

OPERATION "NEPTUNE"
Air Lift U.S. IXth Troop Carrier Command

Mission	Aircraft						Gliders		
	Des-patched	Effec-tive	Abor-tive	Missing	Des-royed	Dam-aged	Des-patched	Re-leased at DZ	Lost before DZ
Albany	443	433	10	—	13	83	—	—	—
Boston	378	372	6	8	—	115	—	—	—
Chicago	52	51	1	1	1	3	52	51	1
Detroit	52	52	—	1	1	6	52	46	6
Elmira	177	177	—	5	—	92	176	176	—
Freeport	208	148	55	5	3	94	—	—	—
Galveston	100	98	2	—	—	24	100	98	2
Hackensack	101	101	—	—	—	—	100	100	—
Keokuk	32	32	—	—	—	—	32	32	—
Memphis	119	117	2	—	3	35	—	—	—
	1,662	1,581	76	20	21	452	512	503	9

Analysis of Loads Carried					
Troops	17,262	Gasoline ...	1,947 gallons	Ammunition ...	798,683 lbs.
M/T	281	Bombs ...	26,652 lbs.	Other Combat	
Artillery Weapons ...	333	Rations ...	87,373 lbs.	equipment ...	1,141,217 lbs.

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Air Lift Nos. 38 and 46 Groups, Royal Air Force

Mission	Aircraft						Gliders		
	Des-patched	Effec-tive	Abor-tive	Missing	Des-royed	Dam-aged	Des-patched	Re-leased at DZ	Lost before DZ
Tonga	373	359	14	9	—	7	98	80	18
Mallard	257	247	10	2	6	21	257	247	10
Rob Roy I	50	47	3	9	—	19	—	—	—
Rob Roy II	6	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Rob Roy III	12	5	7	—	—	—	—	—	—
Rob Roy IV	15	15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sunflower I	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sunflower II	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sunflower III	6	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Coney	9	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	733	698	35	20	6	47	355	327	28

Analysis of Loads Carried					
Troops	7,162	Tanks	18	Bombs	2,000 lbs.
M/T	286	Bicycles	35	Other	731 panniers and 622 containers
Artillery Weapons ...	29	Signals Equipment ...	12	Equipment ...	

(d) Operations subsequent to D-Day.

Plan of Presentation

234. As in the previous sections of the narrative part of this Despatch, I propose to deal with the operations in the period D-Day to 30th September, 1944, under types of operations, rather than on a time basis. For this purpose the following headings have been adopted:—

- Attacks on Enemy Communications.
- Close Support Operations.

- Attacks on Coastal Garrisons.
- Fighter Cover to the Assault and the Shipping Lanes.
- Enemy Air Reaction and the Allied Attacks on the G.A.F. and its bases.
- Defence against Flying Bombs and Attacks on "Crossbow" targets.
- Operations of First Allied Airborne Army.
- Attacks on Naval Targets.
- Strategical Bombing—"Pointblank."