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HEADQUARTERS 320TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)
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5 November 1944.

Final Mission Report No. 397

Flight Commander: Captain West.
Lead Pilot: Lt. Hill.

320th Bombardment Group (M).

MISSION DE. GRAZIA RAILROAD BRIDGE (M/R) (R) B-241071. OSGS 4164, Sheet 37, Italy.

At 10:42 hours, 19 B-26's took off. 1 B-26 returned early: spare. No B-26's lost prior to the target. 18 B-26's were over the target. 18 B-26's dropped 63 x 1,000# Demolition bombs (1/10 nose and last. tail fuses) and 6 x 1,000# Demolition bombs (6-hour delay fuses) on the primary target at 12:31 hours from 10,600' to 9,600' on an axis of 43°T. 3 x 1,000# Demolition bombs (1/10 nose and last. tail) were salvaged over land having hung up over the target. No bombs were returned to base. 18 B-26's returned to base at 14:02 hours. No B-26's lost or missing. No B-26's slightly damaged or seriously damaged.

RESULTS: A good pattern covered the bridge, scoring at least two direct hits on the bridge and several on the East approaches.

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION: None.

LOSS: None.

ROUTE: Base to Moneglia, F-4020; to Fidenza, F-9393; to Gale, F-2974; to Valdarno, F-9077; to IP, Riva, G-0482; to target on an axis of 43°T; breakaway left to Leviso, A-9618; to Roverto, A-7204; to Desenzano, F-3059; to Fidenza, F-9393; Reciprocal course to base.

WEATHER:

- Area: Generally clear.
- Vicinity of Target: CAVU.
- Target Area: CAVU.
- Return: As enroute.

AIR OBSERVATIONS:

- Air Activity: None.
- Sightings: 2 a/c on South-East side of Verona A/D, F-6058, at 12:16 hours. 4/5 a/c dispersed on 1/3 at Borgo, B-0621, at 12:34 hours.

NAVAL OBSERVATIONS: None.

GROUND OBSERVATIONS:

- General: Smoke pots North-West of Verona at F-6259 at 12:12 hours.

FIELD OBSERVATIONS: (Cont'd)

b. Communications:

- (1) 50/75 RR cars at Valdagno, F-9076, at 12:21 hours.
- (2) Train of 15 cars moving West at Borgo, E-0621, at 12:34 hours.
- (3) Train of 10 RR cars moving North at Piovens, G-0088, at 12:28 hours.

SPECIAL COMMENTS: None.

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Group Intelligence Officer.

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		"A"	
		<u>HILL</u>	
	<u>OTTO</u>	70 HOME	<u>MACKINNON</u>
	61 Otto		62 MACKIN
70		"B"	
64		<u>SHER</u>	
62	<u>LOGAN</u>	51 S. Rickland	<u>WEST H. L.</u>
	71 Lourey		65 Sherman
51		"C"	
71		<u>MORGART</u>	
65	<u>LOSBY</u>	57 Selzer	<u>TOWNSEND</u>
	63 Gorman		69 Orr
57		"D"	
63		<u>L BINGHAM</u>	
69	<u>WALDROP</u>	<u>G. WELER</u>	<u>BRESETE</u>
	82 Goldman		90 Williams
85		"E"	
82		<u>DOHURST</u>	
90	<u>LIVSEN</u>	55 Cox	<u>FARSONS</u>
	53 Storick		52 Clark I. R.
55		"F"	
53		<u>W. WREN</u>	
52	<u>PHILLIPS</u>	57 Adams	<u>BENNETT</u>
	59 Hallam		80 Montgomery
67		SPARES	
58		<u>ARMSTRONG</u>	
80		75 Iarrabee	
75			

Common
Del Gruppe

B/B

COLOR LIGHT SIGNALS FOR 5 NOVEMBER 1944.

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

ALDIS LAMP SIGNALS

TIME	CHALLENGE	REPLY
0200-0800	B	F
0800-1400	F	X
1400-2000	G	N
2000-0200	I	J

RADIO CALL SIGNS

TOPNOTCH # 3 "

Fighter bomber

"A" Channel

Hill, Pilot, Lt.	443	70
McHugh, CP, Lt.		Took off: 1042
Howe, Bomb, Lt.		Landed: 1402
Dore, Nav, Capt.		
Cain, Radio, S/Sgt.		
Bujel, Eng, S/Sgt.		
West, Capt. FLIGHT COMMANDER		
Mackinnon, Pilot, Capt.	443	62
Hoover, CP, Lt.		Took off: 1043
Wagar, Bomb, Lt.		Landed: 1403
Underwood, Nav, Lt.		
Hammonds, Radio, S/Sgt.		
LaPresnie, Gunner, S/Sgt.		
Blackwell, Eng, S/Sgt.		
Miller, Pilot, Lt.	443	64
Zoeller, CP, Lt.		Took off: 1044
Otto, Bomb, Lt.		Landed: 1404
Graham, Radio, Sgt.		
Suggs, Gunner, S/Sgt.		
Cummins, Eng, S/Sgt.		
Collins, Photo, S/Sgt.		
Sherwood, Pilot, Lt.	443	51
Halbert, CP, Lt.		Took off: 1045
Strickland, Bomb, Lt.		Landed: 1405
Charlton, Radio, Sgt.		
Hai, Eng, S/Sgt.		
West, Pilot, Lt.	443	65
Jones, RC, CP, Lt.		Took off: 1046
Sherman, Bomb, T/Sgt.		Landed: 1405½
Jenkenson, Radio, Cpl.		
Shoenburger, Gunner, Sgt.		
Kele, Gunner, S/Sgt.		
Moran, Pilot, Lt.	443	71
Kotas, CP, Lt.		Took off: 1057
Lowrey, Bomb, Lt.		Landed: 1406
Heavener, Radio, Sgt.		
Barry, Gunner, T/Sgt.		
Perkins, Gunner, Sgt.		
Christensen, Photo, Sgt.		
Weingart, Pilot, Lt.	443	57
Felt, CP, Capt.		Took off: 1058
Selzer, Bomb, Lt.		Landed: 1506½
Harrison, Radio, Sgt.		
Propst, Eng, S/Sgt.		
Powensend, Pilot, Lt.	443	69
xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx		Took off: 1059
Komorowski, CP, Lt.		Landed: 1507
Orr, Bomb, S/Sgt.		
Wagner, Radio, T/Sgt.		
Szczeczn, Gunner, S/Sgt.		
Williams, Eng, S/Sgt.		

Mosby, Pilot, Lt.	443	63
Birdwell, CP, Lt.		Took off: 1100
Gorman, Bomb, S/Sgt.		Landed: 1507½
Freudiger, Radio, S/Sgt.		
Ferguson, Gunner, Cpl.		
Lenkiewicz, Eng, Cpl.		
Woodhurst, Pilot, Lt.	443	55
Shadle, CP, Lt.		Took off: 1101
Cox, Bomb, S/Sgt.		Landed: 1508
Ross, Radio, S/Sgt.		
Shew, Eng, Cpl.		
Parsons, Pilot, Lt.	443	52
Uhlig, CP, Lt.		Took off: 1102
Clark, Bomb, Lt.		Landed: 1508½
McQueen, Radio, S/Sgt.		
Allen, Gunner, Sgt.		
Hanshaw, Eng, Sgt.		
Livsey, Pilot, Lt.	443	53
Roberts, CP, Lt.		Took off: 1103
Storick, Bomb, Lt.		Landed: 1509
Sheumaker, Radio, Cpl.		
Allen, Gunner, S/Sgt.		
Wendt, Eng, S/Sgt.		
More, Photo, Cpl.		
VanKauren, Pilot, Lt.	443	67
Opperman, CP, Lt.		Took off: 1104
Adams, Bomb, Lt.		Landed: 1509½
Young, Radio, Cpl.		
Fields, Eng, Sgt.		
Bennett, Pilot, Lt.	443	80
Swift, CP, Lt.		Took off: 1105
Montgomery, Bomb, Lt.		Landed: 1510
Ort, Radio, Sgt.		
Roll, Gunner, Sgt.		
Pingle, Eng, Cpl.		
Phillips, Pilot, Lt.	443	59
Stratton, CP, Lt.		Took off: 1106
Holland, Bomb, Lt.		Landed: 1510½
Kendricks, Radio, Sgt.		
Peck, Gunner, S/Sgt.		
Lally, Eng, S/Sgt.		
Armstrong, Pilot, Lt.	444	75
Mickelson, CP, Lt.		Took off: 1107
Larrabee, Bomb, Lt.		Landed: 1511
James, Eng, S/Sgt.		
Wiggle, Radio, Sgt.		
Mullaney, Gunner, Cpl.		

Jones, Pilot, RW, Lt.	444	82
Johnston, CP, Lt.		Took off: 1108
Goldman, Bomb, Lt.		Landed: 1512½
McQuarrie, Eng, S/Sgt.		
Ryan, Eng Cpl. Radio,		
Folond, Gunner, S/Sgt.		
Lindquist, Photo, Sgt.		
Hisey, Pilot, Lt.	444	89
Waddell, CP, Lt.		Took off: 1109
Schmidt, Bomb, Lt.		Landed: 1512
Smith, Eng, Sgt.		
Ferguson, Radio, S/Sgt.		
Bressette, Pilot, Capt.	444	90
Lebender, CP, Lt.		Took off: 1110
Williams, Bomb, Lt.		Landed: 1512½
Bang, Nav, Lt.		
DeLeo, Eng, Sgt.		
Shaffer, Radio, T/ Sgt.		
Rioruan, Gunner, Cpl.		

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