

HEADQUARTERS 320TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)
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Intelligence Narrative No. 317, Day Operation, 20 August 1944.

Flight Commander: Lt. Dently.

A. 320th Bombardment Group (M).

B. At 12:12 hours, 7 B-26's of the 320th Bombardment Group (M) took off to bomb C.D. Gun position at Toulon, J-46 (M/R: (B) Y-926936, GSGS 4249, sheet 15R), France. 1 B-26 returned early; No harness for parachute. 6 B-26's were over the target. 5 B-26's dropped 10 x 2,000# Demolition bombs (1/10 & .025 second delay fuses) on the target at 13:49 hours from 11,400' to 10,900' on an axis of 335°T. 2 x 2,000# Demolition bombs were salvoed, 1 over land and 1 over water. These bombs hung up over the target, and only 1 dropped on the first attempt to salvo. 6 B-26's returned to base at 15:19 hours.

C. Results: A good pattern of bombs landed on the left edge of the target area, scoring near misses on the gun position and exploding 2 oil storage tanks.

D. Observations:

1. Air:

- a. Air Activity: P-38's and P-47's were seen in the target area.
- b. Situation: None.

2. Ground:

- a. General:
 - (1) Oil slick, being circled by destroyers, 5 miles south-East of Toulon, at 13:41 hours.
- b. Communications: None.
- c. Flak: At Target: M, H, A, A, barrage followed by CP on the Breakaway. Began 2 minutes before bombs away and continued on the breakaway for 2 minutes after bombs away. Both 88 mm. and 105 mm. reported.
- d. Shipping: None.

3. Losses: None. Damaged: 4 due to flak. 6 men injured.

4. Weather:

- a. Enroute: CAVU.
- b. Target: CAVU.
- c. Return: CAVU.

E. Routes: Base to I.P., 42° 50' North/ 06° 00' East; to target; breakaway right; to base.

F. Comments: None.

WILLIAM COOK,
Major, Air Corps.
Group Intelligence Officer.

MISSION #334

20 AUGUST 1944.

RUNWAY LINE UP

47
34
27

MOONEY

47 Friend

"A"

BOTTOMLEY

34 PHILLIPS

CLAYBOUGH

27 MONTEZ

"B"

BIRMINGHAM

85 HELLER

STERN

80 Bennett

DAWKINS

98 Schmidt

80
85
93

"C"

STRACHAN

66 STRICKLAND

WEST

65 Sherman

SHEPWOOD

52 Montgomery

52
66
65

"D"

BARRACLOUGH

33 GERLINO

ABERNATHY

40 Spann

WILLIAMS

48 Chamberlin

48
83
40

"E"

RAMAGE

98 DRAKE

POLLING

91 Hooper

HISBY

61 Westbrook

91
98
88
60
64
53

"F"

WEEKS

64 LOKAN

MORAN

53 Holland

DUGAN

60 Brown

43
54
81

SPARES

BAKER

43 Youner

WEST

54 Bulow

KRUMER

81 Beeby

GROUND SPARES

(62) (78)

COLORS OF THE DAY FOR 20 AUGUST 1944.

TIME

FLARE COLORS

0200-0800

RED & GREEN

0800-1400

GREEN & GREEN

1400-2000

RED & RED RED

2000-0200

RED & RED

ALDIS LAMP SIGNALS

TIME

CHALLENGE

REPLY

0200-0800

B

H

0800-1400

O

J

1400-2000

G

I

2000-0200

W

L

* RADIO CALL SIGNALS *

* 320th GROUP *

* "TOPNOTCH" *

* "BUSHNOTCH" *

* FIGHTERS "

* CHANNEL "A" *

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THE FOLLOWING CREWS PARTICIPATED IN THE OPERATIONS OF 20 AUGUST 1944:

CREWS	SQUADRON	PLANE NO.
BOTTOMLEY, PILOT, 1st Lt.	442nd	34
ARMSTRONG, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 1212
PHILLIPS, BOMB. 1st Lt.		landed 1519
KING, NAV. 1st Lt.		
DEATLEY, FLIGHT COMMANDER, 1st Lt.		
SALVESON, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
ABERNATHY, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
HALL, GUNNER, T/Sgt.		
CLAYBOUGH, PILOT, 1st Lt.	442nd	27
ROPER, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1212
MONTEZ, BOMB. 1st Lt.		landed 1519
MOCQUAT, NAV. 2nd Lt.		
UNDERWOOD, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
WASACZ, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
HOYLE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
MOONEY, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	442nd	47
ROMAN, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1212
FRIEND, BOMB. T/Sgt.		landed 1519
PENTON, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
MESSIRE, RADIO, T/Sgt.		
RODGERS, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
LEVERMAN, Sgt.		
BIRMINGHAM, PILOT, 1st Lt.	442nd	85
JOHNSTON, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		NO TAKE OFF
STEARNS, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	80
SULLIVAN, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1212
BENNETT, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed 1519+
DYRCZ, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
LAUTH, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
RAMIREZ, GUNNER, Cpl.		
CLITES, PHOTO, S/Sgt.		
DAWKINS, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	444th	93
SALMONSON, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1212
SCHMIDT, BOMB. F/O		landed 1519+ crew, sgt.
HIGHTOWER, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
CHAMBERLAIN, RADIO, Sgt.		
HULETT, GUNNER, PFC.		
STRACHAN, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	66
CONNELLY, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1213
STRICKLAND, BOMB. 1st Lt.		landed 1520
TARANTO, NAV. 1st Lt.		
HOPKINS, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
BUJEL, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
GLOWATCH, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
FARBEROW, X, Capt.		
WEST, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	65
KOMOROWSKI, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1213
SHERMAN, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed 1520
HARMON, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
HARRISSON, RADIO, Sgt.		
DEIMMAMIS, LT. X.	WARD, GUNNER, Sgt.	

*filled in
for Lt Abernathy
load of 250 lbs*

SHERWOOD, PILOT, 2nd Lt.
MOSEY, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.
MONTGOMERY, BOMB. 2nd Lt.
LALLY, ENGINEER, Sgt.
MOTS INBOCKER, RADIO, S/Sgt.
WONG, GUNNER, Sgt.
CARROLL, PHOTO, Cpl.

443rd

70
took off 1213
landed 1520

ABERNATHY, PILOT, 1st Lt.
OBER, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.
SPAIN, BOMB. 2nd Lt.
TEICH, NAV. 1st Lt.
ELIAS, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.
RATTS, RADIO, S/Sgt.
BURNS, GUNNER, Sgt.

442nd

early

33
took off 1213
landed 1345 ±

*Replaced
by Lt CLAY BOWEN*

WILLIAMS, R.F., PILOT, 1st Lt.
ROJNOWSKY, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.
CHAMBERLIN, BOMB. S/Sgt.
SURABIAN, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.
SANEK, RADIO, S/Sgt.
CHAPMAN, GUNNER, Sgt.
HAYES, PHOTO, Sgt.

442nd

48
took off 1213
landed 1521

RAMAGE, PILOT, 1st Lt.
FOWLER, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.
DRAKE, BOMB. 2nd Lt.
LEONARD, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.
ENGELHARDT, RADIO, S/Sgt.
ROSS, GUNNER, Cpl.

444th

98
took off 1214
landed 1521

POLING, PILOT, 2nd Lt.
LAMPMAN, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.
HOPER, BOMB. 2nd Lt.
HERDY, ENGINEER, Sgt.
RUMMEL, RADIO, Cpl.
JOHNSON, GUNNER, Sgt.

444th

91
took off 1214
landed 1521

HISEY, PILOT, 1st Lt.
KAMANSKI, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.
WESTBROOK, BOMB. 2nd Lt.
CLARK, ENGINEER, Sgt.
FERGUSON, RADIO, S/Sgt.
WELLS, GUNNER, Cpl.
KING, PHOTO, Cpl.

444th

88
took off 1214
landed 1521

WEEKS, PILOT, 1st Lt.
MEYER, CO PILOT, Capt.
LOKAN, BOMB. 2nd Lt.
BROOKS, NAV. 2nd Lt.
LAMOUREUX, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.
MC QUEEN, RADIO, Sgt.
PERKINS, GUNNER, Sgt.

443rd

64
took off 1214
landed 1521 +

MORAN, PILOT, 1st Lt.
SWIFT, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.
HOLLAND, 2nd Lt. Bomb
WILLIAMS, ENGINEER, Cpl.
ROSS, RADIO, Cpl.
MC GOWAN, PHOTO, Cpl.

443rd

53
took off 1214
landed 1521 +

GILES, RADIO, T/Sgt. HASKINSON, GUNNER, Cpl.

DUGAN, PILOT, 1st Lt. 443rd
 ZOELLER, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.
 BROWN, BOMB. S/Sgt.
 HANSHAW, ENGINEER, Sgt.
 MARSTELLAR, RADIO, S/Sgt.
 PRICE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.
 BEALE, RADIO, Sgt.

62
 took off 1214
 landed 1521^A

SPARES

SPARES

WEST, PILOT, Capt. 443rd
 WEINGART, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.
 BULOW, BOMB. 2nd Lt.
 DEVLIN, ENGINEER, Sgt.
 PROPST, RADIO, Sgt.
 ORR, GUNNER, Cpl.

SPARES

54
 took off 1215
 landed

SPARES

KREUZER, PILOT, 2nd Lt. 444th
 WALDROP, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.
 BEECHE, BOMB. 2nd Lt.
 RANKIN, ENGINEER, Cpl.
 TKACH, RADIO, Cpl.
 WOLCATT, GUNNER, Cpl.

81
 took off 1215
 landed

BAKER, PILOT, 1st Lt. 442nd
 MC NAJARA, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.
 YOUNES, BOMB. 2nd Lt.
 ENGLISH, NAV. 2nd Lt.
 MC CURLY, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.
 SAVANETTI, RADIO, S/Sgt.
 JOHNSON, GUNNER, Sgt.

43
 took off 1215
 landed

mission credit

FLEW IN POSITION #11

STERN, PILOT, 1st Lt. 442nd
 WANDENBURG, CO PILOT, F/O
 VILA, BOMB. 2nd Lt.
 PASHEK, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.
 FISHER, RADIO, S/sgt.
 FIELD, GUNNER, Sgt.
 FRANK, PHOTO, Sgt.

40
 took off 1213
 landed 1521