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Report # 30

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## I. GENERAL

(a) Unit Reporting VNF 122 (b) Based on or at PELELIU ISLAND (c) Report No. 30  
 (d) Take off: Date 20 FEBRUARY 1945 Time (LZT) 1730 -10 (Zone); Lat. 7 DEG. N. Long. 134 DEG. E  
 (e) Mission BOMB TRUCK POOL-KOROR (f) Time of Return 1810 -10 (Zone)

## II. OWN AIRCRAFT OFFICIALLY COVERED BY THIS REPORT.

| TYPE<br>(a)   | SQUADRON<br>(b)    | NUMBER               |                              |                            | BOMBS AND TORPEDOES<br>CARRIED (PER PLANE)<br>(f) | FUZE, SETTING<br>(g)         |
|---------------|--------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|---|------------------------------|
|               |                    | TAKING<br>OFF<br>(c) | ENGAGING<br>ENEMY A/C<br>(d) | ATTACKING<br>TARGET<br>(e) |   |                              |
| <u>F4U-1D</u> | <u>VNF<br/>122</u> | <u>4</u>             | <u>0</u>                     | <u>4</u>                   | <u>2-500 LB. G.P.S.</u>                           | <u>.1 NOSE<br/>.025 TAIL</u> |
|               |                    |                      |                              |                            |   |                              |
|               |                    |                      |                              |                            |   |                              |

## III. OTHER U. S. OR ALLIED AIRCRAFT EMPLOYED IN THIS OPERATION.

| TYPE | SQUADRON | NUMBER | BASE | TYPE | SQUADRON | NUMBER | BASE |
|------|----------|--------|------|------|----------|--------|------|
|      |          |        |      |      |          |        |      |
|      |          |        |      |      |          |        |      |

## IV. ENEMY AIRCRAFT OBSERVED OR ENGAGED (By Own Aircraft Listed in II Only).

| (a)<br>TYPE | (b)<br>NO<br>OBSERVED | (c)<br>NO ENGAGING<br>OWN A/C | (d)<br>TIME<br>ENCOUNTERED | (e)<br>LOCATION OF<br>ENCOUNTER | (f)<br>BOMBS, TORPEDOES CARRIED,<br>GUNS OBSERVED | (g)<br>CAMOUFLAGE AND<br>MARKING |
|-------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|
|             |                       |                               | (ZONE)                     |                                 |   |                                  |
|             |                       |                               | (ZONE)                     |                                 |   |                                  |
|             |                       |                               | (ZONE)                     |                                 |   |                                  |

(h) Apparent Enemy Mission(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Did Any Part of \_\_\_\_\_  
 (i) Encounter(s) Occur in Clouds? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, Describe Clouds \_\_\_\_\_  
(YES OR NO) (BASE IN FEET, TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)  
 Time of Day and Brilliance \_\_\_\_\_  
 (j) of Sun or Moon \_\_\_\_\_  
(NIGHT, BRIGHT MOON, DAY, OVERCAST, ETC.) (k) Visibility \_\_\_\_\_  
(MILES)

## V. ENEMY AIRCRAFT DESTROYED OR DAMAGED IN AIR (By Own Aircraft Listed in II Only).

| (a)<br>TYPE<br>ENEMY A/C | (b) DESTROYED OR DAMAGED BY: |          |                 |           | (c)<br>WHERE HIT, ANGLE | (d)<br>DAMAGE<br>CLAIMED |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|----------|-----------------|-----------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
|                          | TYPE A/C                     | SQUADRON | PILOT OR GUNNER | GUNS USED |                         |                          |
|                          |                              |          |                 |           |                         |                          |
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(OMIT THIS SHEET IF NO ATTACK WAS MADE)

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## XI. ATTACK ON ENEMY SHIPS OR GROUND OBJECTIVES (By Own Aircraft Listed in II Only).

- (a) Target(s) and Location(s) PARKED TRUCKS, KOROR (b) Time Over Target (s) 1745 -10 (Zone)  
(FOR SHIPS INCLUDE ALL IN AREA UNDER ATTACK)
- (c) Clouds Over Target THIN CUMULUS AT 2000' WITH 4/10 COVER.  
(BASE IN FEET. TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)
- (d) Visibility of Target CLAR (e) Visibility 30 MILES  
(CLEAR, HAZY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY CLOUDS, ETC.) (MILES)
- (f) Bombing Tactics: Type GLIDE Bomb Sight Used NONE  
(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE) (TYPE)
- Bombs Dropped per Run 2 Spacing - Altitude of Bomb Release 900' AV.  
(NUMBER) (FEET) (FEET)
- (g) Number of Enemy Aircraft Hit on Ground: Destroyed 0 Probably Destroyed 0 Damaged 0

| (h) AIMING POINT           | (i) DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE | (j) NO A/C ATTACKING<br>(k) SQUADRON | (l) BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED EACH AIMING POINT | (m) NO HITS On Aiming Point | (n) DAMAGE (None, slight, serious, destroyed or sunk) |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|-----------------------------|---|
| 1 PARKED TRUCKS ALONG ROAD |                           | 4<br>VMF 122                         | 7-500 LB. G.P.'S.                                   | 4                           | SERIOUS   |
| 2                          |                           |                                      |   |                             |   |
| 3                          |                           |                                      |   |                             |   |
| 4                          |                           |                                      |   |                             |   |
| 5                          |                           |                                      |   |                             |   |
| 6                          |                           |                                      |   |                             |   |
| 7                          |                           |                                      |   |                             |   |
| 8                          |                           |                                      |   |                             |   |

(o) RESULTS: (For all hits claimed on ship targets and for land targets of special interest, draw diagram, top or side view or both, as appropriate, showing type and location of hits. For all targets give location and effect of hits, and identify by numbers above. Use additional sheets if necessary)

(p) Were Photographs Taken? NO Photographs of Damage, When Taken, Should Be Attached By Staple.

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**XIII. MATERIAL DATA.** (Comment freely on performance or suitability, following check list at left.  
Use additional sheets if necessary).

**ARMAMENT**

- Guns, Gunsights
- Turrets
- Ammunition
- Bombs, Torpedoes
- Bomb Sights
- Bomb Releases

**COMMUNICATIONS**

- Radio, Radar
- Homing Devices
- Visual Signals
- Codes, Ciphers

**RECOGNITION**

- IFF
- Signals
- Battle Lights
- Procedures

**PROTECTION**

- Armor; Points and Angles  
of Fire Needing Further  
Protection
- Leak Proofing

**EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT**

- Parachutes
- Life Belts, Life Rafts
- Safety Belts
- Emergency Kits
- Rations, First Aid

**NAVIGATIONAL EQUIPMENT**

- Compasses
- Driftsights
- Octants
- Automatic Pilots
- Charts
- Field Lighting

**INSTRUMENTS**

- Flight
- Power Plant

**OXYGEN SYSTEM**

**CAMOUFLAGE AND  
DECEPTION DEVICES**

**STRUCTURE**

- Airframe
- Control Surfaces
- Control System
- Dive Flaps
- Landing Gear
- Heating System
- Flight Characteristics  
At Various Loadings

**POWER PLANT**

- Engines
- Engine Accessories
- Propellers
- Lubricating System
- Starters
- Exhaust Dampers

**HYDRAULIC SYSTEM**

**ELECTRICAL SYSTEM**

- Auxiliary Plant
- Lights

**FUEL SYSTEM**

**FLIGHT CLOTHING**

**MAINTENANCE**

**BASE FACILITIES**

- Plane Servicing Equipment
- Personnel Facilities

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