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HEADQUARTERS 320TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)
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Intelligence Narrative No. 299, Day Operation, 30 July 1944

Flight Commander: Captain Munnallee.

A. 320th Bombardment Group (M).

B. At 08:42 hours, 24 B-26's of the 320th Bombardment Group (M) took off to bomb Cherasse Railroad Bridge (M/R: O-146819, sheet 80), Italy. 2 B-26's returned early because they were spares; 1 B-26 left the formation just prior to the bomb run, because of propeller governor failure, and is now in Corsica. (Wanted to sortie credit). 21 B-26's were over the target and dropped 84 x 1,000# Demolition bombs (1/10 & .025 second delay fuses) on the target at 11:14 hours from 10,500' to 10,000' on an Axis of 120° T. 20 B-26's returned to base at 12:56 hours. 1 B-26 landed in Corsica for fuel and returned late at 14:22 hours. 1 B-26 that was in Corsica, with a propeller governor out, returned to the base late at 15:22 hours, after having trouble fixed in Corsica.

C. Results: Two good bomb patterns covered the ends and both approaches to the bridge. Several direct hits are believed to have been scored on the South end of the bridge. A few bombs landed over to the East.

D. Observations:

1. Air:

a. Air Activity: Spitfires from Corsica provided escort.

b. Situation:

- (1) 1 T/E a/c on Mondovi A/D at 10:48 hours.
- (2) 1 S/E a/c at Saluzzo I/G at 10:51 hours.
- (3) 12 dummy a/c at Rocca I/G.
- (4) 2/3 S/E a/c on Savigliano A/D at 11:15 hours.

2. Ground:

a. General:

- (1) Barracks along coast South of Albenga.
- (2) RR Bridges at Albenga and first stream to the North are out.
- (3) Hospital just North of Loano.
- (4) All RR bridges up between Ceva and Mondovi.
- (5) RR bridge South of Fossano is up.
- (6) Supply dump 1 mile North of Dogliani.

b. Communications:

- (1) 100 RR cars, 1 train of 8 passenger cars, stationary, pointing East at Albenga at 10:39 hours.
- (2) 30 RR cars at Coriale.
- (3) 10 RR cars at Loano.
- (4) 15 RR cars at Egnasco.
- (5) 20 RR cars, locomotive on East end, stationary at Ceva.

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- (6) Train of 15 cars, stationary, facing South at Carru at 11:16 hours.
- (7) 100 RR cars at Savigliana.
- (8) 175 RR cars at Fossano.
- (9) 10 RR cars at Salasso.
- (10) 15 RR cars at Carru.
- (11) 60/70 RR cars at Villafranca.
- (12) 200 RR cars at Mosetta.
- (13) 200 RR cars at Rocchigi.
- (14) 55 RR cars at Cavallermaggiore.
- (15) Train of 8 RR cars headed West just East of Cavallermaggiore at

11:13 hours.

- (16) 50 RR cars at Bra.
- (17) 10 M/T headed North just South of Ceva, at 10:43 hours.
- (18) 40 M/T headed West from Ceva at 10:43 hours.
- (19) 70 M/T headed South, 5 miles South of Piverolo at 11:09 hours.
- (20) 12 M/T headed South-East from Moretta at 11:11 hours.
- (21) 25/30 M/T headed North out of Savigliano at 11:12 hours.

c. Flak: None.

d. Shipping

- (1) 1 medium M/V, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile off shore at Gallinaria, stationary, at
- 10:39 hours.
- (2) 4/6 medium M/V at Albenga at 10:39 hours.
 - (3) 6 small craft on building stocks at Pietra Ligure.
 - (4) oil slick and submarine wake just North of Albenga at 11:34 hours.

3. Losses: None. Damaged: None.

4. Weather:

- a. Enroute: scattered cumulus at 5,000'.
- b. Target: 8/10ths cumulus at 7,000'; hole on bomb run and over target.
- c. Return: As enroute.

E. Routes: Base to rendezvous at Ile Rousse; to landfall at Albenga; to Ceva; to Busca; to Ravello; to Cavour; to I.P., Moretta; to target; breakaway right to Pietra Ligure; to base.

F. Comments: None.

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Major, Air Corps,
Group Intelligence Officer.

MISSION # 321 FLIGHT COMMANDER: CAPTAIN NUNNALLEE , 30 July 1944.

TAKE OFF LINE UPS	"A"		
4	<u>BODIE</u>	<u>ROBBINS</u>	<u>SMITH</u>
23	22 Cocker	23 TAPP	4 Traynor
22	"B"		
24	<u>WILLIAMS</u>	<u>REEVES</u>	<u>BEDNARZ</u>
10	1 Strensy	11 Dever	10 Chalucci
11		<u>WACHTER</u>	
1		24 Vicha	
1	"C"		
38	<u>NOID</u>	<u>BORDEN</u>	<u>BOYCE</u>
16	17 Stone	14 Anderson	16 Gallagher
14	15	<u>D'INVIDDLE</u>	
17		38 O'Connell	
98	"D"		
88	<u>STERNS</u>	<u>PETERS</u>	<u>BURKE</u>
76	76 Bennett	88 POWERS	98 ROGERS
	"E"		
86	<u>DRISCOLL</u>	<u>GASSER</u>	<u>CHUNIS</u>
91	77 Ryan	80 Hephner	91 Rindon
80		<u>DEMETREE</u>	
77		86 Goldman	
	"F"		
89	<u>BRESSETTE</u>	<u>MARSCH</u>	<u>RAMAGE</u>
87	97 Williams	99 Lindstrom	87 Drake
99		<u>MCRIDE</u>	
97		89 Dreas	
	"G" SPARES		
2	<u>HIPPLE</u>		<u>HAMMOND</u>
82	2 Burg		82 Shin
	GROUND SPARES		
	(18)	(83)	

Rt. Engine Cutting Out
Mag. trouble

***** * COLORS OF THE DAY FOR 30 JULY 1944 * *****

* RADIO CALL SIGNS:	* TIME	FLARE COLORS
* 320th Group	* 0200-0800	YELLOW & YELLOW RED
* "TOPNOTCH"	* 0800-1400	GREEN & YELLOW
* FIGHTERS	* 1400-2000	YELLOW & YELLOW RED
* "TOPNOTCH -	* 2000-0200	RED & RED RED
* FIGHTERS"		

***** * ALDIS LAMP SIGNALS * *****

* CHANNEL " _____ "	* TIME	CHALLENGE	REPLY
* 0200-0800		B	V
* 0800-1400		L	C
* 1400-2000		D	I

MISSION NUMBER 311
 THE FOLLOWING CREW PARTICIPATED IN THE OPERATIONS : 30 JULY 1944

CREW	SQUADRON	PLANE NUMBER
P ROBBINS, CAPT. ⁶²	<u>441st</u>	23
CP WILSON, 2nd Lt. ⁶⁴		TOOK OFF
B THURSTON, 1st Lt. ⁶³		0842
N TAPP, CAPT. ⁵⁶		LANDED
E HUPPE, S/Sgt.		<u>1256</u>
R MICHAELSON, T/Sgt.		
G TOMPKIN, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
F NUNNALLEE, CAPT, FLIGHT COMMANDER 38		
X		
P SMITH, CAPT. ⁴⁷	<u>441st</u>	18
CP CAHAN, CAPT. ⁴		TOOK OFF
BN HERFETTO, 2nd Lt. ²⁰		0850
MS TRAYNOR, 2nd Lt. ¹³		LANDED
E GOODMAN, T/Sgt.		<u>1356</u>
R KIRKLAND, S/Sgt.		
G STIPE, S/Sgt.		
F		
X		
P BODIE, 1st Lt. ⁵⁹	<u>441st</u>	22
CP SCOTT, 2nd Lt. ⁹		TOOK OFF
E COCKER, S/Sgt.		0842
N L		LANDED
S LIAS, S/Sgt.		<u>1524</u>
R WESTBROOK, T/Sgt.		
G WILSON, Sgt.		
F BLUE, Pvt.		
X RANDOLPH, Capt.		
P REAVES, 1st Lt. ⁵⁶	<u>441st</u>	11
CP KAUFFMAN, 2nd Lt. ¹		TOOK OFF
B DEVER, 2nd Lt. ¹		0843
N		LANDED
E HILL, T/Sgt.		<u>1257</u>
R PYSZ, S/Sgt.		
G TANKERSLEY, Sgt.		
F		
X		
P BEDNARZ, 1st Lt. ³⁷	<u>441st</u>	10
CP TOFFER, 1st Lt. ³¹		TOOK OFF
B CHELUCCI, Sgt.		0843
N		LANDED
E STRAND, Sgt.		<u>1252</u>
G LARGENT, T/Sgt.		
F FRASER, T/Sgt.		
X		
P WILLIAMS, D.L., 1st Lt. ⁵⁷	<u>441st</u>	01
CP MC CURDY, F/O ⁷		TOOK OFF
B STREANY, S/Sgt.		0843
N		LANDED
E FERNANDEZ, T/Sgt.		<u>1257</u>
G CANZONE, Sgt.		
F BRATTON, S/Sgt.		
X MADDOCKS, S/Sgt.		

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1944:

CREW'S	SQUADRON	PLANE NUMBER
P WACHTER, 1st Lt. 49	441st	24
CP LYONS, 2nd Lt. 3		TOOK OFF
B VICHA, S/Sgt.		0843
N		LANDED
E MEARS, S/Sgt.		1257
R ZEPEDA, Cpl.		
G MARINELLI, S/Sgt.		
F HAYES, Sgt.		
X		
P BORDEN, 1st Lt. 38	441st	14
CP LOUIS, 2nd Lt. 4		TOOK OFF
B ANDERSON, 2nd Lt. 4		0844
N		LANDED
E MAUSER, Sgt.		1258
R SNOW, S/Sgt.		
G DUNN, Sgt.		
F		
X		
P BOYCE, 1st Lt. 54	441st	16
CP WALDEN, 2nd Lt. 4		TOOK OFF
B GALLAGHER, Sgt.		0844
N		LANDED
E FULK, S/Sgt.		1258
R ROCKABRAND, S/Sgt.		
G PROFOS, Cpl.		
F LIEBERMAN, S/Sgt.		
X		
P NOLD, 1st Lt. 57	441st	15
CP ROBINSON, 2nd Lt. 8		TOOK OFF
B STONE, S/Sgt.		0844
N		LANDED
E ACERRO, S/Sgt.		1258
R DORAN, S/Sgt.		
G GUST, S/Sgt.		
F		
X		
P DINWIDDIE, 1st Lt. 40	441st	38
CP CINNAMOND, 2nd Lt. 3		TOOK OFF
B O'CONNELL, F/O 6		0844
N		LANDED
E GULLIVER, S/Sgt.		1256
G DALTON, S/Sgt.		
F RAHL, S/Sgt.		
X Keller, Capt. radio		
X Payne, Sgt.		
P PETERS, 1st Lt. 59	441st	88
CP FERRINE, 1st Lt. 4		TOOK OFF
B POWERS, 1st Lt. 49		0845
N WARD-SMITH, Lt. 54		LANDED
E COCOLO, T/Sgt.		1259
G SHROLL, Cpl.		
F CAMPBELL, S/Sgt.		
X		

MISSION NUMBER
THE FOLLOWING CREW PARTICIPATED IN THE OPERATIONS

1944:

CREWS	SQUADRON	PLANE NUMBER
F P MARSCH, 1st Lt. 58	<u>444th</u>	99
CP KAMANSKI, 2nd Lt. 4		TOOK OFF
B LINDSTRUM, 2nd Lt. 40		0847
M MONTGOMERY, S/Sgt.		LANDED
E PERRY, T/Sgt.		1301
R MASON, S/Sgt.		
G		
F		
X		
W P RAMAGE, 1st Lt. 35	<u>444th</u>	87
CP FOWLER, 2nd Lt. 1		TOOK OFF
B DRAKE, 2nd Lt. 13		0847
N		LANDED
E KUCZMA, S/Sgt.		1301
R ENGELHARDT, S/Sgt.		
G FIELD, S/Sgt.		
F KING, Cpl.		
X		
W P BRESSETTE, 1st Lt. 28	<u>444th</u>	97
CP LAMPMAN, 2nd Lt. 2		TOOK OFF
B WILLIAMS, 2nd Lt. 17		0847
N		LANDED
E DELEO, Sgt.		1301
R SHAFFER, S/Sgt.		
G BROWN, S/Sgt.		
F CRONIN, S/Sgt.		
X		
W P MC BRIDE, 1st Lt. 61	<u>444th</u>	89
CP FORD, 2nd Lt. 2		TOOK OFF
B DREVAS, Sgt.		0847
M MC QUARRIE, S/Sgt.		LANDED
E DELUCA, Sgt.		1301
R PAUL, Sgt.		
G FAUCHIER, T/Sgt.		
F		
X		
SPARES	SPARES	SPARES
P HAMMOND, CAPT.	<u>444th</u>	82
CP WELLS, 2nd Lt.		TOOK OFF
B SHEEHAN, Sgt.		0848
N MARK		LANDED
E BAUER, S/Sgt.		1122
G FRIEL, S/Sgt.		
F BUCHANAN, S/Sgt.		
X		
P HIPPLE, 1st Lt.	<u>441st</u>	02
CP OSTERMUELLER, 2nd Lt.		TOOK OFF
B BURG, 2nd Lt.		0848
H		LANDED
E WALDROP, Sgt.		1102
G FORBES, S/Sgt.		
F COOK, Sgt.		
X		

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