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HEADQUARTERS 320TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)
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FINAL MISSION REPORT NUMBER 146.

Flight Commander: Lt. Mooney.
Lead Pilot : Lt. Estes.

REFERENCE: STORIES & WORK SHEETS W/R: (M) W-042937. GPOG 4,16. Sheet U-2.

320th Bombardment Group (M).

At 1030 hours 19 B-26's took off. 1 B-26 returned early. Spare. 18 B-26's were over the target and 15 dropped 117 x 500-lb demolition bombs (.1 & .025 second delay fuses) and 3 B-26's dropped 57 x 100 W/T bombs (34 x M26) on the target at 1300 hours from 10,300' to 9,800' on an axis of 330 degrees True. 4 x 100-lb bombs having hung up, would not salvo in the target area, were salvaged in lake at 0043. 3 x 500-lb bombs were returned to base, having hung up and would not salvo. No B-26's were lost and none are missing. 1 B-26's were slightly damaged by flak. 18 B-26's returned to base at 1414 hrs

W/REMARKS: A. Activity: See Report Number 2, this date.
B. Situation: None.

ENEMY AIR ELEMENTS: None. Losses to W/A: None. Damaged by W/A: None.
Claimed W/A: None.

Time: M H PA TA Barrage. Target Area: 15 seconds before bombs away and 30 seconds thereafter.
Losses to Flak: None. Damaged by Flak: 4.

GROUND OR OBSERVERS: A. General: See Report Number 2, this date.
B. Communications: See Report Number 2.

Weather: None. Number of W/C attempting photographs: 4.

Route: Base to Severns; to Reichshafen; to Anweiler, IP; to target; break right; reciprocal course to Base.

Weather: See Report Number 1, this date.

Remarks: Good concentration of bombs across the target.

Special Comments: Briefed Axis over IP -- 20 Degrees. Drift Correction over IP -- None. Evasive Action at IP --- Loss of Altitude. 17 boxes of Chaff were dropped from the rear of the formation from the IP to the target.

NORMAN L. FARBROW,
Captain, Air Corps,
Act'g Op. 3-2 Officer.

453 DECOY: FLIGHT COMMANDER: MAJOR HAYWARD 1 JANUARY 1945.

RUNWAY LINE UP		"A"	RAMAGE	
85		WILSON	85 DRAKE	KALANSKY
90	SPARE	75 Schemp		90 BEEBE
75				
55	DINOLE	"B"	PARSONS	
63	22 Elman	HALLBERT	55 Cox	JONES
61		61 Mele		63 Czechowitz
22				

MISSION NUMBER 454 FLIGHT COMMANDER: CAPTAIN MYERS: 1 JAN 1945

RUNWAY LINE UP		"A"	MULLER	
23		LAIKKE	23 FENKAVA	SCOTT
11		16 Biddle		11 POSEY
16				
19		"B"	WILSON	
06		KAUFMAN	19 Kingsbury	FORSYTHE
10		10 Williamson		06 Ingle
02		"C"	LYONS	
17		EVANS	02 Allen	MURDY
04		04 Steary		17 EVANS
70		"D"	KREY	
64		HOOVER	70 LOKAN	WATSON
69		69 ORT		64 SELZER
67		"E"	TOWNSEND	
68		PHILLIPS	67 Holland	MILLER
65		65 Sages		68 Laissenden
62		"F"	BRAINERD	
52		UHLIG	62 Peterson	BETHMAN
50		50 Chacko		52 Thompson
			SPARES	
		MCGREGOR	LEVERING	VANOREN
		05 Rojas	18 Gallagher	06 Storick
		DAILY		HECKLER
		57 Gorman		53 Prigmore

05
18
56
57
53

FLIGHT COMMANDER:
LT. MOONEY

34		"A"	ESDES	
40		WELLS	34 SPANN	MCDUGAL
29		29 Mellitscher		40 BURNS
45		"B"	BETSUNAN	
46		MCLAUGHLIN	45 Germano	ROTJOWNSKI
35		35 Ward		46 Savoca
44		"C"	SPADLING	
37		ZELLERBACH	44 Anderson	WOJTKOWSKI
42		42 Herbst		37 HELLER
88		"D"	POLING	
83		SHERMAN	88 GLAUBITZ	ARMSTRONG
76		76 Kilgore		83 LINDBERG
87		"E"	SALMONSON	
94		SUTHERLAND	87 Hephner	DAVIS
82		82 Rhodes		94 Clark
78		"F"	WALDROF	
91		HAVEL	78 Schmidt	DAY
95		95 Tobacco		91 Adams

COLORS OF THE DAY FOR 1 JANUARY 1945

TIME	FLARE COLORS	CHALLENGE	REPLY
0100-0700	R R	Q	Y
0700-1300	R G G	H	X
1300-1900	R R R	D	P
1900-0100	R R	W	O

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ESTES, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	34
MOONEY, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 1047
SPANN, BOMB., Lt.		landed 1414
MOCQUOT, NAV., Lt.		
MOONEY, FC, Lt. (C.P. & Lt. Commander)		
MOORE, ENG., S/Sgt.		
RATTS, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
MORTHCOTT, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
MCDUGAL, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	40
BRENAN, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 1048
BURNS, BOMB., Lt.		landed 1401
TEICH, NAV., Lt.		
SOLDATI, ENG., S/Sgt.		
ABERNATHY, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
CRAIG, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
WELLS, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	29
DOOLITTLE, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 1048
MILITSCHER, BOMB., S/Sgt.		landed 1414
WALDEN, ENG., T/Sgt.		
TRIMBOLI, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
NYE, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
CINIELLO, FOTO, S/Sgt.		
METSCHAN, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	45
CHILDS, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 1049
GERMANO, BOMB., Lt.		landed 1415
POSHEK, ENG., S/Sgt.		
VINE, RADIO, Cpl.		
DUBEAU, GUNNER, T/Sgt.		
ROJNOVSKY, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	46
ROWAN, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 1049
SAVCCA, BOMB., Lt.		landed 1416
STEVENSON, ENG., Cpl.		
DANIEL, RADIO, Cpl.		
WEINBERG, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
MCLAUGHLIN, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	35
FRANKEL, CO PILOT, F/O		took off 1050
WARD, BOMB., Lt.		landed 1416
SUGERMAN, ENG., Sgt.		
DAWSON, RADIO, Cpl.		
REICHMAN, GUNNER, Sgt.		
MESEROLE, FOTO, S/Sgt.		
SPRADLING, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	44
LEVIN, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 1050
ANDERSON, BOMB., Lt.		landed 1417
BESSIRE, ENG., T/Sgt.		
RENICK, RADIO, Sgt.		
ORTEGA, GUNNER, Sgt.		

WOJTKOWSKI, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	442nd	(no take off)	37
ZELLERBACH, PILOT, Lt.	442nd		42
GUSTAFSON, CO PILOT, Lt.			took off 1051
HERBST, BOMB., Lt.			landed 1419
SHEARER, ENG., S/Sgt.			
CARROLL, RADIO, T/Sgt.			
VICKERS, GUNNER, Cpl.			
POLING, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th		88
CHUNIS, CO PILOT, Capt.			took off 1052
GLAUBITZ, BOMB., 1st Lt.			landed 1420
DAY, NAV., 1st Lt.			
KUCZMA, ENG., S/Sgt.			
RUMMELL, RADIO, S/Sgt.			
HENRY, GUNNER, Cpl.			
ARMSTRONG, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th		83
MICKELSON, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.			took off 1053
LARFABEE, BOMB., 1st Lt.			landed 1433
HARTMAN, NAV., 2nd Lt.			
JAMES, ENG., S/Sgt.			
POZNIAK, RADIO, S/Sgt.			
ROSS, GUNNER, Sgt.			
SHERMAN, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	444th		76
HARTLY, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.			took off 1053
KILGORE, BOMB., Pfc.			landed 1420
HIGHTOWER, ENG., Sgt.			
EUFERT, RADIO, Sgt.			
RYAN, GUNNER, Sgt.			
MOREY, FOTO, Cpl.			
SALMONSON, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th		87
GOGULSKI, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.			took off 1054
HEPNER, BOMB., 1st Lt.			landed 1421
RANKIN, ENG., Sgt.			
TKACH, RADIO, Sgt.			
RAMIREZ, GUNNER, Sgt.			
DAVIS, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	444th		94
CARY, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.			took off 1054
CLARK, BOMB., T/Sgt.			landed 1421
BUCHERT, ENG., Cpl.			
D'AGOSTINO, RADIO, Cpl.			
NESBITT, GUNNER, Sgt.			
SUTHERLAND, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	444th		82
STARR, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.			took off 1055
RHODES, BOMB., 2nd Lt.			landed 1422
VINSON, ENG.,			
WALCHLI, RADIO,			
CARRINGTON, GUNNER,			
LINDQUIST, FOTO.			

WALDROP, PILOT, 1st Lt.
SULLIVAN, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.
SCHMIDT, BOMB., 2nd Lt.
CARR, ENG., Cpl.
ZOLLE, RADIO, S/Sgt.
WELLS, GUNNER, Sgt.

444th

78
took off 1055
landed 1422

DAY, PILOT, 2nd Lt.
HARKNESS, CO PILOT, F/O
ADAMS, BOMB., 2nd Lt.
HAMMONTREE, ENG., Cpl.
MCDANIEL, RADIO, Cpl.
DAY, GUNNER, Sgt.

444th

91
took off 1056
landed 1423

HAVEL, PILOT, 2nd Lt.
HERRON, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.
TABACCO, BOMB., 2nd Lt.
KLOTZ, ENG., Cpl.
SEIDELL, RADIO, Cpl.
WIGGELL, GUNNER, Sgt.

444th

95
took off 1057
landed 1449