

HEADQUARTERS 320TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)
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Intelligence Narrative No. 115. Day Operation, 6 Feb 1944.

Flight Commander: Lt. Hunter.

A. 320th Bombardment Group (M).

B. At 0935 hours, 27 B-26's of the 320th Bombardment Group took off to bomb Orte M/Y, Italy. 4 B-26's returned early; 1 because of ill gunner, 1 because of an oil leak and 2 were spares. No bombs were dropped on the target; 2 B-26's salvaged 16 x 500 lb demolition bombs (long delay fuses) in the water; all other bombs were returned to base. The formation turned back at 1152 hours at 11,000' over Alfadena because of cloud cover which prevented the formation from reaching the target. Spitfires provided escort from Castel Volturno. 22 B-26's returned to base at 1342 hours and 1 B-26 returned late at 1505 after landing at Naples because of crew member having frozen feet.

C. RESULTS: None.

D. OBSERVATIONS:

1. Air: a. Air Activity: 8/10 Spitfires accompanied the formation from Castel Volturno to Alfadena and back to the coast. No E/A sighted or encountered.

b. Situation: None.

2. Ground: a. None.

b. None.

c. Flak: Slight heavy, fairly accurate for altitude, very inaccurate for deflection, barrage type flak and slight light flak, inaccurate on both counts was encountered from vicinity of M 0257.

d. Shipping: None.

3. Losses: None.

4. Weather: a. Enroute: One band of towering cumulus, tops 13,000' over water; altostratus and cumulus, tops 13,000' and above over mountains in Italy.

b. Target: Not reached but appeared overcast.

c. Return: Towering cumulus had moved closer to Italy.

E. ROUTES AND ALTITUDES: From 2,500' at base, 67° T for 286 statute miles to Castel Volturno, 4° T to Alfadena, climbing gradually to 11,000'; right curve to Castel Volturno, 247° T for 286 statute miles to base, dropping gradually to 2,500'.

F. COMMENTS: None.

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	"A"	
<u>LABB</u>	<u>BUCKER</u>	<u>LEWELLY</u>
56	66	52
	<u>SAYLOR</u>	
	53	

	"B"	
<u>F. LEAH</u>	<u>RITCHIEY</u>	<u>HREBAL</u>
29	33	51

	"C"	
<u>KADER</u>	<u>ROBERTS</u>	<u>FORWARD</u>
44	31	47
	<u>ROBERTS</u>	
	45	

	"D"	
<u>...</u>	<u>...</u>	<u>...</u>
10	16	8
	<u>...</u>	
	...	

	"E"	
<u>W. S. ...</u>	<u>CORNELIUS</u>	<u>REEVES</u>
...	2	1
	<u>TOMNS</u>	
	79	

	"F"	RADIO
<u>...</u>	<u>DILLON</u>	<u>FOULER</u>
91	93	80
	<u>JOHNSON</u>	
	78	

	"G"	
<u>...</u>	<u>...</u>	<u>BERGE</u>
60	98	4
	<u>...</u>	
	99	

COLORS OF THE DAY FOR 6 FEBRUARY 1944

TIME	PLANE	CHALLENGER	REPLY	COLOR
0100-0700	GG	W	A	GREEN
0700-1300	RY	J	Q	WHITE
1300-1900	GY	O	P	RED
1900-0100	RG	I	F	GREEN

Radio Call Signs: BOMBERS FIGHTER

17th Group - "TIMBERNAY" SHORSHIRT

319th Group - "SLINGBARD" RAMSON

320th Group - "PLATCALM" BLACKHEAD

Fighter Bomber Channel C.
Inter Bomber Channel "B"

THE FOLLOWING CREWS PARTICIPATED IN THE RAID/DON

CREW	SQUADRON	PLANE NO.
RUCKER, PILOT, 1st Lt. FELT, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. CAFARELLA, BOMB. Nav. 1st Lt. TEDWELL, BOMB. 1st Lt. POWERS, RADIO, S/Sgt. WESTFALL, GUNNER, S/Sgt. ARMAO, ENGINEER, S/Sgt. HUNTER, NAV. , 1st Lt. , F.C.	443rd	66 took off 0935 landed 1342
WEEKLEY, PILOT, 2nd Lt. CARTER, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. STRAKA, NAV. S/Sgt. BERGAMO, RADIO, T/Sgt. ROLFE, GUNNER, Sgt. ADAMS, ENGINEER, Sgt. ZUPANC, PHOTO, Sgt.	443rd	52 took off 0935 landed 1342
LAMB, PILOT, 2nd Lt. KOLAR, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. DICKEY, NAV. S/Sgt. GLOWATCH, RADIO, S/Sgt. MC DONALD, GUNNER, Sgt. LAMOUREUX, ENGINEER, S/Sgt. DRAPER, PHOTO, S/Sgt.	443rd	56 took off 0935 landed 1342
SAYLOR, PILOT, 1st Lt. WEST, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. UNDERWOOD, NAV. 2nd Lt. WAGAR, BOMB. 2nd Lt. FEAVER, RADIO, T/Sgt. GUILLIAMS, GUNNER, Sgt. MILLER, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.	443rd	53 took off 0935 landed 1343
RITCHEY, PILOT, 2nd Lt. GOODWIN, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. SCHWARTZ, NAV. 2nd Lt. PICKETT, BOMB. 2nd Lt. TURATTI, RADIO, S/Sgt. TRETTERS, GUNNER, S/Sgt. JONES, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.	443rd 443rd	54 took off 0936 landed 1344
HRIBAL, PILOT, F/O BEAUDRO, CO PILOT, 1st Lt. SALTERELLI, BOMB. S/Sgt. JACKSON, RADIO, S/Sgt. LARKIN, GUNNER, S/Sgt. STONE, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.	443rd	51 took off 0936 landed 1339

FREEMAN, PILOT, 1st Lt. RICHARDS, CO PILOT, F/O FULLER, NAV. Cpl. ELLIS, ENGINEER, S/Sgt. JOHNSON, RADIO, S/Sgt. FLYNN, Gunner, S/Sgt.	442nd	29 took off 0936 landed 1345
CLAYBOUGH, PILOT, 2nd Lt. CASTOR, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. HENDREX, BOMB. 2nd Lt. MALLIN, ENGINEER, Pvt. MOORE, RADIO, S/Sgt. DOYLE, GUNNER, Sgt.	442nd	37 took off 0936 landed 1344
WENDLING, PILOT, 2nd Lt. DICKERSON, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. KING, NAV. 2nd Lt. MAGGIO, BOMB. 2nd Lt. ELLSWORTH, ENGINEER, Sgt. HUGHES, RADIO, S/Sgt. FIELD, GUNNER, Sgt.	442nd	31 took off 0937 landed 1345
BARNARD, PILOT, 2nd Lt. HARTZ, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. HARLAN, BOMB. Cpl. KING, ENGINEER, Cpl. KNAUER, RADIO, S/Sgt. KIMMECH, GUNNER, Sgt. JOHNSON, PHOTO, Sgt.	442nd	47 took off 0837 landed 1345
KADEN, PILOT, 2nd Lt. KLARK, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. JOHNSON, BOMB. 2nd Lt. O'NEAL, ENGINEER, Sgt. CAMPBELL, RADIO, Pvt. MAGNER, GUNNER, Sgt.	442nd	44 took off 0937 landed 1345
ROWAN, PILOT, 2nd Lt. ROOD, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. CHAVALAS, BOMB. 2nd Lt. LANNING, ENGINEER, S/Sgt. MC COY, RADIO, S/Sgt. BUTH, GUNNER, Sgt.	442nd	45 took off 0937 landed 1323
ROBBINS, PILOT, 1st Lt. BOOIS, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. BARDEN, BOMB. 2nd Lt. HALLIGAN, NAV. 2nd Lt. HUPPE, ENGINEER, S/Sgt. SPLESS, RADIO, S/Sgt. TOMPKIN, GUNNER, S/Sgt.	441st	16 took off 0938 landed 1348

WILSON, PILOT, F/O WEST, CO PILOT, F/O MC ILLVENNA, BOMB, SGT MEARS, ENGINEER, S/Sgt. CARLISLE, RADIO, S/Sgt. KWIATKOWSKI, GUNNER, Sgt.	441st	8 took off 0938 LANDED 1348
WEILER, PILOT, 2nd Lt. HUNSBERGER, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. MC FARLAND, BOMB. S/Sgt. SMITH, ENGINEER, S/Sgt. HULL, RADIO, S/Sgt. STEEVES, GUNNER, Sgt. CATALDI, ENGINEER, Cpl.	441st	10 took off 0938 landed 1040
HENDRIX, PILOT, 2nd Lt. SCHULTZ, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. FARMER, BOMB. 2nd Lt. ABART, NAV. 2nd Lt. LIDICKER, ENGINEER, S/Sgt. GORGANOUS, RADIO, S/Sgt. GRINEA, GUNNER, S/Sgt.	441st	11 took off 0938 landed 1009
CORNELIUS, PILOT, 2nd Lt. NOLD, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. VESSELLS, BOMB. 2nd Lt. THURSTON, NAV. 2nd Lt. ACERRO, ENGINEER, Sgt. DORAN, RADIO, S/Sgt. CLARK, GUNNER, Sgt.	441st	2 took off 0939 landed 1349
REAMES, PILOT, 2nd Lt. MATTESON, CO PILOT, 1st Lt. MC GOLDRICK, BOMB. Sgt. HARRISON, ENGINEER, Spl. ROGERS, RADIO, S/Sgt. LEUTHOLT, GUNNER, S/Sgt. RABAL, PHOTO, Sgt.	441st	1 took off 0939 landed 1349
GASSER, PILOT, 2nd Lt. CONNOR, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. BUSH, BOMB. S/Sgt. MONTGOMERY, ENGINEER, S/Sgt. FRIEDMAN, RADIO, T/Sgt. BOSS, GUNNER, S/Sgt.	444th	85 took off 0939 landed 1505
TOWNS, PILOT, 2nd Lt. WEIER, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. BERNARDI, BOMB. 2nd Lt. DEACY, NAV. 2nd Lt. BARRETT, ENGINEER, T/Sgt. STALCUP, RADIO, S/Sgt. SHINGLE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.	444th	87 took off 0939 landed 1348

DILLING, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	96
SCHNEIDER, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0940
WHITE, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed 1350
BANG, NAV. 2nd Lt.		
COOK ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
VESCOPI, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
HUMPHREY, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
FOWLER, PILOT, 2nd Lt.		80
WILSON, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0940
JENCO, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed 1350
COCOLO, ENGINEER,		
WOOD, RADIO,		
DEWITT, GUNNER,		
BURKE, PILOT, F/O	444th	91
NOWAK, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0940
CRAPSE, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed 1351
KHNER, ENGINEER, T/Sgt.		
IVEY, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
KOCH, GUNNER, Sgt.		
JOHNSON, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	444th	78
ROUND, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0940
POCAN, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed 1350
JOHNSON, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
MC ELMURRY, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
CLARKE, GUNNER, PFC.		
PERRY, RADIO, T/Sgt.		
<u>SPARES</u>		
WEEKS, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	443rd	60
WIRKALA, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0942
SZAFIR, BOMB. Sgt.		landed 1106
CALAFUT, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
AVERY, GUNNER, Sgt.		
PARK, GUNNER, Sgt.		
BERGE, PILOT, 1st Lt.	441st	4
COLBY, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0941
DOCKERY, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed 1348
BRUSH, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
MC DONOUGH, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
YAVOROSKY, GUNNER, Sgt.		
MC BRIDE, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	444th	99
MC GUGAN, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0941
MOORE, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed 1129
MONTARULI, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
SHAFFER, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
FIELD, GUNNER, Sgt.		