

S E C R E T

321ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M) AAF
APO 650

1 April 1944

MISSION NO: 247

GROUP: 321st Bomb

NO A/C 24 (1 returned
early)

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

TARGET: S. Orvieto Bridge A-561485

TIME OFF: 1310

T.O.T. 1520

TIME DOWN: 1605

AXIS OF ATTACK: 220°

HEIGHT: 10/10,500 ft.

PLANES LOST: None

BOMBS DROPPED: 77 x 1000

PLANES HOLED: 14

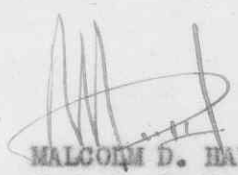
ESCORT: P-47's

ROUTE: Base to N-1814, M-9033, M-9568, H-1229, H-0853, G-6291, B-2820, B-0571
A-7469 to target to B-0513, G-6291 and home.

WEATHER: Enroute: Clouds: 7/10 cumulus, tops at 11,000 ft. to Avezzano, from
there on to target 3/10 overcast. Visibility hazy, 10 miles.
Target: Clouds: 2/10 cumulus, tops at 8,000 ft. Visibility hazy, 10 miles.
Return: Clouds: 3/10 overcast to Avezzano becoming 7/10 from there on
to base. Visibility hazy, 10 miles.

FLAK: Heavy, moderate to intense - accurate. Guns seen at E side of river NE of
bridge and Baschi. Meager light from Avezzano.ENEMY AIR: About 5 min. after leaving target 8/10 Me-109's came in at 2nd flight
but were chased by escort, two making only one pass at wing ship. One
silver colored plane seen going down flaming just N of Viterbo A/D.

CLAIMS: None.

RESULTS: Bombs seemed fairly well concentrated in target area with both approaches
to bridge reported hit with possibility of bridge itself being hit. Some
strings in field between R.R. and river SW of bridge with some short
and NE of bridge.OBSERVATIONS: Three trains headed N between Orte and target about 30 cars each.
15/20 cars at loco. shed at Cittaducale (B-1422). 80/100 cars
on R.R. between Narni and Orte - stationary.FLIGHT LEADERS: Maj. Hunter, Lt. Banks
NUMBER OF SORTIES: 24
PHOTOS TAKEN:
MALCOLM D. HAVEN,
Major, Air Corps,
Intelligence Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS 321ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H) AAF
APO NO. 650
Office of the Operations Officer

DATE April 1, 1944.

MISSION REPORT

1. Number of Aircraft: 24-B-25's
2. Take Off: Planned Time: 1310 Actual Time: 1310
3. Rendezvous: 1415 1415
4. On Course: Planned Time: 1415 Actual Time: 1420
5. Planned Route: Base to Capri to Ischia Island to Volturmo to Castel D' Sangro to 4223N-1307E to 4251N-1250E to Todi to Target to 4218N-1250E to Ovindale to Castel D Sangro to Volturmo to Ischia to Capri to Base.
6. Actual Route: "As Planned".
7. I. P.: Name: Todi Planned Time: 1503 Actual Time: 1516
8. T.O.T.: Planned Time: 1507 Actual Time: 1520
9. Altitude of Attack: Planned: 10,000 & 10,500 Actual: _____
10. Axis of Attack and Break: Planned: 220° LEFT Actual: 220° LEFT
11. Explanation of why bombs hit outside target area: Bombardier failed to set up good course, therefore formation spread out in first flight.
12. Flight Leaders: Pilot Major Hunter Bombardier Lt. Nicklaus Flight Commander Major Hunter
Lt. Banks Lt. Windler
13. The drift, dropping angle, I.A.S., G.S. on bomb run:
Drift: 6° LEFT Dropping Angle: 40.5 I.A.S.: 210
G.S.: 244 mph
14. Length of bomb run in seconds: 50
15. Number of bombs salvoed and reasons: 2 Rack malfunctions.
16. Number of bombs returned to Base and reasons: 4 - Release circuit shot out by flak.
17. The type of bombing formation: Flights of 12 stacked up. Individual elements javelin down.
18. Intervalometer setting: 20 feet.
19. Comments: _____

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OPERATIONS ORDER)

NUMBER 285)

1. Mission # 284.
2. Target: S. Orvieto Bridge (A-561485)
3. Number and Type A/C completing mission: 23 B-25's.
4. Route Out:

Course	distance	time
280	40	12
305	21	6
12	22	6
22	35	10 $\frac{1}{2}$
352	15	4
312	64	18 $\frac{1}{2}$
343	35	10
267	21	5 $\frac{1}{2}$
220	16	4

Assembly: 1340

5. T.O.T.: 1507
6. Route Back:

Course	distance	time
129	37	8 $\frac{1}{2}$
114	37	8 $\frac{1}{2}$
133	37	8 $\frac{1}{2}$
172	15	4
202	39	10
192	22	5 $\frac{1}{2}$
125	21	5
100	40	10
7. Number and type escort: 12 P-47's.
8. Bomb Load: 1000 lb demolition.
9. Signals: Francis (B), Banker (F), Ratter (Other Fighters).
10. SMITH.

WILBURN ASBURY,
Major, Air Corps,
Operations Officer.

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Operations Officer.

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445th - A/C No. 42-64527

P. 2d Lt. Charville, L.D.
 CP. 2d Lt. Wagner, G.W.
 B. 2d Lt. Simpkins, E.L.
 E. Sgt. Chambers, J.
 R. T/Sgt. Maddox, R.L.
 G. Sgt. Zimmer, H.C.

445th - A/C No. 42-32333

P. 2d Lt. Russell, L.L.
 CP. 2d Lt. Swanson, H.A.
 B. 1st Lt. O'Toole, F.X.
 N. F/O Napple, F.L.
 E. Sgt. Swingholm, R.J.
 R. S/Sgt. Pate, H.B.
 G. Sgt. Bellendir, J.C.

445th - A/C No. 42-64667

P. 1st Lt. Crider, C.M.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Schiff, F.
 B. 2nd Lt. Werner, S.
 R. T/Sgt. Wilson, J.P.
 E. S/Sgt. Hickey, W. P.
 G. S/Sgt. Imbastara, A. J.
 F. Pvt. A brahams, S.

445th - A/C No. 41-29985

P. 2nd Lt. Smith, A.B.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Cormier, E. O.
 B. Capt. Underwood, J.H.
 E. Pvt. Soltysiak, S. T.
 R. S/Sgt. Heimbaugh, J. C.
 G. Sgt. Cleary, L. E.
 F. Sgt. Cotter, J. M.

446th - A/C No. 41-12963

P. 2nd Lt. Hurley, J. R.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Chuders, J. E.
 B. 2nd Lt. McRoe, J. A.
 E. S/Sgt. Smith, C. M.
 R. S/Sgt. Bove, A. P.
 G. Cpl. Mittman, M. M.

446th - A/C No. 42-32429

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

446th - A/C No. 42-32446

P. 1st Lt. Kerr, J. C.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Smith, R. L.
 B. 2nd Lt. Mayo, J. D.
 E. Sgt. Smetana, F.C.
 R. S/Sgt. Sweedler, M.
 G. Sgt. Zeman, H. W.

445th - A/C No. 41-30550

P. 1st Lt. Hatcher, L.F.
 CP. 2d Lt. Cunder, W.H.
 N. 2d Lt. Figher, S.M.
 B. 1st Lt. Wren, F.J.
 E. S/Sgt. Donegan, J.V.
 R. S/Sgt. Shiloh, A.
 G. S/Sgt. Forbes, R.W.

445th - A/C No. 42-32434

P. 2d Lt. Shyska, L.P.
 CP. 1st Lt. McLain, D.I.
 N. 2d Lt. Smith, R.
 B. 1st Lt. Maughan, G.W.
 E. Sgt. Smith, W.A.
 R. S/Sgt. Stephens, R.T.
 G. Sgt. Whelan, E.J.

445th - A/C No. 42-53373

P. 1st Lt. Hinsley, M. D.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Fischer, F. R.
 B. 1st Lt. Yopez, O. W.
 R. Sgt. Wells, R. J.
 E. Sgt. Malloy, E. J.
 G. Sgt. Kramer, H. P.

446th - A/C No. 42-64509

P. 2nd Lt. Jordan, H. L.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Vancil, A. E.
 B. 2nd Lt. Johnson, H. W.
 E. Sgt. Kane, R. J.
 R. S/Sgt. Bufkin, F. P.
 G. Cpl. Burrows, I. F.

446th - A/C No. 41-30387

P. 2nd Lt. Matzinger, K. R.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Ritger, F. C.
 E. S/Sgt. Turner, A. B.
 E. Sgt. Britton, W. W.
 R. S/Sgt. Mygrant, R. S.
 G. Sgt. Boatright, B.

446th - A/C No. 42-32403

P. 2nd Lt. Hodges, R. E.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Goff, L. R.
 B. 1st Lt. Rice, S. W.
 E. S/Sgt. Jupin, J.
 R. S/Sgt. Cozer, R. L.
 G. Sgt. Nemet, M.

446th - A/C No. 42-64547 (Spare)

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

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447th - A/C No. 41-30126

P. 1st Lt. Ryherd, F. E.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Bastin, M. R.
 B. 2nd Lt. Wingrove, A. E.
 E. Sgt. Ford, M. W.
 R. Pfc. Pierce, W. H.
 G. Pvt. Richards, C. M.

447th - A/C No. 42-32449

P. 2nd Lt. Murray, R. E.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Christian, L. B.
 B. 2nd Lt. McCaleb, H. G.
 E. Sgt. Cangelliceri, L.
 R. S/Sgt. Carlson, C. M.
 G. Sgt. Fowler, H. E.

447th - A/C No. 41-13181

P. 1st Lt. Banks, H. J.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Manley, W. E.
 B. 2nd Lt. Windler, J. H.
 N. 2nd Lt. Thomas, R. E.
 E. Sgt. Koecher, R. W.
 R. T/Sgt. Hubert, L. G.
 G. Sgt. Bushnell, J. L.

448th - A/C No. 41-30005

P. 2nd Lt. Armstrong, D. R.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Howard, C. E.
 B. 2nd Lt. Bond, E. N.
 E. Pvt. Sullivan, J. G.
 R. S/Sgt. Jacobson, F.
 G. Sgt. Groome, D. M.

448th - A/C No. 42-64514

P. 2nd Lt. Kuykendall, J. W.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Furey, F. M.
 B. 1st Lt. Evans, I. P.
 R. S/Sgt. Schaffner, C. D.
 E. Sgt. Ernst, D. L.
 G. Sgt. Slafkes, M. M.

448th - A/C No. 41-12995

P. 1st Lt. Greene, W. A.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Cottle, R. J.
 B. 2nd Lt. McDonough, T. E.
 E. Sgt. Luton, H. W.
 R. S/Sgt. Riss, R. C.
 G. Sgt. Neuman, R. A.

447th - A/C No. 42-64512

P. 1st Lt. Seavey, G. D.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Dean, J. E.
 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. 42-32505

P. 2nd Lt. Button, E. J.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Denman, J. L.
 B. 2nd Lt. Adcock, L. E.
 E. Sgt. Baldridge, G. W.
 R. S/Sgt. Reynolds, F. J.
 G. S/Sgt. Harriman, E. P.

448th - A/C No. 41-13195

P. 1st Lt. Hicks, J. T.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Moyer, E. C.
 B. 2nd Lt. Kukorowki, A. A.
 E. S/Sgt. Johnson, R. C.
 R. S/Sgt. Robertshaw, D. F.
 G. S/Sgt. Van Cua, E. E. W.
 F. S/Sgt. Dean, W. J.

448th - A/C No. 41-13186

P. 1st Lt. Annear, W. R.
 CP. 2nd Lt. Dogsey, V. C.
 B. 1st Lt. McRee, M. B.
 E. Pfc. Jackson, J. D.
 R. S/Sgt. Clark, G. E.
 G. Sgt. Holt, C. M.
 F. Sgt. France, C. E.

448th - A/C No. 42-64655

P. 1st Lt. Van Raam, R.
 CP. 2nd Lt. McCabe, N. M.
 B. 1st Lt. McCue, W. M.
 N. 1st Lt. Feeley, W. C.
 E. Sgt. Chosta, L.
 R. S/Sgt. Dilts, R. G.
 G. Sgt. Sharpsteen, R. E.

448th - A/C No. 42-32427
(Returned early)

P. 2d Lt. Myers, H. C.
 CP. 2d Lt. Lonsdorf, F. L.
 B. 2d Lt. Quartuccio, A.
 E. S/Sgt. Johnson, J. M.
 R. S/Sgt. Dos s, C. W.
 G. S/Sgt. Coleman, S. L.

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 963 HURLEY
 446 KERR
 387 MATZINGER
 655 VAN RAAM
 195 HICKS
 514 KUYKENDALL
 509 JORDAN
 403 HODGES
 425 MYERS
 005 ARMSTRONG
 186 ANNEAR
 446
 448
 181 BANKS
 449 MURRAY
 512 SEAVEY
 505 BUTTON
 667 CRIDER
 373 HINSLEY
 434 SHYSHKA
 126 RYHERD
 694 CLOWARD
 527 CHARVILLE
 985 SMITH
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 SPARES
 333 RUSSELL
 995 GREENE
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