

FIELD ORDER NUMBER 413 - 23 JUNE 44

BRIEFING NOTES:

20TH GROUP glide or skip bombs railroad bridge over the canal near Jussy, south of St. Quentin. (Same target as yesterday)
Bridge is 170 feet long, apparently of masonry construction. Runs N-S.
TIME ON TARGET: 1200

GROUP will then strafe railroad and transportation targets in the area bounded by Paris, Laon, Chalons, Melun.

FLAK: There are 18 Heavy and 32 Light AA guns within 3 mile radius of target. BEST APPROACH for minimum Flak is from NE to SW or vice versa.
AVOID: Vouel, Farginer and La Fere, 3 to 4 miles south of target, Montescourt, ~~Sixte~~ 1 mile N. of target.

FRIENDLY A/C: Heavies are bombing "Robot" sites in pas de Calais.

364th Grp. bombs bridge 6 miles SW Laon.
55th " " La Riche bridge at Tours.
479th " " bridge 10 miles east of Angers.
56th " " bridge over Somme Canal, 6 miles WEST OF OUR TARGET.
356th " bombs bridge over Marne at Nantueil, which was our secondary target yesterday.
353rd ~~Grp~~ bombs *Bridge at DOULLENS (157-871)*

356th (P-47s) and 364th Grp. will strafe in same area as our group approximately the same time.

353, 56th, 55th, and 479th groups will strafe area bounded by Paris, Mantes-Gassicourt, Beauvais, Compeigne JUST TO THE WEST OF OUR STRAFING AREA, about the same time we strafe.

CHECK POINTS: H - Beauvais
E - Paris
L - Compeigne
P - Melun
I - Chalons
N - Lille
G - Abbeyville

Reference base Alt. 20,000 Feet.

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