

HEADQUARTERS 320TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)
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Intelligence Narrative No. 157, Day Operation, 22 Feb. 1944.

Flight Commander: Captain Graves.

A. 320th Bombardment Group (M).

B. At 1212 hours, 28 B-26's of the 320th Bombardment Group (M) took off to bomb Montalto di Castro RR Bridge, Italy. They were unescorted. 1 B-26 returned early because of engine trouble. 27 B-26's were over the target, and 24 B-26's dropped 96 x 1000 lb demolition bombs (1/2, inst. and .025 second delay fuses; 1/2, 1/10, .025 second delay fuses) on the target at 1358 hours from 9,100 to 10,300'. 4 x 1000 lb demolition bombs were salvaged in the target area because of intervalometer failure. 8 x 1000 lb demolition bombs were returned to this base, 4 because A/C was not in a position to drop because of cloud cover and 4 because A/C's leader did not drop. 27 B-26's returned safely and undamaged at 1543 hours.

C. RESULTS: Bombs of half the formation bracketed the target with an excellent pattern of bombs, scoring 3 direct hits on the bridge, 2 on the south approach and one on the tracks north of the bridge. Bombs of the other A/C were wide but cut the road north of the target.

D. OBSERVATIONS:

1. Air:

a. Air Activity: None.

b. Situation: Tarquinia A/D was empty of A/C, but appeared to have been repaired at 1259 hours from 10,000'.

2. Ground:

a. General: None.

b. Communications: 30/40 RR cars (one crew member reported counting 80/90 through field glasses) were seen at Montalto di Castro M/Y at 1358 from 10,000'

c. Flak: None.

d. Shipping: 1. Large boat previously observed beached off Montalto di Castro was still there, with 2 barges reported also beached near it at 1402 hours from 10,000'.

2. 2 small boats headed SW were seen off Tarquinia at 1403 hours from 10,000'.

3. 3 med. M/Y were seen in Civitavecchia harbor at 1404 hours from 9,500'.

3. Losses: No A/C lost or damaged.

4. Weather: a. Enroute, 5/10 cumulus, 3,000' to 6/7000', visibility 8 miles in haze.

b. Target, 6-8/10 cumulus, 3,000 - 8,000', visibility 8 miles in haze.

c. Return, cumulus had increased to 8/10, tops 11,000'.

E. ROUTE AND ALTITUDES: From 2,500' at base, 30° T for 236 statute miles to Pt. Tre. Ciana climbing gradually to 10,500'; 96° M to target, at 9,700', breakaway right to coast at A 0610; 215° T for 246 statute miles to base, dropping gradually to 2,500'.

F. COMMENTS: Cloud cover prevented the first half of the formation from securing an adequate run on the target.

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DEPUTYFLY COMMANDER:
FLIGHT COMMANDER:Capt GRAVE

22 FEBRUARY 1944

	"A"	
	<u>CAUDILL</u>	
<u>NELSON</u>	66	<u>LAMB</u>
64	<u>SAYLOR</u>	52
	53	
	"B"	
	<u>LONG</u>	
<u>ROMAN</u>	57	<u>LYDAY</u>
25	<u>FREEMAN</u>	67
	38	
	"C"	
	<u>SHUH</u>	
<u>GREGG</u>	37	<u>HAMPTON</u>
47	<u>CLAYBOUGH</u>	46
	43	
	"D"	
	<u>HENDRIX</u>	
<u>WILLS</u>	17	<u>DILLON</u>
21	<u>ROBBINS</u>	19 20
	18 11	
	"E"	
	<u>PAULANTIS</u>	
<u>TURNER</u>	2	<u>WEST</u>
90	<u>BURKE</u>	20 19
	76	
	"F"	
	<u>BIRLINGHAM</u>	
<u>FOWLER</u>	78	<u>SINGER</u>
87	<u>WELCH</u>	77
	85	
	<u>SPARES</u>	
	<u>WEEKLY</u>	
<u>ST. ANNO</u>	70	<u>HUNT</u>
4	<u>MacBRIDE</u>	32
	91	

COLORS OF THE DAY FOR 22 FEBRUARY 1944

TIME	FLARE	CHALLENGE	REPLY	COLOR
0100-0700	RR	V	Q	RED
0700-1300	RY	F	M	WHITE
1300-1900	RG	B	O	GREEN
1900-0100	YY	N	P	WHITE.

RADIO CALL SIGNS

17th Group	<u>MOHAIR</u>
319th Group	<u>BUTLER</u>
320th Group	<u>PINTO</u>
Fighter	<u>CRAWFORD</u>



THE FOLLOWING CREWS PARTICIPATED IN THE RAID ON MONT. O DeCASTRO RR/Br. Italy.

Caudill, Pilot, 1st Lt.	443rd	66
Beaudro, Co, Pilot, 1st Lt.		Took off 1212
Hobel, Bombardier, 1st Lt.		Landed 1539
Cafarella, Navigator, captain,		
Terrell, Engineer gunner, Sgt.		
Hildenbrand, Radio Gunner, T/sgt.		
Griewank, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.	Graves, Flight Commander, Captain,	
Lamb, Pilot, 2nd Lt.	443rd	52
Kolar, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1212 15
Dickey, Bombardier, S/sgt.		Landed 1539
Lamoureux, Engineer gunner, Sgt.		
Glowatch, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
McDonald, Aerial gunner, Sgt.		
Rosenthal, Aerial photographer, Sgt.		
Nelson, Pilot, 2nd Lt.	443rd	64
Stinson, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1212 30
Szafir, Bombardier, Sgt.		Landed 1539
Larkin, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Fowers, Radio Gunner T/sgt.		
Austad, Aerial gunner, Sgt.		
Coney, Aerial photographer, S/sgt.		
Saylor, Pilot, 1st Lt.	443rd	53
Cooke, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1212 45
Wagar, Bombardier, 2nd Lt.		Landed 1232
Schwartz, Navigator 2nd Lt.		
Miller, Engineer gunner, S.sgt.		
Peaver, Radio Gunner, T/sgt.	BLOWN PLUG.	
Gulliams, Sgt. Aerial gunner, Sgt.		
Long, Pilot, 1st Lt.	443rd	57
McKinney, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		TOOK OFF 1213
Janeke, Bombardier, 1st Lt.		Landed 1541
Taranto, Navigator, 2nd Lt.		
Westfall, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Bergamo, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Lumberg, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
Lyday, Pilot, 2nd Lt.	443rd	67
Reynolds, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1213 15
Saltarelli, Bombardier, S/sgt.		Landed 1541
Volosky, Engineer Gunner, Sgt.		
Lafferty, Radio Gunner, T/sgt.		
Flajnik, Aerial gunner S/sgt.		
Rowan, Pilot, 2nd Lt.	442nd	25
Thornton, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1213 130
Harmon, Bombardier, Cpl.		Landed 1541
Manning, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Moore, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Buth, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
Johnson, Aerial photographer, Sgt.		

Freeman, Pilot, 1st Lt.	442nd	38	
Williams, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1213	45
Phillips, Bombardier, Lt.		Landed 1541	
Westbrook, Engineer gunner, Cpl.			
Johnson, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.			
Flynn, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.			
Shub, Pilot, 1st Lt.	442nd	37	
Rood, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1214	
Maggio, Bombardier, 2nd Lt.		Landed 1542	
Boyer, Navigator, 2nd Lt.			
Horne, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.			
Orgeon, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.			
Turner, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.			
Hampton, Pilot, 2nd Lt.	442nd	46	
Garbowski, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1214	15
Harrington, Bombardier, Cpl.		Landed 1542	
Yule, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.			
Hughes, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.			
Kane, Aerial gunner, Cpl.			
Clitez, Photographer, .			
Gregg, Pilot, 2nd Lt.	442nd	48	
Brown, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1214	30
Friend, Bombardier, Cpl.		Landed 1542	
Goldberg, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.			
Cooney, Radio Gunner, Cpl.			
Marvick, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.			
Claybough, Pilot, 2nd Lt.	442nd	43	
Castor, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1214	45
Hendrix, Bombardier, 2nd Lt.		Landed 1543	
Melin, Engineer gunner, Pvt.			
Moore, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.			
Boyd, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.			
Hendrix, Pilot, 2nd Lt.	441st	17	
Schultz, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1215	
Farmer, Bombardier, 2nd Lt.		Landed 1544	
Ozuk, Navigator, Captain,			
Lidicker, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.			
Gormanous, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.			
Griner, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.			
Dillon, Pilot, 2nd Lt.	441st	20	
Trunk, Co, Pilot, 1st Lt.		Took off 1215	15
Berdaus, Bombardier, S/sgt.		Landed 1544	
Liggett, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.			
Juve, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.			
Bratton, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.			
Cataldi, Aerial photographer, Cpl.			
Wills, Pilot, 1st Lt.	441st	21	
Oltman, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1215	30
McFarland, Bombardier, S/sgt.		Landed 1544	
Hill, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.			
McDonough, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.			
Medina, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.	Fields, Observer,	1st Lt. Ob	

Robbins, Pilot, 1st Lt.	441st	11
Smith, Co, Pilot, 1st Lt.		Took off 1215 45
Barden, Bombardier, 2nd Lt.		Landed 1544
Thurston, Navigator, 2nd Lt.		
Huppe, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Spies, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Tompkins, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
Paulantis, Pilot, 1st Lt.	441st	2
Wachter, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1216
Plouck, Bombardier, 2nd Lt.		Landed 1545
Abart, Navigator, 2nd Lt.		
Dolan, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Merkus, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Griggs, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
West, Pilot, F/O	441st	19
Wilson, Co, Pilot, F/O		Took off 1216 15
McGoldrick, Bombardier, T/sgt.		Landed 1545
Mears, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Hoffmann, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Moore, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
St. Arno, Pilot, F/O	441st	Took off
Noel, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		
Turner, Pilot, 2nd Lt.	444th	90
Dickerson, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1216 30
Rogers, Bombardier, 2nd Lt.		
B arrett, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		Landed 1545
Feinberg, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Alexander, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
B urke, Pilot, F/O	444th	76
Weier, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1216 45
White, Bombardier 2nd Lt.		Landed at 1545
Filtranie, Engineer gunner, Sgt.		
Ivey, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Koch, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
Birmingham, Pilot, 2nd Lt.	444th	78
Sinn, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1217
Heller, Bombardier, 2nd Lt.		Landed 1546
Gest, Navigator, 2nd Lt.		
Staton, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Campbell, Radio Gunner, Cpl.		
Figgott Aerial gunner, Sgt.		
Winger, Pilot, 2nd Lt.	444th	77
Connor, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1217
Dziedzicj, Bombardier, cpl.		Landed 1546
Tunis, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Viscomi, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Moskowitz, Aerial gunner, Sgt.		
Dunn, Aerial photographer, Cpl.		
Fowler, Pilot, 2nd Lt.	444th	87
Wilson, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1217 45
Jenco, Bombardier, S/sgt.		Landed 1546
Wood, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Cocola, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
DeWitte, Aerial gunner, Sgt.		
Faucher, Radio Gunner, T/sgt.		

	Wier, Pilot, 1st Lt.	444th	85
	Polansky, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1217 45
	Lindstrum, Bombardier, 2nd Lt.		Landed 1546
E	Goldie, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
	Spears, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
	George, Aerial gunner, /sgt.		
	McElmurry, Aerial photpgrapher, S/sgt.		
S	Mcbride, Pilot, 2nd Lt.	444th	91
	Richards, Co, Pilot, F/O		Took off 1218 45
	Roberts, Bombardier, S/sgt.		Landed 1539
	Montgomery, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
	Shaffer, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
	Field, Aerial gunner, gt.		
	Weekley, Pilot, 2nd Lt.	443rd	70
	Sprang, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1218
	Straka, Bombardier, S/sgt.		Landed 1529
	Adams, Engineer gunner, Sgt.		
	La Gesse, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
	Rolfe, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
	Karte, Pilot, 2nd Lt.	442nd	32
	Barnard, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1218 ;15 15
	Harlan, Bombardier, Cpl.		Ldd. 1526
	King, Engineer gunner, Sgt.		
	Knauer, Radio Gunner, Sgt.		
	Kimmech, Aerial gunner,		
	St. Arno, Pilot, F/O	441st	4
	Nold, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1218
	Kwaikowski, Bombardier, Sgt.		Landed 1526
	Acerro, Engineer gunner, gt.		
	Doran, Radio Gunner, /sgt.		
	Gust, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		