

HEADQUARTERS 320TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)
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Intelligence Narrative No. 270, Day Operation, 6 July 1944.

Captain Shah.

A. 320th Bombardment Group (M).

B. At 0635 hours, 20 B-26's took off to bomb Bridge west of Fidenza (M/R: P-882942, Sheet 73), Italy. 4 B-26's returned early, 2 were spares, 1 engine trouble (entitled to sortie credit) and 1 low oil pressure. 16 B-26's were over the target and dropped 64 x 1000 lb demolition bombs (1/10, .01 second delay fuses) on the target at 0854 hours from 9,450' to 8,900' on an axis of 38° T. 16 B-26's returned to base at 1051 hours.

C. RESULT: All bombs landed in the target area. Direct hits were scored on the east end of the bridge and approaches.

D. OBSERVATIONS:

1. Air: a. Air Activity: 1. Escort failed to rendezvous.
2. 1 S/E unidentified A/C flying E at 1000' over target.
b. Situations: Borgo Valdi Torro A/D unserviceable, no A/C.

2. Ground:

- a. General: 1. RR Bridge cut at Fiorenzola.
2. Highway Bridge cut at Borgo Val Torro.
3. RR Bridge cut at Monoglia.

b. Communications:

1. 2-way M/T of 50 vehicles between Piacenza and Fidenza at 0852 hours.
2. 150 RR cars between Parma and Piacenza.
3. 150 RR cars between Camogli and Sestri Levante.

c. Flak: None.

- d. Shipping: 1. 5 small boats at Camogli at 0845 hours.
2. At Sestri Levante, 3 small M/V in building stocks.

3. Losses: None. Damaged: None.

4. Weather: Enroute clear to coast; 5/10 cumulus at 5,000' over coast. target: CAVU. Return: As enroute.

E. ROUTES: Base to landfall at Monoglia; to target; breakaway left to Monoglia; to base.

F. COMMENTS: None.

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SECOND MISSION

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FK Shuk, Capt 289

RUNWAY LINE UP

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RADIO CALL SIGNS

320th Group

"TOPNOTCH"

FIGHTERS

"TOPNOTCH FIGHTERS"

CHANNEL "A".

COLORS OF THE DAY FOR 6 July 1944.

TIME FLARE COLORS

0200-0800 YELLOW & YELLOW

0800-1400 GREEN & GREEN

1400-2000 GREEN & YELLOW

2000-0200 RED & GREEN

ALDIS LAMP SIGNALS

TIME CHALLENGE REPLY

0200-0800 Q W

0800-1400 C L

1400-2000 J O

2000-0200 Y X

THE FOLLOWING CREWS PARTICIPATED IN THE OPERATIONS OF 6 June 1944.

#288

CREWS

WENDLING, PILOT, 1st Lt. 54
 GRABOWSKI, CP. 1st Lt. 53
 FREESTONE, B. 1st Lt. 53
 PINCOMB. Nav. 1st Lt. 46
 SHUH, FC, Capt. 50
 ELLSWORTH, E. S/Sgt.
 HUGHES, R/S/Sgt.
 MERRICK, G. S/Sgt.

SQUADRON

442nd

PLANE NO.

28
 took off 0635
 landed

1051

HAKOMAKI, P. Capt. 47
 WELLS, CP, 2nd t. 8
 HENDREX, B. 1st Lt. 39
 MENAUGH, M. 1st Lt. 34
 UNDERWOOD, E. S/Sgt.
 MOORE, R. S/Sgt.
 SPANGLER, G. S/Sgt.

442nd

37
 took off 0635
 landed

1051

THORNTON, P. 1st Lt. 60
 OBER, CP, 2nd Lt. 25
 MAGGIO, B. 1st Lt. 44
 HOWARD, E. S/Sgt.
 MILLIMAN, R. S/Sgt.
 MIKELSON, G. S/Sgt.
 MC GOWAN, P. Sgt.

442nd

26
 took off 0635
 landed

1051

CLAYBOUGH, P. 1st Lt.
 METCHAN, CP, 2nd Lt.
 MONTEZ, B. 1st Lt.
 MELIN, E. S/Sgt.
 MOORE, R. S/Sgt.
 HOYLE, G. S/Sgt.

442nd

35
 took off 0635
 landed

1025

Early
no credit

KING, P. 1st Lt. 69
 PORCYNALUK, CP, 2nd Lt. 24
 FRIEND, B. S/Sgt.
 GOLDBERG, EN. S/Sgt.
 CLENDEN, R. S/Sgt.
 KANE, G. S/Sgt.

442nd

38
 took off 0635
 landed

1052

MC DOUGAL, P. 1st Lt. 13
 BAKER, CP. 2nd Lt. 12
 HARRINGTON, B. S/Sgt.
 MC GULLY, E. S/Sgt.
 BLUM, R. S/Sgt.
 SUGGS, G. Cpl.
 FRANK, PH. Cpl.

442nd

25
 took off 0635
 landed

1052

MADEN, P. 1st Lt. 51
 MC OMBER, CP. 2nd Lt. 1
 STOUGH, B. 2nd Lt. 7
 ROCHESTER, E. S/Sgt.
 COONEY, R. S/Sgt.
 TURNER, G. S/Sgt.

442nd

33
 took off 0636
 landed

1053

R.F. WILLIAMS, P. 2nd Lt. 40
 MC KAY, CP. 2nd Lt. 48
 HARMON, B. S/Sgt.
 FITZGERALD, E. S/Sgt.
 DELAIRE, R. S/Sgt. - FLYNN, G. S/Sgt.

442nd

27
 took off 0636
 landed

1053

.44	GREGG, P. 1st Lt.	442nd	39
10	ESTES, CP, 2nd Lt.		took off 0636
	WESTEROOK, B. S/Sgt.		landed
	MARCOLIS, E. S/Sgt.		1054
	JOHNSON, R. S/Sgt.		
	JOHNSON, G. S/Sgt.		
	HARPSTER, P. 1st Lt. 45	442nd	34
	MCONEY, CP. 2nd Lt. /		took off 0637
	OLMSTED, B. 1st Lt. 42		landed
	KING, N. 1st Lt. 41		1054
	PBEARD, E. S/Sgt.		
	KNAUER, R. S/Sgt.		
	FIELD, G. S/Sgt.		
	HARTE, P. 1st Lt. 44	442nd	43
	STEINBACH, CP, Capt. /		landed
	WARD, B. 2nd Lt. 47		took off 0637
	TEICH, N. 2nd Lt. /		max
	BOLLINGER, E. S/Sgt.		
	MARSCH, R. S/Sgt.		
	KIDMECH, G. S/Sgt.		1054
	HENSELL, P. 1st Lt. 52	442nd	29
	ARMSTRONG, CP, 1st Lt. 44		took off 0637
	MC GRAY, B. Sgt.		landed
	HUSTON, E. S/Sgt.		
	DANKO, R. S/Sgt.		
	ridgers, g. S/Sgt.		
	HAYES, PH Sgt.		1054
	ABERNATHY, P. 1st Lt. 19	442nd	45
	MC LAUGHLIN, CP. 2nd Lt. /		took off 0637
	BURNS, B. 2nd Lt. 43		landed
	KING, E. S/Sgt.		
	CRGERON, R. S/Sgt.		
	FORREST, G. S/Sgt.		1055
	KLARK, P. 1st Lt. 51	442nd	46
	ZEILERBACH, CP. 2nd Lt. 35		took off 0637
	FULLER, B. S/Sgt.		landed
	WALKER, E. S/Sgt.		
	KRAUSE, R. S/Sgt.		
	WARD, G. Sgt.		1055
	WILLIAMS, R.A. 42		
	PILOT, 2nd Lt.	442nd	30
	ALLEN, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. 31		took off
	HARLAN, B. S/Sgt.		landed
	PUTNAM, E. S/Sgt.		
	S. VENATTI, R. S/Sgt.		
	WEISS, G. S/Sgt.		
	COLTON, P. S/Sgt.		1055
	LAMB, P. 1st Lt. 50	443rd	63
	ZOELLER, CP. 2nd Lt. /		took off 0638
	DAVIS, B. 2nd Lt. 40		landed
	LAMOURUEX, E. S/Sgt.		
	GLOWATCH, RADIO, T/Sgt.		
	MAC DONALD, G. Sgt.		1056

STIMSON, P. 1st Lt.
DUGAN, CP. 1st Lt.
STORICK, B. 2nd Lt.
HARROLD, E. T/Sgt.
CALLAHAN, R. T/Sgt.
GRIFFIN, G. S/Sgt
MILLER, S/Sgt. *

WEEKLY, P. 1st Lt. 57
CARTER, CP. 1st Lt. 56
ADAMS, B. 2nd Lt. 32
ADAMS, E. S/Sgt.
PEAVER, R. T/Sgt.
GRIEWANK, G. S/Sgt.
BOWLES, I. T/Sgt.
NELSON, P. 1st Lt.
WEINGART, Cp. 2nd Lt.
MIAZGA, B. 2nd Lt.
LARKIN, E. S/Sgt.
WAGNER, R. S/Sgt.
AUSTAD, G. S/Sgt.

WEIER, P. 1st Lt.
DEMETREE, CP. 1st Lt.
BETEMJANY, B. Sgt.
KUHN, E. T/Sgt.
CAMPBELL, R. Sgt.
ALEXANDER, G. S/Sgt.

443rd

Early
No credit

61
took off 0637
landed

0945

443rd

62
took off 0638
landed 1052

SPARES

5b
took off 0638
landed

0905

443rd

Early
no credit

444th

Early
no credit

95
took off 0638
landed

0935