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- A- Mission Number Y 21-G      Date 2 Nov. 1944.
- B- 396th Fighter Sq. Dispatched 12 P-47's led by Capt. ~~XXXXXXXX~~ Parrish.  
1 P-47 aborted because of landing gear failure.
- C- Take-off at 1351      TOT 1500      Entered I/T --  
Landed at 1635           Left E/T --
- D- Nil
- E- 2 x 12 x 500 lb. GP bombs (1/10 x 1/10) fusing) were loaded.  
22 x 500 lb. GP bombs on target vectored to by Marmite and  
believed to be in Coblenz area.  
2 x 500 lb. bombs returned to base.  
Bombing results were unobserved.
- F- No E/A and no flak were encountered.
- G- Tactical Observations Were:  
At 1435, a rocket contrail was seen from 15,000 ft./up. At 1445  
another possible rocket contrail seen going up to about 18,000 ft.  
and at 1515 another was sighted. The trails were going up at about  
a 75° angle. About 20 Me-109's were seen positioning themselves to  
attack some bombers. This was about 15 minutes on the way home from  
the target area.
- H- 10/10ths strato-cumulus clouds:      Visibility very good.  
Tops at 8,000 ft. Bottom at 4,000 ft.
- Notes:  
Marmite Controller told the group to go by his vectors and then  
he would tell them when to drop bombs. He told them to drop bombs  
at which time they did

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A-mission No. 721-3

3 November 1944

B-3604 lighter than air dispatched 13 P-47's led by Capt. Wiley.

C- Takeoff at 10:7 hours. S T 1130 hours, entered M/T at 1110 hours  
left M/T at 1130 hours.

D- 1 P-47 damaged, possible AG, by flak.

E- 12 x 2 x 500 lb GP bombs (inst x 1/40 fusing) loaded.

84 x 50 lb M bombs on target at P-1055.

Bombing results were generally very good.

Hits were observed in the target area. Fires were started with some  
white and black smoke.

F- Moderate accurate light heavy flak in target area.

G- V-2 Rocket trail south of target

H- 6-10/10 strato cumulus clouds. Visibility good. Tops at 12 to 13,000 ft.  
Bottom at 10,000 ft.

Notes: Target was easily identified and considered it a good mission.

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A- Mission No. Y21-6

3 November 1944

B- 396th Fighter Squadron dispatched 12 P-47's led by Lt. Col. Douglas  
12 P-47's aborted because of weather.

C- Takeoff at 1443 hours, landed at 1615 hours.

D- Nil

E- 12 x 2 x 500 lb GP bombs (inst x 1/40) fusing were loaded.  
24 x 500 lb GP bombs returned to base

F- Nil

G- Nil

H- 10/10 ths coverage by clouds. 2500 to 3000 ft. East of AACHEN.  
Visibility poor.

Notes: Marmite and sweepstakes were trying to work with Group  
but finally Marmite told group he would vector them to target but due  
to weather conditions the mission had to abort tactically.

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- A- Mission No. Y21-3 4 November 1944.
- B- 386th Fighter Squadron dispatched, 12 P-17's led by Capt. Crisp.
- C- Takeoff at 1200 hours entered S/P 1230 hours, TOT 1230 hours, left N/P at 1525 hours  
Landed at 1415 hours.
- D- nil
- E- 8 x 2 x 500 lb GP bombs (inst x 1/40 fusing) were loaded.  
16 x 500 lb GP bombs on target at Schmidt i-062227.  
Bombing results were generally very good.  
Hits were observed on the buildings which were marked by the red smoke.  
Town of Harsensidt (F-070335) was strafed upon request by Hoperaft. Results  
unobserved.
- F- Weak inaccurate light flak at Kleinman i-0857.  
Weak inaccurate light flak at Bergstein F-0834
- G- 6 white ambulances seen in Kleinman. 1 horse drawn vehicle seen in the vicinity  
of F-1150.  
Hoperaft told squadron not to strafe after bombing which might indicate his  
intention to move in.
- H- 5-6/10ths cloud cover. Visibility good.  
Tops at 5000 feet bottom at 2000 feet.

Notes: Hoperaft told squadron to bomb Schmidt and marked a group of buildings  
with red smoke in the town.

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- A- Mission No. Y21-8 4 November 1944
- B- 396th Fighter Squadron dispatched 12 P-47's led by Capt. Benton.
- C- Takeoff at 1623, entered E/T at 1645, TOT at 1650, left L/T at 1650  
Landed at 1725.
- D- Nil
- E- 8 x 2 x 500 lb GP Bombs (inst x 1/40 fusing) were loaded.  
14 x 500 lb GP bombs on target ~~is~~ believed to be F-5417.  
2 x 500 lb GP bombs on target believed to be F-4022.  
Bombing results were generally poor.  
Hits were observed in generally area.  
4 near hits. one on RR.
- F- Moderate inaccurate light flak at target at F-5417.
- G- One white contrail less dense than usual, from area of Coblenz  
believed to be V-2, scattered and probably 15 min old.
- H- 10/10 ths at target clouds.

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- A- Mission No. Y21-4  
5 November 1944
- B- 394th Fighter Squadron dispatched 12 P-47's led by Capt. Banton.
- C- Takeoff at 1408 hours, entered E/T at 1435 hours, left E/T at 1515, landed at 1558 hours.
- D- Nil
- E- 12 P-47's were used as escort.
- F- Moderate fairly accurate light heavy flak at F-1557.  
Moderate fairly accurate heavy flak at F-3050.
- G- At 1510 hours, 1 V-2 contrail going straight up SE of Koblenz.

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- A. Mission Number Y 21-4 Date 6 Nov. 1944
- B. 396th Tr. Sq. Dispatched 12 P-47's led by Capt. Raer.
- C. Take-off at 1207 TOT 1250 Entered E/T 1245  
Landed at 1339 Left E/T 1310
- D. Nil
- E. 12 x 2 x 500 lb. TP bombs (inst x 1/40 fusing) were loaded.  
24 x 500 lb. GP bombs on target between F-3430 and F-3645.
- Bombing results were generally fair.  
Cuts were observed at F-3643, F-3742 after the Gp. Bombing. Rest of bombs off target, a few near misses.
- F- No E/A were encountered.
- Intense fairly accurate, light flak on both sides of the rrd spur, along the rds; more intense vicinity of F-3535.  
Intense, fairly accurate, heavy flak at S of Duren.
- G- Nil
- H- 6/10ths cumulus clouds: Visibility good.  
Tops at 6,000 ft. Bottom at 4,000 ft.

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- A. Mission Number: 21-2 Date: 11 Nov. 1944
- B. 800th Sp. Sq. dispatched 12 P-47s led by Capt. [redacted].  
1 P-47 aborted because of pilot error.
- C. Take-off: at 1530 Entered T/T at 1600  
Landed at 1730 TOT 1630 Left T/T at 1635
- D. NIL
- E. 12 x 2 x 500 lb. HP bombs (inst x 1/40 fusing) were loaded.  
32 x 500 " " " on PR target between F-3335 and F-3336.  
8 x 500 " " " were returned to base.
- F. Bombing results were generally fair.  
2 hits were observed on the railroad line indicated.
- G. No A/A were encountered.  
Light, intense, fairly accurate, flak at target.  
Heavy, weak, inaccurate flak at target.
- H. Tactical Observations: Nil
- I. Briefed target:  
10/10ths stratus and strato-cumulus: Visibility good.  
Bottom at 2,000 ft. Top at 3,000 ft.  
Target of Opportunity:  
5/10ths from 2 to 5,000 ft.

NOTES:

Briefed target was covered with solid overcast so group headed eastward from Hoperaft when they contacted. He told sq. that he was overcast, as was observed.

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- A- Mission No. Y21-2 Date: 18 November 1944.
- B- 396th Fighter Sq. dispatched 12 P-47's led by Capt. Baer.
- C- Take-off at 1331, entered E/T at 1409, TOT at 1410, Left E/T at 1500 landed at 1532 hours.
- D- 1 P-47 is missing, 2nd Lt. John R. Knauss is MIA, he was last seen at F-0248 pulling up from a strafing pass.  
1 P-47 damaged, possible AC.
- E- 18 x 2 x 500 lb GP bombs (inst x 1/40 fusing) were loaded.  
24 x 500 lb GP bombs on target area at F-004460.  
Bombing results were very good.  
All hits were observed on the red smoke.  
Tiger tank was strafed, NRO at K-995456, called in by Instand.  
Tiger tank was strafed and NRO at F-020470.  
Woods were strafed on request at F-0046.  
1 white vehicle was strafed and destroyed at F-001468.
- F- Light moderate fairly accurate flak in woods at F-0343.  
Light moderate inaccurate flak at F-072486.
- G- Friendly troops going north along road at F-008418. Our troops also at F-030418. Tree obstacle across road at F-032425.
- H- 4/10ths stratus cumulus clouds, visibility good. Bottom at 4500 ft. Top at 6000 ft.
- H TFC: Sweepstakes controller called and said that Booty remarked squadron had done a good job.

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DATE 18 November 1944
- A- Mission No. YU1-8
- B- 386th Fighter Squadron dispatched 18 P-47's led by Capt. Crisp
- C- Take-off at 1101, entered E/T at 1133, POF at 1135, Left E/T at 1225, landed at 1311 hours.
- D- Nil
- E- 9 x 2 x 500 lb. GP bombs (inst x 1/40 Busin.) were loaded.  
8 x 2 x 500 lb. GP bombs on target at F-012455.  
3 x 2 x ZG-82 bombs were loaded.  
2 x ZG-82 bombs on target at F-1628.  
2 x ZG-82 bombs on target at F-0819.  
2 x ZG-82 bombs on target at F-0617.  
Bombing results were generally good. Hits were observed in area described by controller after using violet and white smoke.  
Road and woods were strafed at F-0046.  
Reistern was strafed at F-015455.  
Castle was strafed at F-030448.
- F- Light moderate inaccurate flak at F-0720
- G- Artillery positions and heavy emplacements (at least 20) in woods at F-0046.  
Center of Duren is flattened. Controller said that he expected a counterattack at 12 o'clock from concentrated German in woods at F-0046.  
V-2 contrails seen in coblenz area 1122 hours. (pinkish - red color at 135° from Liege.
- H- CAVU at target area.

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- A- Missed No. 701-  
DAY : 10 November 1944
- B- 390 Fighter Sq. dispatched 12 P-47's led by Lt. Col. Douglas
- C- Take-off at 1440, entered P/ at 1501, at 1505, left P/ at 1515, landed at 1535.
- D- 1 P-47 is damaged CAT A.
- E- 6 x 2 x 500 lb GP bombs (inst x 1/50 fusing) were loaded.  
6 x 2 x 250 lb M49 bombs (inst) were loaded.  
4 x 500 lb GP bombs on target at F-012468.  
12 x 250 lb frag bombs on target at F-012468.  
3 x 500 lb GP bombs on target at F-032475.  
1 x 500 lb GP bomb jettisoned. Unknown.  
1 x 500 lb GP bomb returned to base.  
Bombing results were generally excellent. All hits were observed square on group of small houses believed to contain large guns.
- F- Light intense fairly accurate flick at F-0281.
- G- 10 G/F's at F-052466. Booty was unable to make targets but Tropic Squadron pointed them out. Booty is still in same place.
- H- Rain starting.

Notes: 1 silver P-47 followed squadron in several orbits, calling deflection, number believed to be B-5.

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Capt., Air Corps,  
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G. aerial observations here:

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14. 1-14-47 in damaged (stab. 1/2) ...

15. 1-14-47 in damaged (stab. 1/2) ...



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- A- Mission No. 421-1
- B- DATE: 30 November 1944
- B- 370th Fighter Squadron dispatched 12 F-47's led by Capt. Crisp.
- C- Take-off at 12:11, entered E/W at 1130, over at 11:5, left E/W at 12:30, landed at 12:58 hours.
- D- Nil
- E- 3 x 2 x 500 lb H bombs (first x 1/10 fusing) were loaded.  
3 x 2 x 500 lb frag. (inst) were loaded.  
16 x 500 lb H bombs on target at Langenwehe F-00478.  
3 x 500 lb frag bombs on target at Langenwehe F-00478.  
Bombing results were fair. Hits were observed east and north of the target marked with the burning red smoke.  
Town of Naumburg was struck at 12:04:00.
- F- Flight moderate inaccuracy. Status of Naumburg - fair.
- G- V-2 contrails seen going straight up at 11:50 from Gobleng area. 5 contrails were visible going east, south of the target area. Poodle 03 was calling for help.
- H- 5-7/10ths strato cumulus clouds. Visibility, fair (ground haze) Bottom at 3000 feet. Top reached was 4000 feet.
- NOTE: Booty marked the target with hanging red smoke which obscured target FA. He was asked to lay smoke on ground but said he couldn't. Booty told squadron not to strafe west of Langenwehe because our troops were getting close.

FORNAT G. [unclear]  
1st Lt., 47th FG  
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1. Mission Number: 41-0 Date: 20 Nov. 1944
2. 39th Str. Sq. dispatched 11 P-47's led by Lt. Myerson.
3. Take-off at 1418 Entered T/S at 1445  
Landed at 1633 Left T/S at 1500
4. 1 P-47 is damaged (cat. 7) by Me-109 at 1-3440.  
Sgt. Lt. Boyd Johnson is missing (believed to be safe behind our lines).
5. 7 x 2 x 500 lb. GP bombs (inst. x 1/40 fusing) were loaded.  
4 x 2 x 200 lb. frag. bombs (same fusing) were loaded.  
8 x 500 lb. GP bombs on target at P-029475.  
3 x 500 lb. GP bombs on target at P-030472.  
8 x 200 lb. frag. bombs on target at P-032473.
- Bombing results were excellent.
6. 3 Me-109's were encountered at P-2746 at 1530 hours, at 8,000 ft.  
Heavy, intense, fairly accurate flak at P-2747 and P-1250.  
Light, intense, fairly accurate flak at P-0447.
7. Tactical observations were:  
Marmite called in train at Luckirchen but squadron was too busy. Large network of trenches from P-036440 to P-040470.  
Factory burning at P-034506.  
At 1432 hours, 1 V-2 from Coblenz area.
8. Weather was: CAVU over target.

NOTE:

Lt. Johnson bailed in at P-945440 - appeared to be fairly clean job - 3 of our soldiers were at the plane when the squadron left, and canopy was open.

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- A. Mission No. 921-8 DATE: 27 November 1944
- B. 336th Fighter Squadron dispatched 18 P-47's led by Capt. Crisp
- C. Take-off at 1300, entered 1/4 at 1305, TOP at 1330, left D/T at 1450, landed at 1530 hours.
- D- Nil
- E- 8 x 2 x 500 lb GP bombs (inst x 1/20 fusing) were loaded.  
4 x 2 x 250 lb Frag bombs (inst)  
16 x 500 lb GP bombs on target, ex factory at F-367462  
and box cars and railroad between F-365463 and F-378469.  
8 x 250 lb frag bombs on target at Merken F-073505  
Bombing results were generally fair on railroad, good on Merken.  
Hits were observed on factory and close to railroad and on East  
end of train. All hits with frags in center of Merken possibly  
10 cars destroyed at end of train.
- F- Light and heavy intense fairly accurate flak between F-365463 and  
F-378469.  
Light moderate & accurate flak at F-045501.
- G- About 40 freight cars were seen on the railroad section bombed.  
A locomotive was smoking in the area. This seems to be an active  
area and recommend another attack.  
2 tanks with muzzle breakers seen at F-028435.  
A flaming ball seen to come up at a 70° angle from approx F-067475  
and leaving a white trail behind it, seemed to be going W.  
A stationary train (approx 10 cars) seen at F-290353.
- H- 5/10ths strato cumulus clouds. Visibility good, about 4 miles.  
Bottom at 2500 feet. top at 6000 feet.

NOTES: Went directly to railroad target and on way back, contacted  
Booty who marked a tank target which was supposed to be carrying  
cruise panels, between Langerwahn and Iuchern. Red and white smoke  
was used. Not being able to find tank, told controller they had  
only frags so controller told them to bomb merken.

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- A- Mission No. 721-2
- B- 30th Fighter Squadron dispatched 12 P-47's led by Capt. Booy.
- C- Take-off at 0832, entered 1/4 at 0810, Top at 0818, left 1/4 at 0950  
Landed at 1035.
- D- All
- E- 8 x 2 x 500 lb GF bombs (inst x 1/40 fusing) were loaded.  
4 x 2 x 260 lb Frag bombs (inst) were loaded.  
16 x 500 lb GF bombs on target, gravel pit and little town at  
F-075468, which were artillery and gun emplacement.  
8 x 260 lb Frag bombs on target, gravel pit and little town at  
F-075468, which were artillery and gun emplacement.  
Bombing results were good. Hits were observed in the town and close  
to the gravel pit, marked with 2 red and 1 white stone.  
Area between road and railroad was strafed upon request between  
F-052468 and F-070460.
- F- Heavy moderate inaccurate flak at F-135410.
- G- Mines near Herode (F-0545) and lot of activity there, mortar and  
artillery fire.  
Booy said he was worried about 2 companies of our troops in or  
near Herode.
- H- 10/10ths strato cumulus clouds. Visibility 3-6 miles. Bottom at  
3000 feet. Top at 8000 feet. East and south of Duren.
- Notes: Booy marked target for squadron and requested the strafing.

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Asst C-2

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