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OPREP A

TO: CG, Ninth Air Force, APO 696, U S Army (Attention: 26th SCU).
 CG, XIX Tactical Air Command, APO 141, U S Army (Attention: Stat Contl Sec).
 CG, 30 3rd Fighter Wing, APO 141, U S Army (Attention: Stat Contl O).

FROM: Hq 37 3rd Fighter Group, APO 141, U S Army, 9 August 1944.

REF: Oprep A No 496: For 24 hour period ending Sunset, 9 August 1944.
 Mission No 154: (3rd of 3 Missions) Mission symbol No 51-20.

(TIGER - TRUMPET; TOURS - STAMPES - ORLEANS AREA)

- A. - T/U 1802 Site 13. This Group dive bomb ed, and glide bombed. 3 Sq: 4410th 10 planes; 8411th 10 planes; 0412th 12 planes. 32 P-47's. C Sq provided top cover for A and B Sq. C Sq observed U S Army vehicles sited on road vicinity of T 5424. A Sq from a glide approximately 4 to 5000 ft, 25 degrees, and released bombs at 1000 ft dropped bombs on 10 box cars and engine facing East at Montrichard L 1262, between Tours and Vierzonville. Cut tracks, destroyed engine and 4 cars, and also damaged 4 cars. At Vierzon Ville L 8047 12 bombs were dropped on M/Y containing 2 trains of 20 box cars each and 1 locomotive. Destroyed 2 storage sheds and cut tracks and damaged 3 box cars. 10 aircraft also strafed same targets lightly. Observed smoke, explosions, and signs of activity at Sourdeval T 6020. B Sq from an altitude of 5,000 ft, 55 degree angle of dive, released bombs at 1,500 ft. Some bombs were dropped S W of Veuves 109776 along 3 mile stretch of RR tracks. Rails were out in 5 places. 4 bombs were dropped on cement bridge NW of Amboise 10977693. 1 direct hit and 2 near misses. Bridge destroyed. 2 trucks strafed on road leading south from Chaumont L 1577 both damaged. At Vierzonville, light, meagre, and inaccurate flak. Tours, heavy, intense, inaccurate. Over target cloud cover 8/10, base 10,000 top 12000 ft, visibility 3 to 4 miles. Heavy haze. Anroute 5/10, base 9,000, top 12,000 visibility 5 miles with heavy haze. T/D 2045 Site 13.
- B. (I) - 32 P-47's.
 (II) - 31
 (III)a - N IL
 b - NIL
 c - 1 (Engine trouble).
 d - NIL
 (IV) - NIL
 (V) - NIL
 (VI) - NIL
 (VII) - NIL
 (VIII) - 32
- C. (I) - 32 (150 gal US. belly, American) - Site 13.
 (II) - N IL
- D. (I) - 98:00
 (II) - NIL
- E. (I) - 54,400 x 50 - Site 13.
 (II) - 9,500 x 50
 (III) - NIL
- F. (I) - 40 (500 lb GP, Inst fuse) - Site 13.
 (II) - 40
 (III) - NIL
 (IV) - N IL
- G. - NIL
- H. - NIL

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