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HEADQUARTERS 320TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)
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Intelligence Narrative No. 374, Day Operation, 19 Oct., 1944

Flight Commander: Captain Rowan.
Lead Pilot: Captain Berge.

A. 320th Bombardment Group (M).

B. At 10:41 hours, 17 B-26's of the 320th Bombardment Group (M) took off to bomb Ossengo Railroad Mill (M/R: (R) F-589795, GSGS 4164, Sheet 48), Italy. No B-26's returned early. Three runs were made on the target area. Clouds on the bomb run denied the first Squadron a sufficient view of the target for bombing, but permitted the second Squadron to bomb on the first run. On the second run and third run clouds also prevented the first Squadron from bombing, but it did find a target of opportunity open a few miles down the line. 17 B-26's were over the target and 8 B-26's dropped 112 x 300# Demolition bombs (1/10 & .025 second delay fuses) on the target at 12:06 hours from 10,000' to 9,500' on an Axis of 339°T on the first run. 9 B-26's dropped 120 x 300# Demolition bombs (1/10 & .025 second delay fuses) on a target of opportunity, a Railroad Defile South of Dolce (M/R: (R) F-527699, GSGS 4164, Sheet 48), Italy, at 12:36 hours from 10,500' to 10,000' on an Axis of 209°T, on the third run in the target area. 6 x 300# Demolition bombs were salvaged in an open field 2 miles south of Lake Garda, having hung up over the target. 17 B-26's returned to base at 13:52 hours.

C. Results: An excellent pattern covered the primary target. Visual observations after bombing confirmed at least three direct hits.

A good pattern covered the target of opportunity, with one string of bombs West of the target.

D. Observations:

1. Air:

a. Air Activity: None.

b. Situation: None.

2. Ground:

a. General:

- (1) Hospitals at Salsomaggiore and 1 mile East of Desenzano.
- (2) Supply dump North of Torre.
- (3) Smoke pots along tracks South of Rovereto at 12:06 hours.

b. Communications:

- (1) Train of 40 RR cars headed North at Busseto at 11:35 hours.
- (2) 200 RR cars at Desenzano.
- (3) 10/12 M/T Headed East from Cremona at 11:38 hours.
- (4) 15 M/T headed North at S. Ambrogio at 12:16 hours.
- (5) Train of 50 RR cars headed South at Rovereto at 12:28 hours.
- (6) 200 RR cars at Argo.
- (7) Train of 40 cars headed South, 200 cars in M/Y at Avio at 12:06 hours.
- (8) 6 M/T headed North from Gargnano at 12:07 hours.

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(9) 12 M/T headed South at Malcesine at 12:07 hours.

c. Flak: None.

d. Shipping: 2 small boats headed North toward Riva in Lake Garda at 12:05 hours.

3. Losses: None. Damaged: None.

4. Weather: Same as Narrative No. 373, except for partially open channel over target.

E. Routes: Base to landfall at Moneglia; to Fidenza; to Asola; to target on an Azis of $35^{\circ}T$, on the first run; 360° curve to left to Corda; to target on second run; 180° curve left around Rovereto; third run on Azis of $209^{\circ}T$, to Fidenza; to Moneglia; to base.

F. Comments: None.

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Group Intelligence Officer.

MISSION # 387

CAPT ROWAN

13 OCTOBER 1944

TAKE OFF LINE UP	<u>LAMPMAN</u>	<u>HEPNER</u>	<u>REEDER</u>
	<u>75 Goldman</u>	<u>DRISCOLL</u>	<u>83 GLAUBITZ</u>
88	<u>JONES R. E.</u>	<u>85 Sheehan</u>	<u>DAWKINS</u>
75	<u>93 Harney</u>	<u>HAMMOND</u>	<u>89 Weisberg</u>
83	<u>JONES E. C.</u>	<u>90 Nelson</u>	<u>SALMONSON</u>
85	<u>77 C. G.</u>	<u>BOTTOMLEY</u>	<u>81 Ryan</u>
93	<u>MCOMBER</u>	<u>37 OLLSTED</u>	<u>ESTES</u>
89	<u>40 Woodward</u>	<u>CRAIGHER</u>	<u>25 STOUGH</u>
90	<u>SCHEINE</u>	<u>40 Phillips</u>	<u>KENT</u>
77	<u>46</u>	<u>MCDONNELL</u>	<u>32 Linville</u>
81	<u>ALLEN</u>	<u>43 Burns</u>	<u>GOEKE</u>
37	<u>Farwell</u>	<u>ACKLAND</u>	<u>47 Roberts</u>
40	<u>MILNER</u>	<u>42 HENDRICK</u>	<u>STRACHAN</u>
25	<u>50 Orr</u>	<u>WILEY</u>	<u>64 Mazza</u>
62	<u>Holland</u>	<u>51 Green</u>	<u>PETROSKY</u>
50	<u>WEST CAPT</u>	<u>WEST CAPT</u>	<u>54 Estercoz</u>
64	<u>BENNETT</u>	<u>55 Felzer</u>	<u>OP. BERMAN</u>
51	<u>61 Purvis</u>	<u>WILL</u>	<u>65 Male</u>
69	<u>JUN</u>	<u>Wray</u>	<u>CAHAN</u>
54	<u>LAZO</u>	<u>DIMMIDIE</u>	<u>04 Farindino</u>
33	<u>20 Chelucci</u>	<u>07 Murray</u>	<u>TORANGO</u>
61	<u>KUFFMAN</u>	<u>PESEK</u>	<u>10 Streaty</u>
65	<u>15 O'Donnell</u>	<u>09 Volmer</u>	<u>ASHER</u>
12	<u>LOUIS</u>		<u>06 Stone</u>
20	<u>17 Sacco</u>		
04			
07			
15	COLLECTOR OF THE DAY FOR 13 OCTOBER 1944		
10	TIME	FLAME	
	0200-0800	YELLOW & YELLOW	
09	0800-1400	YELLOW & YELLOW	
17	1400-2000	RED & RED RED	
06	2000-0200	YELLOW & YELLOW	

AIDIS LAMP SIGNALS

TIME	CHALLENGE	REPLY
0200-0800	F	V
0800-1400	C	D
1400-2000	R	H
2000-0200	L	S