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

APO 140, U. S. Army,
2 May 1944

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SUBJECT: Oprep A, USAAF Form 34A.

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

Oprep A No. 34a for 24 hours ending sunset 1 May 1944.

Mission number 35.

IX Bomber Command Field Order No. 294.

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A. Formation consisted of two boxes, 19 ships each box. Take off time was 1748. Target - Blanc Misseron. Time over target 1917. Box I, at 12,500 feet, dropped a total of 74 bombs in the target area with good results. Box II, at 12,500 feet, dropped a total of 70 bombs in the target area with fair results, bombs falling approximately 600 feet south of the southwest corner of target area. Visibility was 4 miles in thick haze down sun and 1 mile up sun. Overcast of cirrus at 20,000 feet. Three bomb runs had to be made due to poor visibility over target. Anti-aircraft fire was weak HFF becoming accurate for right flight of second box, 2 ships receiving category AC damage and 2 ships receiving category A damage. Planes landed at 2041.

- B. (i) 32 A-20G's and 6 A-20J's. ✓
(ii) 31 A-20G's and 6 A-20J's. ✓
(iii) 1 A-20G due to mechanical trouble. ?
(iv) Nil
(v) Nil
(vi) Nil
(vii) 2 A-20G's category AC ✓
1 A-20G category A ✓
1 A-20J category A ✓
(viii) 31 A-20G's and 6 A-20J's.

- C. (i) Nil
(ii) Nil

- D. (i) A-20G's 89:40
A-20J's 19:50
(ii) Nil

- E. (i) A-20G's 100,800 x 50 cal. ✓
A-20J's 12,000 x 50 cal. ✓
(ii) A-20G's 744 x 50 cal. (testing) ✓
A-20J's 145 x 50 cal. (testing) ✓
(iii) Nil



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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 121 x 500 lb GP ✓
 A-20J's 23 x 500 lb GP ✓
 (iii) Nil
 (iv) Nil
 A-20G's 7 x 500 lb GP returned to base. ✓
 A-20J 1 x 500 lb GP returned to base. ✓

G. Nil

- H. (i) Nil
 (ii) Nil
 (iii) Nil

For the Commanding Officer:

George Schenkein
 GEORGE SCHENKEIN,
 Captain, Air Corps,
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