FORM 1767

ROYAL AIR FORCE

OBSERVER'S AND AIR GUNNER'S FLYING LOG BOOK

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Instructions.

1. This log book is an official document and the property of H.M. Government.

2. Observers and air gunners will maintain an accurate and detailed record of all flights undertaken on service aircraft.

3. Results of ab initio courses will be recorded on either pages 2, 3, 4 or 5, for which purpose a rubber stamp is available.

4. Proficiency assessments will be recorded on the appropriate page at the back of the book annually on 31st December, on posting or on attachment to another unit for flying duties.

5. Bombing and Air Gunnery records will be entered in the appropriate pages at the back of the book annually on 31st December.

6. Monthly totals will be entered on a single line in red ink and initialled by the Commanding Officer or his deputy.

234667M.) Wt. 12252/5743. 24M. 3/40. W. & S. Ltd. T. 7585.

Certificates of Qualification.

(to be filled in as appropriate)

1. This is to certify that 915946 HONEY-F.
has qualified as A.C.2 W/Operator. Morse 18 wpm.
with effect from 11-11-40 Sgd. [illegible]
Date 15-11-40 Unit No 2 Signals School, Yatesbury.

2. This is to certify that 915946 Honey-F.
has qualified as Air Gunner
with effect from 22/12/40 Sgd. [illegible]
Date 6/1/41 Unit No. 9 B & G. School Penrhos.

3. This is to certify that .....
has qualified as .....
with effect from ..... Sgd. .....
Date ..... Unit .....

4. This is to certify that .....
has qualified as .....
with effect from ..... Sgd. .....
Date ..... Unit .....

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RESULTS OF AB INITIO COURSES AND REMARKS

RESULTS OF AB INITIO GUNNERY COURSE

Station held No 9. B.G.S. PENHROS.

Period of Course 18/11/40 – 21/12/40.

Exercise	Rounds fired	% Hits	Type of Aircraft
200 yd. Range	450.	Pass	—
No. of G. 28 films, Cine footage	one.		
Air to Ground	600	Satisfactory	–
Beam	200	5.5%	
Beam R.S.	400.	2.5%.	Battle
Free ~~Astern~~ DT.	600	4%	a
Under Tail	300	3%	Whitley.
Night.			

Exam. Marks 76 %

Course 14 Hrs. 50 min Flying Time

REMARKS: PASS/~~FAIL~~ Very sound. Should do very well with experience.

[signature] C. I.

RESULTS OF AB INITIO COURSES AND REMARKS

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Date	Hour	Aircraft Type and No.	Pilot	Duty	Remarks (including results of bombing, gunnery, exercises, etc.)	Flying Times Day	Flying Times Night
		DOMINIC I			Time carried forward :—		
19.10.40.	1435	R 5932	Mr. Drabble	R/T 082 Turning Ex.		40	
25.10.40.	1055	5931	Mr. Stacey	X mitter tuning by ear. Log keeping.		1.05	
6.11.40.	1425	R 5923	Mr. Nicholson	X mitter tuning by ear.		1.15	
8.11.40.	1410	R 5928	Mr. Taylor	tuning back		1.15	
8.11.40	1545	R 5928	Mr. Taylor	Log keeping		1.0	
						5.15	
					Stephenson S/LDR O/C		
					TOTAL TIME ...	5 15	

AIR OPERATING SECTION
13 NOV 1940
No. 2 E. & W. S.

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Time carried forward :— 5·15

Date	Hour	Aircraft Type and No.	Pilot	Duty	Remarks (including results of bombing, gunnery, exercises, etc.)	Flying Times Day	Flying Times Night
29.11.40	1150	Whitley 7234	Sgt. Coleman	FRUT		1·40	✓
30.11.40	1426	Battle 2045	P/O Kennard	FRUT		1·20	✓
2.12.40	0925	Whitley 7269	3/Sgt. McCallum	FRRS		1·45	✓
2.12.40	1140	"	"	FRRS		1·25	✓
2.12.40	1520	"	Sgt. Machell	FRRS		1·15	✓
4.12.40	0940	Whitley 9006	Sgt. Mars	FRUT		·50	✓
4.12.40	1100	"	"	FRUT		1·20	✓
8.12.40	1125	Battle 5253	3/Lt. Smith	Air to Sea		·25	✓
9.12.40	1040	Battle 5004	P/O Ostrzewski	FRUT		·50	✓
9.12.40	1400	"	P/O Kennard	FRUT		·30	✓
11.12.40	1000	Whitley 7219	3/Lt. Gardner	FRUT		1·05	✓
11.12.40	1545	"	3/Sgt. McCallum	FRUT		1·45	✓
16.12.40	1005	Battle 5029	Sgt. Huggard	FRUT		·40	✓

Total flying Gunnery	14	50
Total flying Bombing	—	—
Total flying Exercises	—	—
TOTAL FOR COURSE	14	50

for O.C. FLYING SQUADRON,
No. 9 B. & G.S., PENRHOS.

TOTAL TIME ... 20·05

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Time carried forward :— 20.05

Date	Hour	Aircraft Type and No.	Pilot	Duty	Remarks (including results of bombing, gunnery, exercises, etc.)	Flying Times Day	Flying Times Night
13.2.41	1400	Whitley 9005	F/Sgt. Langton	Local C & L	H.T. practice - Loop Brgs.	1.05	
—"—	1505	"	"	"	" "	1.10	
4.3.41.	1400	Whitley 8986	F/O Millson	"	" "	1.55	
—"—	2310	Whitley 1503	F/Lt. Hannigan	"	" "		1.00
	0010	"	P/O Baber	"	" "		2.10
19.2.41	0930	1359	F/Lt. Hannigan	"	" "	1.00	
	1030	"	P/O Ogston	"	" "	.45	
	1115	"	Sgt. Hazelton	"	" "	1.00	
	1400	"	"	"	" "	1.15	
	1515	"	P/O Ogston	"	" "	1.15	
21.2.41	0930	8979	F/Sgt. Bickenson	"	" "	1.30	
	1100	"	" Langton	"	" "	1.00	
	1500	8972	Sgt. Brown	"	" "	.45	
	1545	"	" Bradshaw	"	" "	.30	
6.3.41	1450	1359	LAC Drewsen	"	" "	.40	
	1545	"	" Lisle	"	" "	.40	
	1630	"	"	"	" "	.30	
10.3.41.	1940	1484	Sgt. Harcourt	"	" "		1.15
	2105	"	" Jackson	"	" "		2.00
		1423	" Bradshaw	"	" "		
22.2.41	1430	Anson 5076	S/Ldr. Barrett	Cross Country		1.30	6.25
					Total Time ...	36.25	6.25

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Time carried forward :— 36.25 6.25

Date	Hour	Aircraft Type and No.	Pilot	Duty	Remarks (including results of bombing, gunnery, exercises, etc.)	Flying Times Day	Flying Times Night
14. 3. 41	1115	Anson 3325	F/Sgt. Sutton	Photography	H.F. and M.F.	1.00	
	1500	9826	"	"	"	1.30	
15. 3. 41.	1420	3325	Sgt. Jones	Cross Country		2.50	
18. 3. 41.	1100	5002	F/Lt. Bastin	To Moreton-in-Marsh Land & Return		.30	
19. 3. 41.	1915	5154	P/O Protheroe	Cross Country	Abandoned: W.T. Failure		1.45
20. 3. 41.	1410	9721	Sgt. Jones	"	M.F. Fixes: Bristol, Hull, Manchester,	3.00	
23. 3. 41.	1445	"	F/Lt. Robertson	"	M.F. Fixes: {Manchester, Hull. / Bristol, Tangmere, Sealand	2.15	
24. 3. 41	1445	5154	Sgt. Gibbons	"	H.F. Message to Base: QDM' - {O Harwell / Bicester	2.00	
26. 3. 41.	1430	Whitley 8939	P/O Barrett	Local C & L		2.05	
27. 3. 41.	0940	Whitley P 4940	Sgt. Drewson / Sgt. Lyle	"		1.40	
27. 3. 41	2010	T 4178	F/Sgt. Bickenson				2.10
30. 3. 41	2005	T 4178	Sgt. Harcourt				.40
30. 3. 41	2300	P 4939	S/Ldr. Dickenson / Sgt. Lyle				1.00
30. 3. 41	0230		Sgt. Drewson				1.20
31. 3. 41.	1505	P 4133	Sgt. Towell	Local C & L	(A.G.)	1.45	
4. 4. 41	1530	N 1360	Sgt. Towell	I. F.	QDM's + F/C from Base - Bicester	2.15	
6. 4. 41.	1050	P 4940	Sgt. Towell	Cross Country	(A.G.) Base. Frome Wash - Base (1,000 rds)	6.00	
7. 4. 41	0415	P 5101	Sgt. Bennett	L C & C	8 Cross Timing Base		2.00
8. 4. 41	1440	P 4940	Sgt. Towell	Bombing	4 Loop Brgs. QDM's Base. Bicester	3.05	
8. 4. 41	0315	N 1360	Sgt. Drewson				2.30
9. 4. 41	2050	N 1444	Sgt. Towell	Cross Country			4.10
					Total Time ...	66.20	22.00

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Date	Hour	Aircraft Type and No.	Pilot	Duty	Remarks (including results of bombing, gunnery, exercises, etc.)	Flying Times Day	Flying Times Night
			Time carried forward :—			66.20	22 00
10.4.41	0040	WHITLEY N 1444	SGT. DREWSON				1.00
11.4.41	2020	T 4178	SGT. TOWELL	CROSS COUNTRY			4.10
13.4.41	1200	T 4178	SGT. BENNETT			.30	
13.4.41	1430	T 4178	SGT. BENNETT			20	
13.4.41	2200	N 1444	SGT. BENNETT				3.00
14.4.41	1445	N 1360	P/O CHRISTIE	ZZ APPROACH	CANCELLED. WEATHER UNFIT	.35	
14.4.41	2245	N 1416	SGT. DREWSON	C + L			2 30
15.4.41	1410	P 4940	P/O CHRISTIE	AIR FIRING		2.00	
15.4.41	2300	P 5101	"	BOMBING			2.00
16.4.41	0915	N 1416	SGT. DREWSON	LOCAL FLYING	(A.G.)	2.50	
17.4.41	0130	P 5101	SGT. RUSSELL	BOMBING			2 00
17.4.41	1430	P. 4940	P/O TOWELL	AIR FIRING		2.00	
						74.35	36.40
		DAY	NIGHT				
'E' FLT.		23.00	24.30				
COURSE		74.35	36.40				

Officer Comdg. "E" Flt. No. 10 O.T.U.

TOTAL TIME ...

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Date	Hour	Aircraft Type and No.	Pilot	Duty

Time carried forward :—

Remarks (including results of bombing, gunnery, exercises, etc.)	Flying Times Day	Flying Times Night

REPORT ON SIGNALS TRAINING RECEIVED
AT NO. 10 O.T.U.

Date completed Course 17th April 1941
No. of Flights:- Local 45 Cross-country 9
Hours Flown:- DAY 40.00 NIGHT 20.00
Number of occasions:- 2 ground
Obtained M.F. Fixes 12 am H.F. Bearings (Base) 49
" Loop Bearings 67 6
Passed position reports etc. 6
Z.Z. Landings NIL
Has received instruction on I F.F.
instruction on New G.P Set.
practical on New G P. Set. 30 Mins

H.F. Bearings other than Base 19
No. of Regional Control Stations worked 5

Assessment. Below the average. 4.

18th April 1941 S. E. Parth F/Lt

A H Owen
Wing Cdr.
Chief Instructor No. 10 O.T.U.
18 APR 1941

Total Time ...

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MAY, 1941.

Date	Hour	Aircraft Type and No.	Pilot	Duty	Remarks (including results of bombing, gunnery, exercises, etc.)	Flying Times Day	Flying Times Night
		X WELLINGTON II			Time carried forward :—	74.35	36.40
2. 5. 41	1425	W 5485	SGT. DOHERTY	LOCAL C & L	W/OP.	1.25	
3. 5. 41.	1430	W 5485	"	"	"	1.30	
4. 5. 41.	1000	W 5498	"	"	"	2.00	
5. 5. 41.	1015	W 5431	S/LDR. TOMLINSON	"	"	.45	
5. 5. 41.	1540	W 5498	"	DISHFORTH LAND + RETURN	"	1.00	
9. 5. 41.	0955	W 5498	P/O BURTON	LOCAL C & L	A.G.	1.30	
9. 5. 41.	1130	W 5498	SGT. DREWSEN	"	"	1.00	
16. 5. 41.	0930	W 5431	"	"	W/OP.	1.15	
18. 5. 41.	2305	W 5431	S/LDR. BEARE	OPERATIONS	(KIEL)		6.10
22. 5. 41.	1110	W 5431	SGT. FOSTER	CROSS COUNTRY	(ABANDONED: W.T. FAILURE)	1.15	
25. 5. 41	1055	W 5431	"	"		3.05	
27. 5. 41.	2339	W 5431	"	NOSE GUNNER	OPERATIONS : COLOGNE		5.25
31. 5. 41.	1106	W 5431	"	W. OPERATOR	CROSS COUNTRY	3.25	

X. Wellingtons with Merlin engines were Mark VI. They had problems at hi altitude when because the coolant boiled to freeze. Only 67 of them were produced.

DAY TOTAL FOR MONTH	18 HRS. 10 MIN.
NIGHT TOTAL FOR MONTH	11 HRS. 35 MIN.
TOTAL FLYING FOR MONTH	29 HRS. 45 MIN.
GRAND TOTAL	141 HRS. — MIN.

Philip Beare S/L O.C. "A" FLIGHT, 104 SQUADRON.

TOTAL TIME ... 141.0

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JUNE, 1941.

Date	Hour	Aircraft Type and No.	Pilot	Duty	Remarks (including results of bombing, gunnery, exercises, etc.)			Flying Times Day	Flying Times Night
		WELLINGTON II			Time carried forward :—			92.45	47.15
2. 6. 41.	2311	W 5431	SGT. FOSTER	W. OP.	OPS. DUSSELDORF	3	3		4. 50
5. 6. 41.	1130	W 5431	"	W. OP.	AIR TEST			.15	
13. 6. 41.	2310	W 5431	"	W. OP.	OPS. SCHWERTE	4	4		5. 55
15. 6. 41.	1210	W 5431	"	W. OP.	CROSS COUNTRY			2. 25	
16. 6. 41.	1025	W 5431	"	W. OP.	AIR TEST			.20	
16. 6. 41.	2257	W 5431	"	W. OP.	OPS. COLOGNE	5	5		5. 15
18. 6. 41.	1120	W 5431	"	W. OP.	AIR TEST			.20	
18. 6. 41	2234	W 5431	"	W. OP.	OPS. BREMEN	6	6		5. 30
			DAY TOTAL FOR MONTH		3 HRS. 20 MIN.				
			NIGHT TOTAL FOR MONTH		21 HRS. 30 MIN.				
			TOTAL FLYING FOR MONTH		24 HRS. 50 MIN.				
			GRAND TOTAL		164 HRS. 50 MIN.				

A. Clapp F/LT O.C. 'A' FLT. 104 SQUADRON

WMD WC.

TOTAL TIME ... 164.50

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JULY, 1941

Date	Hour	Aircraft Type and No.	Pilot	Duty	Remarks (including results of bombing, gunnery, exercises, etc.)	Flying Times Day	Flying Times Night
		WELLINGTON II			Time carried forward :—	96.05	68.45
8. 7. 41.	1415	W 5416	P/O DREWSON	W. OP.	LOCAL	1. 20	
9. 7. 41.	1500	X	F/LT. SHARP	"	"	1. 00	
12. 7. 41.	1445	W 5432	F/LT. SHARP	"	FORMATION	1. 15	
15. 7. 41.	1055	W 5482	"	BOW GUNNER	SEA SEARCH	2. 15	
16. 7. 41.	1530	W 5438	"	W. OP.	TO DISHFORTH, LAND + RETURN	1. 00	
17. 7. 41.	1100	W 5498	"	"	AIR TEST	.30	
17. 7. 41.	1415	W 5435	"	"	LOCAL	2. 25	
18. 7. 41	1425	W 5488	SGT. DENBY	"	"	1. 30	
20. 7. 41	1445	W 5438	F/LT. SHARP	BOW GUNNER	BASE - LINTON - ALDERGROVE + RETURN	3. 25	
22. 7. 41.	1100	W 5432	"	PASSENGER	BASE - DISHFORTH	.30	
22. 7. 41.	1210	W 5494	P/O BURTON	W/OP.	DISHFORTH - BASE	.30	
28. 7. 41.	1420	W 5431	P/O BYROM	"	LOCAL	.30	
30. 7. 41.	2344	W 5554	F/LT. SHARP	FRONT GUNNER	OPS. - COLOGNE - TURNED BACK ON ACCOUNT OF BAD WEATHER		4. 45
					DAY TOTAL FOR MONTH	16 HRS. — MIN.	
					NIGHT TOTAL FOR MONTH	4 HRS. 45 MIN	
					TOTAL FLYING FOR MONTH	20 HRS. 45 MIN.	
					GRAND TOTAL	185 HRS. 35 MIN.	

Mitchell Beare S/L O.C. 'A' FLT. 104 SQUADRON.

TOTAL TIME ... 185. 35

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AUGUST, 1941

Date	Hour	Aircraft Type and No.	Pilot	Duty	Remarks (including results of bombing, gunnery, exercises, etc.)	Flying Times Day	Flying Times Night
					Time carried forward:—	112.05	73.30
2. 8. 41.	1000	W 5416 'A'	F/Lt. SHARP	W/Op	To DISHFORTH	.30	
2. 8. 41.	1100	W 5395 'E'	"	"	DISHFORTH - BASE	.30	
7. 8. 41.	0945	W 5554 'B'	Sgt. GEDDES	"	AIR TEST	.35	
7. 8. 41.	2310	W 5436 'F'	S/Ldr. BEARE	W/Op	OPS. - DORTMUND - VISIBILITY EXCELLENT. 7		5. 15
9. 8. 41	1015	W 5436 'F'	F/Lt. SHARP	W/Op	LOCAL	1. 15	
10. 8. 41.	1015	W 5416 'A'	"	"	AIR TEST	.35	
11. 8 41.	0945	W 5554 'B'	"	"	AIR TEST + LOCAL	1. 05	
12. 8. 41.	1015	W 5554 'B'	"	"	AIR TEST	.35	
12. 8. 41.	2128	W 5554 'B'	F/Lt. SHARP	W/Op	OPS. - BERLIN 8 QUIET OUTWARD JOURNEY. 8		7. 00.
					'ALL QUIET' OVER TARGET - CAUGHT IN CONCENTRATED SEARCHLIGHTS + FLAK ON WAY HOME.		
28. 8. 41.	1200	W 5485 'J'	P/O BROWN	W/Op.	FEATHERING TEST	.35	
29. 8. 41.	1100	W 5435 'F'	P/O DAWSON	"	OGH PRACTICE	.50	
30. 8 41.	1210	W 5486 'F'	P/O ROBERTSON	"	TO WELLESBOURNE, LAND + RETURN	2. 10	
					DAY TOTAL FOR MONTH	.8 HRS. 40 MIN.	
					NIGHT TOTAL FOR MONTH	12 HRS. 15 MIN.	
					TOTAL FLYING FOR MONTH	20 HRS. 55 MIN.	
					GRAND TOTAL	206 HRS. 30 MIN.	
					R.A.A. Wohelty P/O for S/L. O.C. 'A' FLT. 104 SQDN.		
					TOTAL TIME ...	120.45	85.45

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SEPTEMBER, 1941

Date	Hour	Aircraft Type and No.	Pilot	Duty	Remarks (including results of bombing, gunnery, exercises, etc.)	Flying Times Day	Flying Times Night
		WELLINGTON II			Time carried forward:—	120.45	85.45
6.9.41.	1115	W5479 'B'	SGT. BENITZ	W/OP	ZZ PRACTISE	1.15	
7.9.41.	1440	W5479 'B'	"	"	TO WELLESBOURNE, LAND - RETURN	2.45	
8.9.41.	1445	'E'	"	"	" " " "	3.05	
9.9.41.	1100	W5479 'B'	"	"	ZZ PRACTICE (2 APPROACHES)	1.10	
10.9.41.	1000	W5415 'H'	"	"	AIR TEST	1.00	
11.9.41.	1045	W5398 'D'	"	"	FORMATION & AIR TEST	1.20.	
11.9.41.	2100	W5398 'D'	SGT. BENITZ	W/OP.	OPS. (N) - BOULOGNE - RESULTS OBSCURED 9	9	4.05
					BY CLOUD, STBD. ENGINE U/S. - WITTERING.		
13.9.41.	1435	W 'F'	S/LDR. YOUNG	PASSENGER	WITTERING - BASE	.45	
15.9.41.	1000	W5415 'H'	SGT. BENITZ	W/OP.	AIR TEST	1.10	
15.9.41.	2100	W5415 'H'	SGT. BENITZ	W/OP.	OPS. (N) - LE HAVRE - SUCCESSFUL, HITS 10 ON DOCKS OBSEVRED - LANDED CATFOSS	10	4.30
~~18.9.41.~~	~~1035~~	~~W5415 'H'~~	~~SGT. BENITZ~~	~~W/O~~			
18.9.41.	1035	W5415 'H'	SGT. BENITZ	W/OP.	AIR TEST	.50	
19.9.41.	0955	W5415 'H'	"	"	" "	1.00	
21.9.41.	1035	W5415 'H'	"	"	" "	.50	
22.9.41.	1105	W5415 'H'	"	"	" "	.25	
23.9.41.	1020	W5415 'H'	"	"	" "	.35	
24.9.41.	1425	W5415 'H'	"	"	ZZ PRACTICE (2 APPROACHES)	1.20.	
26.9.41.	1200	W5415 'H'	"	"	AIR TEST	.30	
28.9.41.	1140	W5415 'H'	"	"	" "	.35	
29.9.41.	1000	W5415 'H'	"	"	B.A. & AIR TEST.	2.00	
					TOTAL TIME ...	141.20	94.20

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SEPTEMBER, 1941

Date	Hour	Aircraft Type and No.	Pilot	Duty	Remarks (including results of bombing, gunnery, exercises, etc.)	Flying Times Day	Flying Times Night
					Time carried forward :—	161.20	94.30
			Day Total for Month		20 Hrs. 35 Min.		
			Night Total for Month		8 Hrs. 35 Min.		
			Total Flying for Month		29 Hrs. 10 Min.		
			Grand Total		235 Hrs. 40 Min.		
					[signature] O.C. 'A' Flt. 104 Sqdn.		
					Total Time ...		

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OCTOBER 1941

Date	Hour	Aircraft Type and No.	Pilot	Duty	Remarks (including results of bombing, gunnery, exercises, etc.)	Flying Times Day	Flying Times Night
		WELLINGTON II			Time carried forward :–	141.20	94.20
1.10.41.	1205	W5415 'H'	SGT. BENITZ	W/OP	AIR TEST	.50	
1.10.41	1855	W5415 'H'	SGT. BENITZ	NOSE GUNNER	OPS. (N) BOULOGNE – SUCCESSFUL – VERY LITTLE OPPOSITION. BURSTS OBSERVED – BLAZING TANKER OFF HARWICH		3.55
3.10.41.	1055	Z 8374	SGT. BENITZ	W/OP + FRONT	GUNNER – AIR FIRING – 200 ROUNDS	.50	
4.10.41.	0945	W5415 'H'	F/LT. PROTHEROE	PASSENGER	FEATHERING TEST	.45	
4.10.41.	1015	W5415 'H'	SGT. BENITZ	W/OP.	" "	1.15	
4.10.41.	1420	W5415 'H'	SGT. BENITZ	W/OP.	BOMBING AT FILEY BAY	1.00	
						146.00	98.15
					12 Ops. to here		
					TOTAL TIME ...		

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