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

D-G-2

30 April 1945.

Final Mission Report No. 591.

Flight Commander: Lt. Col. Hayward.
Lead Pilot : Lt. Schrantz.

320th Bombardment Group (M).

TROOP CONCENTRATIONS, AREA "I", ILE D'OLERON (M/R: (V) T-215035, GSGS 4249, Sheet 6M), France.

At 14:03 hours, 19 B-26's took off to bomb Troop Concentrations, Area "I", Ile D'Oleron, (M/R: (V) T-215035, GSGS 4249, Sheet 6M), France. 1 B-26 returned early: oil congealed. Total Sorties: 18. 18 B-26's were over the Primary target and 18 B-26's dropped 2,160 x 20-lb. Fragmentation bombs on the Primary target at 16:54 hours from 13,100' to 12,100' on an Axis of 67°T (briefed Axis - 60°T; drift correction - none; evasive action - loss of altitude). 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 18:44 hours.

AIR OBSERVATIONS: 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: 2.

ROUTE: Same as Report No. 585, this date.

WEATHER: Same as Report No. 589, this date.

RESULTS: Through a small break in the clouds, crews saw that the bombs of the 1st Squadron covered the target with a good pattern, while the bombs of the 2nd Squadron landed slightly South and to the right.

SPECIAL COMMENTS: This was a "BAT" mission.

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

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WETZEL, PILOT, Lt.	441	14
REISDORF, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 14:07
RARICK, BOMB., Cpl. 9		landed 18:39
DIETRICK, ENG., Cpl.		
BOWIE, GUNNER, Cpl.		
WYNOTT, PHOTO, T/Sgt.		
JOHNSON, PILOT, Lt.	441	19
LOAR, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 14:07
MC KINLEY, BOMB., Lt.		landed 18:39
WILLIAMS, ENG., Cpl.		
STRAND, RADIO, Cpl.		
WOJTHEWICZ, GUNNER, Cpl.		
LAMPKE, PILOT, Lt.	441	08
BRIESCHKE, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 14:19
ATEN, BOMB., Sgt.		landed 18:39
HART, ENG., S/Sgt.		
KLOTZ, RADIO, Cpl.		
BRODIE, GUNNER, Cpl.		
GEIGER, PILOT, F/O	441	12
WHITE, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 14:10
CHAPMAN, BOMB., Lt.		landed 18:40
WASH, ENG., S/Sgt.		
WITEN, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
VAN DYKE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
LANK, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
RAMSEY, PILOT, Lt.	441	01
WEY, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 14:00
MC CREARY, BOMB., Lt.		landed 18:36
GIBSON, ENG., S/Sgt.		
CONRAD, RADIO, Sgt.		
CALDERONI, GUNNER, Cpl.		
ZELLER, PILOT, Lt.	441	22
HERRING, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 14:08
GRICE, BOMB., SSgt.		landed 18:40
FEINEN, ENG., Sgt.		
SCOTT, RADIO, Cpl.		
NEIRA, GUNNER, Sgt.		

WHITEMAN, PILOT, Lt.	441	06
BLACK, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 14:02
ELMAN, BOMB., Lt.		landed 18:40
MCBRIDE, ENG., Cpl.		
FITZGERALD, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
FRITCHETT, GUNNER, Cpl.		
REAVIS, PHOTO, S/Sgt.		
COLTER, PILOT, Lt.	441	13
RICE, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 14:20
BLACKERBY, BOMB., F/O		landed 18:39
MORRIS, ENG., Cpl.		
HAVEL, RADIO, Sgt.		
BOWER, GUNNER, Sgt.		
DOMKE, PILOT, Lt.	441	11
BOLTON, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 14:06
FERRANDINO, BOMB., Lt.		landed 18:35
BADER, NAV., Lt.		
LEWIS, ENG., T/Sgt.		
DALTON, RADIO, T/Sgt.		
HOWLINGCRANE, GUNNER, Cpl.		
BILLINGTON, GUNNER, T/Sgt.		
O'BRIEN, PILOT, Lt.	441	24
JANER, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 14:10
ERICKSON, BOMB., F/O		landed 18:41
LUCANSKY, ENG., S/Sgt.		
HAYES, RADIO, Cpl.		
SMITH, GUNNER, Cpl.		
CRIST, GUNNER, Sgt.		
MC GAFFIN, PILOT, Lt.	441	11
CRAWFORD, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 14:02
MURRAY, BOMB., Lt.		landed 18:37
MULLIS, ENG., S/Sgt.		
PEELER, RADIO, Cpl.		
KNIGHT, GUNNER, Sgt.		
SHARP, Pilot, MAJOR	441	07
LEKUS, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 14:09
WALTER, BOMB., Lt.		landed 18:40
PAGEL, ENG., T/Sgt.		
WEBER, RADIO, T/Sgt.		
NORBERG, GUNNER, Sgt.		
SCHRANTZ, PILOT, Lt.	441	10
COCKRIEL, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 14:03
LIEVER, BOMB., Lt.		landed 18:34
PERFETTO, NAV., Capt.		
WYATT, ENG., T/Sgt.		
HEBGES, RADIO, T/Sgt.		
HAYWARD, F. C. Lt. Col.		

CREWS PARTICIPATING IN MISSION NUMBER 577 30 APRIL 1945

MC KENZIE, PILOT, Lt.	441	20
KAMINECKI, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 14:11 +
WILLIAMSON, BOMB., S/Sgt.		landed 18:36 +
LEBGOLD, ENG., Sgt.		
CARRIER, RADIO, Cpl.		
SATTERWHITE, GUNNER, Cpl.		
SHERWOOD, PILOT, Lt.	44A	10
BOBLITT, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 14:04
EMMONS, BOMB., Lt.		landed 18:34 +
MIRABELLA, NAV., Lt.		
TAMOSIUMAS, ENG., S/Sgt.		
FEATHERSTON, RADIO, Cpl.		
BOSTIC, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
NEAL, PHOTO, Sgt.		
O'MAHONEY, PILOT, Capt.	441	02
SCHAUM, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 14:13
VANCE, BOMB., Lt.		landed 18:31 +
BURGER, NAV., Lt.		
FRAZIER, ENG., Cpl.		
SMITH, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
MC MAKIN, PILOT, Lt.	441	06
BAKER, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 14:11 +
TUNNARD, BOMB., F/O		landed 17:06
EVANS, ENG., Cpl.		
SLADE, RADIO, Cpl.		
GOERING, GUNNER, Cpl.		
KAISER, PILOT, Lt.	441	01
GRONIS, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 0
THOMAS, BOMB., Lt.		landed
GARNER, ENG., Sgt.		
SUPANICK, RADIO, Sgt.		
TURNER, Sgt. GUNNER.		
JONES, PILOT, Lt.	441	10
LIVENGOOD, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 14:04 +
MARTINSON, BOMB., S/Sgt.		landed 18:36
BRYANT, ENG., Sgt.		
SONDHEIMER, GUNNER, Sgt.		
OLENDER, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
KRON, PHOTO, Cpl.		
CAMPBELL, PILOT, Col.	441	02
HEDGES, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 14:26
POSEY, BOMB., Lt.		landed 18:35 +
WRIGHT, ENG., Sgt.		
TATE, RADIO, F/Sgt.		
TAFLIN, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		

Early Return.

No Take off.

MISSION No. 578 Flight Commander Lt. Col. Hayward 30 April 1945

Runway Line Up

10		SCHLANTZ	
16	DOLFE	10 Leiver	SHELDON
11	Ferrandine		16 Evans
05	"B"	G. FBELL	
07	JONES	05 Posoy	12 McNis
18	Martinson		17 Thomas
01	"C"	ALLEN	
17	COLTER	01 McGreary	McGUFFIN
15	Blackerby		17 Murray
03	"B"	CLARK	
03	WHEEL	02 Vance	LAJKE
14	W. P. P. P.		08 Aten
19	"B"	JONESON	
06	W. P. P. P.	19 McKinley	Zellert
07	W. P. P. P.		22 Grice
07	W. P. P. P.	Sharp	
07	W. P. P. P.	09 Walter	O'BALAN
10	W. P. P. P.		24 Erickson
06	W. P. P. P.	06 Compel	McKENSLIE
06	W. P. P. P.	24 Turnard	20 Williamson

COLORS OF THE DAY FOR 30 APRIL 1945 - Lt. General A/T AUTHENTICATION

TIME	FLAMES	CHALLENGE	REPLY	441st Index No.	442nd Index No.	443rd Index No.	444th Index No.	Cancellation code word	TUG BOAT
0100-0700	YER	S	F	441st Index No. 163	442nd Index No. 166	443rd Index No. 169	444th Index No. 172		
0700-1300	Red	L							
1300-1900	Red	"	X						
1900-0100	Red	Y	I						

Bombard C.I.I. SIGNS: STOVEPIPE

A/T call signs for Wing 1 Net 186

Ground Station controller (Bomber): "Baltimore on Channel 465 (116.1 Megacycles) and 6440 Kcs.

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960
120
1160