

HEADQUARTERS 320TH BONBARDHENT GROUP (H) Office of the Group Intelligence Officer APO 374

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Final Mission Report No. 486

Flight Commander: Captain Hill. Lead Pilot : Captain Welch.

320th Bombardment Group (id).

Ludwigshafen M/Y, (M/R; (w) W-986137, GSGS 4416, Sheet M-3), Germany.

At 12;25 hours, 6 B-26's took off to bomb Ludwigshafen M/Y (M/H: (N) N-986137, G5GS 4416, Sheet X-3), Germany. No B-26's returned early. Total Sorties: 6. 6 B-26's were over the target and 6 B-26's dropped 42 X 500 lb. demolition bombs (.1 & .025 second delay fuses) and 6 X 500 lb. demolition bombs 6 hour and 12 hour delay fuses with Anti-Removal device at 14:23 hour from 6,300 feet on an axis of 96 degrees true. No bombs were salvoad or returned. No. B-26's lost or missing. No B-26's damaged. 6 B-26's returned to base at 15:25 hours.

AIR OES RVATIONS: See report No. 479, this date.

ENEMY AIR ENCOUNTERS: None

IAK: 5, H, FA, I, CF type flak encoutered from W-1238.

UROUND OBSERVATIONS: See report No. 479, this date.

CASUALTIES: NONE.

NO. OF A CTAKING PHOTOS: 2

ROUTE: Base to Epinal; to Selestat, V-7963; to Neustadt, W-3623; to Engen, W-7818; IF - (Briefed axis over IP - 103 degreestrue; Drift Correction over IP - 05 Degrees; Evasive action over IP - loss of altitude; Escort - None.); circled to Engen twice, W-7818; to target treak left; Reciprocal course to base.

WEATHER: See report No. 479, this date.

AESULTS: Good concentration of bombs across the target.

SPECIAL COMMENTS: None.

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