

HEADQUARTERS 320TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)
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12 March 1945.

Final Mission Report No. 500.

Flight Commander: Major Cahen.
Lead Pilot : Lt. Schrantz.

320th Bombardment Group (M).

KIRKEL AMMUNITION DUMP (M/R: (W) Q-598765, GSGS 4416, Sheet U-1), Germany.

At 11:11 hours, 39 B-26's took off to bomb Kirkel Ammunition Dump (M/R: (W) Q-598765, GSGS 4416, Sheet U-1), Germany. 3 B-26's returned early: Spares. Total Sorties: 36. 36 B-26's were over the Primary target and 18 B-26's dropped 250 x 250-lb. Demolition bombs (.1 & .025 second delay fuses) on the target at 12:58 hours from 11,650' on an Axis of 22°T, by the the "BAT" method. No bombs were salvaged. 250 x 250-lb. Demolition bombs (.1 & .025 second delay fuses) were returned to base, due to "BAT" equipment malfunction in the lead aircraft. No B-26's lost or missing. No B-26's damaged. 36 B-26's returned to base at 14:03 hours.

AIR OBSERVATIONS:

- a. Activity: 16 P-47's provided good escort.
- b. Situation: None.

ENEMY AIR ENCOUNTERS: None. Losses to E/A: None. Damaged by E/A: None.
Claimed E/A: None.

FLAK: None. Losses to Flak: None. Damaged by Flak: None.

GROUND OBSERVATIONS: None.

CASUALTIES: None.

No. OF A/C TAKING PHOTOS: None.

ROUTE: Base to Luneville, rendezvous; to Sarrelbe, OP. Q-4945; to Sarreguemines, IP, Q-5258; to target; left break to Sarreguemines; to Luneville; to base.

WEATHER:

- a. Enroute: : 10/10ths stratocumulus, tops estimated at 7-8,000', breaks to the East of the course.
- b. Vicinity of Target: : Same as enroute.
- c. Target Area: : Same as enroute.
- d. Return: : Same as enroute.

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RESULTS: No results observed - bombed through cloud cover.

SPECIAL COMMENTS: Flight Commander was unable to contact "CHALKSILK" for counter-battery support.

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Major, Air Corps,
Group Intelligence Officer.

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MISSION NO. 493
RUNWAY LINE UP

FLIGHT COMMANDER
DECO

MAJOR C. HAN

12 MARCH 1945

ST. 76

02
08, 18, 12, .

WHITEMAN

LYONS

FORSYTHE

FRATT

18

03

12

29

"A"

SCHROEDT

01

EVANS

29 Liever

SCOTT

22

22 Erickson

01 Posey

21

"B"

LINOLE

03

WETZEL

21 Blackerby

BOILES

15

15 McCreary

03 Nelson

05

"C"

LEVERING

17

COLTER

05 Dietrich

HEEREN

20

20 Tannard

17 Williamson

40

"D"

MOOREY

37

DEGLITTLE

40 Ward

GOEKE

44

44 Rowell

37 Herbst

31

"E"

GUSTAFSON

48

ROOS

31 Beckman

PIERCE

35

Obaid 35

48 Youssi

30

"F"

LAVERFIELD

42

BECKMAN

30 McPherson

LEACH

43

43 Rowell

42 Woodward

14

SPARES

COCKRIEL

ROWAN

46

"G"

LAVERFIELD

46 Fisher

87

"H"

LOSBY F/C. Lt. O'Mahony

62

WILLER

87 Howe

UHLIG

57

57 Christop

62 Kaplan

64

"B"

COOK

61

HOOVER

64 Otto

NEWTON

60

60 Hackney

61 Orr

50

"C"

BENNETT

54

BOMBOLT

50 Trafton

CILLMAN

59

59 Luennemann

54 Ball

83

"D"

SULLIVAN

90

JOHNSTON, H.D.

83 Rappner

BRESSETTE

94

94 Phillips

90 Rarden

81

"E"

WILSON

91

SHARLAN

81 Farrow

JOHNSTON, C.R.

95

95 Kilgore

91 Rarden

88

"F"

COLLS

76

FORD

85 Sheehan

DAVIS

84

84 Forleo

76 Ryan

65

SPARES

LAVERFIELD

LAVERFIELD

72

"G"

LAVERFIELD

LAVERFIELD

Colors of the day for 12 March 1945

Time Flare Colors Challenge Reply

0100-0700 FCG F W

0700-1300 YY J I

1300-1900 RG O G

1900-0100 RGR L N

Bomber call signs: 220th Bomb Wing

Control Center voice call signs: 220th

Gp. baggage and baggage on ship

W/T call signs for wing 1 W/T: G91

LIGHTER VOICE CALL SIGNS: BLUE NOSE

LIGHTER BOMBER CALLS ON CHANNEL "C"

Alt Ground R/T Authentication

441st Index No. 4431 RMA

442nd Index No. 4434 GCK

443rd Index No. 4437 LJM

444th Index No. 4440 HVB

Cancellation code word: GCKJLCK

CLACK POINTS: (Luneville - George)

(Sarragoc (G-4645) Jig)

(Sarragoc (G-5258) King)

1258

170

14

14

14

CREWS PARTICIPATING IN MISSION #193 - 12 MARCH 1945.

d e c o y

LYONS, PILOT, 1st Lt.	hhlst	02
GEIGER, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 1129
NORDEN, NAV., 1st Lt.		landed 1350
PAGEL, ENG., T/Sgt.		
GERONIMOS, RADIO, T/Sgt.		
TANKERSLEY, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
 FORSYTHE, PILOT, Lt.	 hhlst	 08
RAMSAY, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 1129
FEINEN, ENG., Cpl.		landed 1351
STAND, RADIO, Cpl.		
CRIST, GUNNER, Cpl.		
 WHITEMAN, PILOT, F/O	 hhlst	 18
SCHAUM, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1129
TAMOSIUNAS, ENG., S/Sgt.		landed 1351
KRON, RADIO, Cpl.		
GOERING, GUNNER, Cpl.		
 PRATT, PILOT, 1st Lt.	 hhlst	 12
JOHNSON, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1130
WRIGHT, ENG., Cpl.		landed 1328
SATTENWHITE, RADIO, Cpl.		
FRITCHETT, GUNNER, Cpl.		

SCHRANTZ, PILOT, 1st Lt.	hhlst	29
TORONGO, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 1111
LIEVER, BOMB., 1st Lt.		landed 1403
SIFCHEN, NAV., 1st Lt.		
CONNELL, ENG., S/Sgt.		
PASCHKE, GUNNER, T/Sgt.		
CAHAN, FC, Major		
 SCOTT, PILOT, 1st Lt.	 hhlst	 01
WEX, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1111
POSEY, BOMB., 1st Lt.		landed 1403
MCCARTHY, NAV., 2nd Lt.		
FERNANDEZ, ENG., T/Sgt.		
FRASER, RADIO, T/Sgt.		
WILSON, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
GIJNC, FOTO, S/Sgt.		
 EVANS, PILOT, 1st Lt.	 hhlst	 22
SHARP, CO PILOT, Major		took off 1112
ERICKSON, BOMB., F/O		landed 1404
WILLIAMS, ENG., T/Sgt.		
ROCKABRAND, RADIO, T/Sgt.		
FEATHERSTON, GUNNER, Cpl.		
CONRAD, GUNNER, Sgt.		

DINOME, PILOT, F/O
MCMAKIN, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.
BLACKERBY, BOMB., 2nd Lt.
GIBSON, ENG., Sgt.
HULER, RADIO, S/Sgt.
VAN DYKE, GUNNER, Sgt.

441st

21
took off 1112
landed 1405

BOWLES, PILOT, 1st Lt.
ZELLNER, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.
MELSON, BOMB., S/Sgt.
WYATT, ENG., T/Sgt.
MELLAS, RADIO, Sgt.
TUFTE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.

441st

03
took off 1113
landed 1405

WETZEL, PILOT, 1st Lt.
GRONIS, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.
MCCHERRY, BOMB., 2nd Lt.
MCCOY, ENG., Cpl.
DALTON, RADIO, S/Sgt.
CALDERONI, GUNNER, Cpl.
POTTS, FOTO, S/Sgt.

441st

15
took off 1113
landed 1406

LEVERING, PILOT, 2nd Lt.
CRAWFORD, CO PILOT, F/O
DIETRICH, BOMB., F/O
STRAND, ENG., S Sgt.
SMITH, RADIO, Sgt.
NORBERT, GUNNER, Cpl.

441st

05
took off 1114
landed 1407

HEEREN, PILOT, 1st Lt.
LIVENGOOD, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.
WILLIAMSON, BOMB., Sgt.
LUCHANSKY, ENG., Sgt.
HAVEL, RADIO, Cpl.
JORDAN, GUNNER, S/Sgt.
SLATER, FOTO, S/Sgt.

441st

17
took off 1114
landed 1407

COLTER, PILOT, 2nd Lt.
O'BRIEN, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.
TURNARD, BOMB., F/O
BRYANT, ENG., Cpl.
HEDGES, RADIO, Sgt.
VOSLER, GUNNER, S/Sgt.

441st

20
took off 1115
landed 1408

MOONEY, PILOT, Capt.
STRICKLAND, CO PILOT, Major
WARD, BOMB., Lt.
SAVOCA, NAV., Lt.
MCBEE, OBS., Capt. (7th Army)
MOORE, ENG., T/Sgt.
CHAPMAN, GUNNER, S/Sgt.

442nd

40
took off 1115
landed 1408

GOEKE, PILOT, Lt.
OLSON, CO PILOT, Lt.
HERBST, BOMB., Lt.
MCDUGAL, NAV., Lt.
FARMER, ENG., Cpl.
GODER, RADIO, Cpl.
DEMSKI, GUNNER, S/Sgt.

442nd

37
took off 1116
landed 1409

DOOLITTLE, PILOT, Lt.
SYMONS, CO PILOT, Lt.
DEWOLF, BOMB., F/O
MONTGOMERY, ENG., Sgt.
KING, RADIO, Cpl.
VICKERS, GUNNER, Cpl.
HAYES, FOTO, Cpl.

442nd

44
took off 1116
landed 1409

GUSTAFSON, PILOT, Lt.
KRIMM, CO PILOT, Lt.
BECKMAN, BOMB., F/O
DEROSA, ENG., S/Sgt.
CHURCH, RADIO, S/Sgt.
MICKELSON, GUNNER, S/Sgt. Lt. DUNN also obs.

442nd

31
took off 1117
landed 1410

PIERCE, PILOT, Lt.
MEYER, CO PILOT, Lt.
YOUSSI, BOMB., S/Sgt.
CARTER, ENG., Sgt.
HARRIS, RADIO, Sgt.
HURBAGE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.

442nd

48
took off 1117
landed 1352

ROSS, PILOT, Lt.
KOKOLUS, CO PILOT, Lt.
WOODWARD, BOMB., S/Sgt.
DROHER, ENG., T/Sgt.
RENICK, RADIO, S/Sgt.
REICHMAN, GUNNER, Sgt.

442nd

35
took off 1118
landed 1410

MAYFIELD, PILOT, Lt.
KEAGY, CO PILOT, Lt.
MCPHEARSON, BOMB., F/O
ISON, ENG., Sgt.
HOUSE, RADIO, Sgt.
ZEINER, GUNNER, Sgt.

442nd

30
took off 1118
landed 1411

No take off for ship 42 - LEACH, PILOT,

BRENNAN, PILOT, Lt.
VILLELLI, CO PILOT, Lt.
FARWELL, BOMB., S/Sgt.
ANTHONY, ENG., Cpl.
SIMEC, RADIO, S/Sgt.
MCCLELLAN, GUNNER, S/Sgt.
ALDEN, EG., Cpl.

442nd

43
took off 1119
landed 1411

COCKRIEL, PILOT, 2nd Lt.
MCKENZIE, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.
GRICE, BOMB., Sgt.
MORRIS, ENG., Cpl.
WOJTHEWICZ, GUNNER, Cpl.
OLENDER, GUNNER, S/Sgt.

441st

(Spare)

(early return) took off 1130
landed 1319

ROWAN, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	(Spare)	46
GARDNER, CO PILOT, Lt.			took off 1119
FISHER, BOMB., S/Sgt.			landed 1412
CHAMBER, ENG., S/Sgt.			
SHORT, RADIO, Sgt.			
SPENCER, GUNNER, Sgt.			

2nd
Formation

MOSBY, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	87
KOTAS, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 1120
HOWE, BOMB., 1st Lt.		landed 1413
LOWERY, NAV., 1st Lt.		
LALLY, ENG., S/Sgt.		
WONG, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
O'MAHONY, FC., Lt.		

UHLIG, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	62
SHADLE, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1120
KAPLAN, BOMB., F/O		landed 1353
BOY, NAV., 2nd Lt.		
DEVLIN, ENG., S/Sgt.		
GRAHAM, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
RUBY, GUNNER, Sgt.		
MOREY, FOTO, Sgt.		

MILLER, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	57
JOLLIFF, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1121
CHRISTRUP, BOMB., F/O		landed 1355
HARTLEY, ENG., Cpl.		
CONSTABLE, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
LAFRENNIE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
PECK, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		

COOK, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	64
CLARK, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. (L.)		took off 1121
OTTO, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed 1355
SONNONSTINE, ENG., S/Sgt.		
BOATENREITER, RADIO, Cpl.		
KEES, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		

NEWTON, PILOT, Capt.	443rd	61
PHILLIPS, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1122
ORRZ, BOMB., S/Sgt.		landed 1355
EWERS, ENG., Cpl.		
VANCE, RADIO, Cpl.		
SZCZECZ, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		

HOOVER, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	60
RECHER, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 1122
HACKNEY, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed 1356
CONKLIN, ENG., Cpl.		
KENDRICKS, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
SCOGGINS, GUNNER, Cpl.		
DEVAUGHN, FOTO, S/Sgt.		

BENNETT, PILOT, Capt.	443rd	50
MORELAND, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1123
TRAFTON, BOMB., F/O		landed 1356
MARGOLIS, ENG., S/Sgt.		
DEVERNA, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
DOUCETTE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
THIERY, OBS., S/Sgt.		
 CALLAHAN, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	 443rd	 54
O'REILLY, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1123
DILL, BOMB., F/O		landed 1356
LUTHER, ENG., S/Sgt.		
ALIEN, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
ZACHAR, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
 BOMHOLT, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	 443rd	 59
ROBERTS, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1124
LUENNEMANN, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed 1357
BROOKS, ENG., Sgt.		
MCQUEEN, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
BOLL, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
 SULLIVAN, PILOT, 1st Lt.	 444th	 83
STARR, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1124
HEPNER, BOMB., 1st Lt.		landed 1357
WESTBROOK, NAV., 1st Lt.		
THAIN, ENG., S/Sgt.		
LEBLANC, RADIO, Cpl.		
WELLS, MM, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
 BRESSETTE, PILOT, Capt.	 444th	 90
MARTIN, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 1125
RINDEN, BOMB., S/Sgt.		landed 1358
ADAMS, NAV., 2nd Lt.		
DELCO, ENG., S/Sgt.		
ZOLLE, RADIO, T/Sgt.		
ROSS, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
 JOHNSTON HD, PILOT, 1st Lt.	 444th	 94
TENBARGE, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1132
PHILLIPS, BOMBARDIER, 2nd Lt.		landed 1358
SORRELL, ENG., Pvt.		
SIEDELL, RADIO, Sgt.		
RAY, GUNNER, Cpl.		
KRAUS, FOTO, Cpl.		
 WILSON, PILOT, 1st Lt.	 444th	 81
SINK, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1126
FARBEROW, BOMB., Capt.		landed 1358
JARRETT, ENG., S/Sgt.		
FRIEL, RADIO, T/Sgt.		
MULLANEY, GUNNER, Sgt.		

JOHNSTON, CR, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	91
WELBORN, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 1126
BRACKEN, BOMB., F/O		landed 1359
GAY, ENG., S/Sgt.		
DINYER, RADIO, Sgt.		
BRADY, GUNNER, Sgt.		
SHERMAN, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	444th	95
SAVAGE, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1127
KILGORE, BOMB., Sgt.		landed 1400
HIGHTOWER, ENG., S/Sgt.		
RYAN, RADIO, Sgt.		
CARRINGTON, GUNNER, Sgt.		
ZALEWSKI, FOTO, Sgt.		
ELLIS, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	88
HAVEL, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 1127
SHEEHAN, BOMB., S/Sgt.		landed 1400
DUFFEL, ENG., T/Sgt.		
FLEMING, RADIO, T/Sgt.		
PERRY, GUNNER, Sgt.		
DAVIS, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	76
CARY, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1128
RYAN, BOMB., S/Sgt.		landed 1401
BUCHERT, ENG., Sgt.		
CHAMBERLIN, RADIO, T/Sgt.		
WEYENBERG, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
FORD, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	84
GHEENT, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 1128
FORLEO, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed 1402
LEONARD, ENG., T/Sgt.		
SEROLL, RADIO, T/Sgt.		
RIDDLE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
WEINGART, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	65
NESBITT, CO PILOT, F/O	(early return)	took off 1131
STUEMKE, BOMB., F/O	(Spare)	landed 1333
PINGLE, ENG., S/Sgt.		
MOTSENBOCKER, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
ZEIGLER, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
LIEBENDORFER, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	79
BILBREY, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.	(early return)	took off 1131
DUGGAN, BOMB., F/O	(Spare)	landed 1333
LESTER, ENG., Sgt.		
OTELL, RADIO, Cpl.		
JOHNSON, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		