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NINETY SECOND BOMBARDMENT GROUP(H) AAF
Office of the Operations Officer

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APC #557

13 August 1944.

SUBJECT: Report on Planning and Execution of Operations, 128th
Mission, 13 August 1944, Evreux, France.

TO : Commanding Officer, 92nd Bombardment Group(H)AAF, APC 557.

1. Comment on Planning and Execution.

a. The bomb loading for this operation was received from Headquarters 40th Combat Wing by Capt. Prasse at 0645 hours, 13 August 1944. The order called for thirty-six (36) B-17's plus three (3) spares to be loaded with 30 X 100 lb. GP bombs each with 1/10 sec. nose fuse and 1/40 sec. tail fuse.

b. The Field Order was received from Headquarters 1st Bomb Division by Capt. Prasse at 0834 hours, 13 August 1944. Flight plans and details of the mission were completed, briefing being set for 0715 hours and take-off time 1015 hours.

2. General Narrative.

a. Thirty-six (36) B-17's plus three (3) spares from the 92nd Group took off beginning at 1015 hours to assemble over the Honeybourne buncher as Lead, Low and High Groups of the 40th "C" Combat Wing. The assembly altitudes were 11,000, 10000 and 12000 feet respectively. The English coast was departed on time on course after excellent Division assembly.

b. The Enemy coast was crossed at 1232 hours, and the planned route followed to the IP. In the area of the IP, the High Group was subjected to meager, accurate flak which proved fatal to the High Group Deputy leader.

c. The Lead Group dropped its bombs at 1310 hours from 20,800 feet, on a magnetic heading of 073 degrees. The Low Group, flying at 19,550 feet on a magnetic heading of 061 degrees, bombed at 1310 hours. The High Group bombed at 1308 hours from 21,700 feet on a magnetic heading of 054 degrees.

d. After the target, the High Group was separated from the Lead and Low Groups. All Groups however, followed the planned route home. The Lead Group crossed the enemy coast at 1334 hours and landed at base at 1441 hours.

3. Aircraft Not Attacking.

a. A/C 42-37535, 42-37568 and 42-31783 returned early as unused spares. A/C 42-37348 blew up and ports hit A/C 42-107071 and 42-37217 causing them to leave the formation at the IP.

4. Lost Aircraft.

a. A/C 42-37348 was hit directly by flak at the IP and blew up.

5. Statistical Summary.

See attached.

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STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

DIVISION FIELD ORDER NO. 470

DATE 13/8/44

GROUP 92nd

LINE NO.		LEAD FORMATION "C"		LOW FORMATION "C"		HIGH FORMATION "C"		FORMATION	
		REGULAR	PFF	REGULAR	PFF	REGULAR	PFF	REGULAR	PFF
1	No. of Aircraft Failing to Take Off	0		0		0			
2	No. of Aircraft Airborne	13		13		13			
3	No. of Aircraft Airborne Less Unused Spares	12		12		12			
4	No. of Aircraft Sorties	12		12		12			
5	No. of Aircraft Attacking	12		12		9			
	Name of Primary Target	Evreux		Evreux		Evreux			
	(a) No. Aircraft Attacking Primary Target	12		12		9			
	(b) No. Size and Type of Bomb	455 X ANM-30 1 skymarker		453 X ANM-30 1 skymarker		341 X ANM-30 1 skymarker			
7	Name of Secondary Target								
	(a) No. Aircraft Attacking Secondary Target								
	(b) No. Size and Type of Bomb								
8	Name of Target of Opportunity (T.O.) Emergency Salvo					48 44 N- 00 07W 2			
	(a) No. Aircraft Attacking T.O.								
	(b) No. Size and Type of Bomb					76 X ANM-30			
9	Name of Target of Opportunity (T.O.)								
	(a) No. Aircraft Attacking (T.O.)								
	(b) No. Size and Type of Bomb								
10	No. of Aircraft Not Attacking								
11	No. of Aircraft Lost								