

# SECRET

HEADQUARTERS 320TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)  
Office of the Group Intelligence Officer  
NATOUA A.P.O. 520

## Intelligence Narrative No. 13 Day Operation 8 May 1943

Seven B-26's of the 320th Bombardment Group took off this morning (on the second mission of the day) on a sea sweep to Cavagnana Islands. One B-26 (S) returned early. Two ships were seen; entire formation made a pass at the vessels but before bombs were dropped, red crosses were sighted on each of the two white boats; no bombs were dropped.

Route: This base to 37° 30' N, 09° 30' E; 37° 15' N, 11° 05' E; Favignana Island; 37° 35' N, 12° 20' E; 36° 25' N, 10° 55' E; Sidi bou Ali; this base.

Chronology: Bombers took off between 10:00 hrs., and 10:30 hours; rendezvous this base; on course 10:08 hours; no bombs dropped; down this base between 13:08 hours and 13:11 hours.

Bombs: 21 x 300 lb demolition bombs, 4 second delay tail fuse. 21 x 300 lb. bombs returned this base.

Results: No bombs dropped; no suitable target sighted.

Flak: Slight heavy flak encountered from Cape Mamoura at 1200 hours at 3000 ft. altitude. Accurate for altitude, inaccurate in deflection.

Enemy A/C: None.

Observations: Two white ships were observed at 37° 0' N, 11° 38' E from an altitude of 200 ft. at 11:42 hours. Red crosses painted clearly on each of the two white ships indicated that they were hospital ships.

Weather: Low scattered clouds at 1500 ft; slight haze and occasional showers off the coast of Sicily. On the return flight, it was evident that a front was building up off Cape Bon advancing towards Sicily.

Comments: None.

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Mission No. 17

8 May 1943

Take-off - 0845

RED

MCCRORY  
959

TOWNS  
981

GOODSON  
024

BLUE

MORLEY  
980

LADD  
009

HALLOWELL  
013

SPARE

URNER  
061

Colors of the Day: Attached.  
Radio: Bomber - BULLFROG  
FIGHTER - PONGO

Emergency Fields:  
Bone and Telergma  
(Hospital Units)

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CREW NO. AND PERSONNEL	SQUADRON	PLANE NO
# 3 MC CRORY, PILOT, FLIGHT LEADER, Capt. BAGL, CO, PILOT, 2nd Lt. SHRYOCK, NB, 2nd Lt. SCHWEIKHARD, RADIO GUNNER, T/SGT REYES, ENGINEER GUNNER, SGT. HURT, AERIAL GUNNER, S/SGT	444th	959
# 8 GOODSON, PILOT, 1st Lt. LUMPKIN, CO, PILOT, 2nd Lt. PORTER, ENGINEER GUNNER, S/SGT HANSEN, AERIAL GUNNER, SGT.	444th	024
# 7 TOWNS, PILOT, 1st Lt. PERRY, CO, PILOT, 1st Lt. DE DANTIS, RADIO GUNNER, T/SGT CHOUINARD, AERIAL GUNNER, CPL.	444th	981
# 10 HALLOWELL, PILOT, 1st Lt. COULTER, CO, PILOT, 2nd Lt. <del>ETZEL</del> ETZEL, ENGINEER GUNNER, S/SGT. MORROCCO, AERIAL GUNNER, S/SGT	444th	013
# 10 MORLEY, PILOT, 1st Lt. BAYRAMIAN, CO, PILOT, Lt. CALDWELL, ENGINEER GUNNER, S/SGT MARTIN, AERIAL GUNNER, T/SGT	442nd	980
# 13. LADD, PILOT, 1st Lt. MONROE, CO, PILOT, Lt. STANDER, EG. SGT. GRIFFIN, AERIAL GUNNER, PVT.	442nd	009
# 16, URNER, PILOT, 1st Lt. ENGLISH, <del>CO</del> CO, PILOT, 2nd Lt. VAUGHAN, ENGINEER GUNNER, S/SGT MONAGHAN, AERIAL GUNNER, SGT.	444th	061

note LT. COL GREGORY WAS FLIGHT COMMANDER  
TOOK OFF 0951  
LANDED 1311

NOTE, COL, GALE, OBSERVER,  
TOOK OFF 0951/30  
LANDED 1309

TOOK OFF 0952  
LANDED 1307/30

TOOK OFF 0953  
LANDED 1310

TOOK OFF, 1000  
LANDED 1309

TOOK OFF 0953/30  
LANDED 1310

TOOK OFF, 0954,  
LANDED,

*Simon*

*Spence*