

HEADQUARTERS 320TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)  
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Intelligence Narrative No. 187, Days Operation, 14 April 1944.

Flight Commander: Major Brewer.

A. 320th Bombardment Group (M).

B. At 1130 hours 27 B-26's took off to bomb Bucine Viaducts, North and South, Italy. They were unescorted. 3 A/C, spares, returned early. 24 A/C were over the targets. 8 A/C dropped 30 x 1000 lb demolition bombs (1/10 - .025) second delay fuses on the North viaduct and 9 A/C dropped 36 x 1000 lb demolition bombs (1/10 - .025) second delay fuses on the South viaduct at 1406 and 1350 hours from 11,500' to 10,500'. 6 x 1000 lb demolition bombs were salvoed, 2 having hung up and 4 because A/C was low on gas. 24 x 1000 lb demolition bombs was returned to base because A/C were not in a position to drop. 22 A/C returned at 1608 hours and 2 A/C returned late at 1750 hours, having refueled at Corsica.

C. RESULTS: 1. North Viaduct - There was a good concentration of bombs in the target area which covered the north approach, cratering the tracks and blocking the line. The viaduct was not hit.

2. South Viaduct - There was an excellent concentration of bombs in the target area though the viaduct was not hit. One string of bombs bracketed the target and others fell N, E, and W of the target where one track on the W approach was undermined.

D. OBSERVATIONS:

1. Air:

a. Air Activity: 20/25 Spitfires were seen in the vicinity of the target area.

b. Situation: None.

2. Ground:

a. General: 1. A large explosion and several fires were seen at Q-4718 at 1410 hours from 11,000'.

2. Inactivity from Cecina Marina to Populonia was observed at 1335 hours from 11,000'.

3. 2 spans at Poggibonsi were seen to be out at 1340 hours from 11,000'.

b. Communications:

1. 100/125 RR cars at Siena were seen at 1340 hours from 11,000'.

2. 100/125 RR cars at Camp Di Marte, Florence were seen at 1410 hours from 11,000'.

3. 150/200 RR cars in several strings from Incisa to Bucine, some of them on fire, 1 train of 30 cars was facing south, was seen at 1406 hours from 11,000'.

4. 40/50 RR cars at Montepescali were seen at 1345 hours from 11,000'.

5. 25/30 RR cars at Montevarchi R-0340 were seen from 11,000' at 1347 hours.

6. 50 RR cars at San Casciano Q-7356 were seen at 1347 from 11,000'.

b. Communications (Cont'd):

7. 20 tank cars at Gluncarice E-9583 were seen at 1409 from 11000'
8. 25/35 RR cars at Monteriggioni were seen at 1409 from 11,000'
9. 15/20 RR cars at Certaldi were seen at 1409 from 11,000'.
10. 100 RR cars at Poggibonsi were seen at 1345 hours from 11,000'.
11. 50 RR cars at Figline were seen at 1347 from 11,000'.
12. 40 RR cars at Rapolano were seen at 1347 hours from 11,000'.
13. 12/15 M/T at Greve, parked, were seen at 1342 hours from 11,000'

c. Flaki: None.

d. Shipping:

1. 1 large M/V and 12/15 small boats at Porto Ferraro, Elba anchored, were seen at 1325 from 11,000'.
2. 1 beached barge at Q-1803 was seen at 1330 hours from 11,000'.
3. 1 large M/V and 1 medium M/V and Piombino, anchored, were seen at 1330 hours from 11,000'.

3. Lodges: None; no A/C damaged.

4. Weather: Enroute - CAVU.

Target - Clear, 4/10 Q in vicinity, base 5 to 6,000', tops 8,000', and a few at 11,500'. Visibility unlimited.  
Return - No change.

E. ROUTES AND ALTITUDES: From 2500' at base, 120° T for 37 SM to C. Carbonara; 10° T for 100 SM to C. Comino; 20° T for 165 SM to Castiglione; 28° T for 45 SM to Siena; 313° T for 11 SM to Poggibonsi; 0° T for 15 SM to Casciano; 90° T for to Incisa, IP,; bomb run on south Viaduct, 160° M for 15 SM to the targets at 10,500'; break right; 198° T for 25 SM to Buonconvento; 330° T for 16 SM to Siena, IP; bomb run on North Viaduct, 235° M for 19 SM to the target at 11,500'; break right; reciprocal course to base.

F. COMMENTS: None.

WILLIAM COOK  
Captain, Air Corps  
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MISSION # 211 FLIGHT COMMANDER: CAPTAIN SAYLOR

14  
25 April 1944.

TAKE OFF LINE UP

28 CONRAD  
43 HARFSTER  
44 FREEMAN  
  
38 HAKOMAKI  
25 ROWAN  
64 WEEKLY  
  
37 SMITH \*  
71 STRACHAN  
63 SMITHWICK  
  
85 JOHNSON  
76 TURNER J. A.  
84 CONNOR  
  
96 BIRMINGHAM  
95 MORGANSTERN  
19 WILLS  
  
8 GOLD  
3 PESEK  
2 MUELLER  
  
78 PETERS \*  
22 ULTMAN  
7 WEST  
41 ARMSTRONG  
66 WAGAR  
  
99 GASSER  
16 SMITH

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"A"  
CONRAD  
FREEMAN 28 Freestone HARFSTER 43 \*\*\*\*\*  
44 SMITH CALL SIGNS  
37 Olmstead  
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"B"  
HAKOMAKI  
WEEKLY 38 Lyman ROWAN  
64 STRACHAN 25 319th "BARKER"  
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"C"  
BARKER  
WILE 50 Lokan STINSON 52nd "B"  
54 SMITHWICK 52  
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"D"  
JOHNSON  
CONNOR 85 Pohan TURNER J. A.  
84 PETERS 76  
78 Powers  
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"E"  
BIRMINGHAM  
WILLS 96 Landstrom MORGANSTERN  
19 ULTMAN 95  
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"F"  
GOLD  
MUELLER 8 Chevalis PESEK  
12 WEST 5  
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"G"  
SPARE  
ARMSTRONG  
GASSER 41 MCKINNON  
99 SMITH 66 Wagar  
16 Goldin  
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COLORS OF THE DAY FOR 25 APRIL 1944

TIME FLARE COLORS  
0100-0700 RED\_GREEN  
0700-1300 GREEN\_GREEN  
1300-1900 YELLOW\_YELLOW  
1900-0100 RED\_YELLOW

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ALDIS LAMP SIGNALS

TIME	CHALLENGE	REPLY	COLOR OF LENSE TO BE USED
0100-0700	D	L	WHITE
0700-1300	F	O	RED
1300-1900	G	M	WHITE
1900-0100	P	V	GREEN

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THE FOLLOWING CREWS PARTICIPATED IN THE RAID ON  
crews SQUADRON

14 APRIL 1944  
FLANG NO.

Conrad, Pilot, Lt.	442nd		28
King, Co, Pilot, Lt.		took off	1130
Freestone, Bombardier, Lt.			Landed 1608
Pincomb, Navigator, Lt.			
Floto, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.			
March, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.			
Rodgers, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.			
Brewer, Flight Commander, Major,			
Harpster Pilot, Lt.	442nd		43
Hensell, Co, Pilot, Lt.			Took off 1130
Harrington, Bombardier, Sgt.			Landed 1553
Peard, Engineer gunner, Sgt.			
Knauer, Radio Gunner, Sgt.			
Marvick, Aerial gunner, Sgt.			
Clites, Aerial photographer, Sgt.			
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Freeman, Pilot, Lt.	442nd		44
Grabowski, Co, Pilot, Lt.			Took off 1130
Harmon, Bombardier, Sgt.			Landed 1608
Elias, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.			
Danke, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.			
Flynn, Aerial gunner,			
Zupanc, Aerial photographer, Sgt.			
Shuh, Pilot, Captain,	442nd		37
Klark, Co, Pilot, Lt.			Took off 1133
Clmsted, Bombardier, Lt.			Landed
Menaugh, Navigator, Lt.			
Horne, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.			
Orgeron, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.			
Iurner, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.			
Hakomaki, Pilot, Lt.	442nd		38
Allen, Co, Pilot, Lt.			Took off 1131
Lyman, Bombardier, Lt.			Landed 1609
Underwood, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.			
Moore, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.			
Spangler, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.			
Rowan, Pilot, Lt.	442nd		25
Rood, Co, Pilot,			Took off 1131
Jacobson, Bombardier, S.sgt.			Landed 1609
Manning, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.			
Forrest, Radio Gunner, Sgt.			
Ruth, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.			

crew

SQUADRON

PLANE NO.

Armstrong, Pilot, Lt. 442nd  
 Barnard, Co, Pilot, Lt.  
 Harlan, Bombardier, Sgt.  
 Huston, Engineer gunner, Sgt.  
 Milliman, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.  
 Weiss, Aerial gunner, Sgt.

SPARE.

*no credit*

41  
 Took off 1138  
 Landed 1349

*W* Weekly, Pilot, 2nd Lt, 443rd  
 Carter, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.  
 Bulow, Bombardier, 2nd Lt.  
 Adams, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.  
 La Gesse, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.  
 Rolfe, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.  
 Maddocks, Aerial photographer, Sgt.

64  
 Took off 1131  
 Landed 1610

*E* Strachan, Pilot, 1st Lt. 443rd  
 Sprang, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.  
 Westfall, Bombardier, S/sgt.  
 Hopkins, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.  
 Coons, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.  
 Mensch, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.

71  
 Took off 1133  
 Landed 1603

*W* Hale, Pilot, 1st Lt. 443rd  
 West, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.  
 Brown, Bombardier, Pvt.  
 Bowles, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.  
 Jackson, Radio Gunner, T/sgt.  
 Teeters, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.

54  
 Took off 1132  
 Landed 1612

*E* Smithwick, Pilot, 1st Lt. 443rd  
 Hamel, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.  
 Henry, Bombardier, S/sgt.  
 Coons, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.  
 Maier, Radio Gunner, T/sgt.  
 Griffin, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.

63  
 Took off 1132  
 Landed 1735

*Chis. Sr 905*

*E* Barker, Pilot, 1st Lt. 443rd  
 McKinney, Co, Pilot, Lt.  
 Lokan, Bombardier, 2nd Lt.  
 Harrold, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.  
 Johnson, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.  
 Cousins, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.

50  
 Took off 1132  
 Landed 1611

*W* Stinson, Pilot, 2nd Lt. 443rd  
 Woodhurst, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.  
 Ritter, Bombardier, 2nd Lt.  
 Larkin, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.  
 Callahan, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.  
 Austad, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.  
 Yavorosky, Aerial photographer,

52  
 Took off 1132  
 Landed 1611

*W* MacKinnon, Pilot, 1st Lt. 443rd  
*Spair* Dugan, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.  
 Nagar, Bombardier, Lt. Blackwell, Engineer gunner, Sgt.  
 Giles, Radio Gunner, S/sgt. Putman, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.

*no credit*

66  
 Took off 1138  
 Landed 1354

	CREWS	SQUADRON	PLANE NO.
SL	Johnson, Pilot, Lt.	444th	85
	Round, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1131
	Pocan, Bombardier, 2nd Lt.		Landed 1612
	Gest, Navigator, 2nd Lt.		
	Johnson, Engineer gunner, T/sgt.		
	McElmurry, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
	Clare, Aerial gunner, Cpl.		
Macia, Deputy Flight Commander Major,			
W	Gasser, Pilot, 2nd Lt.	444th	76
	Chunis, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1134
	Robert, Bombardier, S/sgt.		Landed 1553
	Goldie, Aerial engineer T/sgt.		
	Spears, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
	George, Aerial gunner, /sgt.		
	Middleton, Aerial photographer, Pfc.		
FF	Peters, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		78
	McGugan, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1137
	Powers, Bombardier, 1st Lt.		Landed 1612
	WardSmith, Navigator, 1st Lt.		
	Wymer, Engineer gunner, T/sgt.		
	Clarke, Radio Gunner, Sgt.		
	Astrada, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
W	Connor, pilot, Lt.	444th	84
	Singer, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1134
	Shingle, Bombardier, S/sgt.		Landed 1612
	Hendrick, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
	Ross, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
	Moskowitz, Aerial gunner, Sgt.		
W	Turner, Pilot, Lt.	J. A. 444th	99
	Dickerson, Co, Pilot, R. Lt.		Took off 1138
	Dziedzic, Bombardier, Sgt		Landed 1352
	Carney, Engineer gunner,		
	Feinberg, Radio Gunner, Sgt.		
	Alexander, Aerial gunner,		
W	MORGENSTERN, Pilot,		95
	Bressette, Co, Pilot, Lt.		Took off 1135
	Crapse, Bombardier,		Landed 1613
	Cook, Engineer gunner		
	Viscomi, Radio Gunner,		
Humphreys, aerial gunner,			
F	Birmingham, Pilot, Lt.	444th	96
	Sinn, Co, Pilot, Lt.		Took off 1135
	Lindstrum, Bombardier, Lt.		Landed 1613
	Staton, Engineer gunner,		
	Campbell, Radio Gunner,		
	Haney, Aerial gunner,		
	Conrad, Observer, Captain.		
W	Wills, Pilot, 1st Lt.	441st	19
	Borden, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1135
	Cocker, Bombardier, Sgt.	Cognac, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.	Landed 1657
	Snow, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.	Medina, aerial gunner, S/sgt.	
	Critchlow, Observer, S/sgt.	- 1st SF. Service force	

*no credit*  
SPARE

*G.M.S. for 905*

E Oltman, Pilot, 1st Lt. 441st  
 Bednarz, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.  
 McIlvenna, S/sgt. Bombardier,  
 Tessum, Engineer gunner, S/Sgt.  
 Hull, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.  
 Frank, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.  
 Parkinson, Observer, Major,

22  
 Took off 1137  
 Landed 1613

F Held, Pilot, 1st Lt. 441st  
 Dirwiddie, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.  
 Chavalas, Bombardier, 2nd Lt.  
 O'Dell, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.  
 Tipton, Radio Gunner, Pfc.  
 Christianson, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.  
 Schadler, Observer, Captain,

8  
 Took off 1136  
 Landed 1614

W Pesek, Pilot, 2nd Lt. 441st  
 Williams, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt. 2nd Lt.  
 Hawkins, Bombardier, S/sgt.  
 Mauser, Engineer gunner, Sgt.  
 Juve, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.  
 Bratton, Aerial gunner, Sgt.  
 Dunn, Aerial photographer, Sgt.

5  
 Took off 1136  
 Landed 1614

E West, Pilot, Flight Officer, 441st  
 Arnsdorff, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.  
 Kwiatkowski, Bombardier, S/sgt.  
 Brush, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.  
 Westbrook, Radio Gunner, T/sgt.  
 Pysz, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.  
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7  
 Took off 1137  
 Landed 1614

spare Smith, pilot, 1st Lt. 441st  
 Toffer, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.  
 Goldin, Bombardier, 2nd Lt.  
 Coppler, Engineer gunner, Sgt.  
 McDonough, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.  
 Steeves, Aerial gunner, Sgt.

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4  
 Took off 1136  
 Landed 1604