

MISSION SUMMARY TELEPHONE REPORT

F. O. 384, 12 June, 1944.
LT COL JOHNSON LEADING

A. 20TH FIGHTER GROUP

B. UP 1813 DOWN 2200

C. 49

D. 4

E. 4 NYR

F. 1-0-0 GRD S/E

G. PRIMARY TARGETS OVERCAST. 77TH SQDN BOMBED TERTIARY TARGET, R.R. BRIDGE, 2VP961690, at 2010 FROM 16,000 ft. HITS SEEN BUT NOT SPANNED. 55TH SQDN BOMBED R.R. BRIDGE AT 2VP845675 AT 2012 FROM 16,000 FT. 79TH SQDN BOMBED PRIMARY TARGET WITH POOR RESULTS.

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A. 55TH FIGHTER SQUADRON, LT. COL. WILSON LEADING.

B. TIME UP 1817, DOWN 2200

C. 16

D. 4

E. NIL

F. NIL

G. L/F OUT 1902 HOURS AT 20,000 FEET ON BRIEFED COURSE.
L/F IN 1932 13,000 FEET MONT. ST. MICHAEL. BOMBS
AWAY 2012, 13,000 FEET. R.R. BRIDGE AT AMBOISE.
2VP275695. SQUADRON BROKE UP DUE TO FLAK. WENT TO
THE DECK RESULTING IN THE BELOW LIST OF CLAIMS.
L/F OUT 2108 3,000 FEET VICINITY OF MONT. ST. MICHAEL.
L/F IN 2124 HOURS 3,500 FEET SELSEY BILL.

DESTROYED

3 TRUCKS-LT. COL. WILSON
1 TRUCK -MAJ. LOW
3 STAFF CARS - LT. FORD
1 STAFF CAR - LT. HOWER
1 STAFF CAR - LT. KLINK

DAMAGED

1 RADAR STATION - COL. WILSON
2 HALF TRACKS - LT. FORD
1 STAFF CAR - LT. HOWER
1 TRUCK DAMAGED - MAJ. LOBINGIER

PILOTS FLYING IN THIS MISSION WERE:

WILSON	LOBINGIER	HOWER	HALLBERG	SPARE:
SPENCER	BYNUM	CAVELL	H. ANDERSON	MALCHOW (N.T.O.)
LARRABEE	LOW	KLINK	FORD	
BURFORD	L. ANDERSON	WASIL	TENNANT	

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R.R. BRIDGE AT ANGERS
12 JUNE, 1944
F/O NO. 384

MISSION SUMMARY REPORT June 12, 1944 (evening)

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

B. Time up: 1817 Down: 2200

C. No ac up: 16

D. No ac aborted: 2

E. No ac NYR: 4

F. Claims: 1 loco. destroyed
1 FW-190 destroyed on ground
2 trucks destroyed
3 locomotives damaged
1 truck damaged

G. Observations:

Flak at Granville intense and accurate at 5,000 feet.
Le Mans airfield and marshalling yard clobbered. Bomb craters covered both.

H. Description:

In at approximately 1933 at 13,500 at Pontaubault. Area containing our target covered by clouds so squadron bombed highway bridge at Amboise, 2VP9769 at 2011 from 16,000 feet. Squadron reformed as top cover while 55th Squadron bombed railroad bridge across Loire River 5 miles E of Tours, 2VP8568 at 2015.

One locomotive destroyed, three damaged on siding near Evron, 1VY9854, at 2040. One FW-190 lying in field at 1VY6375 strafed by Blue Flight at 2045.

Two trucks destroyed, one damaged at 1VZ3084 at 2040.

Bomb Data:

1. High Level Precision.
2. Target obscured.
3. 16,000 feet.
- 4.
5. 9 - 1,000 lb. GP on highway bridge at Amboise.
6. Hit North end of bridge.
7. Upwind.
8. 270°.
9. Externally.
10. 1 in Gulf of St. Malo.
1 returned to base.
1 in field N of Tours (mechanical)

(over)

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12 June 1944

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- A. 79th Fighter Squadron Major Anderson Leading.
- B. Up: 1813 Down: 2147
- C. 17 Up
- D. 1 P-38
- E. NYR: Nil

- F. 1 Power Station (Two Story Building) - - Destroyed
- 2 Trucks - - Destroyed

- 1 R. R. Tool Shed - - Damaged
- 1 Power Line Tower - - Damaged
- 2 Goods Wagons - - Damaged
- 1 Electric Locomotive - - Damaged

- F. In, E. of Cherbourg, 1935, 17,000
- Target, 2005, 18,000
- Strafing Area, 2030, Deck
- Out, Le Havre, 20 50, 2,000

Strafing: Squadron strafed Power station, tool shed, power line tower, goods wagons and Electric locomotive ~~XX~~ on electric ~~XX~~ railway line between Le Mans and Chartres believed to be 4VR 0408, at 2030. Strafed trucks at approximately 4VQ 8642, at 2040.

Bombing: Bombing very innacurate. NoX hits sighted on bridge.

Flak: Light, innacurate flak encountered at Le Havre.

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Asst. S-2.