

S E C R E T

321ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M) AAF
APO 650

11 March 1944

MISSION NO. 229

GROUP: 321st Bomb

NO A/C: 24

SQUADRONS: 443-6, 445-6, 446-6, 447-6.

TARGET: Orvieto Marshalling Yards.

TIME UP: 1015

T.O.T. 1230

TIME DOWN: 1350

AXIS OF ATTACK: 150°

HEIGHT: 10,500/11,500ft.

PLANES LOST: None

PLANES HOLED: One

BOMBS DROPPED:

77x1000 lb with .1 & .025 fusing

10x1000 lb with delay (2 Hrs.)

ROUTE: N-1814, M-9733, M-9370, M-1871, P-2645, E-9500, A-0335, A-1280, A-3381
to Target, A-0335 and return by same route.WEATHER: Enroute and return: Clouds: 3/10 cumulus, base at 5,000, tops at
10,000. Visibility, unlimited.
Target: CAVU

ESCORT: 12 Spits with high cover of P-47's.

ENEMY AIR: None.

CLAIMS: None.

FLAK: Heavy, moderate to slight, and inaccurate from target area. Two
batteries reported - one at A-4075 and the other at A-3868RESULTS: Hits were reported across north, center and south areas of M/Yds,
and some distance southeast of South choke point. Other bombs
reported hitting both north of target area and southeast. One large
explosion and several fires observed in yards and warehouse type
building on south side of yard reported hit.

OBSERVATIONS:

Ground: Rolling stock - about 75 cars total seen at either side of bridge
near Montaldo d. Castro (A-0119). 15/20 M/T heading east on Tuscania-
Viterbo road. 20 M/T headed north on road running north out of
San Lorenzo Nuovo. On shore of a small island in Lake Bolsena many
small boats observed. House seen in middle of island with seemingly
more than ordinary activity.Marine: Large M/V - reported 300/500' seen either leaving or entering
Civitavecchia Harbor.

FLIGHT LEADERS: Lt. Sowder and Major Hunter

NUMBER OF SORTIES: 24

PHOTOS TAKEN:


MALCOLM D. HAVEN,
Major, Air Corps, Intelligence Officer.

HEADQUARTERS 321st BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)
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OPERATIONS ORDER)

NUMBER 267)

1. Mission # 266.
2. Target: Orvieto M/Yds.
3. Number and Type A/C completing mission: 24 B-25's.

4. Route Out:	Course	distance	time
	282	40	12
	314	18	5 $\frac{1}{2}$
	356	21	6 $\frac{1}{2}$
	274	47	12 $\frac{1}{2}$
	312	72	20
	334	38	11
	14	51	14 $\frac{1}{2}$
	87	13	3 $\frac{1}{2}$
	150	16	4

Assembly: 1057

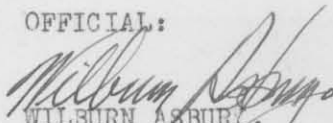
5. T.O.T: 1235

6. Route Back:	Course	distance	time
	245	31	7 $\frac{1}{2}$
	194	23	5 $\frac{1}{2}$
	154	38	9
	132	72	18
	94	47	12
	176	21	5
	134	18	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
	102	40	10

7. Number and type escort: 12 Spits.
8. Bomb Load: 1000 lb demolition and 10% delay.
9. Signals: Foundout (321), Hobnail (Spits), Drybeef (340)
Cola (top cover).
10. OLMSTED.

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Annex to Operations Order 267

445th - A/C No. 41-12917

P. 2d Lt. Russell, L.L.
CP. 2d Lt. Rigler, E.J.
B. 2d Lt. Wren, F.J.
E. Sgt. Thibodeau, L.J.
R. S/Sgt. Plott, J.M.
G. Sgt. McGinley, J.B.

445th - A/C No. 42-64529

P. 2d Lt. Hatcher, L.F.
CP. 2d Lt. Gunder, W.H.
N. 2d Lt. Smith, R.
B. 1st Lt. O'Toole,
E. Sgt. DeRose, L.A.
R. T/Sgt. O'Leary, J.D.
G. Sgt. Harris, C.W.

445th - A/C No. 42-32434

P. 2d Lt. Thomas, J.J.
CP. 2d Lt. Smith, A.B.
B. 2d Lt. Werner, S.
E. S/Sgt. Malmberg, R.H.
R. S/Sgt. Marcoulrier, W.A.
G. Sgt. Ellison, C.C.

446th - A/C No. 41-13180

P. 2d Lt. Othick, R.R.
CP. 2d Lt. Jordan, H.L.
B. 2d Lt. Reynolds, L.E.
E. Pfc. McArdle, J.R.
R. S/Sgt. Green, S.M.
G. Sgt. Thornton, E.P.

446th - A/C No. 42-32429

P. Major Hunter, W.C.
CP. 2d Lt. Wallace, R.D.
N. 1st Lt. Dickerson, C.M.
B. 2d Lt. Mottley, J.F.
E. S/Sgt. Brawn, J.H.
R. T/Sgt. Todd, A.J.
G. S/Sgt. Thomas, P.

446th - A/C No. 41-12963

P. 2d Lt. Hurley, J.R.
CP. 2d Lt. Chudars, J.F.
B. 2d Lt. McRoe, J.A.
E. S/Sgt. Smith, C.M.
R. S/Sgt. Bove, A.P.
G. Cpl. Mittman, M.M.
~~448th - A/C No. 41-29959~~
~~P. 1st Lt. Hicks, J.T.~~
~~CP. 2d Lt. Feltie, R.J.~~
~~B. 2d Lt. Zancano, W.T.~~
~~E. S/Sgt. Hajny, E.~~
~~R. Sgt. Newiew, F.J.~~
~~G. Sgt. Holt, C.M.~~

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445th - A/C No. 42-64527

P. 1st Lt. Knapp, C.R.
CP. 2d Lt. Rygh, M.S.
B. 2d Lt. Paul, V.L.
E. Sgt. York, R.
R. T/Sgt. Maddox, R.L.
G. S/Sgt. Eiff, W.C.

445th - A/C No. 42-64659

P. 2d Lt. Shyshka, L.P.
CP. 2d Lt. Coale, J.R.
B. 2d Lt. Maughan, G.W.
E. S/Sgt. Filipiak, T.
R. S/Sgt. Plunk, C.B.
G. Sgt. Carson, C.F.
F. Cpl. Cheosky, A.A.

445th - A/C No. 42-32321

P. 1st Lt. Wetherbee, D.A.
CP. 1st Lt. Dickerson, S.M.
N. 2d Lt. Casaburi, R.R.
B. 1st Lt. Souders, W.E.
E. S/Sgt. Cross, V.W.
R. T/Sgt. Stein, L.
G. S/Sgt. Irvin, R.D.

446th - A/C No. 41-13123

P. 1st Lt. Kerr, E.C.
CP. 2d Lt. Smith, R.L.
B. 2d Lt. Mayo, J.D.
E. Pfc. Jacob, E.A.
R. S/Sgt. Sweedler, M.
G. Sgt. Zeman, H.W.

446th - A/C No. 41-30387

P. 2d Lt. Matzinger, K.R.
CP. 2d Lt. Ritger, F.C.
B. 2d Lt. Wilcox, H.B.
E. Sgt. Britton, W.W.
R. S/Sgt. Mitchell, J.J.
G. Sgt. Boatwright, B.

446th - A/C No. 41-29995

P. 1st Lt. Dickson, G.M.
CP. 2d Lt. Vancil, A.E.
B. 2d Lt. Pestalozzi, R.
E. S/Sgt. Bellamy, H.E.
R. S/Sgt. Roulier, D.T.
G. Sgt. Lorentson, E.H.

ANNEX TO OPERATIONS ORDER 267

447th - A/C No. 41-30123

P. 2d Lt. Alger, L.
 CP. 2d Lt. Swanson, R.H.
 B. 2d Lt. Martin, W.R.
 E. Sgt. Ford, F.L.
 R. T/Sgt. Williamson, M.O.
 G. S/Sgt. Orzynski, H.E.

447th - A/C No. 41-30557

P. 2d Lt. Stocking, F.E.
 CP. 2d Lt. Metzger, J.E.
 B. 1st Lt. McCormick, D.J.
 R. S/Sgt. Mathews, W.E.
 E. Sgt. Cangillieri, L.
 G. Sgt. Rogowski, E.

447th - A/C No. 42-32417

P. 2nd Lt. Davidson, J. C.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Mims, N.
 B. 2nd Lt. Anderson, S. E.
 E. S/Sgt. Fisher, T. M.
 R. S/Sgt. Reynolds, F. J.
 G. S/Sgt. Noyes, C. D.

448th - A/C No. 41-29959

P. 1st Lt. Hicks, J. T.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Cottle, R. J.
 B. 2nd Lt. Zinkand, W. T.
 E. S/Sgt. Hajny, Z.
 R. Sgt. Naview, F. J.
 G. Sgt. Holt, C. M.

448th - A/C No. 41-13195

P. 1st Lt. Annear, W. R.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Gilbert, S. P.
 B. Cpl. Carr, R. C.
 E. S/Sgt. Davis, J. L.
 R. T/Sgt. Gilpatrick, J. H.
 G. S/Sgt. Graham, H. J.

448th - A/C No. 41-30343

P. 1st Lt. Cooper, J. W.
 CP. 2nd Lt. ~~Riener~~, W. F.
 B. 2nd Lt. Burday, H.
 E. Sgt. Rippel, N.
 R. S/Sgt. Clark, G. E.
 G. Sgt. Everhart, C. R.
 PH. Sgt. Franc, C. E.

448th - A/C No. 41-30327 (SPARE)

P. 2nd Lt. Armstrong, D. R.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Barbour, M. H.
 B. 2nd Lt. Bond, E. N.
 EG. P.F.C. Hinton, Z. R.
 RG. S/Sgt. Jacobson, F.
 G. Pvt. Crow, R. J.

447th - A/C No. 41-30126

P. 1st Lt. Ryherd, F.E.
 CP. 2d Lt. Nettles, F.T.
 B. 2d Lt. Huffman, C.B.
 E. Cpl. Morrissey, R.E.
 R. Pfc. Pierce, W.H.
 G. S/Sgt. Grant, J.H.

447th - A/C No. 42-53371

P. 1st Lt. Banks, H. J.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Button, E. J.
 N. 2nd Lt. Rye, Jr., W. T.
 B. 2nd Lt. Nelson, G. B.
 G. S/Sgt. Harriman, G. P.
 R. T/Sgt. Hubert, L. G.
 E. Sgt. Koecher, R. W.

447th - A/C No. 42-64694

P. 2nd Lt. Haynes, E. R.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Bastin, M. R.
 B. S/Sgt. Stewart, W. W.
 E. S/Sgt. Escher, C. S.
 R. S/Sgt. Champlain, R. S.
 G. Sgt. Tarra, E. J.
 PH. Sgt. Lamoureux, A. E.

448th - A/C No. 41-29967

P. 1st Lt. Greene, W. A.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Amo, L. W.
 B. 2nd Lt. Greene, L. P.
 E. Sgt. Luton, H. W.
 R. T/Sgt. Parham, J. E.
 G. Sgt. Neuman, P. A.

448th - A/C No. 42-64514

P. 1st Lt. Coffee, R. D.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Elliott, F. A.
 B. 2nd Lt. McCue, W. H.
 E. T/Sgt. Gebhardt, R. S.
 R. S/Sgt. Acey, H. E.
 G. Cpl. Wilkerson, J. J.

448th - A/C No. 42-64552

P. 2nd Lt. Sowder, T. R.
 CP. Lt. Col. Remington, P. H. (HQ)
 B. 1st Lt. Evans, I. P.
 N. 1st Lt. Scoop, R. W.
 E. S/Sgt. Currie, J. L.
 R. S/Sgt. Dean, W. J.
 G. Sgt. Rosencrans, H. R.

448th - A/C No. 41-13186 (SPARE)

P. 1st Lt. Hales, E. L.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Verkruysse, E. D.
 B. 2nd Lt. Malec, J. A.
 E. Sgt. Thorsett, C. R.
 R. S/Sgt. Griffin, W. G.
 G. Sgt. Slafkes, M. M.

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 COL REMINGTON
HICKS 514 ✓
 195 ✓ COFFEE
ANNEAR
 321 ✓ WETTERBEE
 434 ✓ THOMAS
 50 ✓ HATCHER
 6659 ✓ SAYCHRA
 967 ✓ GREENE
 343 ✓ COOPER
 527 ✓ KAPP
 817 ✓ RUSSELL

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 180 ✓ OTHICK
 371 ✓ BANKS
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 123 ✓ ALGER
 557 ✓ WIGINTON
 694 ✓ HAYNES
 417 ✓ DAVIDSON

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SPARES

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11 March 1944.

- 1115 Hoffman to Abernathy. "Informed him of take off of Mission".
- 1035 Fenner to Larson. "324 Engineering reports 12th B. G. A/C 64526 is ready to go".
- 1037 Capt. Gilchrist to Larson. "A/C to be sent to Foggia for Modification, numbers 43-3449, 43-3523 and 42-87448".
- Larson to 447th. "Set up A/C with CP and E for 1300 take off for Col. Olmsted. A/C 181."
- 1435 Larson to 57th BW. "Preliminary report on Mission results."
- "Headphone Controller to Larson. "120 Bombers headed this way, some in distress and may want to land".
- 1510 341st S.B. to Larson. "They have 3 More A/C ready to be ferried to Foggia tomorrow morning. He will call in the morning and give us the numbers of the A/C."
- 1905 Fenner to Hoffman. "PERUGIA M/Y, West choke point. Rendezvous H minus 0400 (10:20). Route to target via Alfedera. 12 Spits or P-47's for escort. 24 A/C, Axis of attack 150°. Alternate target North Choke point Orte. Weather is doubtful. Load is 1000's with .1 and .025 with 10% long delays. "Dry Beef" our bomber call. 340th will go overtarget 20 minutes prior to us--their axis of attack is the same".