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321ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M) AAF
APO 650

19 March 1944

MISSION NO. 237

GROUP: 321st Bomb

NO A/C : 24

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

TARGET: Principal: Bridge at A-561485. Alternate: Avezzano M/Yds. (See Results)

TIME UP: 1030

T. O. T. Principal: 1230

TIME DOWN: 1330

Alternate: 1250

AXIS OF ATTACK: Principal target: 360°
Alternate target: 120° } See Results } HEIGHT: 10,000/10500

PLANES LOST: None

BOMBS DROPPED:

Principal: 36x1000 .1 & .025

Alternate: 47x1000 .1 & .025

PLANES HOLED: None

ROUTE: Base to N-1814, M-9733, M-9368, H-0853, G-6292, A-5824, to Target,
A-6553 to H-5231 and return to base.

WEATHER: CAVU for entire route.

FLAK: Slight inaccurate, heavy flak reported from area of Attigliano.

ESCORTS: 8 Spits

ENEMY AIR: None

CLAIMS: None

RESULTS: 1st Flight made navigational error and could not pick up target so
returned to bomb alternate.Principal: R.R. Bridge: Some hits reported on NW approach and some
in river to southeast.Alternate: Avezzano: Concentration of bombs running from east choke
point east along railroad. Other bombs in southeast part of town.OBSERVATIONS: 6 trucks headed west at Carsoli at 1215. Ten car train at
Vignanello at 1210. Three strings totalling about 75 cars in
Marshalling yards at Stimigliano.

FLIGHT COMMANDER: Major Bell

FLIGHT LEADERS: Capts., Freeland and Wilson

NUMBER OF SORTIES: 24

PHOTOS TAKEN:


ROBERT W. MANLY,
Capt., Air Corps,
Ass't Intelligence Officer.

HEADQUARTERS 321ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M) AAF
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OPERATIONS ORDER)

NUMBER 275)

1. Mission # 274.
2. Target: Bridge at A-561485. Alternate, Avezzano M/Yds.
3. Number and Type A/C Completing Mission, 24, B-25's.

4. Route Out:	Course	Distance	Time
	282	40	12
	314	17	5
	357	22	6 $\frac{1}{2}$
	15	54	15 $\frac{1}{2}$
	314	37	10
	291	68	17
	360	15	4

Assembly: 10:57.

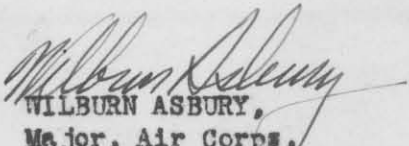
5. T.O.T. 12:13.

6. Route Back:	Course	Distance	Time
	146	40	10
	111	40	11
	134	37	9 $\frac{1}{2}$
	195	54	13
	177	22	6
	134	17	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
	102	40	10

7. Number and Type Escort: 8 Spitfires.
8. Bomb Load: 1000 lb. with .1 & .025 fuzing.
9. Signals: Jackie (321), Banker (Fighter).
10. OLMSTED.

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

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 Major, Air Corps,
 Group Operations Officer.

Annex to Operations Order # 275

445th - A/C No. 41-29985

P. 1st Lt. Grider, C. M.
CP. 2nd Lt. Cormier, E. O.
B. 2nd Lt. Werner, S.
E. Sgt. Knight, A. K.
R. T/Sgt. Stein, L.
G. S/Sgt. Beaudware, L. J.

445th - A/C No. 42-32434

P. Capt. Wilson, V. H.
CP. 1st Lt. Waterman, L. R.
N. Capt. Paduana, J. A.
B. 1st Lt. Shutte, W. G.
E. S/Sgt. Dillon, J. A.
R. T/Sgt. DePete, J. A.
G. S/Sgt. Herrman, D. G.

445th - A/C No. 42-32321

P. 1st Lt. Shyshka, L. P.
CP. 2nd Lt. Gunder, W. H.
N. 2nd Lt. Casaburi, R. R.
B. 2nd Lt. Wren, F. J.
E. Cpl. Callister, J. R.
R. S/Sgt. Plunk, C. B.
G. Sgt. Zimmer, C. H.

445th - A/C No. 41-13179

P. 2nd Lt. Russell, L. L.
CP. 2nd Lt. Schiff, F.
B. 2nd Lt. Simpkins, E. J.
E. Sgt. Thibodeau, L. J.
R. S/Sgt. Plott, J. M.
G. Sgt. McGinley, J. B.

446th - A/C No. 42-32394

P. 2nd Lt. Herbert, J. J.
CP. 2nd Lt. Hollingsworth, K. G.
B. 2nd Lt. Johnson, H. W.
E. Sgt. Clay, D. W.
R. S/Sgt. Green, S. M.
G. S/Sgt. Casper, H. G.

446th - A/C No. 41-13200

P. 2nd Lt. Hurley, J. R.
CP. 2nd Lt. Chudars, J. E.
B. 2nd Lt. McRae, J. A.
E. S/Sgt. Smith, C. M.
R. S/Sgt. Bove, A. P.
G. Sgt. Lanza, W. H.

446th - A/C No. 41-29995

P. 1st Lt. LeClair, E. R.
CP. 2nd Lt. Hodges, R. E.
N. 2nd Lt. Kinney, J. A.
B. 2nd Lt. Wotkowicz, F. J.
E. Sgt. Bober, J. Jr.
R. T/Sgt. Leary, E. M.
G. Pvt. Bender, T. J.

445th - A/C No. 42-64667

P. 1st Lt. Tarmichael, A. J.
CP. 2nd Lt. Charville, L. D.
B. 2nd Lt. Werrlein, H. F.
E. Sgt. Hickey, W. R.
R. T/Sgt. Wilson, J. P.
G. S/Sgt. Imbastaro, A. J.

445th - A/C No. 42-53373

P. 2nd Lt. Rigler, E. J.
CP. 2nd Lt. Wagner, G. W.
B. 1st Lt. Maugham, G. W.
E. Pvt. Soltysiak, S. J.
R. S/Sgt. Marcoulier, W. A.
G. Pvt. Garza, M.

445th - A/C No. 42-32458

P. 1st Lt. Coale, J. R.
CP. 2nd Lt. Fischer, F. R.
B. Capt. Underwood, J. H.
E. Cpl. Isbell, E.
R. T/Sgt. Maddox, R. L.
G. S/Sgt. ~~Weaver, D. W.~~ Hunt, J. E.
F. Cpl. Cheosky, A. A. *Csq con-
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446th - A/C No. 42-32446

P. 2nd Lt. Matzinger, K. R.
CP. 2nd Lt. Ritger, F. C.
B. 2nd Lt. Hughes, J. J.
R. S/Sgt. Mitchell, J. J.
E. Sgt. Britton, W. W.
G. Sgt. Boatright, B.

446th - A/C No. 42-64547

P. 2nd Lt. Vivas, F. P.
CP. 2nd Lt. Sacker, J. R.
B. 2nd Lt. Wilcox, H. B.
E. Pfc. Jacob, J. A.
R. S/Sgt. Roulier, E. A.
G. Sgt. Brown, R. M.

446th - A/C No. 41-13180

P. 2nd Lt. Othick, R. R.
CP. 2nd Lt. Jordan, H. L.
B. 1st Lt. Rice, S. W.
E. Pfc. McArdle, J. R.
R. Pvt. Huntoon, S. L.
G. Sgt. Parker, J.

446th - A/C No. 41-64509(Spare)

P. 1st Lt. Walker, D. F.
CP. 2nd Lt. Hipson, R. G.
B. 2nd Lt. Pestalozzi, R. H.
E. S/Sgt. Jupia, J. Jr.
R. S/Sgt. Youngblood, W. W.
G. Sgt. Ciach, S.

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447th - A/C No. 41-13181

P. 1st Lt. Davies, R. G.
CP. 2nd Lt. Dean, I E.
B. 2nd Lt. Adcock, L. E.
N. 2nd Lt. Rye, W. T.
E. S/Sgt. Tudor, M. S.
R. S/Sgt. Orloff, S.
G. S.Sgt. Roberts, H.

447th - A/C No. 42-32449

P. 1st Lt. Wiginton, J. M.
CP. 2nd Lt. Mims, N.
B. 2nd Lt. Wingrove, A. E.
E. Cpl. Gillies, R. H.
R. S/Sgt. Mathews, W. E.
G. Sgt. Rogowski, E.

447th - A/C No. 41-13175 (Returned Early)

P. 1st Lt. Ryherd, F. E.
CP. 2nd Lt. Bastin, M. R.
B. 2nd Lt. Huffman, W. C.
E. Cpl. Morrissey, R. E.
R. Pfc. Pierce, W. H.
G. S/Sgt. Harriman, E. P.
F. Sgt. Lameroux, A. E.

447th - A/C No. 42-32505

P. 1st Lt. Edwards, L. L.
CP. 2nd Lt. Abbott, F. E.
B. 2nd Lt. Snyder, J. D.
E. Sgt. Wise, A.
R. S/Sgt. Phelps, J. L.
G. S/Sgt. Harmer, H. B.

448th - A/C No. 41-30125

P. 1st Lt. Cooper, J. W.
CP. 2nd Lt. Howard, C. E.
B. S/Sgt. Robert, M. L.
E. S/Sgt. Davis, J. L.
R. T/Sgt. Parham, J. E.
G. Sgt. Kozick, F. D.

448th - A/C No. 42-64655

P. Capt. Freeland, L. B.
CP. Major Bell, A. R.
B. 1st Lt. McCree, M. B.
N. 1st Lt. Scopp, R. W.
E. S/Sgt. Mauder, C. J.
R. Sgt. Anglin, P.
G. Cpl. Jeffery, L. J.

447th - A/C No. 41-30012

P. 1st Lt. Alger, L.
CP. 2nd Lt. Heilman, W. F.
B. 2nd Lt. Martin, W. R.
R. T/Sgt. Williamson, M. O.
E. Sgt. Ford, L. W.
G. Sgt. Bean, R W.
F. Cpl. Statham, A. F.

447th - A/C No. 41-30557

P. 1st Lt. Stocking, F. E.
CP. 2nd Lt. Metzger, J. E.
B. 1st Lt. McCormick, D. J.
E. Cpl. Tollefson, W. F.
G. Sgt. Sabo, J.
R. S/Sgt. Bilski, W. J.

447th - A/C No. 42-64553

P. 1st Lt. Tompkins, H. D.
CP. 2nd Lt. Mankey, W. E.
B. 2nd Lt. Lundmark, W. J.
E. Sgt. Collins, C. R.
R. S/Sgt. Shields, J. R.
G. Sgt. Blalock, J. I.

448th - A/C No. 41-13186

P. 1st Lt. Hicks, J. T.
CP. 1st Lt. Brown, W. E.
B. 2nd Lt. McDonough, T. E.
E. S/Sgt. Johnson, R. C.
R. T/Sgt. Gipatrick, J. H.
G. S/Sgt. Van Cura, E. W.
F. Pfc. Feagens, K. J.

448th - A/C No. 41-30548

P. 1st Lt. Coffee, R. D.
CP. 2nd Lt. Swanson, E. G.
B. 1st Lt. Petit, R. P.
E. T/Sgt. Gebhart, R. J.
R. S/Sgt. Acey, M. E.
G. S/Sgt. Graham, H. J.

448th - A/C No. 41-30327

P. 1st Lt. Van Raam, R.
CP. 2nd Lt. Elliott, F. A.
B. 2nd Lt. Greene, L. P.
E/ Sgt. Hospod, B.
R. S/Sgt. Burr, H. C.
G. Sgt. Sharpsteen, R. E.
F. S/Sgt. Buckles, K. L.

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By R.T. NARA Date 3-21-07

19 March 1944.

- 1100 Asbury to Duncan. "Informed him of Mission take off. Also that our A/C will take off for Ciro tomorrow".
- 1410 Deputy Controller (Headphone) to FAS. "Practice AA fire between the hours of 1700 and 1800, 19 March 1944. 40 M/M from 4,000 to 5,000 feet".
- 1420 Asbury to 57th Wing. "12 A/C bombed Orvieto Bridge, 12 A/C bombed alternate of Avezzano".
- 1530 Larson to 57th Wing. "Flash mission report".
- 1815 445th to ODO. "Received line-up for the 20th".

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0756 From 447 th to ODO. "Change the following A/C in our line-up: 695 to 371, 557 to 538, 498 to 449".

0755 448th to ODO. "Weather Officer to call Capt. Stokes (448th)".

Headphone to Larson. "AA Fire in area 10 miles South of Capri between the hours of 1300 and ~~1400~~ 1430".

Anti-Tank practice firing Seawards from M3852 between the hours of 0800 and 1300 today.

A truck will arrive and pick up Flying Officer LONG".

1 Baltimore (Transient) to remain here over nite. Montecorvino notified".