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321ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M) AAF
APO 650

19 February 1944

MISSION NO. 217

GROUP: 321ST BOMB

NO A/C 24

SQUADRONS: 448-7, 446-6, 445-6, 447-5.

TARGET: Troop concentration at F-9037.

TIME UP: 1500

T.O.T. 1615

TIME DOWN: 1707

AXIS OF ATTACK: 358°

HEIGHT: 11,000/11,500'

PLANES LOST: 1 crash landed at Pompeii, burned, crew safe.

PLANES HOLED: 17

BOMBS DROPPED: 1542 x 20 frags.

ROUTE: N-1914 to L-9694 to target, break left cross coast to F-6445 to
F-4030 to base.WEATHER: Enroute and return: 6/10 altostratus at 15,000'. Vis. Hazy, 15 miles.
Target: CAVU with haze.ENEMY AIR: 6 Me-109's seen at target 1000 feet below formation heading S., one
was black and another mottled yellow colored.FLAK: Heavy, intense, accurate from target to coast, barrage and tracking.
4 guns at F-8834RESULTS: Crews report excellent coverage of target area. Some bombs carried
across road N. of pinpoint.

OBSERVATIONS: None.

FLIGHT LEADERS: ^{CAPT} Lt. Freeland and Capt. Strenger.

NUMBER OF SORTIES: 24

PHOTOS TAKEN:

S. P. NEFRASH
S. P. NEFRASH,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Ass't Intelligence Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS 321st BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)

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OPERATIONS ORDER)

NUMBER 255)

1. Mission # 254
2. Target: Troop concentration at F-9037.
3. Number and Type A/C sent: 24 B-25's.
4. Route Out:

Course	distance	time
280	40	12
306	92	26
357	29	8

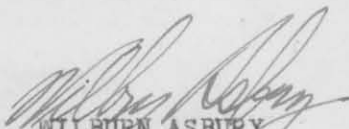
Assembly: 1444

5. T.O.T: 1530
6. Route Back:

Course	distance	time
277	13	4
182	25	6
124	107	27
100	40	10
7. Number and Type escort: None
8. Bomb Load: Frags.
9. Signals: Bobcat (B), channel C.
10. OLMSTED.

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 Major, Air Corps,
 Operations Officer.

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 Operations Officer.

Annex to Operations Order # 255

445th - A/C No. 42-32321

P. Capt. Strenger, M. C.
CP. Major Register, P. D.
B. 1st Lt. Kauric, W. J.
N. 2nd Lt. Sharp, K. P.
E. S/Sgt. Donagan, J. B.
R. S/Sgt. Ehler, E. J.
G. S/Sgt. Forbes, R. W.

445th - A/C No. 42-12129

P. 1st Lt. Gifford, E.
CP. 2nd Lt. Russell, L. L.
B. 2nd Lt. Monk, W.
E. Sgt. Cahmbers, J.
R. S/Sgt. Lysewski, R. A.
G. S/Sgt. Tarr, C. F.

445th - A/C No. 42-87445

P. 2nd Lt. Newkirk, R. R.
CP. 2nd Lt. Coale, J. W.
B. 2nd Lt. Ferney, W. A.
E. Cpl. Isbell, E. N.
R. T.Sgt. Maddox, R. L.
G. Sgt. Henrich, J. G.
F. Sgt. Potter, J. M.

446th - A/C No. 42-64547

P. 1st Lt. Dickson, G. M.
CP. 2nd Lt. Hawkes, L. R.
B. 2nd Lt. Wetkewicz, F. J.
E. Sgt. Schreiner, L. D.
R. T/Sgt. Cohen, G.
G. S/Sgt. Samsel, J. C.

446th - A/C No. 42-64509

P. 1st Lt. Walker, D. F.
CP. 2nd Lt. Othick, R. P.
B. S/Sgt. Turner, A. B.
E. S/Sgt. Hanley, J. Jr.
R. S/Sgt. Youngblood, W. W.
G. S/Sgt. Velarde, S. Jr.

446th - A/C No. 41-129760

P. 2nd Lt. LeClair, E. R.
CP. 2nd Lt. Hodges, R. E.
B. 2nd Lt. Rice, S. W.
E. S/Sgt. Clickner, A. H.
R. S/Sgt. Leary, E. M.
G. S/Sgt. DeBari, D. R.

445th - A/C No. 42-87448

P. 1st Lt. Tarmichael, H. J.
CP. 2nd Lt. Charville, L. D.
B. 2nd Lt. Maughan, G. W.
E. Cpl. Weaver, D. W.
R. T/Sgt. Wilson, J. P.
G. S/Sgt. Reddy, J. E.

445th - A/C No. 42-64527

P. 1st Lt. Wetherbee, D. A.
CP. 2nd Lt. Shyska, L. P.
N. 2nd Lt. Fisher, S. M.
B. 1st Lt. Souders, W. E.
E. S/Sgt. Cross, V. W.
R. T/Sgt. Stein, L.
G. S/Sgt. Beaudeau, L. J.

445th - A/C No. 42-87440

P. 2nd Lt. Thomas, J. J.
CP. 2nd Lt. Schiff, F.
B. 2nd Lt. Paul, V. L.
E. Sgt. Thibedeau, L. J.
R. T.Sgt. Weegerd, W. G.
G. Sgt. McClary, L. E.

446th - A/C No. 41-30000

P. 1st Lt. Kerr, J. C.
CP. 2nd Lt. Ritger, G.
B. 2nd Lt. Gawrada, G. P.
N. 2nd Lt. Franklin, A. E.
R. S/Sgt. McArdle, J. E.
E. S/Sgt. Franco, J. A.
G. Sgt. Ciach, S.

446th - A/C No. 42-32446

P. 2nd Lt. Bsharah, P.
CP. 2nd Lt. Church, E. A.
B. 2nd Lt. Reynolds, L. E.
E. Sgt. Britton, W. W.
R. T.Sgt. Todd, A. J.
G. S/Sgt. Schulties, T. R.
F. Cpl. Tissier, R. G.

446th - A/C No. 42-64520 (Crash Landed)
Pompeii

P. 2nd Lt. Herbert, J. J.
CP. 2nd Lt. Vivas, F. P.
B. 2nd Lt. Mayo, J. D.
E. Sgt. Clay, D.
R. S/Sgt. Green, M.
G. Sgt. Lorentsen, E. H.

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447th - A/C No. 42-32498

P. 2nd Lt. Davidson, J. C.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Murray, R. E.
 B. S/Sgt. Stewart, W. W.
 E. S/Sgt. Schwartz, A.
 R. S/Sgt. Reynolds, F. J.
 G. S/Sgt. Grant, J. H.
 F. S/Sgt. Lamereaux, A. E.

447th - A/C No. 42-64695

P. Capt. McFadden, K. L.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Button, E. J.
 B. 1st Lt. Nowakowski, J. J.
 E. S/Sgt. Payne, L. T.
 R. S/Sgt. Wilson, M. A.
 G. Sgt. Blalock, J. T

448th - A/C No. 41-30548

P. Capt. Freeland, L. B.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Armstrong, D. D.
 B. 2nd Lt. McRee, M. B.
 N. 2nd Lt. Duncan, G. F.
 E. S/Sgt. Mauder, C. J.
 R. S/Sgt. McEntee, P. M.
 G. S/Sgt. Penhale, W. B.

448th - A/C No. 42-64552

P. 2nd Lt. Greene, W. A.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Barbour, M. H.
 B. S/Sgt. Robert, M. L.
 E. Sgt. Luten, H. W.
 R. T/Sgt. Gilpatrick, J. H.
 G. S/Sgt. Lord, W. F.

448th - A/C No. 41-12995

P. 2nd Lt. Coffee, R. D.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Dessey, V. C.
 B. 2nd Lt. McCue, W. M.
 E. Pfc. Jackson, J. D.
 R. S/Sgt. Thompson, A. R.
 G. Cpl. Jeffery, L. J.

448th - A/C No. 41-30343

P. F/O Sandlin, R. H.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Lyons, J. B.
 B. 2nd Lt. Greene, L. P.
 E. T/Sgt. Gebhardt, R. J.
 R. S/Sgt. Dess, C. W.
 G. S/Sgt. Coleman, S. L.

447th - A/C No. 41-30538

P. 2nd Lt. Haynes, E. R.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Bastin, M. R.
 B. 2nd Lt. Martin, W. R.
 E. Cpl. Tellefsen, W. F.
 R. Sgt. Bartram, R. H.
 G. Pfc. Davis, D. D.

447th - A/C No. 41-13181

P. 2nd Lt. Steeking, E. E.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Schneeblon,
 B. 2nd Lt. Adcock, L. E.
 E. S/Sgt. Orloff, S.
 R. S/Sgt. Tudor, M.
 G. S/Sgt. Roberts, H.

448th - A/C No. 41-30327

P. 2nd Lt. Van Raam, R.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Verkrusse, E. D.
 B. 2nd Lt. Bend, E. N.
 E. Sgt. Chesta, L.
 R. S/Sgt. Burr, H. C.
 G. Sgt. Sharpsteen, R. E.
 F. Pfc. Feagens, E. J.

448th - A/C No. 42-64655

P. 2nd Lt. Crowell, W. Jr.
 CP. 2nd Lt. McCabe, N. M.
 B. 2nd Lt. Kreutz, A. W.
 E. S/Sgt. Currie, J. L.
 R. S/Sgt. Riss, R. C.
 G. Cpl. Wilkerson, J. J.

448th - A/C No. 41-13172

P. 2nd Lt. Mess, R. W.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Howard, C. E.
 B. T/Sgt. Bruan, J. M.
 E. S/Sgt. Johnson, J. M.
 R. Sgt. Anglin, P.
 G. S/Sgt. Bennett, R. F.

447th - A/C No. 41-13175

P. 2nd Lt. Tompkins, H. D.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Speer, M. L.
 B. 2nd Lt. Lundmark, N. J.
 E. S/Sgt. Esher, C. S.
 R. S/Sgt. Carleen, C. M.
 G. S/Sgt. Mayhew, W. B. Jr.

Missouri

P. M. 2-19-1918

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Gardner

Freeland

B-McKee

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Greene

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John Stara

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Crowell

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Moss

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Kerr

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Dickson

445

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Walker

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Le Clair

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Bshara

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Herbert

445321

Stinger

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Tarmichael

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Rafford

527

Weatherbee

445

Newark

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Thomas

447695

Ms Fadden

175

Gorham

558~~Haynes~~

HAYNES

448

Davidson

141~~Stocking~~

Stocking

995

Coffee

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Coffee

19 February 1944.

0950 Larsen to TBF. "Informed them of Mission take-off".

1040 Tipten to Larsen. "William W. Parrish body picked up off Anzio".

1050 Tipten to Larsen. "Harris & Chets in A/C 546 are safe".

1140 TBF to Larsen. "Flash report on mission. TOT for P.M. will be H plus 3:30 under column 15.

Duncan to Asbury. "Troop Concentration Area: F900385, F902379, F907384, F905389". "Rendezvous at 8,000 at Capri--18 bits H plus 5:00".

1500 Olsen to Hoffman. "Exchange of B-25D-1 459 for 12th BG A/C #417".

1420 Larsen to TBF. "Inform them of Mission take-off".

1 Savaia Maichetti 79.

Gaude along coast to Stromboli direct to Palermo. ETD 1015, ETA 1130. 500 meters.

1 Savaia Maichetti 79.

Gaude direct to Bari at 1500 meters. ETD 1015, ETA 1045.

"2 SM 79's cleared thru MonteCervino Deputy Controller at 0945". AJH.

Authority UND 745 U05
 By 1 NARA Date 3/20/7

321 ADV V LDJM NR46 IMMEDIATE

T SELF

TO ALO 42 321 340

FROM TBF 49 19/2

GRS--- -92046 BT

CORPS DELIGHTED

EVERYBODY HERE AND AT GORDON ~~DELIGHTED~~ WITH YOUR WORK TODAY PD

GREAT HELP TO GROUND TROOPS

192046 BT

SENT 2259 F F C VA +++

PSE RPT AA AT TO WITH MACHINE RACED

AT CORPS DELIGHTED WITH YOUR

R 46 CH 2300

LDJM VLT

LDJM V LDTW NR1 EMERGENCY OPS

T AIR SEA RESCUE

FROM 321 B G OPS

TO AIR SEA RESCUE

GR--- BT

ONE B25 DOWN AT 41 DEGREES 40 MINUTES N

12 DEGREES 15 MINUTES E AT 0950

BT 191130 A
 SENT AT -4135 EWW BB

R NR 1 A E B + 191138 A + B 1

Sent Howard