

**August 1945: Form 541**

358 Squadron

Date	Aircraft type and No.	Crew	Duty	Time up	Time Down	Remarks
	1.8.45					
Route	A/C. "P"	Base - /-16-/28-/8-/1953N 10134E – Target -/8/28/16/Base.				
	"N"	Base - /16/28/37/Target/28/1850N 9642E – 2055N 9139E – Base.				
	"R"	Base -/16/28/37/Target/Akyab/Base.				
	"A"	Base – 1852N 9344E – 1853N 9720E – 1852N 9344E – Base.				
Load	A/C.	Leaflets	Bodies	Conts.	Pkgs.	Weight.
	P	15	3	11	4	3142
	N	16	--	11	5	3535
	R	16	--	11	5	3535
	A	16	--	11	6	4205
Opposition.	Nil.					
Liberator "P"		1322931 F/S. McCulloch	Capt.	0635	1945	1310. A/C. took off at 06.35, set course from runway, flew out at 1,000' to turning point on Coast Cheduba Island. Climbed to 9000' held this to D.Z. area. Weather was good to the area but the build up was greater round D.Z. Did 5 D.R. runs at 7000' the mountain tops being 6500'. The run was through 9/10 and 10/10 high Cu. and Cu-nimbus, on second run sighted D.Z. when correct signals were given, but could not see D.Z. when directly above. Tried waiting for the small break to move directly over D.Z. but after 1.40 hrs. decided it would not be clear sighted D.Z. again on last run could only see it at an angle of 45° from the ground, the signals had been withdrawn. Trip back was fair but build up of Cu. and Cu-nimbus was greater, heavy rain in these violent up currents. On the coast conditions cleared up and the rest of the trip was un-eventful. Arrived at base 19.40. Landed 19.45 hrs.
		153241 F/O. Vere-Hodge	2.P. (S)			
		1608533 Sgt. Newman	Eng.			
		1820787 Sgt. Robinson	Nav.			
		167421 P/O. Boreham	2.Nav.(S)			
		166167 F/O. Kensett	A/B.			
		1446070 Sgt. Brindley	WOP.			
		1455201 Sgt. Barlow	WOP.			
		166278 F/O. Coxall	Disp.			
		1588425 Sgt. Grey	R.G.			
Liberator KH392 "A"		F/O. Sealy 152103	Pilot	0523	1423	A/C. airborne 0523. Climbed in track to 1,00', started climb 0715 for 1st Turning pt. Weather O.K.

		F/O. Macartney 151403	2.P			Crossed Chinds and Irrawaddy at 8,500-9,000'. Arrived D.Z. Circled position at E.T.A. Let down through break, unable to contact D.Z. since clouds on hills. Climbed out S/c. Base 1032. Weather good en route for base. Landed 1423.
		P/O. Urquhart 167470	Nav.			
		P/O. Sumner 167433	A/B.			
		P/O. Hillman 166884	Desp.			
		F/S. Bridger 1852499	Eng.			
		Sgt. Truss 1801720	WOP.			
		Sgt. Marlow 1800775	WOP.			
		Sgt. Startin 1391339	A.G			
Liberator EW287 "R"		S/L. Fayle J.3997		0530	1500	09.30 Airborne as briefed. Crossed Bay at 2000'. Weather 2/10 Cu. tops 3000 S/d. 8/10. On turning inland climbed to 7000'. Moderatae cloud all the way about 6/10. Nickels were dropped as briefed, the two special bundles being dropped on the Mawchi Rd near Mawchi itself. The D.Z. itself was reached 1030. Weather quite good 5/10. Cu. base 3000' tops 8000'. The D.Z. is a landing strip and very easy to find. The reception was a T of dices and a smoke fire. The T was just off the actual runway. The load of 11 containers and 5 packages was dropped in two runs. All the drops were seen to droop on the T (The "T" being about 50 x 75). Weather on return fairly good. Very little build up over the Chins. Landed O.K. The DZ is an excellent one and suitable for moon drops.
		F/O. Shipp, 169703	Capt.			
		F/O. Arscott, 166093	2.P			
		F/O. Brandon, 166353	Nav.			
		F/O. Walker, 166377	B/A.			
		F/O. Elliott, 166127	WOP.			
		F/O. Cooper, 166130	WOP.			
		Sgt. Stevenson, 1817754	A.G			
		Sgt. Williams, 979823	Disp.			
Liberator EV960 "N"		F/O. Sanders 161276	Capt	0600	1535	Took off from base 15 mins. late 6000. Climbed to 3000'. Flew to coast at 3000', climbed at coast to 8000' to go over Arar?an Yomas. WEather over bay 3/10 Sc. 2000'. Vis 10-12 miles. 7/10 Sc. and Cu. over Arakans. Broken over Irrawaddy area and then 9/10 Cu. over hills tops 8000-9000. Reached D.Z. at 11.00 hrs. D.Z. as briefed. Made 2 runs. 1st. dropped containers, 2nd. Packages. Weather 3/10 Sc. and Cu. over
		F/S. Dodd 1673299	2.P.			
		P/O. Booth 187550	B/A.			
		F/S. Newland 1803317	Nav.			
		F/S. Anderson 1785382	WOP.			
		Sgt. Cullum 1616881	WOP.			
		F/S. Thompson 1821704	ENG.			

		Sgt. Guntrip 1876623	R.G.				target area, base 4000'. Returned to base, weather Cu. building up to 9-10,000' occasional Cb. to 15,000-20,000', and occasional showers. Landed at Base at 15.35 hrs. D.C.O.
		Sgt. Greenham 1836542	Disp.				
A/Cs. "R" & "N" were successful, but "P" & "A" were unable to fulfil their missions due to weather over the D.Z. area. "R" & "N" located their D.Z.s fairly easily and the dropping was uneventful. "P" & "A" encountered 10/10 Cu. and St. Cu. covering their whole target area between 5000 and 10,000', thus making dropping impossible. The general weather situation was not very favourable, as all A/C. met 8/10 Sc. between 800-4000', with F. St. over the sea, 8/10 cu. and 10/10 As and Ac. between 12-14000'.							
		3.8.45					
Route.	"N". Base – 1852N 9344E – 1853N 9720E – Target – R.S.R.						
	"Q". Base – 1852N 9344E – 1853N 9720E – Target – Akyab – Base.						
	"P". Base – 1852N 9344E – 1853N 9720E – 2026N 10018E – 1952N 10134E – Target – 1853N 9720E – R.S.R.						
	"B". Base – 1852N 9344E – 1853N 9720E – Target – R.S.R.						
	"R". Base – 1852N 9344E – 1853N 9720E – 2120N 10043E – 2116 1/2N 9959E – Target – 1853N 9720E – 1852N 9344E – Base.						
Load	A/C.	Leaflets	Bodies	Conts.	Pkgs.	Weight.	
	N	16	-	10	5	2166	
	Q	16	--	11	5	4275	
	P	16	3	11	4	3142	
	B	16	--	11	5	4035	
	R	16	--	11	5	4392	
Opposition.	Nil.						
Liberator EV960 "N"		1339782 W/O. Room.		Capt	0525	1500	Took off at 0525, On time. Sc. 1000' climbed to 8500. 10/10 St. cu. and Cu. Made turning point (1853N 9220E) Glimpsed bend in river through cloud. D.R. run ended target covered 10/10 St.cu. circled, no chance of descending. Sc. for Hrbu – so dropped leaflets on E.T.A. 8000'. Returned to 1853N 9220E. Cloud broken slightly .After 2nd D.R. run, Target still covered 10/10 St. cu., circled, no holes in cloud for let down. Returned to 1853N 9220E. Time on Target area, 1 hr. 15 mins. Sc. Base 8000', descended from Cheduba to 500'. Return uneventful. Landed 1500 hrs.
		1816270 Sgt. Mitchell		2.P.			
		166021 F/O. Gibbs		Nav.			
		166158 F/O. Barnett		B/A.			
		1652928 F/S. Bevan		WOP.			
		1566629 F/S. Armit		WOP.			
		1823062 F/S. Farmer		ENG.			
		974735 Sgt. Murphy		Disp.			
		2205526 Sgt Preece		A.G.			
		1860623 Sgt. Woods.		A.G.			

Liberator EW171 "P"		F/O. Kearns 151961	Capt	0555	1920	13.25 A/C. took off at time briefed. Weather on way out, 6/10 Cu. over Bay. 10/10 Cu. over Chins, tops 10,000'. 10/10 S/C over Irrawaddy valley. Chans, 6/10 Cu. Arrived at D.Z. area 11.21. D.Z. covered by large Cu. Stooaged round for 2 hrs. and Cu. half cleared from D.Z. Made 3 runs. Dropped 3 Joes, 1st run. 9 containers and 4 packages, 2nd. run, and 2 conts. 3rd. run. All in D.Z. area. Trip back uneventful. Nickels dropped at place briefed.
		P/O. White, 166294	2.P.			
		W/Cdr. Bedoee?	(S) P.			
		F/S. Burton 1566999	Nav.			
		F/S. Thompson 1418312	WOP.			
		F/S. Holden 1594862	WOP.			
		Sgt. Holtem 1667185	B/A.			
		Sgt. Gibson 1596158	Disp.			
		Sgt. Gradwell 3011373	R.G.			
		F/O. Lamont 172808	Eng.			
Liberator EW287 "?"		55068 F/O. Foster	Capt.	0530	1805	T/O. O.K. Weather to Cheduba fair. Cloud Base 1000'. Flew at 1000' until 15 mins before E.T.A. Position "A", climbed to 9,500' to cross inland. Fine above 10/10 below. Saw ground only at extremely scattered p/p. On E.T.A. last turning point, I let down through a gap in clouds down a wide valley. C. Base 1500-2000'. Endeavoured to fly up valley to D.Z., but weather (rain in valleys) and low cloud and narrow valley prohibited this, Climbed to 10,000' up valley, S/C. for D.Z. but on E.T.A. cloud was 10/10 Sc. and Cu. with practically no breaks anywhere. As hills in vicinity are between 6500-8500' would not let down, and S/C for Base. Weather O.K. to Arakans where build up was to 20,000' and solid. Flew 20' St. cleared Cub. and then A/C. Cheduba Pt., from there to Base O.K. Landed at given E.T.A.
		1513241 F/O. Vere-Hodge	(S)P.			
		1816403 Sgt. Hancock	2.P.			
		1812330 F/S. Johnson	Eng.			
		166292 F/O. Taylor	Nav.			
		167421 F/O. Boreham	(S)Nav.			
		A.435173 F/S. McGrane	WOP.			
		A.424054 F/S. O- Smith	WOP.			
		1868445 Sgt. Carey	Disp.			
		3006747 Sgt. Beckingham	R.G			
		166373 F/O. Lindsay	A/B.			
Liberator KH367 "Q"		182369 F/O. Duff	Pilot	0550	1550	1000 Took off at 0550. Sc. 5/10 over Bay. Base 1000' tops 4000 with Cu. tops to 8000'. Thickened after crossing coast to 9/10-10/10 with clear patches over the main river valleys. S/c. to 10000' with Cu. tops 12-15000'. D.Z. area 10/10 Sc.
		166544 P/O. Simon	2.P.			
		167414 P/O. Griffiths	Nav			

		167426 P/O. Merriman	A/B.			tops 9-10000'. Let down through hole in the cloud over the Salween river and followed river to turning point for D.R. run. Took two photographs of turning point. Cloud was down to the ground in direction of D.R. run, so attempted to follow valley of Pawn river. Found Laikou and started D.R. run but ran into thick cloud over D.Z. Made a search i cloud for a break and being unsuccessful headed west and then South. Still in cloud so climbed to 10000' and broke cloud. Returned to Salween and found turning point again, and started original briefed D.R. run at 7500'. D.R. run mainly in cloud but managed to check track. On E.T.A. let down to 7000' and then came down in a spiral through gap in the cloud. Spotted air strip by D.Z. and then D.Z., smoke fire and recognition signals. Made two runs on heading of 215 T at height 3-4000'. Dropped 11 conts., and 3 packages on first run and 2 packages on second. All chutes opened and were seen to drop on D.Z. Ht. D.Z. 4500', cloud Base 5000'. Climbed through cloud from D.Z. to 11,500' before breaking clear. Weather on return, as per outward. Landed at 1550. 2 3/4 hrs. searching for D.Z.
		1586121 Sgt. Barker	WOP			
		1294384 Sgt. Adams	WOP			
		1626326 Sgt. Aldridge	Disp			
		1674764 Sgt. Tuffnell	R.G.			
		1613215 Sgt. Davidson.	ENG.			
Liberator "B"		J.20131 F/O. Ellinor	Capt.	0545	1400	8.15. A/C. airborne at 0546 and set course for first turning point. Aircrafts navigational aids all U.S. except sextant. Altered course for D.Z and made a run in over 10/10 Cld. 8000' Descended to 7000' thru' cloud but didn't break as climbed up and went back to run in point. Tried to go under but hopeless so went home. A/C acting up as set course base. Arrived turning point and entered Cd., reciprocated and went around. Arrived base 1350, landed 1400. D.N.C.O.
		J.44876 P/O. Sheppard	2.P.			
		J.47342 P/O. M- Vitch	Nav.			
		J.47363 P/O. Steele	B/A.			
		J.47466 P/O. Moore	R.G.			
		R.277750 Sgt. Rees	WOP.			
		R.268246 Sgt. Reisterer	WOP.			
		1524106 Sgt. Gaulton	Disp.			

	Only two of these A/C. were successful. "Q" & "P", the others could not drop due to the unfavourable weather conditions. Both "Q" & "P" had to search for 2-2 ½ hrs. before they could locate the D.Z. beneath the heavy overcast. The entire weather picture was most unfavourable: 7-10/10 Sc. and Cu. between 1500' and 15000', scattered banks of Cb. up to 20,000' which were not altogether easy to avoid and 9/10 AS. at 10,000'					
	5.8.45					
Route	"N" Base – 1948N 9210E – 1756N 9650E – Target – R.S.R.					
	"P" Base – 1551N 9424E – 1345N 9816E – 1323N 10000E – Target – 1345N 9816E – R.S.R.					
	"B" Base – 1551N 9424E – Ditto as above.					
Load	A/C.	Leaflets	Bodies	Conts.	Pkgs.	Load.
	N	--	--	11	5	4411
	P	16	--	4	12	2213
	B	16	--	11	4	4392
Opposition.	Nil.					
Liberator EW171 "P"		161276 F/O. Sanders		Capt	11.10	23.50
		1673299 F/S. Dodd		2.P.		
		187750 P/O. Booth		B/A.		
		1803517 F/S. Newland		Nav.		
		1785332 F/S. Anderson		WOP.		
		1616881 Sgt. Cullum		WOP.		
		1821704 F/S. Thompson		ENG.		
		1876623 Sgt. Guntrip		R.G.		
		1836542 Sgt. Greenham		Disp.		
Liberator EV960 "N"		169705 F/O. Shipp		Capt.	0535	1405
		166093 F/O. Arscott		2.P		
		166127 F/O. Elliott		WOP.		

		166120 F/O. Cooper	WOP.				but on starting D.R. run it thickened up again to 10/10. The first run was made at 6000' to avoid hills but no breaks so went back to Sittang, let down and followed the valley up. The cloud was down to 1000' covering the hills. The D.Z. was found in a valley. It is one of a long line of paddy fields running N-S. It was too narrow to turn in the valley so went S. the did a long low run towards the N. The run was made at 1000' as it was impossible to see the hills ahead. The D.Z. is only 40 yds x 20 yds. The drops were seen about 25 yds. S. of the "T" on the edge of the D.Z., but full observation was impossible due to the immediate ascent through cloud. The D.Z. is very small but probably O.K. in good weather. Runs can only be made in a N-S. direction. Return trip O.K. Cloud same as on outward journey. Landed at Base 14.05.
		166353 F/O. Brandon	Nav.				
		166377 F/O. Walker	A/B.				
		1817704 Sgt. Stevenson	A/G.				
		979823 Sgt. Williams	Disp.				
		2209771 Sgt. Langstaff	Eng.				
"B"							
	8.8.45						
Route	"Q" Base – 1948N 9310E – 1853N 9720E – 1802N 10140E – Target – R.S.R.						
	"N" Base – 1551N 9424E – 1756N 9652E – Target – R.S.R.						
Load	A/C.	Leaflets	Bodies	Conts.	Pkgs.	Load.	
	Q	16	--	11	6	4248	
	N	16	--	11	6	3555	
Opposition.	Nil.						
Liberator EV960 "N"		151961 F/O. Kearns	Capt.		0625	1635	10.10 A/C. took off at time briefed. Route as briefed. Weather on way out 10/10 Cu. over Arakan, Yomas, 8/10 Cu. and Sc. Irrawaddy and Sittang Valley. D.Z. areas covered in Cu. and Sc. 8/10. tops 8000' base 1000'. Stayed in D.Z. area for 2 hrs. 15 mins. Made 4 D.R. runs from Sittang to D.Z. and 2 D.R. runs to 2nd. D.Z. Caught a fleeting glimpse of one D.Z. through a gap in cloud but filled in again. Unable to go down below cloud in D.Z. area
		G/C. Wightman	(S)P.				
		166194 P/O. White	2.P				
		1566999 F/S. Burton	Nav.				
		1667185 Sgt. Holton	B/A.				
		1418312 F/S. Thompson	WOP				
		1594862 F/S. Holden	WOP				

1 The microfilm repeats the information for the first two aircraft on this operation, but omits the page with the third operation.

		1596158 Sgt. Gibson	Disp.			as hills up to 6000' surrounding them. Return trip uneventful. Weather improved.
		3011373 Sgt. Gradwell	R.G.			
		172808 F/O. Lamont	Eng.			
Liberator KH367 "Q"		152103 F/O. Sealy	Pilot	1215	2345	A/C. airborne 1215. S/C. point H. 1000'. Climbed over Arakan coast and Irrawaddy valley to 9000'. Cloud 5/10 Sc. 10/10 As. D.R. run to D.Z. at 1655. Arrived D.Z. 1715. Load dropped O.K. Sc. Base 1755. Climbed to 12,000'. Weather 10/10 As. and Sc. Heavy rain. Let down over sea to 2,500'. Landed 2345.
		151408 F/O. Macartney	2.P			
		151668 F/L. Titchmarsh.	Nav.			
		167433 P/O. Sumner	B /A.			
		1801720 Sgt. Truss	WOP.			
		1800775 Sgt. Marlow	WOP.			
		166884 P/O. Hillman	Disp.			
		1391339 Sgt. Startin	A.G			
		1852499 F/S. Bridger.	Eng.			
A/C. "Q" successfully accomplished its mission, but A/C. "N" was unable to do so due to the unfavourable weather conditions. "Q" found the D.Z. easily recognizable and it was a good drop. The weather was 10/10 As. Throughout at 14000'-15000', 2-10/10 Cu. from 600' up to 14000'. 17000' – the Bay of Bengal was fairly clear. A/C "N" found at the D.Z. 10/10 Sc. based on hills topping 7500 and at the secondary D.Z. 8/10 St. on hills and valley mixed with Cu. on hills The A/C. descended to 3000' on occasions and only attained brief glimpse of D.Z. it was impossible to descend lower, for fear of running into hills.						
	9.8.45					
Route	"F" Base – 2258N 9442E – 2303N 9845E – Target – R.S.R.					
	"R" Base – 2246N 9126E – 2114N 9453E – 2026N 10018E – 1600N 10526E – Target – 1600N 10525E – 1803N 10140E – 1853N 9720E – 2114N 9453E – 2246N 9126E – Base.					
Load	A/C.	Leaflets	Bodies	Conts.	Pkgs.	Load.
	F	16	--	11	5	4392
	R	16	--	11	6	3206
Opposition.	Nil.					
Liberator EW287 "R"		169703 F/O. Shipp	Capt.	0625	2115	1450 Airborne at time briefed and climbed to 10,000'. Weather en route A/S. and very heavy rainstorms. East of the Mekon the weather broke up to 5/10 Cu. to 8000' merging with 10/10 A/S. The D.R. run was made from a bend in the Mekon (1600N 105.25). The run
		166093 F/O. Arscott	2.P			
		166127 F/O. Elliott	WOP.			
		166130 F/O. Cooper	WOP.			



		166353 F/O. Brandon	Nav.			took us straight up the SeBong Nonan River. At the fork of the river the D.Z. lies 7-10 miles further East. The D.Z. itself, is a plateau running N-S approx. There are no obstructions, the nearest hill being about 7 miles N.E. The plateau is very heavily wooded and the D.Z. is a kidney shaped clearing with a grass surface. We made three runs and everything was seen to fall in the D.Z. area. Two chutes were seen hanging in the trees on the edge but were easily recoverable. It is a good D.Z. but very small (40x80) and due to its shape it is difficult to make a good run. O.K. for moon drops but rather small for Joes. Weather on return similar to outward journey.
		1320624 F/S. Hounslow.	A/B.			
		1817754 Sgt. Stevenson	A.G.			
		1649189 F/S. Healey.	Disp.			
Liberator EW242 "F"		1339782 W/O. Room.	Capt	0610	1510	Climbed from drome to 11000'. Cloud 10/10 over Chin Hills. Cu. and As. break over Chindwin. Break over Irrawaddy, which was last pinpoint. 1 ½ hrs. flying in 10/10 As. 0955 hrs. Break in clouds 5 miles from D.Z. Good pinpointing by B.A. circled down to 4500', over layer 7/10 Cu. 500' A.G.L. after 5 circuits determined position of D.Z. Signals O.K. Descended south of D.Z to 400' A.G.L. After 5 attempts. Complete load dropped in one run. Climbed through lower layer plotted chutes on ground. Circled climbing to 11000'. S/C. Base, 1055 hrs. Flying through layer As. to Irrawaddy valley. Descended to 10,000'. Cloud breaking up. Remained at 10,000' until clear of Chins. Descended to 1000', landing 1510.
		1816270 Sgt. Mitchell	2.P.			
		166021 F/O. Gibbs	Nav.			
		166158 F/O. Barnett	A/B.			
		1823062 F/S. Farmer	ENG.			
		1652928 F/S. Bevan	WOP.			
		1616881 Sgt. Cullum	WOP.			
		974735 Sgt. Murphy	Disp.			
		2205526 Sgt Preece	R.G.			
		1881678 Sgt. Marchant	A.G.			
	Both these A/C. were successful. The weather wasn't altogether favourable. 9-10/10 As. base 10,000' with heavy rain showers. 7-10/10 Sc. and Cu. 3000'-8000', with the occasional Cb.					
	11.8.45					
Route	"Q" Base – 1948N 9310E – 1759N 9649E – Target – R.S.R.					
	R. Base – 1942N 9310E – 1859N 9720E – Target – 1948N 9310E – Base.					
	A. Base – 1978N 9310E – 1850N 9720E – Target – R.S.R.					
	P. Base – 2246N 9126E – 2113N 9453E – 2026N 10018E – 1820N 10356E – Target – R.S.R.					
	N. Base – 1948N 9310E – 1853N 9720E – Target – 1948N 9310E – Base.					
	D. Base – Ditto.					
	B. Base – 2346N 9126E – 2114N 9453E – 2026N 10012E – 1810N 10304E – Target – R.S.R.					

G? Base – 2246N 9126E – 2114N 9453E – 2026N 10018E – 1820N 10356E – Target – R.S.R.						
Load	A/C.	Leaflets	Bodies	Conts.	Pkgs.	Weight
	Q	16	--	11	6	3555
	R	16	--	11	6	4205
	A	16	--	11	5	4180
	P	--	4	11	3	2928
	N	16	--	10	5	2166
	D	16	--	11	5	4035
	B	16	--	11	6	3178
	G?	--	3	11	4	3141
Opposition. Nil.						
Liberator "B"		152553 F/O. Husband		Capt.	0655	1905
		153241 F/O. Vere-Hodge		2.P.		
		166737 F/O. Redfern		Nav.		
		167434 P/O. Randall		B/A.		
		167421 P/O. Boreham		(S)N.		
		424382 W/O. Crighton		WOP.		
		1685411 Sgt. Parks		WOP.		
		2206962 F/S. Jackson		Eng.		
		3012452 Sgt. Major.		R.G.		
		1675652 Sgt. Spark		Disp.		
Liberator EV960		1339782 W/O. Room.		Capt	0550	1530
		1816270 Sgt. Mitchell		2.P.		
		166021 F/O. Gibbs		Nav.		
		166158 F/O. Barnett		A/B.		
		424054 W/O. O-Smith		WOP.		
		1300574 Sgt. Kay		WOP.		
		1823062 F/S. Farmer		ENG.		
		974735 Sgt. Murphy		Disp.		
		1860623 Sgt. Woods		A.G.		

The aircraft was airborne at 0655, A/C. climbed to 10,000' through 8/10 St. and Sc., with 10/10 As. above. This weather persisted to the D.Z. area, with 9/10 Cu. and Sc. 2 D.R. runs made and D.Z. finally located at 1230, through a break in the cloud. The A/C. descended into the valley and made three dropping runs, and set course for base at 1306. Weather as en route out, base at 1900, landed 1905 hrs.

S/C. 1000', climbed from coast to 10,000'. Weather Burma coast, to D.Z. 9/10 As. and Cu. Made three D.R. runs. Difficulty locating turning point last run. Descended on plain, 10 miles East of D.Z. Unable to map read. Around hills. Climbed to 10,000'. Circled D.Z. area. D.Z. not located. S/C. Base. Time over D.Z. area, 2 hrs. 30 mins. Returned to base via Achiab. 10.000'. 500' A.S.C., from Achiab to base.

Liberator KH258 "D"		152103 F/O. Sealy	Pilot	0603	1405	A/C. took off at 0603, S/C. 1000', climbing to 6000' over sea. Climbed to 8000' at 1st. Turning point, over 10/10 Sc. between 9/10-10/10 As. Proceeded to D.Z. Arrived over area at 0941, above 10/10 cloud. Circled area, let down through gap in cloud, over river valley N.E. of D.Z. Unable to reach latter owing to low cloud, on hill ranges. Cloud base 1500' in Shans. Left area 1024 S/C. base at 8000'. Let down over sea to 800'. Landed base 1405.
		151408 F/O. Macartney	2.P			
		167470 P/O. Urquhart	Nav.			
		167435 P/O. Sumner	A/B.			
		166884 P/O. Hillman	Disp.			
		1852499 F/S. Bridger.	Eng.			
		1801720 Sgt. Truss	WOP.			
		1800775 Sgt. Marlow	WOP.			
		1391339 Sgt. Startin	A.G			
Liberator EW267 "R"		160652 F/O. Fforde	Capt.	0550	1600	1010 Take off O.K. Weather over Bay, tops Cu. Sc. 5, As. base 500-1000' Showery. Over Burma 8-9/10 S. and Sc. below tops 8-9000', 6-8/10 As. above. Over D.Z. 9-10/10 Cu. Sc. and S. tops 7000' base 3000' approx. Made 5 D.R. runs and Square search, no gap in clouds. D.Z. not seen. Returned to base with load through similar weather . Base reached O.K.
		1827503 Sgt. Murray	2.P.			
		165753 F/O. Smith	Nav.			
		166350 F/O. Wilcox.	(S)N.			
		166787 F/O. Brandreth	A/B.			
		1604331 F/S. Capeling	Eng.			
		1581571 Sgt. Williamson	WOP.			
		605649 Sgt. Ablack	WOP.			
		2223585 F/S. Borg	Disp.			
		1594862 F/S. Holden	A.G.			
Liberator EW171 "P"		164419 F/O. Wilson	Capt.	0625	2040	The weather was good en route, the cloud being almost entirely layer type, 10/10 A/S at 13000', and 7-8/10 Sc. in the valleys. At the D.Z. there was 8/10 Sc. on the hills and in the valleys and after three D.R. finishing in the same area where there was no reception the sortie was abandoned. There was a slight build up over the Chins on return.
		160690 F/O. Sansom	(S)P.			
		A.436648 W/O. Larcombe	2.P			
		1801375 F/S. Johnson	Nav.			
		164079 F/O. Kay	B/A.			
		A.424944 W/O. Bateman	WOP.			
		A.424012 W/O.	WOP.			

		Ashby				
		1853092 F/S. Peters	Disp.			
		653388 F/S. Cosh	Eng.			
		1853345 F/S. Fedrick	R.G.			
		4 Joes.				
Liberator KH363 "Q"		161276 F/O. Sanders	Capt	0610	1545	A/C. took off as briefed. Climbed to 3000' over Bay broken Sc. tops 2300'. Further down Bay, climbed to 7000'. 10/10 Sc. and Stratus and rain. Vis. Nil. Over Arakans and Irrawaddy Valley, 9-10/10 Sc. and Stratus. tops 9000'. Base 3500'. Showers. Over 1st. D.Z. area 10/10 Sc. D.Z. not seen. 2nd. D.Z. First run 7/10 Sc. and by time of next run D.Z. was overcast 10/10 Sc. base 2500' tops 7000'. Weather back 8-10/10 Sc. and St. until coast reached. Broken Sc. 6/10 base 1500' tops 5000'. Over base 3/10 Sc. tops 2000'. Returned to base safely. Did not drop owing to weather.
		1673299 F/S. Dodd	2.P.			
		1803317 F/S. Newland	Nav.			
		187750 P/O. Booth	B/A.			
		1785332 F/S. Anderson	WOP.			
		1383014 Sgt. Hinchcliffe	WOP.			
		A.418312 F/S. Thompson	ENG.			
		1836542 Sgt. Greenham	Disp.			
		1876623 Sgt. Guntrip	R.G.			
Liberator "G"		J.20131 F/L. Ellinor	Capt.	0630	1845	1215 A/C. airborne at 620. Circled base and set course climbing to 11000'. 10/10 below all the way and 10/10 above. Saw two rivers during the way out. Pin pointed D.Z. run in point and arrived over D.Z. area at 1200. Pin-pointed area and tried to get down but impossible. 10/10 – 1-5000'. Stogged around hoping for it to clear but luckless so set course base via route. Weather bad – flying blind for five hours in rain and high cloud. Arrived back at base at 1840 and landed 1845. D.N.C.O. Bodies and load brought back Definitely impossible due to bad weather all the way.
		1554259 W/O. Tucker	(S)P.			
		922489 W/O. Yeates	2.P.			
		A.437245 F/S. Murphy	Nav.			
		544422 F/S. Wright	B/A.			
		1589917 F/S. Fletcher	WOP.			
		1820882 F/S. Donnelly	WOP.			
		2220479 F/S. Manning	Disp.			
		2213867 F/S. Manfield	R.G.			
Liberator KH392 "A"		55068 F/O. Foster	Capt.	0545	1445	Take off 20 mins early. Flew to Borongas at 500' below 8-10/10 Sc. in frequent rainshowers. Hit 1st. TP and climbed inland to 9500'. Hit bend on Salween at 0910 and started D.R. run. 10/10 Sc. below, base found later to be 1000' or less in frequent layers. Made 7 runs for the 3 D.Z.s but no hope of getting in. Decided to try a run E. from
		1816403 Sgt. Hancock	2.P.			
		166292 P/O. Taylor	Nav.			
		166373 F/O. Lindsay	A/B.			
		A.435173 W/O. McGrane	WOP.			



	This A/C. was unable to fulfil its mission due to engine trouble over D.Z. An oil leak was developing 2 hrs., away from the D.Z. The D.Z. valley was located but not the D.Z., and so Pilot jettisoned whole load except bodies within 5 miles of D.Z. The pilot landed A/C. at Meiktila and returned to Base with bodies on 17th. Aug. The weather was as briefed, 10/10 As. and 6-10/10 Ac.					
	15.8.45					
Route	A/C "U". Base – 2258N 9442E – 2026N 10018E – 1953N 10136E – Target – R.S.R.					
	S. Base – 2258N 9442E – 2026N 10018E – 1810N 20304E – 1820N 10356E – Target – R.S.R.					
	G. Base – 2258N 9442E – 2026N 10018E – 1810N 20304E – Target (1) – 1821N 10356E – 1600N 10526E – Target (2) – 1600N 10526E – 1803N 10140E – 2026N 10018E – 2258N 9422E – Base.					
Load	A/C.	Leaflets	Bodies	Conts.	Pkgs.	Weight
	U	10	--	11	7	3200
	S	16	4	11	3	2928
	G	2	1	--	10	1000
Opposition.	Nil.					
Liberator KH309 "S"		164419 F/O. Wilson		Capt.	0620	1935
		1336875 F/S. Meyer		(S)P.		
		A.436648 W/O. Larcombe		2.P		
		1800614 Sgt. Mobbins		Nav.		
		164816 F/O. McMillan		(S)N.		
		164079 F/O. Kay		B/A.		
		A.424944 W/O. Bateman		WOP.		
		A.424012 W/O. Ashby		WOP.		
		1853932 F/S. Peters		Desp.		
		653388 F/S. Cosh		F/E.		
		1853345 F/S. Fedrick		R.G.		
Liberator 473 "G"		J.20131 F/L. Ellinor		Capt.	0620	2020
		153241 F/O. Vere- Hodge		(S)P.		
		166556 P/O. Harper		2.P.		
		J.47342 P/O. M'vich		Nav.		
		167421 P/O. Boreham		(S)N.		
		167436 P/O. Randall		B/A.		
						1400. The A/C was airborne at 0620 and climbed to 12000'. 10/10 above and below so continued on minus Nav. aids. Arrived at D.Z. (1) by luck and spiralled down and dropped and back up to 10000'. Set course 2nd D.Z. Let down to 2000', 9/10 and arrived 2nd. D.Z. U.T. Pilot did excellent run but B/A. dropped badly undershot. Second run bad, dropped in clearing 500' away from D.Z. Set course home. Climbed to

		1695411 Sgt. Parker	W.A.G.			13000' over Chins and arrived base 2000 hrs. Landed 2015. D.C.O. both D.Z.s.
		3012452 Sgt. Major.	Eng.			
		1615652 Sgt. Spark	Disp.			
		R.268246 Sgt. Reisterer	W.A.G.			
Liberator KH257 "U"		160652 F/O. Fforde	Capt.	0725	1755	1030 Take off O.K. Weather out from Base 10/10 Cu. Base 1000' tops 10,000'. Ditto over Chins. Central valley and Shans 9-10/10 Cu. and Sc. Base ? tops 10,000'. 8/10 A/S above. Over D.Z. 9-1-/10 SC. and Cu. base 6000' tops 10,000'. D.R. run made at 5500'. Underneath, D.Z. identified by conspicuous local landmarks. Reception as briefed load dropped in 5 runs. 300' above A/S. 140. Good D.Z. but not suitable for night unless clear. Weather on return 5/10 Cu. over Burma with occasional Cb. tops 11-25,000'. Base showery, reached O.K.
		1827503 Sgt. Murray	2.P.			
		J.22400 F/O. Free	(S)P.			
		165753 F/O. Smith	Nav.			
		J.47330 P/O. Renaud	(S)N.			
		166787 F/O. Brandreth	A/B.			
		1581571 Sgt. Williamson	WOP.			
		605649 Sgt. Ablack	WOP.			
		2223585 F/S. Borg	Disp.			
		1594862 F/S. Holden	A.G.			
		1604331 F/S. Capeling	F/E.			
All these A/C. were successful, and the reception was as briefed, and there were no untoward incident. The weather was 6-10/10 As. and Al. base 12000' and 7-10/10 Sc. and Cu. 6-9000'.						
	16.8.45					
Route	A/C "V". Base – 1710N 9432E – 1803N 10140E – Target – 1810N 10304E – 1803N 10140E – 1719N 9432E – Base.					
Load	A/C.	Leaflets	Bodies	Conts.	Pkgs.	Weight
	V	16	4	11	6	4159
Opposition. Nil.						
Liberator "V"		55068 F/O. Foster	Capt.	11.10	0045	A/C. took off and set course for D.Z. Cu. 7-8/10 Alto Sta. 2000-9000', 12-14000'. Reached D.Z. and dropped load. On return big Cu. Nim. build up. Over Bay 10/10 Str. Cu. and Cu. Heavy rain turbulent.
		1816403 Sgt. Hancock	2.P.			
		166292 P/O. Taylor	Nav.			
		166373 P/O. Lindsay	B/A.			
		A.435173 F/S. McGrane	WOP.			
		A.430668 F/S. McGrath	WOP.			
		1868445 Sgt.	Disp.			

		Carey					
		3006747 Sgt. Beckingham	A.G.				
		1812330 F/S. Johnson	Eng.				
	This A/C. was successful, and had no difficulty in completing its mission. The weather encountered was 10/10 Sc. and Cu. 500' –9000', with 7-8/10 As. 12000'-14000'. Big Cb. were building up, accompanied by very heavy rain and turbulence.						
	20.8.45						
Route A/C	"A". Base – 2246N 9126E – 2114N 9453E – 1853N 9720E – Target – R.S.R.						
	Q. Base – 2248N 9037E – Base.						
	V. Base – 2114N 9453E – 1803N 10140E – 1513N 10446E – 1118N 10516E – D.Z. – 1513N 104446E <sup>2</sup> – R.S.R.						
	U. Base – 2246N 9126E – 2114N 9453E – 1737N 9651E – 1711N 9740E – 1630N 9805E – Target – R.S.R.						
	G. Base – 2246N 9126E – 2714N <sup>3</sup> 9453E – 2012N 9840E – 1713N 10002E – 1652N 9906E – Target – 1535N 9740E – 1710N 9430E – Base.						
	D. Base – 2246N 9126E – 2114N 9453E – 2026N 10015E – 1810N 10304E – 1821N 10356E – Target – 1821N 10356E – R.S.R.						
	F. Base – 2246N 9126E – 2114N 9453E – 2026N 10018E – 1810N 10304E – 1600N 10526E – Target – R.S.R.						
Load	A/C.	Leaflets	Bodies	Conts.	Pkgs.	Weight	
	A	16	--	11	7	4206	
	Q	16	--	11	6	3369	
	V	1	--	--	9	850	
	U	12	--	11	6	3341	
	G	10	2	11	5	3950	
	D	16	--	11	8	3295	
	F	16	--	11	6	3320	
Opposition.	Nil.						
Liberator "V"		87457 S/L. Pollock	Capt.		0850	2345	A/C. airborne 0850, climbed to 10500'. Experienced Cu. up to 9000' some tops up to 15000'. Weather deteriorated about 150 miles from D.Z. until wall of Cb., with intense rain; nil visibility, and severe bumpiness was encountered. Unable to go through so turned back about 50 miles D.Z. S/C. 1750, climbed to 12000'. Weather back poor 10/10 Cu. underneath, and few clear patches in As. above. Encountered some belts of Cb. with lightning. Small gaps, where turbulence was less
		165942 F/O. James	2.P				
		1805834 F/S. Edwards	Nav.				
		1320624 F/S. Hounslow	A/B.				
		1600891 F/S. Eaton	WOP.				
		655952 F/S. Watt	WOP.				
		NZ.44805 F/S. Wallis	Disp.				
		1675652 Sgt. Sparks	Disp.				

<sup>2</sup> Although the record says 104446E, this is probably 10446E.

<sup>3</sup> The record says 2714N, but this is probably 2114N.



		151668 F/L. Titchmarsh	(S)N.			severe. Suspected failure in fuel system, so put down at Chittagong. Landed 2345 with all Joes and packages aboard. 1045-1145. – Trip from Chittagong to base.
		1697939 F/S. Mclvor	Eng.			
Liberator EW242		1554259 W/O. Tucker	Capt.	0610	2050	Airborne 0620. Arrived at D.Z. approx. 1300 hrs. Correct signal laid out. Containers dropped. 1 run. All in D.Z. area. Set course for base, 1345. Base 2050.
		1017925 Sgt. Gillies	Eng.			
		544422 F/S. Wright	B/A.			
		1589917 Sgt. Manning	Disp.			
		A.437295 W/O. Yeats	2.P.			
		922489 W/O. Murphy	Nav.			
		1820882 F/S. Donnelly	WOP.			
		2213867 F/S. Manfield	R.G.			
Liberator "G"		J.20131 F/O. Ellinor	Capt.	1145	2245	11.00. D.C.O. The A/C. was airborne at 1145, climbed on track to 10,000'. Flew through 10/10 to second turning point then through 10/10 Cu. to third pt. Lucky pin-point, and set course to D.Z. run in point. Let down to 2000' and in rain and cleared twisted up and down a valley to D.Z. Raining badly and low cloud but dropped 11 and 5. Then 2 Joes on second run. All O.K. in D.Z. Climbed and set course base via sea route. Beautiful weather, arrived, and landed 2245. D.C.O.
		55677 F/O. Morrison	2.P.			
		J.47342 P/O. M'vitch	Nav.			
		J.47363 F/O. Steele	B/A.			
		R.277750 Sgt. Rees	WOP.			
		R.268246 Sgt. Reisterer	WOP.			
		J.47454 P/O. McKenzie	Disp.			
		J.47466 P/O. Moors	R.G.			
		185491 P/O. Miller	Eng.			
		S/L. Lodge	Nav. Leader			
Liberator "Q" 367		152553 F/O. Husband	Capt.	0725	0940	A/C. was airborne at 0715, at 0755 Fuel pressure on No. 3 engine fell off and vapour was seen issuing from the cowling in the vicinity of the exhaust. A fuel Leak was presumed and at 0805 course was set for base, the nickels were jettisoned, and at 0930 at base the load was also jettisoned. Landed at 0940. When it was ascertained that the gasket on the fuel pump was blown.
		166212 F/O. Medley	2.P.			
		166737 F/O. Redfern	Nav.			
		166780 F/O. Armstrong	B/A.			
		A.424382 W/O. Crichton	WOP.			
		A.434054 W/O. O-Smith	WOP.			
		2206962 F/S.	Eng.			

		Jackson				
		756274 F/S. Pettman.	R.G.			
		1405631 F/S. Richards	Disp.			
Liberator KH258 "D"		152103 F/O. Sealy	Pilot	0627	1807	A/C. took off 0627. Climbed to 11,000' Weather out good – 8/10 Cu. and Sc. topped at 10,000'. Arrived D.Z. area 1225 – found D.Z. without difficulty. Cld. 6/10 Cu. – Made 3 dropping runs. All cans and pkgs. down O.K. Left area 1320. Climbed to 13,500. Cld. increased to 9/10 topped 14000'. Let down over delta area. Landed 1807.
		151408 F/O. Macartney	2.P			
		151278 F/L. Wilson	(S)P.			
		167470 P/O. Urquhart	Nav.			
		166744 F/O. Newman	(S)N.			
		167433 P/O. Sumner	A/B.			
		166884 P/O. Hillman	Disp.			
		1801720 Sgt. Truss	WOP.			
		1800775 Sgt. Marlow	WOP.			
		1391339 Sgt. Startin	A.G			
Liberator KH392 "A"		153241 F/O. Vere- Hodge	Capt.	0605	1405	A/C. took off at 0605 and set course at 800'. At 0645, started to climb to 11000'. Weather good with 6-8/10 Cu. and Sc. Reached target area at 950. 10/10 Sc. and Cu. with very occasional breaks. Two D.R. runs made and area circled but D.Z. not found. Cloud base below the hills. Left target area at 1120, let down started at 1310. Landed at base 1405.
		166556 P/O. Harper	2.P.			
		167421 P/O. Boreham	Nav.			
		167436 P/O. Randall	B/A.			
		166158 F/O. Barnett	(S)B/A.			
		1685411 Sgt. Parkes	WOP.			
		176354 F/O. Stewart-Mobsby	WOP.			
		1836165 F/S. Thomas	Eng.			
		1685571 Sgt. Crumby	R.G.			
		631146 Sgt. Oliver	Disp.			
Liberator KH2?57 "U"		161276 F/O. Sanders	Capt.(S)	0720	1800	Took off on time. Climbed to 10,000' Weather on way out Small Cu. height 6000', base 2000'. As. at 10,000' 8/10 and showers. Towards D.Z. area 10/10 Cu. breaking up over area to 4-5/10 Cu. base 3000',
		160690 F/O. Sansom	Pilot.			
		165769 F/O. Trill	B/A.			



		2209771 Sgt. Langstaff	Eng.			the weather was better and base on return good. Landed 0020.
Liberator KH2771		164419 F/O. Wilson	Capt.	1040	0015	The weather was good en route, the cloud being St. formation. The D.Z. was located by a D.R. run from the Mekong. The agents were dropped on the first run, and landed very near the reception panels. The load was seen to land near the D.Z. There was 8/10 Cu. and Sc. on the target and on the surrounding hills. The D.Z. would be impossible for night drops.
		J.22400 F/O. Free	(S)P.			
		A.436648 W/O. Larcombe	2.P			
		1800614 F/S. Hobbins	Nav.			
		J.47330 P/O. Renaud	(S)N.			
		164079 F/O. Kay	B/A.			
		A.424944 W/O. Bateman	WOP.			
		653388 F/S. Cosh	F/E.			
		A.424012 W/O. Ashby	WOP.			
		1853345 F/S. Fedrick	R.G.			
		1853932 F/S. Peters	Disp.			
A/C. "K" was successful and made a good drop. A/C. "S" reached an impenetrable bank of Cb., topping 15000'-25000'. This A/C. tried to get round it without success, also to penetrate it but the turbulence was so great that the pilot was obliged to turn back. The other weather encountered was 4-10/10 Sc. at 5000', with very good visibility.						
	22.8.45					
Route A/C	"V". Base – 1853N 9720E – 1345N 10556E – 1207N 10909E – Target – 1345N 10556E – 1853N 9720E – Base.					
	S. Base – 2246N 9126E – 2114N 9453E – 1803N 10140E – 1520N 10528E – Target – R.S.R.					
	G. Base – 2246N 9126E – 2203N 9845E – 2147N 10106E – 2120N 10510E – Target – R.S.R.					
	F. Base – 2246N 9126E – 2114N 9453E – 2026N 10018E – 1810N 10304E – 1821N 10356E – Target – R.S.R.					
	W. Base – 1948N 9310E – 1711N 9740E – 1246N 10404E – 1118N 10515E – Target – R.S.R.					
	Q. Base – 1948N 9310E – 1711N 9740E – Target – R.S.R.					
	U. Base – 1631N 9414E – 1305N 9816E – 1052N 0931E – Target – R.S.R.					
Load	A/C.	Leaflets	Bodies	Conts.	Pkgs.	Weight
	V	--	1	5	--	1000
	S	24	3	7	--	709
	G	24	3	--	7	647
	F	24	3	11	4	3141
	W	--	5	7	6	2366
	Q	24	--	11	6	3341
	U	24	--	10	8	2876
Opposition. Nil.						
Liberator "V"		160652 F/O. Fforde	Capt.	1325	1755	A/C. took off from Base and set course. Weather good en route. No.

		1523569 Sgt. Murray	2.P.			1 engine had to be feathered and A/C turned back 1915N 9630E and landed at Meiktila at 1725 hrs.
		165753 F/O. Smith	Nav.			
		166787 F/O. Brandreth	B/A.			
		1581571 Sgt. Williamson	1,WOP.			
		605649 Sgt. Ablack	2.WOP.			
		1594862 Sgt. Holden	A.G.			
		2223585 Sgt. Borg	Disp.			
		1604331 F/S. Capeling	F/E.			
Liberator KL473		1554259 W/O. Tucker	Capt.	1040	2330	The A/C. was airborne at 1040. En route was encountering bad weather. D.Z. clear. Dropped packages first then Joes. Joes landed O.K. All packages and Joes in 30 yds. Area. Set course for base. Landed 2330.
		A.437245 W/O. Yeats	2.P.			
		922489 W/O. Murphy	Nav.			
		1011925 Sgt. Gillies	Eng.			
		544422 F/S. Wright	B/A.			
		1820882 F/S. Donnelly	WOP.			
		158911 F/S. Fletcher	WOP.			
		2220479 Sgt. Manning	Disp.			
		2213867 F/S. Manfield	R.G.			
Liberator KH367		55068 F/O. Foster	Capt.	0705	1815	11.10. Airborne as briefed. First leg over Bay 1000'. Cloud Base 1200'. Over Chins weather good. 8/10 Sc., tops 8000'. Between Irrawaddy and Salween 10/10 Sc. tops 8000'. Pinpointed on Salween and carried out D.R. run over target area no breaks at all. Circled for a while but no joy. Proceeded t a place Tak on the Ping River. Let down through a break and commenced another D.R. run at 3000'. Just before reaching target weather again found to be down on the hills and the valley could not be penetrated. We decided to return. D.N.C.O. On returning we dropped 600 lbs.
		1816403 Sgt. Hancock	2.P.			
		166292 P/O. Taylor	Nav.			
		166373 F/O. Lindsay	A/B.			
		A.435173 W/O. McGrane	WOP.			
		A.430668 W/O. McGrath	WOP.			
		1812330 F/S. Johnson	Eng.			
		1868445 F/S. Carey	R.G.			
		3006747 F/S. Beckingham	A.G.			

						surrender leaflets. With flat ground and cloud base 1000, to obtain results dropped from 500'. They were dropped separately on towns, villages, railroads and roads between 1708 9750 and the Sittang. Returned to base, cloud on return fairly thick 8/10 Sc. tops 9000'.
Liberator KH257		160690 F/O. Sansom	Capt.	0910	2340	D.C.O. When over Bay, scattered small Cu., base 1000' tops 3000' 8/10 St. at 1200' and showers. Over Rangoon area 9/10 St. at 2000' but 4000' over Marlton Gulf, Vis. 15-20 miles. 0/10 Ast. at 5000' approx. Over Kra Isthmus, 7/10 Ast. base 5000'. Slight build up over higher ground of isolated Cu. Started D.R. run from briefed pinpoint. D.Z. located 3 runs, all load in D.Z. area. Weather on way back clear, with occasional extensive layers of St. base 1500', to 4000'. Nickels dropped on Merguison, return journey. Landed at 2340. Total time of trip, 1430.
		166187 F/O. Wilson	2.P.			
		1801375 F/S. Johnson	Nav.			
		165769 F/O. Trill	B/A.			
		1545133 Sgt. Smith	1.WOP.			
		1800718 Sgt. Cooks	2.WOP.			
		1595616 F/S. Murphy	Disp.			
		1820047 Sgt. Peaston <sup>4</sup>	R.G.			
		1692208 F/S. Buchanan	F/E.			
Liberator W.160		152553 F/O. Husband	Capt.	0655	0025	1730 A/C. was airborne at 0655, and reached the D.Z. area at 1430, after an uneventful flight at 1440 a suitable D.Z. was located, and Joes, stores were dropped in 4 runs, and course set for base at 1513. Base 0020, Landed 0025.
		151278 F/L. Wilson	2.P.			
		166737 F/O. Redfern	Nav.			
		166737 F/O. Newmen	(S)N.			
		166730 F/O. Armstrong	B/A.			
		424382 W/O. Crichton	WOP.			
		424054 W/O. O- Smith	WOP.			
		2206962 F/S. Jackson	F/E.			
		1405631 F/S. Richards	Disp.			
		756274 F/S. Pettman.	R.G.			
Liberator EW242		164419 F/O. Wilson	Capt.	0600	1910	1310. The weather was exceptionally good en route most of the cloud being topped at 20,000'. There was much less top cloud than has been prevalent in the past.
		J.22400 F/O. Free	(S)P.			
		Can.20508 Sgt. McDonald	2.P			

<sup>4</sup> In previous entry for this crew, this name is given as "Reason".

		J.47330 P/O. Renaud	Nav.			There were local daytime cumulus clds., at the D.Z. but only about 4/10. The reception was as briefed and the agents and load were dropped in four runs. The D.Z was very good and suitable for night drops. Weather good on return and crossed Chins at 10,000' only flying through a little cloud.
		J.47317 F/O. Haerber	B/A.			
		653388 F/S. Cosh	F/E.			
		Can.277091 F/S. Edwards	R.G.			
		1676709 F/S. Wilson	F/E.			
		Can.215262 Sgt. Clarke	WOP.			
		Can.2681213 Sgt. Grieg	WOP.			
		Can.281273 Sgt. Ross	Disp.			
Liberator KH309		161276 F/O. Sanders	Capt	0945	2315	Airborne base 0945. Climbed to 11,000' Cu. base 3000' tops 6000' to Fenny Point. Over hills increase tops 8-10,000' and showers in As. 8/10 Cu. Over Irrawaddy 8/10 Cu. and Ac. base 3000' tops 6000' increasing over hills to 8-9/10 Cu tops 11,000' occasional top 15-18,000'. Over F.I.C. plains 10/10 As with showers. Cu. 8/10 to 8000' base 3000'. Over D.Z. area 3/10 Cu. base 3000', Vis. 15-20 miles. Joes and packages dropped successfully. All chutes opened. Approx. time over D.Z. 16.12 to 16.35. Set course base 1635. Cu. built up on first leg home. tops 12,000-15,000 isolated 20,000'. Base 4000'. Over Irrawaddy area Ac. and Cu. tops 9000'. Over Bengal area 5/10 Ac. and Cu. base 3000' tops 6000'. Landed 2315. D.C.O.
		1673299 F/S. Dodd	2.P.			
		1803317 F/S. Newland	Nav.			
		187750 P/O. Booth	B/A.			
		1785332 F/S. Anderson	WOP.			
		1025625 Sgt. Thirkettle	WOP.			
		1876623 Sgt. Guntrip	R.G.			
		1835642 Sgt. Greenham	Disp.			
		1821704 Sgt. Thompson	ENG.			
A/C. S, G, F, W, and U were successful and made good drops. A/C. Q reached D.Z. but 10/10 Sc. and Cu. enveloping hills made dropping impossible. A/C. V had to put down at Meiktila after 4 hours due to engine failure. The general weather picture was 6-10/10 St. Sc. and Cu. up to 8/9000' and 15/18000', and based at 1000-4500'. A/C. G found 10/10 Cb. tops 8-9000'.						
	24.8.45					
Route A/C	"W". Base – 2246N 9126E – 2114N 9439E – 1803N 10140E – 1710N 10402E 1550N 10812E – Target – R.S.R.					
	G. Base – 2246N 9126E – 2203N 9843E – 2167N 10106E – 2120N 10510E – 2118N 10611E – 2200N 10650E – Target – R.S.R.					
	K. Base – 1948N 9310E – 1711N 9740E – 2141N 10402E 1118N 10516E – Target – R.S.R.					
	S. Base – 2346N 9126E – 2203N 9345E – 2147N 10105E – 2120N 10510E – 2103N 10637E – Target – R.S.R.					
	F. Base – 1948N 9310E – 1711N 9740E – 1241N 10402E – 1118N 10516E – Target – R.S.R.					
	U. Base – 2246N 9126E – 2114N 9453E – 1810N 10304E – Target – R.S.R.					





		1603660 F/S. Foreman	W.A.G.			storms then clear to base, back at base bad weather, but landed.
		1880119 F/S. Potts	Disp.			DNCO. (Packages brought back) at 0505. Screened F/L. Wilson and full crew.
		3012224 Sgt. Hughes	R.G.			
Liberator KH271 "K"		87457 S/L. Pollock	Capt.	0900	0035	A/C. airborne 0900. Climbed to 10500 Cu. up to 9000' until past Chin hills, afterwards scattered Cu. and some As. 7/10 Cu. Frequent showers over D.Z. area, from As. Cu. and Cb. Local cloud base 2000', but clearing over immediate D.Z. area. D.Z. area mainly under standing water, but some dry patches with access to main roads. Made two runs, 3 Joes, first, the Packages, all down O.K. Sc. 1645, climbed to 2000', remained at this height until past bad weather belt, then climbed to 12,500'. Weather back O.K. except for occasional belts of Cu. Landed 0035.
		165942 F/O. James	2.P			
		1805834 F/S. Edwards	Nav.			
		1320624 F/S. Hounslow	A/B.			
		1600891 F/S. Eaton	WOP.			
		655952 F/S. Watt	WOP.			
		NZ.44805 F/S. Wallis	Disp.			
		166278 F/O. Coxall	(S)D			
		1697939 F/S. Mclvor	Eng.			
		151668 F/L. Titchmarsh	(S)N.			
Liberator KH309		152103 F/O. Sealy	Pilot	1105	0010	A/C. airborne 1105 climbed to 11000' weather to D.Z. area good. 8-9/10 Sc. and Cu. tops 9,600'. Broken As – base 15,000'. D.Z. area clear. Cu. 1710. Made 4 runs, all Joes, cans, and packs down O.K. Set Course 1755, climbed to 12,000', weather back O.K. Landed base, 0010.
		151408 F/O. Macartney	2.P			
		167470 P/O. Urquhart	Nav.			
		167435 P/O. Sumner	A/B.			
		166884 P/O. Hillman	Disp.			
		1405661 F/S. Richards	(S)D			
		1800775 Sgt. Marlow	WOP.			
		1801720 Sgt. Truss	WOP.			
		1852499 F/S. Bridger.	Eng.			
		1391339 Sgt. Startin	A.G			
Liberator EW242		161276 F/O. Sanders	Capt	0905	0140	1635. Took off on time climbed to 4000' over sea. 4/10 Cu. tops 5000', base 2000'. As. 8000'. Yehavar. Over land Cu. increased 8/10 6000-8000' tops base 3000'. AS. at
		1673299 F/S. Dodd	2.P.			
		1336825 F/S. Meyer	(S)P.			

		1803317 F/S. Newland	Nav.			10,000' and showers. Over F.I.C. plains 4/10 Cu. base 3000' tops 6000'. As. 8000' and showers. Over D.Z. area low stratus, base 1000'. Frequent showers. 3 Joes and packages dropped O.K. Set course base. Weather over plains deteriorating with thunderstorms and showers in As. 10/10 10,000'. Over Irrawaddy Cu. tops 8000'. As. 11,000', with occasional shower. Over Sea broken C. 4/10-6/10 tops 5000', base 2000'. Over base stratus at 1500'. Landed base at 0140 D.C.O.
		187750 P/O. Booth	B/A.			
		164816 F/O. McMillan	(S)N.			
		1785382 F/S. Anderson	WOP.			
		1876623 Sgt. Guntrip	R.G.			
		1836542 Sgt. Greenham	Disp.			
		1175592 Sgt. Coates	WOP.			
Liberator KH257		1339782 W/O. Room.	Capt	1128	2318	Climbed from base to 13,000' weather fair descended to 5000' over Mekong. D.R. run O.K. Spotted D.Z. 5 miles away. 2 runs made to drop load. S/c. Naung Kai. P.O.W. camp located. Leaflets dropped. S/C. for base, climbed to 15000'. Return uneventful, landed 2318. P.T. wheel collapsed on landing crew unhurt.
		1816270 Sgt. Mitchell	2.P.			
		166021 F/O. Gibbs	Nav.			
		166158 F/O. Barnett	B/A.			
		1566629 F/S. Armit	WOP.			
		1685063 Sgt. Quinn	WOP.			
		1823062 F/S. Farmer	F/E			
		974735 Sgt. Murphy	Disp.			
		2205526 Sgt Preece	A.G.			
		1860623 F/S. Woods.	A.G.			
Liberator KH258		152241 F/O. Vere- Hodge	Capt.	0640	1938	A/C took off at 0640. S/C. at 1000', Climbed to 10,000'. Weather to D.Z. good 5-7/10 Sc. at. D.Z. Cu. building up with local showers. Two D.R. runs made and D.Z. recognised as briefed but not any reception. Three runs made over D.Z. and area surrounding D.Z. searched. arrived D.Z. area 12.10 S/C. for base at 1345, height 12,000'. Cu. and Cl. Building up to 18,000'. Landed base 1930.
		166556 P/O. Harper	2.P.			
		167421 P/O. Boreham	Nav.			
		167436 P/O. Randall	B/A.			
		1685411 Sgt. Parkes	WOP.			
		1300574 Sgt. Kay	WOP.			
		1836165 F/S. Thomas	Eng.			
		1675652 Sgt. Spark	Disp.			
		1524106 Sgt. Gaulton	R.G.			

Liberator KH367		169703 F/O. Shipp	Capt.	0630	1840	1210. Took off O.K. and climbed to 8000'. Weather 8-9/10 Sc. all the way. On first run could not pick out D.Z. for cloud so carried on and let down through gap and approached D.Z. from the East, where the ground is lower. The actual D.Z. is on a hill approx. 4800'. Hills to the N.W & S.W. to 6000', but 8-9 miles away. It is a large field about 200 yds. diameter with a grass surface. A large village is on the S.E. edge of the field. Three runs were made and everything was seen to land in the D.Z. We then proceeded to Moulmein and followed the railway S.E. to various P.O.W. camps where we dropped leaflets and took various photographs. Return journey O.K. cloud about the same as on way out but tops to 10-12 thousand. Landed base O.K.
		J.22400 F/O. Free	(S)C.			
		J.47317 F/O. Haeber	2.P			
		J.47330 P/O. Renaud	Nav.			
		R.205058 Sgt. McDonald	B/A.			
		Can.215262 Sgt. Clarke	WOP.			
		Can.2681213 Sgt. Greig	WOP.			
		R.281373 Sgt. Ross	Eng.			
		1676709 Sgt. Wilson	R.G.			
All these A/C. made successful drops except for A/C's G and D who located the D.Z. but were unable to drop due to unfavourable weather conditions. The general weather picture was 3-110/10 St. and Sc. between 1-10,000' with 3-10/10 Cu. between 3-6000', and 11-15000' with numerous thunderstorms on the journeys, (return).						
	26.8.45					
Route A/C	"K". Base – 1948N 9310E – 1532N 9740E – 1323N 10000E – 1133N 10257E – Target – R.S.R.					
	D. Base – 1948N 9310E – 1737N 9651E – 1711N 9740E – Target – R.S.R.					
	T. Base – 1948N 9310E – 1737N 9651E – 1711N 9740E – 1629N 9804E – Target – R.S.R.					
	W. Base – 2114N 9455E – 1603N 10140E – 2003N 10213E – 1355N 10718E – 1306N 10845E – Target – 2003N 10213E – 1803N 10140E – 2114N 9453E – Base.					
	O. Base – 1948N 9310E – 1532N 9740E – 1323N 10000E – 1133N 10257E – Target – 1134N 10257E – 1323N 10000E – Darian Pt. – 1550N 9425E – Base.					
	H. Base – 2246N 9126E – 2114N 9453E – 1810N 10304E – Meiktila.					
Load	A/C.	Leaflets	Bodies	Conts.	Pkgs.	Weight
	K	16	3	--	6	583
	D	16	--	11	7	3200
	T	16	--	11	6	3341
	W	16	1	--	5	1000
	O	16	2	--	6	589
	H	16	3	7	--	<sup>6</sup>
Opposition. Nil.						
Liberator K271 <sup>7</sup>		152553 F/O. Husband	Capt.	0810	0125	A/C. was airborne 0810. S/C. and climbed to 2000', weather 6/10 St. 2500'. Broken cloud all the way to
		151278 F/L. Wilson	(S)P.			

<sup>6</sup> Weight not given.<sup>7</sup> This is probably KH271 "K".

		166737 F/O. Redfern	Nav.			the D.Z. area, which was located at 1430. At 1445, a suitable D.Z. was found and 2 dropping runs were made. 1st. for Joes, 2nd. for packages. The A/C. S/C. base at 1509, over the coast of Kra Isthmus, Cb. and C. were encountered but avoided by alteration of course to the South over the Bay, weather was good, base 0120, with cloud base 700'. Landed 0125.
		166744 F/O. Newmen	(S)N.			
		424054 W/O. O- Smith	WOP.			
		1523082 F/S. Mellor	WOP.			
		2206962 F/S. Jackson	F/E.			
		1405631 F/S. Richards	Disp.			
		1880119 Sgt. Pitts	(S)D.			
		3012224 Sgt. Hughes	R.G.			
		2201282 Sgt. Graham.	B/A.			
Liberator KH258		J.22400 F/O. Free	Capt.	0915	1015 <sup>8</sup>	A/C. u/s. at briefed take off time. O.K.d by ops. for late take off. Route to Shwegan as briefed. Weather 5-7/10 Cu. with layers of As. D.R. runs made to D.Z. at 1300 but due to cloud and rain unable to make contact. Held of to the South as weather was moving northward. Area was clear 1430. No reception left area 1500. Briefed to drop nickels at Kadeingti and Kamamaung but no camp at either site. Returned to base briefed rout. 7-8/10 Cu. on return route.
		R.205058 W/O. McDonald	2.P			
		1676709 Sgt. Wilson	Eng.			
		J.47330 P/O. Renaud	Nav.			
		J.47317 F/O. Haeber	B/A.			
		R.215262 Sgt. Clarke	WOP.			
		R.2681213 Sgt. Greig	WOP.			
		1898963 Sgt. O'Reilly	R.G.			
		R.281373 F/S. Ross	Disp.			
Liberator EV991		160690 F/O. Sansom	Capt.	0602	1650	1050. Took off O.K. Climbed to 1000'. 7/10 low stratus over Bay, base 1000' tops 2000'. Climbed to 7000' 8/10 A St. over Arakan base 5000' tops 8000' with occasional Cu. Cloud over Mulmein area, 9/10 low St. base 2000'. Height 3000' 8/10 A St., base 6000' tops 9000'. Over D.Z. area 9/10 St. over hills, base 2000' (approx). 3 D.R. runs made and D.Z. not located, as obscured by cloud. D.N.C.O. Dropped nickels at Mulmein. Weather same on way back with Cu. build up. Landed at base O.K. 1650.
		1605359 F/S. Wilson	2.P.			
		1801375 F/S. Johnson	Nav.			
		165769 F/O. Trill	B/A.			
		1545133 Sgt. Smith	WOP.			
		1800718 Sgt. Cook	WOP.			
		1595616 F/S. Murphy	Disp.			
		1692208 F/S. Buchanan	Eng.			
		1820047 Sgt. Peaston	R.G.			

<sup>8</sup> This time probably in error an should be 0115?

Liberator KH160		160652 F/O. Fforde	Capt.	1445	0845	0600 Day. 1200 Night. Weather on outward journey 8/10 Cu. and Sc. tops 10,000' up to and over Chins, with scattered thunderstorms. Over Coast rang 8-9/10 Cu. and S/C. tops 9-11,000'. Clear over D.Z. area 1-2/10 Sc. Searched area twice (clear moonlight) after locating area by local landmarks. No sign of reception so returned to base in weather that was clear until over Chins – Base 8-9/10 Cu. and Sc. tops 10,000', base 700'. Base reached O.K.
		1336875 F/S. Meyer	(S)P.			
		1391863 Sgt. Jerwood	2.P.			
		165753 F/O. Smith	Nav.			
		164816 F/O. McMillan	(S)N.			
		1603569 F/S. Waterman	A/B.			
		1175592 Sgt. Coates	WOP.			
		1286927 Sgt. Charman	WOP.			
		1575747 Sgt. Thompson	Disp.			
		1568512 Sgt. Birnie	A.G.			
		1640405 Sgt. Reaves	F/E.			
		2223585 F/S. Borg	(S)D.			
Liberator KH354		1322931 W/O. McCulloch	Capt.	0940	1820	0840. A/C airborne at 0940 hrs. set course and climbed to 10,000', held this height all the way, weather was fair Cu. base 3000' 5/10 to 10,000' some tops up to 25000'. At approx. 1445 oil and smoke came from No. 2 engine, the oil lasted 20 mins. then due to low oil pressure feathered the engine. Shortly after turning round to head towards Meiktila No. 4 engine was throwing oil out of the breather and was running rough, No. 3 engine had 15 lbs fuel pressure only, after approx. three hours arrived at Meiktila, on
		1608533 Sgt. Newman	2.P			
		1820787 Sgt. Robinson	Nav.			
		165721 F/O. Cook.	(S)N.			
		166167 F/O. Kensett	B/A.			
		1446070 Sgt. Brindley	WOP.			
		1455201 Sgt. Barlow	WOP.			
		166278 F/O. Coxall	Disp.			
		1588425 Sgt. Grey	R.G.			

<sup>9</sup> Record says "No. 4", but this may refer to No. 2.

								switching off checked engines found No. 2 oil filter collapsed, bearing u/s. oil leak from rocker arm and two cylinders not firing, No. 4 <sup>9</sup> oil tank was empty. No 4 had bad oil leak and only 2 pints of oil left in tank, engine cutting out on approach and oil pressure 70 lbs. On ground run of No. 3 just 3 lb fuel pressure, engine suffering from fuel starvation as the maintenance dept. cannot service the A/C. Load transferred to A/C. from 358 Sqdn. and brought back to base, this being on the 31st. Aug, after five days at Meiktila.
	Only two A/C. K and O were successful. Of the remainder, D and W received no reception at the D.Z. and T found low cloud at the D.Z. and therefore these three A/C. were unable to drop. A/C H was forced to turn back and landed successfully at Meiktila with engine failure in three engines. The weather encountered was 4-10/10 Sc. between 5-8000', with some low stratus 4-6/10 Cu. between 3-10,000' with some tops up to 25000', 6-10/10 As. at 15000' and light rain showers.							
	28.8.45							
Route A/C	"S". Base – 2246N 9126E – 2114N 9453E – Uttaradit – Savannokhat – D.Z. – 1803N 10140E – 2114N 9453E – 2246N 0126E – Base.							
	B. Base – 2246N 9126E – 2114N 9453E – 1903N 10140E – 1513N 10454E – Target – 1803N 10140E – 2114N 9453E – 2246N 9126E – Base.							
	W. Base – 1948N 9310E – 1532N 9740E – 1323N 10000E – 1133N 10257E – 1056N 10818E – Target – R.S.R.							
	K. Base – 1948N 9310E – 2026N 10018E – 2120N 10510E – Target – R.S.R.							
	T. Base – 1948N 9310N 9804E <sup>10</sup> – Target – R.S.R.							
	G. Base – 1948N 9310E – 1853N 9720E – 1803N 10140E – 1737N 10428E – 1639N 1724E <sup>11</sup> – Target – R.S.R.							
	A. Base – 1942N 9310E – Toungoo – Target – R.S.R.							
Load	A/C.	Leaflets	Bodies	Conts.	Pkgs.	Weight		
	S	18	--	10	7	2023		
	B	18	--	10	7	2062		
	W	16	6	--	5	1650		
	K	16	6	--	4	1452		
	T	13	--	11	6	3341		
	G	2	6	5	4	1577		
	A	16	--	11	6	3044		
Opposition.	Nil.							
Liberator KH309		153241 F/O. Vere-Hodge		Capt.		1020	0040	A/C. took off at 1020 and S/C. at 1000'. 5/10-6/10 Sc and Cu. at Beurya Is. climbed to 10,000'. 5/10 Sc. and heavy Cu. Let down over
		166556 P/O. Harper		2.P.				

<sup>10</sup> This is what the record reads, but obviously an error in the entry.

<sup>11</sup> This is what the record reads, but obviously not the right coordinate.

		167421 P/O. Boreham	Nav.			Uttaradit, dropped leaflets on P.O.W. camp. Flew at 7000' to Savannokhit, leaflets dropped at another P.O.W. camp. D.Z. area reached at 0610 and drops made at night. S/C. for base at 0640, climbing to 12,000'. 10/10 As. scattered cu. Sc. and Cb. up to 20,000'. Landed at base 0040. 1/10 Sc.
		167436 P/O. Randall	B/A.			
		1685411 Sgt. Parkes	WOP.			
		1300574 Sgt. Kay	WOP.			
		NZ.44805 F/S. Wallis	Disp.			
		1836163 F/S. Thomas	Eng.			
		631146 Sgt. Oliver	R.G.			
Liberator EV925		55068 F/O. Foster	Capt.	1155	0315	D.C.O. Take off delayed.
		1816403 Sgt. Hancock	2.P.			
		166292 F/O. Taylor	Nav.			
		166373 F/O. Lindsay	A/B.			
		A.435173 W/O. McGrane	WOP.			
		F/O. Mobsby	WOP.			
		1868443 F/S. Carey	Disp.			
		3006747 F/S. Beckingham	R.G.			
		1812330 F/S. Johnson	Eng.			
Liberator KH160		169703 F/O. Shipp	Capt.	0625	0135	1910. Airborne at time briefed. Outward journey at 6,000'. Weather very good, light Cu. only. The leader of the 6 Joes co-operated in finding a suitable D.Z. It was a clearing approx. 100 yds diameter, and about 4 miles from a small village and good road. All chutes opened. Two were seen to drift into a small tree but all landed safely. The five packages were dropped O.K. Return journey good.
		127535 F/L. Legg	(S)P.			
		166093 F/O. Arscott	2.P			
		166353 F/O. Brandon	Nav.			
		166440 F/O. Berresford	(S)N.			
		166377 F/O. Walker	A/B.			
		166130 F/O. Cooper	WOP.			
		1576835 F/S. Franks	WOP.			
		979823 F/S. Williams	Disp.			
		1817754 F/S. Stevenson	A/G.			
Liberator "K"		J.20131 F/O. Ellinor	Capt.	0630	2045	1415. A/C. airborne 0630, and climbed to 10,000'. Nothing exceptional to just before target where Cu. and Cb. 10/10. Flew
		55677 P/O. Morrison	2.P.			

		J.47342 P/O. M'vitch	Nav.			through and descended. Dropped leaflets at nil feet and then found a dry spot for the packages and bods. Climbed to 12,000', and set course base. Cb. and Cu. 10/10 5-25,000'. Very bad but managed with luck to go through only hitting one Cb. Over Shans started to clear as let down and arrived base 2030. Landed 2045. D.C.O. Weather duff.
		J.47363 F/O. Steele	B/A.			
		R.268213 Sgt. Greig	WOP.			
		1785332 Sgt. Anderson	WOP.			
		J.47454 F/O. McKenzie	Disp.			
		J.47466 F/O. Moore	R.G.			
		185491 F/O. Miller	Eng.			
Liberator EV991		164419 F/O. Wilson	Capt.	0550	1550	7-8/10 Sc. en route base 3000' tops 5000'. 7/10 Cu. at target up to 8-9000'. The reception was as briefed but the recognition symbols were brownish instead of white. Smoke fires were good. Load dropped in two runs all chutes opening and load seen to drop near the ground signals. Nickels dropped at Shwegun on return D.Z. is not good for night drops.
		1336875 F/S. Meyer	(S)P.			
		1391863 Sgt. Jerwood	2.P.			
		1800614 F/S. Hobins	(S)N.			
		164079 F/O. Kay	B/A.			
		164816 F/O. McMillan.	Nav.			
		1175592 Sgt. Goates	WOP.			
		1286927 Sgt. Charman	WOP.			
		1575747 Sgt. Thompson	Disp.			
		1568512 Sgt. Birnie	R.G.			
		1640405 Sgt. Reeves	Eng.			
Liberator KL573		1339782 W/O. Room.	Capt	0910	0010	Climbed from Base to 13,000'. Weather fair, large Cu. build ups in places. Climbed to 16000' to pass through gap in extensive line of Cbs. over hills east of Mekong. Descended to Position for D.R. run. Position for blind drop decided on map reference. Joes dropped in two runs. Containers and packages in two runs. All landed safely. Climbed W. along coast located gap at 16000'. Descended to 12,000' west of hills. Return uneventful, scattered Cb. over route. Landed 0010.
		1816270 Sgt. Mitchell	2.P.			
		166021 F/O. Gibbs	Nav.			
		166158 F/O. Barnett	B/A.			
		1366629 F/S. Armit	WOP.			
		1800718 Sgt. Cook	WOP.			
		1823062 F/S. Farmer	Eng.			
		974735 Sgt. Murphy	Disp.			
		2205526 Sgt Preece	A.G.			
Liberator KH392		152103 F/O. Sealy	Pilot	0605	1330	A/C. airborne 0605. Climbed to 1000' over Bay of Bengal. Weather



		151408 F/O. Macartney	2.P				6-8/10 Sc. – 10/10 As. bases 10,000'. Climbed over Arakan coast to 8500', cloud 6/10 Cu. tops 8000'. 8/10 As. arrived D.Z. area 0925. Found D.Z. on first run. Weather 7/10 Cu. base on hills tops 8000'. Made 2 runs, all cans and packs. down O.K. S/C. base 0945. Weather back similar to that experienced going out. Landed base 1330.
		167470 P/O. Urquhart	Nav.				
		167433 P/O. Sumner	A/B.				
		1800775 Sgt. Marlow	WOP.				
		1801720 Sgt. Truss	WOP.				
		166884 P/O. Hillman	Disp.				
		1852499 F/S. Bridger.	Eng.				
		1391339 Sgt. Startin	A.G				
All these A/C. successfully completed their missions and made good drops. The general weather situation was 4-10/10 Sc. base 2-5,00' and tops 5-8,000' and Cu. based 3-4000' up to 15-20,000'. Across FIC Cb. belt 5/10 Based at 4000', accompanied by frequent thunderstorms, and 9-10/10 As. at 9-10,000'.							
Route	30.8.45						
A/C "B". Base – 1648N 9310E – 1853N 9720E – 1820N 10356E – Target – 1633N 10446E – 1514N 10453E – Target 2 – 1803N 10140E – 1948N 9310E – Base.							
Load	A/C.	Leaflets	Bodies	Containers.	Pkgs.	Weight	
	B	18	4	11	6	1952	
Opposition.	Nil.						
Liberator "B"		152553 F/O. Husband	Capt.	0850	0001		Airborne 0850. S/C. at 1000', weather good, 5/10 Cu. to 1st. D.Z. Arrived 1430 made one run and dropped containers. S/C. Savanneket P.O.W. camp. 1440. Dropped nickels and then set course for Ouban P.O.W. camp. 1450. Arrived 1630. Dropped nickels and reached D.Z. 1640. 3 dropping runs for Joes, packages etc. S/C. base 1700, weather good en route, base 2358 Landed 0001.
		1603971 F/S. Banks	2.P.				
		166737 F/O. Redfern	Nav.				
		166780 F/O. Armstrong	B/A.				
		424382 W/O. Crichton	WOP.				
		424054 W/O. O- Smith	WOP.				
		2206962 F/S. Jackson	Eng.				
		1405631 F/S. Richards	Disp.				
		756274 F/S. Pettman.	R.G.				
A/C. successfully completed its mission, and made a good drop. The general weather situation was 1-8/10 Cu. base 4000' tops 10-15,000' with 10/10 As. and 10/10 Ci above.							
	31.8.45						

Route A/C	"W". Base – 1948N 9310E – 1532N 9740E – 1323N 10000E – 1233N 10257E – 1056N 10818E – Target – 1323N 10000E – 1532N 9740E – 1948N 9310E – Base.					
	A. Base – 1948N 9310E – 1803N 10140E – 1757N 10237E – Target – R.S.R.					
	G. Base – 1948N 9310E – 1711N 9740E – Target – 1345N 9816E – 1227N 9836E – 1712N 9804E 1631N 9414E – Base.					
	K. Base – 1948N 9310E – 1532N 9740E – 1323N 10000E – 1133N 10257E – Target – R.S.R.					
Load	A/C.	Leaflets	Bodies	Conts.	Pkgs.	Weight
	W	16	6	4	4	--
	A	16	--	4	11	2066
	G	16	--	11	7	--
	K	16	6	4	6	--
Opposition.	Nil.					
Liberator KH160		161276 F/O. Sanders		Capt. (S)P	0617	0027
		127555 F/L. Legg		1st. Pilot		
		55677 F/O. Manson		2.P.		
		166440 F/O. Berresford		Nav.		
		1803317 F/S. Newland		(S)N.		
		1673688 F/S. Simpson		B/A.		
		1576837 F/S. Franks		WOP.		
		1549698 F/S. McGregor		WOP.		
		1685317 F/S. Tracey		Disp.		
		1812677 Sgt. Hubbard		R.G.		
		1640344 Sgt. O'Connor		Eng.		
Liberator KL473		151271 F/L. Wilson		Capt.	0610	1723
		166212 P/O. Medley		2.P.		
		166744 F/O. Newman		Nav.		
		2201282 Sgt. Graham		B/A.		
		1523082 Sgt. Mellor		WOP.		
		673068 Sgt. Kirkman		WOP.		
		1880119 F/S. Pitts		Disp.		
		3012704 Sgt. Hughes		R.G.		

Liberator "K"		J.22400 F/O. Free	Capt.	0705	0110	Took off 20 min. early, climbing to 2000'. Weather 4-15/10 Cu. across bay. Two hrs. out, climbed to 8000' experiencing only scattered showers and Cu. ranging from 6/10 down to nil over target area. Considerable time over target area, no room to dress all bods at one time. Bods dropped on racecourse east of Khompog Speu. Nickels dropped O.K. but P.O.W. leaflets returned. Weather over Saigon. Return trip at 8000' 6-8/10 Cu. scattered showers, with numerous Cb. about. Landed 0110.
		R.205058 W/O. McDonald	2.P			
		J.47330 P/O. Renaud	Nav.			
		J.47317 F/O. Haeber	B/A.			
		R.2681213 Sgt. Greig	WOP.			
		R.215262 Sgt. Clarke	WOP.			
		1676709 F/S. Wilson	Eng.			
		R.281373 F/S. Ross	Disp.			
		R.277901 Sgt. Edwards	A.G.			
		165931 F/O. McBeath	(S)N.			
<sup>12</sup>						
All these A/C were successful but A/C. W could not drop as briefed pin point owing to bad weather conditions, A/C. K found the briefed D.Z. flooded, and A/C. G received no reception at the Primary D.Z., so dropped only on Secondary. Otherwise all made good drops. The weather encountered was 3-10/10 Sc. and Cu. up to 8-15000' with scattered showers, accompanied by some low St. There were big thunderstorms in the Saigon area, and A/C. W met a bad squall over the D.Z.						

<sup>12</sup> The details of one of the four aircraft flying on this day are not in the record.