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14TH - 15TH INFORMATION SUMMARY. ANZIO FIRE SUPPORT AREA. SCREENED BY URCHIN, HP JONES AND INGLEFIELD, PHILADELPHIA AT 140940 COMMENCED FIRING. CUB SPOTTED FOR FOUR TARGETS DESIGNATED AS ARTILLERY AND 166 ROUNDS FIRED. DURING AFTERNOON P-51 SPOTTED ON THREE MISSIONS WITH CUB PLANE SPOTTING ONE TARGET FOR SFCP. TOTAL EXPENDED 55 ROUNDS. FLAK HIT P-51 PLANE. 16 ROUNDS FIRED BY ENEMY SHORE BATTERIES INTO FIRE SUPPORT AREA. JONES AND PHILADELPHIA STRADDLED. MINOR ACTIVITY BY ENEMY AIR FORCES. AT 151100 VESSEL WAS SET TO FIRE WITH P-51 TO SPOT ON 4 TARGETS. ENGINE TROUBLE DID NOT ENABLE PLANE TO ARRIVE. CUB THEN SPOTTED FOR SFCP ON TWO TARGETS. AT 1225 SECOND P-51 READY BUT SHOT DOWN AT 1245. FINALLY FIRED UNOBSERVED SALVOS AT SFCP TARGET. RETURNED NAPLES. ASHORE SITUATION GENERALLY QUIET WITH LOCAL PATROL AND ARTILLERY DUELS. 6TH CORPS REPORTED THINGS QUIET ON 14TH YET THAT UNIT REQUESTED VESSEL GUNFIRE SUPPORT THAT DAY.

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