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HEADQUARTERS 320TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)
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9 February 1945.

Final Mission Report No. 463.

Flight commander: Lt. Col. Woolridge.
Lead Pilot : Major Hayward.

320th Bombardment Group (M).

At 10:42 hours, 32 B-26's took off to bomb Hornberg Railroad Bridge (M/A: (W) W-368573, GSGS 4416, sheet X-2), Germany. 1 B-26 returned early: Generator's out. Total sorties: 31. 31 B-26's were over the Primary target and 31 B-26's dropped 123 x 1,000-lb. Demolition bombs (.1 & .01 second delay fuses) on the Primary target on the second run at 13:46 hours from 14,000' to 13,000' on an axis of 218° T. No bombs were dropped on the first run, because they could not obtain alignment on the target due to cloud cover at the "IP". 1 x 1,000-lb. demolition bomb was salvaged at 13:46 hours at the target area, having hung up. No B-26's lost or missing. No B-26's damaged. 31 B-26's returned to base at 14:12 hours.

AIR OBSERVATIONS:

- a. Activity: P-47's provided escort.
- b. situation: None.

ENEMY AIR ENCOUNTERS: None.

LOSSES TO E/A: None. DAMAGED BY E/A: None.
CLAIMED E/A: None.

FLAK: None.

LOSSES TO FLAK: None. DAMAGED BY FLAK: None.

GROUND OBSERVATIONS:

- a. general: None.
- b. communications:

(1) 1 locomotive and 25 RR cars at Elzach (W) W-2552, stationary, at 13:38 hours.

CASUALTIES: None.

No. OF A/C TAKING PHOTOS: 6.

ROUTE: Base to rendezvous at Luneville (W) Q-0800; to St. Die (W) V-4166; to Colestat (W) V-7862; to 1 mile south of briefed IP, Herbolzheim (W) V-0357; to target on first run (Briefed Axis of attack - 89°T; 7° drift correction to the left; evasive action; loss of altitude); to Rottweil (W) W-6752; left turn to Dornhan (W) W-5773; to target on an Axis of 216°T; breakaway right to Erstein (W) V-9680; to base.

WEATHER:

a. enroute: 8/10ths to 10/10ths cumulus to Luneville with bases at 2,000' and tops at 7,000', building up to 13,000' to 14,000' east of Luneville and becoming 10/10ths except for area - (covered in the next paragraph).

b. vicinity of Target:

c. Target Area : Area 50 to 60 miles square over the target where there was 4/10ths to 5/10ths clouds. Vis. 10 miles or better over the target.

d. Return: As enroute.

RESULTS: Bombs of the first Squadron landed south of the target. Bombs of the second Squadron landed short to the East. Bombs of the third Squadron started short and walked over the bridge, scoring at least one probable hit.

SPECIAL COMMENTS: None.

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MISSION NUMBER 467: FLIGHT COMMANDER CAPTAIN BORDEN 1st Formation 9 Feb 1945

RUNWAY LINE UP:

21
23
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8X500'S GP
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EARLY

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"A"	BOBLITT	21 FLOUCK	STETER
"B"	U1 Sacco		23 DEVER
"C"	BOULES	GRALK	TORONGO
"D"	U6 Nelson	10 Murray	03 Gallagher
"E"	LAMPHE	DODNE	LEVERING
"F"	U2 Bush	11 Kingsbury	11 Hartman
"G"	KOTAS	HABEL	WEST
"H"	54 Thompson	62 LUKAN	58 GREEN
"I"	LIVSEY	DAILEY	ELASKO
"J"	55 SIMONS	61 Purvis	51 Gorman
"K"	OPPERMAN	TOWNSEND	PHILLIPS
"L"	53 Cox	67 HOLLAND	71 GOSCH
"M"	SPARES		
"N"	KAUFFMAN	MUETT	EVANS
"O"	U1 Williamson	22 Streeby	18 Grice
"P"			56 Otto

MISSION NUMBER 468: FLIGHT COMMANDER: 2nd Formation 7 Feb 1945

RUNWAY LINE UP:

83
85
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81
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97
50
65
61

4X1000'S
1 more .01 tail

EARLY →

"A"	SHEEHAN	HAYWARD	SALMONSON
"B"	76 OLSON	83 TRAYNOR	85 BELLEN
"C"	TRAVELL	RAEUBER	DAVIS
"D"	76 Schmidt	80 Jarman	75 Kelgore
"E"	LIEBENDORFER	WILSON	ALDRIDGE
"F"	91 Sheehan	76 Eveland	77 Kozmijersky
"G"	DOOLITTLE	NEEDHAM	MOONEY
"H"	47 Gorman	37 VILK	43 BURNS
"I"	WOJTKOWSKI	INGRAM	WELLS, D.E.
"J"	46 MILLER	41 Lytle	82 Neiland
"K"	GUSTAFSON	CHIES	CONNELLY
"L"	35 Larville	33 Wells, JC	25 Yowell
"M"	FRANSON	GRICH	NETSCHMAN
"N"	32 Farwell	27 YOUNES	21 BAUM
"O"	CHANNELL	WADDROP	HICKELSON
"P"	97 London	81 Schempf	99 CLARKS
"Q"	COOK	HILBERT	HOOVER
"R"	61 Hole	50 Clark	65 Lussenden
"S"	SPARES		MATTHEWS
"T"		75 Hophner	94 Kenny
"U"	MCLAUGHLIN	WYFIELD	CLARK
"V"	09 Youssi	07 Fisher	63 Czechowitz

COLOURS OF THE DAY FOR 9 FEBRUARY 1945

TIME	FLAME COLOURS	CHALLENGE	REPLY:
0100-0700	R G G	O	M : 1st - Index No. A 431 YWU
0700-1300	R Y	Y	D : 2nd - Index No. A 434 PHV
1300-1900	R R	H	G : 3rd - Index No. A 437 NOZ
1900-0100	Y Y	L	S : 4th - Index No. A 440 SSK

RADIO CALL SIGNS: 320th Group: 1st Formation - "SUFFRAN" 2nd Formation - "BAGGAGE AND..."
CONTROL CENTER VOICE CALL SIGNS: 320th Group: 1st Formation -

CREWS PARTICIPATING IN MISSION 468 - 9 FEBRUARY 1945.

HAYWARD, PILOT, Major	444th	83
CHUNIS, CO PILOT, Capt.		took off 1141
TRAYNOR, BOMB., Capt.		landed 1442
WEBB, NAV., 1st Lt.		
GAY, ENG., S/Sgt.		
ENGLEHARDT, RADIO, T/Sgt.		
RABAL, GUNNER, T/Sgt.		
WOOLRIDGE, FC, Lt. Col.		
SALMONSON, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	85
BARRETT, CO PILOT, Col.		took off 1141
HELLER, BOMB., Capt.		landed 1443
WESTBROOK, NAV., 1st Lt.		
RAMAGE, D.F.C., Capt.		
RANKIN, ENG., S/Sgt.		
TKACH, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
RAMIREZ, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
LINQUIST, FOTO, S/Sgt.		
SHERMAN, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	444th	76
WELBORN, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 1142
GLEASON, BOMB., Pvt.		landed 1444
HIGHTOWER, ENG., S/Sgt.		
HARRINGTON, RADIO,		
RYAN, GUNNER, Sgt.		
HOLLAND, GUNNER, Cpl.		
KREUZER, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	80
HARTLEY, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1142
JARMON, BOMB., 1st Lt.		landed 1444.
MCQUARRIE, ENG., T/Sgt.		
RIDDLE, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
LESTER, GUNNER, Sgt.		
DAVIS, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	444th	95
CARY, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1143
KILGORE, BOMB., Cpl.		landed 1445
BUCHERT, ENG., Sgt.		
D'AGOSTINO, RADIO, Sgt.		
NESBITT, GUNNER, Sgt.		
TRAVELL, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	78
CATALANO, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1143
SCHMIDT, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed 1446
THAIN, ENG., S/Sgt.		
WITT, RADIO, Sgt.		
WELLS, M.W., GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
ZALEWSKI, Sgt.		
WILSON, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	98
WADDELL, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1144
EVELAND, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed 1446
BENTON, ENG., Sgt.		
BURKETT, RADIO, Sgt.		
WILKERSON, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		

ALDRIDGE, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	444th	77
BOSCA, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1144
PODMAJERSKY, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed 1447
GREEAR, ENG., T/Sgt.		
DINYER, RADIO, Sgt.		
BRADY, GUNNER, Sgt.		
LIEBENDORFER, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	444th	91
ELLIS, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 1145
SHEEHAN, BOMB., S/Sgt.		landed 1447
DUFFEL, ENG., S/Sgt.		
FLEMMING, RADIO, T/Sgt.		
FERRY, GUNNER, Sgt.		
ABERNATHY, PILOT, Capt.	442nd	37
VILLELLI, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 1145
VILA, BOMB., Lt.		landed 1448
ENGLISH, NAV., Lt.		
SURABIAN, ENG., S/Sgt.		
RATTS, RADIO, T/Sgt.		
SMITH, GUNNER, Cpl.		
MOONEY, PILOT, Capt.	442nd	43
FERRINE, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 1146
BURNS, BOMB., Lt.		landed 1441
SAVOCA, NAV., Lt.		
SOLDATI, EN G., S/Sgt.		
CLENDENEN, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
CRAIG, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
DOOLITTLE, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	47
ROJNOVSKY, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 1147
GERMANO, BOMB., Lt.		landed 1449
STEVENSON, ENG., Cpl.		
WELLS, P.R., RADIO, Pvt.		
WEINBERG, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
CINIELLO, FOTO, S/Sgt.		
INGHAM, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	44
GUEDEL, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 1147
LYTKE, BOMB., Lt.		landed 1450
CARTER, ENG., Cpl.,		
HARRIS, RADIO, Cpl.		
ORTEGA, GUNNER, Sgt.		
WELLS, D.E., PILOT, Lt.	442nd	82
ROSS, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 1148
HELFBAND, BOMB., Lt.		landed 1450
SHEARER, ENG., S/Sgt.		
RICHARDSON, RADIO, Cpl.		
VICKERS, GUNNER, Cpl.		

WOJTKOWSKI, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	46
LEVIN, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 1148
MILLER, BOMB., S/Sgt.		landed 1453
SIMEC, ENG., S/Sgt.		
CHURCH, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
CRENSHAW, GUNNER, Sgt.		
MESSEROLE, FOTO, S/Sgt.		
GILES, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	33
MEYERS, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 1149
WELLS, J.C., BOMB., Lt.		landed 1451
RICHARDSON, OBS., Lt.		
MORROW, ENG., S/Sgt.		
MONEY, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
DURHAM, GUNNER, Cpl.		
CONNELLY, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	25
LEACH, CO PILOT, Capt.		took off 1149
YOWELL, BOMB., Lt.		landed 1452
WILLIAMS, ENG., Cpl.		
OLSON, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
NORTHCOTT, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
GUSTAFSON, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	35
OLSON, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 1150
LINVILLE, BOMB., Sgt.		landed 1453
SHEEHY, ENG., S/Sgt.		
FINNEY, RADIO, Cpl.		
LEONE, GUNNER, Sgt.		
WELCH, PILOT, Capt.	442nd	27
WOOLF, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 1150
YOUENES, BOMB., Lt.		landed 1453
TEICH, NAV., Lt.		
BOLLINGER, ENG., T/Sgt.		
PASTOROK, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
PURDY, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
METSCHAN, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	31
JORDAN, CO PILOT, Major		took off 1150
HAUN, BOMB., Lt.		landed 1454
BRAIN, NAV., Lt.		
POSHEK, ENG., S/Sgt.		
RENICK, RADIO, Sgt.		
DEBEAU, GUNNER, T/Sgt.		
PEARSON, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	32
DAVIES, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 1151
FARWELL, BOMB., S/Sgt.		landed 1454
WALKER, ENG., S/Sgt.		
SHORT, RADIO, Cpl.		
SPENCER, GUNNER, Cpl.		
PETRO, FOTO, Sgt.		

WALDROP, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	81
SUTHERLAND, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 1153
SCHEMPF, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed 1455
JARRETT, ENG., S/Sgt.		
MULLANEY, RADIO, Sgt.		
HENRY, GUNNER, Sgt.		

MICKELSON, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	444th	99
WALKER, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 1153
CLARKE, BOMB., T/Sgt.		landed 1440
JAMES, ENG., T/Sgt.		
POZNIAK, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
GLOEY, GUNNER, Sgt.		

CHANEL, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	97
STARR, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1154
RINDEN, BOMB., S/Sgt.		landed 1451
CARR, ENG., Sgt.		
CHAMBERLIN, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
CLEARY, GUNNER, Sgt.		
MOREY, FOTO, Sgt.		

HALBERT, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	50
CALLAHAN, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1154
CLARK, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed 1451
CAIN, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
RUBY, GUNNER, Sgt.		
SHAW, ENG., Sgt.		

HOOVER, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	65
WATKINS, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1155
LUSSENDEN, BOMB., 2nd Lt.		landed 1453
MOTSENBOCKER, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
WARD, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
CHANDLER, ENG., S/Sgt.		

COOK, PILOT, 1st Lt.	443rd	61
NEWTON, CO PILOT, Capt.		took off 1155
MELE, BOMB., S/Sgt.	<i>early</i>	landed 1255±
FREUDIGER, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
LAFRENNIE, GUNNER, Sgt.		
WILLIAMS, ENG., S/Sgt.		

HAHER, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	75
HERRON, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1156
HEPNER, BOMB., 1st Lt.	(Spare)	landed 1347
SMITH, ENG., S/Sgt.		
ZOELLE, RADIO, T/Sgt.		
CARRINGTON, GUNNER, Sgt.		

MATTHEWS, PILOT, 1st Lt.	444th	94
BELL, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt.		took off 1156
KENNY, BOMB., Sgt.	(Spare)	landed 1341
BAILEY, ENG., Cpl.		
BROWN, RADIO, Sgt.		
SIEWERT, GUNNER, Sgt.		

MCLAUGHLIN, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	09
TIBBETTS, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 1158
YOUSSEI, BOMB., S/Sgt.	(Spare)	landed 1348
SUGARMAN, ENG., Sgt.		
DAWSON, RADIO, Cpl.		
REICHMAN, GUNNER, Sgt.		
MAYFIELD, PILOT, Lt.	442nd	07
BREMAN, CO PILOT, Lt.		took off 1157
FISHER, BOMB., S/Sgt.	(Spare)	landed 1348
ISON, ENG., Sgt.		
NEWTON, RADIO, S/Sgt.		
ZEINER, GUNNER, Sgt.		
CLARK, PILOT, 2nd Lt.	443rd	63
ZOELLER, CO PILOT, 1st Lt.		took off 1157
CZECHOWITZ, BOMB., Sgt.	(Spare)	landed 1440
YOUNG, RADIO, Sgt.		
ZACHAR, GUNNER, S/Sgt.		
PINGLE, ENG., S/Sgt.		