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321ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M) AAF  
APO 520

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22 January 1944

MISSION - 197 GROUP - 321st Bombardment. NO A/C - 18

SQUADRONS - 445 - 3, 446 - 6, 448 - 9.

TARGET - Valmontone Road junction (S).

TIME UP - 1400 T.O.T. 1515

TIME DOWN 1612.

AXIS OF ATTACK - 38 degrees.

HEIGHT - 11/12,000.

PLANES LOST - None.

PLANES HOLED - One.

BOMBS DROPPED - 54x1000.

ROUTE - From base to Castel Volturro. Hit coast at 41 degrees 35'N - 12 degrees 48'E; N to just E of Cisterna; thence to target; to Filettino; to Villa Castel di Sangro; thence to Base.

WEATHER - Entire route - Cavu with slight haze.

FLAK - Heavy, moderate, fairly accurate. Flak also from vicinity of Artena - Heavy, moderate, accurate; possibly flak tower.

ENEMY AIR - 2 S/E A/C believed to be enemy just before target. High above. No attack.

RESULTS - Strings of bombs, starting just SW of target, walked through R.R. close to target road. Area just E of target also covered. Believed target road cut near R.R. Some hits over and into town. Others to the right of target, about 900 feet.

OBSERVATION - 20 M/T moving on road from Avezzano to Cassino, observed at S. Vincenzo. 20 M/T at Opi probably moving N.

FLIGHT LEADERS - Lts Brosnan and Ryder.

PHOTOS TAKEN

NOTE: Photographs disclosed that town Palestrina was mistaken for Valmontone. Out of 18 crews interrogated only 1 person indicated he had some doubt that wrong road junction was bombed.

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Ass't Intelligence Officer.

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APO NO. 520  
Office of the Operations Officer

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22 January 1944.

OPERATIONS ORDER )  
NUMBER      196 )

1. Mission No. 195.
2. Target: Valmontone Road Junction (South).
3. Number and Type A/G Sent: 18 B-25's.

4. Route Out:	Course	Distance	Time
	252	84	25
	283	55	15
	355	35	09
	34	14	3½

Assembly: 1425.

5. T.O.T.: 1515.

6. Route Back:	Course	Distance	Time
	83	36	9
	112	100	25

7. Number and Type Escort: None.

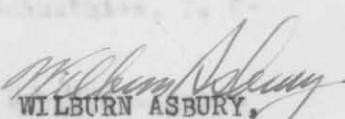
8. Bomb Load: 1000-lb. demolition.

9. Signals: Bobcat (B), Channel "B".

10. OLMSTED.

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Annex to Operations Order No. 196.

445th - A/C 42-64575

P. 2nd Lt. House, R. M.  
CP. 2nd Lt. Thomas, J. J.  
B. 2nd Lt. Monk, W.  
N. 2nd Lt. Yepez, O. W.  
EG. Sgt. Schaviak, W. M.  
RG. T/Sgt. Maddox, R. G.  
G. Sgt. Ellison, C.

445th - A/C 41-30550

P. 2nd Lt. Noel, W. H.  
CP. 2nd Lt. Waterman, L. R.  
B. 2nd Lt. Maughan, G. W.  
EG. Sgt. Chambers, J.  
RG. S/Sgt. Lysowski, R. A.  
G. S/Sgt. Forbes, R. W.

446th - A/C 41-12963

P. 2nd Lt. LeClair, E. R.  
CP. 2nd Lt. Othick, R. R.  
B. 2nd Lt. Mottley, J. F.  
EG. Sgt. Clay, D. W.  
G. Sgt. Lorentson, E. H.  
RG. Cpl. Orechia, J. R.

446th - A/C 42-64520

P. 2nd Lt. Dickson, G. M.  
CP. 2nd Lt. Hurley, J. R.  
B. Sgt. Milner, W. C.  
EG. S/Sgt. Raffloer, L. A.  
RG. S/Sgt. Cohen, G.  
G. Sgt. Samsel, A. C.  
PH. Sgt. Guzauskas, F.

446th - A/C 42-32446

P. 2nd Lt. Brellenthin, H. L.  
CP. 2nd Lt. Strom, E. M.  
B. Cpl. Parrish, W. W.  
EG. S/Sgt. Hanley, J.  
RG. T/Sgt. Fontenot, V. L.  
G. Sgt. Schulthies, T. R.

448th - A/C 41-30327

P. F/O Bates, W. L.  
CP. 2nd Lt. Van Raam, R.  
B. Cpl. Carr, R. C.  
R. S/Sgt. Marlow, S. H.  
E. S/Sgt. Strong, D. W.  
.G. S/Sgt. Bennet, R. F.  
PH. S/Sgt. Buckles, K. L.

448th - A/C 41-12926

P. 2nd Lt. Gouge, D. J.  
CP. 2nd Lt. Tiefel, M. J.  
B. 2nd Lt. Petit, R. P.  
E. P.F.C. Hinton, Z. R.  
R. T/Sgt. Marshburn, J. T.  
G. S/Sgt. Lord, W. E.

445th - A/C 42-64529

P. 2nd Lt. Gifford, F.  
CP. 2nd Lt. Smith, A. B.  
B. S/Sgt. Miller, R. J.  
G. Sgt. Hickey, W. R.  
G. S/Sgt. Marcoulier, W. A.  
G. S/Sgt. Imbastaro, A. J.  
PH. Sgt. Cotter, J. M.

446th - A/C 41-30551

P. 2nd Lt. Holt, R. L.  
CP. 2nd Lt. Herbert, J. J.  
B. 2nd Lt. Pestalozzi, R. H.  
E. S/Sgt. Motika, J. F.  
R. T/Sgt. Kendall, C. C.  
G. Sgt. Bedwell, J. L.

446th - A/C 42-32317

P. 2nd Lt. Ryder, D.  
CP. 2nd Lt. Clark, R. A.  
B. 2nd Lt. Mastroianni, H. L.  
N. 2nd Lt. Schad, H. C.  
E. S/Sgt. Knapp, W. E.  
RG. S/Sgt. Howe, F.  
G. S/Sgt. South, W. R.

446th - A/C 41-30000

P. 2nd Lt. Abraham, F. W.  
CP. 2nd Lt. Walsh, G. F.  
B. S/Sgt. Turner, A. B.  
E. Sgt. Brawa, J. H.  
R. Sgt. Spoerl, H. G.  
G. Sgt. Thomas, P.

448th - A/C 42-64655

P. 2nd Lt. Brosnan, C. G.  
CP. Capt. Bell, A. R.  
B. 2nd Lt. Evans, I. P.  
N. 2nd Lt. Scopp, R. W.  
E. S/Sgt. Kerr, J.  
R. S/Sgt. Robertshaw, D. F.  
G. Cpl. Jeffry, L. J.

448th - A/C 41-30355

P. 2nd Lt. Eddy, W. B.  
CP. 2nd Lt. Hoffman, A. J.  
B. S/Sgt. Tomerlin, L. H.  
E. Sgt. Luton, H. W.  
R. S/Sgt. Doss, C. W.  
G. S/Sgt. Deal, H. L.  
PH. S/Sgt. Franco, C. E.

448th - A/C 41-30548

P. F/O Sowder, T. R.  
CP. F/O Sandlin, R. H.  
B. 2nd Lt. McRee, M. B.  
E. S/Sgt. Coleman, S. B.  
R. S/Sgt. McEatee, P. M.  
G. S/Sgt. Hopkins, E. G.

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448th - A/C 42264552

P. 2nd Lt. Jones, T. R.  
CP. 2nd Lt. Hicks, J. T.  
B. 2nd Lt. Feeley, Jr., W.  
E. S/Sgt. Currie, J. L.  
R. S/Sgt. Pitts, D. W.  
G. S/Sgt. Gately, J. A.

448th - A/C 41-12995

P. 2nd Lt. McEvoy, J. C.  
CP. 2nd Lt. Lewis, Q. M.  
B. Sgt. Robert, M. L.  
E. S/Sgt. Daniels, J.  
R. T/Sgt. Morris, R. J.  
G. S/Sgt. Van Cura, E. W.

447th - A/C 41-12930 (SPARE)

P. 2nd Lt. Davidson, J. C.  
CP. 2nd Lt. Seavey, G. D.  
N. 1st Lt. Paiton, H. K.  
E. P.F.C. Isaacs, P. D.  
G. Sgt. Ludtke, F.  
R. T/Sgt. Harman, R. W.

448th - A/C 41-13172

P. 1st Lt. Stokes, L. S.  
CP. 2nd Lt. Stewart, H. W.  
B. 2nd Lt. Waller, C. K.  
RG. T/Sgt. Gilpatrick, J. H.  
E. P.F.C. Jackson, J. D.  
TG. Sgt. Everhart, C. R.

448th - A/C 42-64514

P. 2nd Lt. Coffee, R. D.  
CP. 2nd Lt. Greene, W. A.  
B. T/Sgt. Braun, J. M.  
E. T/Sgt. Gebhardt, R. J.  
R. Sgt. Neview, F. J.  
G. S/Sgt. Tudor, O. M.

447th - A/C 41-30538 (SPARE)

P. 1st Lt. Demay, K. C.  
CP. 2nd Lt. Tompkins, H. D.  
B. 1st Lt. Boyle, J. G.  
E. S/Sgt. Cook, G. C.  
R. T/Sgt. O'Marra, R. M.  
G. S/Sgt. Dunlap, W. W.

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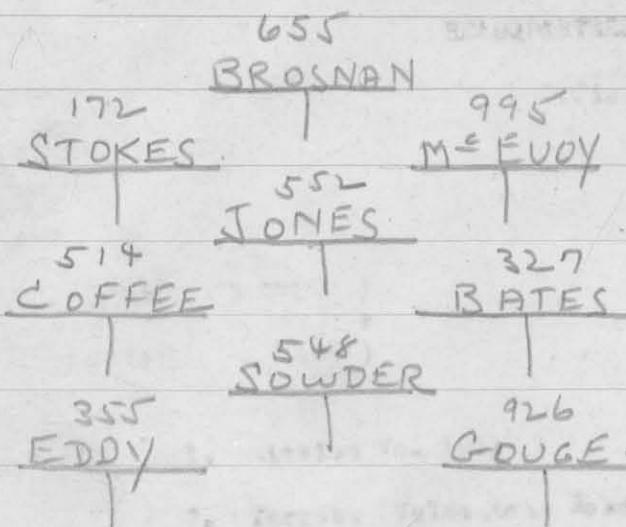
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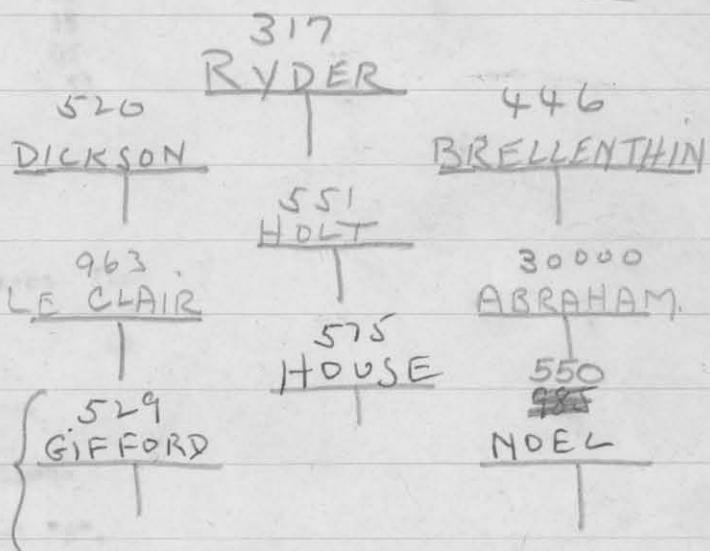
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448



Ship No's and Pilots  
CONFIRMED 1200-460.

446



return after  
SPARES  
DEMAY 538

930 STOCKING  
DAVIDSON

445

447

181

1st in 161<sup>2</sup>  
1631

afternoon

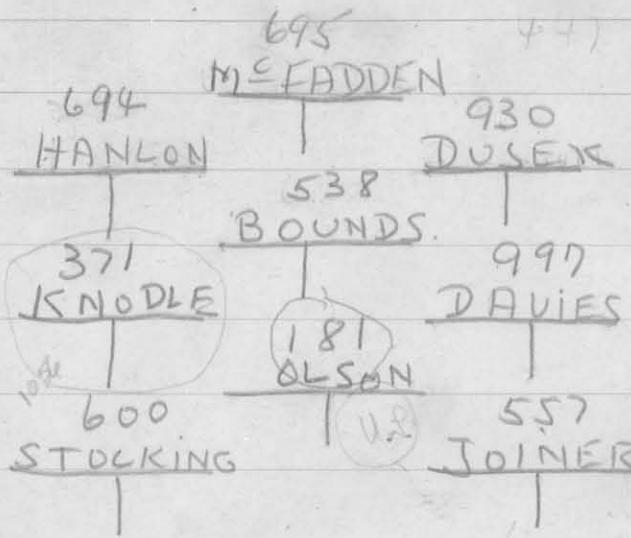
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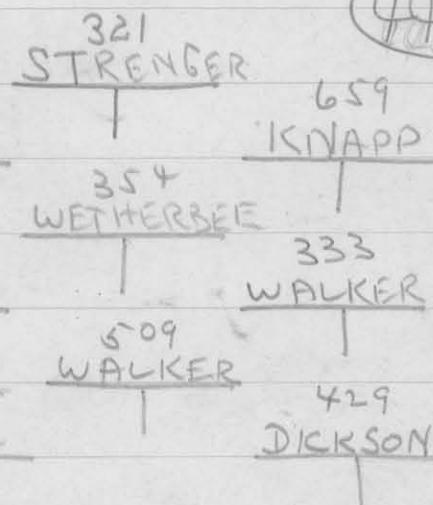
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(447)



(445)

SPARES  
LE CLAIR (963)

ABRAHAM (30000)

Early return  
1039

(446)

SHIPS OFF

1<sup>st</sup> 0911

20<sup>th</sup> 0921

LANDED

1<sup>st</sup> - 1110

17<sup>th</sup> - 1122

+ missing 181 Olson

110  
911  
900

448<sup>th</sup> - 9 crews possibly 12 afternoon  
 447<sup>th</sup> - 7 crews (first mission) 8 crews maximum  
 446<sup>th</sup> - 7 crews  
 445<sup>th</sup> - 7 crews (probably) - 8 crews maximum



## Morning \*

447 <sup>th</sup>	9	5 P crews.
445 <sup>th</sup>	8	crews
446		

P-McFADDEN
9 B-NOWAKOWSKI
P-WETHERBEE
6 B-ANDERSON
3 + 2 spare

## afternoon

448 <sup>th</sup> →	9 crews	P-BROSNAN
446 <sup>th</sup>	7 crews.	9 B-EVANS
445		P-RYDER
447 <sup>th</sup>		6 B-PESTALOZZI
		3 #2 spare
		2 spares

445-9

446-11

447-11

448-9

446 (early)

509

Walker

293

Kern

429

Dickson

(<sup>spaces</sup>  
963 SeClan 30000)  
abraham

(aft)

317

Ryder

446

Bellentini

520

Dickson

551

Holt

30000

abraham

963

Se Clau

448 (aft)

655

Brown

995

McEvoy

172

Stokes

514

Coffee

355

Eddy

552

Jones

327

Bates

548

Sawyer

926

Gouge