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2d BOMBARDMENT DIVISION
APO 558

TACTICAL MISSION REPORT

<u>FIELD ORDER NO.</u>	<u>TARGETS</u>	<u>DATE</u>
745	Cormeilles A/F La Possonnerre Beaumont Sur Oise Elois St. Dehis Porcard Elois St. Denis Le Port Boulet Montfort Redon Vicomte Criel A/F Beauvais-Neuilles A/F	11 June 1944

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: 2d Bomb Division :
: Initials *SLP* :
: Date *10 July 1944* :
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9 July 1944

SUBJECT: Tactical Report of Mission, 11 June 1944

TO : Commanding General, Eighth Air Force, AAF 101, APO 634.

Force1st Force2nd Combat Wing
389th Group - Cormeilles A/F
445th Group - Cormeilles A/F
453rd Group - Cormeilles A/F14th Combat Wing
392nd Group - La Possonnerre
44th Group - La Possonnerre
492nd Group - La Possonnerre20th Combat Wing
446th Group - Beaumont Sur Oise
93rd Group - Beaumont Sur Oise95th Combat Wing
489th Group - Blois St. Denis
491st Group - Porcard96th Combat Wing
466th Group - Blois St. Denis
461st Group - Blois St. Denis
458th Group - Blois St. Denis2nd Force2nd Combat Wing
389th Group - Le Port Boulet
445th Group - Le Port Boulet
453rd Group - Le Port Boulet14th Combat Wing
44th Group - Montfort
392nd Group - Montfort
492nd Group - Montfort20th Combat Wing
448th Group - Redon
446th Group - Vicomte95th Combat Wing
489th Group - Criel A/F
491st Group - Criel A/F96th Combat Wing
467th Group - Beauvais-Nevilles A/F
466th Group - Beauvais-Nevilles A/F
458th Group - Beauvais-Nevilles A/F1. Planning

a. 480 aircraft were dispatched to visually attack three bridges and various tactical targets on GH. Area fighter support was provided.

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Tactical Report of Mission, 11 June 1944 (Contd) F. O. 3382. Assembly

a. Some units experienced difficulty in assembling due to weather conditions in the base areas.

3. Route In

a. Generally as briefed.

4. Difficulties on the Bombing Run

a. Meager flak in target areas.

b. Very heavy cloud cover at target, causing low bombing altitudes and attacks on various targets of opportunity.

5. Bombing

a. See attached form.

6. Enemy Action Encountered.

a. Meager inaccurate to intense accurate flak was encountered in the target areas at Montauban, Beaumont, and Creil. No gunfire was encountered at the following targets: Corneilles-en-Vexin, Viconte, Beauvais, Montfort and Elois. Meager gunfire was encountered enroute at Mantes Gossicourt, Bonnières-sur-Seine, St. Malo, Montdidier, Veulettes and Feucarmont.

b. No enemy fighters were seen.

7. Route Out

a. Generally as briefed, however, some units made slight deviations seeking out various targets of opportunity.

8. Losses and Claims

a. One aircraft was lost from the 491st Group. This plane ditched in the English Channel, due to hits from enemy anti-aircraft fire.

For the Commanding General:

Charles B. Westover
CHARLES B. WESTOVER
Colonel GSC
Chief of Staff.

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F. O. 338

BOMBING - Mission of 11 June 1944

<u>Target Assigned</u>	<u>Target Bombed</u>	<u>Force Employed</u>	<u>Method of Bombing</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Altitude</u>	<u>Results</u>
Corneilles	Primary	389th (2 Squadrons)	Visual	0758	20,000	1 Sqn excellent, 1 Sqn very good.
Corneilles	Primary	445th (1 Squadron)	Visual	0801	20,700	Poor
Corneilles	Primary	453rd (1 Squadron)	Visual	0804	21,000	Poor
Beauvais Nevilles	Primary	467th (2 Squadrons)	Visual	0755	20,000	Excellent
Beauvais Nevilles	Beauvois Tille	466th (1 Squadron)	Visual	0743	20,000	T.O. Fair
Beauvais Nevilles	Primary	458th (1 Squadron)	Visual	0745	21,000	Very Good
Beaumont Sur Oise	Primary	446th (2 Squadrons)	GH	0754	20,000	Fair
Beaumont Sur Oise	Primary	93rd (1 Squadron)	GH	0754	20,000	Poor
Beaumont Sur Oise	Poix	93rd (1 Squadron)	GH	0812	19,500	T.O. Fair
Criol	Primary	489th (1 Squadron)	GH	0802	20,000	Excellent
Criol	Beaumont Sur Oise	491st (1 Squadron)	GH	0758	20,000	Unobserved
Redon		448th (1 Squadron)				Cloud Cover - Did not Bomb
Viconte	Primary	446th (1 Squadron)	GH	0802	20,000	Unobserved
Le Port Boulet		389th (1 Squadron)				Cloud Cover-Did not bomb
Le Port Boulet		445th (1 Squadron)				Cloud Cover-Did not bomb
Le Port Boulet		392nd (1 Squadron)				Cloud Cover-Did not bomb
Blois St. Denis		489th (1 Squadron)				Mission Abandoned-Weather
Porcard		491st (1 Squadron)	Visual			T. O. Unknown
Blois St. Denis	Primary	466th (2 Squadrons)	Visual	0804	6,000	Objective Destroyed
Blois St. Denis	Primary	467th (2 Squadrons)	Visual	0816	6,000	Objective Destroyed
Blois St. Denis	Primary	458th (2 Squadrons)	Visual	0805	6,500	Objective Destroyed
La Possonnerre	Montauban	392nd (3 Squadrons)	Visual	0820	8,500	T. O. Good
La Possonnerre	St. Malo	392nd (2 Squadrons)	Visual	0805	9,000	T. O. Poor
La Possonnerre	Dam Near Boulong	392nd (1 Squadron)	Visual	0809	8,300	T.O. Good
La Possonnerre	Montauban	492nd (2 Squadrons)	Visual	0820	8,000	T. O. Good
La Possonnerre	Bridge 4830N-0200W	44th (1 Squadron)	Visual	0827	8,500	T. O. Fair
La Possonnerre	Road - St. Malo	44th (1 Squadron)	Visual	0825	8,500	Unobserved
La Possonnerre	A/F - 4805N-0210W	44th (1 Squadron)	Visual	0830	8,500	T. O. Fair
La Possonnerre	Barracks	44th (1 Squadron)	Visual	0813	8,500	T. O. Good
Montfort	Primary	392nd (1 Squadron)	GH	0747	20,300	Unobserved
Montfort	Primary	44th (1 Squadron)	GH	0747	21,000	Unobserved

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HEADQUARTERS
STATION 123 APO 558
OFFICE OF THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICER

12 JUNE 1944

SUBJECT: S-2 REPORT, MISSION 11 JUNE 44 (BLOIS/BEAUVAIS)
TO : COMMANDING OFFICER, AAF 123, APO 558.

ENEMY AIRCRAFT OPPOSITION

1. NO E/A ENCOUNTERED.

ANTI-AIRCRAFT FIRE

2. NO FLAK ENCOUNTERED BY FIRST SECTION AT BLOIS.
SECOND SECTION (BEAUVAIS) REPORTS FLAK AT 0231 E
4916N 11 GUNS, GOOD ACCURACY, G/F TYPE. ONE PLANE HAD
MINOR BATTLE DAMAGE.

OBSERVATIONS

3. FIRST SECTION, ONE CREW REPORTS THAT A B-24
FLYING LOW TURNED BACK AT THE ENGLISH COAST TOWARDS FRANCE
AT 0950. ANOTHER CREW REPORTS THAT A B-24 WITH 467TH MARK-
INGS FLEW ALONG WITH FORMATION BEFORE IT THEN HEADED S.S.E.
LARGE NUMBERS OF PEDESTRIANS IN THE HIGHWAY SOUTH
OF VENDOME.
THE RAILROAD BRIDGE AT PONTAUBAULT REPORTED DE-
STROYED.
A LARGE CONCENTRATION OF SUPPLIES AT LEMANS, NO
FLAK THERE.
AT 0656, AT 0123E 4655N, 4 TWIN ENGINE FIGHTERS
IN THE S.W. CORNER OF A GRASS FIELD.

SECOND SECTION REPORTS LONG LOW BUILDINGS UNDER
CONSTRUCTION AT 0200E 4923N, SIMILAR BUILDINGS IN WOODS.
A/F AT 4938N 0154 E (GRANDVILLIERS) S.W. OF TOWN
ONE RUNWAY BOMBED OTHER IN GOOD SHAPE NO PLANES SEEN.

JOHN H. DAVIS,
CAPT. AC,
GROUP S-2

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HEADQUARTERS
458TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
AAF 123 APO 558

12 June 1944

SUBJECT: Statistical Summary of Operations, Mission of 11 June 1944.
TO: Commanding General, 2d Bombardment Division.
Attention: Statistical Control.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

- A. Group 458
- B. Division F.O. No. 338 Section I
- C. Date of Operation 11 June 1944
- D. Ordered Primary Target. Blois Bridge
- E. A/C Dispatched. 12
- F. A/C Sorties 7
- G. A/C Attacking 7
- H. A/C Not Attacking 5
 - 1. Weather 5
- I. A/C Attacking Primary Target. . . 7 - 4 X 2000 GP (28 bombs)
- J. A/C Attacking Secondary Target. . Nil
- K. A/C Attacking Last Resort Target. Nil
- L. A/C Attacking Opportunity Target. Nil
- M. A/C Lost. Nil

- A. Group 458
- B. Division F.O. No. 338 Section II
- C. Date of Operation 11 June 1944
- D. Ordered Primary Target Beauvis Nivilles Airfield
- E. A/C Dispatched. 12
- F. A/C Sorties 9
- G. A/C Attacking 9
- H. A/C Not Attacking 3
 - 1. Weather 1
 - 2. Personnel Nil
 - 3. Mechanical. 2 42-95183 #4 turbo-Fire in Elec System #5
41-29300 #2 engine-#4 Turbo #5
- I. A/C Attacking Primary Target. . . 7 - 24 X 250 # GP (168 bombs)
- J. A/C Attacking Secondary Target. . Nil
- K. A/C Attacking Last Resort Target. Nil
- L. A/C Attacking Opportunity Target. 2 1 - 24 X 250 GP (Nantes
Classicourt,
1 - 24 X 250 GP (Criel)
- M. A/C Lost. Nil

For the Commanding Officer:

JOSEPH S. WILLIAMS
1st Lt, AC
Group Statistical Officer

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280
6/12/44
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WING I GROUP A 467 LEAD 458 GP HIGH RIGHT VISUAL TARGET 2000 # BOMBS

11 JUNE 1944

McCullough-Ollom

K21 812 : 7V-D

Davis D

ABORT 108 : Z 5-M K20

C Lamers

018 : Z 5-J

Whitlow

059 : J3-E K21

Zimmerman

110 : 7V-P K21 ABORT

Martin

097 : J3-T ABORT Haydon

632 : Z 5-I ABORT

Warner

008 : J3-R K20 ABORT Coyle

050 : 7V-J

Gibson

288 : J3-L K20

Le Bœuf

095 : Z 5-Q

Glagole

719 : J3-Q

MISSION # 88

SPARE: 733 Z 5-X

316 J3-N

407 J3-A

WING II GROUP B 466 LEAD 458 GP HIGH RIGHT GH OR VISUAL 250 # BOMBS

SHAW BERLAIN-Hansen K20

070 : Z 5-E

D Hancock

342 : J 3-S

C Urbanik

314 : 7V-L ABORT

Walker-Williams

365 : 7V-B K21

Burtis

183 : J3-U ABORT

Quirk

300 : J3-Y ABORT

French

179 : J3-P K20

Thompson

942 : 7V-U

Hopkins

096 : Z 5-Q

K24

K20

Iarson

106 : Z 5-L K21

Armour

596 : Z 5-R

Lockridge

116 : Z 5-V

SPARE: 163 Z 5-K

705 Z 5-W

179 7V-X

311 7V-A

458th Pilots and Aircraft as listed on Formation Plans

Date	Target	Pilot	458th Msn	Pilot Msn	Cmd Pilot	Ld	Serial	Last 3	RCL	Sqdn	A/C Msn	A/C Name	Comments
11-Jun-44	BEAUVAIS	ARMOUR	63	4			41-29596	596	R	Z5	19	HELL'S ANGEL'S	
11-Jun-44	BEAUVAIS	BURTIS	63	ABT			42-95183	183	U	J3	--	BRINEY MARLIN	ABORT - #4 TURBO-FIRE IN ELEC SYST
11-Jun-44	BEAUVAIS	FRENCH	63	1			42-51179	179	P	J3	8	DUSTY'S DOUBLE TROUBLE	
11-Jun-44	BEAUVAIS	HANCOCK	63	8			41-29342	342	S	J3	22	ROUGH RIDERS	
11-Jun-44	BEAUVAIS	HANSEN	63	10	CHAMBERLAIN	L2	42-110070	070	E	Z5	7	ELMER / LADY LUCK	WING II GRP B 466 LEAD 250#
11-Jun-44	BEAUVAIS	HOPKINS, H	63	9			42-95096	096	Q	Z5	8	BOMBS AWAY	MSN#2
11-Jun-44	BEAUVAIS	LARSON	63	11			42-95106	106	L	Z5	11	MISS PAT	
11-Jun-44	BEAUVAIS	LOCKRIDGE	63	6			42-95116	116	V	Z5	8	JUNIOR	
11-Jun-44	BEAUVAIS	QUIRK	63	ABT			41-29300	300	Y	J3	--	LORELEI	ABORT - #2 ENG, #4 TURBO
11-Jun-44	BEAUVAIS	THOMPSON	63	11			41-28942	942	U	7V	10	HEAVENLY BODY	
11-Jun-44	BEAUVAIS	URBANIAK	63	7			42-50314	314	L	7V	21	ETO PLAYHOUSE	
11-Jun-44	BEAUVAIS	WALKER	63	ABT	WILLIAMS	D2	42-100365	365	B	7V	--	WOLFGANG	ABORT - WEATHER