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(a) Unit Re (d) Take of				Based on or					c) Report No Long	
				ami Gunto		0 D 7	(f) Time o	f Return 0847	(Zone)
II. OV	VN AIKCKA	AFI OFFICI	NUMBER	ERED BY T	HIS KEP	UKI.		·	T	
TYPE (a)	SQUADRON (b)	TAKING OFF	ENGAGING ENEMY A/C (d)	ATTACKING TARGET (e)		Control of the Contro	(PER PLANE)		FUZE, SE	
TBM-3	VT-49	8	0	8	12-10	of G.P.			.025 Sec.de	elay-tail
. 111. 0	THER U. S.	OR ALLIED	AIRCRAF	T EMPLOYE	D IN TH	IIS OPERA	ATION.			
TYPE	SQUADRON	NUMBER		BASE		TYPE	SQUADRON	NUMBER	BA	SE
F6F-5	VF-49 VF-30	7 8		SAN JACIN BELLEAU V	11	TBM-3	VT-30	8	U.S.S. BE	LIEAU WOOD
IV FI	NEMY AIRC	RAFT OBS	FRVFD OR	ENGAGED (By Own	Aircraft L	isted in 11	Only).	1	
(a) TYPE	(b) NO. OBSERVED	NO. ENGAGING OWN A/C	G (d)	LOCA	(e) ATION OF COUNTER		BOMBS, TORPE GUNS O	•)	D; CAMO	(g) UFLAGE AND MARKING
SAS										
damaged	3	***	0700 (Z	ONE) On tas	dways	for dec	oys/			
			(7)	ONE)						
			(2)	ONE)						
			(Z	ONE)			•			
(i) Encour	ent Enemy A ny Part of nter(s) Occu of Day and Br or Moon —	ur in Clouds rilliance		IGHT MOON; DA			(BASE IN	FEET, TYPE(k) Vis	AND TENTHS OF CO	VER)
V. EN	NEMY AIRC	RAFT DEST	ROYED OR	DAMAGED	IN AIR	(By Own	Aircraft Lis	ted in 11 (Only).	
(a) TYPE		OYED OR DAMA				_			(c)	(d) DAMAGE
ENEMY A/C	TYPE A/C	SQUADRON	PII	OT OR GUNNER		GUNS I	JSED	WHER	E HIT, ANGLE	CLAIMED
None obse	gred.			*						
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VI. LOS	S OR DAM	AGE, COMBAT OR OPERATION	AL, OF OWN AIRCRAFT (of thos	e listed in 11 only).			
(a) TYPE OWN A/C	(b) SQUADRON	CAUSE: TYPE ENEMY A/C, TYPE GUN, OR OPERATIONAL CAUSE	(d) WHERE HIT, ANGLE (List armor, self-sealing tanks, equipment hit)	(e) EXTENT OF LOSS OR DAMAGE, (Give Bureau serial number of planes destroyed)			
1TEM-3	VT-49	Bomb fragments from own	Engine cowling and lead	No effective damage done.			
2		flight's bursting	ing edge of starboard				
3		bombs	elevator slightly				
4			dama ged.				
5							
6 TM-3	VT-4.9	Operational	Prop govenor froze at	was able to come aboard			
7			2000 R.P.M.	on first pass. No casuaty			
8							
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12							
13							
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VII. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES (in aircraft listed in II only; identify with planes listed in VI by Nos. at left).

(a) NO.	(b) SQUADRON °	NAME, RANK OR RATING	(d) CAUSE	(e) CONDITION OR STATUS
	No			
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VIII. RANGE, FUEL, AND AMMUNITION DATA FOR PLANES RETURNING

(a) TYPE	(b) MILES	(c) MILES	AV. HOURS	(e) AV. FUEL	AV. FUEL	(g) TOTAL AMMUNITION EXPENDED			NO. OF PLANES	
A/C	OUT	RETURN	IN AIR	LOADED	CONSUMED	.30	.50	20MM	MM	RETURNING
TEM-3	75	75	3.2	301	202	50	1100	ends)	destrine	8
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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	Y			
LIGHT — Machine gun bullets, 6.5mm-13.2mm		X		

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

SPEED, CLIMB, at various altitudes

TURNS
DIVES
CEILINGS
RANGE
PROTECTION

ARMAMENT

None encountered.



(OMIT THIS SHEET IF NO ATTACK WAS MADE)



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20					IVES (By Own Aircraft Liste	d in 11 Only)	•
(a) Target(s) and Location	n(s)	(FOR SH	Airfield, Aman	UNDER ATTACK) (b) Time O	ver Target(s)	0700(-9) (Zone)
(c) Clouds Over Target	hvercas	et Str	atoscumulus at .	4,500 feet; 10/10 TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)		
	1) Visibility of Target	(CLEAR, HA	ZY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED	BY CLOUDS, ETC.)	Visibility	12 (MILES)
(f) Bombing Tactics: Typ	e Glid	ie I1	(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE)	D - 1 C: 1 1		
	Bombs Dropped per Ru			Spacing	75 to 150 Altitude	e of Bomb Rel	ease 700-1500 (FEET)
(g) Number of Enemy Air	rcraft H	it on Gr	ound: Destroyed	Probably Destroyed	None	_ Damaged None
	No operat	ional	aircr	aft observed.			
	(h) AIMING POINT	DIMENS	(i) SIONS OR INAGE	(j) NO A/C ATTACKING (k) SQUADRON	BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED, EACH AIMING POINT	(m) NO. HITS On Aiming Point	
1	Inboard taxi stri	THE STATE OF THE S	ft X	4	32-100# G.P.	All in	98 - 3 A -
2	& revetments. New outboard	2000	et X	VT-49		All in	Moderate
	strip.	1500	ft	VT-49	40-100# G.P.	8708.	Moderate
3	field-2500 ft	50	It X	77.49	.50 cal. fixed	lon't	Slight
4	from N. end.						
5							
6							
7							
8							

⁽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

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

After three days of combat inactivity this squadron was assigned to a strike aimed at further reduction of airfield facilities used by the enemy in moving planes down the Ryukyus. The eight Avengers were piloted by Lieut. Peters, Lieut? Livingston, Lts(jg) Fruitt and MacCollister, and Ensigns Ferbert, Milburn, Coffey and Seckinger.

The target selected was Tokuno Shima, satellite of the Amami Gunto only 75 miles from the launch point at 0630(I). Weather enroute to the target was unfavorable, a low ceiling and frequent squalls being encountered. The strike force reached Tokuno with only 2,000 feet of altitude and the torpedo planes circled the island's southwestern tip for approximately twenty minutes, clinbing meanwhile to 6,000 feet.

In an effort to select suitable targets it had been decided to have the fighter cover make reconnaissance runs and pinpoint the bombing targets. No aircraft were found on the field itself, so runs were directed along the circling taxiways and revetments.

Forced down by a lowering ceiling, approaches were made at 4000 feet seaward, around the field and runs made by sections generally at glide angles of 30 or 35 degrees and speeds of considerably under 300 knots. Bombs were dropped (four on a second run after a check revealed the pilot's string were not all away) in the revetments and taxi strips Northeast of the field. A newly constructed strip east of the original taxiways was liberally holed and blasted. Drops were made as low as 700 to 1000 feet, and Lt(jg) MacCellister's plane was damaged slightly by shrapnel.

Only three crews saw AA machine gun and A/W fire, east of the field and both sparse and inaccurate. Two gun emplacements were strafed, and one stopped firing as a result.

On return to the carrier, Ensign Coffey's prop governor freze at 2000 R.P.M.We fortunately was able to get a cut on his first pass, as he could not have taken a wave-off with safety.

On this strike, the usual perimeter airfield installations were lacking as bombing targets. Low runs over the area and careful scrutiny revealed only damaged planes, which were strafed.

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XIII. MATERIAL DATA. (Comment freely on performance or suitability, following check list at left.

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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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