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VI. LOSS  (a)  YPE 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)	(Give Bureau serial number of planes destroyed
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TYPE A/C	MILES	RETURN	AV. HOURS IN AIR	AV. FUEL LOADED	AV. FUEL. CONSUMED	.30	.50 20MM MM RETU	RETURNING		
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IX. ENEMY ANTI-AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERED (Check one block on each line).

CALIBER

NONE

MEAGER

MODERATE

INTENSE

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).

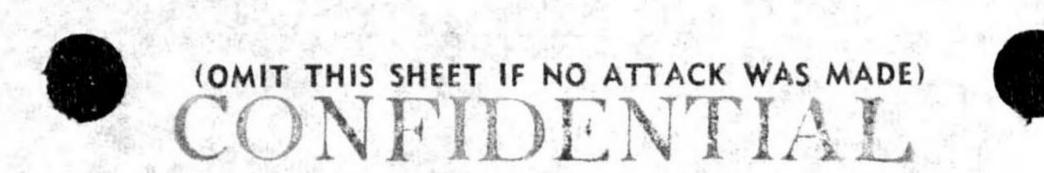
SPEED, CLIMB, at various altitudes

No enemy A/C observed.

TURNS
DIVES
CEILINGS
RANGE
PROTECTION
ARMAMENT

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XI. ATTACK ON ENEMY SHIPS OR GROUND	OBJECTIVES (By Own Aircraft Listed in II Only	()
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a) larget(s) and Location	(FOR SHI	PS INCLUDE ALL IN AREA	UNDER ATTACK)	er rarget (s)	· (ZONE
c) Clouds Over Target	2400 - cum	1118 - 4/10 (BASE IN FEET.	TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)		3
d) Visibility of Target	(CLEAR, HA	ZY. PARTIALLY OBSCURED	BY CLOUDS. ETC.)	Visibility_1	2 miles)
f) Bombing Tactics: Type	Strafing .	LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE)	Bomb Sight Us	sed Mr 8	(TYPE)
Bombs Dropped per Ru	n(NUMBE	Spacing	(FEET) Altitude	of Bomb Rel	ease (FEET)
g) Number of Enemy Air	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	(m) NO HITS On Aiming Point	DAMAGE (None, slight, serious, destroyed or sunk)
l Along side-road running thru area		4 - 1711-2 VC-77	850 rds 50 cal.	all in area	Hone observed
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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.)

Upon completion of its combat air patrol, VC?7's fourth division was assigned a target for a strafing mission. Lieutenant(jg)

John MAYMEW, U.S.N.R., was flight leader for the combined flight
composed of three divisions, one each from VC-77, VC-84, and VC-85.

When GEORGIA 3 assigned target area 185 L. G. & B. he did not advise whether enemy personnel or AA postions were in the area. Nevertheless two runs were made alongside the road running through the area, one run from South to North, and the other from SW to NE, and parallel to the beach. The runs were started at 4500' above the clouds, and pull out was completed at 800' to 900'.

No tangible results could be observed, but tracer fire was seen to be landing just to the side of the road, where personnel would very likely be congregated. Our advancing troops were nearby, so the siming point had tobe selected with care.

### 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

### 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

# 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
Briefing

#### OPERATIONAL

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

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One of Lieutenant MAYHEW's magnetos cut out, and a gum jammed

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

after about 75 rounds were fired.

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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RANK AND DUTY

Acting Commanding Officer RANK AND DUTY

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