

AUTH: CG STA A-69  
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HEADQUARTERS  
 416TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)  
 Office of the Commanding Officer

TO: Commanding General, 9th Bombardment Division (L), APO 140, U. S. Army.  
 Attn: Statistical Control.

From: 416th Bombardment Group (L), APO 140, U.S. Army.

Ref: Oprep A No. 955a for 24 hrs. ending midnight 24 March 1945  
 Mission or Operation No. 252 97th CBW FO# 222-815

A. Short Narrative of Operation:

Target Colbe Railroad Bridge  
 Place of take-off Station A-69  
 Place of landing Station A-69  
 Take-off time 1452 Landing time 1743  
 Time over target 1614-1616 Bombing Altitude 11400-12000  
 Nature of mission Bombing Other None  
 Weather Clear over target area. Visibility 10-15 miles.  
 Results Super, Excel, Unsat, Good.  
 Enemy opposition Weak inaccurate HFF from area of Nastatten.

B. Type & model of aircraft:

1. Dispatched 25 A-26's

2. Attacking target (indicate target) or completing mission.  
25 Colbe Railroad Bridge

3. Abortive due to:  
 (1) Weather: None  
 (2) Personnel: None  
 (3) Mechanical: None  
 (4) Other: None

4. Missing (i.e. cause and place unknown) None

5. Destroyed - before reaching target None  
 giving cause where known

6. Destroyed - over or after leaving None  
 target giving cause where known

7. Damaged (give category & cause) None

8. Sorties 25

## D. Total operational flying hours

a. Day (Sunrise to sunset) 72:35b. Night (Sunset to sunrise) None

## E. Ammunition by calibres:

a. Total carried into air 46600 x .50 calibreb. Expended on operations 825 x .50 calibre (testing) 1928c. Lost on wrecked or missing a/c None

## F. Bombs, flares, etc. used:

a. Total carried into air: 100 x 1000 lb GP's Fused 1/100 1/100Tb. Expended on operations: 100 1000 GP 1000-100-0-0  
(List targets separately) 260 FR 774 773-0-1c. Jettisoned None 146.625d. Lost or wrecked on missing a/c Nonee. Total Returned None

## G. Own Personnel Casualties:

Type of Casualty	Pilot	Co-pilot	Nav	Bomb	R.Gun	E.Gun	T.Gun
Killed in Action	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Missing in Action	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Seriously Wounded	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Slightly Wounded	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## H. Enemy aircraft by type or description (tentative claims):

a. Destroyed Noneb. Prob. Destroyed Nonec. Damaged None

For the Commanding Officer:


Amend. to Oprep 354a:

Para F a. should read 46,500 lb

Para F c. should read 100 x 500 lb.

Amend. to Oprep 353a:

Para G personnel shown as MIA should be shown as KIA.

  
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 Captain, Air Corps,  
 Adjutant.