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HEADQUARTERS 320TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M) D-F-2
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Final Mission Report No. 480.

Flight Commander: Captain McDougal.
Lead Pilot : Lt. Watson.

320th Bombardment Group (M).

STRASSBERG RAILROAD STATION (M/R: (N) X-005543, GSGS 4416, sheet X-3), Germany.

At 11:56 hours, 6 B-26's took off to bomb Strassberg Railroad Station (M/R: (N) X-005543, GSGS 4416, Sheet X-3), Germany. No B-26's returned early. Total sorties: 6. Due to weather over the Primary target 6 B-26's were over a target of opprotunity, St. Georgen (M/R: (N) W-455475), and 6 B-26's dropped 35 x 500-lb. Demolition bombs (.1 & .025 second delay fuses) and 6 x 500-lb. Demolition bombs (6 hour and 12 hour delay fuses minus anti-removal device) at 13:32 hours from 10,300' on an Axis of 41°T. 7 x 500-lb. Demolition bombs, due to bombardier error, were salvoed at 13:32 hours in the target area. No bombs were returned to base. No B-26's lost or missing. 1 B-26 was damaged by flak. 6 B-26's returned to base at 15:04 hours.

AIR OBSERVATIONS: See Report No. 479, this date.

ENEMY AIR ENCOUNTERS: None.

CLAIMED E/A: None.

FLAK: S, H, FA, FA, type flak encountered from W-1585.
Losses to Flak: None. Damaged by Flak: 1.

GROUND OBSERVATIONS: See Report No. 479, this date.

CASUALTIES: None.

No. OF A/C TAKING PHOTOS: 1.

ROUTES: Base to Epinal; to Selestat V-7963; to Neustadt W-3623; IP (briefed Axis over IP - none; evasive action over IP - loss of altitude; drift correction over IP - none; Escort - None.); to target; break left to Lahr; reciprical course to base.

WEATHER: See Report No. 479, this date.

RESULTS: Good concentration across the target area.

SPECIAL COMMENTS: None.

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