

303rd BG (H) Combat Mission No. 258

17 October 1944

Target: Military Installations at Cologne, Germany

Crews Dispatched: 34

Length of Mission: 6 hours, 40 minutes

Bomb Loading: 34 x 100 lb H.E. M30 & 2 x 500 lb M17 Incendiary

Bombing Altitudes: 24,100, 23,350 & 22,600 ft

Ammo Fired: 510 rounds

Aircraft again bombed Cologne, Germany. The only opposition was the usual flak that caused major damage to four B-17s and minor damage to six. No aircraft returned early.



358BS Mohr Ground Crew

(L-R) Pfc Stanley Melnick, T/Sgt Carl L. Mohr (Crew Chief),
Sgt Harris D. Westerhoff, Cpl Albin L. Malieski, Sgt Loy E. Tingley

The bombers dropped 1,080 100-lb. H.E. M30 bombs and 65 500-lb M17 incendiaries. One aircraft dropped 10 bundles of T180 leaflet bundles. PFF equipment was utilized to bomb from 24,100, 23,350 and 22,600 feet through 8/10 to 10/10 low clouds with tops at 11,000 feet. The lead Squadron results were unobserved, but a built-up area was believed to have been hit. Low Squadron bombs hit about one mile west of the assigned target in the southern part of the city.

No enemy aircraft were seen and support was provided by 251 P-47s and P-51s. Groups attacked the target from different headings and altitudes and this strategy, as well as chaff, dispersed much of the flak. All of the bombers returned safely to Molesworth.

Aircraft Formation at Assembly Point - Group A

Snyder-Healy
038 - PFF

Brown
281

Nafius
125 - PFF

Hamilton
166

Hallum
504

Roberts
569

Wallace
099

Kallet
860

Butler
517

Caplinger
197

McCutchan
861

Gano
484

Ackerman
248



B-17G #44-8038 (No Name) PFF 427BS (GN-Z)
41st CBW-A Lead - Pilot LtCol E.E. Snyder, Jr. / CoPilot 1Lt R.F. Healy

Aircraft Formation at Assembly Point - Group B

<u>Tulloss-Whitlock</u>			
137 - PFF			
	<u>Embrey</u>		<u>Frazier</u>
	289		609
	<u>Baltes</u>		<u>379th</u>
	537		
<u>Lorentz</u>	<u>Mickle</u>		<u>379th</u>
309	781		
	<u>Chance</u>		_____
	830		
<u>McDavid</u>	<u>Gould</u>		_____
258	944		
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Aircraft Formation at Assembly Point - Group C

<u>Johnson-Seidel</u>			
256 - PFF			
	<u>Heckendorf</u>		<u>Twomey</u>
	298		972
	<u>Paullin</u>		<u>Juns</u>
	945		705
<u>Freeman</u>	<u>White</u>	<u>Fink</u>	<u>Hardin</u>
442	590	055	516
	<u>Grisham</u>		_____
	065		
<u>Holm</u>	<u>Gmernicki</u>		_____
451	563		
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KEY TO ABBREVIATIONS

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	TOG - Togglier 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	VI - Voice Interpreter OBS - Observer PAS - Passenger PHO - Photographer RESULTS OF MISSION KIA - Killed in action WIA - Wounded in action MIA - Missing in action POW - Prisoner of war	DOW - Died of wounds EVD - Evaded the enemy INT - Interned in neu cntry REP - Repatriated RES - Rescued ESC - Escaped BO - Bailed out DCH - Ditched CR-L - Crashed on land CR-S - Crashed at sea
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358th Bombardment Squadron Crew Lists

B-17G #43-38563 *Jackie*

P	Gmernicki, Richard H., 2Lt
CP	Judd, Chester G., 2Lt
NAV	Jones, William M., 2Lt
BOM	Guerrieri, Joseph C., F/O
ENG	Griffith, Elwood A., Sgt
WG	McClymont, John W., Sgt
RO	Calenberg, Raymond N., Sgt
BT	Greenberg, Bernard, Sgt
TG	Henn, Thomas A., Sgt

B-17G #43-38065 *Princess Pat 2*

P	Grisham, Rufus W., Jr., 2Lt
CP	Cox, William H., 2Lt
NAV	Hartel, Gale E., 2Lt
BOM	Celich, Nicholas J., 2Lt
ENG	Scheuermann, Edwin P., S/Sgt
BT	Loessin, Gerhard W., Jr., Sgt
RO	Post, Harry R., Sgt
WG	Buie, Ben M., Sgt
TG	Willis, Arnold, Sgt

B-17G #43-38442 (No Name)

P	Freeman, Clyde E., 2Lt
CP	Canning, Glenn R., 2Lt
NAV	Goldstein, Sheldon, 2Lt
BOM	Birkenseer, Donald L., 2Lt
ENG	Fleck, Peter J., S/Sgt
TG	Caporusso, Frank J., Sgt
RO	VanLier, Donald E., S/Sgt
WG	Cooper, Ray R., Sgt
BT	Chesney, Alan D., Sgt

B-17G #43-38451 (No Name)

P	Holm, Maurice M., 1Lt
CP	Fletcher, Harold D., F/O
NAV	Howard, Paul A., 2Lt
TOG	Splawn, Elzie B., T/Sgt
ENG	Compton, M.C., Sgt
WG	Huck, Robert L., Sgt
RO	Dale, John A., Sgt
BT	Ebert, Preston P., Sgt
TG	Copeland, George E., Sgt

B-17G #42-102945 *Sweet Pea*

P	Paullin, James R., 1Lt
CP	Hinton, William B., 2Lt
NAV	Hunt, John W., Jr., 2Lt
BOM	Davis, Edward A., 2Lt
ENG	Johnson, James P., T/Sgt
BT	Biestek, Stanley H., S/Sgt
RO	Thomas, Henry T., T/Sgt
WG	Woodward, Thomas J., S/Sgt
TG	Butler, Woodley O., S/Sgt

B-17G #44-8256 *Yankee Girl - PFF*

P	Johnson, Hugh B., 1Lt
CP	Seidel, Harry S., 2Lt
NAV	Larkworthy, Bernard J., 1Lt
NAV	Garrett, Robert M., 2Lt
BOM	Gorham, Raymond H., 2Lt
ENG	Edwards, Eugene F., T/Sgt
WG	Reimche, George K., S/Sgt
RO	Carter, Robert D., T/Sgt
TG	Douglass, Earl B., 2Lt

358th Bombardment Squadron Crew Lists - Cont'd.

B-17G #43-37590 *Neva-The Silver Lady*

P White, Franklin F., 1Lt
 CP Kunkel, Joe T., 2Lt
 NAV McCorkle, Robert W., F/O
 BOM Feezel, Ralph S., 2Lt
 ENG Adams, William J., S/Sgt
 WG Hein, Monroe C., S/Sgt
 RO Vesely, Henry L., S/Sgt
 BT Gilman, Frederick S., S/Sgt
 TG Campbell, James R., S/Sgt

B-17G #42-97298 *The Floose*

P Heckendorf, Marvin H., 2Lt
 CP Petersen, John N., 2Lt
 NAV Carnahan, Kenneth R., 2Lt
 TOG Severson, Jack O., S/Sgt
 ENG Gallman, Hubert W., Sgt
 WG Barris, Robert L., Sgt
 RO Windle, Bill, Sgt
 TG Koerner, David M., Sgt
 BT Lary, Raymond W., Sgt

B-17G #42-97972 (No Name)

P Twomey, John M., 2Lt
 CP Ross, James E., 2Lt
 NAV Hansen, Heber D., 2Lt
 BOM McDade, Maurie S., 2Lt
 ENG Shaw, Vergil A., Sgt
 BT Johnson, Morrin T., Sgt
 RO Bzik, Paul J., S/Sgt
 WG Martin, Jack E., Sgt
 TG Hammond, Walter H., Sgt



358BS Woodman Ground Crew

(L-R) Sgt Leonard T. Modlinski, Sgt Ferri,
 M/Sgt William C. Woodman (Crew Chief), Cpl James Speer

359th Bombardment Squadron Crew Lists

B-17G #42-97944 *Daddy's Delight*

P	Gould, Graham C., 1Lt
CP	Lasker, Yale, 2Lt
NAV	Leigh, Thomas W., Jr., 1Lt
TOG	Garcia, Leonard A., Sgt
ENG	Mogck, Leonard, T/Sgt
RO	Anderson, Augustus C., T/Sgt
BT	Thompson, Val E., S/Sgt
TG	Gloria, Tony N., Sgt
WG	Bandy, Peter C., Sgt

B-17G #42-31830 *Marie*

P	Chance, Arthur F., 1Lt
CP	Johnson, Robert H., 2Lt
NAV	McCarver, Eugene D., 2Lt
TOG	Couch, William M., 2Lt
ENG	Menasco, Elmer W., T/Sgt
RO	Miller, Albert, T/Sgt
BT	Cottrell, Bert, S/Sgt
TG	Hejna, Dennis R., Sgt
WG	Torre, Leo A., Sgt

B-17G #43-38289 *Sweet LaRhonda*

P	Embrey, Henry C., 2Lt
CP	Sharp, Bryant M., 2Lt
NAV	Hewitt, Leroy A., 2Lt
TOG	Dittman, Robert J., S/Sgt
ENG	Miller, Harry C., S/Sgt
RO	Zellar, Donald W., Sgt
BT	Duerr, Richard B., Sgt
TG	Gavin, William E., Sgt
WG	Peters, Arthur R., Sgt

B-17G #43-38609 *(No Name)*

P	Frazier, Eugene C., 2Lt
CP	Campbell, Laurie H., 2Lt
NAV	Goettman, Andrew T., 2Lt
BOM	Barlow, Richard B., 2Lt
ENG	Borges, Gilbert C., S/Sgt
RO	Trainor, Donald W., Sgt
BT	Charron, Raymond H., Sgt
TG	McCullough, Luther, Jr., Sgt
WG	Anderson, Eston R., Sgt

B-17G #44-6309 *Duchess' Granddaughter*

P	Lorentz, Arthur, 1Lt
CP	Scott, Robert H., 2Lt
NAV	Smith, William A., 2Lt
TOG	Clubine, Frederick D., Sgt
ENG	Kreager, Jon B., S/Sgt
RO	Loosemore, Wesley G., T/Sgt
BT	Ingalls, Earl F., Cpl
TG	Greenwald, Paul L., Sgt
WG	Gonser, Dwight W., Sgt

B-17G #43-38258 *Forget Me Not Olly*

P	McDavid, Philip H., 2Lt
CP	Beeman, Richard, 2Lt
NAV	King, Robert L., 2Lt
TOG	McKinley, A.B., Sgt
ENG	Hall, Thomas M., S/Sgt
RO	Sikkema, Wilfred J., Sgt
BT	Johnson, Ralph R., Sgt
TG	Cregan, John M., S/Sgt
WG	Linville, Warren M., Sgt

359th Bombardment Squadron Crew Lists - Cont'd.

B-17G #42-97781 *The '8' Ball MK III*

P Mickle, James D., 1Lt
CP Clark, Loren M., F/O
NAV O'Dell, Benjamin L., 2Lt
BOM Cooney, Thomas E., 2Lt
ENG Humphrey, William B., Cpl
RO Eagon, Dennis G., Cpl
BT Fydrychowski, John J., S/Sgt
TG Van Zile, Raymond J., Sgt
WG Wentz, Robert D., Sgt

B-17G #44-8137 (*No Name*) - PFF

P Tulloss, John W., 1Lt
CP Whitlock, Garland M., 1Lt
NAV Hammond, Raymond D., 2Lt
NAV Lifshus, Lawrence, 2Lt
BOM Scheibman, Herman, 2Lt
ENG Gillespie, Norton A., T/Sgt
RO Ringen, Walter E., S/Sgt
TG Ward, Duane G., 2Lt
WG Allen, Charles G., S/Sgt

B-17G #43-37537 *Queen of Hearts*

P Baltus, George E., 1Lt
CP Marble, Robert A., 2Lt
NAV Montone, Neil A., 2Lt
BOM Schulze, William A., 2Lt
ENG Stenger, John J., T/Sgt
RO Giltenboth, Charles L., T/Sgt
WG Godsey, Austin C., S/Sgt
TG Posluszny, Branislaw B., S/Sgt
BT Kanz, Milton C., S/Sgt
PHO Skinner, Donald E., Sgt

360th Bombardment Squadron Crew Lists

B-17G #44-6504 (No Name)

P	Hallum, Bertrand, Jr., 1Lt
CP	Romstad, Alfred N., 2Lt
NAV	Klanian, Charles S., 2Lt
BOM	Fetzko, John, Jr., 2Lt
ENG	Young, Horace B., T/Sgt
RO	Botkin, Jack S., T/Sgt
BT	Ax, Heinz R., S/Sgt
TG	Clippinger, Robert E., S/Sgt
WG	Stroud, George E., Jr., Sgt

B-17G #43-38705 (No Name)

P	Juns, Frank, 1Lt
CP	Reeves, Howard E., 2Lt
NAV	Harding, Warren G., 2Lt
BOM	Thomas, Edward H., 2Lt
ENG	Girard, Louis P., T/Sgt
RO	Wimer, Maurice H., T/Sgt
BT	Oberly, Eldridge C., S/Sgt
TG	Englis, Hiram E., S/Sgt
WG	Branin, James J., S/Sgt

B-17G #44-6516 My Darling

P	Hardin, Thomas H., Jr., 1Lt
CP	Lovell, Brook H., 2Lt
NAV	Hiebeler, George E., 2Lt
BOM	Driver, Henderson M., Jr., Sgt
ENG	Mikulich, Stanley, S/Sgt
RO	Kasper, Raymond H., Sgt
BT	Kaber, Harvey N., Sgt
TG	Rohrer, Elbert R., Sgt
WG	Sersland, Paul V., Sgt

B-17G #42-97860 (No Name)

P	Kallet, Sidney, 2Lt
CP	Muth, Clifford F., 2Lt
NAV	McCarty, Mike D., 2Lt
BOM	Harrison, Lewis S., 2Lt
ENG	Lewis, William J., Sgt
RO	Clarke, Frank W., Sgt
BT	Macy, Edward J., Sgt
TG	Terreri, Joseph, Sgt
WG	Killelea, Raymond J., Sgt

B-17G #44-6517 Old Cock

P	Butler, Milton C., 1Lt
CP	Brown, William W., 2Lt
NAV	Woodbury, Benton R., 1Lt
BOM	Hackler, Maurice G., 2Lt
ENG	Bird, Harry G., Sgt
RO	Christ, Donald R., Sgt
BT	Miller, Donald E., Sgt
TG	Johnson, David T., Jr., Sgt
WG	Odegaard, Duane J., Sgt

B-17G #42-97861 Iza Vailable III

P	McCutchan, Eugene R., 2Lt
CP	Arwood, Joe B., 2Lt
NAV	Conard, Willard G., 2Lt
BOM	Bays, Gordon C., 2Lt
ENG	Kress, Richard H., S/Sgt
RO	Frey, Alan E., Sgt
BT	Scott, Howard E., Sgt
TG	Wherry, Robert E., Sgt
WG	Pearson, George D., Sgt

B-17G #42-31055 Aloha

P	Fink, Marvin P., 2Lt
CP	Beasley, Roland C., 2Lt
NAV	Subkowsky, Harry, 2Lt
BOM	Hand, Robert A., 2Lt
ENG	Holder, Jack E., Sgt
RO	Dahl, Robert F., Sgt
BT	Albright, Richard M., Sgt
TG	Garcia, Cyprian M., Sgt
WG	Peter, Robert C., Sgt

B-17G #44-8125 Sparky - PFF

P	Nafius, Verner H., 1Lt
CP	Stephan, Paul C., 2Lt
NAV	Levin, Albert, 2Lt
NAV	Caldwell, Walter D., F/O
BOM	Cummins, James E., 2Lt
ENG	Ellis, Richard R., S/Sgt
RO	Fegette, Iva L., T/Sgt
TG	Jinkens, Billy B., S/Sgt
WG	Rydquist, Roy K., S/Sgt
BT	McGinley, James E., S/Sgt

427th Bombardment Squadron Crew Lists

B-17G #42-102484 *Heller's Angel*

P	Gano, Frederick, 2Lt
CP	Flanders, Wesley J., 2Lt
NAV	Maniscalco, John B., F/O
BOM	Blessing, Gerald D., 2Lt
TT	Anthony, George E., S/Sgt
BT	Coyle, Arthur J., S/Sgt
RO	Longo, Angelo L., S/Sgt
TG	Nelson, Edward F., Sgt
WG	Monnig, Alvin R., Jr., T/Sgt

B-17G #42-102569 *Miss Lace*

P	Roberts, Ingersall J., 1Lt
CP	Bluethenthal, Arthur, 2Lt
NAV	Clark, Floyd L., F/O
BOM	Long, Lloyd I., F/O
BT	Carlson, Harold A., Sgt
TT	Riveland, Alf, Sgt
RO	Renzi, Frank, Sgt
TG	Barber, Albert P., Sgt
WG	Campbell, Gerald R., Sgt

B-17G #43-38197 *(No Name)*

P	Caplinger, Auston O., 1Lt
CP	Spruner, Donald L., 2Lt
NAV	Bober, Stanley, 2Lt
BOM	Burke, James D., 2Lt
TT	Johnson, O.D., T/Sgt
BT	Jacobs, Carroll W., Jr., Sgt
RO	Islava, Joseph O., T/Sgt
TG	Hester, Lloyd D., Sgt
WG	Olds, Andrew R., Sgt

B-17G #44-6166 *The Red*

P	Hamilton, Max B., 1Lt
CP	Droll, Louis P., 2Lt
NAV	Spooner, Ramon L., 2Lt
BOM	Haakonsen, Raymond E., 2Lt
TT	Butler, Edward B., S/Sgt
RO	Jarvis, Robert F., T/Sgt
TG	Coleman, Warren M., S/Sgt
WG	Barnes, Charlie, S/Sgt
BT	Paterson, Richard E., S/Sgt

B-17G #43-38248 *Jigger Rooche II*

P	Ackerman, Stewart S., Jr., 2Lt
CP	Barrios, Alfred R., 2Lt
NAV	Dubois, Benjamin, 2Lt
BOM	Oswald, Alois G., Jr., 2Lt
TT	Creaghan, Robert E., Sgt
BT	Highfill, Thomas W., Sgt
RO	Ribesky, John V., Jr., S/Sgt
TG	Wienczek, Edward J., Sgt
WG	Proper, George M., Sgt

B-17G #42-97281 *Queenie*

P	Brown, Tracy D., Jr., 1Lt
CP	Van Antwerp, Robert G., 2Lt
NAV	Emmet, John P., 2Lt
BOM	Olson, William E., 2Lt
TT	Duffek, Francis T., S/Sgt
BT	Born, Robert S., Sgt
RO	Bridge, Howard R., T/Sgt
TG	Blim, Raymond C., Sgt
WG	Fisher, Clelland F., S/Sgt

B-17G #42-107099 *Old 99*

P	Wallace, Walstein W., 1Lt
CP	Callahan, Charles A., Capt
NAV	Dye, Carl J., Jr., 2Lt
BOM	Drew, William F., 2Lt
TT	Erdmann, Robert A., Sgt
BT	Johnson, Gene W., Sgt
RO	Kamen, Roland K., Sgt
TG	Dorner, Alvin W., Sgt
WG	Robins, James B., Sgt

B-17G #44-8038 *(No Name) - PFF*

P	Snyder, Edgar E., Jr., LtCol
CP	Healy, Richard F., 1Lt
NAV	Tollack, Howard V., 1Lt
NAV	Kacere, Michael J., 2Lt
MN	Desmond, MacChesney, 1Lt
BOM	Prusha, Elmer E., 2Lt
TT	Robertson, Joseph J., T/Sgt
BT	DeLiso, Vincent A., Sgt
RO	Smith, Phillip E., T/Sgt
TG	Harris, John R., 2Lt
WG	Whitlow, Zane O., S/Sgt