MISSION SUMMARY REPORT

- A. 20TH FTR GP, LT. COL RAU LEADING.
- B. 48 P-38'S (15-55TH) (16-77TH) 17-79TH), UP 1205. DOWN 1525.
- C. 9 (1 ESCORT)
- D. VIII F.C. FO 296 PENETRATION AND TARGET SUPPORT.
- B. THRU H. NIL.
- I. L/F 1258, SCHOUWEN ISLAND, 20,000 FERT. TURNED SOUTH AT LEIGE AND WERE VECTORED WEST TO BOMBERS UNDER ATTACK. NO BOMBERS SEEN. FLEW TO POINT 30 MILES NW TGT. NO R/V. W/D, 15,000, FEET, on PENETRATION COURSE TO LEIGE. VECTORED TO NAMUR. CONDUCTED 30 MINUTE SWEEP NAMUR, BRUSSELS, GHENT AND ANTWERP, 12,000 FEET. OUT 1445, DUNKER UE, 15,000 FEET. NO E/A SEEN. MCSQUITOS, TYPHOONS SEEN NAMUR. 1ST DIV. B-17'S AND B-24'S WITH ESCORT COMING OUT NEAR LEIGE AS GROUP ENTERED. B-24 CRASHED DUREN, 6 CHUTES SEEN. R/T GOOD.

MISSION SUMMARY REPORT

11 APRIL, 1944 F.O. 296 BOMBER ESCORT - SCHWEINFURT 2 SORTIE CREDITS

- A. 55TH FIGHTER SQUADRON, MAJOR MC AULEY LEADING.
- B. 16 A/C UP 1205, 14 DOWN 1527 HOURS.
- C. 2 (1 ESCORT)
- D. BOMBER ESCORT F.O. 296
- E. THRU H. NIL
- BOMBERS 1330, 17,000 FEET, SOUTH OF LIEGE. B-248
 WITHDRAWING. ONE B-24 SEEN TO GO DOWN. 3 CHUTES.
 W/D AT 1400 TO LOKEREN, BELGUIM WHERE F.B. VECTORED
 SQUADRON TO S FOR SUGAR. SAW MOSQUITOS ESCORTED BY
 TYPHOONS IN THAT A REA. SWEPT AREA. L/F OUT DUNKIRK,
 1430 HOURS AT 10,000 FEET. P-47'S WITH BOMBERS, P-51'S
 IN AREA. B-26'S COMING IN AT L/F OUT, ESCORTED BY P-47'S.
 R/T GOOD.

MISSION SUMMARY REPORT 12 APRIL 1944

- A. 77th Fighter Squadron, 20th Fighter Group, Lt. Col. Rau leading.

- B. 16 up at 1208. Down at 1517.
 C. Two
 D. Penetration & Target Support, Field Order No. 296.
- B. Nil.
- F. Nil.
- G. Nil.
- H. Nil.
- I. In over Noord Beveland Island at 1259 at 20000 ft. Course took us in Brussells area at 1314 and later in Antwerp area where we patrolled looking for our bombers which we never saw. We penetrated as far as Coblenz where we orbitted and turned back at 1347 at 15000 ft. Our course back took us over Antwerp where we were vectored into 4 Misquitoes in Ghent Area. L/F our Blankenberg 15,000 ft 1435. Saw B-26s escorted by Typhoons south of this point near Ostend. Light inaccurate flak in Ghent, Brussells and Antwerp area and Blankenburg on coast. B-24s seen coming out with 38s and 47s in same area near Coblenz. B-24 seen to crash southwest of Bonn, 6 chutes seen.
- J. Nil.

MISSION REPORT

12 April 1944

A. 79th Fighter Squadron

Major R. C. Franklin, Jr., leading

B. 17 P-38s 2 Relays Up: 1212 Up: 1240 Down: 1525 Down: 1418

C. 5 P-38s

D. Bomber Escort - F.O. #296

E. Nil

F. 1 P-38 Flak Damage Cat. A.

G. Nil

H. 0-0-0

 In Flushing, 1310, 20,000 Out Dunkerque, 1430, 10,00

Friendly Fighters and Bombers: Bombers called and said they were in trouble at Leige. Squadron flew on towards Leige and met bombers, 1st Div. B-17s and B-24s, but they were well escorted. Controller called and said to escort any bombers in the area, and then called and said bombers were under attack at Namur. No trankin bombers were sighted in that area so Sq. namk came on out. Friendly fighters were sighted both going in and coming out. Mosquitoes and Typhoons were sighted in the Namur area. A friendly bomber thought to be a B-24 was sighted going down in flames near Duren, time 1535.

E/A: None Sighted.

R/T: Good

ORVILLE E. MINTUN, 1st Lieut., A. C., Asst. S-2.

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Designation of Unit	20th Fighter Group,
Time of Landing	1525
Aircraft NYR (State if believe Lost)	d NIL
Estimated Claims	Destroyed O Probable O Damaged O
Brief description of Mission	
Weather - Battle damage	trouble. No bombers, 1330. Flew N.W. to target, W.D. Returned on penetration route to Leige, area Namur, Brussels, Ghent, and Antwerp. L/F of 1445, Dunkerque, 15,000 feet

F.O. 296	DATE 12-4-44.
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a. Designation of Unit	55th Fighter Squadron.
b. Time of Landing	1527.
c. Aircraft NYR (State if believed Lost)	NIL.
d. Estimated Claims	Destroyed O Probable O Damaged O
e. Brief description of Mission	
f. Weather - Battle Camage	L/F in 1300, Schouwen, 20,000 feet. 1330 met Bombers, 17,000 feet, South of LeigeB-24 seen down HUY, 3 chutes seen. W/D to Lekeren, France vectored to S. Mosquitoes and Thphoons. L/F out Dunkerque 1430, 10,000 feet. P-47's, 51's, bombers, and B-26's escented by 47's

TELEPHONE FLASH REPORT

F.O. 296	DATE 12-4-44.
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a. Designation of Unit	77th Fight or Squadron.
b. Time of Landing	1517
c. Aircraft NYR (State if believed Lost)	NIL
d. Estimated Claims	Destroyed 0 Probable 0 Damaged 0
e. Brief description of Mission	
f. Weather - Battle damage	L/F 1259, Noord Beveland, 20,000 feet. L/F out 1435, Blankenbruge, 15,000 feet. Brussels to Leige, Patrolled, In to Koblenz, orbited and turned back 1347, 15,000 feet. Out Antwerp, 1400, vectored over Ghent. B-24 crashed South of Bonn, 6 chutes seen.
	24's, bombers and 47's out at Ghent. 26's ami typhoons seen coast

TELEPHONE FLASH REPORT

F.O. 296	DATE 12-4-44.
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a. Designation of Unit	79th Fighter Squadron.
b. Time of Landing	1525
c. Aircraft NYR (State if believed Lost)	NIL
d. Estimated Claims	Destroyed O Probable O Damaged O
e. Brief description of Mission	
f. Weather - Battle comage	L/F Flushing 13.0, 20,000 feet. Out Dunkerque 1430, 10,000 feet. No E/A seen. Typhoons and Mosquitoes Namur. Duren 1335 Bomber down
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