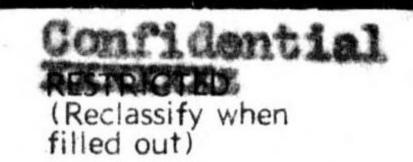


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III. O	THER U. S.	OR ALLIED	AIRCRAFT	EMPLOYED	IN THIS O	PERATION.	None			
TYPE	SQUADRON	NUMBER		BASE	TYI	PE SQUADRO	ON NUMBER		BASE	
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TYPE ENEMY A/C		SQUADRON		OR GUNNER	GI	JNS USED	WHERE	(c) HIT, ANGLE	DAMAG CLAIME	
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VI. LOSS OR DAMAGE, COMBAT OR OPERATIONAL, OF OWN AIRCRAFT (of those listed in II only). None

TYPE OWN A/C	(b) SQUADRON	CAUSE: TYPE ENEMY A/C, TYPE GUN, OR OPERATIONAL CAUSE	WHERE HIT, ANGLE (List armor, self-sealing tanks, equipment hit)	(e) EXTENT OF LOSS OR DAMAGE, (Give Bureau serial number of planes destroyed)
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(a) NO.	(b) SQUADRON	NAME, RANK OR RATING	(d) CAUSE	(e) CONDITION OR STATUS
			st.	

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

MILES	(b) (c) ILES MILES	AV. HOURS	(e) AV FUEL	AV. FUEL	(g) TOTAL AMMUNITION EXPENDED			(h)	
OUT	RETURN	IN AIR	LOADED	CONSUMED	.30	.50	20MM	MM	NO. OF PLANES RETURNING
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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			49

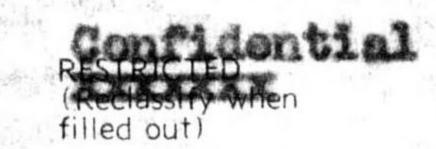
X. COMPARATIVE PERFORMANCE, OWN AND ENEMY AIRCRAFT (use check list at left).

SPEED, CLIMB,
at various altitudes

TURNS
DIVES
CEILINGS
RANGE

PROTECTION

ARMAMENT



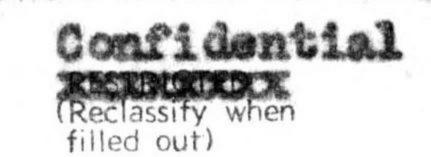


(OMIT THIS SHEET IF NO ATTACK WAS MADE)



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XII. TACTICAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA. (Narrative and comment. Describe action fully and comment freely,

### ENGAGEMENT WITH ENEMY OWN AIRCRAFT

Disposition
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 Altifudes 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
", Enemy
Flexible Gunnery, Own
Escort Tactics
Fighter Direction
Use of Radar
Night Fighting
Recognition, Aircraft

## ATTACK

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
Briefing

#### OPERATIONAL

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

On 17 February 1945 at 1230 (K) Lt. Thomas S. Sedaker and the other pilots of his FM-2 division consisting of Lt.(jg) Weston L. Scott, Lt.(jg) Robert E. Hocks and Ensign John R. Stroppel took off from USS MAKIN ISLAND (CVE-95). Their mission was target combat air patrol over Two Jima. Upon the conclusion of their time on station they were instructed to strafe AA, troop and gun positions in an area about 200 yards northeast of Airfield No. 3. The area which was 400 x 200 yards was thoroughly strafed in the course of several runs which pulled out at about 500 feet following dives of around 50 degrees. Medium, intense and inaccurate AA was encountered. Neither the actual emplacements nor results of the strafing could be observed although all strafing went into the target area. The flight returned aboard at 1545 (K).

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XIII. MATERIAL DATA. (Comment freely on performance or suitability, following check list at left. Use additional sheets if necessary).

Equipment performed normally.

#### ARMAMENT

Guns, Gunsights Turrets Ammunition Bombs, Torpedoes Bomb Sights Bomb Releases

## COMMUNICATIONS

Radio, Radar Homing Devices Visual Signals Codes, Ciphers

#### RECOGNITION

IFF Signals Battle Lights Procedures

### PROTECTION

Armor; Points and Angles of Fire Needing Further Protection Leak Proofing

## EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT

Parachutes Life Belts, Life Rafts Safety Belts Emergency Kits Rations, First Aid

### NAVIGATIONAL EQUIPMENT

Compasses Driftsights Octants Automatic Pilots Charts Field Lighting

### INSTRUMENTS

Flight Power Plant

#### OXYGEN SYSTEM

CAMOUFLAGE AND DECEPTION DEVICES

### STRUCTURE

Airframe Control Surfaces Control System Dive Flaps Landing Gear Heating System Flight Characteristics At Various Loadings

### POWER PLANT

Engines Engine Accessories Propellers Lubricating System Starters Exhaust Dampers

## HYDRAULIC SYSTEM

#### ELECTRICAL SYSTEM Auxiliary Plant

Lights

## FUEL SYSTEM

FLIGHT CLOTHING

## MAINTENANCE

## BASE FACILITIES

Plane Servicing Equipment Personnel Facilities

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