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U. S. S. HABERSHAM (AK-186)

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c/o Fleet Post Office.,
San Francisco, Calif.,
7 July 1945.

C-O-N-F-I-D-E-N-T-I-A-L: --

From: The Commanding Officer.
To : The Commander in Chief, United States Fleet.
Subject: War Diary, Month of May, 1945, Forwarding of.
Reference: (a) CominCH Serial 7152 dated 29 October 1943.
Enclosure: (A) War Diary, Month of May, 1945.

1. In accordance with reference (a), Enclosure (A) is forwarded
herewith.

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WAR DIARY FOR MAY, 1944

12 May 1945: -- Vessel moored to dock at Tennessee Coal and Iron Docks, Houston, Texas. 1400 - Representative of the Commandant, Eighth Naval District (Commander John Mc Masters, USNR) came aboard and placed this vessel in full commission. Lieutenant Commander Malcolm A. Mac PHEE, 13689, D-M, USNR assumed command.

13 May 1945: -- Moored as before, Houston, Texas. 0810 - Underway to Galveston, Texas authority verbal orders Commandant Eighth Naval District Representative. 1926 - Anchored in Bolivar Roads, Galveston, Texas.

14 May 1945: -- Anchored as before, Galveston, Texas. 0727 - Underway for Pier #41, Galveston, Texas. 0844 - Moored to Pier #41. 1000-1115 - Commenced and completed degaussing operations.

15 May 1945: -- Moored as before, Galveston, Texas.

16 May 1945: -- Moored as before, Galveston, Texas. 0936 - Underway. 1035-1321 - Commenced and completed compensating compasses and Radio Direction Finder. 1510 - Moored to Pier #38, Galveston, Texas.

17 May 1945: -- Moored as before, Galveston, Texas.

18 May 1945: -- Moored as before, Galveston, Texas. 1026 - Underway authority ComEIGHT despatch 172115 May 1945 info to ComGulf and C.T.U. 23.82. 1325-1352 - Commenced and completed structural firing tests. Expended 4 rounds 3"/50 ammunition and 120 rounds 20 MM ammunition. 1644 - Moored Pier 39, Galveston, Texas. Exercised at general drills during the day.

19 May 1945: -- Moored as before, Galveston, Texas.

20 May 1945: -- Moored to Pier 39, Galveston, Texas. 1443 - Underway. 1527 - Anchored in Bolivar Roads, Galveston, Texas.

21 May 1945: -- Anchored in Bolivar Roads, Galveston, Texas. 0611 - Underway for twenty four hour trial run. 0700-1620 - Energized and completed six hour test period on Degaussing. Exercised at general drills during the day. Positions: 0800 - 29 10 N; 94 46 W; 1200 - 28 33½ N; 94 39 W; 2400 - 27 44 N; 94 36 W.

22 May 1945: -- Steaming as before. 0742 - Anchored in Bolivar Roads, Galveston, Texas. Reported to Commander Gulf Shakedown Group for shakedown training. 0800 - Commander Gulf Shakedown Group and his staff aboard for pre-shakedown inspection. 1000 - Commander Gulf Shakedown Group and his staff left the ship.

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WAR DIARY FOR MAY, 1944 (CONT.)

23 May 1945: -- 27 May 1945: -- Attached to Commander Gulf Shakedown Group for shakedown training. Operating from Galveston, Texas. Underway each day during daylight hours and anchored each night in Bolivar Roads, Galveston, Texas. Exercised at general drills each day.

1100-1441, 26 May 1945: -- Commenced and completed gunnery exercises, of both surface and air targets, expended 40 rounds 3"/50 ammunition and 1200 rounds 20 MM ammunition.

0850-1232, 27 May 1945: -- Commenced and completed speed trials on measured mile. Moored to Pier 42, Galveston, Texas. Shakedown training completed this date.

28 May 1945 - 31 May 1945: -- Moored as before, Galveston, Texas. 1100 - Entered and moored to dock at Texas Coast Shipyards, Galveston, Texas for five day post-shakedown availability.

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WAR DIARY FOR JUNE 1945.

- 1 June 1945: -- Moored Pier 42, Texas Coast Shipyards, Galveston, Texas for five-day post-shakedown availability. Availability completed at 2400 this date.
- 2 June 1945: -- Moored as before, Galveston, Texas. 1426 - Underway from Galveston, Texas enroute to Gulfport, Miss. authority CNO confidential despatch 011440 of June 1945. Positions: 2400 - 28 59 N; 92 50 W.
- 3 June 1945: -- Steaming independently as before. Positions: 0800 - 28 35 N; 91 00 W; 1200 - 28 42 N; 90 18 W; 2400 - 29 10 N; 88 50 W.
- 4 June 1945: -- Steaming independently as before. 0752 - Moored to west pier, Gulfport, Miss. Commenced loading operations.
- 5 June 1945: -- Moored as before, Gulfport, Miss., undergoing loading operations.
- 6 June 1945: -- Moored as before, Gulfport, Miss., undergoing loading operations. 1820 - Completed loading operations having received 3325.41 long tons general cargo and 114.1 long tons Refrig. cargo. 1847 - Underway from Gulfport, Miss., enroute to Cristobal, C.Z. authority CNO confidential despatch 011440 June 1945. Steaming independently. Positions: 2000 - 30 07 N; 88 45 W.
- 7 June 1945 - 11 June 1945: -- Steaming independently as before.
Positions:
- 7 June 1945: -- 0800 - 28 22.5 N; 88 04 W; 1200 - 27 45 N; 87 48 W;
2000 - 26 17 N; 87 03 W.
- 8 June 1945: -- 0800 - 24 05 N; 86 07 W; 1200 - 23 25 N; 85 51 W;
2000 - 22 07 N; 85 78 W.
- 9 June 1945: -- 0800 - 20 23.5 N; 84 01 W; 1200 - 19 32 N; 83 40 W;
2000 - 18 40 N; 82 41 W.
- 10 June 1945: -- 0800 - 17 15.5 N; 81 34 W; 1200 - 16 47 N; 81 12 W;
2000 - 15 53 N; 80 48 W.
- 11 June 1945: -- 0800 - 14 14 N; 80 40 W; 1200 - 13 20 N; 80 33 W;
2000 - 12 07.5 N; 80 16.5 W.
- 12 June 1945: -- Steaming independently as before. 1045-1715 - Transiting Panama Canal. 1735 - Moored Pier 18 Balboa, C.Z. Positions: 0800 - 09 22 N; 79 50 W.
- 13 June 1945: -- Moored as before, Balboa, C.Z. 1547 - Underway from Balboa, C.Z. enroute to Pearl Harbor, T.H. authority port director, Balboa, C.Z. confidential despatch 131448 June 1945. Positions: 2000 - 08 50 N; 80 02 W.

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WAR DIARY FOR JUNE 1944 (CONT.)

14 June 1945 - 29 June 1945: -- Steaming independently as before.

Positions:

14 June 1945: - 0800 - 6 49 N; 81 00 W; 1200 - 6 51 N; 81 42.5 W;
2000 - 6 54 N; 83 16 W.

15 June 1945: - 0800 - 07 02 N; 85 37.3 W; 1200 - 07 14 N; 86 24 W;
2000 - 07 43 N; 87 45W.

16 June 1945: - 0800 - 08 44 N; 89 41 W; 1200 - 09 02 N; 90 28 W;
2000 - 09 37 N; 91 46 W.

17 June 1945: - 0800 - 10 14 N; 94 08 $\frac{1}{2}$ W; 1200 - 10 24 N; 94 53 $\frac{1}{2}$ W;
2000 - 10 50 N; 96 24 W.

18 June 1945: - 0800 - 11 29 N; 98 34 W; 1200 - 11 46 N; 99 28 W;
2000 - 12 24 N; 100 37 W.

19 June 1945: - 0800 - 13 07 N; 103 31 W; 1200 - 13 19 N; 104 07 W;
2000 - 13 45 N; 105 45 W;

20 June 1945: - 0800 - 14 21 N; 107 50 W; 1200 - 14 29 N; 108 33 W;
2000 - 14 51 N; 110 01 W.

21 June 1945: - 0800 - 15 37 N; 112 09 W; 1200 - 15 49 N; 112 54 W;
2000 - 16 11 N; 114 35 W;

22 June 1945: - 0800 - 16 38 N; 116 49 W; 1200 - 16 52 N; 117 48 W;
2000 - 17 10 N; 119 18 W.

23 June 1945: - 0800 - 17 37 N; 121 35 W; 1200 - 17 56 N; 122 26 W;
2000 - 18 12 N; 124 00 W.

24 June 1945: - 0800 - 18 37 N; 126 27 W; 1200 - 18 45 N; 127 21 W;
2000 - 19 05 N; 129 12 W.

25 June 1945: - 0800 - 19 27 N; 131 36 W; 1200 - 19 35 N; 132 25 W.
2000 - 19 54 N; 134 17 W.

26 June 1945: - 0800 - 20 10 N; 136 50 W; 1200 - 20 15 N; 137 37 W;
2000 - 20 26 N; 139 19 W.

27 June 1945: - 0800 - 20 40 N; 141 52 W; 1200 - 20 49 N; 142 32 W;
2000 - 20 56 N; 144 22 W.

28 June 1945: - 0800 - 21 07 N; 146 51 W; 1200 - 21 14 N; 147 47 W;
2000 - 21 21 N; 149 27 W.

29 June 1945: - 0800 - 21 24 N; 151 56 W; 1200 - 21 30 N; 152 47 W;
2000 - 21 30 N; 154 29 W.

30 June 1945: -- Steaming independently as before. 0932-1035 - Commenced and ceased firing practice. Expended 13 rounds 3"/50 ammunition and 1256 rounds 20 MM ammunition. 1427 - Moored to Berth K-3, NSD, Pearl Harbor, T.H. 1825 - Commenced discharging cargo. Positions: 0800 - 21 25 N; 157 16 W; 1200 - 21 15 N; 157 35 W.

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6 August 1945.

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To : The Commander in Chief, United States Fleet.
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-- WAR DIARY FOR JULY 1945 --

1 July 1945: --

Moored starboard side to Berth K-3, NSD, Pearl Harbor, T.H. Undergoing unloading operations.

2 July 1945: --

Moored as before. Undergoing unloading operations. 0924 - Commander Service Squadron EIGHT Representative and his staff came aboard and began an informal material inspection. 1045 - Commander Service Squadron EIGHT Representative and staff left the ship.

3 July 1945: --

Moored as before. Undergoing unloading operations. 0850 - Commenced loading operations. 1330 - Completed unloading operations. 1900 - Five (5) officers and twelve (12) enlisted personnel aboard for transportation.

4 July 1945: --

Moored as before. Undergoing loading operations. 0210 - Completed all loading operations. Loaded approximately 264 weight tons of general cargo and U.S. Mail. 0658 - Underway from Pearl Harbor, T.H. for San Francisco, California, in accordance to CincPac CincPoa Pearl Confidential despatch 030406 June 1945. Positions: 0800 - 26 40 N, 150 26 W; 1200 - 27 12 N, 149 47 W; 2000 - 28 10 N, 148 16 W.

5 July 1945 to 11 July 1945: --

Steaming independently as before. Positions:

5 July 1945 - 0800 - 24 09 N, 154 41 W; 1200 - 24 40 N, 154 03 W; 2000 - 25 27 N, 152 38 W.
6 July 1945 - 0800 - 26 40 N, 150 26 W; 1200 - 27 12 N, 149 47 W; 2000 - 28 10 N, 148 16 W.
7 July 1945 - 0800 - 29 22 N, 145 53 W; 1200 - 29 46 N, 145 01 W; 2000 - 30 35 N, 143 16 W.
8 July 1945 - 0800 - 31 45 N, 140 44 W; 1200 - 32 06 N, 140 00 W; 2000 - 32 48 N, 138 22 W.
9 July 1945 - 0800 - 33 52 N, 135 58 W; 1200 - 34 08 N, 134 57 W; 2000 - 34 45 N, 133 25 W.
10 July 1945 - 0800 - 35 36 N, 130 58 W; 1200 - 35 47 N, 130 29 W; 2000 - 36 14 N, 129 08 W.
11 July 1945 - 0800 - 37 05 N, 126 19 W; 1200 - 38 24 N, 125 10 W; 2000 - 37 50 N, 122 30 W.

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C-O-N-F-I-D-E-N-T-I-A-L: --c/o Fleet Post Office.,
San Francisco, Calif.-- WAR DIARY FOR JULY 1945 (CONT) --

12 July 1945: --

Steaming independently as before. 0008 - Anchored in Anchorage #7, San Francisco, Bay, California. 0817 - Underway. 0840 - Moored starboard side to southside Pier #22, San Francisco, California. All passengers left the ship. Transportation completed.

13 July 1945 to 14 July 1945: --

Moored as before. Undergoing unloading operations.

15 July 1945: --

Moored as before. 0733 - Underway shifting berths. 0830 - Moored port side to north side Pier 54, San Francisco, California.

16 July 1945: --

Moored as before.

17 July 1945: --

Moored as before. 0915 - Commenced loading operations.

18 July 1945 to 20 July 1945: --

Moored as before. Undergoing loading operations.

21 July 1945: --

Moored as before. Undergoing loading operations. 1437 - Completed loading operations. Received 2082 long tons general cargo and 108 long tons refrigerated cargo. 2149 - Underway from north side Pier 54, San Francisco, California for Eniwetok, Marshall Islands in compliance with Commander Western Sea Frontier confidential dispatch of 182202 and further compliance with CincPac CincPoa confidential dispatch 030406 June 1945.

22 July 1945 to 31 July 1945: --

Steaming independently as before. Positions:

22 July 1945 - 0800 - 37 40 N, 124 29 W; 1200 - 37 58 N, 125 20 W; 2000 - 37 54 N, 125 11 W.

23 July 1945 - 0800 - 37 41 N, 130 10 W; 1200 - 37 39 N, 131 05 W; 2000 - 37 36 N, 133 12 W.

24 July 1945 - 0800 - 37 26 N, 136 03 W; 1200 - 37 18 N, 136 55 W; 2000 - 37 07 N, 138 37 W.

25 July 1945 - 0800 - 36 48 N, 141 18 W; 1200 - 36 41 N, 142 10 W; 2000 - 36 28 N, 143 02 W.

26 July 1945 - 0800 - 35 56 N, 146 56 W; 1200 - 35 43 N, 147 52 W; 2000 - 35 22 N, 149 33 W.

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San Francisco, Calif.-- WAR DIARY FOR JULY 1945 (CONT) --

Positions: (Continued): --

27 July 1945 - 0800 - 34 42 $\frac{1}{2}$ N, 152 10 W; 1200 - 34 32 N, 153 08 W; 2000 - 34 14 N, 154 52 W.
28 July 1945 - 0800 - 33 26 N, 157 26 W; 1200 - 33 12 N, 158 16 W; 2000 - 33 36 N, 160 01 W.
29 July 1945 - 0800 - 31 48 N, 162 33 W; 1200 - 31 30 N, 163 30 W; 2000 - 30 51 N, 165 09 W.
30 July 1945 - 0800 - 29 55 N, 167 33 W; 1200 - 29 36 N, 168 18 W; 2000 - 28 55 N, 169 50 W.
31 July 1945 - 0800 - 27 50 N, 172 23 W; 1200 - 27 29 N, 173 12 W; 2000 - 26 40 N, 174 52 W.

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San Francisco, Calif.,
4 September 1945.

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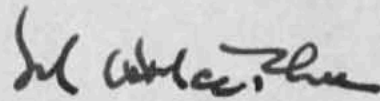
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-- WAR DIARY FOR AUGUST 1945 --

1 August 1945: --

Steaming independently enroute to Eniwetok, Marshall Islands with a general cargo of 2082 long tons, and a refrigerated cargo of 108 tons (long), in compliance with Commander Western Sea Frontier confidential dispatch 182202 and further compliance with Commander in Chief Pacific Fleet and Pacific Ocean Areas confidential dispatch 030406 June 1945. Positions: 0800 - 24 28 N, 177 03 W; 1200 - 25 02 N, 177 46 W; 2000 - 24 14 N, 179 11 W.

2 August 1945: --

Steaming as before. 0000 - Crossed the International Date Line.

3 August 1945 to 6 August 1945: --

Steaming as before. Positions: --

3 August 1945 - 0800 - 22 50 N, 178 50 E; 1200 - 22 28 N, 178 05 E; 2000 - 21 33 N, 176 35 E.

4 August 1945 - 0800 - 20 14 N, 174 30 E; 1200 - 19 49 N, 173 54 E; 2000 - 19 00 N, 172 35 E.

5 August 1945 - 0800 - 18 29 N, 170 37 E; 1200 - 17 04 N, 169 58 E; 2000 - 16 07 N, 168 40 E.

6 August 1945 - 0800 - 14 40 N, 166 50 E; 1200 - 14 12 N, 166 05 E; 2000 - 13 18 N, 164 51 E.

7 August 1945: --

Steaming independently as before. 1356 - Anchored in Eniwetok Harbor, Marshall Islands. Positions: 0800 - 11 47 N, 163 02 E; 1200 - 11 31 N, 162 21 E.

8 August 1945 to 31 August 1945: --

Anchored as before. Loading and unloading cargo and refrigerated provisions on various dates.

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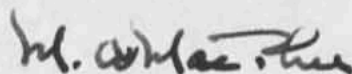
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WAR DIARY FOR SEPTEMBER 1945

1 September to 8 September 1945: --

Anchored in Eniwetok Harbor, Marshall Islands. Loading and discharging cargo intermittently.

9 September 1945: --

Underway from Eniwetok Harbor, Marshall Islands to Tokyo Bay, Japan, Authority Commander Service Division 102 orders 060247. Steaming in company with Task Unit 30.9.23 composed of U.S.S. HABERSHAM (AK-186), U.S.S. HARCOURT (IX-225), U.S.S. PC 1087. Commander Task Unit in this vessel. Positions: 1200 - 11 30 N, 162 22 E; 2000 - 11 49 N, 162 09 E.

10 September 1945 to 16 September 1945: --

Steaming as before. Positions:

10 September 1945: 0800 - 13 12 N, 160 29 E; 1200 - 13 42 N, 160 04 E; 2000 - 14 48 N, 159 10 E.

11 September 1945: 0800 - 16 44 N, 157 45 E; 1200 - 17 18 N, 157 14 E; 2000 - 18 22 N, 156 07 E.

12 September 1945: 0800 - 20 07 N, 154 22 E; 1200 - 20 38 N, 153 48 E; 2000 - 21 44 N, 152 44 E.

13 September 1945: 0800 - 23 23 N, 150 54 E; 1200 - 23 57 N, 150 26 E; 2000 - 25 12 N, 149 26 E.

14 September 1945: 0800 - 27 04 N, 147 50 E; 1200 - 27 37 N, 147 18 E; 2000 - 28 54 N, 146 19 E.

15 September 1945: 0800 - 30 36 N, 144 24 E; 1200 - 31 08½ N, 143 50 E; 2000 - 32 07 N, 142 46 E.

16 September 1945: 0800 - 33 31 N, 141 29 E; 1200 - 33 54 N, 140 56 E; 2000 - 34 35 N, 140 02 E.

17 September 1945: --

Anchored in Tokyo Bay, Japan. Task Unit dissolved.

18 September 1945 to 30 September 1945: --

Anchored as before. Loading and discharging cargo intermittently.

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c/o Fleet Post Office.,
San Francisco, Calif.,
3 November 1945.

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San Francisco, Calif.,-- WAR DIARY FOR OCTOBER 1945 --1 October to 31 October 1945: --

Anchored in Tokyo Bay, Japan. Loading and discharging cargo intermittently.

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U. S. S. HABERSHAM (AK-186)

AK-186/A16-3
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c/o Fleet Post Office.,
San Francisco, Calif.,
2 December 1945.

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U. S. S. HABERSHAM (AK-186)

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c/o Fleet Post Office.,
San Francisco, Calif.,

-- WAR DIARY FOR NOVEMBER 1945 --

1 November to 26 November 1945: --

Anchored in Tokyo Bay, Japan. Loading and discharging cargo intermittently.

27 November 1945: --

Underway enroute from Tokyo Bay, Japan to Guam, Marianas Islands, with approximately 1500 tons of fleet freight. Authority: Commander Service Division 102 dispatch 240035 of November 1945. Positions: 0800 - 35 19 N, 139 43 E; 1200 - 34 44 N, 139 40 E; 2000 - 33 23 N, 140 12 E.

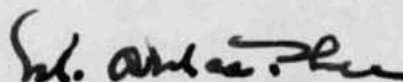
28 November 1945 to 30 November 1945: --

Steaming as before. Positions: --

28 November - 0800 - 31 37 N, 141 00 E; 1200 - 31 01 N, 141 27 E; 2000 - 29 53 N, 141 48 E.

29 November - 0800 - 27 35 N, 141 26 E; 1200 - 27 00 N, 142 03 E; 2000 - 25 23 N, 140 52 E.

30 November - 0800 - 23 34 N, 141 16 E; 1200 - 23 03 N, 141 26 E; 2000 - 21 47 N, 141 58 E.



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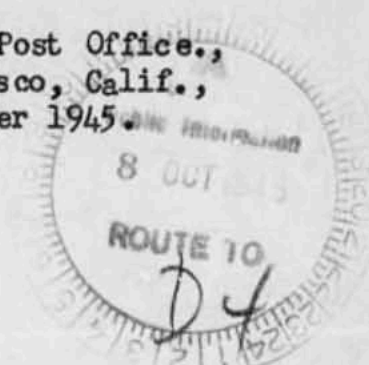
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U. S. S. HABERSHAM (AK-186)

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c/o Fleet Post Office,
San Francisco, Calif.,
30 September 1945



R-E-S-T-R-I-C-T-E-D: --

From: The Commanding Officer.
To : The Secretary of the Navy.

Subject: History of the U.S.S. HABERSHAM (AK-186) - Forwarding of.

Reference: (a) CincPac Pearl Dispatch 142240 of September 1945. (ALPAC 202)

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Enclosure: (A) Subject History of Ship.

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U. S. S. HABERSHAM (AK-186)

A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE U.S.S. HABERSHAM (AK-186): --

The keel for the motor vessel HABERSHAM (Hull #MC-2117) was laid on 28 December 1943 at Walter Butler Shipbuilders Inc., Superior, Wisconsin, for the account of the U.S. Maritime Commission. The vessel was launched 7 June 1944, and building was completed 17 November 1944. The vessel was then ferried to Beaumont, Texas for re-assembly and fitting out, arriving 5 February 1945. On April 26, 1945 the vessel was accepted by the U.S. Navy. The U.S.S. HABERSHAM (AK-186) was placed in commission at Houston, Texas on 12 May 1945. Lieutenant Commander Malcolm A. Mac PHEE, (DM), (13689), U.S. Naval Reserve, Commanding. During the forthcoming few weeks the vessel was attached to the Industrial Manager, Eighth Naval District and on 21 May 1945 reported to Commander Gulf Shakedown Group, Galveston, Texas for shakedown training. During this period of time miscellaneous drills, exercises and pre-shakedown and shakedown requisites were accomplished. Shakedown training was completed in the Galveston Area on 27 May 1945, at which time the ship entered the Texas Coast Shipyards for a five day post shakedown availability. On 2 June 1945 the vessel was released by the Commander Gulf Shakedown Group to the Chief of Naval Operations for routing to Commander Service Force, Pacific Fleet, with ultimate assignment to Commander Service Squadron Eight, Service Force, Pacific Fleet, and on this date she proceeded to Gulfport, Mississippi to load general and refrigerated cargo. Upon completion of loading operations on 6 June the vessel departed the U.S. for Pearl Harbor, T.H., via the Panama Canal. Date of arrival at Panama, Canal Zone was 12 June 1945 and date of departure from Balboa, Canal Zone was 13 June 1945. On 13 June 1945 ship was reported by dispatch to Commander Service Squadron Eight, Service Force, Pacific Fleet, for duty. The ship arrived at Pearl Harbor, T.H. on 30 June 1945. All cargo was discharged at Pearl Harbor and on 4 July 1945 the ship proceeded to San Francisco, California with passengers, general cargo and U.S. Mail. Arrival at San Francisco, was on 12 July 1945. On 17 July loading operations were commenced, with the cargo being general and refrigerated. On 21 July loading operations completed and vessel took departure for Eniwetok, Marshall Islands. Arrival at Eniwetok, Marshall Islands was on 7 August 1945 and unloading operations commenced this date. Orders were received on 27 August 1945 from Commander in Chief, Pacific Ocean Area, Pearl Harbor, assigning this vessel temporary operational control of Commander Service Division 102. During the period of arrival until 9 September 1945 cargo was discharged and loaded at various times. On 9 September 1945 vessel took departure from Eniwetok, Marshall Islands enroute to Tokyo Bay, Japan, steaming in company with task unit 30.9.23, Commander Task Unit in this vessel. Date of arrival at Tokyo Bay, Japan was 17 September 1945.