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MISSION SUMMARY REPORT

A. 20TH FIGHTER GROUP, LT. COL. HUBBARD LEADING.

B. 43 P-38'S (17-55TH) (13-77TH) (13-79TH) UP 1102 DOWN 1523.

C. 6

D. F.O. 250, BOMBER ESCORT AND TARGET SUPPORT.

E. 2 N. Y. R.

F. NIL

G. LT. GEIGER, 55TH SQDN.
LT. QUIRING, 55TH SQDN.

H. 1-0-0

1 ME 110 DESTROYED 1ST LT. J. M. MORRIS 77TH SQDN.

I. L/F IN 1210 N. THE HAGUE 25000 FEET. R/V 1325 N. TARGET AREA 28000. 8 BOXES B-17'S (TRIANGLE) 1350 AT TARGET 28000 FEET. W/D 1414S. KOLN 25000 FEET. L/F OUT 1443 S. FLUSHING 25000 FEET. P-51'S AND P-47'S SEEN. NO E/A EXCEPT 1 ME. 110 LT. MORRIS DESTROYED. FLAK HEAVY AND CONCENTRATED OVER TARGET. 3 B-17'S SEEN TO GO DOWN 7 CHUTES OVER TARGET. 1 B-24 SEEN HEADING FOR SWITZERLAND JETTISONING EQUIPMENT. BOMBER FORMATION AND R/T GOOD.

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MISSION SUMMARY REPORT

F.O. 250
24 FEBRUARY, 1944
BOMBER ESCORT-SCHWEINFURT
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A. 55TH FIGHTER SQUADRON, MAJOR CLARK, LEADING.

B. 17 A/C UP WITTERING 1052, DOWN 1530

C. 4

D. BOMBER ESCORT, F.O. 250

E. TWO (2) N.Y.R.

F. NIL

G. LT. GEIGER, LT. QUIRING

H. NIL

I. L/F IN 1211 HOURS 26,000 FT. NORTH OF THE HAGUE. SAW LT. GEIGER PEAL OFF FROM FLIGHT, MAKE 180° DIVING TURN OVER WOERDEN (NEAR UTRECHT). ALTITUDE IN THE R/V 26/27,000 FT. R/V WITH 8 BOXES B-17S AT 1330 SOUTH OF MEININGEN. TIME OVER TARGET 1335 HOURS AT 26/28,000 FT. BOMBING WAS CONCENTRATED, GOOD RESULTS. SMOKE RISING 5/10,000 FT. SAW 3 B-17S GO DOWN OVER TARGET. SAW 1 B-24 HEAD SOUTH EMPTYING THE PLANE OF EQUIPMENT. SAW 1 CHUTE FROM ANOTHER B-24 WEST OF TARGET. BOMBERS BOMBED WURZBURG AND SCHWEINFURT IN EAST TO WEST RUN. LT. QUIRING JOINED LEAD BOX B-24S JUST WEST OF TARGET. WITHDREW AT 1420 NORTH OF KOBLENZ. ALTITUDE OUT 23,000 FEET. L/F OUT 1413 KNOCKE 14/15,000 FEET.

SAW MANY P-47S BOTH WAYS WEST OF 90° EAST. 4 P-47S DOVE THRU OUR SQUADRON NEAR LIMBURG. GOTHA FLATTENED. SAW P-51'S IN TARGET AREA AT 20,000 FEET.

GEIGER LAST SEEN WOERDEN (WEST OF UTRECHT)

QUIRING LAST SEEN SCHLUCHTERN (N.W. OF SCHWEINFURT)

MISSION SUMMARY REPORT 24 FEBRUARY 1944

- A. 77th Fighter Squadron, 20th Fighter Group, Lt. Col. Hubbard leading.
- B. 13 up at 1102, Down at 1518.
- C. Two.
- D. Bomber Escort and Target Support, Field Order No. 250.
- E. Nil.
- F. Nil.
- G. Nil.
- H. 1-0-0 One ME 110 DESTROYED BY 1ST LT. JAMES M. MORRIS.
- I. IN ABOUT TEN MILES SOUTH OF IJMUIDEN AT 1216 AT 25,000 FT. GOLDSMITH CONTACTED DENTON AND SAID HE WAS EARLY SO DENTON ALTERED COURSE AND MADE R/V IN TARGET AREA AT 1332 AT 28,000 FT JUST AS BOMBERS WENT ON BOMBING RUN. TARGET HIT HARD ALL BURSTS SEEN IN CITY. NE OF SCHWEINFURT YELLOW FLIGHT MADE BOUNCE ON ME 110 MAKING ATTACK ON BOMBERS. ME 110 DESTROYED BY LT. MORRIS. ONE MAN BAILED OUT OF ME -110. W/D AT 1414 IN VICINITY OF BONN AT 25,000 FT. LF OUT AT 1438 AT 22,000 OVER WAL-CHERN ISLAND.
FLAK HEAVY AND CONCENTRATED OVER TARGET. FLAK AT MUNSTER AND ANTWERP. SEVEN CHUTES SEEN FROM BOMBERS NORTH OF SCHWEINFURT.
ONE E/A SEEN AND DESTROYED.
BIG PUFF OF SMOKE SEEN TO NE ON WAY IN ABOUT VICINITY OF HERFORD.

MISSION REPORT

24 February 1944

- A. 79th Fighter Squadron Major R.C. Franklin, leading.
- B. 13 P-38s Up: 1105 Down: 1528
- C. Nil
- D. Ramrod - Bomber Escort and Target Support F.O. #250
- E. Nil
- F. Nil
- G. Nil
- H. Nil
- I. Landfall In, Haarlem, 1210, alt. 24,000
 R/V 1325, alt. 28,500
 Target, 1350, Alt. 27,000
 Left Bombers, 1417, Alt. 26,000 n
 Landfall Out, between Flushing and Blaikenberghe, 1443, 16,000
- Friendly Fighters: P-47s seen going in and coming out. P-51s seen at R/V until W/D.

No E/A seen.

Bomber Formation: Groups were in tight formation but wings were spread. 1 B-17 seen exploding about 10 min. before R/V. No Chutes seen. Damage thought to be caused by flak.

R/T: Good.

ORVILLE E. MINTUN,
 1st Lieut., Air Corps,
 Asst. S-2.

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TELEPHONE FLASH REPORT

F.O. 250

DATE 24 February 1944

(Not to be teletyped)	(Not to be teletyped)
a. Designation of Unit	20TH FIGHTER GROUP
b. Time of Landing	1528
c. Aircraft NYR (State if believed Lost)	2 NYR.
d. Estimated Claims	Destroyed 1 Probable 0 Damaged 0
e. Brief description of Mission	L/F in 1210 N. Hague, 25,000 feet. R/V 28,000 feet, 8 boxes B-17's 1st Div., flying close together. Saw P-51's and P-47's. W/D S. Koln 1414, 25,000 feet. L/F out 25,000 feet, S. Flushing, 1443
f. Weather - Battle damage	

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TELEPHONE FLASH REPORT

F.O. 250

DATE 24 February 1944.

(Not to be teletyped)	(Not to be teletyped)
a. Designation of Unit	55TH FIGHTER SQUADRON.
b. Time of Landing	1530
c. Aircraft NYR (State if believed Lost)	2 NYR. Lt. Geiger, Lt. Quiring.
d. Estimated Claims	Destroyed 0 Probable 0 Damaged 0
e. Brief description of Mission	L/F in 1211, 26,000 feet, N. of The Hague. Altitude to R/V 26-27,000 feet. R/V 8 boxes B-17's flying close together. 1330, S. Meiningen. Saw P-51's. In Target at 20,000 feet. W/D 1420, N. Koblenz. L/F out 1443, Knocke. 3 B-17's seen to go down in target area.
f. Weather - Battle damage	

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TELEPHONE FLASH REPORT

F.O. 250

DATE 24 February 1944

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a. Designation of Unit	77TH FIGHTER SQUADRON
b. Time of Landing	1518
c. Aircraft N/R (State if believed Lost)	NIL
d. Estimated Claims	Destroyed 1 Probable 0 Damaged 0
e. Brief description of Mission	L/F in S. Limuiden. 1216. 25,000 feet. R/V 28,000 feet, 1332 in target area. W/D 1414 at 25,000 feet, S. of Cologne. L/F out 1438, 22,000 feet, over Walcheren. Flame and smoke seen on Schweinfurt. 3 chutes seen about 1400.
f. Weather - Battle damage	

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TELEPHONE FLASH REPORT

F.O. 250DATE 24 February 1944

(Not to be teletyped)	(Not to be teletyped)
a. Designation of Unit	79TH FIGHTER SQUADRON
b. Time of Landing	1528
c. Aircraft NYR (State if believed Lost)	NIL
d. Estimated Claims	Destroyed <input type="checkbox"/> Probable <input type="checkbox"/> Damaged <input type="checkbox"/>
e. Brief description of Mission	L/F in Haarlem, 1210, 24,000 feet. R/V 1325, altitude 28,000 feet. Over target area, 27,000 feet. Left bombers 1417, 26,000 feet. L/F out Flushing, Blankenbergh, 1443, 16,000 feet. No E/A. P-51's and P-47's seen. B-17 seen to explode in mid-air.
f. Weather - Battle damage	

