

5 December 1944

OPERATIONS ORDERS # 272 & 273  
WEATHER ANNEX.

SYNOPTIC SITUATION 0600Z.

Low over North Adriatic moving Southeast with cold front over Italy moving Southeast past southern Italy. Cold, unstable air over western Mediterranean moving Southeast with showery conditions moving into Italy. Cold moist air, conditionally unstable, coming across central Europe.

FORECAST:

BASE: Sky: 6-7/10 low clouds, base 3500' MSL, tops 6000'. 4-6 tenths middle cloud, base 9000', top 12,000'. 6-8 tenths cirrus, base 15,000'.

Air-Ground Visibility: 15 miles or better.

Upper Data: 5000' 280 deg. 20 kts. ----- 00 C.  
10000' 270 deg. 25 kts. minus 06 C.  
15000' 270 deg. 30 kts. minus 14 C.

ROUTE: Sky: Base conditions deteriorating to 8-10/10 cumulus, base 2500', saddles 14,000', and some tops to 18000'. 4-6/10 associated middle and high clouds at 13,000' and 20,000' respectively. Yugoslav coast clear. Interior of Yugoslavia, Hungary, and Austria, 7-10 tenths low clouds, tops 10,000', with 3-5/10 middle cloud at 16,000' and 4-6/10 cirrus, base 20,000'.

Air-Ground Visibility: 20 miles or better. Light snow.

Upper Data: 10000' 290 deg. 25 kts. minus 07 C.  
15000' 280 deg. 30 kts. minus 17 C.  
20000' 280 deg. 35 kts. minus 28 C.

TARGET: Sky: 6-9/10 low cloud, tops 10,000'. 2-4/10 middle cloud at 16000', and 3-5/10 cirrus at 21,000'.

Air-Ground Visibility: 20 miles or better. Light snow on ground.

Surface Wind: west or northwest at 08-12 mph.

Upper Data: 15000' 300 deg. 35 kts. minus 19 C.  
20000' 290 deg. 45 Kts. minus 30 C.  
25000' 290 deg. 50 kts. minus 41 C.

RETURN: Similar to route out, with cumulus over Adriatic built up slightly and cumulus tops to 12,000' over bases.

ALTERNATE FIELDS: Foggia area best alternate.

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