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MISSION REPORT

Covering:

MISSION OF 26 NOVEMBER 1943

1. 301st Bombardment Group (H), AAF.
2. RIMINI M/Y, Italy
3. 12 B-17's dropped 35.5 tons of 500 lb. G.P.; .1 nose and .025 tail fusing, at 1320 hrs. from a mean altitude of 22,500 ft.
4. 16 a/c returned early.
5. 8 e/a encountered, ME 109's and FW 190's.
6. No claims.
7. No a/c losses.
8. Slight, heavy, and inaccurate flak was encountered over the target. Slight, heavy, inaccurate flak encountered at TARQUINIA A/D, Italy.
9. Crews report bombing to be inaccurate. Six a/c dropped bombs in the residential section Southeast of the target. Areas C,P/6,7,8 on Target Chart No. 4-113-NA. The remaining six a/c dropped on car shops at L,M/4,5. One large explosion was noted from target area four (4) minutes after bombing.
10. 4 a/c attempted photos; none were successful.
11. Observations:  
1 large M/V in Civitavecchia Harbor, 1430A hrs., 20,000 ft.  
20 multi-engined a/c and 10 S/E A/C VITERBO A/D at 1420 A hrs., from 20,000 ft.

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