CONolidATED REPORT

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a. Combat
b. 20 February 1945
c. 79th Fighter Squadron, 20th Fighter Group
d. 1235-1245
e. Weiden, Airfield, Germany
f. 7/10 Cloud at 10,000, Visibility excellent on deck
g. He 111 - Me 110 - Me 410
h. 2 He 111s destroyed-Capt. Hollins
   1 He 111 destroyed-Capt. Kies
   1 He 110 destroyed-Capt. Taylor
   3 He 111s destroyed-Lt. Bechen
   1 Me 110 destroyed-Lt. Bullers
   1 He 111 destroyed-Lt. Jones
   1 He 111 destroyed-Lt. Pollock
   1 He 111 destroyed-Lt. Rudnick
   2 He 111s destroyed-Lt. Ziegelbauer
   2 He 111s destroyed-Lt. Fogle
   1 He 111 destroyed-Lt. Santee
   1 He 111 destroyed-Lt. Scott
   3 He 111s destroyed-Lt. Strock
   1 Me 110 destroyed-F/O Shaffer
   1 He 111 destroyed-Lts. Pollock and Santee
   1 Me 110 damaged Major Meyer
   1 He 111 damaged-Capt. Hollins
   2 He 111s damaged-Capt. Kies
   1 Me 110 damaged-Capt. Taylor
   2 Me 110s damaged-Lt. Bullers
   1 He 111 damaged-Lt. Jones
   1 Me 110 damaged-Lt. Pollock
   1 He 111 damaged-Lt. Rudnick
   1 He 111 damaged-Lt. Ziegelbauer
   1 He 111 damaged-Lt. Scott
   3 He 111s damaged-Lt. Strock

i. After our squadron had strafed transportation targets in the area of the A/F, Lt. Jones leading Blue Flt.
   sighted the A/F on which were approximately 35 He 111s, 8 Me 110s, 1 Me 410, 1 Me 109, and 1 FW 190.
   The A/F was strafed from 1235 until 1245 resulting in the above claims. Blue Flt led by Lt. Jones made 2 passes,
   the first from south to north and the second from west to east. Red Flt led by Capt. Hollins made 3 passes,
   the first and second from NW to SE, and the third pass from west to east. Yellow Flt led by Capt. Kies made 2
   passes both from west to east. White Flt led by Major Meyer made 2 passes both from NW to SE.

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Light flak was encountered coming from the woods NW of the A/F. It was mostly moderate in intensity and inaccurate. Capt. Kies was wounded in the right leg by a single .30 cal. projectile.

Lt. Jones took the enclosed photographs with his K-25 camera before and after the strafing.

Planes were dispersed and an attempt had been made to camouflage them by covering with boughs from trees and mesh netting. Some of the A/C that are claimed to be destroyed burst into flames immediately, while others emitted puffs of black smoke after receiving concentrated bursts. Several pilots after making their pass saw the planes that they had strafed give off black smoke and then burn. It is believed that only a few of the planes had gasoline in them, and in the remainder of the planes the oil supply was burning.

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*Also strafed ground transportation targets.*

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CONSOLIDATED ENCOUNTER REPORT

MAJOR WALTER R. YARBROUGH C-434282
23RD LT. EDWARD F. FOGUE C-721515
2ND LT. LYNN F. BISHOP C-2059280

a. Combat
b. 13 April 1945
c. 79th Fighter Squadron, 20th Fighter Group
d. 1530 and 1610
e. Schleswig/Lund (Jagel) A/D and Hatzfeld Landing strip
f. Visibility good on deck
g. 1 Ju 88 - 1 Me 109 - 1 Fw 190 - 1 He 177
h. 2 Ju88s Damaged Major Yarbrough
   1 Fw190 Damaged Major Yarbrough
   1 Me109 Damaged Lieut. Pogue
   1 He177 Damaged Lieut. Pogue
   2 Ju88s Damaged Lieut. Bishop

i. Two passes were made on the A/D at Jagel from 1530 until 1540 the 1st from East to West and the 2nd from NW to NE. Major Yarbrough claims 1 Ju 88 on East side of field as damaged on first pass, and 1 Fw 190 on W side of field as damaged on second pass. Lieut. Pogue claims 1 Me 109 on N side of field as damaged on the second pass. Lieut. Bishop on second pass claims 1 Ju 88 on North side of field as damaged. Light, intense, accurate ground fire was encountered.

One pass was made on landing strip at Hatzfeld at 1610 from SW to NE. Major Yarbrough claims 1 Ju 88 on SW side of field as damaged. Lieut. Pogue claims 1 He 177 on N side of field as damaged. Lieut. Bishop claims 1 Ju 88 on NE side of field as damaged. Light, meager, inaccurate ground fire was encountered.

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* Also strafed locomotive.

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