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HEADQUARTERS 320TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)
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Intelligence Narrative No. 383, Day Operation, 19 Oct., 1944

Flight Commander: Major Runnalles.
Lead Pilot: Captain Merrill.

A. 320th Bombardment Group (M)

B. At 12:53 hours, 19 B-26's of the 320th Bombardment Group (M) took off to bomb Cassenigo Railroad Mill (M/R: (R) F-589795, CSQS 4164, Sheet 48), Italy. 1 B-26 returned early: spare. 18 B-26's were over the target and 17 B-26's dropped 134 x 500# Demolition bombs (1/10 & .025 second delay fuses) on the target at 14:35 hours from 10,600' to 10,000' on an Axis of 37°T. 10 x 500# Demolition bombs were returned to base; 2 having hung up over the target, and 8 due to bombardier error. 18 B-26's returned to base at 15:48 hours.

C. Results: The target was covered with an excellent concentration of bombs, scoring several direct hits. A few bombs hit just west of the target in the water.

D. Observations:

1. Air:

a. Air Activity: 2 Me-109's, two miles South of Peschiera when formation was headed North, came in high at 12 o'clock to 1,000 yards, but made no pass, then passed under the formation and were seen from the rear headed down in a steep glide, at 14:22 hours. German markings were seen.

b. Situation: An unidentified A/C was seen fired at by flak over Verona, and crashed on West outskirts of the city at 14:18 hours.

2. Ground:

a. General: Peschiera RR Bridge appeared passable.

b. Communications:

- (1) 30 RR cars at Peschiera.
- (2) 90 RR cars between Peschiera and Verona.
- (3) 40/50 RR cars North of Dolce.
- (4) 20 RR cars at Dolce.
- (5) 10/15 M/T headed South toward Garda at 14:34 hours.
- (6) 9 M/T, stationary, East of Lenato, at 14:46 hours.
- (7) 3 trains of 10 cars each, headed East in vicinity of Garpaneto at

14:15 hours.

c. Flak: None.

d. Shipping: Hospital ship North of Desenzano at 14:41 hours.

3. Losses: None. Damage: None.

4. Weather: See Narrative No. 381.

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E. Routes: Base to landfall at Moneglia; to Fidenza; to Lazise; to Target; breakaway left to Desenzano; to Fidenza; to Moneglia; to base.

F. Comments: None.

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MISSION #397 FLIGHT CONTROLLER: MAJOR MURHALES 19 October

NUM BY LINE UP

21

14

11

10

15

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31

25

30

80

81

90

89

95

91

57

55

50

09

WACHTER

14 Chelazzi

KLUG

15 Stone

SCHWABE

25 Lanville

SALMONSON

01 Nelson

91 JONES, R.W.

Hooper

SPEED

52 Sherman

SPRENGER

07 Liever

COLORES DE

0000-0000

0001-1100

1100-2000

2000-0200

WENTZ

21 TAYLOR

GRAVES

10 Paddock

BROWN

31 Roberts

BERGE

60 HEPNER

KREUZER

89 Helker

BRAINARD

57 Stofick

SCHWARTZ

07 Liever

RED

ALRE COLORS

RED & GREEN

RED & YELLOW

RED & RED RED

RED & RED

LYENS

11 POSEY

KAUFMAN

01 Dever

GOZKE

30 Travel

BRISSETTE

70 WILLIAMS

LADYMAN

95 Bernardi

STRATTON

50 Purvis

ALDIS LAMP

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RADIO:
320th TOMBATOR II
Fighter Bomber Calls on
Channel 14.4