

HEADQUARTHRS 320TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M) Office of the Group Intelligence Officer APC 520

Intelligence Marrative No. 51 Day Operation 19 July 1943. (Map Ref: 3-24 - NA, unless otherwise noted)

Forty-one B-26's of the 320th Bombardment Group (M) took off this morning to bomb Rome/Ciampine A/D, North. They and two other B-26 Groups were escorted by 96 P-38's of the 1st Fighter Group. Five B-26's returned early, all speres.

The target was bombed successfully. Thirty-four B-26's returned safely to this base on schedule; one B-26 returned safely to this base after landing at a friendly field.

100 miles south of Rome, one B-26 left the formation at 1410 from 5000, headed on a course of 210°. Six men (entire crew) were seen to leave the plane, and four parachutes opened. One chute caught on the undercarriage of the plane and was torn. Life rafts were dropped and two men were seen in a raft.

Routes and Altitudes: To target, from 3500, 120 T for 40 miles to rendezvous at Cape Zebib with the 17th Bombardment Group, 319th Bombardment Group and escert, P-38's of the 1st Fighter Group; 24° T for 325 miles to IP, 13 miles gouth of the mouth of River Tiber, climbing gradually to 12000; bomb run 39 T for 14 miles, dropping to 11000; breakaway right.

From target, curve right to point 13 miles south of River Tiber; 130 miles to 40° 21' N, 11° 39' E; 204° T for 230 miles to Cape

Zebib; 40 miles direct to this base, dropping to 3000.

Bombs: 4662 x 20-1b. fragmentation bombs carried by 41 B-26's, and 600 x 20-lb. fragmentation bombs returned to this base in spares that returned early.

4020 x 20-1b. fragmentation bombs dropped over the terget. 42 x 20-lb. fragmentation bombs returned to this base, having hung up over the target.

Chronology: Time off between 1100 and 1123, rendezvous; rendezvous 1150; target 1325; 34 B-26's down between 1530 and 1553; 1 B-26 down at 1650 after landing for fuel at a friendly base.

Results: One flight's bombs started at the road paralleling southwest side of the race track, and carried across the center of the track and beyond. Other bombs of the group started a wide pattern just over the revetments along the road paralleling the side race track and south of it and completely covered the field with bomb bursts. Many A/C in the race track revetments and dispersed on the field were destroyed.

Flak: Slight to moderate inaccurate heavy flak was encountered over the area commencing at the coast of Italy and continuing to the target. Slight inaccurate light flak was encountered on the breakaway, fired from Ansio Point. Moderate heavy inaccurate flak was fired from dual purpose gune

along the coast south of Rome. Gun positions as follows:

4 heavy guns, P x /9. 4 heavy guns, 41° 40' N, 12° 24' E.

Several heavy gums, fairly accurate, 41° 50' M, 12° 34' E. Several heavy guns bordering the north side of Lake Albano.

- 5 heavy guns at 0/3.
 8 heavy guns at 41° 43' N, 12° 38' E.
 8 heavy guns at 41° 44' N, 12° 38' E.
 8 heavy guns at 41° 45' N, 12° 28' E. 7)
- Several heavy guns at Anzi Point
- 12/15 guns at S/6 (T.C. 3-24A-NA) 10)

Approximately 10 white puffs were seen 800' above and shead of the formation at 1325 from 11000 over the target. No E/A were observed above the formation. It is believed that these puffs were used in an attempt to ascertain our altitude.

Approximately 12 flak bursts were seen shead of the formation at 1325 from 11000 over the target, which had the appearance and size of six-bladed propellers. One burst observed at the same time and place appeared long and narrow and was seen to tumble end over end.

After the target, in an area between the target and the coast it was reported that there was no flak.

Air Victories: None.

- Observations: 1) At Lide di Roma A/D a total of 52 multi-engined and 5/E A/C were dispersed around the perimeter of the field. 4/5 of the multi-engined A/C were reported to have twin funciages and 6 engines. Sighted at 1322 from 11000.
 - 2) At an A/D at 410 30' N, 120 34' E, 12 T/E A/C wore seen perked on the perimeter of the circular field, at 1327 from 10000.
 - 3) Great billows of black smoke rising to 6000 were observed coming from Lorrenzo and Littorio marshalling yards. The column at Lorrenzo was the largest and flames were also seen there. Observation at 1322 from 11000.
 - 4) At Centocelle A/B at 1322 from 11000, a ring of smoke nots were seen surrounding the field. Smoke emitted was ineffective in obscuring the A/D.
 - 5) At 1322 from 11000 smoke pots were also seen southwest of Albino Limiale.
 - One crew reported smoke reaching to 1000 at a point in the water 41° 30' N, 12° 00' E, seen at 1320 from
 - 7) Many flash-like explosions were seen on the southeast corner of Ciampino A/D South, at 1325 from 11000.
 - 1 A/C was seen burning at the southeast end of Ciampino A/D South, at 1325 from 11000.
 - 9) One crew reported dust on Ciampino A/D South to be visible for 10 miles, at 1315 from 11000.
 - 10) Total of 40/50 A/C were seen on Ciampine A/D North, at 1325 from 11000.
 - 11) 3/4 S/E E/A, silver colored, were seen at the altitude

of our fernation flying far to the right at 1323 from 11000. P-38's were seen to attack, but no results were observed.

Our losses: 1 B-26 crashed in the sea 100 miles south of Rome.
1 B-26 was slightly damaged by 1 flak hit.

Weather: En route, target, and return CAVU.

Down at Sea: Plane #200

Position	Rank	ASN	Emergency addresses:
Pilot	let Lt.	0-661792	Mrs. June E. Patterson, 3331 Broodview Road, Cleveland, Ohio.
Navgtr- Bombdr.	lst Lt.	0-662231	Mr. Fred A. Allen, Campbellton, Texas.
Copilet	7/0	T-120121	Mr. E. B. Cartwright, Box 445, Carizo Springs, Texas.
Radio Gunner	Wegt.	6561290	Mrs. A. L. Bain, 412 So. Mendenhall St., Greensboro, N. C.
Gunner	s/sgt.	19079879	Mrs. E. Brien, 3246 Magnolia Ave., Lynwood, Calif.
Gunner	s/sgt.	38148412	Mrs. Margaret Spor, 2453 St. Paul St., Denver, Colorado.
	Pilot Navgtr- Bombdr. Copilot Radio Gunner . Engineer Gunner	Pilot let Lt. Navgtr- Bombdr. Copilot P/O Radio M/Sgt. Gunner Tail	Pilot let Lt. 0-661792 Navgtr- let Lt. 0-662231 Bombdr. Copilot F/O T-120121 Radio M/sgt. 6561290 Gunner Tail

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Results: 2 explosions southwest of the race track at Q/S and O/10 (Target Chart 3-24A-NA).

Large oil fires were started as follows (Target Chart 3-24A-NA):
L/11; J/13; N/11 (2); N/9

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19 July 1943.

SUBJECT: Photos.

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1. The following is the location of cameras of the formation as over the target, (Ciampino A/D, Italy), of this Group, this date.

3rd Squadron	1st Squadron	2nd Squadron
TT	T T	TT
T T	T 013 T (T) K-20	T (T) K=20
T T	T _ T	TT
K-17 (T) (T) K-20	T T	TT

WILLIAM COOK let Lt., Air Corps Ass't. Gp. S-2 Officer.

D #4#	PERRY	BOOTH	EDWARDS
D "A"	920	904	933
UE HAN	BULLARD 853	292 XXXX	TOWNS 013
ILOW "A"	STUMM O61	HARRIS 025	927
EEN "A"	LUTTRELL OLO	GRAVES 307	WILBUR 763
<u>тв</u> «	NOMERTA BREZ		TRESCH 851
LUE "B"	CALHOUN 900	TUCK 004	WHITE 798
ELIOW #B#	HOLANES 017	983	298
REEN WBH	LIMBERG 859	1061MROTH 596	SPEGLE 048
ED "C"	BAYRANTAN	SIMS 283	LOVECE
	056	1 Chillie	092
THE MCH	ONEN 036	911 911	167
ARLOW "C"	HAMMOND	MONTSINGER 984	PARTERSON 200
RECEN "C"	776	KIRLEY 189	CHURCH 009
EAGIN 922	BURNS 978	SPARES HTMMELREICH SI 088	VIGART CROTTY

THE FOLLOWING CREWS PARTICIPATED IN THE RAID ON CIAMPINO N. ROME.

HAMES OF THE CREW.

Booth, Pilot, Captain
Green, Co, Pilot, 1st Lt.

Perrin, Bombardier, Captain
Shryock, Navigator, 1st Lt.

SQUADRON

Plane No.

904

Took off 1100

Landed 15:30

444th

444th

Clark, XXXIXXXX Engineer gunner S/sgt. Klingeman, Radio Gunner, T/sgt. Harrison, Aerial gunner, Sgt.

GREGORY, FLIGHT COMMANDER

Edwards, Pilot, 1st L. 444th
Jackson, Co, Pilot, F/O
Bridges, Bombardier, 2ndLt.
Wells, Engineer gunner, Sgt.
Hanyanon, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.
Tucker, Aerial gunner, Sgt.

933 C Took off 1100½ Landed /S:307

Perry, Pilot, 1st Lt. 444 '
Reves, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.
Hoddock, NB, 2nd Lt.
Delrale, Engineer gunner, Søsgt.
Dean, Radio Gunner, Søsgt.
O'Riley, Agrial Gunner, Sgt.

920 O ook off 1101 Landed /5;3 7

Deiter, Pilot, Captain, 444th
Nash, Co, Pilot, 1st Lt.
Brow, Bombardier, 2nd Lt.
Nerone, Navigator, Captain,
Grear, Engineer gunner, S/ssgt.
Collins, Radio Gunner, T/sgt.
Aul, Aerial gunner, S/s gt.
Sullivan, Deputy Flight Commander, Major.

Took offilolia Landed at 15,9

Towns, Filet, 1st Lt.
Hicks, Co, Pilot, F/O
Burton, Bombardier, 1st Lt.
DeSantis, RadioGunner, T/sgt.
Dicke, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.
Szewczyk, Aerial gunner, Sgt.

013 & Cook off 1102 Landed 15146

Bullard, Pklot, lstLt.
Bryden, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.
Banick, Bombardier, 2nd Lt.
Devaul, Radio Gunner, T/s gt.
McGuire, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.
Babel, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.

853 Took off 11022

Landed 15,32

Harris, Pilot, Captain

Durling, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.

Strong, Bombardier, T/sgt.

Schweikhart, Radio gunner, T/sgt.

Alstat, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.

Vaughn, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.

Adams, Observer, Major.

025 Landed at. 15,32

PLANE NO.

James, Co, Pilot, lt.

442nd

Stalls, Bombardier, 5/sgt.

Cerchario, Engineer gunner, S/sgt. Kennedy, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.

Clark, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.

Sims, Bilot, Captain, Morley, Co, Pilot, lt.

442nd

Macia, Navigator, Bombardier, Captain

Caldwell, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.

Uncles, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.

Martin, A. P.

Lovece, Pilot, Lt.

Baucum, Co, Pilot, Evans, Bombardier, Lt.

Wright, Radio Gunner, 1/sgt.

Bayramian, Pilot, Lt.

Baker, Co, Filot, Lt.

Goldberg, Bomba dier, lt.

Mardine, Radio Gunner, Sgt.

Stewart, Aerial gunner, Sgt.

Himmelriech, Pilot lt.

Tschirye, Co, Pilot, lt.

Hooper, Bombardier, 1t.

Glockner, Engineer gunner, Seg.t

Hageman, Radio Gunner, Sgt.

Deselms, Aerial gunner,

Martin, Aerial gunner, T/sgt.

142nd

Branning, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.

Brown, Aerial gunner, Sgt.

44.Rnd

442nd

859

took off 11122

Landed at. 15740

283

Took off 1113

Landed at 15.38

092

Took off, 1112

Landed 15.5

056

Took off 1114 Landed at. 15 3

077

Took off1121 Landed /3:00

NAMES OF CREWS	SQUADRONS	PLANE NO.
Graves, Pilot, 1st. Lt. Nolan, Co-Pilot, 2nd. Lt. Swindler, Nav-Bomb., 1st. Lt.	443rd	Took-off:1104 Landed at: 15:33
Pierce, Engineer Gunner, Sgt. Miles, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt.		Capt. Chase flew as
Yim, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.		Observer.
Wilbur, Pilot, 1st. Lt. Akin, Compilot, F/O. Kimbro, Nav-Bomb., Sgt. Perkins, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt. Chalfant, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. Hart, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.	443rd	763 Took-off:1105 Landed at: 15;33+
Yeager, Co-Pilot, Captain Yeager, Co-Pilot, 2nd. Lt. Janeke, Nav-Bomb., 2nd. Lt. Marriott, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt.	443rd	Took-off:1105:30 B
Robichaux, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. Britton, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.		Lt. Farberow flew as Observer.
Roberts, Pilot, Captain Goff, Co-Pilot, 1st. Lt. Butler, Bombardier, Captain O'Keefe, Navigator, Captain Ramirez, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt. Hansen, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. Kerchinski, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.	443rd	Took-off:1106 Landed at: /5;34
Tresch, Pilot, 1st. It. Graves, Co-Filot, F/O. Key, Nav-Bomb., S/Sgt. Carter, Engineer Gunner, Sgt. Dodlittle, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. Fant, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.	443rd	Took-off:1107 Landed at: 15:43
Brewer, Pilot, 1st. Lt. Pearce, Co-Pilot, F/O. Quine, Nav-Bomb., S/Sgt. Bolton, Engineer Gunner, Sgt. Yost Radio Gunner, T/Sgt.	443rd	Took-off:1108 Landed at: /5/34 Capt. Marble flew as
Lumberg, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.		Observer.
Tuck, Pilot, 1st. Lt 5 kg. Poune, Co-Pilot, 2nd. Lt. 6 kg. Pace, Bombardier, 2nd. Lt. 5 kg. Dore, Navigator, 1st. Lt. 5 kg.	443 rd ,	Took-off:1108:30 Landed at: /5) 42 β
Schinkel, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt. 5 M. Chavez, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. 5 Ms. McGaha, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt. 5 Ms.		Col. Baumeister flew as Observer.

MAMES OF CHEWS	SQUADRON	PLANE NO.
White, Pilot, 1st. It. Balk, Co-Pilot, 2nd. It. Meehan, Nav-Bomb., 2nd. It. Anderson, Engineer Gunner, Sgt. Jones, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. Rouch, Aerial Gunner, Pfc.	443rd	798 Took-off:1109 Landed at: /5:34+ B
Calhoun, Pilot, 1st. It. Space, Co-Pilot, 2nd. It. Thompson, Nav-Bomb., S/Sgt. Smith, Engineer Gunner, Sgt. Martin, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. Carr, Aerial Gunner, Sgt.	443rd	Took-off:1109:30 Landed at: /5/29736
Swigart, Pilot, 1st. Lt. Coleman, Co-Pilot, F/O. Bufour, Nav-Bomb., S/Sgt. Stone, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt. Lacerva, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. O'Connel, Aerial Gunner, Sgt.	443rd	Took-off:1120:30 Landed at: 15/32
Feagin, Pilot, F/O. Orr, Co-Pilot, F/O. Rose, Nav-Bomb., S/Sgt. Noakes, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt. Harpster, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. Gamble, Aerial Gunner, Sgt.	443rd	Took-off:1121:30 922 C Landed 15-147+
Barber, Bilot, 1st. Lt. Long, Co-Pilot, 2nd. Lt. Homsher, Nav-Bomb., S/Sgt. Dross, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt. Burden, Radio Gunner, Sgt. Hanson, Engineer Gunner, Cpl.	443 rd	Took-off:1118 Landed at: 15 139 +
Burns, Pilot, 1st. Lt. Baker, 60-Pilot, 2nd. Lt. Clarke, Nav-Bomb., 2nd. Lt. Caputo, Engineer Gunner, Sgt. Wall, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. Shepherd, Aerial Gunner, Sgt.	arly ary	Took-off:1122:30 B _ Landed at:1310 \(\beta_3\);/0
Hoy, Pilot, 1st. Lt. Condit, Co-Pilot, F/O. Moore, Nav-Bomb., 2nd. Lt. Jones, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt. Juve, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. Brown, Aerial Gunner, Sgt.	44lst	Took-off:1114:30 C Landed at: 15:39
Stell, Pilot, 1st. It. Sgeinberg, Co-Pilot, 1st. Lt. Scott, Nav-Bomb., T/Sgt. Farr, Engineer Gunner, Sgt. Marino, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. Barker, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.	441st	Took-off:1115 Landed at: 15,44

PLANE NO.

MEYER, PILOT, 2nd Lt. 444th English, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt. Ferras, Navigator Bombardier, S/sgt. Williams, Engineer gunner, Sgt. Proctor, Radio Gunner, S/sgt. Harrison, Aerial gunner, 6pl.

927 Took off 1103 Landed at 15.82

Stumm, Pilot, 1st Lt. 444th Weir, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt. Bowen, Bombardier, S/sgt. Noe, Aerial gunner, Cpl. Frenzel, Engineer gunner, S/sgt. Gad, Photographer, Cpl.

Took off 1123 B Landed /3/05

Coulter, Pilot, 1st Lt. 444th Conley, Co, Pilot, S/sgt. Blossman, Engineer gunner, Sgt. Peterson, Bombardier, Sgt. Reynolds, Aerial gunner, S/sgt. Connelly, Radio Gunner, S/gt.

024 Took off 1122 Landed at. 1302

Burns, Pilot, 1st Lt. 444th Taylor, Co, Pilot, 1st Lt. Ramirez, Bombardier, Sgt. Smith, Radio Gunner, T/sgt. Snebold, Engineer gunner, T/sgt. Petroski, Aerial gunner, M/sgt.

Took off 1120 Landed at . 13;0/

Meyer, Pilot, Captain, 442nd Ingalis, Co, Pilot, Lt. Fargo, Bombardier, T/sgt. Dewitte, Engineer gunner, S/sgt. Arsenault, Radio Gunner, S/sgt. Long, Aerial gunner, T/sgt. Gladden, Observer, Major.

ook off 11032 Landed 15:34

Deutman, Filot, lt. 442nd Brast, Co, Pilot, 1t. ž Furrer, Bombardier, S/sgt. Cross, Engineer gunner, S/s gt. Godfrey, Radio Gunner, S/ggt/ Miller, Aerial gunner, Sgt.

Took off 1111 Landed at. 15,357

Holmes, Pilot, 1t. Burrows, Co, Pilot, Lt. Ceisielski, Bombardier, S/sgt. Walden, Engineer gunner, S/sgt. Palmer, Radio Gunner, S/sgt. Linco, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.

Took off 11113 Landed at. 75,5

Heimroth, Lt. Filot, 442nd THIS KKK PLANE DID NOT TAKE OFF

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Speagle, Pilot, 1t. Probasco, Co, Pilot, lt. Darby, Bombardier, Lt. Peck, Engineer gunner, S/sgt. Zahnan Radia Cunnan

442nd

442nd

Buras Aerial gunner,

Took off 1112

landed at. 15.49

NAMES OF CREWS Cwen, Pilot, 1st. Lt. Donahue, Co-Pilot, 2nd. Lt. Eastburn, Nav-Bomb., T/Sgt. Thatcher, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt. Devine, Radio Gunner, T/Sgt.	SQUADRON 441st	PLANE NO 036 Took-off:1115:30 Landed at: /5739	13
Mazzo, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt. Montsinger, Pilot, 1st. Lt. Milton, Co-Pilot, 2nd. Lt. Allen, Nav-Bomb., 1st. Lt. Tackman, Engineer Gunner, Sgt. Tomlinson, Radio Gunner, Sgt. Ellison, Aerial Gunner, Sgt.	441st	984 Took-off:1116:30 Landed at: /5,45	0
Patterson, Pilot, 1st. Lt. Cartwright, Co-Pilot, F/O. Allen, Nav-Bomb., 1st. Lt. Brien, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt. Bain, Radio Gunner, M/Sgt. Spor, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.	441st	Took-off:1117 Landed at:	В
Kirley, Pilot, Captain LaMoe, Co-Pilot, F/O. Ascienzo, Nav-Bomb., 1st. Lt. Delaware, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt. Langman, Radio Gunner, T/Sgt. Stipe, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.	44lst	Took-off:1119 Landed at: /5;52 Maj. Parsons flew as Observer.	B
Church, Pilot, 1st. Lt. Cltman, Co-Pilot, F/O. Brosi, Nav-Bomb., S/Sgt. Foss, Engineer Gunner, Pfc. Corp, Radio Gunner, Pfc. Martz, Aerial Gunner, Sgt.	441st	Took-off:1119:30 Landed at: /6;50	B
Riley, Pilot, 1st. Lt. Dillon, Co-Pilot, F/O. Viaille, Nav-Bomb., 2nd. Lt. Levi, Engineer Gunner, Sgt. Archer, Radio Gunner, T/Sgt. Wurst, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.	441st	Took-off:1119:30 Landed at: 75733 Cpl. Bushong flew as Photographer.	B