

HEADQUARTERS 320TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)  
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Intelligence Narrative No. 265, Day Operation, 1 July 1944

Flight Commander: Col. Fletcher.

A. 320th Bombardment Group (M)

B. At 07:49 hours, 30 B-26's of the 320th Bombardment Group (M) took off to bomb the Railroad Bridge at Pontremoli (M/R: P-717408, sheet 84), Italy. 3 B-26's returned Early; 2 spares, 1 propeller governor out, 27 B-26's were over the target and dropped 108 x 1,000# Demolition bombs (1/10 a .01 second delay fuses) on the target at 09:57 hours from 10,500' to 10,000' on an Axis of 340°T. One Squadron was not in position to drop on the target at the first run, and came second run dropped on the target at 10:18 hours from 10,500' on an Axis of 345°T. 27 B-26's returned to base at 11:45 hours.

C. Results: The target was covered with an excellent concentration of bombs, scoring several direct hits.

D. Observations:

1. Air:

A. Air Activity: Spitfires from Corsica provided escort.

B. Situation: Sarona A/D empty at 11:51 hours.

2. Ground:

a. General:

- (1) Viareggio Railroad Bridge North, V-9982, down.
- (2) Moneglia Viaduct still up but damaged.
- (3) Massa Railroad Bridge, P-9900, out.
- (4) Factory activity in Spina.
- (5) Hospital building at P-724394.
- (6) Probable ammunition factory at P-7437 (small, some of buildings surrounded by revetments).

b. Communications:

- (1) 250 Railroad cars at P-7240 to U-9982.
- (2) 10 M/T moving West at P-3631 at 10:04 hours.
- (3) 8 M/T moving North at P-7446 at 09:56 hours.

c. Flak:

ARM	Dir.	Type	ACCURACY	Type	Remarks
		Flak	Alt. Def.	Flak	
LA Spina	S	H	A I	10/15	bursts from cruiser. (Deflection was at least 5 miles off).

d. Shipping:

- (1) At Viareggio, U-9883, 5 barges, at 09:43 hours.
- (2) At LA Spina, 1 cruiser inside of mole, top with nets at end of mole, 4 M/V in harbor at 09:50 hours.
- (3) At P-3231, 1 LOT, 5 small landing craft at 10:05 hours.

3. Losses: None. Damaged: None.

4. Weather:

- a. Visibility: GAVU.
- b. Baromet: GAVU.
- c. Wind: GAVU.

5. Route: Base to rendezvous at Alto, to landfall at Viareggio; to target; breakaway left; to coast at Monaglia; to base.

7. Comments: None.

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Captain, Air Corps,  
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## RUNWAY LINE UP

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86	<u>HISBY</u>	<u>HELLER</u>	98 <u>JOHNSON</u>
	<u>Shingle</u>		<u>FOGAN</u>
	87	<u>FOLLER</u>	
77	<u>TURNER</u>	<u>Kellahan</u>	91 <u>WILSON</u>
	<u>Robert</u>		<u>Bennet</u>
	93	<u>GASSER</u>	
81	<u>MORGANSTERN</u>	<u>Jenco</u>	83 <u>DEMETREE</u>
	<u>Wachter</u>		<u>Crappe</u>
	28	<u>WENDELING</u>	
43	<u>DODELIN</u>	<u>LITLIN</u>	43 <u>ROBERTS</u>
	<u>Chamberslin</u>		<u>WILSON</u>
	45	<u>KALLEN</u>	
25	<u>CASTOR</u>	<u>Walt</u>	40 <u>MC GAY</u>
	<u>Friend</u>		<u>Hanson</u>
	30	<u>HARTE</u>	
32	<u>ROBERTSON</u>	<u>Maggio</u>	32 <u>TAYLOR</u>
	<u>McCray</u>		<u>Harlan</u>
	62	<u>ACKERMAN</u>	
64	<u>VAN KEUREN</u>	<u>MC CARTNEY</u>	64 <u>BACKING</u>
	<u>Cox</u>		<u>WAGAR</u>
	69	<u>CLARK</u>	
66	<u>YOUNG</u>	<u>Howe</u>	66 <u>HEBELY</u>
	<u>Sherman</u>		<u>Straka</u>
	56	<u>STRACHAN</u>	
55	<u>DUGAN</u>	<u>SHIFF</u>	55 <u>REYNOLDS</u>
	<u>Snider</u>		<u>Jensch</u>
89	<u>SINGER</u>	27 <u>KLARK</u>	53 <u>NELSON</u>
27	<u>Gleason</u>	<u>Harrington</u>	<u>Putnam</u>
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UNIONS OF THE DAY

0200-0800	<u>FLARE COLORS</u>
0800-1400	<u>YELLOW &amp; YELLOW</u>
1400-2000	<u>GREEN &amp; GREEN</u>
2000-0200	<u>RED &amp; RED RED</u>
	<u>REF. &amp; RED</u>

## ALDIS LAMP SIGNALS

	<u>CHALLENGE</u>	<u>REPLY</u>
0200-0800	H	J
0800-1400	C	D
1400-2000	X	P
2000-0200	F	V

THE FOLLOWING CREWS PARTICIPATED IN THE OPERATIONS OF 1 JULY 1944.

CREWS	SQUADRON	PLANE NO.
BIRMINGHAM, PILOT, 43	444th	80
JONES, CO PILOT, 45		took off 0749
HELLER, BOMB. 29		landed 1145
HANG, NAV. 43		
STATON, ENGINEER,		
PIGGOTT, ENGINEER,		
FLETCHER, FLIGHT COMMANDEER, COL.		
JOHNSON, PILOT, 1st Lt. 45	444th	98
ROUND, CO PILOT, 1st Lt. 59		took off 0749
POGAN, BOMB. 1st Lt. 47		landed 1145
WARDSMITH, NAV. 49		
QUIFFRE, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
POLAND, GUNNER, Sgt.		
CONRAD, FLIGHT SURGEON, CAPT.		
HISEY, PILOT, 2nd Lt. 18	444th	86
STEARNS, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. 15		took off 0749
SHINGLE, BOMB. T/Sgt.		landed 1145
BAUER, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
ESTRADA, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
YAVOROSKY, X, S/Sgt.		
FOWLER, PILOT, 1st Lt. 60	444th	87
MC GUGAN, CO PILOT, 1st Lt. 59		took off 0749
MC MAHON, BOMB. 2nd Lt. 17 1/2		landed 1147
CLARK, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
KOCH, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
WILSON, PILOT, 1st Lt. 52	444th	91
DICKERSON, CO PILOT, 1st Lt. 49		took off 0749
BENNETT, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed 1147
CARNEY, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
ALEXANDER, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
h.d. TURNER, PILOT, 1st Lt. 50	444th	77
HAMMOND, CO PILOT, 1st Lt. 2		took off 0749
DRENAS, BOMB. Sgt.		landed 1147
MONTARULI, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
MALONE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
CLITES, PHOTO, S/Sgt.		
GASSER, PILOT, 1st Lt. 57	444th	93
WEIER, CO PILOT, 1st Lt. 53		took off 0750
JENCO, BOMB. T/Sgt.		landed 1148
GOLDIE, ENGINEER, T/Sgt.		
GEORGE, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
PAUL, GUNNER, Sgt.		
DEMESTREE, PILOT, 1st Lt. 48	444th	83
WALDROP, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. 18		took off 0750
CRAPSE, BOMB. T/Sgt.		landed 1148
LEONARD, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
RABAL, GUNNER, Sgt.		
ZUPANO, PHOTO, S/Sgt.		

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444th

MORGANSTERN, PILOT, 1st Lt. 58	444th	81
VIEBROCK, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. 5		took off 0750
HATCHER, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed
MONTGOMERY, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		1148
FIELDS, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
MAGNER, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
DUNCAN, OBS. Capt.		
WENDLING, PILOT, 53	442nd	28
ESTES, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. 8		took off 0751
LYMAN, BOMB. 1st Lt. 44		landed
PINCOMB, NAV. 1st Lt. 44		1203
COCK, OBS. CAPT.		
ELLSWORTH, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
MARVICK, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
HARFSTER, PILOT, 1st Lt. 43	442nd	43
VANDERBURG, CO PILOT, F/O 23		took off 0751
OLMSTED, BOMB. 1st Lt. 40		landed
BOYNE, NAV. 1st Lt. 55		1203
PEARL, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
KNAUER, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
DOEHLIN, PILOT, 1st Lt. 48	442nd	29
STERN, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. 25		took off 0751
CHAMBERLIN, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed
HOWARD, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		1203
MILLIMAN, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
MILLER, GUNNER, Cpl.		
FRANK, PHOTO, Cpl.		
KADEN, PILOT, 1st Lt. 50	442nd	45
WELLS, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. 7		took off 0751
WARD, BOMB. 2nd Lt. 16		landed
ROCHESTER, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		1204
WEISS, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
MC KAY, PILOT, 1st Lt. 46	442nd	40
R.F. WILLIAMS, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. 39		took off 0751
HARMON, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed
FITZGERALD, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		1204
ORGERON, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
CASOR, PILOT, 1st Lt. 54	442nd	25
BARRACLOUGH, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. 31		took off 0751
FRIEND, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed
O'NEAL, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		1205
MICKELSON, GUNNER, Sgt.		
DRAPER, PHOTO, Sgt.		
<del>MORSE</del> HARTE, PILOT, 1st Lt. 47	442nd	30
OBER, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. 23		took off 0752
MAGGIO, BOMB. 1st Lt. 42		landed
KING, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		1205
DELAIRE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
TAYLOR, PILOT, 1st Lt. 54	442nd	32
THORNTON, CO PILOT, 1st Lt. 49		took off 0752
HARLAN, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed
PENTON, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		1205
PAYNE, RADIO, Sgt.		
WARD, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		

ROBERTSON, PILOT, 1st Lt. 46  
WILLIAMS, R.A., CO PILOT, 41  
MC CRAY, BOMB. Sgt.  
MARCOLIS, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.  
SAVENETTI, RADIO, S/Sgt.  
MILITSCHER, GUNNER, Sgt.

442nd

44  
took off 0752  
landed

1205

ACKERMAN, PILOT, Capt. 47  
MORAN, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. 31  
MC CARTNEY, BOMB. 1st Lt. 38  
DORE, NAV. 1st Lt. 42  
JUST, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.  
CALLAHAN, RADIO, T/Sgt.

443rd

62  
took off 0753  
landed

1149

MAC KINN N, PILOT, Capt. 42  
NICOD, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. 24  
HOBEL, NAV. 1st Lt. 60  
WAGAR, BOMB. 1st Lt. 41  
GILES, ENGINEER, T/Sgt.  
BLACKWELL, RADIO, Sgt.

443rd

54  
took off 0800  
landed

1149

VAN KEURAN, PILOT, 2nd Lt. 29  
SPEED, CO PILOT, 1st Lt. 27  
COX, BOMB. S/Sgt.  
LUPER, ENGINEER, Sgt.  
HANSEN, GUNNER, S/Sgt.

443rd

61  
took off 0853  
landed

1149

COLLINS, PHOTO,

CLARK, PILOT, 2nd Lt. 30  
OPPERMAN, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. 24  
BARRY, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.  
MARSTELLARE, RADIO, S/Sgt.

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took off 0734  
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STINSON, CO PILOT, 1st Lt. 55  
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ADAMS, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.  
TRAWEEK, RADIO, S/Sgt.  
GUILLIAMS, GUNNER, S/Sgt.

443rd

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took off 0753  
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1149

YOUNG, PILOT, 1st Lt. 27  
HECKLER, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. 25  
SHERMAN, BOMB. S/Sgt.  
TROUTMAN, ENGINEER, Sgt.  
MC DONALD, GUNNER, Sgt.  
MC GOWAN, PHOTO, PFC

443rd

52  
took off 0753  
landed

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STRACHAN, PILOT, 1st Lt. 43  
SPRANG, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. 59  
SZAFIR, BOMB. S/Sgt. CHANDLER, ENGINEER, Sgt. GOONS, RADIO, T/Sgt.  
MELE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.

443rd

56  
took off 0754  
landed

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REYNOLDS, PILOT, 1st Lt. 54  
WEST, CO PILOT, Capt. 3  
MENSCH, BOMB. S/Sgt.  
MILLER, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.  
WAGNER, RADIO, S/Sgt.  
HOOD, GUNNER, S/Sgt.

DUGAN, PILOT, 2nd Lt. 49  
KOLAR, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. 50  
SNIDER, BOMB. S/Sgt.  
GORMAN, ENGINEER, Cpl.  
LAFFERTY, RADIO, T/Sgt.  
PRICE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.

SPARES  
SINGER, PILOT, 1st Lt.  
RAMAGE, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.  
GLEASON, BOMB. Sgt.  
HENDRICK, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.  
MOSKOWITZ, RADIO, S/Sgt.

NELSON, PILOT, 1st Lt. 57  
TIDM, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. 56  
PUTNAM, BOMB. S/Sgt.  
LARKIN, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.  
AUSTAD, GUNNER, S/Sgt.

KLARK, PILOT, 1st Lt.  
KING, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.  
HARRINGTON, BOMB. S/Sgt.  
GOLDBERG, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.  
KANE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.

443rd

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took off 0754  
landed

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443rd

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took off 0754  
landed

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SPARES  
444th

No credit

SPARES  
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took off 0755  
landed

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443rd

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mission credit

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took off 0755  
landed

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442nd

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took off 0755  
landed

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