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48TH SQUADRON
313th Troop Carrier Group
APO 133 - U S Army

7 June 1944

Consolidated Mission Report

1. 48th Troop Carrier Squadron.
 2. 313th Troop Carrier Group.
 3. NEPTUNE II Resupply. Carried 130 bundles & parapacks.
10 C-47's & 1 C-53.
 4. 7 June 1944 - 0310 hrs to 7 June 1944 - 1000 hrs.
 5. In general as prescribed. From Atlanta to Elko, prescribed course not followed due to weather. From Elko to DZ & return prescribed course followed.
 6. At Atlanta, solid overcast encountered up to 10,000' resulting in loss of formation. From Atlanta to Dallas cleared somewhat and could break out at about 1500'. Scattered rain around Bristol area. Weather improved over water altho conditions were hazy. Over DZ visibility was 10 miles - cloud base 2000' scattered, 5/10. On return weather was all right.
 7. None.
 8. Light, sporadic .30 cal. machine gun and rifle fire beginning 2 miles inland along route to DZ. Appeared to come from farm houses and isolated hidden spots. Similar fire encountered around DZ. At 0652 hours 1 plane over DZ encountered no fire at all. 1 heavier caliber gun reported firing from woods W of DZ.
 9. None.
 10. Many types of pursuit cover seen; P-47's, P-51's, P-38's, Spitfires. Many types of naval vessels seen.
 11. None.
 12. First plane over DZ at 0605 hrs - last ship over at 0652 hrs. Average altitude 550' - average speed 115 mph.
 13. 2 planes:
Ship #42-23648 - Pilot, PETER G. MEDONIS, JR., 1st Lt. 13 bundles returned. Weather conditions forced return to field. Plane lost formation at Atlanta at 0445 hrs. Landed at Station Harcourt 0510 hrs. Returned to home base at 0715 hrs.
Ship #42-32916 - Pilot, IVAN L. GORTON, 1st Lt. 10 bundles returned. Weather conditions forced return.
 14. Good. All signal aids picked up clearly but Atlanta. Radar worked up to 50 miles. No smoke seen over DZ - no panels seen.
 15. None.
 16. Missing - 1 plane:
Ship #43-15632 - Pilot, EDGAR F. STOVALL, JR., Major. Last seen off English coast heading toward DZ at about 0715 hrs.
- One plane reported but not at home base at time of report:
Ship #42-32863 - Pilot, EDWARD M. BOSARGE, 2nd Lt. Plane reported by Flying Control at 1006 hrs. To have landed safely at Tarrant Rushton.

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Consolidated Mission Report NEPTUNE II Resupply. (Cont'd)

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Damaged - 5 planes:

Non-flyable - 2 planes:

Ship #42-68766 - 1 bullet hole in left auxiliary gas tank.

1 bullet hit in left wing.

1 bullet hit in middle of cabin.

Ship #42-100514 - 1 bullet hole in right main gas tank.

9 bullet holes in fuselage.

Flyable - 3 planes:

Ship #42-32873 - 1 bullet hole in horizontal stabilizer.

1 bullet hole in right wing.

Ship #43-15079 - 1 bullet hole in left nacelle.

1 bullet hole in right wing.

1 bullet hole in horizontal stabilizer.

1 bullet hole in fuselage.

1 bullet hole in vertical fin.

Ship #43-15198 - 1 bullet hole in de-icer boot.

1 bullet hole in vertical fin.

1 bullet hole in horizontal stabilizer.

2 bullet holes in cone.

17. Of the 9 planes returned as of time of report, 2 planes did not make the DZ because of weather. 7 planes dropped all but 2 bundles:

Ship #42-68766 - parapack #57 not dropped - mechanical failure.

Ship #42-23474 - 1 parapack (left & forward) not dropped. Contained 57 mm. equipment. Mechanical failure.

Deviation from prescribed course between Atlanta and Elko due to weather conditions.

18. Yes.

19. Of the 7 planes making the drop, 4 dropped on the Glider DZ (W) and 3 dropped on DZ N.

20. 4 planes sighted in water:

(1) 49° 45' N - 01° 04' W.

(2) Plane sighted just off island of Marcouf - boats seen circling spot.

(3) 49° 52' N - 01° 25' W. Observed at 0625 hrs. Number 31 seen on nose, and letter "U" on the tail. Dinghy was seen.

(4) 49° 43' N - 01° 09' W. Letter "L" on plane. Ditching procedure being carried out.

At 0415 hrs to 0425 hrs between Elko & Flatbush large orange flash seen. Appeared to be exploding plane.

Average time to unload planes was 12 seconds.

For the Commanding Officer:

HERBERT WORONOFF,
Captain, Air Corps,
Intelligence Officer.

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Supplementary Mission Report

1. 48th Troop Carrier Squadron.
2. 313th Troop Carrier Group.
3. NEPTUNE II Resupply. 1 C-47 - 42-32863. Previously reported landed safely at Tarrant Rushton (see Consolidated Mission Report NEPTUNE II Resupply).
4. 7 June 1944 0310 hrs to 7 June 1944 - 1120 hrs.
5. 240° from 484 at 0415 hrs. 180° four 4 minutes, turned on 240° flew 35 minutes, let down to 1500' and flew 210° for 15 minutes. Hit airfield at Exeter & landed; Exeter to Flatbush, then prescribed route to DZ. Returning from DZ landed at Tarrant Rushton, Tarrant Rushton to base.
6. Solid overcast at Atlanta - ceiling at 9000'. CAVU over DZ.
7. None.
8. 1 shell fired at ship at Cherbourg. CD gunfire. There was no fire over DZ.
9. None.
10. Contacted friendly naval vessels off shore which stopped firing until plane had passed.
11. None.
12. Passed over DZ at 0756 hrs. Altitude 12-1500'. 130 mph.
13. None.
14. Didn't use any.
15. None.
16. None.
17. All parapacks dropped.
18. Yes.
19. Dropped over LZ where gliders had landed.
20. 2 life rafts observed 4 miles E of Fort De Tatihou. Men in rafts fired red flare. Plane dropped extra raft at 0815 hrs. Weather conditions made it necessary to land before proceeding on mission.

For the Commanding Officer:

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