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AFG 140, U. S. Army,
16 June 1944.

SUBJECT: Oprep A, USAAF Form 34A.

TO : Commanding General, Ninth Air Force, APO 696, U. S. Army. (REAR)

Oprep A, Number 76 for 24 hours ending sunset 15 June 1944.

Mission Number 77.

IX Bomber Command Field Order Number 374.

A. Formation consisted of 2 boxes, 18 ships each box, bombing by flights of six. Formation took off from home base at 0740. Time over target was 0900. Target - Lessay Bridges. Flight 1 of box 1, at 12,000 feet, dropped a total of 34 bombs in the target area with excellent results. Flight 2 of box 1, at 12,200 feet, dropped a total of 26 bombs in the target area with good results. Flight 3 of box 1, at 11,800 feet, dropped a total of 34 bombs in the target area with excellent results. Flight 1 of box 2, at 11,500 feet, dropped a total of 28 bombs in the target area with good results. Flight 2 of box 2, at 11,700 feet, dropped a total of 31 bombs in the target area with fair results. Flight 3 of box 2, at 11,300 feet, dropped a total of 27 bombs in the target area with excellent results. Visibility was 20 miles with 1/10 scattered cloud cover. No anti-aircraft fire experienced. No enemy a/c encountered. Planes landed at home base at 1029.

- B. (i) 27 A-20G's and 9 A-20J's
(ii) 27 A-20G's and 9 A-20J's
(iii) None
(iv) None
(v) None
(vi) None
(vii) None
(viii) 27 A-20G's and 9 A-20J's

- C. (i) None
(ii) None

- D. (i) A-20G's 100:20
A-20J's 26:25
(ii) None

- E. (i) A-20G's 85,050 x 50 cal. (loaded at home base)
A-20J's 18,900 x 50 cal. (loaded at home base)
(ii) A-20G's 655 x 50 cal. (testing)
A-20J's 216 x 50 cal. (testing)
(iii) None



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- F. (i) A-20G's 136 x 500 lb GP's 1/10 N 1/100 T (14 ships bomb load 6 x 500 lb GP's - loaded at home base)
A-20J's 46 x 500 lb GP's 1/10 N 1/100 T (5 ships bomb load 6 x 500 lb GP's - loaded at home base)
- (ii) A-20G's 135 x 500 lb GP's
A-20J's 46 x 500 lb GP's
- (iii) None
- (iv) None
- A-20G - 1 x 500 lb GP returned to base - arming wire caught in arming wire retainer holding breaker points apart, causing an opening in the release circuit.

135
46
181

G. None

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

For the Commanding Officer:


GEORGE SCHENKEIN,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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