

JUNE 6, 1944

12-500 R.D.X.'s (INST.)

NO. 12413. INVASION. 17,000'

"D" DAY AT LAST.

FLEW P.F.F. MISSION IN SUPPORT

OF LANDING TROOPS AND NAVAL

SHELLING. BOMBED THRU CLOUDS

TO WITHIN 500 YARDS OF OUR OWN

TROOPS. BOMBS AWAY JUST PRIOR

TO ZERO HOUR OF 0725.

THOUSANDS OF AIRCRAFT PAR-

TICIPATED, A LOT OF THEM BELOW

CLOUDS, THAT WE COULDN'T SEE.

FIGHTERS STRAFED DECK BY 1000'S.

MADE 2ND TRIP IN P.M. CLOUDS

BROKEN. COULD SEE THOUSANDS OF

VESSELS & CONVOYS. BROUGHT BOMBS

BACK BECAUSE NOT VISUAL ENOUGH

TO SUPPORT TROOPS.

HEAD SQUADRON TODAY FOR 1ST

TIME. HIGH GROUP. BOMBS FROM

ANOTHER GROUP ABOVE, FELL RIGHT
THRU US. WE REALLY SCATTERED.

RETURNED TO BASE WELL

AFTER DARK, IN VERY BAD WEATHER
GETTING DOWN TO 500' WITH
VERY HEAVY ~~W/~~ CLOUD COVER AND
RAIN. COULDN'T SEE ANYTHING.

TWO SHIPS CRACKED UP ON
LANDING. BOMBS DIDN'T EXPLODE.

LUCKILY NO ONE HURT SERIOUSLY.

GLAD TO SIT DOWN AND HAVE
CHOW. EVERYONE VERY TIRED
AFTER 12:30 HOURS FLYING TODAY.

TIRED OF BRINGING BOMBS BACK
WITH US.