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HEADQUARTERS 320TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)  
Office of the Group Intelligence Officer  
APO 520

Intelligence Narrative No. 50, Day Operation, 14 July 1943

Thirty B-26's of the 320th Bombardment Group (M) took off this morning to bomb the road junction northeast of Enna, Sicily. They were escorted by Spitfires from Malta. Six B-26's returned early, all spares. (one spare had an oil leak). Twenty B-26's returned on schedule; Three B-26's landed safely late at this base after first landing at Malta. (One B-26 is safe and still at Malta).

Routes and Altitudes: To Target: From 3,500', 104° T, curve left, for 52 miles to Tagorika; 95° T, curve left, for 210 miles for rendezvous at 10,000' with escort at 36° 30' N, 14° 30' W; 340° T, over Gela, for 67 miles to I.P., Pietropierzia, climb gradually to 11,000'; bomb run, 37° T for 14 miles; breakaway right. From Target: Curve right over Mirabella, 209° for 103 miles; 275° T for 165 miles; 284° T for 52 miles to this base, dropping gradually to 3,000'.

Bombs: 180 x 500 lb demolition bombs, 1/10, 45 second delay fuse, carried by 30 B-26's.

36 x 500 lb demolition bombs returned to this base in the spares.

132 x 500 lb demolition bombs dropped over target area.

12 x 500 lb demolition bombs returned to this base because element leader did not drop when he failed to recognize the target; his right wing man failed to drop for this reason.

Chronology: Time off between 08:45 and 09:01; on course, 09:15; rendezvous, 10:20; target, 11:01; 20 B-26's down at this base between 12:24 and 12:31; 3 B-26's down at this base between 16:20 and 16:31 after landing at Malta.

Results: Bombs of one squadron hit the road and buildings skirting the north edge of the town of Enna. Bombs of one flight of another squadron landed on the road south of Enna road junction. Bombs of the last flight, second squadron, landed further south on unidentified ground. The road junction was missed.

Flak: Slight heavy flak, inaccurate as to altitude as forward elements passed but accurate toward the last flight of planes, was encountered over the target. 8/10 black bursts were seen 5/10 miles northeast of the target.

Gun Positions:

- (1) 2 guns 100 yards east of target (Enna road junction).
- (2) 3/5 between 2 roads, and E/5 (T.C., 2-2050NA) Heavy guns.
- (3) 1-W/5, just short of R.E. tunnel; 1/5 Light guns (T.C 2-2L--NA).

Enemy Aircraft: None.

Observations: (1) Two trains of 10 cars each were reported at the rail junction between Caltanissetta and Kirbi at 10:59 from 11,000'; Photograph taken at this time indicates a total of 5 strings of freight cars.

(2) Scattered fires were sighted in the vicinity of Aidone at 11:05 from 8,000'.

(3) Approximately 9 rectangular hay stacks, some very tall.

tracks, suggesting possible camouflage, near the town of Pietropierzia were sighted at 10:50 from 11,000'.

(4) Heavy black smoke, was seen in the vicinity of Canicatti, at 10:50 from 11,000'.

(5) Black smoke, as though from a burning plane, was seen at 11:01 (T.C. 2-205-NA) due north of Enna, at 11:01 from 11,000'.

(6) An oil fire was seen near the road southwest of Enna at 37° 31' N 11° 13' E, at 11:01 from 11,000'.

(7) A large explosion in the center of the pier at Gela was seen at 11:18 from 8,000'.

(8) A convoy of 5/6 large trucks headed north along the road between Piazza Armerina and Valguarnera Caropepe at 37° 24' N, 14° 23' E, sighted at 11:05 from 8,000'.

(9) 31 truck convoy parked heading north on the road 1 mile south of Enna, 37° 34' N, 14° 15' E, sighted at 11:01 from 11,000'.

(10) 8/9 barges were sighted anchored in the water at Gela, not adjacent to pier at 11:18 from 8,000'.

(11) 6 large M/V, flanked by an escort of 8 destroyers, were sighted sailing north midway between Fantalleria and Cape Ron, at 09:35 from 8,000'.

Our Losses: One B-26 slightly damaged by flak.

Comments: None.

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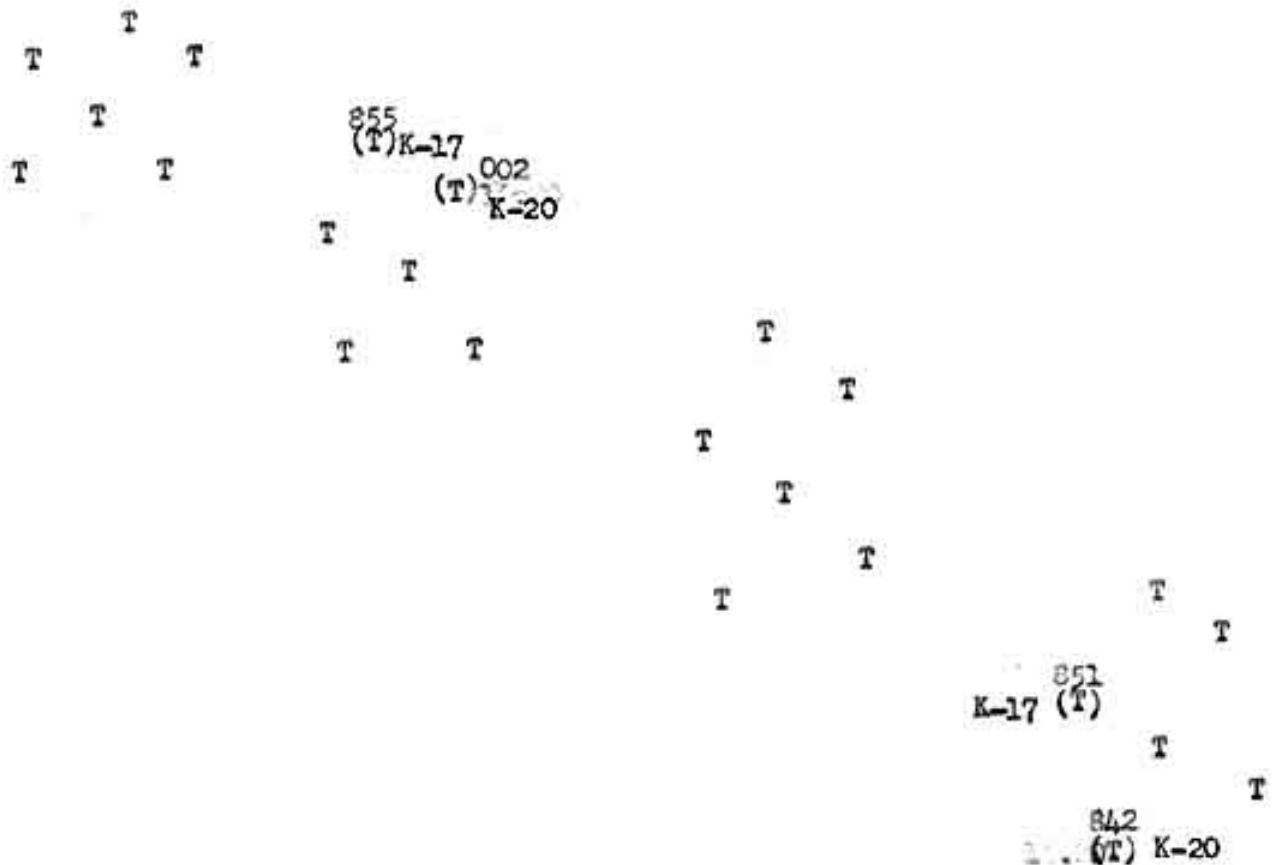
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SUBJECT: Photos.

TO : Commanding General, 2686 (M) Bomb Wing (Prov), APO 520.

1. The following is the location of cameras of the formation as over the target, (Enna Road Junction, Sicily) of this Group this date.



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FLIGHT COMMANDER  
DEPUTY FLIGHT COMMANDERMAJOR POLK  
CAPTAIN MC GROY"A"

<u>RED "A"</u>	<u>SPEIGLE</u> 048	<u>MEYER</u> 298	<u>DOXSEE</u> 092
<u>BLUE "A"</u>	<u>MILLER</u> 074	<u>MORLEY</u> 283	<u>BAYRAMIAN</u> 056
<u>YELLOW "A"</u>	<u>HOY</u> 946	<u>KIBLEY</u> 855	<u>MC VAY</u> 002
<u>GREEN "A"</u>	<u>WEGENER</u> 984	<u>MONTSINGER</u> 595	<u>STELL</u> 051

"B"

<u>RED "B"</u>	<u>BULLARD</u> 292	<u>HARRIS</u> 904	<u>ENGLISH</u> 025
<u>BLUE "B"</u>	<u>WEINBERG</u> 061	<u>GOOBSON</u> 920	<u>BURNS</u> 853
<u>YELLOW "B"</u>	<u>BARBER</u> 851	<u>CARTER</u> 307	<u>WHITE</u> 010
<u>GREEN "B"</u>	<u>SWIGART</u> 842	<u>VAN WARTER</u> 575	<u>BREWER</u> 763

SPARES

<u>REAGIN</u> 798	<u>LIMBERG</u> 859	<u>ROBINS</u> 980	<u>STUMM</u> 013
<u>SWALL</u> 004 N	<u>HOLMES</u> 017	<u>HAMMOND</u> 100	<u>EDWARDS</u> 861

RADIO: CHANNEL "A"  
BOMBER CALL - "WELLDONE"

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CREW PERSONNEL	SQUADRON	SHIP #	
Capt. MEYER * Pilot	442nd	298	B
Lt. INGALLS - CoPilot			
T/Sgt. FARGO - BN		Take-off 08:45	
Capt. ROGERS - N			
S/Sgt. DEWITTE - E		Landed 1224	
S/Sgt. ARSENAULT - R			
Maj. POLK - Flight Commander			
Lt. DOXSEE, Pilot	442nd	092	B
Lt. CASABOOM, Co-Pilot			
Lt. AMUNDSON, BN		Take - off 08:45 $\frac{1}{2}$	
S/Sgt. LASTER, E			
S/Sgt. ALLEN, RG		Landed 1225	
T/Sgt. BUCHANAN, G			
Lt. SPEEGLE, Pilot	442nd	048	B
Lt. PROBACCO, Co-Pilot			
Lt. DARBY, BN		Take - off 08:46	
S/Sgt. PECK, EG			
S/Sgt. ZEHNER, RG		Landed 1224 <sup>+</sup>	
S/Sgt. BURNS,			
Lt. MORLEY, Pilot	442nd	283	B
Lt. CHANDLER, Co-Pilot			
Lt. HARRISON, BN		Take - off 08:46 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Lt. MORAN, N			
S/Sgt. CALDWELL, EG		Landed 1225 <sup>+</sup>	
S/Sgt. UNCLES, RG			
T/Sgt. MARTIN, G			
<del>Capt. McCURRY</del> * X Capt. McCURRY. DEPUTY FLIGHT COMMANDER			
Lt. BAYRAMIAN, Pilot	442nd	056	B
Lt. BAKER, Co-Pilot			
Lt. GOLDBERG - BN		Take-off 08:47	
S/Sgt. GILBERT EG			
Sgt. NARDINE RG		Landed 1224 <sup>+</sup>	
Sgt. STEWART, G			

## CREW PERSONNEL

## SQUADRON

## SHIP #

Lt. MILLER, Pilot  
 F/O BOUGHER, Co-Pilot  
 Lt. PAYTON, BN  
 Sgt. FOLGER, eg  
 S/Sgt. CONLON, RG  
 S/Sgt. EDEN, G

074  
 442nd

074

Take-off 08:47½ *E*

Landed 1226

Lt. HOLMES, Pilot  
 Lt. MURROWS, Co-Pilot  
 S/Sgt. CIESIELSKI, BN  
 S/Sgt. WALDEN, EG  
 S/Sgt. PALMER, RG  
 S/Sgt. LINCO, G

442nd

017

Take-off 08:57 *E*

Landed 10:35

SPARE

Capt. KIRLEY, Pilot  
 F/O LA MOE, Co-Pilot  
 Lt. ASCIENZO, BN  
 S/Sgt. DELAWARE, EG  
 T/Sgt. LANGMAN, RG  
 S/Sgt. STIPE, G  
 Capt. HOLT, PHOTO.

441st

855

Take-off 08:48 *L*

Landed 1226

Lt. MC VAY, Pilot  
 Lt. PAULANTIS, Co-Pilot  
 Lt. CORSON, BN  
 S/Sgt. RINALDI, EG  
 S/Sgt. GREENLEE, RG  
 Pvt. CORP, G

441st

002

Take-off 08:48½ *B*Landed 1226<sup>+</sup>

Lt. HOY, Pilot  
 F/O CONDIT, Co-Pilot  
 Lt. MOORE, BN  
 S/Sgt. SULLIVAN, EG  
 S/Sgt. JUVE, rg  
 Pvt. KARY, G

441st

946

Take-off 08:49 *B*Landed 1226<sup>+</sup>

Lt. MONTSINGER, Pilot  
 Lt. MILTON, Co-Pilot  
 Lt. TAPP, BN  
 Sgt. TACKMANN, EG  
 Sgt. TOMLINSON, RG  
 Sgt. ELLISON, G

441st

595

Take-off 08:49½ *C*

Landed 1227

Lt. STELL, Pilot  
 Lt. STEINBERG, Co-Pilot  
 Lt. FISHER, BN  
 Sgt. FARR, EG  
 S/Sgt. MARINO, RG  
 S/Sgt. BARKER, G

441st

051

Take-off 08:50 *C*

Landed at Malta

CREW PERSONNEL	SQUADRON	SHIP #	
Lt. WEGENER, Pilot F/O DILLON, Co-Pilot Lt. RICKLESS, BN Sgt. LEVI, EG S/Sgt. ARCHER, RG S/Sgt. FOSTER, G	441st	984	Take off 08:50½ Landed 1227 <b>C</b>
98 Lt. ROBINS, Pilot Lt. KAPSTEIN, co-Pilot Lt. STEVENS, BN S/Sgt. LYONS, EG Pvt. BERRIGAN, RG Pvt. BECKSTEAD, G	441st SPARE	980	Take-off 08:57 Landed 10:55 <b>B</b>
Lt. HAMMOND Pilot F/O OLTMAN, Co-Pilot Lt. MCFARLAND, BN S/Sgt. GIGWAE, EG S/Sgt. BERDAUS, RG S/Sgt. BROWN, G	441st SPARE	100	Take-off 08:58½ Landed 10:24 <b>B</b>
Capt. CARTER, Pilot Lt. GILBERT Co-Pilot Lt. BOSWELL, B Lt. DORE, N Sgt. SMITH, EG T/Sgt. HUNTER, EG S/Sgt. FOULKES, G	443rd	307	Take-off 08:54 Landed 1230 <sup>+</sup> <b>B</b>
Bt. BARBER, Pilot Lt. LONG, Co-Pilot S/Sgt. HOWSHER, BN Cpl. HANSON, EG Sgt. BURDEN, RG S/Sgt. DROSS, G T/Sgt. WALTMAN, PHOTO	443rd	851	Take-off 08:55 Landed 1231 <b>B</b>
Lt. WHITE, Pilot Lt. BALK, Co-Pilot S/Sgt. MORITZ, EG S/Sgt. JONES, RG Pfc. ROUSH, G Lt. MEEHAN BN	443rd	010	Take-off 08:54½ Landed 1231 <b>B</b>
Lt. VAN MARTER, Pilot Lt. TURNER, Co-Pilot Lt. CLARK, B Capt. O'KEEFE, N Sgt. WATT, EG S/Sgt. PERKINS, RG S/Sgt. SCHEMPP, G	443rd	575	Take-off 08:55½ Landed 08 Malta <b>B</b>

CREW PERSONNEL	SQUADRON	SHIP #
Lt. BREWER Pilot F/O PEARCE, Co-Pilot S/Sgt. QUINE, BN Sgt. BOLTON, EG T/Sgt. YOST, RG S/Sgt. LUMBERG, G	443rd	763 Take-off 08:56 <i>B</i> Landed <i>at Malta</i>
Lt. SWIGART, Pilot F/O COLEMAN, co-Pilot S/Sgt. DUFOUR, BN S/Sgt. LACERVA, RG Sgt. O'CONNELL, G Lt. DUNHAM, OBSERVER. S/Sgt. STONE, EG	443rd	842 TAKE-off 08:56½ <i>B</i> Landed <i>at Malta</i>
Capt. SWALL, Pilot Lt. BROWN, Co-Pilot Lt. KARIDIS, BN S/Sgt. WILLIAMS, EG S/Sgt. LEWIS, RG T/Sgt. MOUNTAIN, G	443rd SPARE	004 Tke-Off 09:01 <i>B</i> Landed 10:46
F/O PEAGIN, Pilot	443rd	798 No. T.O.
Capt. HARRIS, Pilot Lt. DURLING, Co-Pilot Lt. SHRYOCK, N T/Sgt. STRONG, B T/Sgt. WOODBURY, RG S/Sgt. VAUGHN, G S/Sgt. ALSTAT, E	\$\$\$TH 444th	904 <i>C</i> Take-off - 08:51 Landed <i>1229+</i>
Lt. ENGLISH, Pilot Lt. URNER, Co-Pilot S/Sgt. FERRARA, B S/Sgt. PROCTOR, RG Sgt. CREARKNS, EG Cpl. HARRISON, G	444th	025 Take-off 08:51½ <i>B</i> Landed <i>1230</i>
Lt. BULLARD Pilot Lt. BRYDEN, Co-Pilot Lt. BANICK, B S/Sgt. BABEL, EG S/Sgt. MC GUIRE, <del>EG</del> G T/Sgt. DEVAUL, RG Capt. SIMS, OBS.	444th	292 <i>B</i> Take-off 08:52 Landed <i>1230</i>



CREW PERSONNEL	SQUADRON	SHIP #	
Lt. GOODSON, Pilot	444th	920	Take-off 08:52 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> <i>C</i>
Lt. JASINOWSKY, Co-Pilot			
Lt. STEPHENS, B			
Lt. STARKWEATHER, N			
S/Sgt. PORTER, EG			
T/Sgt. TUCKER, RG			
S/Sgt. HANSEN, G			Landed 1230
Lt. BURNS, Pilot	444th	853	Take-off 08:53 <i>B</i>
Lt. TAYLOR, Co-Pilot			
Sgt. RAMIREZ, BN			
T/Sgt. SNEBOLD, EG			
T/Sgt. SMITH, RG			
M/Sgt. PETROSKI, G			
			Landed 1230 <sup>+</sup>
Lt. WEINBERG, Pilot	444th	061	Take-off 08:53 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> <i>B</i>
Lt. NAGEL, Co-Pilot			
Lt. ROBINSON, BN			
S/Sgt. KUHNS, EG			
S/Sgt. BROWN, RG			
Corp. LO G, G			
			Landed 1230 <sup>+</sup>
Lt. STUMM, Pilot	444th	013	Take-off 08:59 <i>A</i>
Lt. WEIR, Co-Pilot			
T/Sgt. BURTT, RG			
S/Sgt. BOWEN, B			
S/Sgt. FRENZEL, EG			
Cpl. MOE, G			
	S P A R E		Landed 09:12
Lt. EDWARDS, Pilot	444th	861	Take-off 09:00 <i>B</i>
F/O JACKSON, Co-Pilot			
Lt. BRIDGES, B			
Pfc. WELLS, EG			
S/Sgt. HANRAHAN, RG			
Sgt. TUCKER, G			
			Landed 10:45