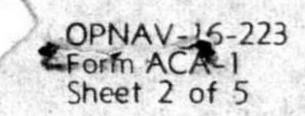
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TYPE	(a) OWN A/C	(b) SQUADRON	CAUSE: TYPE ENEMY A/C, TYPE GUN, OR OPERATIONAL CAUSE	AL, OF OWN AIRCRAFT (of the WHERE HIT, ANGLE (List armor, self-sealing tanks, equipment hit)	EXTENT OF LOSS OR DAMAGE, (Give Bureau serial number of planes destroyed
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a)	(b)		(c)	in II only; identify with planes lis	ted in VI by Nos. at left). (e) CONDITION OR STATUS
			CASUALTIES (in aircraft listed (c) IAME, RANK OR RATING	(d)	(e)
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VIII. RANGE, FUEL, AND AMMUNITION DATA FOR PLANES RETURNING

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	4 9) TOTAL AMM	UNITION EXPEN	NDED	NO OF PLANES
TYPE A/C	MILES	MILES	AV. HOURS	AV. FUEL LOADED	AV. FUEL CONSUMED	.30	.50	20MM	MM	NO. OF PLANES RETURNING
M-2	45	37	3.2	175	115		1085	,		4

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

CALIBER	NONE	MEAGER	MODERATE	INTENSE
HEAVY — Time-fused shells, 75mm and over		I		
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).

SPEED, CLIMB,
at various altitudes
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TURNS
DIVES
CEILINGS
RANGE
PROTECTION
ARMAMENT
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		COMIT THIS SHEET IF	NO ATTACK WAS MADE)		
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XI. ATTACK ON	ENEMY SHIPS OF	GROUND OBJECT	IVES (By Own Aircraft Liste	ed in II Only)	· And Andrews Andrews Andrews
a) Target(s) and Locat	ion(s) Planes o (FOR SHI	n Airfield No. PS INCLUDE ALL IN AREA U	2. I to I sland b) Time C	ver Target(s)	1045(X) (Zone)
c) Clouds Over Target_	Shifti	ne 1000 BASE IN FEET.	TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)	varied f	rom 1/10ths to 9/
d) Visibility of Target_	(CLEAR, HA	ZY. PARTIALLY OBSCURED	BY CLOUDS, ETC.)	Visibility	7-8 (MILES)
F) Bombing Tactics: Ty	pe	(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE)	Bomb Sight	Used	(TYPE)
Bombs Dropped per R	Run(NUMBE	Spacing	(FEET) Altitud	e of Bomb Rel	ease (FEET)
) Number of Enemy A	ircraft Hit on Gro	ound: Destroyed	Probably Destroyed	Hone	_ Damaged
(h) AIMING POINT	DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE	(i) NO. A/C ATTACKING (k) SQUADRON	BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED, EACH AIMING POINT	(m) NO HITS On Aiming Point	DAMAGE (None, slight, serious, destroyed or sunk)
One T/B aircraft	Francis or Irving	VG-83	Strafe 1085 rds.	Many	Destroyed
		+			

pilots claimed to have hit it many times. One pilot, Lt. (jg) P. L. PAGE, saw the plane burning after the attack.

Sun camera only (p) Were Photographs Taken?_____Photographs of Damage, WhenTaken, Should Be Attached By Staple.

⁽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

OWN TACTICS

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

This action occurred on 12-3 day of the battle of Iwo Jima. The primary mission of the four aircraft involved was to furnish CAP over the island during pre-D day attack by aircraft and naval gunfire.

The weather was very bad, both in the area where the carriers were operating and overthe target island. Visibility was almost sere and the evercast was practically solid. During CAP the planes did not fly under 2000 feet and most of the time the island was completely obscured by the overcast and could not be seen.

After completing the CAP mission and being relieved at 1030 the flight leader, Lt. H. C. COOK, USMR, was instructed by Carrier Aircraft Support Control Unit to strafe enemy aircraft on Airfield No. 2 on Iwo Jima. Letting down through a break in the overcast Lt. COOK observed two single engine aircraft and one twin engine aircraft on the field. All three aircraft appeared to be operational. All four pilots concentrated their fire on the twin engine aircraft and made two strafing runs. The aircraft, which appeared to be elther a Francis or an Irving, was hit many times by each of the attacking planes and set on fire.

Lieuts(jg) J.K. McDONALD. The other pilots in the flight were: R. R. TRUESDALE, and P. L. PAGE, all USNR.

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

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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