

MISSION DIARY

CREW # 41

27 MISSIONS

11/16/43 - 4/10/44

PILOT - JOE HERBERT

CO-PILOT - FRANK FARTHING

BOMBARDIER - JOE ZEBROWSKI

NAVIGATOR - BOB MEYER

ENGINEER - DAN BEENE

RADIO OPERATOR - RALPH CARROLL

W/ST GUNNER - ART BUCKLEY

W/ST GUNNER - JOHN MAROG

BALL TURRET - DEN COLLINS

TAIL GUNNER - CHARLES VAN RIPPEN

BLOOMINGTON  
BERLIN  
FRANKFURT

The  
**DENBIGH**

Series of  
**COMMERCIAL BOOKS**  
made in VARIOUS RULINGS.

| Ref. No    | Size                                  | Leaves |
|------------|---------------------------------------|--------|
| D. 18/90   | 6 $\frac{3}{8}$ " x 4"                | 90     |
| D. 38/90*  | 6 $\frac{7}{8}$ " x 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ " | 90     |
| D. 38/120  | 6 $\frac{7}{8}$ " x 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ " | 120    |
| D. 68/90   | 8" x 5"                               | 90     |
| D. 68/120* | 8" x 5"                               | 120    |
| D. 34/100  | 8 $\frac{3}{8}$ " x 7"                | 100    |
| D. 34/120* | 8 $\frac{3}{8}$ " x 7"                | 120    |
| D. 1/100*  | 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 8"               | 100    |
| D. 1/140   | 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 8"               | 140    |

Faint,  
Faint and  
Single Cash,  
\*Faint and  
Double Cash

Lt. R. H. Meyer

Crew #41

384th Group

544th Squadron

(22) EMMY FLEET  
SHEP DOWN 16

POOP BOOK

1. Knaben, Norway 11/16/43
2. Bremen 11/29/43 11/26
3. Bremen 11/26/43 11/29
4. St. Jean D'Angely, France 12/5/43
5. Emden, Germany 12/11/43
6. Bremen Germany 12/15/43
7. Croisette, France 12/24/43
8. Bordeaux, France 12/31/43
9. Kiel, Germany 1/5/44 (22) (22)
10. Brunswick, Germany 1/30/44
11. Preusville 1/20/44 (France)
12. Wilhemshaven, Germany 2/3/44
13. Frankfurt, Germany 2/9/44
14. Orleans, France 2/5/44
15. Nancy, France 2/6/44
16. Frankfurt, Germany 2/8/44
17. Leipzig, Germany 2/20/44
18. Lingen, Germany 2/21/44
19. Frankfurt, Germany 3/3/44
20. Berlin (Sortie) 3/3/44
21. Hugsberg, Germany 3/16/44
22. Wizeres, France 3/19/44
23. Berlin, Germany 3/22/44
24. Frankfurt 3/24/44
25. Tours, France 3/27/44
26. Celle, Germany 3/29/44
27. Brussels A. D., Belgium 4/10/44

① Knaben, Norway - our first trip - one of twelve hundred miles and mostly over the North Sea. We had Harvey as co-pilot and Frank sat home and "sweated us out." When we finally hit the coast we were twenty five miles north of course. Went over the target seven times before dropping bombs. The target was an important mine which the Germans needed badly. Bomb results were good. No flak. No fighters. Returning our Toleys transfer valves froze and gas was short. Almost went to Sweden, but thought we could make it, <sup>home.</sup> Hit English coast at Newcastle and landed at Ouster. Returned to base that night.

First BITTEN FOOT - HOSPITALIZED 4 DAYS.

and bombs dropped on it. We encountered no enemy fighters and very little flak. On our return trip, we had to descend to only several hundred feet above the ground. From the English coast to our base we were never more than three hundred feet above the ground. Visibility was bad and the worst storm was crashing into another plane. We arrived at the base area but could not see the field. We were given an alternate base and started for that. On the way down there, we passed over another field and decided to land there. This we did after running off the runway. It was a close call.

(27) Brussels, Belgium - My last trip and it proved to be an easy one. The weather over the route was fair clouds, here and there, prevented pin-point piloting. We crossed the coast at the proper place and soon after we reached our D.P. The bombing run was made with excessive action and this proved to be poor judgement. We encountered no flak before reaching our target. The bombs were dropped, for the most part in the town and none at all, from our group hit the target. On our way out, the group to our left encountered flak at Antwerp. The trip home was uneventful.