

Intelligence Narrative No. 242, Day Operation, 8 June 1944.

Flight Commander: Lt. Colonel Macia.

A. 320th Bombardment Group (M).

B. At 0943 hours, 13 B-26's of the 320th Bombardment Group (M) took off to bomb Terentola M/Y, Italy (M/R: R380044, sheet 122). The target was obscured by clouds, and Cecina Rd. Bridge, last resort target was bombed instead. 12 B-26's were over the targets, and 6 dropped 48 x 500 lb demolition bombs (42 - 1/10, .01 second delay fuses) 3 - 6 hour delay; 3 - 24 hour delay fuses: on the target at 1206 hours from 9,000' to 8,500' on an axis of 230° T. 40 x 500 lb demolition bombs were salvoed over land; 8 because A/C was damaged by flak; 32 because of accidental release by a flight leader in the primary target area. 8 x 500 lb demolition bombs were salvoed in the water, having hung up over the target. 11 B-26's returned to base at 1333 hours and 1 B-26' is in Corsica with pilot injured by flak.

C. RESULTS: Cecina Rd. Bridge was covered with a good pattern of bombs, scoring direct hits on its site. Bridge was more than half destroyed prior to bombing.

D. OBSERVATIONS:

1. Air: See Narrative No. 241, this date.

2. Ground: a. General: None.

b. Communications: See Narrative No. 241, this date.

c. Flak: From Terentola moderate heavy accurate for both altitude and deflection was encountered on bomb run (axis 59°) as bomb doors opened and following on breakaway. 25 bursts of heavy inaccurate flak was encountered from Cortona. Continuously pointed fire.

Positions: 3 heavy guns among 3 bldgs just east of M/Y at Cortona.

d. Shipping: See Narrative No. 241, this date.

3. Losses: None; damaged by flak, 10; 1 crew member injured.

4. Weather: See Narrative No. 241, this date.

E. ROUTES AND ALTITUDES: Same as Narrative No. 241, except only one bomb run was made on the primary target.

F. COMMENTS: None.

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 RADIO:
 320th TOPNOTCH
 Escort:
 TOPNOTCH FIGHTERS
 17th BIGSAM
 319th MANTBALL

 GROUND SPARES
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 -91-

		"A"	
19	<u>HUBBARD</u> Burtis	11 <u>ROBBINS</u> TAPP	08 <u>WEST</u> Mc Goldrick
		22 <u>SMITH</u> VES SALLS	
		"B"	
01	<u>WILLIAMS</u> Cocker	07 <u>BIRWIDDIE</u> Johnson	09 <u>BOYCE</u> Mc Farland
		17 <u>TRUNK</u> Gallagher	
		"C"	
77	<u>RICHARDS</u> Rinden	98 <u>TOWNS</u> Drevas	95 <u>BRESSETTE</u> Shehan
		78 <u>GASSER</u> Jenco	
		"D"	
38	<u>WELCH</u> Harlan	31 <u>HAKOMAKI</u> HENDREX	44 <u>ROBERTSON</u> Fuller
		41 <u>RATERLING</u> MAGGIO	
		"E"	
26	<u>TAYLOR</u> Mc Gray	30 <u>HARTE</u> SPANN	47 <u>HODGES</u> Harrington
		33 <u>BARNARD</u> Slough	
		"F"	
99	<u>SCHNEIDER</u> Leonard	79 <u>FOWLER</u> LINDSTRUM	83 <u>MC GUGAN</u> Crapse
		90 <u>SINE</u> Siegler	
SPARES:	23 <u>WACHTER</u> Vicha	32 <u>MC DOUGAL</u> Chamberlin	80 <u>FLACKTER</u> WILLIAMS

COLORS OF THE DAY

	<u>FLARE COLORS</u>
0200-0800	RED & GREEN
0800-1400	GREEN & GREEN
1400-2000	GREEN & YELLOW
2000-0200	GREEN & YELLOW

AIDIS LAMP SIGNALS

	<u>CHALLENGE</u>	<u>REPLY</u>
0200-0800	Y	J
0800-1400	B	G
1400-2000	A	P
2000-0200	Z	W