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1	7 June 1944	Fighter sweep	Ferrara-Bologna area	None	No	None	2d Lt Carrol N. Langston bailed out	No
2	8 June 1944	Bomber Escort	Pola, Italy (penetration and withdrawal)	5 th Bombardment Wing (B-17s)	No	None	None	No
3	9 June 1944	Bomber escort	Munich area (penetration)	5 th , 47 th , 304 th , 49 th , and 55 th Bombardment Wings	Yes	5 (15 AF GO# 1473, dated 1944)	Lt Cornelius G. Rogers missing	Yes. 2 bombers shot down by enemy aircraft during time of escort, according to Missing Air Crew Reports 6317 and 6179. DFC for Col. Davis confirms.
4	11 June 1944	Bomber escort	Smedervo area (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	5 th and 55 th Bombardment Wings	No	None	None	No
5	13 June 1944	Bomber escort	Munich area (penetration)	5 th and 49 th Bomber Wings	Yes (Udine area)	None	None	No
6	14 June 1944	Bomber escort	Budapest area (penetration)	5 th , 55 th , 49 th , and 304 th Bombardment Wings	Seen but not encountered	None	None	No
7	16 June 1944	Bomber escort	Bratislava area (penetration)	"all wings"	No	None	None	No

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8	24 June 1944	Strafing	Airasca-Pinerole landing ground	None	No	None	2d Lt Samuel Jefferson; 2d Lt. Charles B. Johnson; Capt. Robert B. Tresville	No
9	23 June 1944 (out of sequence)	Bomber escort	Bucharest-Giurgiu area (penetration)	"all wings"	No	None	None	No
10	24 June 1944	Bomber escort	Sofia area (penetration)	47 th Bombardment Wing	No	None	None	No
11	25 June 1944	Strafe troops	Yugoslavia and Italy	None	No	None (but enemy ship reported as sunk)	None	No
12	26 June 1944	Bomber escort	Lake Balaton area (penetration)	"all bomber wings"	No	None	Lt. Maples and Lt. Esters bailed out	No
13	27 June 1944	Bomber escort	Budapest area (penetration)	5 th and 47 th Bombardment Wings	No	None	None	No
14	28 June 1944	Bomber escort	Ferdinand area (penetration)	304 th Bombardment Wing	No	None	Lt. Laird crashed and killed on takeoff	No

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15	30 June 1944	Bomber escort	Vienna area (penetration)	"5 bomber wings"	None reported	None	None	5 bombers shot down by enemy aircraft (Missing Air Crew Reports 6809, 6335, 6394, 6395, 6396) but most probably after 332d FG escort ended.
16	4 July 1944	Bomber escort	Not given (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	5th and 47th (rendezvous failed)	No	None	None	No
17	5 July 1944	Bomber escort	Not given (penetration to control point)	"bomber force"	None (but two enemy aircraft seen)	None	None	No
18	6 July 1944	Bomber escort	Latisana and Tagilamento-Casarsa (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	47 th	No	None	None	No
19	7 July 1944	Bomber escort	Vienna (penetration)	"bomber formation"	No	None	None	No

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20	8 July 1944	Bomber escort	Munchendorf Airdrome (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	304 th (B-24s)	Yes (15-20 attacked bombers)	None	Lt Sherrard (landed at forward airfield)	332d FG narrative mission report notes: "2 B-24s destroyed over target area. 1 B-24 seen to disintegrate, 2 chutes seen to open from 2 nd B-24". Not confirmed by missing air crew reports.
21	9 July 1944	Bomber escort	Ploesti (Concordia Vega Refineries)(penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	47 th	No, but enemy aircraft seen as bombers were leaving target)	None	None	No
22	11 July 1944	Bomber escort	Toulon (penetration, target cover, and withdrawal)	47 th	No	None	None	No
23	12 July 1944	Bomber escort	Nimes (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	49th	Yes	4 (15 AF GO #2032, 2466, dated 1944)	Lt Rhodes bailed out near Viterbo	Yes. 3 bombers shot down by enemy aircraft, according to Missing Air Crew Reports 6894, 6895, and 7034.

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24	13 July 1944	Bomber escort	Pinzano RR bridge and Vinzone viaduct (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	5th (2 groups)	No	None	None	No
25	15 July 1944	Bomber escort	Ploesti (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	55th	Yes	None	None	No
26	16 July 1944	Fighter sweep	Vienna area	None	Yes	2 (15 AF GO# 2029, 2030)	None	No
27	17 July 1944	Bomber escort	Avignon marshalling yards and RR bridge (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	304 th	Yes	3 (15 AF GO# 2350 dated 1944)	None	No
28	18 July 1944	Bomber escort	Memmingen Airdrome (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	5th	Yes	12 (15 AF GO# 2202, 2350, 2484)	Lts. Hutton, Irving, and Browne	Yes . 15 bombers shot down by enemy aircraft, according to Missing Air Crew Report numbers 6856, 6953, 6954, 6975, 6976, 6977, 6978, 6979, 6980, 6981, 7097, 7098, 7099, 7153, and 7310.

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29	19 July 1944	Bomber escort	Munich/Schleiszheim Airdrome (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	49 th	Yes	None	None	No
30	20 July 1944	Bomber escort and fighter sweep	Friedrichshafen (penetration)	55th, 304th, 47 th	Yes	4 (15 AF GO# 2202, 2284, 2484 dated 1944)	None	Yes . 2 bombers shot down by enemy aircraft, according to Missing Air Crew Report numbers 6914 and 6919
31	20 July 1944	Air-Sea rescue	Adriatic Sea?	None	No	No	Not given	No
32	20 July 1944	Air-Sea rescue	Adriatic Sea?	None	No	None	Not given	No
33	21 July 1944	Bomber escort	Brux synthetic oil refinery (withdrawal)	5 th (B-17s)	No	None	One missing (Name not given)	No
34	22 July 1944	Bomber escort	Ploesti (penetration and withdrawal)	55 th	Not encountered, but some seen	None	Lt. Walker missing	No
35	24 July 1944	Bomber escort	Genoa harbor (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	47 th	No	None	None	No
36	25 July 1944	Bomber escort	Linz (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	55 th (B-24s)	Yes	1 (15 AF GO# 2284 dated 1944)	2 (names not given)	No

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37	26 July 1944	Bomber escort	Markendorf Airdrome (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	47 th	Yes	4 (15 AF GO# 2350, 2484 dated 1944))	1 (name not given)	"1 B-24 spiraling out of formation after attack by enemy aircraft." (not confirmed by Missing Air Crew Reports)

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38	27 July 1944	Bomber escort	Budapest area (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	47 th	Yes	8 (15 AF GO# 2284, 2350, 2484, 2485, dated 1944)	1 missing (name not given)	No
39	28 July 1944	Bomber escort	Ploesti (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	55th	Yes	None	None	3 B-24s seen to go down in flames (not confirmed by missing air crew reports)
40	30 July 1944	Bomber escort	Budapest (top cover)	5 th (B-17s)	Yes	1 (15 AF GO# 2485)	None	No
41	31 July 1944	Bomber escort	Ploesti (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	47 th	No, but one seen in target area	None	None	No

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42	2 Aug 1944	Bomber escort	Le Pouzin Oil Storage; Portes Le Valences, France (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	5 th	No	None	None	No, but "Formation of bombers was spread out over area of approximately 50 miles...It was impossible to cover all groups or afford desired protection from E/A (enemy aircraft)."
43	3 Aug 1944	Bomber escort	Ober Raderach Chemical Works, Germany (penetration, target, and withdrawal cover)	5 th (B-17s)	4 Me-109s seen in Udine area, no encounters.	None	None	No. "no attack made on bombers"
44	6 Aug 1944	Bomber escort	Avignon area (target cover)	55 th	No	None	None	No. 1 B-24 shot down, but by flak
45	6 Aug 1944	Bomber escort	Yugoslavia (close escort, penetration, and withdrawal)	For 1 B-25	No	None	None	No

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46	7 Aug 1944	Bomber escort	Blechhammer Oil Refineries	55 th (B-24s) and 5 th (B-17s)	Me-109 dove through bombers	None	None	No (bombers shot down after 332d Fighter Group ended its escort)
47	9 Aug 1944	Bomber escort	Gyor aircraft and car works (penetration, target, and withdrawal cover)	5 th (B-17s)	No	None	Lt. Simmons either crash landed or bailed out	No
48	10 Aug 1944	Bomber escort	Campina Stevea Romana Oil Refineries (penetration, target, and withdrawal cover)	304 th (B-24s)	No	None	None	No
49	12 Aug 1944	Strafing	Radar stations in southern France	None	No	None	Lt. Jefferson lost in target area; Lt. L. E. Johnson crashed into sea; total of 1 lost and 4 missing (flak)	No
50	13 Aug 1944	Bomber escort	Avignon RR bridges	304 th (B-24s)	No	None	None	No
51	14 Aug 1944	Strafing and fighter sweep	Toulon area	None	Yes	1 (15 AF GO# 2831 dated 1944)	Lt. Allen bailed out; Lt. O'Neil seen in spin	No

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52	15 August 1944	Bomber escort	Southern France (close cover escort on penetration, target cover, and withdrawal)	55 th	2 Me-109s seen but did not attack bomber formation and too distant for interception	None	One, but name not given	No
53	16 August 1944	Bomber escort	Ober Raderach Chemical Works, Germany (penetration, target cover, and withdrawal)	55 th	No	None	1 lost to flak	No. 1 B-24 destroyed by flak in target area
54	17 August 1944	Bomber escort	Ploesti Oil Refineries (penetration, target cover, and withdrawal)	304 th	No	None	None	No (9 lost to flak)
55	18 August 1944	Bomber escort	Ploesti, Rumania (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	5 th	No	None	None	No
56	19 August 1944	Bomber escort	Ploesti oil refineries (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	47 th	No	None	Lt. Thomas crash landed at Pianosa Island	No
57	20 August 1944	Bomber escort	Oswiecim Oil Refinery (penetration)	5 th	Yes, 16 plus ME-109s and FW-190s (no attack on bombers)	None	None	No

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58	22 August 1944	Bomber escort	Korneuburg Oil Refineries, Vienna (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	55 th (B-24s)	Yes. Me-109s at Lake Balaton	None	None	No (1 lost to flak, 1 unknown cause of loss)
59	22 August 1944	Cover for 6 C-47s	Yugoslavia	None	No	None	None	No
60	23 August 1944	Bomber escort	Markersdorf Airdrome, Germany (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	55 th	Yes. 14 Me-109s in target area.	1 (15 AF GO# 3538 dated 1944)	None	"1 B-24 seen to go down in flames in T/A (target area)" Not confirmed by MACRs
61	24 August 1944	Bomber escort	Pardubice Airdrome, Czechoslovakia (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	5 th (B-17s)	Yes	3 (15 AF GO# 3153, 3174, dated 1944, and 15 AF GO# 449 dated 1945)	None	"2 B-24s went down at 1250 hours" "2 B-24s in flames at 1245 hours" "1 B-17 shot down at 1250 hours" MACR 7971 notes B-17 hit by flak, then attacked by enemy aircraft
62	25 August 1944	Bomber escort	Brno Airdrome (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	5 th (B-17s)	4 Me-109s seen but not encountered	None	None	No

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63	26 August 1944	Bomber escort	Banasea Airdrome barracks area (close cover escort)	304 th	No	None	2d Lt Henry A. Wise bailed out	No
64	27 August 1944	Bomber escort	Blechhammer, Germany (penetration cover)	304 th and 55 th	No	(22 destroyed on ground)	None	No
65	28 August 1944	Bomber escort	Miskolc Main marshalling yards (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	47 th	No	None	None	No
66	29 August 1944	Bomber escort	Bohumin , Privoser, Morvaska Main	5 th (B-17s)	No	None	Lt. Clifton bailed out	No
67	30 August 1944	Strafing	Grosswardein Airdrome	None	No	(claimed 83 on ground, none in air)	1 missing (Lt Charles Williams)	No
68	31 August 1944	Bomber escort	Popesti Airdrome (penetration and target cover)	"B-17s of 2d Wave"	No	None	None	No
69	31 August 1944	Bomber escort	Popesti Airdrome (penetration and target cover)	"3d Wave of B-17s"	No	None	None	No

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70	1 Sep 1944	Bomber escort	Popesti Airdrome (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	B-17s (5th BW)	No	None	None	No
71	2 Sep 1944	Strafing	Stalac, Cuprija, Osipaonica Road, Yugoslavia	None	No	None	None	No
72	3 Sep 1944	Bomber escort	Szolnok and Szeged, Hungary (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	304 th (B-24s)	No	None	None	No
73	4 Sep 1944	Bomber escort	Tagliamento Casarsa and Latisana, Italy (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	304 th (B-24s)	No	None	None	No
74	5 Sep 1944	Bomber escort	Budapest, Hungary (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	5 th	No	None	None	No
75	6 Sep 1944	Bomber escort	Oradea Main marshalling yards, Rumania	5 th (B-17s)	No	None	None	No
76	8 Sep 1944	Strafing	Airdrome at Ilandza, Yugoslavia	None	No	36 destroyed on ground, not in air	Lt James A. Calhoun crash landed (target)	No

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77	12 Sep 1944	Bomber escort	Not given (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	5 th (B-17s)	Yes	None (but 4 damaged)	None	"10 ME 109s attacked rear of bomber formation from below...1 B-17 was left burning. 6 chutes seen to open." 301 BG and 463 BG each lost a bomber. MACRs do not confirm.
78	13 Sep 1944	Bomber escort	Blechhammer North Oil Refinery (penetration cover for 304 th and 5 th Bomb Wings; close escort in target area and on withdrawal for 5 th Bomb Wing)	304 th , 5 th	No, but some seen taking off in distance, and others seen on field	None	Lt. Long probably crash landed at Szombathely	No, but "Two B-24s hit by flak in T/A (target area) seen to explode and crash. No chutes seen."
79	17 Sep 1944	Bomber escort	Rakos M/Y's, north Budapest (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	5 th	No	None	None	No

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80	18 Sep 1944	Bomber escort	Budapest (Shell Oil Refinery and RR bridges) (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	304 th	No	None	None	No "1 B-24 hit by flak in T/A (target area) at 1155 hours-7 chutes seen to open."
81	20 Sep 1944	Bomber escort	Makacky Airdrome, Czechoslovakia (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	304 th	No	None	None	No
82	21 Sep 1944	Bomber escort	Debreczen Marshalling Yards, Hungary (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	5 th (B-17s)	No	None	None	No
83	22 Sep 1944	Bomber escort	Allach BMW Engine Works at Munich, Germany (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	5 th (B-17s)	No	None	1 lost, 1 missing (1 of these returned after landing at friendly field)	No, but "bombing formation was difficult to cover"

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84	23 Sep 1944	Bomber escort	Brux synthetic oil plant (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	5 th (B-17s)	No	None	None	No
85	24 Sep 1944	Bomber escort	Athens, Greece (target cover)	304 th (B-24s)	No	None	None	No
86	4 Oct 1944	Transport escort (for C-47s)	Sofia, Bulgaria	None	No	None	None	No
87	4 Oct 1944	Strafing	Tatoi, Kalamaki, Eleusis, Greece	None	No	None (but 9 destroyed on ground)	Capt. Lawrence and Lt. Williams (not by flak or enemy fighters)	No
88	4 Oct 1944	Transport escort (C-47s)	Bucharest, Rumania	None	No	None	None	No
89	6 Oct 1944	Strafing	Tatoi, Kalamaki, Eleusis, Megara Airdromes, Greece	None	No	None (but 5 destroyed on ground)	Lts. Hudson, Hutchins, Woods, Lewis, Marshall	No
90	7 Oct 1944	Bomber escort	Lobau Oil Refineries at Vienna, Austria (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	5 th	No	None	Flt Off Woods, Lts Wiggins and Stiger (some returned)	No missing air crew reports for groups of 5 th wing, but "1 B-17 seen hit at 30,000 feet..."

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91	11 Oct 1944	Strafing	RR and river traffic along Danube River from Budapest to Bratislava	None	No	None (but 17 destroyed on ground)	Lt Rhodes crashlanded at base, plane destroyed, pilot safe	No
92	12 Oct 1944	Strafing	RR traffic from Budapest to Bratislava	None	Yes	9 (15 AF GO# 4287, 4604 dated 1944)	Lt McCreary hit by flak	No
93	13 Oct 1944	Bomber escort	Blechhammer S Oil Refinery (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	304 th	No	No, but 7 destroyed on ground	Lt Smith bailed out , Lt Westmoreland crashed (flak)	1 B-24 crashed into field (probably flak)
94	14 Oct 1944	Bomber escort	Odertal Oil Refineries, Germany (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	49 th (B-24s)	No	None	Flight Officer Bell bailed out after engine stopped	No
95	16 Oct 1944	Bomber escort	Brux oil refineries (target and withdrawal cover)	5 th (B-17s)	No	None	None	No
96	17 Oct 1944	Bomber escort	Bucharest, Rumania (penetration)	5 th (one B-17)	No	None	None	No
97	17 Oct 1944	Bomber escort	Blechhammer South Oil Refinery (penetration)	5 th	No	None	None	No

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98	20 Oct 1944	Bomber escort	Brux Oil Refineries, Germany (target cover and withdrawal)	5 th (B-17s)	No	None	None	No
99	20 Oct 1944	Air-sea rescue escort	Rimini (escort for Catalina search and rescue aircraft)	None	No	None	None	No
100	21 Oct 1944	Bomber escort	Gyor, Hungary (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	304 th (B-24s)	No	None	None	No
101	21 Oct 1944	Search	Venezia area	None	No	None	None	No
102	23 Oct 1944	Bomber escort	Regensburg (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	304 th	No	None	Lt. Brewer missing	No
103	29 Oct 1944	Bomber escort	Regensburg, Germany (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	49 th	No	None	Lt. Brewer missing (duplicate of previous mission?)	No
104	29 Oct 1944	Reconnaissance escort (for 1 P-38)	Munich area	None	No	None	None	No

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105	29 Oct 1944	Reconnaissance escort (for 1 P-38)	Munich area	None	Yes	2 claimed	1 missing (name not given)	No
106	29 Oct 1944	Bomber escort	Bredgrad and Glina, Yugoslavia	Not given (escorted 2 B-25s)	No	None	None	No
107	1 Nov 1944	Bomber escort	Vienna, Austria (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	304 th (B-24s)	No	None	None	No
108	1 Nov 1944	Bomber escort	Yugoslavia	Not given (escorted 2 B-25s)	No	None	None	No
109	1 Nov 1944	Transport escort	Sanskskimost, Yugoslavia	None (1 C-47)	No	None	None	No
110	4 Nov 1944	Bomber escort	Regensburg/Winterhafen oil storage, Germany (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	5 th	No	None	None	No
111	4 Nov 1944	Reconnaissance escort	Linz area	None (escorted 1 B-38)	No	None	None	No
112	4 Nov 1944	Reconnaissance escort	Munich area	None (escorted 1 P-38)	No (but one enemy aircraft seen)	None	None	No
113	5 Nov 1944	Bomber escort	Florisdorf, Austria (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	5 th	No	None	None	No
114	5 Nov 1944	Reconnaissance escort	Munich area	None (escorted 1 P-38)	No	None	None	No
115	5 Nov 1944	Reconnaissance escort	Munich area	None (escorted 1 P-38)	No	None	None	No

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116	6 Nov 1944	Bomber escort	Moosbierbaum oil refinery, Vienna (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	5 th	No	None	Capt. Faulkner missing	No
117	7 Nov 1944	Bomber escort	Trento and Bolzano, Italy (target area cover)	55 th	No	None	None	No
118	11 Nov 1944	Bomber escort	Brux oil refineries (penetration and target cover)	5 th (B-17s)	1 aircraft believed to be jet-propelled seen in distance	None	Lt Payne crashlanded, but survived; Lt Nightingale missing	No
119	16 Nov 1944	Bomber escort	Munich West marshalling yards (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	304 th	Yes. Many Me-109s.	2 (15 AF GO# 4990 dated 1944)	None	"1 B-17 crashed into water" at 1315 hours.
120	17 Nov 1944	Bomber escort	Brux synthetic oil refinery (penetration)	5 th (B-17s)	No	None	None	No
121	18 Nov 1944	Bomber escort	Vicenza-Villafranca area	Not given "bomber force"	No	None	Lt Peoples missing	No
122	19 Nov 1944	Strafing	Gyor/Vienna/Esztergom areas	None	No	None	Lt Gaiter bailed out after flak; Lt Walker missing (flak)	No

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123	20 Nov 1944	Bomber escort	Blechhammer South oil refinery (penetration target cover, and withdrawal for 5 th BW; penetration for 55 th BW)	5 th and 55 th	No	None	Lt. Harris missing	No
124	22 Nov 1944	Bomber escort	Predgrad, Yugoslavia (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	Not given (2 B-25s)	No	None	None	No
125	26 Nov 1944	Reconnaissance escort	Grodewoh and Nurnberg, Germany (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	None (1 P-38)	No	None	None	No
126	2 Dec 1944	Bomber escort	Blechhammer oil refinery (South) (penetration)	49 th and 55 th (B-24s)	No	None	Lt. Gould bailed out safely	No
127	3 Dec 1944	Bomber escort	Udine Pass area (route cover and withdrawal)	49 th	No	None	Lt. Rodgers crashlanded at base-pilot safe	No
128	9 Dec 1944	Bomber escort	Brux (Germany) (penetration)	5 th	Yes (Me-262s)	None	Lt. Rich and Lt. Brown missing	No

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129	11 Dec 1944	Bomber escort	Moosbierbaum oil refinery, Austria (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	47 th (B-24s)	No	None	None	"1 B-24 seen to explode in Vienna area at 1225 hours"
130	11 Dec 1944	Reconnaissance escort	Praha, Czechoslovakia	None	No	None	None	No
131	15 Dec 1944	Bomber escort	Innsbruck, Austria (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	47 th (B-24s)	No	None	None	No
132	16 Dec 1944	Bomber escort	Brux, Germany (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	5 th (B-17s)	No	None	None	No
133	16 Dec 1944	Bomber escort	Mrkoplj, Yugoslavia (penetration, target cover)	One B-25, wing not given	No	None	None	No
134	17 Dec 1944	Bomber escort	Olomouc (withdrawal)	5 th , 49 th , 304 th	No	None	None	No
135	18 Dec 1944	Bomber escort	Blechhammer (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	49 th (2 groups attacking north oil refinery, 1 group attacking south oil refinery)	No	None	None	No

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136	18 Dec 1944	Reconnaissance escort	Innsbruck, Austria	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photos)	No	None	None	No
137	19 Dec 1944	Bomber escort	Blechhammer South oil refinery (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	55 th (B-24s)	No	None	None	No
138	19 Dec 1944	Reconnaissance escort	Praha (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photos)	No	None	None	No
139	20 Dec 1944	Bomber escort	Brux oil refinery (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	5 th (B-17s)	No	None	None	No
140	20 Dec 1944	Reconnaissance escort	Prague (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	None (escorted 1 B-38 for photos)	No	None	None	No
141	22 Dec 1944	Reconnaissance escort	Ingolstadt, Germany (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photos)	No	None	None	No
142	23 Dec 1944	Reconnaissance escort	Praha, Czech. (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photos)	No	None	Capt. Dickson bailed out (engine trouble)	No

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143	25 Dec 1944	Bomber escort	Brux oil refinery, Germany (general target cover)	Not given	No, but enemy aircraft seen (Me-109s in flight chasing B-26s in distance)	None	None	No
144	26 Dec 1944	Bomber escort	Odertal and Blechhammer oil refineries, Germany (withdrawal)	5 th and 55 th	No	None	None	No
145	27 Dec 1944	Bomber escort	Vienna area oil refineries (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	5 th (B-17s)	No	None	None	"At 1239 hours at Linz at 22,000 ft, a B-17 was seen to explode..No chutes seen."
146	28 Dec 1944	Bomber escort	Kolin and Pardubice oil refineries, Czechoslovakia (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	304th (B-24s)	No	None	None	No
147	29 Dec 1944	Bomber escort	Muhldorf and Lanshut, Germany (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	304 th (B-24s)	No	None	Lts. Funderberg and Marshall missing; Lts. Friend and Craig bailed out	No

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148	3 Jan 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Munich and Linz areas	None (1 P-38 escorted for photos)	No	None	None	No
149	5 Jan 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Munich area	None (1 Mosquito aircraft escorted for photos)	No	None	None	No
150	8 Jan 1945	Bomber escort	Linz marshalling yards (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	47 th (B-24s)	No	None	None	No
151	15 Jan 1945	Bomber escort	Vienna, Austria (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	304 th (B-24s)	No	None	None	No
152	18 Jan 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Stuttgart, Germany (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	None (1 P-38 escorted for photos)	No	None	None	No
153	18 Jan 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Munich, Germany (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	None (1 P-38 escorted for photos)	No (but unidentified single-engine aircraft seen in distance)	None	None	No
154	19 Jan 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Praha, Czechoslovakia (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	None (1 P-38 escorted for photos)	No (but P-38 suffered engine failure and pilot had to bail out)	None	None (but 1 P-51 of 6 escorts landed at friendly field)	No

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155	20 Jan 1945	Bomber escort	Regensburg oil storage, Germany (penetration)	5 th (B-17s)	No	None	None	No
156	20 Jan 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Praha, Czechoslovakia (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	Formation ran into snowstorm and became separated	No
157	21 Jan 1945	Bomber escort	Vienna Lobau Distillation Unit and Schwechat oil refinery (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	5 th (B-17s)	No, but 2 Me-262s seen, which followed formation	None	Lt. Smith hit by flak at Wiener Neustadt; Flight officer Foreman and Lt. Young missing	No (3 bombers lost, 2 to mechanical difficulty, 1 to unknown cause, according to missing air crew reports)
158	31 Jan 1945	Bomber escort	Moosbierbaum oil refineries (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	47 th and 55 th (B-24s)	No	None	None	No

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159	1 Feb 1945	Bomber escort	Moosbierbaum oil refinery, Vienna area (penetration, target cover, and withdrawal)	49 th (B-24s)	No	None	None	No
160	1 Feb 1945	Bomber escort	Moosbierbaum oil refinery, Vienna area (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	47 th (B-24s)	No	None	None	No
161	3 Feb 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Munich area (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
162	5 Feb 1945	Bomber escort	Salzburg Main Station marshalling yards (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	47 th (B-24s)	No	None	None	No
163	6 Feb 1945	Fighter sweep	Yugoslavia	None	No	None	None	No
164	7 Feb 1945	Bomber escort	Moosbierbaum oil refinery (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	47 th (B-24s)	No	None	None	No

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165	7 Feb 1945	Bomber escort	Moosbierbaum oil refinery (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	304 th (B-24s)	No	None	None	No
166	8 Feb 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Stuttgart, Germany (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
167	8 Feb 1945	Fighter sweep	Yugoslavia	None	No	None	None	No
168	8 Feb 1945	Bomber escort	Vienna South depots (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	55 th (B-24s)	No	None	None	No
169	12 Feb 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Praha, Czechoslovakia (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
170	13 Feb 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Munich, Germany (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No

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171	13 Feb 1945	Bomber escort	Vienna Central repair shops (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	49 th (B-24s)	No	None	None	No
172	13 Feb 1945	Bomber escort	Zagreb, Maribor and Graz (target area patrol)	None specified "Bomber force"	No, but one unidentified aircraft seen, believed to be jet-propelled	None	None	No, but at 1415 hours, at 22,000 feet, a pilot of this group heard a bomber radio transmission noting a jet-propelled aircraft made a pass at the bombers
173	14 Feb 1945	Bomber escort	Vienna, Lobau, and Schwechat oil refineries (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	5 th (B-17s)	No	None	None	No, but in target area, escort fighters became separated from the bombers in clouds
174	14 Feb 1945	Bomber escort	Vienna, Lobau, Schwechat oil refineries (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	55 th (B-24s)	No	None	None	No

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175	15 Feb 1945	Bomber escort	Penzinger marshalling yards, Vienna (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	49 th (B-24s) Red Force	No	None	None	No
176	15 Feb 1945	Bomber escort	Penzinger marshalling yards, Vienna (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	49 th (B-24s) Blue Force	No	None	None	No
177	16 Feb 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Munich (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	None (escorted 1 Mosquito airplane for photographs)	No	None	None	No
178	16 Feb 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Munich area (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
179	16 Feb 1945	Bomber escort	Lechfeld airdrome, Germany (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	5 th (B-17s)	No	None	1 lost, 1 missing (names not given)	"1 B-24 seen to explode in mid air near Innsbruck"; "2 B-17s were seen to explode in mid air near Bolzano, Italy"
180	17 Feb 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Nurnberg, Germany	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No

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181	17 Feb 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Munich, Germany	None (escorted 1 Mosquito aircraft for photographs)	No, but jet aircraft seen in distance	None	None reported	No
182	17 Feb 1945	Strafing railroad targets	Linz-Vienna line	None	No	No	None reported	No
183	18 Feb 1945	Bomber escort	Wels marshalling yards in Linz area (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	47 th (B-24s)	No	None	None	No
184	18 Feb 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Linz area	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None reported	No
185	19 Feb 1945	Bomber escort	Vienna area (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	49 th (B-24s)	1 Spitfire with British markings seen, fired on formation	None	None reported	No
186	20 Feb 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Nurnberg, Germany	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None reported	No
187	20 Feb 1945	Bomber escort	Vipitento and Brenner marshalling yards (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	47 th (B-24s)	No	None	None reported	"Fighters had to leave bombers because of shortage of gas"
188	21 Feb 1945	Bomber escort	Vienna Central marshalling yards	304 th (B-24s)	No, but unidentified fighter seen	None	None reported	No

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189	22 Feb 1945	Bomber escort	Marshalling yards in SE Germany (general target cover)	5 th (B-17s)	No	None	None reported	No
190	22 Feb 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Prague and Linz	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None reported	No
191	22 Feb 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Stuttgart, Germany	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No, but 3 unidentified aircraft seen	None reported	None reported	No
192	23 Feb 1945	Bomber escort	Gmund West marshalling yards (penetration)	304 th (B-24s)	No	None reported	None reported	No
193	24 Feb 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Munich area	None (escorted 1 Mosquito aircraft for photographs)	No	None reported	None reported	No
194	25 Feb 1945	Strafing	Rail traffic in S. Germany, Austria	None	No	None, but some aircraft destroyed on ground	Missing: Lieutenants Gorham, Hockaday, and Iles	No
195	25 Feb 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Munich area	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None reported	None reported	No

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196	26 Feb 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Munich, Germany	None (escorted 1 Mosquito aircraft for photographs)	No	None reported	None reported	No
197	27 Feb 1945	Bomber escort	Augsburg marshalling yards (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	49 th (B-24s)	No, but 1 jet airplane, believed to be Me-163, seen in distance. Other unidentified aircraft seen.	None	None reported	No
198	28 Feb 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Praha	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
199	28 Feb 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Prague	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No, but 1 unidentified aircraft seen	None	None	No
200	28 Feb 1945	Bomber escort	Verona (target cover)	5 th (B-17s)	No, but unidentified aircraft seen	None	None	No
201	1 Mar 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Praha, Czechoslovakia	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No, but unidentified aircraft seen	None	None	No
202	1 Mar 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Stuttgart area of Germany	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
203	1 Mar 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Stuttgart area of Germany	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
204	1 Mar 1945	Bomber escort	Moosbierbaum (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	55 th (B-24s)	No	None	None reported	No

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205	2 Mar 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Praha, Czechoslovakia	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
206	2 Mar 1945	Bomber escort	Linz marshalling yards (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	304 th (B-24s)	No	None	None reported	No
207	3 Mar 1945	Strafing	Rail targets between Maribor, Bruck, and Weiner-Neustadt	None	No	None	Lieutenants Martin and Simmons missing	No
208	4 Mar 1945	Bomber escort	Graz marshalling yards (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	49 th (B-24s)	No	None	No	“At 1305 hours from 26,000 feet 6 chutes were seen to open as 1 Red Tail B-24 spun down trailing black smoke. Seen in T/A (target area)”

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209	4 Mar 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Munich	None (escorted 1 Mosquito aircraft for photographs)	No	None	None	No
210	6 Mar 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Klagenfurt, Linz area	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
211	7 Mar 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Munich, Germany	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
212	9 Mar 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Linz area	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
213	9 Mar 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Munich area	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
214	9 Mar 1945	Bomber escort	Bruck marshalling yards, Austria (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	5 th (B-17s)	No, but unidentified aircraft seen	None	None reported	No
215	12 Mar 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Linz area	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
216	12 Mar 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Munich, Germany	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
217	12 Mar 1945	Bomber escort	Floridsdorf oil refinery, Vienna area (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	47 th (B-24s)	No	None	None	"At 1300 hours... pilots report having heard an A/C (aircraft) ...was being jumped by enemy aircraft.

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218	13 Mar 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Stuttgart, Germany	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
219	13 Mar 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Nurnberg area	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	Yes (2 FW-190s)	None	None	No
220	13 Mar 1945	Bomber escort	Regensburg marshalling yards, Germany (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	5 th (B-17s)	No (but 2 FW-190s seen)	None	None reported	Bombers were 10 minutes early at rendezvous, while fighters were 5 minutes late
221	14 Mar 1945	Strafing	Rail targets on the Bruck, Leoben, Steyr rail line	None	No	None	None	No
222	14 Mar 1945	Bomber escort	Varazdin railroad bridge and marshalling yards, Yugoslavia (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	47 th (B-24s)	No	None	None reported	No
223	14 Mar 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Munich	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No, but Me-262 seen	None	None	No
224	14 Mar 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Munich	None (escorted 1 Mosquito aircraft for photographs)	No	None	None	No

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225	15 Mar 1945	Bomber escort	Area from Flotsam to Geisha, Yugoslavia (target cover)	Not given, but B-24s mentioned	No	None	None reported	No
226	15 Mar 1945	Bomber escort	Zittau, Germany (penetration)	5 th (B-17s)	No, but 4 unidentified single-engine aircraft seen	None	None reported	No
227	16 Mar 1945	Strafing	Rail targets	None	Yes, 1 Me-109	1 (15 AF GO# 1734 dated 1945)	1 lost after plane struck tree	No
228	16 Mar 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Munich area	None (escorted 1 Mosquito aircraft for photographs)	No	None	None	No
229	16 Mar 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Prague, Czechoslovakia	None (escorted 1 Mosquito aircraft for photographs)	No	None	None	No
230	16 Mar 1945	Bomber escort	Monfalcone Harbor, Italy (target cover and withdrawal)	Not given, but 70 B-24s	No	None	None	No
231	17 Mar 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Prague	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
232	17 Mar 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Linz	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
233	19 Mar 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Linz and Munich areas	None (escorted 1 Mosquito aircraft)	No	None	None	No

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234	19 Mar 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Linz	None (escorted 1 Mosquito aircraft)	No	None	None	No
235	19 Mar 1945	Bomber escort	Muhldorf marshalling yards (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	55 th (B-24s)	No, but enemy aircraft, believed to be jet-propelled, seen over Brenner Pass	None	None	No
236	20 Mar 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Linz and Munich areas	None (escorted 1 Mosquito aircraft)	No	None	None	No
237	20 Mar 1945	Transport escort	Sanki Most, Yugoslavia	None (escorted 1 C-47 aircraft)	No	None	None	No
238	20 Mar 1945	Bomber escort	Kralupy oil refinery, Czechoslovakia (penetration)	304 th (first and second wave of B-24s)	No	None	1 missing, name not given (bailed out)	No
239	21 Mar 1945	Bomber escort	Neuberg airdrome, Germany (route cover)	47 th	No, but 1 unidentified twin-engined aircraft seen	None	None reported	No
240	21 Mar 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Linz, Munich, Nurnberg areas	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
241	21 Mar 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Linz and Prague areas	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
242	21 Mar 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Nurnberg, Prague, Linz areas	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No

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243	22 Mar 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Ruhland, Germany	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None (but 1 damaged by flak)	No
244	22 Mar 1945	Bomber escort	Kralupy oil refinery, Czechoslovakia (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	304 th (2 waves of B-24s)	No, but 5 unidentified single-engine aircraft seen in distance	None	None	No
245	23 Mar 1945	Bomber escort	Ruhland oil refinery, Germany (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	5 th (2 waves of B-17s)	No	None	1 missing (name not given)	No
246	24 Mar 1945	Bomber escort	Daimler/Benz Tank Assembly Plant, Berlin, Germany (penetration to prudent limit of endurance)	5 th (B-17s) At least until 1225 hours, in target area.	Yes (many Me-262s, some ME-163s)	3 (15 AF GO# 2293 dated 1945)	1 lost, 4 missing	Missing air crew reports 13278, 13274, and 13375 note 3 of the B-17s shot down by enemy aircraft in target area
247	25 Mar 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Linz, Austria	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
248	25 Mar 1945	Bomber escort	Prague/Nbely airdrome (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	49 th (B-24s)	No, but possible Russian aircraft seen attacking P-51s, shot	None	None	No

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249	26 Mar 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Munich, Germany	None (escorted 1 Mosquito aircraft)	No	None	None	No
250	26 Mar 1945	Bomber escort	Wiener Neustadt marshalling yards (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	5 th (B-17s)	No	None	None reported	No
251	30 Mar 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Munich, Germany	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
252	31 Mar 1945	Fighter sweep and strafing	Rail targets in coordinate areas	None	Yes	13 (15 AF GO# 2292 and 2293 dated 1945)	1 lost, 2 missing (names not given)	No
253	1 Apr 1945	Bomber escort	St. Polten marshalling yards (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	47 th (B-24s)	Yes (FW-190s and Me-109s)	12 (15 AF GO# 2294 dated 1945)	3 lost (one was Lt. Manning. Other names not given)	No
254	1 Apr 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Prague, Czechoslovakia	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
255	2 Apr 1945	Reconnaissance escort	San Severo	None (escorted recon aircraft)	No	None	None	No
256	2 Apr 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Munich area	None (escorted P-38 for photographs)	Yes. 1 Me-262 attacked formation. Others seen	None	None reported	No

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257	2 Apr 1945	Bomber escort	Krems marshalling yards, Austria (route cover)	304 th (B-24s)	No	None	None reported	No
258	5 Apr 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Linz, Austria	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
259	5 Apr 1945	Bomber escort	Udine airdrome	5 th (B-17s)	No	No	None reported	No
260	6 Apr 1945	Bomber escort	Verona ordnance depot and marshalling yards (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	304 th and 47 th	No	None	None	No
261	6 Apr 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Prague, Czechoslovakia	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
262	7 Apr 1945	Bomber escort	Vipiteno, Campo Di Trens, and Bressanone railroad bridges (route cover)	5 th Bomb Wing (6 groups)	No	None	1 missing, but later returned (see report 266)	No
263	7 Apr 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Munich, Germany	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None reported	No

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264	8 Apr 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Linz and Munich areas	None (escorted 1 Mosquito aircraft)	No	None	None	No
265	8 Apr 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Prague, Czechoslovakia	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None reported	No
266	8 Apr 1945	Bomber escort	Campodazzo railroad bridge (route cover)	5 th (3 groups)	No	None	None reported	"1 B-17 was seen from 12,000 feet to crash into the Adriatic Sea at 1130 hours..." "Bombers were strung out making them difficult to cover."
267	9 Apr 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Linz and Nurnberg areas	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No, but 1 Me-262 seen, as well as unidentified aircraft	None	None	No
268	9 Apr 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Linz and Prague	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
269	9 Apr 1945	Bomber escort	Bologna, Italy vicinity	5 th and 304 th (B-17s and B-24s)	No	None	None	B-17 seen spinning down, 3 chutes seen to open

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270	10 Apr 1945	Bomber escort	Bologna, Italy (target cover)	5 th (B-17s); 47 th , 304 th (B-24s)	No	None	None	No
271	10 Apr 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Munich area	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
272	11 Apr 1945	Bomber escort	Ponte Gardena Railroad bridge (route cover)	304 th (B-24s)	No	None	None	No, but "Bombers were strung out making them hard to cover."
273	11 Apr 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Munich, Germany	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
274	12 Apr 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Linz, Austria	None (escorted 1 photo recon aircraft)	No	None	None	No
275	12 Apr 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Munich, Germany	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
276	12 Apr 1945	Bomber escort	Casarsa Diversion railroad bridge (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	47 th (B-24s)	No	None	None	No
277	12 Apr 1945	Bomber escort	St. Veit East railroad bridge (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	49 th (B-24s)	No	None	2 P-51s collided, 1 lost, 1 missing (names not given)	No

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278	14 Apr 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Munich, Germany	None (escorted 1 photo recon aircraft)	No	None	None	No
279	14 Apr 1945	Bomber escort (British bombers escorted on supply-dropping mission)	Voschia (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	148 th Squadron (British) (escorting 4 Halifaxes)	No	None	None	No
280	15 Apr 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Bolzano and Prague	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
281	15 Apr 1945	Bomber escort	Ghedi ammunition factory and stores (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	304 th (Blue Force)	No	None	None	No
282	15 Apr 1945	Strafing	Rail targets in Munich, Salzburg, Linz, Pilzen, Regensburg, Munich areas	None	Yes (1 Me-109)	1 (15 AF GO#3484 dated 1945)	1 lost, 1 missing, 2 at friendly fields	No
283	16 Apr 1945	Transport escort and cover	Northern Yugoslavia	None (escorted 3 C-47s on a landing operation, and covered landed airplanes)	No	None	None	No

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284	16 Apr 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Munich	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
285	16 Apr 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Munich	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
286	16 Apr 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Munich and Linz areas	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
287	16 Apr 1945	Bomber escort	Bologna area	55 th and 49 th	No	None	None	No, but "Bombers were strung out and difficult to cover"
288	17 Apr 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Linz and Munich areas	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
289	17 Apr 1945	Bomber escort	Bologna area of Italy (target cover and withdrawal)	5 th (B-17s) and 304 th , (B-24s)	No	None	None	No, but "B-24s were split up by flak in T/A (target area)... fighter coverage quite difficult"
290	18 Apr 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Brno area	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
291	18 Apr 1945	Bomber escort	Bologna area, Italy (target and withdrawal cover)	5 th (B-17s) were assigned, but 304 th (B-24s) were covered	No	None	None	No (for bombers eventually escorted)
292	19 Apr 1945	Bomber escort	Puheim railroad yards and Wels (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	304 th (B-24s)	No	None	None	No

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293	19 Apr 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Munich area	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
294	20 Apr 1945	Bomber escort	Railroad bridges in northern Italy	49 th and 55 th (B-24s)	No	None	1 missing, but eventually returned	No
295	20 Apr 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Praha and Brno, Czechoslovakia	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No
296	21 Apr 1945	Fighter sweep	South of Augsburg, Munich, Regensburg line	None	No	None	None	No
297	21 Apr 1945	Bomber escort	Attang and Puchheim marshalling yards (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	49 th (B-24s)	No	None	1 missing	No
298	21 Apr 1945	Bomber escort	Yugoslavia	None (escorted 1 Halifax and 1 Lancaster, British bombers, on supply drop mission)	No	None	None	No
299	22 Apr 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Brno, Czechoslovakia	None (plan to escort 1 photo reconnaissance aircraft)	No	None	None	No

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300	22 Apr 1945	Armed reconnaissance	Northern Italy	None	No	None	None	No
301	23 Apr 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Prague area	None (escorted 1 P-38 for reconnaissance)	No	None	None	No
302	23 Apr 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Linz and Brno areas	None (escorted 1 P-38 for reconnaissance)	No	None	None	No
303	23 Apr 1945	Bomber escort	Padua, Cavarzere areas of Italy (penetration and target cover)	55 th and 304 th (B-24s)	No	None	1 lost to flak, but pilot bailed out safely	No
304	24 Apr 1945	Bomber escort	"targets in Northern Italy" (penetration, target cover, withdrawal)	47 th and 49 th (B-24s)	No	None	None reported	No
305	25 Apr 1945	Armed reconnaissance	Verona area	None	No	None	None reported	No
306	25 Apr 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Munich	None (escorted 1 Mosquito aircraft)	No, but 1 FW-190 was seen	None	None	No
307	25 Apr 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Linz area	None (escorted 1 Mosquito aircraft)	No	None	None	No
308	25 Apr 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Salzburg area	None (escorted 1 P-38 for reconnaissance)	Yes. 1 Me-262 approached, but driven off.	None	None	No
309	26 Apr 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Linz, Prague, and Amstettin	None (escorted 1 P-38 for reconnaissance)	Yes. Me-109s.	4 (15 AF GO# 2990, 3362, dated 1945)	None reported	No

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310	26 Apr 1945	Bomber escort	Casarsa and Malcontenta ammunition storage dumps	47 th and 55 th (B-24s)	No	None	None reported	No
311	30 Apr 1945	Reconnaissance escort	Bolzano, Italy	None (escorted 1 P-38 for photographs)	No	None	None	No

Summary:

The 332d Fighter Group, sometimes called the “Tuskegee Airmen,” deployed overseas for combat in 1944, originally serving the Twelfth Air Force. By June of 1944, it was reassigned to the Fifteenth Air Force and given the primary mission of escorting heavy B-17 and B-24 bombers on their raids from Italy into southern and central Europe. The 332d Fighter Group consisted of four squadrons, the 99th, 100th, 301st, and 302d Fighter Squadrons, and flew combat missions for the Fifteenth Air Force between early June 1944 and late April 1945.

The 332d Fighter Group was one of seven fighter escort groups serving the Fifteenth Air Force during that period. The seven fighter groups escorted bombers of 21 bombardment groups. The bombardment groups were organized into five bombardment wings: the 5th, 47th, 49th, 55th, and 304th. The 5th Bombardment Wing consisted of the 2d, 97th, 99th, 301st, 463d, and 483d Bombardment Groups. The 47th Bombardment Wing consisted of the 98th, 376th, 449th, and 450th Bombardment Groups. The 49th Bombardment Wing consisted of the 451st, 461st, and 484th Bombardment Groups. The 55th Bombardment Wing consisted of the 460th, 464th, 465th, and 485th Bombardment Groups, and the 304th Bombardment Wing consisted of the 454th, 455th, 456th, and 459th Bombardment Groups. Only the 5th Bombardment Wing flew B-17s. All the rest flew B-24s.

The 332d Fighter Group itself served with the 31st, 52d, and 325th Fighter Groups in the 306th Fighter Wing, which flew P-51 Mustang fighter aircraft. The 305th Fighter Wing, which flew P-38 Lightning fighter aircraft, included the 1st, 14th, and 82d Fighter Groups.

The Fifteenth Air Force rotated escort duties among its seven fighter groups. There were five bombardment wings and only two fighter wings. There were 21 bombardment groups and only 7 fighter escort groups. In other words, for every fighter group, there were three bombardment groups. There were always more bombers than fighters to escort them.

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Statistics:

Number of 332d Fighter Group missions flown for the Fifteenth Air Force: 311

Number of 332d Fighter Group missions flown for the Fifteenth Air Force that escorted bombers: 179

Number of 332d Fighter Group missions flown for the Fifteenth Air Force that escorted heavy bombers on bombing missions: 172

Number of 332d Fighter Group missions flown for the Fifteenth Air Force that encountered enemy aircraft: 35

Number of 332d Fighter Group missions flown for the Fifteenth Air Force that saw but did not encounter enemy aircraft: 21

Number of 332d Fighter Group missions flown for the Fifteenth Air Force that shot down enemy aircraft: 21

Number of enemy aircraft shot down by 332d Fighter Group members while in Fifteenth Air Force service: 94 (the 99th Fighter Squadron earned an additional 18 aerial victory credits before it was assigned to the 332d Fighter Group)

Number of 332d Fighter Group missions flown for the Fifteenth Air Force in which the 332d Fighter Group reported its own aircraft lost or missing: 61

Number of 332d Fighter Group missions flown for the Fifteenth Air Force in which 332d Fighter Group members reported seeing bombers going down: 25

Number of 332d Fighter Group missions flown for the Fifteenth Air Force in which group-escorted bombers were shot down by enemy aircraft: at least 5

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