

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

APO 559.
5 August 1944.

SUBJECT: Report of Operations Officer, Mission of 3 August 1944.

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

95 "A" Group Narrative

1. GENERAL NARRATIVE: The 95 "A" group, flying as high group in the 13th "A" combat wing, took off from base at 1200 - 1212 hours and assembled over field (Bun 23) at 13,000 feet by 1315 hours. The group then proceeded to Bun. # 19 where wing rendezvous with the 390th groups was effected at 1329 hours.

The division assembly and control points were made on time and the wing departed the English coast at Selsey Bill at 1416 hours, altitude 16,000 feet. Climb to 19,000 feet was begun and this altitude reached at the enemy coast at 1449 hours. The wing steered right of course until a point 4832N - 0020E at which time it was 14 miles to the right of course.

Upon nearing Chartres, cloud formations were encountered so the wing leader elected to abandon the mission after circling, trying to find a break in the clouds.

The enemy coast out was crossed at 1610 hours at 15,000 feet, the English coast at 1646 and the base reached at 1725 hours.

Landing was effected at 1737 - 1749 hours.

2. AIRCRAFT NOT ATTACKING: Thirteen aircraft left base in formation shown in Diagram "A". All ships returned bombs to base - but are credited with sorties.

3. AIRCRAFT LOST: None.

95 "B" Group Narrative

1. GENERAL NARRATIVE: Seven (7) A/C took off from base at 1215 - 1221 hours to form 95 "B" group flying as low group in 13 "B" combat wing. By 1315 the 6 A/C of 100 group had joined 95 B group over Bun # 28 and wing rendezvous was effected as planned.

English coast was crossed at Selsey Bill at 1421 hours at 14,000'. Slight "s"ing crossing the channel brought us a little south of course and landfall at enemy coast was made at 4918N - 0008W. High clouds forced an alteration of course until 4821N - 0118E.

Approaching the primary target, cloud cover prevented dropping so a 360° turn was made and a run from the North was attempted. Again unable to drop on the primary, course was set for the secondary.

The turn on to the target from the I.P. was made, but due to a right turn by the high group, 95 "B" was second over the target.

Bombs were away on the secondary target at 1651 at 15,400' on magnetic heading of 2580. Route out was uneventful with enemy coast being recrossed at 1809 at 5148N - 0352E.

English coast was recrossed at Lowestoft at 1837 from 6,000'. Landings were from 1841 - 1856.

2. AIRCRAFT NOT ATTACKING: 7 A/C dispatched from 95 "B" all bombed the secondary target. A/C # 7047 returned six (6) bombs that didn't release over the target.

7 A/C are credited with sorties.

3. AIRCRAFT LOST: None.

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95 B Group
Diagram A
Assembly

NINETY FIFTH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
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GROUP FORMATION FORM

DATE 3 August 44

LEAD

BACHUZEWSKI
7047

LOW

ROMANCHEK
2678

PRICE
1867

POWELL
7154

CURLEY
1589

WYRICK
2447

CRAIG
1920

100th

HIGH

100th

100th

100th

100th

100th

EXTRA SHIPS

334

335

336

412

BRIEFING _____

READINESS _____

STATIONS _____

TAXI _____

TAKE-OFF _____

RENDEZVOUS _____

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95 A Group
Diagram B
Over Target

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GROUP FORMATION FORM

DATE 3 August 44

LEAD

HATHWAY

2455

LOW

HOPSAES

1462

GILLIES

7898

HIGH

DANCISIN

7797

BASTION

6013

SHELLER

7257

LAYL

1837

KROOS

1876

HANSON

1875

OLNEY

7334

ELLSWORTH

2560

DECARD

1839

FRESS

2450

BRIEFING _____
 READINESS _____
 STATIONS _____
 TAXI _____
 TAKE-OFF _____
 RENDEZVOUS _____

EXTRA SHIPS

334 _____
 335 _____
 336 _____
 412 _____

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FORMATION DIAGRAM

95TH BOMB. GROUP (H)

DATE 3-8-44

TIME _____

A.

Hatheway
24/55

DANCISIN
77/97

Hofsaes
14/62

GILLIS
78/98

Shuller
20/66

Layl
18/87

KROOS
8/76

BASTRON
60/13

ELLSWORTH
25/60

DECKARD
19/39

HANSON
16/75

OLNEY
73/34

FIPSS
24/50

EXTRA

EXTRA A/C

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