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

Final Mission Report No. 526.

Flight Commander: Captain West.
Lead Pilot : Lt. Mosby.

320th Bombardment Group (M).

ROAD AND RAIL BLOCK NORTH-WEST OF HAUSENSTEIN (M/R: (W) R-073668, GSGS 4416, Sheet V-2), Germany.

At 09:56 hours, 20 B-26's took off to bomb Road and Rail Block North-West of Hausenstein (M/R: (W) R-073668, GSGS 4416, Sheet V-2), Germany. 2 B-26's returned early: spares. Total Sorties: 18. 18 B-26's were over the Primary target and 18 B-26's dropped 141 x 500-lb. Demolition bombs (.1 & .025 second delay tail fuses) on the Primary target at 11:13 hours from 10,040' to 9,950' on an Axis of 05°T. 1 x 500-lb. Demolition bomb was salvaged at 11:14 hours in the target area (not malfunction). No bombs were returned. No B-26's lost or missing. No B-26's damaged. 18 B-26's returned to base at 12:24 hours.

AIR OBSERVATIONS: See Report No. 524, this date.

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: See Report No. 524, this date.

CASUALTIES: None.

No. of A/G TAKING PHOTOS: None.

ROUTE: Base to rendezvous with escort at Lunville (W) Q-0800; to Sarrebourg (W) Q-5016; to IP, Reichshoffen, (W) Q-9536; to target on an Axis of 05°T; break left to Steinbach; reciprocal course to base. (Briefed Axis - 22°T; drift correction - 09° right; evasive action - loss of 1,000' altitude).

WEATHER: See Report No. 524, this date.

RESULTS: No results observed.

SPECIAL COMMENTS: This was a "BAT" mission.

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

DISPATCH # 17 : FLIGHT COMMANDER CAPTAIN WESTO, 20 MARCH 45

RUNWAY LINE UP	WATSON	MOSEBY	
10	PHILLIPS	10 HOWE	WATSON
62	69 Gooch		62 HOLLAND
69	WB	WEINGART	
64	HOOVER	64 Clark	BOMBHOLT
65	72 Thompson		65 Lougrbridge
72	WC	DETHMAN	
67	POGR	67 Lunneman	JONES
61	57 Ketz man		61 Mavos
57	WD	BENNETT	
70	LOBECK	70 OTTO	NEWTON
50	63 Stuenke		50 Ford
63	WE	PARSONS	
68	MEERHAN	68 Christrop	RECHER
54	52 Klodzinski		54 Kaplan
52	WF	UHLIG	
55	DUANE	55 Trafton	BUFFETT
53	51 Hogen		53 Czechowitz
51	SPARES	BRAINERD	
56	MCHUGH	25 PETERSON	MCDONALD
59	59 Simons		56 Lussenden

COLORS OF THE DAY FOR 20 MARCH 1945

TIME	FLARE COLORS	DHAL	REPLY
0100-0700	R Y	Z	X
0700-1300	G R R	J	W
1300-1900	Y Y	O	V
1900-0100	R Y	L	M

AIR GROUND R/T AUTHENTICATION

441st---	INDEX NUMBER A 431	FNR
442nd ---	index number A 434	FZF
443rd	index number A 437	CXA
444th	index number A 440,	VQL

BOMBER VOICE CALL SIGNS

"SHOESTRING"

W/T CALL SIGNS FOR WING number 1 NET:
3 20th GROUP A 86

CONTROL CENTER VOICE CALL SIGNS:: BAGGAGE AND
BOXCAR ON CHANNEL "C"

CANCELLATION CODE WORD GRIDIRON

FIGHTER VOICE CALL SIGNS: "CHIPMUNK "

CREWS PARTICIPATING IN MISSION #517 - 20 MARCH 1945

MOSBY, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	10
MILLER, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 0956
HOWE, BOMB., 1st Lt.		landed 1224
NEWELL, NAV., 1st Lt.		
BLACKWELL, ENG., S/Sgt.		
PRICE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
WEST, FC, Capt.		
WATSON, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	62
JOLLIFF, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0957
HOLLAND, BOMB., 1st Lt.		landed 1225
LOWERY, NAV., 1st Lt.		
DEVLIN, ENG., S/Sgt.		
WAYMIRE, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
LAWRENCE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
CARROLL FOTO, Cpl.		
PHILLIPS, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	69
NESBITT, COPILOT, F/O		took off 0957
GOOCH, BOMB., S/Sgt.		landed 1225
BLOKHAN, OBS., Capt.		
CUMMINS, ENG., S/Sgt.		
CONSTABLE, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
SZCZECZ, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
ZACHAR, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
WEINGART, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	64
KOMOROWSKI, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 0958
CLARK, JR, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed 1226
FIELDS, ENG., S/Sgt.		
DEVERNA, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
LENKIEWICZ, GUNNER, Sgt.		
BOMHOLT, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	443rd	65
MORELAND, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0958
LOUGHRIDGE, BOMB., F/O		landed 1226
BUJEL, ENG., S/Sgt.		
SHEUMAKER, RADIO, Sgt.		
PERKINSON, GUNNER, Cpl.		
HOOVER, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	72
SMITH, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0959
THOMPSON, BOMB., S/Sgt.		landed 1227
LUTHER, ENG., S/Sgt.		
FRUEDIGER, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
RUBY, GUNNER, Sgt.		
BURGESS, FOTO, Cpl.		

DETHMAN, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	67
PERRY, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 0959
LUNNEMANN, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed 1228
OEHLKE, ENG., S/Sgt.		
VALHOS, RADIO, Cpl.		
ZIEGLER, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
ANDREWS, OBS., Capt.		
JONES, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	61
RIEBE, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1000
MRVOS, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed 1228
MARGOLIS, ENG., S/Sgt.		
KNOTT, RADIO, T/Sgt.		
KEES, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
POOR, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	443rd	57
HUDSPETH, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1000
KATZMAN, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed 1229
WARD, ENG., Cpl.		
JENKINSON, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
HUMPHRIES, GUNNER, Cpl.		
BENNETT, PILOT, Capt.	443rd	70
CAMPBELL, CO PILOT, Lt. Col.		took off 1001
OTTO, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed 1229
BOY, NAV., 2nd Lt.		
BROOKS, ENG., Sgt.		
CITTI, RADIO, Sgt.		
CASEY, GUNNER, Sgt.		
NEWTON, PILOT, Capt.	443rd	50
O'REILLY, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1001
FORD, BOMB., S/Sgt.		landed 1230
AVERY, ENG., Cpl.		
HAMMONDS, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
RODE, GUNNER, Cpl.		
LOBECK, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	443rd	63
PHILLIPS, CB, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1002
STUENKE, BOMB., F/O		landed 1230
EWERS, ENG., Cpl.		
HEAVENER, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
DOUCETTE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
SLATER, FOTO, Sgt.		
PARSONS, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	58
WATKINS, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1002
CHRISTRUP, BOMB., F/O		landed 1231
WOOLRIDGE, ENG., Cpl.		
ROW, RADIO, Cpl.		
HAER, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
DICKINSON, OBS., Capt.		

RECHER, PILOT, 1st Lt.
TRANT, CO PILOT, F/O
KAPLAN, BOMB., F/O
PINGLE, ENG., S/Sgt.
HARRISON, RADIO, S/Sgt.
SHOLIENBERGER, GUNNER, S/Sgt.

443rd

54
took off 1003
landed 1231

MEEHAN, PILOT, 2nd Lt.
JOHANSEN, CO PILOT, F/O
KLODZINSKI, BOMB., F/O
DZIENISZ, ENG., Sgt.
YOUNG, RADIO, Sgt.
CHARLTON, GUNNER, S/Sgt.
DEVAUGHAN, FOTO, S/Sgt.

443rd

52
took off 1003
landed 1232

UHLIG, PILOT, 1st Lt.
JOHNSTON, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.
TRAFTON, BOMB., F/O
SHEW, ENG., S/Sgt.
SEILEY, RADIO, Cpl.
PERKINS, GUNNER, S/Sgt.

443rd

55
took off 1004
landed 1232

BUFFETT, PILOT, 2nd Lt.
RULEY, CO PILOT, F/O
CZECHOWICZ, BOMB., Sgt.
PROBST, ENG., S/Sgt.
MCQUEEN, RADIO, S/Sgt.
PECK, GUNNER, S/Sgt.
MORRIS, GUNNER, Cpl.

443rd

53
took off 1004
landed 1233

DUANE, PILOT, 1st Lt.
ANDREWS, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.
HOGAN, BOMB., F/O
HARMON, ENG., S/Sgt.
KENDRICKS, RADIO, S/Sgt.
OBLEY, GUNNER, Cpl.
MERCER, GUNNER, Cpl.

443rd

51
took off 1005
landed 1233

MCDONALD, PILOT, Capt.
ROBERTS, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.
LUSSENDEN, BOMB., 2nd Lt.
HARTLEY, ENG., Cpl.
BOATREITER, RADIO, Cpl.
BOLL, GUNNER, S/Sgt.

443rd (Spare)

56
took off 1006
landed 1213

MCHUGH, PILOT, 2nd Lt.
SHADLE, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.
SIMMONS, BOMB., S/Sgt.
HAZEL, ENG., S/Sgt.
ROSS, RADIO, S/Sgt.
POIKE, GUNNER, Cpl.

443rd (Spare)

59
took off 1006
landed 1201