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HEADQUARTERS 320TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)
Office of the Group Intelligence Officer
AFG #374

B-24-2

14 February 1945.

Final Mission Report No. 470.

Flight Commander: Lt. O'Mahoney.
Lead Pilot : Captain Mueller.

320th Bombardment Group (M).

LABACH SUPPLY DEPOT (M/R: (M) Q-400899, GSGS 4416, Sheet U-1), Germany.

At 12:25 hours, 22 B-26's took off to bomb Labach Supply Depot (M/R: (M) Q-400899, GSGS 4416, Sheet U-1), Germany. 4 B-26's returned early: spares. Total sorties: 18. 18 B-26's were over the target and 18 B-26's dropped 72 x 500-lb. Penetration bombs (.1 & .025 second delay fuses) and 69 x 500-lb. M17 Incendiary bombs (M-138 fuses set at 19 seconds) at 14:07 hours from 11,100' to 10,500' on an axis of 09°T. 3 x 500-lb. M17 Incendiary bombs hung up and were salvaged at 14:08 hours in the target area. No bombs were returned to base. No B-26's lost or missing. No B-26's damaged. 18 B-26's returned to base at 15:17 hours.

AIR OBSERVATIONS: see Report No. 469, this date.

WIND AIR OBSERVATIONS: None. Losses to W/A: None. Damaged by W/A: None.
Claimed E/A: None.

FLAK: 2, 1, 1, 1, type flak encountered from Q-3474.
Losses to flak: None. Damaged by flak: None.

GROUND OBSERVATIONS: see Report No. 469, this date.

CASUALTIES: None.

NO. OF A/C TAKING FUEL: 5.

ROUTES: base to Lunzville Q-0800, rendezvous; to Homberg Q-3059; to Volklingen Q-3673, IP; to target (briefed axis over IP - 12°T; evasive action over IP - loss of altitude; drift correction over IP - none); break right to Volklingen Q-3673; to Homberg Q-3059; to Lunzville Q-0800; to base.

WEATHER: see Report No. 468, this date.

REMARKS: Good concentration of bombs across the target.

MISSION NUMBER 473: FLIGHT COMMANDER: MAJOR HAYWARD FEBRUARY 1945

| RUNWAY LINE UP | DECOY: | ARMSTRONG | SPARE |
|------------------|----------------|--------------|---------------|
| 85 190 | MICKELSON | 85 LARRABEE | LAIPMAN |
| 88 537 (94) | 75 Ringen | 68 GOLDMAN | 94 HAVEL |
| 75 56 | "A" | BAKER | 94 Tabacco |
| 37 - 1503 | CONNELLY | 37 STOUGH | MOONEY |
| 43 - 1504 | 46 Yowell | "B" | 13 BURNS |
| (46) | "B" | GOEKE | |
| 45 - 1505+ | GUSTAFSON | 45 Herbst | PEARSON |
| 32 - 1507 | 42 Beckman | "C" | 32 HILITSCHER |
| 42 - 1508 | "C" | GILES | |
| 33 - 1508+ | WELLS | 33 Wells, JO | MAYFIELD |
| 35 - 1509 | 39 Fisher | "D" | 35 Germano |
| (39) | "D" | POLING | |
| 83 - 1534 | ALDRIDGE | 83 GLAUBITZ | SULLIVAN |
| 98 - 1534+ | 91 Podmajersky | "E" | 98 DRUKE |
| 91 - 1534+ | "E" | BAKER | |
| 81 - 1535 | HAFKEMEYER | 81 Schmidt | LEIBENDORFER |
| 76 - 1535+ | 77 Ryan | "F" | 76 RHODES |
| 97 - 1536 | "F" | WALDRUP | |
| 93 - 1536+ | FORD | 93 Schempf | JOHNSTON, HD |
| 78 - 1537 | 82 Kenry | "G" | 78 CLARK |
| 82 - 1537+ | "G" | ABERNATHY | |
| 30 - 1509+ | ROWAN | 30 VILA | LETSCHAN |
| 44 - 1510 | 02 Woodward | "H" | 44 HUN |
| 02 - 1510+ | "H" | KAUFFMAN | |
| 09 - 1511 | WETZEL | 09 Emmons | BARRETT |
| 04 - 1517 | 15 Grice | "I" | 04 Anderson |
| 15 - 1515 | "I" | HALBERT | |
| 50 - 1512 | HOOVER | 50 Pignore | KOTAS |
| 56 2+07 - 1505 | 57 Kaplan | "J" | 56 Trafton |
| 57 13 59 - 1509+ | SPARES | HOLZUGELIN | |
| (22) | LEVERING | 07 Ward | KENT |
| (99) | 22 Nelson | "K" | 59 Miller |
| (77) | VADDELL | JOHNSTON, CR | |
| 01 - 1511+ | 99 De Guade | 77 Kilgore | |

MISSION NUMBER 474: FLIGHT COMMANDER: LT. O'HANONEY 14 FEBRUARY 1945.

| RUNWAY LINE UP | "A" | LUELLER | PETERSON |
|----------------|-------------|--------------|---------------|
| (23) | BLACK | 23 PRUKAVA | 06 INGLE |
| 06 - 1517+ | 20 Riddle | "B" | DORKE |
| 20 - 1518 | "B" | 11 Kingsbury | ROBINSON |
| 11 - 1518+ | ZIERK | "C" | 11 Williamson |
| 14 - 1519 | 16 McCreary | WILSON | |
| 18 - 1519+ | "C" | 05 ALLEN | PRATT |
| 05 - 1520 | HEEREN | "D" | 12 Streaty |
| 12 - 1520+ | 03 Tunnard | WATSON | |
| 03 - 1520+ | "D" | 58 SELZER | SHERWOOD |
| 58 - 1521 | MORAN | "E" | 70 HLAZKA |
| 70 - 1521+ | 69 Cox | WEINGART | |
| 69 - 1521+ | "E" | 51 Clark, JR | BIRNELL |
| 51 - 1522 | UHLIG | "F" | 54 Luennemann |
| 54 - 1522+ | 53 Simmons | DETHMAN | |
| 53 - 1523 | "F" | 64 MacIney | COOK |
| 64 - 1523+ | PHILLIPS | 61 Ford | 65 Hele |
| 65 24 | 61 Ford | SPARES | |
| 61 24 | SPARES | GRALK | |
| (19) | LIVSEY | 19 Elman | BOBLITZ |
| (10) | 63 Chacko | PARSONS | 10 McCarthy |
| (63) | | 71 Purvis | |
| (71) | | | |

COLORS OF THE DAY FOR 14 FEB 1945. : AIR GROUND R/T AUTHENTICATION.
 TIME PLARE COLORS CHALLENGE REPLY: 1st - Index number - A 431 HKK
 0100-0700 G R R L H : 2nd - Index number - A 434 AXV

CREWS PARTICIPATING IN MISSION NUMBER 474 - 14 FEBRUARY 1945.

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| MUELLER, PILOT, Capt. | 441st | 04 |
| TORONGO, CO PILOT, 1st Lt. | | took off 1224+ |
| PENKAVA, BOMB., 1st Lt. | | landed 1517 |
| O'CONNELL, NAV., 1st Lt. | | |
| METCALF, ENG., T/Sgt. | | |
| PYSZ, RADIO, S/Sgt. | | |
| VAN DYKE, GUNNER, Cpl. | | |
| O'MAHONY, FC., 1st Lt. | | |
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| PETERSON, PILOT, 1st Lt. | 441st | 06 |
| ZELLER, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. | | took off 1225 |
| INGLE, BOMB., 2nd Lt. | | landed 1517+ |
| BADER, NAV., 1st Lt. | | |
| TIETZ, ENG., Cpl. | | |
| HEDGES, RADIO, Sgt. | | |
| LANK, GUNNER, Cpl. | | |
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| BLACK, PILOT, 1st Lt. | 441st | 20 |
| COLTER, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. | | took off 1225+ |
| BIDDLE, BOMB., S/Sgt. | | landed 1518 |
| LEWIS, ENG., S/Sgt. | | |
| HILER, RADIO, Sgt. | | |
| KNIGHT, GUNNER, Cpl. | | |
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| DOMKE, PILOT, 1st Lt. | 441st | 11 |
| MCHAKIN, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. | | took off 1226 |
| KINGSBURY, BOMB., 1st Lt. | | landed 1518+ |
| FURCELL, ENG., S/Sgt. | | |
| SMITH, RADIO, Cpl. | | |
| BOWIE, GUNNER, Cpl. | | |
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| ROBINSON, PILOT, 1st Lt. | 441st | 14 |
| JOHNSON, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. | | took off 1226+ |
| WILLIAMSON, BOMB., Sgt. | | landed 1519 |
| PAGEL, ENG., T/Sgt. | | |
| HAVEL, RADIO, Cpl. | | |
| BOSTIC, GUNNER, Sgt. | | |
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| ZIERK, PILOT, 1st Lt. | 441st | 18 |
| FORSYTHE, CO PILOT, 1st Lt. | | took off 1227 |
| MCCREARY, BOMB., 2nd Lt. | | landed 1519+ |
| CONNELL, ENG., S/Sgt. | | |
| WILSON, GUNNER, S/Sgt. | | |
| NEIRA, GUNNER, Cpl. | | |
| POTTS, FOTO, Cpl. | | |
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| WILSON, PILOT, 1st Lt. | 441st | 05 |
| DINOME, CO PILOT, F/O | | took off 1227 |
| ALLEN, BOMB., 2nd Lt. | | landed 1520 |
| WASH, ENG., Cpl. | | |
| WEBER, RADIO, S/Sgt. | | |
| SONDHEIMER, GUNNER, Cpl. | | |

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| PRATT, PILOT, 1st Lt. | 441st | 12 |
| WHITEMAN, CO PILOT, F/O | | took off 1228 |
| STREAMY, BOMB., S/Sgt. | | landed 1520+ |
| WYATT, ENG., S/Sgt. | | |
| DALTON, RADIO, S/Sgt. | | |
| PROFOS, GUNNER, S/Sgt. | | |
| HEEREN, PILOT, 1st Lt. | 441st | 03 |
| SCHAUM, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. | | took off 1229 |
| TURNARD, BOMB., F/O | | landed 1520+ |
| GARNER, ENG., Cpl. | | |
| FEATHERSTON, RADIO, Cpl. | | |
| CONRAD, GUNNER, Cpl. | | |
| WATSON, PILOT, 1st Lt. | 443rd | 58 |
| BLASKO, CO PILOT, 1st Lt. | | took off 1229+ |
| SELZER, BOMB., 1st Lt. | | landed 1521+ |
| MURRAY, NAV., 1st Lt. | | |
| KENDRICKS, RADIO, S/Sgt. | | |
| PECK, GUNNER, S/Sgt. | | |
| WATHEN, ENG., S/Sgt. | | |
| SHERWOOD, PILOT, 1st Lt. | 443rd | 70 |
| MCDONALD, CO PILOT, Capt. | | took off 1230 |
| MIAZGA, BOMB., 1st Lt. | | landed 1521+ |
| MONTGOMERY, NAV., 1st Lt. | | |
| MOTSENBOKKER, RADIO, S/Sgt. | | |
| PRICE, GUNNER, S/Sgt. | | |
| LALLY, ENG., S/Sgt. | | |
| MORAN, PILOT, 1st Lt. | 443rd | 69 |
| BOMHOLT, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. | | took off 1230+ |
| COX, BOMB., S/Sgt. | | landed 1521+ |
| ROSS, RADIO, S/Sgt. | | |
| HASKINS, GUNNER, S/Sgt. | | |
| HARMON, GUNNER, S/Sgt. | | |
| SLATER, ENG., Sgt. | | |
| WEINGART, PILOT, 1st Lt. | 443rd | 51 |
| MCHUGH, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. | | took off 1231 |
| CLARK, BOMB., 2nd Lt. | | landed 1522 |
| SHEUMAKER, RADIO, Sgt. | | |
| SZCZECH, GUNNER, S/Sgt. | | |
| DEVLIN, ENG., S/Sgt. | | |
| BIRDWELL, PILOT, 1st Lt. | 443rd | 54 |
| POOR, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. | | took off 1231+ |
| LUENNEMANN, BOMB., 2nd Lt. | | landed 1522+ |
| MCQUEEN, RADIO, S/Sgt. | | |
| PERKINS, GUNNER, S/Sgt. | | |
| WILLIAMS, ENG., S/Sgt. | | |
| UHLIG, PILOT, 1st Lt. | 443rd | 53 |
| BUFFETT, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. | | took off 1232 |
| SIMMONS, BOMB., S/Sgt. | | landed 1523 |
| BOATENREITER, RADIO, Cpl. | | |
| HOOD, GUNNER, T/Sgt. - WARD, GUNNER, Cpl. | | |
| DE VAUGHAN, ENG., Sgt. | | |

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| DETHMAN, PILOT, 1st Lt. | 443rd | | 64 |
| CLARK, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. | | | took off 1232+ |
| HACKNEY, BOMB., 2nd Lt. | | | landed 1523+ |
| ORT, RADIO, S/Sgt. | | | |
| KEES, GUNNER, S/Sgt. | | | |
| HANSHAW, ENG., S/Sgt. | | | |
| DOWDEN, OBS., 2nd Lt. | | | |
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| COOK, PILOT, 1st Lt. | 443rd | | 65 |
| NEWTON, CO PILOT, Capt. | | | took off 1233 |
| MELE, BOMB., S/Sgt. | | | landed 1524 |
| PREUDIGER, RADIO, S/Sgt. | | | |
| LAFRENNIE, GUNNER, Sgt. | | | |
| CHANDLER, ENG., S/Sgt. | | | |
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| PHILLIPS, PILOT, 1st Lt. | 443rd | | 61 |
| WATKINS, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. | | | took off 1233+ |
| FORD, BOMB., S/Sgt. | | | landed 1525 |
| CONSTABLE, RADIO, S/Sgt. | | | |
| MORRIS, GUNNER, Cpl. | | | |
| TROUTMAN, ENG., S/Sgt. | | | |
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| GRALA, PILOT, 1st Lt. | 441st | (Spare) | 19 |
| GARRETT, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. | | | took off 1236+ |
| ELMAN, BOMB., 2nd Lt. | | <i>(no credit)</i> | landed 1436 |
| GIBSON, ENG., Sgt. | | <i>early</i> | |
| COOK, RADIO, S/Sgt. | | | |
| LUDY, GUNNER, Sgt. | | | |
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| BOHLITT, PILOT, 1st Lt. | 441st | (Spare) | 10 |
| MCBURNETTE, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. | | | took off 1237 |
| MCCARTHY, BOMB., 2nd Lt. | | | landed 1430 |
| HART, ENG., S/Sgt. | | <i>(no credit)</i> | |
| SMELAND, GUNNER, Cpl. | | <i>early</i> | |
| CRIST, GUNNER, Cpl. | | | |
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| LIVSEY, PILOT, 1st Lt. | 443rd | (Spare) | 63 |
| KOMOROWSKI, CO PILOT, 1st Lt. | | | took off 1237+ |
| CHACKO, BOMB., Sgt. | | | landed 1441 |
| HEAVENER, RADIO, Sgt. | | | |
| SHOLLEMBERGER, GUNNER, S/Sgt. | | <i>(no credit)</i> | |
| FIELDS, ENG., S/Sgt. | | <i>early</i> | |
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| PARSONS, PILOT, 1st Lt. | 443rd | (Spare) | 71 |
| SHADLE, CO PILOT, 2nd Lt. | | | took off 1238+ |
| PURVIS, BOMB., 1st Lt. | | | landed 1431 |
| HARRISON, RADIO, S/Sgt. | | <i>(no credit)</i> | |
| BOLL, GUNNER, S/Sgt. | | <i>early</i> | |
| HAZEL, ENG., S/Sgt. | | | |