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HEADQUARTERS 320TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)
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24 December, 1944.

Final Mission Report No. 435.

Flight Commander: Captain Garreher.
Lead Pilot : Captain Hange.

320th Bombardment Group (M).

TARGET: LINDSAY: RR BRIDGE. (M/R: (A) C-374903, GWS 4416, Sheet Y-4), GERMANY.

At 1055 hours, 35 B-26s took off. No B-26s returned early and none were lost prior to the target. 35 B-26s were over the target and 33 B-26's dropped 130' x 1000-lb demolition bombs (.1. non-delay fuses) on the primary target at 1252 hours from 11,600 feet to 10,600 feet on an axis of 235 Degrees True. 2 x 1000-lb demolition bombs were salvaged safe in flooded area south of the base at (W) C-0546 having hung up over the target. The bombs did not explode. 8 x 1000-lb demolition bombs were salvaged over enemy territory, having hung up over the target. No bombs were returned to base. 35 B-26's returned to base at 1430 hours. No A/C were lost, missing or damaged.

RESULTS: The bombs of the fourth squadron hit the bridge squarely. Bombs of another squadron cut the West approach. Bombs of the other two squadrons were short to the North and Northwest.

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION: None.

FLAK: 3, 1, 1, 1 flak encountered from Aspach WV-5606; 6/7 bursts, low.

ROUTE: Base to Belfort, WA-3493; to Schopfheim, WB-0393; to Faulenfurst, WA-3411; to Pfullendorf, WA-1327; to Wurzach, WA-6225; to Gebrunshafen, WA-6612; to IP, Wangen, WA-6225; to target on an axis of 235 Degrees True; Breakaway left to Wangen, WA-6225; to Weingarten, WA-4319; to Pfullendorf, WA-1327; reciprocal course to Base.

WEATHER: A. Enroute: Clear; visibility 5 miles in haze.
B. Vicinity of Target: Clear, visibility 10/15 miles in light haze.
C. Target Area: Same.
D. Return: As Enroute.

AIR OBSERVATIONS: A. Air Activity: (1) P-47's provided excellent escort.
(2) A/C unidentified A/C at WA-3913, flying East at 1325 hours.
B. Situation: None.

NAVAL OBSERVATIONS: None.

GROUND OBSERVATIONS:

- A. General: (1) Barracks area at W-1717.
(2) 2 factory building at W-3727.
(3) Barracks area at W-4388.
(4) Active factory at W-4090.
- B. Communications: (1) 20 RR cars at W-3091.
(2) 500 RR cars at W-3493.
(3) 15 cars train moving south at W-4090 at 1232 hours.
(4) 35 RR cars and loco, steam up, stationary at W-3114 at 1249 hours.
(5) 15 RR cars moving west at W-6015 at 1248 hours.
(6) 25 RR cars stationary at W-4329 at 1249 hours.
(7) 40 car train moving west at W-3727 at 1241 hours.
(8) 30 car train moving north at W-3533 at 1240 hours.
(9) 3 locomotives stationary at W-1326 at 1238 hours.
(10) 4 locomotives and 120 RR cars at W-7932 hours.
(11) 15 car train headed west at W-6022 at 1316 hours.
(12) 200 cars at W-6025.
(13) 500 RR cars at W-3726, stationary.
(14) 25/30 RR cars headed west at W-3630 at 1320 hours.

SPECIAL COMMENTS: None.

HERMAN L. FARBEROW
Captain, Air Corps,
Act'g Group 2-2 Officer.

MISSION #447 FLIGHT COMMANDER: MAJOR BERGE 24 December 1944

85		85	RUDGE	
88	78	SHERMAN	DOCKE	88
78		Kilgore		KAMANSKY
				BEEBE
81				
98	99	ELLIS	81 SALMONSON	98
99		Podmajerski	Schmidt	HAMER
				Cartman
75			75	
80	89	SUTHERLAND	ARMSTRONG	80
89		Bennett	Cartman	WILSON
				Eveland
04			04	
23	16	LAMPKE	O'HARONEY	23
16		CheLucci	FERRANDINO	SCOTT
				FUSBY
05			05	
10	06	COCKRIEL	PETERSON	10
06		Sacco	Engle	ASHER
				Stone
19			19	
02	07	DOCKE	STEIER	02
07		Kingsbury	Dever	KAUFFMAN
				Gallagher
93		SPARES:	93	
91			LIPPMAN	91
			Goldman	RAY
				Stams

COLORES OF THE DAY:

	FLARE COLORS	CHALLENGE	REPLM
0100-0700	ROG	B	L
0700-1300	RR	J	O
1300-1900	YY	D	W
1900-0100	YYR	M	I

RADIO:

320th - TROOPER
 Control Center: BAGGAGE on Channel "C"
 W/T for wing 1 net: G91
 Escort - ORANGEADE

MISSION #443

FLIGHT COMMANDER: CAPT. CARRAHER

24 December 1944

			"A"	
		37	BARRACLOUGH	40
37	46	WELLS	MONTEZ	MC DOUGAL
40		HILLER		HOOD
46			"B"	
		33	GOEKE	26
33	32	KENT	Herbert	CONNELLY
26		Beckman		YOUSSEI
32			"C"	
		44	MOONEY	29
44	43	MC NAMARA	MOON	WOJTKOWSKI
29		FARWELL		Fisher
43			"D"	
		58	AYREY	64
58	69	SPEED	LOKAN	CLARK
64		Lussenden		Blazga
69			"E"	
		65	BRAUNERD	50
65	61	HALBERT	SO TERNETT	BENNETT
50		Wile		Furvis
61			"F"	
		55	TO BEARD	57
55	63	OPPERMAN	HOLLAND	HECKLER
57		Clark		Chacco
63	SPARES	35	MC LAUGHLIN	71
			Roush	VAN KEUREN
				Storick
				68
				HOOPER
				Hackney
35				
71				
68				

COLORS OF THE U.S.:

	FLARE COLORS	CHALLENGE	REPLY
0100-0700	ROG	B	L
0700-1300	RR	J	O
1300-1900	YY	D	V
1900-0100	YR	N	I

RADIO:

320th: TROOPER

Control Center: BAGGAGE on Channel "C"

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CREWS PARTICIPATING IN MISSION #447 - 24 DECEMBER 1944

RAMAGE, PILOT, Capt.	444th		88
HARKNESS, CO-PILOT, P/O			took off 1055
DRAKE, BOMB., 1st Lt.		(crew of 85 took off in plane 88)	landed 1450
DELOSIER, NAV., 1st Lt.		85 no take off -	
BAILEY, ENG., Cpl.			
ENGLEHARDT, RADIO, S/Sgt.			
BRADY, GUNNER, Cpl.		BERGE, FC, Major	
SHERMAN, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	444th		78
DAVIS, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.			took off 1055+
KILGORE, BOMB., Pfc.			landed 1451
HIGHTOWER, ENG., Sgt.			
RUPERT, RADIO, Sgt.			
RYAN, GUNNER, Cpl.			
CLOEY, GUNNER, Cpl.			
ZALEWSKI, FOTO, Cpl.			
SALMONSON, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th		81
TRAVELL, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.			took off 1056
SCHMIDT, BOMB., 2nd Lt.			landed 1451+
RANKIN, ENG., Sgt.			
ZOELLE, RADIO, S/Sgt.			
RAMIREZ, GUNNER, Sgt.			
HARER, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th		98
CARY, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.			took off 1056+
HARTMAN, BOMB., 2nd Lt.			landed 1452
SMITH, ENG., Sgt.			
AGOSTINO, RADIO, Cpl.			
NESBITT, GUNNER, Sgt.			
ELLIS, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th		76
ALDRIDGE, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.			took off 1114
PODMAJERSKY, BOMB., 2nd Lt.			landed 1450+
DUFFEL, ENG., Sgt.		(crew of 99 took off in plane 76)	
FERGERSON, RADIO, S/Sgt.		99 no take off)	
PIGGOTT, GUNNER, Pvt.			
LINQUIST, FOTO, Sgt.			
ARMSTRONG, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th		75
BOSCA, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.			took off 1057
LARRABEE, BOMB., 1st Lt.			landed 1453
JAMES, ENG., S/Sgt.			
ROSS, RADIO, Sgt.			
JOHNSON, GUNNER, Sgt.			
WILSON, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	(no take off)	80
SUTHERLAND, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	444th		89
STARR, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.			took off 1057+
BENNETT, BOMB., S/Sgt.			landed 1455
VINSON, ENG., Cpl.			
WALCHLI, RADIO, Sgt. - CARRINGTON, GUNNER, Cpl.			

O'MAHONY, PILOT, 1st Lt. WIGGINS, CO PILOT, 1st Lt. FERRANDINO, BOMB., 1st Lt. PAGE, ENG., T/Sgt. ROCKABRAND, RADIO, S/Sgt. VOSLER, GUNNER, S/Sgt.	441st		04 took off 1057+ landed 1455+
SCOTT, PILOT, 1st Lt. WETZEL, CO PILOT, 1st Lt. POSEY, BOMB., 1st Lt. NORDEN, NAV., 2nd Lt. FERNANDEZ, ENG., T/Sgt. FRASER, RADIO, T/Sgt. WILLIAMS, GUNNER, S/Sgt.	441st		23 took off 1058 landed 1455+
LAMPKE, PILOT, 2nd Lt. BARRETT, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. CHELUCCI, BOMB., T/Sgt. LEWIS, ENG., S/Sgt. BUSH, GUNNER, S/Sgt. BLUE, FOTO, S/Sgt. TOTHAMMER, GUNNER, S/Sgt.	441st		16 took off 1058+ landed 1456+
PETERSON PILOT, 1st Lt. MCGREGOR, CO PILOT, 1st Lt. INGLE, BOMB., 2nd Lt. TIETZ, ENG., Cpl. ZEPEDA, RADIO, S/Sgt. LANK, GUNNER, Cpl.	441st		05 took off 1059 landed 1456+
ASHER, PILOT, 1st Lt. O'BRIEN, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. STONE, BOMB., T/Sgt. HILL, ENG., S/Sgt. DALTON, RADIO, S/Sgt. RASCHKE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.	441st		10 took off 1059+ landed 1457
COCKRIEL, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	441st	(no take off)	06
STEIER, PILOT, 1st Lt. GRALA, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. DeVER, BOMB., 2nd Lt. DUARTE, ENG., S/Sgt. WITTEN, RADIO, Pvt. BILLINGTON, GUNNER, T/Sgt.	441st		19 took off 1100 landed 1458
KAUFFMAN, PILOT, 1st Lt. BOBLITT, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. GALLAGHER, BOMB., S/Sgt. PURCELL, ENG., S/Sgt. HILER, RADIO, Cpl. LUDY, GUNNER, Cpl.	441st		02 took off 1100+ landed 1458+

DOMKE, PILOT, 1st Lt.
FORSYTHE, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.
KINGSBURY, BOMB., 2nd Lt.
LUCHANSKY, ENG., Cpl.
CANZONETTA, RADIO, S/Sgt.
PROFOS, GUNNER, S/Sgt.

441st

07
took off 1101
landed 1459

LAMPMAN, PILOT, 1st Lt.
GOGULSKI, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.
GOLDMAN, BOMB., 2nd Lt.
HARDY, ENG., Sgt.
HARRINGTON, RADIO, S/Sgt.
HOLLAND, GUNNER, Cpl.

444th

(spare) (crew of 93 took off
in plane 94)
(93 - no take off)

94
took off 1102+
landed 1452++

DAY, PILOT, 1st Lt.
MATHEWS, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.
ADAMS, BOMB., 2nd Lt.
HAMMONTREE, ENG., Cpl.
DINYER, RADIO, Cpl.
WILKERSON, GUNNER, S/Sgt.

444th

(spare)

91
took off 1111
landed 1454

CREWS PARTICIPATING IN MISSION #448 - 24 DECEMBER 1944

BARRACLOUGH, PILOT, Capt.	442nd	40
PORCYNALUK, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 1103
MONTEZ, BOMB., 1st Lt.	(crew of 37 took off in plane 40)	landed 1959++
MOCQUOT, NAV., 1st Lt.	No. 37 - no take off)	
CARRAHER, FC, Capt.		
PUTNAM, ENG., S/Sgt.	original crew of 40 did not	
TRIMBOLI, RADIO, S/Sgt.	take off Pilot - McDougal.	
HURBACE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
WELLS, PILOT, 1st Lt.	442nd (no take off)	46
GOSKE, PILOT, 1st Lt.	442nd	43
FRANKEL, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 1103+
HERBST, BOMB., 2nd Lt.	(crew of 33 took off in plane 43)	landed 1502
MCCURLEY, ENG., Sgt.	No. 33 - no take off)	
GODER, RADIO, Cpl.		
NORTHCOTT, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
CONNELLY, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	442nd	26
ROJNOVSKY, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 1104
YOUSSE, BOMB., S/Sgt.		landed 1503+
POSHEK, ENG., S/Sgt.		
BERRY, RADIO, Cpl.		
DUBEAU, GUNNER, T/Sgt.		
KENT, PILOT, 1st Lt.	442nd	32
OLSON, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1104+
BECKMAN, BOMB., F/O		landed 1956
CHASE ENG., S/Sgt.		
VINE, RADIO, Cpl.		
DURHAM, GUNNER, Cpl.		
TURPEN, FOTO, Sgt.		
MOONEY, PILOT, 1st Lt.	442nd	44
LEVIN, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1105+
HAUN, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed 1504
MOORE, ENG., S/Sgt.		
RENICK, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
CHAPMAN, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
WOTJKOWSKI, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	442nd	29
ROSS, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1106
FISHER, BOMB., S/Sgt.		landed 1504+
SIMEC, ENG., S/Sgt.		
CHURCH, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
CRENSHAW, GUNNER, Cpl.		

MCNAMARA, PILOT, 2nd Lt. ROWAN, CO PILOT, 1st Lt. FARWELL, BOMB., S/Sgt. CRAMER, ENG., S/Sgt. CARROLL, RADIO, T/Sgt. WENDELL, GUNNER, S/Sgt.	442nd (crew of plane 43 took off in 35) plane 43 occupied by crew of plane 33 which did not take off crew of plane 35 did not take off Pilot - McLaughlin	35 took off 1113 landed 1500++
AYREY, PILOT, 1st Lt. YOUNG, CO PILOT, 1st Lt. LOKAN, BOMB., 1st Lt. MURRAY, NAV., 1st Lt. SALVATI, RADIO, T/Sgt. HANSEN, GUNNER, T/Sgt. LUPER, ENG., T/Sgt.	443rd	58 took off 1106+ landed 1505+
CLARKE, PILOT, 1st Lt. STRATTON, CO PILOT, 1st Lt. MAZGA, BOMB., 1st Lt. MONTGOMERY, NAV., 1st Lt. DE VERNA, RADIO, S/Sgt. CHARLETON, GUNNER, Sgt. PROPST, ENG., S/Sgt.	443rd	64 took off 1107 landed 1506+
SPEED, PILOT, 1st Lt. UHLIG, CO PILOT, 1st Lt. LUSSENDEN, BOMB., 2nd Lt. ORT, RADIO, S/Sgt. CASEY, GUNNER, Cpl. FIELDS, ENG., Sgt. SLATER, AP, Cpl.	443rd	69 took off 1107+ landed 1507
BRAINERD, PILOT, 1st Lt. CLARK, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. PETERSON, BOMB., 1st Lt. CAIN, RADIO, S/Sgt. LENKIEWICZ, GUNNER, Cpl. MARGOLIS, ENG., S/Sgt.	443rd	65 took off 1108 landed 1507+
BENNETT, PILOT, 1st Lt. LIVSEY, CO PILOT, 1st Lt. PURVIS, BOMB., 2nd Lt. HARRISON, RADIO, Sgt. PERKINS, GUNNER, S/Sgt. SHEW, ENG., Cpl.	443rd	50 took off 1108+ landed 1508
HALBERT, PILOT, 2nd Lt. BIRDWELL, CO PILOT, 1st Lt. MELE, BOMB., S/Sgt. ROSS, RADIO, S/Sgt. HASKINS, GUNNER, Sgt. CHANDLER, ENG., S/Sgt. GORYCKI, AP, Cpl.	443rd	61 took off 1109 landed 1508++

TOWNSEND, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	55
COOK, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1109+
HOLLAND, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed 1509++
CITTI, RADIO, Cpl.		
THOMPSON, GUNNER, Sgt.		
PINGLE, ENG., Cpl.		
HECKLER, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	51
CALLAHAN, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1110
CHACKO, BOMB., Cpl.		landed 1510
HAMMONDS, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
FURTZ, GUNNER, T/Sgt.		
TROUTMAN, ENG., S/Sgt.		
OPPERMAN, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	63
JONES, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1110+
CLARK, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed 1511
YOUNG, RADIO, Cpl.		
RUBY, GUNNER, Cpl.		
SIMMONS, ENG., S/Sgt.		
MCLAUGHLIN, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	442nd (no take off) <u>S P A R E</u> (originally scheduled to pilot plane 35 but McNamara and crew occupied plane 35. (SEE PRECEDING PAGE)	
VAN KEUREN, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	71
ROBERTS, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1111+
STORICK, BOMB., 2nd Lt.	S P A R E	landed 1501
JOHNSON, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
SZOZECH, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
HARMON, ENG., S/Sgt.		
HOOVER, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	443rd	68
SHADLE, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1112
HACKNEY, BOMB., 2nd Lt.	S P A R E	landed 1505
HEAVENER, RADIO, Cpl.		
KEES, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
HANSHAW, ENG., S/Sgt.		