#### HEADQUARTERS 320TH BOMBARDMENT CHOUP (N) Office of the Group Intelligence Officer APO 650

# Intelligence Marrative No. 154. Day Operation 17 Feb 1944.

Flight Commander: Major Friday and Captain Brower.

- A. 320th Bombardment Group (E).
- B. At 0930 hours, 36 B-26's of the 320th Bombardment Group took off to bomb Lanuvic, Italy. They were escerted over land by Spitfires of the Air Support Command 5 B-26's returned early; 3 were spares and 2 because oil congealed. 31 B-26's were over the target and 29 B-26's dropped 115 x 1000 1b demolition bombs, 1/10, .025 second delay fuses on the target at 1113 hours from 10,500' to 11,500'. 5 x 1000 1b demolition bombs having hung were salvoed and 4 x 1000 1b demolition bombs having hung were returned to the base. 29 B-26's returned to this base at 1237 hours. One B-26, Battle # 80, was lost due to flak over the target. It was last seen with one wing off, afire from nose to tail and crashed downward hitting the ground at 41° 40' N, 12° 43' E, at 1113 hours. No chutes were seen. A/C # 79 is missing and was last seen over Nettuno by 1 B-26 escert at 1120 hours from 10,000' under control and apparently heading for a landing at Nettuno with an injured crew member aboard.
- C. RESULTS: There was an excellent concentration of bombs across the target which destroyed most of the town particulary towards the North-east. All of the roads approximately 10 in number, were blocked as a result of this raid.

### D. OBSERVATIONS:

### 1. Air: Air Activity:

1. 8/10 Spitfire was seen escorting the formation over land.

2. 4/5 E/E A/C unidentified, were seen circling at 13,000' 10 miles east of Rome at 1113 hours from 10,500'.

3. 1 FW 190 made one pass from above at 12 o'clock at F 92-27 and closed to about 500 yards before breaking away at 1116 from 10,000'.

4. 1 ME 109 approached the formation from above at 12 c'clock off

Nettuno, no contact at 1107 from 11,000'.

5. 3 ME 109's, gray, were seen at 1,000' below the fermation before

the bemb run, no passes made, at 1110 hours from 10,500'.

6. 1 ME 109, black, approached at 11 o'clock and closed to within a 100 yards making the letters N-3-7 visible on the A/C, at the target area at 1113 from 10,500'.

b. Situation:

at 1115 from 10,500'.

2. Ground:

a. General: 6 to 8 chutes were seen over Anzio below the formation at 1121 from 10.500'.

b. Communications:

1. 15/20 M/T were seen stationary at a motor pool at G 11-27 at 1115 hours from 11,000.

2. 6 M/T were seen stationary just North of the target at 1114 hours from 11,000'.

c. Flak: 1. a. Lanuvio from 11,000'.

b. Velletri from 11,000'.

2. a. Intense.

b. Slight.

3. a. Heavy. b. Light.

## c. Flas Cont'd.)

- A. a. Accurate for altitude and deflection.
  - b. Fairly accurate for altitude and deflection.
- 5. a. Starting with barrage and then continuously pointed fire.
  b. Continuously pointed fire.
- 6. None observed.
- 7. a. None.
  - b. At Lanuvio about 50% of the bursts were larger than usual, black in color and coupled with red flashes.
  - c. Mone.
- 8. None
- 9. None
- dived at 41-10's, 120 40's, at 1100 hours from 13,000'.
- 3. Losses: 1 B-26 was lost due to flak; 1 B-26 is missing due to flak; 7 B-26's were damaged, 12 B-26's were slightly damaged due to flak; and 3 crew members were injured due to flak. 15 crew members are missing.

4. Meather: Enroute: Broken clouds, overcast mid-way, base 3,000',

tops 8,500' and a few at 11,000'.

Target: Clear and hazy. Return: No change.

- E. ROUTES AND ALTITUDES: From this base at 2,500', 53° T for 242 statute miles to Nettuno, climbing gradually to 11,000'; bomb run 15° M for 15 statute miles, to the target at 10,500'; breakaway right, 207° T for 15 statute miles to Nettuno; 233° T for 242 statute miles, descending gradually to 2,500' at this base.
  - F. COMMENTS: The crew members missing of A/C # 80 are:

Pilot - 2nd Lt. BROWNE, GEORGE H. 0-671873 CoPilot - 2nd Lt. BURG, WILLIAM T. 0-671876 Bomb. - Sgt. McCUTCHEN, VIRGIL E. 17052266 E/Gun. S/Sgt. GUNTHER, WILLIAM E. 38208147 E/Gun. T/Sgt. PRIEDMAN, EDWARD H. 11086959 Gun. S/Sgt. NOS, EDWARD D. 6563887 A/Photog. Cpl. FRICE, ELMER E. 32064566

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CREW SPECLE, PILOT, Capt. BARNARD, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. DARBY, BOMB. 1st Lt. GLEAHY, NAV. Capt. FITZGERALD, ENGINEER, 3/Sgt. KRAUSE, RADIO, S/Sgt. JOHNSON, GUNNER, PVT. FRIDAY, FLIGHT COMMANDER, MAJOR	SQUADRON 442nd	PLANE 31 took off 0930 landed , 239
BROWN, PILOT, 2nd Lt. GREGG, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. WFREEND, BOMB. Cpl. GOLDBERG, ENGINEER, Sgt. COUNEY, RADIO, Pvt. MARVICK, GUNNER, Sgt. ROSENTHAL, PHOTO, Sgt.	442nd	took off 0930 landed /239
HAMPTON, PILOT, 2nd Lt. GARBUNSKI, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. JACOBSON, BOMB. S/Sgt. YULE, ENGINEER, Sgt. ZEHNER, RADIO, S/Sgt. GLEASON, GUNNER, Fvt. ZUPANC, PHOTO, Sgt.	4422d	46 took off 0930 landed 1240
CONRAD, PILOT, 2nd t. DICKERSON, CO PILOT, 2nd t. FREESTONE, BOMB. 2nd t. E PINCOMB, NAV. 2nd Lt. HENDRICK, ENGINEER, 3/Sgt. ORGERON, RADIO, 5/Sgt. KANE, GUNNER, Pvt. SHUH, DFC, 1st Lt.	442n2	28 took off 0930 landed /280
DODELIN, PILOT, 1st Lt.  SINGER, CO PILOT, 2nd t.  EVANS, BOMB. 2nd Lt.  SCHWARTZ, NAV. 2nd Lt.  HOWARD, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.  MILLIMAN, RADIO, Sgt.  EARL, GUNNER, Sgt.	442nd	33 took of: 0931 landed , 240
KADEN, PILOT, 2nd t. KLARK, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. WHARRINGTON, BOMB, Cpl. O'NEAL, ENGINEER, Sgt. CAMPBELL, RADIO, Pvt. WEISS, GUNNER, Sgt.	44.2nd	took off0931 landed / 140
RATERING, PILOT, 2nd Lt. FOCH PROBERTSON, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. ROCH HARLAN, BOMB. Cpl. WASA lockwood, gunner, sgt.	4 <b>82</b> nd ESTER, ENGINEER,Sgt. CZ, RADIO, Sgt.	totak off 0931 landed /2%/

CLAYBOUGH, PILOT, 2nd Lt. CASTOR, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. HENDREX, BOMB. 2nd Lt. RITEMEX, XPILOTXX MELIN, ENGINEER, PVt MOORE, RADIO, 5/Sgt. HOYLE, GUNNER, Sgt.	442nd	35 took off 0 <b>9</b> 31 landed 1240
RITCHEY, PILOT, 2nd Lt. GOODWIN, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. JANEKE, BOMB. 1st Lt. F BANDTE, NAV. 2nd Lt. TURATTI, RADIO, S/Sgt. TESTERS, GUNNER, Sgt. JONES, ENGINEER, S /Sgt.	443rd	53 took off 0932 landed 1241
WIRKKALA, PILOT, 2nd Lt. FELT, UC PILOT, 1st lt. GLAUBITZ, NAV. 2nd Lt. ROMIG, RADIC, S/Sgt. W PIGGOT, GUNNER, 3gt. ELLIS, RADIC, S/Sgt. JOHNSTON, PHOTO, Cpl.	443rd	67 took off 0932 landed 1241
NELSON, PILOT, 2nd Lt. STINSON, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. U SZAFIK, BOMB. Sgt. POWERS, RADIO, S/Sgt. AUSTAC, GUNNER, Sgt. LARKIN, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.	443rd	69 took off 0932 landed
SMITHWICK, PILOT, 1st Lt. COOKE, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. FALLEN, BOMB. 2nd Lt. MAIER, RADIO, S/Sgt.t CRIFFIN, GUNNER, Sgt. COONS, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.	443rd	68 took off 0932 landed
RUCKER, PILOT, 1st Lt. REYNOLDS, CO PILOT,2nd Lt. FIDWELL, BOMB. 1st Lt. CAFARELLA, NAV. Capt. BERGAMO, RADIO, T/Sgt. LUMBERG, EMGINEER, S/Sgt. BUNIES, EMGINEER, S/Sgt.	443rd	55 took off 0933 landed1254
PAIMER, PILOT, 1st Lt. CARTER, CO PILOT, 2nd lt. SALTEMELLI, OMB. S/Sgt. BUTLER, RADIO, T/Sgt. PUTNAR, GUNKER, S/Sgt. BLACKWELL, ENGINEER, S/Sgt	443rd	61 took off 0933 landed 1239
LAMB, PILOT, 2nd Lt. W KULAR, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.	MC DONAID, GUNNER, Sgt. GLOWATCH, RADIO, S/Sgt.	60 took off 0933
LICKEY, BOLB. S/Sgt. LAMOUREUX, ENGINEER, Sgt.	ozonaton, nauto, 5/5gt.	landed 1224

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BURKE, PILOT, F/O CONNOR, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. DZIEDZIC, BOMB. Cpl. FILTRANTE, ENGINEER, Sgt. IVEY, RADIO, S/Sgt. KOCH, GUNNER, Sgt.	444th	76 took off 0935 landed 1226
COLTEN, PHOTO, Cpl.	442nd	
WOIER, PILOT, 1st Lt. ROUND, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. HELLER, BOMB. 2nd Lt. GOLDIE, ENGINEER, S/Sgt. SPEARS, RADIO, S/Sgt. GEORGE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.	444th	95 took off 0935 landed 1124
HELD, PILOT, 2nd Lt. WACHTER, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. POLAKOV, BOMB. 2nd LT. THURSTON, NAV. 2nd Lt. O'DELL, ENGINEER, Sgt. MICHEALSON, RADIO, S/Sgt. ALEXANDER, GUNNER, Sgt.	441st	took off 0936 landed 1242
ST. ARNO, PILOT, F/O NOLD, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.  P BERDAUS, BOMB. S/Sgt. ACERNO, ENGINEER, Sgt. DORAN, RADIO, S/Sgt. GUST, GUNNER, S/Sgt.	44lst	took off 0936 landed 1242
GOODEMOUGH, PILOT, F/O FLAKE, CO PILOT, F/O 2 MC ILLVENNA, BOMB. Sgt. BARRON, ENGINEER, S/Sgt. GAUNT, RADIO, S/Sgt. MC LAUGHLIN, EUNTER, S/Sgt.	441st	8 took off 0936 landed-1243
NUNNALLES, PILOT, 1st Lt. SULLIVAN, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. E VES'SELIS, BOMB. 2nd Lt. TESSUM, ENGINEER, S/Sgt. LARGENT, RADIO, S/Sgt. FRANK, GUNNER, S/Sgt.	441st	18 took off 0936 landed 1242
PAULANTIS, PILOT, 1st L., WILLIAMS, D. L., CO PILOT, MC FARLAND, BOMB. 1st Lt.  AKART, KAV. 2nd Lt. HILL, ENGINEER, S/Sgt. MARKUS, RADIO, S/Sgt. GRIGGS, GUNNER, S/Sgt.	441st 2nd Lt. HQ	16 took off 0937 landed 1208
MATTESON, FILOT, 1st Lt. W REAVES, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. HAWKINS, BOMB. Sgt. HARRISON, ENGINEER, Epl. BREZNAK, RADIO, 3/Sgt. LEUTHOLT, BUNNER, S Sot.	44lat	7 took off 0937 landed 1257

BERKER, FILOT, 2nd Lt. MC KINNEY, CO FILOT,	443rd	64 took off 0933
ADAMS, NAV. 2nd Lt. LAFFERTY, RADIO, T/Sgt. COUSINS, RADIO, S/Sgt. HARROLD, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		landed 1239
FETENS, PILOT, F/O	44 <b>4t</b> h	79 took off 0934
POWERS, BOWD. 2nd Lt. THOMPSON, NAV. 2nd Lt. WYMER, ENGINEER, T/Sgt. EVERSOLE, RADIO, Pvt. ESTRADA, GUNNER, Sgt.	Capt BREWER	Obrew returned to field oils
BHOWNE, PILOT, 2nd Lt. BURG, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. LO CUTCHEN, BONB. Sgt. GUNTHER, ENGINEER, 5/Sgt. FREEDMAN, RADIO, T/Sgt. NOE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.	444th	took off 0934 landed
FEIGE, PHOTO, Sgt.		
MORGENSTERN, PILOT, 2nd Lt. MARSHALL, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. WBUSH, BOMB. T/Sgt. WILLIAMS, ENGINEER, S/Sgt. PERLY, RADIO, T/Sgt. EASON, GUNNER, S/Sgt. UMEENHOUSE, X, MAJOR	444 <b>t</b> h	90 took off 0934 landed 1243
WEINBERG, PILUT, 1st Lt. FULANSKY, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. EUSLOSIER, BOMB. 2nd Lt. DEACY, MAV. 2nd -t. FUNIS, ENGLABER, 5/Sgt. FAUCHISIE, RADIO, 3/Sgt. RAHAL, GUNNER, Sgt.	444th	78 took off 0934 landed 1254
TOWNS, PILOF, 2nd Lt.  MELES, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.  FERNARDI, BOLE. 2nd Lt.  GEST, KAV. 2nd Lt.  GIUFFRE, ENGINEER, Cpl.  STALCUP, HADIO, S/Sgt.  SHINGLE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.	4k4th	94 took off 0934 landed 1244
MEYER, PILOT, 1st It.  DEMETREE, CO PILOT, 2nd It.  CRAPSE, BOXB. S/Sgt.  KUHNE, ENGINEER, T/Sgt.  MILLER, RADIO, S/Sgt.  HAMEY, GUNNER, S/Sgt.	44 <b>4</b> th	96 took off 0935 landed 1227
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HUBBARD, PILOT, 2nd Lt. PENKA, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. RENKAYKEKKIKETYKKAMIKE.  J DILL, BOMB. 2nd Lt. CHRISTIANSON, ENGINEER, S/Sgt. STEIGENHOPER, RADIO, S/Sgt. CLARK, GUNNER, Sgt. HAYS, GUNNER, Sgg.	44lst	19 took off 0937 landed 1238
BERGE, FILOT, 1st Lt. WILLIAMS, CO FILOT, 2nd Lt. GOLDIN, BOMB. 2nd Lt. EBRUSH, ENGINEER, S /Sgt. WESTBROOK, RADIO, S/Sgt. YAVOROSKY, BUNNER, Sgt. LAZZO, GUNNER, S/Sgt.	441st	17 took off 0937 landed 1237
SPARES HARFSTER, PILOT, 2nd Lt. HERSELL, CO FILOT, F/O HARMON, BOMB. Cpl. PEARD, ENGINEER, Sgt. KNAUER, RADIO, S/Sgt. NEMIER, GUNNER, Sgt. CATALDI, PHOTO, Cpl.	442nd	43 took off 0938 landed 1200
strachan, pilot, 2nd Lt. SPRANG, 80 PILOT, 2nd Lt. ARMAO, BONB. S/Sgt. COONS, RADIO, S/Sgt. WESTFALL, RADIO, S/Sgt. HOPKINS, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.	443rd	54 took off 0938 landed 1032
FOWLER, PILOT, 2nd Lt. SINN, CO FILOT, 2nd Lt. JENCO, BOMB. S/Sgt. COCOLO, ENGINEER, S/Sgt. WOOD, RADIO, S/Sgt. DE WITT, GUMNER, Sgt.	. 444th	77 took off 0938 landed 1147
WEATHER, SHIP HRIBAL, PILOT, F/O TIMME, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. UNDERWOOD, NAV. 2nd Lt. TYSON, BOMB. Sgt. JACKSON, RADIO, S/Sgt. GUZZIO, GUNNER, S/Sgt. STONE, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.	443rd	57 took off
SMITH, PILOT, 1st Lt. TURNER, CO PILOT, 1st Lt. DOCKERY, BOMB. S/Sgt. LIAS, ENGINEER, Sgt. SPIESS, RADIO, S/Sgt. FATA, GUNNER, Sgt.	441st	took 6ff 0938 landed 1242