

HEADQUARTERS 320TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)
Office of the Group Intelligence Officer
APO 650

Intelligence Narrative No. 229, Day Operation, 1 June 1944.

Flight Commander: Major Brewer.

A. 320th Bombardment Group (M).

B. At 0750 hours, 20 B-26's of the 320th Bombardment Group (M) took off to bomb Troop Concentrations at Genazzano Town (M/R 0145586, Sheet 151, CGSC 4361). 4 B-26's returned early: 2 spares, 1 ill pilot; 1 because of oil leak. 16 B-26's were over the target and 9 dropped 72 x 500 lb demolition bombs (1/10, .025 second delay) on the target at 0946 hours from 10,500' to 9,950' on an axis of 173° T. Due to failure to identify the target, 7 B-26's bombed Valmontone Rd Junction, dropping 56x 500 lb demolition bombs (1/10, .025 second delay fuses) at 0946 hours from 10,500' on an axis of 170° T. 16 B-26's returned to base at 1120 hours.

C. RESULTS: One squadron's bombs landed in a good pattern just west of the target. The lead squadron failed to identify the target and bombed Valmontone Road Junction as a target of opportunity. It was covered with an excellent pattern of bombs, scoring direct hits.

D. OBSERVATIONS:

1. Air: See Mission Narrative No. 228.

2. Ground: a. General: See Mission Narrative No. 228.

b. Communications: See Mission Narrative No. 228.

c. Flak: On the bomb run, from 01168, moderate to intense heavy very accurate for both altitude and deflection was encountered on the bomb run. Two trail bursts were seen, followed by predicted concentration just as bomb away. The two bursts were more accurate than which followed indicative loss of altitude on bomb run effective as evasive action. Positions: 2 heavy guns south of target.

From Valmontone and Cave, slight to moderate heavy accurate for altitude and deflection, heavy flak, continuously pointed fire, was encountered.

d. Shipping: See Mission Narrative No. 228.

3. Losses: None; damaged, 4.

4. Weather: See Mission Narrative No. 228.

E. ROUTE AND ALTITUDES: See Mission Narrative No. 228.

F. COMMENT:

REMI A. NADREAU
Captain, Air Corps
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SUBJECT: Photos.

TO : Commanding General, 42nd Wing (US), APO 650.
ATTENTION A-2.

1. The following is the location of the cameras in the formation as over the target (Genzzano Troop Concentration, Italy), of this Group, this date.

	83	T			
	K-17(T)		T		
T	T 99		86	T	
	K-15A(T)		K-17(T)		T

		8	T		
		K-21(T)	T	T	
		K-20			
	T			17	T
T		T		K-17(T)	T

2. The pictures taken in Ship's Nos. 99 and 17 were not printed and also K-20 in ship No. 8 was not printed.

REMI MADEAU,
Captain, Air Corps,
Ass't. Group Intelligence Officer.

RUNWAY LINE UP

68	HALE 3	"H" RITCHIE 1	CAUDILL 2
66	68 Brown	66 TIDWELL	69 STRICKLAND
69		"H"	
54	LYDAY 6	ACKERMAN 4	KELAR 5
62	54 Snider	62 Garroll	60 Sherman
60		"G" 7	
61	HRIBAL 9	STRACHAN	SMITHWICK 8
50	61 Putnam	50 Miazga	Aramo
43		"H"	
29	TAYLOR 12	BOTCOMLEY 10	HAKOMAKI 11
34	29 Westbrook	34 PHILLIPS	37 HENDREX
27		"H"	
47	HENSELL 15	CLAYBAUGH 13	BAKER J. J. 14
41	47 McCary	41 Germano	43 Fuller
43		"H"	
26	KLAR 17	KADEN 12	BERNARD 17
25	26 Harrington	25 Spann	48 Harlan
48		"G"	
98	ROUND 21	MATTESON 19	PETERS 20
80	83 Froelich	80 ROGERS	98 POWERS
83		"H"	
78 94	DEMLITZ 24	GINN 22	MARSCH 23
79	86 Betenieny	89 Jenco	94 78 Hatcher
86		"H"	
99	MCBRIDE 27	GAJGER 25	DICKERSON 26
89	76 Weinberg	89 Dziedzic	92 Bravas
76		"J" 27	
20	WEST 30	HELD	MCCONNELL 29
21	08 Stromaney	21 POLAKOV	20 BARDEN
08		"K"	
18	MALCOLM 33	WILHELM 31	OLTMAN 32
22	17 Summers	22 Goldin	18 McIlvanna
17		"L" 34	
19	BLAKE 36	CORNELIUS 34	WILLIAMS 35
25	01	05 Dill	19 Chelucci
01		SPARES	
30	HARISTER X	TIM X	SHEARD
52	30 Younes	52 Dickey	58 Straka
58		FLACKTER X	
09	PESEK X	85 Webb	TINK X
85	09 Stone		15 Gallagher
15			

GROUND SPARES

(65) (51) (23) (88)

 * RADIO CALL SIGNS *
 * 320TH GROUP *
 * "TOPNOTCH " *
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COLORS OF THE DAY FOR 1 JUNE 1944
 TIME _____ PLATE COLORS _____