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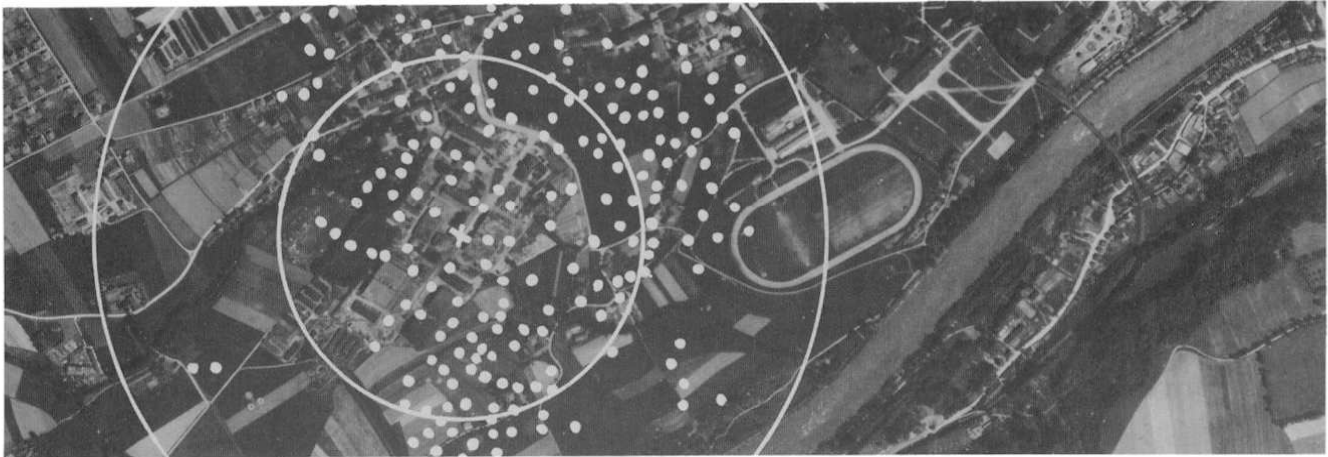
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# Missions Flown By David Ward 484th Bomb Group

## Preface:

*I always felt that the 826 squadron was very fortunate that we did not lose many planes or crew members. Our navigator Carl Voss became ill just after we got to Italy and he was in the hospital at Bari until we had almost finished our fifty missions. He never did fly a combat mission with us. We were assigned a substitute navigator until about the end of June. Then the squadron commander came in the tent one day and asked me if I had studied navigation as a cadet. I told him that I had a quick course on it while waiting for Bombardier School, but didn't consider myself that good. He said he thought I was, so we would get no navigator for the rest of the missions. That is why you will see the notation "no navigator."*

Legend \*Single Mission \*\* Double Mission GP = General purpose bombs. Example, 9-500# GP = five 500 pound general purpose bombs. Hrs.= hours, length of mission. Alt.= Alternate target.



\*4-30-44 Alessandria, Italy marshaling yards. No flak or fighters. 150 direct hits 7.5 hrs. All returned 8-500# GP bombs.

\*\*5-6-44 Pitesti, Rumania marshaling yards. No flak no fighters. 7.5 hrs. All returned, 9-500# GP.

\*\*5-7-44 Bucharest, Rumania marshaling yard. 4 holes, flak intense, heavy inaccurate. No fighters 8 Hrs. All returned 9-500# GP, #2 & 4 engines out.

\*5-12-44 Via Reggio, Italy target cloudy. Hit alternate RR. yards. No flak, no fighters. 6.5 Hrs. All returned 9-500# GP.

\*5-14-44 Padua, Italy hazy - hit wrong target. Hit RR. yards. Flak light, inaccurate. No fighters. 5 Hrs. All returned 10 500# GP. Hit Piavo Desacco by mistake.

\*5-17-44 Porto Farraio, Italy, Elba Island harbor facilities. Sunk Ship. Heavy Flak, accurate. 6 Holes. No fighters. 6 Hrs. 10-500# GP. All returned.

5-19-44 Recco, Italy RR. yards. Very cloudy. Bombs returned. 6 Hrs. All returned 3-2000 GP. No Mission Credit.

\*5-23-44 Subiaco, Italy road block small target. No Flak or fighters. 4.5 Hrs. All returned 10-500# GP.

\*\*5-24-44 Weiner Nuestadt, Austria. Target airfield. Cloudy hit alternate Zagreb, Yugoslavia marshaling yards. Flak intense heavy, accurate. No fighters 7 Hrs. All returned 9-500# GP.

\*5-26-44 Lyons, France marshaling Yards. Very good results huge fires. No Flak or fighters 9 Hrs. All returned 9-500# G.P.

5-27-44 Salon, France airfield. 2-Super chargers out. Aborted mission. No flak or fighters. 9-500# GP returned. No Mission credit.

\*\* 5-30-44 Wels, Austria air craft factory destroyed. Lost Engine and altitude short of the target dropped bombs on railroad anti aircraft train from 15 000 ft. Knocked out