

HEADQUARTERS 320TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)  
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Intelligence Narrative No. 387, Day Operation, 31 Oct., 1944

Flight Commander: Major Munnallee.  
Lead Pilot: Major Hayward.

A. 320th Bombardment Group (M).

B. At 13:00 hours, 19 B-26's of the 320th Bombardment Group (M) took off to bomb Matus Railroad Bridge, East (M/R: (R) F-494222, GSGS 4164, Sheet 62), Italy. 1 B-26 returned early: Oil leak. 18 B-26's were over the alternate target, Calcinato Railroad Bridge (M/R: (R) F-191600, GSGS 4164, Sheet 47), Italy, but no bombs were dropped, due to cloud interference on the last 40 seconds of the bomb run. The formation was over Calcinato at 14:35 hours from 9,600' to 8,600' on an Axis of 359°T. All bombs were returned to base. 18 B-26's returned to base at 15:54 hours.

C. Results: None.

D. Observations:

1. Air:

a. Air Activity: None.

b. Situation: Ghedi A/D, F-1057, empty at 14:35 hours.

2. Ground:

a. General: 3/5 steam shovels North of river at K-8286 at 14:15 hours.

b. Communications:

(1) 20 M/T headed North-West from Moneglia, P-3928, at 14:01 hours.

(2) 1 locomotive and 15 RR cars moving into tunnel, headed South, South of Borgo Val Di Taro, P-6553, at 14:09 hours.

(3) Scattered heavy M/T traffic moving East between Piacenza, K-6116, and Parma, L-1087, at 14:15 hours.

(4) 125 RR cars at Fidenza, K-9004, at 14:15 hours.

(5) Many M/T headed East between Cremona, K-8902, and Matus, F-4822.

(6) Scattered heavy M/T traffic headed South from Peschiera, F-4255, at 14:37 hours.

(7) 39/40 RR cars at Florenzuola, K-7812, at 14:15 hours.

c. Flak: None.

3. Naval:

a. Ports and Harbors: 2 Large M/V's in La Spezia, P-6809, at 13:58 hours.

b. Shipping: None.

4. Losses: None. Damaged: None.

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5. Weather:

a. Enroute: Broken cumulus, bases 3,000', tops 11,000' to 11,500', over Eastern Ligurian Sea, becoming overcast over Appenines.

b. Vicinity of Target: Po Valley: Broken strato-cumulus in patches, bases 7,000', tops 9,500'.

c. Target Area: Both targets were obscured by 9/10ths cumulus; slight break on first part of bomb run on Calcinato.

d. Return: Alto-stratus overcast, base 12,000', moving across Southwards across the Po Valley and reaching nearly to Appenines on return.

E. Routes: Base to Moneglia, P-4028; to Cortemaggiore, K-8019; to Roccahianca, F-0209; to Asola, F-1932; 360° curve to left over Asola; bomb run on Calcinato, F-1960; on an Azis of 359°T; breakaway right to Pidenza, P-9094; to Moneglia, P-4028; to Base.

F. Comments: All three (3) formations, this Group, this date, are CREDITED with missions and sorties.

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Major, Air Corps,  
Group Intelligence Officer.

MISSION # 402 FLIGHT COMMANDER MAJOR RUMMELLE 31 OCTOBER 1944  
 RUMMELLE LINEUP:

		"A"	
70		<u>HAYWARD</u>	
60	<u>BENNETT</u>	70 PIC LT	<u>MACINNIS</u>
58	60 Holland		58 LAGAR
		"B"	
55		<u>HILL</u>	
68	<u>HECKLER</u>	55 Bickland	<u>PARSONS</u>
54	68 Tringore		54 Gorman
		"C"	
53		<u>SPRINGOOD</u>	
63	<u>KULOWSKI</u>	53 Wele	S I T
61	63 Orr		61 Sherman
		"D"	
62		<u>W. J. J. J.</u>	
64	<u>MILLER</u>	62 HUNDREX	<u>SPACHAK</u>
64	52 Selza		64 ALLEN
		"E"	
51		<u>ST. CAPT.</u>	
97	<u>POLLING</u>	97 Purvis	<u>WEST, LT.</u>
56	97 Bernardi		56 Adams
		"F"	
90		<u>WALKER</u>	
71	<u>WALKERS</u>	90 Walker	<u>HAMER</u>
78	91 Goldman		78 Ryan
	Special:		<u>COLLIER</u>
87			87 Cairns

RADIO CALL SIGNS:  
 "FORWARD # 2"  
 w/r call sign on  
 wing one net  
 "VRJ"  
 FIGHTER BOMBARD  
 Channel "A"

COLORS OF THE DAY FOR 31 OCTOBER 1944

	FLARE COLORS	
0800-0900	GREEN & YELLOW	
0900-1400	RED & YELLOW	
1400-2000	YELLOW & YELLOW RED	
2000-0200	YELLOW & YELLOW	

AIDS LAFF SIGNALS

TIME	CHALLENGE	REPLY
0200-0800	X	0
0800-1400	.	4
1400-2000	.	7
2000-0200	D	2

3rd mission

Hayward, Pilot, Maj. 443  
Hoover, CP, Lt.  
Pickett, Bomb, Capt.  
Dore, Nav, Capt.  
Traweek, ~~Eng~~ T.Sgt. Radio  
Luther, Eng, S/Sgt.  
Nunnallee, Major, FLIGHT COMMANDER

70  
Took off: 1300  
Landed: 1554

MacKinnon, Pilot, Capt. 443  
Townsend, CP, Lt.  
Wagar, Bomb, Lt.  
Underwood, Nav, Lt.  
Hammonds, ~~Eng~~ S/Sgt. Radio  
Lafrennie, Gunner, Sgt.  
Blackwell, Eng, S/Sgt.

58  
Took off: 1301  
Landed: 1554+

Bennett, Pilot, Lt. 443  
Halbert, CP, Lt.  
Holland, Bomb, Lt.  
Wagner, Radio, T/Sgt.  
Harmon, Eng, Sgt.  
Price, Gunner, S/Sgt.  
Christenson, Photo, Sgt.

~~58~~ 60  
Took off: 1300 1/2  
Landed: 1555

Hill, Pilot, Lt. 443  
McHugh, CP, Lt.  
Strickland, Bomb, Lt.  
Cain, Radio, S/Sgt.  
Ellis, Eng, T/Sgt.

55  
Took off: 1302 1/2  
Landed: 1555+

Parsons, Pilot, Lt. 443  
Blasko, CP, Lt.  
Gorman, Bomb, S/Sgt.  
Freudiger, Radio, S/Sgt.  
Hafer, Gunner, Sgt.  
Wendt, Eng, S/Sgt.

59  
Took off: 1303 1/2  
Landed: 1556

Heckler, Pilot, Lt. 443  
Kotas, CP, Lt.  
Prigmore, Bomb, Lt.  
Ross, Radio, S/Sgt.  
Suggs, Gunner, S/Sgt.  
Cummins, Eng, Sgt.  
Carroll, Photo, Sgt.

69  
Took off: 1302 1/2  
Landed: 1556+

Sherwood, Pilot, Lt. 443  
Felt, CP, Capt.  
Mele, Bomb, S/Sgt.  
Motsenbocker, Radio, S/Sgt.  
Lally, Eng, S/Sgt.

53  
Took off: 1304  
Landed: 1557

Swift, Pilot, Lt. 443  
Watson, CP, Lt.  
Sherman, Bomb, T/Sgt.  
Ort, Radio, Sgt.  
Perkins, Gunner, Sgt.  
Simmons, Eng, Sgt.

61  
Took off: 1305  
Landed: 1557+

Komorowski, Pilot, Lt.	443	63
Zoeller, CP, Lt.		Took off: 1304g
Orr, Bomb, S/Sgt.		Landed: 1558
Johnson, Radio, Sgt.		
Beale, Gunner, Sgt.		
Sonnenstine, Eng, Sgt.		
Ackerman, Pilot, Capt.	443	62
Jones, RC, Lt. Co Pilot		Took off: 1306
Hendrex, Bomb, Lt.		Landed: 1558+
Brooks, Nav, Lt.		
McQueen, Radio, Sgt.		
Just, Eng, T/Sgt.		
Strachan, Pilot, Capt.	443	64
Roberts, CP, Lt.		Took off: 1307
Allen, Bomb, Lt.		Landed: 1559
Newell, Nav, Lt.		
Allen, Radio, S/Sgt.		
Hansen, Gunner, S/Sgt.		
Chandler, Eng, S/Sgt.		
Miller, Pilot, Lt.	443	52
Dailey, CP, Lt.		Took off: 1306½
Selzer, Bomb, Lt.		Landed: 1559+
Graham, Radio, Sgt.		
Doucette, Gunner, Sgt.		
Williams, Eng, S/Sgt.		
Haynes, Photo, Sgt. (442nd)		
West, Pilot, Capt.	443	51
Petroski, CP, Lt.		Took off: 1308
Purvis, Bomb, Lt.		Landed: 1600
Harrison, Radio, Sgt.		
Ford, Gunner, Sgt.		
Wathen, Eng, Sgt.		
West, Lt, Pilot, Lt.	443	56
Moran, CP, Lt.		Took off: 1309½
Adams, Bomb, Lt.		Landed: 1606
Heavener, Radio, Cpl.		
Ward, Gunner, S/Sgt.		
Pingle, Eng, Cpl.		
Poling, Pilot, Lt.	444	97
Catalano, CP, F/O		Took off: 1308
Bernardi, Bomb, Lt.		Landed: 1601+
Duffel, Eng, Sgt.		
Shroll, Radio, Sgt.		
Day, Gunner, Sgt.		
Meserole, Photo, ? (442nd)		
Driscoll, Pilot, Lt.	444	90
Strekowski, CP, Lt.		Took off: 1309½
Belker, Bomb, Lt.		Landed: 1602
Gould, Eng, Sgt.		
Case, Gunner, Pvt.		

Haber, Pilot, Lt. 444  
Welborn, CP, Lt.  
Ryan, Bomb, Sgt.  
Hardy, Eng, Sgt.  
Zoelle, Radio, S/Sgt.  
Dinniny, Gunner, Pvt.

78  
Took off: 1311  
Landed: *early no action*

Dawkins, Pilot, Lt. 444  
Walker, CP, Lt.  
Goldman, Bomb, Lt.  
Kuczma, Eng, S/Sgt.  
Harrington, Radio, S/Sgt.  
Johnson, Gunner, Sgt.

91  
Took off: 1310  
Landed: *1604*

Trimma, Pilot, Lt. 444  
Fowler, CP, Lt.  
Cairns, Bomb, Lt.  
Rankin, Eng, Sgt.  
Fleming, Radio, S/Sgt.  
Hess, Gunner, Cpl.

87  
Took off: 1311  
Landed: *1605*

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