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HEADQUARTERS 320TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)
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5 April 1945.

Final Mission Report No. 545.

Flight Commander: Col. Woolridge.
Lead Pilot : Lt. Mesby.

320th Bombardment Group (M).

KLEIN ENSTINGEN AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA, WEST $\frac{1}{2}$ OF AREA "F" (M/R: (W) X-150750, GSGS 4416, sheet W-3), Germany.

At 08:40 hours, 41 B-26's took off to bomb Klein Enstingen Ammunition Storage Area, West $\frac{1}{2}$ of Area "F" (M/R: (W) X-150750, GSGS 4416, sheet W-3), Germany. 5 B-26's returned early: 3 "BAT" a/c called back; 1 loss of power; 1 oil congealed. Total sorties: 36. 36 B-26's were over the Primary target, but no bombs were dropped because cloud on the bomb run and heavy haze prevented identification of the target in time for bombing. The formation was over the target at 10:26 hours from 12,400' to 11,500' on an axis of 136°T. No bombs were salvoed, or all bombs were returned to base. No B-26's lost or missing. No B-26's damaged. 36 B-26's returned to base at 11:50 hours.

AIR OBSERVATIONS:

a. Activity:

- (1) P-47's provided escort.
- (2) Vapor trail at 20,000' at (W) W-7295 at 10:05 hours.
- (3) Lone B-17 flying east at 15,000' at 10:10 hours, at (W) X-0195.
- (4) Twin-boomed a/c flying south-east at 14,000' at 10:26 hours.

b. Situation:

- (1) 1 a/c on I/G in good condition, at (W) X-2076 at 10:27 hours.

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

FLAK: S, H, I, I, type Flak encountered from Freudenstadt (W) W-5085 - 2/5 bursts only.

Losses to flak: None. Damaged by flak: None.

GROUND OBSERVATIONS:

a. General:

- (1) Supplies at (W) W-3182 at 09:58 hours.
- (2) Supplies at (W) W-3463 at 10:02 hours.
- (3) Barracks in woods at (W) W-6891 at 10:05 hours.
- (4) Supplies in M/Y at Besenfeld (W) W-5099 at 10:05 hours.
- (5) 3 barrage balloons over lake (W) W-4208 at 10:01 hours.

b. Communications:

- (1) 30 RR cars at Lahr (W) W-1072 at 09:52 hours.
- (2) 50 M/T moving North from Dornstetten (W) W-5787 at 09:59 hours.
- (3) 40 RR cars at Herrenburg (W) W-8393 at 10:15 hours.
- (4) 2 locomotives with steam up, 1 moving, 80 RR cars in M/Y at Tübingen (W) W-9892 at 10:21 hours.

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GROUND OBSERVATIONS: (Cont'd).

b. Communications: (Cont'd).

- (5) 50/75 RR cars in W/Y at Hagold (W) W-7295 at 10:03 hours.
- (6) 20 RR cars at Bendorf (W) W-8294 at 10:14 hours.
- (7) 35 RR cars at Rottenburg (W) W-8988 at 10:17 hours.

CASUALTIES: None.

No. of A/C TAKING PHOTOS: None.

ROUTE: Base to Luneville (W) W-0800; to Arstein (W) W-9480; to Haslach (W) W-2763; to Oppenau (W) W-3287; to Besenfeld (W) W-5099; to Herenberg (W) W-8399; to target on an Axis of 136°T (briefed Axis - 136°T; drift correction - 03° right; evasive action - loss of 1,000' altitude); breakaway left to Tübingen (W) W-9892; reciprocal course to base.

WEATHER:

a. Enroute : 4-6/10ths stratocumulus, tops estimated 5,000', in patches. 6/10ths altocumulus in bands across route, bases estimated 15,000', coverage 10/10ths in the bands, with occasional rain or virga. Vis. unlimited.

b. Vicinity of target : Same as enroute.

c. Target Area : 2-3/10ths stratocumulus at 5,000', with large patches to the South. A band of altocumulus, multi-layered, with base indefinite, but with rain or virga trailing below 10,000', extending generally North-South, passing East of Stuttgart, but covering the target. Vis. at flight altitude, estimated 1 mile.

d. Return : All clouds clearing to scattered condition West of the Rhine.

RESULTS: None.

SPECIAL COMMENTS: Visual mission.

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MISSION # 533 FLIGHT COMMANDER: COLONEL WOODBRIDGE 5 APRIL 1945.

RUNWAY LINEUP	NAME	NAME	NAME
66	WEINGART	66 HOWE	ESTES
29	72 Greene	29 SPANN	
72	ROCHE	LIVELY	
64	52 Traves	64 Otto	JOLLIF
61	WGT	DONALD	61 Christrup
52	JONES	56 Clark	PHILLIPS
56	57 Trafton	67 Suggs	
69	WGT	WETSCHAN	
57	STUTLER	40 Tawn	PEARSON
40	45 Dewulf	31 Beckman	
31	WGT	MURUGHLIN	
45	PECKHAM	33 Yowell	FRANKEL
33	36 Brown	35 Woodward	
35	WGT	UHLIG	
36	POOL	71 Loughridge	LOBECK
71	55 Simmons	62 Kitzman	
63	51	BOEHOLT	DUPPETT
55	54	51 Gunn	54 Thompson

2nd Formation: FLIGHT COMMANDER: MAJOR GELIN 5 APRIL 1945.

RUNWAY LINEUP	NAME	NAME	NAME
67	SULLIVAN	67 DEERE	AGISTWONG
78	70 Deane	78 DEERLE	
98	WGT	SUTHERLAND	
83	LIEBENDORFER	83 SCHMIDT	DAVIS
76	97 Talsala	76 Phillips	
97	WGT	HIVEL	
80	MACON	80 Packen	HEATHMAN
95	74 Skubialka	95 Nicholson	
94	WGT	STEIN	
23	EVANS	23 Dever	DORSE
21	OH Trias	21 Ferrandino	
04	WGT	LYONS	
05	WILDEN	05 Walter	ROBINSON
22	11 Erickson	72 Hagan	
14	WGT	JONES	
19	19 Kingstary	19 Murray	VETTEL
16	11	16 Lillard	
09	08	DINOLE	LEWIS
		11 McKinley	08 Grace

COLOURS OF THE DAY FOR 5 APRIL 1945

TIME	FLAME COLOURS	CHAL.	ARMY
0100-0700	Y Y R	C	Y
0700-1300	G R R	Z	H
1300-1900	R Y	V	O
1900-0100	Y Y	Q	I

ALL GROUND R/T AUTHENTICATION:

441st	- Index Number .163	CX.
442nd	- Index Number .166	KJR
443rd	- Index Number .169	VCX
444th	- Index Number .172	FLG

FOUNDER CALL SIGNS: WISEGUY
 W/T CALL SIGN FOR WING 1 NET: H 89
 CONTROL CENTER VOICE CALL SIGNS:
 ARMY AND BAGGAGE ON CHANNEL "C".
 FIGHTER VOICE CALL SIGNS: ALTT.
 CHECK POINTS: SELEST.T - Kray,
 ETENHEID - Dog, HASLACH - Yoke,
 ALPLASLACH - Peter, DETTINGEN - Fox,
 RECHINGEN - George, REUTLINGEN - Hor,
 REIDLINGEN - Iken, LUPHEIM - Jig,
 HESSENFELD - King, EUSTEIN - Easy,
 OPENAU - Love, HAUENBERG - Man,
 TUDINGEN - Cbee.
 CANCELLATION WORD: SPEEDY.

3/5/45

JONES, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	57
JOHNSTON, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0845
TRAFTON, BOMB., F/O		landed 1151
MARGOLIS, ENG., S/Sgt.		
HERREMA, RADIO, Cpl.		
PERKINSON, GUNNER, Sgt.		
METSCHAN, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	40
GARINER, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 0845
HAUN, BOMB., Lt.		landed 1152
HOOD, NAV., Lt.		
FOSHEK, ENG., S/Sgt.		
DEBEAU, GUNNER, Sgt.		
PEARSON, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	31
WOOLF, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 0845
BECKMAN, BOMB., F/O		landed 1152
MCDUGAL, NAV., Lt.		
DROTHER, ENG., T/Sgt.		
MONEY, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
MARSHALL, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
MCLAUGHLIN, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	33
WITHERS, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 0846
YOWELL, BOMB., Lt.		landed 1153
SUGERMAN, ENG., S/Sgt.		
DAWSON, RADIO, Sgt.		
REICHMAN, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
PECKHAM, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	36
SIMPER, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 0847
BRUNN, BOMB., F/O		landed 1154
STEVENSON, ENG., S/Sgt.		
BERRY, RADIO, Cpl.		
DANIEL, GUNNER, Sgt.		
CARROLL, FOTO, Sgt.		
STUTLER, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	32
GRIFFITH, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 0847
DEWULF, BOMB., F/O		landed 1153
WILLIAMS, ENG., Sgt.		
OLSEN, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
NORTHCOTT, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
DEVAUGHN, FOTO, Sgt.		
UHLIG, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	71
SMITH, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0847
LOUGHRIDGE, BOMB., F/O		landed 1154
EWERS, ENG., Cpl.		
CITTI, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
HUMPHRIES, GUNNER, Cpl.		

CREWS PARTICIPATING IN MISSION #533 - 5 APRIL 1945.

MOSBY, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	66
HOOVER, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 0840
HOWE, BOMB., 1st Lt.		landed 1150
NEWELL, NAV., 1st Lt.		
WILLIAMS, ENG., S/Sgt.		
ZACHAR, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
WOOLRIDGE, FC, Col.		
ESTES, PILOT, Capt.	442nd	29
SYMONS, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 0841
SPANN, BOMB., Lt.	<i>early</i>	landed 0921
TEICH, NAV., Lt.		
SURABIAN, ENG., T/Sgt.		
ABERNATHY, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
ROUSH, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
LIVSEY, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	72
BIRDWELL, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 0841
OTRO, BOMB., 2nd Lt.	<i>early</i>	landed 1059
HANSHAW, ENG., S/Sgt.		
VALHOS, RADIO, Cpl.		
CASEY, GUNNER, Sgt.		
JOLLIFF, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	443rd	61
MORELAND, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0842
CHRISTRUP, BOMB., F/O		landed 1151
ANDERSON, ENG., S/Sgt.		
SEILEY, RADIO, Cpl.		
FERGUSON, GUNNER, Sgt.		
RECHER, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	52
RULEY, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 0843
MRVOS, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed 1151
WARD, ENG., Cpl.		
FAURIE, RADIO, Cpl.		
WARD, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
BURGESS, FOTO, Sgt.		
MCDONALD, PILOT, Capt.	443rd	56
CLARK, L, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0844
CLARK, JR, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed 1151
HARTLEY, ENG., Cpl.		
ROW, RADIO, Cpl.		
KEES, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
DICKINSON, OBS., Capt.		
PHILLIPS, PILOT, 1st Lt. C.H.	443rd	50
RIEBE, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0844
SUGGS, BOMB., S/Sgt.		landed 1151
CUMMINS, ENG., S/Sgt.		
CONSTABLE, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
SZCZECCH, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		

LOBECK, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	443rd	63	took off 0848
VOROS, COPILOT, F/O		landed	1155
KATZMAN, BOMB., 2nd Lt.			
AVERY, ENG., Cpl.			
GRAHAM, RADIO, S/Sgt.			
PECK, GUNNER, S/Sgt.			
POOR, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	443rd	59	took off 0848
CALLAHAN, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		landed	1155
SIMMONS, BOMB., S/Sgt.			
PINGLE, ENG., S/Sgt.			
ROSS, RADIO, S/Sgt.			
LAFRENTIE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.			
COMBER, GUNNER, Cpl.			
BUFFETT, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	443rd	54	took off 0849
KOMOROWSKI, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		landed	1154
THOMPSON, BOMB., S/Sgt.			
OEHLKE, ENG., S/Sgt.			
JENKINSON, RADIO, S/Sgt.			
FOIKE, GUNNER, Sgt.			
WEINGART, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	51	took off 0904
PHILLIPS, CB., CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		landed	1150
GREENE, BOMB., 1st Lt.			
BOY, NAV., 2nd Lt.			
SHEW, ENG., S/Sgt.			
BOLL, GUNNER, S/Sgt.			
DEVERNA, GUNNER, S/Sgt.			
SLATER, FOTO, S/Sgt.			

	2nd Formation		
KAMANSKI, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	87	took off 0850
JOHNSTON, HD., CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		landed	0917
BEEBY, BOMB., 1st Lt.			
WEBB, NAV., Capt.			
THAIN, ENG., S/Sgt.			
ZOELLE, RADIO, T/Sgt.			
CAHAN, FC., Major			
ARMSTRONG, PILOT, Capt.	444th	78	took off 0850
STARR, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		landed	0921
LARRABEE, BOMB., 1st Lt.			
WESTBROOK, NAV., 1st Lt.			
JAMES, ENG., T/Sgt.			
RAMIREZ, GUNNER, S/Sgt.			
SULLIVAN, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	98	took off 0850
BILREY, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		landed	1200
DRAKE, BOMB., 1st Lt.			
NELSON, NAV., 1st Lt.			
LUCAS, ENG., Sgt.			
PERELLI, RADIO, Sgt.			
RIDDLE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.			

SUTHERLAND, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	89
LEFEVER, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0851
SCHMIDT, BOMB., 1st Lt.		landed 1202
VINSON, ENG., Sgt.		
WALCHLI, RADIO, Sgt.		
CARRINGTON, GUNNER, Sgt.		
DAVIS, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	76
GHENT, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 0851
PHILLIPS, E., BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed 1202
BUCHERT, ENG., Sgt.		
DAGOSTINO, RADIO, Sgt.		
NESBITT, GUNNER, Sgt.		
LIEBENDORFER, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	75
BOSCA, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0853
TAKALA, BOMB., S/Sgt.		landed 1203
DELEO, ENG., S/Sgt.		
KIRKPATRICK, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
CLEARY, GUNNER, Sgt.		
KRAUSE, FOTO, Cpl.		
HAVEL, PILOT, 1st Lt. (CB)	444th	80
HARTLEY, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0854
KENNEMSON, BOMB., Sgt.		landed 1203
KLOPZ, ENG., Sgt.		
SEIDELL, RADIO, Sgt.		
MLAKAH, GUNNER, Sgt.		
HARDMAN, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	95
STARBUCK, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0854
NICKOLSON, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed 1203
IVERSON, ENG., Sgt.		
INGRAM, RADIO, Sgt.		
WIGGILL, GUNNER, T/Sgt.		
BROWNE, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	4 44th	94
HERRON, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0855
SKABIALKA, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed 1203
FRENDERGAST, ENG., Sgt.		
OBROCHTA, RADIO, Cpl.		
SAVERESE, GUNNER, Cpl.		
STEIER, PILOT, 1st Lt.	441st	23
TORONGO, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 0855
DEVER, BOMB., 1st Lt.		landed 1203
NORDEN, NAV., 1st Lt.		
STRAND, ENG., S/Sgt.		
BILLINGTON, GUNNER, T/Sgt.		
DOMKE, PILOT, 1st Lt.	441st	21
HERRING, LL, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0856
FERRANDINO, BOMB., 1st Lt.		landed 1203
DIETRICH, NAV., F/O		
FURCELL, ENG., S/Sgt.		
ZEPEDA, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
KNIGHT, GUNNER, Sgt.		

EVANS, PILOT, EA, 1st Lt.
LIVENGOOD, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.
TRIAS, BOMB., F/O
FAIR, ENG., S/Sgt.
TURNER, RADIO, Cpl.
SONDHEIMER, GUNNER, Cpl.
BLUE, FOTO, S/Sgt.

441st

04
took off 0856
landed 1204

LYONS, PILOT, 1st Lt.
MCGAFFIN, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.
WALTER, BOMB., 2nd Lt.
GARNER, ENG., S/Sgt.
CARRIER, RADIO, Cpl.
WILLIAMS, GUNNER, EC, S/Sgt.

441st

05
took off 0856
landed 1203

ROBINSON, PILOT, 1st Lt.
BRIESCHKE, CO PILOT, F/O
ELMAN, BOMB., 1st Lt.
LUCHANSKY, ENG., S/Sgt.
MELSON, RADIO, S/Sgt.
BOSTIC, GUNNER, S/Sgt.

441st

22
took off 0857
landed 1204

WALDEN, PILOT, 1st Lt.
GEIGER, CO PILOT, F/O
ERICKSON, BOMB., F/O
MORRIS, ENG., Cpl.
SUPANICK, RADIO, Cpl.
TANKERSLEY, GUNNER, S/Sgt.
CIRMO, FOTO, T/Sgt.

441st

14
took off 0857
landed 1204

JONES, PILOT, 2nd Lt.
GARRETT, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.
MURRAY, BOMB., 1st Lt.
TAMOSIUNAS, ENG., S/Sgt.
COOK, MG., RADIO, S/Sgt.
LUDY, GUNNER, S/Sgt.

441st

19
took off 0858
landed 1204

WETZEL, PILOT, 1st Lt.
WEY, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.
TUNNARD, BOMB., F/O
MCCOY, ENG., Sgt.
GALDIANO, RADIO, Sgt.
DIETRICK, GUNNER, Cpl.
CALDERONI, GUNNER, Cpl.

441st

18
took off 0858
landed 1038

RAMSEY, PILOT, 2nd Lt.
BOBLITT, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.
KINGSBURY, BOMB., 1st Lt.
BALINSKI, ENG., S/Sgt.
PEELER, RADIO, Cpl.
FRITCHETT, GUNNER, Cpl.
JORDAN, GUNNER, S/Sgt.

441st

09
took off 0859
landed 1211

DINOME, PILOT, 2nd Lt.
LOAR, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.
MCKINLEY, BOMB., 2nd Lt.
WASH, ENG., S/Sgt.
WITTEN, RADIO, S/Sgt.
VANDYKE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.
NEAL, FOTO, Cpl.

441st

11
took off 0859
landed 1200

LEXUS, PILOT, 2nd Lt.
CRAWFORD, CO PILOT, F/O
GRICE, BOMB., Sgt.
WILLIAMS, DY, ENG., Cpl.
THOMAS, RADIO, Cpl.
OLENDER, GUNNER, S/Sgt.

441st

08
took off 0900
landed 1201