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Report # 98

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AIRCRAFT ACTION REPORT

RESTRICTED
(Reclassify when
filled out)

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VI. LOSS OR DAMAGE, COMBAT OR OPERATIONAL, OF OWN AIRCRAFT (of those listed in II only).

(a) TYPE OWN A/C	(b) SQUADRON	(c) CAUSE: TYPE ENEMY A/C, TYPE GUN, OR OPERATIONAL CAUSE	(d) WHERE HIT, ANGLE (List armor, self-sealing tanks, equipment hit)	(e) EXTENT OF LOSS OR DAMAGE, (Give Bureau serial number of planes destroyed)
1 None				
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VII. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES (in aircraft listed in II only; identify with planes listed in VI by Nos. at left).

(a) NO.	(b) SQUADRON	(c) NAME, RANK OR RATING	(d) CAUSE	(e) CONDITION OR STATUS
	None			

VIII. RANGE, FUEL, AND AMMUNITION DATA FOR PLANES RETURNING

(a) TYPE A/C	(b) MILES OUT	(c) MILES RETURN	(d) AV. HOURS IN AIR	(e) AV. FUEL LOADED	(f) AV. FUEL CONSUMED	(g) TOTAL AMMUNITION EXPENDED				(h) NO. OF PLANES RETURNING
						.30	50	20MM	MM	
PN-1	275	168	3hrs.11'	974	481	I	I	I	I	26

IX. ENEMY ANTI-AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERED (Check one block on each line).

CALIBER	NONE	MEAGER	MODERATE	INTENSE
HEAVY — Time-fused shells, 75mm and over	X			
MEDIUM — Impact-fused shells, 20mm-50mm	X			
LIGHT — Machine gun bullets, 6.5mm-13.2mm	X			

X. COMPARATIVE PERFORMANCE, OWN AND ENEMY AIRCRAFT (use check list at left).

SPEED, CLIMB,
at various altitudes

URNS
DIVES
CEILINGS
RANGE
PROTECTION
ARMAMENT

No enemy aircraft encountered.

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(OMIT THIS SHEET IF NO ATTACK WAS MADE)

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XI. ATTACK ON ENEMY SHIPS OR GROUND OBJECTIVES (By Own Aircraft Listed in II Only)

P: Yunakana #9B.
S: Malaguna N.B. S2: Panapai A/A, N.B. Time Over Target(s) **P: 1057L S1: 1023L S2: 1111L** (Zone)
(FOR SHIPS INCLUDE ALL IN AREA UNDER ATTACK)
P: 5 - 7/10 cu. at 2000', tops to 6000'
 (c) Clouds Over Target **S1: 2 - 6/10 cu. at 2000', tops to 6000' S2: 3/10 cu. at 2000', tops to 6000'.**
(BASE IN FEET TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)
 (d) Visibility of Target **P: Partially obscured. S1: clear, S2: clear.** (e) Visibility **P: 7, S1 & S2: 10.**
(CLEAR, HAZY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY CLOUDS, ETC.) (MILES)
 (f) Bombing Tactics: Type **level** Bomb Sight Used **Mk. 15, Mod. 7.**
(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE)
 Bombs Dropped per Run **All** Spacing **20'-75'** Altitude of Bomb Release **P: 12,900' S1: 12,400' S2: 10,500'**
(NUMBER) (FEET)
 (g) Number of Enemy Aircraft Hit on Ground: Destroyed **None** Probably Destroyed **None** Damaged **None**

P: Primary target. S1: Malaguna Float Plane Base. S2: Panapai A/A Positions.

(h) AIMING POINT	(i) DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE	(j) NO A/C ATTACKING (k) SQUADRON	(l) BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED, EACH AIMING POINT	(m) NO HITS ON Aiming Point	(n) DAMAGE (None, slight, serious, destroyed, or killed)
1 Yunakana #9B, N.B.	Approx. 2100x900'	9 VMB 413	54 x 500 GP		
2 Malaguna Float Plane Base, N.B.	Approx. 200x400'	8 VMB 433	48 x 500 GP		See "e"
3 Panapai A/A Guns N.W. end of A/S.	Approx. 400x400'	9 VMB 443	54 x 500 GP		
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(o) RESULTS: (For all hits claimed on ship targets and for land targets of special interest, draw diagram, top or side view or both, as appropriate, showing type and location of hits. For all targets give location and effect of hits, and identify by numbers above. Use additional sheets if necessary.)

- 1.- 5 x 500 GPs hit in water.
 9 x 500 GPs hit in target.
 28 x 500 GPs hit 100 yards long of target.
 12 x 500 GPs hit 100 yards short of target.
- 2.- 24 x 500 GPs fell along the western edge of the target doing probable damage to three small buildings partially hidden by the trees in the vicinity of the hide.
 12 x 500 GPs fell in southern half of the target doing probable damage to two buildings and hitting the upper end of the plane ramp. A small 50' jetty was also destroyed.
 12 x 500 GPs fell just south of the target doing probable damage to two small buildings.
- 3.- 6 x 500 GPs fell 100 feet off shore near Panapai Airstrip.
 48 x 500 GPs fell on western end of strip covering an area approximately 200' x 200'.

Photographs attached:

(3) (VMB 433) (122) (0) (20') (12,400') (1023L) (3 May, 1945) (Malguna, N.B.)

(p) Were Photographs Taken? **Yes** Photographs of Damage, When Taken, Should Be Attached By Staple



(VMB433)(122)(0)(20)(12400)(1023L)(3MAY45)(MALGUNA, N.B.)

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