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of the

488TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (M) AAF

340TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M) AAF

FOR MONTH OF

MARCH, 1944.

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SQUADRON HISTORY
488th Bombardment Squadron (M) AAF
340th Bombardment Group (M) AAF

Period: Italian Campaign Now in
Progress.

1 Mar., 1944 - 31 Mar., 1944.

a. Original unit.

- (1) Completed.
- (2) Completed.
- (3) Completed.
- (4) Completed.

(5) Date Officers E.M. Authority (appendix a 5)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Officers</u>	<u>E.M.</u>	<u>Authority (appendix a 5)</u>
28 Feb.	-	1	S.O. # 30 Par. 7, 340th Bomb Gp
1 Mar.	1	-	S.O. # 36 Par. 6, 340th Bomb Gp
6 Mar.	3	2	S.O. # 39 Par. 4, 340th Bomb Gp
8 Mar.	-	1	S.O. # 40 Par. 6, 340th Bomb Gp
11 Mar.	-	1	S.O. # 41 Par. 6, 340th Bomb Gp
17 Mar.	-	4	S.O. # 44 Par. 6, 340th Bomb Gp
27 Mar.	5	4	S.O. # 47 Par. 6 & 7, 340th Bomb Gp
30 Mar.	2	2	S.O. # 48, Par. 1, 340th Bomb Gp

b. Changes in organization.

None.

c. Strength, commissioned and enlisted.

- (1) 66 Officers and 286 E.M.
- (2) None
- (3) 9 Officers and 13 E.M.
- (4) 75 Officers and 299 E.M.

d. Stations of unit or parts thereof.

<u>Stations</u>	<u>(1) arrival</u>	<u>(2) departure</u>
Pompeii L/G, Italy	-----	22 - 26 Mar., 1944
Gaudo-Paestum L/G, Italy	22 - 26 Mar., 1944	-----

e. Marches.

Completed.

f. Campaigns.

- (1) Italian Campaign.
- (2) 1 Mar., 1944 to 31 Mar., 1944.
- (3) Reduction of defenses and close support to 5th Army (U.S.)
- (4) VCOG, 12th U.S. A.A.F.

g. Battles (Missions).

See mission reports (appendix g).

h. Commanding officers in important engagements.

- (1) See mission reports (appendix g).
- (2) Major Randall C. Cassada.

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- i. Losses in action: officers and men.
None.
- j. Former and present members who have distinguished themselves in action.
None.
- k. Photographs of personnel, important scenes or events.
See attached (appendix k).

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APPENDIX a 5

R E S T R I C T E D

HEADQUARTERS 340TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)
ARMY AIR FORCES

APO 650, US ARMY,
30 MARCH 1944.

SPECIAL ORDER)

NUMBER 48)

E X T R A C T

1. HRD 26 MARCH 1944, PUR PAR 1, SO 22, HQ. 57TH
BOMBARDMENT WING, DATED 26 MARCH 1944, THE FOLLOWING NAMED
O & EM ARE ASGD TO THE 488TH BOMB SQ:

N	CAPTAIN	CORNELIUS T. O'BRIEN, JR.	0-789262	AC
B	2ND LT.	WILLIAM (NMI) DUDA	0-746869	AC
AG	SGT.	HARRY F. LUEDERMAN	33667752	
EG	SGT.	ALEXANDER E. ROSIN	11114344	

BY ORDER OF COLONEL CHAPMAN:

JOE F. BENNETT,
MAJOR, AIR CORPS,
EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

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ARMY AIR FORCESAPO 650, US ARMY,
27 MARCH 1944.

SPECIAL ORDER)

NUMBER 47)

6. HRD 19 MARCH 1944, PUR PAR 3, SO 17 HQ. 57TH BOMB-
ARDMENT WING, DATED 18 MARCH 1944, THE FOLLOWING NAMED O, F/O
& EM ARE ASGD TO SQUADRONS AS INDICATED:

P	2ND LT. HOWARD C. MCELROY	0-750422	AC	488TH BOMB SQ.
CP	F/O ANDREW N. RYCK	T-1517	AC	"
N	2ND LT. WILLIAM A DAVIDSON	0-691732	AC	"
RG	S/SGT. SAMUEL G. BRADLEY	38414400		"
AG	SGT. LOUIS H. SCHMIDT, JR.	32803409		"
EG	SGT. JAMES D. REYNOLDS	16150955		"

7. HRD PUR PAR 1, SO 21, HQ. 57TH BOMBARDMENT WING,
DATED 24 MARCH 1944, THE FOLLOWING NAMED O, F/O & EM ARE ASGD
TO SQUADRONS AS INDICATED:

P	1ST LT. GERALD L. CRANE	0-435860	AC	488TH BOMB SQ.
CP	2ND LT. JOHN B. ROME	0-815392	AC	"
B	2ND LT. EGBERT S. TURNER	0-682385		"
EG	SGT. ROBERT F. LAMPARYK	35533401		"

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ARMY AIR FORCES

APO 650, US ARMY
17 MARCH 1944.

SPECIAL ORDER)

NUMBER 44)

6. HRD PUR PAR 1, SO 15, HQ. 57TH BOMB WING, DATED
16 MARCH 1944, THE FOLLOWING NAMED EM ARE ASGD TO SQUADRONS
AS INDICATED:

CPL. KARL O. SCHAFFER	32796008	BOMB-SIGHT MAIN	488TH SQ.
PVT. WALTER M. HUTSON	18226960	"	"
PVT. ALDEN H. KAPP	37529277	ARMORER	"
PVT. FRANK J. KREMENAK, JR.	17097494	"	"

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ADJUTANT.

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HEADQUARTERS 340TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)
ARMY AIR FORCES

APO 650, US ARMY,
8 MARCH 1944.

SPECIAL ORDER)

NUMBER 41)

E X T R A C T

6. HRD 8 MARCH 1944, PUR PAR 1, SO 7, HQ. 57TH BOMB
WING, DATED 7 MARCH 1944, THE FOLLOWING NAMED O & EM ARE ASGD
TO SQUADRONS AS INDICATED:

AG SGT. HARVEY L. RACKMYER 32744469 488TH SQ.

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HEADQUARTERS 340TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)
ARMY AIR FORCES

APO 650, US ARMY,
8 MARCH 1944.

SPECIAL ORDER)

NUMBER 40)

6. HRD PUR PAR 2, SO 41, HQ XII AIR FORCE TRAINING &
REPLACEMENT COMMAND, DATED 5 MARCH 1944, THE FOLLOWING NAMED
EM (AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHERS) ARE ASGD TO SQUADRONS AS INDICATED:

S/SGT. ROBERT J. MOLLARD 12027724 488TH BOMB SQ.

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HEADQUARTERS 340TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)
ARMY AIR FORCES

APO 650, US ARMY,
6 MARCH 1944.

SPECIAL ORDER)

NUMBER 39)

E X T R A C T

4. HRD 3 MARCH 1944, PUR PAR 3, SO 3, HQ. 57TH BOMB-
ARDMENT WING, DATED 2 MARCH 1944, THE FOLLOWING NAMED O & EM
ARE ASGD TO SQUADRONS AS INDICATED:

P	2ND LT. CHARLES K. JOHNSTON	0-742723	AC 488TH BOMB SQ.
CP	2ND LT. PETER R. FERRYMAN	0-742241	AC "
OBS	2ND LT. ROY H. PINKARD	0-1179575	AC "
EG	S/SGT. JAMES B. SMITH	32075584	"
RG	S/SGT. ARTHUR M. VANDERMUELEN	20635146	"

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ARMY AIR FORCES

APO 650, US ARMY,
1 MARCH 1944.

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 36)

E X T R A C T

6. 1ST LT. MAX A. MITCHUM, O-662585, AC (PILOT), HRD
PUR TO PAR 1, SO 40, HQ. XII BOMBER COMMAND, DATED 29 FEBRUARY 1944
IS ASGD TO THE 488TH BOMB SQ.

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APPENDIX g

488TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (M) AAF
 340TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M) AAF
 GAUDO-PAESTUM LANDING GROUND
 PAESTUM, ITALY

MISSIONS FLOWN FROM POMPEII LANDING GROUND, TERZIGNO, ITALY
 AND GAUDO-PAESTUM LANDING GROUND, PAESTUM, ITALY FOR THE OF
 MARCH 1944,

<u>DATE & TARGET</u>	<u>MISSION #-SORTIES-TOT.</u>		<u>SORTIES-BOMBS DROPPED</u>	
2 MARCH BEACH-HEAD, ITALY	163	6	1304	24,680 LBS.
5 MARCH PONTECORVO AREA, ITALY	164	3	1307	1,200,000 NICKLES
6 MARCH CHIETI AREA, ITALY	165	3	1310	NONE
8 MARCH ORTE, M/Y, ITALY	166	6	1316	24,000 LBS.
8 MARCH CASSINO AREA, ITALY	167	3	1319	1,200,000 NICKLES
9 MARCH SAN STEPHANO, ITALY	168	6	1325	24,000 LBS.
10 MARCH LITTORIO M/Y, ITALY	169	5	1330	19,000 LBS.
11 MARCH ORWIETO BR., ITALY	CBT	6	1336	NONE

DATE & TARGET	MISSION #-SORTIES-TOT.			SORTIES-BOMBS DROPPED
11 MARCH CHIETI AREA, ITALY	170	3	1339	1,200,000 NICKLES
13 MARCH PERUGIA M/Y, ITALY	171	7	1346	27,000 LBS.
14 MARCH TERNI M/Y, ITALY	172	6	1352	23,000 LBS.
15 MARCH CASSINO, ITALY	173	12	1364	48,000 LBS.
15 MARCH CASSINO, ITALY	PHOTO MISS. 1		1365	NONE
15 MARCH PIEDIMONTE, ITALY	174	6	1371	26,360 LBS.
15 MARCH PIEDIMONTE, ITALY	PHOTO MISS. 1		1372	NONE
16 MARCH N.W. OF CASSINO, ITALY	175	6	1378	27,840 LBS.
17 MARCH ROCCASEGGA, ITALY	176	6	1384	30,000 LBS.
18 MARCH FOLIGNO, M/Y'S, ITALY	177	6	1390	24,000 LBS.
19 MARCH ORTE BR., ITALY	178	6	1396	24,000 LBS.
20 MARCH TERNI, ITALY	179	6	1402	23,000 LBS.

<u>DATE & TARGET</u>	<u>MISSION #-SORTIES-TOT. SORTIES-BOMBS DROPPED</u>			
27 MARCH PERUGIA BR., ITALY	180	6	1408	24,000 LBS.
28 MARCH PERUGIA BR., ITALY	181	7	1415	28,000 LBS.
29 MARCH VITERBO A/D, ITALY	182	6	1421	15,480 LBS.
30 MARCH ORVIETO R.R. BR., ITALY	183	6	1427	NONE
TOTALS	21	129		412,720 LBS.

SORTIE REPORT
(Part A)

FIRST MISSION

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 30 MAR 44	Squadron 488TH
Type of Aircraft	Aircraft No. SIX MITCHELLS AND ONE WITH THE CREW		Captain
Aircraft Letter	Time Up 1030		Aerodrome or L.G. GAUDO-PAESTUM L/G
	Time Down 1420		
	Total Time		
Type of Cloud	Amount of Cloud 10/10 THS	Map or Chart FLORENCE	
Base of Cloud 9,000 FT. TOP - 5,000 FT. BOTTOM	Visibility	Reference 1:500,000 N.E. 42/10	
General Weather ENROUTE: HAZY UP TO TERNI WITH COMPLETE CLOUD COVERAGE THE REST OF THE WAY.	Task or Duty ORVIETO R.R. BR., ITALY		

Time	Height	Place	Narrative
		BOMBING	24 X 1000# GP (FUSING 1/10TH NOSE AND .025 TAIL) (AND 4 X 1000# CARRIED ON 8A FLOWN BY THE 489TH). 4 BOMBS JETTISONED, REST BROUGHT BACK.
		RESULTS	NIL
		OPPOSITION	A/A HEAVY, MODERATE AND VERY ACCURATE ALONG ROAD FROM OPI NORTHWEST TO G 8060. NO E A/C.
		CASUALTIES	ONE PLANE HOLED.
		PHOTOS TAKEN	NIL
		REMARKS	ONE PLANE WAS HIT BY FLAK ON WAY TO TARGET AT G 9066 KNOCKING OPEN THE BOMB-BAY DOORS AND CAUSING TWO BOMBS TO FALL OUT. THE OTHER TWO WERE IMMEDIATELY JETTISONED AT G 9065. THE HYDRAULIC SYSTEM WAS ALSO KNOCKED OUT AND THE PLANE RETURNED TO BASE. ONE FIGHTER PLANE WRECKED THOUGHT TO BE AN A-36 SEEN ON GROUND AT B 8005.

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488TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (M) AAF
 340TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M) AAF
 GAUDO-PAESTUM LANDING GROUND
 PAESTUM, ITALY

FIRST MISSION

30 MARCH 1944

NO. 42-3483 (8F)

1ST LT. J.V. CROWE
 2ND LT. C.R. HAGERMAN
 2ND LT. R.H. PINKARD
 S/SGT. G.W. SIBERTS
 SGT. H.F. LUEDERMAN
 CPL. J.W. RYBA

NO. 43-3632 (8V)

CAPT. R.C. BACHTELL
 1ST LT. J. BURLINGAME
 1ST LT. J.W. HARRIS
 2ND LT. P. KOK
 T/SGT. W.J. BRAY
 S/SGT. C.A. WOOD
 SGT. R.K. SHOWALTER

NO. 43-3608 (8L)

1ST LT. J.E. TURTLE
 2ND LT. C.K. JOHNSTON
 2ND LT. W. DAVIDSON
 S/SGT. A.J. ALLEN
 SGT. L.I.E. FIKAR
 SGT. J.D. REYNOLDS

NO. 42-5336T (8X)

1ST LT. M.A. MITCHAM
 2ND LT. R.E. GARDNER
 2ND LT. E.H. MURRAY
 T/SGT. H.L. CARSON
 S/SGT. E.O. TIPPITT
 SGT. R.O. KETOLA

NO. 43-3650 (8U)

1ST LT. G.V. SMITH
 2ND LT. H. LEVY
 S/SGT. W.C. MILNER
 S/SGT. A. VANDERMUELLEN
 SGT. L.H. SCHMIDT
 CPL. C. BRADLEY

NO. 42-32417 (8C)

2ND LT. H.C. SMITH
 2ND LT. P.R. FERRYMAN
 2ND LT. C.W. HATHAWAY
 SGT. C.H. MC ARTHUR
 SGT. M.A. KING
 SGT. J.A. HUMPHRESS

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SORTIE REPORT
(Part A)

FIRST MISSION

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 29 MAR 44	Squadron 488TH
Type of Aircraft	Captain		
Aircraft No. SIX MITCHELLS	Crew		
Aircraft Letter			
Time Up 0957			
Time Down 1330			
Total Time OVER TARGET 1159 TO 1201	Aerodrome or L.G. POMPEII L/G		
Type of Cloud	Map or Chart FLORENCE		Reference 1:500,000 N.E. 42/10
Amount of Cloud			
Base of Cloud			
Visibility			
General Weather	SCATTERED CUMULUS CLOUDS OVER TARGET AND ENROUTE		
Task or Duty	VITERBO A/D, ITALY		

Time	Height	Place	Narrative
		BOMBING	792 FRAG CLUSTERS (20# BOMBS) CARRIED ON T/O AND DROPPED. ALT. 11,000 FT. COURSE 300.
		RESULTS	PATTERN IN WEST DISPERSAL AREA AND EXTENDING ONTO A/D BEGINNING AT APPROXIMATELY THE NORTH QUARTER OF AREA AND EXTENDING ACROSS ROAD FOR APPROXIMATELY 300 YARDS.
		OPPOSITION	A/A HEAVY, SCATTERED INACCURATE (LOW) COMING FROM CIVIAVECCHIA HARBOR HARBOR ON WAY BACK. NO E A/C.
		CASUALTIES	NIL
		PHOTOS TAKEN	YES.
		REMARKS	LARGE EXPLOSION WITH BLACK SMOKE OBSERVED IN S.W. DISPERSAL AREA. 20 STATIONARY M/T OBSERVED IN TOWN OF TOLFA (JUST N.E. OF CIVITAVECCHIA). 30 STATIONARY M/T SEEN ON ROAD BETWEEN TOLFA AND ALLUMIERE. 4 LARGE UNIDENTIFIED PLANES SEEN IN S.W. DISPERSAL AREA. 4 SINGLE ENGINE PLANES THOUGHT TO BE ME 109(S SEEN PARKED IN A ZIGZAG DISPERSAL IN DISPERSAL AREA JUST SOUTH OF RUNWAY. 3 LARGE TRANSPORTS AND 2 SMALL VESSELS THOUGHT TO BE ESCORTS SEEN IN CIVITAVECCHIA HARBOR. THE 2 OF THE TRANSPORTS WERE ANCHORED IN THE VICINITY OF THE SHORT NORTHERN MOST MOLE. THE OTHER LARGE TRANSPORT WAS IN THE ANGLE FORMED BY THE PRINCIPLE MOLE. THE SMALL VESSELS WERE TIED UP AT THE NORTH END OF THE SOUTH PORTION OF THE MOLE. ROUTE: BASE TO ISCHIA TO PONZA TO 41°50' N. - 110°50' E. TO TOLFA TO TARGET WITH RIGHT TURN OFF AND RECIPROCAL RETURN.

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 340TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M) AAF
 GAUDO-PAESTUM LANDING GROUND
 PAESTUM, ITALY

FIRST MISSION

29 MARCH 1944

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 2ND LT. J.R. HEALEY
 S/SGT. S.G. BRADLEY
 SGT. K.R. PENNINGTON
 SGT. P.G. MOORE

NO. 41-29994 (8Z)

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 1ST LT. W.A. SMITH
 CAPT. C.T. O'BRIEN
 1ST LT. J.C. GALVIN
 T/SGT. W.E. MC LAUGHEN
 S/SGT. D. SCHWARTZ
 SGT. D.W. SHOWER

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 2ND LT. A.D. HEMSTAD
 2ND LT. C.W. HATHAWAY
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 SGT. J.L. MARKEY

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SORTIE REPORT
(Part A)

FIRST MISSION

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 28 MAR 44	Squadron 488TH
Type of Aircraft	Aircraft No. SEVEN MITCHELLS (ONE FLEW WITH THE 487TH)		Captain
	Aircraft Letter		Crew
Time Up 1356	Time Down 1720		Aerodrome or L.G. GAUDO-PAESTUM, L/G
Total Time OVER TARGET 1603			
Type of Cloud	Amount of Cloud		Map or Chart FLORENCE Reference 1:500,000 N.E. 42/10
Base of Cloud	Visibility		
General Weather CAVU OVER TARGET AND ENROUTE			
Task or Duty PERUGIA BR., ITALY			

Time	Height	Place	Narrative
		BOMBING	24 X 1000# GP (AND 4 X 1000# GP WITH 487) (FUSING: 1/10THS SEC NOSE AND .025 TAIL AND ONE 6 HR DELAY AND ONE 12 HR DELAY) CARRIED ON T/O AND DROPPED. ALT. 11,300 FT. COURSE 450.
		RESULTS	BOMBING PATTERN STARTED JUST SHORT OF THE BRIDGE AND ABOUT 50 FT INLAND ON THE WEST SIDE OF THE RIVER CROSSED THE TRACKS. IT WAS THOUGHT THAT THE WEST END OF THE BRIDGE WAS HIT.
		OPPOSITION	A/A HEAVY, INTENSE AND ACCURATE MOSTLY FROM THE VICINITY OF THEA/D, BUT SOME COMING ALSO FROM THE IMMEDIATE TARGET AREA. NO E A/C.
		CASUALTIES	SIX PLANES HOLED.
		PHOTOS TAKEN	YES (8Z)
		REMARKS	ONE 12-CAR TRAIN AT B 0023, ONE 20-CAR TRAIN AT B 0030 AND 2 TRAINS UNIDENTIFIED EITHER AS TO LENGTH, MOVEMENT OR DIRECTION AT A 7836. WEST END OF THE BRIDGE WAS REPORTED TO BE DOWN. TWO 4-GUN A/A BATTERIES REPORTED IN A FIELD AT W 7818. TEN VERY LARGE M/T WERE OBSERVED ON THE ROAD AT A 7945 HEADING NORTH. NAVY FIRED APPROXIMATELY 6 BURSTS AT THE FORMATION FROM NAPLES HARBOR. ROUTE: BASE TO CAPRI TO MARCIANESE TO ALFEDENA TO 41°56' N. - 13°52' E. TO 41°53' N. - 13°20' E. TO PARNELLO TO TARGET LEFT TURN OFF AND WITH RECIPROCAL RETURN ROUTE.

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28 MARCH 44

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 S/SGT. R.A. KERKHAM

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 2ND LT. C.R. HAGERMAN
 2ND LT. J.W. HARRIS
 1ST LT. V. MYERS
 T/SGT. J.L. PEARSON
 S/SGT. C.A. WOOD
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NO. 41-13006 (8K)
 2ND LT. G.V. SMITH
 2ND LT. P.R. FERRYMAN
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 T/SGT. E.T. SOUVE
 S/SGT. F.A. RUSH
 S/SGT. G.C. PRICE

NO. 41-30123 (8A)
 2ND LT. H.C. SMITH
 2ND LT. C.K. JOHNSTON
 2ND LT. W. DAVIDSON
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 SGT. E.D. ARNOLD
 S/SGT. J.L. LYONS

NO. 41-29994 (8Z)
 1ST LT. M.A. MITCHAM
 1ST LT. C.R. HARRIS
 1ST LT. E.A. LINK
 T/SGT. W.J. BRAY
 PVT. E.C. JERNIGAN
 SGT. R.M. SCOTT

NO. 42-32417 (8C)
 2ND LT. B.C. DIEKMAN
 2ND LT. H. LEVY
 2ND LT. R.H. PINKARD
 S/SGT. A. VANDERMUELLEN
 SGT. J.A. GOODWIN
 SGT. T.L. HIGGINS

NO. 43-3608 (8L)
 2ND LT. J.V. CROWE
 F/O A.N. RYCK
 1ST LT. J; C. GALVIN
 SGT. C.H. MC ARTHUR
 SGT. C.L. KETTERINGHAM
 T/SGT. W.H. HUDGINS

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SORTIE REPORT
(Part A)

FIRST MISSION

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 27 MAR 44	Squadron 488TH
Type of Aircraft	Captain Crew		
Aircraft No. SIX MITCHELLS			
Aircraft Letter	Aerodrome or L.G. GAUDO-PAESTUM L/G		
Time Up 0850			
Time Down 1220			
Total Time OVER TARGET 1118			
Type of Cloud	General Weather CAVU OVER TARGET. CLEAR ENROUTE		Map or Chart FLORENCE
Amount of Cloud			Reference 1:500,000
Base of Cloud			N.E. 42/10
Visibility			
Task or Duty PERUGIA BRIDGE, ITALY			

Time	Height	Place	Narrative
		BOMBING	24 X 1000# GP (FUSING: 1/10TH SEC DELAY NOSE AND .025 TAIL) CARRIED ON T/O. ALL DROPPED ON TARGET AREA. COURSE 45°. ALT. 9,600 FT.
		RESULTS	PATTERN BEGAN SHORT OF TARGET MOST BOMBS LANDING ON EAST BANK OF TIBER RIVER WITH POSSIBLE HITS OR NEAR MISSES ON BRIDGE JUST SOUTH OF PRIMARY TARGET.
		OPPOSITION	A/A HEAVY, MODERATELY INTENSE AND ACCURATE MOSTLY FROM ROAD APPROXIMATELY TWO MILES WEST OF PERUGIA A/D AND SOME COMING FROM TOWN ITSELF. NO E A/C.
		CASUALTIES	FOUR PLANES HOLED.
		PHOTOS TAKEN	YES (8X)
		REMARKS	TWELVE VERY LARGE TRUCKS SEEN ON SECONDARY ROAD LEADING SOUTH OUT OF PERUGIA GOING IN A SOUTHERLY DIRECTION. SEVERAL BURSTS OF HEAVY A/A WERE ALSO REPORTED ALONG THIS ROAD ABOUT TWO MILES SOUTH OF THE TOWN. A LARGE FIRE WITH BLACK SMOKE WAS REPORTED SEVERAL MILES EAST OF MONTEFIASCONE. ROUTE: BASE TO CAPRI TO CAPODICHINO TO ALFEDENA TO CASOLI TO FIVE MILES EAST OF LAKE BOLSENA NORTH TO INITIAL POINT TO TARGET WITH LEFT TURN OFF.

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488TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (M) AAF
 340TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M) AAF
 GAUDO-PAESTUM LANDING GROUND
 PAESTUM, ITALY

FIRST MISSION

27 MARCH 1944

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CAPT. R.C. BACHTELL
 2ND LT. C.R. HAGERMAN
 2ND LT. C.W. HATHAWAY
 2ND LT. P. KOK
 T/SGT. W.E. MCLAUGHEN
 S/SGT. D. SCHWARTZ
 SGT. E.L. DE CAMP

NO. 41-30123 (8A)

1ST LT. M.A. MITCHAM
 2ND LT. H. LEVY
 2ND LT. W. DAVIDSON
 S/SGT. L.E. ANDERSON
 SGT. H.L. RACKMYER
 SGT. C.J. MASCUILLO

NO. 41-30018 (8J)

2ND LT. J.V. CROWE
 F/O A.M. RYCK
 2ND LT. F.J. MC FADDEN
 S/SGT. G.W. SIEBERTS
 SGT. L.I.E. FIKAR
 SGT. G.W. INGLIS

NO. 41-29994 (8Z)

CAPT. R.E. OSTREM
 2ND LT. R.E. GARDNER
 2ND LT. J.B. ROSS
 T/SGT. F.J. LA POINT
 S/SGT. R.L. AUCHTER
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NO. 42-13006 (8K)

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 2ND LT. J.E. TURTLE
 1ST LT. J.C. GALVIN
 S/SGT. B. GREENBAUM
 SGT. E.R. SCHMIDT
 SGT. M.A. KING

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 2ND LT. A.D. HEMSTAD
 2ND LT. J.W. HARRIS
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SORTIE REPORT
(Part A)

FIRST MISSION

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 20 MAR 44	Squadron 488TH
Type of Aircraft	Captain		
Aircraft No. SIX MITCHELLS	Crew		
Aircraft Letter			
Time Up 0914			
Time Down 1230			
Total Time OVER TARGET 1117	Aerodrome or L.G. POMPEII L/G		
Type of Cloud 10/10THS OVER PERUGIA	Map or Chart FLORENCE		Reference 1:500,000 N.E. 42/10
Amount of Cloud 5/10THS CUMULUS WITH TOP AT 10,000 AT TERNI.			
Base of Cloud			
Visibility			
General Weather			

Task or Duty TERNI, ITALY

Time	Height	Place	Narrative
		BOMBING	23 X 1000# GP (FUSING: 1/10TH NOSE .025 TAIL AND 2 LONG DELAY ONE 6 HR. AND ONE 12 HR.) CARRIED ON T/O AND DROPPED. ALT. 10,700 FT. COURSE 240°.
		RESULTS	CLOUDS GREATLY OBSCURED OBSERVATIONS, BUT IT IS THOUGHT THAT THE PATTERN BEGAN JUST SHORT OF THE TRACKS AND SLIGHTLY TO THE WEST OF THE EAST CHOKE POINT AND EXTENDED ACROSS THE TRACKS INTO THE TOWN.
		OPPOSITION	A/A NIL. APPROX. 15 S.E. FIGHTERS SEEN JUST SOUTH OF RIETI GOING NORTH AT 1110 HRS. IT WAS REPORTED THAT THE FIRST FOUR OR FIVE WERE ME 109'S BEING CHASED BY SPITFIRES. OTHERS REPORTED ALL PLANES WERE SPITFIRES.
		PHOTOS TAKEN	YES (8D, 8V)
		REMARKS	ABOUT 30 FREIGHT CARS REPORTED STATIONARY AT A 8344. ABOUT 100 FREIGHT CARS SEEN IN SMALL M/Y'S JUST WEST OF PERUGIA BETWEEN LETTERS A AND B ON PERUGIA M/Y PHOTO. ABOUT 5 TRUCKS WERE SEEN ON THE ROAD BETWEEN SAN VINCENZO AND AVEZZANO HEADING NORTH AT 1130 HRS. ROUTE: BASE TO CAPODOCHINO TO ALFEDENA TO 41°14' E. - 13°12' N. TO SAN VENANZO TO 43°01' N. - 12°14' E. TO TERNI.

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488TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (M) AAF
 340TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M) AAF
 POMPEII LANDING GROUND
 TERZIGNO, ITALY

FIRST MISSION

20 MARCH 1944

NO. 41-30392 (87)

2ND LT. G.V. SMITH
 2ND LT. R.E. GARDNER
 2ND LT. E.F. MURRAY
 T/SGT. A. VANDERMUELLEN
 S/SGT. F.A. RUSH
 SGT. J.L. MARKEY

NO. 42-30120 (8D)

1ST LT. G.L. WELLS
 2ND LT. C.R. HAGERMAN
 1ST LT. A.S. SHAFRAN
 2ND LT. J.C. JONES
 T/SGT. A.W. HORNE
 S/SGT. W.J. NAGLE
 SGT. R.O. KETOLA

NO. 42-64545 (8L)

1ST LT. J.A. MCGINNIS
 2ND LT. C.K. JOHNSTON
 2ND LT. R.H. PINKARD
 S/SGT. O.O. CHANDLER
 S/SGT. K.L. ADAMSON
 S/SGT. R.A. KERKHAM

NO. 42-87462 (8N)

2ND LT. H.C. SMITH
 2ND LT. P.R. FERRYMAN
 2ND LT. J.W. HARRIS
 T/SGT. J.L. PEARSON
 SGT. T.H. HEATH
 SGT. C.J. MASCUILLO

NO. 41-30111 (8V)

1ST LT. R.H. PERRY
 2ND LT. P.K. WEATHERLY
 1ST LT. C.G. PITKIN
 T/SGT. H.L. CARSON
 S/SGT. C.A. WOOD
 S/SGT. L.F. KEPLER

NO. 43-3447 (8F)

2ND LT. W.H. GOERTZ
 2ND LT. H. LEVY
 1ST LT. V. MYERS
 SGT. C.H. MC ARTHUR
 SGT. C.L. KETTERINGHAM
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SORTIE REPORT
(Part A)

FIRST MISSION

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 19 MAR 44	Squadron 488TH
Type of Aircraft	Captain		
Aircraft No. SIX MITCHELLS	Crew		
Aircraft Letter			
Time Up 1050			
Time Down 1328			
Total Time OVER TARGET 1237	Aerodrome or L.G. POMPEII L/G		

Type of Cloud	Map or Chart FLORENCE Reference 1:500,000 N.E. 42/10
Amount of Cloud	
Base of Cloud	
Visibility	
General Weather CAVU OVER TARGET AND ENROUTE	

Task or Duty ORTE BRIDGE, ITALY

Time	Height	Place	Narrative
	BOMBING		24 X 1000# GP FUSING: 1/10TH SEC DELAY NOSE AND .025 TAIL WITH 2 LONG DELAY) CARRIED ON T/O AND DROPPED ON <u>THE</u> TARGET. ALT. 9,700 FT. COURSE 340°.
	RESULTS		PATTERN STARTED APPROXIMATELY 100 YARDS S.E. OF BRIDGE AND EXTENDED ACROSS BRIDGE APPROXIMATELY 150 YARDS WITH SEVERAL DIRECT HITS ON BRIDGE.
	OPPOSITION		A/A HEAVY, SCATTERED, INACCURATE IN ARCE ALVITO AREA. NO E A/C.
	CASUALTIES		NIL
	PHOTOS TAKEN		YES (8D, 8V)
	REMARKS		APPROXIMATELY 8 VEHICLES SEEN OF ROAD BETWEEN SAN VINCENZO AND CIVITELLA ROVITO. APPROX. 5 TRUCKS OBSERVED AT A 6833 GOING SOUTH AT 1240. CONSIDERABLE SCATTERED TRAFFIC OBSERVED IN AREA BOUNDED BY ORTE, MAGLIANO AND NARNI.

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488TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (M) AAF
340TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M) AAF
POMPEII LANDING GROUND
TERZIGNO, ITALY

FIRST MISSION

19 MARCH 1944

NO. 42-64545 (8C)

2ND LT. J.E. TURTLE
2ND LT. R.E. GARDNER
2ND LT. E.F. MURRAY
T/SGT. F.J. LA POINT
SGT. L.I.E. FIKAR
SGT. R.W. STERE

NO. 42-30120 (8D)

1ST LT. R.H. PERRY
CAPT. R.E. OSTREM
1ST LT. V. MYERS
T/SGT. W.E. MCLAUGHEN
S/SGT. D. SCHWARTZ
SGT. B.C. SCHMUCKER

NO. 41-30392 (8Y)

2ND LT. J.V. CROWE
2ND LT. W.B. REAGAN
2ND LT. C.W. HATHAWAY
S/SGT. G.W. SIBERTS
SGT. J.A. GOODWIN
T/SGT. W.H. HUDGINS

NO. 42-87445 (8A)

1ST LT. W.A. SMITH
2ND LT. A.D. HEMSTAD
2ND LT. F.J. MC FADDEN
S/SGT. A.J. ALLEN
S/SGT. R.A. HUNTER
CPL. J.W. RYBA
S/SGT. R. MOLLARD

NO. 41-30111 (8V)

1ST LT. H.I. LUTH
2ND LT. B.C. DIEKMAN
2ND LT. J.B. ROSS
T/SGT. W.J. BRAY
SGT. M.O. LARSON
S/SGT. J.L. LYONS

NO. 42-87462 (8N)

1ST LT. M.A. MITCHAM
2ND LT. C.K. JOHNSTON
1ST LT. C.G. PITKIN
T/SGT. E.T. SOUVE
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S/SGT. J.E. SMITH

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SORTIE REPORT
(Part A)

FIRST MISSION

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 18 MAR 44	Squadron 488TH
Type of Aircraft	Aircraft No. SIX MITCHELLS	Captain	
Aircraft Letter		Crew	
Time Up 0926	Time Down 1209	Aerodrome or L.O.	
Total Time OVER TARGET 1105		POMPEII L/G	
Type of Cloud 6/10THS CUMULUS ENROUTE	Amount of Cloud BASE 7,500 TOP 9,000 FT.	Map or Chart FLORENCE	
Base of Cloud	Visibility	Reference 1:500,000	
General Weather CLEAR OVER TARGET		N.E. 42/10	
Task or Duty FOLIGNO M/Y, ITALY			

Time	Height	Place	Narrative
		BOMBING	24 X 1000# GP (FUSING: 1/10TH NOSE AND .025 TAIL WITH 2 LONG DELAY) CARRIED ON T/O AND DROPPED ON TARGET. ALT. 10,500 FT. COURSE, 310°.
		RESULTS	PATTERN LAID BEGINNING IN BUILDINGS ABOUT 100 YARDS S.E. OF CHOKE POINT AND EXTENDING ACROSS CHOKE POINT AND INTO TOWN ABOUT 200 YARDS WITH SEVERAL DIRECT HITS ON CHOKE POINT.
		OPPOSITION	A/A NIL. NO E A/C.
		CASUALTIES	NIL
		PHOTOS TAKEN	YES (8V, 8K)
		REMARKS	NO PLANES OR ACTIVITY SEEN ON SPOLETA OR RIETI A/D'S. ONE UNIDENTIFIED PLANE SEEN IN S.W. CORNER OF FOLIGNO A/D. APPROXIMATELY 10 FREIGHT CARS STANDING STILL WERE SEEN ANTRODOCA M/Y'S (EAST OF RIETI). 7 OR 8 TRUCKS SEEN AT A 9938, DIRECTION UNDETERMINED. IT WAS REPORTED THAT THERE WAS A CHANGE OF 180° IN THE WINDS FROM THAT GIVEN AT BRIEFING. ROUTE: BASE TO CAPRI TO CAPADACHINO TO ALFEDENA TO 42° 9' N. - 13° 37' E. TO 42° 45' N. - 12° 50' E. TO TARGET.

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 340TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M) AAF
 POMPEII LANDING GROUND
 TERZIGNO, ITALY

FIRST MISSION

18 MARCH 1944

NO. 41-30111 (8V)

CAPT. R.E. OSTREM
 2ND LT. C.R. HAGERMAN
 1ST LT. A.D. SHAFRAN
 1ST LT. J.C. GALVIN
 T/SGT. A.W. HORNE
 S/SGT. L.A. DANIELS
 SGT. D.W. SHOWER

NO. 42-32287 (8C)

1ST LT. P.L. MC CLURE
 2ND LT. P.K. WEATHERLY
 1ST LT. C.G. PITKIN
 S/SGT. A. VANDERMUELLEN
 CPL. G.W. INGLIS
 SGT. T.L. HIGGINS

NO. 42-64545 (8E)

2ND LT. H.C. SMITH
 2ND LT. P.R. FERRYMAN
 2ND LT. R.H. PINKARD
 S/SGT. L.E. ANDERSON
 SGT. H.L. RACKMYER
 SGT. M.A. KING

NO. 42-32310 (8K)

1ST LT. R.H. PERRY
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 T/SGT. E.T. SOUVE
 S/SGT. R.L. AUCHTER
 SGT. R.M. SCOTT

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 2ND LT. C.K. JOHNSTON
 M/SGT. KLEIN
 S/SGT. O.O. CHANDLER
 SGT. K.R. PENNINGTON
 PFC C. BRADLEY

NO. 43-3447 (8F)

2ND LT. W.S. MAZOR
 2ND LT. H. LEVY
 2ND LT. J.C. JONES
 S/SGT. B. GREENBAUM
 SGT. M.O. LARSON
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SORTIE REPORT
(Part A)

FIRST MISSION

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 17 MAR 44	Squadron 488TH
Type of Aircraft	Aircraft No. SIX MITCHELLS		Captain
Aircraft Letter			Crew
Time Up 0958			Aerodrome or L.G. POMPEII L/G
Time Down 1142			
Total Time OVER TARGET 1106			
Type of Cloud	Amount of Cloud 3/10THS CUMULUS IN TARGET AREA AND ENROUTE BUT CAVU DIRECTLY OVER TARGET.		Map or Chart ROME Reference 1:500,000 N.E. 40/10
Base of Cloud			CASSINO APPROACH SHEET QUAD 160 SHEET 4
Visibility			
General Weather			

Task or Duty TOWN OF ROCCASECCA (G 720275, 730275, 730280, 720280) ITALY

Time	Height	Place	Narrative
	BOMBING		48 X 500# GP AND 24 X 250# GP 1/10 SEC NOSE .025 TAIL FUSE, CARRIED ON T/O AND ALL DROPPED ON TARGET AREA. COURSE 300°. ALT. 9,500 FT.
	RESULTS		PATTERN LAID ALONG LENGTH OF TOWN ACROSS CENTRAL AND SOUTHERN PORTIONS WITH ONE DIRECT HIT ON LARGEST BUILDING (WHITE) IN CENTER OF TOWN.
	OPPOSITION		A/A HY., SCATTERED, INACC. FROM ATINA. SEVERAL BURSTS OF LT. A/A REPORTED COMING FROM SUMMET OF HILL JUST WEST OF TARGET. ENEMY AIR: ONE RECCE SHIP OBSERVED OVER FIELD AFTER T/O AT ABOUT 20,000 FT. IT WAS HEADED S.E. TO N.W. DIRECTION PASSING BETWEEN BASE AND CAPRI AND SEEN TO BE LETTING DOWN IN THE VICINITY OF GAETA PT. IT WAS A SINGLE PLANE BUT OTHERWISE UNIDENTIFIED.
	CASUALTIES		NIL
	PHOTOS TAKEN		YES (8V, 8D)
	REMARKS		ONE P-38 SEEN TO CRASH LAND ABOUT 4 MILES INLAND FROM THE MOUTH OF THE VOLTURNO. HY. ARTILLERY FLASHES SEEN ALONG ROAD APPROX. ONE MILE EAST OF CASSINO. HY. ARTILLERY FLASHES ALSO OBSERVED ON ROAD LEADING SOUTH FROM TARGET MID-WAY BETWEEN TARGET AND MAIN HIGHWAY.
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488TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (M) AAF
 340TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M) AAF
 POMPEII LANDING GROUND
 TERZIGNO, ITALY

FIRST MISSION

17 MARCH 1944

NO. 43-3447 (8F)

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 2ND LT. P/K. WEATHERLY
 2ND LT. E.F. MURRAY
 T/SGT. F.J. LA POINT
 S/SGT. F.A. RUSH
 SGT. C.J. MASCUILLO

NO. 41-30111 (8V)

CAPT. R.C. BACHTELL
 MAJ. I.W. ROBEL
 2ND LT. J.W. HARRIS
 1ST LT. V. MYERS
 T/SGT. W.E. MC LAUGHEN
 S/SGT. W.J. NAGLE
 SGT. R.O. KETOLA

NO. 42-64545 (8L)

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 2ND LT. H. LEVY
 2ND LT. C.W. HATHAWAY
 T/SGT. J. GALASSO
 S/SGT. C.A. WOOD
 S/SGT. L.F. KEPLER

NO. 42-87462 (8N)

1ST LT. G.A. ECHOLS
 2ND LT. A.D. HEMSTAD
 2ND LT. P. KOK
 S/SGT. A.J. ALLEN
 SGT. E.D. ARNOLD
 S/SGT. R.A. KERKHAM
 S/SGT. R. MOLLARD

NO. 41-30120 (8D)

1ST LT. G.L. HEHMAN
 2ND LT. W.B. REAGAN
 2ND LT. J.B. ROSS
 T/SGT. W.J. BRAY
 SGT. C.L. KETTERINGHAM
 S/SGT. G.C. PRICE

NO. 41-30392 (8Y)

2ND LT. J.E. TURTLE
 1ST LT. M.A. MITCHAM
 2ND LT. F.J. MC FADDEN
 SGT. C.H. MC ARTHUR
 S/SGT. K.L. ADAMSON
 SGT. J.L. MARKEY

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SORTIE REPORT
(Part A)

FIRST MISSION

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 16 MAR 44	Squadron 488TH
Type of Aircraft	Aircraft No. SIX MITCHELLS	Aircraft Letter	Captain Crew
Time Up 0948	Time Down 1126	Total Time OVER TARGET 1035	Aerodrome or L.G. POMPEII L/G

Type of Cloud	Amount of Cloud 6/10THS CUMULUS AT 10,000 ENROUTE	Base of Cloud	Map or Chart ROME
Visibility	General Weather CAVU OVER TARGET WITH A VERY SLIGHT GROUND HAZE		Reference 1:500,000 N.E. 40/10

Task or Duty N.W. OF CASSINO, ITALY

Time	Height	Place	Narrative
		BOMBING	48 X 250# GP & 792 X 20# FRAGS CARRIED ON T/O AND DROPPED ON TARGET. ALT. 12,000 FEET. COURSE 300°.
		RESULTS	PATTERN BEGAN JUST WEST OF CREEK AND EXTENDED THROUGH SOUTH AND CENTRAL PORTIONS OF TARGET AREA.
		OPPOSITION	A/A MODERATE, ACCURATE AS TO ALTITUDE, BUT INACCURATE AS TO DEFLECTION OBSERVED DURING TURN OFF TARGET., COMING FROM ROCCASECCA. NO E A/C.
		CASUALTIES	NIL
		PHOTOS TAKEN	YES (8V, 8Y)
		REMARKS	NIL.

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488TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (M) AAF
 340TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M) AAF
 POMPEII LANDING GROUND
 TERZIGNO, ITALY

FIRST MISSION

16 MARCH 1944

NO. 42-64545 (8C)

1ST LT. J. BURINGAME
 2ND LT. P.K. WEATHERLY
 2ND LT. J.C. JONES
 T/SGT. E.T. SOUVE
 S/SGT. T.H. HEATH
 S/SGT. J.E. SMITH

NO. 41-30111 (8V)

CAPT. R.C. BACHTELL
 2ND LT. C.R. HAGERMAN
 1ST LT. V. MYERS
 T/SGT. A.W. HORNE
 S/SGT. D. SCHWARTZ
 SGT. E.L. DE CAMP

NO. 42-87462 (8N)

2ND LT. J.V. CROWE
 2ND LT. H. LEVY
 2ND LT. R.H. PINKARD
 S/SGT. L.E. ANDERSON
 SGT. J.A. GOODWIN
 SGT. B.C. SCHMUCKER

NO. 42-87445 (8A)

1ST LT. W.A. SMITH
 2ND LT. C.K. JOHNSTON
 1ST LT. C.G. PITKIN
 S/SGT. O.O. CHANDLER
 SGT. M.O. LARSON
 S/SGT. J.L. LYONS

NO. 41-30392 (8Y)

1ST LT. R.H. PERRY
 2ND LT. B. DIEKMAN
 S/SGT. F.S. HOWARD
 T/SGT. J.L. PEARSON
 PVT. E.C. JERNIGAN
 SGT. R.W. STERE

NO. 43-3447 (8F)

2ND LT. W.S. MAZOR
 2ND LT. A.D. HEMSTAD
 2ND LT. F.J. MC FADDEN
 S/SGT. E.W. SIEBERTS
 SGT. L.I.E. FIKAR
 SGT. M.B. WYNN

NO. 42-87459 (8H)

2ND LT. H.C. SMITH
 2ND LT. P.R. FERRYMAN
 2ND LT. E.F. MURAY
 S/SGT. A. VANDERMUELLEN
 SGT. H.L. RACKMYER
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SORTIE REPORT
(Part A)

SECOND
PHOTO MISSION

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 15 MAR 44	Squadron 488TH
Type of Aircraft	Captain		
Aircraft No. ONE MITCHELL	Crew		
Aircraft Letter			
Time Up 1142			
Time Down 1303			
Total Time OVER TARGET 1230	Aerodrome or L.G. POMPEII L/G		
Type of Cloud	Map or Chart ROME		Reference 1:500,000 N.E. 40/10
Amount of Cloud			
Base of Cloud			
Visibility			
General Weather CAVU			

Task or Duty G 800228 TO G 802233 TO G 805232 TO G 803227, ITALY
(PIEDIMONTE)

Time	Height	Place	Narrative
		BOMBING	NIL
		RESULTS	2 PHOTOGRAPHERS CARRIED AND PICTURES TAKEN.
		OPPOSITION	A/A LIGHT, VERY SLIGHT AND INACCURATE FROM HILL JUST SOUTHEAST OF TARGET AREA. NO E A/C.
		CASUALTIES	NIL
		PHOTOS TAKEN	YES
		REMARKS	ROUTE: BASE TO VARIANO PATENDRA TO TARGET WITH RIGHT TURN OFF.

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488TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (M) AAF
340TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M) AAF
POMPEII LANDING GROUND
TERZIGNO, ITALY

PHOTO MISSION (2ND)

15 MARCH 1944

NO. 4T-3040T (8W)
CAPT. H.B. HOWARD
1ST LT. N.L. BENSON
1ST LT. V. MYERS
S/SGT. A.J. ALLEN
S/SGT. D. SCHWARTZ

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SORTIE REPORT
(Part A)

SECOND MISSION

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 15 MAR 44	Squadron 488TH
Type of Aircraft	Aircraft No. SIX MITCHELLS	Aircraft Letter	Captain Crew
Time Up 1143	Time Down 1303	Total Time OVER TARGET 1230	Aerodrome or L.G. POMPEII L/G

Type of Cloud	Map or Chart ROME
Amount of Cloud	Reference 1:500,000
Base of Cloud	N.E. 40/10
Visibility	
General Weather CAVU	

Task or Duty G 800228 TO G 802233 TO G 805232 TO G 802227, ITALY
(PIEDIMONTE)

Time	Height	Place	Narrative
	BOMBING		44 X 250# AND 768 X 20# FRAGS CARRIED ON T/O AND DROPPED ON TARGET. ALT. 11,000 FT. COURSE 280°.
	RESULTS		BOMB PATTERN BEGAN JUST EAST OF RECTANGLE ON PHOTO AND EXTENDED ACROSS THE GULLY TO WEST END OF RECTANGLE.
	OPPOSITION		A/A LIGHT, VERY SLIGHT AND INACCURATE FROM HILL JUST SOUTHEAST OF TARGET AREA. NO E A/C.
	CASUALTIES		NIL
	PHOTOS TAKEN		YES (8K, 8J)
	REMARKS		ROUTE: BASE TO VARANO PATENDRA TO TARGET WITH RIGHT TURN OFF.

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488TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (M) AAF
 340TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M) AAF
 POMPEII LANDING GROUND
 TERZIGNO, ITALY

SECOND MISSION

15 MARCH 1944

<p><u>NO. 42-3246T (8E)</u> 2ND LT. H.C. SMITH 2ND LT. C.R. HAGERMAN 1ST LT. C.G. PITKIN S/SGT. B. GREENBAUM S/SGT. F.A. RUSH S/SGT. M.A. KING</p>	<p><u>NO. 42-32310 (8K)</u> 1ST LT. E.J. SMITH 1ST LT. R.H. PERRY 1ST LT. J.C. GALVIN T/SGT. F.J. LA POINT S/SGT. W.J. NAGLE SGT. R.O. KETOLA 2ND LT. J.M. LEVERETT</p>	<p><u>NO. 41-13162 (8P)</u> 1ST LT. G.A. ECHOLS 2ND LT. A.D. HEMSTAD M/SGT. J.N. DLINE T/SGT. J. GALASSO S/SGT. L.A. DANIELS SGT. C.J. MASCUILLO</p>
<p><u>NO. 41-30620 (88)</u> 2ND LT. W.H. GOERTZ 2ND LT. P.R. FERRYMAN S/SGT. R. MOLLARD 2ND LT. P. KOK T/SGT. R.W. TRIBBLE SGT. E.D. ARNOLD S/SGT. R.A. KERKHAM</p>	<p><u>NO. 42-32305 (8J)</u> 1ST LT. G.L. HEHMAN 2ND LT. W.B. REAGAN S/SGT. F.S. HOWARD T/SGT. W.J. BRAY S/SGT. R.L. AUCHTER SGT. D.W. SHOWER</p>	<p><u>NO. 42-53452 (8R)</u> 2ND LT. J.E. TURTLE 2ND LT. B. DIEKMAN 2ND LT. J.C. JONES SGT. C.H. MC ARTHUR S/SGT. K.L. ADAMSON SGT. J.L. MARKEY 1ST LT. C.E. HAYNES</p>

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SORTIE REPORT
(Part A)

PHOTO MISSION

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 15 MAR 44	Squadron 488TH
Type of Aircraft	Captain		
Aircraft No. ONE MITCHELL	Crew		
Aircraft Letter			
Time Up 0747			
Time Down 0910			
Total Time OVER TARGET 0831	Aerodrome or L.G. POMPEII L/G		
Type of Cloud	Map or Chart ROME		Reference 1:500,000 N.E. 40/10
Amount of Cloud	WEATHER CAVU OVER TARGET AND ENROUTE WITH VERY SLIGHT GROUND HAZE.		
Base of Cloud			
Visibility			
General Weather			

Task or Duty CASSINO, ITALY

Time	Height	Place	Narrative
		BOMBING	NIL
		RESULTS	2 PHOTOGRAPHERS CARRIED AND PICTURES TAKEN.
		OPPOSITION	NIL
		CASUALTIES	NIL
		PHOTOS TAKEN	YES
		REMARKS	NIL. ROUTE: BASE TO VENAFRO TO TARGET WITH LEFT TURN OFF AND RETURN.

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488TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (M) AAF
340TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M) AAF
POMPEII LANDING GROUND
TERZIGNO, ITALY

PHOTO MISSION

15 MARCH 1944

NO. 4T-30401 (8W)
CAPT. H.B. HOWARD
1ST LT. N.L. BENSON
1ST LT. H.M. NELSON
T/SGT. A.J. MURPHY
S/SGT. D. SCHWARTZ
S/SGT. A.J. ALLEN

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SORTIE REPORT
(Part A)

FIRST MISSION

Sheet No.	Oper. Ref. No.	Date 15 MAR 44	Squadron 488TH
Type of Aircraft	Captain		
Aircraft No. TWELVE MITCHELLS	Crew		
Aircraft Letter			
Time Up 0747			
Time Down 0910			
Total Time OVER TARGET 0831	Aerodrome or L.G. POMPEII L/G		

Type of Cloud	Map or Chart ROME
Amount of Cloud	Reference 1:500,000
Base of Cloud	N.E. 40/10
Visibility	
General Weather CAVU OVER TARGET AND ENROUTE WITH VERY SLIGHT GROUND HAZE.	

Task or Duty CASSINO, ITALY

Time	Height	Place	Narrative
		BOMBING	48 X 1000# GP (FUSING: 1/10TH NOSE AND .025 TAIL), CARRIED ON T/O AND DROPPED ON TARGET. ALT. 10,000 FT. COURSE 275°.
		RESULTS	BOMB PATTERN LAID IN NORTHEAST QUARTER OF TARGET AREA (B ON PHOTOGRAPH) WITH HITS ON BOTH ROADS AS WELL AS IN THE CENTER OF TOWN.
		OPPOSITION NIL	
		CASUALTIES NIL	
		PHOTOS TAKEN YES (8J, 8V, 8C)	
		REMARKS	NIL. ROUTE: BASE TO VENAFRO TO TARGET WITH LEFT TURN OFF AND RETURN.

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488TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (M) AAF
 340TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M) AAF
 POMPEII LANDING GROUND
 TERZIGNO, ITALY

FIRST MISSION

15 MARCH 1944

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2ND LT. J.A. MCGINNIS
 2ND LT. P.K. WEATHERLY
 2ND LT. P. KOK
 T/SGT. E.T. SOUWE
 S/SGT. T.H. HEATH
 S/SGT. J.E. SMITH

NO. 42-32305 (8J)

1ST LT. G.L. WELLS
 LT. COL. M.A. BAILEY
 1ST LT. A.S. SHAFRAN
 1ST LT. W. MYERS
 T/SGT. R.W. TRIBBLE
 S/SGT. L.A. DANIELS
 SGT. R.K. SHOWALTER

NO. 4T-13162 (8F)

2ND LT. W.S. MAZOR
 2ND LT. H. LEVY
 2ND LT. E.F. MURRAY
 S/SGT. L.E. ANDERSON
 SGT. J.A. GOODWIN
 SGT. T.L. HIGGINS

NO. 43-3447 (8F)

1ST LT. W.A. SMITH
 2ND LT. C.K. JOHNSTON
 2ND LT. R.H. PINKARD
 S/SGT. O.O. CHANDLER
 SGT. M.O. LARSON
 S/SGT. J.L. LYONS

NO. 4T-30111 (8V)

1ST LT. E.J. SMITH
 1ST LT. J. BURLINGHAM
 1ST LT. E.A. LINK
 T/SGT. W.E. MC LAUGHEN
 PVT. E.G. JERNIGAN
 SGT. R.M. SCOTT

NO. 42-87459 (8H)

2ND LT. J.V. CROWE
 2ND LT. C.R. HAGERMAN
 2ND LT. F.J. MCFADDEN
 S/SGT. G.W. SIBERTS
 SGT. L.I.E. FIKAR
 SGT. M.B. WYNN

NO. 4T-30392 (8Y)

2ND LT. H.C. SMITH
 2ND LT. W.B. REAGAN
 1ST LT. C.G. PITKIN
 S/SGT. B. GREENBAUM
 S/SGT. C.A. WOOD
 SGT. M.A. KING

NO. 42-32287 (8C)

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 MAJ. R.C. CASSADA
 1ST LT. J.C. GALVIN
 T/SGT. F.J. LA POINT
 S/SGT. W.J. NAGLE
 SGT. E.L. DE CAMP

NO. 42-64545 (8L)

1ST LT. H.I. LUTH
 2ND LT. A.D. HEMSTAD
 1ST LT. E.D. PENN
 T/SGT. J. GALASSO
 SGT. K.R. PENNINGTON
 SGT. C.J. MASCUILLO

NO. 42-87445 (8A)

2ND LT. W.H. GOERTZ
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 SGT. E.D. ARNOLD
 S/SGT. R.A. KERKHAM

NO. 42-53452 (8R)

1ST LT. R.H. PERRY
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 1ST LT. J.B. ROSS
 T/SGT. W.J. BRAY
 S/SGT. R.L. AUCHTER
 SGT. B.C. SCHMUCKER

NO. 42-87462 (8N)

2ND LT. J.E. TURTLE
 2ND LT. P.R. FERRYMAN
 2ND LT. J.C. JONES
 SGT. C.H. MC ARTHUR
 S/SGT. K.L. ADAMSON
 SGT. J.L. MARKEY

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SORTIE REPORT
(Part A)

FIRST MISSION

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 14 MAR 44	Squadron 488TH
Type of Aircraft	Aircraft No. SIX MITCHELLS	Aircraft Letter	Captain Crew
Time Up 1209	Time Down 1453	Total Time OVER TARGET 1357	Aerodrome or L.G. POMPEII L/G
Type of Cloud SCATTERED CUMULUS CLOUDS FROM	Amount of Cloud 9,000 TO 10,000 FEET OVER TARGET	Base of Cloud	Map or Chart FLORENCE
Visibility	General Weather SCATTERED CLOUDS ENROUTE		Reference 1:500,000 N.E. 42/10

Task or Duty TERNI M/Y, ITALY

Time	Height	Place	Narrative
	BOMBING		24 X 1000#GP (FUSING: 1/10TH NOSE AND .025 TAIL WITH 2 LONG DELAY). ALT. 11,500. COURSE 130°. 1 X 1000# GP BROUGHT BACK.
	RESULTS		PATTERN BEGAN JUST OVER AND ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE WEST CHOKE-POINT AND EXTENDED THROUGH THE CITY TO APPROXIMATELY N-11. (TARGET CHART # 3/118/NA)
	OPPOSITION		A/A HEAVY, MODERATE, FAIRLY ACCURATE SOMEWHERE TRIANGLE BETWEEN TOWN OF OPI, SORA AND ALVITO. NO E A/C.
	CASUALTIES		NIL
	PHOTOS TAKEN		YES (8J, 8K)
	REMARKS		APPROXIMATELY 60 FREIGHT CARS AND A SIMILAR NUMBER OF TRUCKS (THE FREIGHT SEEMED TO BE BEING UNLOADED INTO THE TRUCKS AT A 7936. CONSIDERABLE VEHICULAR TRAFFIC GOING IN BOTH DIRECTIONS SEEN ON HIGHWAY BETWEEN NARNI AND AMELIA AS WELL AS BETWEEN NARNI AND TERNI, NUMBER UNDETERMINED. ROUTE: BASE TO CAPRI TO MOUTH OF VOLTURNO TO STIMIGLIANO TO MONTICASTRILLI TO TARGET. TAIL WIND 15 TO 20 MILES IN EXCESS OF THAT GIVEN AT BRIEFING REPORT.

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488TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (M) AAF
 340TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M) AAF
 POMPEII LANDING GROUND
 TERZIGNO, ITALY

FIRST MISSION

14 MARCH 1944

NO. 42-53452 (8R)

1ST LT. E.J. SMITH
 2ND LT. P.K. WEATHERLY
 2ND LT. P. KOK
 T/SGT. E.T. SOUVE
 S/SGT. T.H. HEATH
 SGT. J.E. SMITH

NO. 42-32305 (8J)

CAPT. R.C. BACHTELL
 MAJ. J.W. RUEBEL
 2ND LT. C.W. HATHAWAY
 2ND LT. J.C. GALVIN
 T/SGT. R.W. TRIBBLE
 S/SGT. R.A. RUSH
 SGT. R.K. SHOWALTER

NO. 4T-T3T62 (8P)

2ND LT. W.S. MAZOR
 2ND LT. H. LEVY
 2ND LT. E.F. MURRAY
 S/SGT. L.N. ANDERSON
 SGT. J.A. GOODWIN
 SGT. T. HIGGINS

NO. 42-32310 (8K)

1ST LT. R.H. PERRY
 2ND LT. B. DIEKMAN
 1ST LT. V. MYERS
 T/SGT. W.E. MC LAUGHEN
 PVT. E.C. JERNIGAN
 SGT. R.M. SCOTT

NO. 42-32532 (8M)

1ST LT. W.A. SMITH
 2ND LT. C.K. JOHNSTON
 2ND LT. R.A. PINKARD
 S/SGT. O.O. CHANDLER
 SGT. M.O. LARSON
 S/SGT. J.L. LYONS
 S/SGT. R. MOLLARD

NO. 42-64568 (8T)

2ND LT. J.V. CROWE
 2ND LT. C.R. HAGERMAN
 2ND LT. F.J. MC FADDEN
 S/SGT. G.W. SIBERTS
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SORTIE REPORT
(Part A)

FIRST MISSION

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 13 MAR 44	Squadron 488TH
Type of Aircraft	Aircraft No. SEVEN MITCHELLS Aircraft Letter (ONE PLANE FLEW WITH THE 489)		Captain Crew
Time Up 0906	Time Down 1204	Aerodrome or L.G. POMPEII L/G	
Total Time OVER TARGET 1042	Map or Chart FLORENCE Reference 1:500,000 N.E. 42/10		
Type of Cloud	Amount of Cloud	Base of Cloud	
Visibility	General Weather CAVU OVER TARGET AND ENROUTE		
Task or Duty PERUGIA M/Y, ITALY			

Time	Height	Place	Narrative
	BOMBING		27 X 1000 (3 X 1000# ON PLANE WITH 489TH) CARRIED ON T/O AND DROPPED, FUSING: 1/10TH SEC DELAY NOSE AND .025 DELAY TAIL WITH 2 LONG DELAY. ALT. 10,500 FT. COURSE 35°.
	RESULTS		PATTERN LAID BEGINNING JUST SOUTHWEST OF THE WEST CHOKE-POINT AND EXTENDING ACROSS TWO MAIN LINES LEADING WEST AND NORTHWEST AND ENDING IN BUILDINGS ON NORTH SIDE OF WEST CHOKE-POINT.
	OPPOSITION		A/A MODERATE, INACCURATE FROM ALL CORNERS OF PERUGIA A/D. NO E A/C.
	CASUALTIES		NIL
	PHOTOS TAKEN		YES, (8C, 8J)
	REMARKS		TWO UNIDENTIFIED PLANES SEEN ON TERNI A/D. NO ACTIVITY AND NO PLANES SEEN ON RIETI A/D. CONVOY OF ABOUT 12 VEHICLES REPORTED AT A 6381 HEADED TOWARD TOWN OF MARSCIANO. 4 LARGE FIRES SEEN JUST NORTH OF M/Y'S BETWEEN C. AND E. ON PHOTO. CONSIDERABLE VEHICULAR TRAFFIC ALTHOUGH NOT CONCENTRATED OR IN LARGE CONVOYS REPORTED ON ROADS ALONG THE ROUTE. THIS IS THE FIRST TIME IN SEVERAL WEEKS THAT ANY ACTIVITY ALONG THE HIGHWAYS HAS BEEN OBSERVED.

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488TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (M) AAF
 340TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M) AAF
 POMPEII LANDING GROUND
 TERZIGNO, ITALY

FIRST MISSION

13 MARCH 1944

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2ND LT. C.K. JOHNSTON

1ST LT. V. MYERS

2ND LT. A.S. SHAFRAN

T/SGT. A.W. HORNE

S/SGT. W.J. NAGLE

SGT. E.L. DE CAMP

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2ND LT. C.R. HAGERMAN

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S/SGT. C.A. WOOD

SGT. M.A. KING

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2ND LT. A.D. HEMSTAD

2ND LT. R.H. PINKARD

T/SGT. J. GALASSO

SGT. K.H. PENNINGTON

SGT. C.J. MASCUILLO

NO. 42-32305 (8J)

1ST LT. G.A. ECHOLS

2ND LT. W.B. REAGAN

S/SGT. F.S. HOWARD

T/SGT. W.J. BRAY

S/SGT. R.L. AUCHTER

SGT. B.C. SCHMUCKER

NO. 42-87445 (8A)

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2ND LT. B.C. DIEKMAN

2ND LT. F.J. MC FADDEN

S/SGT. A.J. ALLEN

S/SGT. R.A. HUNTER

S/SGT. R.H. KERKHAM

NO. 42-30620 (8B)

2ND LT. W.H. GOERTZ

2ND LT. P.R. FERRYMAN

2ND LT. J.C. JONES

SGT. C.H. MC ARTHUR

T/SGT. W.H. HUDGINS

FLEW WITH 489THNO. 42-32496 (8U)

2ND LT. P.L. MC CLURE

2ND LT. H. LEVY

2ND LT. P. KOK

S/SGT. O.O. CHANDLER

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SORTIE REPORT
(Part A)

FIRST MISSION

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 11 MAR 44	Squadron 488TH
Type of Aircraft	Aircraft No. THREE MITCHELLS		Captain
Aircraft Letter			Crew
Time Up 1440			Aerodrome or L.G. POMPETI C/G
Time Down 1640			
Total Time OVER TARGET 1525			
Type of Cloud	Map or Chart ROME		Reference 1:500,000 N.E. 40/10
Amount of Cloud 8/10THS	Base of Cloud 12,000 FT.		
Visibility	General Weather ENROUTE COMPLETE CLOUD COVERAGE		

Task or Duty CHIETI AND MANOPPELLO AREA, ITALY

Time	Height	Place	Narrative
		BOMBING	1,200,000 LEAFLETS CARRIED ON T/O. ALL DROPPED. ALT. 12,500 FT. COURSE 45°.
		RESULTS	LEAFLETS DROPPED AT PINPOINTS B 8020 AND B 9627.
		OPPOSITION	NIL
		CASUALTIES	NIL
		PHOTOS TAKEN	NO
		REMARKS	NO ACTIVITY OF ANY KIND OBSERVED.

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488TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (M) AAF
340TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M) AAF
POMPEII LANDING GROUND
TERZIGNO, ITALY

FIRST MISSION

11 MARCH 1944

NO. 42-32532 (8M)

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2ND LT. P.K. WEATHERLY
2ND LT. E.F. MURRAY
S/SGT. A. VANDERMUELLEN
SGT. L.I.E. FIKAR
SGT. R.J. SHOWALTER

NO. 4T-30392 (8Y)

1ST LT. E.J. SMITH
1ST LT. MA. MITCHAM
2ND LT. C.W. HATHAWAY
2ND LT. J.B. ROSS
T/SGT. A.J. MURPHY
S/SGT. L.A. DANIELS
SGT. T.L. HIGGINS

NO. 42-32496 (8U)

F/O M.T. ROGERS
2ND LT. H. LEVY
1ST LT. E.D. PENN
T/SGT. W.E. MCLAUGHEN
S/SGT. E.L. LUKE
S/SGT. J.E. SMITH

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SORTIE REPORT
(Part A)

COMBAT TIME ONLY

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 11 MAR 44	Squadron 488TH
Type of Aircraft	Aircraft No. SIX MITCHELLS	Aircraft Letter	Captain Crew
Time Up 1031	Time Down 1226	Total Time	Aerodrome or L.G. POMPEII L/G
Type of Cloud	Amount of Cloud	Base of Cloud	Map or Chart FLORENCE Reference 1:500,000 N.E. 42/10
Visibility	General Weather CLEAR		

Task or Duty ORVIETO BR., ITALY

Time	Height	Place	Narrative
		BOMBING	24 X 1000# GP (FUSING: 1/10TH SEC DELAY AND .025 TAIL) CARRIED ON T/O AND BROUGHT BACK.
		RESULTS	NIL
		OPPOSITION	NIL
		CASUALTIES	NIL
		PHOTOS TAKEN	NO
		REMARKS	FORMATION TURNED BACK AT ZANNONE AFTER HAVING FAILED TO CONTACT THE FIGHTER ESCORT. ONE COMPLETE CIRCLE WAS MADE AT THE MOUTH OF THE VOLTURNO DURING WHICH TIME ABOUT 6 P-40'S WERE OBSERVED BELOW. ANOTHER COMPLETE CIRCLE WAS MADE AT ZANNONE ABOUT 5 MILES EAST OF ZANNONE 8 FIGHTERS THOUGHT TO BE A-36'S WERE SEEN AT ABOUT 2,000 FT. HEADED TOWARD COAST.

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 POMPEII LANDING GROUND
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COMBAT TIME ONLY

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SORTIE REPORT
(Part A)

FIRST MISSION

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 10 MAR 44	Squadron 488TH
Type of Aircraft	Captain		
Aircraft No. FIVE MITCHELLS	Crew		
Aircraft Letter			
Time Up 1122			
Time Down 1339			
Total Time OVER TARGET 1245	Aerodrome or L.G. POMPEII L/G		
Type of Cloud	Map or Chart ROME		Reference 1:500,000 N.E. 40/10
Amount of Cloud VERY HAZY ENROUTE			
Base of Cloud			
Visibility			
General Weather CLEAR OVER TARGET			

Task or Duty LITTORIO M/Y, ITALY.

Time	Height	Place	Narrative
	BOMBING		23 X 1000# GP (FUSING: 1/10TH SEC DELAY NOSE AND .025 TAIL)., CARRIED ON T/O. 4 X 1000# JETTISONED AT SEA AND 19 X 1000# GP DROPPED IN TARGET AREA. ALT. 9,500 FT. COURSE 180°.
	RESULTS		BOMBS DROPPED IN MARSHALLING YARDS. EXACT LOCATION UNOBSERVED.
	OPPOSITION		A/A HEAVY, MODERATE AND VERY ACCURATE. NO E A/C.
	CASUALTIES		ONE PLANE HOLED.
	PHOTOS TAKEN		YES, (8R, 8P)
	REMARKS		8N RETURNED EARLY. BOMBS TORE LOOSE AND DROPPED THROUGH BOMB-BAY AT SEA AT THE MOUTH OF THE VOLTURNO. 4 CHUTES WERE OBSERVED AT FORMALTO. PLANE SEEN TO CRASH JUST SOUTHWEST OF STADIUM AT SOUTHERN END OF MARSHALLING YARDS. NOTHING OBSERVED ON A/D NORTHEAST OF TARGET. THREE BURSTS OF A/A AT SHIP 8N JUST SOUTH OF MOUTH OF VOLTURNO COMING FROM DESTROYER. A/A SEEMED TO BE COMING FROM NORTHERN OUTSKIRTS OF ROME.

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 MAJ. R.C. CASSADA
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SORTIE REPORT
(Part A)

FIRST MISSION

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 9 MAR	Squadron 488TH
Type of Aircraft	Aircraft No. SIX MITCHELLS	Aircraft Letter	Captain Crew
Time Up 1209	Time Down 1510	Total Time OVER TARGET 1355	Aerodrome or L.G. POMPEII LANDING GROUND
Type of Cloud CUMULUS	Amount of Cloud 8/10THS	Base of Cloud TO 10,000 FT.	Map or Chart FLORENCE Reference 1:500,000 N.E. 42/10
Visibility	General Weather CLEAR ENROUTE		

Task or Duty SAN STEPHANO, ITALY

Time	Height	Place	Narrative
		BOMBING	24 X 1000# GP (FUSING: 1/10TH SEC DELAY NOSE AND .025 TAIL WITH 2 LONG DELAY) CARRIED ON T/O AND DROPPED. ALT. 11,000 FT. COURSE 175°.
		RESULTS	BOMB PATTERN LAID BEGINNING JUST NORTH OF PRINCIPAL MOLE AND EXTENDING TO SOUTH END OF MAIN HARBOR WITH HITS ON MOLE, IN WATER AND ALONG SHORE LINE.
		OPPOSITION	A/A HEAVY, MODERATE TO INTENSE, ACCURATE AS TO ALTITUDE BUT INACC. AS TO DIRECTION AT E 7227 & E 6728 NO E A/C.
		CASUALTIES	NIL.
		PHOTOS TAKEN	YES, (8J, 8C)
		REMARKS	THREE SEA PLANES UNIDENTIFIED AS TO TYPE OR NUMBER OF ENGINES SEEN AT SEAPLANE BASE AT E 7129. SHORT LANDING STRIP RUNNING FROM EAST TO WEST OBSERVED AT A 1010. ROUTE: BASE TO MOUTH OF VOLTURNO TO ZANONE TO 42°30' N - 10°25' E. TO 42°38' N. - 10°57' E. WITH RIGHT TURN OFF AND BACK TO BASE. NO BOATS OR ACTIVITY OBSERVED IN HARBOR.

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FIRST MISSION

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SORTIE REPORT
(Part A)

SECOND MISSION

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 8 MAR 44	Squadron 488TH
Type of Aircraft	Captain		
Aircraft No. THREE MITCHELLS	Crew		
Aircraft Letter			
Time Up 1445			
Time Down 1545			
Total Time OVER TARGET 1515	Aerodrome or L.G. POMPEII L/G		
Type of Cloud	Map or Chart ROME		Reference 1:500,000
Amount of Cloud 10/10THS			N.E. 40/10
Base of Cloud 10,000 FT.			
Visibility			
General Weather			

Task or Duty CASSINO AREA, ITALY

Time	Height	Place	Narrative
	BOMBING		1,200,000 LEAFLETS CARRIED ON T/O AND DROPPED ON TARGET. COURSE 310°. ALT. 12,500 FT.
	RESULTS		LEAFLETS DROPPED AT PINPOINT G 9132.
	OPPOSITION	NIL	
	CASUALTIES	NIL	
	PHOTOS TAKEN	NO	
	REMARKS		WINDS WERE AT 100° AT ABOUT 10 M.P.H. AT TIME LEAFLETS WERE RELEASED. ROUTE: BASE TO MADDALONI TO VENAFRO TO TARGET AREA RIGHT TURN OFF AND RETURN BY SAME ROUTE TO BASE.

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SECOND MISSION

8 MARCH 1944

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SORTIE REPORT
(Part A)

FIRST MISSION

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 8 MAR 44	Squadron 488TH
Type of Aircraft	Aircraft No. SIX MITCHELLS	Aircraft Letter	Captain Crew
Time Up 1004	Time Down 1222	Total Time OVER TARGET 1122	Aerodrome or L.G. POMPEII L/G
Type of Cloud	Amount of Cloud	Base of Cloud COMPLETE OVERCAST SOUTH TORRITA TIBERINA	Map or Chart FLORENCE Reference 1:500,000 N.E. 42/10
Visibility	General Weather CLEAR OVER TARGET		

Task or Duty ORTE M/Y'S, ITALY

Time	Height	Place	Narrative
	BOMBING		24 X 1000# GP (FUSING: 1/10TH NOSE AND .025 TAIL) CARRIED ON T/O AND DROPPED ON TARGET AREA. ALT. 10,000 FT. COURSE 310°.
	RESULTS		COMPACT PATTERN LAID ACROSS SOUTH CENTRAL PORTION OF MARSHALLING YARD STARTING JUST EAST OF THE EASTERN END OF THE YARD AND EXTENDING ACROSS TRACKS.
	OPPOSITION		A/A HEAVY, SCATTERED (APPROX. 12 BURSTS) OBSERVED IN AREA BOUNDED BY SAN VINCENZO, SORA AND OPI. NO E A/C.
	CASUALTIES	NIL	
	PHOTOS TAKEN	YES (8J, 8R)	
	REMARKS		FREIGHT TRAIN WITH ABOUT 20 CARS STATIONARY, BUT HEADED TOWARD ORTE SEEN AT A 7533 AT 1125 HRS. FREIGHT TRAIN WITH AN UNDETERMINED NUMBER OF CARS HEADED TO- WARD ORTE AT A 7124. APPROX. 6 TRUCKS SEEN ON THE ROAD AT THIS SAME PINPOINT LIKewise HEADING NORTH. SMALL MARSHALLING YARD (5 OR 6 TRACKS) ALSO OBSERVED AT THIS PINPOINT.

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SORTIE REPORT
(Part A)

FIRST MISSION

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 6 MARCH	Squadron 488TH
Type of Aircraft	Aircraft No. THREE MITCHELLS		Captain
Aircraft Letter			Crew
Time Up 1309	Time Down 1452		Aerodrome or L.G. POMPEII L/G
Total Time OVER TARGET 1410			

Type of Cloud	Map or Chart CHIETI
Amount of Cloud 10/10THS	Reference 1:500,000
Base of Cloud BASE UNKNOWN, TOP EST. 18,000 FT.	N.E. 42/14
Visibility	
General Weather	

Task or Duty CHIETI AREA.

Time	Height	Place	Narrative
	BOMBING		1,200,000 LEAFLETS CARRIED ON T/O AND BROUGHT BACK. COURSE NIL. ALT. 12,000 FT.
	RESULTS	NIL	
	OPPOSITION	NIL	
	CASUALTIES	NIL	
	PHOTOS TAKEN	NO	
	REMARKS		AFTER CIRCLING IN THE AREA TRYING TO FIND AN OPENING FORMATION TURNED BACK ABOUT 25 MILES N.E. OF SAN VITO.

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SORTIE REPORT
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FIRST MISSION

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 5 MARCH	Squadron 488TH
Type of Aircraft	Aircraft No. THREE MITCHELLS	Aircraft Letter	Captain Crew
Time Up 1400	Time Down 1540	Total Time OVER TARGET 1500	Aerodrome or L.G. POMPEII L/G
Type of Cloud	Amount of Cloud 10/10THS BASE UNKNOWN. TOP 10 TO 20,000 FT.	Base of Cloud	Map or Chart ROME Reference 1:500,000 N.E. 40/10
Visibility	General Weather		

Task or Duty PONTECORVO AREA (G 5217 AND G 6110), ITALY

Time	Height	Place	Narrative
			BOMBING 1,200,000 PAMPHLETS CARRIED ON T/O. ALT. 14,000 FT. COURSE 45°.
			RESULTS ALL LEAFLETS DROPPED AT APPROX. G 6010.
			OPPOSITION NIL
			CASUALTIES NIL
			PHOTOS TAKEN NONE
			REMARKS NONE.

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FIRST MISSION

5 MARCH 1944

<u>NO. 42-87462 (8N)</u>	<u>NO. 4T-3039Z (8Y)</u>	<u>NO. 4T-30620 (8B)</u>
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SORTIE REPORT
(Part A)

FIRST MISSION

Sheet No.	Oprep. Ref. No.	Date 2/3/44	Squadron 488TH
Type of Aircraft	Aircraft No. 6 MITCHELLS	Aircraft Letter	Captain Crew
Time Up 0932	Time Down 1152	Total Time TIME OVER TARGET 1050	Aerodrome or L.G. POMPEII L/G
Type of Cloud	Amount of Cloud 4/10THS IN VICINITY OF TARGET	Base of Cloud	Map or Chart ROME
Visibility	General Weather CLEAR OVER TARGET SCATTERED CLOUDS		Reference 1:500,000 N.E. 40/10 LITTORIA 1:100,000 SHEET 158 APPROACH SHEET 158 # 4

Task or Duty F 955350, F 960352, F 970347, F 964339, ITALY (BEACH-HEAD)

Time	Height	Place	Narrative
	BOMBING		36 X 250# GP AND 20 X 792 FRAG CLUSTERS (15840 LBS) 1 FRAG CLUSTER SHACKLESTUCK AND BROUGHT BACK. ALL OTHERS DROPPED IN TARGET AREA. ALT. 10,500 FT. COURSE 40°.
	RESULTS		PATTERN LAID ON 40° COURSE BEGINNING ABOUT 1/2 MILE SOUTH OF THE WESTERN POINT OF THE TARGET AREA, AND EXTENDING ACROSS THE R.R. FOR APPROX. 1/2 MILE.
	OPPOSITION		A/A SCATTERED HEAVY AND INACC. ON ROAD FROM VELLETRI TO CISTERNA ALSO A FEW BURSTS FROM THE TOWN OF LITTORIA. NO E A/C.
	CASUALTIES		NIL
	PHOTOS TAKEN		YES. (80)
	REMARKS		ONE B-24 WAS SEEN TO GO INTO A SPIN AND CRASH APPROX. ONE MILESOUTH OF LANUVIO AT LEAST SIX CHUTES WERE SEEN ALL OF WHICH DROPPED INTO THE SEA BETWEEN ANZIO AND S. FELICE. 26 SMALL BARRAGE BALLONS WERE OBSERVED OVER ANZIO HARBOR APPROX. 2,000 FT. HIGH. THE ESCORT FAILED TO PUT IN AN APPEARANCE AT THE MOUTH OF THE VOLTURNO.

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PART B (on reverse) to be completed according to relevant pro-forma in H.Q. R.A.F. M.E. Instruction 34.

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APPENDIX k



Naples and Naples harbor with Mt. Vesuvius
in background



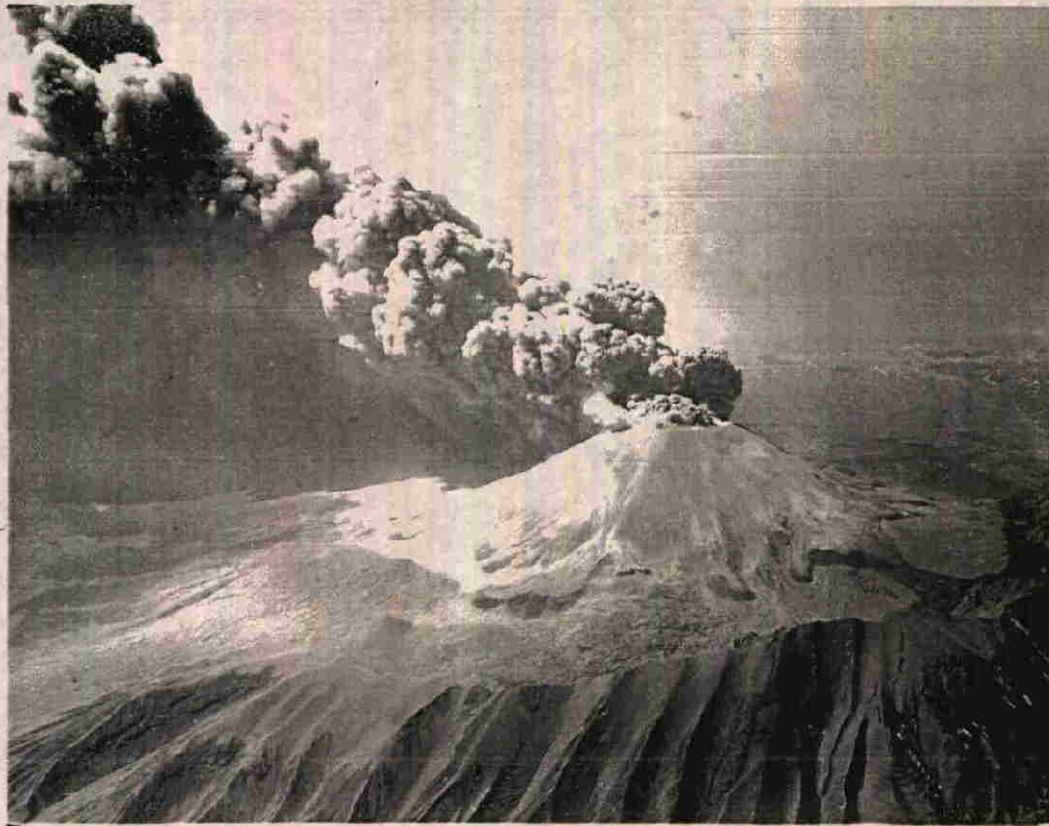
Lava flowing down Mt. Vesuvius



Naples and Naples harbor with Mt. Vesuvius
in background



Hot lava making its own path down Mt.
Vesuvius



Mt. Vesuvius erupts



Retainer walls on side of Mt. Vesuvius