

HEADQUARTERS 320TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)
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Flight Commander: Major Marble.

A. 320th Bombardment Group (M).

B. At 1115 hours, 34 B-26's took off to bomb Ariccia Road Junction, Italy. 3 B-26's returned early; 1 because of instrument failure, 1 because a parachute opened in the a/c and 1 because of low oil pressure. 31 B-26's were over the target at 1259 hours at 10,000'. No bombs were dropped because of 10/10 cloud cover. All bombs were returned to base. 31 B-26's returned safely at 1448 hours.

C. Results: None.

D. Observations:

1. Air:

a. Air Activity: 4/6 ME-109's, 1 FW-190 and 1 ME-2000 attacked the formation in the target area between 1255 and 1302 hours. At 1255, 1 ME-109 dove through the formation, but did not fire. Most attacks were made level or slightly above at 5 to 7 o'clock. 1 ME-109 made 3 passes at 11 o'clock from above and another made a pass at 3 o'clock level. 2 ME-109's attacked simultaneously from below at 6 o'clock. The ME-109's had grayish fuselages, light blue bellies, silver wing tips, yellow bands around tails. The FW-190 was silver colored (unpainted).

2. Ground:

a. and b.: None observed.

c. 3/6 bursts of heavy flak, inaccurate for deflection but fairly accurate for altitude, and 2/3 bursts of light flak, inaccurate on both counts was seen over a position estimated to be Anzio. Fire was probably directed at B/A that were then attacking our formation.

d. Shipping: None observed.

3. Losses: None. 1 B-26 slightly damaged by B/A.

4. Weather: Enroute: Stratocumulus overcast, base 4000', tops 5500'. One large break, 10-15 miles across, halfway between Sardinia and Italy. Visibility unlimited aloft.

Target: Covered. General overcast over central Italy, base 4000', tops 5500', with breaks near mountain ranges and one large break north of Rome. Visibility unlimited aloft.

Return: No change.

5. Routes and altitudes: From 2500' at base, 53° T for 24.2 statute miles to IP, Nettuno, climbing gradually to 10500'; 5° M for 18 statute miles to target at 10000'; breakaway left to coast at 41°35'N, 12°31'E, 228° T for 253 statute miles to base, dropping gradually to 2500'.

F. Comments: None.

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	"A"	
	<u>BROWNE</u>	<u>FOULIER</u>
95	83 96 <u>WEINBERG</u>	77
	78 "B"	
	<u>PETERS</u>	<u>MORGANSTEIN</u>
<u>JOHNSON</u>	76 87	85
93	<u>DILLING</u>	
	79 "C"	
	<u>O'STEEN</u>	<u>NUNWALLEE</u>
<u>MATTESON</u>	16	4
1	<u>PAULANTIS</u>	
	11 "D"	
	<u>MCCONNELL</u>	<u>DILLON</u>
<u>WILLS</u>	2	10
18	<u>HELD</u>	
	17 "E"	
	<u>PROBASCIO</u>	<u>HAMPTON</u>
<u>KING</u>	34	45
44	<u>SMUH</u>	
	37 "F"	
	<u>WENDLING</u>	<u>MADOLETTI</u>
<u>BAKER</u>	43	28
29	<u>CLAYBOUGH</u>	
	33 "G"	
	<u>LONG</u>	<u>MACINNON</u>
<u>HEILBAL</u>	59	51
52	<u>SMITHWICK</u>	
	63 "H"	
	<u>C. DILL</u>	<u>WEEKLY</u>
<u>LYDAY</u>	53	56
60	<u>PARKER</u>	
	57 "I"	
	<u>SPARES</u>	<u>SINGER</u>
<u>BIRLINGTON</u>	<u>HUBBARD</u>	26
91	6	
	<u>ACKERMAN</u>	
	65	

TIME	FLARE	CHALLENGE	REPLY	COLOR
0100-0700	YY	V	X	WHITE
0700-1300	RY	Y	L	RED
1300-1900	GY	W	F	WHITE
1900-0100	GG	I	D	RED.

 RADIO CALL SIGNS:

	BOMBER	FIGHTER
17th Group-	"RANSOM"	"MIDLAND" Fighter bomber
319th Group-	"SHORTSHIRT"	"J. LANGRISH" Channel "
320th Group-	"TOMMIES"	"GREENHORN"

THE FOLLOWING CREWS PARTICIPATED IN THE RAID ON AFRICCIA, R. BLOCK, ITALY

CREW	SQUADRON	PLANE NO.
BREWER, PILOT, Capt.	444th	96
PLACTER, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1115
HELLER, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed 1434
G thompson, nav. 2nd Lt.		
GOLDIE, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
SPEARS, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
GEORGE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
KARBLE, FLIGHT COMMANDER MAJOR		
FOWLER, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	444th	77
WILSON, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1115
W JENCO, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed 1435
W COCCOLO, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
WOOD, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
DEWITT, GUNNER, Sgt.		
CONEY, PHOTO, S/Sgt.		
BROWNE, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	444th	95
BURGE, PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1115
W MC CUTCHEN, BOMB. Sgt.		landed 1435
W GUNTHER, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
SCHANZ, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
HATCHER, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
ROSENTHAL, OBS. CPL.		
WEINBERG, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	78
W POLANSKY, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1115
E DELOSIER, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed 1435
GAST, nav. 2nd Lt.		
TUNIS, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
FAUCHIER, RADIO, T/Sgt.		
NOE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
PETERS, PILOT,	444th	87
MC GUGAN, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1116
F POWERS, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed 1436
DEACY, NAV. 2nd Lt.		
WYNER, ENGINEER, T/Sgt.		
BURFI, RADIO, T/Sgt.		
ESTRADA, GUNNER, Sgt.		
ZORGANSTERN, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	444th	85
W MARSHALL, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1116
BUSH, BOMB. T/Sgt.		landed 1436
MONTARULI, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
PARRY, RADIO, T/Sgt.		
MASSON, S/Sgt.		

	JOHNSON, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	444th	93
	ROUND, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1116
W	ROBERTS, BOMB. Sgt.		landed 1437
	JOHNSON, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
	MC ELMURRAY, S/Sgt.		
	RABAL, GUNNER, Sgt.		
	DILLING, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	79
	SCHNEIDER, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1116
E	WHITE, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed 1317
	DUNCAN, OBS. Capt.		
	COOK, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
	VISCOMI, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
	HULPHREY, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
	D'STEEN, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	441st	16
	MALCALL, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1117
F	FLOUCK, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed 1437
	ABART, NAV. 2nd Lt.		
	HILL, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
	FORBES, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
	ROORE, GUNNER, Sgt.		
	MUNNALLEE, PILOT, 1st Lt.	441st	4
	SULLIVAN, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1117
W	BLACKFORD, BOMB. Sgt.		landed 1437
	TESSUM, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
	LARGENT, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
	FRANK, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
	MATHESON, PILOT, 1st Lt.	441st	1
W	REAVES, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1117
	MC GOLDRICK, BOMB. T/Sgt.		landed 1438
	HARRISON, ENGINEER, PFC.		
	CARLISLE, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
	BEUTHOLT, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
	PAULANTIS, PILOT, 1st Lt.	441st	11
E	WILLIAMS, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1118
	FARMER, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed 1438
	DOLAN, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
	MARKUS, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
	GRIGGS, GUNNER, Sgt.		
	MC CONNELL, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	441st	2
F	TRUNK, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1118
	POLAKOV, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed 1438
	THURSTON, NAV. 2nd Lt.		
	LIAS, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
	HOFFMAN, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
	YAVORASKY, GUNNER, Sgt.		

DILLON, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	441st	10
SMITH, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 1118
DOCKERY, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed 1439
✓ TREBENDA, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
STEEVES, RADIO, Sgt.		
BRATTON, GUNNER, Sgt.		
COLTEN, PHOTO, PFC	442nd	
WILLS, PILOT, 1st Lt.	441st	18
ULTMAN, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1119
✓ MC ILLVENNA, BOMB. Sgt.		landed 1440
ACERRO, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
WESTBROOK, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
MEDINA, GUNNER, Sgt.		
HELD, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	441st	17
WACHTER, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1119
✓ GREENWALD, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed 1441
C'DELL, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
MICHAELSON, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
ALEXANDER, GUNNER, Sgt.		
PROBASCO, PILOT, Capt.	442nd	34
ARMSTRONG, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1119
✓ FLEAHY, NAV. Capt.		landed 1441
OLASTED, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		
ELY, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
WELLS, RADIO, Sgt.		
ROSS, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
HAMPTON, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.	442nd	45
GRABOWSKI, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1120
✓ COOK, BOMB. Capt.		landed 1441
YULE, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
CAMPBELL, RADIO, Pvt.		
GLEASON, GUNNER, Pvt.		
FRIGE, PHOTO, Cpl.		
KING, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	442nd	44
✓ HENSELL, CO PILOT; P/O		took off 1120
JACOBSON, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed 1442
HENDRICK, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
KRAUSE, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
WANE, GUNNER, Pvt.		
SHUH, PILOT, 1st Lt.	442nd	37
✓ BARNARD, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1120
FREESTONE, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed 1441
BOYNE, NAV. 2nd Lt.		
HORNE, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
ORGERON, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
TURNER, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		

WENDLING, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	442nd	43
DICKERSON, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		no takeoff
HAKOMAKI, PILOT, 1st Lt.	442nd	28
MAC KAY, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1121
LYMAN, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed 1448
UNDERWOOD, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
MOORE, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
SPANGLER, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
BAKER, PILOT, 1st Lt.	442nd	29
RICHARDS, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 1120
DILL, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed 1447
NARDINE, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
MELBORNE, RADIO, Sgt.		
STEWART, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
CLAYBOUGH, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	442nd	33
CASTOR, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1120
HENDREX, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed 1443
MELIN, ENGINEER, Pvt.		
MOORE, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
HOYLE, GUNNER, Sgt.		
LONG, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	59
STINSON, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1121
CASSINO, NAV. 2nd Lt.		landed 1444
JANKES, BOMB. 1st Lt.		
BURGAMO, RADIO, T/Sgt.		
LUMBERG, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
BOWLES, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
MAC KINNON, PILOT 1st Lt.	443rd	51
SPRANG, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1122
PURNAM, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed
GILES, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
SMIDER, RADIO, Sgt.		
ARMAO, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
CLARKS, PHOTO, Pfc.		
HRIBAL, PILOT, F/O	443rd	52
BEAUDRO, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 1122
SZAFIR, BOMB. Sgt.		landed 1356
JACKSON, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
YIM, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
STONE, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
ST		
SMITHWICK, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	63
TIMM, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1122
ALLEN, NAV. 2nd Lt.		landed 1427
MAIER, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
GRIFFIN, GUNNER, Cpl.		
COOKS, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		

CAUDILL, PILOT, F/O	443rd	53
KOLAR, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1123
LONG, NAV. 2nd Lt.		landed 1444
F HOBEL, BOMB. 1st Lt.		
HILDENBRAND, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
BREWANK, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
NELSON, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
WEEKLY, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	443rd	* 56
CARTER, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1123
W STRAKA, NAV. S/Sgt.		landed 1205
BUTLER, RADIO, T/Sgt.		
ROLFE, GUNNER, Sgt.		
ADAMS, RADIO, Sgt.		
GERDEY, RADIO, Sgt.		
LYDAY, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	443rd	60
REYNOLDS, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1123
W SALTERELLI, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed 1445
LAFFERTY, RADIO, T/Sgt.		
FLAJNIK, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
VOLOSKY, NAV. Sgt.		
WESTFALL, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
BARKER, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	443rd	57
WEST, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1124
E ADAMS, NAV. 2nd Lt.		landed 1445
JOHNSON, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
COUSINS, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
HARROLD, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
CALAFUT, RADIO, Sgt.		
<u>SPARES</u>		
BIRMINGHAM, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	444th	9a
SINN, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1124
MOORE, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed 1434
STATON, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
FEINBERG, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
WEIGL, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
HUBBARD, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	441st	6
PENKA, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1124
HAYS, BOMB. Sgt.		landed 1445
BRUSH, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
STEIGENHOFER, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
FATA, GUNNER, Sgt.		
ACKERMAN, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	55
COOKE, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1125
ROGERS, NAV. 2nd Lt.		landed 1444
CALLAHAN, RADIO, Sgt.		
MENSCH, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
JUST, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
HAMILTON, OBS. Major,		