. "The P-38s and P-51s kept the German fighters away from us over the target. I saw a few fighters attack another Group and knock out a couple of Forts out of their formation."

THEY DIDN'T WAIT LONG — BERLIN AGAIN

18 APRIL 1944 — MISSION #136

Ed Miller's Memories and Recollections

We lead the low squadron of the Group B today, attacking the Ernest Heinkel Assembly Plant at Oranienburg/Annahof Airdrome, just on the outskirts of Berlin. For almost 9 hours we were at 24,000 feet but we were spared from any enemy fighter attacks, but the flak over Berlin and the target was intense and accurate. The Group had 13 aircraft that were damaged by flak.

We were fortunate in having only 2/10 to 3/10 thin cirrus clouds at the target, but visibility was pretty restricted due to haze and smoke. But it was clear enough for visual bombing. However, the results were only fair to good. The Sub-Assembly building and gun testing range received direct hits and were set on fire. The main concentration of high explosives fell west of the field, but incendiaries were seen falling in the target area at the end of the attack.

The 8th Air Force put up 501 B-17s and 275 B-24s, all dispatched to hit important aircraft and electrical manufacturing plants in the Berlin area. Again, we had B-24s attacking the Pas De Calais area in preparation for the upcoming landing on the Continent. 19 fighter groups from the 8th and 9th Air Forces provided excellent support.

One of our 360th Bomb Squadron crews, on their 25th and last mission, was lost over the target. 1Lt Lloyd Holdcroft's aircraft was hit by flak and he lost two engines. The aircraft kept flying and had to make a crash landing near Soltau, Germany, between Hamburg and Hannover. The crew were taken prisoners.

The brunt of the enemy opposition today was borne by the 3rd Air Division, especially the lead group of the 4A Combat Wing. A total of nearly 150 single engine enemy fighters were encountered. The Lead Group met vigorous attacks from between 60 and 100 enemy aircraft in the Barnewitz area, north of Brandenburg, which lasted for about 15 minutes. Three separate passes were made out of the sun against this group, from 12 to 2 o'clock high to level, with the enemy aircraft going through the formation. Ten B-17s were lost to these maneuver.

This was the last mission that I would fly as 1Lt Earl N. Thomas' co-pilot, over enemy territory. I knew that they were getting "Tommy" ready for bigger and better things, like becoming a "lead pilot." He in turn had been getting me ready to take over a crew of my own. We had been rotating the flying on missions to every 15 minutes, and in the last few missions, he gave me experience on flying on the bomb run. I don't recall he ever let me take off with a full bomb load, but maybe he did. He did let me land several times. But I felt ready at the time. Looking back, I contend that I knew much too little about the B-17. It was especially apparent when I went through jet training at Randolph Field in 1950. Finally, I recognized just what kind of training the Air Force was giving to its pilots. The training in the T-33 was excellent.

Aircraft Formation at Assembly Point - Group A

Shumake-Stoull
PFF #42-97514 (482BG)

		<u>Fackler</u> 807		<u>Morrison</u> PFF #42-97543 (482BG)	
			<u>Edwards</u> 386		
		<u>Newell</u> 183		<u>Daum</u> 177	
	<u>Litman</u> 583			<u>Wilson</u> 432	
<u>Larson</u> 893		<u>Hall</u> 028		<u>O'Beirne</u> 187	<u>Cecchini</u> 997
	<u>Moreau</u> 002			<u>Holdcroft</u> 552	
<u>Ferguson</u> 739		<u>McClure</u> 785		<u>Lynch</u> 590	<u>Eisele</u> 048
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Aircraft Formation at Assembly Point - Group B

		<u>Barnes-Dubell</u> 875			
		<u>Oranges</u> 051		<u>Savage</u> 241	
			<u>Sullivan</u> 020		
		<u>Jones</u> 423		<u>Combs</u> 885	
	<u>Thomas</u> 841			<u>Daub</u> 272	
<u>Earhart</u> 204		<u>Johnston</u> 254		<u>Assenheimer</u> 284	<u>Marsh</u> 050
	<u>Wood</u> 200			<u>Worthley</u> 622	
<u>Melton</u> 027		<u>Shope</u> 060		<u>Snyder</u> 830	<u>Hofmann</u> 669
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Two (2) aircraft aborted this mission: Lt. Savage in 241, Lt. Assenheimer in 284

358th Bombardment Squadron Crew Lists

B-17G #42-37893 *Bam Bam*

P Larson, Roy A., 2Lt
 CP Duncan, Ronald E., 2Lt
 NAV Schmid, Ralph D., 2Lt
 NG Hickey, Thomas P., Sgt
 ENG Campbell, Thomas J., Sgt
 BT Brim, Lee R., Sgt
 RO Culp, Everett E., Sgt
 LWG Schinker, Arthur W., Sgt
 TG Hodge, Herman L., Sgt
 RWG Thayer, Duane P., Sgt

B-17G #42-107002 *Mairzy Doats*

P Moreau, Joseph A., 2Lt
 CP Hudson, Hendric S., 2Lt
 NAV Kelly, William T., 2Lt
 BOM Larson, Albert W., 2Lt
 ENG Rossman, Carl H., Sgt
 RWG Tate, Royce G., Sgt
 RO Lowe, Gareth W., Sgt
 LWG Tomasini, Michael, Sgt
 TG Fox, Howard E., Sgt
 BT Ross, Ben A., Sgt

B-17G #42-31669 *Shoo Shoo Baby*

P Hofmann, Raymond, 2Lt
 CP Miller, Campbell, 2Lt
 NAV Israelson, Elmer P., 2Lt
 NG Gamon, Edward J., Sgt
 ENG Blakeney, William R., Jr., S/Sgt
 BT Crenshaw, Ollie G., Sgt
 RO Berman, Seymour, S/Sgt
 RWG Miller, David I., Sgt
 LWG Bahr, John W., Sgt
 TG Hendin, Bernard J., Sgt

B-17G #42-107028 *(No Name)*

P Hall, Charls M., 2Lt
 CP Stewart, Paul C., 2Lt
 NAV Moller, Robert C., 2Lt
 BOM Manze, Dario J., F/O
 ENG Coe, Thomas E., Jr., S/Sgt
 RWG Cast, James L., Sgt
 RO Jones, Drackart L., Sgt
 TG Cadlolo, Raymond E., Sgt
 BT Jasinski, Joseph T., Sgt
 LWG Sable, Roy A., Sgt

B-17G #42-97622 *Paper Dollie*

P Worthley, Joe R., 1Lt
 CP Putiri, John C., 2Lt
 NAV Williams, Jack N., 2Lt
 NG Czczotka, Theodore R., Sgt
 ENG Haggerty, Jerome J., T/Sgt
 RWG Delaney, Jessie L., S/Sgt
 RO Rumpf, Charles W., T/Sgt
 LWG Balzano, Christopher, S/Sgt
 TG Hunt, John L., S/Sgt
 BT Chaddick, Neal T., S/Sgt

B-17G #42-31739 *Pugnacious Peter*

P Ferguson, Wendell Z., 1Lt
 CP Moody, James D., 2Lt
 NAV Brown, James F., 2Lt
 NG Loveland, William H., S/Sgt
 ENG Matthews, David R., Sgt
 LWG Smithson, Clyde E., Sgt
 RO Phillips, Robert B., S/Sgt
 RWG Rogers, Thomas J., Sgt
 TG Brooks, Richard S., Sgt
 BT Rhodes, Kenneth G., Sgt

KEY TO ABBREVIATIONS

<p>CREW POSITIONS CMP - Command Pilot P - Pilot CP - Co-Pilot NAV - Navigator ANV - Ass't. Navigator MNV - Mickey Navigator ENG - Engineer BOM - Bombardier RO - Radio Operator</p>	<p>TOG - Toggler BT - Ball Turret Operator TT - Top Turret Operator TG - Tail Gunner NG - Nose Gunner RG - Radio Gunner WG - Waist Gunner LWG - Left Waist Gunner RWG - Right Waist Gunner GUN - Gunner</p>	<p>VI - Voice Interpreter OBS - Observer PAS - Passenger PHO - Photographer</p> <p>RESULTS OF MISSION KIA - Killed in action WIA - Wounded in action MIA - Missing in action POW - Prisoner of war</p>	<p>DOW - Died of wounds EVD - Evaded the enemy INT - Interned in neu cuntry REP - Repatriated RES - Rescued ESC - Escaped BO - Bailed out DCH - Ditched CR-L - Crashed on land CR-S - Crashed at sea</p>
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358th Bombardment Squadron Crew Lists - Cont'd.

B-17G #42-31583 *Clover Leaf*

P Litman, Arnold S., 1Lt
CP Packard, Peter L.M., Capt
NAV Mikulich, Louis F., 2Lt
BOM Wilson, Claud, Jr., 2Lt
ENG Smith, George A., S/Sgt
TG Castillo, Buenaventura L., S/Sgt
RO Ebbighausen, Francis R., T/Sgt
BT Gibbs, Paul M., Sgt
LWG Smyth, Samuel W., Sgt
RWG Miller, Victor R., S/Sgt

B-17G #42-39785 *Thru Hel'en Hiwater*

P McClure, Thomas R., 1Lt
CP Cook, John H., 2Lt
NAV Brady, Joseph E., 2Lt
BOM Stavast, James A., 2Lt
ENG Swift, Herbert L., S/Sgt
LWG Kent, Amos, Sgt
RO Frazee, Francis L., Sgt
RWG Rowe, Thomas M., Sgt
TG Senheiser, George A., Sgt
BT Duncan, George T., Sgt

B17G #42-31830 *Marie*

P Snyder, Robert W., 1Lt
CP Maxey, Frank, 2Lt
NAV Levy, Herbert E., Jr., 2Lt
NG Daniel, Herbert A., S/Sgt
ENG Lawson, Tracy W., S/Sgt
LWG Barteau, Edward L., S/Sgt
RO Hess, John C., S/Sgt
BT Vodicka, Leonard R., Sgt
RWG Stafford, Sheldon A., Sgt
TG McArthur, Robert G., S/Sgt
PHO Green, William H., T/Sgt

359th Bombardment Squadron Crew Lists

B-17G #42-31386 *Sky Duster*

P	Edwards, Kenneth C., 1Lt
CP	Peterson, Edwin V., 2Lt
NAV	Sanders, Coleman, 2Lt
BOM	Joyce, John D., 2Lt
ENG	Johnson, Kenneth V., S/Sgt
RO	Kennedy, Herbert W., S/Sgt
BT	Guzman, Abel G., Sgt
RWG	Wike, Leonard L., S/Sgt
TG	Kowalk, Francis H., S/Sgt
LWG	Abernathy, Fay S., S/Sgt

B-17G #42-38050 *Thunderbird*

P	Marsh, Richard K., 2Lt
CP	Moyer, William G., 2Lt
NAV	Walsh, Myles J., 2Lt
TOG	Moening, Herman G., Sgt
ENG	Davis, Eugene B., S/Sgt
RO	Minks, George A., S/Sgt
BT	Munson, James E., S/Sgt
TG	Moessner, Raymond J., S/Sgt
RWG	Rogers, Warren G., Sgt
LWG	Dean, Raymond N., Sgt

B-17G #42-31405 *Wallaroo MK II*

P	McManus, Henry, 2Lt
CP	Gorecki, Victor T., 2Lt
NAV	Carroll, Charles P., 2Lt
BOM	Cecot, Chester R., 2Lt
ENG	Row, Robert A., T/Sgt
RO	Colburn, Robert P., T/Sgt
LWG	Doezema, Albert, S/Sgt
RWG	Jewett, William B., S/Sgt
BT	Davies, John W., S/Sgt
TG	Cowles, Clifton G., S/Sgt

B-17G #42-31177 *Lonesome Polecat*

P	Daum, Maurice G., 2Lt
CP	Sassone, Joseph C., 2Lt
NAV	Forve, Frank F., 2Lt
BOM	Grove, Terril M., 2Lt
ENG	Matthews, Fred T., T/Sgt
RO	McLaughlin, William C., S/Sgt
BT	Jenkins, Crawford E., S/Sgt
TG	Taylor, Burt W., S/Sgt
LWG	Sampson, Dale A., S/Sgt
RWG	Frederick, Lee W., S/Sgt

B-17G #42-97272 *Duchess' Daughter*

P	Daub, Leroy E., 1Lt
CP	Rice, Charles M., 2Lt
NAV	Palmer, Gerald M., 1Lt
BOM	Ulbricht, Walter E., 1Lt
ENG	Carter, Edward K., S/Sgt
RO	Kelly, Victor S., T/Sgt
RWG	McKenna, Robert I., S/Sgt
LWG	Haman, Ray T., S/Sgt
BT	Gilmore, Charles E., T/Sgt
TG	Considine, Louis W., S/Sgt

B-17G #42-39807 *Nero*

P	Fackler, David E., 2Lt
CP	Paton, Wallace L., 2Lt
NAV	Hogan, Paul G., 2Lt
BOM	Nance, George H., 2Lt
ENG	Schlottman, Jerome D., S/Sgt
RO	Prendergast, Bert T., S/Sgt
BT	McIntyre, Harold W., Sgt
TG	Pohlman, Wilbert F., Sgt
LWG	Brewer, Ray, Sgt
RWG	Tipton, Bill B., Sgt

359th Bombardment Squadron Crew Lists - Cont'd.

B-17G #42-31183 *Bad Penny*

P Newell, Noel N., 1Lt
CP Donalson, Douglas C., 2Lt
NAV Bates, Robert L., 2Lt
BOM Yelsky, Fred B., 2Lt
ENG Freinwald, Earl C., T/Sgt
RWG McGee, Richard, S/Sgt
RO Weepie, Robert F., T/Sgt
LWG Mendel, Myron R., S/Sgt
BT Hart, Edgar B., S/Sgt
TG Atkinson, William E., S/Sgt

B-17G #42-97514 PFF 482BG

P Shumake, Glynn F., Maj
CP Stoullil, Donald W., 1Lt
NAV Susskind, Harold A., 1Lt
ENG Romer, Eugene A., T/Sgt
RO Owen, James C., T/Sgt
TG Callahan, Edward F., Lt
GUN Turkington, Calvin G., S/Sgt
GUN Greene, George P., Jr., S/Sgt
GUN Brown, William F., Jr., S/Sgt

B-17G #42-97284 *Ain't Misbehavin*

P Assenheimer, Edwin H., 1Lt
CP Meier, Russell W., 2Lt
NAV Counts, George H., F/O
BOM Smith, Ralph, 2Lt
ENG Mayhugh, John C., S/Sgt
RO Montgomery, Robert E., S/St
LWG Rettinhouse, Robert A., S/Sgt
RWG Robichaud, Joseph E., S/Sgt
BT Jaehne, Charles R., S/Sgt
TG Robb, Charles W., S/Sgt
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360th Bombardment Squadron Crew Lists

B-17G #42-97187 *Miss Umbriago*

P	O'Beirne, Nelson B., 2Lt
CP	Duffield, Richard B., 2Lt
NAV	Shipp, Gene K., 2Lt
BOM	Nebhut, Kenneth E., S/Sgt
ENG	Henselman, Miles A., S/Sgt
RO	Blumberg, Marvin R., S/Sgt
BT	Faraone, Sam S., Sgt
TG	Studt, Allo L., Sgt
RWG	Rogers, Winford E., Sgt
LWG	Cammack, Francis C., Sgt

B-17G #42-37841 *Banshee*

P	Thomas, Earl N., 1Lt
CP	Miller, Edgar C., 2Lt
NAV	Walenta, Clarence V., 2Lt
BOM	Scott, Harold L., 2Lt
ENG	Mason, John W., T/Sgt
RWG	Flenniken, William, S/Sgt
RO	DeWitte, Victor W., S/Sgt
TG	Harvey, Roy D., S/Sgt
BT	Johnston, Harold A., Sgt
LWG	Books, Carl O., Sgt

B-17G #42-97552 *The Road Back CR-L*

P	Holdcroft, Lloyd L., 1Lt	POW
CP	Bradley, Clyde W., Jr., 2Lt	POW
NAV	Pace, Charles M., 2Lt	POW
BOM	O'Donnell, John J., 2Lt	POW
ENG	DeMarco, John A., S/Sgt	POW
RWG	Hustus, Walter L., Sgt	POW
RO	Francis, Walter G., S/Sgt	POW
LWG	Slusser, Walter C., S/Sgt	POW
BT	Kern, Lloyd F., Sgt	POW
TG	Krumholz, Robert A., Sgt	POW

B-17G #42-31432 *Old Glory*

P	Wilson, Fred F., 1Lt
CP	Bowen, James W., 2Lt
NAV	Przybyszewski, Henry S., 2Lt
BOM	Fahlbusch, Joseph F., 2Lt
ENG	Hubley, Warren G., S/Sgt
RO	Mirkin, Herman H., T/Sgt
LWG	Petree, Wendell R., S/Sgt
BT	Webbink, Elvin F., S/Sgt
TG	Roads, Dwight W., Jr., S/Sgt
RWG	Goland, Harry, T/Sgt

B-17G #42-97254 *Iza Vailable Too*

P	Johnston, Donald M., 2Lt
CP	Heussler, Robert W., 2Lt
NAV	Schultz, Milo R., 2Lt
BOM	Davis, Paul J., S/Sgt
ENG	Barnum, Abraham E., M/Sgt
RO	Treece, Charles E., S/Sgt
BT	Logan, Frank C., S/Sgt
TG	Nestok, Frank, Sgt
RWG	Smith, Herbert L., Sgt
LWG	Turner, Kenzie H., Sgt

B-17G #42-38204 (No Name)

P	Earhart, Amon E., 1Lt
CP	Evans, Earnest N., 2Lt
NAV	Ross, Lawrence D., 2Lt
BOM	Cottrell, John W., 1Lt
ENG	Husten, William J., T/Sgt
RO	Swanson, Clifford, T/Sgt
BT	Lanier, Lee, Jr., S/Sgt
TG	Laurinitis, Anthony, S/Sgt
RWG	Rein, William E., S/Sgt
LWG	Lance, Guy A., S/Sgt

360th Bombardment Squadron Crew Lists - Cont'd.

B-17G #42-107048 (No Name)

P Eisele, Roy, 1Lt
CP Girard, Louis F., 2Lt
NAV Schenker, Murray, 2Lt
BOM Huddleston, D.O., Sgt
ENG Cowley, Louis M., S/Sgt
RWG Bell, Richard L., Sgt
RO Millard, Ralph, S/Sgt
LWG Friedman, Szymon A., S/Sgt
BT Longoria, Efrain, Sgt
TG Vallee, Edward J., S/Sgt

B-17G #42-31997 (No Name)

P Cecchini, Anthony J., 2Lt
CP Fisher, Stanley L., 2Lt
NAV Veigel, Edward J., 2Lt
BOM McDevitt, Theodore D., 2Lt
ENG Bachman, Clifford D., S/Sgt
RO Smith, Benjamin H., Jr., S/Sgt
BT Kepics, George, Sgt
TG Hudson, Ward A., Sgt
RWG Cogdell, Clarence L., Sgt
LWG O'Hearn, Robert J., Sgt

B-17G #42-97590 *Virgin Mary*

P Lynch, Robert J., 2Lt
CP Ellsworth, Paul R., 2Lt
NAV Sbrolla, Emilio M., 2Lt
BOM Merz, Dick W., 2Lt
ENG Roszell, Thomas M., Sgt
RO Schuler, Frank H., Sgt
BT Chudej, Josef R., Sgt
TG Krogh, Kenneth R., Sgt
LWG Schoonmaker, Elwood, Jr., Sgt
RWG Pleasanton, Kenneth H., Sgt

427th Bombardment Squadron Crew Lists

B-17G #42-31423 *Jigger Rooche*

P	Jones, Wilbur H., 2Lt
CP	Wallace, Walstein W., 2Lt
NAV	Skarsten, Albert B., 2Lt
BOM	Kennedy, William J., 2Lt
TT	Duerr, William P., S/Sgt
BT	Calnon, Frederick N., S/Sgt
RO	Kosher, Albert J., Sgt
TG	LaFrenier, James E., S/Sgt
LWG	Thompson, Frederick A., Sgt
RWG	Dimowitz, Morris, Sgt

B-17G #42-32027 *Betty Jane*

P	Melton, James H., 1Lt
CP	Schwolow, John C., 2Lt
NAV	Frechter, Harry G., 2Lt
BOM	Clapp, Keith W., 2Lt
TT	Weed, Lowrey A., Jr., T/Sgt
BT	Moore, John J., Jr., S/Sgt
RO	Stoberl, Donald L., S/Sgt
TG	Anderson, Ralph R., Sgt
LWG	LaPlante, Willard R., Sgt
RWG	Miller, Norman L., S/Sgt

B-17G #42-31060 *Poque Ma Hone*

P	Shope, George W., Jr., 1Lt
CP	Lawrenson, George C., 2Lt
NAV	Meagher, Robert W., 2Lt
BOM	Smith, Nyle F., S/Sgt
TT	Relyea, Ralph R., T/Sgt
RO	Cohen, Leo, T/Sgt
BT	Plante, Royal F., S/Sgt
TG	Underwood, Clifford B., S/Sgt
LWG	O'Neil, Austin J., Sgt
RWG	Hadley, Owen W., S/Sgt

B-17G #42-38020 *V-Packet*

P	Sullivan, Francis X., 1Lt
CP	Brangwin, Kenneth R., 2Lt
NAV	Cronin, Ernest L., 1Lt
BOM	Bawol, Walter S., 2Lt
TTG	Frey, James L., S/Sgt
BT	Latta, Thomas B., T/Sgt
RO	Sullivan, James J., T/Sgt
TG	Stone, Vernon W., S/Sgt
RWG	Swanson, Charles A., S/Sgt
RWG	Keely, Eugene F., S/Sgt

B-17G #42-39885 *Sweet Rose O'Grady*

P	Combs, Americus V., III, 2Lt
CP	Fogerson, Joseph E., F/O
NAV	Schweitzer, Jerome D., 2Lt
BOM	Handley, Donald J., 2Lt
TT	Klunk, James A., T/Sgt
BT	Almanzor, Berton F., S/Sgt
RO	Moberg, Chester H., T/Sgt
TG	Bell, Alton R., S/Sgt
RWG	Kyle, Clarence C.E., S/Sgt
LWG	Wilson, Robert J., S/Sgt

B-17G #42-31200 *Old Crow*

P	Wood, Vere A., 1Lt
CP	Knutson, Wilmer A., 2Lt
NAV	Pinnette, William S., 2Lt
BOM	Brown, Thomas G., 1Lt
TT	Tevis, John E., S/Sgt
BT	Grant, Thomas V., S/Sgt
RO	Brooks, Winnie R., T/Sgt
LWG	Heathershaw, Charles L., S/Sgt
TG	Helton, Edward, S/Sgt
RWG	Doyle, Edward J., S/Sgt

427th Bombardment Squadron Crew Lists - Cont'd.

B-17G #42-39875 *Buzz Blonde*

P Barnes, Deane L., 1Lt
CP Dubell, Richard P., Capt
NAV Randall, Everett Z., 1Lt
BOM Roode, William A.T., 1Lt
TT Sparks, Willie T., T/Sgt
BT Chancellor, John R., S/Sgt
RO Benevento, Andrew G., S/Sgt
TG Kendall, Dallas E., 2Lt
LWG Winters, Craig W., S/Sgt
RWG Price, John B., S/Sgt

B-17G #42-38051 *My Yorkshire Dream*

P Oranges, Chester N., 2Lt
CP Greenwood, Ernest G., 2Lt
NAV Whitman, John H., 2Lt
ENG Wright, Edgar A., S/Sgt
TT Eisenhower, James A., Sgt
BT Gentry, Richard A., Sgt
RO Sorese, Leonard V., S/Sgt
TG Franklin, Robert E., Sgt
RWG Korpi, Walfred J., S/Sgt
LWG Ward, Homer J., Jr., Sgt

B-17G #42-31241 *Spirit of Wanette*

P Savage, Gilbert T., 2Lt
CP Belknap, Robert W., 2Lt
NAV Coffey, John B., 2Lt
BOM Coughlin, George A., 2Lt
TT Kelly, J.D., S/Sgt
BT Holt, Richard R., Sgt
TG Paul, Samuel D., S/Sgt
TG Stover, Edward J., Sgt
RWG Layton, Wilber A., Sgt
LWG Jefferson, Arthur G., S/Sgt
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