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HEADQUARTERS 320TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)
Office of the Group Intelligence Officer
APO #374

D-G-2

5 April 1945.

Final Mission Report No. 546.

Flight Commander: Major Deatly.
Lead Pilot : Captain Mooney.

320th Bombardment Group (M).

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

At 09:30 hours, 20 B-26's took off to bomb Klein Enstingen Ammunition Storage Area, East $\frac{1}{2}$ of Area "F" (M/R: (W) X-150750, GSGS 4416, Sheet W-3), 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 144 x 500-lb. demolition bombs (.1 & .025 second delay tail fuses) on the Primary target at 12:00 hours from 10,400' to 9,500' on an Axis of 154°T, on the third bomb run, necessitated by cloud cover and haze on the first two runs. The formation was over the target at 11:37 hours and 11:44 hours on the first two bomb runs. No bombs were salvaged or returned to base. No B-26's lost or missing. No B-26's damaged. 18 B-26's returned to base at 13:22 hours.

AIR OBSERVATIONS:

a. Activity:

- (1) F-47's provided escort (some were reported turning noses in towards bomber in prohibited manner).
- (2) 1 S/E U/I a/c at 29,000' headed south at Tübingen (W) W-9892 at 11:34 hours.

b. Situation:

- (1) 3 glider a/c on serviceable L/G at (W) X-0388 at 11:36 hours.
- (2) 1 S/E a/c on L/G at (W) W-7793 at 11:28 hours.

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:

a. General:

- (1) Damaged barracks at (W) W-1072 at 11:05 hours.
- (2) supplies at (W) W-788 at 11:15 hours.
- (3) supplies at (W) W-2672 at 11:10 hours.
- (4) Barracks at (W) X-0787 at 11:39 hours.

b. Communications:

- (1) RR movement in M/Y at Otgenheim (W) W-0177 at 11:05 hours.
- (2) 10 M/T, stationary, at (W) W-3783 at 11:15 hours.
- (3) Train of 25 RR cars moving North at (W) W-2371 at 11:16 hours.
- (4) 80 RR cars, 6 hospital cars, at Lahr (W) W-1072 at 11:05 hours.
- (5) 40 M/T, stationary, at (W) W-8295 at 11:28 hours.
- (6) 3 locomotives with steam up and 75 cars in Tübingen (W) W-9892 at 11:30 hours.
- (7) 16 RR cars at (W) W-8399 at 11:22 hours.

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CASUALTIES: None.

No of A/C TAKING PHOTOS: 3.

ROUTE: Same as Report No. 545, except here formation flew to Calw (N) R-7312 from Haslach, due to navigational error and made 360° curve left to Herrenburg. Three runs were made from same IP and axis of attack was 154°T (briefed axis - 136°T; drift correction - 05° right; evasive action - loss of altitude).

WEATHER: Same as report no. 545, this date.

RESULTS: An excellent concentration of bombs covered the target, causing a tremendous explosion, with smoke reaching 6,000'.

SPECIAL COMMENTS: Visual mission.

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

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SUBJECT: Photos.

TO : Commanding General, 42nd Bomb Wing (US), APO 374.
Attention: A-2 Section.

1. The following is the location of the cameras in the formation as over the target (Klein Enstingen Ammo Storage Area, WX-150750, Germany), of this Group, this date.

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      43
      T (T)A-17
      T
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      32
      T (T)E-8 T
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      06
      T (T)A-15 T
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      T
      84
      T (T)A-17 T
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2. The pictures taken in ship Nos. 32 and 06 were not printed.

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MISSION # 534 FLIGHT COMMANDER: MAJOR DEATLY 5 APRIL 1945.

RUNWAY LINEUP	NAME	NAME	NAME
34	KEAGY,	34 YGuenes	GUSTAFSON
43	46 Fisher	43 HENST	
46	HECKERS	46 Cross	KOKOLUS
48	32 Prather	39 107in	
39	RUSSELL	DOOLITTLE	
32	30 Venturino	44 Wagner	GUEDEL
44	41	41 Sivula	
41	41	41	
38	40 LEXIN	41 Pontava	LEVERING
01	06 DASH	02 Vance	
02	06	06 Schempf	CHANNELL
06	04 McGrain	75 Sparks	
88	75	75	
75	75	75	
84	75	75	
93	75	75	
86	75	75	
79	75	75	

COLOURS OF THE DAY FOR 5 APRIL 1945

THESE FLAME COLOURS CHALLENGE REPLY

TIME	FLAME	CHALLENGE	REPLY
0100-0700	Y Y A	C	Y
0700-1300	G R R	Z	N
1300-1900	A Y	V	O
1900-0100	Y Y	Q	I

ALL GROUND R/T AUTHENTICATION

Index Number	Code
111st	1163 CXL
112nd	1166 KJA
113rd	1169 VCK
114th	1172 FKG

BOOMER VOICE CALL SIGNS: HILBURGER. W/T CALL SIGNS FOR WING 1 NET: G-91

CONTROL CENTER VOICE CALL SIGNS: LADY AND DARGAGE ON CHANNEL "C".

FIGHTER VOICE CALL SIGNS: COMRA. CANCELLATION CODE WORD: SPEEDY

CHECK POINTS: SELESTAT - Aray, ETTENBERG - Dog, RASLACH - Yoke,
 ALPESBLACH - Peter, DETTINGEN - Fox, HECKINGEN - George, HEUTLINGEN - How,
 REIDLINGEN - Item, LAUPHEIM - Jig, BESENWELD - King, EUSTEIN - Easy,
 OFFEMAU * Love, HEIMENBERG - Man, TULLINGEN - Oboe.

CREWS PARTICIPATING IN MISSION, #534 - 5 APRIL 1945.

MOONEY, PILOT, Capt.	442nd	34
CHILDS, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 0953
YOUENES, BOMB., Lt.		landed 1322
WERNICK, NAV., Lt.		
DEATLY, FC., Major		
MOORE, ENG., T/Sgt.		
TRAUT, GUNNER, Cpl.		
GUSTAFSON, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	43
FERRIS, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 0953
HERBST, BOMB., Lt.		landed 1322
SAVOCA, NAV., Lt.		
SHEEHY, ENG., S/Sgt.		
VINE, RADIO, Sgt.		
LEONE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
POTTS, FOTO, Sgt.		
KEAGY, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	46
TISDALE, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 0954
FISHER, BOMB., S/Sgt.		landed 1323
ANTHONY, ENG., Cpl.		
RENICK, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
WEINBERG, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
ADLEN, GUNNER, Cpl.		
PIERCE, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	48
RASMUSSEN, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 0954
CROSS, BOMB., F/O		landed 1323
FELLER, ENG., S/Sgt.		
FREDETTE, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
MCCLELLAN, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
KOKOLUS, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	39
WAGNER, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 0955
MORIN, BOMB., F/O		landed 1324
KILSEY, ENG., Cpl.		
SIELER, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
WENDELL, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
HECKERS, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	45
DAVIES, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 0955
FRATHER, BOMB., Lt.		landed 1324
ISON, ENG., S/Sgt.		
RICHARDSON, RADIO, Sgt.		
ZEINER, GUNNER, Sgt.		
GRADY, FOTO, Sgt.		
DOOLITTLE, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	44
SHOLL, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 0956
WAGNER, NG., BOMB., Lt.		landed 1325
SHEARER, ENG., S/Sgt.		
RATTS, RADIO, T/Sgt.	NYE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.	

GUEDEL, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	41
LARSON, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 0956
SIWULA, BOMB., F/O		landed 1325
MULLINS, ENG., Cpl.		
FINNEY, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
POND, GUNNER, Cpl.		
RUSSELL, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	38
PETERSON, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 0957
VENTURINO, BOMB., Lt.		landed 1325
LINVELLE, ENG., S/Sgt.		
CHURCH, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
VANACHEREN, GUNNER, Cpl.		
MCGREGOR, PILOT, 1st Lt.	441st	01
GRONIS, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0957
PENKAVA, BOMB., 1st Lt.		landed 1326
SIFOREN, NAV., 1st Lt.		
RARICK, ENG., Cpl.		
BOWIE, GUNNER, Cpl.		
LEVERING, PILOT, 1st Lt.	441st	02
HEDGES, JT, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 0958
VANCE, BOMB., F/O		landed 1326
BADER, NAV., 1st Lt.		
SMELAND, ENG., S/Sgt.		
SMITH, CT, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
BRODIE, GUNNER, Cpl.		
MCMAKIN, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	441st	06
O'BRIEN, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 0958
BUSH, BOMB., S/Sgt.		landed 1326
MCCRIDE, ENG., Cpl.		
DRAKE, RADIO, Sgt.		
CRIST, GUNNER, Cpl.		
REAVIS, FOTO, S/Sgt.		
MATTHEWS, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	88
HARKNESS, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0959
SCHEMPF, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed 1326
HILEMAN, ENG., Sgt.		
PIERCE, WH, RADIO, Sgt.		
HENRY, GUNNER, Sgt.		
CHANNELL, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	97
MUSICK, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0959
SPARKS, BOMB., F/O		landed 1327
DUFFEL, ENG., T/Sgt.		
LEBLANC, RADIO, Cpl.		
VOGT, GUNNER, Cpl.		

FORD, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	84
ERVIN, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1000
MCGRAIN, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed 1327
KING, ENG., Cpl.		
SKINNER, RADIO, Sgt.		
MCDONALD, GW, GUNNER, Sgt.		
CASE, FOTO, Sgt.		

ALDRIDGE, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	93
PLANTHABER, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 1000
FODMAJERSKY, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed 1328
GREEAR, ENG., T/Sgt.		
DINYER, RADIO, Sgt.		
BRADY, GUNNER, Sgt.		

TRAVELL, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	86
BOYD, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 1001
KILGORE, BOMB., Sgt.		landed 1328
HIGHTOWER, ENG., S/Sgt.		
WITT, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
RYAN, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		

PIERCE, DR., PILOT, 2nd Lt.	444th	79
KERCHER, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1001
POINDEXTER, BOMB., Sgt.		landed 1328
RODGERS, ENG., Cpl.		
PHILLIPS, JA, RADIO, Cpl.		
ALLMON, GUNNER, Cpl.		

MEEHAN, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	443rd	53
NESBITT, CO PILOT, F/O	<i>Early (spare)</i>	took off 1002
KLODZINSKI, BOMB., F/O		landed 1140
WENDT, ENG., S/Sgt.		
WAYMIRE, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
HASKINS, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		

COLFER, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	441st	12
MCKENZIE, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.	<i>Early (spare)</i>	took off 1002
MCCREARY, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed 1140
EVANS, DG., ENG., Cpl.		
SCOTT, RADIO, Cpl.		
CONRAD, GUNNER, Sgt.		