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HEADQUARTERS 320TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)
Office of the Group Intelligence Officer
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Intelligence Narrative No. 26, Day Operation 30 May 1943

Eighteen B-26's of the 320th Bombardment Group (M) took off this afternoon to bomb three gun positions at Pantelleria, Sicily. (BB and C9 2-A-BA; 17000620 on GNS 4163, 1:25,000) They were escorted by B-26's of the 82nd Fighter Group. One B-26 returned early because of engine trouble. The targets were bombed successfully. Seventeen B-26's returned safely to this base.

Route: 70°T for 243 miles from this base 37° 02' N, 12° 03' E; target run (205°T for 15 miles); 260°T for 230 miles to this base.

Bombs: 54 x 1,000 lb. Demolition bombs, 1/10 nose, .025 second delay tail fuse, were carried by 18 B-26's. 3 x 1,000 lb. Demolition bombs were returned to this base in the plane which returned early. 51 x 1,000 lb. Demolition bombs were dropped on the target.

Chronology: Bombers took off between 13:35 and 13:44; rendezvous 13:25; on course 13:55; over target 15:05; down between 16:35 and 16:45.

Results: Direct hits scored on each of the three targets; batteries destroyed.

Flak: Slight to moderate heavy flak, inaccurate. No flak positions noted.

Observations: 1 TLE, 2 S/P's, 8 very small craft in east part of harbor; 14 small craft and 1 TLE in west part of harbor, at 15:05, from 10,000 feet.

Comments: None.

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MISSION NO. 31

30 May 1943

Take-off

FLIGHT COMMANDER - Maj. PARSONS
DEPUTY FLIGHT COMMANDER - Capt. CHASE

"A"

RED "A"

HAYWARD
765

KARLOWITZ
874

SONIAT
002

BLUE "A"

RILEY
034

MILLER
189

PERRY
061

"B"

RED "B"

BURNS
013

DIXTER
853

WORTHINGTON
292

BLUE "B"

DAVIS
074

HALLOWELL
959

SEIGART
798

"C"

RED "C"

GRAVIS
763

SWALL
027

CALHOUN
780

BLUE "C"

INGALLS
077

ROSS
186

MILLER
958

S P A R E S

GORDILL
056

BURNS
842

RADIO: CHANNEL "A"

BOMBER CALL : CROCODILE
FIGHTER CALL : TIN CAN

EMERGENCY FIELDS:

SOUK EL NHEMIS (Hospital Units)
SOUK EL ARBA

COLORS OF THE DAY ATTACHED:

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TAKE OFF

NAMES AND CREWS WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE RAID ON ARTILLERY BATTERY'S ON PANTELLERIA.

CREW NO. # 4

SQUADRON 441st

Plane No.

074

Karlowitz, Pilot, 1st Lt. ✓

Took off 1335

Crotty, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt. ✓

Landed at 1635

Ozuk, Navigator, Captain, ✓

Flight commander Major Parsons, was on this ship.

Shevelson, Bombardier, 1st Lt. ✓

Fishman, Engineer gunner, S/sgt. ✓

Cofiell, Radio Gunner, T/sgt. ✓

Trotter, Aerial gunner, S/sgt. ✓

Crew N. 16

441st

002

Sonait, Pilot, 1st Lt. ✓

Took off 1335/30

Barker, Co, Pilot, 1st Lt. ✓

Landed at 1635/30

Decasaus, Bombardier, Sgt. ✓

Seabloom, Engineer Gunner, S/sgt. ✓

Lidicker, Radio gunner, Cpl. ✓

Kleinschmidt, Aerial gunner, Cpl. ✓

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441st

765

Hayward, Pilot, 1st Lt. ✓

Took off 1336

Walker, Co, Pilot, 1st Lt. ✓

Landed at 1636

Tapp, Bombardier, 1st Lt. ✓

Sgt. Null was on this plane as Photographer

O'keefe, Engineer gunner, Sgt. ✓

Appelton, Radio Gunner, T/sgt. ✓

Dickinson, Aerial gunner, S/sgt. ✓

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441st

189

Miller, Pilot, captain, ✓

Horras, Co, Pilot, Captain. ✓

Took off 1336/30

McGeever, Navigator, 2nd Lt. ✓

Landed at 1636/30

Allen, Bombardier, 1st Lt. ✓

Colonel Hilger was on this ship as observer.

Dahl, Engineer gunner, S/sgt. ✓

Patzke, Radio Gunner, T/sgt. ✓

Steele, Aerial gunner, Cpl. ✓

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444th

061

Perry, Pilot, 1st Lt. ✓

Took off 1337

Edwards, Co, Pilot, 1st Lt. ✓

Landed at 1637

Wells, Engineer gunner, Pfc. ✓

Dean, Radio Gunner, S/sgt. ✓

Tucker, Aerial gunner, pvt. ✓

Ott, Navigator Bombardier, 2nd Lt. ✓

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441st

034

Riley, Pilot, 2nd Lt. ✓

Church, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt. ✓

Took off 1337/30

Brosi, Bombardier, S/sgt. ✓

Landed at 1637/30

Dolan, Engineer gunner, Sgt. ✓

Mokov, Radio gunner, S/sgt. ✓

Martz, Aerial gunner, Sgt. ✓

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444th

853

Deiter, Pilot, Captain, ✓

Nash, Co, Pilot, 1st Lt. ✓

Holt, Observer, Captain, ✓

Collins, Radio Gunner, T/sgt. ✓

Stephens, Bombardier, 1st Lt. ✓

Harrison, Aerial gunner, Cpl. ✓

1338 1641

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Crew no. and Personnel	Squadron,	Plane No.
# 3 Worthington, Pilot, 1st Lt. ✓ Caffey, Co, Pilot, F/O ✓ Breeding, Bombardier, S.sgt. ✓ Morne, Engineer gunner, Sgt. ✓ Teeter, Aerial gunner, S/sgt. ✓ Sewell, Radio Gunner, S.sgt. ✓	444	292 Took off 1338/30 Landed at 1641/30
# 1 Burns, Pilot, 1st Lt. ✓ Taylor, Co-Pilot, 1st Lt. ✓ Rickless, Bombardier 1st Lt. ✓ Snebold, Engineer gunner T/Sgt. ✓ Smith, Radio gunner T/Sgt. ✓ Petroski, Aerial gunner M/Sgt. ✓	444	980 Took off 1339 Landed at 1642
# 10 Hallowell, Pilot, 1st Lt. ✓ Horneberger, Co-Pilot, 2nd Lt. ✓ Ditmar, Bombardier, 2nd Lt. ✓ Etsel, Engineer gunner S/Sgt. ✓ Bourgault, Aerial gunner S/Sgt. ✓ Lenz, Radio gunner T/Sgt. ✓	444	959 Took off 1339/30 Landed at 1643
# 14 Swigart, Pilot, 1st Lt. ✓ Coleman, F/O ✓ Dufour, Bombardier ✓ Stone, Engineer gunner S/Sgt. ✓ Lacerva, Radio gunner S/Sgt. ✓ O'Connell, Aerial gunner Sgt. ✓	443	798 Took off 1340 Landed at 1643/30
# 13 Davis, Pilot, 1st Lt. ✓ Young, Co-Pilot, 1st Lt. ✓ Abeln, Bombardier, 2nd Lt. ✓ Dunn, Engineer gunner S/Sgt. ✓ Hogan, Radio gunner Sgt. ✓ Covert, Aerial gunner, Sgt. ✓	442	074 Took off 1340/30 Landed at 1644
# 3 Swall, Pilot 1st Lt. ✓ Brown, Co-Pilot ✓ Aridis, Bombardier 2nd Lt. ✓ Grove, Navigator, Captain ✓ Williams, Engineer gunner, S/sgt. ✓ Lewis, Radio Gunner, S/sgt. ✓ Mogntain, Aerial gunner, T/sgt. ✓	443rd Captain Chase, Observer,	027 Took off 1341 Landed at 1638
# 3 Calhoun, Pilot, 1st Lt. ✓ Wilbur, Co, Pilot, 1st Lt. ✓ Thompson, Navigator Bombardier, S/sgt. ✓ Smith, Engineer gunner, Sgt. ✓ Clarke, Aerial gunner, Sgt. ✓ Martin, Radio gunner, T/sgt. ✓	443rd	780 Took off 1341/30 Landed at 1645

Crew no. And Personnel:	Squadron	Plane No.
# 12	443rd	763
Graves, Pilot, 1st Lt.	La Forest, Was Photographer on this	
Bracken, Co, Pilot, 1st Lt.	plane.	
Kimbro, Navigator Bombardier, Sgt.		Took off 1342
Pierce, Engineer gunner, Sgt.		Landed at 1638/30
Miles, Radio gunner, S/sgt.		
Yim, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		

# 3	442nd	186
Lt, Ross, Pilot, 1st Lt.		
Thompson, Co, Pilot, 1st Lt.		Took off 1342/30
Beatty, Navigator Bombardier,		Landed at 1639
Gandy, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.	Captain Sims was observer on this plane	
Williams, Radio Gunner, Sgt.		
Moberly, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		

#	442nd	858bb 958
Miller, Pilot, 1st Lt.		
Bougher, Co, Pilot, P/O		Took off 1343
Payton, Navigator Bombardier, Lt.		Landed at 1639/30
Elegen, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Canlon, Radio gunner, Sgt.		
Eden, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		

# 2	442nd	087
Ingalls, Pilot, 1st Lt.		
De, Fan, Co, Pilot, 1st Lt.		
Baker, Navigator Bombardier, S/sgt.	<i>Early</i>	Took off 1342q
Burgess, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		Landed at 1610
Siegel, Radio gunner,		
Gunning, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		

# 14	442nd	056
Cordill, Pilot, Captain,		
Chandler, Co, Pilot, 1st Lt.		Took off 1344
Thornhardt, Navigator Bombardier, Lt.		Landed 1550
Wall, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.	<i>Spare</i>	
Trupka Trupka, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Baronet, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		

#	443rd	842
Burns, Pilot, 1st Lt.		
Mowry Mowry, Navigator, Bombardier, Lt.		
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Baker, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1344/30
Mowry, Navigator Bombardier, S/sgt.		Landed at. 1548
Caputon Engineer gunner, Sgt.	<i>Spare</i>	
Wall, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Shepherd, Aerial gunner, Sgt.		