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VI. LOSS OR DAMAGE, COMBAT OR OPERATIONAL, OF OWN AIRCRAFT (of those listed in II only).

• (a) TYPE OWN A/C		CALICE, TYPE ENERSY A /C		WHERE HIT, ANGLE (List armor, self-sealing tanks, equipment hit)	(e) . EXTENT OF LOSS OR DAMAGE, (Give Bureau serial number of planes destroyed)
1	F4U-4	VB8-94	Hoavy AA	Top of coml. port wing.	•
2					
3	P6F-5	VF-94	13.2 105	Port wing from below.	
4				Ges#	
5					
6					
7					
8					
9					
0					
1					
2					
3					
4					

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
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_		0		
-				
-		73		
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VIII. RANGE, FUEL, AND AMMUNITION DATA FOR PLANES RETURNING

(a) TYPE	(b) MILES	(c) MILES	AV. HOURS	AV. FUEL	AV. FUEL	(9) TOTAL AMMU	JNITION EXPEN	NDED	(h)
A/C	OUT	RETURN	IN AIR	LOADED	CONSUMED	.30	.50	20MM	MM	NO. OF PLANES RETURNING
FA.U.A.	100	1.00	1. 5	205	300		7300			Q
P6P-5	180	1.00	1.5	100	300	,				1.

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

CALIBER	NONE	MEAGER	MODERATE	INTENSE
HEAVY — Time-fused shells, 75mm and over			19"	
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

TURNS DIVES CEILINGS

RANGE

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XI.	ATTACK	ON	ENEMY	SHIPS	OR	GROUND	OBJECTIVES	(By	Own	Aircraft	Listed	in		Only)
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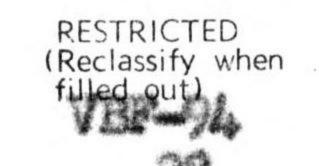
(a)	Target(s) and Locatio	n(s) (FOR SHIE	S INCLUDE ALL IN AREA	UNDER ATTACK)	(b) Time Ove	er Target(s)	0545	_(Zone)
(c)	Clouds Over Target	Complete ove	reast from 200 (BASE IN FEET	TYPE AND TENTHS				
(d)	Visibility of Target	(CLEAR, HAZ	scured by clou	BY CLOUDS, ETC.)	(e) \	/isibility	(MILES)	
(f)	Bombing Tactics: Type Bombs Dropped per Ru	270	(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE) Spacing	(FEET)	Bomb Sight Us Altitude of	of Bomb Rela	1250 2500	
(g)	Number of Enemy Air			Probal	oly Destroyed_	0	_ Damaged	0
	(h) AIMING POINT	DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE	(j) NO. A/C ATTACKING (k) SQUADRON	BOMBS AND A EXPENDED, EACH	AMMUNITION AIMING POINT	(m) NO. HITS On Aiming Point	DAMAGE (None serious, destroyed	, slight, or sunk)

	(h)	(i) DIMENSIONS OR	(i) NO. A/C ATTACKING	BOMBS AND AMMUNITION	(m) NO. HITS On	DAMAGE (None slight
	AIMING POINT	TONNAGE	(k) SQUADRON	EXPENDED, EACH AIMING POINT	Aiming Point	DAMAGE (None, slight, serious, destroyed or sunk)
1	•		•	4 x 5" HVAR	2	
	Hangars		4	4 x 500/ GP	3	2 Serious.
2				4 x 5" HVAR	0	
	RR Bridge		2	.50 cal		Unobserved.
3				4 x 5" HVAR	0	Started fire -
	RR Terminal		1	1 x 500/ GP, .50 cal	1	damaged locomotiv
4				1 x 500% GP	0	
	Road bridge		2	4 x 5" HVAR	0	None.
5				4 x 5" HVAR	4	
	Pactory		1	1 x 500% GP	1	Serious.
6						
	Factory		1	4 x 5" HVAR	3	Serious.
7						
	Factory		1	4 x 5° HVAR	0	None.
8				4 x 5" HVAR	0	Unobserved.
	Factory			1 x 500% GP	1	Serious.

- (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).
 - Just south of field.
 - 2. 2 miles from Hamamatsu over Tenryu river.
 - Center of town, Ham.
 - Road bridge entrance of Hamana Ko.
 - 5. Center of toen just north of RR.
 - 6. One mile west of Ham town, just south of RR.
 - 7. 1/2 mile west of /5.
 - 1000' south of airfield.

but none satisfactory for damage assessment.

Yes, Photographs of Damage, WhenTaken, Should Be Attached By Staple. (p) Were Photographs Taken?_



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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

VEF, accompanied by 1 photo F6F-5 and 3 escort planes, flew to Honshu by navigation, making landfall at Hamamatsu at 11000'. Flight then flew directly inland to target, making run SE-NW, peeling off from 9000' in a 45° dive, releasing at 2500'. Four bombs were dropped in this attack. Retirement with radical jinking was made out to sea where rendezvous was effected. Bombing, rocket, and strafing section runs were then made around the clock from 7000', 40° dives, with release at 1250'. Final rendezvous was made 4 miles off shore from Hamamatsu at 6000' with photo plane and escort which had made coverage of Hamamatsu (vertical), and Tenryu.

- I. Bad weather generally hampered operations and prevented successful attack on primary target.
- 2. The Japs appear to be concentrating AA defenses around strategic targets, particularly railroad bridges, from which area moderate to intense heavy AA fire was received. Fuses were obviously precut and continuously pointed and predicted concentration type AA fire ranged from 3000' to 7000' varying with path of flight.

 Guns obviously radar controlled in the Hamamatsu area.

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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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