

HEADQUARTERS 320TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)  
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Intelligence Narrative No. 156, Day Operation, 21 Feb 1944.

Flight Commander: Lt. Rucker.

A. 320th Bombardment Group (M).

B. At 0910 hours, 27 B-26's took off to bomb Orvieto RR/Bridge North, Italy, as the primary and Ventimiglia RR/Bridge as the weather alternate, but found both targets weather obscured and instead bombed Imperia Harbor. They were unescorted. 3 A/C returned early; 2 were spares and 1 due to generator trouble. 24 A/C were over the target and 23 A/C dropped 92 x 1000 demolition bombs (1/10, .025) second delay fuses on the target at 1144 hours from 10,300 to 11,300'. 4 x 1000 lb bombs were salvoed in the target area due to rack malfunction. No bombs were returned to the base. 24 A/C returned to the base at 1337 hours.

C. RESULTS: There was a good concentration of bombs from 14 to 16, L to M (TC 4-119 NA). Several small boats at 16L were hit. Some bombs landed in the water at 17 L.

D. OBSERVATIONS:

1. Air:

- a. Air Activity: None.
- b. Situation: None.

2. Ground:

- a. General: None

b. Communications: 1. Considerable M/T movement was seen headed East at Diano Marina at 1144 from 11,000'.

2. 27 RR cars were seen in Imperia M/Y at 1144 hours from 11,000'.

3. 50/75 RR cars were seen not moving at Albenga M/Y at 1147 hours from 11,000'.

- c. Flak: None.

d. Shipping: 1. 30 small craft at 9 L, 15 small craft and 2 large M/V at 15L, 1 large M/V at 17L, more seen at the target at 1144 hours from 11,000'.

2. 1 small M/V was seen anchored at Cervo at 1144 hours at 11,000'.

3. 1 large M/V was seen anchored at Porte Maurzia at 1144 hours from 11,000'.

4. 1 small M/V was seen moving South at 43° 00' N, 8° 20' E, at 1208 from 11,000'.

3. Losses: None.

4. Weather: Enroute - Overcast 6 to 8,000' with haze.

Target - No change.

Return - No change.

E. ROUTES AND ALTITUDES: From base 3<sup>0</sup> T for 142 statute miles to Cape Pano, 47<sup>0</sup> T for 20 statute miles to Porto Veschia, 4<sup>0</sup> T for 70 statute miles to Berge, 330<sup>0</sup> T for 180 statute miles climbing to 11,300'; bomb run 350<sup>0</sup> M to the target at 10,300'; breakaway right; 178<sup>0</sup> T for 315 statute miles descending to 2,500' at this base.

F. COMMENTS: A/C Battle # 79, referred to in Intelligence Narrative # 154 dated Feb. 17, 1944 as missing, was damaged by flak and crashed landed at Nettuno A/D. The crew is safe except for the Navigator who was injured. The A/C is destroyed.

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21 February 1944

<u>"A"</u>		
<u>MORGAN'S TERN</u>	<u>SPEEGLER</u>	<u>TURNER</u>
67	34	83
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	<u>"B"</u>	
	<u>KELSON</u>	
<u>ST. ARNO</u>	94	<u>MEYER</u>
20	SMITH	95
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	<u>"C"</u>	
	<u>HELD</u>	
<u>REEVES</u>	16	<u>PENKA</u>
19	MUNNALIEE	1
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	<u>"D"</u>	
	<u>PROBAECO</u>	
<u>KLARK</u>	31	<u>HARPSHED</u>
44	CONRAD	40
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	<u>"E"</u>	CHANNEL "
	<u>WODELIM</u>	RAD 00
<u>ACKERMAN</u>	26	17th MDTUB
71	<u>BARKER</u>	319th BELLBUOY
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	50	320th TUGBOAT
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	<u>"F"</u>	
	<u>RITCHIEY</u>	Fighter
<u>LADD</u>	66	<u>FELT</u>
61	<u>SHAWARD</u>	17th and 319th Escort
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	65	<u>CRAIFORD</u>
<u>SPARES</u>	<u>SYRGEY</u> <u>GOODENOUGH</u> <u>HAMPTON</u> <u>HIBAL</u>	320th Escort
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<u>COLOSS OF THE DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>FLYING</u>
		<u>PILOT</u> <u>CALLSIGN</u>
		D E W L G
	1700-1800	O C H B
	1800-1900	W C H B
	1900-2000	Z C H B

## THE FOLLOWING CREWS PARTICIPATED IN THE RAID ON

CREWS	SQUADRON	PLANE NO.
SPLAUGLE, PILOT, Capt.	442nd	34
DEATLY, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0910
DARBY, BOMB. 1st Lt.		<del>1338</del>
LEARY, NAV. Capt.		
FITZGERALD, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
KLAUSE, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
JOHNSON, GUNNER, Cpl.		
RUCKER, FLIGHT COMMANDER, 1st Lt. HQ		
TURNER, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	444th	83
NOWAK, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0910
BZIEDZIC, BOMB. Cpl.		landed , 338
MONTARULI, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
CRONIN, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
MALONE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
ROSENTHAL, PHOTO, Sgt.	HQ	
MORGENSTERN, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	444th	87
MARSHALL, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0910
SHINGLE, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed , 338
WILLIAMS, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
PERRY, RADIO, T/Sgt.		
MASON, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
ZUFANC, PHOTO, Sgt.		
DILLING, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	96
SCHNEIDER, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0910
WHITE, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed , 338
BANG, NAV. 2nd Lt.		
COOK, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
VISCOMI, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
HUMPHREY, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
DEMETEREE, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	444th	95
MEYER, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		no take off
JOHNSON, PILOT,	444th	94
ROUND, CO PILOT,		took off 0911
POCAN, BOMB.		landed
MICHELS, NAV.		<del>1340</del>
JOHNSON, ENGINEER,		
RADIO, MC ELMURRY,		
CLARKE, GUNNER,		
ST. ARNO, PILOT, F/O	441st	20
NUOLD, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0911
KWIATKOWSKI, BOMB. Sgt.		landed
ACCERRO, ENGINEER, Sgg.		<del>1340</del>
DURAN, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
GUST, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
SMITH, PILOT, 1st Lt.	HQ	17

SMITH, PILOT, 1st Lt. 441st  
SCHULZ, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.  
BILL, BOMB. 2nd Lt.  
CIGNAC, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.  
ROGERS, RADIO, T/Sgt.  
MAZZO, GUNNER, S/Sgt.

17  
took off 0911  
landed

1314

HELD, PILOT, 2nd Lt. 441st  
WACHTER, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.  
POLAKOV, BOMB. 2nd Lt.  
HALLIGAN, NAV. 2nd Lt.  
O'DELL, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.  
MICHAELSON, RADIO, S/Sgt.  
CLARK, GUNNER, Sgt.

16  
took off 0911  
landed

1346

PENKA, PILOT, 2nd Lt. 441st  
WILLIAMS, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.  
DOCKERY, BOMB. S/Sgt.  
CHRISTIANSON, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.  
STEIGENHOFER, RADIO, S/Sgt.  
HAYS, GUNNER, Sgt.  
CATALDI, PHOTO, Cpl.

22  
took off 0912  
landed

1347

REAVES, PILOT, 2nd Lt. 441st  
MALCALM, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.  
HAWKINS, BOMB. Sgt.  
HARRISON, GUNNER, Sgt.  
BREZNAK, RADIO, S/Sgt.  
LEUTHOLT, GUNNER, S/Sgt.

19  
took off 0912  
landed

1348

NUNVALLEE, PILOT, 1st Lt. 441st  
SULLIVAN, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.  
VES 'SELLS, BOMB. 2nd Lt.  
TESSUM, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.  
WESTBROOK, RADIO, S/Sgt.  
FRANK, GUNNER, S/Sgt.

11  
took off 0912  
landed

1349

PROBASCO, PILOT, Capt. 442nd  
FRIDAY, CO PILOT, MAJOR  
OLMSTED, BOMB. 2nd Lt.  
PINCOMB, NAV. 2nd Lt.  
BLY, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.  
WELLIS, RADIO, S/Sgt.  
ROSS, GUNNER, S/Sgt.

31  
took off 0912  
landed

1344

HARPSTER, PILOT, 2nd Lt. 442nd  
HESELL, CO PILOT, P/O  
HARMON, BOMB. Cpl.  
BEARD, ENGINEER, Sgt.  
KNAUER, RADIO, Sgt.  
COLTON, PHOTO, Cpl.

43  
took off 0913  
landed

1344

KLARK, PILOT, 2nd Lt. 442nd  
KADEN, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.  
JACOBSON, BOMB. S/Sgt.  
O'NEAL, ENGINEER, Sgt.  
DANKO, RADIO, S/Sgt.  
WEISS, GUNNER, Sgt.  
JOHNSON, PHOTO 441st

44  
took off 0913  
landed

1320

SMITH, PILOT, F/O  
NOILD, EO PILOT, 2nd Lt.  
KWIATKOW

441st

20  
took off 0911

CONRAD, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	442nd	28
ROOD, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0913
FREESTONE, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed
SCHWARTZ, NAV. 2nd Lt.		<i>1332</i>
CHAMBERLIN, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
ORGIRON, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
TURNER, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
DODELLIN, PILOT, 1st Lt.	442nd	48
TAYLOR, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0913
MAGGIO, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed
HOWARD, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		<i>1345</i>
LILLIMAN, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
KARL, GUNNER, Sgt.		
COOK, OBSERVER, Capt.		
RATERING, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	442nd	41
ROBERTSON, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0814
HARLAN, BOMB. Cpl.		landed
ROCHESTER, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		<i>1345</i>
MALBURNE, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
LOCKWOOD, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
ACKERMAN, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	71
COOKE, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0914
MC CARTNEY, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed
JUST, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		<i>1345</i>
CALLAHAN, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
MENSCH, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
BARKER, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	443rd	50
CARTER, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0914
ADAMS, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed
WARDSMITH, NAV. 2nd Lt.		<i>1345</i>
HARROLL, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
JOHNSON, RADIO, T/Sgt.		
COUSINS, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
RITCHIEY, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	443rd	66
GOODAIN, PILOT CO, 2nd Lt.		took off 0914
TIDWELL, BOMB. 1st Lt.		landed
CAFARELLA, NAV. Capt.		<i>1346</i>
JONES, S/Sgt. ENGINEER,		
TURATTI, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
TEETERS, GUNNER, Sgt.		
FELT, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	54
WIRKKALA, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0915
WESTFALL, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed
MAI, ENGINEER, Sgt.		<i>1346</i>
CALAFUT, RADIO, Sgt.		
AVERY, GUNNER, Sgt.		
DRAPER, PHOTO, S/Sgt.		

LAMB, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	443rd	61
KOLAR, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0915
DICKEY, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed
LAMOUREUX, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
GLOWATCH, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
MC DONALD, GUNNER, Sgt.		
BERGAMO, RADTO, <del>MAXIMA</del> T/Sgt.		1103
SHEARD, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	65
TELL, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0915
STRICKLAND, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed
TERRELL, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
BUTLER, RADIO, T/Sgt.		
YIM, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
LA GESSE, RADIO, S/Sgt.		1344
<u>SPARES</u>		
GOODENOUGH, PILOT, F/O	441st	7
FLAKE, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 0910
MC ILLVERNA, BOMB. Sgt.		landed
LIAS, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
GAUNT, RADIO, S/Sgt.		1235
MC LAUGHLIN, GUNNER, Sgt.		
MILBAL, PILOT, F/O	443rd	55
BEAUDRO, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 0916
TYSON, BOMB. Sgt.		landed
STONE, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
JACKSON, RADTO, S/Sgt.		1340
GUZZIO, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
SINGER, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	444th	90
DICKERSON, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0915
MC MAHON, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed
GUILLFRE, ENGINEER, Cpl.		
ROSS, RADIO, S/Sgt.		1228
MOSKOWITZ, GUNNER, Sgt.		
HAMPTON, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	442nd	46
GARBOWSKI, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0916
HARRINGTON, BOMB. Cpl.		landed
YULE, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
ZEHNER, RADIO, S/Sgt.		1318
KANE, GUNNER, Cpl.		