MISSION SUMMARY REPORT

F.O. 239
BOMBER ESCORT - BRUNSWICK
10 FEBRUARY, 1944
2 SORTIE CREDITS

- A. 55TH FIGHTER SQUADRON CAPT. MCLARY LEADING
- 8. 17 P-38S UP WITTERING 0938 DOWN 1350
- C. 3
- D. BOMBER ESCORT F.O. 239
- E. 2 E/A
- F. ONE NEAR SUTTON BRIDGE CAT. UNKNOWN (JACK TAYLOR)
- G. 1ST LT. JACK TAYLOR, 2ND LT. JOHN W. LUNDIN 2ND LT. ROYAL D. FREY
- H. 3 0 2
 CAPT. MCLARY ME 110 DESTROYED FW 190 DAMAGED
 ME 410 DESTROYED ME 110 DAMAGED

1ST LT. W.B. TAYLOR ONE (1) ME 109 DESTROYED

I. MADE L/F IN 1050 ALKMAAR 23/24000 FEET. SAW CHUTE GO DOWN WEST OF MEPPEL AT 1100. ONE NEW FW 190 MADE ATTACK ON LUNDIN VICINITY OF HAZELUNNE. SPUN DOWN 1115. CHUTE THOUGHT TO OPEN LOW. R/V WITH BOMBERS 1117 NEAR QUACKENBRUCK 24,000 FEET. FORMATION GOOD. SAW ANOTHER CHUTE JUST EAST OF QUACKENBRUCK. B-17 TO EXPLODE AT 1129 NEAR DIEPHOLZ. 55TH GROUP R/V 1121 HOURS AT ABOUT 25/26,000 FEET. WE WERE OVER TARGET 1130 HOURS - WITHDREW 1145. SQUADRON BEHIND BOMBERS DUE TO BOUNCES BY 2- ME-109, 2- ME 110S AND 15/20 ME 410S WORKING JUST N.W. OF TARGET. HERE MCLARY AND TAYLOR GOT ABOVE CLAIMS. 410 PROBABLY GOT LT. FREY HERE ALSO. SAW 5 CHUTES FROM B-17 N.W. OF TARGET. W/D FROM BOMBERS NORTH OF TARGET AT ABOUT 1145 HOURS. L/F OUT BETWEEN IJMUDEN AND ALKMAAR BY FLIGHTS AT VARIOUS TIMES FROM 1200 TO 1250 HOURS AT FROM 8,000 TO 13,000 FEET.

FLAK - ACCURATE NEAR IJMUIDEN

SAW 6/8 FW-190'S LONG NOSE TYPE, 2 ME 110'S 2 ME 109'S AND 15/20 ME 410'S ALL VERY AGGRESSIVE

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- A. 77TH FIGHTER SQUADRON, 20TH FIGHTER GROUP, LT. COL. MONTGOMERY LEADING.
- B. 17 UP AT 0942. DOWN AT 1352.
- C. THREE
- D. PENETRATION AND TARGET SUPPORT, FIELD ORDER NO. 239.
- E. ONE REASON UNKNOWN.
- F. NIL.
- G. ONE CAPT. ROBERT W. HOLMES, WHO SAID HE WAS BAILING OUT.
- H. O-O-4. ONE (1) FW-190 DAMAGED BY LT. COL. MONTGOMERY.
 ONE (1) ME-210 DAMAGED BY CAPT. P.J. SABO.
 - TWO (2) ME-110 DAMAGED BY CAPT. P.J. SABO.

I. LANDFALL IN AT BERGEN AAN ZEE AT 1045 AT 25,000 FT. R/V WITH THIRD DIV. BOMBERS AT 1112 AT 25,000 FT. IN VICINITY OF NIEUBURG. ENCOUNTERED FIFTY (50) SE AND THIRTY (30) TE E/A BETWEEN R/V AND TARGET. NUMEROUS ENGAGEMENTS RESULTED. CLAIMS OF 0-0-4 RESULTED. STAYED WITH BOMBERS UNTIL 1145. LANDFALL BACK WAS AT 1300 AT BERGEN AAN ZEE ON DECK AND UP TO 19,000 FT.

SAW B-17 WITHOUT TAIL EXPLODE, WITH TWO OR THREE CHUTES IMMEDIATELY AFTER TWO (2) FW-190s ATTACKED THIS BOMBER WITH ROCKETS. ANOTHER B-17 IN A TIGHT SPIRAL WITH FOUR CHUTES COMING OUT; ANOTHER B-17 WITH ALL ENGINES FLAMING AND YET ANOTHER B-17 IN SPIN. THESE WERE ALL IN VICINITY OF TARGET AREA. SAW MANY SE E/A ATTACKING REAR BOX OF BOMBERS FROM BEHIND. SAW 10-12 TE E/A GO THROUGH BOMBER FORMATION AND ATTACK HEAD ON MADE BY YELLOW LEADER. TE E/A USING ROCKETS PARTICULARLY AGGRESSIVE.

FLAK HEAVY AND ACCURATE IN TARGET AREA, ALSO ACCURATE HEAVY FLAK AT HAN-NOVER.

TUG BOAT SHOT UP IN ZUIDER ZEE ON WAY OUT BY YELLOW FLIGHT.

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10 February 1944

A. 79th Fighter Squadron

Capt. Carl E. Jackson, leading.

B. 11 P38s Up: 0947 Down: 1400

C. 1 P38 - mechanical

D. Ramrod - bomber escort F. O. 239 Target: Brunswick, Germany

E. None

F. None

H. (1) Destroyed 1 Fw 190 - Capt. Meyer

1 Destroyed 1 Fw 190 - Capt. Jackson

1 Me 210 - Lt. Lefevre

(2) Probable: None (3) Damaged: 1 FW 190 - Lt. Cooper

I. In: N. of Egmond - 1047 - 26,000 R/V Dummer Lake - 1120 - 26,000 WD N. of Hannover-1145 - 21,000 Out S.of Den Helder 1245 - 10,000

E/A At least 50 s.e. E/A were seen mostly FW190s and most of them North of Minden at R/V; some were also seen near German border on way in but P47s were attacking these. E/A were aggressive and bombers were vigorously attacked. At least 4 B17s were seen destroyed by E/A in Hannover area one of which was destroyed by mid air collision with FW 190. From 5 to 10 chutes were seen in this area. Long nosed 100s seen 5 to 10 chutes were seen in this area. Long nosed 190s seen.

Several P38s were in trouble and Capt. Jackson made 360 to round up those that had to return. 3 came out on single engine protected by approximately 9 others. Capt. Holmes (77th) bailed out west of Minden. Rest returned safely.

Bomber formation: strng out - many stragglers. R/T : bad - much interference.

TELEPHONE FLASH REPORT

a.	Designation of Unit	20TH FIGHTER GROUP.
<u>b.</u>	Time of Landing	1350
<u>c</u> .	Aircraft NYR (State if believed Lost)	4 NYR'S 2 HELIEVED LOST.
d.	Estimated Claims	Destroyed 6 Probable O Damaged 7
	Brief description of Mission Weather - Battle Cama, e	IN EGMOND 1047, 25,000 FEET. R/V NEAR DIEPHOLZ 111 25,000 FEET. TARGET 1130, 25,000 FEET. LEFT BOMBE 1145 25,000 FEET NORTH OF HANNOVER. 79TH SQDN. ENGAGED IN FIGHT WITH S/E E/A JUST NE OF HANNOVER A WERE FORCED TO WITHDRAW AT 1145. 4 B17'S SEEN GOI IN. 50 PLUS E/A ENCOUNTERED 20 PLUS JUST OVER DUTCH BORDER. 30PLUS NORTH OF HANNOVER. OUT ALKMAAR 1250, 10,000 FEET

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A.	Designation of Unit	55TH FIGHTER SQUADRON.
b.	Time of Landing	1350
<u>c.</u>	Aircraft NYR (State if believed Lost)	3 NYR'S . LT. LUNDIN LOST. BOUIE DOWN DIESTON.
d.	Estimated Claims	Destroyed 3 Probable 0 Damaged 2
е.	Brief description of Mission	
		L/F 1050 ALKMAAR AS BRIEFED, 23 - 24,000 FEET.

f. Weather - Battle damage

L/F 1050 ALKMAAR AS BRIEFED, 23 - 24,000 FEET.
R/V WITH BOMBERS 1117, 24,000 FEET NEAR QUAKENBROOKE.
BOMBERS IN GOOD FORMATION OVER TARGET AT 1130,
WITHDREW 1145 NEAR CELLE. CAME OUT IN FLIGHTS
IJMUDEN TO ALKMAAR 8,000 to 13,000 FEET.
SAW NEW 190 - 109- 410'S (15 OR 20)
LUNDIN THOUGHT TO HAVE BAILED OUT OVER HAZELUNNE 1115
THOUGHT CHUTE SEEN. 190 SHOT HIM DOWN. 2 B% 17's
IN TROUBLE ONE EXPLODED DISPHOLZ AT 1129.
2 OTHER CHUTES WEST OF MEPPEL AT 1100 AND ONE EACH AT
QUAKENBROOKE AT 1120....

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Designation of Unit	77TH FIGHTER SQUADRON.
Time of Landing	1352.
Aircraft NYR (State if believed Lost)	1 NYR CAPTAIN HOLMES.
Estimated Claims	Destroyed O Probable O Damaged 74
. Brief description of Mission	
Weather - Battle dames e	L/F IN BERGEN ON ZEE 1045, 25,000 FEET. R/V VICIN NEENBURG AT 1112, 25,000 FEET. FAIRLY TIGHT BOMBE FORMATION. E/A VERY ACTIVE. 4 BOMBERS SEEN GOING DOWN. 4 CHUTES SEEN. SHOT UP TUG BOAT IN ZUIDER OUT SAME PLACE 1300, DECK TO 19,000 FEET. ONE FLI OF 4 GOT TO TARGET. LEFT BOMBERS 1445, 25,000 FEE

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a. Designation of Unit	79TH FIGHTER SQUADRON.
b. Time of Landing	1340
e. Aircraft NYR (State if believed Lost)	2 NYR'S.
d. Estimated Claims	Destroyed 3 Probable 0 Damaged 1
e. Brief description of Mission f. Weather - Battle damage	IN EGMOND 1047, 26,000 FEET. R/V DUMMER LAKE 1120, 26,000 FEET. LEFT BOMBERS JUST NORTH OF HANNOVER 1145, 21,000 FEET. COMBAT TOOK PLACE IN THAT AREA. OUT SOUTH OF DEN HELDER 1245, 10,000 50 S/E E/A MOSTLY FW 190'S . SOME 190 BOMBERS. GERMAN BORDER * THEN NORTH OF HANNOVER. R/T NOT TOO GOOD. BOMBER FORMATION BAD. 4 B - 17'S SPUN 1 RAMMED BY FW 190. SPIT B-17. 1 P-38 EFTHER
	HOLMES OR HOANE SEEN TO BAILOUT, 1140 WEST OF HAN NO FLAK ENCOUNTERED

