

A return trip to "BIG B" was our objective on 22 March, Mission 17 Sortie 11. Twenty one aircraft led by Major O'NEILL and Major JAMISON dropped 210x500 lb. GP on Secondary Target, RHEINMETALL-BORSIG A/C WORKS, NW of BERLIN. No E/A attacked our formation although some were seen. Flak was fairly continuous along the route, but over BERLIN an intense barrage was sent up during the bombing attack. This was the day it was reported that the "YANKS" challenged the LUFTWAFFE to come

up and fight. If any of our boys were guilty they have kept it quiet.

If true, it clearly demonstrates the spirit and exuberance felt by

the VIII AF that day. A/C 678J of the 755th Sq. piloted by 2nd Lt.

MALCOLM W. DUNLEVIE was lost on this attack. His plane was last sighted

over North Holland but no particulars are available. (See Diary for

names etc)

458th Pilots and Aircraft as listed on Formation Plans

DATE	TARGET	PILOT	458th Msn #	Pilot Msn#	Cmd Pilot	LD	Serial	RCL	Sqdn	A/C Msn #	A/C Name	MIA	Notes
22-Mar-1944	BERLIN	ALVESTAD	11	6			41-28706	F	J4	3	DREAM BOAT/SPARE PARTS		
22-Mar-1944	BERLIN	BRAUER	11	7			41-28682	I	Z5	10	UNKNOWN 003		
22-Mar-1944	BERLIN	BRUDOS	11	7			42-100407	A	J3	2	LITTLE LAMBSY DIVEY		
22-Mar-1944	BERLIN	BURTIS	11	ABT			42-100425	D	J3	--	THE BIRD		ABORT
22-Mar-1944	BERLIN	COMBS	11	5	MOORE	D2	42-100357	D	Z5	5	VALE OREGAN		
22-Mar-1944	BERLIN	COUCH	11	ABT			41-29273	Q	J4	--	FLAK MAGNET		ABORT
22-Mar-1944	BERLIN	CRAGUN	11	4			42-52432	P	J3	9	BACHELOR'S PARADISE		
22-Mar-1944	BERLIN	DAVIS	11	4			42-52335	R	Z5	9	ADMIRABLE LITTLE CHARACTER		
22-Mar-1944	BERLIN	DUNLEVIE	11	4			41-28678	M	J3	7	UNKNOWN 002	FTR	LOST OVER HOLLAND
22-Mar-1944	BERLIN	GAINES	11	5			41-29300	M	J4	9	LORELEI		
22-Mar-1944	BERLIN	GLENN	11	4	JAMISON	L2	42-100433	B	J3	6	BIG DICK HARD TO HIT		
22-Mar-1944	BERLIN	GOLDSMITH	11	ABT			42-100408	D	J4	--	BEASTFACE		
22-Mar-1944	BERLIN	GRANT	11	8			42-52382	J	7V	9	WURF'LESS		
22-Mar-1944	BERLIN	HARRIS, T	11	3			42-52353	J	Z5	9	McNAMARA'S BAND		
22-Mar-1944	BERLIN	MANKER	11	4			41-28721	L	J4	--	DOWNWIND LEG		ABORT NORTH OF HAMBURG - SORTIE CREDIT
22-Mar-1944	BERLIN	MARTIN, J	11	5			42-52455	O	7V	6	PLUTOCRAT		
22-Mar-1944	BERLIN	McCULLOUGH	11	ABT			41-29302	P	7V	--	NOKKISH		ABORT
22-Mar-1944	BERLIN	RAITER	11	8			41-29295	K	Z5	3	BOMB TOTIN' MAMA		
22-Mar-1944	BERLIN	ROBESON	11	6			41-28705	H	J4	10	YE OLDE HELLGATE		
22-Mar-1944	BERLIN	SCHAAF	11	7			41-29329	L	7V	8	FRITZI		
22-Mar-1944	BERLIN	SCHUMAN	11	6			41-28671	K	J4	8	UNKNOWN 001		
22-Mar-1944	BERLIN	SIEVERS	11	5			42-52392	O	J4	6	WABBIT TWACKS		
22-Mar-1944	BERLIN	STEWART	11	4			42-52441	I	J3	8	LAST CARD LOUIE		
22-Mar-1944	BERLIN	TAYLOR	11	6			41-28718	M	7V	10	BO		
22-Mar-1944	BERLIN	WEBER	11	4			42-100311	A	7V	6	YOKUM BOY		
22-Mar-1944	BERLIN	WELLS	11	5			41-28733	P	J4	4	RHAPSODY IN JUNK		