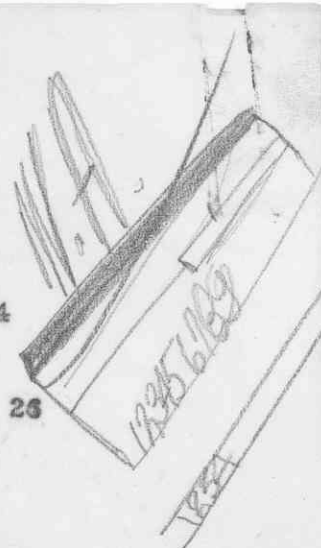


S E C R E T

321ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M) AAF
APO 650

8 April 1944



292

MISSION NO: 254

GROUP: 321st Bomb

NO A/C: 23

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

TARGET: R.R. bridge at Orvieto M/Y (S. choke point)

TIME OFF: 1050

T.O.T. Turned back 1231 TIME DOWN: 1335

AXIS OF ATTACK:

HEIGHT: 10/10,500 ft.

PLANES LOST:

BOMBS DROPPED: None

PLANES HOLED:

ESCORT: 16 P-47's

ROUTE: Base to N-1814, M-9633, M-9570, H-1228, H-0583, G-6292, B-2414, to Rieti and return

WEATHER: Enroute: Weather: Light rain in Rieti area. Clouds: Complete overcast lowering to 8,000 ft. at Rieti. Visibility: 8 miles. Note: Clouds forced formation back to base

FLAK: Light, meager, inaccurate north of Avezzano (Massa d'Albe - G-5090)

ENEMY AIR: None

CLAIMS: None

RESULTS: None

OBSERVATIONS: About 40 freight cars in Avezzano M/Y. Road open just south of Roccapia - G-9970 heading southwest with several branches or turn offs stopping in snow. 50 truck convoy heading east from Antrodoco toward Aquila (convoy stopped when formation flew over) - sighted at 1130 hours. At 1300 personnel moving on foot left side of road for distance of a mile southeast of Carsoli heading south-east.

FLIGHT LEADERS: Capts. Cooper and Bounds.

NUMBER OF SORTIES: 26


S. P. NEPRASH,
Capt., Air Corps,
Ass't Intelligence Officer.

S E C R E T

HEADQUARTERS 321st BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)

APO # 650

Office of the Operations Officer

8 April 1944

OPERATIONS ORDER)

NUMBER 292)

1. Mission # 291.
2. Target: R.R. bridge at Orvieto M/Y (S. choke point).
3. Number and type A/C completing mission: 26 B-25's.

4. Route Out:	Course	distance	time
	280	40	12
	315	18	5 $\frac{1}{2}$
	360	22	6 $\frac{1}{2}$
	22	39	10 $\frac{1}{2}$
	354	15	4
	315	37	10 $\frac{1}{2}$
	303	27	7 $\frac{1}{2}$
	330	21	6
	315	29	7 $\frac{1}{2}$
	255	18	4 $\frac{1}{2}$

Assembly: 11200

5. T.O.T.: Turned back 1231.

6. Route Back:	Course	distance	time
	197	8	2
	149	10	2 $\frac{1}{2}$
	111	72	17
	135	37	9
	174	15	3 $\frac{1}{2}$
	202	39	10
	150	24	5 $\frac{1}{2}$
	135	18	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
	100	40	10

7. Number and type escort: 16 P-47's.
8. Bomb Load: 500 lb demolition (none dropped)
9. Signals: Francis (B), Elbow (F), channel A.
10. SMITH.

WILBURN ASBURY,
Major, Air Corps,
Operations Officer.

OFFICIALS:

Wilburn Asbury
WILBURN ASBURY,
Major, Air Corps,
Operations Officer.

Annex to Operations Order 294

445th - A/C No. 42-32458

P. 1st Lt. Waterman, L.R.
CP. 2d Lt. Moore, H.D.
B. Sgt. Fitzgerald, D.J.
E. S/Sgt. Belt, H.C.
R. T/Sgt. Johnson, J.B.
G. S/Sgt. Andrews, C.L.
F. Sgt. Cotter, J.M.
Q. Capt. Swanberg, C.

445th - A/C No. 42-64659

P. 1st Lt. McClain, D.I.
CP. 2d Lt. Place, W.H.
B. 1st Lt. O'Toole, F.X.
E. Sgt. Deness, L.A.
R. T/Sgt. O'Leary, J.D.
G. Sgt. Harris, C.W.

445th - A/C No. 42-32333

P. 2d Lt. Smith, A.B.
CP. 2d Lt. Cormier, E.O.
B. 2d Lt. Werlein, H.F.
E. Sgt. Cuccia, H.A.
R. S/Sgt. Plott, T.M.
G. Sgt. Demaker, F.S.
F. Cpl. Chesky, A.A.

445th - A/C No. 42-32434

P. Capt. Wilson, V.H.
CP. 2d Lt. Fisher, F.M.
E. 2d Lt. Fisher, S.M.
B. 1st Lt. Schutte, W.G.
E. S/Sgt. Gross, V.W.
R. S/Sgt. Irvin, A.D.
G. S/Sgt. Stone, D.R.

447th - A/C No. 42-64694

P. 2d Lt. Butten, E.J.
CP. 2d Lt. Kelley, J.E.
B. 2d Lt. Adcock, L.S.
E. Sgt. Saldridge, G.W.
R. S/Sgt. Reynolds, F.J.
G. S/Sgt. Harriman, E.P.
F. Cpl. Statham, A.F.

447th - A/C No. 42-53371

P. Capt. Baeunds, T.C.
CP. 2d Lt. Murray, R.B.
B. 1st Lt. Wiedler, J.H.
E. 2d Lt. Thomas, R.B.
E. S/Sgt. Bockhart, M.H.
R. S/Sgt. Chatters, A.W.
G. S/Sgt. Orzynski, H.E.

447th - A/C No. 42-64583

P. 2d Lt. Speer, M.L.
CP. 2d Lt. Hall, J.G.
B. 2d Lt. Wingrove, A.E.
E. S/Sgt. Mecher, C.S.
R. S/Sgt. Carlson, C.M.
G. Sgt. Corkill, J.

445th - A/C No. 41-30550

P. Lt. Slyshka, L.P.
CP. Lt. Hedsell, E.M.
N. Lt. Napple, F.L.
B. Capt. Underwood, J.H.
E. Cpl. Callister, J.R.
R. S/Sgt. Heinbaugh, J.C.
G. Sgt. McClary, C.S.

445th - A/C No. 42-64575

P. 2d Lt. Rigler, E.J.
CP. 2d Lt. Schiff, F.
B. 1st Lt. Anderson, M.A.
E. 2d Lt. Saita, R.
E. S/Sgt. Filipiak, T.
R. S/Sgt. Plunk, C.B.
G. Sgt. Zimmer, H.C.

445th - A/C No. 42-64529

P. 2d Lt. Charville, L.D.
CP. 2d Lt. Swanson, H.A.
B. 2d Lt. Brele, G.J.
E. Sgt. Swingham, R.J.
R. S/Sgt. Pate, H.B.
G. Sgt. Bellindir, J.C.

447th - A/C No. 41-12930

P. 1st Lt. Seavy, G.D.
CP. 2d Lt. Manz, W.A.
B. 2d Lt. McDermott, J.W.
E. S/Sgt. Schwartz, A.
R. T/Sgt. Harman, R.A.
G. S/Sgt. Grant, J.H.

447th - A/C No. 42-64512

P. 1st Lt. Beebe, N.
CP. 2d Lt. Martin, W.H.
B. 2d Lt. Fisher, G.A.
E. Sgt. Curry, H.L.
R. S/Sgt. Kerziewski, E.S.
G. Sgt. Sinclair, R.

447th - A/C No. 41-30126

P. 1st Lt. Thomas, J.J.
CP. 2d Lt. Grimes, R.T.
B. 2d Lt. Rosenblatt, J.M.
E. Sgt. Sheppard, L.E.
R. S/Sgt. Free, P.L.
G. Sgt. Rose, C.A.

447th - A/C No. 42-64553

P. 1st Lt. Tempkins, H.D.
CP. 2d Lt. Nettles, F.T.
B. 2d Lt. Lundmark, A.D.
E. Sgt. Gellins, C.R.
R. S/Sgt. La Fountain, N.E.
G. Sgt. Bialeck, J.T.

Annex to Operations Order 292

446th - A/C No. 42-32394

P. 1st Lt. Matzinger, K.H.
CP. 2d Lt. Ritger, F.G.
B. 1st Lt. Festalozzi, R.H.
E. Sgt. Britten, W.W.
K. S/Sgt. Mygrant, R.F.
G. Sgt. Lanza, W.A.

446th - A/C No. 42-64509

P. 2d Lt. Jordan, H.L.
CP. 2d Lt. Hawkins, R.B.
B. 1st Lt. Rice, S.W.
E. Sgt. Negrelli, M.J.
K. S/Sgt. Bufkin, F.F.
G. Cpl. Burrows, I.F.

446th - A/C No. 41-30293 Kerr, J.C.

P. 1st Lt. Kerr, J.C.
CP. 2d Lt. Smith, R.L.
B. 2d Lt. Mayo, J.D.
E. Sgt. Smetana, F.G.
K. S/Sgt. Swesaler, M.
G. Sgt. Zeman, H.W.
O. Major Cooper, J.L.

448th - A/C No. 41-30125

P. 1st Lt. Hales, E.L.
CP. 2d Lt. Moyer, B.C.
B. T/Sgt. Braun, J.M.
E. Pfc. Hinton, C.R.
K. S/Sgt. Heltzerderr, H.
G. Pvt. Crow, R.J.
F. S/Sgt. Dean, W.J.

448th - A/C No. 41-30548

P. 1st Lt. Armstrong, D.R.
CP. 2d Lt. Barbour, M.H.
B. 2d Lt. Bend, E.N.
E. 2d Lt. Olaszewski, H.
K. Pvt. Sullivan, J.G.
K. S/Sgt. Campbell, J.R.
G. S/Sgt. Van Cura, F.W.

448th - A/C No. 42-64655

P. 1st Lt. Moss, R.W.
CP. 2d Lt. Linsderr, F.W.
B. 1st Lt. Joyce, R.W.
N. 1st Lt. Feeley, W.C.
E. S/Sgt. Johnson, J.M.
K. S/Sgt. Doss, C.W.
G. S/Sgt. Coleman, S.L.

446th - A/C NO. 42-32403

P. 1st Lt. Dickson, G.M.
CP. 2d Lt. Briles, C.O.
B. 2d Lt. Persberg, R.A.
E. S/Sgt. Bellamy, H.K.
K. S/Sgt. Brown, D.H.
G. Cpl. Wittman, J.M.

446th - A/C No. 41-16200

P. 1st Lt. Benaran, F.
CP. 2d Lt. Goff, L.R.
B. 2d Lt. Williams, W.R.
E. S/Sgt. Jupin, J.
K. S/Sgt. Maddox, E.R.
H. Sgt. Nemet, M.

446th - A/C No. 42-64511

P. Capt. Cooper, P.T.
CP. 2d Lt. Holt, R.L.
E. 2d Lt. Mettley, J.F.
K. 2d Lt. Kinney, J.H.
E. Cpl. Shellhamer, L.
K. S/Sgt. Miles, W.J.
G. Sgt. Foley, J.M.

448th - A/C No. 41-12926

P. 1st Lt. Cooper, J.W.
CP. 2d Lt. Furey, F.H.
B. Cpl. Carr, A.D.
E. S/Sgt. Davis, J.L.
K. T/Sgt. Parham, J.E.
G. Sgt. Everhart, C.R.

448th - A/C No. 41-30367

P. 2d Lt. Myers, H.C.
CP. 2d Lt. Blackwell, R.G.
B. 2d Lt. Zinkand, W.F.
E. S/Sgt. Hajny, Z.
K. S/Sgt. Robertshaw, D.F.
G. Sgt. Neumann, R.A.
F. Sgt. France, C.E.

448th - A/C No. 42-64521

P. 1st Lt. Doyle, E.J.
CP. 2d Lt. Rogers, H.
B. 2d Lt. Malec, J.F.
E. 2d Lt. Hickey, W.O.
E. S/Sgt. Kepford, F.R.
K. S/Sgt. Newiew, F.J.
G. Sgt. Jeffrey, E.J.

448th - A/C No. 42-87455

(Returned early-turret out)

P. 2d Lt. Lyons, J.E.
CP. 2d Lt. Swanson, E.G.
B. 2d Lt. Abble, J.A.
E. Sgt. Roberts, C.J.
K. S/Sgt. Acay, M.E.
G. Sgt. Rosenorans, H.A.

Authority 745005
By R.T. NARA Date 3-21-07

E.T.D. 1050

MTSSTON LOG

DATE: APRIL 8

E.T.A.

A/C NO.	SQDN	PILOT	TAKE OFF	LAND	REMARKS
1 511	446	COOPER			
2 509	"	JORDAN			83
3 403	"	DICKSON			87
4 293	"	KERR	-		25
5 394	"	MATZINGER			36
6 200	"	BSHARAH	took off land		49
7 655	448	Moss	30		3 minutes
8 455	"	Lions	35	1155	46 sec Early return Turret gun
9 327	"	Myers	34		40 sec
10 521	"	Doyle	40 min		53 sec
11 125	"	Hales	26		33
12 926	"	Cooper	34		55
					32
13 371	447	Bounds	32		38
14 553	"	Tompkins	32		43
15 583	"	Speer	31		30
16 930	"	Seavey	30		44
17 126	"	Thomas	47 ✓		32
18 694	"	Button	26		38
19 434	445	Wilson	36		
20 333	"	Smith	40 ✓		
21 529	"	Charville	37		
22 550	"	Shyshka	36		
23 659	"	McLain	41 ✓		
24 458	"	Waterman	34		
S PARES					
1 548 575	448 445	Armstrong Russell	16 sec		
2 512	447	Beebe	34		
3 575	575	RIGLER	28 sec		
###					