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HEADQUARTERS 320TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)
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Intelligence Narrative No. 117, Day Operation, 28 Dec. 1943.

Flight Commander: Lt. Colonel Fletcher.

1. 320th Bombardment Group (M).

2. At 1054 hours, 18 B-26's of the 320th Bombardment Group took off to bomb the RN Bridge 9 miles SE of Orvieto, Italy. They were unescorted. 16 B-26's dropped 106 x 500 lb demolition bombs (1/10 .025 second delay fuses) on the target at 1302 from 9,200'. 2 x 500 lb demolition bombs were returned to this base because they hung. 93,300 nickels were dropped in the target area. 18 B-26's returned safely to this base at 1445 hours.

3. Results: Bombs bracketed the bridge with 2 direct hits, one at each end. The southern approaches were well covered.

4. Observations:

a. General:

1. A group of barracks, colored green, U shaped in pattern, was observed north of Lake Bolsena at 1255 from 9,700'.
2. 2 barracks with 20/25 M/T were observed 5 miles N of Montalto di Castro at 1247 from 9,700'.
3. 20/25 cars were observed stationary at Montalto di Castro at 1247 from 9,200'.
4. 8/10 cars were seen just North of the target stationary at 1302 from 9,700'.
5. 3/4 cars were seen South of the target stationary at 1302 from 9,700'.

b. Enemy Air: It was observed that Orvieto A/U and Tarquinia A/U were empty at 1302 and 1322 hours respectively from 9,200'.

c. Enemy Air Tactics: None.

d. Enemy Shipping: 1. 3 medium M/V and 4/5 barges were observed headed south at 42° 10' N, 11° 30' E at 1245 from 9,700'.

2. 1 medium M/V was seen stationary at 42° 20' N, 11° 20' E at 1315 from 9,700'.

e. Flak: Moderate, accurate, heavy flak was encountered over the target. Large white puffs consisting of a series of small white puffs were observed.

Heavy gun positions of 4 guns each were observed at 42° 38' N, 12° 13' E and 42° 38' N, 12° 16' E.

One crew reported projectiles which left tracer-like trails and which burst with white puffs about the size of heavy flak 200' above the formation. The projectiles were seen to fall for about 10' after reaching maximum height before bursting.

f. Our Losses: 1 B-26 damaged, 1 B-26 slightly damaged.

5. Routes and Altitudes: From this base at 2,500', 35° T for 246 statute miles to Montalto di Castro, 41° T for 21 statute miles to the SE tip of Lake Bolsena, IF, climbing gradually to 9,700'; bomb run 85° N for 20 statute miles at 9,200' to target; breakaway left; 210° T for 40 statute miles, 215° T for 246 statute miles descending to 2,500' at this base.

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6. Weather: Enroute - 2/10 over the east coast of Sardinia at 4,000 to 6,000', 50 miles off the coast CAVU.
Target - CAVU; 2/10 over the mountains.
Return - As enroute.

7. Comments: Pieces of flak penetrating one of the A/C lodged in the back portion of the flak suit worn by the waist gunner, who was not injured.

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MISSION # 143 FLIGHT COMMANDER : LT. COL. FLETCHER: 28 DECEMBER 1943.
 DEPUTY FLIGHT COMMANDER: MAJOR FRIDAY:

	"A"	
<u>ROYAN</u>	<u>BAIRD</u>	<u>BAKER</u>
25	34 <u>SPEEGIE</u>	40

	43 "B"	
<u>HOOD</u>	<u>PROBASSO</u>	<u>SHUH</u>
47	31 <u>SMITH</u>	27

	60 "C"	
<u>BARKER</u>	<u>TAYLOR</u>	<u>STRACHEN</u>
61	62 <u>RUCKER</u>	54

	59 "D"	
<u>ACKERMAN</u>	<u>MILBURN</u>	<u>MACINNAN</u>
68	52 <u>LONG</u>	58

	66 "L"	
<u>TURNER</u>	<u>GUCKSON</u>	<u>JACOBSON</u>
76	87 <u>GRAY</u>	83

	85 "P"	
<u>NAGEL</u>	<u>PETERS</u>	<u>MARSON</u>
84	94 <u>CASBY</u>	95

	91 "G"	
<u>HUNDEBARGER</u>	<u>CURRIE</u>	<u>LEVINS</u>
18	14 <u>O'STEEN</u>	5

	7 "H"	
<u>TURNER</u>	<u>OGLIN</u>	<u>WILSON</u>
20	15 <u>ACCOMB, R. E.</u>	10

	3 "I"	
<u>SMITHICK</u>	<u>S P A I E S</u>	<u>PUGHOUT</u>
56	<u>SMITH</u>	92

	90 "J"	
	<u>GOODENOUGH</u>	
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RADIO CALL
 319th Group "EXCEED"
 320th Group "MIXTUB"
 17th Group "PUMPUP"

COLOURS OF THE DAY FOR 28 DECEMBER 1943.

TIME	FLARE	CHALLENGE	REPLY	COLOR
0100-0700	RG	B	X	RED
0700-1300	RY	O	L	GREEN
1300-1700	GG	N	.	RED
1900-0100	RR	I	F	GREEN

Baird, Pilot, 1st Lt.	442nd	34
Brown, Co, Pilot, lt.		Took off 1055,
Payton, Bombardier, lt.		Landed 1432
Boyne, Navigator, lt.		
Gomez, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Trupka, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Kane, Aerial gunner, pvt.		
Col. Fletcher, Flight commander.		
Baker, Pilot, 1st Lt.	442nd	40
Harte, Co, Pilot, lt.		Took off 1055
Jacobson, Bombardier, S/sgt.		1432 Landed
Nardine, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Gilbert, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Stewart, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
Rowan, Pilot, 2nd Lt.	442nd	25
Hodges, Co, Pilot,		Took off 1055
Godberg, Engineer gunner, Sgt.		Landed 1433
Hageman, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Ruth, Aerial gunner, Sgt.		
Folk, Observer, Captain, P		
Rosenthal, Aerial photographer, Cpl		
Speegle, Pilot, 1st Lt.	442nd	43
Richards, Co, Pilot, F/O		Took off 1055½
Darby, Bombardier, 1st Lt.		Landed 1433
Schwartz, Navigator, lt.		
Melin, Engineer gunner, Pvt.		
Harper, Radio Gunner, T/sgt.		
Galindo, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
Friday, Deputy flight Commander, Major,		
Probasco, Pilot, 1st Lt.	442nd	31
King, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1056
Olmsted, Bombardier, lt.		Landed 1434
Fincomb, Navigator, lt.		
Bly, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Wells, Radio Gunner, Sgt.		
Ross, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
Shuh, Pilot, 1st Lt.	442nd	27
Wendling, Co, Pilot, lt.		Took off 1056 ½
Stakes, Bombardier, S/sgt.		Landed 1434½
Horne, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Schads, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Lockwood, Aerial gunner Sgt.		
Rhod, Pilot, lt.	442nd	47
Grabowski, Co, Pilot,		Took off 1057
Scafidi, Bombardier, lt.		Landed 1435
Fitzgerald, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Waszcz, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Wagner, Aerial gunner, Sgt.		
Fiege, Photographer Cpl.		

THE FOLLOWING CREWS PARTICIPATED IN THE RAIN ON ORVIETO RAIL ROAD BRIDGES.

Sheard, Pilot, lt.	443rd	60
Kolar, Co, Pilot, lt.		Took off 1059 $\frac{1}{2}$
Underwood, Navigator, lt.		Landed 1323
Tidwell, Bombardier, lt.	LEFT ENGINE RUNNING ROUGH	
Butler, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Yim, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
Guzzio, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Saylor, Pilot, 1st Lt.	443rd	62
Dugan, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1057 $\frac{1}{2}$
Cassino, Navigator, lt.		Landed 1435 $\frac{1}{2}$
Wagar, Bombardier, Lt.		
Callahan, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Gulliams, Aerial gunner, Spl.		
Miller, Engineer gunner, Cp.		
Strachan, Pilot, lt.	443rd	54
Sprang, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1058
Tyson, Bombardier, Sgt.		Landed 1435
Moons, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Long, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
Hopkins, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Barker, Pilot, lt.	443rd	61
Lyday, Co, Pilot, lt.		Took off 1058 $\frac{1}{2}$
Adams, Navigator, Bombardier, Lt.		Landed 1436 $\frac{1}{2}$
Johnson, Radio Gunner, S/sgt. Jo		
Cousins, Aerial gunner, pl.		
Harrold, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Gerdy, Radio Gunner, Sgt.		
Rucker, Pilot, 1st Lt.	443rd	59
Carter Co, Pilot, lt.		Took off 1058 $\frac{1}{2}$
Cafarella, Navigator, 1st Lt.		Landed 1436
Grant, Bombardier, 1st Lt.		
Jackson, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Westfall, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
Armo, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Colton, Aerial photographer, pvt.		
Wilbur, Pilot, lt.	443rd	52
Reynolds, Co, Pilot, lt.		Took off 1058 $\frac{1}{2}$
Wardsmith, avigator, lt.		Landed 1436 $\frac{1}{2}$
Clark, Bombardier, lt.		
Chalfant, Radio Gunner, T/sgt.		
Gamble, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
Perkins, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Mac Kinnon, Pilot, 1st Lt.	443rd	58
Stinson, Co, Pilot, lt.		Took off 1059
Homsher, Navigator, Bombardier, S/sgt.		Landed 1437
Krumpoch, Radio Gunner, T/sgt.		
Burden, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
Hanson, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		

Ackerman, Pilot, Lt. 443rd
Weeks, Co, Pilot, Lt.
McCartney, Navigator, Bombardier,
Lillo, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.
Hart, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.
Carter, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.

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Took off 1059
Landed 1437

Long, Pilot, 1st Lt. 663
Rader, Co, Pilot, Lt.
Schwartz, Navigator, Navigator, Lt.
Janeke, Bombardier, 1st Lt.
Harpster, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.
Lumero, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.
Bowles, Engineer gunner,

66
Took off 1089
Landed, 1437

Smithwick, Pilot, 1st Lt. 483rd
Beaudron, Co, Pilot, 1st Lt.
Dickey, Navigator, S/sgt.
Maier, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.
Griffin, Aerial gunner, Cpl
Coons, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.

56
Took off 1104 1/2
Landed 1434

CURRIE, Pilot, 1st Lt.	441st	18
Brewer, Co, Pilot, lt.		Took off 1101
Perkins, Bombardier, lt.		Landed 1440
Konvalinka, Navigator, 2nd Lt.		
Fendrich, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
DeMarco, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Derau, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
Levine, Pilot, 1st Lt.	441st	5
Nunnallee, Co, Pilot, lt.		Took off 1102
Dockery, Bombardier, S/sgt.		Landed 1440
Tessum, Engineer gunner, Sgt.		
Westbrook, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Gust, Aerial gunner, pfc.		
Hausberger, Pilot, lt.	441st	14
Reaves, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1102 $\frac{1}{2}$
Hawkins, Bombardier, Sgt.		Landed 1446
Smith, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Appleton, Radio Gunner, T/sgt.		
McFarland, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
O'steen, Pilot, 2nd Lt.	441st	7
Malcolm, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1102 $\frac{1}{2}$
Baker, Bombardier, 2nd Lt.		Landed 1441
Williams, Bombardier, lt.		
Hill, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Forbes, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Moore, Aerial gunner, Sgt.		
Oglietti, Pilot, 1st Lt.	441st	15
Williams, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1103
Cukar, Bombardier, lt.		Landed 1441
Abart, Navigator, lt.		
O'Keefe, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Rogers, Radio Gunner, T/sgt.		
Clark, Aerial gunner, Sgt.		
Wilson, Pilot, F/O	441st	10
West, Co, Pilot, F/O		Took off 1103
Blackford, Bombardier, Sgt.		Landed 1441 $\frac{1}{2}$
Mears, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Cromer, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Kwitakowski, Aerial gunner, Sgt.		
Wegl, photographer, Sgt. 444th		
Turner, Pilot, 1st Lt.	441st	20
Weiler, Co, Pilot, lt.		Took off 1103 $\frac{1}{2}$
Flouck, Bombardier, lt.		Landed 1442 $\frac{1}{2}$
Tyebenda, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Sampson, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Hoffman, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Mulligan, Aerial gunner, Sgt.		
Robbins, R. E. 1st Lt.	441st	3
Bodie, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off, 1103
Barden, Bombardier, lt.		Landed, 1442
Thurston, Navigator, lt.	Accero, Engineer gunner, Sgt.	
Unger, Radio Gunner, T/sgt.	Spliss, Radio gunner, Tompkin, Aerial gunner S/sgt.	

Green, Pilot, 1st Lt.	444th	85
Stewart, Co, Pilot, 1st Lt.		Took off 1100
Banaiki, Bombardier, 1st Lt.		Landed 1422
Belisle, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Brown, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Long, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
Walsbury, Captain, observer,		
Jackson, Pilot, F/O	444th	83
Kraal, Co, Pilot, F/O		Took off 1100
Moore, Bombardier, Sgt.		Landed 1438
Montgomery, Engineer gunner, Sgt.		
Higgins, Radio Gunner, T/sgt.		
Bass, Aerial gunner, Sgt.		
Turner, Pilot, 2nd Lt.	444th	276
Nowack, Co, Pilot, Lt.		Took off 1100 $\frac{1}{2}$
Breeding, Navigator Bombardier, S/sgt.		Landed 1438 $\frac{1}{2}$
Wells, Engineer gunner, Sgt.		
Feinberg, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Szewczyk, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
Bushong, Aerial Photographer,		
Conley, Pilot, 2nd Lt.	444th	90
Schneider, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1104
Ott, Bombardier, 1st Lt.		Landed 1421
Vanise, Engineer gunner, T/sgt.		
Mickles, Radio Gunner, T/sgt.		
Hedgepeth, Aerial gunner, pvt.		
Buckhout, Pilot, Lt.	444th	92
Bracke, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1104 $\frac{1}{2}$
Ramirez, Bombardier, S/sgt.		Landed 1422 $\frac{1}{2}$
Williams, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Hanrahan, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Tucker, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
Magel, Pilot, Lt.	444th	84
Bung, Co, Pilot, Lt.		Took off 1101 $\frac{1}{2}$
Peterson, Bombardier, S/sgt.		Landed 1440
Blossman, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Wardner, Radio Gunner, T/sgt.		
Petroski, Aerial gunner, T/sgt.		
Goodson, Pilot, Captain,	444th	87
Meyers, Co, Pilot, 1st Lt.		Took off 1059 $\frac{1}{2}$
Strong, Bombardier, T/sgt.		Landed 1438
Shryock, Navigator, 1st Lt.		
Wabler, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Tucker, Radio Gunner, T/sgt.		
Hansen, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
Brewer, Flight Commander, 1st Lt.		
Casey, Pilot, Lt.	444th	91
McBride, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1101 $\frac{1}{2}$
Heller, Bombardier, Lt.		Landed 1439
Michels, Navigator, 2nd Lt.		
Goldie, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Spears, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Keiffer, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		

Marsch, Pilot, 2nd Lt.	444th	95
Marshall, Co, Pilot, Lt.		Took off 1101
Bush, Bombardier, S/sgt.		Landed 1439
Williams, Engineer gunner, sgt.		
Perry, Radio Gunner, T/sgt.		
Bourgault, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
Peters, Pilot, #10	444th	94
Brown, 1st Lt, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1000
Powers, Bombardier, lt.		Landed 1439
Bang, Navigator, lt.		
Wymer, Engineer gunner, T/sgt.		
Burt, Radio Gunner, T/sgt.		
Harrison, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		

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LaMoe, Pilot, F/O
Milton, Co, Pilot, 1st Lt.
Farthing Radio Operator, S/sgt.
Halligan, Navigator, lt.
Dahl, Engineer gunner, /sgt.
Berrigan, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.
Kary, Aerial gunner, Sgt.
Fields, Observer, lt.

441st

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Took off 0700
Landed 1022