

303rd BG (H) Combat Mission No. 103

3 February 1944

Target: U-Boat Facilities at Wilhelmshaven, Germany (PFF)

Crews Dispatched: 39

Crews Lost: Capt. G.A. White, 10 KIA

Length of Mission: 6 hours, 20 minutes

Bomb Load: 6 & 12 x 500 lb G.P. bombs (6 w/bomb bay tanks)

Bombing Altitudes: 28,000 ft and 28,300 ft

Ammo Fired: 5,450 rounds

Thirty-nine aircraft were airborne. The 303rd "A" Group had two aircraft abort due to engine failures. The "B" Group had eight abortions: two had mechanical difficulties, one radio operator and one waist gunner passed out and five lost the formation over the North Sea.

Meager and inaccurate flak was seen only over the target. "Chaff" spoiled the anti-aircraft gunner's aim, helping the Group considerably. No enemy fighters were seen and good fighter support was present. The entire continent had 10/10 cloud cover combined with turbulent air, making formation flying difficult. Bombing was done from 28,000 feet and 76 1/2 tons of 500-lb. M43 bombs were dropped.

One 358BS B-17G aircraft, #42-37927 (*No Name*), piloted by Capt. Gerald A. **White**, ditched in the North Sea with the loss of all crewmen—all on their first mission. In addition to Capt. **White**, the crewmen were: 2Lt. Walter W. **Newsom**, 2Lt. Erwin A. **Kruse**, 2Lt. Warren **Stafford**, Jr., S/Sgt. Sidney L. **Bottomley**, S/Sgt. Louis E. **Znidarsich**, Sgt. Ralph W. **Slate**, Sgt. Alexander J. **Quinlan**, Sgt. Wallace E. **Becknell** and Sgt. Robert E. **McCoy**.

The cause of the aircraft's loss was unknown. It was last seen after leaving the target, peeling off from the formation as if to penetrate the overcast individually. It rolled over on its back and headed straight down. No bodies were recovered.

The Fortresses used the new "magic eye" device to bomb through heavy clouds and contrails. Col. **Stevens** said that the bombers had a perfect bombing run and dropped their loads right on the indicated positions. "The toughest opposition we had was the weather," Col. **Stevens** reported. "There were plenty of fighters around, but they were all ours. No flak at all. It was the best bomb run I have seen for bombing through clouds."

Major **Snyder** said, "It was one of the roughest trips that I have ever been on, but it was due to the clouds, contrails and a heavy snowstorm, not the Germans." S/Sgt. Vernon **Appleton**, tail gunner, agreed with Maj. **Snyder**. "The tough part about the mission was the weather. We had to fight contrails all the way and got kicked around by a strong wind." Fighter cover for the Forts was praised by S/Sgt. Charles R. **Jaehne**, ball turret gunner, who said, "The sky was just a merry-go-round of P-38s, P-47s and P-51s. When the Lightnings and Thunderbolts left our formation, Mustangs came in to carry on. And that's the way it was all the way to and from the target." Two aircraft suffered battle damage, one from friendly fire.

From the Journal of Vern L. Moncur, 359th BS Pilot

MISSION #9

Date: February 3, 1944

Target: Wilhelmshaven

Altitude: 28,000 feet

Plane: U-050 "Thunderbird"

Position: No. 5, High Squadron

The weather on this mission was the worst (as far as flying was concerned) I have every seen. Very dense and persistent vapor trails ("con-trails" or condensation trails) were encountered at all altitudes above 18,000 feet. These vapor trails plus the dense clouds made flying formation very difficult. In fact, formation flying was practically impossible. On top of this, our group followed another group and got in its "prop wash" and con-trails.

We finally got over the target and dropped our bombs. After bombing, we began a let-down and the group, such as it was, went into the undercast. The plane we were following nearly lost the formation. Apparently the pilot had vertigo momentarily. When this pilot, Lt. Goolsby, noticed that he was flying wrong, he very abruptly turned to the right and almost hit us. My No. 4 engine didn't miss his tail guns by two feet. In trying to avoid hitting him, I had to pull my ship into such a tight turn that we stalled out and nearly fell into a spin. Our turn was so tight that it "spilled" the gyros in all of my flight indicators. Some of these gyros topple only after a bank of seventy degrees has been made.

After this narrow squeak, I decided then and there that I wasn't going to stay up there in the overcast and stooze around with that plane any longer. We began a systematic instrument let-down through the clouds. At this time we were just starting out over the North Sea. We let down through about 14,000 feet of solid clouds - through zero-zero conditions. We would just barely see our wing tips. On the way down through this thick layer of clouds, we picked up quite a bit of rime ice on our wings and empennage. It sort of worried us for a little while, but luckily it didn't become very thick or heavy enough to cause danger.

We came back to our base alone. We began a gradual descent at 2,000 RPM and 29" Hg - a 190 miles per hour indicated airspeed. We reached the base, landed and were interrogated before the other crews arrived back home. There was no injury to the crew or battle damage to the plane. Our bomb load was 12 five-hundred pound high explosive bombs. We really had another tight squeeze, but the Gods smiled on us again when that B-17 made a pass at us.

Comment from David Chang, Moncur's Bombardier:

On this trip we had a near collision as we were returning from the mission. Suddenly, a B-17 zoomed from below and appeared before us. Lt. Moncur's skill and quick reaction saved us from a tragic collision. He throttled back on all engines, just before contact with the tail of the errant B-17. The Thunderbird stalled and dropped and banked to the left. I watched as the Thunderbird inched slowly, every so slowly, towards the tail of that B-17 until she stalled. Lt. Moncur chose not to stay with the group and we flew home alone. That night in the Quonset hut, I told Lt. Moncur that I left my position and darted to the rear to bail out. But I returned to my position and sweated it out. I remembered that we were over the North Sea and there was no chance of survival even if we were able to bail out.

Comment from James S. Andrus, Moncur's Radio Operator:

This was a fairly eventful raid. We were in heavy clouds and contrails and we were flying 'Tail-end Charlie.' It would have been tougher, but the Jerries couldn't get off the ground to intercept us. We hit the target and started back, when we were forced out of formation by another ship.

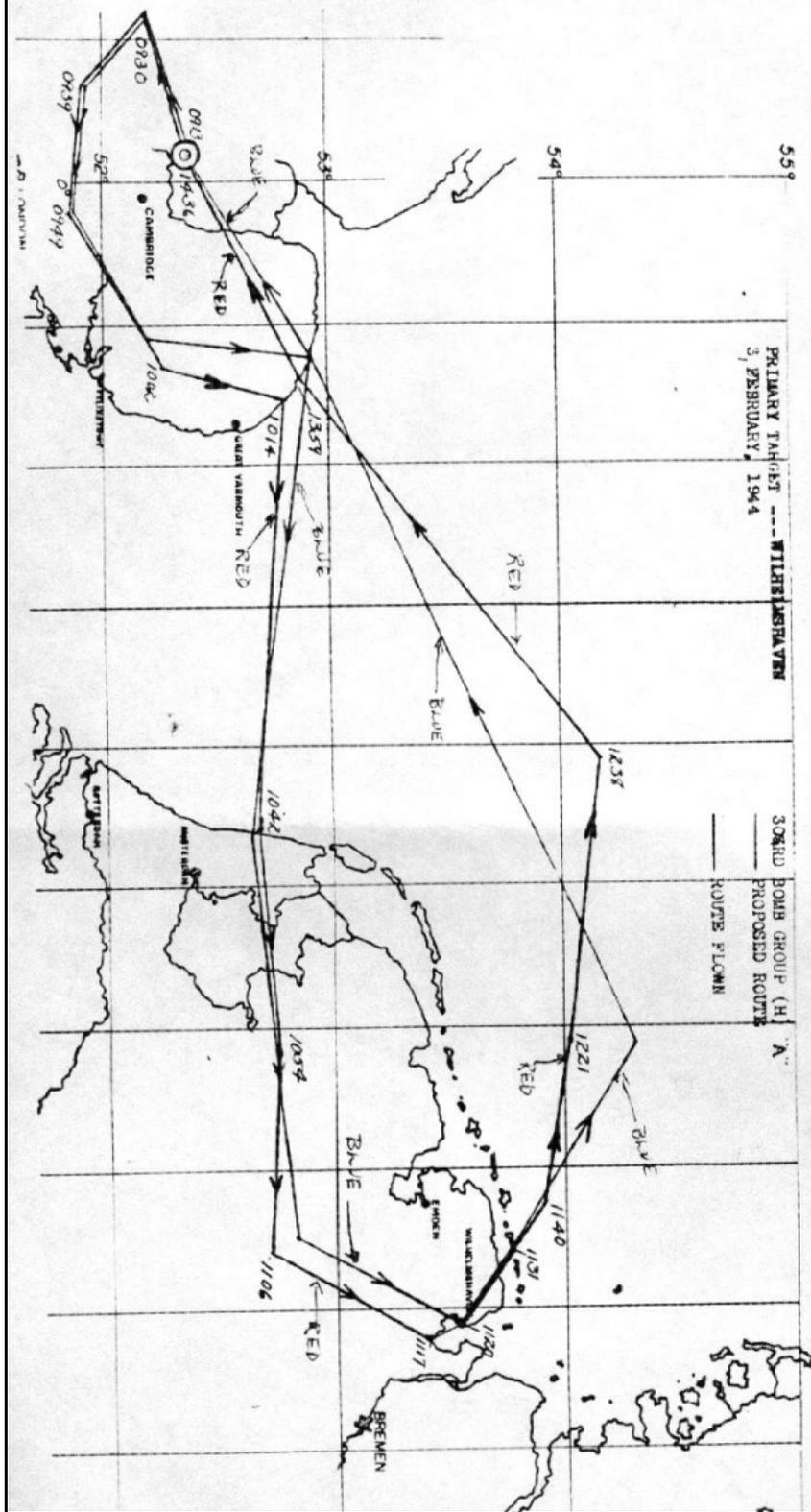
We were lost in heavy clouds, so we started in the general direction of home. The pilot got a heading from the navigator and started pouring on the heat. We were taking quite a chance coming home alone, but then we found out that we were the first ones home that hit the target.

It was the closest we've ever come to having a collision in the air. We passed up almost everything in the air coming home. The old B-17 was hitting around two hundred and twenty miles an hour and that was our cruising speed. Well, it was O.K.!

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TARGET
 Primary _____
 Secondary _____
 Last Resort _____

Date _____

TRACK CHART

Route followed by

Route Map

Aircraft Formation at Assembly Point - Group A

		<u>Stevens-Gamble</u> 574		
	<u>Kyse</u> 239		<u>Brown</u> PFF-970	
		<u>J.F. Henderson</u> 562		
	<u>Litman</u> 785		<u>Worthley</u> 498	
	<u>Clark</u> 583		<u>Bergeron</u> 931	
<u>R.W. Snyder</u> 224	<u>White</u> 927		<u>Morrin</u> 841	<u>Parrott</u> 393
	<u>Lawlor</u> 055		<u>Long</u> 340	
<u>Crook</u> 629	<u>Holdcroft</u> 973		<u>Bordelon</u> 788	<u>Glass</u> 399
	<u>Stuermer</u> 041		<u>Underwood</u> 471	



Ole George #42-31574 (358BS) VK-G
41st CBW-B Lead (358BS) - Pilot Capt D. Gamble / CoPilot Col K.D. Stevens

Capt D. Gamble (P), Col K.D. Stevens (CP), 1Lt W.D. McSween (N),
1Lt H.H. Steely (N), 1Lt W.T. Sweet (B), 2Lt J.R. Burns (TG-O)

S/Sgt R.W. Hoffman (E), Sgt R.G. McArthur (WG), S/Sgt D.F. Gilmore (R),
T/Sgt R.G. Scharch (BT), S/Sgt C.S. Schmeltzer (WG)

(crewmen are not in order)

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Aircraft Formation at Assembly Point - Group B

E.E. Snyder-Woddrop

341

Harrison

616

G.C. Henderson

875

Barnes

241

Wood

200

Flesh

158

Sheets

051

Daub

635

Hoeg

823

Sullivan

020

Stoullil

257

Dahleen

183

Hanselman

306

Goolsby

386

Hybert

483

Shoup

605

McManus

405

Moncur

050

Klint

561

Newell

807



Vicious Virgin #42-5341 (427BS) GN-Q

41st CBW-B Low - Pilot Capt E.M. Woddrop / CoPilot Maj E.E. Snyder

(Back L-R) 1Lt John J. Reeder (B), Sgt Howard F. Mulberry (PHO), Maj Edgar E. Snyder (CP),
Capt Edward M. Woddrop (P), 1Lt Ingvald M. Iverson (N)

(Front L-R) Unidentified, Unidentified, Sgt William Valis (WG),
T/Sgt Fred T. Kuehl (R), T/Sgt William A. Watts (E), Unidentified

Unidentified: S/Sgt Royal F. Plante (BTG), Sgt Henry Hoff (WG), Lt Dallas E. Kendall (TG-O)

358th Bombardment Squadron Crew Lists

B-17G #42-31239 (No Name)

P Kyse, Walter R., 1Lt
 CP Taylor, James B., 2Lt
 NAV Levy, Herbert E., 2Lt
 BOM Mack, Austin J., 2Lt
 ENG Jones, Douglas L., S/Sgt
 BT Kennard, Royal G., Sgt
 RO Dulin, Woodroe G., S/Sgt
 RWG Schweinebraten, Leslie H., Sgt
 TG Cox, James B., S/Sgt
 LWG Loveland, William H., S/Sgt

B-17G #42-38041 Hell's Angels II

P Stuermer, John W., 2Lt
 CP Reynolds, Charles E., 2Lt
 NAV Tielman, William A., 2Lt
 BOM Newman, Clyde D., 2Lt
 ENG Harris, David W., S/Sgt
 LWG Rogers, Thomas A., Sgt
 RO Murray, Edward F., S/Sgt
 BT Stark, Joseph, Sgt
 TG Collins, Marvin B., Sgt
 RWG Carroll, Marvin A., Sgt

B-17G #42-97498 Padded Cell II

P Worthley, Joe R., 2Lt
 CP Crook, Kenneth D., 2Lt
 NAV Ratay, Joseph B., 2Lt
 BOM Blum, Eugene C., 2Lt
 ENG Johnson, Edwin D., S/Sgt
 BT Vanderhoff, Grant W., Sgt
 RO Egan, Harry R., S/Sgt
 RWG Malherbe, Benjamin F., S/Sgt
 TG Lawson, Fred B., Sgt
 LWG Robinson, Ray I., Sgt

B-17G #42-31224 Hell in the Heavens

P Snyder, Robert W., 2Lt
 CP Cook, John H., 2Lt
 NAV Williams, Jack H., 2Lt
 BOM Morrison, James P., 2Lt
 ENG Haggerty, Jerome J., S/Sgt
 LWG Delaney, Jessie L., Sgt
 RO Rumpf, Charles W., S/Sgt
 RWG Balzano, Christopher, Sgt
 TG Hunt, John L., Sgt
 BT Chadick, Neal T., Sgt

B-17G #42-31562 (No Name)

P Henderson, John F., 1Lt
 CP Maxey, Frank, Jr., 2Lt
 NAV Wiggins, Warren S., 2Lt
 BOM Monkres, Woodrow W., 2Lt
 ENG Simpkins, William H., S/Sgt
 TT Moody, Stanley E., Sgt
 RO King, Robert E., T/Sgt
 BT Miller, Richard C., S/Sgt
 TG Millif, Mike C., Sgt
 LWG Shuhart, Norman L., Sgt
 (Abortive)

B-17G #42-31574 Ole George

P Gamble, Donald, Capt
 CP Stevens, Kermit D., Col
 NAV Steely, Hobart H., 1Lt
 NAV McSween, William D., 1Lt
 BOM Sweet, William T., 1Lt
 ENG Hoffman, Robert W., S/Sgt
 LWG McArthur, Robert G., Sgt
 RO Gilmore, Daniel F., S/Sgt
 BT Scharch, Richard G., S/Sgt
 RWG Schmeltzer, Charles S., S/Sgt
 TG Burns, James R., 2Lt

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 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 - Cont'd.

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

P	Litman, Arnold S., 1Lt
CP	Gorman, Quentin J., 2Lt
NAV	Merthan, Lawrence C., 2Lt
BOM	Stravinsky, Albert W., 2Lt
ENG	Smith, George A., S/Sgt
RWG	Lawson, Tracy W., Sgt
RO	Ebbighausen, Francis R., T/Sgt
BT	Gibbs, Paul M., Sgt
TG	Castillo, Buenaventura L., Sgt
LWG	Miller, Victor R., Sgt

B-17G #42-37927 (No Name) - CRS-S

P	White, Gerald A., Capt	KIA
CP	Newsom, Walter W., 2Lt	KIA
NAV	Kruse, Erwin A., 2Lt	KIA
BOM	Stafford, Warren, Jr., 2Lt	KIA
ENG	Bottomley, Sidney L., S/Sgt	KIA
RWG	Becknell, Wallace E., Sgt	KIA
RO	Znidarsich, Louis E., S/Sgt	KIA
BT	Slate, Ralph W., Sgt	KIA
TG	McCoy, Robert E., Sgt	KIA
LWG	Quinlan, Alexander J., Sgt	KIA

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

P	Clark, Martin L., 1Lt
CP	Bass, Julius E., 2Lt
NAV	Abernathy, Milton B., 2Lt
BOM	Zientar, Matthew S., 2Lt
ENG	Quevedo, Alfonso, S/Sgt
RWG	Grsetic, John P., Sgt
RO	Hensley, James C., S/Sgt
LWG	Canale, Michael J., Sgt
TG	Gilbert, Bill A., S/Sgt
BT	Brown, Harold J., Sgt

359th Bombardment Squadron Crew Lists

B-17G #42-38050 *Thunderbird*

P	Moncur, Vern L., 2Lt
CP	Cunningham, Billy A., 2Lt
NAV	Brooks, James, 2Lt
BOM	Chang, David K.S., 2Lt
ENG	Rosier, Robert L., S/Sgt
RO	Andrus, James S., S/Sgt
BT	Hein, Walter E., S/Sgt
RWG	Baer, Richard K., S/Sgt
LWG	Dickman, Thomas J., S/Sgt
TG	Rettinhouse, Robert A., S/Sgt

B-17G #42-39807 *Nero*

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

B-17F #41-24605 *Knockout Dropper*

P	Shoup, Noel E., 1Lt
CP	Litherland, James, 2Lt
NAV	Carey, William D., 2Lt
BOM	Ulbricht, Walter E., 2Lt
ENG	Bragg, Ben W., T/Sgt
RWG	Gribble, Robert F., S/Sgt
RO	Harrison, Donald B., T/Sgt
LWG	Asvestos, Nick, S/Sgt
BT	Hostetter, William L., Jr., S/Sgt
TG	Ross, Harry C., S/Sgt

(Abortive)

B-17G #42-31483 *Bonnie B*

P	Hybert, Arthur J., 2Lt
CP	Harrison, Weldon O., 2Lt
NAV	Lunde, Frithjof M., 2Lt
BOM	Kelly, James H., Jr., 2Lt
ENG	Broderick, George V., T/Sgt
RO	Ratford, Edward V., S/Sgt
RWG	Gilcrease, Roland L., Sgt
BT	Jaehne, Charles R., S/Sgt
LWG	Neathery, Ralph P., S/Sgt
TG	Barmak, Paul J., S/Sgt

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

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

B-17F #41-24635 *The '8' Ball MK II*

P	Daub, Leroy E., 1Lt
CP	McLean, Ralph C., 2Lt
NAV	Howlett, Oscar D., 1Lt
BOM	Bowen, Richard R., 2Lt
ENG	Carter, Edward K., S/Sgt
RO	Kelly, Victor S., T/Sgt
LWG	McConaghy, Leo R., S/Sgt
RWG	Quinn, Charles A., Sgt
BT	Gilmore, Charles E., T/Sgt
TG	Considine, Louis W., S/Sgt

(Abortive Sortie)

359th Bombardment Squadron Crew Lists - Cont'd.

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

P	Dahleen, Howard D., 2Lt
CP	Austin, John T., 2Lt
NAV	Klingensmith, Russell S., 2Lt
BOM	Gauthier, Raymond W., 2Lt
ENG	Malcolm, Orrick H., T/Sgt
RO	Swanson, Clifford E., T/Sgt
RWG	Smith, Harding W., S/Sgt
LWG	Titsworth, William E., S/Sgt
BT	Hirn, Edward M., S/Sgt
TG	Covington, Charles G., S/Sgt

B-17F #42-5257 *Miss Bea Haven*

P	Stoullil, Donald W., 2Lt
CP	Edwards, Kenneth C., 2Lt
NAV	Susskind, Harold A., 2Lt
BOM	Trawicki, George J., 2Lt
ENG	Romer, Eugene A., S/Sgt
LWG	Brown, William F., Jr., S/Sgt
RO	Owen, James C., S/Sgt
BT	Holder, Kenneth L., S/Sgt
RWG	Greene, George P., Jr., S/Sgt
TG	Turkington, Calvin G., S/Sgt
	(Abortive)

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

P	Goolsby, Billy M., 2Lt
CP	Savage, John N., 2Lt
NAV	Towberman, P.E., 2Lt
BOM	Robinson, John M., 1Lt
ENG	Bumgarner, Donald, T/Sgt
LWG	Rothrock, Harry J., S/Sgt
RO	Greenhalgh, Chester W., T/Sgt
BT	Chraniuk, William, S/Sgt
TG	Newman, John F., S/Sgt
RWG	Cueto, Frank Z., S/Sgt

B-17F #42-5306 (No Name)

P	Hanselman, Charles F., 1Lt
CP	Calwell, Lucien B., 2Lt
NAV	Ramsey, Elijah W., Jr., 1Lt
BOM	Livermore, William D., 2Lt
ENG	Fouss, Howard E., T/Sgt
LWG	Jaouen, Robert F., T/Sgt
RO	Zitzler, George A., T/Sgt
LWG	Armstrong, Keith N., S/Sgt
BT	Williams, Walter S., S/Sgt
TG	Tybuszewski, Mitchel J., S/Sgt
PHO	Hunter, Robert G., S/Sgt
	(Abortive)

360th Bombardment Squadron Crew Lists

B-17F #42-5393 *Thumper Again*

P Parrott, John H., Lt
CP McGrath, Leo B., Lt
NAV Volk, Anthony D., Lt
BOM Walter, George M., Lt
ENG Levin, Meyer, T/Sgt
LWG Green, Jack E., S/Sgt
RO DeWitte, Victor W., S/Sgt
BT Mayfield, James E., Sgt
RWG Huddleston, D.O., Sgt
TG Laible, Gilbert N., Sgt

B-17G #42-31340 *Miss Liberty*

P Long, John A., Lt
CP Earhart, Amon E., Lt
NAV Carroll, George M., Lt
BOM Cascio, Guiseppe, Lt
ENG Wilson, Clarence G., T/Sgt
LWG Ledley, Albert J., S/Sgt
RO Jennings, Ralph T., T/Sgt
RWG Henson, Mace, S/Sgt
TG Orlando, Anthony T., S/Sgt
BT Logan, Frank C., S/Sgt

B-17F #42-5788 *A.O.G. Not in Stock*

P Bordelon, Berton A., Lt
CP Coons, Charles L., Lt
NAV Cromwell, Frederick P., Lt
BOM Cottrell, John W., Lt
ENG Barker, Forrest, S/Sgt
RWG Adams, Donald K., S/Sgt
RO Fontana, Joseph L., S/Sgt
LWG Patterson, Harry L., S/Sgt
BT Harrington, Joseph F., S/Sgt
TG Couch, Ted, Sgt
PHO Buckley, P.E., Sgt

B-17F #42-2973 *Iza Vailable*

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

B-17G #42-31399 (*No Name*)

P Glass, Henry F., Lt
CP McMahan, Eugene A. Lt
NAV Pepe, Nicholas A., Lt
BOM Robrock, Paul A., Lt
ENG Carbillano, Dominick J., Sgt
LWG Stellato, Francis A., S/Sgt
RO Miller, Gordon R., T/Sgt
RWG Patrone, Frank, S/Sgt
BT Michael, David O., S/Sgt
TG Roberts, James E., S/Sgt

B-17F #42-29931 *Satan's Workshop*

P Bergeron, Willard H., Lt
CP Massimiliano, Joseph, Lt
NAV Noland, James B., Lt
BOM DeFeis, Robert N., Lt
BOM Weinbrenner, G.R., Maj
ENG Serwa, Alphonse B., T/Sgt
RWG Oxendine, Simeon, S/Sgt
RO Cline, Leroy, T/Sgt
BT Hemmings, Norman A., S/Sgt
LWG Wilson, George W., S/Sgt
TG Appleton, Vernon R., S/Sgt

360th Bombardment Squadron Crew Lists - Cont'd.

B-17G #42-31471 *Doolittle's Destroyer*

P Underwood, George E., Lt
CP Doering, Creighton G., Lt
NAV Parker, Duane C., Lt
BOM Riley, Milton S., Lt
ENG Daniels, Mack E., S/Sgt
RWG Rike, Thomas L., Jr., Sgt
RO Phipps, Charles F., S/Sgt
BT Dinneen, Thomas E., S/Sgt
LWG Casselman, Glen L., Sgt
TG Meyer, Gregory C., Sgt

B-17G #42-37841 *Banshee*

P Morrin, John R., Lt
CP DeWall, Hershel R., Lt
NAV Gill, Edward J., Lt
BOM Howard, Homer M., Lt
ENG Beck, John A., S/Sgt
LWG DiStasi, Robert A., Sgt
RO Cataldi, Frederick J., T/Sgt
RWG Kannapel, Eugene H., Sgt
BT Houser, Donald R., Sgt
TG Dodge, Charles G., Jr., Sgt
OBS Sheehan, Richard X., Lt

B-17G #42-31055 *Aloha*

P Lawlor, John C., Jr., Lt
CP Hicks, David F., Lt
NAV Munroe, Linton S., Jr., Lt
BOM Barker, Havelock W., Lt
ENG Tower, Jack W., T/Sgt
RWG Baker, Nelson, S/Sgt
RO Esposito, Frank B., T/Sgt
LWG Krenek, Joe W., S/Sgt
BT Kuntashian, Warren V., S/Sgt
TG Butler, Raymond K., S/Sgt

B-17F #42-29629 *Connecticut Yankee*

P Crook, Charles D., Lt
CP Evans, Ernest N., Lt
NAV Davis, Roscoe, Lt
BOM DeLuca, Joseph, F/O
ENG Breitenbach, Louis H., T/Sgt
RWG Chavez, Salvador, Sgt
RO Hannan, Robert J., T/Sgt
LWG Williams, Norris R., S/Sgt
BT Cheek, Roy A., S/Sgt
TG Hensley, James H., Sgt
(Abortive)

427th Bombardment Squadron Crew Lists

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

P	Wood, Vere A., Lt
CP	Knutson, Wilmer A., Lt
NAV	Pinnette, William S., Lt
BOM	Brown, Thomas G., Lt
ENG	Snider, Otto L., S/Sgt
BT	Grant, Thomas V., S/Sgt
RO	Brooks, Winnie R., S/Sg
TG	Helton, Edward, Sgt
RWG	Heathershaw, Charles L., Sgt
LWG	Tevis, John E., S/Sgt

B-17G #42-31616 *Spirit of Flak Wolf*

P	Harrison, Emmittes S., Jr., Lt
CP	Bastean, Stephen B., Lt
NAV	Kurnik, Walter F., Lt
BOM	Biedanski, Edmund J., Lt
ENG	Rombach, Joseph H., S/Sgt
BT	Almanzor, Berton F., S/Sgt
RO	Volmer, Lawrence O., S/Sgt
TG	Vateckas, Coster R., S/Sgt
LWG	Campbell, Kenneth H., S/Sgt
RWG	Hawk, Kenneth L., S/Sgt

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

P	Sheets, Robert W., Lt
CP	Shope, George W., Jr., Lt
NAV	Peacock, Lawrence A., Lt
BOM	Wallen, George A., Lt
ENG	Neuner, Francis X., S/Sgt
BT	King, Earl J., Sgt
RO	Du Bray, Ernest D., S/Sgt
TG	Sullens, Tom C., Sgt
LWG	Donnelly, James F., Sgt
RWG	Smith, Leonard C., Sgt

(Abortive)

B-17F #42-3158 *Max*

P	Flesh, William R., Lt
CP	Combs, Americus V., III, Lt
NAV	Doyle, Robert V., Lt
BOM	Landry, Robert J., Lt
ENG	Albright, Glenn N., T/Sgt
RO	Murphy, John J., T/Sgt
BT	Price, Richard M., S/Sgt
TG	Williams, John P., Jr., S/Sgt
LWG	Strough, Kenneth C., S/Sgt
RWG	Rider, Wilbert, Sgt

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

P	Barnes, Deane L., Lt
CP	Raistrick, Albert G., Lt
NAV	Randall, Everett Z., Lt
BOM	Roode, William A.T., Lt
ENG	Sparks, Willie T., S/Sgt
BT	Chancellor, John R., Sgt
RO	Doyle, Edward J., S/Sgt
TG	Underwood, Clifford B., Sgt
LWG	Winters, Craig W., Sgt
RWG	Price, John B., Sgt

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

P	Sullivan, Francis X., Lt
CP	Brangwin, Kenneth R., Lt
NAV	Culpin, John J., Jr., Lt
BOM	Bawol, Walter S., Lt
ENG	Frey, James L., S/Sgt
BT	Latta, Thomas B., T/Sgt
RO	Sullivan, James J., S/Sgt
TG	Stone, Vernon W., Sgt
RWG	Swanson, Charles A., Sgt
LWG	Keely, Eugene F., Sgt

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B-17F #42-29823 (No Name)

P	Hoeg, Kenneth A., F/O
CP	O'Hare, Phil W., Lt
NAV	Olsen, Kenneth L., Lt
BOM	Cronin, Ernest L., Lt
ENG	Relyea, Ralph R., S/Sgt
BT	McMahan, Bonnar P., S/Sgt
RO	Benevento, Andrew G., S/Sgt
TG	Hadley, Owen W., S/Sgt
LWG	Ford, Thomas P., Sgt
RWG	McLaughlin, Jesse W., S/Sgt
PHO	Gervais, Joseph R., Sgt

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B-17F #42-5341 Vicious Virgin

P	Woddrop, Edward M., Capt
CP	Snyder, Edgar E., Jr., Maj
NAV	Iverson, Ingvald M., Lt
BOM	Reeder, John J., Lt
ENG	Watts, William A., S/Sgt
BT	Plante, Royal F., S/Sgt
RO	Kuehl, Fred T., T/Sgt
TG	Kendall, Dallas E., Lt
RWG	Valis, William, Sgt
LWG	Hoff, Henry, Sgt
PHO	Mulberry, Harold F., Sgt

B-17F #41-24561 The Duchess

P	Klint, Wilbur, Lt
CP	Jenkins, Elton L., Lt
NAV	Eccleston, Edward F., Lt
BOM	Meagher, Robert W., Lt
ENG	Walsh, Charles E., T/Sgt
BT	Knight, Frederick B., S/Sgt
RO	Ratliff, Leonard E., T/Sgt
TG	Smith, Nyle F., S/Sgt
LWG	McGrew, Robert H., S/Sgt
RWG	Noah, Norbert O., Sgt

(Abortive)

B-17G #42-39875 Buzz Blonde

P	Henderson, Grover C., Lt
CP	Sayers, Darwin D., Lt
NAV	Arvanites, George L., Lt
BOM	Umphress, F.E., Jr., Lt
ENG	Weed, L.A., Jr., S/Sgt
BT	Teno, James R., S/Sgt
RO	Cohen, Leo, T/Sgt
TG	LaFrenier, James E., S/Sgt
RWG	Wright, Edgar A., S/Sgt
LWG	Kotel, Tofil P., S/Sgt