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

APO 559. 4 June 1944.

SUBJECT: Report of Operations Officer, Mission of 2 June 1944,

MILITARY INSTALLATIONS (Boulogne Area).

TO: : Commanding Officer, 95th Bomb Group (H), APO 559.

95th "A" Group Formation

1. GENERAL NARRATIVE: The 95th "A" Group took off at 0840 - 0900 to form the lead Group of the 15th "A" Combat Wing. Assembly was made over the base at 22,000' at 1040. A climb was then started to Combat Wing assembly altitude of 24,000' and approach made on Felixstowe at 26,000' altitude at 1112. The additional altitude was gained due to clouds which existed at briefed altitude. The 100th Group joined Combat Wing formation at this point in the high position as did the 95th "B" Group flying in the low position.

Enroute to Beachy Head additional altitude was gained due to clouds at flight level. The English Coast was crossed at Beachy Head at 1151 at 28,000; and turn into target made at this point. Flares were fired assimilating an I.P. and Groups turned into their respective targets. The 4th "B" Combat Wing ahead seemed to be behind time but gave no trouble at time bombs were away. Bombs were away at 120% at 28.000; and a right turn made away from target. The English coast was recrossed at 50051; - 00028; at 28,000; at 1228 with the 13th "A" Wing back in formation.

A direct route was flown then to the base and 98th "A" Group landed at 1310 - 1349 hours.

- 2. AIRCRAFT NOT ATTACKING: Sixteen aircraft plus two P.F.F. and three spares assembled in the formation shown in Diagram "A". Two spares returned thus seventeen aircraft plus two P.F.F. bombed the target as shown in Diagram "B" and are credited with sorties.
 - 3. LOST AIRCRAFT: None.

95th "B" Group Formation

1. GENERAL NARBATIVE: The 95th "B" Group took off at 0901 - 0920 to form the low Group of the 13th "A" Combat Wing.



Assembly was made above the base at 20,000' at 1050 and a climb started to Combat Wing assembly altitude started at that time. A call from 95th "A" Group specified a higher altitude for Combat Wing assembly so Combat Wing assembly was made at 25,600' between Aldeburgh and Buncher # 22.

The route to Beachy Head was flown in company with 95th "A" Group from Buncher # 22. At Beachy Head at 1151 the 95th "B" Group picked up heading to their target and bombs were away at 1204 at 25,000. A right turn was made after bombs away and Combat Wing formation resumed for route home.

The 95th "B" Group landed at the base at 1320-1345.

- 2. AIRCRAFT NOT ATTACKING: Seventeen aircraft plus one P.F.F. and three spares assembled in the formation shown in Diagram "A". Seventeen aircraft plus one P.F.F. and three spares bombed the target as shown in Diagram "B", and are credited with sorties.
 - 3. LOST AIRCRAFT: None.

HARRY G. MUMFORD, Lt. Col., Air Corps, Operations Officer.

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2 June 1944

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For the Commanding Officer:

HARRY C. Mar Dorps, Lt. Col., Air Dorps, Operations Officer. \mathcal{B}'

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



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2 June 1944

SUBJECT: Lead Bombardier's Marrative, Minety Fifth "A" Group, Mission of 2 June 1944, Boulonge, France.

TO: Commanding Officer, 95th Bombardment Group (H), A.A.F.

- 1. Bombing Approach and Run Due to 10/10ths undercest no visual sighting was possible. P.F.F. ship led the formation and dropped its bombs with no interference except for the undercest.
- 2. Hisposition of Boobs 17 A/C of 95th "A" Group were in formation over the primary target. Each A/C dropped 12 x 500% G.P. AN-M43 bombs. Two unused spares returned 24 x 500% G.P. AN-M43 bombs. All bombs were fused 1/10 mose and 1/100 tail.
- 3. Types of Release Of the 204 bombs dropped at the primary target 180 were released through the intervolometer, spacing 100° and 24 were salvoed. All bombs were released armed.

4. Tabular Summary - Aircraft	Bombs		Fuzing
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Total bombs on Target.	204 500g	14-43	1/10 1/100
Other Expenditures.	None.		
Bombs Returned, (unused spares).	24 500	M-43	1/10 1/100
Total (loaded on A/C taking off).	22 8 500 §	M-43	1/10 1/100

DAVID R. SPANGLER lst Lt., Air Corps, Lead Bombardier.

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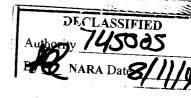
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INTOPS SUMMARY NO. 33

PERIOD: 0001 hours 2nd June 1944 to 2400 hours 2nd June 1944.

A. STATISTICS

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	<u>Missions</u>	Disp.	Sorties	Atkg.	Tonnage	Claims	E/A	A/A	N/E	OT T	Or.
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Fighter Sweeps	0	0	0	0	0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Fighter Bowbing	1	7	7	3	3	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0
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B. OPERATIONAL SUMMARY

Bomber Attacks

Morning Attacks: Pas de Calais Area

926 heavy bombers (633 B-17s and 293 B-24s) were dispatched in a large scale morning operation against run positions, defended localities and other targets in the Pas de Calais area. All formations attacked with the aid of navigational equipment, and 20 targets were attacked with unobserved results through 10/10 cloud. 521 B-17s dropped 5737 x 500 G.P. and 162 x 1000 G.P. - 1514.5 tons - and 284 B-24s dropped 1549 x 500 G.P., 42 x 1000 G.P. and 514 x 2000 G.P. - 922 tons. A total of 2436.5 tons was dropped between 1201 and 1355 hours from 13,000 to 27,000 feet with unobserved results: Only slight flak was experienced and there was no air opposition. Four B-17s suffered minor battle damage but neither bombers nor fighters from eight escorting groups (341 a/c) of VIII Fighter Command suffered losses. There were no claims by bombers or fighters.

Afternoon Attacks: RR Targets - Paris Area; Bretigny A/F

In the afternoon, 242 B-17s and 77 B-24s (319 bombers) were dispatched against 6 railway targets in the Paris area and Bretigny A/F. Escort was provided by 397 fighters from 10 VIII Fighter Command groups. Ground haze over targets impeded bombing and one target was not attached due to heavy undercast. 163 B-17s dropped 462 tons of 500 G.P. on five railway targets with results good on three targets, fair on one and very good on one. Attacks took place between 2031 to 2109 hours, from 17,000 to 22,000 feet. Opportunity targets were attacked as follows; 49 a/c dropped 117 tons G.P. on Conches A/F with fair to good results; 12 a/c dropped 36 tons G.P. on Beaumont-Sur-Oise A/F with good results and one a/c dropped 3 tons G.P. on Caen/Carpiquet A/F with poor results. B-17s were escorted by eight groups of USAAF fighters (83 P-47s, 109 P-51s and 118 P-38s) which reported no encounters and had no claims or losses. Two B-17s were lost to accurate flak and 79 suffered minor battle damage and 21, major damage.

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Of 77 B-24s dis tched against Bretigny A/F, 13 Lombed to Authory 745065 remainder being hindered on their bomb run by cloud and ground he narrow of 2000 G.P. were dropped on Bretigny A/F at 2116 hours from 17,000 feet, and fair results. The remaining E-24s attacked two airfields: 47 a/c dropped 140 tons of G.P. on Creil A/F with fair results and 14 a/c dropped 44 tons G.P. on Villeneuve A/F with unobserved results. Five E-24s were lost to moderate to intense accurate flah over targets, and two more crash-landed in England. In addition, 56 H-2/s suffered mimor battle do age and one, major damage. There was no e/a opposition and 52 P-51s and 46 P-26s providing escort reported an uneventful mission without claims or losses.

2. Fighter Escort

In the morning operation against targets in the Pas de Calais area, B-17s and B-2ks were escorted by eight groups of Highth Air Force fighters - 165 P-k7s 13k P-51s and k2 F-38s. Four groups gave area support, one groups operated under Type 16 control, and one group gave close escort. The fighters reported uneventful massions, with no e/a sighted. All fighters returned sarely, with no claims made.

Escort to the afternoon attacks on railway targets and airfields was likewise uneventful. 83 T-47s, 152 P-51s, and 162 P-30s from ten VIII Fighter Command groups flow escort massions to B-17s and B-24s. There were no e/a sighted and no fighter groups reported losses, battle damage or casualties.

3. Fighter Sweeps

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4. Fighter-Bomber Attacks

Seven 1-36s were dispatched to attack enemy naval vessels off the Delgian coast, but 10/10 cloud over the assigned targets prevented the attack. Three a/c attacked a bridge four miles southeast of Ostend as an opportunity target, dropping three tons of 1000 C.T. from 14,000 feet using level-bombing technique. Two bursts were reported either directly on the bridge or very near misses. The remaining four a/c jettisoned or returned their bombs. There was no air opposition and only weak flak near Antwerp. There were no claims or losses.

5. Thoto Reconnaissance

Three F-5s were dispatched on photo missions. One a/c returned without photographing its target due to cloud. The two lemaining a/c obtained low-level obliques of bridges in France. One of these returned before its mission was completed, when one engine was disabled by flak over Tours. There were no losses, or casualties.

One B-17 on special night photo reconnaissance.

6. Weather Reconnaissance

3 B-17s carried out routine weather reconnaissance missions over the sea. 1 Mosquito carried out reconnaissance over northern Treland.
All a/c returned safely.

7. Special Operations

18 a/c carried out special operations.

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C. INTELLIGENCE

1. Enemy Opposition

Neither bombers nor fighters reported any e/a sightings on either the morning or afternoon mission.

2. Flak

Generally light AA fire was experienced over the Pas de Calais area during the morning attacks.

Moderate to intense accurate fire was experienced by B-24s at Bretigny A/F. Meager to moderate accurate continuously pointed fire was reported by B-17: in the Paris area.

3. Observations

40 u/i e/a in Bretigny A/F.
Very large factory 3 miles SE of Caen.
Balloon barrage at 4913N-OlloE.
Smoke screen at 4856N-OlooE.
Large concentration of RR cars at Lisieux.

4. Damage to Enemy Installations

All results of morning attacks were unobserved due to 10/10 cloud and complete assessment of damage to targets bombed in the afternoon is not available due to late landing hours.

Beaumont-sur-Oise A/F - Fair results

Concentration of bombs fell in dispersal area adjacent to the village of Bernes. Direct hits made on one bomb-blast shelter, one administrative building, two small u/i buildings. Some damage done to residential area in Bernes.

Conches A/F - Fair Results

One concentration fell in western dispersal area. Direct hits were seen on three a/c bomb-blast shelters. One explosion noticed, probably indicating a/c parked within this shelter. Two hits on oil storage area, but no fires or explosions noticed in this area. Majority of bombs fell on the A/F proper.

5. General Information

Nil.