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HEADQUARTERS 320th BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)  
Office of the Group Intelligence Officer  
APO 520 U.S. ARMY

Intelligence Narrative No. 98, Day Operation, 12 November 1943.

Twenty-seven (27) B-26's of the 320th Bombardment Group (M) took off this morning to bomb the railroad bridge at Montalto di Castro, Italy. None returned early.

The target was successfully bombed. Twenty-seven (27) B-26's landed safely this base on schedule.

Routes and Altitudes: To target: 43° T for 145 statute miles; 55° T for 105 statute miles climbing to 11000 to landfall on coast of Italy between Cape Locarno and mouth of Tiber River; a let down to 5000 and a 270° to establish position; 313° T for 24 statute miles to IP.

Three flights made target run of 34° T at 4000, breaking left and leaving land about 30 miles N of target. The 4th flight cut off to right during bomb run, continued straight inland, made a 180° turn, and came back at heading of 220° T at 4300 feet rejoining formation immediately upon leaving land. Separate run was made on the judgment of the 4th flight leader who considered their low altitude at time of the original bomb run to be too low for safety from the concussion of the previous flight's bombs.

From target: 212° T for 248 statute miles to this base.

Bombs: 162 x 500-lb. demolition bombs, 1/10, 45 second delay fuses, carried by 27 B-26's.

162 x 500-lb. demolition bombs dropped in the target area.

Chronology: Time off between 0845 and 0850, on course 0915, target bombed at 1054 and 1058, down this base between 1237 and 1251.

Results: Bombs landed in good pattern around target with at least two direct hits on bridge and S approach. Railroad tracks cut in several places both N and S of bridge.

Flak: None.

Enemy Aircraft: 1) Three (3) S/E unidentified A on deck headed S near mouth of Tiber River seen from 11000 at 1030.

2) Four (4) S/E unidentified A/C seen over water near Tarquinia A/D heading S at 2/2500' at 1050 from 5000.

3) Two (2) S/E unidentified A/C seen taking off from Tarquinia A/D at 1052 from 5000.

General Observations: 1) Twenty (20) M/T parked on road 5 miles S of Montalto di Castro seen at 1054 from 4000.

2) Eighteen to twenty (18-20) M/T moving toward Tuscania on road from Tarquinia seen at 1057 from 4000.

3) Two (2) strings of 20 box cars each in siding at 42° 18' N, 11° 39' E about 4 miles S of target seen at 1054 from 4000.

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- 4) Three (3) tank cars, 2 box cars on small siding halfway between Malabarba and target seen at 1057 from 3000.
- 5) Three (3) large craters in railroad tracks about 30 miles N of target seen at 1056 from 3000.
- 6) four (4) boats resembling tank landing craft and leaving a long wake at 42° 20' N, 11° 30' E headed NW toward Port Ercole seen at 1100 from 3000. When first seen the boats were traveling in a V formation which broke up when they took evasive action.

Our Losses: None.

Weather: En route and target overcast in 3 layers with a few breaks, extending from 4500 to 11000, with some cumulus tops to 15000. From target weather same with more breaks in lower overcast. Visibility below overcast 15 miles.

Comments: Flight Commander - Lt. Col. Eugene S. Fletcher.  
Deputy Flight Commander - Capt. Clarence S. Kirley.

WILLIAM COOK,  
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MISSION # 124 FLIGHT COMMANDER: LT. COL. FLETCHER 12 NOVEMBER 1943  
DEPUTY FLIGHT COMMANDER: CAPT. AIRLEY

No. 70

<u>McGLANNON</u> 6	<u>HAYWARD</u> 7	<u>KAPSTEIN</u> 5
<u>ROBINS, N. B.</u> 10	<u>OSBORN</u> 18	<u>OGLESBY</u> 1
<u>WILKINSON</u> 78	<u>URNER</u> 94	<u>PETERSON</u> 80
<u>KLEBER</u> 76	<u>SUND</u> 87	<u>WEIR</u> 95
<u>LONG</u> 60	<u>BARBER</u> 59	<u>SAIGART</u> 61
<u>BRACKEH</u> 58	<u>BUTLER</u> 57	<u>GOFF</u> 54
<u>DAVIS</u> 40	<u>LADD</u> 31	<u>YOUNG</u> 26
<u>HIMMELREICH</u> 47	<u>BAIRD</u> 44	<u>LIMBERG</u> 43

SPARES

<u>FLEMING</u> 11	<u>HOYER, A. J.</u> 84	<u>BURNS</u> 65	<u>DODLIN</u> 33 (N)
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COLORS OF THE DAY 12 NOVEMBER 1943.

TIME	FLARE	CHALLENGE	REPLY	COLOR
0100-0700	YY	X	M	RED
0700-1300	RY	Q	C	GREEN
1300-1900	GG	O	B	RED
1900-0100	RG	L	H	WHITE

6- Mc Glannon - No. 70. - right engine cutting out.



NAMES OF CREW MEMBERS	SQUADRON	PLANE NO.
Peterson, Pilot, 1st Lt. Sullivan, Co-pilot, F/O Morocco, Bomb Nav, S/Sgt. Janise, Engineer Gunner, T/Sgt. Higgins, Radio Gunner, T/Sgt. Keiffer, Aerial Gunner, S/Osgt.	444th	80 Took off: 0849 Landed at: 1241
Worthington, Pilot, 1st Lt. Kral, Co-pilot, F/O Crapes, Bomb Nav, Cpl/ Horne, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt. Swell, Radio Gunner, T/Sgt. Teeter, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.	444th	78 Took off: 0849/30 Landed at: 1241+
Dund, Pilot, 1st Lt. Jackson, Co-pilot, F/O Brown, Bomb Nav, 2nd Lt. Meyer, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt. Cook, Radio Gunner, T/Sgt. Ross, Aerial Gunner, Sgt.	444th	87 Took off: 0850 Landed at: 1242
Weir, Pilot, 2nd Lt. Mullard, Co-pilot, 1st Lt. Breeding, Bomb Nav, S/Sgt. DeLisle, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt. Brown, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. Long, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.	444th	95 Took off: 0850/30 Landed at: 1242+
Kisler, Pilot, 1st Lt. Ball, Co-pilot, 2nd Lt. Meadows, Bomb Nav, S/Sgt. Beyes, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt. Schweikhart, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. Ruet, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.	444th	76 Took off: 0851 Landed at: 1243
Barber, Pilot, 1st Lt. Yeager, Co-pilot, 2nd Lt. Cafarella, Nav, 2nd Lt. Karidis, Bomb, 1st Lt. Krumppoch, Radio Gunner, T/Sgt. Dross, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt. Hanson, Engineer Gunner, Cpl.	443rd	59 Took off: 0851/30 Landed at: 1244
Swigart, Pilot, 1st Lt. Collins, Co-pilot, F/O Carroll, Bomb Nav, 1st Lt. Lacerva, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. Lillo, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt. O'Connell, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt.	443rd	61 Took off: 0852 Landed at: 1244+

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Long, Pilot, 1st Lt. Hale, Co-pilot, F/O Hombser, Nav Bomb, S/Sgt. Bolton, Radio Gunner, Pvt. Bergamo, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt. Powell, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt.	443rd	60 Took off: 0852/30 Landed at: 1244 <sup>+</sup>
Sgt. Coney flew as photographer		
Butler, Pilot, 2nd Lt. Stroud, Co-pilot, F/O Schwartz, Nav, 2nd Lt. Chambers, Bomb, S/Sgt. Saccardok Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. Gniadek, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt. Waterman, Engineer Gunner, Sgt.	443rd	57 Took off: 0853 Landed at: 1245
Goff, Pilot, 1st Lt. Hunter, Co-pilot, 2nd Lt. Dufour, Nav Bomb, S/Sgt. Hansen, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. Kerchenaki, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt. Ramirez, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt.	443rd	54 Took off: 0853/30 Landed at: 1245 <sup>+</sup>
Bracken, Pilot, 1st Lt. Saylor, Co-pilot, 2nd Lt. Tidwell, Nav Bomb, 2nd Lt. Johnson, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. Carr, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt. Butler, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt.	443rd	58 Took off: 0854 Landed at: 1246
Ladd, Pilot, 1st Lt. Tiemann, Co-pilot, 1st Lt. Monroe, Bomb, 1st Lt. Moran, Nav, 2nd Lt. Gloeckner, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt. Hite, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. Griffin, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.	442nd	31 Took off: 0854/30 Landed at: 1247
Major Gladden flew as Observer		
Young, Pilot, 1st Lt. Conrad, Co-pilot, 2nd Lt. Hermann, Bomb Nav, 1st Lt. Hall, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt. Milliman, Radio Gunner, Sgt. Burma, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.	442nd	26 Took off: 0855 Landed at: 1247 <sup>+</sup>
<del>James</del> Davis, Pilot, 1st Lt. Richards, Co-pilot, F/O Amundson, Bomb Nav, 1st Lt. Dunn, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt. Hogan, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. Covert, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.	442nd	40 Took off: 0855/30 Landed at: 1248



NAMES OF CREW MEMBERS	SQUADRON	PLANE NO.
Baird, Pilot, 1st Lt.	442nd	44
Brown, Co-pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off: 0856
Harrison, Bomb Nav, Captain		Landed at: 1248/30
Gomez, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt.		
Trupka, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt.		
Baroness, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.		Cpl. Wells flew as extra radio operator
Limberg, Pilot, 1st Lt.	442nd	43
Bottomley, Co-pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off: 0856/30
Stakes, Bomb Nav, S/Sgt.		Landed at: 1248/30
Cerchiaro, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt.		
Kennedy, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt.		Sgt. Cad flew as photographer
Legutko, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.		
Himmelreich, Pilot, 1st Lt.	442nd	47
King, Co-pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off: 0857
Maggio, Bomb Nav, 2nd Lt.		Landed at: 1250
Caldwell, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt.		
Uncles, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt.		
Burns, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.		
Timmons, Pilot, 1st Lt.	441st	11
Hubbard, Co-pilot, 2nd Lt.		
Cohen, Bomb Nav, 2nd Lt.		Took off: 0846
Lidicker, Eng gunner, Sgt.		Landed:
Greenlee, Radio gunner, T/Sgt.		
Curlee, Aerial gunner, S/Sgt.		
English, Pilot, 1st Lt.	444th	84
Meyer, Co-Pilot, 1st Lt.		Took off: 0858½
Stevens, Bomb Nav, Capt.		Landed:
Williams, Eng gunner, Sgt.		
Proctor, Radio gunner, S/Sgt.		
Harrison, Aerial gunner, S/Sgt.		
Burns, Pilot, 1st Lt.	443rd	65
Landrum, Co-Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off: 0858
Key, Bomb Nav, S/Sgt.		Landed:
Wall, Eng gunner, S/Sgt.		
Shepherd, Radio gunner, S/Sgt.		
McGaha, Aerial gunner, S/Sgt.		
Dodelih, Pilot, 1st Lt.	442nd	33
Wilson, Co-Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off: 0857½
Freestone, Bombardier, 2nd Lt.		Landed: 1249
Schwartz, Navigator, 2nd Lt.		
Horne, Eng gunner, S/Sgt.		
Palmer, Radio gunner, S/Sgt.		
Turner, Aerial gunner, S/Sgt.		