

## S E C R E T

321ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M) AAF  
APO 650

24 March 1944

MISSION NO. 240

GROUP: 321st Bomb

NO A/C 18

SQUADRONS: 447-9, 445-9

TARGET: Supply &amp; Bivouac Area G-790228, 793227, 789222, 787225 (Piedmonte)

TIME UP: 0820

TOT: 0930

TIME DOWN: 1000

AXIS OF ATTACK: 303°

HEIGHT: 11/11500'

PLANES LOST: None

BOMBS DROPPED: 2250 x 20 lb frags.

PLANES HOLED: None.

ESCORT: High Cover.

ROUTE: Base to M-1814, M-9835, H-0308, Target, C-9928, H-0308 and return.

WEATHER: Enroute and return: 4/10 strato cumulus base at 5,000, tops at 8,000  
Visibility: 10 miles.  
TARGET: CAVU.FLAK: Heavy, moderate, inaccurate from northwest of target area on turn.  
Believed to have been shooting at A-20's below the formation.ENEMY AIR: One FW-190 seen hitting deck, chased by P-40 over target. 3 Me-110's  
low near Cassino heading south.

CLAIMS NONE

RESULTS: Good coverage of area reported with concentrations of bombs seen on southwest slope of hill just before town and other on northwest of town. Some strings short and going up into town and others north of target area. Bombs bursting north and east of target believed to be those of A-20's. Two explosions reported, one from south part of target area - another from east edge of town.

OBSERVATIONS: Red smoke on ground just short of Abbey hill. Saw A-20's bombing just east of target below formation.

FLIGHT COMMANDER: Major Sampson

FLIGHT LEADERS: Lt. Banks and Capt. Wilson

NUMBER OF SORTIES: 18

PHOTOS TAKEN:

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

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OPERATIONS ORDER )

NUMBER 278 )

1. Mission No. 277.
2. Target: Supply and Bivouac Area: G-790228, 793227, 789222, 787225 (Piedimonte).
3. Number and Type A/C Completing Mission: 18 B-25's.

| 4. Route Out: | Course | Distance | Time            |
|---------------|--------|----------|-----------------|
|               | 282    | 40       | 12              |
|               | 320    | 18       | 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ |
|               | 9      | 44       | 12              |
|               | 303    | 18       | 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ |

Assembly: 0855.

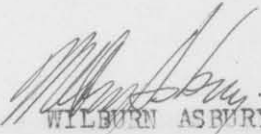
5. T.O.T.: 0930.

| 6. Route Back: | Course | Distance | Time |
|----------------|--------|----------|------|
|                | 88     | 16       | 4    |
|                | 167    | 12       | 3    |
|                | 189    | 44       | 11   |
|                | 140    | 17       | 4    |
|                | 102    | 40       | 10   |

7. Number and Type Escort: High Cover.
8. Bomb Load: 2250 x 20-lb. fragmentation bombs.
9. Signals: Courthouse (321st), Packard (Fighter).
10. SMITH.

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Major, Air Corps,  
Group Operations Officer.

OFFICIAL:

  
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## Annex to Operations Order No. 278.

445th - A/C No. 41-30550

P. Capt. Wilson, V. H.  
 CP. 1st Lt. McLain, D. I.  
 N. 1st Lt. Sharp, K. R.  
 B. 1st Lt. Schutte, W.  
 R. T/Sgt. DiPietrantonio, J. N.  
 E. S/Sgt. Dillon, J. A.  
 G. S/Sgt. Herrman, B. G.

445th - A/C No. 42-32333

P. 2nd Lt. Russell, L. L.  
 CP. 2nd Lt. Sawmson, H. A.  
 B. 1st Lt. O'Toole, F. X.  
 E. Sgt. Thibodeau, L. J.  
 R. S/Sgt. Plott, J. M.  
 G. Sgt. McKinley, J. B.  
 F. Cpl. Cheosky, A. A.

445th - A/C No. 42-53373

P. 1st Lt. Hatcher, L. F.  
 CP. 2nd Lt. Gunder, W. H.  
 N. 2nd Lt. Smith, R.  
 B. 1st Lt. Souders, W. E.  
 E. Pvt. Morisi, D. D.  
 G. S/Sgt. Hunt, J. E.  
 R. S/Sgt. Marccoulier, W. A.

445th - A/C No. 42-64508

P. 1st Lt. Crider, C. M.  
 CP. 2nd Lt. Fischer, F. R.  
 B. 2nd Lt. Werner, S.  
 E. Sgt. DeRose, L. A.  
 G. Sgt. Harris, C. W.  
 R. S/Sgt. Wells, J. E.

445th - A/C No. 42-64529

P. 1st Lt. Coale, J. R.  
 CP. 2nd Lt. Cormier, E. D.  
 B. S/Sgt. Miller, R. J.  
 R. Sgt. Wells, R. J.  
 E. Sgt. Malloy, E. J.  
 G. Sgt. Kramer, H. P.  
 F. Pvt. Abrams, S.

447th - A/C No. 42-64695

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

445th - A/C No. 41-12929

P. 2nd Lt. Smith, A. B.  
 CP. 2nd Lt. Hammar, R. L.  
 B. 2nd Lt. Simpkins, E. L.  
 E. Sgt. Coccucci, H. A.  
 R. S/Sgt. Hall, W. P.  
 G. Sgt. Samsker, F. S.

445th - A/C No. 42-64527

P. 1st Lt. Tarmichael, A. J.  
 CP. 2nd Lt. Wagner, G. W.  
 B. 2nd Lt. Werrlein, H. E.  
 E. Sgt. Hickey, W. R.  
 G. S/Sgt. Imbastero, A. J.  
 R. T/Sgt. Wilson, J. P.

445th - A/C No. 41-29985

P. 2nd Lt. Rigler, E. J.  
 CP. 1st Lt. Dickerson, S. M.  
 B. 2nd Lt. Wren, F. J.  
 E. S/Sgt. Malinberg, R. H.  
 R. S/Sgt. Weinbaugh, J. C.  
 G. Sgt. Doswell, R.

445th - A/C No. 42-64575

P. 1st Lt. Shyshka, L. P.  
 CP. 2nd Lt. Schweda, G. J.  
 N. 2nd Lt. Millers, E. A.  
 B. 1st Lt. Maughan, G. W.  
 E. S/Sgt. Belt, H. C.  
 R. T/Sgt. Maddox, R. L.  
 G. Sgt. McClary, L. E.

447th - A/C No. 42-32417

P. 1st Lt. Ryherd, F. E.  
 CP. 2nd Lt. Bastin, M. R.  
 B. 2nd Lt. Hoffman, W. C.  
 E. Cpl. Morrissey, R. E.  
 R. P.F.C. Pierce, W. H.  
 G. Sgt. Burke, W. H.

447th - A/C No. 41-30123

P. 1st Lt. Alger, L.  
 CP. 2nd Lt. Heitman, W. F.  
 B. 2nd Lt. Martin, W. R.  
 E. Sgt. Ford, L. W.  
 R. T/Sgt. Williamson, V. H.  
 G. Sgt. Bean, R. J.

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447th - A/C No. 42-53371

P. 1st Lt. Banks, H. J.  
 CP. Maj. Sampson, R. D.  
 N. 2nd Lt. Thomas, R. E.  
 B. 2nd Lt. Nelson, G. B.  
 E. Sgt. Koecher, R. W.  
 R. T/Sgt. Hobert, L. C.  
 G. Sgt. Bushnell, J. L.

447th - A/C No. 42-32449

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

447th - A/C No. 42-32505

P. 2nd Lt. Button, E. J.  
 CP. 2nd Lt. Valley, F. M.  
 B. 2nd Lt. Wingrove, A. E.  
 E. Sgt. Baldrige, G. W.  
 G. S/Sgt. Harriman, E. P.  
 R. S/Sgt. McFarlane, J. F.

447th - A/C No. 41-12930 (SPARE)

P. 1st Lt. Seavey, G. D.  
 CP. 2nd Lt. Swanson, R. H.  
 N. 2nd Lt. Matthewson, M. K.  
 B. 2nd Lt. McDermott, J. W.  
 E. S/Sgt. Schwartz, A.  
 R. T/Sgt. Harman, R. W.  
 G. S/Sgt. Grant, J. H.

447th - A/C No. 41-30538

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

447th - A/C No. 41-13006

P. 2nd Lt. Speer, M. L.  
 CP. 2nd Lt. Nall, J. G.  
 B. 1st Lt. Deane, G. J.  
 E. Sgt. Curry, H. L.  
 R. S/Sgt. Carlson, C. M.  
 G. Sgt. Corkill, J.  
 F. P.F.C. Austin, J. W.

447th - A/C No. 41-30126

P. 2nd Lt. Murray, R. E.  
 CP. 2nd Lt. Christian, C. B.  
 B. 2nd Lt. McCaleb, H. G.  
 E. Sgt. Congillieri, L.  
 R. Sgt. Wilson, M. G.  
 G. Sgt. Fowler, H. E.

447th - A/C No. 42-64694 (SPARE)

P. 2nd Lt. Haynes, E. R.  
 CP. 2nd Lt. Schnoebelen, O. L.  
 B. 2nd Lt. James, R. M.  
 E. Sgt. Engels, R. W.  
 R. T/Sgt. Boyd, J. J.  
 G. Sgt. Tarra, F. J.

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