

HEADQUARTERS 320TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)  
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Intelligence Narrative No. 190, Day Operation 23 April 1944.

Flight Commander: Major Brewer.

A. 320th Bombardment Group (M).

B. At 1005 hours 28 B-26's of this Group took off to bomb Poggibonsi RR/Br. South, Italy. 4 A/C returned early, 3 spares and 1 due to engine trouble. 24 A/C were over the target. 17 A/C dropped 134 x 500 lb demolition bombs (1/10 - .025) second delay fuses on the target at 1228 hours from 9,200' to 8,200'. 3 A/C dropped 24 x 500 lb demolition bombs (1/10 - .025) second delay fuses on Tabianolla RR/Br due to bombardier error. 8 x 500 lb demolition bombs, having hung, were salvoed. 26 x 500 lb demolition bombs were returned to base, 24 because A/C were not in a position to drop and 2 because they hung. 23 A/C returned at 1410 hours and 1 A/C returned at 1630 hours having refueled at Corsica.

C. RESULTS: Poggibonsi RR/Br. South was missed. Bombs landed to the left and to the north of the target. The highway west of the target received several direct hits. Tabianolla RR/Br was missed.

D. Observations:

1. Air: None.

2. Ground:

a. General: 1. Factory plus 10 to 12 M/T, 2 miles north of Cecina was seen at 1200 hours from 9,000'.

2. Large supple dumps at Q 2218 and Q 8805 were seen at 1210 hours from 9,000'.

b. Communications:

1. 20 RR cars north of Castiglioncello were seen at 1200 hours from 9,000'.

2. 75/100 RR cars at San Vincenza were seen at 1200 from 9,000'.

3. 75/100 RR cars at Siena and North of it were seen at 1220 hours from 9,000'.

4. 20 RR cars at Castelnuovo were seen at 1220 hours from 9,000'.

5. 40/50 RR cars plus an engine headed south at Rosignano were seen at 1240 hours from 9,000'.

6. 1 train of 20 cars South of Saline was seen at 1225 hours from 9,000'.

7. 10/12 M/T headed North at Q 6522 were seen at 1220 hours from 9,000'.

8. 7 repair cars N of Cecina were seen at 1220 hours from 9,000'.

c. Flak: From Q 4808, a factory area, intense, light, inaccurate barrage flak and very meager, heavy, inaccurate flak.

d. Shipping: 15/200 barges off Castiglione was seen at 1200 hours from 9,000'.

3. Losses: None.

4. Weather: a. Enroute: overcast with occasional showers, broken cumulus base 4,000 tops 7,000' at Corsica; scattered altostratus at 10,000' over water to Italy.

b. Target: Light haze, clear west of mountains, visibility 10 miles or better.

c. Return: Gradual improvement at base, no other change.

E. ROUTES AND ALTITUDES: From base to C. Carbonera to C. Comino, 0° T for 160 statute miles to N.W. Elba, 44° T for 46 statute miles to Cecina, 98° T for 38 statute miles to Malignano A/D, left turn to 2 statute miles northeast of Siena, bomb run 328° M for 11 statute miles to target at 9,200'; break left to Cecina to base.

F. COMMENTS: None.

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## TAKE OFF LINE - UP

96 BREWER  
93 SINGER  
93 MCBRIDE  
99 DILLING

MCBRIDE  
93

"A"

BREWER96 Heller  
DILLINGSINGER  
8381 White

"B"

FOWLERWILLS

8

87 Rogers  
GOODENOUGHTURNER J. A.

91

2

97 FOWLER  
97 TURNER J. A.  
97 WILLS  
97 GOODENOUGH

GREGG

44

"C"

WENDLING37 Evans  
RATERINGCLARK

40

48

97 WENDLING  
90 CLARK  
44 GLEGG  
43 RATERING

HALE

68

"D"

CAUDILL64 Hobe1  
FELTLYDAY

60

70 Allen

97 CAUDILL  
90 LYDAY  
93 HALE  
70 FELT

CLARK

69 71

"E"

MackINNON

59 Strickland

MCKINNEY

61

STRACHAN

50

59 MACKINNON  
61 MCKINNEY  
63 CLARK  
50 STRACHAN

STINSON

65

"F"

ACKERMAN69 McCartney  
WEEKLYREYNOLDS

67

62

97 ACKERMAN  
97 REYNOLDS  
97 STINSON  
97 WEEKLY

SPARES

MARSCH

96 SPARIS  
96 MARSCH  
91 OLTMAN

SMITH

21 Coldin

76 90

BARKEROLTMAN

20

52 Lokar

COLORS OF THE DAY FOR 23 April 1944

TIME

FLARE COLORS

0100-0700

GR 16 YELLOW &amp; YELLOW RED

0700-1300

YELLOW &amp; YELLOW

1300-1900

GREEN &amp; GREEN

1900-0100

GREEN &amp; YELLOW

## MORSE LAMP SIGNALS

TIME

CHAL. REPLY

COLOR OF LENSE TO BE USED

0100-0700

M

L

GREEN

0700-1300

X

J

RED

1300-1900

Z

Q

GREEN

1900-0100

B

P

RED.

## THE FOLLOWING CREWS

PARTICIPATED IN THE RAID ON

23 APRIL, 1944.

Brewer, Pilot, Major, ✓ 444th  
 Polansky, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt. ✓  
 Heller, Bombardier, 1st Lt. ✓  
 Gest, Navigator, 1st Lt. ✓  
 Tunis, Engineer gunner, T/sgt.  
 Fauchier, Radio Gunner, T/sgt.  
 Raral, Aerial gunner, Sgt.  
 Graves, Flight Commander; Major. ✓

96  
 Took off 1005  
 Landed 1410

Singer, Pilot, 2nd Lt. ✓ 444th  
 Connor, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt. ✓  
 Gleason, Bombardier, Sgt.  
 Hendrick, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.  
 Ross, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.  
 Moskowitz, Aerial gunner, Sgt.  
 Sauter, Aerial photographer, Sgt.

83  
 Took off 1005  
 Landed 1353

McBride, Pilot, 1st Lt. ✓ 444th  
 Chunis, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt. ✓  
 Crapse, Bombardier, S/sgt.  
 Kuhne, Engineer gunner, T/sgt.  
 Haney, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.  
 Rosenthal, Aerial photographer, Sgt.

ca865c 93  
 Took off 1005  
 Landed 1205

Dilling, Pilot, Captain, ✓ 444th  
 Schneider, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt. ✓  
 White, Bombardier, 2nd Lt. ✓  
 Deacy, Navigator, 2nd Lt. ✓  
 Guiffre, Engineer gunner, Sgt.  
 Viscomi, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.  
 Humphrey, Aerial gunner S/sgt.

81  
 Took off 1005  
 Landed 1410

Fowler, Pilot, 1st Lt. ✓ 444th  
 Wilson, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt. ✓  
 Rogers, Bombardier, 2nd Lt.  
 Coccolozzi, Engineer gunner, T/sgt.  
 Wood, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.  
 DeWitte, Aerial gunner, Sgt.

87  
 Took off 1006  
 Landed 1412

Turner, J. A. 1st Lt. ✓ 444th  
 Dickerson, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt. ✓  
 Dzielizc, Bombardier, Sgt.  
 Carney, Engineer gunner, Sgt.  
 Fienberg, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.  
 Alexander, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.

91  
 Took off 1006  
 Landed 1412

SPARE  
 Marsch, Pilot, 1st Lt. 444th SPARE SPARE SPARE  
 Marshall, Co, Pilot, 1st Lt.  
 Shingle, Bombardier, S/sgt.  
 Williams, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.  
 Ferry, Radio Gunner, T/sgt.  
 Mason, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.

92c 76  
 Took off 1011  
 Landed 1315

EARLY

	Wills, Pilot, 1st Lt.	441st	8
	Toffer, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt. ✓		Took off 1006
	Dockery, Bombardier, T/sgt.		Landed 1412
W	Mauser, Engineer gunner, Sgt.		
	Juve, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
	Leutholt, Aerial gunner, T/sgt.		
	Maddocks, Aerial Photo.		
	Goodenough, Pilot, 2nd Lt. ✓	441st	2
	Dinwiddie, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt. ✓		Took off 1006
	McGoldrick, Bombardier, S/sgt.		Landed 1412
	Barron, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
	Gaunt, Radio Gunner, T/sgt.		
	Griggs, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
	Oltman, Pilot, 1st Lt. ✓	441st	20
S	Reaves, Co, Pilot, 1st Lt. ✓		Took off 1011
	Dill, Bombardier, 2nd Lt. ✓	SPARE SPARE SPARE	Landed 1410
	Brush, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.	SPARE	
	Snow, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.	SPARE	
	Barton, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.	SPARE	
		SPARE	
S	Smith, Pilot, 1st Lt.	441st	21
	McConnell, Co, Pilot, 1st Lt.		Took off 1011
	Gibson, Navigator, 1st Lt.		Landed 1306
	Goldin, Bombardier, 2nd Lt.		
	Goodman, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
	Steighofer, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
	Clark, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		

Wendling, Pilot, lt. ✓ 442nd  
Robertson, Co, Pilot, lt. ✓  
F Hendrex, Bombardier, lt. ✓  
Ellsworth, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.  
Hughes, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.  
Field, Aerial gunner, Sgt/

37  
Took off 1007  
Landed 1414

W Klark, Pilot, lt. ✓ 442nd  
King, Co, Pilot, lt. ✓  
Fuller, Bombardier, Sgt.  
Goldberg, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.  
Knauer, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.  
Kane, Aerial gunner, Sgt.  
Dunn, Aerial photographer, Sgt.

40  
Took off 1007  
Landed 1414

Gregg, Pilot, lt. ✓ 442nd  
Kaden, Co, Pilot, lt. ✓  
Friend, Bombardier, Sgt.  
O'Neal, Engineer gunner, Sgt.  
Cooney, Radio Gunner, Sgt.  
Nemier, Aerial gunner, Sgt.

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Took off 1007  
Landed 1414

W Ratering, Pilot, lt. ✓ 442nd  
Hensell, Co, Pilot, lt. ✓  
Cook, Bombardier, Captain,  
Peard, Engineer gunner, Sgt.  
Wasacz, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.  
Turner, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.

48  
Took off 1007  
Landed GWS 1630

Caudill, Pilot, 1st Lt. ✓	443rd	64
Hill, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt. ✓		Took off 1006
Hobel, Bombardier, 1st Lt. ✓		Landed 1413
F Long, Navigator, 2nd Lt. ✓		
Terrell, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Hildenbrand, Radio Gunner, T/sgt.		
Griewank, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
Lyday, Pilot, 1st Lt. ✓	443rd	60
W Moran, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt. ✓		Took off 1008
Putman, Bombardier, S/sgt.		Landed 1413
Volosky, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Lafferty, Radio Gunner, T/sgt.		
Flajnik, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
Draper, Aerial photogtapher S/sgt.		
Hale, Pilot, 1st Lt. ✓	443rd	68
Timm, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt. ✓		Took off 1008
Brown, Bombardier, Pvt.		Landed 1416
Coffey, Engineer gunner, Sgt.		
Calafut, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Snider, Aerial gunner, Sgt.		
F Felt, Pilot, 1st Lt. ✓	443rd	70
West, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt. ✓		Took off 1008
Allen, Bombardier, 2nd Lt. ✓		Landed 1413
Taranto, Navigator, 2nd Lt. ✓		
Mai, Engineer gunner, Sgt.		
Traweck, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Guilliams, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
MacKinnon, Pilot, 1st Lt. ✓	443rd	59
Dugan, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt. ✓		Took off 1009
Strickland, Bombardier, 2nd Lt. ✓		Landed 1417
Blackwell, Engineer gunner, Sgt.		
Giles, Radio gunner, S/sgt.		
Avery, Aerial gunner, Sgt.		
McKinney, Pilot, 2nd Lt. ✓	443rd	61
Beaudros, Co, Pilot, 1st Lt. ✓		Took off 1009
Tyson, Bombardier, S/sgt.		Landed 1417
Stone, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Jackson, Radio Gunner, T/sgt.		
Guzzio, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
Clark, Pilot, 2nd Lt. ✓	443rd	71
Palmer, Co, Pilot, 1st Lt. ✓		Took off 1009
Henry, Bombardier, S/sgt.		Landed 1417
Barry, Engineer gunner, Sgt.		
Marsteller, Radio Gunner, Sgt.		
Bowles, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
Strachan, Pilot, 1st Lt. ✓	443rd	50
Goodwin, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt. ✓		Took off 1009
Westfall, Bombardier, S/sgt.		Landed 1417
Hopkins, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Cooms, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Griffin, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		

Ackerman, Pilot, 1st Lt. ✓	443rd	69
Cooke, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt. ✓		Took off 1010
McCartney, Bombardier, 2nd Lt. ✓		Landed 14/8
Aust, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Callahan, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Mensch, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
Reynolds, Pilot, 2nd Lt. ✓	443rd	67
Hamel, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt. ✓		Took off 1010
Szafir, Bombardier, S/sgt.		Landed 14/8
Ellis, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Romig, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Hood, Aerial gunner, Sgt.		
Johnson, Aerial photographer,		
Stinson, Pilot, 2nd Lt. ✓	443rd	65
Nelson, Co, Pilot, 1st Lt. ✓		Took off 1010
Dickey, Bombardier, S/sgt.		Landed 14/8
Larkins, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Maier, Radio Gunner, T/sgt.		
Austad, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
Teeters, Radio operator, S/sgt.		
Weekly, Pilot, 2nd Lt. ✓	443rd	62
Carter, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt. ✓		Took off 1010
Ritter, Bombardier, 2nd Lt. ✓		Landed 14/8
Adams, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
La Gesse, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Rolfe, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
McDonald, Radio Operator, Pvt. <del>3x</del>		
Barker, Pilot, 1st LT.	<del>60888</del> 443rd	52
Woodhurst, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 1011
Lokan, Bombardier, 2nd Lt.		Landed 12/7
Harrold, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Johnson, Radio Gunner, T/sgt.		
Cousins, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		