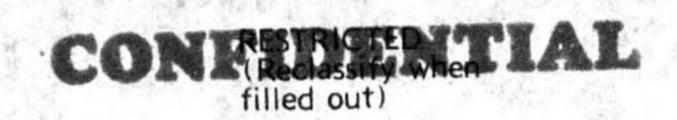


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IX. ENEMY ANTI-AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERED (Check one block on each line).

CALIBER	NONE	MEAGER	MODERATE	INTENSE
HEAVY — Time-fused shells, 75mm and over	X			
MEDIUM — Impact-fused shells, 20mm-50mm	The state of the s			
LIGHT — Machine oun bullets, 6.5mm-13.2mm				

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

SPEED, CLIMB, at various altitudes TURNS DIVES

CEILINGS
RANGE
PROTECTION
ARMAMENT

RESTRICTED (Reclassify when filled out)

(OMIT THIS SHEET IF NO ATTACK WAS MADE)

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<ul> <li>Target(s) and Location</li> <li>Clouds Over Target</li> </ul>		PS INCLUDE ALL IN AREA U	JNDER ATTACK) (b) Time Ove	er Target(s)	Zor
d) Visibility of Target	Tazy	A CONTRACT OF THE PARTY OF THE	TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)  (e)	Visibility	(MILES)
f) Bombing Tactics: Type		(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE)	Bomb Sight Us	sed	(TYPE)
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g) Number of Enemy Airc	craft Hit on Gro	ound: Destroyed	Probably Destroyed_		_ Damaged
(h) AIMING POINT	DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE	(i) NO. A/C ATTACKING (k) SQUADRON	BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED, EACH AIMING POINT	NO HITS On Aiming Point	DAMAGE (None, slight serious, destroyed or sunt
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<sup>(</sup>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, following applicable items in check list at left. Use additional sheets if necessary.)

# 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 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
" , 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
Use of Jamming

### DEFENSE, ENEMY

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

At 1130 (I) on 23 March, 1945, four TEH-3s took off from parent ship USS LUMBA POINT (CVE-94) to strike assigned targets on Okinawa. Shima. The flight was led by Lieutenant Commander Fred C. HERRIMAN, USH, Commanding Officer of VO-85, who acted as Air Coordinator.

After reporting on station the flight was instructed to attack supply buildings east of Youtan Airfield. The Air Coordinator circled the area but could not positively observe the target as the ceiling had closed in to 1400 feet. He dropped 5 bombs on what he believed to be the assigned area as a guide to the other pilots. However, the ceiling centimed to lower and the attack was called off.

Air Coordinator spotted a group of supply buildings near the town of Eurama. He reported to CASCU that there were 3 or 10 large rectangular buildings in the area, and requested permission to attack. This request was granted.

The bombers made 6 or 8 glide bombing runs, and expended all bombs and rockets. Two rockets failed to hit the target area. The buildings were also strafed in high speed glides. Humarous direct hits were made and 6 buildings were destroyed. No anti-aircraft fire was observed and all aircraft returned safely to base.

The trouble was discovered and remedied in the air.

One starboard wing gun failed to fire,\*

One This pilot reported a loose radio antenna commection.

One THE-3 had a faulty radio and transmissions were below

\*Due to weak belt feed pawl spring which was replaced.

Trouble due to a loose connection in the junction box.

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

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

SIGNATURE

## BASE FACILITIES

Plane Servicing Equipment Personnel Facilities

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U.S.S. LUMBA POINT (CVE-94).