

HEADQUARTERS  
NINETY FIFTH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)  
Office of the Operations Officer

APO 634,  
4 Sept., 1943.

SUBJECT: S-3 Narrative Report for Operational Mission 3 September, 1943.

TO : Commanding Officer, 95th Bombardment Group (H), APO 634.

1. The 95th Bombardment Group (H) was alerted for an operational mission 1730, 2 September, 1943 with a bomb loading of 12 x 500 pound bombs with 1/10 second nose and 1/100 second tail fuse.

2. Field Order number 51 was received at 2230, 2 September, 1943. Twenty-one aircraft were called for and twenty-two were set up, one to turn back at the point of leaving the English Coast if no abortions occurred. The 95th Group was set up as the high group in the 402nd Combat Wing which was the Third Air Task Force. The 100th Group was the lead group and the 390th Group was the low group but failed to rendezvous. The lead group failed to bomb the primary target. The 95th bombed the primary target with good results and then followed in close support to the 100th Group, as they made bombing runs over the secondary target. There were two abortions in our group leaving twenty of our aircraft, all of which returned.

3. Flak encountered over the target area was quite intense, but inaccurate. About 50 single engined fighters were encountered making head on, side and tail attacks. 10 twin engined fighters, made one pass, head on, at the lead group. Fighter escort by P-47's on the route in was good. On the return we failed to rendezvous with friendly fighters.

JOHNR. MILLER,  
Captain, Air Corps,  
Act'g Operations Officer.

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GROUP FORMATION FORM

DATE 3 Sept. 1943.

LEAD KIMBULTON

0178

BROMAN

32 66

ROCKETT

32 63

TYLER

03 00

MCDONALDSON

01 35 B.

RENO

01 20

O'NEAL

32 83

HIGH

THOMPSON

02 44

YUENGER

34 00

ROTASCHILD

33 21

CABEEN

59 18

FRANCIS

02 76

THOMAS

03 42

FISHER

31 53

WITT

~~RANSOM~~

~~02 77~~ 9943

EXTRA SHIPS

334

335

336

412

0218-19-14

02262904

3465-34-N

LOW

STORIE

~~04 30~~

RANSOM 02 71

02 33

ROBINSON

02 88

KOMINKA

01 82

HINES

AWAKE 0130

EAT 0215

BRIEFING 0300

READINESS 0400

STATIONS 0535 517

TAXI 0550 532

TAKE-OFF 0604 547

RENDEZVOUS 0607 @ 2000

over 744,200' Spd. #6 @ 657 @ 1600

- Trans.
- Prod. Rms.
- \* Weather
- Messrs
- \* Fly. Cont.
- \* Comm. Rm.

EXTRA

EHERTS

03 77

\* = CAME

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3 September 1943

SUBJECT: Navigation Report for the Mission of 3 September 1943.

TO : Commanding Officer, 95th Bombardment Group (H), APO 634.

1. The Ninety Fifth Bombardment Group (H) flew as high group in the Four Hundred Second Combat Wing.

2. The rendezvous caused some difficulty, and the Ninety Fifth Bombardment Group (H) intercepted the Hundreth Bombardment Group (H) on the briefed line between Splasher # 7 and Luton. Both groups crossed the coast on schedule at the zero hour. The Ninety Fifth Bombardment Group (H) bombed the primary target, and after that, followed in support to the Hundreth Bombardment Group (H) as they made runs over the secondary target.

3. Two "Gee" boxes were in operation both of which performed well over enemy territory, and over the target area, with no jamming and only slight fading. One additional box failed to operate in flight.

ELLIS B. SCRIPTURE  
1st Lt., Air Corps,  
Group Navigation Officer.

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NINETY FIFTH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)  
Office of the Operations Officer

APO 634  
3 September 1943

SUBJECT: Bombing Report on the Mission of 3 September 1943.

TO : Commanding Officer, 95th Bombardment Group (H), APO 634.

1. Complete narrative of mission of the 3 September 1943.
  - a. ABC attachment and the C<sup>1</sup> were used as aids to the bombardier. Preset data derived from metro data was accurate.
  - b. No evasive action was employed.
  - c. The bomb bay doors were opened just before the lead bombardier began his run.
  - d. Bombing run was excellent and the target was easily recognized by the bombardier due to favorable weather conditions.
  - e. The flak during bombing run was heavy but ineffective. Fighter attacks on the run were ineffective.
  - f. Weather conditions at the target were good. The target was picked up approximately 12 miles away due to good visibility.
  - g. No unusual fighter attacks were reported. The usual single head on attacks was reported.
  - h. Visual results of the bombing were reported as fair.
  - i. There are no suggestions as to tactical changes in bombing technique on any particular target or on all targets.

FRANK T. IMAND  
1st Lt., Air Corps,  
Group Bombing Officer.

HEADQUARTERS  
NINETY FIFTH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)  
Office of the Engineering Officer

APO 634,  
3 September 1943.

SUBJECT: Base Engineering Report On Combat Mission of September 3, 1943.

TO : COMMANDING GENERAL, Fourth Bombardment Wing, APO 634. (Attn:  
Statistical Control.)  
COMMANDING OFFICER, 95th Bombardment Group (H).

1. The following information is submitted concerning combat mission of the 95th Bombardment Group (H) on September 3, 1943.
  - a. Twenty-two (22) B-17F airplanes took-off, one (1) returned as per schedule.
  - b. All aircraft returned to base after completing mission.
2. There was one (1) abortive airplane.
  - a. 42-30271 - Fuse in bomb loose. Dropped bombs in channel and returned to base.
3. Battle damage is as follows:
  - a. 42-30342 - Right hand stabilizer damaged by gun fire.
  - b. 42-29943 - Co-Pilot & Bombardiers window broken by flak.
  - c. 42-30182 - Minor sheet metal damage.
  - d. 42-30276 - Vertical stabilizer and rudder damaged.
  - e. 42-5918 - Horizontal stabilizer damaged.
  - f. 42-3321 - Ball turret door damaged.
  - g. 42-3153 - Both tires damaged.
  - h. 42-3283 - #1 engine change. Left elevator damaged. Left stabilizer damaged.
  - i. 42-30233 - #2 main fuel tank damaged. Right stabilizer damaged by right waist gunner.
  - j. 42-3273 - Left stabilizer damaged.
  - k. 42-30377 - Plexi-glass nose damaged by flak. Right navigator window hit by 30 cal. fire.

CLARENCE D. FIELDS,  
Major, Air Corps,  
Base Engr. Officer.

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OFFICE OF THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICER  
APO 634

FJD/njt

3 September 1943

SUBJECT: S-2 Report.

TO : Commanding Officer, 95th Bomb Group (H).

1. 22 A/C took off beginning at 0550 to attack the Renault plant on the west bank of the Seine in Paris. Two A/C returned early:

- |      |      |                   |                           |
|------|------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| #271 | 0720 | 52°15'N - 01°45'E | Live bomb in inside rack. |
| #266 | 0745 | 52°30'N - 01°30'E | #2 engine overheating.    |

Fighter escort by P-47's from French coast nearly to IP was most effective. Enemy attacks caused us no loss. Friendly fighters were not met upon route back. Flak at target believed less than on mission to Le Bourget on 14-7-43 by crews who flew both missions. Lead group failed to bomb primary. A blown out fuse delayed slightly bomb release by our lead ship despite which all our A/C made good pattern on target. Lead group made 360° turn over secondary target (Beaumont-Le Roger) bombing both that A/D and Evereux A/D. Flak on return was chiefly directed at lead group. Low group failed to rendezvous with Combat Wing. All our A/C returned. Two crew members suffered gunshot wounds neither of which are believed to be serious.

F. J. DONOHUE,  
Major, Air Corps,

Sortie No. 32)  
Mission No. 28)

3 September 1943

TARGET: Renault Plant at Paris, France.

1. 22 A/C took off to attack Renault Plant on the west bank of the Seine in Paris. 2A/C returned early. Enemy attacks caused us no loss. Lead squadron failed to bomb primary. A blown-out fuse slightly delayed bomb release by our lead ship despite which all other A/C made good pattern on target. Lead squadron made 360° turn over secondary target (Beaumont-Le-Roger) bombing both athat airdrome and Evreux airdrome. E/A claims 9-0-1.

VIII BC Narrative: The 4th Wing dispatched 65 A/C to attack Meulen-Les-Mureaux. The target was attacked with fair results. 56 attacked and 9 aborted.

168 A/C dispatched to Romilly-Sur-Seine, 140 attacked, 28 aborted and 4 were lost. E/A claims 11-1-10.

LEAD

KNOWLTON

MCPHERSON

CROCKETT

LOW

HIGH

STORIE

TYLER

THOMPSON

KOMURKA

KRING

BROMAN

RENC

O' NEAL

YUENGER

ROBINSON

ROTHSCHILD

EHERTS

HINES

CABEEN

FRANCIS

THOMAS

FISCHER

SPITZER