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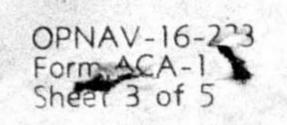
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IX. ENEMY ANTI-AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERED (CH	NONE	MEAGER	MODERATE	INTENSE
HEAVY — Time-fused shells, 75mm and over	44	7.7		
MEDIUM — Impact-fused shells, 20mm-50mm				
IGHT — Machine gun bullets, 6.5mm-13.2mm				

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

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SPEED, CLIMB,
at various altitudes
TUDNIC
TURNS
DIVES
CEILINGS.
RANGE
PROTECTION
ARMAMENT

No enemy A/C engaged.



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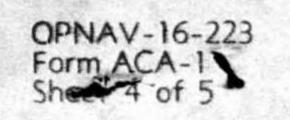
XI. ATTACK ON ENEMY SHIPS OR GROUND OBJECTIVES (By Own Aircraft Listed in II Only).

) Target(s) and Location) Clouds Over Target) Visibility of Target	100 - strat	CO CUMULUS - 0/	ONDER ATTACK)	ver Target(s) Visibility	
Bombing Tactics: Type Bombs Dropped per Rur	Rockets w	(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE) Spacing	Bomb Sight	Jsed	(TYPE) ease(FEET)
g) Number of Enemy Airc	craft Hit on Gro	ound: Destroyed	Probably Destroyed	(m)	Damaged
(h) AIMING POINT	DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE	(i) NO A/C ATTACKING (k) SQUADRON	BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED, EACH AIMING POINT	NO. HITS On	DAMAGE (None, slight, serious, destroyed or sunk)
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Pour rookets were fired per rum, in a 45° glide, and with slant rengetof about 2000' on the first pair and as close as 800' for the second pair in one instance.

(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
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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
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 0930(K), 8 March, 1945, a four planes of division led by Lieutenant J. L. RICE, U.S.B.R., and a four plane fighter division led by Lieutenant (jg) John MAYESW, U.S.B.R., was catapulted from CVS-81. They joined with a similar group from VC-88, and under the leadership of Lieutenant RICE, processed to INO JIMA for a direct support mission.

Previous support missions over the Island during the morning had not been very successful rimarily because of a heavy overcast running from 1800' to 3500'. However, since Lieutomant RICE had made many observer pilot hops over the Island he was very familiar with the targets, and at the completion of the mission DARDY advised that it was the "best operation of the day".

At about 1045(%) the group was advised to been multiple mortar positions in 185 % & L which could not be reached by artiliery fire. Several dusmy runs were made to pin point the target, and at 11045(%) the first bombing run was made, with the V7 going into the target first, and with the V7 following to drop their napalm bombs. To ease the congestion, the planes from VC-88 orbited until VC-77 had completed their four runs from NW to SE. As a result excellent results were obtained in spite of the cloud cover. The planes dove through the clouds from 2500', getting on the target after coming into the clear. Direct hits were scored by all rockets and bombs, and the position was completely knocked out. Two napalm bombs landed on the target and one was 100 yards over the center of the position.

All equipment functioned normally.

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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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