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

APO 634, 16 September 1943.

SUBJECT: Base Engineering Report on Combat Mission 15 September 1943.

- TO: COMMANDING GENERAL, Fourth Combardment 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 15 September 1943.

a. Twenty-three (23) B-17F airplanes took-off.

- b. Twenty-one (21) B-17F airplanes returned to base after completing mission.
- c. 42-30167 did not return to base.
- There was one (1) abortive airplane.
 a. 42-30182 Runaway prop governor #1 engine.
- 3. Battle damage is as follows:
 - a. 42-30120 Minor sheet metal damage caused by flak.
 - b. 42-5986 Minor sheet metal damage caused by flak.
 - c. 42-30272 Minor sheet metal damage caused by flak.
 - d. 42-30218 Minor sheet metal damage caused by flak.
 - e. 42-30609 Minor sheet metal damage caused by flak.
 - f. 42-30181 #3 Prop damaged by flak. Bombardier's Window damaged by flak. Left and right wings damaged by flak.
 - g. 42-3263 Minor sheet metal damaged caused by flak.
 - h. 42-3266 Minor sheet metal damage caused by flak.
 - 1. 42-30167 Landed at Snetterton Heat.
 - J. 42-3400 Sheet metal damage to right wing.
 - k. 42-3465 Minor sheet metal damaged caused by flak.
 - 1. 42-3317 Minor sheet metaldamage caused by flak.
 - m. 42-3273 Minor sheet metal and fabric damage caused by flak.

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

HEADQUARTERS NINETY FIFTH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H) OFFICE OF THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICER

16, September 1943

SUBJECT: S-2 Report.

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

- 1. 22 A/C of the 95th Bomb Group forming the high group (24,000') of the 13th Combat Wing comprising the 3rd. A.T.F. took off beginning at 1547 to attack the Caudron-Renault plant in Paris.
- 2. Enemy aircraft interposed but weak opposition. Fighter escort was to have been provided by Spit IX's and P-47's. The Spits were not seen. The P-47's were noted above and below our formation.
- 3. Coing into the target the course flown was west of the briefed course and the turn to the target was made south of the I.P. in the vicinity of Houdan.
- 4. A/C #0167 received A A damage at 49°59' 01°14'E at 1818 and returned early. This A/C landed at Snetterton Heath with its bombs and all crew members safe at 2000. A/C #3266 made a second take off at 1634. The only report of his presence was when 15 miles off Beachy Head on the route back he was seen flying in the number 9 spot in the high squadron. At that point and in no apparent difficulty he was seen to lose altitude and leave his position.
- 5. Time over the target was 1855. Bombing from 24,000 feet was well short of the target, the bombs falling south and west of the target in the vicinity of the Renault works previously bombed 4-4-43. Night landing successfully made without incident.

FLORENCE J. DONOHUE, Major, Air Corps, Intelligence Officer.

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Bomber Command Narrative of Operations 95th Operation - 15 Sept., 1943.

Mission No. 1 - Romilly-sur-Seine Aircraft Storage and Repair Depot.

Mission No. 2 - Caudron-Renault Works, S.A. Andre Citroen Works and Renault-Billancourt Works at Paris.

Mission No. 3 - Hispano-Suiza Plant and C. A. M. Works at Paris.

Mission No. 4 - Chartres Airfield.

lst, 2nd and 3rd Bombardment Divisions dispatched four Task Forces to attack German industrial targets in Paris and G.A.F. installations in northern France. The bombers attacked at dusk and returned to bases after dark. In Paris one Task Force attacked with good results the Hispano-Suiza Plant and the adjoining C.A.M. Ball-Bearing Works. A second Task Force dispatched to Paris bombed with good to excellent results the Caudron-Renault Works, the Renault Works at Billancourt and the S.A. Andre Citroen Works. Complementing a successful attack on 3 September, 1943, a third Task Force bombed with excellent results the aircraft storage and repair depot at Romilly-sur-Seine. A fourth Task Force encountered adverse weather and turned from its assigned target to bomb with good results the Chartres Airfield. Fighter support was provided by VIII Fighter Command P-47s and R.A.F. Spitfires. Enemy fighter opposition was weak. 5 B-17s and 1 B-24 are missing. Claims against e/a are 15-2-4.

In conjunction with this operation, diversionary attacks were made by VIII Air Support Command B-26s and RAF Mitchells on Airfields at Merville and Bryas/Sud,

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