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DATE: 27 Dec. 1944

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HEADQUARTERS
416TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)
Office of the Commanding Officer

TO: Commanding General, Ninth Air Force, APO 696, U. S. Army.
Attn: 26th Statistical Control.

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

Ref: Oprep A No. 268 for 24 hrs. ending midnight 27 December 1944
Mission or Operation No. 178 97th CEW FO# 108-686

A. Short Narrative of Operation:

Target Eller Railroad Bridge
Place of take-off Station A-55
Place of landing Station A-55
Take-off time 0955 Landing time 1908
Time over target 1134 Bombing Altitude 11,500 - 12,000
Nature of mission Bombing Other None
Weather Visibility unlimited. No clouds.
Results Excellent, Superior, Excellent, Superior, Superior
Enemy opposition None

B. Type & model of aircraft:

1. Dispatched 7 - A-20's
22 - A-26's

2. Attacking target (indicate target) or completing mission.
7 - A-20's Eller Railroad Bridge
22 - A-26's " " "

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 A-20's - 7
A-26's - 22



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(over)

D. Total operational flying hours

a. Day (Sunrise to sunset) A-20's - 23:20
A-26's - 68:05

b. Night (Sunset to sunrise) None

E. Ammunition by calibre:

a. Total carried into air A-20's - 10500 x .50 calibre
A-26's - 48400 x .50 calibre
 b. Expended on operations None
 c. Lost on wrecked or missing a/c None

F. Bombs, Flares, etc. used:

a. Total carried into air: A-20's - 28 x 500 GP's Fused 1/10W - Non Delay
A-26's - 88 x 1000 GP's " " " Tail

b. Expended on operations: A-20's - 28 x 500 GP's
 (List targets separately) A-26's - 87 x 1000 GP's

c. Jettisoned

None

d. Lost or wrecked on missing a/c

None

e. Total Returned

A-26 - 1 x 1000 GP

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 None

b. Prob. Des None

c. Damaged None

For the Commanding Officer:

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