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SECRET9. Losses

Below are listed the number of aircraft lost by the Group, since it's transfer to the Theatre of Operations. The planes are all B-29s, and the date is the last day of each month. Your Historian is not certain where it is desired to list certain types of losses-such as a plane returning from a combat mission, which ditched due to some mechanical failure not due to enemy action, or a plane transferred because of operational or combat damage, and not because of war weariness or a transfer as a result of orders from higher headquarters, etc. He has therefor set up the below table to indicate the reasons, by planes, why transfers were made and distinguishing between planes lost due to enemy operations, and those due to operational trouble, under combat conditions.

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>DIRECT</u> <u>TRANSFER</u>	<u>WAR</u> <u>WEARY</u>	<u>TRANSFERRED TO AIR DEPOT DUE TO</u>		<u>COMBAT</u> <u>LOSS</u>	<u>OPERATIONAL</u> <u>LOSS ON</u> <u>COMBAT MISSIONS</u>
			<u>OPERATIONAL</u> <u>DAMAGE</u>	<u>COMBAT</u> <u>DAMAGE</u>		
Nov 44				1	2	
Dec 44			2	1		5
Jan 45	1		1	1	9	4
Feb 45			1		1	3
Mar 45			1		1	1
Apr 45	1		2	1	2	2
May 45					3	
Jun 45		3			1	1
Jul 45		3	1	1		3
Aug 45	2	1	1			1
	4	7	9	5	19	20

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