

S E C R E T321ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M) AAF
APO 520

20 January 1944

Mission Report # 193

1. 321st Bombardment Group (M).
2. Mission # 193

Squadrons: 445 - 6; 446 - 6; 448 - 6.

Target: **G**-277889

Time Up--1205

T.O.T.

Time Down - 1350

Axis of attack -

Height - -

Planes lost - None

Planes holed - 8

Bombload - 6 x 1,000

Weather-- Enroute 5/10 strato cumulus, base at 4,000, tops at 6,000 for 50 miles, then clear. Visibility: Slight haze, 15 miles.

Target: Did not reach.

Return - 3/10 stratocumulus, base at 4,000. Visibility: slight haze, 15 miles.

Flak--Heavy, slight to moderate to intense-reported from Sora, Isola, Cassino, Roccasecca, Arpino and Frosinone.

Enemy Air - None

Claims: None

Results: None. Bombs dropped in an unidentified location. 1st flight made a 360° turn before crossing lines in order to avoid a collision course with another group. Proceeding on course they were mistaken in their position, and thought they were N of correct course. Turned W and then S. to avoid flak concentration. 2nd Flight were sure of their position and not wanting to proceed towards target alone, they made right turn back to original home course.

Observations: 2 reports of B-25 going down in flames S. of target area - plane not identified.

Flight leaders: Lts. Boatwright and Vallery.

Write (initials):

M. D. Haven
MALCOLM D. HAVEN,
Capt., Air Corps,
Intelligence Officer.

HEADQUARTERS 321st BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)
 APO # 520
 Office of the Operations Officer

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OPERATIONS ORDER)

NUMBER 192)

1. Mission # 191.
2. Target: Cerseli, Italy.
3. Number and Type A/C sent: 18 B-25's.
4. Route Out:

Course	distance	time
293	75	22
286	39	11
322	18	4½

Assembly : 1222

5. T.O.T: 1300
6. Route Back:

Course	distance	time
54	15	4
135	50	12
113	75	19
7. Number and Type escort: None
8. Bomb Load: 1000 lb demolition.
9. Signals: Bobcat (B), channel "B".
10. OLMSTED.

WILBURN ASBURY,
 Capt., Air Corps,
 Group Operations Officer.

OFFICIAL:


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 Group Operations Officer.

Annex to Operations Order No 192

445th - A/C No. 41-13202

P. 2d Lt. Heues, R.M.
CP. 2d Lt. Gifford, F.
B. 2d Lt. Yopez, O.W.
E. Sgt. Chambers, J.
R. S/Sgt. Lysewski, R.A.
G. S/Sgt. Hunt, J.E.

445th - A/C No. 42-32321

P. F/O Vallery, D.B.
CP. 1st Lt. Wilson, V.H.
B. 2d Lt. Andersen, M.A.
N. 2d Lt. Paduans, J.A.
E. S/Sgt. Belt, H.C.
R. S/Sgt. Miller, R.J.
G. S/Sgt. Irvin, R.D.

445th - A/C No. 41-12924

P. 1st Lt. Strenger, M.C.
CP. 2d Lt. Crider, C.M.
B. 2d Lt. Menk, W.
E. S/Sgt. Donagan, J.B.
R. S/Sgt. Stone, D.R.
G. S/Sgt. Forbes, R.W.

446th - A/C No. 42-32317

P. 2d Lt. Ryder, D.
CP. 2d Lt. Clark, R.L.
B. 2d Lt. McCabe, P.T.
E. S/Sgt. Langan, C.H.
R. Cpl. Heltzclaw, J.R.
G. T/Sgt. Kendall, C.C.

446th - A/C No. 41-30293

P. 1st Lt. Kerr, J.
CP. 2d Lt. Merris, M.L.
B. Sgt. Andersen, E.J.
E. S/Sgt. Franc, J.A.
R. S/Sgt. McArdle, H.L.
G. Sgt. Ciaoh, S.
F. Cpl. Tissier, R.C.

446th - A/C No. 41-12963

P. 2d Lt. Helt, R.L.
CP. 2d Lt. Strom, E.M.
B. 2d Lt. Gawrada, G.P.
E. S/Sgt. Metika, J.F.
R. T/Sgt. Haughen, M.O.
G. Sgt. Bedwell, J.L.

445th - A/C No. 42-64529

P. 2d Lt. Pamp, A.A.
CP. 2d Lt. Tarmichael, A.J.
BP. 2d Lt. Kaubie, W.J.
E. Sgt. Knight, A.K.
R. T/Sgt. Weegerd, W.G.
G. Sgt. Carsen, C.F.
F. Cpl. Cheesky, A.A.

445th * A/C No. 42-64659

P. 2d Lt. Walker, R.S.
CP. 1st Lt. Auchard, R.L.
B. 2d Lt. Maughan, C.W.
E. Sgt. Connolly, F.N.
R. S/Sgt. Heinbaugh, J.C.
G. Sgt. Lewis, H.E.

445th - A/C No. 42-64508

P. 2d Lt. Knapp, C.R.
CP. 2d Lt. Newkirk, R.R.
B. 2d Lt. Schultz, W.G.
E. Sgt. Hickey, W.R.
R. S/Sgt. Ehler, C.J.
G. S/Sgt. Imbastare, A.T.

446th - A/C No. 42-32429

P. 2d Lt. Abraham, F.W.
CP. 2d Lt. Bsharah, P.
B. 2d Lt. Jaksie, E.R.
E. Sgt. Brawn, J.H.
R. Sgt. Sperel, H.C.
G. Sgt. Thomas, P.

446th - A/C No. 42-64557

P. 2d Lt. Brellenthin, H.R.
CP. 2d Lt. LeClair, E.R.
B. Cpl. Parrish, W.W.
E. S/Sgt. Carstens, C.H.
R. T/Sgt. Fontenet, V.L.
G. Sgt. Schultheis, T.R.
F. Sgt. Guzaskus, P.

446th - A/C No. 42-32446

P. 2d Lt. Walker, D.E.
CP. 2d Lt. Herbert, S.J.
B. 2d Lt. Mettley, J.F.
E. S/Sgt. Hanley, J.
R. S/Sgt. Ramirez, Z.
G. S/Sgt. Martin, E.F.

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448th - A/C No. 41-12926

P. 2d Lt. Jones, T.R.
CP. 2d Lt. Tiefel, N.J.
B. Cpl. Bird, R.G.
E. S/Sgt. Kessler, C.J.
R. Cpl. Alexander, P.D.
G. Cpl. Penhale, W.B.

448th - A/C No. 42-64512

P. F/O Bates, W.L.
CP. 2d Lt. Van Raan, R.
B. 2d Lt. McGue, W.M.
E. S/Sgt. Kerr, D.
R. S/Sgt. Lord, W.E.
G. Cpl. Wilkerson, J.J.

448th - A/C no. 41-30355 Doyle, E.J. 448th - A/C No. 42-64552

P. 2d Lt. Doyle, E.J.
CP. 2d Lt. Greene, W.A.
B. S/Sgt. Tomerlin, L.H.
E. S/Sgt. Currie, J.L.
R. S/Sgt. Dess, C.R.
G. S/Sgt. Dea l, H.L.

P. 2d Lt. Gauge, D.J.
CP. F/O Sandlin, R.H.
B. 2d Lt. Elkins, S.A.
E. Sgt. Lyten, H.W.
R. S/Sgt. Burr, H.C.
G. S/Sgt. Gately, J.A.

448th - A/C No. 41-30343

P. 1st Lt. Beatwright, J.J.
CP. Capt. Bell, J.R.
N. 2d Lt. Scepp, R.W.
B. 1st Lt. Evans, I.P.
E. T/Sgt. Polinsky, M.J.
R. Sgt. McEntee, P.M.
G. Cpl. Jeffrey, L.J.

448th - A/C No. 41-30548

P. 2d Lt. Bresnan, C.G.
CP. 2d Lt. Stewart, H.W.
B. 2d Lt. McRee, M.B.
E. S/Sgt. Coleman, S.B.
R. T/Sgt. Morris, R.J.
G. S/Sgt. Hopkins, E.G.
F. S/Sgt. Buckles, K.M.

445th - A/C No. 42-64575
(Spare)

P. 2d Lt. Wetherbee, D.A.
CP. 2d Lt. Hinsley, M.D.
B. 2d Lt. O'Teele, F.X.
E. S/Sgt. Cress, V.W.
R. T/Sgt. Stein, L.
G. S/Sgt. Beaudware, L.J.

446th - A/C No. 41-30000
(Spare)

P. 2d Lt. Dickson, G.M.
CP. 2d Lt. Hurley, J.R.
B. S/Sgt. Turner, A.B.
E. S/Sgt. Helisek, D.A.
R. T/Sgt. Smith, R.W.
G. Sgt. DeBari, D.R.

448th - A/C No. 41-13172
(Spare)

P. 2d Lt. Mess, R.W.
CP. 2d Lt. Lewis, Q.M.
B. Cpl. Patterson, L.J.
E. Sgt. Mauder, C.J.
R. S/Sgt. Riss, R.C.
G. S/Sgt. Van Cura, E.W.

MISSION ROSTER

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343
BOATWRIGHT552
GOUGE355
DOYLE548
BROSNAH514
BATES926
LONES317
RYPER429
ABRAHAM293
KERR

(446)

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321
VALLERY659
WALKER202
HOUSE525
WETHERSEStenger (924) killed in
action on 1/20/44529
PAMP508
KNAPP963
FOLT551
BRELENTIN446
WALKER

(446)

SPARES

924 - 445
STRENGER3000
DICKSONreturned only
446 1255172
MOSS - 448

returned only 1251

46
6 ships48
648
647
6

MISSION TAKE-OFF AND LAND

1st ship off - 120421st off - 12161st landed - 134718th landed 1422

20 January 1944.

0800 Larson to 12th B.G. "12th does not have times as yet".

0849 Tower to Larson. "Tower now uses "B" Channel".

0915 321st Time over Target: column 6, H plus 50. 12th T.O.T. 10 minutes later.

Alternate: Column 6 #32, San Benedette. There will be Thunderbolt cover.

340th to attack Sulmoria (Alternative).

1020 12B.G. to Larson. "We are to call Capt. Cann at TBF in regards to taking photos of bombing range. 16 Thunderbolts for escort, 8 will come home with us and 8 with the 12th.

A/C 175 (Breyles) slow time.

1500 Lt. Martin (12th B. G.) to Hoffman. "2 Crews scheduled to report this Office still unreported. Lt. Martin will call this Office upon receipt of further info.

2000 Received by Griffing. "Get Foggia and ask for Meru then to Bomber Control (Capt. Drugmore) or (Ampler)."

"Rendezvous with 24 A/C of 340th over Termili at 0950 at 8,000 feet. We are to call Forward Bomber Control to arrange for Fighters over Termili who will follow us to Target and back.

1st Formation to fire Red Flare.

2nd Formation to fire Green Flare.

1st Formation of 340th to fire Yellow Flare.

2nd Formation of 340th --none.

Fighter call -- "KOLA", channel "A".

1055 Hoffman to Maj. Gary (82nd Ops). "Informed him our mission to take off 1200. The 38's will take off at 1105."

1145 Tipton to Hoffman. "Lt. Hatcher & Crew and Lt Wren and Crew originally assigned to the 12th B. G. are to report here. Their original assignment orders have been rescinded and will be held for assignment to the 321st Gp."

1217 1st Mission Plane off at 1204, last at 1216. 21 total.

1322 ~~1322~~ 434 (Farrell) W of Foggia for local transition--cleared.

1325 TBF to Asbury. "Courier will be in at 0940 on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.