

HEADQUARTERS 320th BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)
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Intelligence Narrative No. 110, Day Operation, 18 Dec. 1943.

1. 320th Bombardment Group (M).

2. At 1106 hours, 39 B-26's of the 320th Bombardment Group (M) took off to bomb Antheor RR Viaduct, France. They were unescorted. One B-26 returned early due to loss of power in both engines. 38 B-26's dropped 221 x 500 lb demolition bomb, 1/10, .025 second delay fuses, on the target area at 1303 from 10,500'. 6 x 500 lb demolition bombs were salvaged in the water, having hung up over the target; 1 500 lb demolition bomb was returned to this base having hung up over the target. 36 B-26's returned safely to this base at 1511 hours and 1 B-26 returned safely at 1610 hours, having escorted B-26 with injured crew member to Ajaccio and landing to ascertain damage. One B-26, damaged by flak, is now at Ajaccio.

3. Results: Bombs of three flights landed over, commencing 100' beyond the target. Other bombs were short. No hits were scored on the bridge.

4. Observations: (a) General: 1. M/Y at Cannes were observed full of rolling stock at 1306 from 10,000'.

2. A 20-car train was seen traveling east just east of target viaduct at 1303 from 10,500'.

(b) Enemy Air: 1. None encountered.

2. One crew member reported 3 unidentified S/E A/C at 4,000' over the target, seen just after formation left the target area at 1305 from 10,000'.

(c) Enemy Air Tactics: 1. None.

(d) Enemy Shipping: 1. The inner harbor at Cannes was seen to contain 50/75 small craft.

2. 1 small boat going south between Lerius Islands and French coast was observed at 1306 from 10,000'.

3. 2 small boats headed toward the coast just off the target, were observed at 1303 from 10,500'.

(e) Flak: Slight to moderate accurate heavy flak was encountered from the target area, and slight heavy accurate flak was encountered from the coast between Theoule and Cannes (3 heavy guns).

The following heavy gun positions were reported:
(T.C. 6-131-NA)

6 at J/16, 5 at K/16-17, 4 at M/16 and 4 at N-N/18-19.

(f) Our Losses: None. 5 B-26's damaged by flak; 7 B-26's slightly damaged by flak; 1 turret gunner killed by flak; 3 men injured by flak.

5. Routes and Altitudes: From 2,500', 317° T for 39 statute miles; 343° T for 245 statute miles to IP, 41° 10' N, 07° 00' W, climbing gradually to 11,000'; bomb run, 351° M for 19 statute miles at 10,500'; breakaway right; 161° T for 300 statute miles, dropping to 2,500' at this base.

6. Weather: Enroute: 5/10 status, base 7,000', tops 8,000', visibility unlimited. Target: Open. Generally over France, overcast stratus, 4,000' to 8,000' with large breaks along coast, one of which was over target. Visibility unlimited. Return: As enroute.

7. Comments: None.

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Captain, Air Corps
Op Intelligence O.

<u>ROBINS, N.B.</u> 9	<u>HOY</u> 15	<u>MOONTZ</u> 10
<u>BLAKE</u> 18	<u>KIRLEY</u> 14	<u>LA. MOE</u> 4
<u>GOODEVOUGH</u> 5	<u>KENNEDY</u> 7	<u>HUNSBURG</u> 1
<u>FERRY</u> 91	<u>PETERS</u> 87	<u>TOMAS, J.D.</u> 95
<u>CASPER</u> 89	<u>HALLONELL</u> 85	<u>STUMM</u> 84
<u>BUCHOUT</u> 93	<u>GREENE</u> 92	<u>FERGUSON</u> 73
<u>GILBERT</u> 56	<u>GRAVES</u> 57	<u>RUCKER</u> 58
<u>HITCHCOCK</u> 67	<u>BRADEN</u> 62	<u>BANDER</u> 60
<u>STROUD</u>	<u>WILBUR</u> 52	<u>WILSON</u> 54
<u>SHUM</u> 40	<u>SMITH</u> 43	<u>BOTTOMLEY</u> 27
<u>BOUGHER</u> 25	<u>LADD</u> 34	<u>YOUNG</u> 33
<u>BYRUM</u> 26	<u>PROBASCIO</u> 31	<u>LIMBERG</u> 47
S P A R E S		
<u>FALANTIS</u> 2	<u>SULLIVAN</u> 78	<u>SAYLOR</u> 44 (N)
<u>RADIO:</u>	31st - BREWER	320th - BUTLER
	17th - BELLEOUI	

COLOURS OF THE DAY

TIME	FLARE	CH. IL	REPLY	COLOR
0100-0700	RR	I	H	GREEN
0700-1300	GY	C	W	WHITE
1300-1900	RG	P	D	GREEN
1900-0100	YY	B	Z	RED

NAMES OF CREW MEMBERS PARTICIPATING IN RAID ON

18 December 1943

*38 Planes
over Target*

NAMES OF CREW MEMBERS	SQUADRON	PLANE NO.	
Hoy, Pilot, 1st Lt.	441st	15	441-10
Montsinger, Co-pilot, Capt.		Took off; 1106	442- 8
McGeever, Nav, 1st Lt.		Landed at; 1445	443-9
Moore, Bomb, 1st Lt.			444-10
Iannotta, Engineer Gunner, Sgt.	Lt. Col. Fletcher flew as Flight Commander		
Herrigan, Radio Gunner, Sgt.			
Kary, Aerial Gunner, Sgt.			
Koontz, Pilot, 1st Lt.	441st	10	
Wegener, Co-pilot, 1st Lt.		Took off; 1106/15	
Plouck, Bomb, 2nd Lt.		Landed at; 1510	
Lidicker, Engineer Gunner, Sgt.	Sgt. Bushong flew as photographer		
Greenlee, Radio Gunner, T/Sgt.			
Griner, Aerial Gunner, Pfc.			
Robins, Pilot, 1st Lt.	441st	9	
Cornelius, Co-pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off; 1106/30	
Scott, Bomb, T/Sgt.		Landed at; 1445 ³⁰	
Lyons, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt.			
Tomlinson, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt.			
Beckstead, Aerial Gunner, Sgt.			
Kirley, Pilot, Capt.	441st	14	
Wilson, Co-pilot, F/O		Took off; 1106/45	
Konvalinka, Nav, 2nd Lt.		Landed at; 1446	
McFarland, Bomb, 1st Lt.			
Chilton, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt.			
Corona, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt.			
Moore, Aerial Gunner, Sgt.			
Lemo, Pilot, F/O	441st	4	
Milton, Co-pilot, 1st Lt.		Took off; 1107	
Blackford, Bomb, S/Sgt.		Landed at; 1445 ³⁰	
O'Dell, Engineer Gunner, Sgt.			
Michaelson, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt.			
Wurst, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.			
Blake, Pilot, 1st Lt.	441st	18	
Boyce, Co-pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off; 1107/30	
Camp, Bomb, S/Sgt.		Landed at; 1446 ³⁰	
Rinaldi, Engineer Gunner, Cpl.			
Crower, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt.			
Curlee, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.			

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Kennedy, Pilot, 1st Lt. West, Co-pilot, F/O Ascienzo, Bomb, 1st Lt. Abart, Nav, 1st Lt. Beldon, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt. Taylor, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. Leuthalt, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.	441st	7 Took off: 1107/45 Landed at: 1447
Hunsberger, Pilot, 2nd Lt. Weiler, Co-pilot, 2nd Lt. Thurston, Bomb, 2nd Lt. Smith, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt. Spiess, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. McFarland, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.	441st	1 Took off: 1108 Landed at: 1447 ³⁰
Goodenough, Pilot, F/O Flake, Co-pilot, F/O Ves'selles, Bomb, 2nd Lt. Crass, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt. Caunt, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. McLaughlin, Aerial Gunner, Sgt.	441st	5 Took off: 1108/15 Landed at: 1447 ³⁰
Paulantis, pilot, 1st Lt. Reaves, Co-pilot, 2nd Lt. Farmer, Bomb, 2nd Lt. Mears, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt. Markus, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. Griggs, Aerial Gunner, Pfc.	441st	2 Took off: 1116/30 Landed at: 1438

NAMES OF CREW MEMBERS	SQUADRON	PLANE NO.
Peters, Pilot, F/O Marshall, Co-pilot, 2nd Lt. Powers, Nav, 2nd Lt. Cest, Nav, 2nd Lt. Wymer, Engineer Gunner, T/Sgt. Burt, Radio Gunner, T/Sgt. Harrison, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.	444th	87 Took off: 1108/30 Landed at: 1448
	Lt. Col. Zaiser flew as Observer	
Towns, pilot, 2nd Lt. Sund, Co-pilot, 1st Lt. Breeding, Bomb, S/Sgt. Greer, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt. Cook, Radio Gunner, T/Sgt. Monaghan, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.	444th	95 1108/30 Took off: 1108/45 Landed at: 1448 ³⁰
	Lt. Col. Vance flew as Observer	
Ferry, Pilot, 1st Lt. Meyer, Co-pilot, 1st Lt. Bernardi, Bomb, 2nd Lt. Wells, Engineer Gunner, Sgt. Hanrahan, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. Tucker, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.	444th	91 Took off: 1109 Landed at: 1448 ³⁰
Hallowell, Pilot, Capt. Lumpkin, Co-pilot, 1st Lt. Dittmer, Bomb, 1st Lt. Hausmer, Nav, 1st Lt. Etzel, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt. Gardner, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. Bourgault, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.	444th	85 Took off: 1109/15 Landed at: 1450
Stumm, Pilot, 1st Lt. Dilling, Co-pilot, 1st Lt. White, Bomb, 2nd Lt. Williams, Engineer Gunner, Sgt. Freidman, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. Noe, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.	444th	84 Took off: 1109/30 Landed at: 1452
Caffey, Pilot, F/O Mabride, Co-pilot, 2nd Lt. Ramirez, Bomb, S/Sgt. Goldie, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt. Feinberg, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. Petroski, Aerial Gunner, T/Sgt.	444th	89 Took off: 1109/45 Landed at: 1451
	Cpl. Feige, flew as photographer	

Green, Pilot, 1st Lt.
Bracke, Co-pilot, 2nd Lt.
Baniaki, Bomb, 1st Lt.
DeLisle, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt.
Brown, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt.
Long, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.

444th 94
Took off: 1110
Landed at: 1451³⁰

Major McCrory flew as observer

Peterson, Pilot, 1st Lt.
Nowak, Co-pilot, 2nd Lt.
Morocco, Bomb, S/Sgt.
Janise, Engineer Gunner, T/Sgt.
Higgins, Radio Gunner, T/Sgt.
Keiffer, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.

444th 76
Took off: 1110/15
Landed at: 1450³⁰

Buckhout, Pilot, 2nd Lt.
Kral, Co-pilot, F/O
DeLosier, Bomb, 2nd Lt.
Williams, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt.
DeSantis, Radio Gunner, T/Sgt.
Aul, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.

444th 93
Took off: 1110/45
Landed at: 1451³⁰

Nagel, Pilot, 1st Lt.
Sullivan, Co-pilot, F/O
Heller, Bomb, 2nd Lt.
Blossman, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt.
Connolly, Radio Gunner, T/Sgt.
Boss, Aerial Gunner, Sgt.

444th 78
Took off: 1117
Landed at: 1455

NAMES OF CREW MEMBERS	SQUADRON	PLANE NO.
Graves, Pilot, Capt Lyday, Co-pilot, 2nd Lt. Underwood, Nav, 2nd Lt. Swindaer, Bomb, 1st Lt. Robichaux, Radio Gunner, T/Sgt Purden, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt. Peierce, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt.	443rd	57 Took off: 1111 Landed at: 1452 ³⁰ Lt. Farberow flew as observer
Rucker, Pilot, 1st Lt. Goodwin, Co-pilot, 2nd Lt. Dufour, Bomb, S/Sgt. Jackson, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. Armas, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt. Noakes, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt.	443rd	58 Took off: 1111/30 Landed at: 1452 ³⁰ Sgt. Gerdy flew as special radio operator
Gilbert, Pilot, 1st Lt. Weeks, Co-pilot, 2nd Lt. Quine, Bomb, S/Sgt. Calafut, Radio Gunner, Sgt. Britton, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt. Park, Engineer Gunner, Sgt.	443rd	56 Took off: 1112 Landed at: 1434
Bracken, Pilot, 1st Lt. Stinson, Co-pilot, 2nd Lt. Schwartz, Nav, 2nd Lt. Carroll, Bomb, 1st Lt. Krumpholtz, Radio Gunner, T/Sgt. Hansen, Aerial Gunner, T/Sgt. Carr, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt.	443rd	62 Took off: 1112/15 Landed at: 1200 <i>Loss of power in both engines</i>
Barker, Pilot, 1st Lt. Ackerman, Co-pilot, 1st Lt. Mowry, Bomb, S/Sgt. Johnson, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. Cousins, Aerial Gunner, Sgt. Harrold, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt.	443rd	60 Took off: 1112/30 Landed at: 1605
Ritchey, Pilot, 2nd Lt. Wheeler, Co-pilot, 2nd Lt. Thompson, Bomb, S/Sgt. Turatti, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. Teeters, Aerial Gunner, Sgt. Jones, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt.	443rd	67 Took off: 1112/45 Landed at: 1439

CREW MEMBERS	SQUADRON	PLANE NO.
Wilbur, Pilot, 1st Lt. Reynolds, Co-pilot, 2nd Lt. Ward-Smith, Nav, 2nd Lt. Clark, Bomb, 1st Lt. Chalfant, Radio Gunner, T/Sgt. Gamble, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt. Perkins, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt.	443rd	T 52 Took off: 1113 Landed at: 1453
Hunter, Pilot, 2nd Lt. Weekley, Co-pilot, 2nd Lt. Pickett, Bomb, 2nd Lt. Harpster, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. O'Connell, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt. ↑ Smith, Engineer Gunner, Sgt.	443rd	54 Took off: 1113/15 Landed at: 1453 ³⁰
Stroud, Pilot, F/O Lamb, Co-pilot, 2nd Lt. Kimbro, Bomb, S/Sgt. Glowatch, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. McDonald, Aerial Gunner, Sgt. Lamoureux, Engineer Gunner, Sgt.	443rd	Took off: 1113 ²⁰ Landed at: 1453 ³⁰
Saylor, Pilot, 1st Lt. Gasser, Co-pilot, 2nd Lt. Salterelli, Bomb, Sgt. Beaver, Radio Gunner, T/Sgt. Creedle, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt. Terrell, Engineer Gunner, Sgt.	443rd	65 Took off: 1117 ¹⁵ Landed at: 1434 ³⁰
Butler, Pilot, 2nd Lt. Dugan, Co-pilot, 2nd Lt. Cassino, Nav, 2nd Lt. Hobel, Bomb, 1st Lt. Saccardo, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. Gniadek, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt. Waterman, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt. Farthing, Radio Operator, S/Sgt.	443rd	66 quickie Weather Recon on 18 December completed
Strachan, Pilot, 2nd Lt. Sprang, Co-pilot, 2nd Lt. Taranto, Nav, 2nd Lt. Tyson, Bomb, S/Sgt. Coons, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt. Long, Aerial Gunner, Sgt. Hopkins, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt. Farthing, Radio Operator, S/Sgt. Schwartz, Nav, 2nd Lt., from 442nd	443rd	51 Weather Recon on 17 December completed

Smith, Pilot, 1st Lt.
Klarck, Co-pilot, 2nd Lt.
Evans, Bomb, 2nd Lt.
Pincomb, Nav, 2nd Lt.
Manning, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt.
Strausburger, Radio Gunner, Cpl.
Johnson, Aerial Gunner, Pvt.
Young, Observer, 1st Lt.

442nd
Took off: 43
Landed at: 1113/45
1454

Bottomley, Pilot 1st Lt.
Larrabee, Co-pilot, 1st Lt.
Montez, Bomb, 1st Lt.
Cross, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt.
Steen, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt.
Galindo, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.

442nd
Took off: 27
Landed at: 1114
1454/30

Shuh, Pilot, 1st Lt.
Richards, Co-pilot, F/O
Jacobson, Bomb, S/Sgt.
Peck, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt.
Harper, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt.
Bentley, Aerial Gunner, Sgt.

442nd
Took off: 40
Landed at: 1114/30
1457

Ladd, Pilot, 1st Lt.
Hensell, Co-pilot, F/O
Monroe, Bomb, 1st Lt.
Schwartz, Nav, 1st Lt.
Stander, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt.
Hite, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt.
Griffin, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.

442nd
Took off: 34
Landed at: 1114/45
1454/30

Major Friday flew as observer

Young, Pilot, 1st Lt.

442nd Did not take-off

Bougher, Pilot, F/O
Garbowski, Co-pilot, 1st Lt.
Johnson, Bomb, 1st Lt.
Horne, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt.
Schaus, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt.
Eden, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.

442nd
Took off: 25
Landed at: 1115
1435

Pvt. Williams flew as photographer

Probasco, Pilot, 1st Lt.
King, Co-pilot, 2nd Lt.
Olmsted, Bomb, 1st Lt.
Leahy, Nav, 1st Lt.
Bly, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt.
Wells, Radio Gunner, Cpl.
Ross, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.

442nd
Took off: 31
Landed at: 1115/30
1456

Limberg, Pilot, 1st Lt.
Ratering, Co-pilot, 1st Lt.
Stakes, Bomb, S/Sgt.
Cerchiaro, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt.
Marsh, Radio Gunner, Pvt.
Legutko, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.
Godfrey, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt.

442nd

47
Took off: 1115/45
Landed at: 1455/30

Byram, Pilot, 1st Lt.
Wendling, Co-pilot, 2nd Lt.
Scafidi, Bomb, 1st Lt.
Froger, Engineer Gunner, Sgt.
Moore, Radio Gunner, Sgt.
Martin, Aerial Gunner, T/Sgt.
Gilbert, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt.

442nd

26
Took off: 1116
Landed at: 1455/30

Dodelin, Pilot, 1st Lt.
Harpster, Co-pilot, 1st Lt.
Maggio, Bomb, 1st Lt.
King, Nav, 2nd Lt.
Garbenches, Engineer Gunner, S/Sgt.
Dolan, Radio Gunner, S/Sgt.
Buth, Aerial Gunner, Sgt.

442nd

33
Took off: 1116/30
Landed at:

Landed at Ajaccio