

455th Bomb Group, Field Orders, FO#179, Udine Loco Repair Depot, Italy,
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7412 BO BOMBARDIER SQUADRON, (H) AAF.
455TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP, (H), AAF.
APO 520 U.S. ARMY.

29 DECEMBER 1944
(DATE)

LOADING LIST

AC NUMBER	DESTINATION	T/O
663		
PILOT	LT. SURBECK	TOP TUR GNR SGT. POMALES
CO-PILOT	MAJOR WELSH	WAIST RIGHT SGT. ENGLISH
NAVIGATOR	LT. MC KNIFF	WAIST LEFT SGT. MICHEAL
BOMBARDIER	LT. HEAD	BALL TUR GNR SGT. KIRBY
RADIO	SGT. BERNDT	TAIL TUR GNR SGT. SUMMALT
199		
PILOT	CAPT. DEVEE	TOP TUR GNR SGT. TAYLOR
CO-PILOT	LT. SMITH	WAIST RIGHT SGT. FORGIONE
NAVIGATOR	LT. KNAPP	WAIST LEFT SGT. HIMMELFARB
BOMBARDIER	LT. BUCKHOLDER	BALL TUR GNR SGT. MC CARTER
RADIO	SGT. BAKER	TAIL TUR GNR SGT. VESTAL
373		
PILOT	LT. MORGAN	TOP TUR GNR SGT. EVANS
CO-PILOT	LT. BRUNSON, L.E.	WAIST RIGHT SGT. JOHNSON
NAVIGATOR	LT. KENT	WAIST LEFT SGT. BOYCE
BOMBARDIER		BALL TUR GNR SGT. HETMANEK
RADIO	SGT. BRENNAN	TAIL TUR GNR SGT. BAKER, A.S.
751		
PILOT	LT. GROSSER	TOP TUR GNR SGT. GOLDEN
CO-PILOT	LT. DEPPE	WAIST RIGHT SGT. GORKINS
NAVIGATOR	LT. BONYNGE	WAIST LEFT SGT. HETZEL
BOMBARDIER	LT. MC CAHMAN	BALL TUR GNR SGT. MENNELL
RADIO	SGT. LITTMAN	TAIL TUR GNR SGT. LANGLEY
088		
PILOT	LT. FEURRIEGEL	TOP TUR GNR SGT. EXCELL
CO-PILOT	LT. BRUNSON, L.J.	WAIST RIGHT SGT. GRETZINGER
NAVIGATOR	LT. MC BAIN	WAIST LEFT SGT. CLARK, A.F.
BOMBARDIER	LT. PYLE	BALL TUR GNR SGT. EGGER
RADIO	SGT. YANKOVICH	TAIL TUR GNR SGT. MAZUR
974		
PILOT	LT. CLAYTON	TOP TUR GNR SGT. GILL
CO-PILOT	LT. FRITZEN	WAIST RIGHT SGT. GAGOLA
NAVIGATOR	LT. GIRARD	WAIST LEFT SGT. MALAVICH
BOMBARDIER	LT. BECKER	BALL TUR GNR SGT. COOK
RADIO	SGT. GROSS	TAIL TUR GNR SGT. JEFFRIES

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Office of the Operations Officer
APO 520

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COMBAT LOADING LIST

MISSION NO. 174

SHIP NO. 889

P CYR, GW
CP MERTL, WD
N ROFSTAD, JO
B CORBETT
E FEDEY, LA
R RYAN, RF
AE CAREY, JJ
AR ECKLUND, EH
AG HARPER, MD
AG WALSH, JR

LT
LT
LT
LT
SGT
SGT
SGT
SGT
SGT
SGT

SHIP NO. 582

SNOOK, DG
JENSON, MH
REDDY, JE
BERMAN, HE
GARLAND, WA
BETTI, LJ
McROBERTS, BJ
ALLEN, JT
HEWITT, BC
BOUDOUSQUIE

LT
LT
LT
LT
SGT
SGT
SGT
SGT
SGT
SGT

SHIP NO. 295

HELBIG
DEWEY
LUDEMAN
WHITE
WOOLLEY
CZARIVATOWICZ
ESPOSITO
MAGEE
MALYSIAK
KUNZ

LT
LT
LT
LT
SGT
SGT
SGT
SGT
SGT
SGT

SHIP NO. 231

P GILL, DB
CP FINN, RM
N BRETT, JV
B BASSETT, EM
E MONEK, IM
R ASHTON, RJ
AE HOOK, LG
AR GREFKOWICZ, LS
AG MACKINNON, JT
AG MARTIN, HL
SJ BLOOM, B
F SHAW, TG

LT
LT
LT
LT
SGT
SGT
SGT
SGT
SGT
SGT
SGT
SGT

SHIP NO. 419

HIMES, RC
BRYANT, RS
ARMERUSTER, EU
MORFITT
BOUGNER, FP
ELLIS, G
O'CONNOR, RL
BALKDIKOWSKI, ET
HELMERS, RR
NAZARCHYK, TW
MUNDT
GOULD

LT
LT
LT
LT
SGT
SGT
SGT
SGT
SGT
SGT
SGT
SGT
SGT

SHIP NO. 542

ANDERTON, DJ
SYLVERSON, H
RITTERBUSH
GUSTAFSON
SIMS
FROUSSARD
PLACE, JR
SHORES, DD
AMDOV, WC
SIMON

LT
LT
LT
LT
SGT
SGT
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MISSION STATISTICS

28 A/C Scheduled
28 A/C Off

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740th

7 A/C Scheduled
7 A/C Off
7 A/C Over Target
7 A/C Returned

741st

7 A/C Scheduled
7 A/C Off
7 A/C Over Target
5 A/C Returned
Ship 373 Pilot E. BRUNSON landed at IESI.
Ship 359 Pilot BROWN crash landed PIANOLA - crew O.K.

742nd

8 A/C Scheduled
8 A/C Off
6 A/C Over Target
5 A/C Returned
1 E/R Ship 624 Pilot DE SAUSSURE
1 P/R Ship 156 Pilot Clear
Ship 105 pilot WRIGHTSON & ship 990 pilot ADAMS collided at IESI. Crews safe.
Ship 935 MIA - Pilot GOSS - went down about 10 miles NE of FIUME -- 8 chutes were seen.

743rd

6 A/C Scheduled
6 A/C Off
6 A/C Over Target
5 A/C Returned
Ship 543 Pilot ANDERTON landed at RAMATELLI.

Combat Time 7:35

SORTIE CREDIT

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CONFIRMING MISSION REPORT

1. HQ. 455TH BOMB GROUP (H) AAF. MISSION NUMBER 174 DATE 29 December 1944

2. STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

A. Sorties	<u>26</u>	<u>5273</u>	I. Damaged: Flak	<u>0-1</u>	<u>11/-262</u>
B. Early Returns	<u>2</u>	<u>250</u>	E/A		<u>16-12</u>
C. Prior Returns		<u>173</u>	Other		<u>4-29</u>
D. Weather Returns		<u>62</u>	J. E/A Destroyed		<u>216</u>
E. A/C Bombing	<u>26</u>	<u>4555</u>	Probable		<u>80</u>
F. Tonnage	<u>59.</u>	<u>10327.195</u>	Damaged		<u>25</u>
G. Losses: Flak	<u>1</u>	<u>14</u>	K. Casualties: Miss	<u>29</u>	<u>831</u>
E/A		<u>26</u>	Killed	<u>20</u>	
Other	<u>1</u>	<u>2150</u>	Wounded	<u>24</u>	
H. Missing	<u>1</u>	<u>43</u>			

3. At 0825 hours 28 B-24's took off to bomb primary target, plan able, escorted by P-51's.

4. A. Two a/c ret'd early: one because of engine trouble - jettisoned 10 incendiary bombs in the Adriatic Sea; one lost contact with formation in weather - returned 6 incendiary bombs to base.

B. ___ a/c ret'd prior to bombing
142-78359 D 42-51935 J MIN FLOW

5. A. ___ a/c dropped ___ x ___ lb. (___ tons) bombs on ___ target at ___ hours, from ___ to ___ feet. ___ was bombed because see supplement

B. ___ of these a/c dropped ___ x ___ lb. (___ tons) bombs on ___ at ___ Hours from ___ feet, because ___

C. ___ of above a/c ___ x ___ lb. (___ tons) bombs ___

D. ___ other a/c dropped ___ x ___ lb. (___ tons) bombs on ___ at ___ hours from ___ feet, because ___

E. ___ a/c ret'd to base ___ x ___ lb. bombs, because ___

F. ___ a/c jettisoned ___ x ___ lb. bombs at ___

6. A. 20 a/c returned at 1605 hours. 1 a/c is at 32nd Fighter Group A/O.

B. 2 a/c lost see supplement.

C. 1 a/c missing see supplement.

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BOMBARDIER
NAVIGATOR

LT KEELAND ✓
LT DAGENKOLE ✓
LT DWALE ✓
F O BACKMAN ✓
S SGT MUSCHEL

S SGT CAMPBELL
SGT MIDDLESWORTH
SGT CONTILLA
SGT HOLICA
SGT GLIDDEN

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(DATE)

L O A D I N G L I S T

AC NUMBER	<u>359</u>	DESTINATION	T/O
PILOT	LT. BROWN	TOP TUR GNR	SGT. DUNHAM
CO-PILOT	LT. DOUGLAS	WAIST RIGHT	SGT. DUPREE
NAVIGATOR	LT. OXLER	WAIST LEFT	SGT. KRUPSKI
BOMBARDIER	LT. PELOSI	BALL TUR GNR	SGT. MAGGIO
RADIO	SGT. WOODWARD	TAIL TUR GNR	SGT. BURKHART
AC NUMBER	<u>419</u>	DESTINATION	T/O
PILOT	LT. ARENDT	TOP TUR GNR	SGT. PONTON
CO-PILOT	LT. ECKLUND	WAIST RIGHT	SGT. GILLIS
NAVIGATOR	LT. BIRK	WAIST LEFT	SGT. KOCHANE
BOMBARDIER	LT. BIRSELL	BALL TUR GNR	SGT. COBER
RADIO	SGT. CRUMP	TAIL TUR GNR	
AC NUMBER		DESTINATION	T/O
PILOT		TOP TUR GNR	
CO-PILOT		WAIST RIGHT	
NAVIGATOR		WAIST LEFT	
BOMBARDIER		BALL TUR GNR	
RADIO		TAIL TUR GNR	
AC NUMBER		DESTINATION	T/O
PILOT		TOP TUR GNR	
CO-PILOT		WAIST RIGHT	
NAVIGATOR		WAIST LEFT	
BOMBARDIER		BALL TUR GNR	
RADIO		TAIL TUR GNR	
AC NUMBER		DESTINATION	T/O
PILOT		TOP TUR GNR	
CO-PILOT		WAIST RIGHT	
NAVIGATOR		WAIST LEFT	
BOMBARDIER		BALL TUR GNR	
RADIO		TAIL TUR GNR	

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742nd Bombardment Squadron (H)
APO# 520 U.S. Army

29 December 1944.

SUBJECT: Crews Completing Mission on the 29 December 1944.

TO : All Concerned.

	<u>Ship No. 151</u>	<u>Ship No. 201</u>	<u>Ship No. 935</u>	<u>Ship No. 990</u>
P	Lt Hope	Lt Underwood	Lt Goss	Lt Adams
CP	Lt Sheridan	Lt Fitter	Lt Edelstein	Lt Hodgdon
N	Lt Kearns	Lt Kenney		Lt Gould
B	Lt Arthur	Lt Carlson	Lt Hague	Lt Huggins
	Kindem	Walter	Long	Stedman
	Vasquez	Anderson	Duncan	DiSabatino
	Tate	George	McDonald	Pearce
	Freeman	Myles	McClain	Beers
	James	Hunziker	Richman	Contratto
	Frank, R.	Mason, M	Ferguson	Eggert

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	<u>Ship No. 624</u>	<u>Ship No. 105</u>	<u>Ship No. 366</u>	<u>Ship No. 156</u>
P	Lt Dessausure	Lt Wrightson	Lt Montgomery	Lt Clear
CP	Lt Niles	Lt Fahey	Lt Siegfried	Lt Aiken
N	Lt Hull	Lt Jenkins	Lt Knowles	Lt Beckman
B	Lt Reinhart	Lt Siegel	Lt HOGAN	Lt Tollman
	Beekman	Crosby	O'Connor	Raimondi
	Boswell	Schievo	Healy	Reinl
	Littleton	Curio	Bell	Handy
	Pauley	Larrick	Nelson	Tolbert
	Bajda	Neeley	Price	Friend
	King	Kosinski	Gallagher	Johnson, E.
			Armandu (MM)	Gallraith (MM)
			Lt Eber (N)	

Target _____

Combat Time _____

WILLIAM R. HOGAN, JR,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Operations Officer.

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