

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

D-MS-2

♦ May 1945.

Final Mission Report No. 594.

Flight Commander: Major West.
Lead Pilot : Lt. Halbert.

320th Bombardment Group (M).

GUN POSITION ON ILE D'OLERON (N/R: (V) T-165176, GGS 4249, sheet 6M), France.

At 06:55 hours, 19 B-26's took off to bomb Gun Position on Ile D'Oléron (N/R: (V) T-165176, GGS 4249, Sheet 6M), France. 1 B-26 returned to base early: engineering. Total Sorties: 18. 18 B-26's were over the target at 09:16 hours at 12,900' on an Axis of 290°T on the first bomb run, and made a second bomb run at 09:45 hours from 10,200' and dropping down to 6,000' on an Axis of 70°T (briefed Axis - 60°T; drift correction - 10° right; evasive action - none), and the formation did not drop any bombs on the target. No bombs were salvoed. All bombs were returned to base. No B-26's lost or missing. No B-26's damaged. 17 B-26's returned to base at 09:09 hours, on 2 May 1945, after landing at Cognac, due to weather conditions and fuel supply. 1 B-26 remained at Cognac, due to battery trouble.

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: None.

ROUTE: See Report No. 593, 1 May 1945: add after the first bomb-run; formation broke left and made a 360° turn to reset "BAT" equipment and then made 2nd bomb-run to the target; broke left to Coubre Point; to Cognac; to Angouleme; to Limoges; to Cognac, where formation remained over night and returned on 2 May 1945.

WEATHER: Same as Report No. 593, 1 May 1945.

RESULTS: None.

SPECIAL COMMENTS: None.

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Group Intelligence Officer.

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SUBJECT: Photos.

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

The following is the location of the cameras of the formation as over the target (Ile d'Oleron, France), of this Group, this date.

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The following ships Nos 25, and 42, pictures were printed

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Gp. S-2

CREWS PARTICIPATING IN MISSION NUMBER, 580 1 MAY 1942

HALBERT, PILOT, Lt.	443	0000 TOOK OFF 06:55 landed
WEST, CO PILOT, & F.O. Maj.		
PRIGMORE, BOMB., Lt.		
LOWERY, NAV., Lt.		
SHEW, ENG., S/Sgt.		
YOUNG, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
<i>all AK landed at Cognac 443 return 2-May -</i>		
BETHMAN, PILOT, Lt.		08 TOOK OFF 06:55+ landed
BIRDWELL, CO PILOT, Lt.		
LIMSEYDEN, BOMB., Lt.		
STUEMLE, NAV., F/O		
VAKHOS, ENG., Sgt.		
HANSHAW, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
LAFORENNEZ, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
DEVAUGHEN, PHOTO, S/Sgt.		
DAILEY, PILOT, Lt.	443	70 TOOK OFF 06:56 landed
NEBBITT, CO PILOT, F/O		
MIAZGA, BOMB., Lt.		
BOY, NAV., Lt.		
WENDT, ENG., S/Sgt.		
JOHNSON, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
HAFER, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
NEXTON, PILOT, Capt.	443	71 TOOK OFF 06:56+ landed 07:44
BUFFETT, CO PILOT, Lt.		
HOGAN, BOMB., F/O		
WILLIAMS, ENG., S/Sgt.		
VANCE, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
POIKE, GUNNER, Sgt.		
PHILLIPS, PILOT, Lt. C.B.	443	72 TOOK OFF 06:57 landed
VOROS, CO PILOT, F/O		
KATZMAN, BOMB., Lt.		
SLOANE, ENG., S/Sgt.		
ROSS, RADIO, Sgt.		
SCOGGINS, GUNNER, Sgt.		
JONES, PILOT, Lt.	443	73 TOOK OFF 06:57+
STRATTON, CO PILOT, Lt.		landed
LOUGHRIE, BOMB., F/O		
MARGOLIS, ENG., S/Sgt.		
SHEUMAKER, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
RODE, GUNNER, Sgt.		
BURGESS, PHOTO, S/Sgt.		
MC DONALD, PILOT, Capt.	443	02 TOOK OFF 06:58 landed
JOHANSEN, CO PILOT, F/O		
NEWBURY, BOMB., Lt.		
HARMON, ENG., S/Sgt.		
DICKINSON, RADIO, Capt.		
KES, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		

MEERAN, PILOT, Lt.	443	51 took off 06:58+ landed
HARRISON, CO PILOT, Lt.		
GOOCH, BOMB., S/Sgt.		
DEVLIN, ENG., S/Sgt.		
WAYMIRE, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
DOUGLASS, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
 JUMPER, PILOT, Lt.	443	57 took off 06:59 landed
ANDREWS, CO PILOT, Lt.		
GREENE, BOMB., Lt.		
DZIENISZ, ENG., S/Sgt.		
GRAHAM, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
SCHWARTZ, GUNNER, Sgt.		
 TOWNSEND, PILOT Lt.	443	67 took off 07:00+ landed
CLARK, CO PILOT, Lt.		
HOLLAND, BOMB., Lt.		
KAPLAN, NAV., F/O		
PINGEL, SAG., S/Sgt.		
LENKIEWICZ, RADIO, Sgt.		
ALLEN, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
 DUANE, PILOT, Lt.	443	64 took off 07:02 landed
PERRY, CO PILOT, Lt.		
TRAFTON, BOMB., F/O		
ANDERSON, ENG., S/Sgt.		
MOTSENBOCKER, RADIO, T/Sgt..		
CUMBER, GUNNER, Sgt.		
 POOR, PILOT, Lt.	443	53 took off 07:02+ landed
RULEY, CO PILOT, F/O		
CZECHOWITZ, BOMB., S/Sgt.		
WOOLRIDGE, ENG., Sgt.		
FREUDIGER, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
OBLEY, GUNNER, Sgt.		
CARROLL, PHOTO, Sgt.		
 COOK, PILOT, Lt.	443	51 took off 07:03 landed
CALLAHAN, CO PILOT, Lt.		
HACKNEY, BOMB., Lt.		
BROOKS, ENG., S/Sgt.		
CITTI, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
CASSEY, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
 LIVSEY, PILOT, Lt.	443	69 TOOK OFF 07:03+ landed
HUDSPETH, CO PILOT,		
DILL, BOMB., F/O		
FIELDS, ENG., S/Sgt.		
MILLS, RADIO, Sgt.		
SHOLLENBERGER, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
 SMITH, PILOT, Lt.	443	54 took off 07:04 landed
RIEBE, CO PILOT, Lt.		
GUNN, BOMB., F/O		
AVERY, ENG., Sgt.		
HERREMA, RADIO, Sgt.		
HUMPERIES, GUNNER, Sgt.		
SLATER, PHOTO, S/Sgt.		

LOBECK, PILOT, Lt.	443	28
BLASKO, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 07:04*
KLOZINSKI, BOMB., F/O		landed
EWERS, ENG., Sgt.		
SELLSAY, RADIO, Sgt.		
PERKINSON, GUNNER, Sgt.		
SCOTT, PILOT, Lt.	444/3	52
SHADLE, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 07:05*
THOMPSON, BOMB., S/Sgt.		landed
WATHEN, ENG., S/Sgt.		
HEAVENER, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
LAWRENCE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
BOLL, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
WATKINS, PILOT, Lt.	443	72
MORELAND, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 07:05*
CHRISTRUPZ, BOMB., F/O		landed
OEHKLE, ENG., S/Sgt.		
KNOTT, RADIO, T/Sgt.		
CHARLETON, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
PECK, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
SYMONS, PILOT, 1st Lt.	442	40
LARSEN, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 07:21
CHAMBERLAIN, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed
DROHER, ENG., T/Sgt.		
STACY, RADIO GUNNER, Cpl.		
UMSCHEID, AERIAL GUNNER, Cpl.		

MISSION NO. 56J

Runway Line Up

Fighter Commander Major West May 1945

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<u>MARY</u>	<u>H. LEFORT</u>	<u>DETHORN</u>
<u>T. Dodge</u>	<u>66 Frijmore</u>	<u>N.</u>
<u>JONES</u>	<u>TONY JR</u>	<u>PHILLIPS</u>
<u>19 Loughridge</u>	<u>71 Nagan</u>	<u>52 Katarin</u>
<u>JUN-Pat</u>	<u>LEONARD</u>	
<u>27 Greene</u>	<u>62 Newbury</u>	<u>Leslie N.</u>
<u>POON</u>	<u>TONYANT</u>	<u>61 Gooch</u>
<u>53 Czechowitz</u>	<u>67 Holland</u>	<u>DU Nis</u>
	<u>COOK</u>	<u>64 Trafton</u>
<u>SMITH</u>	<u>51 Hackney</u>	<u>LIVSEY</u>
<u>54 Gunn</u>		<u>69 Till</u>
	<u>LOCK</u>	
<u>WATKINS</u>	<u>58 Kłodzinski</u>	<u>SCOTT</u>
<u>72 Christrup</u>		<u>65 Thompson</u>
	<u>SACIOMS</u>	

BOMB C. CALL SIGNS: BLUES-X

R/T Call Signs for Wing 1 Nat: UTS

Ground Station Controller (Bomber): "Baltimore" on Channel 405 (116.1 megacycles
and 4400 Kcs)

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...IN GROUND R/T AUTHENTICATION

Time	Flares Challenge Reply	441st Index No.	.663	GFM
0100-0700	Yan	442nd Index No.	.665	SNC
0700-1300	At	443rd Index No.	.668	CER
1300-1900	At	444th Index No.	.672	KUV
1900-0100	At			

Cancellation code word: MILK.JUN

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