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HEADQUARTERS 320TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)  
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Intelligence Narrative No. 376, Day Operation, 15 Oct., 1944

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

A. 320th Bombardment Group (M).

B. At 08:15 hours, 20 B-26's of the 320th Bombardment Group (M) took off to bomb Cassengo Railroad Fill (W/R: (R) F-589795, GCS 4164, sheet 48), Italy. 2 B-26's returned early: Spares. 18 B-26's were over the target and 18 B-26's dropped 144 x 500# Demolition bombs (1/10 & .025 second delay fuses) on the target at 09:54 hours from 10,550' to 10,000' on an Az of 36°T. 18 B-26's returned to base at 11:03 hours.

C. Results: An excellent concentration of bombs covered the target area, and several direct hits were scored on the fill, and the 10th to 30th cars of a 40 car train moving North over the fill, and possibly on the locomotive of a second train. Some bombs started short and walked into the target area.

D. Observations:

1. Air:

- a. Air Activity: None.
- b. Situation: Ghedi and Fidenza A/D's empty of aircraft.

2. Ground:

a. General:

- (1) All bridges between Moneglia and Fidenza appeared serviceable.
- (2) Bridge up at Peschiera.
- (3) Fire and smoke on East edge of La Spezia.

b. Communications:

- (1) 50 RR cars at Borgo Val Di Taro.
- (2) 40 RR cars at Moneglia.
- (3) 150 RR cars at Fidenza.
- (4) Train of 15/20 cars headed South into Fidenza at 09:36 hours.
- (5) Supply dump West of Bozzole.
- (6) 75 RR cars at Carpendolca.
- (7) 20 M/T headed North-West from Guidizzolo at 09:38 hours.
- (8) Train of 30 cars, stationary, at Ghedi at 09:38 hours.
- (9) 1 large white trailer-truck moving North from Goito at 09:38 hours.
- (10) 50/75 RR cars at Peschiera.
- (11) 9 M/T moving South into Peschiera at 09:42 hours.
- (12) Train of 30 cars headed East at Lonato at 09:39 hours.
- (13) 150 RR cars at Desenzano.
- (14) Train of 30 RR cars headed South toward Verona at 10:07 hours.
- (15) 50 RR cars at Ala.
- (16) 50 RR cars at Mori.

c. Flak: None.

d. Shipping:

- (1) 1 large M/V at Sestri Levante at 09:15 hours.
- (2) 1 large boat and 2 tugs at La Spezia, at 09:14 hours.
- (3) Several small boats in Lake Garda.

3. Losses: None. Damaged: None.

4. Weather:

- a. Horizon: Band of cumulus, tops 8,000', over sea and mountains. Overcast at 1,000' in Southern Po Valley.
- b. Target Vicinity: Scattered cumulus over mountains, tops 11,000' and higher. Valley clear.
- c. Target: Clear.
- d. Return: Stratus breaking up in Po Valley. Cumulus tops over sea building to 12-13,000'.

5. Routes: Base to Moneglia; to Fidenza; to I.P., Asola; to target on an Azis of 36°T; breakaway left to Asola; to Moneglia; to base.

F. Comments: None.

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OSSENIGO #

takeoff 0815  
land 10:00

MISSION NUMBER 390 FLIGHT COMMANDER: CAPT ROMAN  
TAKE OFF LINE UP -----

Back 1940

88		WGT	
93	LAMPMAN	WGT	BRESETTE
83	73 GOLDMAN	68 REBHNER	53 WILLIAMS

82		WGT	
79	JONES M.C.	JONES R.V.	DANKINS
89	75 GAYLES	65 HOOVER	69 BELNER

18  
1103  
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90		WGT	
77	HAHR	KREUZER	SALMONSON
81	77 NELSON	90 SHEEHAN	61 RYAN

27		WGT	
42	ALLEN	BARRACLOUGH	ESTES
28	42 FARWELL	27 LYNN	28 STOUGH

33		WGT	
48	GILLES	STEINBOCK	INGHAM
28	48 WELLS	33 WEND	28 WELLS

37		WGT	
30	STUTLER	SPRADLING	VANDEBURG
40	30 WOODWARD	37 WEND	40 ROUSH

32		WGT	
43	METSCHN	WGT	PORCYNALUK
	32 PHILLIPS		43 TERVILLE

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 Radio Call Signs:  
 300th Bomb Gp.  
 "TOPNOTCH #1"  
 FIGHTER BOMBER  
 CHANNEL "A"

COLORS OF THE DAY FOR 15 OCT 1944

TIME	FLARE COLORS
0200-0800	RED & RED
0800-1400	YELLOW & YELLOW RED
1400-2000	GREEN & GREEN
2000-0200	RED & RED

ALDIS LAMP SIGNALS

TIME	CHALLENGE	REPLY
0200-0800	J	C
0800-1400	L	N
1400-2000	X	D
2000-0200	S	H

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THE FOLLOWING CREWS PARTICIPATED IN THE OPERATIONS OF 15 OCTOBER 1944:

CREWS	SQUADRON	PLANE NO.
BERGE, PILOT, CAPT.	444th	88
STREKOWSKY, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0815
HEPNER, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed #102
WEBB, NAV. 1st Lt.		
TAKALA, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
SCHROLL, RADIO,		
ROWAN, FLIGHT COMMANDER, CAPT.		
BRESETTE, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	83
ELLIS, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0816
WILLIAMS, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed #102+
DAY, NAV. 1st Lt.		
DOWLER, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
FRIEL, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
LAMPMAN, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	93
WALKER, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0816
GOLDMAN, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed #102+
HARDY, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
HARRINGTON, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
WITT, PHOTO, Sgt.		
JONES, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	85
TRICE, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 0817
HOOPER, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed #104
GOULD, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
FLEMING, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
DAWKINS, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	89
CATALANO, CO PILOT, S/O		took off 0819
BELKER, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed #105
HIGHTOWER, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
VILLINES, GUNNER, Sgt.		
JONES, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	75
LIEBENDORFER, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0818
CAIRNES, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed #105+
CLARK, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
ROSS, RADIO, Sgt.		
MORSEY, PHOTO, Cpl.		
WOODWARD, OBS. 1st Lt.		
KREUZER, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	90
JOHNSTON, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0819
SHEEHAN, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed #1106+
DUFFEL, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
RAMIREZ, GUNNER, Sgt.		
SALMONSON, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	81
FOWLER, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0821
RYAN, BOMB. Sgt.		landed #107
GAY, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
TRACH, GUNNER, Sgt.		

METSCHAN, PILOT, 1st Lt.	442nd	32	
KITHGART, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off	0820
PHILLIPS, BOMB. 1st Lt.		landed	0940
ROCHESTER, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.	EARLY		
NYS, GUNNER, S Sgt.			
FORGYNALUK, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	442nd	43	
MC NAMARA, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off	0828
LINVILLE, BOMB. Cpl.	EARLY	landed	0943
SHERSHY, ENGINEER, Sgt.			
WENDELL, GUNNER, Sgt.			
CLAYBOUGH, PILOT, CAPT.	442nd	34	
ROSS, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off	0845
MONTEZ, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed	✓ 1134
KING, NAV. 2nd Lt.			
DEATLY, FLIGHT COMMANDER, CAPT.			
MESSIRE, ENGINEER, T/sgt.			
PASTORAK, RADIO, S/Sgt.			
WELCH, PILOT, 1st Lt.	442nd	31	
CONNELY, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off	0846
YOENES, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed	✓ 1134+
MCCQUOT, NAV. 2nd Lt.			
MC CURLEY, ENGINEER, Cpl.			
FISHER, GUNNER, Sgt.			
STERN, PILOT, 1st Lt.	442nd	47	
KRIMM, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off	0845
HATHAWAY, BOMB. 1st Lt.		landed	✓ 1135
SHEARER, ENGINEER, SGT.			
CLENDENEN, RADIO, S/Sgt.			
SCHWARTZ, PILOT, 1st Lt.	441st	21	
PRATT, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off	0846
LIEVER, BOMB. 1st Lt.		landed	✓ 1136
CONNELL, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.			
MARINELLI, GUNNER, S/Sgt.			
COLE, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	441st	22	
MC CURDY, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off	0848
MARTINSON, BOMB. Pvt.		landed	✓ 1136+
RAHL, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.			
LUDY, GUNNER, Pvt.			
GRAIA, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	441st	18	
CUEWORTH, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off	0847
KINGSBURY, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed	✓ 1137
GIBSON, ENGINEER, PFC.			
BUSH, GUNNER, S/Sgt.			
BLUE, PHOTO, Sgt.			
O'MAHONEY, PILOT, 1st Lt.	441st	05	
WILSON, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off	0849
GARVEY, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed	✓ 1137+
ROCKABRAND, ENGINEER, S/sgt.			
VOSLER, GUNNER, Sgt.			
SHERWOOD, PILOT, 1st Lt.	441st	01	
EVANS, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off	0830
VICHA, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed	✓ 1137+
THEOSLUNAS, ENGINEER, Sgt.	FATA, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		

LYONS, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	441st	44
BLACK, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0849
COCKER, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed - 1138
BARTON, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
BREZNAK, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
HILL, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	58
O'HARA, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0851
HANE, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed - 1123
DORE, NAV. Capt.		
LALLY, ENGINEER, S/sgt.		
FREIDIGER, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
HAMEL, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	57
KOMORCZSKI, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0852
DAVIS, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed - 1123+
NEWELL, NAV. 2nd Lt.		
COFFEY, ENGINEER, T/Sgt.		
BOLL, GUNNER, Sgt.		
WEST, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	52
MOSBY, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0852
SHERMAN, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed - 1123+
CUMMINS, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
HARRISON, RADIO, Sgt.		
TERPEN, PHOTO, Sgt.		
HISEY, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	87
FORD, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0853
BEEBY, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed - 1124
DELEO, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
POLAND, GUNNER, S/sgt.		
WALDROP, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	82
SHEPHERD, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 0855
BENNETT, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed - 1124+
JARRETT, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
WIGGILL, GUNNER, Sgt.		
LOGSDON, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	78
TRAVELL, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0855
JARMAN, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed - 1125
KELLEY, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
DELUCA, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
LINDQUIST, PHOTO,		
POLING, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	86
CHUNIS, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 0855
SCHMIDT, BOMB. F/O		landed - 1125+
MC QUARRIE, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
RAINES, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
ARMSTRONG, PILOT,	444th	94
MICKELSON, CO PILOT,		took off 0857
LARRABEE, BOMB.		LANDED - 1125+
JAMES, ENGINEER,		
POZNIAK, RADIO,		
SULLIVAN, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	95
JOHNSTON, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0857
RINDEN, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed - 1126
GRECO, ENGINEER, Sgt.	SHAFER, RADIO, T/Sgt.	

BRAINERD, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	65
NICOUD, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 0858
GORMAN, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed 1116
SALVATTI, RADIO, S/Sgt.	EARLY	
ZACHAR, GUNNER, Sgt.		
ACKERMAN, PILOT, Capt.	443rd	62
PARSONS, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0915
HENDRIX, BOMB. 1st Lt.		landed 1335+
TARRANTO, NAV. 1st Lt.		
JUST, ENGINEER, T/Sgt.		
KENDRICKS, RADIO, Sgt.		
MURWALLEE, MAJOR, FLIGHT COMMANDER		
STRACHAN, PILOT, CAPT.	443rd	64
DAILEY, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 0926
MIAZGA, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed 4336
MURRAY, NAV. 2nd Lt.		
HARMON, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
TALSKY, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
MILLER, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	443rd	50
KOTAS, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0915
ORR, BOMB. Sgt.		landed 4336+
DE VERNA, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
SIMMONS, GUNNER,		
CHRISTENSON, RADIO, Sgt.		
AYREY, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	70
SWIFT, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0917
GREEN, BOMB. 1st Lt.		landed 1337
LUPER, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
PRICE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
PETROSKI, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	443rd	54
HECKLER, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 0918
PETERSON, BOMB. 1st Lt.		landed 7337+
TROUTMAN, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
THOMPSON, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
SPEED, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	69
YOUNG, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 0918
HOLLAND, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed 1337+
WATHEN, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
SZEZSCH, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
COLLINS, PHOTO, S/Sgt.		
WEST, PILOT, CAPT.	443rd	55
WATSON, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 0919
SELZER, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed 1338
BUJEL, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
CHARLETON, GUNNER, gt.		
OPPERMAN, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	53
BLASKO, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0920
MELE, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed 1343
ELLIS, ENGINEER, T/Sgt.		
BEALE, GUNNER, S/gt.		

BENNETT, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	63
STRATTON, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0920
FURVIS, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed ✓ 1338+
FIELDS, ENGINEER, S gt.		
ZEIBLER, GUNNER, S gt.		
MERRILL, PILOT, Capt.	441st	11
WILSON, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 0921
TRAYNOR, BOMB. 1st Lt.		landed ✓ 1331+
GIBSON, NAV. Capt.		
HILL, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
TUFTE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
GAHAN, PILOT, CAPT.	441st	02
LAMPKE, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0922
FERRANDINO, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed ✓ 1331+
MIRABELLA, NAV. 2nd Lt.		
BENTAS, ENGINEER, S GT.		
GERONIMOS, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
LAZO, PILOT, 1st Lt.	441st	20
WETZAL, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0922
CHELUCCI, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed ✓ 1332
BOOTH, ENGINEER, S/Sgt.		
WILLIAMS, GUNNER, Sgt.		
POTTS, PHOTO, Pvt.		
DINWIDDIE, PILOT, 1st Lt.	441st	07
HELD, CO PILOT, Capt.		took off 0923
MURRAY, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed ✓ 1332+
LEWIS, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
DALTON, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
TORONGO, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	441st	10
ROBINSON, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0924
STREAMY, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed ✓ 1334+
MC COY, ENGINEER, Pvt.		
TANKERSLEY, GUNNER, S gt.		
KAUFFMAN, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	441st	15
ZIERK, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0923
O'CONNELL, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed ✓ 1334+
DUARTE, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
CANZONETTA, GUNNER, Sgt.		
BOSTIC, PHOTO, Cpl.		
PESEK, PILOT, 1st Lt.	441st	09
REAVES, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 0924
VOLLMER, BOMB. 2nd Lt.		landed ✓ 1332+
FULK, ENGINEER, S/sgt.		
PROFOS, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
ASHER, PILOT, 1st Lt.	441st	06
BOBLITT, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0926
STONE, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed ✓ 1333+
BERNSTEIN, ENGINEER, Sgt.		
TIPTON, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
LOUIS, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	441st	17
MC GREGOR, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 0925
SACCO, BOMB. Pvt.		landed ✓ 1333
HART, ENGINEER, <del>ENGINEER</del> Sgt.	MOORE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.	



MALDEN, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	441st	04	
HEEREN, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.	EARLY	took off	0927
ROJAS, BOMB. F/O		landed	2054
MULLIS, ENGINEER, Sgt.			
NELSON, GUNNER, Sgt.			
VAN KEUREN, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	51	
ZOELER, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.	EARLY	took off	0927
GOOCH, BOMB. S/Sgt.		landed	1054
SCHROESTINE, ENGINEER, Sgt.			
SUGGS, GUNNER, S/Sgt.			