

303rd BG (H) Combat Mission No. 307

23 January 1945

Target: Railroad Marshalling Yard at Neuss, Germany

Crews Dispatched: 13

Length of Mission: 5 hours, 15 minutes

Bomb Load: 10 x 500 lb H.E. M43 & 2 x 500 lb M17 Incendiaries

Bombing Altitude: 23,650 ft

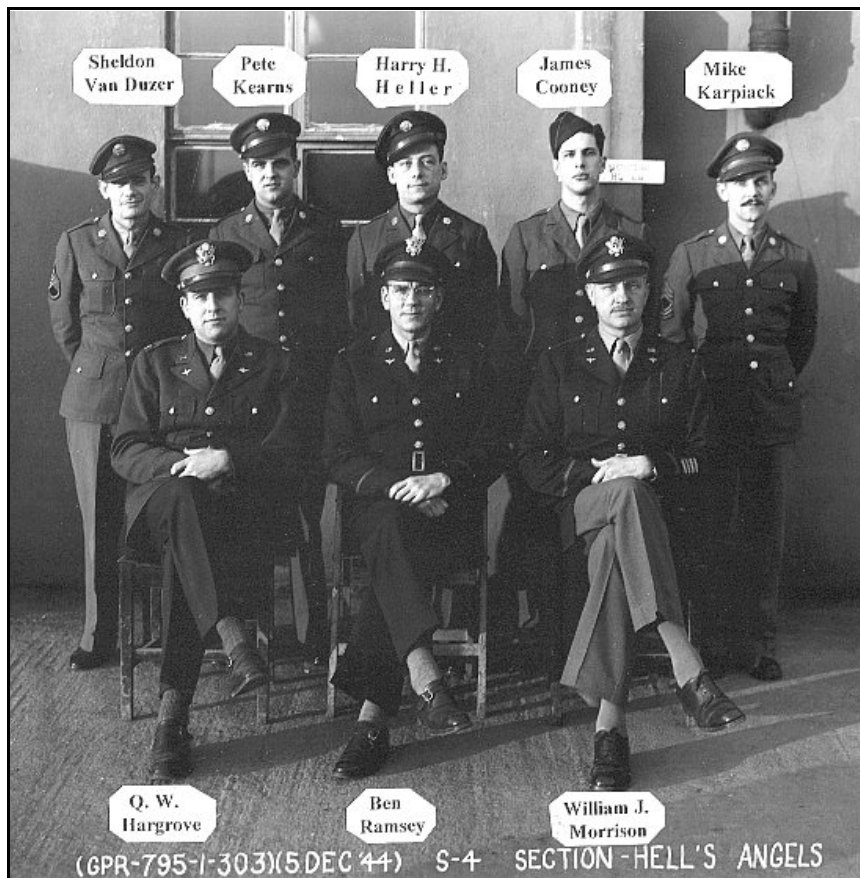
Ammo Fired: 0 rounds

A single, 13-aircraft Squadron formation was dispatched to attack the Neuss, Germany, marshalling yard. There were no assigned secondary or last resort targets and no aircraft returned early.

The thirteen Squadron aircraft dropped 109 500-lb. H.E. M43, 21 500-lb. M17 incendiary bombs and 20 units of leaflets from 23,650 feet. The bombing utilized GEE-H equipment, with the bombardier taking over visually about thirty seconds before "bombs away" when a break in the clouds enabled him to see the target. The results were generally unobserved, but photos indicated that the bombs hit in the northern part of the

target. Target weather consisted of 3/10 low clouds with tops at 6,000 feet and 2/10 middle clouds from 8,000 to 10,000 feet, with dense, persistent contrails at 25,000 feet.

There was no enemy opposition and support by 74 P-51s was good. Moderate and fairly accurate flak at the target resulted in minor damage to seven Fortresses. Due to weather conditions at Molesworth, returning aircraft were diverted to other Bases. There were no casualties. Lt **Mauger** in #43-38878, 359BS, landed at a British airfield at Eindhoven, France.



S-4 - Maintenance Section

(Includes Engineering Officer & Staff, Crew Chiefs, Mechanics)

Aircraft Formation at Assembly Point

Tulloss-Eisenhart

125 - PFF

Mauger
878

Holmes
545 - PFF

Wertz
281

Richter
411

Ayers
944

Poole
238

Middlemas
842

Garrett
609

Walker
590

St. Julien
647

Fink
563

Stiver
546



BARTON F. WALKER, JR. CREW - 358th BS
(crew assigned 358BS: 27 Dec 1944 - photo: 04 Feb 1945)

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 - Toggler	PAS - Passenger	POW - Prisoner of war
	BT - Ball Turret Operator	PHO - Photographer	DOW - Died of wounds
	TT - Top Turret Operator	Y - Y-Operators (YRO,YO)	EVD - Evaded the enemy
	TG - Tail Gunner	RCM - Radio Cntr Measures	REP - Repatriated
	WG - Waist Gunner	SJ - Spot Jammer	RES - Rescued
	LWG - Left Waist Gunner		ESC - Escaped
	RWG - Right Waist Gunner	RESULTS OF MISSION	BO - Bailed out
	GUN - Gunner	KIA - Killed in action	DCH - Ditched
	VI - Voice Interpreter	WIA - Wounded in action	CR-L - Crashed on land
	OBS - Observer	MIA - Missing in action	CR-S - Crashed at sea

358th Bombardment Squadron Crew Lists

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

P Walker, Barton F., 2Lt
 CP Smith, Orville H., F/O
 NAV Das, Mitchell C., 2Lt
 TOG Magyar, Frank, Sgt
 ENG Wilhelm, Raymond G., Sgt
 BT Diaczynski, Andrew J., Sgt
 RO Jasut, Stanley, Sgt
 WG Johnson, Vernon W., Sgt
 TG Massey, Ray N., Sgt

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

P Garrett, Charles E., 2Lt
 CP Castillo, Joseph L.A., F/O
 NAV Guerrieri, Joe C., F/O
 TOG Brown, James L., S/Sgt
 ENG Hohstadt, Hollis H., Sgt
 WG Prudhoe, Charles E., Sgt
 RO Henson, Jessey B., Sgt
 BT Walczak, John, Sgt
 TG Van Cleave, Joseph A., Sgt

B-17G #43-38238 (No Name)

P Poole, Lawrence E., 2Lt
 CP Cannon, Harley E., 2Lt
 NAV Feezel, Ralph S., 2Lt
 TOG Smith, Donald P., Sgt
 ENG Pullen, Rayford E., Sgt
 WG Kinsland, Harry D., Sgt
 RO Hoke, Marvin L., Sgt
 BT Kampa, Vernon L., Sgt
 TG Kindred, Beryl E., Sgt

359th Bombardment Squadron Crew Lists

B-17G #44-8545 (No Name) - PFF

P Holmes, Alfred M., 2Lt
 CP Haynes, Eugene, 2Lt
 NAV Davis, Daryl W., 2Lt
 MN Gennaro, Louis T., 2Lt
 BOM Johnson, David E., 2Lt
 ENG Sprague, Wendell P., Jr., Sgt
 RO Prehatny, Joseph R., S/Sgt
 BT Vowels, Donovan E., S/Sgt
 TG Bartkowski, Edward L., Sgt

B-17G #44-8125 *Sparky* - PFF

P Tulloss, John W., Capt
 CP Eisenhart, William E., Capt
 NAV Forve, Frank F., 1Lt
 MN Weil, Frank P., 1Lt
 GHN Quinlan, Thomas E., Jr., 1Lt
 BOM Schulze, William A., 1Lt
 ENG Kreager, Jon B., T/Sgt
 RO Vieira, Joseph, T/Sgt
 TG Christensen, Lawrence, 1Lt
 WG Garcia, Leonard A., S/Sgt

B-17G #43-38878 (No Name)

P Mauger, Warren, 2Lt
 CP Burgess, William T., 2Lt
 NAV Brown, Bernard J., 2Lt
 TOG Goudy, William F., S/Sgt
 ENG Humphrey, William B., T/Sgt
 RO Grden, Matthew W., Cpl
 BT Kelley, Francis H., Cpl
 TG Walling, Glenn R., Cpl
 WG Davidson, Dyle K., Sgt

360th Bombardment Squadron Crew Lists

B-17G #43-38842 (No Name)

P	Middlemas, Arthur B., 1Lt
CP	Schultz, John W., 2Lt
NAV	Cooley, Royal D., 2Lt
BOM	Giancola, James V., Sgt
ENG	Marshall, Leroy H., Sgt
RO	Avenia, James J., T/Sgt
BT	Parrish, George K., S/Sgt
TG	Cranshaw, John A., S/Sgt
WG	Maurer, John L., S/Sgt

B-17G #43-38563 Jackie

P	Fink, Marvin P., 1Lt
CP	Reeves, Howard E., 2Lt
NAV	Hand, Robert A., 2Lt
BOM	Valdes, George J., S/Sgt
ENG	Holder, Jack E., Sgt
RO	Dahl, Robert F., Sgt
BT	McNeel, Morgan L., Sgt
TG	Garcia, Cyprian M., Sgt
WG	Albright, Richard M., S/Sgt

B-17G #44-8647 (No Name)

P	St. Julien, John D., 1Lt
CP	Newell, Richard M., 2Lt
NAV	Kiehlkopf, George, 2Lt
BOM	Carney, Felix A., 2Lt
ENG	Mitchell, William E., S/Sgt
RO	Flanigan, John J., Sgt
BT	Farthing, Richard M., Sgt
TG	Evans, Marlin D., Sgt
WG	McLellan, Raymond L., Sgt

B-17G #42-97546 Idaliza

P	Stiver, Merrill M., 2Lt
CP	Kacus, Alexander, F/O
NAV	Beasley, Leon O., 2Lt
BOM	Hight, Basil D., 2Lt
ENG	Auer, Kenneth R., Sgt
RO	Godley, Walter M., Sgt
BT	Pilgrim, Robert W., Sgt
TG	Cie zadlo, Eugene F., S/Sgt
WG	Kaber, Harvey N., Sgt
VI	Zimmerman, Harold A., Sgt (Hdqs)

427th Bombardment Squadron Crew Lists

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

P	Ayers, Roger D, 2Lt
CP	Danna, Joseph, 2Lt
NAV	Wagner, Charles D., 2Lt
BOM	Cohen, Leonard, F/O
TT	Rys, Valentine J., Sgt
BT	Bailey, George E., Sgt
RO	Morris, Allen L., Sgt
TG	Turkovich, Charles J., Sgt
WG	Clarkson, Robert T., Sgt

B-17G #42-97281 Queenie

P	Wertz, Robert M., 1Lt
CP	Durst, Melvin A., 2Lt
NAV	Minnis, Karl, 2Lt
BOM	Leavell, Adelbert D., Jr., 2Lt
TT	Warne, Ralph W., Sgt
BT	Jensen, Kenneth E., Sgt
RO	Giering, Edward J., S/Sgt
TG	Bennett, Kenneth A., Cpl
WG	Campbell, Walter C., Sgt

B-17G #42-102411 Miss Lace

P	Richter, George K., 2Lt
CP	McMullen, Robert A., 2Lt
NAV	Stephens, Walton M., Jr., 2Lt
TOG	Simon, Lawrence E., S/Sgt
TT	Bates, Grover P., T/Sgt
BT	Smith, Donald S., Sgt
RO	Kemmerer, Alfred G., Sgt
TG	Chisholm, Robert E., Sgt
WG	Vernon, James D., Sgt