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GERMAN BARGES HIT IN DAYLIGHT: No. DOWN

Daylight attacks carried out today by Fighter Command pilots on transport in Germany and France resulted in the destruction of an Me 109 by an R.C.A.F. Mustang which sighted it near Margny after shooting up a locomotive.

Hits on four canal craft were scored by a Mosquito near Meppen in Germany while damage was done to an armed goods train near Rouen by two Typhoons.

The Mosquito attacked in turn two barges and a motor launch five miles south of Meppen, the pilot seeing his gunfire hit all three. He then shot up a dredger.

The Typhoons found the goods train standing in a cutting and in the face of fire from a flak truck attached to it, left the locomotive, the flak truck itself and other trucks damaged.

In a later operation, nine goods trains were attacked by two Mustang pilots, who saw their fire strike home on eight of the engines. They also attacked a formation of German soldiers marching along a road.

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