

November 1944:  
LEARY.

Continued patrolling anti-submarine  
station in SURIGAO STRAIT SOUTH  
DSTROYER DIVISION ONE HUNDRED TWELVE  
USS (FLAGSHIP)

Positions, 5 November  
0800 Lat. 10-18-00 N  
Long. 125-21-00 E  
1200 Lat. 10-19-00 N  
Long. 125-24-30 E  
2000 Lat. 10-20-54 N  
Long. 125-25-00 E

Positions, 6 November

0800 Lat. 10-15-30 N  
Long. 125-24-29 E  
1200 Lat. 10-15-40 N  
Long. 125-23-00 E  
2000 Lat. 10-25-00 N  
Long. 125-26-00 E

7 November 1944:

Relieved of patrol on anti-submarine patrol station in SURIGAO STRAIT SOUTH by U.S.S. HEYWOOD L. EDWARDS at 1225. Joined TASK GROUP 77.1 and upon receipt of orders from Commander TASK GROUP 77.1 took station 5100 in anti-submarine screen at 1412.

Positions, 7 November

0800 Lat. 10-16-21 N  
Long. 125-24-52 E  
1200 Lat. 10-16-30 N  
Long. 125-24-12 E  
2000 Lat. 10-37-20 N  
Long. 125-20-48 E

8 & 9 November 1944:

Continued operating in company with TASK GROUP 77.1.

Positions, 8 November

0800 Lat. 10-48-30 N  
Long. 125-17-30 E  
1200 Lat. 10-50-45 N  
Long. 125-17-20 E  
2000 Lat. 10-45-48 N  
Long. 125-28-06 E

Positions, 9 November

0800 Lat. 10-38-00 N  
Long. 125-44-06 E  
1200 Lat. 10-38-30 N  
Long. 125-44-54 E  
2000 Lat. 10-37-18 N  
Long. 125-41-18 E

10 November 1944:

At 0517 enemy aircraft were reported in the vicinity. Manned all battle stations until 0625. Hoored port-side to U.S.S. SHANKS (AD49) at 0814, commenced fueling ship. Upon completion of fueling at 0935, underway from alongside.

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Proceeded to radar picket station between HONOHON ISLAND and DESOLATION POINT, DINAGAT ISLAND and relieved the U.S.S. LEUTZE (DD481) at 1142. Commenced patrolling the northern third of this line.

Positions, 10 November

0800	Lat. 10-53-54 N
	Long. 125-09-20 E
1200	Lat. 10-32-45 N
	Long. 125-32-00 E
2000	Lat. 10-41-00 N
	Long. 125-23-00 E

11 November 1944:

Continued operating on radar picket station between HONOHON ISLAND and DESOLATION POINT, DINAGAT ISLAND on northern third of patrol line.

Positions, 11 November

0800	Lat. 10-38-00 N
	Long. 125-38-00 E
1200	Lat. 10-38-00 N
	Long. 125-34-30 E
2000	Lat. 10-37-48 N
	Long. 125-44-21 E

12 November 1944:

Continued patrol as on 11 November 1944.

Positions, 12 November

0800	Lat. 10-38-00 N
	Long. 125-44-06 E
1200	Lat. 10-38-30 N
	Long. 125-44-54 E
2000	Lat. 10-37-18 N
	Long. 125-41-18 E

13 November 1944:

Relieved on radar picket station by the U.S.S. LANSON (DD367) at 1145. Proceeded to join TASK GROUP 77.1. Took station #5 in cruising disposition 5RW at 1812.

Positions, 13 November

0800	Lat. 10-38-24 N
	Long. 125-44-00 E
1200	Lat. 10-39-30 N
	Long. 125-28-40 E
2000	Lat. 10-41-30 N
	Long. 125-17-12 E



14 November 1944:

Continued operating in company with TASK GROUP  
77.1 (FLAGSHIP)  
U. S. S. ROBINSON (DD-177)  
DESTROYER DIVISION ONE HUNDRED TWELVE

Positions, 14 November

0800	Lat. 10-37-54 N
	Long. 125-18-00 E
1200	Lat. 10-33-15 N
	Long. 125-20-45 E
2000	Lat. 10-41-12 N
	Long. 125-17-18 E

15 November 1944:

Moved starboard side to the U.S.S. ARTHUR (IX135) at 1052 and commenced fueling ship. Completed fueling at 1222, got underway from alongside. TASK GROUP formed special cruising disposition 57W. This vessel took station #6.

Positions, 15 November

0800	Lat. 10-49-00 N
	Long. 125-08-42 E
1200	Lat. 10-53-00 N
	Long. 125-09-15 E
2000	Lat. 10-37-24 N
	Long. 125-20-30 E

16 November 1944:

At 1858 manned all battle stations, enemy aircraft in the vicinity. Commenced firing on enemy aircraft at 1905. Destroyed one enemy plane, type unidentified, having expended 57 5<sup>1/2</sup>/38 cal. AA common projectiles; and 57 5<sup>1/2</sup>/38 cal. SPDF cartridges. Secured from battle stations at 1945, took station in circle 5.5. Departed LYTE GULF, PHILIPPINE ISLANDS at 2232, enroute to MANUS, ADMIRALTY ISLANDS, in company with TASK GROUP 77.1

Positions, 16 November

0800	Lat. 10-45-22 N
	Long. 125-25-52 E
1200	Lat. 10-52-30 N
	Long. 125-17-15 E
2000	Lat. 10-43-03 N
	Long. 125-32-12 E

17 - 19 November 1944:

Enroute LYTE GULF, PHILIPPINE ISLANDS to MANUS ADMIRALTY ISLANDS.

Positions, 17 November

0800	Lat. 09-19-12 N
	Long. 127-52-00 E
1200	Lat. 08-58-30 N
	Long. 128-39-30 E
2000	Lat. 08-13-30 N
	Long. 130-22-00 E

Positions, 18 November

U. S. S. ROBINSON (DD82) (FLAGSHIP)  
DESTROYER (DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY)  
U. S. FLEET

0800 Lat. 06-54-00 N  
Long. 133-00-00 E  
1200 Lat. 06-33-00 N  
Long. 133-51-30 E  
2000 Lat. 05-34-30 N  
Long. 135-30-00 E

Positions, 19 November

0800 Lat. 04-07-36 N  
Long. 138-13-18 E  
1200 Lat. 03-39-18 N  
Long. 139-08-30 E  
2000 Lat. 02-44-30 N  
Long. 141-00-00 E

20 November 1944:

Commenced test firing of 5"/38 caliber AA ammunition at 1340. Completed exercise at 1400, having expended 24 projectiles and 24 cartridges. From 1436 until 1539, fired anti-aircraft exercises with machine gun battery, expending 635 rounds of 30 mm. and 539 rounds of 40 mm. ammunition.

Positions, 20 November

0800 Lat. 04-07-36 N  
Long. 138-13-18 E  
1200 Lat. 03-39-18 N  
Long. 139-08-30 E  
2000 Lat. 02-44-30 N  
Long. 141-00-00 E

21 November 1944:

Manned all battle stations at 0545 for anti-aircraft practice. Completed practice at 0728, having expended 106 5"/38 AA common projectiles; 106 5"/38 cal. SPDM cartridges; 522 rounds 40 mm.; and 2251 rounds 20 mm. ammunition.

Moored starboard side to the U.S.S. WINOOSKI (A038) at 1120 and commenced fueling ship. Completed fueling, got underway from alongside at 1442 and anchored in berth #330, SEEDLER HARBOR, MANUS, ADMIRALTY ISLANDS in twelve fathoms of water with fifteen fathoms of chain to the port anchor at 1521.

Positions, 21 November

0800 Lat. 01-37-12 S  
Long. 146-38-00 E  
1200 Lat. 01-54-30 S  
Long. 147-20-24 E



22 November 1944:

of the U.S.S. **BISS**, alongside the U.S.S. **PIEDMONT**.  
repairs.

Got underway from anchorage in berth #330 at 0615. Moored starboard side to starboard side of **PIEDMONT**. Commenced routine tender repairs.

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23 - 27 November 1944:

Remained in nest alongside **PIEDMONT** until the afternoon of 26 November, at which time anchored in berth #326, **SKEADLER HARBOR**, **MANUS**, **ADMIRALTY ISLANDS** and continued routine upkeep and repairs. On 24 November, received the following ammunition on board: 5"/38 cal. SPDN cartridges, 466; 5"/38 cal. SPDF cartridges, 43; 5"/38 caliber AA common projectiles, 363; 5"/38 caliber AA common (special) projectiles 109; 40 mm. AA HET, 1,224; 20 mm. HET, 1,800; 20 mm. HET, 1,000; .45 caliber ball 4000.

28 November 1944:

(A052) to fuel ship. Completed fueling in berth #326 at 1206 of chain to the port anchor in twenty fathoms of water in berth #318 at 1353. At 1525, got underway, proceeded out of harbor and took departure from **MANUS**, **ADMIRALTY ISLANDS**, in company with **TASK UNIT 77.1.5**, enroute **LEY E GULF**, **PHILIPPINE ISLANDS**.

Positions, 28 November  
2000 Lat. 01-06-30 S  
Long. 146-32-54 E

Enroute **MANUS**, **ADMIRALTY ISLANDS**, to **LEY E GULF**, **PHILIPPINE ISLANDS**, in company with **TASK GROUP**.

29 November 1944:

77.1.5.

Positions, 29 November

0800 Lat. 01-07-06 N  
Long. 143-38-54 E  
1200 Lat. 01-45-24 N  
Long. 142-30-06 E  
2000 Lat. 02-59-42 N  
Long. 140-24-36 E

30 November 1944:

station in anti-submarine screen.

Went alongside the U.S.S. **BOISE (CL47)** at 1010 to fuel ship. Completed fueling at 1138, resumed

Positions, 30 November

0800 Lat. 04-32-00 N  
Long. 137-31-24 E  
1200 Lat. 04-53-00 N  
Long. 136-47-48 E  
2000 Lat. 06-03-00 N  
Long. 134-52-00 E

U. S. S. ROBINSON (DD562) (FLAGSHIP)  
DESTROYER DIVISION ONE HUNDRED TWELVE  
UNITED STATES PACIFIC FLEET

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DD562/A16  
Serial 078

1 November 1944

C-O-N-V-T-D-N-N-T-I-A-I

From: The Commanding Officer.  
To: The Commander-in-Chief, UNITED STATES FLEET.  
Subject: War Diary, U.S.S. ROBINSON (DD562); period 1 October 1944  
to 31 October 1944, inclusive.

Reference: (a) ANav 176 of 1943.  
(b) Cominch ltr. FF1/A12-1/A16-3, serial 7152  
of 29 October 1943.

Enclosure: (A) War Diary, U.S.S. ROBINSON (DD562); period  
1 October 1944 to 31 October 1944, inclusive.

1. In compliance with references (a) and (b), enclosure (A)  
is forwarded herewith.

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Enclosure (A) to  
DD562 (Rev. 078)

U. S. S. ROBINSON (DD562) (FLAGSHIP)  
DESTROYER DIVISION ONE HUNDRED TWENTY  
WAR DIARY - U. S. S. ROBINSON (DD562) - OCTOBER 1944

1 October 1944:

Steaming in company with TASK UNIT 32.19.17, en-  
route PELELIU, PALAU GROUP to MANUS, ADMIRALTY  
ISLANDS. 1908 - Heaved starboard side to, in nose of destroyers alongside  
U.S.S. PIEDMONT (AD17), in berth #1, BREADIER anchorage, MANUS, ADMIRALTY  
ISLANDS. Commenced availability, undergoing routine upkeep and repairs. This  
vessel now a unit of the SEVENTH FLEET. Zone minus 9 time.

Positions, 1 October

0800	Lat. 00-24-00 S
	Long. 146-48-30 E
1200	Lat. 01-24-00 S
	Long. 147-25-45 E

2 to 11 October 1944:

Remained at MANUS, ADMIRALTY ISLANDS, contin-  
uing availability alongside U.S.S. PIEDMONT (AD17).  
Commenced operating under Commander TASK FORCE 77 Operation Plan 13-44 on 3  
October. Commenced operating under Commander TASK GROUP 77.2 Operation Plan  
2-44 on 10 October.

12 October 1944:

Underway to sortie with TASK GROUP 77.2. 0808 -  
Took station #2 in anti-submarine screen #58 of  
cruising disposition 1002. Commenced operating under Commander TASK FORCE  
77 Attack Plan A301-44. 0825 - Took departure from MANUS, ADMIRALTY ISLANDS,  
enroute LEYTE, PHILIPPINE ISLANDS in company with TASK GROUP 77.2. 0915 -  
Manned all battle stations to conduct anti-aircraft firing exercises. 0956 -  
Commenced firing. 1158 - Ceased firing, secured from battle stations, exer-  
cises completed, having expended the following ammunition: 33 5<sup>00</sup>/38 cal. AA  
common projectiles; 33 5<sup>00</sup>/38 cal. SPAN cartridges; 17 40 mm. HET; 43 20 mm.  
HET; and 24 20 mm. HET.

Positions, 12 October

0800	Lat. 01-50-00 S
	Long. 147-16-00 E
1200	Lat. 01-18-42 S
	Long. 146-34-38 E
2000	Lat. 00-05-00 S
	Long. 145-15-00 E

13 to 15 October 1944:

Enroute, MANUS, ADMIRALTY ISLANDS, TO LEYTE,  
PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, in company with TASK GROUP  
77.2.

Positions, 13 October

0800	Lat. 01-17-00 N
	Long. 142-46-00 E
1200	Lat. 01-51-00 N
	Long. 142-01-00 E

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DD562 serial 078

U. S. S. ROBINSON (DD562) (FLAGSHIP)  
DESTROYED TWELVE  
UNITED STATES PACIFIC FLEET

2000 Lat. 00-05-00 N  
Long. 145-15-00 E

Positions, 14 October

0800 Lat. 04-26-00 N  
Long. 137-50-18 E  
1200 Lat. 04-56-06 N  
Long. 136-59-00 E  
2000 Lat. 05-52-00 N  
Long. 135-16-00 E

Positions, 15 October

0800 Lat. 07-21-30 N  
Long. 137-31-30 E  
1200 Lat. 07-50-00 N  
Long. 131-41-00 E  
2000 Lat. 07-15-00 N  
Long. 131-38-00 E

16 October 1944

Left formation, proceeded to join fueling group.  
0745 - Went alongside starboard side of U.S.S.  
ASHTABULA (AO51), commenced fueling ship. 0833 - Completed fueling, proceeded  
to station #1 in anti-submarine screen. 1324 - Joined TASK UNIT 78.4.3, com-  
menced operating in accordance with Commander TASK UNIT 78.4.3 Operation Order  
1-44. Standing for DINAGAT ISLAND, PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Positions, 16 October

0800 Lat. 08-07-30 N  
Long. 130-45-00 E  
1200 Lat. 07-51-00 N  
Long. 130-17-00 E  
2000 Lat. 08-52-00 N  
Long. 127-57-00 E

17 October 1944

Named all battle stations at 0414 for approach  
on DINAGAT ISLAND, and commenced operating in  
accordance with Commander TASK GROUP 78.4 Attack Order #1-44. 0631 - Joined  
TASK UNIT 78.4.1 in a single column following minesweepers through SURIGAO  
STRAIT, approaching northwest coast of DINAGAT ISLAND to land reconnaissance  
troops. 0840 - Commenced bombardment on DINAGAT ISLAND, northwest beach areas.  
0925 - Ceased firing, having expended 125 5"/38 cal. AA common projectiles; and  
125 5"/38 cal. SPDM cartridges. 1121 - Released from duty with TASK UNIT 78.4,  
and joined TASK UNIT 77.2.6, Commander TASK UNIT 77.2.6 Commander Destroyer  
Division 112 in this vessel, to support minesweeping units. Operating in accord-  
ance with Commander TASK GROUP 77.2 Operation Plan 2-44, and orders of Commander  
TASK UNIT 77.2.6. 1530 - Joined minesweeping group (TASK GROUP 77.5) and contin-  
ued operations throughout the night with this group.



Positions, 17 October

**U. S. S. ROBINSON (DD562) (FLAGSHIP)**

DESTROYER DIVISION ONE HUNDRED TWELVE

UNITED STATES PACIFIC FLEET

1200 Lat. 10-31-00 N

Long. 125-38-30 E

2000 Lat. 10-51-30 N

Long. 125-22-30 E

18 October 1944:

Operating in support of minesweeping units in LEYTE GULF, PHILIPPINE ISLANDS. 1545 - Went alongside U.S.S. PENNSYLVANIA to transfer injured man, DECKER, George Otha, 932 12 86, S2c, SV V6, USNR to that vessel for treatment. Injury diagnosed as fracture of lower spine was sustained in a fall while manning battle station in a heavy sea. 1555 - Resumed patrol, supporting minesweeping operations. 1826 - Commenced retirement with TASK UNIT 77.2.6 in support of minesweeping units in swept channel, LEYTE GULF, PHILIPPINE ISLANDS. 1838 - Manned all battle stations to repel enemy air attack. No attack was made on this unit, and no enemy aircraft were taken under fire by this vessel. One single engined monoplane, dive bomber, type "VAL", was observed making a bombing attack on a hydrographic unit off our port quarter. Commenced making smoke for minesweepers supported by this vessel. Remained at battle stations throughout the night in anticipation of motor torpedo boat attacks and continued retirement, patrolling up and down swept channel of LEYTE GULF.

19 October 1944:

0126 - U.S.S. ROSS (DD563) while covering retirement of minesweeping units, struck two mines, which resulted in extensive damage and rendered her incapable of further action. The Destroyer Division 112 took immediate steps for the necessary assistance and the retirement of minesweeping units continued as before. 0710 - Secured from battle stations and joined TASK UNIT 77.2.2, unit BAKER. 0920 - Standing by in southern transport area screening battleships and cruisers on bombardment missions. 1715 - In company with TASK GROUP 77.2, took station #2 in special cruising disposition SRO. 1857 - Manned all battle stations, enemy aircraft reported in vicinity. 2120 - Secured from battle stations.

20 October 1944:

0530 - Manned all battle stations for morning alert. Proceeding on designated fire support mission to area off eastern shores of LEYTE. 1000 - Commenced scheduled bombardment of areas in the eastern beach area of LEYTE. Continued this bombardment until 1200, then conducted bombardment on the town of RIZAL, setting houses afire. 1720 - Ceased firing, all missions for the day accomplished, having expended the following ammunition: 522 5"/38 cal. AA common projectiles; 35 5"/38 cal. white phosphorus projectiles; 351 rounds 40 mm. HET; and 557 5"/38 cal. SPDN cartridges. 1828 - Manned all battle stations to repel enemy air attack. 1852 - Opened fire on enemy plane, torpedo bomber, type "KATE", which flew over this vessel. 1854 - Ceased firing, results negative, having expended 61 5"/38 cal. AA common projectiles; 60 5"/38 cal. SPDN cartridges; and 1 5"/38 cal. SPDN cartridge. 1920 - Secured from battle stations. 2151 - Commenced delivering illumination fire on LEYTE.

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DD Form 1072

U. S. ROBINSON (DD52) (FLAGSHIP)  
DESTROYER DIVISION ONE HUNDRED TWELVE  
U. S. NAVAL PACIFIC FLEET

21 October 1944:

battle stations for morning alert. 0523 - Manned all firing, results negative, having expended 36 5"/38 cal. AA common projectiles; and 36 5"/38 cal. SPDN cartridges. 0603 - Manned all battle stations, standing by for call fire assignment. 0604 - Ceased fire with 20 mm. guns at two enemy fighters, type "VAL", flying directly overhead, results negative, expending 12 rounds 20 mm. ammunition. 0835 - Manned all battle stations, continued standing by for call fire targets. 1650 - Manned all battle stations to repel enemy aircraft attack upon receipt of radio report "enemy aircraft in vicinity". No enemy planes were observed by this vessel. 1745 - Secured from battle stations. 1835 - Manned all battle stations to repel aircraft attack. Proceeding to screening station #18 off entrance to LEXTE GULF. 2123 - Secured from battle stations. 2305 - Left screening station #18 to form special retirement disposition in company with TASK GROUP 77.2.

22 October 1944:

0015 - Manned all battle stations, enemy aircraft reported in vicinity. 0230 - Secured from battle stations for morning alert. 0656 - Secured from battle stations. 0759 - Hoored starboard side to U.S.S. CALIFORNIA and commenced fueling ship. 1010 - Completed fueling ship and commenced patroling off eastern shore of LEXTE to seaward of battleships and cruisers firing fire support missions. 1432 - Fighter plane from the U.S.S. MANILA BAY, type "F4U", crashed in water about one thousand yards ahead of this vessel, in Lat. 10-53-00N; Long. 125-00-00E. 1438 - Rescued Lieutenant Theodore C. Scheible, 99835, AV-(N), USNR, pilot of the fighter, who stated cause of crash was loss of oil pressure by damage inflicted when his machine gun fire blew up an ammunition dump during straffing mission. 1619 - Transferred Lieutenant Scheible to U.S.S. HOUST GIBBUS in accordance with orders of Commander TASK FORCE 79. 1730 - Joined TASK UNIT 77.11.2, consisting of LOUISVILLE, PORTLAND, COLUMBIA, DENVER, and MINNEAPOLIS, screened by HALFORD, BERNION, LEUTZE, THORN, WELLES, and CLAYTON, in circular cruising disposition for night retirement. Commander TASK GROUP 77.2 in LOUISVILLE, O.T.A. 1843 - Manned all battle stations to repel enemy air attack. No enemy air attack was made on this vessel and no enemy aircraft were taken under fire. An enemy dive bomber, type "VAL" was observed shot down in flames while under fire by ships on western side of disposition. 1938 - Secured from battle stations. 2300 - Enemy aircraft reported in vicinity, manned all battle stations.

23 October 1944:

0554 - Commenced firing on enemy aircraft, type unidentified. 0558 - Ceased firing, results negative, having expended 37 5"/38 cal. AA common projectiles; and 37 5"/38 cal. SPDN cartridges. 0700 - Lying on in transport area awaiting call fire assignment. 1815 - Enemy aircraft reported in vicinity, manned all battle stations. 1909 - Secured from battle stations. 1922 - Anchored in LEXTE GULF in twelve fathoms of water with twenty-five fathoms of chain to the port anchor. 1928 - Commenced firing illumination fire on LEXTE in accordance with orders from Commander TASK FORCE 79. Continued this illumination fire throughout the night.



Enclosure (A) to  
DD562 serial 075

U. S. ROBINSON (DD562) (FLAGSHIP)  
DESTROYER DIVISION ONE HUNDRED TWELVE  
PACIFIC FLEET

24 October 1944:

0755 - Ceased firing illumination fire, having expended the following ammunition: 82 5"/38 cal. illuminating projectiles; 80 5"/38 cal. SPDN cartridges; and 2 5"/38 cal. SPDN cartridges. 0755 - Enemy aircraft reported in vicinity, manned all battle stations. 0942 - Received fire support mission from shore fire control party. 0953 - Commenced firing on enemy installations on slopes of CATHON HILL, LEXTE. 1112 - Enemy aircraft reported in vicinity, ceased firing, having expended the following ammunition: 79 5"/38 cal. AA common projectiles; 4 5"/38 cal. white phosphorous projectiles; and 83 5"/38 cal. SPDN cartridges. Commenced maneuvering to repel air attack, making smoke coverage for other units. 1220 - Opened fire on enemy aircraft, type not identified due to reduction of visibility by smoke. 1225 - Ceased firing, results negative, having expended the following ammunition: 9 5"/38 cal. AA common projectiles; and 9 5"/38 cal. SPDN cartridges. 1337 - Secured from battle stations, proceeded to transport area to await call fire assignment. 1709 - Manned all battle stations, enemy aircraft reported in the vicinity. 1710 - Relieved from fire support duties, joined TASK GROUP 77.2 and formed battle disposition A2, this vessel on station with DESTROYERS, LIGHT FORCES, LEFT FLANK. TASK GROUP 77.2 being maneuvered in LEXTE GULF in position to intercept a Japanese Task Force reported to be steaming up SURIGAO STRAIT SOUTH for LEXTE GULF.

25 October 1944:

At 0314 radar contact was established on enemy Task Force standing north in south SURIGAO STRAIT on bearing 166F, distant 21 miles. The range of this contact tended to confirm presence of very large ships in the enemy formation as previously reported by our own motor torpedo boats. 0341 - In obedience to orders of Commander Destroyer Squadron 56, took station in attack formation with Destroyer Squadron 56 as follows: three attack sections, three ships each, sections in column, section one; Commander Destroyer Squadron 56 in NEWCOMB with LEAHY and GRANT; section two, Commander Destroyer Division 112 in ROBINSON with HALFORD and BREANE, section three, EDWARDS, HENNING, and LEITZE. The attack on the enemy battline was commenced, section two attacking from enemy right flank, and section three from enemy left flank. The attack of section two, led by this ship, was directed at the leading heavy ship of the Japanese Column. At 0356 fired five torpedoes when range to target was 8300 yards. Analysis of torpedo problem showed one and possibly two hits. Immediately after firing torpedoes, commenced retirement to northwest and proceeded toward a prearranged rendezvous with attack section three, set course to join remainder of light forces in pursuit of damaged enemy who was now retiring to southward in south SURIGAO STRAIT. Rendezvous with attack section one was not effected due to the fact that GRANT had suffered severe battle damage and was being assisted from the scene of action by NEWCOMB and LEAHY. At 0618 a large group of Japanese survivors were observed in the water west of HIBUSON ISLAND, about five miles off shore. Attempts by this ship to rescue these survivors were unsuccessful due to unwillingness of the Japanese to accept assistance. One prisoner-of-war voluntarily surrendered and was later transferred to Commander TASK FORCE 77 after medical treatment. This prisoner spoke a meager amount of English, but disclosed no significant information. During the rescue operations, four very large and satisfying fires were observed in the sea to the southward. Later, when closer approach was made, these fires were seen to be on Japanese ships, and another fire was started on a ship not previously burning, all of these ships were sunk with despatch by our cruiser fire.

25 October 1944 (Cont. 2):

At 0758 joined other destroyers and cruisers and commenced retirement from SURIGAO STRAIT into LYTE GULF to resume station in battle disposition. At 0959 this ship was again on station in battle disposition, and the action having been completed, the crew was secured from battle stations. During the above action in SURIGAO STRAIT the conduct of officers and crew under enemy fire was in keeping with best naval tradition and at the conclusion of the action, the commanding officer felt that he could justly be proud of the performance of the ship's company. From 1120 until 1315, kept battle stations manned to repel air attack, but this vessel had no targets within range. At 1347 another air attack developed, during which the following ammunition was expended without the desired result: 11 5"/38 cal. AA common projectiles; 13 5"/38 cal. special projectiles; and 24 5"/38 cal. SPDN cartridges. This attack continued until 1541. During this aircraft attack, destroyer division X-Ray joined as attack section one to replace the ships of Destroyer Squadron 56 who were absent due to battle damage of GRANT as stated above. Thus Destroyer Squadron 56, plus Destroyer Division X-Ray, plus HALFORD, less ROSS, NEWCOMB, LEAHY, and GRANT were now on station as DESTROYERS LEFT FLANK. At 1825 another air attack developed, but no targets came within range of this vessel. Remained at battle stations throughout the night while TASK GROUP 77.2 steamed on courses 045T and 22T in battle disposition. This state of readiness was maintained throughout the night in anticipation of encounter with enemy surface and air units which had been in action with TASK GROUP 77.4 off the east coast of SAMAR during the day.

26 October 1944:

0634 - Secured from battle stations. 0748 - Left formation, proceeding to transport area for fuel. 0845 - Manned all battle stations, enemy aircraft reported in vicinity. 1118 - Moored port side to U.S.S. SALAMONIE (AO26), commenced fueling ship. Secured from battle stations. 1234 - Completed fueling and got underway. 1242 - Enemy aircraft reported in vicinity, manned all battle stations. Proceeded to southern transport area to transfer Japanese prisoner-of-war to the U.S.S. WASATCH (AO69). 1406 - Secured from battle stations, lying to in vicinity of that vessel. 1420 - Transferred prisoner-of-war. 1505 - Enemy aircraft reported in vicinity, manned all battle stations. 1517 - Proceeded to join U.S.S. NEWCOMB in logistics area of LYTE GULF. 1639 - Secured from battle stations. 1725 - Took station in screen of CRUISEES, LIGHT FORCES, LEFT FLANK in formation battle disposition A1. 1815 - Manned all battle stations to repel air attack. 1927 - Commenced firing at aircraft closing this vessel. 1928 - Ceased firing, results negative, having expended the following ammunition: 21 5"/38 cal. AA common projectiles; and 21 5"/38 cal. SPDN cartridges. During the course of this air attack, four enemy planes, identified as twin-engined medium bombers, type "LILY" were observed to be shot down in flames. 2105 - Secured from battle stations.

27 October 1944:

Secured from battle stations. 0730 - Joined TASK UNIT 77.4.2 in screen. 0530 - Manned all battle stations for morning alert. 0631 - Joined task GROUP 77.3 at 0210.

Positions, 27 October

0800	Lat. 10-21-54 N
	Long. 126-35-36 E
1200	Lat. 11-10-00 N
	Long. 126-58-00 E
2000	Lat. 11-25-00 N
	Long. 127-12-30 E



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U. S. ROBINSON (DD262) (FLAGSHIP)  
DESTROYER DIVISION ONE HUNDRED TWELVE  
U. S. NAVY PACIFIC FLEET

28 October 1944

Manned all battle stations for morning alert. 0614 - Secured from battle stations. 1134 - Went alongside U.S.S. CHEPACHET (AO78), commenced fueling ship. 1222 - Completed fueling, proceeded to take station #1 in screen for carriers.

Positions, 28 October

0800	Lat. 10-20-00 N
	Long. 127-10-18 E
1200	Lat. 10-44-00 N
	Long. 127-26-00 E
2000	Lat. 11-24-30 N
	Long. 128-03-00 E

29 October 1944:

0400 - Left formation in company with NASHVILLE, BOJES, AMSEN, LEARY, and BRYANT, proceeding to IZOTE GULF. 0535 - Manned all battle stations for morning alert. 0630 - Secured from battle stations. 0909 - Heered starboard side to U.S.S. BEAIE (DD471), commenced receiving ammunition and torpedoes. 1133 - Underway from alongside. 1516 - Manned all battle stations, enemy aircraft reported in vicinity. 1541 - Secured from battle stations. 1700 - Commenced operating with TASK GROUP 77.1 in accordance with despatch orders of Commander TASK FORCE 77, retiring in IZOTE GULF, in cruising disposition 5RN.

30 October 1944:

Manned all battle stations at 0530 for morning alert. 0637 - Secured from battle stations. 1048 - Heered starboard side to U.S.S. MAZOWIA (AE9), commenced transfer of empty powder cases and 162 white phosphorus projectiles, and receipt of 82 5"/38 cal. illuminating projectiles. 1220 - Underway from alongside, having completed the above transfer and receipt of ammunition. 1340 - Heered starboard side to S.S. DURAN VICTORY, commenced receiving ammunition. 1535 - Completed loading of ammunition, underway from alongside, having received the following on board: 307 5"/38 AA common projectiles; 288 5"/38 cal. SPDF cartridges, and 432 rounds of 40 mm. HEF. Joined TASK GROUP 77.1 for night retirement.

31 October 1944:

0530 - Manned all battle stations for morning alert. 0640 - Secured from battle stations. 1040 - Heered port side to U.S.S. MISSISSIPPI, commenced fueling ship. 1250 - Completed fueling, underway from alongside. 1700 - Joined TASK GROUP 77.1, took station #1 in screen, commenced retirement for the night. 1823 - Enemy aircraft reported in the vicinity, manned all battle stations. 1958 - Secured from battle stations, no enemy aircraft were observed by this vessel.

DD562/A16  
Serial 062

U.S.S. ROBINSON (DD562) (Flagship)  
DESTROYER DIVISION ONE HUNDRED TWELVE  
UNITED STATES PACIFIC FLEET U.S.S.U.  
DESTROYER DIVISION ONE HUNDRED TWELVE  
UNITED STATES PACIFIC FLEET

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1 October 1944.

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From: The Commanding Officer.  
To : The Commander-in-Chief, UNITED STATES PACIFIC FLEET,  
Subject: War Diary, U.S.S. ROBINSON (DD562); period 1 September 1944  
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WAR DIARY - U.S.S. ROBINSON (DD562) - September 1944

U. S. S. ROBINSON (DD562) (FLAGSHIP)

1 September 1944: Moored in berth #30, PURVIS BAY, FLORIDA ISLAND, BRITISH SOLOMON ISLANDS, alongside U.S.S. LEUTZE (DD481). Zone minus 11 time. Operating under: Commander Western Pacific TASK FORCE's Operation Plan 14-44; Commander TASK FORCE THIRTY ONE Operation Plan A302-44; and Commander TASK FORCE THIRTY TWO Operation Plan A501-44. 0800 - Underway. Commenced operating with Commander Cruiser Division NINE. Exercised at division tactics. Operating under Commander TASK FORCE THIRTY FIVE sortie Plan #TM 2-44.

2 September 1944: 1200 LOVE - Commenced operating in accordance with Commander TASK GROUP 32.5 Operation Plan 1-44. Continued operations as before.

3 September 1944: 1632 - Commenced entering PORT PURVIS, FLORIDA ISLAND, BRITISH SOLOMON ISLANDS. 1732 - Moored alongside Y.O. 162. Commenced fueling ship. 1904 - Moored alongside the U.S.S. LEUTZE (DD481) in berth #30.

4 & 5 September 1944: Remained at PORT PURVIS, FLORIDA ISLAND, BRITISH SOLOMON ISLANDS, undergoing routine upkeep.

6 September 1944: 0758 - Underway in company with TASK GROUP THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE enroute PALAU. 0953 - Formed cruising disposition 3C. Destroyers formed anti-submarine screen 59. O.T.C. and S.O.P.A. Commander TASK GROUP THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE in U.S.S. LOUISVILLE.

Positions 6 September

0800	Lat. 09-08-00 S
	Long. 160-16-00 E
1200	Lat. 08-50-00 S
	Long. 159-54-00 E
2000	Lat. 07-16-30 S
	Long. 160-02-48 E

7 to 10 September 1944: Enroute PURVIS BAY, FLORIDA ISLAND, BRITISH SOLOMON ISLANDS to PALAU. 1900, 7 Sept. retarded clocks one hour to zone minus ten time. 1900, 8 Sept. retarded clocks one hour to zone minus 9 time. 0747, 10 Sept. went alongside U.S.S. IDAHO to fuel ship. 0920 - Completed fueling, on station 9320 in screen.

Positions 7 September

0800	Lat. 04-59-00 S
	Long. 158-21-00 E
1200	Lat. 04-47-00 S
	Long. 157-54-00 E
2000	Lat. 03-16-00 S
	Long. 155-53-00 E

26 September 1944: (0531) 0531 - Departure from KOSSEI PASSAGE, proceeding <sup>AVIATION DEPARTMENT</sup> independently to PIRILU as reported to the Commander TASK FORCE THIRTY TWO <sup>0958</sup> FOR ANALYSIS. Forwarded to Commander TASK FORCE AND patrolling fire support sector 4 awaiting assignment as directed by Commander TASK GROUP THIRTY TWO POINT ONE. 1004 - Reuvering to pass null to the U.S.S. HOBIE (DD610). 1013 - Resumed patrol 1712 - Proceeding to a point five miles south of ANGAUR ISLAND to deliver illumination over north end of ANGAUR. 1908 - Commenced delivering illumination fire. 2108 - Ceased firing, named all battle stations, enemy aircraft reported in vicinity. 2340 - Resumed fire.

27 September 1944: 0544 - Ceased firing, mission completed, having expended the following ammunition: 87 5"/38 illuminating projectiles; and 87 5"/38 SPDR cartridges. Remained in channel between PIRILU and ANGAUR awaiting call fire assignment. 1609 - Commenced closing U.S.S. INDIANAPOLIS to transfer enlisted personnel to that vessel for transportation to the United States. 1745 - Trying to off northwest of PIRILU awaiting call fire assignment. 1900 - Commenced delivering harassing fire on MOSESUS ISLAND.

28 September 1944: 0500 - Ceased firing, mission completed, having expended the following ammunition: 100 5"/38 AA common projectiles; and 100 5"/38 SPDR cartridges. 0740 - Named all battle stations for scheduled bombardment of MOSESUS. 0800 - Commenced bombardment. 0840 - Ceased bombardment, having expended the following ammunition which was the allowance for this mission and secured from battle stations: 250 5"/38 AA common projectiles and 250 5"/38 SPDR cartridges. 0930 - Trying to off northwest MOSESUS awaiting call fire assignment. 1616 - Proceeding to a station southwest of ANGAUR to deliver night illumination. 1817 - Commenced delivering illumination on northwest corner of ANGAUR. Continued this illumination throughout the night.

29 September 1944: 0532 - Ceased firing, mission completed, having expended the following ammunition: 85 5"/38 illuminating projectiles; and 85 5"/38 SPDR cartridges. 0600 - Proceeded to west side of PIRILU to await orders. 1600 - Joined TASK FORCE THIRTY TWO POINT NINETEEN POINT SEVENTEEN. This vessel in station #2 of anti-submarine screen #56. 1718 - In company with TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT NINETEEN POINT SEVENTEEN, took departure from PIRILU, PALAU ISLANDS, destination HANUS, ADMIRALTY ISLANDS.

Positions 29 Sept.

2300 Lat. 06-09-30 N  
Long. 135-20-12 E



WAR DIARY - U.S.S. ROBINSON (DD562) - September 1944

U. S. ROBINSON (DD562) (FLAGSHIP)  
DESTROYER DIVISION ONE HUNDRED TWELVE

1 September 1944: Moored in berth #30, PURVIS BAY, FLORIDA ISLAND, BRITISH SOLOMON ISLANDS, alongside U.S.S. LEUTZE (DD481). Zone minus 11 time. Operating under: Commander Western Pacific TASK FORCE's Operation Plan 14-44; Commander TASK FORCE THIRTY ONE Operation Plan A302-44; and Commander TASK FORCE THIRTY TWO Operation Plan A501-44. 0800 - Underway. Commenced operating with Commander Cruiser Division NINE. Exercised at division tactics. Operating under Commander TASK FORCE THIRTY FIVE sortie Plan #TM 2-44.

2 September 1944: 1200 LOVE - Commenced operating in accordance with Commander TASK GROUP 32.5 Operation Plan 1-44. Continued operations as before.

3 September 1944: 1632 - Commenced entering PORT PURVIS, FLORIDA ISLAND, BRITISH SOLOMON ISLANDS. 1732 - Moored alongside Y.O. 162. Commenced fueling ship. 1904 - Moored alongside the U.S.S. LEUTZE (DD481) in berth #30.

4 & 5 September 1944: Remained at PORT PURVIS, FLORIDA ISLAND, BRITISH SOLOMON ISLANDS, undergoing routine upkeep.

6 September 1944: 0758 - Underway in company with TASK GROUP THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE enroute PALAU. 0953 - Formed cruising disposition 30. Destroyers formed anti-submarine screen 59. O.T.C. and S.O.P.A. Commander TASK GROUP THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE in U.S.S. LOUISVILLE.

Positions 6 September

0800	Lat.	09-08-00 S
	Long.	160-16-00 E
1200	Lat.	08-50-00 S
	Long.	159-54-00 E
2000	Lat.	07-16-30 S
	Long.	160-02-48 E

7 to 10 September 1944: Enroute PURVIS BAY, FLORIDA ISLAND, BRITISH SOLOMON ISLANDS to PALAU. 1900, 7 Sept. retarded clocks one hour to zone minus ten time. 1900, 8 Sept. retarded clocks one hour to zone minus 9 time. 0747, 10 Sept. went alongside U.S.S. IDAHO to fuel ship. 0920 - Completed fueling, on station 9320 in screen.

Positions 7 September

0800	Lat.	04-59-00 S
	Long.	158-21-00 E
1200	Lat.	04-47-00 S
	Long.	157-54-00 E
2000	Lat.	03-16-00 S
	Long.	155-53-00 E

U. S. S. ROBINSON (DD-565) (FLAGSHIP)  
DESIGNATION: T-12  
CIPIC FLEET

Positions 8 September

0800 Lat. 01-13-00 S  
Long. 153-28-00 E  
1200 Lat. 00-49-00 S  
Long. 152-19-00 E  
2000 Lat. 00-17-00 S  
Long. 150-01-00 E

Positions 9 September

0800 Lat. 00-26-00 N  
Long. 147-14-00 E  
1200 Lat. 00-43-00 N  
Long. 146-18-36 E  
2000 Lat. 01-11-00 N  
Long. 144-45-00 E

Positions 10 September

0800 Lat. 02-00-00 N  
Long. 142-39-00 E  
1200 Lat. 02-04-30 N  
Long. 142-22-06 E  
2000 Lat. 02-34-00 N  
Long. 140-26-00 E

11 September 1944:

1630 - TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE POINT ONE formed approach disposition 3R0. This unit in van, TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE POINT THREE, formed approach disposition 3R01. 2330 - Manned all Battle Stations and commenced approach on PELELIU, PALAU ISLAND GROUP.

Positions 11 September

0800 Lat. 03-35-00 N  
Long. 137-39-00 E  
1200 Lat. 04-24-30 N  
Long. 137-01-36 E  
2000 Lat. 05-53-00 N  
Long. 135-41-00 E

12 September 1944:

All battle stations manned, approaching PELELIU ISLAND, PALAU ISLAND GROUP. 0540 - Formed screen for bombardment group. 0745 - Secured from battle stations, commenced retirement with Fire Support Group BAKER to recover and service aircraft. 0921 - Manned all battle stations for close fire support of Underwater Demolition Teams on southwestern beaches of PELELIU. 1315 - Ceased firing; having expended the following ammunition and completed the mission: 238 5"/38 AA common projectiles; 29 5"/38 common projectiles; 266 5"/38 SPDN cartridges; 2115 rounds 40 mm. HET; and 206 rounds 20 mm. HEI ammunition.



12 Sept. (Cont.)

1801 - Took station #2 in screen of TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE POINT ONE for night retirement.

Positions 12 Sept.

2000 Lat. 06-56-30 N  
Long. 133-43-18 E

13 September 1944:

Operating in company with TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE POINT ONE in cruising disposition 5RD, this vessel in station #8 of screen. 0745 - Manned all battle stations for close fire support of Underwater Demolition Teams on southwestern beaches of PELELIU. 0937 - Mission completed; having expended the following ammunition: 158 5"/38 AA Common projectiles; 158 5"/38 SPDN cartridges; 137 rounds 40 mm. HET; 116 rounds 20 mm. HET; and 58 rounds 20 mm. HET. Commenced retirement with TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE POINT THREE to recover and reservice aircraft. 1315 - Relieved U.S.S. NEWCOMB as fire support ship, manned all battle stations for close fire support of Underwater Demolition Teams on southwestern beaches of PELELIU. 1340 - Mission completed, having expended the following ammunition: 16 5"/38 AA common projectiles; 16 5"/38 SPDN cartridges; and 94 rounds 40 mm. HET. 1400 - Commenced screening heavy ships of TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE POINT THREE. 1815 - Commenced retirement for night in station #1, screening plan 56 of cruising disposition 5RS, in company with TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE POINT ONE.

Positions 13 Sept.

2000 Lat. 06-49-00 N  
Long. 134-40-00 E

14 September 1944:

0516 - Manned all battle stations and commenced screening U.S.S. LOUISVILLE during scheduled bombardment off southwest coast of PELELIU. 0930 - Mission completed. Formed anti-submarine screen #53 on retirement group; this vessel in station #1 of screen. 1237 - Manned all battle stations for close fire support of Underwater Demolition Teams on southwestern beaches of PELELIU. 1522 - Mission completed; having expended the following ammunition: 112 5"/38 AA Common projectiles; 112 5"/38 SPDN cartridges; 418 rounds 40 mm. HET. 1639 - Commenced screening battleships engaged in fueling destroyers in area west of PELELIU. 1908 - Took station #3 in anti-submarine screen of cruising disposition 5RG in company with TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE POINT ONE.

Positions 14 Sept.

2000 Lat. 07-04-30 N  
Long. 133-51-30 E

15 September 1944: 0600 - Commenced screening ships of TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE POINT THREE engaged in scheduled bombardment fire. 0730 - Manned all battle stations for bombardment of PELELIU ISLAND. Continued this bombardment throughout the day, delivering scheduled bombardment fire from HOW MINUS THIRTY minutes until HOW PLUS SIXTY minutes, and call fire as requested by shore fire control parties. 1757 - Ceased firing, all missions for the day completed, having expended the following ammunition: 506 5"/38 AA common projectiles; 14 5"/38 common projectiles; 216 5"/38 white phosphorus projectiles; 736 5"/38 SPDN cartridges. 1830 - Commenced retirement for the night with TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE POINT ONE in anti-submarine screening station #2 of cruising disposition 5B.

Positions 15 Sept.

2000 Lat. 07-09-30 N.  
Long. 133-44-24 E.

16 September 1944: 0930 - Manned all battle stations to bombard area of enemy activity reported by MARYLAND spotting plane. 0941 - Commenced delivering fire against personnel and enemy batteries from station west of PELELIU, receiving air spots from MARYLAND plane. Results of this fire were reported excellent by spotter. 1119 - Secured from battle stations, having accomplished mission and expended the following ammunition: 84 5"/38 AA common projectiles; 84 5"/38 SPDN cartridges; and 137 rounds 40 MM rocket. 1135 - Commenced patrolling off northwest coast of PELELIU ISLAND. Remained on patrol throughout the day. 1827 - Commenced night retirement with TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE POINT ONE on station #2 of anti-submarine screen 5B, cruising disposition 5B.

Positions 16 Sept.

2000 Lat. 07-20-00 N  
Long. 134-45-00 E

17 September 1944: 0516 - Commenced patrol to seaward of transport area, west of PELELIU ISLAND. 1615 - Took station 4.5025 in screen of TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE POINT ONE for night retirement.

Positions 17 Sept.

2000 Lat. 07-01-30 N  
Long. 134-04-00 E

18 September 1944: 0653 - Joined TASK UNIT THIRTY POINT EIGHT POINT EIGHT and TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE POINT ONE commenced fueling from oilers of above TASK UNIT. Destroyers of TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE POINT ONE and destroyer escorts of TASK UNIT THIRTY POINT EIGHT POINT EIGHT forming anti-submarine screen four thousand yards ahead of fueling group. 0951 - Went alongside U.S.S. HECOS to receive fuel. 1057 - Completed fueling ship. 1125 - On station 5.3340 in anti-submarine screen. 1235 - Fueling operation completed and TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE POINT ONE formed cruising disposition 5B in station #1 of anti-submarine screen #54, modified to add 1000 yards to distance of each station from disposition center.



18 Sept. (Cont'd):

U. S. S. SANGAY (FF-1052) (FLAGSHIP)  
DESTROYER DIVISION ONE HUNDRED TWELVE  
UNITED STATES NAVALYARD

0800 Lat. 07-00-00 N  
Long. 137-22-24 E  
1200 Lat. 06-43-00 N  
Long. 136-05-00 E  
2000 Lat. 05-54-30 N  
Long. 135-56-12 E

19 September 1944:

Steaming in company with TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE POINT ONE. This vessel in anti-submarine screening station 4.5025 of cruising disposition 5R0. 0810 - Moored port side to U.S.S. SANGAY to replenish ammunition. 1030 - Ceased taking on ammunition, underway for screening station #3, sector BASY on the western side of PELELIU. 1815 - Commenced delivering illumination fire for troops in fire support sector four. Continued this fire throughout the night.

20 September 1944:

Lying to in fire support sector four, southeast of PELELIU, continuing illumination fire. 0533 - Ceased firing, having expended the following ammunition: 89 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub> illuminating projectiles; and 89 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub> SPDF cartridges. 0614 - Vice Admiral T. S. WILKINSON, USN, and Rear Admiral E. L. COCHRANE, USN, with members of their staffs embarked in this vessel for passage to KOSSOL PASSAGE. 1038 - Arrived at destination. Vice Admiral T. S. WILKINSON, USN, and Rear Admiral E. L. COCHRANE, USN, together with their staffs disembarked. 1142 - Anchored in berth #2, KOSSOL PASSAGE. 1408 - Moored starboard side to U.S.S. MAUNA LOA, commenced loading ammunition. 1832 - Completed loading ammunition, having received the following on board. 1118 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub> AA common projectiles; 45 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub> common projectiles; 213 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub> white phosphorous projectiles; 88 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub> illuminating projectiles; 808 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub> SPDN cartridges; 3216 rounds 40 mm. HEF. 1833 - Underway from alongside U.S.S. MAUNA LOA. 1902 - Anchored in berth #3, KOSSOL PASSAGE.

21 September 1944:

0540 - Underway, proceeding through swept channel. 1035 - Maneuvering on various courses and speeds, receiving Officer Messenger Mail from U.S.S. NEWCOMB, west of PELELIU. 1134 - Commenced patrolling anti-submarine screening station #15. 2005 - Commenced delivering illuminating and harassing fire against enemy installations on PELELIU from western side of island.

22 September 1944:

0510 - Ceased firing, missions for the night accomplished; having expended the following ammunition: 150 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub> AA common projectiles; 3 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub> illuminating projectiles; and 153 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub> SPDF cartridges. 0745 - Manned all battle stations for shore bombardment from area west of PELELIU, receiving spots from shore fire control parties and INDIANAPOLIS planes. Results of this fire were considered excellent by the spotters. This work with air spotters confirms my opinion that air spot should be furnished for destroyers. As a result of having an air spot in this case, we were not only enabled to disable two groups of enemy tanks and silence an artillery battery, but did not expend an excessive amount of ammunition in doing so. 1600 - Ceased firing, all missions for the day accomplished; having

22 Sept. (Cont'd):

U. S. S. ROBINSON (DD285) (FLAGSHIP)  
expended the following ammunition: 699 5"/38 AA common projectiles; 66 5"/38 AA common projectiles; 31 5"/38 white phosphorous projectiles; and 792 5"/38 SPDN cartridges. 1910 - On station east of PELELIU, commenced delivering night illumination fire in support of troops on the beach. Continued this illumination fire throughout the night.

23 September 1944:

0538 - Ceased firing, all missions for the night completed, having expended the following ammunition: 109 5"/38 illuminating projectiles; and 109 5"/38 SPDN cartridges. 0745 - Manned all battle stations and commenced delivering harassing fire and call fire against enemy installations on PELELIU. Receiving targets and spots from shore fire control parties. 1105 - Relieved of call fire duties by U.S.S. A. W. GRANT. Ceased firing, secured from battle stations, having expended the following ammunition: 275 5"/38 AA common projectiles; and 275 5"/38 SPDN cartridges. 1822 - Manned all battle stations, enemy aircraft sighted in this vicinity. 1910 - Secured from battle stations. The enemy aircraft reported was not observed by this vessel or taken under fire by this vessel. It was reported to be a single engined, twin float monoplane, probably a "Jake" and was observed by several ships on the east side of PELELIU, flying at an altitude of about 200 feet over the northern end of PELELIU. 1915 - Proceeding to a position 6000 yards west of transport area on west side of PELELIU to await call fire assignment.

24 September 1944:

Lying to on west side of PELELIU awaiting call fire assignment. 0357 - Manned all battle stations, proceeding to the eastern side of PELELIU to assist the U.S.S. H.J. EDWARDS in the destruction of enemy small craft attempting to land troops and supplies on north shore of PELELIU. 0453 - Made visual contact on barges, commenced firing. 0618 - Secured from battle stations; mission accomplished. This vessel scored hits on two enemy barges and set fire to one enemy seaplane, expending the following ammunition: 212 5"/38 AA common projectiles; 4 5"/38 illuminating projectiles; 216 5"/38 SPDN cartridges; and 76 rounds of 40 mm. HET. 0720 - Lying to in area west of transport area on western side of PELELIU awaiting assignment. 1043 - Took station #1 in anti-submarine screen #52 on the U.S.S. LOUISVILLE, proceeding to KOSSOL PASSAGE. 1622 - Moored port side to U.S.S. SHASTA in berth #77, KOSSOL PASSAGE, commenced loading ammunition. 1752 - Ceased loading ammunition, having received the following on board: 65 5"/38 common projectiles; 595 5"/38 AA common projectiles; and 573 5"/38 SPDN cartridges. 1818 - Anchored in berth #12, KOSSOL PASSAGE, PALAU ISLANDS in 25 fathoms of water.

25 September 1944:

0558 - Moored port side to U.S.S. SHASTA, commenced receiving ammunition. 0814 - Completed loading ammunition, having received the following on board: 753 5"/38 AA common projectiles; 648 5"/38 SPDN cartridges; 36 5"/38 white phosphorous projectiles; 318 5"/38 SPDN cartridges; and 1072 rounds of 40 mm. 0822 - Underway from alongside U.S.S. SHASTA, anchored in berth #76, KOSSOL PASSAGE. 0943 - Moored starboard side to U.S.S. CALIENTE in berth #92, commenced fueling ship. 1126 - Completed fueling, underway from alongside U.S.S. CALIENTE. 1209 - Anchored with 60 fathoms of chain in berth #12, KOSSOL PASSAGE.



U. S. S. ROBINSON (DD582) (FLAGSHIP)  
DESTRUCTOR DIVISION ONE HUNDRED TWELVE  
FLEET  
ADMIRALTY ISLANDS, PALAU ISLANDS, to MANUS  
30 September 1944

Positions 30 Sept.

0800	Lat. 04-01-00 N
	Long. 139-12-18 E
1200	Lat. 03-19-00 N
	Long. 140-24-00 E
2000	Lat. 01-54-30 N
	Long. 142-54-00 E

DD562/A16  
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U.S.S. ROBINSON (DD562) (Flagship)  
DESTROYER DIVISION ONE HUNDRED TWELVE  
UNITED STATES PACIFIC FLEET  
U.S.S. ROBINSON (DD562) (Flagship)  
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1 October 1944.

From: The Commanding Officer.  
To : The Commander-in-Chief, UNITED STATES PACIFIC FLEET.  
Subject: War Diary, U.S.S. ROBINSON (DD562); period 1 September 1944  
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U. S. ROBINSON (DD562) (FLAGSHIP)

DESTROYER DIVISION ONE HUNDRED TWELVE

1 September 1944:

Moored in berth #30, PURVIS BAY, FLORIDA ISLAND, BRITISH SOLOMON ISLANDS, alongside U.S.S. LEUTZE (DD481). Zone minus 11 time. Operating under: Commander Western Pacific TASK FORCE's Operation Plan 14-44; Commander TASK FORCE THIRTY ONE Operation Plan A302-44; and Commander TASK FORCE THIRTY TWO Operation Plan A501-44. 0800 - Underway. Commenced operating with Commander Cruiser Division NINE. Exercised at division tactics. Operating under Commander TASK FORCE THIRTY FIVE sortie Plan #TH 2-44.

2 September 1944:

1200 LOVE - Commenced operating in accordance with Commander TASK GROUP 32.5 Operation Plan 1-44. Continued operations as before.

3 September 1944:

1632 - Commenced entering PORT PURVIS, FLORIDA ISLAND, BRITISH SOLOMON ISLANDS. 1732 - Moored alongside Y.O. 162. Commenced fueling ship. 1904 - Moored alongside the U.S.S. LEUTZE (DD481) in berth #30.

4 & 5 September 1944:

Remained at PORT PURVIS, FLORIDA ISLAND, BRITISH SOLOMON ISLANDS, undergoing routine upkeep.

6 September 1944:

0758 - Underway in company with TASK GROUP THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE enroute PALAU. 0953 - Formed cruising disposition 3G. Destroyers formed anti-submarine screen 59. O.T.C. and S.O.P.A. Commander TASK GROUP THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE in U.S.S. LOUISVILLE.

Positions 6 September

0800	Lat.	09-08-00 S
	Long.	160-16-00 E
1200	Lat.	08-50-00 S
	Long.	159-54-00 E
2000	Lat.	07-16-30 S
	Long.	160-02-48 E

7 to 10 September 1944:

Enroute PURVIS BAY, FLORIDA ISLAND, BRITISH SOLOMON ISLANDS to PALAU. 1900, 7 Sept. retarded clocks one hour to zone minus ten time. 1900, 8 Sept. retarded clocks one hour to zone minus 9 time. 0747, 10 Sept. went alongside U.S.S. IDAHO to fuel ship. 0920 - Completed fueling, on station 9320 in screen.

Positions 7 September

0800	Lat.	04-59-00 S
	Long.	158-21-00 E
1200	Lat.	04-47-00 S
	Long.	157-54-00 E
2000	Lat.	03-16-00 S
	Long.	155-53-00 E

Positions 8 September

0800 Lat. 00-19-00 S  
Long. 153-28-00 E  
1200 Lat. 00-19-00 S  
Long. 152-19-00 E  
2000 Lat. 00-17-00 S  
Long. 150-01-00 E

Positions 9 September

0800 Lat. 00-26-00 N  
Long. 147-14-00 E  
1200 Lat. 00-43-00 N  
Long. 146-18-36 E  
2000 Lat. 01-11-00 N  
Long. 144-45-00 E

Positions 10 September

0800 Lat. 02-00-00 N  
Long. 142-39-00 E  
1200 Lat. 02-04-30 N  
Long. 142-22-06 E  
2000 Lat. 02-34-00 N  
Long. 140-26-00 E

11 September 1944:

1630 - TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE POINT ONE formed approach disposition 3R0. This unit in van, TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE POINT THREE, formed approach disposition 3R01. 2330 - Manned all Battle Stations and commenced approach on FELELIU, PALAU ISLAND GROUP.

Positions 11 September

0800 Lat. 03-35-00 N  
Long. 137-39-00 E  
1200 Lat. 04-24-30 N  
Long. 137-01-36 E  
2000 Lat. 05-53-00 N  
Long. 135-41-00 E

12 September 1944:

All battle stations manned, approaching FELELIU ISLAND, PALAU ISLAND GROUP. 0540 - Formed screen for bombardment group. 0745 - Secured from battle stations, commenced retirement with Fire Support Group BAKER to recover and service aircraft. 0921 - Manned all battle stations for close fire support of Underwater Demolition Teams on southwestern beaches of FELELIU. 1315 - Ceased firing; having expended the following ammunition and completed the mission: 238 5"/38 AA common projectiles; 29 5"/38 common projectiles; 266 5"/38 SPDN cartridges; 2115 rounds 40 mm. HEF; and 206 rounds 20 mm. HEI ammunition.



12 Sept. (Cont'd)

1801 - Took station #2 in screen of TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE POINT ONE for night retirement.

Positions 12 Sept.

2000 Lat. 06-56-30 N  
Long. 133-43-18 E

13 September 1944:

Operating in company with TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE POINT ONE in cruising disposition 5RB, this vessel in station #8 of screen. 0745 - Manned all battle stations for close fire support of Underwater Demolition Teams on southwestern beaches of PELELIU. 0937 - Mission completed; having expended the following ammunition: 158 5"/38 AA Common projectiles; 158 5"/38 SPDN cartridges; 137 rounds 40 mm. HET; 116 rounds 20 mm. HET; and 58 rounds 20 mm. HET. Commenced retirement with TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE POINT THREE to recover and reservice aircraft. 1315 - Relieved U.S.S. NEWCOMB as fire support ship, manned all battle station for close fire support of Underwater Demolition Teams on southwestern beaches of PELELIU. 1340 - Mission completed, having expended the following ammunition: 16 5"/38 AA common projectiles; 16 5"/38 SPDN cartridges; and 94 rounds 40 mm. HET. 1400 - Commenced screening heavy ships of TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE POINT THREE. 1815 - Commenced retirement for night in station #1, screening plan 56 of cruising disposition 5RS, in company with TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE POINT ONE.

Positions 13 Sept.

2000 Lat. 06-49-00 N  
Long. 134-40-00 E

14 September 1944:

0516 - Manned all battle stations and commenced screening U.S.S. LOUISVILLE during scheduled bombardment off southwest coast of PELELIU. 0930 - Mission completed. Formed anti-submarine screen #53 on retirement group; this vessel in station #1 of screen. 1237 - Manned all battle stations for close fire support of Underwater Demolition Teams on southwestern beaches of PELELIU. 1522 - Mission completed; having expended the following ammunition: 112 5"/38 AA Common projectiles; 112 5"/38 SPDN cartridges; 418 rounds 40 mm. HET. 1639 - Commenced screening battleships engaged in fueling destroyers in area west of PELELIU. 1908 - Took station #3 in anti-submarine screen of cruising disposition 5RC in company with TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE POINT ONE.

Positions 14 Sept.

2000 Lat. 07-04-30 N  
Long. 133-51-30 E

15 September 1944: 0600 - Commenced screening ships of TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE POINT THREE engaged in scheduled bombardment fire. 0730 - Manned all battle stations for bombardment of PELELIU ISLAND. Continued this bombardment throughout the day, delivering scheduled bombardment fire from HOW MINUS THIRTY minutes until HOW PLUS SIXTY minutes, and call fire as requested by shore fire control parties. 1757 - Ceased firing, all missions for the day completed, having expended the following ammunition: 506 5"/38 AA common projectiles; 14 5"/38 common projectiles; 216 5"/38 white phosphorus projectiles; 736 5"/38 SPDN cartridges. 1830 - Commenced retirement for the night with TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE POINT ONE in anti-submarine screening station #2 of cruising disposition 58G.

Positions 15 Sept.

2000 Lat. 07-09-30 N.  
Long. 133-44-24 E.

16 September 1944: 0930 - Manned all battle stations to bombard area of enemy activity reported by MARYLAND spotting plane. 0941 - Commenced delivering fire against personnel and enemy batteries from station west of PELELIU, receiving air spots from MARYLAND plane. Results of this fire were reported excellent by spotter. 1119 - Secured from battle stations, having accomplished mission and expended the following ammunition: 84 5"/38 AA common projectiles; 84 5"/38 SPDN cartridges; and 137 rounds 40 MM REP. 1135 - Commenced patrolling off southwest coast of PELELIU ISLAND. Remained on patrol throughout the day. 1827 - Commenced night retirement with TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE POINT ONE on station #2 of anti-submarine screen 56, cruising disposition 58D.

Positions 16 Sept.

2000 Lat. 07-20-00 N  
Long. 134-45-00 E

17 September 1944: 0516 - Commenced patrol to seaward of transport area, west of PELELIU ISLAND. 1615 - Took station 4.5025 in screen of TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE POINT ONE for night retirement.

Positions 17 Sept.

2000 Lat. 07-01-30 N  
Long. 134-04-00 E

18 September 1944: 0653 - Joined TASK UNIT THIRTY POINT EIGHT POINT EIGHT and TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE POINT ONE commenced fueling from oilers of above TASK UNIT. Destroyers of TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE POINT ONE and destroyer escorts of TASK UNIT THIRTY POINT EIGHT POINT EIGHT forming anti-submarine screen four thousand yards ahead of fueling group. 0951 - Went alongside U.S.S. PECOS to receive fuel. 1057 - Completed fueling ship. 1125 - On station 5.3340 in anti-submarine screen. 1235 - Fueling operation completed and TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE POINT ONE formed cruising disposition 58Q in station #1 of anti-submarine screen #5A modified to add 1000 yards to distance of each station from disposition center.



18 Sept. (Cont'd):

U. S. S. PELELIU (FFG-116) (FLAGSHIP)  
DESTROYER DIVISION ONE HUNDRED TWELVE

0800 Lat. 07-00-00 N  
Long. 137-22-24 E  
1200 Lat. 06-43-00 N  
Long. 136-05-00 E  
2000 Lat. 05-54-30 N  
Long. 135-56-12 E

19 September 1944:

Steaming in company with TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT FIVE POINT ONE. This vessel in anti-submarine screening station 4.5025 of cruising disposition 5R0. 0810 - Moored port side to U.S.S. SANGAY to replenish ammunition. 1030 - Ceased taking on ammunition, underway for screening station #3, sector EASY on the western side of PELELIU. 1815 - Commenced delivering illumination fire for troops in fire support sector four. Continued this fire throughout the night.

20 September 1944:

Lying to in fire support sector four, southeast of PELELIU, continuing illumination fire. 0533 - Ceased firing, having expended the following ammunition: 89 5<sup>n</sup>/38 illuminating projectiles; and 89 5<sup>n</sup>/38 SPDF cartridges. 0614 - Vice Admiral T. S. WILKINSON, USN, and Rear Admiral E. L. COCHRANE, USN., with members of their staffs embarked in this vessel for passage to KOSSOL PASSAGE. 1038 - Arrived at destination. Vice Admiral T. S. WILKINSON, USN., and Rear Admiral E. L. COCHRANE, USN., together with their staffs disembarked. 1142 - Anchored in berth #2, KOSSOL PASSAGE. 1408 - Moored starboard side to U.S.S. MAUNA LOA, commenced loading ammunition. 1832 - Completed loading ammunition, having received the following on board. 1118 5/38 AA common projectiles; 45 5/38 common projectiles; 213 5/38 white phosphorous projectiles; 88 5/38 illuminating projectiles; 808 5/38 SPDN cartridges; 3216 rounds 40 mm. HET. 1833 - Underway from alongside U.S.S. MAUNA LOA. 1902 - Anchored in berth #3, KOSSOL PASSAGE.

21 September 1944:

0540 - Underway, proceeding through swept channel. 1035 - Maneuvering on various courses and speeds, receiving Officer Messenger Mail from U.S.S. NEWCOMB, west of PELELIU. 1134 - Commenced patrolling anti-submarine screening station #15. 2005 - Commenced delivering illuminating and harassing fire against enemy installations on PELELIU from western side of island.

22 September 1944:

0510 - Ceased firing, missions for the night accomplished; having expended the following ammunition: 150 5<sup>n</sup>/38 AA common projectiles; 3 5<sup>n</sup>/38 illuminating projectiles; and 153 5<sup>n</sup>/38 SPDF cartridges. 0745 - Manned all battle stations for shore bombardment from area west of PELELIU, receiving spots from shore fire control parties and THELANAPOLIS plane. Results of this fire were considered excellent by the spotters. This work with air spotters confirms my opinion that air spot should be furnished for destroyers. As a result of having an air spot in this case, we were not only enabled to disable two groups of enemy tanks and silence an artillery battery, but did not expend an excessive amount of ammunition in doing so. 1600 - Ceased firing, all missions for the day accomplished; having

22 Sept. (Cont'd):

expended the following ammunition: 11 2" FORNISON (DD595) (FLAGSHIP) common projectiles; 66 5"/38 common projectiles; 31 5"/38 white phosphorous projectiles; and 792 5"/38 SPDN cartridges. 1910 - On station east of PELELIU, commenced delivering night illumination fire in support of troops on the beach. Continued this illumination fire throughout the night.

23 September 1944:

0538 - Ceased firing, all missions for the night completed, having expended the following ammunition: 109 5"/38 illuminating projectiles; and 109 5"/38 SPDF cartridges. 0745 - Manned all battle stations and commenced delivering harassing fire and call fire against enemy installations on PELELIU. Receiving targets and spots from shore fire control parties. 1105 - Relieved of call fire duties by U.S.S. A. W. GRANT. Ceased firing, secured from battle stations, having expended the following ammunition: 275 5"/38 AA common projectiles; and 275 5"/38 SPDN cartridges. 1822 - Manned all battle stations, enemy aircraft sighted in this vicinity. 1910 - Secured from battle stations. The enemy aircraft reported was not observed by this vessel or taken under fire by this vessel. It was reported to be a single engined, twin float monoplane, probably a "Jake" and was observed by several ships on the east side of PELELIU, flying at an altitude of about 200 feet over the northern end of PELELIU. 1915 - Proceeding to a position 6000 yards west of transport area on west side of PELELIU to await call fire assignment.

24 September 1944:

Lying to on west side of PELELIU awaiting call fire assignment. 0357 - Manned all battle stations, proceeding to the eastern side of PELELIU to assist the U.S.S. H.L. EDWARDS in the destruction of enemy small craft attempting to land troops and supplies on north shore of PELELIU. 0453 - Made visual contact on barges, commenced firing. 0618 - Secured from battle stations; mission accomplished. This vessel scored hits on two enemy barges and set fire to one enemy seaplane, expending the following ammunition: 212 5"/38 AA common projectiles; 4 5"/38 illuminating projectiles; 216 5"/38 SPDF cartridges; and 76 rounds of 40 mm. HEF. 0720 - Lying to in area west of transport area on western side of PELELIU awaiting assignment. 1043 - Took station #1 in anti-submarine screen #52 on the U.S.S. LOUISVILLE, proceeding to KOSSOL PASSAGE. 1622 - Moored port side to U.S.S. SHASTA in berth #77, KOSSOL PASSAGE, commenced loading ammunition. 1752 - Ceased loading ammunition, having received the following on board: 65 5"/38 common projectiles; 595 5"/38 AA common projectiles; and 573 5"/38 SPDN cartridges. 1818 - Anchored in berth #12, KOSSOL PASSAGE, PALAU ISLANDS in 25 fathoms of water.

25 September 1944:

0558 - Moored port side to U.S.S. SHASTA, commenced receiving ammunition. 0814 - Completed loading ammunition, having received the following on board: 758 5"/38 AA common projectiles; 648 5"/38 SPDN cartridges; 36 5"/38 white phosphorous projectiles; 312 5"/38 SPDF cartridges; and 1072 rounds of 40 mm. 0822 - Underway from alongside U.S.S. SHASTA, anchored in berth #76, KOSSOL PASSAGE. 0943 - Moored starboard side to U.S.S. CALIENTE in berth #92, commenced fueling ship. 1126 - Completed fueling, underway from alongside U.S.S. CALIENTE. 1209 - Anchored with 60 fathoms of chain in berth #12, KOSSOL PASSAGE.



26 September 1944:

0531 - Underway from KOSSEL PASSAGE, proceeding to PELELIU to report to the Commander TASK FORCE THIRTY TWO FOR duty. 0954 - Reported to Commander TASK FORCE AND subsequently to Commander TASK GROUP THIRTY TWO POINT ONE for duty, commenced patrolling fire support sector 4 awaiting assignment as directed by Commander TASK GROUP THIRTY TWO POINT ONE. 1004 - Maneuvering to pass mail to the U.S.S. HOBY (DD610). 1013 - Resumed patrol. 1742 - Proceeding to a point five miles south of ANGAUR ISLAND to deliver illumination over north end of ANGAUR. 1908 - Commenced delivering illumination fire. 2139 - Ceased firing, manned all battle stations, enemy aircraft reported in vicinity. 2340 - Resumed fire.

27 September 1944:

0544 - Ceased firing, mission completed, having expended the following ammunition: 87 5"/38 illuminating projectiles; and 87 5"/38 SPDF cartridges. Remained in channel between PELELIU and ANGAUR awaiting call fire assignment. 1609 - Commenced closing U.S.S. INDIANAPOLIS to transfer enlisted personnel to that vessel for transportation to the United States. 1745 - Lying to off northwest of PELELIU awaiting call fire assignment. 1900 - Commenced delivering harassing fire on NGESEBUS ISLAND.

28 September 1944:

0500 - Ceased firing, mission completed, having expended the following ammunition: 100 5"/38 AA common projectiles; and 100 5"/38 SPDF cartridges. 0740 - Manned all battle stations for scheduled bombardment of NGESEBUS. 0800 - Commenced bombardment. 0840 - Ceased bombardment, having expended the following ammunition which was the allowance for this mission and secured from battle stations: 250 5"/38 AA common projectiles and 250 5"/38 SPDF cartridges. 0930 - Lying to off northwest NGESEBUS awaiting call fire assignment. 1616 - Proceeding to a station southwest of ANGAUR to deliver night illumination. 1817 - Commenced delivering illumination on northwest corner of ANGAUR. Continued this illumination throughout the night.

29 September 1944:

0532 - Ceased firing; mission completed, having expended the following ammunition: 85 5"/38 illuminating projectiles; and 85 5"/38 SPDF cartridges. 0600 - Proceeded to west side of PELELIU to await orders. 1600 - Joined TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT NINETEEN POINT SEVENTEEN. This vessel in station #2 of anti-submarine screen #56. 1718 - In company with TASK UNIT THIRTY TWO POINT NINETEEN POINT SEVENTEEN, took departure from PELELIU, PALAU ISLANDS, destination MANUS, ADMIRALTY ISLANDS.

Positions 29 Sept.

2000 Lat. 06-09-30 N  
Long. 135-20-12 E

30 September 1944:

U. S. S. ROBINSON (DD562) (FLAGSHIP)

DEPTOYAL DIVISION ONE HUNDRED TWELVE

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Route, PELELIU, PALAU ISLANDS, to MANUS  
ADMIRALTY ISLANDS.

Positions 30 Sept.

0800	Lat.	04-01-00 N
	Long.	139-12-18 E
1200	Lat.	03-19-00 N
	Long.	140-24-00 E
2000	Lat.	01-54-30 N
	Long.	142-54-00 E