

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

Final Mission Report No. 572.

Flight Commander: Captain Scott.
Lead Pilot : Lt. Steier.

320th Bombardment Group (M).

INGOLSTADT KOSCHING AMMUNITION DUMP, AREA "D" (M/R: (W) T-744279, GSGS 4416, Sheet V-6), Germany.

At 09:03 hours, 20 B-26's took off to bomb Ingolstadt Kosching Ammunition Dump, Area "D" (M/R: (W) T-744279, GSGS 4416, Sheet V-6), Germany. 2 B-26's returned early: spares. Total Sorties: 18. No B-26's were over the target. The formation turned back at 10:59 hours at 12,000' at T-1648, due to complete overcast in the target area. No bombs were salvaged. All bombs were returned to base. No B-26's lost or missing. No B-26's damaged. 18 B-26's returned to base at 12:35 hours.

AIR OBSERVATIONS:

a. Activity:

- (1) 1 S/B U/I a/c at S-9057 at 500' flying East at 10:50 hours.
- (2) F-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:

a. General: 3 Red Cross buildings adjacent to M/Y at Crailsheim S-7162 at 10:41 hours.

b. Communications:

- (1) 100 RR cars at Crailsheim S-7162 at 10:41 hours.
- (2) 50 M/T headed West out of Crailsheim S-7162 at 10:41 hours.

CASUALTIES: None.

No. of A/C TAKING PHOTOS: None.

ROUTE: Base to Spinal V-0454; to Saverne C-7316; to rendezvous with escort at Speyer R-5080; to Crailsheim S-7162; to T-1648; curve right to Crailsheim S-7162; reciprocal course to base.

WEATHER:

- a. Enroute: Scattered stratocumulus, bases 7,000', tops 9,000', becoming 8/10ths East of the Rhine and 10/10ths East of Crailsheim.
- b. Vicinity of and Target Area: 10/10ths stratocumulus, bases 7,000', tops 9,000'. Target covered.
- c. Return: Cloud cover increasing, with stratocumulus moving down from the North.

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RESULTS: None.

SPECIAL COMMENTS: This mission was briefed as visual mission.

Additional Comments: The crew which landed at Y-79, this date, returned to base at 19:00 hours, but left a/c there for engine change. This a/c jettisoned 14 x 260-lb. Frags at S-5866 at 12:00 hours, due to engine trouble.

The a/c which landed at Y-79 on the 17 April, 1945, returned to base at 19:00 hours, this date.

On Final Mission Report No. 573, this date, change the bomb status from No bombs salvoed, to read, 14 x 250-lb. Fragmentation bombs were salvoed at S-5866 at 12:00 hours, due to engine trouble.

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

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02 STELLER
 11 02 Dever DCM
 24 24 Thomas Ferrandino
 09 "B" DIMME
 06 ZELLMER 09 Kingsburg G. BRETT
 22 22 Harick 06 McCreary
 19 "C" JOHNSON
 07 MCBURNETTE 19 Blackaby KAISER
 15 15 Tunnard 07 Biddle
 37 "B" GUSTAFSON
 34 DAVIES 37 Harbst PIERCE
 39 29 Trammell 24 McNeil
 33 "E" PECKHAM
 35 WAUGH 35 Venturino LEVIN
 43 43 Morin 28 Kouski
 44 "F" KOWALIS
 46 TINDALL 44 Conrad BRENNAN
 47 47 Halford 46 Woodward
 35 Spares ~~EXCISE 2 E/R~~ ~~EXCISE 2 E/R~~
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COLORS OF THE DAY for 19 April 1945
 Time Flare Colors Challenge Reply
 0700-0700 YY D M 441st Index No. A163 BNP
 0700-1300 RRR I W 442nd Index No. A166 MBS
 1300-1500 RR O H 443rd Index No. A169 YFA
 1500-0100 RY B Y 444th Index No. A172 IVG
 Cancellation Code: GREEN FELT
 BOMBER VOICE CALL SIGNS: 1st Formation SHORTY 2nd Formation PLOCHES
 WT CALL SIGNS FOR WING 1 NET: 1st Formation MO2 2nd Formation G91
 Control center voice call Signs: Baby and Baggage on Channel "C"
 ghter voice call Signs: 1st Formation-Palooka 2nd Formation Chipmunk
 Check Points: GRILLSHEIM (R7063) YOKE DOLLINSTEIN (T4537) N.N
 TRENCHLINGEN (T3244) TARE

CREWS PARTICIPATING IN MISSION #561 - 19 APRIL 1945.

STEIER, PILOT, 1st Lt.	441st	02
TORONGO, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 0903
DEVER, BOMB., 1st Lt.		landed 1235
O'CONNELL, NAV., 1st Lt.		
STRAND, ENG., S/Sgt.		
HILER, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
SCOTT, FC., Capt.		

DOMKE, PILOT, 1st Lt.	441st	11
KAMINECKI, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 0903
FERRANDINO, BOMB., 1st Lt.		landed 1236
BADER, NAV., 1st Lt.		
LEWIS, ENG., T/Sgt.		
CARRIER, RADIO, Cpl.		
STRAND, GUNNER, Cpl.		
POTTS, FOTO, S/Sgt.		

FORSYTHE, PILOT, 1st Lt.	441st	24
BRIESCHKE, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 0904
THOMAS, BOMB., Cpl.		landed 1236
HART, ENG., S/Sgt.		
HEDGES, RADIO, S/Sgt. (TA)		
TAMOSIUNAS, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
BRODIE, GUNNER, Cpl.		

DINOME, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	441st	09
WEY, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0904
KINGSBURY, BOMB., 1st Lt.		landed 1236
WASH, ENG., S/Sgt.		
WITTEN, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
VAN DYKE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		

GARRETT, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	441st	06
REISDORFF, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0905
MCCREARY, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed 1237
FAIR, ENG., S/Sgt.		
GALDIANO, RADIO, Sgt.		
KNIGHT, GUNNER, Sgt.		

ZELMER, PILOT, 1st Lt.	441st	22
MCKENZIE, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0905
RARICK, BOMB., Cpl.		landed 1237
MULLIS, ENG., S/Sgt.		
PEELER, RADIO, Cpl.		
FRITCHETT, GUNNER, Cpl.		
REAVIS, FOTO, S/Sgt.		

JOHNSON, WE., PILOT, 2nd Lt.	441st	19
JANER, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 0906
BLACKERBY, BOMB., F/O		landed 1238
WILLIAMS, DY, ENG., Cpl.		
SATTERWHITE, RADIO, Cpl.		
WOJTHEWICZ, GUNNER, Cpl.		

KAISER, PILOT, 1st Lt.	441st	07
HEDGES, CO PILOT, F/O (JT)		took off 0906
BIDDLE, BOMB., S/Sgt.		landed 1238
TIETZ, ENG., S/Sgt.		
SMITH, PG., RADIO, Cpl.		
LANE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
 MCBURNETTE, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	 441st	 15
GEIGER, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 0907
TUNNARD, BOMB., F/O		landed 1239
MCHIDE, ENG., Cpl.		
DRAKE, RADIO, Cpl.		
HOWLINGCRAME, GUNNER, Cpl.		
 GUSTAFSON, PILOT, Lt.	 442nd	 37
MOCLUNG, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 0907
HERBST, BOMB., Lt.		landed 1239
HOOD, NAV., Lt.		
SHEEHY, ENG., S/Sgt.		
VINE, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
LEONE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
 PIERCE, PILOT, Lt.	 442nd	 34
WITHERS, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 0908
YOWELL, BOMB., Lt.		landed 1240
TEICH, NAV., Lt.		
MARSIO, ENG., Cpl.		
FREDETTE, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
MCCLELLAN, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
WORKING, OBS., S/Sgt.		
 DAVIES, PILOT, Lt.	 442nd	 39
SHEEHAN, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 0908
TRAMMELL, BOMB., F/O		landed 1240
MIDDLEBROOKS, ENG., Sgt.		
HARRIS, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
HURBACE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
NEAL, FOTO, Sgt.		
 PECKHAM, PILOT, Lt.	 442nd	 33
HUMBERT, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 0909
VENTURINO, BOMB., Lt.		landed 1241
LUKER, ENG., Cpl.		
STACY, RADIO, Cpl.		
DANIELS, GUNNER, Sgt.		
 LEVIN, PILOT, Lt.	 442nd	 38
SHOLL, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 0909
YOUSSEI, BOMB., S/Sgt.		landed 1241
KILSEY, ENG., Sgt.		
MOORING, RADIO, Cpl.		
ROUSH, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		

WAUGH, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	43	
SIMPER, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off	0910
MORIN, BOMB., F/O		landed	1243
PATRICK, ENG., Cpl.			
KNAPP, RADIO, Cpl.			
DURHAM, GUNNER, Sgt.			
PETRO, GUNNER, Sgt.			
KOKOLUS, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	44	
WAGNER, RC., CO PILOT, F/O		took off	0910
OBEID, BOMB., Lt.		landed	1243
MORGAN, ENG., Cpl.			
SIELER, RADIO, S/Sgt.			
ORTEGA, GUNNER, S/Sgt.			
BRENNAN, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	46	
GRIFFITH, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off	0911
WOODWARD, BOMB., S/Sgt.		landed	1243
FARMER, ENG., Sgt.			
NEWTON, RADIO, S/Sgt.			
CHAPMAN, GUNNER, S/Sgt.			
ADLEN, GUNNER, Cpl.			
TISDALE, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	47	
CLEMONS, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off	0911
HELFAND, BOMB., Lt.		landed	1244
WILLIAMS, ENG., Sgt.			
RENICK, RADIO, S/Sgt.			
PHALEN, GUNNER, Cpl.			
DEMSEKI, GUNNER, S/Sgt.			
LIGHTFOOT, PILOT, Lt.	442nd (Spare)	35	
MATSON, CO PILOT, F/O	early	took off	0912
KOTERSKI, BOMB., Lt.		landed	1131
REILLY, ENG., Cpl.			
STROTER, RADIO, Cpl.			
VANACKEREN, GUNNER, Cpl.			
GRONIS, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	441st (Spare)	08	
CRAWFORD, CO PILOT, F/O	early	took off	0912
WALTER, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed	1129
FEINEN, ENG., Sgt.			
CRIST, RADIO, Cpl.			
DIETRICK, PP, GUNNER, Sgt.			