

MISSION NO. 54

30 May 1944

FIELD ORDER NO. 59

HEADQUARTERS
455th BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H), AAF,
APO 520 U. S. ARMY,

30 May 1944.

FIELD ORDER)
NUMBER 59)

Maps: 1/500,000 of NAPOLI, CHIETI, FIUME, GRAZ, and BOLZANO.

1. a. ENEMY DEFENSE:

- (1) Target for today is the dispersed A/C on WELS A/D. Secondary target is GRAZ/THALERHOF A/D. Last resort is south dispersal area of ZAGRED A/D.
- (2) There are 40-50 single engine and 15-20 twin engine fighters at the target. In the GRAZ Area 20-30 fighters and in the VIENNA Area about 90 enemy A/C.

b. FRIENDLY FORCES:

- (1) None.
 - (2) One Group P-38s will line rendezvous with this Wing at POLS at 1009B at 17,000 feet and will provide penetration, target and withdrawal cover to maximum limit of range.
2. Thirty-six plus spares of this Group will take off at 0655B; rendezvous with the 456th Bomb Group at STORNARA at 4000 feet at 0745B; attack WELS A/D at 1040B, using 120# fragmentation clusters; arriving back to Base at 1330B.
3. This Group will attack in two units of 18 plus spares B-24s each; 18-ship front with second attack unit stacked up. Unit leaders will sight for range and deflection; box leads for range; all others toggle on leaders. Bombing altitude will be 20,000 feet, intervalometer setting 225 feet, target elevation 1040 feet. Rally will be right then left to POLS. While in STEYR Area caution must be used to keep to the outside of turns in order to stay clear of flak areas and to keep from being pinched off. Each aircraft of lead attack unit will load four cartons of window, dispensing to begin three minutes before IP and continue until clear of flak.
- No change.

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5. a. Command 6440 Kcs
A. G. L. 4585 Kcs
Interplane VHF Channel "A"
Collective call sign Ringway Two Four
Sq call signs: 740th Soonup
 741st Stringbag
 742nd Tripper
 743rd Toolcase
Fighter call sign: 52nd FG Falseteeth Two
 14th FG Falseteeth One
Recall signal Pencil
- b. None
- c. (1) Group leader Major KEEFER
 Deputy group leader Lieut MILLER

By order of Colonel COOL:

WILLIAM E. KEEFER
Major, Air Corps
Operations Officer

OFFICIAL:

William E. Keefe
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Major, Air Corps
Operations Officer.

ANNEXES:

1. Briefing Outline
2. Mission Statistics
3. 304th Opns Order 143, Plan Able.

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Forecast from Norge Weather for 30 May 1944

Wing bases for rendezvous: 5 to 7/10 cirrostratus at 22 thsd tops at 25 thsd. Visibility 10 to 15 miles in haze. Surface wind 10 mph, east northeast.

Group leader Major LANFORD
Deputy group leader Major REEDER

Route out:
From base over Adriatic to Yugoslavian coast: 6/10 cirrostratus at 22thsd tops at 25 thsd. Visibility 10 to 15 miles in haze.

From Yugoslavian coast to 47 deg N (Danube Valley): 6/10 cumulus at 3 thsd tops at 10 thsd. 5/10 cirrus at 24 thsd tops at 26 thsd. Visibility 15 to 20 miles in haze.

From 47 degrees North to target: 2 to 3/10 cumulus at 3 thsd tops at 8 to 10 thsd. 3 to 4/10 cirrus at 25 thsd tops at 26 thsd. Visibility 15 miles in light haze.

Target: 2/10 cumulus at 3 thsd tops at 8 thsd. 3/10 cirrus at 25 thsd tops at 26 thsd. Visibility 15 miles. Surface wind southeast 6 to 8 mph.

Surface pressure.....30.33 inches

Surface temperature.....plus 12 deg C

Temperature at 22500 feet..minus 16 degrees C

Winds aloft:
5000 feet 50 deg 15 knots
10000 feet 50 deg 20 knots
15000 feet 50 deg 25 knots
20000 feet 50 deg 30 knots
25000 feet 50 deg 30 knots

Route back: From target to Yugoslavian coast: Same as route out.

From Yugoslavian coast to base: 3 to 4/10 cumulus at 3 thsd tops at 8 thsd. 4 to 6/10 cirrus at 20 thsd tops at 23 thsd. Visibility 10 miles in haze.

Bases on return: 4 to 5/10 cumulus at 3 thsd tops at 8 thsd. 6/10 cirrostratus at 20 thsd tops at 23 thsd. Visibility 10 to 15 miles in haze. Surface wind southeast 10 mph.

- 13. Bomber rendezvous 2nd Combat Wing (454, 459) at 0743B.
- 14. Course of return 2nd Combat Wing (454, 459)
- 15. Initial Point CONFIDENTIAL KIZELL (48 28N 14 00E)
- 16. Axis of attack 175°
- 17. Time at target 1048B
- 18. Bombing formation 18-ship front with second attack unit stacked up.
- 19. Bomb information Attack unit leaders sight for range and deflection; box leaders for range; all others toggle on leaders.
- 20. Direction of rally Right then left to POLS
- 21. Return course Via POLS and reverse of route out.
- 22. E. T. R. 1330B.

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BRIEFING OUTLINE.

1. No of aircraft on mission 37 B-24s
2. Group leader Major LANFORD
3. Deputy group leader Major REEDER
4. Second unit leader Capt. BELLEMERE
5. Second deputy lead Lieut BROOKS
6. Other Groups on Mission 454, 459, 456 BGs
7. Fighter escort One Gp P-30s.
8. Bomb load and fuzing 120# clusters.
9. Ammunition carried 5200 rounds
10. Gas and oil load 2700 gals, full oil.
11. Time at stations 0540B.
12. Take off instructions Taxi to north at 0645
for T/O south at 0655.

ORDER OF TAKE OFF

1st Combat Unit			2nd Combat unit		
764	476	482	267	982	959
749	425	771	583	232	270
855	099	261	283	294	198
658	481	938	167	500	994
240	949	200	351	952	
250	517	989	234	400	
257	230		161	748	

13. Bomber rendezvous 1st Combat Wing (454, 459)
at GIULIA at 3000 feet at 0743B.
2nd Combat Wing (456, 455)
at STORNARA at 4000 feet at 0745B.
14. Course out Base to 41 50N 16 30E to
Keypoint BEOGRAD (43 56N 15 27E) to Turn
point OSIARIJE (45 14N 15 17E) to Tpoint
LITIJ (46 03N 14 50E) to POLS (47 12N
14 35E) to Turnpoin AMSTETTEN (48 07N
14 52E) to FRIESTADT (48 31N 14 30E) to
IP to target. Time at Keypoint 0856B
at 12,000 feet.
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455th Bombardment Group (H), AAF.

MISSION STATISTICS.

38 A/C Scheduled
37 Off: Scrimshaw # 234, 740th Sq., broken gas line in wing.

740th Bomb Sq:

9 A/C Off
8 Over target
9 Returned
1 Early return: Kelley #198 at 0831 - gunner sick.
0 Prior return

741st Bomb Sq:

9 A/C Off
9 Over target
8 Returned
0 Early return
0 Priro return
1 Missing in action: Fetty #949 - over target.

742nd Bomb Sq:

10 A/C Off
9 Over target
10 Returned
1 Early return: Watson #240 at 1001B - extreme vibration
0 Prior return in #1 engine.

743rd Bomb Sq:

9 A/C Off
9 Over target
9 Returned
0 Early return
0 Prior return

Combat time 6:05

Double mission credit.

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APG 520
29 May 1944
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Number 149)

1. a. (1) See latest Intelligence Summaries.

b. (2) Operations for 30 May 1944. Plan Able. Two groups B-17's, 5th wing, will destroy ZAGREB M/Y. Keypoint time 09:06B. Two groups B-24's, 47th wing, will destroy POTTENDORFER SPINNERE A/C Components plant and two groups will destroy EBRICHSDORF A/C Factory at 10:30B. Keypoint time 08:46B. Three groups B-24's, 49th wing, will destroy WELS A/C Factory at 10:38B. Keypoint time 08:46B. Two groups B-24's, 55th wing will destroy NEVDORFL FLUGZEUGFABRIK A/C Factory and two groups will destroy ROHRBACH NEUNKIRCHEN A/C Factory at 10:40B. Keypoint time 08:56B. One group P-38's will rendezvous with AF formation at Key Point at 08:46B and will provide penetration escort for bomber formation. One group P-51's and one group P-38's will rendezvous with 47th, 55th and 5th wings at vicinity of GRAZ and will provide penetration, target, and withdrawal cover. One group P-51's will rendezvous with 49th wing at POLS at 09:59B and will provide penetration, target and withdrawal cover. On return route penetration escort and WEINER NEUSTADT Area escort will strafe STUPNIK, KURILOVAC, and SKOPICE A/D's and Motor Transport on YUGOSLAV Highways.

2. Thirty-six plus spares B-24's of all groups this wing will destroy dispersed A/C on WELS A/D as indicated on attached target charts.

SECONDARY TARGET: GRAZ/THALERHOF A/D. Elev. 1096 feet; IP VOITSBERG (47°03'N, 15°09'E); axis of attack 109°Mag; Rally sharp right; Intervalometer setting 225 feet.

LAST RESORT TARGET: ZAGREB A/D. South dispersal area.
FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS: One group P-38's will line rendezvous with this wing at POLS at 10:09B at 17,000 feet and will provide penetration, target and withdrawal cover to maximum limit of range.

BOMBER RENDEZVOUS: 1st C. wing (454th - 459th) at GIULIA at 3,000 ft., at 07:43B. 2nd C. wing (456th - 455th) at STORNARA at 4,000 feet at 07:45B.

LEAD: 454th with 459th, 456th and 455th BG's in order. Second C. wing will maintain a two minute interval between wings.

ROUTE OUT: Base to 41°50'N, 16°20'E to Keypoint BIGGRAD (43°56'N, 15°27'E) to Turnpoint OSIARIJE (45°14'N, 15°17'E) to Turnpoint LITIJ (46°03'N, 14°50'E) to POLS (47°12'N, 14°35'E) to Turnpoint AMSTETTEN (48°07'N, 14°52'E) to FRIESTADT (48°31'N, 14°30'E) to IP to target. Time at Keypoint 08:56B. at 12,000 feet.

INITIAL POINT: KLZELL (48°28'N, 14°00'E).

AXIS OF ATTACK: 175°Mag.

TARGET TIME: 10:48B.

BOMBING ALTITUDE: 454th BG - 19,000 feet. 459th BG - 20,000 feet.
456th BG - 21,000 feet. 455th BG - 20,000 feet.

BOMBING FORMATION: 18 ship front with second attack units stacked up for all groups.

TARGET ELEVATION: 1040 feet.

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RALLY: Right then left to POLS.

ROUTE BACK: Via POLS and reverse of route out.

3. x. All groups will load 40 - 120# fragmentation clusters. Inter-
valometer setting 225 feet for all groups.

4. Omitted.

5. Command on 6440 Kc for bomber to bomber and VHF Channel "A" for bombers
and fighters. Collective call signs for bombers (454th BG - RINGWAY TWO ONE)
(459th BG - RINGWAY TWO TWO)(456th BG - RINGWAY TWO THREE)(455th BG - RINGWAY
TWO FOUR). Call signs for fighters - Penetration escort (82nd FG - SHAPELY).
Escort for WELS Area - (52nd FG - FALSETEETH ONE)(14th FG - FALSETEETH TWO).

Recall Signal: PENCIL.

Air force formation will be two parallel columns of wings with 47th
wing leading, 55th wing second, and 5th wing third in right column; 49th wing
leading and 304th wing second in left column.

Window will be employed in accordance with SOP. Each aircraft of lead
attack units will load four cartons of window. Dispensing will begin three
minutes before IP and continue until clear of flak.

Strict adherence to routes and timings is necessary for maximum cover
from fighter escort.

While in STEYR Area, caution must be used to keep to the outside of
turns in order to stay clear of flak areas and to keep from being pinched off.

In case secondary target is bombed, be careful to avoid flak at ST.
MAREIN (47°29'N, 15°22'E) to ST. MICHAEL (47°20'N, 15°01'E).

On return avoid CELJE (46°15'N, 15°15'E).

By order of Colonel UPTHEGROVE:

John K. Brown, Jr.
JOHN K. BROWN, JR..
Colonel, Air Corps,
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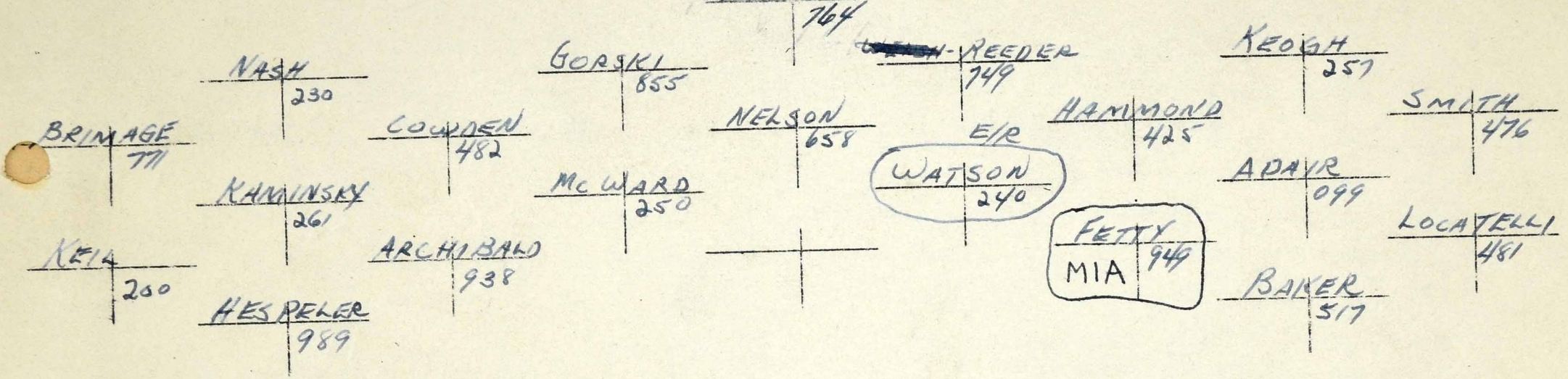
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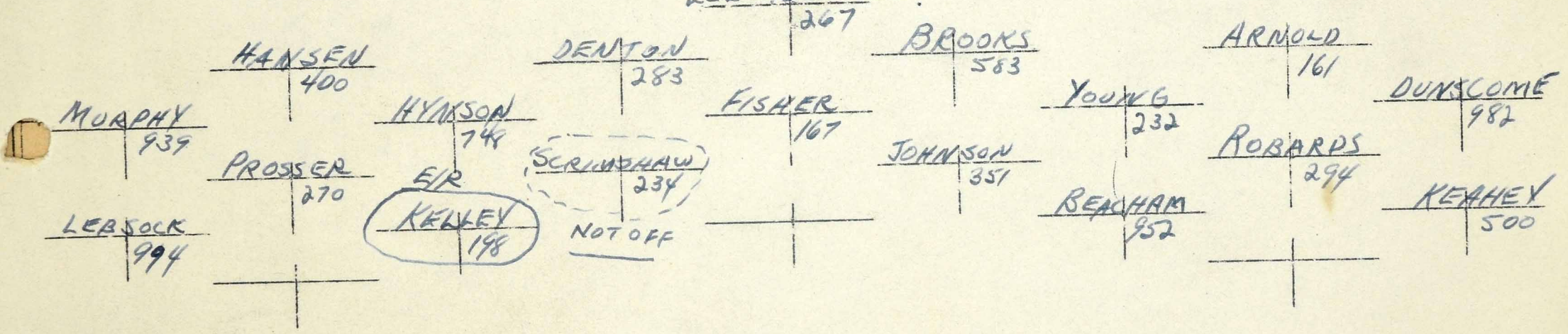
FORMATION DIAGRAM

1ST SECTION
LANFORD - JORDAN



2ND SECTION

LEE - BELLEMERE



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MISSION STATISTICS

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UNITS PARTICIPATING	PRIMARY	SECONDARY	LAST RESORT
454, 459, 456, 455	WELS A/D	GRAZ/THALHERHOF	ZAGREB A/D

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.	JETTISONED NO.	BROUGHT BACK NO.			FRAGS TYPE	TOTAL	M. I. A.	KILLED	IN JURED		
740	9	8	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1608	120#	240	120#	0	120#	0	650	0	0	0	0
741	9	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2364	120#	0	120#	18	120#	1	5708	10	10	0	0
742	10	9	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2160	120#	240	120#	6	120#	0	530	0	0	0	0
743	9	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2040	120#	0	120#	0	120#	0	500	0	0	0	0
GROUP	37	35	0	0	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	8172	120#	480	120#	18	120#	1	7388	10	10	0	0

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A-2 SECTION APO 520

CONFIRMING MISSION REPORT

1. HQ. 455TH BOMB GROUP (H) AAF MISSION NUMBER 54 DATE 30 May 1944

2. STATISTICAL SUMMARY

				TOTAL TO DATE	
A.	Sorties	<u>35</u>		<u>1897</u>	
B.	Early Returns	<u>2</u>		<u>119</u>	
C.	A/C Bombing	<u>35</u>		<u>1706</u>	
D.	Tonnage Dropped	<u>81.72</u>		<u>3969.72</u>	
E.	Our Losses, Flak	<u>0</u>		<u>4</u>	
	E/A	<u>0</u>		<u>11</u>	
	Other	<u>0</u>		<u>10</u>	
	Missing	<u>0</u>		<u>0</u>	
F.	Damaged	Flak	Severe	<u>0</u>	<u>42 - 230</u>
			Slight	<u>0</u>	<u>4 - 8</u>
			"	<u>0</u>	<u>4 - 24</u>
			"	<u>0</u>	<u>60</u>
F.	Victories	Dest in Air	Probable	<u>0</u>	<u>47</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>10</u>	<u>215</u>
			Killed	<u>0</u>	<u>13</u>
			Wounded-serious	<u>0</u>	<u>8</u>

3. At 0655 hours 37 B-24's took off to bomb WALS A/D

4. Escorted by P-38's and P-51's

5. a. 2 ret'd early 1 because of sick crew member, jettisoned 240 bombs at 4150N/1625E; One returned early because of feathered engine, jettisoned 240 bombs at 4140N/1635E.

b. 0 ret'd prior

6. a. 35 A/C dropped 8172 x 20 lb. (81.72 tons) Frgs, Instantaneous
(No) (type) (fusing)
bombs on primary target at 1043 hrs. from 20000 to 21500 ft.

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

c. dropped x lb. (tons) bombs on other target, where, why

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. 34 A/C returned at 1312 hours. A/C are at place

b. 1 A/C lost at 1043, Target area, was believed hit by bombs of another plane.
The plane was seen to crash into the ground, 3 or 4 chutes were observed.
 time place circumstances

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

8. Personnel casualties were See Enemy Evasion Aid Report. circumstances
 position degree of injury

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9. RESULTS: First attack unit hit to right of the assigned target area on the West side of field carrying over into the edge of town. Second attack unit reports hits on East dispersal area in assigned target area carrying over into Marshalling yards.

10. ENEMY RESISTANCE:

a. Fighters: None seen, none encountered.

b. Flak: At the target area, intense heavy flak was observed to the left and a few bursts were seen on the right of the formation. Intense heavy flak was observed at STEYR, LINZ, KLAGENFURT and at GRAZ but none was encountered by this group.

11. OBSERVATIONS:

a. Communications: At SKRDA (4536N/1455E) at 0926 hours from 196000 feet, 100 cars were observed in the M/Y. 200 cars were seen at 1020 hours from 20000 feet at FREISTADT (4831N/1430E). At LJUBLJANA (4603N/1431E) at 0939 hours from 18000 feet, 200 cars were observed in M/Y. At VRBOVSKO (4523N/1505E) at 0927 hours from 16000 feet, 300 cars were seen in the M/Y.

b. Enemy Air Installations and Activity in addition to encounters:
At ZELTWEG A/D (4712N/1445E) at 1003 hours from 17000 feet, 9 S/E aircraft were observed. At STEYR A/D (4804N/1425E) at 1040 hours from 20000 feet, 50 A/C and three hangars were seen. At GOSPIC (4433N/1523E) at 0910 hours from 18000 feet, 15 to 22 dummy Ju99's. At FOHNSDORF A/D (4712 N/1444E) at 1000 hours from 20,700 feet, 15 S/E aircraft were observed.

c. Flak Positions:

d. Smoke Screens, Camouflage, Balloons etc: At STEYR (4804N/1425E) at 1040 hours, ~~and at~~ (4818N/1418E) 1042 hours, smoke pots were observed.

e. Naval: At 4147N/1614E at 0802 hours from 10000 feet, 3 single stack ships were observed on heading of 210 degrees.

12. WEATHER: The sky was clear over the entire route. The visibility was 20 to 25 miles. There were no clouds in the target area. The return route was the same as the route out except that the visibility over the Adriatic Sea was reduced to 10 miles in haze.

13. PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN: 5 K22's and 1 KSAB obtained incomplete coverage of bomb bursts.

14. COURSE: ROUTE OUT: Base to 4150N/1620E to 4356N/1527E to 4514N/1517E to 4603N/1450E to 4712N/1435E to 4807N/1452E to 4831N/1430E to IP to target. Time 1043, heading 175°. ROUTE BACK: Target to 4712N/1435E to 4603N/1450E to 4514N/1517E to 4356N/1527E to Base.

Time Received _____

Time Forwarded _____

Initials/Signature _____

Initials/Signature _____

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Loading Lists

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LT HANSEN
 LT WARD
 LT POPEJOY
 LT DEHN
 T/Sgt Derock

T/Sgt Yeandel
 S/sgt Berg
 S/sgt Fowler
 S/sgt Seiter
 S/Sgt Rosenfield

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5/30/44

LT JOHNSON D.
 MR F/O ROBERTSON
 LT TEASDALE
 LT DANIELS
 T/Sgt Freeman

T/Sgt Thigpen
 S/ Sgt Merrill
 S/sgt Johnson R.J.
 S/sgt Jackson
 S/sgt Fry

740

939

5/30/44

LT MURPHY
 LT RUSSELL
 LT EMERY
 LT SWANSON
 Sgt Di Beau

S/Sgt Schoene
 S/sgt Jozefowicz
 S/sgt Hollingsworth
 S/Sgt Graham
 S/Sgt Kaplanek

740

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5/30/44

LT FISHER
 LT FABIAN
 LT BLACKER
 LT LAFLEY
 T/Sgt King A.R.

T/Sgt Rundle
 S/Sgt Hanides
 S/Sgt Anderson
 S/Sgt Schmaus
 S/Sgt Kucharik

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5/30/44

LT LESOCK
 LT GRISSOM
 LT GILLIAM
 LT STEWARDSON
 S/sgt Childers

S/Sgt Louthan
 S/sgt Manning
 Sgt Pierce
 S/sgt Carney
 S/sgt Metrik

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5/30/44

LT HYNSON
 LT BARR
 LT KELLER
 LT BANKS
 T/Sgt McFall

S/sgt Daniel
 S/sgt Harpster
 S/sgt Strange
 S/Sgt Metrik
 S/Sgt Lineberger

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5/30/44

LT PROSSER
 LT KIARNAN
 LT FRANTZ
 LT KRATZ
 T/SGT MARHENKE

T/SGT Amorise
 s/sgt King
 s/sgt Collins
 s/sgt bolling
 s/sgt Hubsch

	DESTINATION		T/O
PILOT	Lt. Sotaki	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Harfeld
CO-PILOT	Lt. Whitman	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Vincent
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Deback	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Wicks
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Kwock	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Johnson
RADIO	Sgt. Pistrasowski	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Seewais

	DESTINATION		T/O
PILOT	Lt. Paddy	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Kowfey
CO-PILOT	Lt. Gatz	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Bain
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Imashovich	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Tarry
BOMBARDIER	Lt. P. J. ...	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Davis, R. E.
RADIO	Sgt. ...	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Snook

	DESTINATION		T/O
PILOT	Lt. Smith	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Deeler
CO-PILOT	Lt. Chadwick	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Elliott
NAVIGATOR	Lt. ...	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Fisser
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Bakauskae	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Fowkes
RADIO	Sgt. ...	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Hamilton

	DESTINATION		T/O
PILOT	Lt. Adair	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Lewis
CO-PILOT	Lt. Vrelsted	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Watson
NAVIGATOR	Lt. ...	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Legue
BOMBARDIER	Lt. McCracken	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Lundquist
RADIO	Sgt. Dandy	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. ...

	DESTINATION		T/O
PILOT	Lt. Baker	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Swinney
CO-PILOT	Lt. Wigely	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Ashby
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Winkelhorst	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Allen
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Mbranges	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Dope
RADIO	Sgt. Kelley	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Apple

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 45TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H) AAF
 A.P.O. No. 520 U. S. Army

30 May 1944.

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L O A D I N G L I S T

A/C NUMBER	764	DESTINATION	T/O
PILOT	Maj. Lanford	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Mitchell
CO-PILOT	Lt. Jordan	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Edwards
NAVIGATOR	Lts. Kline & Cahill	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Sherrick
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Callan	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Morris
RADIO	Sgt. Friot	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Loud

A/C NUMBER	855	DESTINATION	T/O
PILOT	Lt. Gorski	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Merfeld
CO-PILOT	Lt. Whitman	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Vincent
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Brinak	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Weeks
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Scott	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Magnuson
RADIO	Sgt. Pietruszewski	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Beauvais

A/C NUMBER	949	DESTINATION	T/O
PILOT	Lt. Fetty	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Kowley
CO-PILOT	Lt. Ogan	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Bain
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Lukashevich	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Tarp
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Higgins	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Davis, R. H.
RADIO	Sgt. Elder	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Shenk

A/C NUMBER	476	DESTINATION	T/O
PILOT	Lt. Smith	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Beeler
CO-PILOT	Lt. Chadwick	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Elliott
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Hosmer	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Fisher
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Bakanauskas	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Fowlkes
RADIO	Sgt. Muse	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Hamilton

A/C NUMBER	099	DESTINATION	T/O
PILOT	Lt. Adair	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Lewis
CO-PILOT	Lt. Vralsted	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Watson
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Crim	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Logue
BOMBARDIER	Lt. McCracken	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Lundquist
RADIO	Sgt. Dendy	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Puslat

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. Winkelhorst	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Allen
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Matrangos	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Bopp
RADIO	Sgt. Kelley	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Applin

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A/C NUMBER	481	DESTINATION	T/O
PILOT	Lt. Locatelli	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Karney
CO-PILOT	Lt. Rosenberg	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Kinnick
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Jackson	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Dakin
BOMBARDIER	Lt. McMahon	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Anderson
RADIO	Sgt. Schultz	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Caldwell

A/C NUMBER	257	DESTINATION	T/O
PILOT	Lt. Keogh	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Steinhauer
CO-PILOT	Lt. Casteel	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Schindler
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Crowley	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Earl
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Grimm	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Delaney
RADIO	Sgt. Daly	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Anderson

A/C NUMBER	425	DESTINATION	T/O
PILOT	Lt. Hammond	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Patterson
CO-PILOT	Lt. Wendt	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Vanaman
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Pokora	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Squires
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Efurd	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Wise
RADIO	Sgt. Averill	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Pearson

A/C NUMBER	749	DESTINATION	T/O
PILOT	Lt. Nangeroni	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Straw
CO-PILOT	Maj. Reeder	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. James
NAVIGATOR	Lts. Hale & McWilliams	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Andrews
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Blum	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Howell
RADIO	Sgt. Roadman	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Fry

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	

742ND BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
APO 520 U.S. ARMY

30 MAY 1944

SUBJECT: CREWS COMPLETING MISSION ON 30 MAY 1944

TO : OPERATIONS OFFICER, 455TH BOMB GP (H)

SHIP 230
NASH
BOLDT
GROSS
EPPERSON
ROMANO
PELKEY
BENNETT
BROCK
HOFFMEISTER
FRAWLEY

SHIP 658
NELSON
MONTGOMERY
BASTIN
SKELTON
LATHAM, V.
LATHAM, L.
CHANCE
MILLER
MCCOY

SHIP 989
HESPELER
BUNT
HIATT
PLATT
WILSON
HEMPHILL
SPOTTS
VIKEN
YEE
RHODES

SHIP 240
WATSON
SWANNER
NELSON
BRODEUR
THOMAS
BLUMBERG
PRATT
LACEY
PELKEY

incomplete

SHIP 261
KAMINSKY
KIESELBACH
SPIER
MCCAULEY
SCHIAVO
AMBROSINI
TUTHILL
RUSSELL
HILL
STAPLETON

SHIP 938
ARCHIBALD
RAMSTAD
EZELL
BARNARD
SEILER
MADZIK
HACHEY
ABBONDONDELLO
TEISINGER
TODD

SHIP 200
KEIL
CRUM
PICKERILL
LEACH
AGNEW
DOTE
NOVAK
OLEYASH
ULSH
MEDEL

SHIP 482
COWDEN
FLEMING
TAYLOR
GIDDEN
BAKOS
BOUCHER
WASHBURN
O'NEILL
BODMEN
MATHESON

SHIP 250
MCWARD
DAESCHNER
GAENZLE
SHOLLENBERGER
HARDY
SUMNER
LOCKARD
HARKEY
AMES

SHIP 771
BRIMAGE
WATT
SMITH
TOLAR
STINSON
COWAN
BLANCO
GREEN
EGINTON
PALOMBO

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RICHARD A. GOSLINE,
1ST LT, AIR CORPS,
OPERATIONS OFFICER.

743RD BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
Office of the Operations Officer
APO 520

MISSION #54

30 May 1944.

COMBAT LOADING LIST

	<u>SHIP #267 (2-1-1)</u>		<u>SHIP #283 (2-1-3)</u>		<u>SHIP #500 (2-2-5)</u>	
P	LEE, O.I.	LT.	DENTON, C.A.	LT.	KEAHEY, G.O.	LT.
CP	BELLEMERE, D.G.	CAPT.	PRATHER, J.F.	LT.	REGAN, M.	LT.
N	GROSS, J. (NMI)	LT.	ATWELL, E.C.	LT.	SPICER, C.B.	LT.
B	HORAN, B.D.	LT.	SLAUGHTER, W.K.	LT.	MANNING, H.L.	LT.
NOSE G	DEAN, M.H.	SGT.	McKENZIE, D.A.	SGT.	BALCHUNAS, A.	SGT.
TOP TUR	COLLINS, J.M.	SGT.	OGDEN, C.A.	SGT.	REES, R.	SGT.
WAIST R	PENDLETON, P.C.	SGT.	PRICE, D.H.	SGT.	CATT, J.L.	SGT.
WAIST L	KOHNKE, E.B.	SGT.	GARCIA, E.N.	SGT.	WALLACE, E.N.	SGT.
BALL TUR	DERRICK, C.E.	SGT.	FLOOR, N.A.	SGT.	THIEL, J.J.	SGT.
TAIL G	LAFOLLETTE, J.H.	SGT.	SCHMIEDESKAMP, H.	SGT.	McNEIL, D.R.	SGT.
	<u>SHIP #161 (2-2-1)</u>		<u>SHIP #982 (2-2-2)</u>		<u>SHIP #232 (2-2-3)</u>	
P	ARNOLD, W.A.	LT.	DUNSCOMB, R.E.	LT.	YOUNG, L.L.	LT.
CP	PAURICE, J.M.	LT.	CATLIN, A.E.	LT.	HENSKE, E.J.	LT.
N	ANDERSON, I.E.	LT.	SINGER, I.E.	LT.	BROYAN, C.B.	LT.
B	DRASCO, S.A.	LT.	GREENQUIST, R.E.	LT.	OVEN, A.M.	SGT.
NOSE G	RUDOLPH, J.	SGT.	LINNEWIH, H.R.	SGT.	EDGINGTON, P.D.	SGT.
TOP TUR	KNAPP, J.M.	SGT.	LYCAN, W.H.	SGT.	THUMA, J.A.	SGT.
WAIST R	MANZITTOS, S.	SGT.	MZAOROS, G.	SGT.	WALLER, R.N.	SGT.
WAIST L	BUSH, D.D.	SGT.	SKINNER, R.D.	SGT.	ENTROP, H.	SGT.
BALL TUR	SPENCER, M.	SGT.	BODENHORN, E.B.	SGT.	GREEN, W.P.	SGT.
TAIL G	McARTHUR, C.J.(SGT.	MATTSON, A.W.	SGT.	WARE, C.H.	SGT.
	<u>SHIP #294 (2-2-4)</u>		<u>SHIP #952 (2-2-6)</u>		<u>SHIP #583 (2-1-2)</u>	
P	ROBARDS, R.A.	CAPT.	BEACHAM, L.L.	LT.	BROKKS, H.C.	LT.
CP	RAMEY, T.A.	LT.	CARLTON, W.C.	F/O	TIGERT, H.E.	F/O
N	EIS, F.G.	LT.	HART, C.A.	LT.	GINSBURG, S.	LT.
B	COTTER, J.G.	LT.	DUDZIK, T.A.	LT.	JOHNSON, E.H.	LT.
NOSE G	ROTH, E.J.	SGT.	PARKS, E.E.	SGT.	TAYLOR, P.E.	SGT.
TOP TUR	SCHRADER, V.D.	SGT.	PATTERICK, H.O.	SGT.	WINN, F.P.	SGT.
WAIST R	SPEWOCK, A.	SGT.	CONRAD, C.O.	SGT.	HOSAC, C.W.	SGT.
WAIST L	ANDERSON, R.L.	SGT.	PLACE, J.R.	SGT.	WEINE, M.G.	SGT.
BALL TUR	KEENE, R.I.	SGT.	SIMEROOTH, R.B.	SGT.	CLUCK, O.L.	SGT.
TAIL G	MINYARD, L.E.	SGT.	HAYS, D.F.	SGT.	O'BOYLE, J.J.	SGT.
			F LANNOYE, R.J.	SGT.	KLINEK, A.J.	SGT.