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## ENCOUNTER REPORT

- A. COMBAT
- B. 30 MAY, 1944
- C. 20TH FIGHTER GROUP
- D. 1325
- E. GROUND TARGETS AT MEPPEN
- F. SLIGHT HAZE
- G. GROUND TARGETS
- H. (SEE BELOW)

I. I WAS LEADING GROUP ON BOMBER ESCORT. AFTER W/D FROM BOMBERS AT ENEMY COAST WE RETURNED TO MEPPEN WHERE WE SAW CONCENTRATION OF BARGES IN CANAL N.W. OF MEPPEN. I WENT DOWN WITH MY FLIGHT AND RED FLIGHT WE MADE 5 PASSES AT TUGS AND BARGES. I SAW 3 BARGES SINK AND 2 TUGS ON FIRE. THE TWO OTHER SQUADRONS STRAFED GROUND TARGETS LISTED BELOW.

I MAKE THE FOLLOWING CLAIMS FOR PILOTS OF THIS GROUP:

### 55TH CLAIMS

- 5 TUGS DESTROYED
  - 1 - LT. TENNANT
  - 1 - LT. LARRABEE
  - 1 - LT. MILES
  - 2 - SQUADRON - RED AND WHITE FLIGHTS
- 4 TUGS DAMAGED
  - 1 - LT. TENNANT
  - 1 - LT. KELLY
  - 1 - LT. MILES
  - 1 - SQUADRON - RED AND WHITE FLIGHTS
- 4 BARGES DESTROYED
  - 3 - SQUADRON - RED AND WHITE FLIGHTS
  - 1 - LT. MILES
- 3 BARGES DAMAGED
  - 3 - SQUADRON - RED AND WHITE FLIGHTS
- 1 FLAK GUN EMPLACEMENT DAMAGED - LT. KELLY

MEMBERS OF RED AND WHITE FLIGHTS ARE:

LT. COL. WILSON, MAJOR LOW, LT. KELLY, LT. TENNANT,  
LT. BURFORD, LT. MILES AND LT. LARRABEE.

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77TH CLAIMS

- 8 LOCOMOTIVES DESTROYED
  - 3 - LT. JACOBSON
  - 2 - CAPT. GILBERTSON
  - 1 - LT. MONCRIEF
  - 2 - LT. CLARK
  - 1 - LT. WHITESIDE (ELECTRIC)
- 3 LOCOMOTIVES DAMAGED
  - 2 - LT. FIEBELKORN
  - 1 - CAPT. GILBERTSON
- 4 OIL TANK CARS DESTROYED
  - 1 - LT. FIEBELKORN
  - 1 - LT. PERRA
  - 1 - CAPT. GILBERTSON
  - 1 - LT. JACOBSON
- 1 ARMY TRUCK DESTROYED
  - 1 - LTS. WHITESIDE AND MONCRIEF (SHARED)
- 3 FACTORY BUILDINGS DAMAGED
  - 3 - LT. CLARK
- 1 TRANSFORMER DAMAGED
  - 1 - LT. CLARK
- 1 CAMP STRAFED
  - LT. FIEBELKORN

79TH CLAIMS

- 1 LOCOMOTIVE DESTROYED
  - 1 - CAPT. ILFREY, LTS. DENBO, CAMERON, KLATT (SHARED)
- 24 GOODS WAGONS DAMAGED
  - 20 - LTS. BALDWIN, KEMP, RYAN (SHARED)
  - 4 - LTS. MERRIMAN, CAMPBELL, BECOUT, WEBB (SHARED)
- 3 OIL DERRICKS AND PUMPHOUSE DAMAGED
  - 2 - LT. CAMERON
  - 1 - LT. KLATT
- 1 OIL STORAGE TANK DAMAGED
  - 1 - LT. KLATT
- 6 OIL TANK CARS DAMAGED
  - 6 - LTS. BALDWIN, KEMP, RYAN (SHARED)

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NAME	SERIAL NO.	LETTER	20 MM	50 CAL.
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55TH EXPENDITURES

COL. WILSON	42-104207	KI-W	149	1130
LT. KELLY	42-67256	F	149	845
LT. TENNANT	42-67742	E	100	546
MAJOR LOW	42-104239	P	35	216
LT. BURFORD	42-68153	J	59	305
LT. MILES	42-68010	K	85	370
LT. LARRABEE	42-68170	M	8	213

77TH EXPENDITURES

CAPT. GILBERTSON	42-68155	LC-P	150	1200
LT. JACOBSON	42-67471	S	46	672
LT. MONCRIEF	42-67707	U	21	1029
LT. CLARK	43-28397	O	2	952
LT. WHITESIDE	42-68176	T	73	482
LT. FIEBELKORN	42-6744	N	127	736
LT. PERRA	42-67523	S	49	240

79TH EXPENDITURES

CAPT. ILFREY	43-28431	MC-O	36	226
LT. DENBO	43-28412	N	30	215
LT. CAMERON	42-104095	G	132	741
LT. KLATT	42-67285	J	72	562
LT. BALDWIN	42-68160	W	65	365
LT. RYAN	42-104086	F	43	224
LT. KEMP	42-68073	C	43	194
LT. MERRIMAN	42-68150	K	26	106
LT. CAMPBELL	43-28433	B	11	83
LT. BEBOUT	42-68074	A	61	13
LT. WEBB	42-68015	T	29	143

*Clifford W. Long*  
CLIFFORD W. LONG  
1ST LT., AIR CORPS  
55TH FIGHTER SQUADRON  
ASS'T INTELLIGENCE OFFICER

*Cy Wilson*  
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