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MISSION SUMMARY REPORT

- A. 20TH FIGHTER GROUP, COL. RAU LEADING.
- B. 35 P-38'S (12-55TH) (11-77TH) 12-79TH) UP 1756 DOWN 2114.
- C. NIL.
- D. 67TH F.W. F.O. 26, DIVE BOMBING.
- E. NIL.
- F. 1 CAT. A, FLAK.
- G. NIL.
- H. DESTROYED: 12 LOCOMOTIVES (INCLUDES 1 ELESCTIC).
DAMAGED: 4 LOCOMOTIVES, 1 FLAK TOWER, 1 BOAT-LOADING CRANE.
- I. HAZE PREVENTED LOCATING PRIMARY TARGET. GROUP DIVE BOMBED SECONDARY, A/D NE RHEINE, AT 1940. BOMB DATA: (1) DIVE BOMBING (2) ~~IXXZ~~ 302 AN-M1-A1 FRAG CLUSTERS OF 6X20-LB BOMBS EACH ~~XXIX~~ ON TARGET (3) NIL (4) 2,000-6,000 FT. (5) SECONDARY TARGET BOMBED-A/D NE OF RHEINE (6) GOOD-BOMBS COVERED BUILDING AREAS AND RUNWAYS; 5 OF 15 T/E A/C ON A/D LEFT ~~XXIX~~ BURNING. (7) UNDETERMINED (8) GENERALLY SOUTHWEST (9) EXTERNAL RACKS (10) 10 CLUSTERS JETTISONED IN NORTH SEA OFF ~~IXXXX~~ IJMUIDEN, 10 IN ZUIDER ZEE, ON ACCOUNT OF MECHANICAL ~~IXKEX~~ DIFFICULTY. OBSERVATIONS: 15 T/E E/A ON A/D BOMBED.

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F.O. 26
31 MAY, 1944
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MISSION SUMMARY REPORT

- A. 55TH FIGHTER SQUADRON, LT. COL. WILSON LEADING.
- B. 12 P-38'S UP 1801 - DOWN 2100 HOURS
- C. NIL
- D. BOMBING-FRAGMENTATION F.O. #26
- E. NIL
- F. NIL
- G. NIL
- H. NIL (GROUND TARGETS)
- I. SQUADRON CIRCLED A/D AT RHINE AND MADE DIVE IN FROM WEST. TIME OVER TARGET 1942 HOURS SAW 15 T/E E/A. SOME ON FIELD. FLIGHTS STRAFED GROUND TARGETS ON WAY HOME.

J. DESTROYED

DAMAGED

1 - LOCOMOTIVE DESTROYED - LT. KLINK	2-LOCOMOTIVE DAMAGED
1 - LOCOMOTIVE DESTROYED - CAPT. MCLARY, LTS HOWER, CAVELL SHARED	LT. KLINK 1-LOCOMOTIVE DAMAGED LT. WELLS
1 - LOCOMOTIVE DESTROYED - LT. HOWER	1- LOCOMOTIVE DAMAGED LT. MILES
1 - LOCOMOTIVE DESTROYED - CAPT. MCLARY	1-FLAK TOWER DAMAGED CAPT. MCLARY
3 - LOCOMOTIVES DESTROYED- COL. WILSON	1-SHIP LOADING CRANE DAMAGED - LT. KLINK
1 - LOCOMOTIVE DESTROYED - MAJOR LOW	
1 - LOCOMOTIVE DESTROYED - LT. BURFORD SHARED WITH 2 U/I PILOTS	
1 - LOCOMOTIVE DESTROYED - LT. WELLS	
1 - LOCOMOTIVE DESTROYED - LT. KLINK	
1 - ELECT. LOCO. DESTROYED - LT. TENNANT	

- 1. FRAG BOMBING
- 2. 92, 6 X 20, AN-M1A1
- 3. ALT. 10,000 FT. 50° GLIDE
- 4. 3,000 FT.
- 5. RHEINE A/D
- 6. GOOD HITS SOUTH SIDE OF FIELD BLDG. AREA AND DISPERSAL AREA.
- 7. WIND NEGLIGIBLE.
- 8. 90 DEGREES
- 9. EACH SHACKLE
- 10. NIL

WILSON
TENNANT
KLINK
LARABEE

LOW
WELLS
MILES
BURFORD

MCLARY
CAVELL
HOWER
SPENCER

MISSION SUMMARY REPORT 31 MAY 1944

- A. 77th Fighter Squadron, 20th Fighter Group, Lt. Col. Johnson leading.
- B. 11 up at 1756. Down at 2114.
- C. Nil.
- D. Dive-Bombing, Field Order No. 26.
- E. Nil.
- F. Nil.
- G. Nil.
- H. 1 Locomotive Destroyed.
- I. In N of Ijmuiden at 1859 at 15,000 feet. Searched area for target dive-bombing unidentified airdrome at 1940. Out N of Ijmuiden at 2010 at 15,000 feet. Flak medium and fairly accurate.

Bomb Data:

- 1. Dive-bombing.
 - 2. 100 Frag Bombs (M1A1)
 - 3. 11,000 to 6,000 feet release.
 - 4.
 - 5.
 - 6. Two strings of bombs from preceding squadron hit one across runway and other along side runways. Building believed hit by second string.
 - 7. Very little wind noted.
 - 8. Generally from Southwest.
 - 9. Externally.
 - 10. 10 clusters in channel off Ijmuiden.
- J. One (1) Locomotive Destroyed Lt. Moncrieff.

MISSION REPORT

31 May 1944

- A. 79th Fighter Squadron Col. H.J.Rau, leading
- B. 12 P-38s Up: 1757 Down: 2111
- C. Nil
- D. Fighter-Bomber, 67th Fighter Wing, F.O. #26, Target: Airdrome near Rheine, Germany.
- E. Nil
- F. 1 P38 Cat. A - flak
- G. Nil
- H. Nil
- I. In - S. of Egmond - 1900 - 15,000 ft.
Tgt - N. of Lingen - 1945
Out - IJmuiden - 2010 - 10,000 ft.

Due to haze assigned target could not be found and target of opportunity was dive bombed. Dive was begun at 12,000 ft. and continued to 2000 to 1000 ft. Fragmentation bombs were used and burst completely covered A/D. Planes on A/D were reported by other squadron.

12 planes were dispatched each carrying 10 M1A1 Fragmentation Bomb Clusters. One plane jettisoned bombs over Zuider Zee.

EDWARD J. STEINER
Capt., Air Corps
Intelligence Officer

TELEPHONE FLASH REPORT

F.O. 67 F.W. F.O. 26

DATE 31 May 1944

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a. Designation of Unit	20TH FIGHTER GROUP
b. Time of Landing	2114
c. Aircraft NYR (State if believed Lost)	NIL
d. Estimated Claims	R.R. Tgts. Dest. and Dam. Destroyed 0 Probable 0 Damaged 0
e. Brief description of Mission	L/F in 1900, S. of Egmond, 15,000 ft. Dropped 321 AN-M1-A1 frag clusters on A/D NE of Rheine, 1945. Strafed rail targets on way out. L/F out 2010, Ijmuiden. No E/A seen.
f. Weather - Battle damage	

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a. Designation of Unit	55TH FIGHTER SQUADRON
b. Time of Landing	2100
c. Aircraft NYR (State if believed Lost)	NIL
d. Estimated Claims	R.R. Tgts. Dest. & Dam. Destroyed 0 Probable 0 Damaged 0
e. Brief description of Mission	Circled Rheine A/D, dove from west, 1940. 15 T/E A/C seen. Frag clusters hit in building area on south side of field.
f. Weather - Battle damage	

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a. Designation of Unit	77TH FIGHTER SQUADRON
b. Time of Landing	2114
c. Aircraft N/R (State if believed Lost)	NIL
d. Estimated Claims	1 Loco Dam. Destroyed 0 Probable 0 Damaged 0
e. Brief description of Mission	In 1859, N. of Ijmuiden, 15,000 ft. Out 2010, same place, 15,000 ft. Bombed U/I A/D with one control tower at 1945.
f. Weather - Battle damage	

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a. Designation of Unit	79TH FIGHTER SQUADRON
b. Time of Landing	1111
c. Aircraft N/R (State if believed Lost)	NIL
d. Estimated Claims	Destroyed 0 Probable 0 Damaged 0
e. Brief description of Mission	In 1900, S. of Egmond, 15,000 ft. Target (A/D N. of Lingen) bombed 1945,.. Completely covered A/D. Nothing on it, including it. Bombed Rheine A/D. Out 2010, Ijmuiden, 16,000 ft.
f. Weather - Battle damage	