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EXTENT OF LOSS OR DAMAGE,

(Give Bureau serial number of planes destroyed) WHERE HIT, ANGLE (List armor, self-sealing tanks, equipment hit) CAUSE: TYPE ENEMY A/C,
TYPE GUN, OR OPERATIONAL CAUSE (b) (a) TYPE OWN A/C SQUADRON MONE 13 VII. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES (in aircraft listed in II only; identify with planes listed in VI by Nos. at left). (d) (c) (b) (a) CONDITION OR STATUS CAUSE NAME, RANK OR RATING SQUADRON NO EEOE VIII. RANGE, FUEL, AND AMMUNITION DATA FOR PLANES RETURNING (h)
NO. OF PLANES
RETURNING (g) TOTAL AMMUNITION EXPENDED AV. HOURS IN AIR (e) AV. FUEL LOADED AV. FUEL CONSUMED (c) MILES RETURN (b) MILES OUT TYPE A/C MM 20MM 300 974 175 90 PBJ-1D IX. ENEMY ANTI-AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERED (Check one block on each line). INTENSE MODERATE MEAGER NONE CALIBER HEAVY — Time-fused shells, 75mm and over MEDIUM — Impact-fused shells, 20mm-50mm LIGHT — Machine gun bullets, 6.5mm-13.2mm X. COMPARATIVE PERFORMANCE, OWN AND ENEMY AIRCRAFT (use check list at left).

NOME ENCOUNTERED.

TURNS
DIVES
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RANGE
PROTECTION
ARMAMENT

SPEED, CLIMB,

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) Clouds Over Target_	3-5 INETES C	IMULUS AT 1500	TOPS TO 6000 . TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)		
) Visibility of Target_	CLEAR, HA	ZY. PARTIALLY OBSCURED B	Y CLOUDS. ETC.)	Visibility	INLIMITED.
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SEE NARRATIVE.

⁽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).

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XII. TACTICAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA. (Narrative and comment. Describe action fully and comment freely, agreement with enemy) following applicable items in check list at left. Use additional sheets if necessary.)

ENGAGEMENT WITH ENEMY OWN AIRCRAFT

Altitudes
Speeds
Approach Tactics
Use of Cover, Deception
Angles of Attack and
Their Effectiveness
Distance of Opening Fire
Defense Tactics and
Their Effectiveness

ENEMY AIRCRAFT

Method of Locating, Distance
Disposition
Altitudes
Speeds
Approach Tactics
Use of Cover, Deception
Angles of Attack
Distance of Opening Fire
Defensive Tactics

COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Own Weaknesses
Enemy Weaknesses
Offensive Tactics, Own
"", Enemy
Defensive Tactics, Own

Flexible Gunnery, Own
Escort Tactics
Fighter Direction
Use of Radar
Night Fighting
Recognition, Aircraft

ATTACK OWN TACTICS

Method of Locating Target
Approach to Target
Altitudes, Speeds
Approach
Dive
Pull-Out
Dive Angle
Strafing
Retirement
Defensive Tactics

DEFENSE, ENEMY

Use of Jamming

Evasive Tactics, Ships Concealment Searchlights Night Fighter Tactics Use of Jamming

COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Bombing Tactics
Torpedo Tactics
Effectiveness of
Bombs, Torpedoes
Selection of Targets
Fuzing
Strafing Tactics
Defensive Tactics
Use of Radar
Reconnaissance
Photography

OPERATIONAL

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Navigation
Homing
Rendezvous
Recognition, Ships
Communications
Flight Operations
Search and Tracking
Base Operations
Maintenance

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	279321	Anderson	2)444	1553	1634
	250321	Mueller	2444	1553	1634
	281321	Wetzel	1445	1553	1635
	262B21	Braseal	1445	1554	1635
	283321	Lord	1446	1554	1636
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Major Anderson took a turn at leading the bridge busters, but weather again prevented destruction of this link in the Japs New Ireland coast a highway.

Faking off at 1444, the squadron he ded for Libba. Bridge, 123 miles brom base on the northeast coast of New Ireland. Flying in javelin down formation, on a bearing of 120 deg. mag., the planes reached the target area on schedule but found the bridge completely hidden by clouds.

After an 180 deg. turn from the target, a flight along the coast of New Ireland to Fangelawa, across New Ireland to Djaul Island, the flight orbited for a run Roland Young Plantation. This area is well populated with Japanese and makes a good secondary.

The bending rum headed 045 deg. mag., at an altitude of 10,000 and 160 knots i.a.s. The one ton bombs left the planes at 1553 withe the following results:

6 X 2000# GP'S hit 170 yds southwest of aiming point, and exploded in wooded area with unobserved results.

After a routine flight back to base, the planes landed

at 1634.

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