

La Spezia, Italy

No 304th Wg Opns Order

Mission No. 45

22 May 1944

FIELD ORDER NO. 50

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Authority NND 745005

HEADQUARTERS
455TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
APO 520 US ARMY

22 May 1944

FIELD ORDER)
NO 50)

Maps: 1/250,000 of NAPLES, ROME, FLORENCE, AJACCIA, and TORINO.

1. a. ENEMY DEFENCE.

1. Target is harbor Installations at LA SPEZIA. Secondary targets are; LEGHORN, PIOMBINO, SAN STEPHANO. Anti-aircraft in and around target are estimated to be 71 heavy guns, of which 40 are located in immediate target area.
2. Thirty single engine enemy fighters may be encountered over target.

b. FRIENDLY FORCES:

1. None
2. One Group P-38's will rendezvous with bombers at Key Point at 1320B at 16,000 feet & provide close escort on penetration, over target, and on withdrawal to maximum limit of range.
2. Thirty-six plus spares, B-24's of this Group will attack harbor Installations at LA SPEZIA, with 500 pound GP's with .10 nose and .01 tail fusing.
3. This Group will attack in two units of 18 ships each plus spares, with second unit stacked down. Leaders will sight for range & deflection, box leaders for range; all others toggle on leaders. Bombing altitude will be 20,000 ft, intervalometer setting 75 ft. Rally will be left. Route out: Base to PONZA ISLAND, (40°55'W, 12°57'E) to MONTECRISTO (42°20'N, 10°19'E) to CAPRAIA (43°02'N, 09°49'E) to IP to target. Route back will be reverse of route out. Pathfinder will be used as lead aircraft, but bombing will be visual if possible. Window will be used according to latest instruction.
4. No Change.

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0	0	0	0	0	0	M. I. A.			

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5. a. Command-----6440 Kcs
 A.G.L.-----4585 Kcs
 Interplane-----Channel "A"
 Collective Call Sign-----Playfair Three
 Squadron Call Signs-----740th Wheeltrack.
 741st Shadrock
 742nd Chinwag
 743rd DeafDumb.
 Recall Sign-----Pepper
 IFF to be used accordingly to latest instructions.

b. None

c. 1. None

2. Group leader-----Major AMBROSEN
 Deputy Group leader-----Lt. GOSLINE.

By order of Colonel COOL:

HUGH R. GRAFF,
 Major, Air Corps,
 Operations Officer

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ANNEXES:

1. Briefing Outline.
 2. Mission Statistics.
 3. 304th Wg. Opns Inst.

DISTRIBUTION:

- 1 Gp. S-2
 1 Gp. S-3
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B R I E F I N G O U T L I N E

- 1. Number of A/C scheduled.....42 B-24s
- 2. Group Leader.....Major E.C. AMBROSEN.
- 3. Deputy Group Leader.....Lt. R.A. GOSLINE.
- 4. 2nd Unit Leader.....Lt. H.A. MILLER.
- 5. 2nd Deputy Leader.....Lt. G.W. SCRIMSHAW.
- 6. Other Groups On Mission.....454th, 455th, & 459th BGs.
- 7. Escort.....See par. 1b (2) of Field Order.
- 8. Bomb Load.....10/500lb GPs .1 sec N. .01 sec T.
- 9. Ammunition.....5200 rounds 50 cal.
- 10. Time at Stations.....10:30B.
- 11. Fuel Load.....2700 gals gasoline & full oil service.
- 12. Take-Off Instructions.....Taxi to North end of runway for take-off to the South.

ORDER OF TAKE-OFF

1st Attack Unit			2nd Attack Unit		
764	494	312	983	741	476
250	989	271	167	208	749
240	482	161	939	351	517
500	261	294	105	994	280
583	993	879	885	239	241
283	200	184	166	270	481
570	771	278	748	198	949

- 13. Bomber Rendezvous.....1st C.Wing (459th-454th) at GIULIA at 3000 feet at 1050B.
2nd C.Wing (455th-456th) at SAN GIOVANNI at 4000 feet at 1205B.
- 14. Course Out.....Base to PONZA ISLAND (40°55'N 12°57'E) to MONTECRISTO (42°20'N, 10°19'E) to CAPRAIA (43°02'N, 09°49'E) to IP (44°00'N, 09°30'E) to Target.
- 15. Initial Point.....44°00'N, 09°30'E.
- 16. Time at target.....1400B.
- 17. Return Course.....Reverse of Course out.
- 18. Axis of Attack.....75 degrees Mag.
- 19. Bombing Formation.....9 ship front with 2nd attack unit stacked down.
- 20. Bombardier's Information.....Lead ship will sight for range & deflection, box leaders for range all others toggle on leaders.
Intervalometer setting - 75 ft.
IAS for bomb run 160MPH, bombing altitude 20,000 feet.
- 21. Rally.....Left.

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL					CASUALTY				
M. I. A.					ESORT				
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Forecast from Norge Weather for 22 May 1944

Single bases for rendezvous: 3 to 5/10 cumulus at 5 thsd tops at 8 thsd. 6 to 7/10 altocumulus at 10 thsd tops at 15 thsd. 3/10 cirrus at 21 thsd tops at 22 thsd. Visibility 8 to 10 miles. Surface wind 220 deg 5 to 8 mph.

Route out:

From base to west coast: 9 to 10/10 cumulus and cumulo-nimbus over the mountains, bases topping mountains and tops at 18 to 20 thsd. 3/10 cirrus at 21 thsd tops at 22 thsd. Visibility A/C to ground 15 to 20 miles.

Along west coast of Italy: 5 to 7/10 cumulus at 3 thsd tops at 8 to 10 thsd. 3 to 5/10 altocumulus at 13 thsd tops at 15 thsd. Visibility A/C to ground 15 to 20 miles.

Target: 6 to 8/10 cumulus at 3 to 5 thsd tops at 10 to 12 thsd. 2/10 altocumulus at 14 thsd tops at 16 thsd. Visibility A/C to ground 15 to 20 miles. Surface wind 230 deg 8 mph. Surface pressure.....29.86 inches Surface temperature.....plus 15 deg C Temperature at 22500 feet....minus 25 deg C

Winds aloft:

Over target	5000 feet	250 deg	20 knots
Returns	10000 feet	250 deg	25 knots
Early return	15000 feet	250 deg	30 knots
Prior return	20000 feet	250 deg	40 knots
	25000 feet	250 deg	45 knots

Route back: Same as route out.

Bases on return: 4 to 6/10 cumulus at 3 to 5 thsd tops at 7 thsd. 5 to 7/10 altocumulus at 9 thsd tops at 14 thsd. 3/10 cirrus at 21 thsd tops at 22 thsd. Visibility A/C to ground 15 to 20 miles. Surface wind 220 deg 10 mph.

Freezing level: 12000 feet.

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743rd Bomb Sq:

10 A/C Off
9 Over target
10 Returned
0 Early return
1 Prior return: Thomas #283 at 1533; bad oxygen leak (Sortie credit)

Combat time: 6:45

Total time: 243:10

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(Annex 2, Field Order 50, 45th Mission)

MISSION STATISTICS.

42 A/C Scheduled
42 Off

740th Bomb Sq:

11 A/C Off
8 Over target
11 Returned
2 Early return: Moore #239 at 1230; pilot sick.
Bethune #198 at 1325; crew member sick.
1 Weather return: Saine #748 at 1330; couldn't find formation.
0 Prior return

741st Bomb Sq:

10 A/C Off
8 Over target
10 Returned
2 Early return: Baker #517 at 1203; hydraulic actuating
cylinder nose wheel leaking.
0 Prior return

742nd Bomb Sq:

11 A/C Off
9 Over target
11 Returned
2 Early return: Ambrosen #764 at 1225 (740th Ship); left
rudder and stabilizer had bad vibration.
0 Prior return.

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0 Early return
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(Sortie credit)

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CONFIRMING MISSION REPORT

1. HQ. 455TH BOMB GROUP (H) AAF MISSION NUMBER 45 DATE 22 May 1944
2. STATISTICAL SUMMARY

				TOTAL TO DATE
A.	Sorties	<u>35</u>		<u>1560</u>
B.	Early Returns	<u>76</u>	<i>1 weather return</i>	<u>109 108</u>
C.	A/C Bombing	<u>35</u>		<u>1392</u>
D.	Tonnage Dropped	<u>86.50</u>		<u>3276.05</u>
E.	Our Losses, Flak	<u>0</u>		<u>2</u>
	E/A	<u>0</u>		<u>10</u>
	Other	<u>0</u>		<u>6</u>
	Missing	<u>0</u>		<u>0</u>
Damaged	Flak	<u>0</u>	Severe <u>0</u> Slight	<u>29 - 168</u>
	E/A	<u>0</u>	" <u>0</u> "	<u>4 - 8</u>
	Other	<u>0</u>	" <u>0</u> "	<u>2 - 15</u>
F.	Victories Dest in Air	<u>0</u>		<u>56</u>
	Probable	<u>0</u>		<u>46</u>
	Damaged	<u>0</u>		<u>10</u>
	Dest on Gnd	<u>0</u>		<u>47</u>
	Damaged	<u>0</u>		<u>8</u>
G.	Casualties Miss in A	<u>0</u>		<u>186</u>
	Killed	<u>0</u>		<u>9</u>
	Wounded-serious	<u>0</u>		<u>4</u>

3. At 1105 hours 42 B-24's took off to bomb LA SPEZIA Harbor Installations

4. Escorted by 25 to 30 P-38's

5. a. 7 ret'd early See Supplement to Mission Summary No. 45.

b. 0 ret'd prior

6. a. 34 A/C dropped 336 x 500 lb. (24.0 tons) GP, .1 sec nose 1/2 .81 sec tail
(No) (type) (fusing)
bombs on Primary target at 1542 to 1547 hrs. from 20,000 to 21,500 ft.

b. of above x lb. (tons) place reasons

c. 1 dropped 10 x 500 lb. (2.5 tons) bombs on CIVITAVECCHIO Harbor (4206N/1147E)
other target, where, why

from 15,000 ft. at 1428 hours on 115 degree heading (Oxygen leak forced plane to return)

d. returned x lb. bombs to base give disposition of any bombs not dropped
 give reasons

e. jettisoned x lb. bombs at place, reasons.

7. a. A/C returned at hours. A/C are at place

b. A/C lost at , place circumstances

c. A/C missing and last seen at , place
 circumstances

8. Personnel casualties were , degree of injury
 position

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9. RESULTS: 2nd attack unit bombed ahead of 1st attack unit, due to maneuvering to find opening's in weather. First attack unit reported hits on NE section of target. Fires observed on rally. Gas storage tanks believed hit. Near misses were observed on ships at docks. Some hits observed in the town. Poor pattern reported due largely to weather.

10. ENEMY RESISTANCE:

a. Fighters: None.

b. Flak: Heavy, slight to moderate, inaccurate flak was encountered at the target at 1542 to 1547 hours from 21,000 feet.

11. OBSERVATIONS:

a. Communications: None.

b. Enemy Air Installations and Activity in addition to encounters:

c. Flak Positions:

d. Smoke Screens, Camouflage, Balloons etc:

e. Naval: Several large boats were observed in LA SPEZIA harbor at 1542 hours from 21,000 feet. 1 large naval vessel was sighted at 1622 hours from 19,000 ft. at 4200N/0945E on a heading of 360 degrees. At ELBA (4250N/1025E) 2 freighters were seen at 1500 hours from 12,500 feet. One large and two small M/V were observed heading Northwest at Isle of Monte Cristo (4220N/1025E) at 1440 hrs from 19,000 feet.

12. WEATHER: From base to west coast there was 6 to 8/10 cumulus cloud cover, tops at 16,000 ft, with 10/10 cirrostratus at 20,000 ft. Over water, along west coast, cover was 10/10 cirrostratus based at 21,000 ft, 8/10 altostratus, tops at 14,000 ft. At Target: 7/10 cumulus, tops at 15,000 ft. Target visible only through breaks. Return: Same as route out back to mountains. Mountains to base there were 8/10 altostratus, tops 18,000 ft, 4/10 cumulus, tops at 8,000 ft.

13. PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN: 11 negatives from K22 7/10 obscured by clouds.

14. COURSE: ROUTE OUT: Base to 4055N/1257E to 4220N/1020E to 4303N/0948E to IP to target. Time: 1st attack unit, 1547 hours heading of 70°, 2nd attack unit, 1542 hours heading of 40°. ROUTE BACK: Target to 4303N/0948E to 4220N/1020E to 4055N/1257E to Base.

Time Received _____

Time Forwarded _____

Initials/Signature _____

Initials/Signature _____

C O N F I D E N T I A L

SUPPLEMENT TO
5. a. 7 ret'd
fluid, returned

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SUPPLEMENT TO MISSION SUMMARY NO. 45, 455TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H) AAF.

5. a. 7 ret'd early; 1 because nose wheel hydraulic cylinder was leaking fluid, returned 10 bombs to base; 1 because it lost formation, jettisoned 10 bombs at 4133N/1620E; 2 returned early because of sick crew members, one jettisoned bombs 4122N/1650E, the other returned 10 bombs to base; 1 because plane was sluggish and stalled, jettisoned 10 bombs at 4130N/1610E; 1 returned early because #1 turbo was inoperative, returned 10 bombs to base; 1 because of bad vibration of left rudder and stabilizer, returned 4 bombs to base. This ship was a pathfinder A/C and only carried 4 bombs.

ALVIN E. COONS
Major, Air Corps
Group Intelligence Officer

MISSION NO. 45

MISSION STATISTICS

DATE 22 MAY 1944

UNITS PARTICIPATING	PRIMARY	SECONDARY	LAST RESORT
455, 454, 456, 459TH	A H SPEZIA	LEGHORN	

UNIT	A/C OFF GROUND	A/C OVER TARGET			ABORTIVES			CLAIMS			DISPOSITION OF BOMBS				A/C LOST	AMM. EXP.	CASUALTIES						
		FRI-MARY	SECON-DARY	LAST RESORT	TOTAL ABOR.	MECH-FAIL-URE	ARM-FAIL-URE	OTHER	DES-TROYED	PROB-ABLE	DAM-AGED	EFFECTIVE NO.	TYPE	JETTISONED NO.			TYPE	BROUGHT BACK NO.	TYPE	TOTAL	M. I. A.	KILLED	IN JURED
740	11	8	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	0	0	76	500#	30	500#	0	500#	0	550	0	0	0	0
741	10	8	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	80	500#	0	500#	20	500#	0	75	0	0	0	0
742	11	9	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	90	500#	0	500#	14	500#	0	0	0	0	0	0
743	10	9	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	500#	0	500#	0	500#	0	800	0	0	0	0
GROUP	42	34	0	1	7	4	0	3	0	0	0	346	500#	30	500#	34	500#	0	1425	0	0	0	0

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455th BOMBARDMENT GROUP

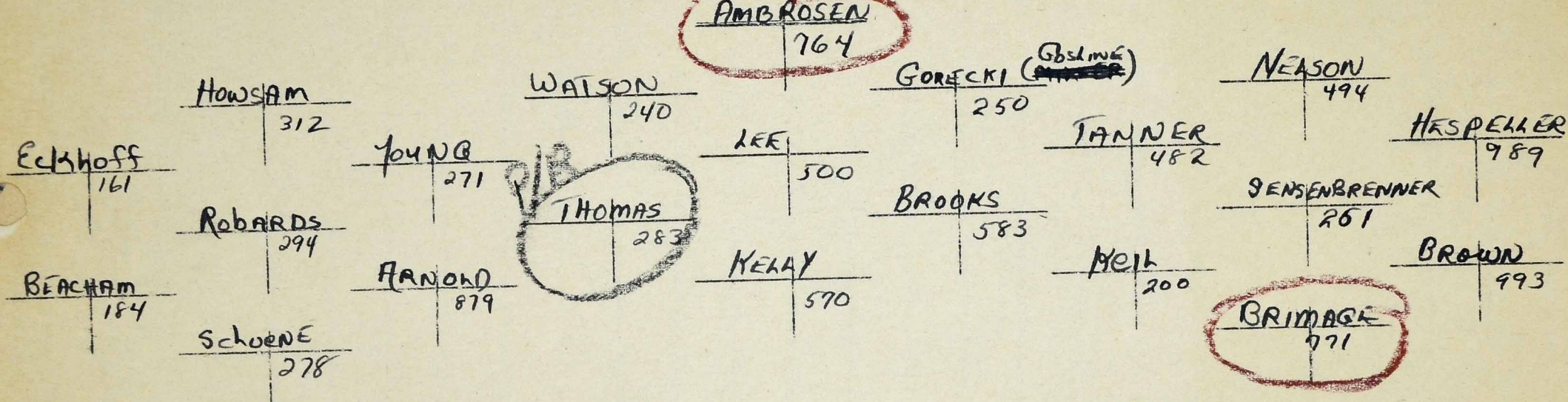
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DATE 5/22/44

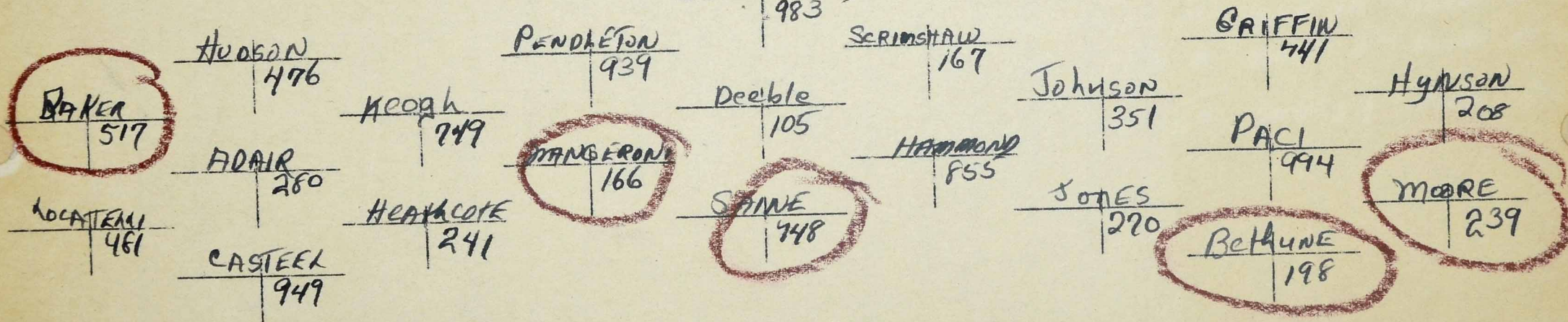
FORMATION DIAGRAM

1ST SECTION



2 ND. SECTION

Fisher (Miller) 983



— E/R
 — P/R

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LEAD

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1. a. (1)

(2)

b. (1)

(2)

2.

TARGET

LA SPEZIA
TARGET CHARTS

SECONDARY TARGET

LEGNOREN PIONBINO SANSTEFANO

BOMBER RENDEZVOUS

4000' (55 + 56) 1205

CLIMB, OVER CLOUDS

LEAD

SAME

ROUTE OUT

B TO ^{40°55'N 12°57'E} PANZA IS TO ~~...~~
MONTACRISTO (42°20'N 10°19'E) TO CAPRAIA (43°02'09"42")
TO IP TO TARGET

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INITIAL POINT 44°00'N 09°30'E

AXIS OF ATTACK 75° MAG

TARGET TIME 14:00

BOMBING ALTITUDE 954 18,000 954 19,000 953 20,000

956 21,000

BOMBING FORMATION 9 SHIP FRONT STACKED

DOWN

TARGET ELEVATION SEA LEVEL

RALLY KEEP

ROUTE BACK REVERSE ROUTE OUT

3. a. BOUR LOAD (JAMEN P AREA 500' N. 10 T. 01)

b. FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS MONTAGALTA - Same Call Sign

c. INTERMETER SETTING 75'

d. _____

x. _____

4. _____

5. _____

Loading List

740

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5/22/44

Lt. Johnson D
F/O Robertson
~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~
Lt. Daniels
S/Sgt Freeman

T/Sgt Thigpen
S/Sgt Johnson R.J.
S/Sgt Rry
S/Sgt Merrill
S/Sgt Jackson
SGT Hollingsworth

NOSE GUNNER

740

748

5/22/44

LT SAINTE
LT GRISSOM

LT ASIP
T/SGT BARRONS

T/SGT AMORISO
S/SGT CARLSON
S/SGT DONAHUE
S/SGT BOLLING
S/SGT SEIVERS.
SGT KAPLANEK

NOSE GUNNER

740

983

5/22/44

LT FISHER
LT MILLER
LT BLACKER & LT COMPTON J.A.
LT LAFLEY
T/SGT KING A.R.

T/SGT RUNDLE
S/SGT ANDERSON
S/SGT HANIDES
S/SGT SCHMAUS
S/SGT KUCHARIK

740

270

5/22/44

LT JONES
LT ZOOK
LT WATERMAN
F/O ASH
S/SGT PEYERL

S/SGT USSERY
SGT PINKOS
SGT WEST
SGT ROSITANO
SGT LINK

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5/22/44

LT HYNSON
LT MILLAR
LT KELLER
LT BANKS
T/SGT MCFALL

T/SGT WATERMUND
S/SGT DANIEL
S/SGT STRANGE
S/SGT HARPETER
S/SGT KINGERX LINEBERGER

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5/22/44

LT SCRIMSHAW
LT RUSSELL
LT KKK DRAGHI & TEASDALE
LT STELLE
T/SGT MCFALL WOLK

T/SGT GASSIDY
S/SGT CONLIN
S/SGT NYQUIST
S/SGT GOOD
S/SGT DARRINGER

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5/22/44

LT BETHUNE
LT ADKISSON
LT ANNALA
LT
T/SGT RILEY

T/SGT COLLUM
S/SGT ~~XXXXXXXX~~ YAI
S/SGT BROWN
S/SGT FISHER J.T.
S/SGT FOWLER
S/SGT GRELAND

NOSE GUNNER

740

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5/22/44

LT MOORE
LT ENNIS
LT GUSTAFSON
T/SGT LOGAN

T/SGT WERT
S/SGT FRANCESCHINI
S/SGT KRUSE
S/SGT BISCHOFF
S/SGT BALOUGH
S/SGT ALT

NOSE GUNNER

740

939

5/22/44

LT PENDLETON
LT FABIAN
LT FRAMIK

T/SGT BEARDEN
S/SGT COUNTS
SGT GROOME
SGT ADAMS
SGT GOBLE
SGT MARTIN

NOSE GUNNER

740

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LT PACI
LT ENSMINGER
E/O BRNDSTETTER
LT CAMPBELL
T/SGT JOHNSON P. A. 99

T/SGT BECK
S/SGT SUMAKIS
S/SGT HAYES
S/SGT HARRIS
S/SGT SYMKOWICZ

740

741

5/22/44

LT GRIFFEN
LT LEBSOCK
LT GILLIAM
LT STEWARDSON
S/SGT LUBECK

S/SGT LOUTHAN
SGT MANNING
S/SGT CARNEY
A-SGT PIERCE
SGT WILLIAMS

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455TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H) AAF
A.P.O. No. 520 U. S. Army

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L O A D I N G L I S T

A/C NUMBER 099 949 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	Lt. Casteel	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Otte
CO-PILOT	Lt. Couget	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Gardner
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Hale	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Singer
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Haessly	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Porter
RADIO	Sgt. Vicinski	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Mriaty

A/C NUMBER 481 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	Lt. Locatelli	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Karnoy
CO-PILOT	Lt. Rosenberg	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Kinnick
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Cahill	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Dakin
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Mahon	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Anderson
RADIO	Sgt. Schultz	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Caldwell

A/C NUMBER 241 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	Lt. Heathcote	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Stover
CO-PILOT	Lt. Snider	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Moore
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Jackson	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Rishko
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Scott	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Kerr
RADIO	Sgt. Shotwell	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Bennett

A/C NUMBER 280 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	Lt. Adair	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Merfield
CO-PILOT	Lt. Vralsted	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Louge
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Lukachevitz	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Watson
BOMBARDIER	Lt. McCracken	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Lundquist
RADIO	Sgt. Dandy	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Puslet

A/C NUMBER 517 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	Lt. Baker	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Swinney
CO-PILOT	Lt. Wigely	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Aabye
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Winklehorst	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Allen
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Matrangos	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Bopp
RADIO	Sgt. Kelly	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Applin

A/C NUMBER 747 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	Lt. Keogh	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Stienhauer
CO-PILOT	Lt. Newfield	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Scandier
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Kuntz	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Earl
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Grimm	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Delaney
RADIO	Sgt. Daley	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Anderson

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L O A D I N G L I S T

A/C NUMBER 476 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	Lt. Hudson	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Beeler
CO-PILOT	Lt. Smith	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Elliott
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Hosmer	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Fisher
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Bakanauskas	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Fowlkes
RADIO	Sgt. Mase	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Hamilton

A/C NUMBER 166 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	Lt. Nangeroni	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Straw
CO-PILOT	Lt. Wittman	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Johnson
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Kline	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Andrews
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Blum	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Howell
RADIO	Sgt. Roadman	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Fry

A/C NUMBER 855 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	Lt. Hammond	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Loiccano
CO-PILOT	Lt. Nixon	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Siemon
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Crim	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Ludwig
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Hodges	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Curtiss
RADIO	Sgt. Delozier	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Markoski

A/C NUMBER 105 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	Lt. Deeble	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Patterson
CO-PILOT	Lt. Wendt	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Pearson
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Pokora	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Vanaman
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Eford	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Wise
RADIO	Sgt. Averill	TAIL TUR GNR	Squires

A/C NUMBER _____ DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT		TOP TUR GNR	
CO-PILOT		WAIST RIGHT	
NAVIGATOR		WAIST LEFT	
BOMBARDIER		BALL TUR GNR	
RADIO		TAIL TUR GNR	

A/C 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

22 MAY 1944

SUBJECT: CREWS COMPLETING MISSION FOR 22 MAY 1944

TO OPERATIONS OFFICER, 455TH BOMB GP (H)

P	SHIP #482	Lt.	SHIP #250	Lt.	SHIP #494	Lt.	SHIP #261
CP	TANNER	Lt.	GORECKI	Lt.	NELSON	Lt.	SENSENBRENNER
N	HAWLEY	Lt.	GOSLINE	Lt.	MONTGOMERY	Lt.	RIDDEL
B	HERMAN	Lt.	GIOVANNITTI	Lt.	ARIFF	Lt.	POWELL
NOSE G	BROWN	Lt.	EPPERSON	Lt.	SKELTON	Lt.	MCGRANE
TOP TUR	WAUGH	Lt.	GRAVES	Lt.	BASTIN	Lt.	JASTRZEMBOWSKI
WAIST R	MIZELL	Lt.	WANTUCK	Lt.	CHANCE	Lt.	NERREN
WAIST L	ENGHAUS	Lt.	LECONTE	Lt.	LATHAM, L.	Lt.	PLOWMAN
BALL TUR	CHASE	Lt.	TALKINGTON	Lt.	LATHAM, V.	Lt.	SELLARS
TAIL G	JACKSON	Lt.	STEWART	Lt.	MILLER	Lt.	RENNER
	MALCHOW	Lt.	REESE	Lt.	MCCOY	Lt.	SCOTT
P	SHIP #989	Lt.	SHIP #570	Lt.	SHIP #240	Lt.	SHIP #771
CP	HESPELER	Lt.	KELLY	Lt.	WATSON	Lt.	BRIMAGE
N	BUNT	Lt.	WATT	Lt.	SWANNER	Lt.	MENDENHALL
B	PLATT	Lt.	SANTINA	Lt.	SMITH	Lt.	TAYLOR
NOSE G	HIATT	Lt.	WACHTENDONK	Lt.	NELSON	Lt.	BLANCO
TOP TUR	WILSON	Lt.	DRESSEL	Lt.	BRODEUR	Lt.	GREEN
WAIST R	HEMPHILL	Lt.	EDGE	Lt.	THOMAS	Lt.	WASHBURN
WAIST L	SPOTTS	Lt.	PETERSON	Lt.	BLUMBERG	Lt.	BEITZ
BALL TUR	RHODES	Lt.	BRIGGS	Lt.	PRATT	Lt.	STINSON
TAIL G	YEE	Lt.	WINGERT	Lt.	LACEY	Lt.	BAKOS
	VIKEN	Lt.	AMES	Lt.	PELKEY	Lt.	PALUMBO
P	SHIP #993	Lt.	SHIP #200	Lt.	LEE, O.I.	Lt.	
CP	BROWN	Lt.	KEIL	Lt.	DENTON, C.A.	Lt.	
N	MCKEE	Lt.	CRUM	Lt.	GROSS, J. (NMI)	Lt.	
B	MACEDO	Lt.	PICKERILL	Lt.	HOPAN, S.D.	Lt.	
NOSE G	FORD	Lt.	XXXXX	Lt.	Dean, W.F.	Lt.	
TOP TUR	HEITZMAN	Lt.	AGNEW	Lt.	Collins, J.M.	Lt.	
WAIST R	GOLDMAN	Lt.	NOTE	Lt.	Pendleton, P.C.	Lt.	
WAIST L	ROSENBERG	Lt.	MEDEL	Lt.	Kohnke, V.B.	Lt.	
BALL TUR	PITTMAN	Lt.	OLEYASH	Lt.	Derrick, C.F.	Lt.	
TAIL G	LIVINGSTON	Lt.	ULSH	Lt.	Lafollette, J.H.	Lt.	
PHOTO	GRAHAM	Lt.	NOVAK	Lt.	Thiel, J.J.	Lt.	
P	SHIP #583 (1-3-5)	Lt.					
CP	BROOKS, R.C.	Lt.					
N	HENSKE, B.J.	Lt.					
B	GINSBURG, S.	Lt.					
NOSE G	TARGET	Lt.					
TOP TUR	TIME	Lt.					
WAIST R	Hosac, C.W.	Lt.					
WAIST L	Taylor, P.E.	Lt.					
BALL TUR	Cluck, O.L.	Lt.					
TAIL G	O'Keefe, J.J.	Lt.					

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COMBAT LOADING LIST

	<u>SHIP #278 (1-3-7)</u>		<u>SHIP #312 (1-3-1)</u>		<u>SHIP #161 (1-2-3)</u>
P	SCHOENE, H.R.	Lt.	HOWSAM, E.R.	Lt.	ECKHOFF, A.E.
CP	COLMAN, O.C.	Lt.	STERLING, R.N.	Lt.	MAURER, M.
N	HAYWOOD, R.F.	Lt.	STOPA, LA.	Lt.	CAPLE, R.V.
B	DAVIS, R.J.	Lt.	GU DMUNDSON, R.E.	Lt.	FREIHEIT, W.W.
NOSE G	Roth, E.J.	Sgt.	Todoro, A.	Sgt.	Gulley, C.H.
TOP TUR	Lumpkin, LF.	Sgt.	Cochrane, W.P.	Sgt.	Ferbanis, J.
WAIST R	Cushing, W.L.	Sgt.	Baird, R.M.	Sgt.	Chlan, R.H.
WAIST L	Bates, J.E.	Sgt.	Wiesler, R.A.	Sgt.	Vojtko, J.M.
BALL TUR	Palmer, F.W.	Sgt.	Kapitzke, L.E.	Sgt.	Olsowsky, E.E.
TAIL G	BERG, H.C.	Sgt.	Dandenault, E.C.	Sgt.	Everhart, H.B.
	<u>SHIP #271 (1-3-2)</u>		<u>SHIP #283 (1-3-5)</u>		<u>SHIP #184 (1-2-6)</u>
P	YOUNG, L.L.	Lt.	THOMAS, J.H.	Lt.	BEACHAM, L.L.
CP	BELLEMERE, D.G.	Capt.	ROSE, R.C.	Lt.	CARLTON, W.C.
N	GRECO, J.	Lt.	GROSSMAN, B.M.	Lt.	HART, C.L.
B	Oven, A.M.	Sgt.	VERKETIS, F.S.	Lt.	DUDZIK, T.A.
NOSE G	Entrop, J.	Sgt.	Shallow, J.B.	Sgt.	
TOP TUR	Edgington, P.D.	Sgt.	Bails, D.R.	Sgt.	Patterick, H.O.
WAIST R	Thuma, J.A.	Sgt.	Burkhardt, G.	Sgt.	Hays, D.F.
WAIST L	Waller, R.N.	Sgt.	Herlihy, J.J.	Sgt.	Conrad, C.O.
BALL TUR	Ware, C.H.	Sgt.	Peterson, D.E.	Sgt.	Simeroth, R.B.
TAIL G	Green, W.P.	Sgt.	Ramsay, C.P.	Sgt.	Place, J.R.
	<u>SHIP #294 (1-3-4)</u>		<u>SHIP #879 (1-3-5)</u>		<u>SHIP #500 (1-3-4)</u>
P	ROBARDS, R.A.	Capt.	ARNOLD, W.A.	Lt.	LEE, O.I.
CP	WILSON, F.M.	Lt.	DUNSCOMB, R.S.	Lt.	DENTON, C.A.
N	EIS, F.	Lt.	ANDERSON, I.E.	Lt.	GROSS, J. (NMI)
B	COTTER, J.	Lt.	DRASCO, S.A.	Lt.	HORAN, B.D.
NOSE G	Spewock, A.	Sgt.	Rudolph, J.	Sgt.	Dean, M.H.
TOP TUR	Schrader, V.B.	Sgt.	Rees, R.A.	Sgt.	Collins, J.M.
WAIST R	Knapp, J.M.	Sgt.	Manzitto, S.	Sgt.	Pendleton, P.C.
WAIST L	Anderson, RL.	Sgt.	Balchunas, A.	Sgt.	Kohnke, F.B.
BALL TUR	Catt, J.L.	Sgt.	Spencer, M.W.	Sgt.	Derrick, C.E.
TAIL G	Minyard, L.D.	Sgt.	McArthur, C.A.	Sgt.	Lafollette, J.H.
PHOTO	Keene, R.I.	Sgt.	Lannoye, R.J.	Sgt.	Thiel, J.J.
	<u>SHIP #583 (1-3-5)</u>				
P	BROOKS, H.C.	Lt.			
CP	HENSKE, E.J.	Lt.			
N	GINSBURG, S.	Lt.			
B	JOHNSON, E.H.	Lt.			
NOSE G	Weine, M.G.	Sgt.			
TOP TUR	Winn, F.P.	Sgt.			
WAIST R	Hosac, C.W.	Sgt.			
WAIST L	Taylor, P.E.	Sgt.			
BALL TUR	Cluck, O.L.	Sgt.			
TAILG	O'Boyle, J.J.	Sgt.			
PHOTO	Paige, F.H.	Sgt.			