

U. S. RESTRICTED EQUALS INTIME RESTRICTED

DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT
FORM 34

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DESIGNATION OF UNIT: 451st Bomb Sq. (H) (or refer to Squadron)

SQUADRONS INCLUDED IN THIS REPORT: 724th, 725th, 726th, 727th.

1. a. 24-Hr. Period Ending 17 March 1944 Mission No 14

2. a. Number and Type of A/C Airframe 37 B-24H Time of Take-Off 0820

Time of Landing 1800

Time over Target 1308

For XII AC (b. No. A/C not reaching enemy lines (indicate reason) 5
and XII ASC (1-Engine trouble 1-Runaway Supercharger.
only (1-Oxygen leak, 1-Rear turret out, 1-Inst trouble.
c. No. A/C crossing enemy lines but failing to attack (indicate reason) 14-Due to weather over target.
1-Runaway Prop.
1-MIA
For XII Ftr (d. No. A/C not completing mission (indicate reason)
Command (

3. TARGET: a. Name and Location Schwechat Assembly Plant.

b. Pinpoint or Precise Sighting Point Main Assembly Bldg.

4. MISSION: a. Type Bombardment

b. Escorted by P-51 and P-47

c. Escorting

(Unit, No. & Type A/C)

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d. (For Fighter bombers only)

No. of A/C carrying bombs Duty of A/C carrying no bombs

5. ENEMY RESISTANCE:

TYPE

INTENSITY

ACCURACY

a. A/A Over Target None

b. A/A Enroute Heavy

Heavy

Moderate

Accurate (44° 10'N 17° 20'E)

c. No. & Type A/A Encountered (indicate where): None

None

6. WEATHER: (Over Target) 10/10ths Covered (Enroute) 5/10 to 10/10 Overcast

7. ALTITUDE AND RANGE OF ATTACK 23,000 ft.

8. TOTAL FLYING HOURS: (to nearest five minutes) 235:50

9. ABLATION:

Collator

Number

Number

Number lost or missing

60

185,000

3,000

6,000

10. BOMBS, TORPEDOS, DEPTH CHARGES AND FL CANNELERS:

Type Incendiary

Number

Number

Number

Lost on Missing

Carried

Expended

Jettisoned

and Destroyed A/C

Incendiary M 47

1480

480

120

40

Returned 840

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11. VICTORIES (Indicate gun-position credited with victory, not individual's name):

a. Destroyed - Credit b. Probable - Credit c. Unproved
None None None

12. OWN AIRCRAFT LOSSES: Destroyed Missing Cat. 1 Cat. 2
(on Combat Mission) 1 B-24 Cause unknown

a. By enemy action (indicate cause) None None None None

b. Not by enemy action (indicate cause) None None None None

c. Returned from Missing, None Reported Missing on Mission (date)

13. CREW CASUALTIES: Status
a. Specialty Crew Position (M, M1, S, or L) Cause
P, CP, W, B P, CP, W, B MIA Unknown
3 AND, 1 ROG, 2 ABG UG, LG, RW, LW, TG, WG, MIA Unknown

b. Returned, previously Reported Missing:
Specialty Crew Position Reported Missing on Mission (date) Sounded? (S or L)

None

14. Short Narrative, including results, sightings, and facts of interest:
Target was attacked in wing stagger column of attack units. Dropped on HIA over Vienna as solid overcast from 23,000 down obscured target. Inter-
valometer setting of 140 ft. was used. Crew MIA ditched. No information on
rescue is available as yet.

15. Any other Aircraft Losses (destroyed on the ground, on training flights, etc. Explain) None

16. Has Weekly Letter of "Remarks and Recommendations", up of 500 hours, been forwarded through channels? Yes

17. CONSUMPTION TABLE, week ending _____ of 1000 hours. include expenditures for all purposes:
(To be submitted only each Saturday)

a. Total Hours Flown _____ b. Total Gas Consumed _____

c. No. & Type of Long Range Tanks Detached, Lost or Destroyed.

d. FUELIS, TOWP., L. O., PLO. e. ADDITIONAL
Type Number Gallons pounds

(Signature of Commanding Officer)
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