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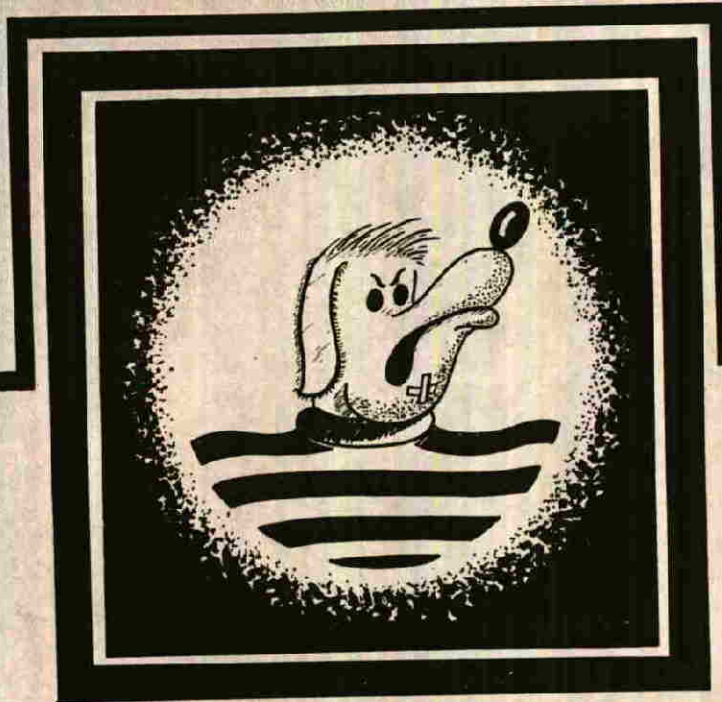
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1. In accordance with AR 345-105 and AAF Regulation No. 20-8, submit herewith the history of this organization for the month of June 1945, which has been inspected and verified by the undersigned.

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HISTORY OF THE 403rd BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)

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FOUR HUNDRED THIRD BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
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CHRONOLOGICAL NARRATIVE FOR JUNE 1945

On the first of June 1945, the 403rd Bomb Squadron with the 64th and 65th Squadrons of the 43rd Group set off to Formosa to execute a new type of bombing strategy. We planned to knock out or harass the ack-ack gunners at Takao sufficiently so that they would not be able to fire at the three Groups of heavy bombers scheduled to come over the target after we had finished bombing.

The seven Liberators from this Squadron were assigned six specific ack-ack positions. These positions were definitely pin-point targets for the single plane runs. Each plane carried 260 pound frags and three bombardiers hit the pickle barrel, while four others made pin-point misses.

One plane dropped 23 bombs 200 feet east of its target hitting in a warehouse area. Five bombs which hung up were jettisoned south of the target with no visible damage seen.

The second B-24 missed a gun position by 800 feet, to the east, stringing the 32 bombs through warehouses.

The third plane blanketed the guns of the target with 32 bombs - right through the heart of the position.

The fourth and fifth planes made single runs on their ack-ack positions. Thirty-two bombs fell along the south edge of the pits, probably hitting one gun position, but missing the circular radar reflector by 50 feet. Two bombs from the other plane hit the gun position, but unluckily the other 30 hung up; these were jettisoned on our H2X target, a warehouse area in Takao.

The sixth plane missed its gun position by 400 feet, hitting workers quarters.

The last plane dropped its bombs through the eastern half of its particular ack-ack position.

None of the positions we attacked were firing at us, however, a heavy barrage was fired from Toshien and Heito, holing two of our

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planes. To counteract any possible radar-controlled ack-ack, we dropped 125 units of rope over the target area, three units of rope every four seconds. We picked up signals from 99 to 210 megacycles, and jammed 200 megacycles with RCM (Radar Counter-measure).

The results of our strike were extremely successful. For the other three Groups who came in after us reported meager ack-ack. All planes from the 403rd returned to Clark Field. (1)

The mission of 2 June was a complete failure inasmuch as no bombs fell in the target. However, the Squadron sincerely believes that the new combat crews on this strike learned several vital lessons. The primary target for our five B-24s was Kirun in northern Formosa. When we were 70 miles from the southern tip of Formosa, one of our planes lost #4 engine. He salvaged his bombs and headed back for Clark Field. Unable to hold his altitude on three engines, the pilot had his crew throw out flack suits and the two waist guns. This did the trick and the plane limped safely back to base.

In the meantime, our remaining four B-24s encountered a heavy front at Shinchiku and decided to return to Takao and hit the secondary. The target was 800 x 700 feet, lying on a sand-bar that was no wider than 1500 feet at any place. This small area contained warehouses and storage facilities. If the bombs fell short or long they would land in the water and that's just what happened. Final box-score: 14 x 1000 pound demos on the sand-bar with no visible damage, 17 bombs in the waters of Takao harbor. No ack-ack was fired at our Squadron. We plastered the target area with propaganda leaflets. All crews headed safely for home in low spirits. (2)

One B-24 from this Squadron bombed warehouses, shipyards, and repair facilities at Kirun, Formosa on the night of June 2. The target was .5 covered so the radar bombardier made a direct H2X run on a heading of 150 degrees at an altitude of 10,000 feet. We dropped our 12 x 500 pound incendiaries in the general target area, but could not spot the bombs due to the darkness. Four to five large fires were started which kept burning until our plane was out of sight.

Two to three searchlights swept the sky trying in vain to pick up the B-24. Fifteen units of rope were dropped as a radar counter-measure, but our plane received two holes from the invisible accurate ack-ack. One unidentified plane made a pass at our B-24 shortly after leaving the target. This plane did not fire. Shortly before this, 3 rockets were fired at our plane from an unidentified source.

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- (1) Narrative Mission Report 152-A-1.
 (2) Narrative Mission Report 153-A-2.

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When the plane returned to Clark Field there was a ceiling of 50 feet. As the plane was low on gas, he landed at Porac strip, south of Clark Field. The plane refueled and took off later for home base. (3)

On June 3, 1945, five B-24s from the 403rd Squadron took off from Clark Field to hit the power plant at Jitsugetsu in the center of Formosa. Upon approaching the target it was found to be ten-tenths covered by layers of cumulus clouds. Therefore our five-plane formation headed for Takao. Our target was buildings in Takao's outer harbor. The lead plane lost an engine on the run so the first element did not bomb on the first run. The second element plastered the warehouses and barracks buildings 200 feet to the right of the target. The first element, on their second run, found the left wing-man dropping his eight bombs squarely in the water; the right wing-man, due to bomb bay door trouble, had to kick his bombs out in the water also. The lead plane, with its feathered engine, tried to bomb Toko Seaplane Base. Due to the loss of altitude and airspeed the bombs fell short in the water.

The final score read: 16 x 1000 pound GPs on land near the target; 23 x 1000 pounders in the water. Propaganda leaflets were also dropped. Our lead plane made it safely to Lingayen where it landed. The crew were flown to Clark Field in a C-47. Another of our pilots found his gas running low. He landed at Laoag in northern Luzon, refueled and returned to Clark Field later in the afternoon.

An unsuccessful mission.....(4)

The target on 4 June was the state capitol building at Taihoku in northern Formosa. Due to weather our six B-24s bombed the secondary at Takao in southwestern Formosa. And what a beautiful job they did! Our target was the roundhouse and freight yards. Right smack on the roundhouse did the leader's bombs land, with his wing-planes, in a very tight formation, getting hits on the edges of the building. Two planes in the second element dropped their bombs within 100 feet of the leader's. That is a total of 40 x 1000 pound general purpose bombs in the heart of the target. The third plane in the second element accidentally dropped his bombs early when his doors were first opened, all bombs landing in the water.

Pictures taken by a Group that went in after us show eight direct hits in the roundhouse. All the tracks within a radius of 800 feet were torn up, and the freight cars that were on those tracks were either seriously damaged or destroyed.

(3) Narrative Mission Report 154-A-6.

(4) Final Mission Report FFO 154-A-2.

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Propaganda leaflets were dropped informing the Japs of the current state of the war. For the third straight day the once heavily defended town of Takao boasted no ack-ack whatsoever.

The crews came back in a happy frame of mind, singing "We've been working on the railroad", and they certainly did a beautiful job in knocking out the heart of Takao's transportation system. (5)

The mission for 5 June was to knock out four fighter planes in heavily camouflaged revetments at Taichu, Formosa. Due to very bad weather all up and down the west coast, the five B-24s from the 403rd bombed a target of opportunity - Taito, on the eastern coast of Formosa. 1200 lethal, 20 pound frags were dropped through the heart of the town. Several fires were started and one small explosion was seen in the center of town.

The ack-ack was generally inaccurate, although three bursts came close enough to rock two planes and hole one. Our RCM operator picked up signals on 194 megacycles, from the target area, and jammed 194 and 198 megacycles. Propaganda leaflets were dropped at Taito.

Earlier in the morning one of our planes had developed an oil leak in #3 engine. The pilot decided to turn back and jettisoned his load of 240 x 20 pound frags in the water off Lingayen. Although these bombs were dropped unfused, two exploded on impact with the water.

All planes returned safely to Clark Field. (6)

On the night of 6 June one B-24 made an H2X run on Honam island at Hong-Kong. 12 x 500 pound GPs were dropped with results unobserved due to weather. Ack-ack was meager, heavy, and inaccurate. Propaganda leaflets were dropped and 50 units of rope were dropped at the target. The plane returned safely to base. (7)

On the 8th of June 1945, one of the 403rd Squadron's Liberators set off on a long mission to Wenchow, China - just south of Shanghai. The purpose of this mission was to report the weather on the round trip every half-hour. The weather was exceedingly bad, which necessitated the pilot flying on instruments for six hours.

The weather recon was completed 100%. No bombs were carried. As many as 60 to 75 junks were sighted in recently captured Foochow, China. A possible target for tomorrow was a FTU, stationary, in a cove on the northern part of an island at 2745N-12105E.

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- (5) Final Mission Report FFO 155-A-2.
 - (6) Final Mission Report FFO 156-A-2.
 - (7) Final Mission Report FFO 157-A-6.

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A lone enemy plane made one pass at the B-24 some seventy miles north of Foochow. No shots were fired at our plane. The fighter followed the B-24 for fifteen minutes and then disappeared. The Liberator returned to base through extremely bad weather. A 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ hour mission completed 100%. (8)

On 10 June the 403rd sent another Liberator on a weather recon to Wenchow, China. It was a pretty rough flight, the pilot logging eight hours of instrument flying. Upon reaching Foochow, a soupy front was encountered, so the pilot turned back. They searched in vain for shipping along the China coast. While on this search, a probable Tojo made a pass firing two short bursts. The fire was returned by us, but neither plane was hit. The Jap was definitely not eager and disappeared after the single attack.

The 12 x 500 pound GPs were finally dropped at Fukibi on Boko-To within ten miles of Mako in the Pescadores islands. The bombs hit three or four buildings in the center of town but further results were not seen due to the .9 cumulus cloud cover.

Bucking the weather and the long continual search for shipping was a direct cause of the Liberator running low on fuel. The pilot landed at Lacag and returned to Clark Field the next day. (9)

On 12 June, nine B-24s of the 403rd Squadron took off on their first major strike since 5 June. Our target was small shipping in Hong Kong harbor. We were carrying 69 x 55 gallon drums of napalm, experimenting to see if the extreme heat and flame from the drums would destroy the ships.

When we arrived at the target, we found two large cumulus clouds sitting directly over our assigned area. The radar bombardier started a direct H2X run, but as we broke into the clear the lead bombardier saw that we were quite off course, so wisely held up the bombs. Circling for forty-five minutes, a visual run was finally made. Fifty-one drums covered the 2000 x 2000 foot area of water in which there were at least 50 small boats. Two drums hit the warehouses near the target and two others hit warehouses long of the target. The official photo interpretation report showed that the bombing by this and other Squadrons destroyed one 50 foot tug, 12 cargo barges, and approximately 15 to 20 small fishing boats.

Five drums fell in the water 2 miles east of the target due to an intervalometer malfunction. One drum fell on the bomb bay doors and had to be rolled out manually. Two bombardiers neglected to pull

(8) Final Mission Report FFO 159-A-6.

(9) Final Mission Report FFO 161-A-5.

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the pins on these new type bomb fuses and their 16 drums failed to explode upon impact.

Ack-ack was meager, of medium and heavy caliber from unidentified positions, holing one plane. One hundred units of rope were dropped and the RCM operator was busy jamming 198 megacycles. Propaganda leaflets were also dropped.

One plane lost #3 engine over the target on the first dry run due to an oil leak. Rather than continue to circle, the pilot feathered the prop, salvaged his bombs in the water and headed for Clark Field via Pratus Reef. About 30 minutes later, #2 engine started throwing oil and there began the sweat job across the open China Sea. Rough weather was encountered which evidently caused #2 engine to lose more oil, thus necessitating the feathering of #2 prop about one hour out from Lingayen. The prop failed to feather and for ten minutes it ran away. Flak suits, camera, radios, etc., were thrown out. Finally, #2 ran out of oil and the prop froze. With just enough altitude the pilot brought his plane into Lingayen on two engines for a safe landing. Another plane in the formation stopped and picked up the crew, landing safely at Clark Field. (10)

Seven planes from the 403rd Squadron took off on 13 June to continue the experiment started at Hong Kong the previous day. They carried 53 x 55 gallon drums of napalm but this time the target was shipping in Takao Harbor, Formosa. However, a heavy front was lying off southern Formosa and the primary target was ten-tenths covered with towering cumulus up to 20,000 feet. The Squadron leader wisely turned his formation around and headed for Taito on the eastern coast of Formosa - a target of opportunity.

The run was made on a course of 330 degrees at an altitude of 11,500 feet. All bombs strung through the center of town starting one large fire and eight smaller ones with smoke up to 2000 feet. Flames were still visible when the formation left the target area.

Flak was moderate, medium and heavy, inaccurate. Propaganda leaflets were dropped as well as 150 units of rope. RCM jammer was inoperative due to a blown fuse. (11)

The night of 13 June found one of our Liberators over Honam Island in the Canton River in the Canton, China area. The target was a small arms plant. The run was H2X and eight of the 12 x 500

(10) Final Mission Report FFO 163-A-1.

(11) Final Mission Report FFO 164-A-2.

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pound incendiaries hit the target. Four bombs that hung up were jettisoned in the water. Bomb bursts were the only results observed. Four to five searchlights made vain attempts to pick up this night intruder.

One twin engine plane was seen 1000 feet above the Liberator and another unidentified plane followed them for five minutes 5000 feet below the plane. No passes were made. Propaganda leaflets were dropped as well as 15 units of rope. The plane returned safely to Clark Field (12)

The 403rd Squadron sent one B-24 on a weather recco to Wenchow, China on 15 June. The plane carried 40 x 100 pound GPs. These bombs were dropped on two SCSs and one SD. Twenty bombs scored near misses on the two SCSs and two direct hits scored on the SD, sinking it. All three ships were stationary. Other bombs strung through the dock area with results unobserved due to weather.

Signal flashes were seen from a possible mirror on the coast. Weather was reported hourly as ordered. The Liberator landed at Laoag due to an oil leak and bad weather. The crew returned to Clark Field the following day. (13)

On 15 June 1945 six Liberators of the 403rd Squadron took off for Taichu Airdrome in Formosa. Our target was a twin-engine bomber in a heavily camouflaged revetment.

The target was a difficult one to pick up due to the lack of check points. The lead element put all their bombs slightly north of the target, all within 500 feet. However, no damage was done and the bombing must be recorded as a "pin-point miss".

The second element was off course on the first run, so they made a second run. Two strings blanketed the revetment and the third string was slightly north. Although the bombs hit the revetment, the bird had flown the nest. Photo interpretation showed that the Jap plane was absent at the time of bombing.

Guns from Toychara and Taichu threw up a moderate barrage of heavy ack-ack. Three planes were holed. One nose gunner had a piece of flak rip through the shirt on his back. White phosphorous bursts were seen as well as the usual black bursts. No RCM measures were employed at this target. Propaganda leaflets were dropped. All planes returned safely to Clark Field. (14)

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- (12) Final Mission Report FFO 164-A-9.
 - (13) Final Mission Report FFO 165-A-10.
 - (14) Final Mission Report FFO 165-A-2.

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The mission for 16 June was to hit small shipping and an oiling wharf in the inner basin of Kirun on the northern tip of Formosa.

Out of the seven planes we put over the target, six planes put 75% of their bombs in the target. Photos do not reveal the actual damage but several of the 30 to 40 small vessels were undoubtedly sunk by our 260 pound frags. The wharf was also hit and some of our bombs were a bit wide hitting in some railroad yards.

The seventh plane could not get its bomb bay doors open on the first run. They made a second run and this time the doors responded. However, the smoke from the Squadron's bombing obscured the target and the bombardier wisely swung over a few degrees and put his frags in the target of the 380th Bomb Group. His bombs strung through the residential and business district but results of the damage were unobserved.

Although we dropped rope - 3 units every 4 seconds - the Nip gunners put up a moderate amount of black heavy bursts. Three planes were holed but luckily, no one was injured.

Fighter cover was excellent and naturally no Nip plane made its appearance. On the route back one plane developed engine trouble and the pilot decided to land at Lacag in northern Luzon. The crew were picked up by another of our planes and all returned to Clark Field. (15)

On the night of 15 June one of our B-24s took off on a weather recon to the Canton area armed with 12 x 500 pound GP bombs. Our target was the Whampoia docks on the north side of the Canton River east of Canton.

The weather throughout the mission was fine: .2 to .3 cumulus from 2000 to 8000 feet enroute and return, with .3 cumulus and strato cu from 5000 to 9000 at the target.

The mickey operator brought the plane in on a beautiful H2K run only to lose sight of the target on his scope in the last few crucial seconds of the run. However, the bombs were dropped. Accurate observation of the hits was impossible, but a few bursts were observed on land and it is believed from the run they were on, that they were in an area closely bounding the target.

About 20 flashes of AA were seen and upon return two holes were discovered in the plane. Rope was dropped as well as propaganda leaflets.

(15) Final Mission Report 167-A-2.

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Two to three unidentified planes followed our Liberator from 25 to 2 hours. One made a pass, firing once, causing no damage. The fire was not returned. Plane returned safely to base. (16)

On 17 June one of our Liberators took off on an armed weather recco over the South China Seas to Wenchow, China. The weather recco was completed 100%. The weather throughout the mission was excellent.

Just as the plane passed the Pescadores Islands enroute to Wenchow, an attack was made by a single Frank. The Frank came in from 3 o'clock and pressed his attack to within 500 yards, firing three short bursts which did no damage. The tail and waist gunner fired 150 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition with no visible damage. The Jap must not have been eager as he dove away from us and was not seen again.

No prospective shipping targets were sighted by the boys so the pilot headed for the graving docks at Mako in the Pescadores. The bombardier dropped his 12 x 500 pound GPs slightly long, hitting some oil storage tanks. Three bombs hit the target. Inasmuch as these tanks were revetted and buried, the instantaneous fuzing did no damage, as bomb bursts were the only results observed.

One ack-ack position threw up meager bursts of medium fire, all of which were inaccurate. The plane returned safely to Clark Field completing a twelve-hour mission. (17)

Another successful mission was in store for the crews flying on 17 June. The target for our six B-24s was to knock out more of the heavily damaged industrial section of Kirun, Formosa. They did just that! 19 x 1000 pound GPs hit squarely in the target, which was only 500 x 800 feet. Three bombs fell north, hitting a small arms factory and starting some small fires. One string fell among underground storage facilities but the instantaneous fuzing of the bombs prevented any sizeable damage. Sixteen bombs strung through the residential and small business area.

Meager bursts of heavy ack-ack were seen. One burst came close enough to hole one plane three times. Rope was dropped. Fighter cover was present but no Nip planes were seen. Propaganda leaflets were dropped. One bomb hung up and was jettisoned fused in the water off Kirun. All planes returned safely to Clark Field. (18)

(16) Narrative Mission Report 167-A-10.

(17) Final Mission Report FFO 168-A-8.

(18) Narrative Mission Report 168-A-2.

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On the 18th of June, the "Fighting 403rd" put forth a maximum effort of 10 heavies, including two H2X planes, for a strike on the residential area at the southern end of the harbor at Kirun, Formosa. The mission was highly successful except for the fact that the six city blocks comprising the target had already received a good "going over" on previous heavies' strikes.

A total of 77 x 1000 pound GPs were dropped on a run of 22 degrees at 12,300 feet. Fifty-nine of these bombs were in the target, starting moderate fires with grey-black smoke rising to about 4000 feet. Photos showed more buildings received substantial damage, and a few old foundations were obliterated. One string of eight bombs was unobserved. Another string of eight hit a city block southeast of the target causing considerable damage.

The lead plane had two bombs hang up over the target and its bombardier cast about for a reasonably suitable spot for 2000 pounds of destruction. He sighted a small town on the northwest coast of Kizan-To, a very small island on the approach to Kirun. He dropped with precision, both bombs hitting the town causing one small explosion and one much larger explosion. Something highly inflammable must have been in the area, for in a matter of seconds, with the aid of a stiff breeze, the fire had covered more than half the town. It seems to have been a lucky "find" which with good bombing turned into a very profitable expenditure of two one thousand pounders.

Ack-ack was moderate, heavy, inaccurate, on level but well ahead of the Squadron. One plane received one hole and several dents.

The weather enroute and return was perfect. All planes returned safely to base. (19)

The target for 19 June was a business and residential district southeast of the harbor at Kirun, Formosa. Seven planes with 52 x 1000 pound GPs originally took off for the strike but one returned to Clark Field shortly after takeoff due to a gas leak.

In a tight six-plane formation the 403rd drove in over the target on a course of 350 degrees and an altitude of 13,000 feet. Bombs away found the lead and left wing-men of both elements hitting the target with thirty bombs. Right wing of the first element dropped his six bombs 300 feet southeast of the target in open country. Right wing of the second element had bomb bay door trouble, necessitating a second run. The target was so obscured by smoke that the bombardier placed his bombs on a coastal railroad track with no results observed.

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The ack-ack at Kirun was heavy but generally inaccurate. Only one plane was damaged to the extent of one hole.

The weather was beautiful and our crews enjoyed a scenic ride among blue skies and small, fluffy, fair weather clouds enroute and return. (20)

On June 19 one B-24 from the 403rd Squadron went on a weather recon from Clark Field to Wenchow, China. This plane carried 24 x 250 pound GPs, either for enemy shipping or for the ammo storage re-ventments at Mako in the Pescadores Islands.

A local front was encountered on the way north between Lingayen and Laoag. Five-tenths to seven-tenths cumulus to 5000 feet between Formosa Straits and 2700N was also reported. Beyond that a 40-mile-deep front, 1000 to 14,000 feet with fairly heavy cloud coverage was encountered lying over China.

In view of the scarcity of enemy shipping along the China coast, the pilot decided to bomb Mako at the start. Trying for a visual run, the bombardier could not sight the target on the first three runs. He finally picked it up on the fourth run. He bombed on a very short run through seven-tenths cumulus, and with typical 403rd accuracy of late, strung all his bombs through the western half of the target. Photos showed one direct hit on a medium-sized building and several near misses on others. No explosions were productive as a direct result of our bombing.

Two enemy planes watched the proceedings from a safe distance. Meager, heavy ack-ack caused our crew no trouble. The ten-hour mission was a complete success in every respect. (21)

Shinchiku Airdrome on Formosa was the target for our seven Liberators on 20 June. Two single-seat fighters were to be "mixed well" with several clusters (1680 to be exact) of 20 pound frags.

Weather failed our efforts this time as far as a visual run was concerned. So the lead plane called for an H2K run. All planes in the Squadron toggled on the lead plane. Through a slight break in the clouds the bombs were observed to hit 1000 feet east of our target. However, all bombs hit in a perfect pattern, stringing through a road and the middle of the northwest runway. From close analysis of the photos, we found that our strings had destroyed one plane and probably damaged another.

(20) Final Mission Report FFO 170-A-2.

(21) Final Mission Report FFO 170-A-7.

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Ack-ack was light and inaccurate, however, one lucky fragment penetrated one of our planes. Sixty-five units of rope were dropped as well as propaganda leaflets. All planes returned to Clark Field. (22)

The night mission for 20 June was carried out by a single B-24 from this Squadron. The target was the main quay at Whampoa Docks in the Canton, China area. Weather enroute and over the target was perfect.

The radar operator made a synchronous run on the target dropping the 12 x 500 pound general purpose bombs in the target area. A large fire was started which increased as the plane circled the target area.

The Nips threw up a few bursts of ack-ack, all inaccurate. One hundred units of rope were dropped to confuse the gunners. Propaganda leaflets were dropped for Jap consumption.

However, the Nip pilots were busy in the area between Hong Kong and Canton. Three passes were made at our Liberator and on each pass no shots were exchanged. The radar operator reported two bogies on his scope. However, at irregular intervals during this 23 minute interception, tracers were directed at our plane from far above and far below. None of these were accurate. The plane returned safely to Clark Field. (23)

Our mission for 22 June was to hit the Toshien Oil Refinery in southwestern Formosa. Three of our six heavies developed mechanical trouble and two of these never got off the ground. The third had a serious tail flutter enroute to the target and landed at Laoag, on Luzon after jettisoning his 8 x 1000 pounders in the water.

Our remaining three planes winged their way to the target, rendezvousing with the rest of the Group at the southern tip of Formosa. The 403rd made a wide sweeping 360 degree turn to avoid conflict with the 64th and 65th on the approach to the run. In this turn they could see the 22nd Group plastering the ack-ack pits in Toshien. About the middle of this turn the crew saw a falling object about two to three feet in diameter, which appeared to be "rope" or wire or small cable rolled up into the shape of a ball. It passed between the lead and left-wing planes, causing no damage. Its origin remains at least temporarily a mystery, as no enemy planes were seen above our formation.

When our three planes came over the target it was cloud covered from the previous Squadrons' bombing. Our bombs disappeared into the smoke but the photos did not disclose any of them hitting outside

(22) Final Mission Report FFO 171-A-2.

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the target. Hence, it is believed that they fell where they were supposed to.

Ack-ack was moderate to intense and of heavy caliber. Two planes were holed. Two single-seat fighters were seen north of the target, but neither of them was close enough to be identified or cause any trouble. The three planes returned safely to base, satisfied that their 23 x 1000 pound GPs were in the target. (24)

The target on 23 June was the two sugar refineries at Kobi Town, Formosa. Five of our planes took off to knock out this target but only three reached the primary objective. These three planes put 22 x 1000 pounders out of 23 directly through the heart of the target. There was a terrific explosion with flames belching 200 feet skyward and brown-white smoke to 4000 feet. The bomb falling outside the target also started a fire with black smoke to 2000 feet. The steam power plant was completely blown up. About 60% of one mill was destroyed and the other suffered heavy damage. Several warehouses and railroad cars were blown up.

One plane, due to an oil leak, picked Taito as a target of opportunity and with his eight half-tonners destroyed the remaining 3 or 4 buildings in the town. The fifth plane developed a gas leak, so bombed a small town in the Pescadores Islands after leaving the formation. Results were unobserved due to cloud coverage of eight-tenths.

A meager amount of ack-ack was seen at Kobi, Jitsugetsu, Taito, and the Pescadores. No planes were holed. All planes returned to Clark Field after a highly successful mission. (25)

The Squadron's job for 24/25 June was to send one heavy on an armed recon to Canton, China and there to strike the Whampo Docks.

There was weather all the way across the China Sea and at the target, consisting generally of five to seven-tenths cumulus. A direct H2X run was made and the navigator spotted the 24 x 250 pounders stringing through the target with possibly seven or eight bombs in the target and the rest to the north. Bomb bursts were the only observed results. There was no ack-ack and one distant searchlight looked as if it might have been trying to spot our plane. Fighter "chaff" and "rope" were dropped on the approach and the run.

Three enemy planes followed the Liberator for about 25 minutes, one of them firing a stream of bullets as it made a pass from 3 o'clock. No hits were received and our gunners held their fire. The

(24) Final Mission Report FFO 173-A-2.

(25) Final Mission Report FFO 174-A-1.

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enemy planes left us in the vicinity of Pel-Chien Island. The plane returned safely to Clark Field. (26)

The Whampoa Docks at Canton were again our target on the night of 25/26 June. As the crew passed Hong Kong and Macao, they were amazed to see the cities' lights in full glow. They made their run using the H2X method but their 24 x 250 pounders' results were unobserved due to the nine-tenths cloud cover over the target.

Rope and fighter chaff were dropped on the run and evasive action was taken as well. A P-61 Black Widow was scheduled to rendezvous with the Liberator in the target area. It was to carry four belly tanks for the long haul over the China Sea and back. This night fighter did not show up, possibly due to the extremity of the weather. If it had, it would have had a field day. Upon leaving Canton one enemy fighter made a pass from 1 o'clock high and another made a pass from 5 o'clock low. The enemy fired both times but no hits were scored. Planes continued to follow the Liberator for a short time but made no more passes, finally going home. Our crew returned safely to Clark Field. (27)

The butanol plant at Tansui, five miles southeast of the Toyohara Airdrome in northern Formosa, was the target for our six B-24s on 25 June. However, one plane developed a serious gas leak and had to return to base shortly after takeoff. Of the five planes we put over the target, three carried 7 x 1000 pounders and two carried 8 x 1000 pounders.

On the approach to the target the leader was careful to avoid any AA from Toyohara Airdrome. Due to a deceiving approach and a well-executed bomb run, only a few bursts were thrown up in back of the formation. No planes were holed. The first element planted all but one of its bombs in the southeast portion of the target, destroying several of the large buildings there and badly damaging a number of others. Parts of the second elements' strings were long and to the south, doing no damage.

Even though our percentage of hits was not too high, there is no doubt that we did an effective job. As usual, Nip planes were not present. RCM was used as well as rope to deceive Jap gunners. All planes returned to Clark Field. (28)

The sugar refinery at Keischu in northern Formosa was the target our Squadron completely missed on 28 June. The first element of three planes dropped their bombs 800 feet east of the target in open fields.

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- (26) Final Mission Report FFO 176-A-3.
 - (27) Final Mission Report FFO 177-A-3.
 - (28) Final Mission Report FFO 177-A-1.

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The second element of three did likewise, missing the target 400 feet to the east. A few bombs fell in the town probably damaging a number of buildings.

The lead bombardier, a man with a good record, was leading his Squadron for the first time.

Radar counter-measure and rope were used, but the Nip gunners managed to hole one of our planes in two places. P-51s gave excellent cover and as usual no Jap planes were seen. The boys dropped propaganda leaflets, concentrating on the Keischu area.

All planes winged their way safely home, their crews determined to do a better job next time. (29)

On the night of 28/29 June one plane from the 403rd attacked the small arms plant on Honam Island in the Canton River. A direct H2X run was made. Six of the 12 x 500 pound GPs fell short in the water and the other six strung through the target. Bomb bursts were the only results observed.

No ack-ack or searchlights were encountered and the plane headed for the return trip home. Shortly after leaving the target an unidentified plane made a pass at the Liberator from the rear at 6 o'clock. He fired a few bursts, all inaccurate. At the same time two other planes were seen on either side of the B-24, but these made no passes. Our pilot took his plane into some clouds and lost them. The Liberator was safely berthed at base by 0630/I. (30)

Six heavies from the "Mareeba Butchers" took off on 29 June to pulverize the synthetic oil refinery at Shinchiku and to atone for our poor exhibition on 28 June. They did just that!

Only two-tenths cumulus was over the target area. The six-plane formation came in on their bomb run at 12,000 to 13,000 feet on a heading of 280 degrees. Thirty bombs hit directly through the target and 15 bombs strung 550 feet south. There were three terrific explosions - flames shot skyward to 500 feet - black smoke billowed to 10,000 feet!

Two enemy fighters were seen in the target area but these were too far away to be identified. Although we threw out 100 units of rope and used RCM, the ack-ack boys tracked our Squadron well, holing three planes with a moderate amount of heavy ack-ack. No crew member was injured.

(29) Final Mission Report FFO 179-A-1.

(30) Final Mission Report FFO 180-A-3.

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The return trip was uneventful and all planes returned safely to Clark Field. It was definitely a success, and the 403rd could well say "scratch one Jap refinery". (31)

Five Liberators took off on 30 June to wind up the month by bombing the Heito sugar refinery in southern Formosa. One plane developed a gas leak off northern Luzon, jettisoned its bombs in the water, and returned safely to base.

The other four planes found the target CAVU and the lead plane started what seemed to be a very long bomb run. We were anxious to give the bombardiers plenty of time so that our Squadron could finish in first place in the Group. Then the excitement started. Jap ack-ack gunners were really on the ball and had our altitude and course perfectly. The left wing of the first element received 5 holes. The right wing received 49 holes with hits in #1 engine causing a loss of power; hits in the aileron, flaps, tires, left gas tanks, rudder, waist and belly. The right elevator trim cable was severed and the plane went out of control, into a dive, about 3/4 of the way on the bomb run. The plane was brought under control by use of the auto-pilot. Close cooperation between pilot and crew got this plane home safely and set her down with the elevators on auto-pilot. Rudder and aileron were flown manually. One crew member received a piece of flak in the fleshy part of the arm, but the crew gave him first aid and he was able to walk away from the plane with an injury that was not too serious. Two other members received scratches from close ones.

Only one string of bombs was known to have been in the target. Two other planes dropped into the smoke on a second run and results were unobserved. The ack-ack was definitely the cause of our bad bombing.

The Group as a whole did an effective job on this mission. It is to be regretted that the 403rd was unable to play a large part in the attack on this portion of the enemy's industrial machine. (32)

To close the books on the month of June, the 403rd sent one Liberator on the last day of the month on an armed weather recon to Wenchow, China. Besides reporting the weather hourly, we were to hit the butanol plant at Keischu.

The bombardier dropped his bombs and missed the plant by 1000 feet. There were no excuses - he just missed.

With the bombing unsuccessfully completed, we headed over the China Sea and followed the China coast up to Foochow where the gas was noticed to be burning excessively. The pilot turned his plane around and headed for home. The crew returned safely to Clark Field. (33)

(31) Final Mission Report FFO 180-A-1.

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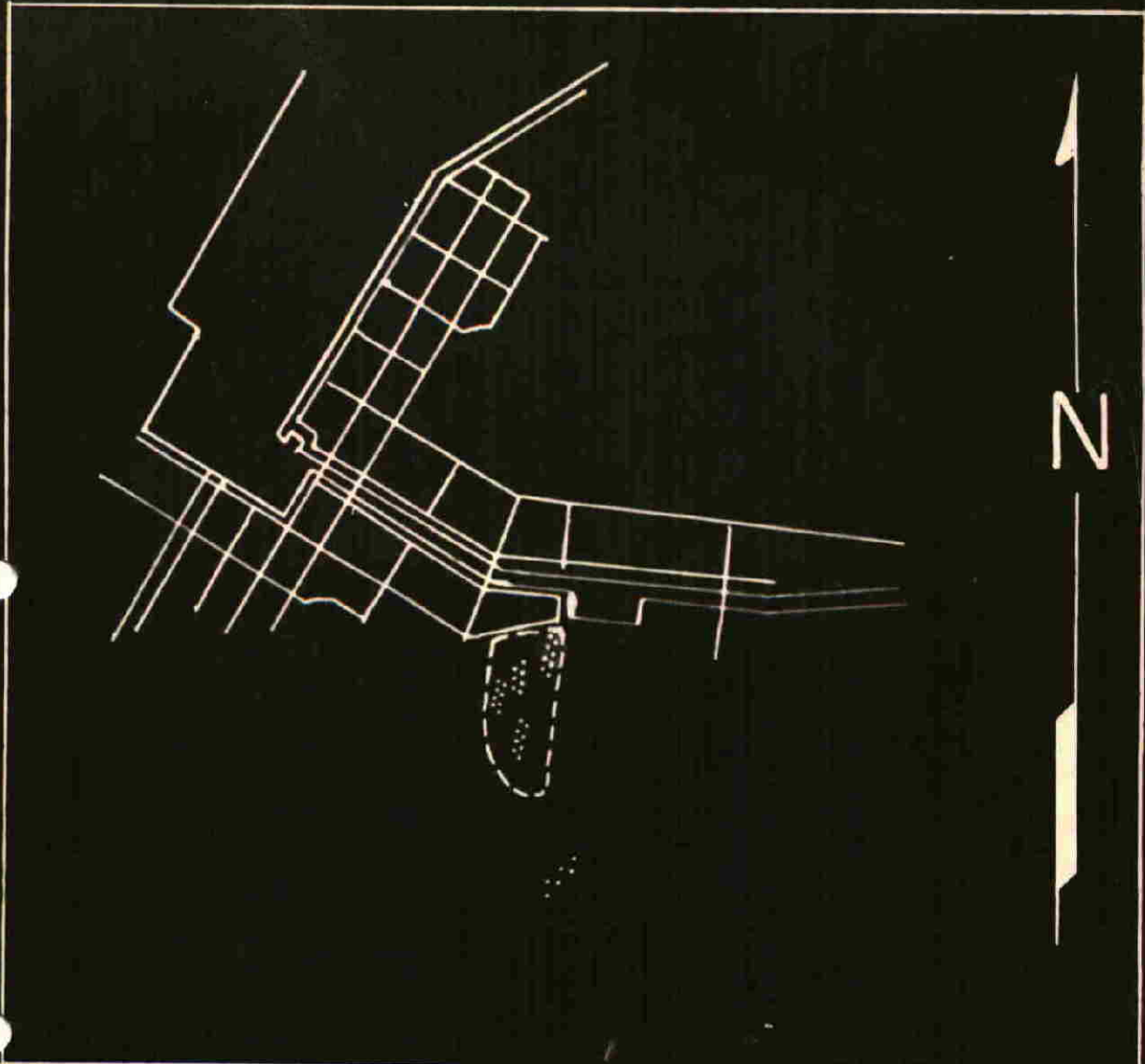
The month of June 1945 was a good month as far as combat crews were concerned. Knowing the combat time they would lose in the talk of move "up north", they were eager to pile up the flying time. And they did. Strikes ranged from bombing sorties over Hong Kong and Canton, China; Pescadores Islands and Formosa; to armed weather reccos in Foochow and Wenchow, China.

Flyers finished the month with this thought in mind: Jap ack-ack was getting tougher and our bombing was getting better. These questions were in their minds: How would the flak be "up north"? Will we actually get interception up there? What will our targets be like? What are the possibilities of escape and evasion in Japan - if any? Our first strike over Japan will answer most of these questions.

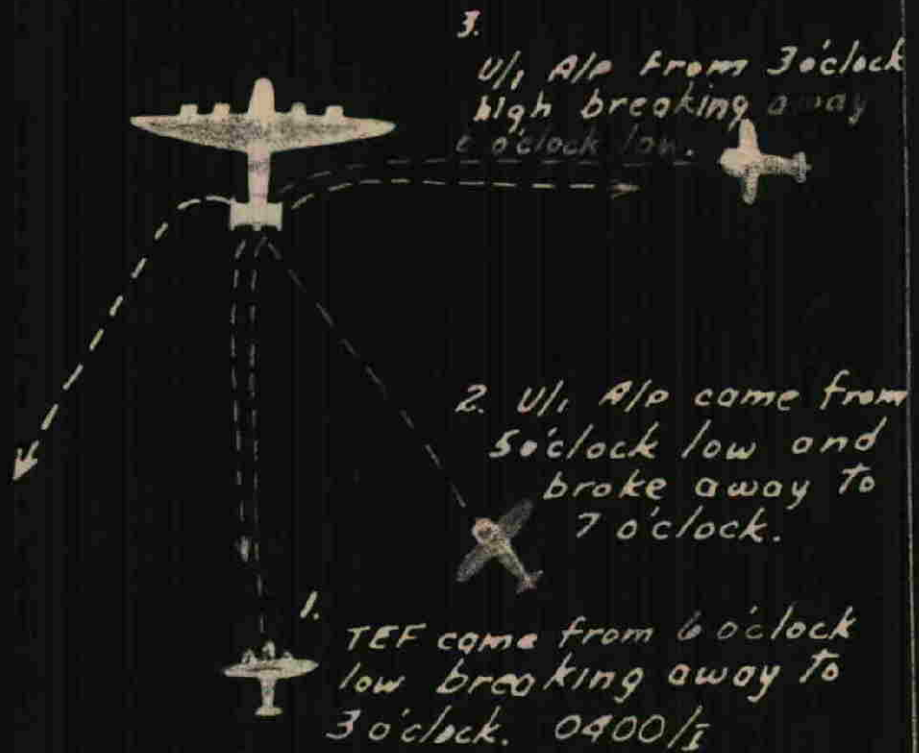
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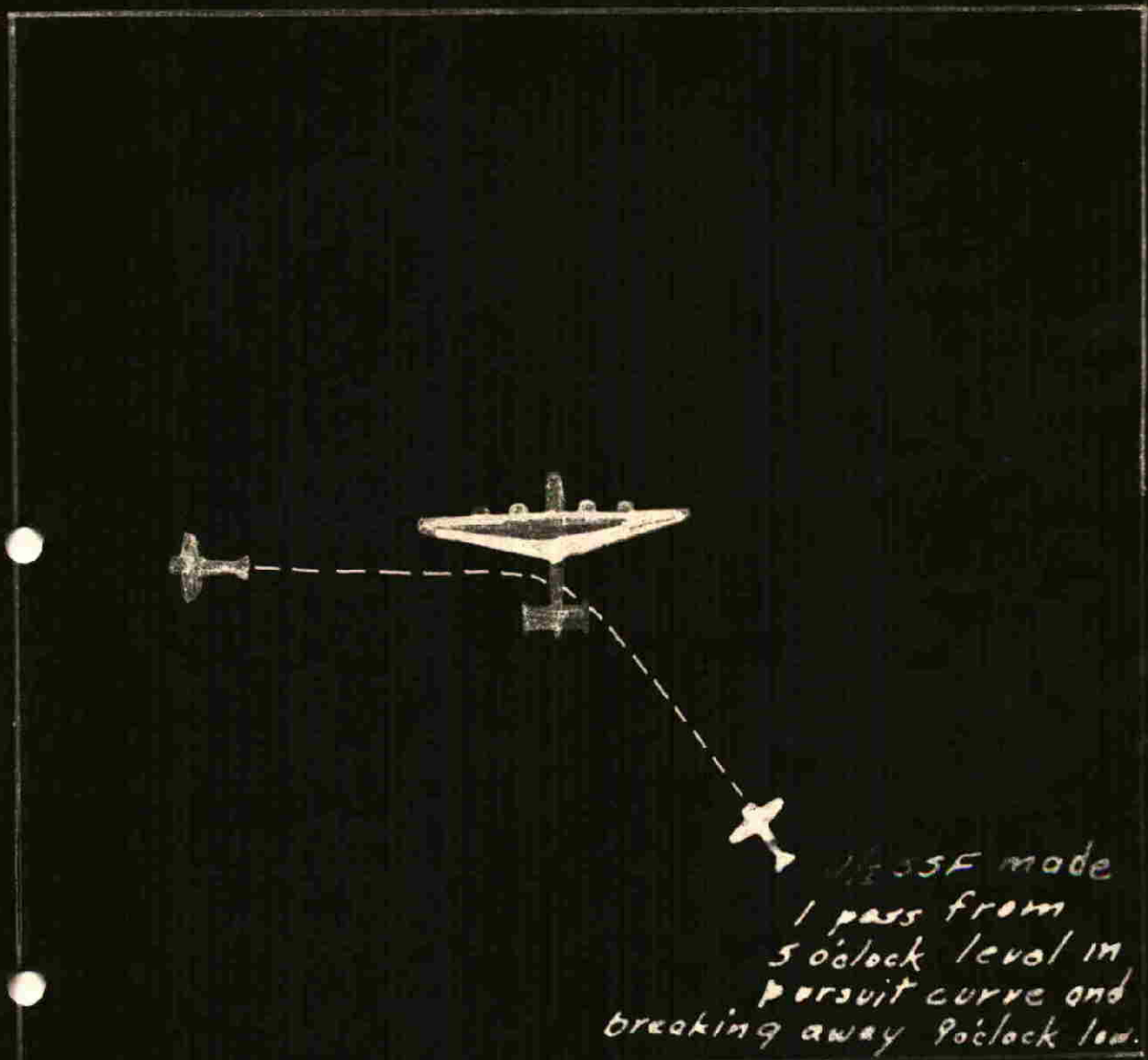
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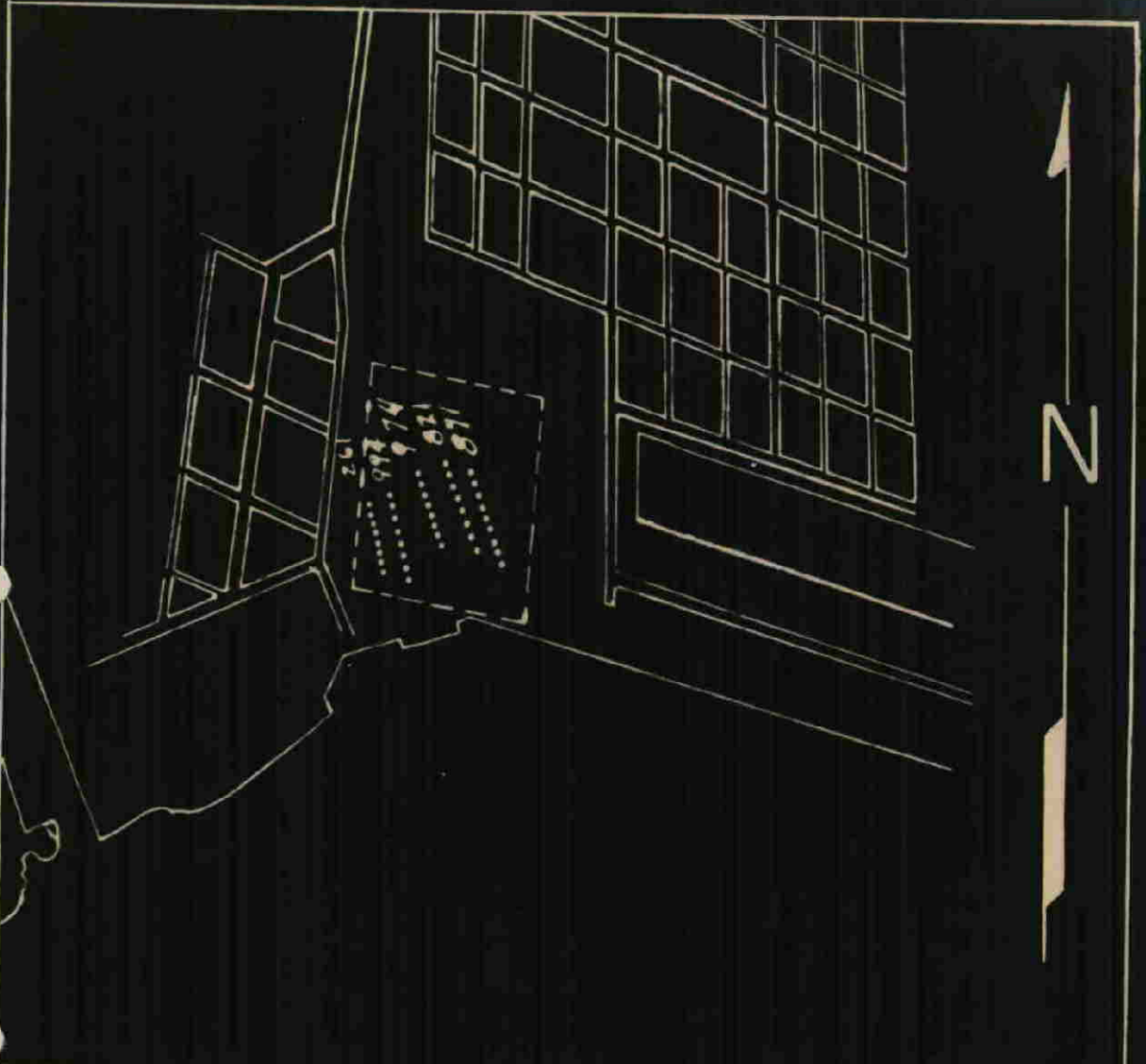


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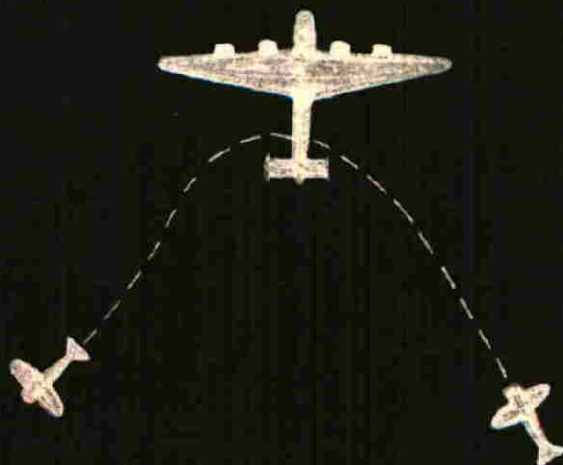


P-51F made
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5 o'clock level in
pursuit curve and
breaking away 9 o'clock lead.


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FFO - 159-A-6 8 JUNE 1945 403 rd B.Sq. 43 rd B.Gp. Diagram of Inter- ception 70 miles N of FOOCHOW T.O.A. 1230/I-1245/I ALT. 9500' 30 x .50	B-29 	

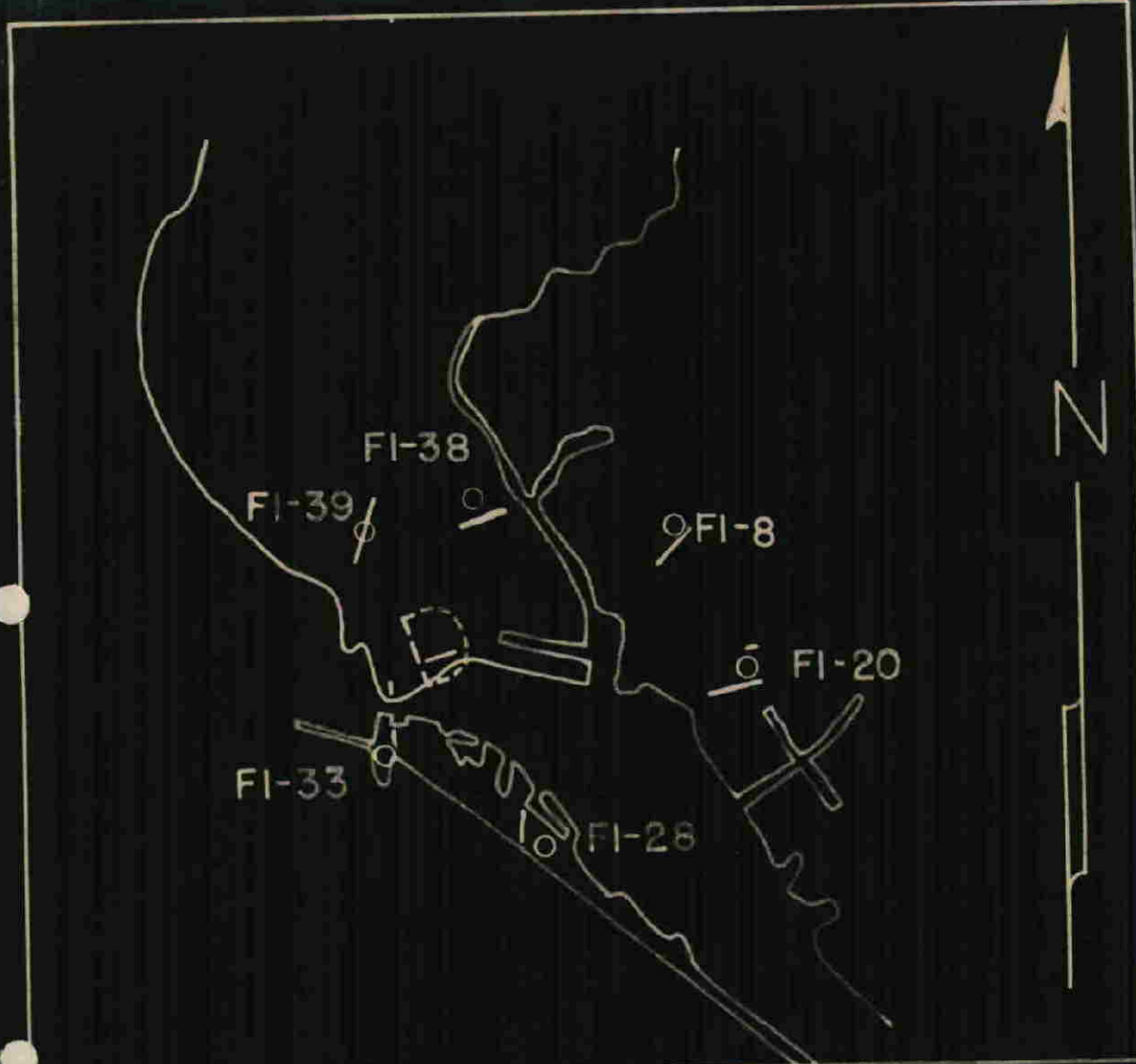


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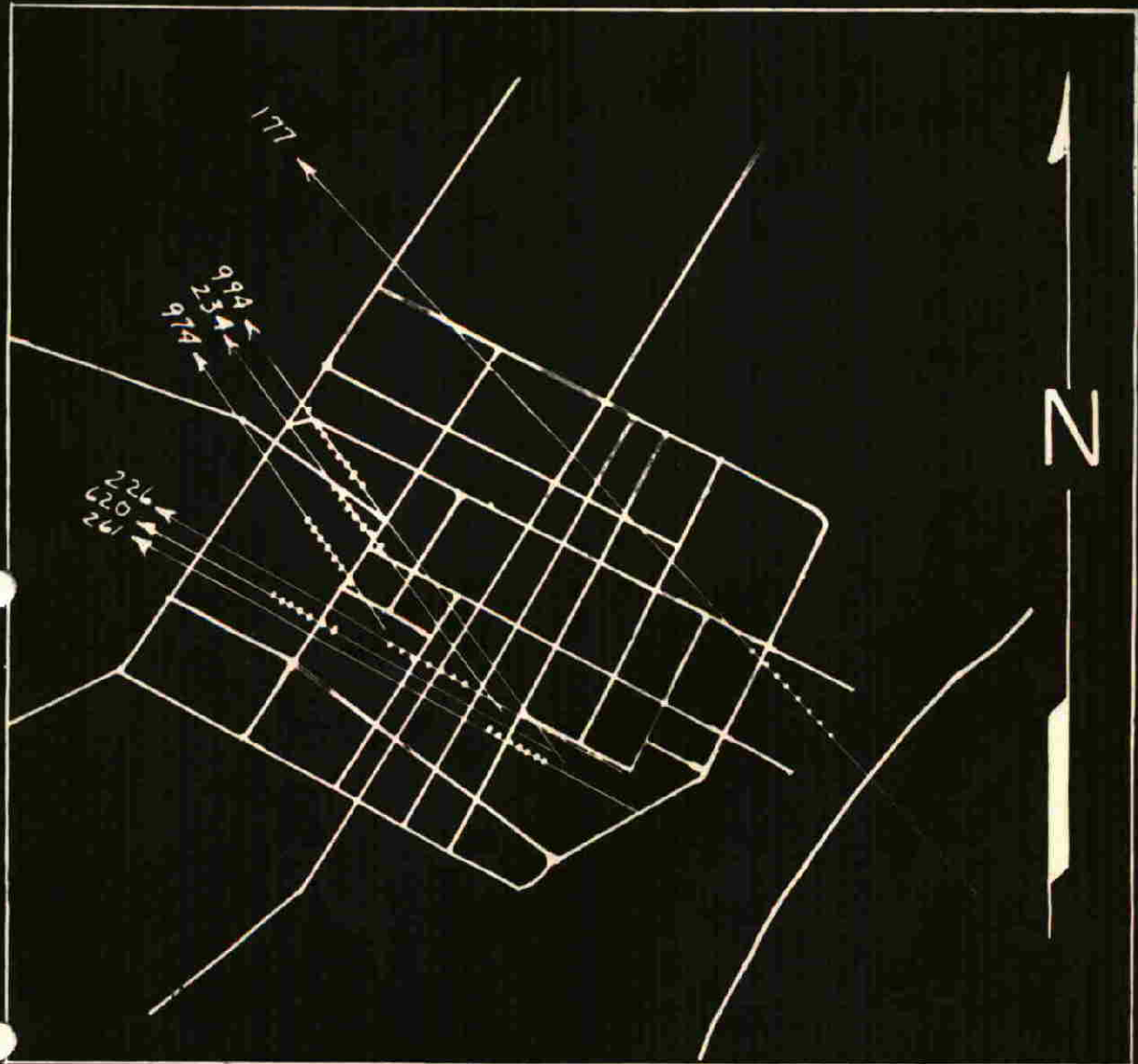





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to 7 o'clock low.*

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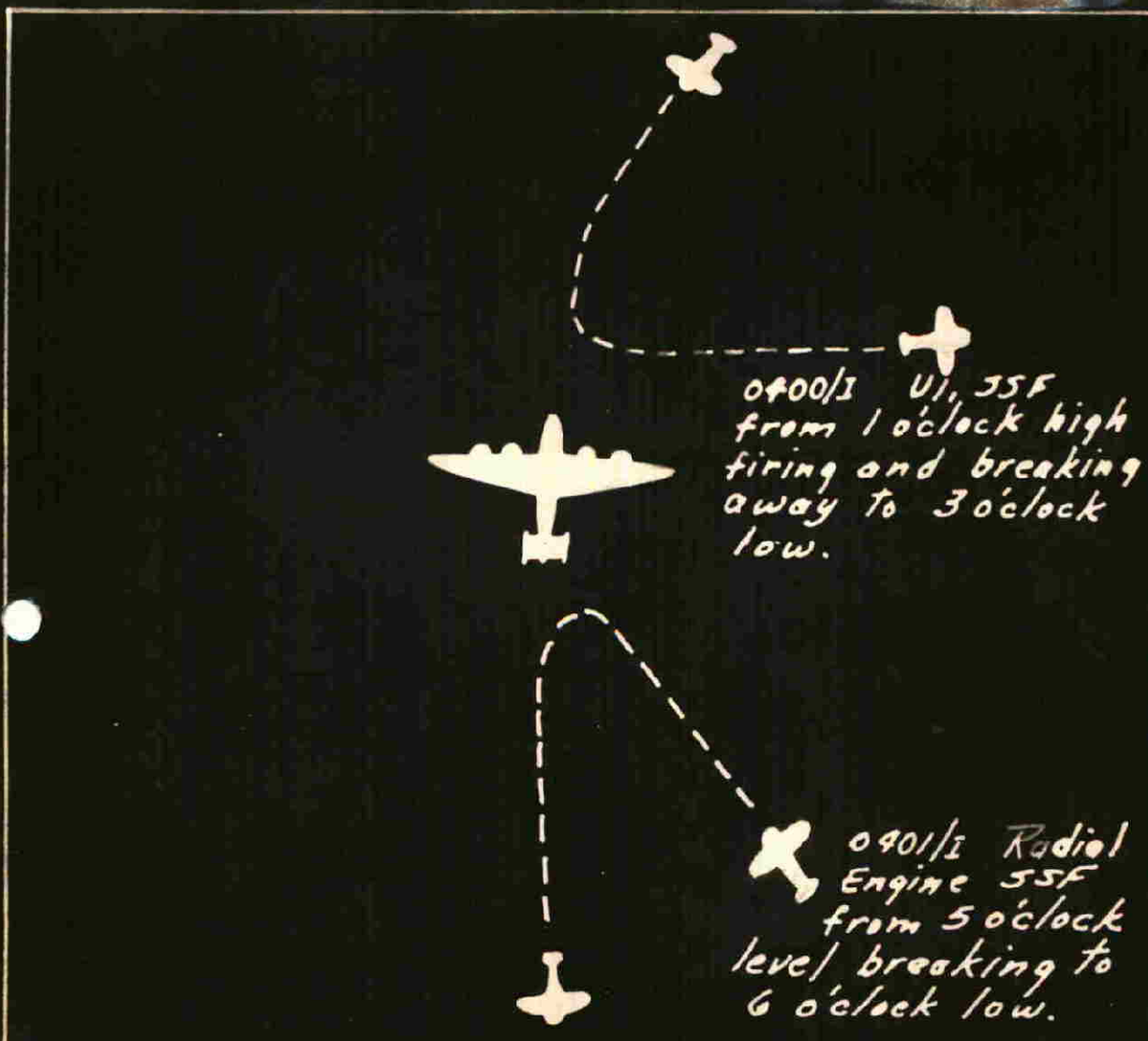
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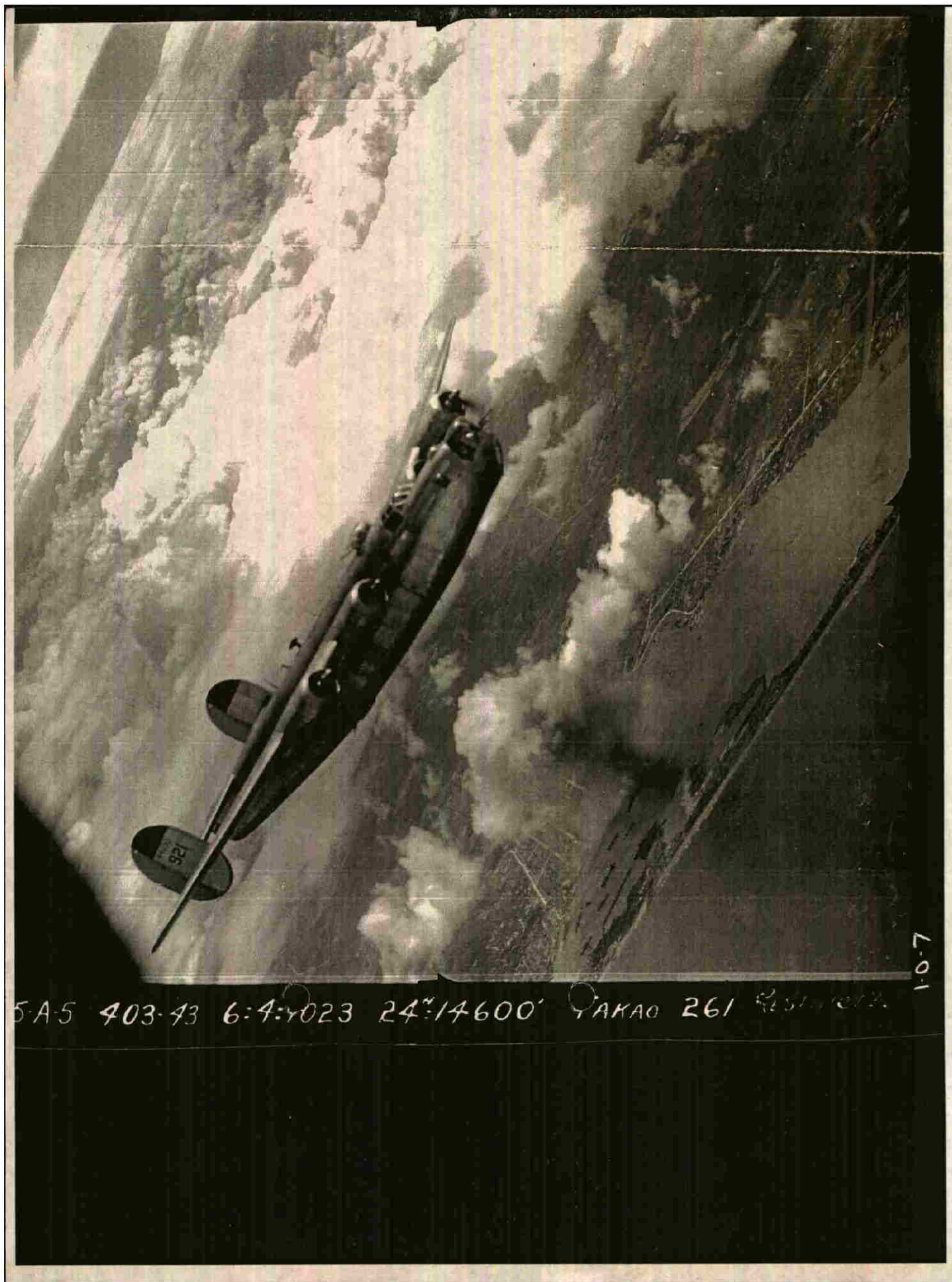
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FFO-177-A-3 26 JUNE 1945 403 rd Sq. 43 rd Gp. Interception at Mouth of CANTON RIVER TOA. 0355-0405/1 ALT. 10,000'	476 	



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FFO = 169-A-2 DATE = 18 JUNE 1945 TARGET = KIIRUN SIZE = 800' x 1000' 403rd. SQ., 43rd. GP. T.O.T. = 10537I - 11951I ALT. = 11,500 - 12,500 COURSE = 340° - 30° LOAD = 754000 GPID. PHOTO PLANES = 3	620 425 234 231 224 225 226 227 228 229 230 231 232 233 234 235 236 237 238 239 240 241 242 243 244 245 246 247 248 249 250 251 252 253 254 255 256 257 258 259 260 261 262 263 264 265 266 267 268 269 270 271 272 273 274 275 276 277 278 279 280 281 282 283 284 285 286 287 288 289 290 291 292 293 294 295 296 297 298 299 300	○ PHOTO PLANE · BOMB-HITS ⊙ FIRE



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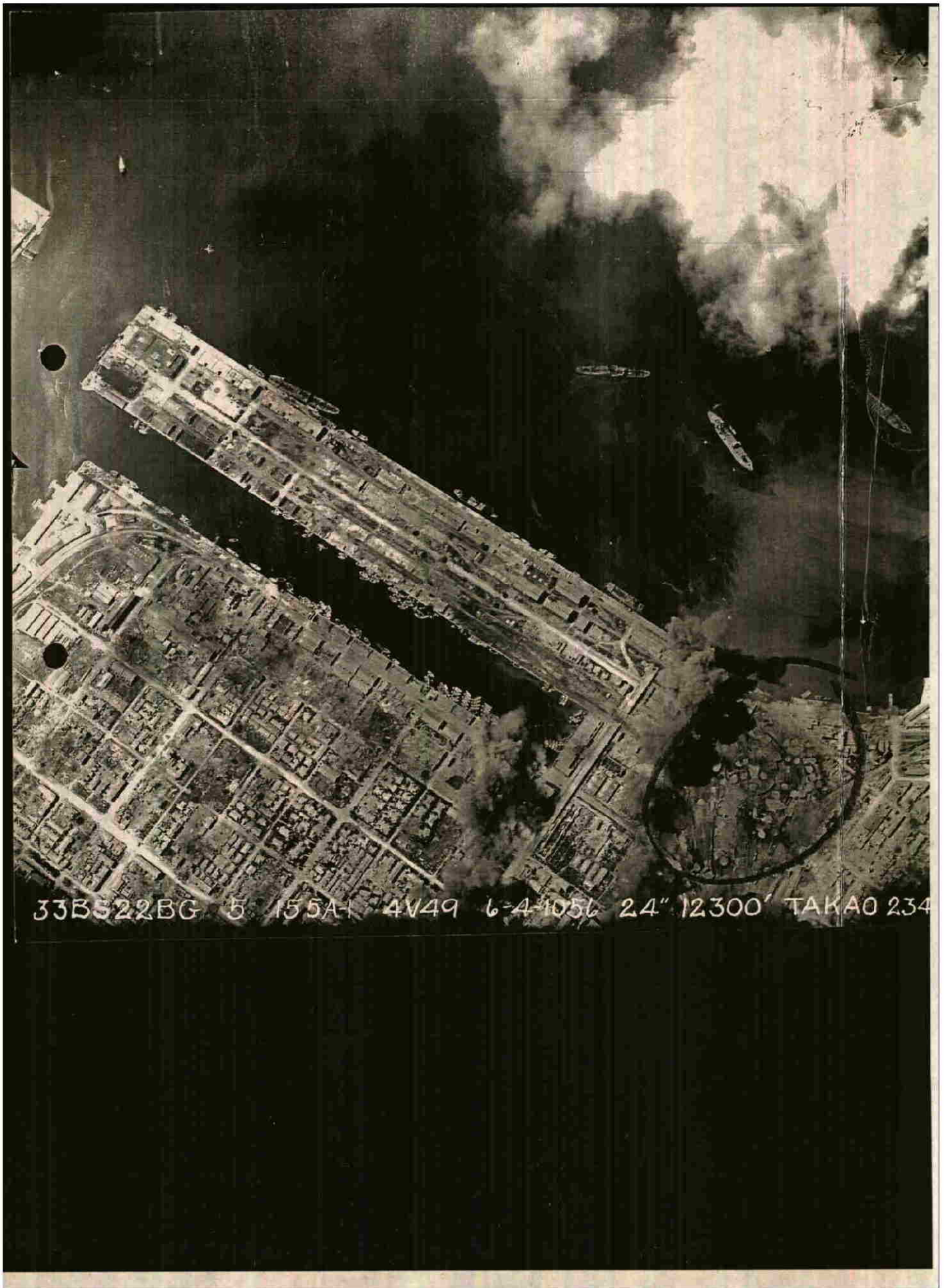
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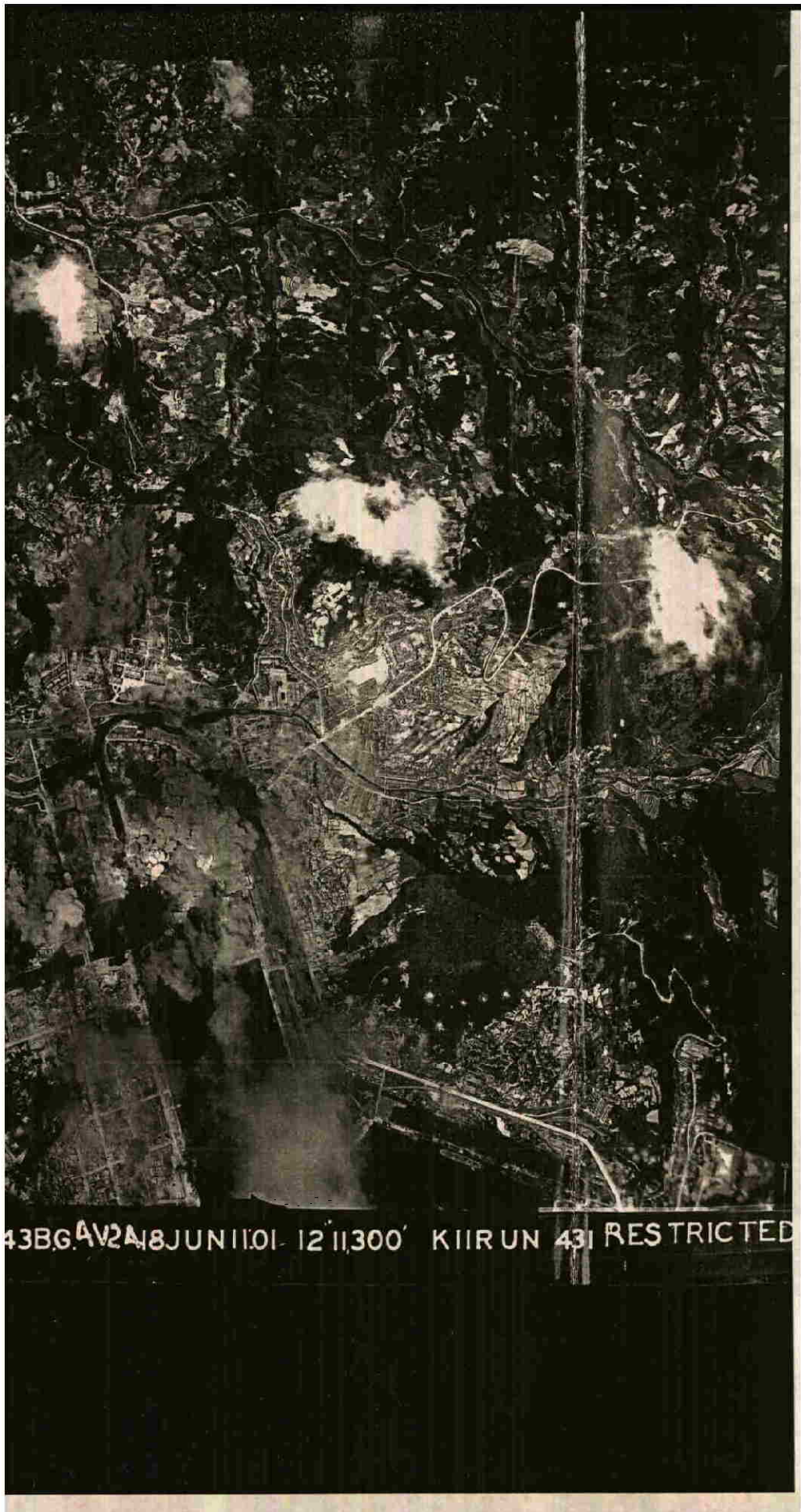
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The Squadron had a busy flying month during June. The location we now have at Clark Field is probably the best from all points in the history of the 403rd Squadron. There has been available a good quantity of building materials which has enabled the Squadron personnel to build some extremely liveable "shacks". Other outfits have called our little home "tin city" as practically every second building has a tin roof. Then too, the food has improved tremendously over the early days at New Guinea. We are now having such luxuries as fried chicken dinners and fresh (cold storage) eggs for breakfast.

We truly are hitting civilization! The Squadron was authorized to issue three-day passes to the personnel which resulted in numerous trips to Manila, a scant 55 miles to the south. The boys had a great time, and this served to alleviate the condition created in the past six months of having no place to which the men could be sent for a leave or furlough - the trip to the usual pleasure centers at Australia would be much too long.

The mail situation has improved greatly. The average time for letters arriving from the States is under ten days, and some lucky fellows receive mail in less than a week. The movies, held three times a week at the open-air Group theatre, add greatly to the entertainment of the Squadron. The selection of pictures has been rather poor, but even though the rainy season has played up to its role at night, the pictures still play to capacity audiences. The local Filipinos fight for their places in the rear of the area, and rapidly are being converted to Hollywood's most eager fans.

By way of sports, the boys in their odd moments have serious battles on the volleyball court. No organized league has been formed but each contest is fought to the bitter end. The Squadron softball team did nobly in the inter-squadron league and now stands at the top of the roster. Being so close to the pre-war base of Fort Stotsenburg, we have access to their cement tennis courts - Special Service provides the racquets and balls - and to the swimming pools where many a hot afternoon is spent.

Although we were building Officers' and Enlisted Men's Clubs, these activities were stopped when we were informed of the impending move. The officers and men have not lacked for social entertainment though because there are several clubs within walking distance. Probably the most popular place for the officers is the Fort Stotsenburg Officers' Club which boasts a GI or Filipino band each Saturday night plus a lively floor show. Drinks are served with the unheard of luxury: ICE. The enlisted men are getting a good deal of

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fun out of their Fort Stotsenburg club which has an up-to-date restaurant.

The month of June saw numerous changes of personnel. Major Leonard Clark was sent to Nadzab, New Guinea, to look over the problems in the Combat Replacement Training Center there. During his absence, on the 2nd of June, Captain James Beck was appointed acting CO. Captain Beck went home to the States on the 5th of June and was replaced temporarily by Captain Luke Sonner. Major Clark returned from Nadzab on the 12th of June and resumed his former duties of Commanding Officer. On 24 June, Major Clark was transferred to the job of 43rd Group Operations Officer. Captain Willis F. Bond assumed command of the Squadron. Captain Bond has already completed a tour of duty in Panama and is well qualified for this responsible position.*

Besides our daily strikes, the end of the month saw a hectic activity on the ground. On the 24th of June, the section heads were called together and given news that the Squadron should be packed and ready to move by LST between 1 and 4 July. Everyone got busy in a hurry. The files were ransacked and all old material burned. Storage boxes were secured through Tech Supply and each section packed and labelled all its equipment. Then came the news that there would be hardly any building materials and practically no lumber available at our new post. We were told that any building materials that were desired later on would have to be carried along. The order went out that all tin "shacks" and all wood floors would be down by midnight 28 June. More activity - and soon we found a stockpile of tin, plywood and lumber neatly marked and stacked in the middle of the Squadron area. The officers in charge of the movement estimated it would take four days to transport all the material and supplies to the beach at Subic Bay - 75 miles away - where the LST's would pick us up. With all the buildings torn down, the various sections moved together, and each squad tent was occupied by two or three sections - the Squadron continued to function normally, and the strikes were run efficiently as ever. The Squadron certainly has gained experience from previous moves.

And now at the end of the month, rumors are flying thick and fast. Will it be Okinawa, Ie Shima, Focchow or some spot on the China coast? Will the move be made on schedule or will we have the usual delay? We hear tales of the numerous delays on the beach at Subic Bay - but we hope it will not affect the date of our departure. The 403rd Squadron is ready for the move, and all the personnel are eager for the new targets which lie ahead.

*Morning Report, June.

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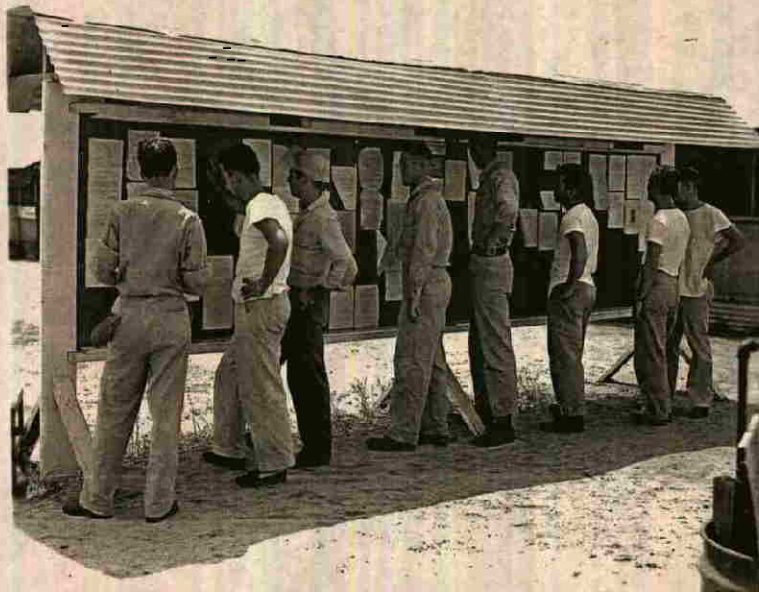
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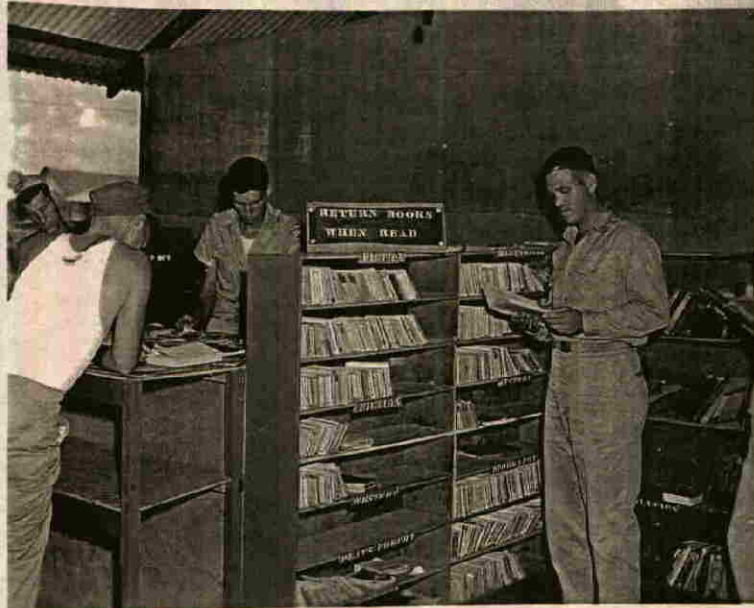
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SOMETHING NEW HAS BEEN ADDED.....A LIBRARY



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FOUR HUNDRED THIRD BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

The Medical Department was honored during the month of June by having their images recorded for posterity.



MEDICAL STAFF SMILES

The entire "Staff" consisting of the Flight Surgeon, three enlisted men and one civilian boy who act as janitor and doubles in interpreting the local dialect. The radiant smiles of health exhibit as nothing else could, show that the Medics follow their own advice of clean living, regular hours, and temperance in all thing, even work.

Our Filipino is Freddie Tolentino, age fifteen. He has a smile that would warm the heart of any tooth paste executive.

Corporal Rudolfo Saucedo is pictured second from the left. He is quiet, pleasant chap from "down on the border", Laredo, Texas, where his people do truck farming. He has been in the army forty-four months and like the rest of us, is anxious for the defeat of Japan so that he can return to familiar country.

In the center of the photograph is Captain Wendel R. Freeman, the Flight Surgeon, who before the war was an obstetrician in Champaign, Ill.

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Sgt. Fred Kampe Jr., second from right, comes from Covington, Ky. He was a baker in civilian life so the army put him in the Medical Corps, where he does a bang up job of clerical work, first aid and any other duties of the department. He is impatient to return home and see the seven months old daughter he has never met.

Last in the picture is Pfc. Louis Stello, who is from Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania. Before the war he was a truck driver, steel worker and coal miner. He has been in the army two years and in the medics the entire time. He does every thing from driving the vehicle and requisition-supplies to assisting on sick call. For the past few months he has rather specialized in treating the chronic skin conditions of the civilians who come in for care. He seems to enjoy this work, since most of them are dusky young females.



Arriving early, the photographer finds Capt. Freeman examining the last man on sick call.

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HISTORY OF THE 403rd BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)

Period

(1-30 June 1945)

OUTLINE OF FACTS

a. Original Unit	Not applicable
b. Changes in Organization	Section III
c. Strength	Section III
d. Stations	Section I
e. Number of Sorties	Section III
f. Bombs dropped and ammunition fired	Section III
g. Aerial attacks on our ground installations	Not applicable
h. Ground battles engaged in by unit	Not applicable
i. Losses in action	Section III
j. Former and present members who have distinguished themselves in action	Not applicable
k. Photographs of personnel, important scenes, or events	Section I
l. Other revelant statistical data	Section IV

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Office of the Armament OfficerAPO 74
6 July, 1945

SUBJECT: History of Armament Section, June, 1945.

TO : Historical Officer, 403rd Bomb. Sqdn. (H).

1. The greatest number of changes occurring in the Armament Section this month pertained to personnel. The month of June saw the departure of the former Armament Officer, Captain Sidney A. Lee. Captain Lee had done a splendid job while serving in that capacity and gained the respect and admiration of all those who worked under him. On the part of those who remained behind, a great deal of reluctance accompanied his leaving. He had been in the organization for thirty-four months.

2. The Bombsight Section welcomed their new Bombsight Officer, 2nd. Lt. Ely L. Hill. Lt Hill arrived in the Philippines 12 June, 1945 from the states, and was assigned to this organization five days after arrival. The Bombsight Section welcomed another arrival, fresh from the states, Sgt. Henry A. Beck. The section had been two men under T/O strength since the departure of T/Sgt. Barney Anderson, and Sgt. William Weatherwax for the states some months past.

3. S/Sgt. Robert Sizemore was replaced as Armament Section Chief by M/Sgt. Leo Delepa. Sgt. Sizemore had done a fine job as section chief. His replacement in that assignment was due to the practically nil possibilities of his getting a promotion, even after being in grade for three years.

4. Operation of the Armament Section has been interrupted by the impending move. The shop on the line has been torn down, and all the equipment crated and loaded onto two bomb trailers awaiting the move. The Bombsight Shop was located in the squadron area because of the too dusty condition on the line. This shop was the best equipped of any they have yet had, so it was with disinclination that they saw it torn down.

Frederick Schils
FREDERICK SCHILS
1st. Lt., Air Corps
Armament Officer

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FOUR HUNDRED THIRD BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
Office of the Squadron BombardierAPO 74
11 July 1945

SUBJECT: Historical Report for June, 1945.

TO : Historical Officer, 403rd Bombardment Squadron (H), APO 74.

1. The end of June found the 403rd out of the bombing doldrums. From May's 56% coverage, the 403rd jumped up to 74.8% for June. This represented an increase of 18.8% and put the Squadron second in the Group and well up with the top Fifth Air Force heavy squadrons.

2. This increase can be attributed mainly to closer bombardier and pilot cooperation and better coordination of the planes in the formation. We instituted a series of pilot-bombardier forums. Experienced bombardiers and pilots gave the new men the benefit of their knowledge. The pilots began to know a lot more of the problems confronted by the bombardier. The bombing showed a sharp rise in coverage and Squadron morale went up in direct proportion. Air speed indicators and altimeters were calibrated to give more accurate data on the bomb run. More attention was paid to racks, bombsights, and AFCE. This paid off in a sharp decrease in malfunctions.

3. The 403rd flew 20 daylight missions in June. Of these, one was HZX and two were pin-point. One of the most effective missions was the strike to the Takao marshalling yards in Formosa on the 4th of June. Capt. Sonner, pilot, flying his last mission, and Lt. Joseph, Squadron Bombardier, led the 43rd Group in for a perfect bombing pattern. The roundhouse and yards were completely destroyed.

4. On the 18th of June a freak mission was flown. Led by Lt. Sumnicht and Lt. Joseph, the 403rd hit Kirun Naval Base. Two of Lt. Joseph's bombs hung up and rather than go back over a well hit, heavily defended target, decided to hit a target of opportunity. Kizan-To island was picked. The one town on it (which incidentally had never been previously hit) was hit by the two 1000 pounders. The result was startling to say the least. The whole town was a seething mass of fire and explosions almost at once. The smoke rose to 5000 feet and the town was destroyed. Intelligence does not know exactly what was hit. Hidden oil dumps and ammo stores were suggested, but who knows?

5. On 23 June the Kobi butanol plant was hit. Capt. Bond and Lt. Muse, bombardier, led the formation. The mission was a perfect 100%.

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the plant, one of the largest in Formosa, was completely knocked out.

6. The wing bombardier with the best wing C.E. was F/O Crook with 0 ft on 5 missions. Lt. Joseph, with 6 missions, had 0 C.E. to make him top man among the lead bombardiers.

7. The month ended with things on the up-grade and everyone looking forward to the new targets we'd be hitting in July. Further improvement is anticipated in the bombing percentages.

Edward B. Joseph.
EDWARD B. JOSEPH,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Squadron Bombardier

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SECRETFOUR HUNDRED THIRD BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
Office of the Communications Officer

GJK/cjm

9 July, 1945.
APO 74.

SUBJECT: Squadron History.

TO : Squadron Historical Officer, 403rd Bombardment
Squadron (H), APO 74.

1. The activities of Communications Section followed their normal pattern for the greater part of June. No major difficulties occurred in the equipment in the planes. General maintenance consisting of replacing faulty sets and defective throat microphones was the only problem encountered. There was no difficulty in obtaining Signal Corps supplies. However, one major shortage will develop shortly in the supply of throat-mikes. We have been advised that no more will be available. In their place we have been issued the inset mikes from the oxygen mask as replacement. This leaves the problem of their use to be solved. It will be impossible, without some adaptation, to use them in the present form. It should be mounted and the exposed lugs on the back covered. Experiments should solve this shortly.

2. The training program has stalled slightly during the last month. Due to the impending move the code table and the test benches were dismantled about the 20th of the month. The rest of the equipment including the building were made ready shortly thereafter. During the time that classes were held, the progress made was encouraging. Radio operators monitor strikes each day in the squadron and have been given extensive training in Group on the use of equipment in code and procedure. Satisfactory progress has been noticed.

3. Additional equipment was received and included the portable ground set SCP-188 and the monitoring receiver EG-799. An effort was made to bring the squadron up to T/E. With the aid of the high priority granted us, this attempt was successful in all but a few minor particulars. This equipment while making us a self-sufficient unit is not all together a blessing. With transportation limited on the move and no apparent immediate use, the large amount of additional work in handling these sets is effort without reward. However, if they are needed in the future this work will be repaid.

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4. The morale of the section has been consistently good. As always, cooperation and initiative have made more than nominal supervision unnecessary. This situation is appreciated by this officer and, equally, by the enlisted men. As it natural, some things could and should be rectified. In common with all personnel, Redeployment is uppermost in the minds of the men. In this respect the section personnel are being penalized because this squadron was more prompt than some of the others in the group in changing MOS numbers to agree with the duty performed. The difference in the number of men reported by speciality and the greater number actually doing the work has resulted in a false shortage in the group. How serious a morale factor this will be depends upon the continuance of the present freeze of MOS changes. As it is now, two men who would have ordinarily gone home this month, either by time overseas or even discharge points are being retained as essential. It is to these men's credit that their eagerness has not vanished. It would be consistent to, cryptically, include that promotions are still frozen and that their reopening is patiently awaited.

5. Radio briefing has supervised the training program and the monitoring of strikes, prepared daily radio operators kits, and briefed the operators daily on special communications and rescue, facilities and procedure for the days missions.

T. W. Crane
T. W. CRANE,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Communications Officer.

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FOUR HUNDRED THIRD BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
Office of the Engineering Officer

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A.P.O. 74,
8 July 1945.

SUBJECT: Squadron History.

TO : Historical Officer, 403rd Bombardment Squadron (H), APO 74.

1. In compliance with letter Headquarters, 403rd Bombardment Squadron (H), dated 23 April 1945, the following summary of Engineering activities during the month of June 1945, is hereby submitted:

- a. During the month of June 1945 the engineering section was inspected by Fifth Air Force and V Bomber Command. The discrepancies noted showed a great improvement over past inspections. In general inspection reports on both inspections brought favorable comments on Squadron maintenance and operation.
- b. The average of the planes kept in operational condition during the month was sixty nine percent, an increase of four percent over the month of May 1945. One plane was kept in commission eighty nine percent of the time and one being in commission only forty percent of the time.
- c. 1125:50 combat hours were flown during the month. One plane flew a total of fourteen combat missions totaling 130:05 hours. A total of thirty eight transition flights were made.
- d. Several men in the section who have much more than the required amount of points and approximately three years over seas are anxiously awaiting action toward going home.
- e. M/Sgt. Kenneth Double who has seven years in the United States Army Air Forces was appointed line chief. His predecessor, M/Sgt. Osvalt Lahti was sent home on the Point System, having three years over seas service and a total of 117 points.



V. L. CAREER,
Captain, Air Corps,
Engineering Officer.

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SECRETCONFIDENTIALFOUR HUNDRED THIRD BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
OFFICE OF THE UNIT GAS OFFICERAPO 74
1 July 1945

SUBJECT: Historical Report, Chemical Warfare, June 1945.

TO : Historical Officer, 403rd Bombardment Squadron.

1. For the second month, this section was forced to function without the assistance of regular enlisted personnel. Several men were detailed to work on a day to day basis, and the following activities were carried out during the month:

a. Gas masks of all officers and enlisted men were inspected and checked for proper fitting.

b. Two hundred and eleven gas masks were repaired, cleaned, and issued to members of the squadron who were without masks.

c. All Chemical Warfare equipment was re-inventoried and packed for shipment.

d. All individual protective covers and protective ointment was withdrawn from issue in compliance with orders received from FFAF. These supplies are now being held in squadron storage.

2. Requisitions were submitted to bring equipment on hand to full authorized allowances. Except for chloride of lime, these requisitions were filled. The most important acquisition during the month was a Decontaminating Unit, M-4, of 400 gallon capacity, sled-mounted, self-pumping. In addition to its primary purpose this unit will be useful to the squadron as an auxiliary water trailer and for washing cars and trucks, as it is capable of furnishing a stream of water under 400 lbs. of pressure.

3. On June 27th the Chemical Warfare building was dismantled and the equipment packed for movement.

Kenneth Kraemer
KENNETH KRAEMER
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Unit Gas Officer

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SECRETFOUR HUNDRED THIRD BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
Office of the Flight SurgeonA.P.O. 74
9 July 1945

SUBJECT: Medical Data for June 1945.

TO ; Squadron Historian, 403rd Bombardment Squadron (H).

1. Sick call continued to be heavy for the month of June. Six hundred men were seen by the medical officer and twelve hundred treatments administered. In addition an approximate three hundred civilians were given medical attention.

2. Physical inspection was held for approximately 100% of the command. No communicable diseases were found. However there is trouble with the various fungus infections of ears and skin.

3. Innoculations were eliminated this month, the necessary vaccines were unattainable from medical supply. However there were no complaints from the fellows on our failure to keep their forms 81 up to date.

4. The squadron suffered two battle casualties this month. S/Sgt. Jay D. Gardner, 12025522, a Photographer, was hit in the forearm by scrapnel which was removed at 249th General Hospital. T/Sgt. Thomas W. Brown, 20841864, and Engineer, received an abrasion of his left lower leg, he was treated in the squadron dispensary. These injuries were sustained from ack ack while on mission over Heito, Formosa, at 1000 hours, 30 June 1945.

5. Monthly inspection was held for kitchen personnel, civilian K Ps, and barbers. No communicable disease was indicated.

6. There was no let up on training for medical personnel. One hour lectures and discussions were held on "General Disease In Forward Area" and on "Warfare Agents".

7. Our medical staff at the presen is as follows.

Capt. Wendel R. Freeman	0-485576	Flight Surgeon
Sgt. Fred W. Kampe Jr.	35130275	Medical Administrative
Cpl. Rudolfo Saucedo	38034194	Medical Technician
Pfc. Louis Stello	33763438	Medical Technician

Wendel R. Freeman
WENDEL R. FREEMAN,
Captain, Medical Corps,
Flight Surgeon.

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FOUR HUNDRED THIRD BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
Office of the Squadron Navigator

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A.P.O. 74
10 July, 1945

SUBJECT: Historical Report for Month of June, 1945.

TO : Squadron Historian, 403rd Bombardment Squadron (H), APO 74.

1. The purpose of the Navigation Department in the squadron is to keep the Navigators informed of the latest aids to navigation plus ways and means of helping to make for a better combat team.
2. We have a Loran setup, located in the radar section, whereby Navigators in the squadron can take fixes from several Loran Chains in this area. This past month we have set up a definite program for Loran training of each Navigator. Twenty-four members used the sets during June. "Fixes" were obtained from Guam-Siapan Chain and new China Chains. Each Navigator plotted at least four fixes.
3. We had a definite program for celestial work. Each Navigator participated in taking both sun and star shots. About three hundred and fifty (350) bearings were taken during the month.
4. During the month of June, two navigators returned to the States after having completed their combat missions in this area. They accumulated about three hundred and seventy five combat hours apiece during their tour in the Pacific area. One new Navigator reported in during this period. He was briefed by Intelligence and the Squadron Navigator on the problems of navigation in this area plus escape and evasion tactics.
5. Instruction in H2X (Radar) continued during the month for two navigators. Due to inclement weather over bombing target, the course was not completed up to July 1st. Several trips to Bomber Command gave us a chance to work on the Super Sonic Radar Setup installed there. The instruction was very well given and much was learned in operation of H2X.
6. One Navigator was on D.S. with the 312th Bomb Group (B-32's) for the first three weeks of June. We have twenty-five Navigators at present in the squadron.

Alfred W. Miles
ALFRED W. MILES,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Squadron Navigator.

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SECRETFOUR HUNDRED THIRD BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
Office of the Ordnance OfficerA.P.O. 74
8 July 1945

SUBJECT: Historical Report - June 1945

TO : Historical Officer, 403rd Bomb Sqdn., A.P.O. 74

1. For the period 20 May to 20 June 1945, a total of 195 planes were loaded. This is 26 more than for the previous month, however there were also more changes of loading and unloadings for the same period of time, a total of 38. The total weight of bombs dropped, or loaded in planes to be carried on missions was 1,322,640 pounds. In addition, 158 drums of Napalm, each containing 55 Gal., were loaded for the month of June. No particular difficulty was experienced in the loading or handling of these drums.

2. The vehicle situation for both the Ordnance Section and the Squadron Motor Pool has improved. The Ordnance Section now has three new M-6 Bomb Service Trucks, and another good trailer. These were badly needed, and have eliminated a lot of maintenance and repair work formerly needed to keep the trucks running from day to day. The 2½ ton cargo truck situation is more improved, with a total of 10 trucks on hand, two of which are dump trucks. Three new weapons carriers and three jeeps, with the promise of five more jeeps in a short time, should see the Squadron in the best transportation situation for a long time. All vehicles were checked for combat fitness during the month and with the exception of two or three vehicles all are in class A shape.

3. The personnel situation in the Ordnance Section is still further improved by the assignment of additional men. The total is now twenty-six. In addition, some of these men have come into the Squadron with some previous experience in bomb handling and ordnance work. The one bad "note" in the picture is that many of the men are arriving with rank, which makes for discouragement for the men who have been in the Squadron and overseas for some time, and can see no chance for advancement in the future.

4. The transportation Section is understrength and badly in need of mechanics. Good drivers are also needed. The tool and spare parts which have been requisitioned have been received in good shape because of the high priority we have.

William B. McCoy
WILLIAM B. MC COY
1st Lt. Ord. Dept.
Ordnance Officer

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FOUR HUNDRED THIRD BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
Office of the Personal Equipment Officer

APO 74
9 July, 1945

SUBJECT: Section History for the Month of June 1945.

TO : Squadron Historical Officer.

1. The news of the impending organizational move had a much looked for reaction on the supply agencies. The flow of requisitioned items however, started at a most inopportune time as we had already finished packing and were in process of dismantling our building. Nevertheless, we were grateful that the items arrived before our departure.

2. Among the many items received, the new type C-1 emergency sustenance vest and the new F-3 electrically heated lightweight trousers were the most important. Our bombardiers and turret gunners will have little to fear from old Jack Frost when we receive the F-3 jacket to complete the ensemble. Since we received only enough C-1 vests for eight crews, we will not be able to issue one to every man as we had hoped for, but the whole combat team will benefit in some measure. The new air crew candy lunch is quite naturally a great favorite with the flying personnel. It is used as a supplement to the regular lunch on missions of eight to ten hours duration, and as the main course on short flights of three to six hours duration.

3. The requisitioned items for tech order compliance have not been received to date, but with the supply agencies operating in high gear, they should be delivered some day in the very near future. The new C-2 one man life raft was a severe disappointment. The first four cases inspected revealed that the safety cotter keys on the CO₂ cylinders were rusted in the vertical plungers, and the pull cords were rotted. The condition came about, probably, when the rafts were stored outdoors at the depot. New cadmium coated cotter keys were installed and pull cords (made from parachute shroud lines) were replaced in the defective ones. Group P.E.O. dispatched a TWX to FEAF notifying them of the malfunction, so that all organizations who had drawn rafts would be on the alert.

4. We have enough chutes, harnesses and Mae Wests to accommodate sixteen crews. The service squadron is swamped with new repacks from all squadrons of the group. Therefore, our regular repacks are running a little behind schedule.

5. Since Capt. Axelsen, our former P.E.O., will be states bound in the near future, he has been replaced by Lt. R. W. Fairbanks. The enlisted status changed to some extent. Our parachute

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rigger now has an assistant, and the body armor man is now a Pfc., recently acquired from squadron supply.

(Breakdown of enlisted personnel and assignments)

One sergeant - Section Chief
One corporal - Parachute Rigger
One corporal - Apprentice Parachute Man
One corporal - Clerk
One private first class - Body Armor and Helmet Man

Robert W. Fairbanks

Robert W. Fairbanks
1st Lt., Air Corps
Personal Equipment Officer

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FORTY THIRD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)APO 74
1 July 1945

SUBJECT: History of Radar Section, June 1945.

TO : Squadron Historical Officer, 403rd Bomb Sq. (H).

1. This section has the duties of inspecting, maintaining and training flight personnel in the use of IFF equipment (SCR-695), Long Range Navigational equipment (Loran, AN/APN-4), three types of radar absolute altimeters (SCR-718-A, SCR 518-A, and AN/APN-1) and the Beacon Interrogator (SCR 729-A). Each plane in the squadron is equipped with IFF, thirteen in all; six Loran sets, six SCR-718 altimeters, one SCR-518 altimeter, two AN/APN-1 altimeters, and two Beacon Interrogators are maintained by this section. Group headquarters maintains and supervises the operation of the other radar equipment in planes of this squadron. This equipment includes "Mickey" (AN/APS-15-A) and several types of RCM (Radar Counter Measure) receivers, transmitters and jamming devices.

2. During the past month each of the navigators in the squadron has been given individual training and practice on the use of Loran. This training has averaged from half an hour to an hour for each man. A number of fixes were made in the Radar Shop from readings taken from received ground stations as far away as Darwin and Chungking.

3. During the past month three enlisted men from this section have returned to the United States under the point system. They are: M/Sgt H. E. Baisch, M/Sgt G. A. Colafati and S/Sgt J. E. Trinko. Inasmuch as each of these men had been assigned to work outside the section, the number of men present for duty in this section remains at six.

4. The Radar Shop was dismantled on 24th and 25th of June and since that date only routine maintenance has been possible.

Kenneth Kraemer
KENNETH KRAEMER
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Radar Officer

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FOUR HUNDRED THIRD BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
Office of the Supply Officer

A.P.O. 74,
13 July 1945.

SUBJECT: Squadron History

TO : Historical Officer, 403rd Bombardment Squadron (H), APO 74.

1. The Q.M. Supply section of the 403rd Bomb Sq (H) is basically concerned with procurement, storage, and distribution of supplies pertinent to this section. This includes clothing and equipage, Q.M. organizational equipment, building and Engineering supplies, gratuitous issues, and Q.M. sales issues.

2. The month of June was one of ever increasing activity. The pending move as well as directives from higher headquarters demanded the survey of clothing and equipment of every individual in the organization. This entailed considerable work but it was accomplished with a minimum waste of time. Shortages were replaced insofar as the Q.M. was able to fill the re-quisitioned needs.

3. The order to bring the organization to T/O & B strength caused another influx of requisitions and checking. Difficulties were the repeated rerequisitioning due to the servicing organizations not having the necessary equipment available.

4. Extreme difficulty was experienced in procurement of clothing and shoes in small sizes, tentage, and expendables and office supplies.

5. There was one beer issue covering a thirty day period (15 June-15 July) consisting of 24 12 oz. cans. In addition there was one cigarette issue.

6. The personnel of the section were altered. The Supply Sergeant was returned to the U.S. Another man was brought in to replace him. One man was transferred to another section and was replaced by another man. The personnel in Supply are listed below:

S/Sgt Russell Peterson, Supply Technician
Sgt Herbert Buehler, Supply Technician
Cpl Kenneth Reed, Supply Clerk
PFC Robert McVeigh, Supply Clerk

Clyde F. Muse
CLYDE F. MUSE
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Supply Officer.

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FOUR HUNDRED THIRD BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
Office of the Tech Supply Officer

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APO 74
8 July 1945

SUBJECT: Squadron History.

TO : Historical Officer, 403rd Bomb Squadron (H), APO 74.

1. The Technical Supply Section consists of one Officer, one Sergeant, who is section-head, and four Corporals. Two men are used to dispense parts and three men are used to obtain parts from the different Service Squadrons.

2. This Supply has laid by a thirty day stock of equipment and parts to meet all possible demands for aircraft maintenance at our next station. In order not to disturb this emergency stock, the men are kept busy obtaining parts for daily maintenance.

3. During the average day \$2000.00 worth of parts will be used, however, on certain days as high as \$15,000.00 worth of parts may be used.

4. Through cooperation of all departments, Technical Supply has met and overcome all possible demands and problems that arise from day to day.

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HALL C. COE,
Captain, Air Corps,
Tech Supply Officer.

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FOUR HUNDRED THIRD BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
 FORTY THIRD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
 Office of the Intelligence Officer

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AFPO 74
 5 July 1945

SUBJECT: Operational Report

TO : Historical Officer, 403rd Bombardment Squadron (H)

1. Submitted herewith Operational Report for the month of June 1945.

a. Airplanes departing on missions	129
b. Airplanes completing missions	126
c. Enemy A/C destroyed	0
d. Enemy A/C probably destroyed	0
e. Enemy ships sunk or probably sunk	1
f. Enemy ships hit or damaged	0
g. Personnel lost in combat	0
h. Airplanes lost in combat	0
i. Personnel injured in combat	2
j. Combat flown hours flown	1,138.1
k. Time other than combat	79.8
l. Total weight of bombs dropped at target	777,400
m. Total ammunition expended in combat (rounds)	290

John H. Vogel
 JOHN H. VOGEL
 1st Lt, Air Corps
 Squadron S-2

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FOUR HUNDRED THIRD BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
Office of the Operations Officer

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A.P.O. 74
1 July, 1945

SUBJECT: Data for Unit History.

TO : Squadron Historian, 403rd Bombardment Squadron (H), 43rd Bombardment Group (H), APO 74.

1. The following information has been compiled for the Unit History:

A. (1) Aircraft available on 1 June, 1945:	B-24-J	2
	B-24-M	4
	B-24-L2	1
(2) Aircraft unavailable on 1 June, 1945:	B-24-J	3
	B-24-M	1
	B-24-L2	1
	B-24-M6	1
(3) Aircraft available on 30 June, 1945:	B-24-J	3
	B-24-M	4
	B-24-L2	1
	B-24-M6	1
(4) Aircraft unavailable on 30 June, 1945:	B-24-J	2
	B-24-M	1
	B-24-M6	1
B. (1) Pilots assigned and trained on 1 June, 1945:		62
Crews assigned and trained on 1 June, 1945:		26
(2) Pilots assigned and trained on 30 June, 1945:		57
Crews assigned and trained on 30 June, 1945:		27
C. (1) Number of Combat Sorties:		
a. 138 Strike Sorties.		
b. 134 Strike Sorties completed.		

Kenneth C. Sumnlight
KENNETH C. SUMNLIGHT,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Operations Officer.

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FOUR HUNDRED THIRD BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
FORTY THIRD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
APO 74

8 July, 1945.

SUBJECT: Citations for the Month of June 1945.

TO : Squadron Historian.

1. Air medals and/or Oak-Leaf Clusters were awarded to personnel during the month of June 1945 as follows:

- a. Enlisted men 177
- b. Officers 64

2. Extracts of the above awards are attached hereto.

Edward B. Joseph.
EDWARD B. JOSEPH,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Citations Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS
FAR EAST AIR FORCES
APO 925 - 3 May 1945.

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AIR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)--Awards...	II

I. AIR MEDAL AND OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bulletin 25, WD, 1942) as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bulletin 49, WD, 1942), an Air Medal and Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster are awarded by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, to the following named enlisted men:

1. AIR MEDAL

Staff Sergeant ARTHUR J. HILLESHEIM, (37678831), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 3 September 1944 to 4 November 1944.
Home address: Mrs Mabel A. Hilleshiem (Mother), Waterville, Iowa.

Staff Sergeant EUGENE E. HIRT, (35235498), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 3 September 1944 to 24 October 1944.
Home address: Mrs Audrey M. Hirt (Wife), 901 Bellflower Ave., S.W., Canton, Ohio.

2. OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

Staff Sergeant ARTHUR J. HILLESHEIM, (37678831), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 5 November 1944 to 18 March 1945.
Home address: Mrs Mabel A. Hilleshiem (Mother), Waterville, Iowa.

Staff Sergeant EUGENE E. HIRT, (35235498), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 1 November 1944 to 6 March 1945.
Home address; Mrs. Audrey M. Hirt (Wife), 901 Bellflower Ave., S.W., Canton, Ohio.

The citation is as follows:

For meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific Area, during which hostile contact was probable and expected. These operations consisted of bombing missions against enemy airdromes and installations and attacks on enemy naval vessels and shipping. The courage and devotion to duty displayed during these flights are worthy of commendation.

1. OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

Technical Sergeant MONROE FORMA, (16060101), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 2 September 1944 to 1 March 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Rosalind Forma (Mother), 103 East 86th St., New York, N.Y.

2. THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

Staff Sergeant DAVID F. CURRAN, (38426436), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 19 February 1945 to 28 March 1945.
Home address: Mrs. M. W. Curran (Mother), 110 Columbus Ave., Ft. Worth, Texas.

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Staff Sergeant ANTHONY G. FORTUNATO, (32912449), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 19 February 1945 to 31 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rose C. Fortunato (Mother), 110 43rd St., Union City, N.J.

1. SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

First Lieutenant JOSEPH PECORARO, (0684191), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 4 August 1944 to 14 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Alfonzo Pecoraro (Father), 167 Bleecker St., New York, N.Y.

2. THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

First Lieutenant JOSEPH PECORARO, (0684191), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 15 January 1945 to 25 February 1945. Home address: Mr. Alfonzo Pecoraro (Father), 167 Bleecker St., New York, N.Y.

1. SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

Technical Sergeant WILLIAM M. HAMMOCK, (35634131), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 14 December 1944 to 8 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Virginia N. Hammock (Mother), 51 W. Maynard Ave., Columbus Ohio.

2. THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

Technical Sergeant DONALD L. HAWTHORNE, (16154346), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 7 February 1945 to 17 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Everatt B. Hawthorne (Father), 205 Part St., Milford, Ill.

1. SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

First Lieutenant LUKE V. SOMNER JR. (07229 74), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 24 February 1945 to 5 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Luke V. Sonner Sr., (Father), Route 1, Buhl, Idaho.

2. THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

Second Lieutenant OMAR L. ASH JR., (0722974), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 19 February 1945 to 3 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Joanita Ash (Wife), 1811 N. Third St., Monroe, La.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT F. BROCK JR., (39412219), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 24 February 1945 to 27 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Florence Brock (Mother), 728 Orient St., Chico, Calif.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT L. CRAWFORD JR., (34599787), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 18 February 1945 to 3 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Bertha C. Crawford (Mother), Route 3, Franklin, N.C.

Technical Sergeant HENRY B. GEMBAROUSKI, (37263393), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 5 August 1944 to 27 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary E. Gembarouski (Mother), 618 E. Maple Ave., Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

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Technical Sergeant GEORGE E. HOLTER JR., (13104704), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 7 September 1944 to 23 November 1944.

Home address: Mrs. Anna M. Holter (Mother), 705 Gator Ave., Baltimore, Md.

1. OAK-LEAF CLUSTER.

Technical Sergeant LOREN C. BATES, (37654127), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific Area from 26 June 1944 to 7 March 1945.

Home address: Mr. Jasper C. Bates (Father), Box 334, Abbotsford, Wis.

2. SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

Technical Sergeant DONALD S. HOEKEN, (170777121), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 6 November 1944 to 6 March 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Essie Sortore (Mother), 3420 Carolina St., St. Louis, Mo.

Staff Sergeant BARNETT T. MC CLENDON, (34505576), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 25 January 1945 to 16 March 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Laura C. McClendon (Mother), Route 1, Whitwell, Tenn.

1. OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

Technical Sergeant WILLIAM T. MILLER, (35099932), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 1 November 1944 to 3 March 1945.

Home address: W. T. Miller (Wife), 5811 E. 18th St., Indianapolis, Indiana.

2. THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

Technical Sergeant SALVADOR RAMIREZ, (39696340), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 25 February 1945 to 3 March 1945.

Mrs. Celsa Ramirez (Mother), 617 East First St., Oxnard, Calif.

Staff Sergeant LEO P. RUSSAVAGE, (6944711), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 24 December 1944 to 31 March 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Mae Russavage, (Mother), 521 Mineoka Ave., Moosic, Penna.

1. OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

Staff Sergeant JAMES D. SELL JR., (33873526), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 20 January 1945 to 3 April 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Verna G. Sell (Wife) R.D. 1, New Providence, Penna.

2. SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM J. SMITH, (39568150), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 25 January 1945 to 26 March 1945.

Home address: Mrs. M. Florence Smith (Mother), 1542 West 79th St., Los Angeles, California.

Technical Sergeant GEORGE W. WHITE, (15374218), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 31 July 1944 to 16 November 1944.

Home address: Mrs. Gardie W. White (Mother), 169 E. High St., Painesville, Ohio.

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GO # 746, Hq, FEAF, APO 925, 11 May 1945

SECRET1. AIR MEDAL.

First Lieutenant NEIL R. FAIRBANKS, (0432971), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 28 August 1944 to 7 October 1944. Home address: Mr. Paul A. Fairbanks (Father), 716 E. Main St., Anoka, Minn.

2. OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

First Lieutenant NEIL R. FAIRBANKS, (0432971), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 14 October 1944 to 2 February 1945. Home address: Mr. Paul A. Fairbanks (Father), 716 E. Main St., Anoka, Minn.

3. SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

First Lieutenant NEIL R. FAIRBANKS, (0432971), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 2 February 1945 to 8 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Paul A. Fairbanks (Father), 716 E. Main St., Anoka, Minn.

GO # 757, Hq, FEAF, APO 925, 12 May 1945.

1. AIR MEDAL.

Staff Sergeant EARL M. BASH, (35298654), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 25 January 1945 to 8 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Harry G. Bash (Father), Box 22, Homer, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant LEES BROOME JR., (32914551), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 17 October 1944 to 14 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Berenice K. Broome (Mother), 117 Cockman Ave., Ocean Grove, N. J.

Staff Sergeant LEE A. BROWN, (38602297), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 25 January 1945 to 8 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jessie D. Brown (Mother), Route 2, Rogers, Ark.

Flight Officer JOHN B. BRUCE, (T2435), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 26 June 1944 to 8 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Milliard F. Bruce, (Father), Box 175, R.F.D. 1, Arlington, California.

Technical Sergeant HERBERT G. CONNOR, (19070073), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 25 January 1945 to 8 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Emma Connor (Mother), Winter, Calif.

Staff Sergeant DONALD W. COCCORAN, (15406251), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 25 January 1945 to 17 March 1945. Mrs. John P. Cocoran (Mother), Route 1, Chillicothe, Ohio/

Sgt. LLOYD R. DEMMY, (33233370), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 5 October 1943 to 13 December 1943. Home address: Mrs. Edith Demmy (Mother), 111 Railroad Ave., Manheim, Penna.

Staff Sergeant PHILLIP DESSAK, (13142461), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 25 January 1945 to 8 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. L. Dessak (Mother), 565 Parkside Ave., Brooklyn, N.Y.

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GO # 757, Hq, FEAF, APO 925, 12 May 1945.

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Second Lieutenant BYRON S. DICKERSON, (02057264), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 15 February 1945 to 5 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Eva Dickerson (Mother), 103 North 17th St., Paris, Tex.

Technical Sergeant CLINTON A. DOUTHITT, (35232858), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 25 January 1945 to 8 March 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Eva A. Douthitt (Mother), Route 80, Atwater, Ohio.

Flight Officer EVERETT L. HENDERSON, (T128261), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 1 March 1945 to 16 April 1945.
Home address: Mr. Ray J. Henderson (Father), R.R. 6, Decatur, Ill.

Second Lieutenant MARK E. MACKINNEY, (0783594), Air Corps, United States Army. For Operational flight missions from 31 January 1945 to 13 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Irene L. MacKinney (Wife), Sheridan Park, General Delivery, Bremerton, Wash.

Technical Sergeant PAUL R. MCKNIGHT, (18046600), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 23 December 1943 to 29 February 1944.
Home address: Mr. Kelly T. McKnight (Father), Box 703, Telluride, Colo.

Second Lieutenant JEREMIAH J. REIGES JR., (0764457), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 2 July 1944 to 23 March 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Adelia Reiges (Mother), 4 Langdon St., Worcester, Mass.

Technical Sergeant ROBERT BEITZ, (39908076), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 19 February 1945 to 14 April 45.
Home address: Mrs. Louise Beitz, (Mother), Box 446, American Falls, Idaho.

2. SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

Technical Sergeant ROY F. CARTER, (7023329), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 26 February 1945 to 11 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Esther Carter (Mother), Route 1, Grandville, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant LEONARD M. CRAWFORD, (38366867), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 22 February 1945 to 12 April 45.
Home address: Mrs. Emma L. Crawford (Mother), 117 Lee St., San Antonio, Tex.

Captain DAVID DUVIVIER, (0914093), Air Corps, United States Army. Awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster for operational flight missions from 27 July 1944 to 9 March 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Patricia M. Duvivier (Wife), 116 East 63rd St., New York, N. Y.

Technical Sergeant NEAL J. KING, (11097988), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 7 November 1944 to 11 April 45.
Home address: Mrs. Krista, D. King, (Mother), 116 Emerj St., Portland, Me.

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GO # 761, HQ, FFAF, Apo 925, 12 May 1945.

1. OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

Technical Sergeant DONALD G. MACBRAIR, (353563030), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 9 September 1944 to 13 February 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Katheryne MacBair (Wife), 1212 Grayson Ave., N. W., Roanoke, Va.

2. SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

Technical Sergeant DONALD G. MACBRAIR, (35563030), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 24 February 1945 to 11 April 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Katheryne MacBair (Wife), 1212 Grayson Ave., N.W., Roanoke, Va.

Technical Sergeant ROLAND Y. SEILER, (20340277), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 21 February 1945 to 8 April 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Mary E. Seiler (Wife), R.F.D. 1, New Market, Md.

1. OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

Technical Sergeant RAYMOND T. COLBERG, (18051561), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 27 February 1945 to 15 April 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Onie B. Colberg, (Mother), Box 1103, 136 E. "H" St., Benicia, Calif.

2. THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

First Lieutenant BYRON E. SNYDER, (0711260), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 26 February 1945 to 14 April 1945.

Home address: Mr. Ross G. Snyder (Father), Box 125, Woodbury, Penna.

Second Lieutenant CHARLES K. STEIN, (0723706), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 22 February 1945 to 7 April 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Natalie L. Steig, (Wife), 436 N. Orange Drive, Los Angeles Calif.

1. SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

Staff Sergeant MEREDITH B. CLAPPER, (13060419), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 25 February 1945 to 13 April 1945.

Home address: Mr. Harry A. Clapper (Father), 954 S. Braddock Ave., Pittsburgh, Penna.

2. THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

Technical Sergeant HERBERT F. BENSE, (36434099), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 26 October 1944 to 21 March 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Theresia Bense (Mother), 2142 St. Louis Ave., East St. Louis, Ill.

3. SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

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Technical Sergeant JAMES O. MCNAIR, (34121535), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 17 February 1945 to 12 April 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Margaruite M. McNair, (Mother), 1706 College Ave., Hartsville, S.C.

3. THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

Staff Sergeant ARVIL H. MCQUEEN, (38233634), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 9 September 1944 to 4 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Louise McQueen (Wife), 617 S. 12th St., Ft. Smith, Ark.

1. Second OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

Technical Sergeant CHESTER A. MARKIEWICZ, (33272691), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 10 October 1944 to 7 April 1945.

Home address: Mr. Joe Markiewicz (Father), 114½ E. 2nd St., Erie, Penna.

2. THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

Staff Sergeant O'NEAL MOBLEY, (18105283), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 3 March 1945 to 5 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Raymond B. Mobley (Father), Route 1, Oakwood, Tex.

Staff Sergeant KENNETH M. SELLERS, (37528222), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 26 February 1945 to 14 April 45. Home address: Mrs. Vera E. Sellers (Mother), Asbury, Mo.

Staff Sergeant JAMES H. WILLIAMS, (18226642), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 6 September 1944 to 16 November 1944.

Home address: Mr. Claude M. Williams (Father), Route 2, Box 13, Nacogdoches, Tex.

1. SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

Staff Sergeant JOSEPH P. SIMPSON, (34671777), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 28 February 1945 to 12 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ethelyn E. Simpson, (Wife), 101 Watts St., Williamston, N.C.

GO # 765., HQ FAR EAST AIR FORCES, APO 925, 12 May 1945.

1. OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT E. BRALLIER, (14133133), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions on 1 September 1944.

Home address: Mrs. Mimie Brallier (Mother), Route 1, Box 34, Killarney Drive, Winter Park, Fla.

GO # 826, HQ, FAR EAST AIR FORCES, APO 925, dtd 18 May 1945.

1. AIR MEDAL.

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GO # 826, HQ, FAR EAST AIR FORCES, APO 925, dtd 18 May 1945.

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1. AIR MEDAL.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM L. BALLARD, (35757687), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 3 March 1945 to 18 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Grace Ballard (Mother), Jane Lew, Lewis County, W. Va.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT L. BARRETT, (33544309), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 3 March 1945 to 18 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Virginia J. Barrett (Mother) 265 East 40th St. Norfolk, Va.

Staff Sergeant FRANK A. COHEN, (31420332), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 5 March 1945 to 19 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Dorothy Cohen (Mother), 6 Custer St., Lawrence, Mass.

Staff Sergeant JOSEPH W. COOPER, (42030467), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 5 March 1945 to 19 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Mary Cooper (Mother), 71 Suydam St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Staff Sergeant STUART B. EYNON, (11093349), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 17 October 1944 to 4 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Ellen Eynon (Mother), 14 Fenton Ave., Lynn, Mass.

Staff Sergeant JOSEPH F. GALVIN, (42004218), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 3 March 1945 to 18 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Mary Galvin (Mother), 403 Woodlawn Ave., Jersey City, N. J.

Second Lieutenant ARTHUR E. GOLDBERG, (02072697), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 3 March 1945 to 18 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Ida Goldberg (Mother), 4541 N. Sheridan Road, Chicago, Ill.

Staff Sergeant ARTHUR H. HUNT, (16177651), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 5 March 1945 to 19 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Kathleen Hunt (Mother), 559 Caron, Windsor, Ontario, Canada.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT W. KERR, (37701291), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 17 October 1944 to 7 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Hilda P. Kerr (Mother), 325 East 18th Ave., Denver, Colo.

Second Lieutenant CALVIN C. MERCER, (02059104), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 3 March 1945 to 18 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Ida A. Mercer (Mother), Milroy, Minn.

Staff Sergeant DANIEL B. MORRIS, (34677480), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 5 March 1945 to 19 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Rose M. McLeod (Mother), R. F. D. 1, Broadway, N. C.

Staff Sergeant CHARLES R. OLDHAM, (16171713), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 3 March 1945 to 18 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Eva M. Oldham (Mother), R.F.D. 1, Marceline, Mo.

Flight Officer THOMAS M. O'MALLEY, (T7261), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 3 March 1945 to 18 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Marie G. O'Malley (Mother), 1820 Metropolitan, St., Pittsburgh, Penna.

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Staff Sergeant JOSEPH W. SNYDER, (13158708), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 5 November 1944 to 12 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna K. Snyder (Mother), 5 Jefferson Ave., Lewisburg, Penna.

Staff Sergeant WAYNE E. SPITLER, (33540970), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 3 March 1945 to 18 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Eura M. Spitler (Mother), Luray, Va.

Staff Sergeant CLIFFORD A. STAPLEY, (39920501), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 5 November 1944 to 13 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary L. Stapley, (Mother), Beaver, Utah.

Second Lieutenant JOHN G. YEAGER, (0775230), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 22 October 1944 to 4 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary L. Yeager, (Wife), 1445 Cumberland Ave., Bend, Ore

2. THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

First Lieutenant JOHN J. GRAHAM, (0695489) Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 14 December 1944 to 28 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Graham (Mother), 10 Pequit St., Canton, Mass.

Staff Sergeant JOHN J. CUCORAN, (12031649), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 24 October 1944 to 24 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Corcoran (Mother), 7 Mason St., Geneva, N. Y.

1. Oak LEAF CLUSTER.

Second Lieutenant HAROLD L. BERNSTEIN, (0816400), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 14 February 1945 to 11 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mollie L. Bernstein (Mother), 120 W. Church St., Lock Haven, Penna.

2. THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

First Lieutenant ABRAHAM GOTHELF, (0694364), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 25 December 1944 to 18 February 1945. Home address: Mr. Benjamin Gothelf (Brother), 120 Division Ave., Brooklyn, N.Y.

Technical Sergeant RICHARD W. MORIARTY, (31262193), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 25 February 1945 to 3 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Winifred F. Moriarty (Mother), West Main St., Petersham, Mass.

First Lieutenant VIRGIL O. OLSON, (0752579), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 13 September 1944 to 23 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Olga Olson (Mother), 71 Tamarack St., Wallace, Idaho.

GO # 908 HQ, FAR EAST AIR FORCES, APO 925 dtd 26 May 1945.

1. AIR MEDAL.

Corporal WILLIAM P. AARNES, (17049396), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 21 March 1945 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Phebe E. Aarnes (M), 1123 Washburn Av., S, Minneapolis, Minn.

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Captain JOHN W. ADAIR, (0406214), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 1 March 1945 to 3 May 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Anne E. Adair (Wife), 720 S. Perry St., Montgomery, Ala.

Staff Sergeant VINCENT P. BARTOLONE, (12012067), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 28 February 1945 to 5 May 1945.
Home address: Mr. Humbert M. Bartolone (Father), 76 Dunham St., Trenton, N. J.

Captain WILLIS F. BOND, (04379350), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 21 March 1945 to 1 May 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Vincia C. Bond (Mother), 35 17th Ave., Columbus, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant HENRY F. BORCHERT, (39021212), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 28 February 1945 to 1 May 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Louise Borchert (Mother), 2110 Holly Drive, Hollywood, Calif.

Staff Sergeant JOSEPH J. BORGATTI JR., (11054645), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 1 March 1945 to 2 May 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Angelina Borgatti (Mother), 179 Highland Ave., Somerville, Mass.

Sergeant LOUIS M. BORO, (19061863), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 21 March 1945 to 1 May 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Mary Boro (Mother), 223 West 52nd Place, Los Angeles, Calif.

Captain BERNARD P. BROWN, (0661586), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 28 February 1945 to 5 May 1945.
Home address: Mr. Albert S. Brown (Father), Laconia, Ind.

Flight Officer STUART R. BROWN, (T63589), Air Corps, United States Army/ For operational flight missions from 7 March 1945 to 26 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Gwen Brown (Wife), 809 Adams St., Syracuse, N. Y.

Staff Sergeant THOMAS W. BROWN, (20841864), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 1 March 1945 to 3 May 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Eithel Brown (Mother), 813 Ninth St., Las Vegas, N. Mex.

Corporal WILLIAM S. GARDIFF, (12178393), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 6 March 1945 to 25 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Pauline L. Gardiff, (Mother), 319 Teaneck Road, Ridgefield Park, N. J.

Sergeant WILLIAM H. CHARLESTON, (17136660), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 6 March 1945 to 23 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Eda M. Scott (Mother), R.F.D. 1, Edwardsville, Kansas.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT R. CLAIREWOOD, (31141031), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 28 February 1945 to 5 May 1945.
Home address; Mrs. Rachel Clairwood (Mother), 3 Sherman St., Norwich, Conn.

Corporal JOHN T. CODY, (16092651), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 1 March 1945 to 3 May 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Esther G. Cody (Mother), Lone Rock, Wis.

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Technical Sergeant MINIARD L. CRABB, (18058450), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 21 March 1945 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Cecile B. Crabb, (Mother), Box 105, Copperas Cove, Tex.

First Lieutenant PHILIP H. DAVIS, (0662028), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 1 March 1945 to 30 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Eva Davis (Mother), 342 E. State St., Columbus, Ohio.

Second Lieutenant JOHN F. DEUTSCH, (0720388), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 6 March 1945 to 23 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Julia E. Deutsch (Mother), 924 Broadway St., E Farge, North Dakota.

Captain DONALD DUNN, (0790226), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 28 February 1945 to 5 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Clara J. Dunn (Wife), Hawkeye, Iowa.

Corporal JOHN L. FROMAN, (18085191), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 28 February 1945 to 5 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Asa J. Froman (Father), 214 East St., N.E., Miami, Okla.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT B. GARDNER, (13041289), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 28 February 1945 to 5 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Henrietta Gardner (Mother), 411 E. Lincoln Ave., McDonald, Penna.

Second Lieutenant GEORGE B. GREEN, (0833328), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 13 February 1945 to 12 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Girlie B. Green (Mother), 189 Wisconsin Ave., Oshkosh, Wis.

Flight Officer BERNARD A. GREENBURG, (T3522), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 28 February 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Edith Greeburg, (Wife), 1643 West 65th Place, Los Angeles, Calif.

Technical Sergeant JOSEPH J. KASAL, (37145986), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 5 March 1945 to 19 April 1945. Home address: Mr. John Kasal (Father), Schuyler, Nebr.

Staff Sergeant LUCIAN F. KONOPA, (16004140), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 21 March 1945 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marie Konopa (Mother), 1057 N. Hoyne Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Sergeant ROBERT E. LESTER, (12164171), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 6 March 1945 to 9 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Laura Lester (Mother), 15 Hepers St., Irvington, N.J.

First Lieutenant ROBERT E. MC CARTY, (0729454), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 1 March 1945 to 3 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Janet L. McCarthy (Wife), 15 Water St., Clinton, N.J.

Technical Sergeant PAUL H. MCFERRIN, (17015819), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 28 February 1945 to 5 May 1945.

Second Lieutenant GEORGE C. MORGAN, (02068720), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 25 January 1945 to 12 March 1945.

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Corporal RICHARD W. MYRODES, (12229724), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 5 March 1945 to 5 May 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Florence S. McMahn (Mother), 31-31 81st St., Jackson Heights, Long Island, N. Y.

Staff Sergeant MARK E. NORTON JR., (36400473), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 5 March 1945 to 19 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Marie Norton (Wife), 1409 S. Harlem Ave., Forest Park, Ill.

Second Lieutenant THOMAS P. O'CONNOR, (02068449), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 6 March 1945 to 16 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Margaret D. O'Conner (Mother), 281 - 10th St., Troy, N. Y.

Staff Sergeant ARTHUR C. OSTERWALD, (42017184), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 12 March 1945 to 1 May 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Frieda Osterwald (Mother), 3515 Park Ave., Union City, N. J.

Technical Sergeant JOHN W. PASTERNAK, (31072282), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 1 March 1945 to 30 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Anna Pasternak (Mother), 12 Walnut St., Lawrence, Mass.

Second Lieutenant LINCOLN D. PELLATZ, (0783206), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 25 January 1945 to 8 March 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Ruth E. Fellatz (Wife), Bill, Wyo.

Second Lieutenant GEORGE E. HUCK, (07948794), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 5 March 1945 to 19 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Theresa L. Rock (Wife), c/o Mr. Arthur Goddeau, Morrisenville, N. Y.

Flight Officer ALDO B. ROTH, (T64260), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 6 March 1945 to 23 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Barbara Roth (Wife), Route 2, Millington, Mich.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM A. ROWLES, (13031753), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 5 March 1945 to 19 April 1945.
Home Address: Mrs. Beulah M. Rowles (Mother), Route 1, Olanta, Penna.

Technical Sergeant BURZZA B. SHANHOLTZ, (17031483), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 1 March 1945 to 3 May 1945.
Home address Mrs. Hattie B. Shanholtz (Mother), 616 S. 8th St., Plattsmouth, Nebr.

First Lieutenant JAMES O. SHEALY, (0727669), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 21 March 1945 to 1 May 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Gerrill M. Shealy (Wife), 72 Darkmouth Ave., Abondale Estates, Ga.

Second Lieutenant FREDERICK T. SMITH, (0678485), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 5 March 1945 to 1 May 1945.
Home address: Mr. Wilbert B. Smith (Father), 15 East 10th St., New York, N.Y.

Flight Officer JAMES E. SONDGEROTH, (T130073), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 6 March 1945 to 23 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Anna Sondgeroth (Mother), Mendota, Ill.

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Staff Sergeant ELMER E. TAYLOR, (16065877), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 21 March 1945 to 1 May 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Irene S. Taylor (Wife), 5194 LeMay Ave., Detroit, Mich.

Staff Sergeant LEO H. THALER, (12160339), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 3 March 1945 to 27 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Sadie Thaler (Mother) 450 Beach 37th St., Edgemere Long Island, N. Y.

Flight Officer EDWARD T. WAGNER, (t126545), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 5 March 1945 to 19 April 1945.
Home address: Mr. John P. Wagner (Father) 8231 S. Shore Drive, Chicago, Ill.

Staff Sergeant RAYMOND P. WOLTZ, (15019758), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 5 March 1945 to 19 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Ella M. Woltz (Mother), 28 Rodgers Ave., Columbus, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant ELMER D. WRIGHT, (31079885), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 1 March 1945 to 3 May 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Freida Wrig t (Mother), 121 Stearns Ave., Lawrence, Mass.

Second Lieutenant PAUL E. YOUNG, (02063124), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 8 March 1945 to 23 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Annie E. Young (mother), Amity, Penna.

GO # 910 HQ, FAR EAST AIR FORCES APO 925 DTD 26 May 1945.

1. AIR MEDAL.

Flight Officer JAMES H. CLUFF, (T131426), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 16 January 1945 to 19 February 1945
Home address: Mrs. Bielette N. Cluff (Mother), 5827 S. Tacoma, Way, Tacoma, Wah.

Second Lieutenant LEROY CUNNINGHAM, (0778420), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 25 January 1945 to 12 March 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Edna C. Cunningham (Mother), 1415 Clark Lane, Redondo Beach, California.

2. OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

Flight Officer JAMES H. CLUFF, (T131426), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 24 February 1945 14 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Bielette N. Cluff, (Mother), 5827 S. Tacoma Way, Tacoma, Wash.

Second Lieutenant LEROY CUNNINGHAM, (0778420), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 17 March 1945 to 30 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Edna C. Cunningham (Mother), 1415 Clark Lane, Redondo Beach, Calif.

First Lieutenant R. M. DAWSON JR., (0714041), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 7 February 1945 to 2 May 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Muriel B. Dawson (Wife), 510 N. Peniel, Bethany, Okla.

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Technical Sergeant ROBERT F. MILLER, (36648755), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 3 March 1945 to 26 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Louise Miller (Mother), 4203 S. Princeton Ave.,
Chicago, Ill.

Technical Sergeant WILLIAM T. MILLER, (35099932), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 6 March 1945 to 8 May 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Jeannie L. Miller (Wife), 5811 East 18th St., R.R. 19,
Box 783, Indianapolis, Ind.

Technical Sergeant CHARLES E. BARBER, (34606917), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 25 February 1945 to 15 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Hattie S. B. Dixon (Mother), 311 W. Fisher Ave.,
Greenboro, N. C.

Technical Sergeant LOREN C. BATES, (37654127), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 10 March 1945 to 25 April 1945.
Home address: Mr. Jasper C. Bates (Father), Abbotsford, Wis.

2. THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

First Lieutenant NICHOLAS CAPUTO, (01686201), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 25 February 1945 to 26 March 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Jessie Caputo (Mother), 182 East 130th St., Cleveland, Ohio.

1. SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

Staff Sergeant STUART M. NEILSON, (39136206), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 5 March 1945 to 17 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Martha Sells (Mother) 798 15th Ave., San Francisco, Calif.

2. THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

Staff Sergeant ALBERT SYLVIA, (6113480), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 23 March 1945 to 5 May 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Dorothy Sylvia (Wife), 16 Chestnut St., Westerly, R. I.

1. OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

First Lieutenant EDWARD E. JOSEPH, (0768965), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 26 October 1944 to 26 April 1945.
Home address: Mr. Edward H. Joseph (Father), 643 Bement Ave.,
Staten Island, N. Y.

2. THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

First Lieutenant JOHN D. CROSBY, (0762904), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 26 March 1945 to 2 May 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Ruth M. Crosby (Wife), 152 Prospect Park W. Brooklyn, N.Y.

3. THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

Staff Sergeant LEE A. BROWN, (38602297), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 12 March 1945 to 23 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Jessie D. Brown (Mother), Route 2, Rogers, Ark.

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SECRET1. OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

Technical Sergeant HERBERT G. CONNOR, (19070073), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 12 March 1945 to 30 April 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Margaret M. Conner (Wife), 4482 Washington Blvd., St. Louis, Mo.

Staff Sergeant DONALD W. CORCORAN, (15406251), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 20 March 1945 to 2 May 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Lena Corcoran (Mother), Route 1, Chillicothe, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant PHILLIP DESSAK, (13142461), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 17 March 1945 to 30 April 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Lena Dessak (Mother), 565 Parkside Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Technical Sergeant CLINTON A. DOUTHITT, (35232858), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 12 March 1945 to 30 April 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Maxine J. Douthitt (Wife), 427 W. Grant, Kent, Ohio.

2. THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

Staff Sergeant FRANCIS M. CARLIN, (39557655), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 6 March 1945 to 10 May 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Ross F. Carlin (Mother), 601 West 110th St., Los Angeles, Calif.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT L. KLUG, (33032421), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 6 March 1945 to 18 April 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Margaret Klug (Wife), 901 Sauers Way, Pittsburgh, Penna.

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1. OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

Second Lieutenant LLOYD G. STEWART, (0697085), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 19 February 1945 to 5 April 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Emily C. Stewart (Mother), 321 Fourth St., Blackwell, Okla.

2. SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

First Lieutenant ALBERT C. BEYERLEIN, (0761856), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 3 March 1945 to 13 April 1945.

Home address: Mr. Richard M. Beyerlein (Father), 2051 "A" St., Corvallis, Ore.

First Lieutenant ROBERT C. BROCK (0772270), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 2 March 1945 to 16 April 1945.

Home address: Mrs. Ruth S. Brock (Mother), Box 142, Marion, Ala.

First Lieutenant WILLIAM L. CLEARMAN, (0696210), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 23 March 1945 to 10 May 1945.

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First Lieutenant ALLEN S. GREENSTEIN, (0768952), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 10 January 1945 to 6 March 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Mary L. Greenstein (Mother), 1112 Sheridan Ave., N., Minneapolis Minn.

First Lieutenant SIDNEY J. LESHIN, (0707286), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 16 March 1945 to 17 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Belda N. Leshin (Mother), 825 Gerard Ave., Bronx, N. Y.

First Lieutenant JOHN SARANTITIS, (0707552), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 10 March 1945 to 23 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Fotene K. Sarantitis (Mother), 137 San Carlos, San Francisco, Calif.

First Lieutenant JOHN E. SHIELDS JR., (0703405), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 20 January 1945 to 7 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Inez A. Shields (Wife), McNabb, Ill.

3. THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

Staff Sergeant CLARE V. DONAHUE, (17119274), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 28 March 1945 to 9 May 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Marie J. Donahue (Wife), 111 N. Fourth St., Humbolt, Iowa.

Captain CHARLES E. ROBINSON, (0485947), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 22 February 1945 to 4 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Kathryn W. Robinson (Wife), 12 W. Prentiss Ave., Greenville, S. C.

1. SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

First Lieutenant GEORGE O. ANDERSON, (0690297), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 11 March 1945 to 23 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Jean E. Anderson (Wife), 556 W. Seventh Ave., Roselle, N.J.

1. OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

First Lieutenant PAUL W. BAUER, (0684237), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 30 July 1944 to 12 April 1945.
Home address: Mr. Edward E. Bauer (Father), 304 W. Iowa St., Urbana, Ill.

2. SECOND BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

Staff Sergeant LESTER BOREM, (15083527), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 26 March 1945 to 9 May 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Pearl Borem (mother), 1021 Central St., Indianapolis, Ind.

3. THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

Captain EMIL J. CHAPLA, (0803557), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 7 February 1945 to 7 April 1945.
Home address: Mrs. Jean M. Chapla (Wife), 2395 Apple Ave., Lorain, Ohio.

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Staff Sergeant CLARENCE R. DANIELS, (32752712), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 25 February 1945 to 18 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Bertha Daniels (Mother), 909 Cooper St., Camden, N. J.

1. SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

Staff Sergeant CONCETTO FARAMD, (32864122), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 25 February 1945 to 15 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Carmala Faramo (Mother) 923 East 233rd St., Bronx, N. Y.

Technical Sergeant MONROE FORMA, (16060101), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 2 March 1945 to 12 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Roselind Forma (Mother), 103 East 86th St., New York, N. Y.

Staff Sergeant EUGENE E. HIRT, (35235498), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 17 March 1945 to 8 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Audrey M. Hirt (Wife), 901 Bellflower S.W., Canton, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant MARION D. NUNEZ, (39697506), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 1 March 1945 to 15 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Refugio D. Nunez, (Mother), P.O. Box 72, Mendota, Calif.

Technical Sergeant RONALD Y. SEILER, (20340277), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 12 April 1945 to 9 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Susan Seiler (Mother), Jefferson, Md.

Captain JOHN G. HALLOCK, (0681071), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 13 September 1944 to 17 February 1945. Home address Mr. Eugene D. Hallock (Father), 54 Sargent Drive, Snyder, N. Y.

1. OAK LEAF CLUSTER.

Technical Sergeant EDWARD HAFER, (19098776), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 27 October 1944 to 2 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nell M. Hafer (Mother), 139 N. Cliffwood Ave., Los Angeles, Calif.

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Edward B. Joseph.
EDWARD B. JOSEPH,
1st Lt., Air Corps.

/s/ George C. Kenney,
/t/ GEORGE C. KENNEY,
General, U. S. Army,
Commanding.

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Office of the Squadron Commander

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A.F.O. 74,
7 July, 1945.SUBJECT: Unit History, Extracts from Field Orders 1 to 30 June, 1945, incl.
TO : Squadron Historian, 403rd Bombardment Squadron(H), APO 74.AUTH: CO
INIT:
43rd Bombardment Group(H)

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EXTRACTS

NO 252)

2. The 43rd Bombardment Group(H) will on 1 June, 1945:
- d. Conduct strike against TAKAO A/A POSITIONS with three (3) B-24's.
Mission 152-A-1.
3. d. The 403rd Sq will perform Mission 152-A-1 with seven (7) B-24's.
Loading: Fuel: 2700 gals.
Bombs: 32X260# Frags.

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EXTRACTS

NO 253)

2. The 43rd Bombardment Group(H) will on 1/2 June, 1945:
- d. Conduct strike against KIIRUN TOWN WITH THREE (3) Squadrons of B-24's.
Mission 153-A-2.
3. d. The 403rd Squadron will perform Mission 153-A-2 with seven (7) B-24's.
Loading: 2700 gals. Bombs: 8X1000#.
.1-N, .025-T.

FIELD ORDERS)

EXTRACTS

NO 154)

2. The 43rd Bombardment Group(H) will on 2/3 June, 1945:
- b. Conduct strike against KIIRUN with one(1) B-24-1. Mission 154-A-6.
- d. Conduct strike against KITSUGETSUTAN POWDER PLANT #1 with three (3) Squadrons of B-24's. Mission 154-A-2.
3. d. The 403rd Squadron will:
(1) Perform Mission 154-A-2 with seven (7) B-24's.
Loading: Fuel: 2700 gals. Bombs: 8X1000#
.1-N, .025-T.

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(2) Perform Mission 154-A-6 with one (1) B-24-1.

Loading: Fuel: 2700 gals. Bombs: 12X500# Inc.

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EXTRACTS

NO 155)

2. The 43rd Bombardment Group(H) will on 3/4 June, 1945:

d. Conduct strike against TAIHOKU CAPITOL BUILDING with three (3) Squadrons of B-24's. Mission 155-A-2.

3. d. The 403rd Sq will perform Mission 155-A-2 with seven (7) B-24's.

Loading: Fuel: 2700 gals. Bombs: 8 X1000#
.1-N, .025-T.

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EXTRACTS

NO 156)

2. The 43rd Bombardment Group(H) will on 4/5 June, 1945:

d. 156-A-2. Conduct strike against TAICHU A/P with three (3) Squadrons of B-24's.

3. d. The 403rd Squadron will perform Mission 156-A-2 with seven (7) B-24's.

Loading: Fuel: 2700 gals. Bombs: 40X120#
Frgs.

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EXTRACTS

NO 157)

2. The 43rd Bombardment Group(H) will on 5/6 June, 1945:

b. Conduct strike against CANTON ARMS PLANT with one (1) B-24-1. Mission 157-A-6.

d. Conduct strike against KIIRUN BUSINESS DISTRICT with three Squadrons of B-24's. Mission 157-A-2.

3. d. The 403rd Squadron will:

(1) Perform Mission 157-A-6 with one (1) B-24-1.

Loading: Fuel: 2700 gals. Bombs: 12X500#G.P.
.1-N, .01-T.

(2) Perform Mission 157-A-2 with seven (7) B-24's.

Loading: Fuel: 2700 gals. Bombs: 8X100#
.1-N, .01-T.

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EXTRACTS

NO 158)

2. The 43rd Bombardment Group(H) will on 6/7 June, 1945:
- a. Release one Squadron for Maintenance and Training.
3. d. The 403rd Squadron will be released for Maintenance and Training.

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EXTRACTS

NO 159)

2. The 43rd Bombardment Group(H) will on 7/8 June, 1945:
- c. Conduct weather recce to WENCHOW with one (1) B-24. Miss. 159-A-6.
- d. Conduct strike against TOCUCANAO TOWN, CAGAYEN VALLEY, with three Squadrons (Twelve (12) A/P's) B-24's. Mission 159-A-7.
3. d. The 403rd Squadron will:
- (1) Perform Mission 159-A-6 with one (1) B-24.
Loading: Fuel: 2700 gals. Bombs: Nil.
- (2) Perform Mission 159-A-7 with four (4) B-24's.
Loading: Fuel: 2,000 gals. Bombs: 12X500#
Inst.

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EXTRACTS

NO 160)

2. The 43rd Bombardment Group(H) will on 8/9 June, 1945:
- b. Conduct strike against TAIHOKU TOWN with one (1) B-24-2.
Mission 160-A-4.
3. d. The 403rd Squadron will perform Mission 160-A-4 with one (1) B-24-2 and release remainder of Squadron for Maintenance and Training.
Loading: Fuel: 2700 gals. Bombs: 4OX100#
Napalm.

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EXTRACTS

NO 161)

2. The 43rd Bombardment Group(H) will on 9/10 June, 1945:
- a. Conduct strike against TOSHIEH OIL STORAGE with three Squadrons of B-24's. Mission 161-A-1.
- b. Conduct weather recce to WENCHOW with one (1) B-24. Mission 161-A-5.
3. d. The 403rd Squadron will:

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- (1) Perform Mission 161-A-1 with seven (7) B-24's.
Loading: Fuel: 2700 gals. Bombs: 12X500#
G.P.
- (2) Perform Mission 161-A-5 with one (1) B-24.
Loading: Fuel: 2700 gals. Bombs: 12X500#G.P.

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EXTRACTS

No. 162)

2. The 43rd Bombardment Group(H) will on 10/11 June, 1945:
c. Release two squadrons for Maintenance and Training.
3. d. The 403rd Squadron will be released for Maintenance and Training.

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EXTRACTS

NO 163)

2. The 43rd Bombardment Group(H) will on 11/12 June, 1945:
b. Conduct strike against HONG KONG SMALL BOATS BASIN with three (3)
Squadrons of B-24's. Mission 163-A-1.
3. d. The 403rd Squadron will perform Mission 163-A-1 with nine (9) B-24's.
Loading: Fuel: 2700 gals. Bombs: 8X55 gal
Napalm Bombs.

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EXTRACTS

NO 164)

2. The 43rd Bombardment Group(H) will on 12/13 June, 1945:
b. Conduct strike against CANTON ARMS PLANT with one (1) B-24-2.
Mission 164-A-9.
- d. Conduct strike against TAKAO INNER HARBOR with three (3) Squadrons
of B-24's. Mission 164-A-2.
3. d. The 403rd Squadron will:
(1) Perform Mission 164-A-9 with one (1) B-24-2.
Loading: Fuel: 2700 gals. Bombs: 12X500# Inc.
- (2) Perform Mission 164-A-2 with seven (7) B-24's.
Loading: Fuel: 2700 gals. Bombs: 8X55 gal
Napalm Bombs.

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EXTRACTS

NO 165)

2. The 43rd Bombardment Group(H) will on 13/14 June, 1945:

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- c. Conduct weather recco WENCHOW with one (1) B-24. Mission 165-A-10.
 - d. Conduct strike against TAKAO WAREHOUSE AREA with three (3) Squadrons of B-24's. Mission 165-A-2.
3. d. The 403rd Squadron will:
- (1) Perform Mission 165-A-10 with one (1) B-24.
Loading: Fuel: 2700 gals. Bombs: 40X100#
G.P. Inst.
 - (2) Perform Mission 165-A-2 with eight (8) B-24's.
Loading: Fuel: 2700 gals. Bombs: 8 X 1000#
.1-N, .01-T.

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EXTRACTS

NO 166)

2. The 43rd Bombardment Group(H) will 14/15 June, 1945:
- b. Conduct strike against TAICHU A/D with three (3) Squadrons of B-24's Mission 166-A-2.
3. d. The 403rd Squadron will perform Mission 166-A-2 with six (6) B-24's.
Loading: Fuel: 2700 gals. Bombs: 8X1000# Inst.

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EXTRACTS

NO 167)

2. The 43rd Bombardment Group(H) will 15/16 June, 1945:
- c. Conduct weather recco WENCHOW with one (1) B-24. Mission 167-A-10.
 - e. Conduct strike against KIIRUN with three (3) Squadrons Of B-24's. Mission 167-A-2.
3. The 403rd Squadron will:
- (1) Perform Mission 167-A-10 with one (1) B-24-2.
Loading: Fuel: 2700 gals. Bombs: 12X500#G.P.
.1-N, .01-T.
 - (2) Perform Mission 167-A-2 with seven (7) B-24's.
Loading: Fuel: 2700 gals. Bombs: 32X260#
Fags. Inst.

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EXTRACTS

NO 168)

2. The 43rd Bombardment Group(H) will on 16/17 June, 1945:
- c. Conduct weather recco to WENCHOW with one (1) B-24. Mission 168-A-8.
 - d. Conduct strike against KIIRUN INDUSTRIAL AREA with three Squadrons of B-24's. Mission 168-A-2.

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3. d. The 403rd Squadron will:

(1) Perform Mission 168-A-8 with one (1) B-24.

Loading: Fuel: 2700 gals. Bombs: 12X500#G.P.
Inst.

(2) Perform Mission 168-A-2 with seven (7) B-24's.

Loading: Fuel: 2700 gals. Bombs: 8X1000#
G.P. INST.

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EXTRACTS

NO 169)

2. The 43rd Bombardment Group(H) will on 17/18 June, 1945:

c. Conduct strike against KIIRUN TOWN with three (3) Squadrons of
B-24's. Mission 169-A-2.3. d. The 403rd Squadron will perform Mission 169-A-2 with maximum
airplanes.

Loading: Fuel: 2700 gals. Bombs: 8X1000# Inst.

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EXTRACTS

NO 170)

2. The 43rd Bombardment Group(H) will on 18/19 June, 1945:

c. Conduct weather recce to WENCHOW with one (1) B-24*2.
Mission 170-A-7.d. Conduct strike against KIIRUN TOWN with three (3) Squadrons of
B-24's. Mission 170-A-2.

3. D. The 403rd Squadron will:

(1) Perform Mission 170-A-7 with one (1) B-24-2.

Loading: Fuel: 2700 gals. Bombs: 24X250#
Inst.

(2) Perform Mission 170-A-2 with seven (7) B-24's.

Loading: Fuel: 2700 gals. Bombs: 12X500# Inst.

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EXTRACTS

NO 171)

2. The 43rd Bombardment Group)H) will on 19/20 June, 1945:

c. Conduct strike against WHAMPOA DOCKS with one (1) B-24-2.
Mission 171-A-6.d. Conduct strike against SHINCHINKU A/P's with three squadrons of
B-24's. Mission 171-A-2.

3. d. The 403rd Sq will on 19/20 June 1945:

(1) Perform Mission 171-A-6 with one (1) B-24-2.

(2) Perform Mission 171-A-2 with six (7) B-24's.

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EXTRACTS

NO 172)

2. The 43rd Bombardment Group (H) will on 20/21 June 1945:
 - c. Release three (3) Squadrons for Maintenance and training.
3. d. The 403rd Sq will be released for Maintenance and training.

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EXTRACTS

NO 173)

2. The 43rd Bombardment Group (H) will on 21/22 June 1945:
 - c. Conduct strike against TOSHJEN OIL REFINERY with three (3) Squadrons of B-24's. Mission 173-A-2.
3. d. The 403rd Sq will perform mission 173-A-2 with six (6) B-24's.

Loading: Fuel: 2700 gals.
Bombs: 8x1000lb. Inst.

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EXTRACTS

NO 174)

2. The 43rd Bombardment Group (H) will on 22/23 June 1945:
 - e. Conduct strike against KOBI BUTANOL PLANT with three (3) Sq. of B-24's. Mission 174-A-1.
3. d. The 403rd Sq will perform mission 174-A-1 with five (5) B-24's.

Loading: Fuel: 2700 gals.
Bombs: 8x1000 lb. inst.

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EXTRACTS

NO 175)

2. The 43rd Bombardment Group (H) will on 23/24 June 1945:
 - d. Release Three (3) Squadrons for "Maintenance and Training".
3. d. The 403rd Sq will be released for "Maintenance and Training".

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EXTRACTS

NO 176)

2. The 43rd Bombardment Group (H) will on 24/25 June 1945:
- b. Conduct strike against WHAMPOA DOCKS with one (1) B-24-2.
3. d. The 403rd Sq will perform Mission 176-A-3 with one (1) B-24-2.
 Loading: Fuel: 2700 gas.
 Bombs: 24x 250lb.
- X. The 403rd Sq will release remainder of squadron for "M & T".

FIELD ORDERS)

EXTRACTS

NO 177)

2. The 43rd Bombardment Group (H) will on 25/26 June 1945:
- a. Conduct strike against SHANGHAI SHIPPING .
- b. Conduct strike against WHAMPOA DOCKS with one (1) B-24-2.Miss.No.177-A-3.
- d. Conduct strike against TANSI ALCOHOL PLANT with three (3) squadrons of B-24's. Mission 177-A-1
3. d. The 403rd Sq will:
- (1) Perform mission 177-A-3 with one (1) B-24-2.
 Loading: Fuel: 2700 Gals.
 Bombs: 24x250#GP's.
- (2) Perform mission 177-A-1 with six (6) B-24's.
 Loading: Fuel: 2700 gals.

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EXTRACTS

NO 178)

2. The 43rd Bombardment Group (H) will on 26/27 June 1945:
- d. Release three (3) Squadrons for "Maintenance and Training".
3. d. The 403rd Sq will be released for "M & T".

FIELD ORDERS)

EXTRACTS

NO 199)

2. The 43rd Bombardment Group (H) will on 27/28 June 1945:
- e. Conduct strike against KEISHU BUTANOL PLANT with three (3) Squadrons of B-24's. Mission No. 179-A-1.
- a. Conduct strike against CANTON ARMS PLANT with one (1) B-24-2.

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3. d. The 403rd Sq will:
- (1) Perform Mission 179-A-1 with six (6) B-24's.
Loading: Fuel: 2700 gals.
Bombs: 8x1000 lb. inst.
 - (2) Perform Mission 179-A-2 with one (1) B-24-2.
Loading: Fuel: 2700 gals.
Bombs: 12 X 500 lb.

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EXTRACTS

NO 180)

2. The 43rd Bombardment Group (H) will on 28/29 June 1945:
- b. Conduct strike against CANTON ARMS PLANT with one (1) B-24-2.
 - f. Conduct strike against SHINCHIKU OIL REFINERIES with three (3) Squadrons B-24's.
3. d. The 403rd Sq will perform Mission 180-A-1 with six (6) B-24's, and Mission 180-A-3 with one (1) B-24-2.
Loading: Fuel: 2700gals.
Loading: Fuel: 2700gals.
Bombs: 12x500#.

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EXTRACTS

NO 181)

2. The 43rd Bombardment Group (H) will on 29/30 June 1945:
- c. Conduct weather recco to WENCHOW with one (1) B-24. Miss.# 181-A-5.
 - d. Conduct strike against HEITO SUGAR PLANT with three (3) Squadrons Of B-24's. Mission 181-A-1.
3. d. The 403rd Squadron will:
- (1) Perform Mission 181-A-5 with one (1) B-24.
Loading: Fuel: 2700gals.
Bombs: 7x1000 lbs.
 - (2) Perform Mission 181-A-1 with six (6) B-24's.
Loading: Fuel: 2700 gals.
Bombs: 8x1000 lbs.

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FINAL MISSION REPORT

TO : A-2, Fifth Bomber Command

FROM: 43rd Bomb Group (H)

- (A) FPO 182-A-1, 1 June 45, 403rd Bombrn, 6 B-24's & 1 B-24-2
- (B) (1) FI 35, TAKAO. (2) FI 28, TAKAO. (3) FI 39, TAKAO. (4) FI 8, TAKAO.
(5) FI 38, TAKAO. (6) FI 20, TAKAO.
- (C) (1) 1029/I, 11,500 feet, 20 deg. (2) 1015/I, 12,000 feet, 08 deg.
(3) 1017/I, 12,000 feet, 70 deg. (4) 1029-1039/I, 12,000 feet, 235-240 deg.
(5) 1029/I, 12,500 feet, 225 deg. (6) 1035/I, 12,000 feet, 240 deg.
X 250 frags
- (D) (1) 22/30000 fell 200 feet E in warehouse areas #20 and 21 (VBC Noaid 228-A), 5 bombs hung up jettisoned in S part of target #6.
(2) 32 bombs missed gun position by 900 feet E stringing through warehouses in targets #22 and 24 (228-A).
(3) 32 bombs trained directly through AA position.
(4) 32 bombs strung along S edge of pits missing radar reflector by 50 feet. 2 bombs fell 50 feet W of guns. 30 bombs hung up, were jettisoned through warehouses target #8 (228-A)
(5) 32 bombs fell 400 feet SE of position hitting workers quarters, target #52 (120-D).
(6) 32 bombs strung through E half of gun position.
- (E and F) Nil.
- (G) Moderate, heavy inaccurate to accurate, holding two planes. No AA received on sea to land run but barrage type from TOSHEIN and HHIRO u/i positions. No fire coming from above six targets. Three to four bursts of bright red and purple AA from TOSHEIN, bursts being 20 to 40 feet in diameter.
- (H) 36 of bombing.
- (I) Nil.

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(J) ENROUTE AND RETURN: .2 to .6 cu 4000 to 11,000 feet.

TARGET: .3 cu 3000 to 7000 feet.

(K) Visual bombing on individual runs. 125 units rope dropped target area, 5 units every 4 seconds. Picked up signals from 99 to 210 megs, jammed 200 megs. Propaganda leaflets dropped.

(L) 220 x 280 frags at targets.

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SUPPLEMENTARY FINAL MISSION REPORT

TO : A-2, Fifth Bomber Command

FROM: 42nd Bomb Group (H)

- (A) PFO 143-A-2, 2 June 45, 402nd Boman, 1 B-24-C A B B-24s
- (B) Targets #14, 17-TAKAO OUTER HARBOR (THE ISLANDS 2024), secondary.
- (C) 1104/1 to 1113/1, 15,000 feet, 30 to 67 degrees.
- (D) 4 planes dropped 31 x 1000 GPs at secondary. 6 bombs fell through B part target #14, dispersed warehouses with nil visible damage. 6 bombs hit on land 5000 feet SE of target, all damage. 17 bombs in water.
- (E thru G) Nil.
- (H) 5 of bombing.
- (I) TOSHIERI, 1104/1, 15,000 feet: ack-ack firing from FI position #4 at another squadron.
- (J) Enroute and return: .7 on 4000 to 10,000 feet. Front running E to W near SHINGIKU; group commander ordered formation not to go through front but to hit secondary. TAKAO: .1 on 5000 feet.
- (K) Primary KIMU not hit due to. Propaganda leaflets dropped. 50 units rope dropped, 5 every 4 seconds. Visual bombing. One plane covered in previous report.
- (L) 31 x 1000 GPs .1 nose .025 tail at target.

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FROM: 43rd Bomb Group (H)

(A) FFO 153-A-2, 2 June 45, 402nd Bombrn, 1 B-24-3 & 4 B-24s

(B thru I) NIL.

(J) Enroute and return: .3 cu 4000 to 12,000 feet.

(K) 1 B-24 70 miles S of FORMOSA had 1/4 engine smoke and throw oil, lost altitude so turned around and did not bomb primary KIRUN. Salvaged bombs safe in water at 0850/I 1948N-12042E. Did not call rescue but notified ground station. Continued losing altitude with feathered engine so salvaged flak suits, ammo, 2 waist guns. Supplementary report follows on 4 planes.

(L) 8 x 1000 GPs jettisoned.

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TO : A-2, Fifth Bomber Command

FROM: 43rd Bomb Group (H)

- (A) FPO 154-A-6, 3 June 45, 403rd Bombrn, 1 B-24-2
- (B) KIRISH OUTER HARBOR targets #14 thru 18 (YB9 Mosain 331A), primary.
- (C) 0135/I, 10,000 feet, 150 degrees.
- (D) 1 B-24-2 dropped 12 x 500 incendiaries at target. 4 to 5 large fires started which kept burning till plane was out of sight.
- (E and F) Nil.
- (G) 2 to 3 sails inaccurate at target, kept sweeping the sky but could not pick up plane. Ack-ack not seen due to darkness but plane holed twice.
- (H) Nil.
- (I) 15 miles EW of ZANBUI, 0140/I, 7600 feet; 3 rockets seen which fixated out 1000 feet or more below plane; radar operator could find no plane or boat on scope. 4 minutes later 1 crew member observed u/i plane with no lights approach from 4 o'clock high and dove down under B-24; Plane did not fire.
- (J) Enroute and return: .4 to .6 strato on 8000 to 14,000 feet. Target: .5 stratum 8000 to 11,000 feet.
- (K) Direct H2L run. 15 units rope dropped at target. B-24 was over BORAX strip at 0715/I, circled field 7 times but tower would not let plane land due 50 foot ceiling. Gas running low, landed at PORAC strip 0820/I, took off PORAC 0840/I, landed BORAX 1000/I.
- (L) 12 x 500 incendiaries at target.

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SUPPLEMENTARY FINAL MISSION REPORT

TO : A-2, Fifth Bomber Command

FROM: 43rd Bomb Group (H)

- (A) PFO 154-A-2, 3 June 45, 403rd Bomron, 1 B-24-2 & 1 B-24
- (B) TAKAO OUTER HARBOR (Target #15 VBC Mosaic 226A), secondary.
- (C) 1229/I, 14,500 feet, 60 degrees.
- (D) 1 B-24 dropped 8 bombs falling 100 feet short of target in water.
- (E thru J) NML. See previous report.
- (K) 1 B-24-2 lost #4 engine on bomb run and had trouble with #2 prop governor, attempted to bomb target of opportunity TOKO, but due loss of air speed and altitude 8 bombs fell short in water at 1225/I at 2227N-12025E; plane landed at LINGAYEN; crew returned by C-47 to CLARK FIELD. 1 B-24, running low on gas, landed LAOAG at 1440/I, refueled, took off at 1545/I, landed CLARK FIELD 1710/I.
- (L) 13 x 1000 GPs in water.

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TO : A-2, Fifth Bomber Command

FROM: 43rd Bomb Group (H)

- (A) FFO 154-A-2, 3 June 45, 403rd Bombrn, 4 B-24s & 1 B-24-E
- (B) Takao Outer Harbor (Target #16 VBO Mosaic 228-A), secondary.
- (C) 1218/1, 14,000 feet, 78 deg.
- (D) Two planes dropped 16 x 1000 GPs. at target. Bombs hit large warehouse type building in target #17 and strung through smaller buildings in target #16.
- (E thru G) Nil.
- (H) 7 of bombing.
- (I) Nil.
- (J) ENROUTE and RETURN: .4 to .6 on 8000 to 12,000 feet. Formation approached to within 10 miles of primary but target socked in. Nil
TAKAO: .5 on 7000 to 15,000 feet.
- (K) PRIMARY Jitsugetsu not bombed due WX. One plane with bent bomb bay doors kicked out 3 bombs fused in water at 1215/1, 2230H-12015H. Propaganda undetermined reason
Leaflets dropped. B-24-821 reported landing at Laegg, B-24-799 at Lingayen, ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ with #4 engine out. Supplementary Report follows.
- (L) 16 x 1000 GPs .1 nose 32,025 tail at target.
8 x 1000 GPs jettisoned.

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FROM: 43rd Bomb Group (H)

- (A) FPO 155-A-E, 4 June 45, 403rd Bombrn, 6 B-24's
Target #9
- (B) Freight yards and roundhouse TAKAO OUTER HARBOR/(VBS Mosaic 228A) secondary.
- (C) 1023/I, 15000 feet, Course 8 degrees
- (D) Five B-24s dropped 40x1000 GP's at target. All forty bombs plastered target destroying roundhouse and hitting cars and tracks. Black smoke to 2000 feet.
- (E through G) Nil.
- (H) 19 of bombing.
- (I) Nil.
- (J) ENROUTE and RETURN: .4 to .8 cu 5000 to 11,000 feet. WX plane advised primary TAIBOKU soaked in. TAKAO: .5 cu 5000 to 8000 feet.
- (K) One B-24 dropped 8 bombs in water off TAKAO harbor due accidental release. Primary TAIBOKU not bombed due WX. Visual bombing. 50 units rope dropped at target, 3 units every four seconds. No jamming due ECM inverter out. Propaganda leaflets dropped at target.
- (L) 40 x 1000 GPs .1 sec nose D25 tail at target.
8 x 1000 GPs in water.

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FROM: 43rd Bomb Group (H)

- (A) PFO 156-A-2, 5 June 45, 403rd Bombrn, 1 B-24-2 & 3 B-24s
- (B) TAIHO TOWN, opportunity.
- (C) 1028 to 1033/I, 10,500 feet, 170 to 210 degrees.
- (D) 1 B-24-2 and 4 B-24s dropped 1200 x 20 frags through heart of TAIHO TOWN. 11 small fires started and 3 large fires with smoke to 2000 feet. 1 small explosion in center of town.
- (E and F) Nil.
- (G) Moderate, heavy and medium, inaccurate to accurate rocking 2 planes and holding one. Ack-ack from u/1 position in town and on road 5 miles N of town, also from TAIHO airfield.
- (H) 8 of bombing.
- (I) MORIE (S tip of FOEMESA), 1100/I, 10,000 feet: large fires in the center of town.
- (J) Enroute and return: .2 to .8 on 3000 to 13,000 feet. Solid front running E-W near YAHAG up to 22,000 feet. TAIHO: Gun-tenths overcast at 18,000 feet .3 on 4000 to 5000 feet.
- (K) Primary TAICHU, secondary YAHAG not bombed due wx. Visual bombing, at target of opportunity. Propaganda leaflets dropped at TAIHO. Received signals on 194 MEGs TAIHO, jammed 194 and 198 MEGs. One B-24 with oil leak in #3 engine jettisoned 240 x 20 frags safe in water at 0710/I at 1618H-12012Z.
- (L) 1200 x 20 frags at target of opportunity. 240 x 20 frags jettisoned.

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TO : A-2, Fifth Bomber Command

FROM: 43rd Bomb Group (H)

- (A) WFO 157-A-6, 6 June 45, 403rd Bomber, 1 B-24-2
- (B) Arms plant HONAM ISLAND (54 VBC Mosaic 319A), primary.
- (C) 0205/I, 10,500 feet, 195 degrees.
- (D) 1 B-24-2 dropped 12 x 500 GPs at target. Bomb bursts only results observed due wx.
- (E and F) Nil.
- (G) Messager, heavy, inaccurate from w/i positions at target. 3 S/Ls one at TIEN-HO, one at WHITE CLOUD, one at target, all inaccurate.
- (H) Nil.
- (I) Small w/i island in mouth of GANTON river, 0155/I, 10,000 feet: beacon apparently flashing signals.
- (J) Enroute and return: .3 to ten-tenths cu 2000 to 12,000 feet. Target: .6 cu 4000 to 10,000 feet.
- (K) Direct H2L run. Propaganda leaflets and 50 units rope dropped at target.
- (L) 12 x 500 GP Inst nose .01 tail at target.

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TO : A-2, Fifth Bomber Command

FROM: 45rd Bomb Group (H)

- (A) FPO 159-A-6, 8 June 45, 403rd Bombrn, 1 B-24
- (B) Wx Recce WENGHOW
- (C) Takeoff: 0910/I, land: 2040/I. WENGHOW: 1320 to 1345/I, 9500 feet.
- (D) Nil.
70 miles
- (E) North of FOOCHOW, 1230 to 1245/I, 9500 feet, 1 u/i ssf.
- (F) U/i enemy a/p made one pass from 5 o'clock level in pursuit curve, coming within 1000 yards and breaking away at 9 o'clock low without firing. Enemy a/p then followed B-24 for 40 minutes at distance of 4 to 5 miles, and was not sighted again. B-24 fired 3 short bursts as enemy a/p made Ektzakt pass.
- (G and H) Nil.
- (I) FOOCHOW, 1230/I, 9500 Feet: 60 to 75 junks along the CHINA coast in the vicinity of FOOCHOW. 2620N-12030E, 1200/I, 9500 feet: Lighthouse and 2 gun emplacements seemingly well fortified. 2745N-12105E, 1330/I, 9500 feet: 1 possible FIC in cove on northern part of island, stationary.
- (J) Wx recce 100% completed. Wx reported half hourly as ordered. Pilot flew 6 hours on instruments.
- (K) Nil.
- (L) 30 x .50.

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TO : A-2, V Bomber Command

FROM: 43rd Bomb Group (H)

(A) FPO 161-A-5, 10 June 65, 403rd Bombrn, 1 B-24

(B) (1) Armed wx recon to WENCHOW.

(2) FUKIHI, BOKO-TO, PESCADORES, opportunity.

(C) (1) Takeoff: 10/0700/I. Land: LAOAG 10/1800/I. Takeoff 11/0845/I.

Land CLARK FIELD 11/1150/I. 2500 to 10,000 feet. AMDY to S of FOOGHON,
1019 to 1150/I.

(2) 1302/I, 10,500 feet, 88 degrees.

(D) (2) 1 B-24 dropped 12 x 500 GPs at FUKIHI TOWN. Bombs hit 3-4 buildings
with other results w/o due wx.

(E) 2600H-11930E, 1200/I, 2500 feet: 1 probable TOJD.

(F) 1 probable TOJD made a single pass at B-24 from 5 o'clock high, breaking
off at 1000 yards at 7 o'clock low. TOJD fired short burst, inaccurate,
nil damage. Tail and right waist gunners fired, nil visible damage.
Did not sight TOJD again due wx.

(G) Heavier, heavy, inaccurate from w/i positions at MAED.

(H) 10 of bombing and shipping at 2215 2515H-11912E.

(I) CHINA coast between AMDY and FOOGHON, 1019 to 1150/I, 8000 feet: hundreds
of small sailing vessels and junks within 5 miles of coast; as many as 75
junks in one cluster.(J) Wx recon 90% completed. Turned back at FOOGHON due wx. Wx reported
hourly as ordered. Pilot logged 8 hours of instrument time. Target: .9
strate cu 3000 to 9000 feet.(K) Visual bombing. Primary, MAED, completely cloud covered so bombed FUKIHI
through hole in clouds. Landed LAOAG due shortage of gas and wx. Nil ECM.

(L) 12 x 500 GPs inst in at target of opportunity.

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TO : A-2, Fifth Bomber Command

FROM: 43rd Bomb Group (H)

(A) FFG 163-A-1, 12 June 45, 403rd Bombrn, 7 B-24s & 2 B-24-2

(B) Small shipping CAUSEWAY BAY, HONG KONG, primary.

(C) 1144 to 1150/I, 12,000 feet, 270 degrees.

(D) 2 B-24-2 and 6 B-24s dropped 55 x 55 gallon napalm drums at target.

46 ~~napalm~~ drums fell through target spreading rings of flame through numerous small vessels in harbor. 2 drums hit warehouses, target #35 (VMO Mosaic 403E) HONG KONG DOCKS; 3 drums hit storage warehouses target #10. 5 drums hit directly on breakwater at edge of CAUSEWAY BAY. Planes visible as planes left area with black smoke to 4000 feet.

(E and F) Nil.

(G) Meager, medium and heavy, inaccurate to accurate holding 1 plane. Ack-ack from W/I positions at KOWLOON. Most bursts low. Believe radar controlled as accurate tracking till rope dropped.

(H) 15 of bombing.

(I) 2105H-11705E, 1045/I, 10,000 feet: 1 possible BE type vessel; heading 180 degrees, speed not known; slim lines, single mast amidships.

(J) Enroute and returns .4 to ten-tenths cu 4000 to 12,000 feet. Targets .5 cu 4000 to 10,000 feet. Two large cumulus clouds directly over target hindered bomb run.

(K) One H2X run made on heading of 90 degrees, bombardier broke into clear over target, saw course was wrong so held up bombs. Came in and bombed visually on reciprocal course. 100 units rope dropped at target, 1 unit every 2 seconds. Jammed 198 M38s. Propaganda leaflets dropped at target. One drum fell on bomb bay doors, thrown out manually at 0747/I at 1812H-11846E. 5 drums fell in water 2 miles E of target due interval-

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ometer malfunction. One B-24 had #5 engine cut out, jettisoned 8 drums
 in water at 1125/1 at 2210Z-11420Z; pilot flew 3 hours on 3 engines then
 #2 engine cut out and flew another hour on 2 engines; jettisoned everything
 which could be thrown out of ^{plane} ~~plane~~, landed safely at LINGAYEN; B-24 left
 at LINGAYEN, crew returned CLARK FIELD. 16 drums failed to explode at
 target due bombardiers' error in not pulling pins. 371
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- (L) 55 x 55 gallon napalm drums at target.
 14 x 55 gallon napalm drums jettisoned.

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TO : A-2, V Bomber Command

FROM: 43rd Bomb Group (B)

- (A) FPO 154-A-3, 13 June 45, 403rd Bombrn, 1 B-24-2
- (B) Small arms plant, Honan Island, target #54, VBC Mosaic 519-A, Primary.
- (C) 0420/I, 10,500 feet, 85 deg.
- (D) One B-24-2 dropped 12 x 500/~~bombs~~^{incendiaries} at target. 8 bombs hit target. 4 bombs hung up were jettisoned 2 miles E of target. Bomb bursts only results observed due WX.
- (E and F) Nil.
- (G) Nil AA. 4 to 5 searchlights in Canton area flicked on and off for 3 to 4 seconds at a time, all inaccurate.
- (H) Nil.
- (I) TARGET: one w/i twin engine plane 1000 feet above B-24 and one w/i plane 5000 feet below B-24 followed B-24 for five minutes during bombing run. Nil passes made.
- HONG KONG, 0435/I, 10,000 feet: lights on along coast and through city of Hong Kong; one revolving beacon from w/i position on coast.
- (J) ENROUTE and RETURN: WX reported as ordered. TARGET: .8 cu 2000 to 40000 feet.
- (K) Direct H2X run. Propaganda leaflets ~~dropped~~ 15 units of rope dropped at target.
- (L) 12 x 500 incendiaries at target.

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FINAL MISSION REPORT

TO : A-2, V Bomber Command.

FROM: 43rd Bomb Group (H)

(A) FTO 164-A-2, 13 June 45, 403rd Bombardment, 1 B-24-2 AG B-24's

(B) TAITO, target of opportunity.

(C) 1132/I, 11,500 Feet, 330 degrees

(D) 7 Planes dropped 52x55 gal. NAPALM drums at TAITO. All bombs strung thru center of town starting 1 large fire and 8 small fires with black smoke which turned to grey smoke up to 2000 feet. Flames still visible when planes left the target.

(E and F) Nil

(G) Moderate, medium and heavy, inaccurate from u/i positions at TAITO TOWN and Airfield.

(H) 17 of bombing.

(I) Nil

(J) Enroute and return .5 to ten-tenths cu. and alto-stretus 3000 to 20000 feet. TAKAO ten-tenths sqvered, towering cu up to 20000 feet. TAITO .5 cu 6000 feet, ten-tenths overcast 14000 feet.

(K) TAKAO, primary not bombed due WX, HET run not made due thick clouds of rope directly over target. Propaganda leaflets and 150 units/dropped over target. Jammer inoperative due blown fuse. Visual bombing at target of opportunity. One drum leaked and was jettisoned in 0906/I at (1816M-18021 E), this drum of NAPALM burned for 45 seconds on water before burning out.

(L) 52 x 55 gal. NAPALM drums at target of opportunity.
1 x 55 gal. NAPALM drum jettisoned.

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TO : A-2, Fifth Bomber Command

FROM: 43rd Bomb Group (H)

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(A) WFO 165-A-10, 15 June 45, 403rd Bomben, 1 B-24

(B)(1) 2 SCS 2750N-12102E (2) SD and harbor installations 2800N-12053E

(3) WX recce to WENCHOW.

(C) (1) 1205/I, 7000 feet, 350 deg. (2) 1220/I, 7000 feet, 270 deg.

(3) Takeoff 14/0700/I over Wenchow area 1145 to 1230/I 6000 to 10,000 feet. Land Laoag 14/1820/I. Takeoff Laoag 15/0655/I. Land Borac 15/1155/I

(D) (1) 2 stationary SCS moored together attacked. 20 x 100 GPs scored near misses with nil visible damage.

(2) 20 x 100 GPs made two direct hits on ^{stationary} SD sinking it. Other bombs strung through dock installations with damage u/e due clouds.(E thru G) Nil. *150 Tot. SCS, 200 Sunk*

(H) 9 of bombing.

(I) 1220/I, 7000 feet, 2800N-12053E: one SU in harbor, also 40 to 50 junk and sampans.

TOKO, 1515/I, 6000 feet: signal flashes from possible mirror on coast.

(J) ENROUTE and RETURN: WX reported hourly as ordered. TARGET: .6 cu 2000 to 6000 feet. WX recce completed 100%

(K) Visual bombing. Landed Laoag due oil leak and WX.

(L) 40 x 100 GPs at target.

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TO : A-3, V Bomber Command

FROM: 43rd Bomb Group (H)

- (A) FPO, 166-A-2, 15 June 45, 43rd Bombrn, 2 B-24-2 and 4 B-24-2
- (B) One TEB in revetment 2500 yards S of S tip of Taichu runway Primary.
- (C) 1118, 1128/I, 15,500, 280 deg.
- (D) 6 planes dropped 1440 x 20 frags at target. All bombs fell within 500 feet of target with three strings blanketing revetment. Two small fires with white smoke started at target.
- (E and F) Nil.
- (G) Moderate, heavy, accurate from Toyohara and Taichu holing three planes. Bursts of barrage type both black and white in color. From Toyohara 6 bursts observed as white balls in flight which exploded when reaching altitude of formation dispersing white phosphorus streamers.
- (H) 25 of bombing.
- (I) Target: TEB not visible in target from bombing altitude.
W of Hokko, 1120/I, 15,000 feet: 3 probable fighters seen making passes at three u/i planes 15 miles at sea.
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- (J) ENROUTE and RETURN: .2 to .5 on 4000 to 6000 feet. TARGET: Clear.
- (K) Visual bombing, with wing bombardiers toggling on element leaders. Propaganda leaflets dropped at target. Nil ECM.
- (L) 1440 x 20 Frags at target.

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TO : A-2, Fifth Bomber Command

FROM: 43rd Bomb Group (H)

- (A) FFD 167-A-10, 16 June 45, 403rd Bomber, 1-B-24-2
- (B) (1) WE recco (armed) to Canton area. (2) Whampoa docks, Canton
- (C) (1) 15/2200/I to 16/0730/I (2) 0208/I, 11,000 feet, 360 deg.
- (D) (2) One plane dropped 8 x 1000 lb bombs on HEA run. 4 or five bomb bursts observed and bomb believed to have hit on land in the area of the target.
- (E) W of Hong Kong, 0230/I, 11,000 feet: one u/i 22x A/P.
- (F) A/P made one fly-thru pass from 8 o'clock high to within about 600 yards passing underneath our plane, and firing one burst, greenish flash thought to be a rocket. Nil damage.
- (G) Moderate, undetermined caliber, inaccurate, from 4 or 215 positions in area W, N and NE of target. Nil damage.
- (H) Nil.
- (I) Mission completed 100%. Clark to Canton River to 2300H-11415H and return. Hong Kong, 0230/I, 11,000 feet: one u/i A/P with white dome light and running lights stayed off right wing for 25 minutes. A few minutes later an u/i A/P appeared on left wing, no lights, and followed our plane for 2 hours.
- (J) ENROUTE and RETURN: .2 on 2000 to 8000 feet.
TARGET: .3 on 5000 to 8000 feet. WE reported every hour.
- (K) Target returns on scope clear until just before bomb release, then faded out. Dropped rope just before and during bomb run - one unit every three seconds. Dropped fighter chaff after seeing first u/i A/P, 2 units every 2 minutes for 15 minutes. Dropped propaganda leaflets in target area just after bomb release.
- (L) 8 x 1000 lb GP 1/15 sec nose, .025 sec tail at target

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FROM: 43rd Bomb Group (H)

- (A) PFC 167-A-3, 16 June 45, 403rd Bomron, 1 B-24-2 & 6 B-248s
- (B) MIKRON, VBC Hosaic # 318A, Target #9 and Basin - Small shipping.
- (C) 103A and 1055/1, 11,500 to 12,000 feet, 296 to 320 deg.
- (D) 7 planes dropped 229 bombs at the target, 6 planes dropped 181 bombs in the target, mostly along the shore; and 7 bombs long into target #10. One plane dropped 32 bombs in the 380th and 80th Group targets (#26, 26 and 19). All results generally unobserved due to heavy smoke from previous bombing. All runs were visual.
- (E and F) Nil.
- (G) Moderate, heavy, accurate and inaccurate from FI positions #10, 13, 15 and 16. 3 planes holed.
- (H) Photos taken before and during bombing, and of possible u/1 AA position N of target.
- (I) TARGET: large orange flash explosion with heavy black smoke from 64th squadron target.
- (J) ENROUTE and RETURN: .3 to .4 cu 5000 to 6000 feet.
TARGET: .2 cu 5000 to 7000 feet.
- (K) #374 's bombardier unable to see 403rd target, due smoke, well enough to bomb on first run, so made second run along and bombed targets at S end of harbor. Fighter cover present. Rope dropped. #331 due engine trouble is NON at Laog, its crew brought back by #394.
- (L) 225 x 260 lb frags at target.

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FROM: 43rd Bomb Group (H)

- (A) PFO 168-A-2, 17 June 45, 403rd Bomber, 5 B-24s & 1 B-24-3
- (B) Industrial area KIRUN, target #24 (VBC Mosaic 313A), primary.
- (C) 1040 to 1046/I, 12,000, 14,000 feet, 360 to 20 degrees.
- (D) 6 planes dropped 46 x 1000 GPs at target. 14 bombs strung directly through target starting 3 fires with black smoke to 1000 feet. 8 bombs through residential area, target #25; 8 bombs through stores area and docks, targets #2 and #11; 8 bombs through small arms factory area, target #17; 8 bombs through business and residential section, targets #50 and #52. Five to six fires started with one large explosion in target #52.
- (E and F) Nil.
- (G) Messager, heavy, inaccurate to accurate holding one plane. Bursts generally low from FI positions #12 and u/1 positions at KIRUN.
- (H) 14 of bombing.
- (I) Nil.
- (J) Enroute and return: .1 to .4 on 3000 to 7000 feet. Target: .1 on 4000 feet.
- (K) Visual bombing. One plane made second run due to ^{intervalometer} bomb malfunction. Fighter cover present. Propaganda leaflets dropped at target. 150 units rope dropped during bomb run, 3 units every 4 seconds. One bomb hung up, was jettisoned fused in water at 1048/I at 2508N-12155E.
- (L) 46 x 1000 GP inst at target.
1 x 1000 GP jettisoned.

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TO : A-2, Fifth Bomber Command

FROM: 43rd Bomb Group (H)

- (A) FPO 168-A-3, 17 June 65, 403rd Bombrn, 1 B-24
- (B) (1) RZ recon to WENCHOW.
(2) Graving Dock, HAKO VIC Mosaic 2082, target #10, secondary.
- (C). (1) 0700-1900/1, WENCHOW 1210-1240/1 2500-7500 feet.
(2) 1518/1, 8500 feet, 65 degrees.
- (D). (2). One plane dropped 12 x 500 GPs through buried oil tanks at target #9. Bomb bursts only results observed.
- (E). 2340H-11500Z, 1040/1, 7500 feet: 1 FRANK.
- (F). FRANK made single pass, coming in from 3 o'clock level, closing to 500 yards and breaking away at 6 o'clock low. FRANK, colored olive-drab, nil visible markings on wings, fired 2-3 short bursts with nil damage to B-24. Tail and right waist gunner returned fire, nil damage to FRANK. FRANK broke away and was not seen again.
- (G). Heavier, medium, inaccurate from position in target #13. All bursts low.
- (H). 3 of bombing.
- (I). RZ recon completed 100%. POOSIANG HARBOR, 1354/1, 7500 feet: 1 w/s FID.
- (J) En route and returned RZ reported hourly as ordered. Targets 2 on 3500 feet.
- (K). Visual bombing. Primary, shipping, not bombed as no suitable target found. Nil ECM.
- (L). 12 x 500 GP inst at target.
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FROM: 45rd Bomb Group (H)

- (A) FPO 169-A-2, 18 June 45, 405rd Bombar, 8 B-24s & 2 B-24-2
- (B) KIHUN, residential area, (Target #26, VBC Mosaic 518A), primary.
- (C) 1053 to 1105/I, 11,500 to 12,500 feet, azn 540 to 30 degrees.
- (D) 10 planes dropped 75 bombs at target. 48 bombs hit target, starting small fires with grey and some black smoke to 4000 feet. 16 bombs were unobserved, 5 of these possibly hitting in target #55 (middle). 3 bombs hit in target #27 and water just N. 5 bombs hit in center of target #29, RUO. (Of the 16 bombs u/o, 6 were salvaged due to release malfunction.) 2 bombs hung up, dropped on KIZAN-TO island, one large explosion, dark red flames to 1000 feet, grey black smoke to 4500 feet, covering 3/4 of small town, (E and F) Nil.
- (G) Moderate, heavy, inaccurate, on level but well ahead of squadron - from PI positions #3, 12, 9 or 10, and one other u/i position about 4000 feet SE of target. One plane received one hole and several dents.
- (H) 24 of bombing, 2 of KIZAN-TO.
- (I) RUO-RO BAY, 1130/I, 7000 feet: numerous small boats, including 8-10 possible SCs.
- (J) Enroute and return: .3 cu 2000 to 3000 feet. Targets: .2 cu 2000 to 5000 feet, .5 cu at 20,000 feet.
- (K) 3 planes made second run, one due bomb bay malfunction, one due release malfunction, and one due error. Rope was dropped before, during and after run, one plane jammed 200 NBSs from 1040 to 1110/I. Propaganda leaflets dropped. Only 2 P-51s were observed at target. All runs were visual.
- (L) 77 ± 1000 GPIDs at target.

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TO : A-2, V Bomber Command

FROM: 43rd Bomb Gp (H)

(A) FPO 170-4-7, 19 June 45, 403rd Bomb, 1 B-24

(B) (1) Weather recon to Wenchow, primary

(2) Ammo storage revetments at Hako (target #26, VBC Monale 208B).

(C) (1) 0820/I to 2030/I,

(2) 1216/I, 10,500 feet, 62 deg.

(D) (2) 24 bombs dropped, all in SW portion of target. Direct hits on at least one building in SW corner, probable damage to two others. RUC except bomb bursts and smoke.

(E and F) Nil.

(G) Meager, heavy, inaccurate at Hako from u/i positions.

(H) 4 of bombing

(I) Mission completed 100%. ROUTE: Formosa Straits, Hako, Wenchow, Chuohow (2828N-11957E), Kienow (2710N-11815E), Amoy and return.

Target, 1200 to 1215/I, 10,000 feet: 2 u/i probable TE A/PS stayed several hundred yards off wing of B-24 during four runs over the target.

(J) ENROUTE and RETURN: Local front with rain, up to 10,000 feet between Lingayen and Laoag. Formosa Straits to 2700 N: .5 to .7 cu 5000 feet, .2 to .3 AC and .4 to .7 CI above 10,000 feet. At 2700 N: A NE SW front 40 miles deep 1000 to 14,000 feet. Weather over China: .4 to .7 cu 8000 feet.

TARGET: .7 strato cu 3000 to 4000 feet.

Weather reported as ordered except during 2 hour period when A/P was over China E of front.

(K) 4 runs made at target due to heavy weather.

(L) 24 x 250 lb GPIDE at target.

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TO : A-2, V Bomber Command

FROM: 43rd Bomb Group (H)

- (A) VFW 170-A-2, 20 June 45, 403rd Bomron, 2 B-24-2 and 5 B-24s
- (B) Kirun, residential area (E part of target #36, VBO Hosaic S16A), primary
- (C) 1028/I, 13,000 feet, 350 deg.
- (D) 5 planes dropped 36 bombs at target #22. 22 bombs fell in target causing small fires and smoke to 2000 feet. 8 bombs unobserved, probably fell along W edge of target. 6 bombs strung through fields and small buildings 300 feet SE of target, with HGO. One plane, unable to open bomb bay doors before arrival of 22nd Group, dropped 8 bombs across railroad tracks at 22 2451N-12050E, with HGO (1105/I, 11,000 feet, 250 deg.).

(E and F) Nil.

- (G) Moderate, heavy, accurate to inaccurate from FI positions #9, 10, and 12. Bursts were scattered high, low and on level bombs between first and second elements, some to left of squadron on breakaway. One plane holed.

(H) 1/2 of bombing.

- (I) KILAN#10, 1020/U, 13,000 feet: small town on NW coast, target of opportunity on 19 June, appeared virtually destroyed by fire.

- (J) ENROUTE and RETURN: scattered areas .4 to .6 on 3000 to 8000 feet.
TARGET: .2 on 2000 to 6000 feet.

- (K) Fighter cover present: Jammed 200 megs, picked up 79 meg signal. Rope dropped starting one minute before run, one unit every four seconds until after breakaway. One plane returned early due gas leak jettisoned 8 bombs safe, in open fields at 1508E-12040E, 6 miles ESE Borax at 0622/I.

- (L) 36 x 1000 lb GPIDs at targets ~~at target of opportunity~~
8 x 1000 lb GPIDs at target of opportunity
8 x 1000 bombs jettisoned

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TO : A-2, Fifth Bomber Command

FROM: 48rd Bomb Group (H)

- (A) WFO 170-A-2, 22 June 45, 403rd Bombon, 1 B-24-2 & 3 B-24's
- (B) TOSHEIN, oil refinery (Target #44B, VEC ~~XXXXX~~ Photo Locator 220 A) primary.
- (C) 1125/1, 11,500 feet, 240 degrees.
- (D) 3 planes over target dropped 25 bombs. Actual hits unobserved due to smoke from earlier bombing, but all bombs believed to have hit in target. Results unobserved.
- (E and F) Nil. (G) See below.
- (H) 7 of bombing and target.
- (I) Targets: target covered with heavy black smoke, rising to 10,000 feet before planes left area; one large explosion with bright flame to 500 feet probably from western most building in # 44E. 1 u/1 TB and 2 SEP a/p's on level in area S of OKAYAMA; all silver, no markings observed. One round object, 2 to 3 feet in diameter, described as brownish-silver, falling fast between lead and left wing planes, just before bomb run.
- (J) Moderate to intense, heavy accurate to inaccurate from TOSHEIN (FI #4, #3 Or-25, #3, and one or more of the positions S and E of target), and from u/1 positions at OKAYAMA. 2 planes holed.
- (K) Enroute and return: .5 to .6 cu and strato cu, 5000 to 8000 feet. Target .2 cu, 5 to 6000 feet.
- (L) All ~~XXXXXXXX~~ bombing visual and on 1 run. Fourth plane returned early to LAONG due to mechanical snafu. Crews reported not being able to break away fast enough to avoid passing over OKAYAMA A/A.
- (M) 25 x 1000 SFID'S at target.

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FROM: 43rd Bomb Group (H)

- (A) FPO 171-A-2, 20 June 45, 405rd Bombox, 5 B-24a & 1 B-24-2
- (B) Parked a/ps SHINGHIKU A/D, primary.
- (C) 1140/1, 11,800 to 13,200 feet, 120 degrees.
- (D) 7 planes dropped 1680 x 20 frags at target. Bombs fell 1000 feet E of H2K target starting at the center of the road in target #5 (VSO Mosaic 317B) and stringing through the middle of the RW runway. ^{small} One fire started in target #5. Two a/ps possibly damaged by bombing.
- (E and F) Nil.
- (G) Meager, heavy, generally inaccurate from u/i positions at SHINGHIKU. One plane holed.
- (H) 6 of bombing.
- (I) Nil.
- (J) Enroute and return: .2 to ten-tenths cu 8000 to 12,000 feet. Target: .9 strato cu 4000 to 12,000 feet.
- (K) Bombing on synchronous H2K run with 5 planes toggling on the leader. Propaganda leaflets dropped at target. 65 units rope dropped during of first eight planes bomb run. Pipe and shackles from frag clusters/eaved in cowling of 1 plane and dented wings of rear planes. H2K target extremely difficult to pick up on scope. ~~causing~~
- (L) 1680 x 20 frags at target.

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TO : A-2, Fifth Bomber Command

FROM: 43rd Bomb Group (H)

- (A) WFO 171-A-6, 20 June 45, 403rd Bombrn, 1 B-24-2
- (B) WHAMPOA DOCKS, main quay target #22, (VIB Mosaic 4046), primary.
- (C) 0345/I, 9500 feet, 360 degrees.
- (D) 1 plane dropped 12 x 500 GPs at target. 1 large fire started which was still burning intensely when plane left the target 20 minutes later.

(E) CANTON to HONG KONG, 0400 to 0425/I, 7000 to 10,000 feet: 1 u/1
t/o plane, 2 u/1 planes.

(F) First attack, 0400/I. Enemy fighter came from 6 o'clock low following same course as B-24 and apparently did not see B-24 until it almost overtook plane, then broke sharply to the right at 3 o'clock.

Second attack, 0405/I. U/1 plane came in from 6 o'clock low, made pass to within 400 yards and broke away high over tail at 7 o'clock.

Third attack, 0423/I. U/1 plane came in from 3 o'clock high and broke away 6 o'clock low.

In none of these attacks did enemy planes or B-24 fire. During the 23 minute interception, single tracers were seen directed at B-24 from above and below the plane, these shots being inaccurate.

(G) Meager, heavy, inaccurate from u/1 positions at CANTON. Nil s/l.

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(H) Nil.

(I) HONG KONG, 0325/I, 9000 feet: All lights on in HONG KONG area: 1 revolving beacon at coast.

(J) Enroute and return: was reported hourly as ordered. Target: Clear.

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- (K) Bombing by synchronous H2K run. 100 units rope and 1 box fighter chaff dropped at target. Propaganda leaflets dropped at GANTON.
- (L) 12 x 500 GP .1 sec nose .01 tail at target.

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TO : A-2, V Bomber Command

FROM: 43rd Bomb Group (H)

- (A) FPO 173-A-2, 22 June 45, 403rd Squadron, 1 B-24
- (B) thru (J) As previously reported.
- (K) A/P reached position 150 miles N of Luang, then was required to return due to mechanical failure. Jettisoned 8 bombs at 2017M-1E029E at 1056/I. Bombs were dropped fused due to hurry to lighten load but none were seen to explode due to being dropped safe with pins, and all dropped in clear area. A/P remains at Laos, crew returned in another recently repaired 403rd B-24.
- (L) 25 x 1000 GPID's at target.
 8 x 1000 MB SP's jettisoned, XXXX.

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TO : A-2, Fifth Bomber Command

FROM: 48rd Bomb Group (B)

- (A) FPO 174-4-1, 23 June 45, 403rd Bomber, 4 B-24s & 1 B-24-3
- (B) (1) Sugar Mill MOBI KOME target #33, VBO Mission 127A, primary.
 (2) TAIRU KOME, opportunity.
 (3) HAIAH, WYOO-WO, PISCADOREH, opportunity.
- (C) (1) 1047/1, 12,000 feet, 265 degrees.
 (2) 0327/1, 10,000 feet, 230 degrees.
 (3) 1120/1, 11,500 feet, 250 degrees.
- (D) (1) 3 planes dropped 25 x 1000 GPs at ~~target~~ primary. 22 bombs fell directly through sugar mill with 1 bomb hitting 500 feet W of target. Terrific explosion in center of target when bombs hit with flames to 200 feet and brown grey smoke to 4000 feet.
 (2) 1 plane dropped 6 bombs at TAIRU. Bombs hit 3 or 4 buildings at N edge of town. Bomb bursts only results observed.
 (3) 1 plane dropped 5 x 1000 GPs at HAIAH. Bombs fell through town with results u/o due undercut.
- (E and F) Nil.
- (G) Heavier, heavy, inaccurate from u/1 positions at MOBI, JITSUBUTSU, PISCADOREH.
- (H) 6 of MOBI and HAIAH.
- (I) Nil.
- (J) Enroute and return: .2 to .7 cu 5000 to 14,000 feet. MOBI: .1 cu 5000 feet. TAIRU: clear. HAIAH: .6 cu 4000 to 6000 feet.
- (K) All bombing visual. Nil BOMB rope from previous squadron did not unfurl when dropped. Propaganda leaflets dropped at TAIRU, MOBI. One plane had oil leak, one had gas leak; primary and secondary, HAIRU, not bombed due to; primary not bombed due excess gas consumption.
- (L) 25 x 1000 GP inst at targets.

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TO : A-3, Fifth Bomber Command

FROM: 43rd Bomb Group (H)

- (A) FFO 176-A-5, 25 June 45, 403rd Bombox, 1 B-24-C
- (B) (1) Armed NA Recce to CANTON Area. Primary.
(2) WHEMPGA DOGIES, CANTON (VBC Mosaic 404C, target #22 and SE portion of target #23) Secondary.
- (C) (1) ~~XXXXXXXX~~ 24/3100/I, to 25/0700/I,
(2) 25/0115/I, 10,000 feet, 365 degrees
- (D) (2) 24 bombs strung approximately from SE corner of target #23 through that target for 1900 feet, with approximately 7 bombs in our target. Only bomb bursts ~~XXXXXXXX~~ observed.
- (E) Target, 25/0117/I, 10,000 feet: One u/i a/p, probably TONY,
- (F) One pass from 5 o'clock high, slowed to 250-300 yards, fired one short burst and passed below and astern of our plane. Nil damage. We did not fire.
- (G and H) Nil.
- (I) Target and for 25 minutes ~~XXXXXXXX~~ ^{/past} PSL-CHIEN ISLAND: Our plane followed by the intercepting a/p, 1 u/i a/p with no lights, and 1 possible NICK with white wing and tail lights, but none came closer than 500 yards,
CANTON RIVER, 25/0108/I, 11,000 feet: 1 white S/L behind a/p probably on island near MACAO, on for 1 minute, did not find a/p. Mission completed 100%, NA reported as ordered.
- (J) Target enroute and return: .6 cu and strato-on 5 to 12,000 feet, with ground haze at target.
- (K) CHINA area all blacked out except for two small towns SW of target. Rope dropped during run 1 unit every 3 or 4 seconds. Fighter shaft dropped before and after run, during evasive turns. Rescue SB briefly called a/p on voice after leaving target area. Run was HEX but could have been visual, due moon, except for ground haze.
- (L) 24 x 250 GP's .1 nose .01 tail at target

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FROM: 45rd Bomb Group (H)

- (A) FFO 177-A-1, 28 June 45, 403 Bomron, 4 B-24s & 2 B-24s
- (B) TANSHI butanol plant (no target number), primary.
- (C) 1039/I, 12,000 feet, 255-260 degrees.
- (D) 5 planes dropped 37 bombs at target: 28 bombs in target causing several explosions among largest buildings, several fires and yellow-brown smoke turning to grey-black, to 5000 feet; 7 bombs uncertain, probably along southern edge of target, r/u/o; 2 bombs short to the E, nil damage. Eastern and south central portions of target well covered.
- (E and F) Nil.
- (G) Meager, heavy, inaccurate from just SW of TOYOHARA A/D, and possible position near N edge of target, 1 plane dented.
- (H) 15 of bombing.
- (I) ENRI, 1045/I, 12,000 feet; 1 possible FFO in river mouth at or near ENRI.
- (J) Enroute and return: .3 to .6 on 2000 to 7000 feet. Target: .2 on 2000 to 6000 feet.
- (K) 3 planes carried 7 bombs only. 1 plane turned back due gas leak, jettisoned 6 bombs safe in water at 1912N-12024E. Jammed 79 and 80 MGs from 1029/I to 1049/I. Dropped 150 units rope, 2 every 4 seconds from 1026/I to 1030/I. Fighter cover present. All planes bombed visually on one run.
- (L) 37 x 1000 GPID at target.
8 x 1000 GP jettisoned.

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TO : A-2, Fifth Bomber Command

FROM: 43rd Bomb Group (H)

- (A) FFO 177-A-5, 26 June 45, 403rd Bombrn, 1 B-24-2
- (B) Main quay WHAMPOA DOCKS, Target #22 VBC Mosaic 4040, primary.
- (C) 0335/I, 10,500 feet, 004 degree.
- (D) 1 B-24-2 dropped 20 x 250 GPs at target. Results/u/c due to undercast. other than bomb bursts
4 bombs hung up and were jettisoned 1000 to 2000 feet N of target with results u/c.
- (E) Mouth of CANYON RIVER W of HONG KONG, 0355/I to 0405/I, 10,000 feet:
1 u/i SSF, 1 u/i radial engine SSF.
- (F) First attack: 0400/I, 1 u/i SSF coming in from 1 o'clock high started firing at B-24 from 1000 yards: pilot of B-24 turned into incoming plane causing jag to break away sharply to 3 o'clock low. Exhaust Tracers were inaccurate going above B-24. Gunners of B-24 did not return fire.
Second Attack, 0401/I. 1 radial engine SSF made pass from 5 o'clock level, breaking away at 1000 yards to 6 o'clock low. Enemy plane did not fire.
Planes were in the area for ten minutes but made no further passes.
1 u/i plane seen with red wing light. Attacking planes had no lights.
- (G and H) Nil.
- (I) Targets lights on at MACAU and HONG HONG.
- (J) Enroute and return: wx reported hourly as ordered. Targets .9 cu 4000 to 8000 feet.
- (K) Bombing on direct HEZ run. 40 units fighter chaff, 80 units rope dropped at target. Reported SAL was not observed between SEONGCUTTERS ISLAND and KNOWLEDGE. Escorting F-61 was not seen nor could it be contacted.
- (L) 24 x 250 GP .1 nose .1 tail at target.

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TO : A-E, Fifth Bomber Command

FROM: 43rd Bomb Group (H)

(A) FFO 179-A-1, 28 June 45, 403 Bomron, 4 B-24s & 2 B-24-2s

(B) KEISHU butanol plant (no VEC target no.), primary.

(C) 1100/I and 1115/I, 11,500 feet, 34° to 355 degrees.

(D) 6 planes dropped 45 bombs at targets. 19 bombs in fields 900 feet E target; 16 bombs just outside and along N edge target; 3 bombs hung up, salvoed 1300 feet NE target in fields; 7 bombs fell about 1 mile SSE target, premature release and malfunction. Northernmost of first-mentioned 19 bombs hit building 300 feet E of N end target, small red explosion. Nil other damage observed.

(E and F) Nil.

(G) Heavier to moderate, heavy, accurate to inaccurate from apparently 2 positions just S of KOBI A/D. One plane, 2 holes.

(H) 13 at target.

(I) Target: 2 bright-roofed warehouse type buildings 400 feet W of target burning; 1 warehouse in N part of target damaged; plant seemed intact.

(J) Enroute and returns: .5 increasing to .3 along FORMOSA coast on and aloft on 3000 to 11,000 feet. Targets: .2 on 3000 to 6000 feet.

(K) First element one dry run; second element, bombing separately, 2 dry runs. Fighter cover present. Dropped propaganda leaflets. Jammed 80 MEGs (64th Squadron operator). No apparent reason for poor bombing. Visual runs. 7 bombs, premature fall when master and rack switches turned on.

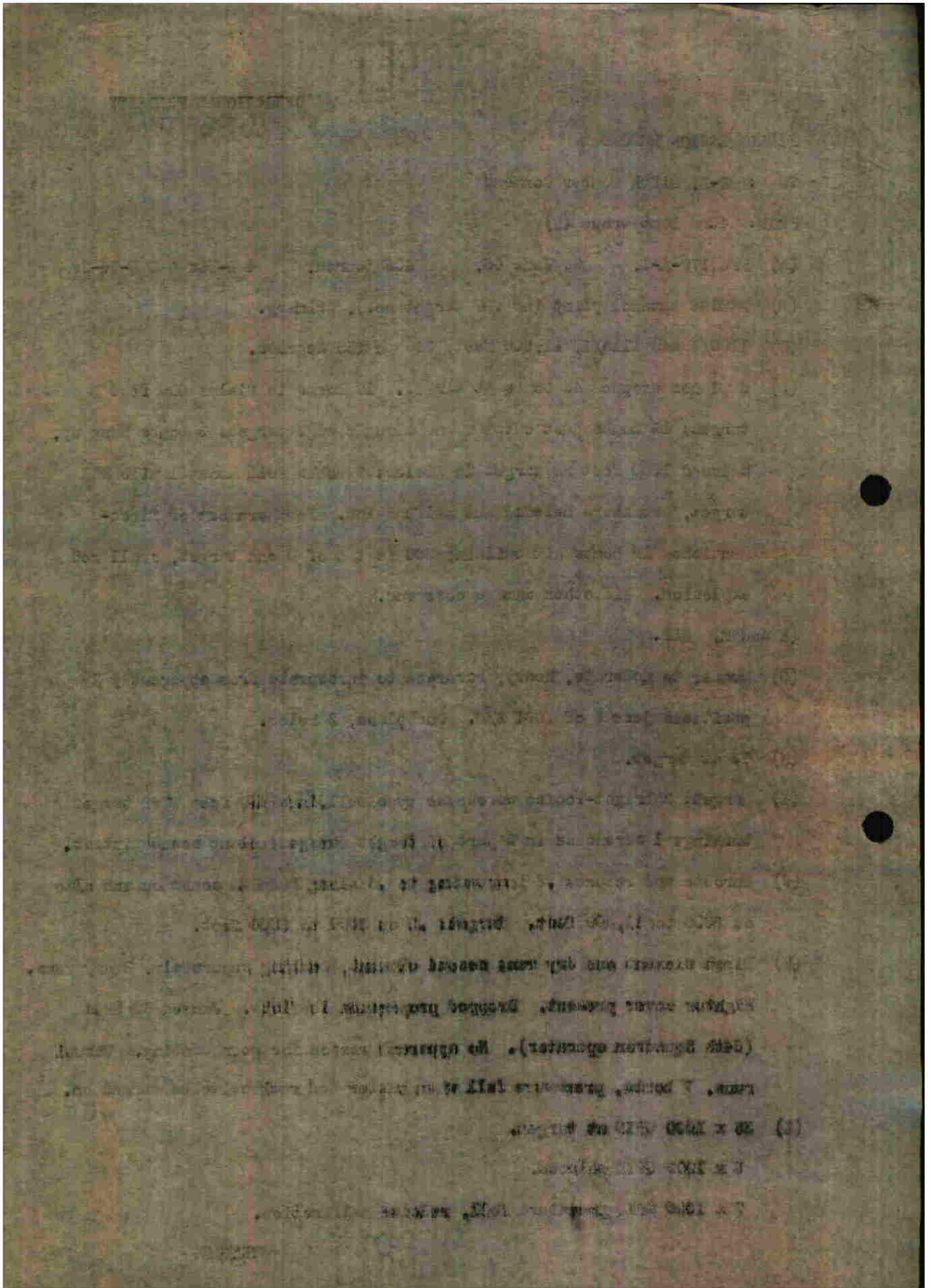
(L) 35 x 1000 GPID at target.

3 x 1000 GPID salvoed.

7 x 1000 GPID premature fall, release malfunction.

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TO : A-2 Fifth Bomber Command

FROM: 43rd Bomb Group (H)

- (A) FTU 150-4-1, 20 June 48, 403 Bombs, 4 B-24s & 2 B-24-2
- (B) SHINGHIEU oil refinery target #21 and N part of #15 VNC Missile BDA, primary.
- (C) 1034 to 1045/1, 12,000 to 13000 feet, 280 to 297 degrees.
- (D) 6 planes dropped 45 x 1000 GPs at target. 28 bombs hit directly through refinery destroying 4 large buildings. 7 bombs fell 200 feet S through power plant in target #21. Three terrific explosions with flames to black 500 feet and smoke to 11,000 feet. Five fires visible 30 miles from target.
- (E and F) Nil.
- (G) Moderate, heavy, accurate from positions 3000 feet NE of target, 500 feet SW of target. Bursts accurate as to altitude, tracking type. 3 planes holed.
- (H) 12 of bombing.
- (I) Target: 1 fighter attacking B-24 formation 5 miles S of SHINGHIEU, KOSTU, and HONGHIEU, 1035/1, 13,000 feet: in each town 5-6 circular revolving saucer-like objects which smoke flashed with sun's reflection toward formation.
- (J) Enroute and return: .5 on 5000 to 6000 feet. Target: .2 on 3500 feet.
- (K) Visual bombing. 1 plane had 3 bombs hang up, made second run, dropping bombs in target. Jammed 30 HMGs, 100 units rope dropped at target. Fighters present.
- (L) 45 x 1000 GPs lost at target.

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FINAL MESSAGE REPORT

TO : A-2 Fifth Bomber Command

FROM: 42nd Bomb Group (B)

- (A) FPO 180-A-5, 29 June 45, 405 Bombs, 1 B-24-B
- (B) Small arms plant, target #54 HOWAN ISLAND VIKI Mosaic 338A, primary.
- (C) 0167/1, 10,000 feet, 270 degrees.
- (D) 1 plane dropped 12 x 500 GPs at target. 8 bombs hit target with 6 bombs falling short in water. ~~Some~~ Nil results observed.
- (E) Mouth of CANTON RIVER, 10,000 feet, 0200/1, 1 w/1 plane.
- (F) 1 w/1 plane made pass from 8 o'clock high breaking at 700 yards to 3 o'clock low. Probable cannon fire from wings did no damage. Nil fire from B-24. At same time 2 w/1 planes observed at 4 o'clock and 8 o'clock, these made no passes. B-24 dove into clouds, lost fighters.
- (G thru I) Nil.
- (J) Enroute and return: .7 to ten-tenths on 4000 to 10,000 feet. Target: .4 on 3000 to 5000 feet.
- (K) Direct HEK bombing. 150 units rope dropped at target.
- (L) 12 x 500 GPs .1 nose .025 tail at target.

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TO : A-2, Fifth Bomber Command

FROM: 43rd Bomb Group (B)

(A) PPO 181-A-8, 30 June 45, 403 Bouron, 1 B-24

(B) (1) Armed on recon to FOOCHOW.

(2) KRISCHU butanol plant.

(C) (1) 0800/1-1200/1

(2) 1158/1, 10,500 feet, 180 degrees.

(D) (2) 1 plane dropped 7 x 1000 GPs 1000 feet E of target in field with
nil damage.

(E thru H) Nil.

(I) Target: butanol plant appeared 80% burned out. KRISCH, 1200/1, 10,500
feet: considerable activity in RR marshalling yards. 26125-112305,
1300/1, 11,000 feet: 1 BE stationary on W side of island.Mission completed 90%, turned back 5 miles E of FOOCHOW due excessive
gas consumption.(J) Enroute and return: wt reported hourly as ordered. Target: .3 on
2500 feet.

(K) Visual bombing on second run. Nil BEH.

(L) 7 x 1000 GPs inst at target.

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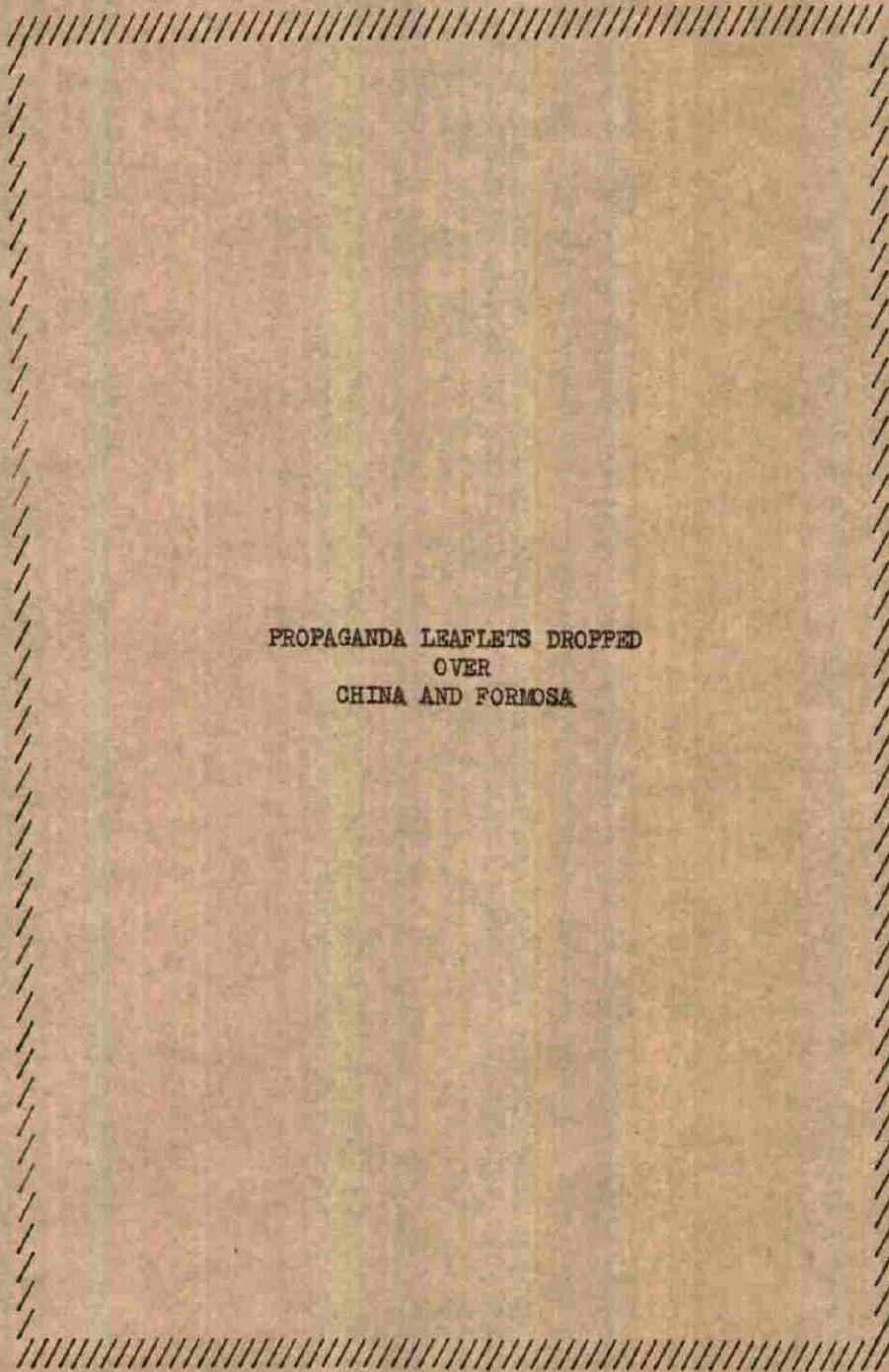
TO : A-2, Fifth Bomber Command

FROM: 43rd Bomb Group (H)

- (A) FFO 181-A-1, 30 June 45, 403 Bomron, 2 B-24s & 3 B-24-2s
- (B) HEIHO sugar refinery (target #38, VEG Mosaic 204B), primary.
- (C) 1010/I and 1018/I, 12,000 feet, 190 to 198 degrees.
- (D) 4 planes dropped 29 bombs at target. 1 plane dropped 7 bombs in SE corner and 1 bomb long by 100 feet; 1 large explosion, 1 fire, smoke to 5000 feet. 7 bombs u/o, possibly 1000 feet NW in target #37. Plane #620 dropped 7 bombs 1200 feet SE target in fields, nil damage. Plane #799 dropped 7 bombs 2500 feet N in target #32, hit warehouses, 1 explosion.
- (E and F) Nil.
- (G) Intense, heavy, accurate from FI #17, and possibly from #10 and position vic #15, which were also firing. Latter appeared heavy calibre. Bursts first met Squadron about 4 miles N target, tracked accurately until after breakaway. 1 plane received numerous holes, manual elevator controls shot out (#620).
- (H) 7 of bombing.
- (I) Nil.
- (J) Enroute and returns .2 to .5 on 4000 to 7000 feet. Targets .2 on 5000 to 6000 feet.
- (K) #620 lost control during bomb run; gyro completely tumbled, trigger cocked, indices running. #799's inverter burned out, erratic power for bombsight. 3 men in #620 slightly injured, 1 of these hospitalized. 2 planes bombed on second run. Propaganda leaflets dropped. Fighters present. Visual runs. 1 plane, gas leak, returned early, jettisoned safe 1724N-12005E, 0759/I. Nil RCM
- (L) 29 x 1000 GPID at target.
3 x 1000 GPID jettisoned

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PROPAGANDA LEAFLETS DROPPED
OVER
CHINA AND FORMOSA



躍進また躍進

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ニエーギニア島に強大な基地を確立して
 以来米軍は着々進攻を続け遂に比島の首都
 マニラを占領し同諸島を制御するに到った。
 米軍は今や各地に新作戦基地を確立し更
 に躍進しつつある。

戦争が愈々日本本土に接近してゐる事
 はB-29に依る本土空襲と硫黄島占領
 等に依つても明らかである。

諸君が今如何に努力せられて
 も最卓大勢を如何とする事
 も出来なない。ではな
 いだらうか。

落下傘ニユース

米空母進水
「フワオータ」(米十七日)ノールフォークの海軍工廠で建造中の航空母艦「フワオータ」(米十七日)は昨日進水した。

領統大米ンマルツ



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日本國民の幸福 無條件降伏の意味

【ワシントン十七日路透電】米軍の大規模なドイツの無条件降伏の要求は、日本國民の幸福を決定するものである。この降伏は、日本國民の幸福を決定するものである。この降伏は、日本國民の幸福を決定するものである。

平和の鐘鳴り 全歐に黎明

伯林殆んど秩序を回復

【パリ十八日路透電】ベルリンの秩序は回復され、市民は外出を開始した。全欧に黎明の光が差し、平和の鐘が鳴り響いている。

全力を對日戦に

即ちチャーチル英首相は、英米連合軍は、太平洋戦争の終末まで不屈の精神を以て邁進せよと、全力を對日戦に注ぎ込むべきであると述べた。

B29 五百余機

名古屋の三菱工場を痛撃

【ワシントン十九日路透電】米軍のB29超長距離爆撃機は、名古屋の三菱重工の工場を痛撃した。五百余機の機群が、工場を徹底的に破壊した。

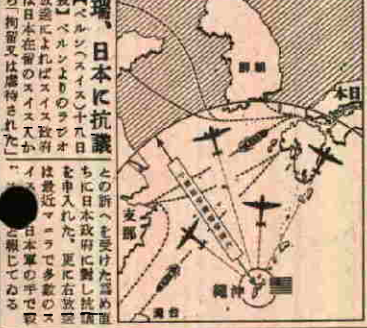


沖繩に米軍上陸艦艇

沖繩島附近上空で 米軍那覇郊外に進出

壮烈な空中戦展開

【ワシントン十九日路透電】米軍は、沖繩島の那覇郊外に進出した。壮烈な空中戦が展開され、米軍の優勢が示された。



日本に抗議の空襲

パレテ峠占領 洞穴陣地を撃破

【マニラ十九日路透電】米軍は、パレテ峠を占領し、洞穴陣地を撃破した。この勝利は、米軍の前進を加速させた。

獨降伏と日本 日本側の聲明に聞く

【ワシントン十九日路透電】日本側の聲明によると、日本は降伏を決定した。この決定は、日本國民の幸福を決定するものである。

獨の降伏により 日本今や無援

【ワシントン十九日路透電】日本は、獨逸の降伏により、国際的に孤立した。日本は今や無援の状態にある。

支那軍福州入城

【重慶十八日路透電】支那軍は、福州に入城した。この勝利は、支那軍の士気を高めた。

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米軍主力を太平洋に集結 對日總攻勢へ

空前の大移動に着手

【ワシントン十八日電】米軍は未曾有の大移動に着手した。即ち、北太平洋の日本軍の總攻勢に對する、大規模な大兵隊を西太平洋に集結させることである。

實施要領

右の海軍の大移動は、先づ第一、太平洋に集結するに當つて、米艦隊の二部を擧げて、今日の大規模な移動を開始した。



躍活隊兵砲軍米で島口ホ

食料を供給 米國、比島に輸送

【マニラ十八日電】比島政府は、米國から供給される食料品を、比島に輸送するに着手した。

獨軍捕虜の 送還は困難

【ワシントン十八日電】米軍は、獨逸軍捕虜の送還に困難を感ずるものと見られる。

マラリヤをも撃滅 米軍陣營に凱歌

【ワシントン十八日電】先週米軍が、マラリヤを撃滅したことに、米軍陣營に凱歌が奏された。

ソ聯國を擧げて 戰勝祝賀に酔ふ

【モスクワ十七日電】ソ聯國を擧げて、戰勝祝賀に酔ふ。米大使館前で萬歳絶叫。

一船に十二機 特攻隊の不經濟な戦術

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緊急閣議開催 政府、獨の降服を検討

【ワシントン十八日電】米政府は、緊急閣議を開催し、獨逸の降服を検討するものと見られる。

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送船は地獄船

米潜水艦の脅威を語る

【マニラ十七日電】日本本土に於ける日本軍艦は、米潜水艦の脅威に悩まされている。米潜水艦は、日本軍艦を撃沈し、捕虜を擧げている。

雑炊食堂

救済の一日の出

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舟唐三千七百

【マニラ十七日電】米軍は、舟唐三千七百隻を、日本に輸送するものと見られる。

荷役不振

先週からのラヂオが、荷役不振を告げている。

送放ラニマ

毎日、日本時間午後五時十五分、五時半の二回、ラニマを送放する。



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台湾が長目撃
台湾の戦況

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日本軍新作戦
日軍の進軍

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直捷の活躍
九州の戦況

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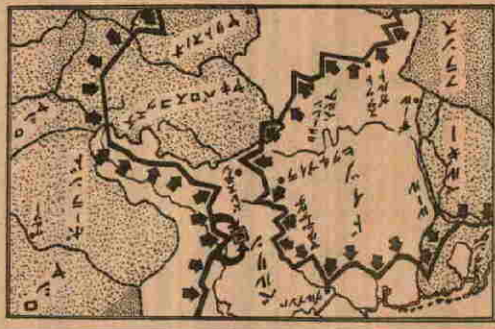
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中支の戦況
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獨守備線を二分
独守備線の戦況

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独軍の戦況

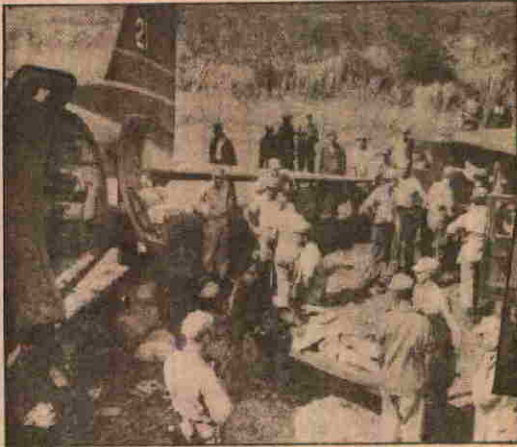
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比島作戦進む

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たれは救てしくかが命人の敷多れば運



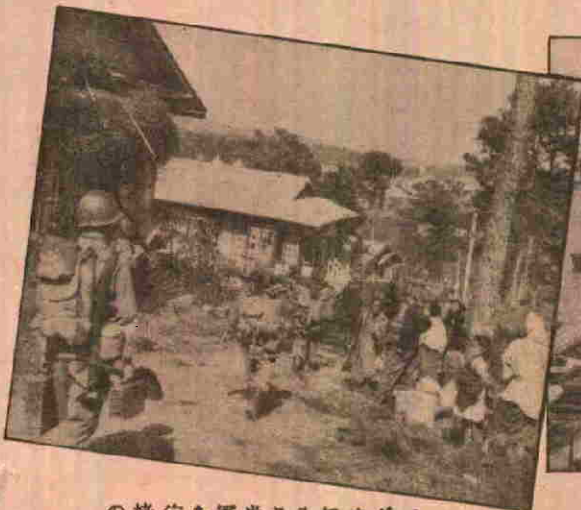
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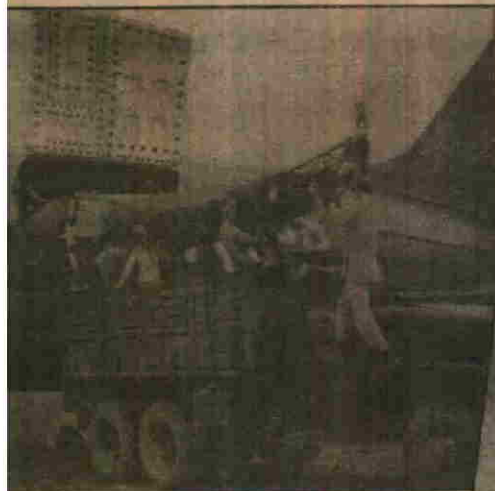
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PICTURE NEWS NO 1

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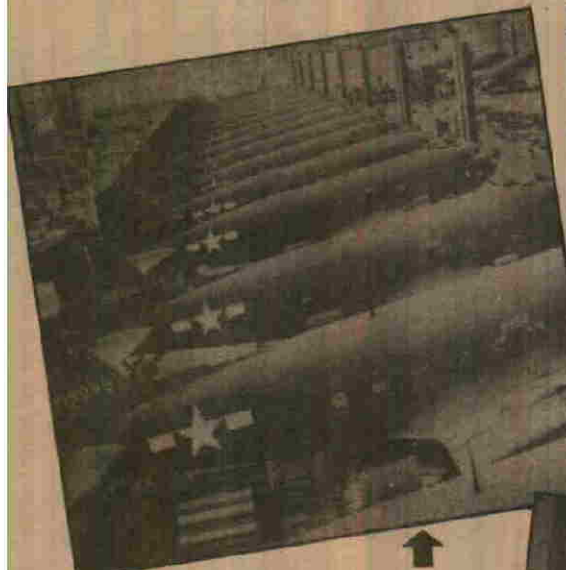


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ラニマ軍米
行發都令
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行刊月



↑ 線前軍台聯の昇世全 『車列中空』つ待を了完立祖
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武りよに給補傘下落もで台場などは軍米
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↑ つ傷と『友の日は敵の日昨』
枚持米ふ舞見を士將軍本日るけ



← 地陸上ちか駐陸上米し際に陸上前敵繩沖
ルーゴスの彈砲トツケろたれさ射發に點

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Leaflet No. 1-FO-1

Future of Formosa

- TARGET : People of the Island of Formosa.
- PURPOSE : To give hope of liberation to the people of Formosa.
- ILLUSTRATION: Picture of a Chinese war god on one side and a Chinese religious figure on the reverse. Formosans recognize and accept both these figures.
- TEXT : This leaflet is written in Japanese on one side and Chinese on the reverse. This translation expresses the thought in English.

Since the battle of the Solomons one defeat has followed another. Now even Manila, the heart of GEA, has been lost. The Japanese homeland and the military installations on Formosa have been subjected to almost uninterrupted bombings.

The government uses smooth and specious words and exaggerates the losses inflicted by Japan. But it is already recognized by all that Japan is rapidly weakening and will have to retreat from Formosa. This, my worthy compatriots, must be clear to you too.

In that case, then what of Formosa?

The Big three conference of Roosevelt, Churchill and Chiang Kai Shek, held two years ago at Cairo, made public on December 1, 1943, the so-called "Cairo Declaration." This states Japan's aggression and Imperialism must go. Korea shall have independence and Formosa shall be returned to China so that each race shall be able to build its own freedom and happiness.

The dawn will soon come to Formosa. Then we shall speak our own language. Then we can fearlessly manifest our own culture and customs.

My six-million fellow countrymen! Remember our many forerunners and seniors who even sacrificed their lives for the liberation of our people.

Remember the "Cairo Declaration!"

From a Fellow-Countryman
formerly of Takao, now overseas.

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Leaflet No. 2-FO-1

Cairo Declaration

TARGET : People of the Island of Formosa.

PURPOSE : To inform these people of the Allies' postwar aims as regards Formosa.

ILLUSTRATION: This leaflet is the same on both sides except for the text which is in Chinese on one side and Japanese on the reverse. The dove of peace, with the olive branch and the scroll, is typical Formosan art.

TEXT : (This is a literal translation of the Japanese and Chinese, expressing the thought in English.)

On December 1, 1943, the conference of President Roosevelt, Prime Minister Churchill and Generalissimo Chiang Kai Shek, held in Cairo, Egypt, made public the so-called "Cairo Declaration." It reads, in part, as follows:

"The several military missions have agreed on future military operations against Japan. The three great Allies expressed their resolve to bring unrelenting pressure against their brutal enemies by sea, land and air. The pressure is already rising.

"The three great Allies are fighting to restrain and punish the aggression of Japan. They covet no gain for themselves and have no thought of territorial expansion. It is their purpose that Japan shall be stripped of all the islands of the Pacific she has seized or occupied since the first World War in 1914, and that all the territories Japan has stolen from China, such as Manchuria, Formosa and the Pescadores, shall be restored to the Republic of China. Japan shall be expelled from all other territories she has taken by violence and greed."

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For the Squadron Commander:

William D. White

WILLIAM D. WHITE,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Historical Officer.

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新緑が暮れる六月の田園は一年中で最も活気に満ちた季節だ。都会では不愉快な入梅の霖雨も、田舎では自然の息吹に溶け込んで休みの香りに酔って五体きよめてくれる。

故郷を偲ぶ

外房沖の風は、たぬきの毛が、と波のまに、こつてゐるのは、引の舟中なのであろうか、外房の山々の緑が浮き彫りされて、ほど近く見える。とかさ、平和日本の姿が心に痛く懐かれる。



「速かに和平を」日本の一少佐語る

【ラングリン七日発】聯合軍に対して絶對に勝ることの無益を叫んで、日本の一少佐は最近、速かに和平を望む。彼は、聯合軍の保護に入つたが、後、日本の指導者達が、速やかに和平を提議すべきことを希望して、又、日本の若手将校や團長が、速かに和平を望むべきことを希望して、日本は速に中部ビルマを固守すべきだ。

支那戦線俄かに活況

支那軍宜山に進出

日本軍兵站路を脅威

【重要八日發】重慶の支那軍最高司令部は、先週、四川省方面の支那軍が、重慶の北西に七十里の距離を進出したことを報告した。支那軍は、先週、重慶の北西に七十里の距離を進出したことを報告した。支那軍は、先週、重慶の北西に七十里の距離を進出したことを報告した。

ソ軍猛訓練

シベリヤで開始

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力を失つた日本海軍

首脳更迭も無意味

撃沈破軍艦三千

太平洋戦の総合戦果

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内地四方山

石井子爆死

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投降兵の手記

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ツ大統領議會教書で聲明

對日戰完遂

太平洋の兵力を倍加

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那覇、首里陥落

重南部で最後の抵抗か

沖繩作戦の終いよ、間近し

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横濱を襲

港灣地區に猛火

【グアム八日發】五百機のB-29超長距離爆撃機が、先週、横濱の港灣地區に猛火を降らせた。米軍は、首里を完全に占領し、重南部の戦局を速く解決することであると述べた。

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PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE BRANCH

U. S. ARMY FORCES, PACIFIC AREA

APO 500

LEAFLET: Who Will Rebuild Japan?
LANGUAGE: Japanese
DESIGNATION: 113-J-1
TARGET: Japanese troops anywhere
REMARKS: 500,000 copies.

FRONT:

WHO WILL REBUILD JAPAN?

(The above title is over a picture of a husky riveter at work on a building. Other new buildings are seen in the background, with ruins in the distance.)

REVERSE:

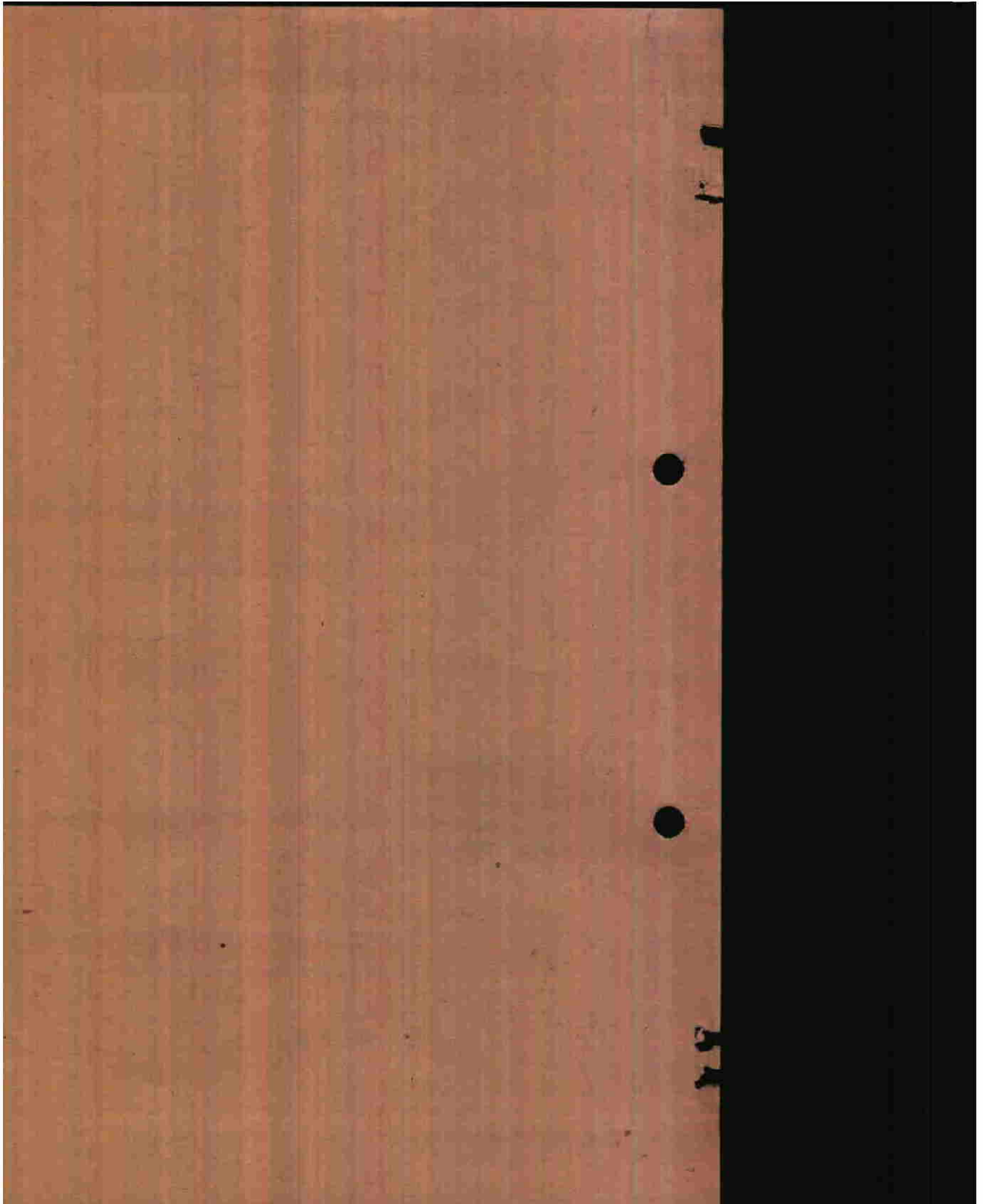
WAR REACHES JAPAN HOMELAND

Japan's great cities are being heavily bombed from bases on the Pacific Islands and on Okinawa. The industrial districts of Tokyo, Nagoya, and Kobe are being devastated. Great areas in these once flourishing cities have been reduced to ashes.

It is sad that the exigencies of war mean that the US air raids will increase in fury with each day until the selfish militarists have been destroyed.

The Japanese militarists alone are responsible for Japan's present misery. It is they and not the Japanese people at whom the attacks are directed. On the day when the militarists are crushed and peace returns under a modern government, will you not be needed for the great work of rebuilding Japan?

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U. S. ARMY FORCES, PACIFIC AREA

APO 500

LEAFLET: Pictorial newspaper, June 1945

LANGUAGE: Japanese

DESIGNATION: Picture News No. 1

TARGET: Japanese Troops and Civilians

REMARKS: To Weaken Enemy Morale by Giving the Japanese a Picture Story of the War

PAGE 1

CAPTIONS:

1. While the sound of guns is like distant thunder, this little girl at the refugee camp behind American lines on Okinawa unconcernedly sings a lullaby song.
2. A giant transport plane giving birth to a helicopter plane at an American base
3. American troops under any circumstances can be supplied by parachute with munitions and supplies, so are never short. Picture taken on the Mindanao front.
4. "Skytrains" coming off the assembly lines. These huge American planes are being used all over the world to carry supplies to the Allied Armies' front lines.
5. "Yesterday's enemy is today's friend." A wounded Japanese soldier receives a visit from an American officer.
6. During the preparations for landing on Okinawa, this landing craft pounds the landing beach with rocket shells.

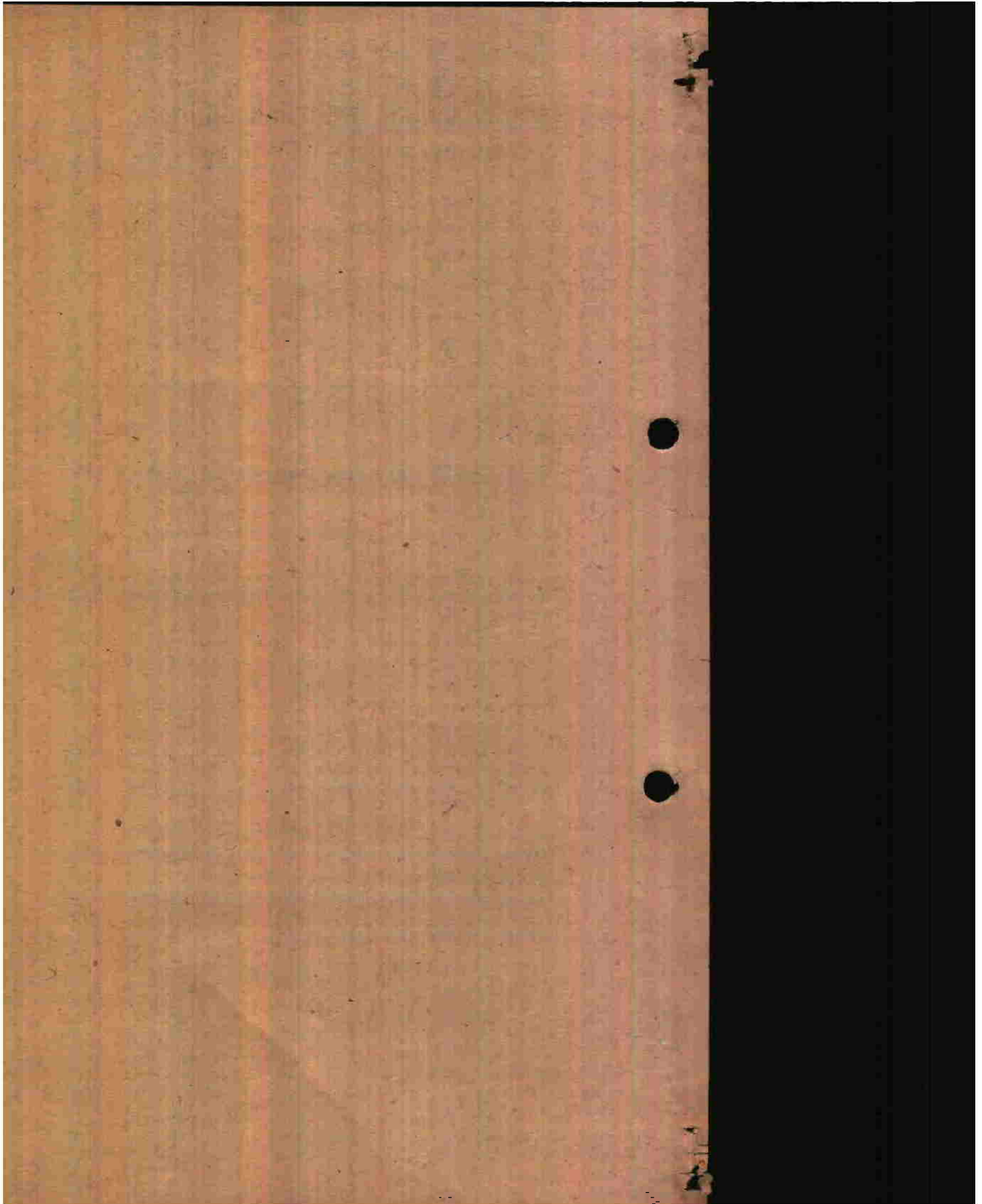
PAGE 2

HEAD: Progress of Philippine Operations.

CAPTIONS:

1. Landing craft lined up on a beach disembark well-equipped armed forces.
2. Wounded American soldiers are flown to a hospital. In this way many lives are saved.
3. A Japanese plane brought down near Puerto Princesa, capital of Palawan Island.
4. Nuns rescued from the center of fierce fighting in Manila's walled city (Intramuros).
5. Repaired Manila harbor exhibits the American forces tremendous reconstruction ability. Already it is extensively used in the unloading of war materials.
6. American troops entering Baguio greeted by citizens who bear expressions of relief on their faces.

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SECRET**PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE BRANCH****U.S. ARMY FORCES, PACIFIC AREA****APO 500**

LEAFLET: One Stride After Another

LANGUAGE: Japanese

DESIGNATION: ~~32~~-J-1

TARGET: Japanese troops outside the homeland.

REMARKS: To create pessimism as to the outcome of the war by showing these troops their inability to stop the American's advance toward the Japanese homeland. A map in the center shows the American advance from Milne Bay to Luzon. It grows faster. Around the map are pictures of American landings showing American material strength.

BACK**TEXT:**

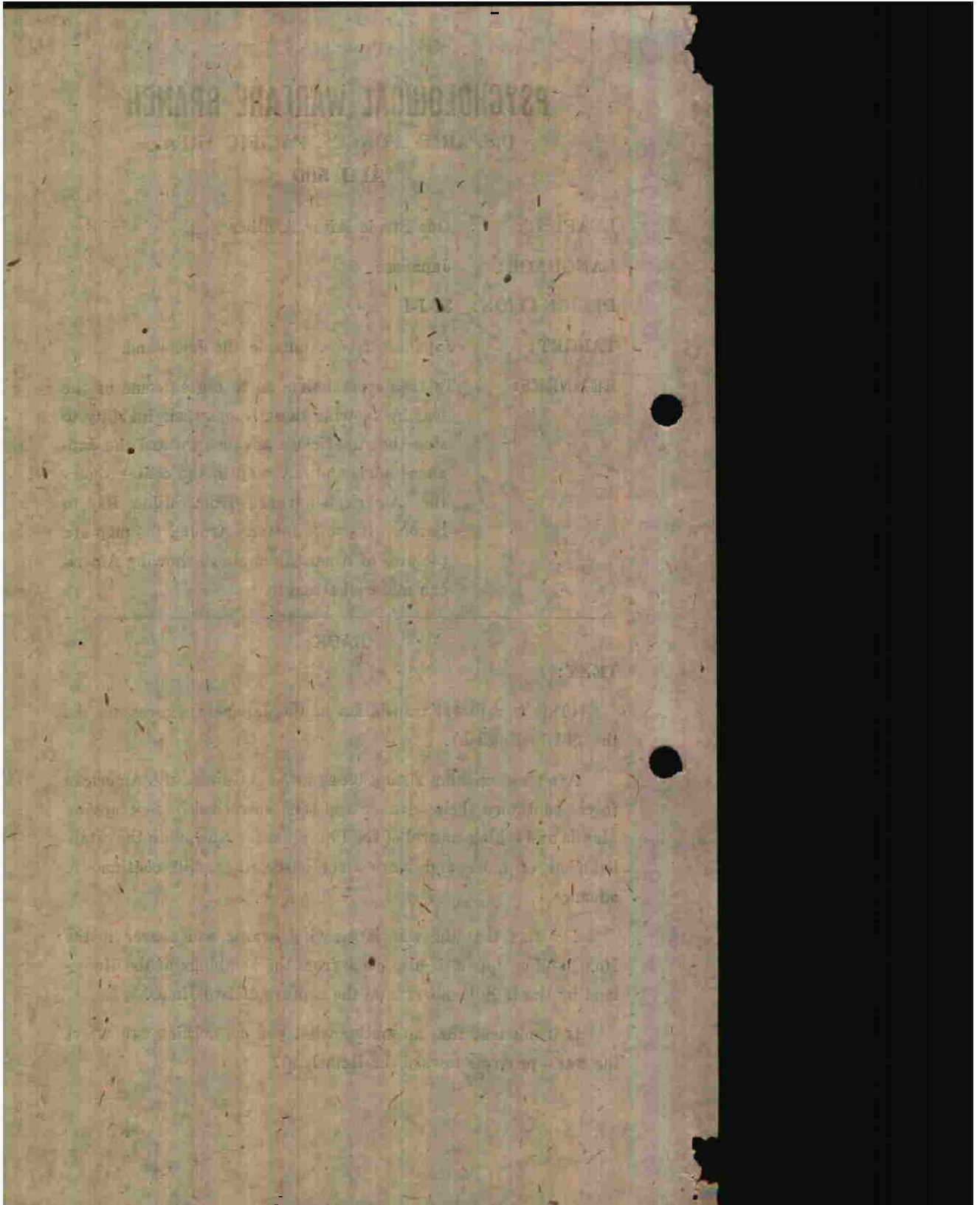
(This is a literal translation of the Japanese, expressing the thought in English).

After establishing strong bases in New Guinea, the American forces continued their advance and soon succeeded in reoccupying Manila and taking control of the Philippines. Now, with the establishment of more and more firm bases, they will continue to advance.

The fact that the war is drawing nearer and nearer to the Homeland of Japan, is also clear from the bombings of the Homeland by the B-29 bombers, and the capture of Iwo Jima.

Is it not true that no matter what you do, nothing can affect the war's progress toward the Homeland?

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U.S. ARMY FORCES, PACIFIC AREA

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APO 500

Serial Number: 102A

Purpose: To convince Japanese troops of the hopelessness of their position.

Comments: Text hammers home an idea which has been played in other leaflets, namely that the only way to save Japan is to end the war.

Format: Text in Navy blue ink on light blue paper, 5"x8". Bound hands of Japanese naval officer dripping with blood appear on the reverse side with caption "Tie the hands of the *gumbatsu*, stained with the blood of the people!"

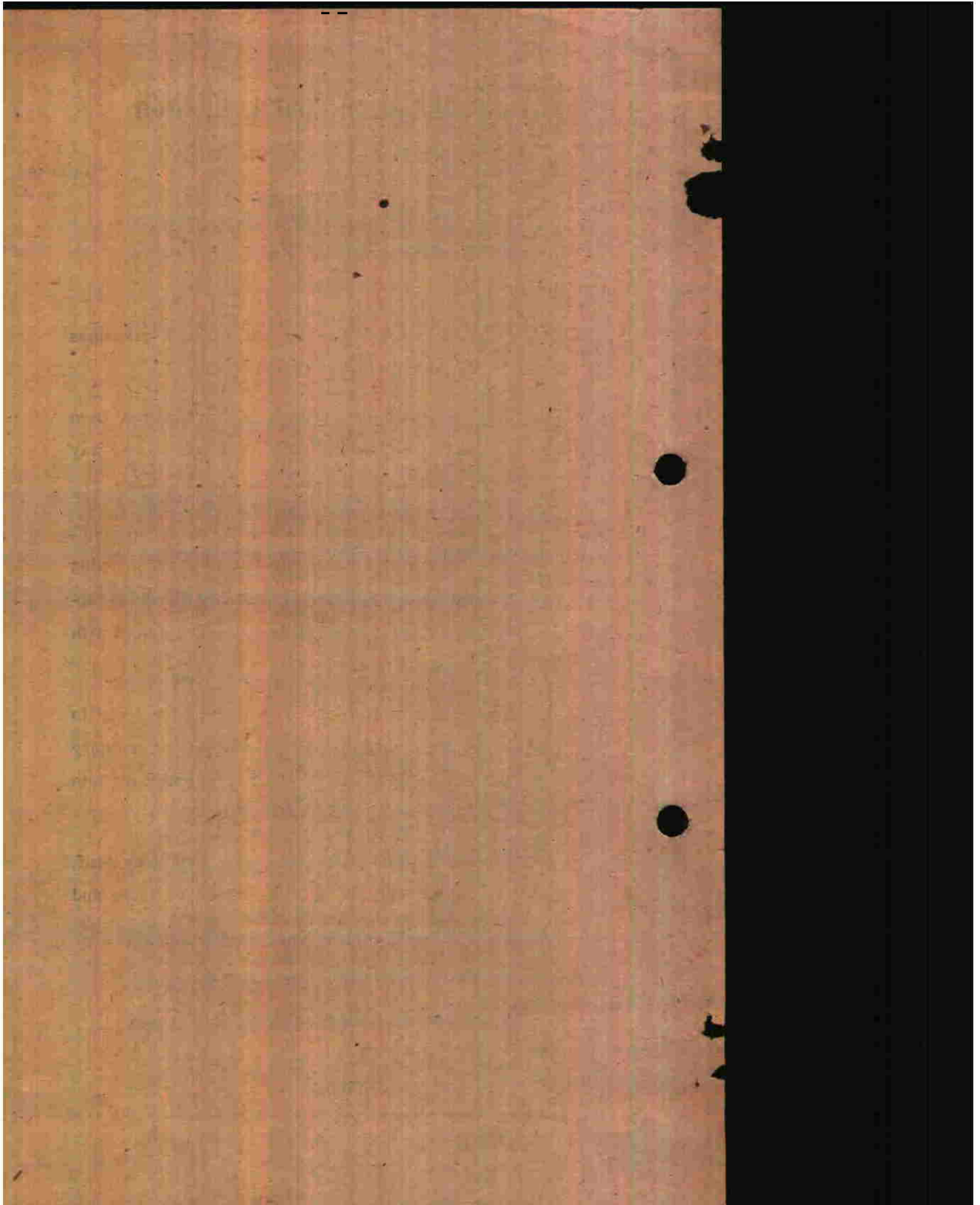
Text: Anyone can see that it is hopeless for Japan to fight against the whole world. The military leaders who were foolish enough to lead you into such a conflict will be punished.

But if Japan is to continue and not destroy itself, the war must be ended before all you young and potent men are killed.

Save the nation by saving yourself.

That is your most important duty at present.

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U.S. ARMY FORCES, PACIFIC AREA

APO 500

LEAFLET: Peace in Europe
LANGUAGE: Japanese
DESIGNATION: 28-J-1
TARGET: Jap troops anywhere
REMARKS: Art shows Jap soldier sitting on log, reading
news European war has ended.

Front: (Poem) A single leaf of the paulownia falls,
And sad are the waters of Naniwa.

Reverse: Peace has come in Europe.

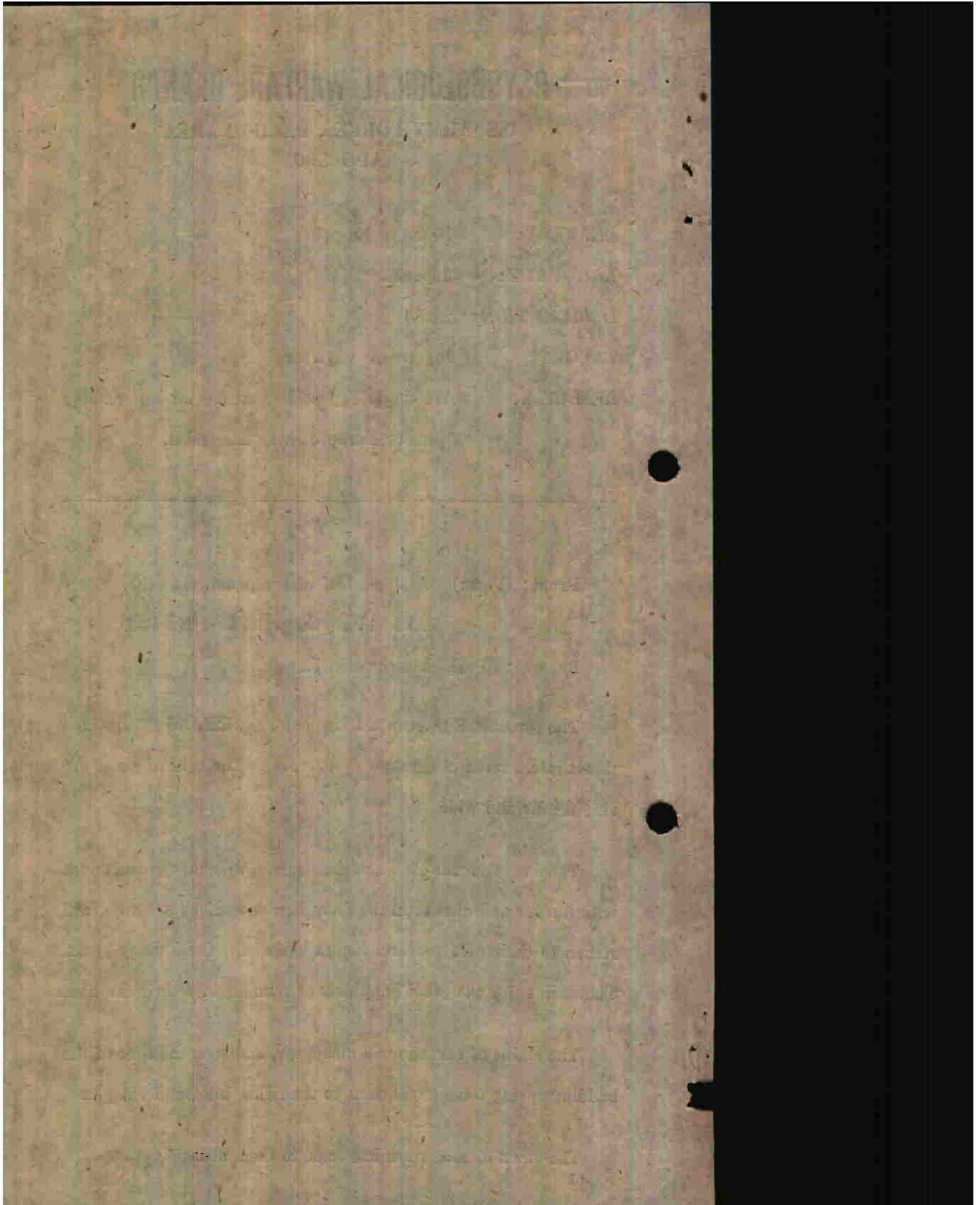
The greatest European war in history, which turned the continent into a scene of carnage, is now over. The bells of peace are ringing far and wide.

The day is not far off when the soldiers, who have grown gaunt with hunger and disease in the front line and smoke of battle, will return to their own peaceful homes longed for these many years. They will enjoy the great happiness of reunion with their families.

The stains of carnage will disappear, and soon the time of the budding spring foliage will come to the fields, hills, and villages.

The dawn of a new era has come to them at last!

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U.S. ARMY FORCES, PACIFIC AREA

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LEAFLET: Japanese Statements
 LANGUAGE: Japanese
 DESIGNATION: 32-J-1
 TARGET: Jap troops in P.I. or elsewhere
 REMARKS: Front shows 3 panels against Japanese background.

Front: Panel No. 1—*Premier Koiso, December 7, 1944:*

"Japanese forces will, by all means, drive the enemy from the island (Leyte) into the sea. The time has already ripened to frustrate the enemy ambition of retaking the Philippines."

Panel No. 2—*Lt. Gen. Homma, January 8, 1945:*

"All over Luzon our steel wall is in readiness and the enemy's plan to land on Luzon has been well anticipated. Our side has made all preparations. It is safe to anticipate that the enemy will plan landings at points other than Lingayen Gulf. However, our steel-wall defenses are in readiness all over the island of Luzon."

Panel No. 3—*General Yamashita, speaking over Tokyo radio February 11, 1945:*

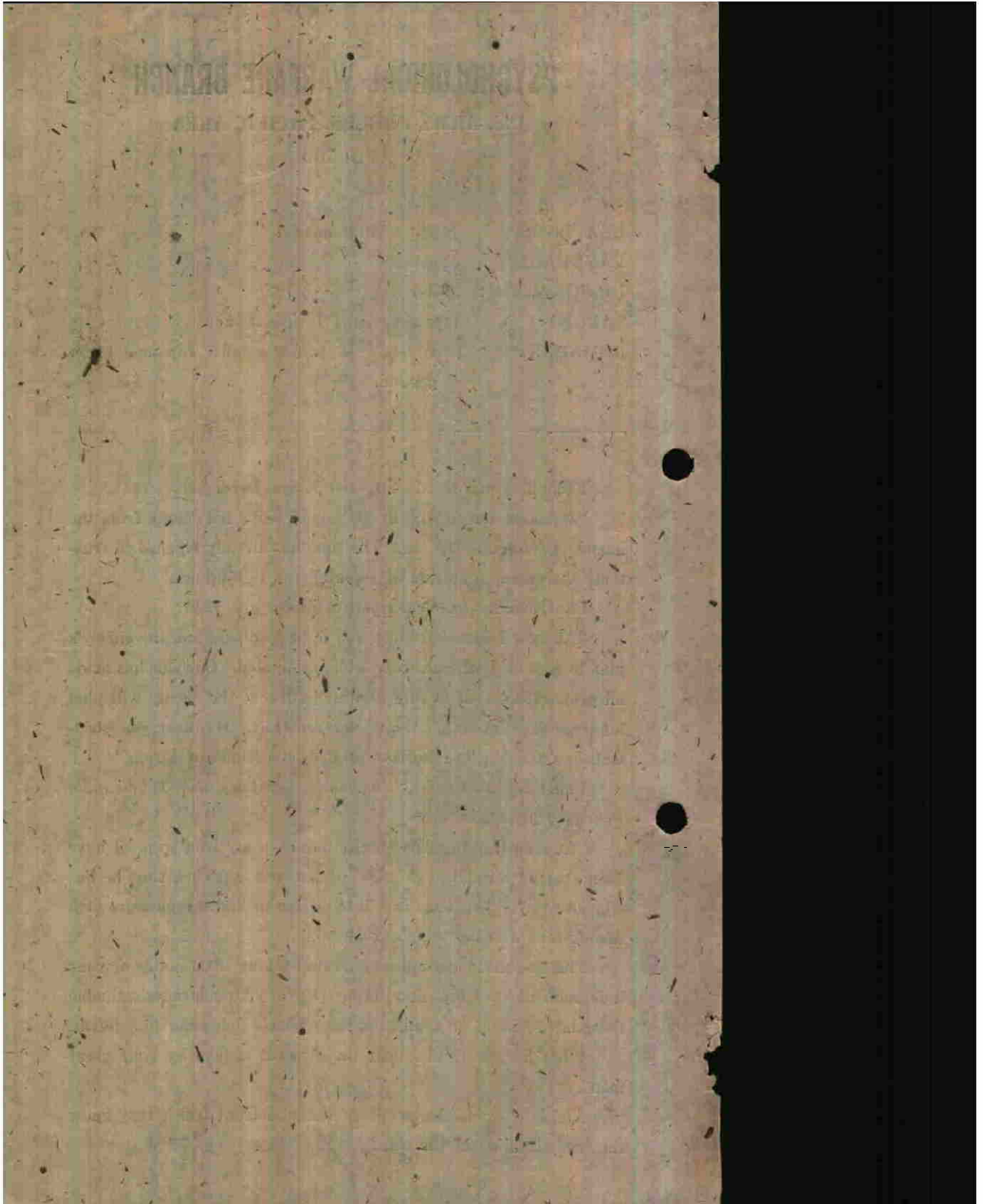
"At long last Douglas MacArthur is in my iron trap. I have been chasing him all over the southern seas, but each time he has slipped away. This time it will be different and my pleasure at a face-to-face meeting will be realized."

The leaders in the military circles, taking little notice of your indescribable hardships and the sacrifice of your comrades' valuable lives, have a habit of publishing these boasts just prior to a defeat.

What do you think about these words spoken by your great men?

And how would the people on the homefront feel if they knew the true situation of the war?

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LEAFLET: Newspaper "Rakkasan News," June 9, 1945
LANGUAGE: Japanese
DESIGNATION: Rakkasan News No. 13
TARGET: Japanese Troops and Civilians Anywhere
REMARKS: To Weaken Enemy Morale by Informing the Japanese of the True Picture of the War

PAGE 1

PHOTO: American troops clearing out captured Wawa Dam after hard fighting in Marikina area.

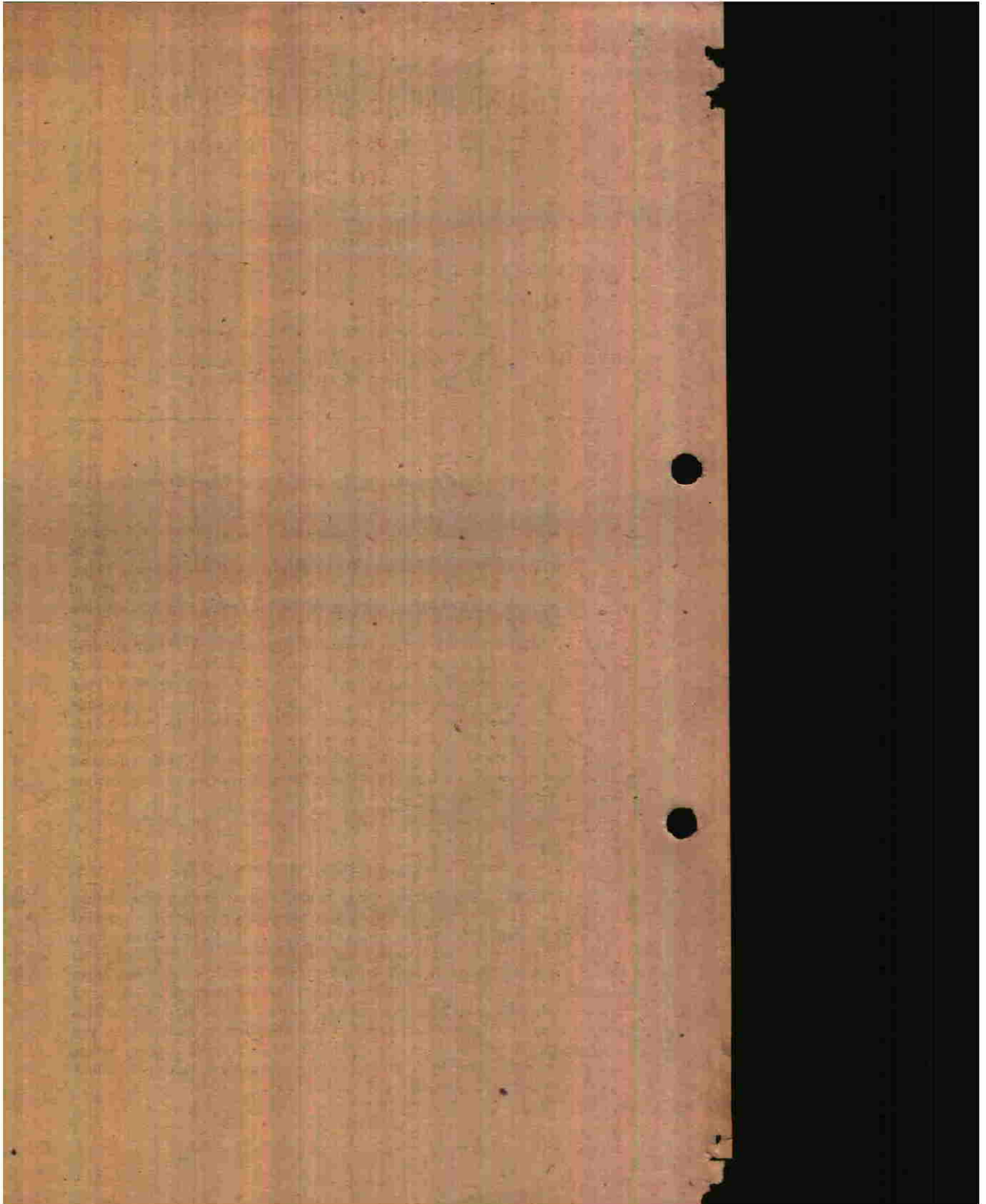
SUMMARY: President Truman's message to Congress states determination to bring war with Japan to earliest conclusion, Pacific forces to be doubled; Wawa Dam taken following stiff fighting, battle for Cagayan Valley progressing favorably; MacArthur announces more than two million tons of Japanese shipping sunk or damaged; Taiwan bombed again; President Osmeña sending one division from Philippines to fight Japan on homeland; on Okinawa, Naha and Shuri captured, campaign nearing final stages; Yokohama raided by B-29s, heavy damage in harbor area; two hundred square kilometers of Japan's industrial cities have been destroyed; new B-29 base completed; Japan now has few ships left, fourteen more sunk last week; German propaganda themes used to misrepresent their coming defeat (similarity to present Japanese themes: boxed theme-of-the-week); San Francisco conference adopts outline for purposes of new world organization; George Sixth praises Russian and American operation; Lord "Haw-Haw" arrested; Nisei unit to instruct American troops in Japanese battle tactics.

PAGE 2

PHOTOS: Scenes from pastoral Japan; recollections of the home country.

SUMMARY: Chinese front active again, Chinese troops reach Ishan, Japanese military supply route threatened; three thousand Japanese combat ships sunk or damaged, summary of losses in Pacific; Congressman Vinson of House Naval Affairs says Japan's Navy has lost its power, shifts of naval personnel meaningless; seven more Japanese admirals dead; Soviet troops begin intensive training in Siberia; Tokyo radio voices concern, says Germany's surrender a great loss; Tokyo announces Japanese troops in Luzon isolated from all supplies; Home News: sumo (wrestling) summer season opens, two hundred yen bills introduced, Viscount Ishii dead, Shiozawa dies, flying cadets used as shovel brigade; "Let us have peace," a captured Japanese major says; impressions of a Japanese PW (part three).

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LEAFLET: Newspaper "Rakkasan News", May 19, 1945
LANGUAGE: Japanese
DESIGNATION: Rakkasan News No. 10
TARGET: Japanese Troops and Civilians Anywhere
REMARKS: To Weaken Enemy Morale by Informing the Japs of the True Picture of the War.

SUMMARY:**PAGE 1****PHOTO:** U.S. Landing Craft Massed at Okinawa

President Truman's statement on unconditional surrender; new day dawns in Europe, order being restored in Berlin; MacArthur's troops capture Balet Pass; fierce air battles near Okinawa, ground forces reach outskirts of capital; B-29s launch record attack against Nagoya's aircraft factories; Chinese troops enter Foochow; Japanese official states Germany's surrender isolates Japan; Japanese officials in Europe interned; past Japanese statements on importance of German-Japanese common war effort (boxed theme-of-the-week); guerrilla groups active in Burma; American aircraft carrier launched; Switzerland protests to Japan on ill-treatment of its nationals.

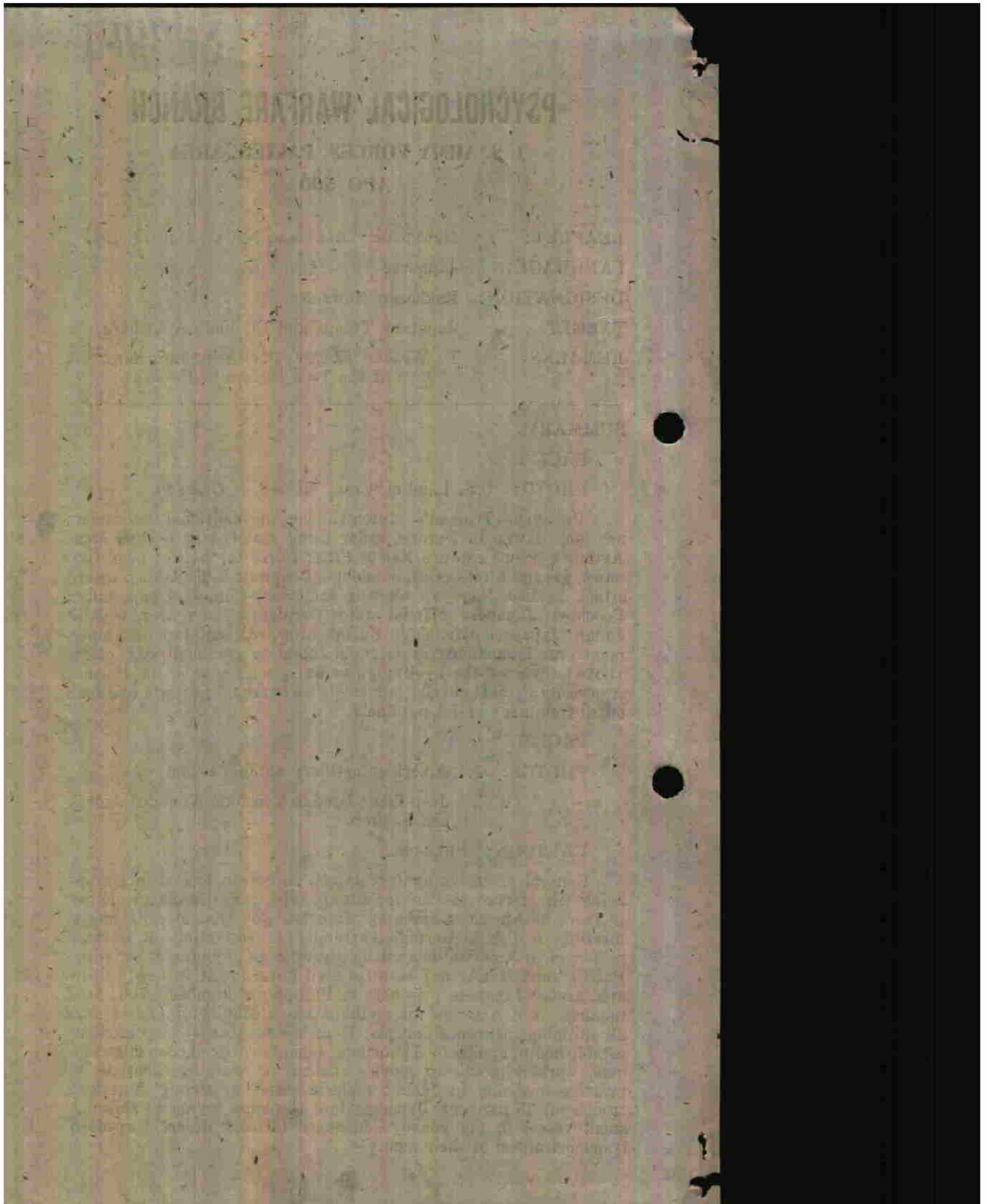
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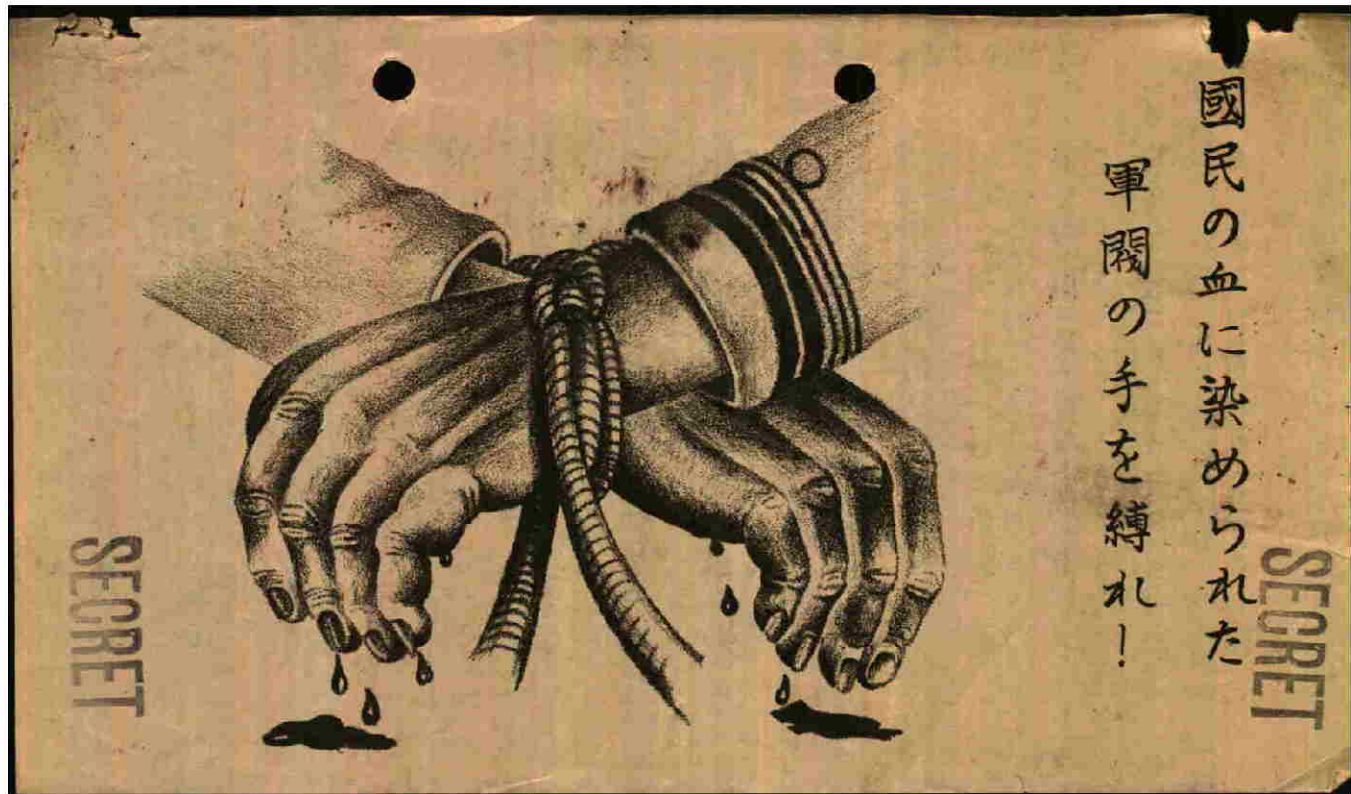
PHOTOS: 1. American artillery on Jolo Island
 2. Jeep Plane Used to Evacuate Wounded American Soldiers

CARTOON: Fuku-chan

General offensive against Japan, American troops in Europe being transferred to Pacific; Russia celebrates European victory in front of American embassy; Japanese government calls special meeting to discuss German surrender; repatriation of German prisoners in America delayed by diversion of shipping to Atlantic-Pacific run; MacArthur restores civil government in newly liberated areas; Japanese prisoners in Philippines number 3,700; food imports from America for civilians reach Manila; Japanese stop all shipping insurance policies; Home News (box)—soup kitchens established to handle food shortage, Japanese official complains student workers going to movies instead of working, dentists to practice medicine in Japan; malaria infection among American troops cut 75 per cent; Japanese lose 16 planes trying to sink one small vessel in big convoy; Japanese officers desert torpedoed transport ahead of their men.

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昭和十九年十二月七日

日本軍は必らず敵をレイテ島より撃退するであらう。敵の比島奪回の企圖を撃破すべき好機は到来した。

小磯首相

昭和二十年一月八日

我が鐵軍陣はアン島全島を速り敵上陸作戦に對し萬全を期しその準備は完備してゐる。敵は恐らくリンガエン海を避け他の方面に上陸地点を求めざるものを見られるが我が艦間たる鐵壘防衛陣は全島を沙り周到に用意されてゐる。

本間中将

我が鐵の民に懸つてしまつた。自分は南洋各地に常に彼を追撃して来た然しその都度巧に民を逃れて来たが今度はどうは行くまい。マツカ一サと面會出来る日の實現を余は最も欣快とするものである

山下大将

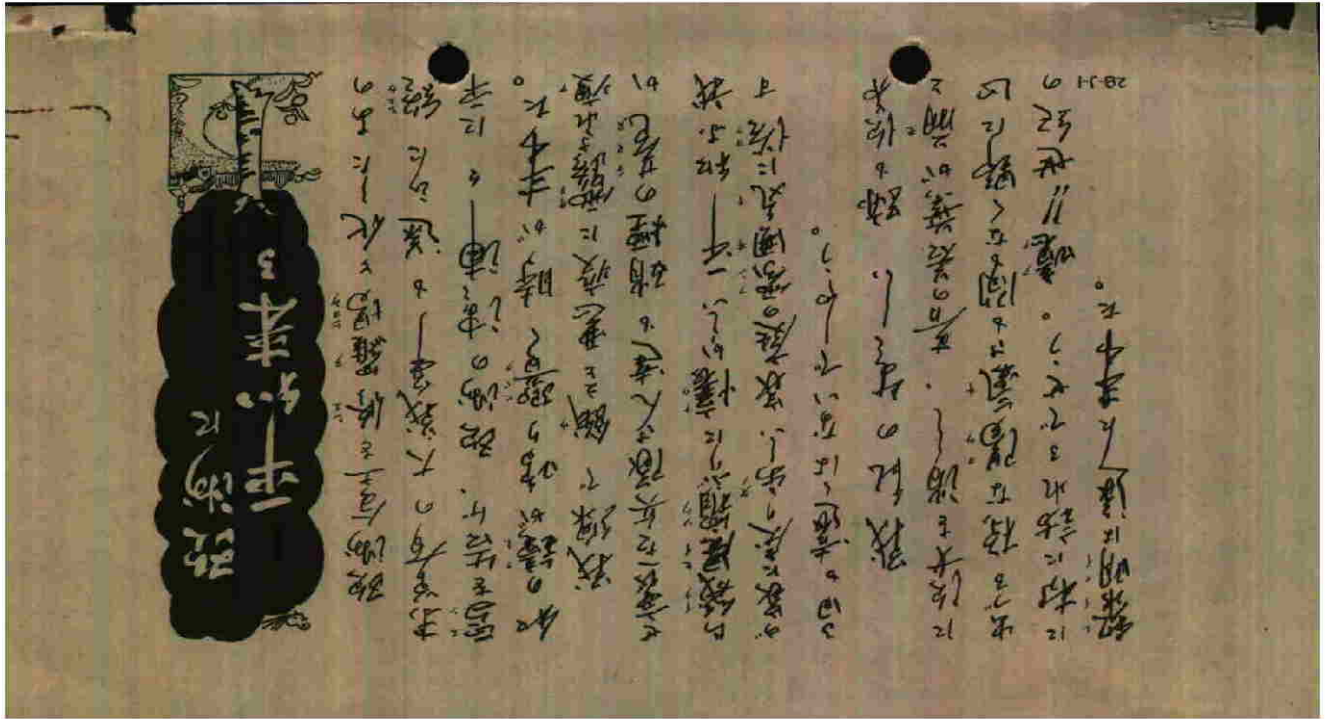
昭和二十年二月十一日

首脛部の人達は諸君の言語に絶する様な苦悶や諸君の戦友の尊い犠牲の事などは余り顧みないで只自分の立場を飾る為めは何處まで後退して行っても何時まで立っても相変わらず大きな事はより吹聴しつゝあります。

表記の偉い人達の言はれた言葉に對して諸君はどんな風にお考へになりますか。

又銃後の國民が密實際の戦況を知ったとしたりとんなに氣持がするでせうか。





臺灣の將來

ソノモソ會戰以來敗退に敗退を
續け今や大東亞の心臟部であるマニラに
失ふに及ぶその上日本本土初の臺灣の
軍事施設上対して米空軍は致命を連
續的空爆を敢行してゐる。

日本政府が如何に好言諛辭を並
べ所謂大戦果を報道しても今後日本
は急速に衰微し必然的に其臺灣より
撤退を余儀なくせしめは既に多數人
の事しく認められてゐる処あり賢明なる
同胞諸君も充分悟之居られべき
であらう。

然るに今後の臺灣は必らず
二年半前カイン口で行はれたルズセルト
女ヤシタル。吾等今右の之巨頭會議は
昭和十一年十月日州を以て所謂

「カイン口宣言」も必し日本の侵略主義
帝國主義を排除し朝鮮と獨立して臺灣
も中華と連帯し以て名民族の自由幸福
を計しと發表せしむる。

臺灣は我々の故郷自國を以て
華僑清純の文化習慣を護養表
現するに違ふはあらず。

六百萬同胞の戦
闘の闘争と其銘記を
天數多の諸君に
思ふべき!!
銘記せよ!

「カイン口
宣言」



老萬程往一海外同胞

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臺灣之將來



然則臺灣將來之命運如何？
 羅斯福印吉爾及蔣介仁三天直領於二
 年前在開羅舉行會議民國三十二年十二
 月一日開羅宣言公布於世。該宣言謂同
 盟國決排除日本之侵略主義及帝國主義
 決使臺灣獨立並將臺灣歸還祖國中茲以
 謀各民族之自由幸福。
 聲明將歸臺灣而吾僑能保祖國言語並
 恢復我國固有文化風俗或自治之日當不遠
 矣

日本政府雖常藉美言麗辭以誇大其戰
 果借世人皆知日本將急進秦朝最後將被
 迫由臺灣撤退。吾賢明之同胞亦必能明
 如睹火也。

前住高雄之滬外同胞謹啓

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戦ひは日本や土に迫る

日本の大都市は、太平洋及び沖繩
基地よりの絶えざる空襲に曝されて
ありませす。東京、名古屋、神戸等の
軍需工業地帯は、今や荒廢に類し、嘗
ては繁榮を極めたこれら都市の廣範
な地域も、遂に灰燼に歸したのであ
ります。

戦争が日本や土に迫ることは、即ち
利己的軍閥が打倒されるまで、米軍
の空襲が日一日と熾烈化してゆくこ
とであり、洵に悲しむべきことであ
ります。日本の直面せる現下の慘状

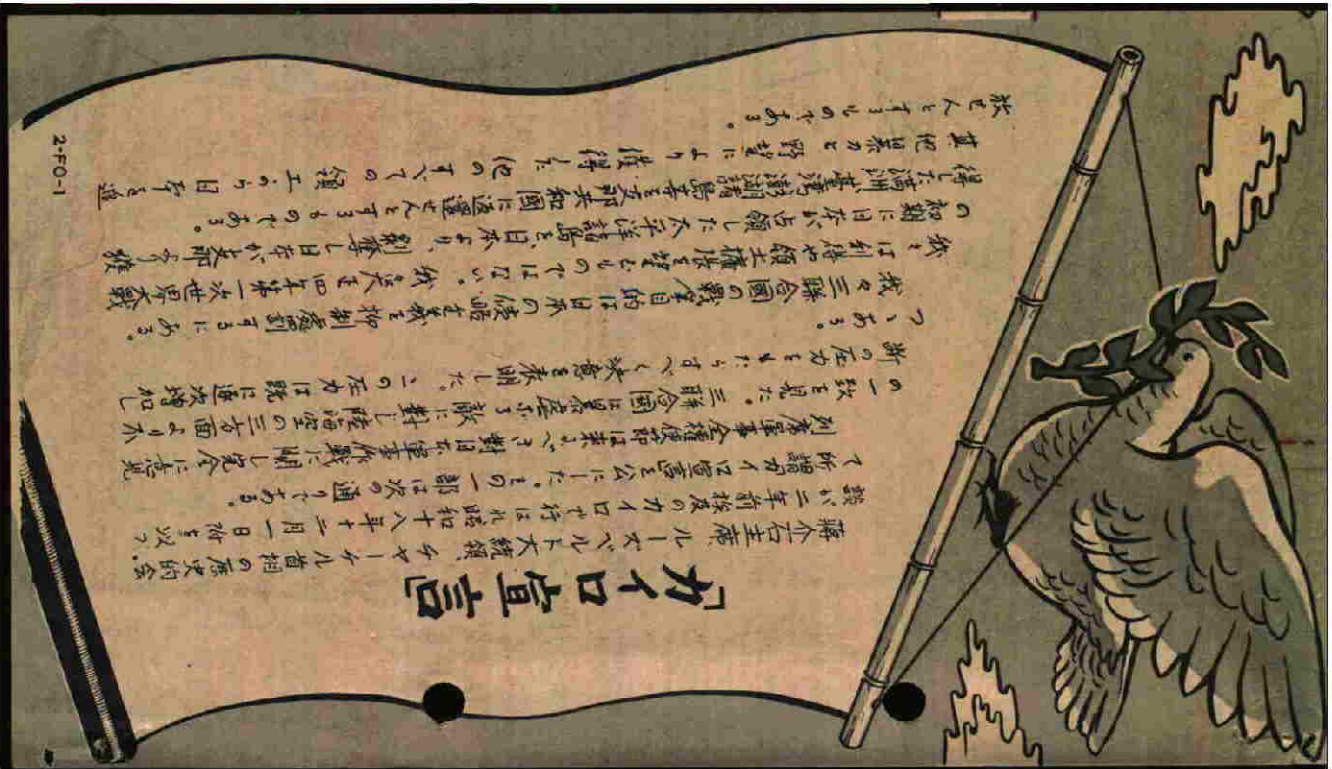
に對しては、日本軍部のみがその責
を負ふべきであります。攻撃の目標
は日本國民に對してではなく、飽く

までも日本の軍部であります。軍部
が撃攘され、平和が再來する秋こそ
明らかな革新的新政府のもとに、更生

日本再建といふ回天の偉業確立のた
め、諸君を必要とするのではないで
せうか？

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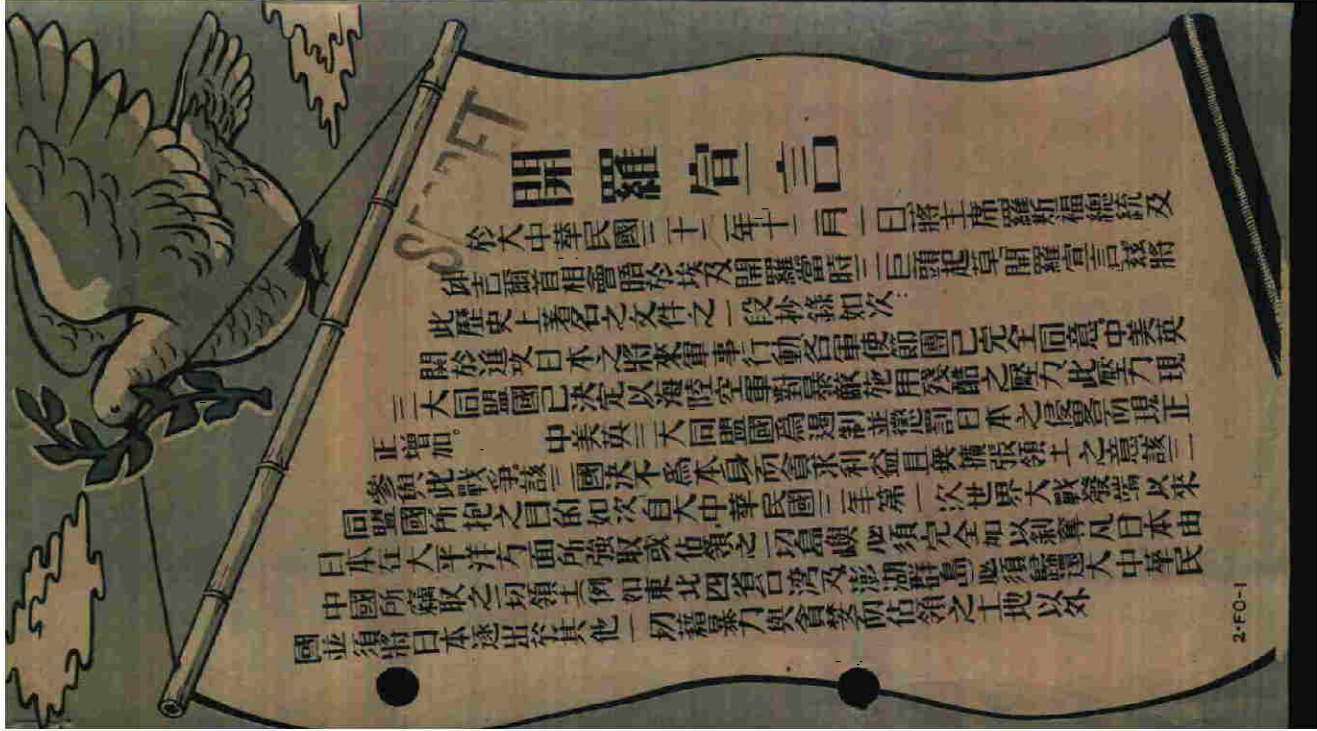
「カイロ宣言」

蔣介石主席、ルーズベルト大統領、チャーケル首相の歴史的会
 談が二年前採択のカイロで行はれ、昭和十八年十二月一日附に以て
 所謂カイロ宣言を公にした。その一部は次の通りである。

列強事全種優待は来べきに對し、軍事作戦に關し、完全に見
 一致を見た。三聯會國は密に敵に對し、陸海空の三方面より力
 の一致を見た。この左方に既に逐次増加し、
 漸く左方よりすべく、決意を表明した。

「あ。我々三聯會國の戰歴自的は日本の侵略を我々抑制し得るにあり。
 我々は利権と領土擴張を望むものではない。我々は四十年第一次世界大戦
 の初期に日本が占領した太平洋諸島を日本より、割奪し、日本が本部を擁
 得た、滿洲、臺灣、澎湖諸島を交還し、他國に送還せんとするものである。
 其他諸島及び野望により獲得した他のすべての領土から日本を逐
 出せんとすものである。」

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Leaflet: The Rakkasan News. #7

The Rakkasan News is a weekly news-sheet which carries the truth of the inevitable progress of the war to Japanese troops and civilians in the Southwest Pacific and on the Asiatic mainland. The contents of each edition touch on current events all over the world, with particular emphasis being placed on the war situation in the Pacific.

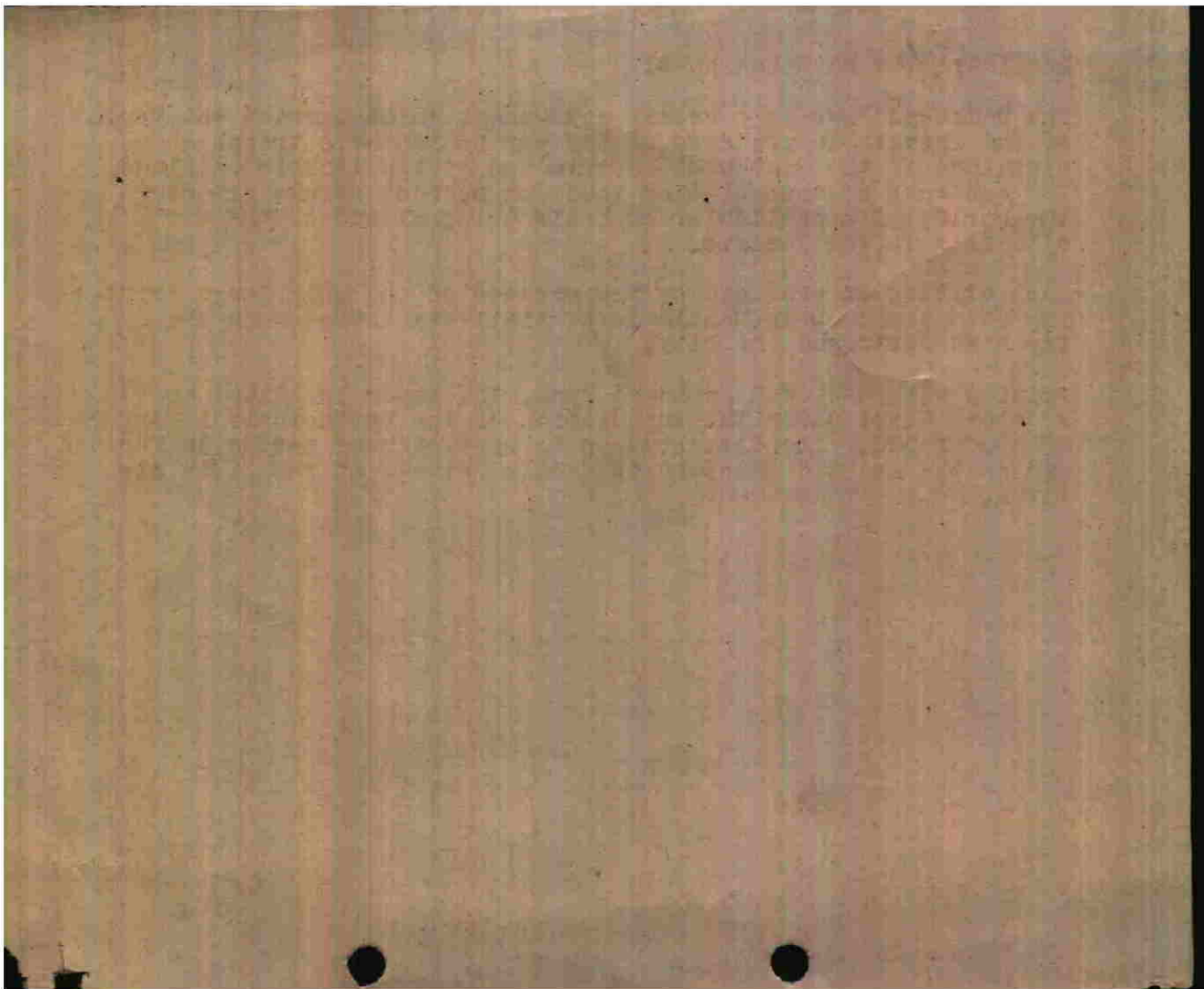
Each edition is produced by the presses of the only large printing establishment in Manila left relatively intact when the Japanese destroyed the city.

Printed with captured Japanese type, the paper is edited by American Nisei under the supervision of the Psychological Warfare Branch of GHQ. The distribution to news-starved masses in Formosa and on the Asiatic mainland is made by planes of the Fifth Air Force.

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