

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

Final Mission Report No. 547.

Flight Commander: Major Cahalan.  
Lead Pilot : Lt. Kamansky.

320TH Bombardment Group (M).

GAILENKIRCHEN AMMUNITION DUMP, AREA "A" (M/R: (W) S-423643, GSGS 4416, sheet V-4), Germany.

At 10:35 hours, 40 B-26's took off to bomb Gailenkirchen Ammunition Dump, Area "A" (M/R: (W) S-423643, GSGS 4416, sheet V-4), Germany. 4 B-26's returned early: spares. Total sorties: 36. 36 B-26's were over the Primary target and 36 B-26's dropped 280 x 500-lb. Demolition bombs (,1 & ,025 second delay tail fuses) on the Primary target at 12:38 hours from 12,900' to 12,300' on an Axis of 160°T. No bombs were salvoed or returned to base. No B-26's lost or missing. No B-26's damaged. 36 B-26's returned to base at 14:25 hours.

AIR OBSERVATIONS:

- a. Activity: 16 P-47's provided 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 rendezvous at Lunéville (W) Q-0800; to Zweibrücken (W) Q-4272; to Kaiserslautern (W) R-0294; to Mannheim (W) R-5499; to Eberbach (W) R-9197; to IP, Rosenberg, (W) S-2696; to the target on an Axis of 160°T (briefed Axis - 156°T; drift correction - 02° left; evasive action - loss of altitude); breakaway left to Rosenberg; reciprocal course to base.

WEATHER: a. Enroute: : Base to Lunéville, 4/10ths stratocumulus, base 4,000' and tops 5,000'. 4/10ths thin altostratus at 7,000'. Lunéville to target 10/10ths cumulus, tops 9,000' to 10,000'.  
b. Target Area: : 10/10ths cumulus, tops 9,000' to 10,000'.  
c. Return: : same as enroute with tops built to 11,000'.

RESULTS: None. Observed.

SPECIAL COMMENTS: This was a "BAT" mission.

WILLIAM COOK,  
Major Air Corps,  
Group Intelligence

Mission No. 535 - FLIGHT COMMANDER Wing Leader April 1945  
RUNWAY LINE UP

VIA

87	SALOMANSON	87 Bevay	ARMSTRONG
81	89 Williams	-	81 Carrabee
89	"B"	MATTHEWS	-
80	WADDELL	80 Sofrke	BROWN
75	88 Kennerson	-	McGuisse
88	"C"	HARTMAN	-
98	SAVAGE	Bracken 78	CATALANO
84	94 Dugayn	-	84 Phillips
82	"D"	KAUFFMAN	-
23	JOHNSON	43 Allen	LEVERING
21	McIsaac	-	21 Venne
06	"E"	DURRUM	-
04	WETZEL	04 McCleary	PRATT
.14	18 Tunnard	-	14 Erickson
18	"F"	HIVS	-
90	HARKNESS	90 Johnson	TRAVELL
86	76 Podmajersky	-	80 Kilfore
76	SPARES	WELBORN	ALEXANDER
79	79 Tacoco	-	93 Goldman
-93	-	-	-

- FLIGHT COMMANDER Capt. O'MAHONEY 6 April 1945 -

10	"A"	PATERSON	-
25	DOYKE	10 Ingel	SPRADING
11	11 Ferrandino	-	25 Anderson
05	"B"	LYONS	-
03	WHITEHORN	05 Walter	TORRANCE
22	22 Kingsburg	-	Q3 Williamson
09	"C"	JONES	-
08	McBURNETTE	09 Murray	FORESYTHE
01	01 Biddle	-	Q8 Sacco
40	"D"	GILES	-
43	FRANKEL	40 Haun	GUSTAVSON
36	36 Woodward	-	Hurbert 43
35	"E"	MCLOUGHLIN	-
41	McNAMARA	36 Yowell	VILLIOTT
47	47 Obeid	-	Helfand 41
44	"F"	PIERCE	-
39	LEVEN	44 Cross	STUTLER
48	48 Youssi	-	39 DeWULF
17	SPARES	GARRETT	KOKOLUS

45 G/S, 19 17 Grice 45 Wagner  
COLORS OF THE DAY 6 April 1945 Air Ground R/T Authentication

Time Flare Colors Challenge Reply 441st Index No. A163 FRV  
0100-0700 GRR F Y 442nd Index No. A166 VSN  
0700-1300 RG Q W 443rd Index No. A-169 ANO  
1300-1900 RGG X M 444th Index No. A172 UXR  
1900-0100 RR D O Cancellation Word DIETROAD -

BOMBER CALL SIGNS: 320th Group YELLOWHAIR

W/T Call signs for Wing 1 Net: 320th Group M02

Control center voice call signs: BABY AND BAGGAGE ON CHANNEL "C"

FIGHTER VOICE CALL SIGNS: 320th Group Kingfish

CREWS PARTICIPATING IN MISSION NUMBER 535 - 6 APRIL 1945.

KAMANSKI, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	87
JOHNSTON, CO PILOT, HD, 1st Lt.		took off 1035
BEEBY, BOMB., 1st Lt.		landed 1415
WEBB, NAV., Capt.		
CAHAN, FC, Major		
DUFFEL, ENG., T/Sgt.		
MCDONALD, GUNNER, Sgt.		
ARMSTRONG, PILOT, Capt.	444th	81
BOSCA, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1035
LARRABEE, BOMB., 1st Lt.		landed 1415
WESTERBOOK, NAV., 1st Lt.		
JAMES, ENG., T/Sgt.		
POZNIAK, GUNNER, T/Sgt.		
FARBEROW, OBS., Capt.		
SALMONSON, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	89
HARRISON, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1036
WILLIAMS, BOMB., RL, 1st Lt.		landed 1416
HARTMAN, NAV., 1st Lt.		
RANKIN, ENG., T/Sgt.		
TKACH, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
RAMIREZ, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
MOREY, FOTO, S/Sgt.		
MATTHEWS PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	80
PLANTHABER, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 1036
SPARKS, BOMB., F/O		landed 1416
BAILEY, ENG., Sgt.		
BROWN, HA, RADIO, Sgt.		
SIEWERT, GUNNER, Sgt.		
BROWNE, RW, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	444th	75
WYNN, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1037
MCGRAIN, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed 1417
PRENDECAST ENG., Sgt.		
SKINNER, RADIO, Sgt.		
SAVARESE, GUNNER, Cpl.		
WADDELL, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	88
DOLEZAL, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 1037
KENNISON, BOMB., Sgt.		landed 1417
SORRELL, ENG., Sgt.		
O'FALL, RADIO, Cpl.		
RYAN, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
ZALEWSKI, FOTO, S/Sgt.		
HARTMAN, PILOT, 1st Lt. (LN)	444th	98
DAVIS, H, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 1038
BRACKEN, BOMB., F/O		landed 1418
IVERSON, ENG., Sgt.		
INGRAM, RADIO, Sgt.		
WIGGILL, GUNNER, T/Sgt.		

CATALANO, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	84 took off 1038 landed 1418
KERCHER, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		
PHILLIPS, E., BOMB., 2nd Lt.		
BODGERS, ENG., Cpl.		
PHILLIPS, JA, Cpl. RADIO		
ALIMON, GUNNER, Cpl.		
 SAVAGE, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	444th	82 took off 1039 landed 1418
CASHEN, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		
DUGGAN, BOMB., F/O		
KING, ENG., Cpl.		
IVES, RADIO, Cpl.		
WHITEIS, GUNNER, Cpl.		
 KAUFFMAN, PILOT, 1st Lt.	441st	23 took off 1039 landed 1429
LEKUS, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		
ALLEN, RO, BOMB., 1st Lt.		
BADER, NAV., 1st Lt.		
CONNELL, ENG., T/Sgt.		
JORDAN, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
 LEVERING, PILOT, 1st Lt.	441st	21 took off 1040 landed 1419
BRIESCHKE, CO PILOT, F/O		
VANCE, BOMB., F/O		
DIETRICK, NAV., F/O		
SABELAND, ENG., S/Sgt.		
SMITH, CT, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
DRAKE, GUNNER, Cpl.		
 JOHNSON, PILOT, 2nd Lt. WE	441st	06 took off 1040 landed 1419
LOAR, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		
MELSON, BOMB., S/Sgt.		
WILLIAMS, DY, ENG., Cpl.		
STRAND, RADIO, Cpl.		
BILLINGTON, GUNNER, T/Sgt.		
POTTS, FOTO, S/Sgt.		
 DINOME, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	441st	04 took off 1041 landed 1420
RAMSEY, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		
MCCREARY, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		
WASH, ENG., S/Sgt.		
WITTEN, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
VANDYKE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
 PRATT, PILOT, 1st Lt.	441st	14 took off 1041 landed 1420
GEIGER, CO PILOT, F/O		
ERICKSON, BOMB., F/O		
MORRIS, ENG., Cpl.		
SUPANICK, RADIO, Cpl.		
GOERING, GUNNER, Cpl.		

WETZEL, PILOT, 1st Lt.	441st	18
MCKENZIE, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1042
TUNNARD, BOMB., F/O		landed 1420
MCCOY, ENG., Sgt.		
GALDIANO, RADIO, Cpl.		
DIETRICH, PP, GUNNER, Cpl.		
CIRMO, FOTO, T/Sgt.		
 HAVEL, CB., PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	90
COCULSKI, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1042
JARMAN, BOMB., 1st Lt.		landed 1420
KLOTZ, ENG., Sgt.		
SEIDELL, RADIO, Sgt.		
MLAKAR, GUNNER, Sgt.		
 TRAVELL, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	86
STONER, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1043
KILGORE, BOMB., Sgt.		landed 1428
THAIN, ENG., S/Sgt.		
ZOBELLE, RADIO, T/Sgt.		
RUPPERT, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
 HARKNESS, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	444th	76
PIERCE, JR, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1043
POINDEXTER, BOMB., Sgt.		landed 1421
HAMMONDREE, ENG., Sgt.		
MCDANIEL, RADIO, Sgt.		
DAY, JE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
 WELBORN, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th (spare)	79
MARTIN, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 1054
TAKALA, BOMB., S/Sgt.		landed 1223
ROEHN, ENG., Cpl.		
VINYARD, RADIO, Cpl.		
PILLING, GUNNER, Cpl.		
 ALDRIDGE, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th (spare)	93
MUSICK, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1055
COLDMAN, BOMB., 1st Lt.		landed 1227
GREEAR, ENG., T/Sgt.		
DINYER, RADIO, Sgt.		
BRADY, GUNNER, Sgt.		
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PETERSON, TN, PILOT, 1st Lt.	2nd Formation 441st	10
LAMPKE, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 1044
INGLE, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed 1422
PERFETTO, NAV., Capt.		
TIETZ, ENG., S/Sgt.		
HEDGES, RADIO, S/Sgt. (TA)		
O'MAHONY, FC, Capt.		

SPRADLING, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	25
MATTISON, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 1044
ANDERSON, BOMB., Lt.		landed 1422
SAVOCAS, NAV., Lt.		
SURABIAN, ENG., S/Sgt.		
ABERNATHY, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
ROUSH, GUNNER, S/Lt.		
REAVIS, FOTO, S/Sgt.		
DOMKE, PILOT, 1st Lt.	441st	11
MCMACHIN, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1045
FERRANDINO, BOMB., 1st Lt.		landed 1422
SIPOREN, NAV., 1st Lt.		
PURCELL, ENG., S/Sgt.		
HILER, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
LUDY, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
TAMOSIUNAS, FOTO, S/Sgt.		
LYONS, PILOT, 1st Lt.	441st	05
SHARP, CO PILOT, Major		took off 1046
WALTER, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed 1423
GARNER, ENG., S/Sgt.		
WEBER, RADIO, T/Sgt.		
TANKERSLEY, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
TORONGO, PILOT, 1st Lt.	441st	03
HERRING, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1046
WILLIAMSON, BOMB., S/Sgt.		landed 1423
LUCHANSKY, ENG., S/Sgt.		
CARRIER, RADIO, Cpl.		
BOSTIC, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
WHITEMAN, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	441st	22
LIVENGOOD, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1047
KINGSBURY, BOMB., 1st Lt.		landed 1423
FEINEN, ENG., Sgt.		
HAVEL, G., RADIO, Sgt.		
TURNER, GUNNER, Cpl.		
NEAL, FOTO, Cpl.		
JONES, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	441st	09
COLTER, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1047
MURRAY, BOMB., 1st Lt.		landed 1424
WRIGHT, ENG., Cpl.		
COOK MG, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
BRODIE, GUNNER, Cpl.		
FORSYTHE, PILOT, 1st Lt.	441st	08
HEDGES, JT, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 1048
SACCO, BOMB., S/Sgt.		landed 1424
HART, ENG., S/Sgt.		
KLOTZ, RADIO, Cpl.		
CRIST, GUNNER, Cpl.		

MCBURNETTE, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	441st	01
ZELLMER, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1048
BIDDLE, BOMB., S/Sgt.		landed 1424
GIBSON, ENG., S/Sgt.		
HAYES, RADIO, MO, Cpl.		
ATEN, GUNNER, Sgt.		
 GILES, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	40
MCCLEUNG, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 1049
HAUN, BOMB., Lt.		landed 1425
BRAIN, NAV., Lt.		
MORROW, ENG., T/Sgt.		
MARSHALL, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
 GUSTAFSON, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	43
GARDNER, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 1049
HERBST, BOMB., Lt.		landed 1425
TEICH, NAV., Lt.		
SHEEHY, ENG., S/Sgt.		
VINE, RADIO, Sgt.		
LEONE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
 FRANKEL, PILOT, F/O	442nd	36
CLEMSON, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 1050
WOODWARD, BOMB., S/Sgt.		landed 1425
FARMER, ENG., Sgt.		
CODER, RADIO, Sgt.		
CRAIG, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
TURPEN, FOTO, S/Sgt.		
 MC LAUGHLIN, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	35
KRIMM, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 1050
OBEID, BOMB., Lt.		landed 1430
WIDAU, ENG., S/Sgt.		
DAWSON, RADIO, Sgt.		
REICHMAN, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
 VILLELLI, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	41
WAUGH, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 1051
YOWELL, BOMB., Lt.		landed 1426
SHEARER, ENG., S/Sgt.		
CHURCH, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
NYE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
 MCNAMARA, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	47
WAGNER, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 1051
HELPAND, BOMB., Lt.		landed 1426
O'CONNOR, ENG., Cpl.		
GLAZER, RADIO, Sgt.		
ORTEGA, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
GRADY, FOTO, Sgt.		

PIERCE, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	44	
SIMPER, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 1052	
CROSS, BOMB., F/O		landed 1426	
FELLER, ENG., S/Sgt.			
FREDETTE, RADIO, S/Sgt.			
MCCOLELLAN, GUNNER, S/Sgt.			
STUTLER, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	39	
GRIFFITH, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 1052	
DEWULF, BOMB., F/O		landed 1427	
WILLIAMS, ENG., Sgt.			
CHASE, RADIO, S/Sgt.			
NORTHCOTT, GUNNER, S/Sgt.			
SMITH, GUNNER, Cpl.			
LEVIN, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	48	
SEMONS, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 1053	
YOUSSI, BOMB., S/Sgt.		landed 1427	
KILSEY, ENG., Cpl.			
CARROLL, RADIO, T/Sgt.			
ALDEN, GUNNER, Cpl.			
WENDELL, GUNNER, S/Sgt.			
GARRETT, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	441st	(Spare)	17
WEY, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.			took off 1053
GRICE, BOMB., Sgt.			landed 12 & 4
MULLIS, ENG., S/Sgt.			
PEELER, RADIO, Cpl.			
KNIGHT, GUNNER, Sgt.			
KOKOLUS, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	(Spare)	45
STEVENS, CO PILOT, F/O			took off 1054
WAGNER, BOMB., Lt.			landed 1232
SWICK, ENG., Cpl.			
PHALEN, RADIO, Cpl.			
BEDFORD, GUNNER, Cpl.			

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