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- 27 July - 207BB: Four B-25s attacked large hideouts along the northern New Guinea coast, from Pommeron Bay south to Finschaffon harbor. At least three barges were definitely destroyed and three probably destroyed. Four native huts were set on fire and eight huts were damaged. 17 x 75 MM cannon fire, 18,500 x .50 calibre, and 250 x .30 calibre, 141 x 100 lb. demolition and four x 300 lb. demolition bombs were expended on the targets. All planes returned safely to the base.
- 28 July - 208DD: Three B-25s bombed a barge one mile up the river at Busching Point (Cape Busching), strafed aircraft on Cape Gloucester strip and bombed a large D.D. Two direct hits were observed on the destroyer causing explosions, flame and black smoke. One aircraft was definitely destroyed on Cape Gloucester airdrome. One of our planes was attacked by four enemy fighters and failed to return to the base. The large destroyer threw up a barrage of slightly inaccurate flak. One aircraft was hit by ack-ack but no injuries were received by personnel. A small destroyer or gunboat was seen hit by at least three bombs. Eight x 100 lb. demolition bombs and 3,300 x .50 calibre ammunition was expended.
- 29 July - 209AA: Four B-25s attacked a two stack destroyer four to five miles northwest of Cape Gloucester Airdrome. Five direct hits with 300 lb. bombs were made on the DD and the ship was left burning badly. 32 x 300 lb. demo and 5,550 x .50 calibre ammo was expended on the target. All planes returned safely to the base.

During the month of July, the 13th Squadron carried out 14 missions and a total of 51 sorties. 44.8 tons of bombs were dropped. Ammunition expended was as follows: 11,000 x .30 calibre, 86,000 x .50 calibre, 17 x 75 MM cannon, and 105 x 20 MM cannon.