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NAME AND RANK OF PILOT HENNESSEY, Robert Warren, 2nd Lt.

SERVICE AND GROUP USMCR

ORGANIZATION VMF-124

DATE OF PILOT RATING — FLYING EXPERIENCE (YEARS) —

HRS. THIS MODEL LAST 3 MOS. 60.7 TOTAL HOURS 411.1

PREVIOUS ACCIDENT RECORD Clear

INJURIES Fatal A

NAME AND RANK OF OTHER PERSONNEL | INJ.

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AIRCRAFT CLASS VF (L)

MODEL AND NUMBER F4U-1 #17467

DAMAGE	A	B	C	D	E	M	REMARKS
AIRPLANE	X						Demolished.
ENG. 1	X						
ENG. 2							
ENG. 3							
ENG. 4							
ENG. 5							
ENG. 6							

NATURE OF ACCIDENT A

PERCENTAGE EACH CAUSE

100% PE (50% judgment, 25% technique, 25% carelessness)

LOCATION Tehachapi, Calif.

PURPOSE OF FLIGHT Division Gunnery Tactids

FLYING OR LANDING CONDITIONS No factor

ANALYSIS

2nd Lt. Hennessey was the second section leader on a division strafing hop. Upon the rendezvous after the first attack. Lt. Hennessey joined with too much speed and pulled up into the plane of the wingman, 2nd Lt. Chandler. The other members of the division did not see Hennessey's plane after this, and it is the opinion of the board that the plane was damaged by the collision and crashed. Flight was 1500 feet above the ground but the pilot seems not to have tried to bail out.

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Entered on Pilot's Card

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NAME AND RANK OF PILOT: CHANDLER, John C., 2nd Lt.
SERVICE AND GROUP: USMCR
ORGANIZATION: VMF-124
DATE OF PILOT RATING: 4-10-43 | FLYING EXPERIENCE (YEARS): 1
HRS. THIS MODEL LAST 3 MOS: 46.8 | TOTAL HOURS: 418.2
PREVIOUS ACCIDENT RECORD: Clear
INJURIES: Fatal | A

NAME AND RANK OF OTHER PERSONNEL | INJ.

AIRCRAFT CLASS: VF (L)
MODEL AND NUMBER: F4U-1 #02582

DAMAGE	A	B	C	D	E	M
AIRPLANE	X					
ENG. 1	X					
ENG. 2						
ENG. 3						
ENG. 4						
ENG. 5						
ENG. 6						

REMARKS: Demolished.

NATURE OF ACCIDENT: A

PERCENTAGE EACH CAUSE: 100% OP

LOCATION: Tehachapi, Calif.
PURPOSE OF FLIGHT: Division Gunnery Tactics
FLYING OR LANDING CONDITIONS: No factor

ANALYSIS

Midair collision.

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