

HEADQUARTERS
FOUR HUNDRED SIXTEENTH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER

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11 May 1944
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APC 140, U. S. Army,
11 May 1944.

SUBJECT: Oprep A, USAAF Form 34A.

TO : Commanding General, IX Air Force, APC 696, U. S. Army. Attention
26th Statistical Control Unit.

Oprep A Number 41 for 24 hours ending sunset 11 May 1944.
Mission Number 43.
IX Bomber Command Field Order Number 308.

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- A. Formation consisted of two boxes, 18 ships box I and 20 ships box II. Take off time was 0900. Target - Corneilles En Vexin Airfield. Time over target 1036. Box I, at 12,000 feet, dropped a total of 72 bombs in the target area with fair results. Box II returned early from point over channel 4 miles off Ietreport. Had no visual contact with box I in thick haze and did not see fighter escort. Visibility over France was 6 to 8 miles in haze. Anti-aircraft fire was moderate and accurate HFF in wooded area 3 miles north of Neufchatel, 8 ships receiving category A damage and 1 ship receiving category AC damage. No anti-aircraft fire was experienced over target area. No enemy aircraft encountered. Planes landed at 1159.
- B. (i) 32 A-20G's and 6 A-20J's
(ii) 14 A-20G's and 4 A-20J's
(iii) 18 A-20G's and 2 A-20J's returned early. Had no visual contact with box I in thick haze and did not see fighter escort.
(iv) None
(v) None
(vi) None
(vii) 8 A-20G's category A - flak
1 A-20G category AC - flak
(viii) 14 A-20G's and 4 A-20J's
- C. (i) None
(ii) None
- D. (i) A-20G's 39:58
A-20J's 12:08
(ii) None
- E. (i) A-20G's 100,800 x 50 cal.
A-20J's 12,000 x 50 cal.
(ii) A-20G's 768 x 50 cal. (testing)
A-20J's 144 x 50 cal. (testing)
(iii) None



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- F. (i) A-20G's 128 x 500 lb GP 1/10 N 1/100 T
 A-20J's 24 x 500 lb GP 1/10 N 1/100 T
 (ii) A-20G's 56 x 500 lb GP
 A-20J's 16 x 500 lb GP
 (iii) None
 (iv) None
 A-20G 1 x 500 lb GP fell out on bomb bay door check.
 A-20G's 71 x 500 lb GP returned to base.
 A-20J's 8 x 500 lb GP returned to base.

G. 1 pilot slightly wounded.

- H. (i) None
 (ii) None
 (iii) None

for the commanding officer:

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 GEORGE SCHENKLEIN.
 Captain, Air Corps.
 Adjutant.

