

Liberator bombers of the 9th United States Air Force "bomb up" for a raid on Taranto. The air offensive against Italy (not to mention Germany) has reached such enormous proportions, that to focus our attention on one raid is like concentrating in a single train in a Bradshaw Railway Guide.

Taranto is where that other "Italian Heel", Mussolini, has big Naval Dock installations. It's the inviting target for Squadrons of Allied aircraft of the North West African Air Force.

The Italian feet is suffering badly from fallen arches. We're over the coastline now, at sub-stratosphere height with a bomb-aimer's view of the target receiving a fat stick of those bombs you saw a moment ago. Thousands of feet below, the bomb bursts show up clearly. Puffs of black smoke spreading like the ink cloud ejected by a frightened squid as fuel dumps are hit and explode. The waves of Allied aircraft are pounding heavily on the shores of Italy.

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