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

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

*John*

SUBJECT: Oprep A, USAAF Form 34A.

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

Oprep A Number 37 for 24 hours ending sunset 7 May 1944.

Mission Number 37.

IX Bomber Command Field Order Number 300.

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- A. Formation consisted of 2 boxes, 18 ships in box I and 19 ships in box II. Take off time was 0820. Target - Blanc Mission. thirty-six aircraft were abortive because of cloud cover over target area. One aircraft was abortive and returned early because of engine trouble. Anti-aircraft fire was weak and inaccurate HFF from Poix and Roubaix areas, 1 ship receiving category A damage. No anti-aircraft fire was experienced over target area. Planes landed at 1143.
- B. (i) 31 A-20G's and 6 A-20J's. ✓  
 (ii) None ✓  
 (iii) 30 A-20G's and 6 A-20J's abortive due to weather - .6 to .8 low clouds with tops to 6000 feet - cloud cover over target area. 1 A-20G due to engine trouble - returned early.  
 (iv) None  
 (v) None  
 (vi) None  
 (vii) 1 A-20G category A - flak.  
 (viii) 30 A-20G's and 6 A-20J's. ✓
- C. (i) None  
 (ii) None
- D. (i) A-20G's - 103:50 ✓  
 A-20J's - 20:50 ✓  
 (ii) None
- E. (i) A-20G's 97,650 x 50 cal. ✓  
 A-20J's 12,000 x 50 cal. ✓  
 (ii) A-20G's 720 x 50 cal. (testing)  
 A-20J's 144 x 50 cal. (testing)  
 (iii) None
- F. (i) A-20G's 124 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) None



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G. None

H. (i) None  
(ii) None

For the commanding officer:

GEORGE SCHENKELN,  
Captain, Air Corps,  
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