

479th FG

1. 479th FIGHTER GROUP LT.COL RIDDLE LEADING "A" GROUP
MAJOR JEFFREY LEADING "B" GROUP.
2. "A" GROUP 32 P51S (20-435 SQ) (12-436 SQ) UP 1054 DOWN 1620
"B" GROUP 29 P51S (17-434 SQ) (12-436 SQ) UP 1100 DOWN 1600
3. 6
4. 8 AF F.O. 1446A. PEN/TGT/WDRAW SUPPORT 3BD TO ZELLHAUSEN
5. NIL.
6. 1 BELLIED IN BETWEEN BRUGES AND KNOCKE. NAT "E".
7. NIL.
8. 2-0-0 FW 190 (AIR)
9. "A" GROUP R/V 1200/25000 BRUSSELS. GAGGLES OF BOGIES
REPORTED SE LIEGE AND GROUP SPLIT TO INVESTIGATE. SCATTERED
ELEMENTS VECTORED TO MALMEDY AND FRANKFURT, THEREAFTER
PROCEEDING HOMEWARD BY FLIGHTS. PART OF GROUP SATYED WITH
VARIOUS B-17S UNTIL 1330/23000, 20 MILES SE GIESSEN.

"B" GROUP R/V 1200/17000 BRUGES. 1225 NUTHOUSE VECTORED
GROUP UP AHEAD ASSIGNED BOMBERS TO HELP FIRST BOX WHICH
WAS UNDER ATTACK BY 40 E/A, BUT FIGHT WAS OVER WHEN GROUP
ARRIVED. THEREAFTER PROVIDED GENERAL ESCORT TO B-17S UNTIL
1445/25000 W STUTTGART.
10. NIL.
11. A. 4 B-17S SHOT DOWN VICINITY KOLN 1230/15000. BY ONE
12 PLUS CHUTES. ONE B-17 BELLIED IN SAME
AREA.
B. , 529 U/I FIGHTERS COLLIDED VICINITY KOLN 1230/15000.
NO CHUTES.
C. BALLOONS AT KOBLENZ (14 AT WF8803, 8 IN CITYOL
D. SMOKE SCREEN ALONG DOCKS AT WEISBADEN.
E. 12-15 BOMBERS AND MANY CHUTES SEEN GOING DOWN FROM
E/A OR FLAK ATTACK BETWEEN 1245-1300 ALONG RHINE BELOW
COBLENZ. TOO FAR AWAY FOR ACCURATE OBSERVATIONS.
12. A. 1230/15000 15 MILES SE LIEGE SINGLE FW 190 SEEN
ATTACKING B-17S IN DISTANCE, APPEARANTLY SHOOTING DOWN
FOUR. THIS FW CAUGHT AND DESTROYED.
B. 3 ME 282S SIGHTED 1245/31000 SW KOBLENZ BUT UNABLE ENGAGE.
C. 1230/20000 E LIEGE BOUNCED 4 FW 190S WHICH ROLLED OVER,
ONE FAILING TO PULL OUT, CRASHED AND BURNED.
13. KOBLENZ - HEAVY INTENSE ACCURATE.
25 MILES N HANAU HEAVY MEAGER INACCURATE 15,000.
14. HAZE ON DECK.
15. 1220 VINEGROVE 1-1 REPORTED ATTACKED BY 40 PLUS E/A AND
WERE UNABLE TO RAISE BALANCE 1-1.
16. A. NIL

B. LT. JOHN EARLY 436th SQ BELLIED IN BETWEEN KNOCKE AND
BRUGES. AFTER LANDED, REPORTED ON R/T THAT HE WAS
OKAY.
CAPT. GRASSHOFF, LTS. DERBY, KLINEMAN, WITZEL, 436 SQ
ALL OKAY AT BRUSSELS CAPT GATES, 434 SQ, DOWN OKAY
ST. TROND.
C. 1-0-0 FW 190 LT COL. RIDDLE AND LT HOFFMAN
1-0-0 FW 190 LT. N.W. BUTLER