WAR DIARY USS OBERON (AKA-14)

Month of June 1942

15 June Plus 4 Zone Time

At 1845 this day the S.S. Delalba was accepted by the Commandant Third Naval District for the United States Navy. At 1900 U.S.S. Oberon (AK-56) was placed in commission, Commander Ion Purcell USN., Commanding Officer.

15 to 30 June

Moored starboard side to Pier number one, Robins Dry Dock and Repair Co., Erie Basin, Brooklyn, New York, taking on stores and undergoing alterations and repairs by shipyard workers.
WAR DIARY USS OBERON (AKA-14)

Month of July 1942

1 to 5 of July Plus 4 Zone Time

Moored to Pier number one, Robins Dry Dock and Repair Co., Erie Basin, Brooklyn New York; taking on stores and undergoing alterations.

6 of July

At 0600 underway to Dry Dock number six, Robins Dry Dock and Repair Co., Erie Basin, Brooklyn New York. At 0701 entered dry dock for repair and alterations by ship yard.

7 and 8 July

In dry dock number six, Robins Dry Dock and Repair Co., Erie Basin, Brooklyn New York.

9 July

At 1652 afloat and underway returning to Pier number one, Pilot W. Sporall aboard. At 1710 moored starboard side to pier number one.

9 to 16 July

Moored alongside pier number one, Erie Basin, Brooklyn New York; taking on stores, completing alterations and repairs. Exercised at routine drills.

17 July

At 0755 underway in accordance with verbal orders Commandant Ship Repair Third District to ammunition anchorage Gravesend Bay. Pilot Kime at the conn. Proceeded on various courses and speed. At 0926 anchored at ammunition berth, Gravesend Bay in fifteen fathoms of water. While at anchorage ship took on ammunition from barge.

18 July

At 0603 underway from anchorage in Gravesend Bay to deperming dock Bayonne New York. At 0745 moored port side to deperming dock Bayonne New York. At 1647 underway from deperming dock to anchorage New York Harbor. At 1815 anchored in New York Harbor. Continued testing equipment.
19 to 23 July

Anchored in Gravesend Bay, New York continuing with alterations and testing equipment.

24 July

At 1004 in accordance with despatch orders, underway to Norfolk Va. At 2257 anchored off Reedy Island, Delaware River.

25 July

At 0609 underway threw Chesapeake Canal enroute to Norfolk Va. At 2256 anchored off Old Point Comfort, Hampton Roads, Va.

26 July

At 0710 underway to Naval Operating Base Norfolk Va. At 0734 moored to pier number four berth N.O.B. At 1258 shifted to piers number 11 and 12 Portsmouth Navy Yard.

27 to 31 July

Moored alongside pier #11 and 12 Portsmouth Navy Yard undergoing alterations.

This ship under orders of Commander Transport Amphibious Force Atlantic was moored to dock #2 Naval Operating Base, Norfolk, Virginia, taking on supplies, undergoing drills, preparatory to amphibious training.

August 3

At 1554 underway to anchorage in Chesapeake Bay. At 2020 anchored in Rappahannock anchorage, we carried on tactical maneuvers underway.

August 4 - 30

This period was devoted to continuous amphibious training off Solomon Islands. In addition the ship was drilled paravane streaming and tactical maneuvers with following ships: USS LEONARD WOOD, O.T.C., USS TITANIA, USS JOHN PENN and USS JOHN RUTLEDGE. The one-hundred and fifty men, seven officers of the U.S. Army who boarded ship on the twelfth participated in the amphibious drills.
September - Zone Time Plus 4.

This ship under the Operational Plan of Commander Transport Amphibious Force Atlantic Fleet, underwent continuous amphibious training in Chesapeake Bay. During this period, in addition to amphibious training we continued drilling the crew in all shipboard drills.
October 1 - 23, Zone Time Plus 4

This ship under the Operational Control of Commander Transports Amphibious Forces Atlantic Fleet was moored to pier #5 Chesapeake and Ohio Docks, Newport News, Virginia, undergoing drills, taking on supplies, making all preparation for sea. This ship is combat loaded.

October 24, Zone Time Plus 4

At 0726 underway by order of ComTransPhibForLant for Fedahala, North Africa. Moving in convoy using various zigzag plans. USS AUGUSTA O.T.C.

October 25, Zone Time Plus 4

0800 38° 10' N, 70° 20' W.
1200 38° 24' N, 69° 22' W.
2000 37° 57' N, 69° 12' W.

October 26, Zone Time Plus 4

0800 39° 03' N, 64° 25' W.
1200 39° 47' N, 62° 54' W.

October 27, Zone Time Plus 4

0800 39° 55' N, 57° 59' W.
1200 39° 54' N, 57° 06' W.
2000 39° 57' N, 54° 56' W.

October 28, Zone Time Plus 3

0800 39° 55' N, 51° 45' W.
1200 39° 55' N, 51° 04' W.
2000 39° 16' N, 48° 37' W.

October 29, Zone Time Plus 3

0800 39° 31' N, 46° 25' W.
1200 38° 09' N, 45° 21' W.
2000 37° 01' N, 43° 44' W.
October 30, Zone Time Plus 3

0800 35° 29' N, 41° 30' W.
1200 35° 06' N, 41° 02' W.
2000 34° 15' N, 40° 00' W.

October 31, Zone Time Plus 2

0800 34° 10' N, 36° 55' W.
1200 34° 27' N, 36° 23' W.
On the first of November this ship was underway from Newport News, Virginia to Fedhala, North Africa, under the direct command and by the orders of Commander Transports Amphibious Forces Atlantic Fleet. We were combat loaded with Army troops and Sundry motor-vehicles. The ship was traveling in convoy with the USS AUGUSTA O.T.C.

November 1, Zone Time Plus 2

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Month of November 1942

November 9, Zone Time 0

At 0140 we stopped all engines, lying to three miles off Fedhala, French Morocco, North Africa. Commenced lowering boats. After all boats were lowered we were underway on various courses and speeds in same area. At 1544, we anchored in assigned berth about 3 miles off Fedhala, French Morocco, North Africa.

November 9, Zone Time 0

At 0731 and again at 0819 we opened fire at groups of enemy planes. At 1056 we shifted anchorage to the debarkation area, at 1230 we again shifted berth to anchorage closer to the beach. At 1336 we anchored in assigned berth with Fedhala Light bearing 199°(t), distance 3000 yards.

November 10, Zone Time 0

At 0850 we commenced landing motor vehicles and troops.

November 11, Zone Time 0

At 1514 underway to dock inside breakwater at Fedhala, Pilot L. James aboard. At 1620 we were moored port side to Fedhala dock, French Morocco, North Africa. At 1700 commenced unloading gasoline drums and Sundry supplies.

November 12, Zone Time 0

Finished unloading cargo at 1011. At 1530 underway from dock to assigned anchorage off shore. At 1612 anchored in transport area off coast with Fedhala Light bearing 195°(t), distance 6000 yards. At 1731 submarines attacked transports at anchorage, USS RUTIGE, USS SCOTT and USS BLISS were hit by torpedoes. Picked up sixty-two survivors from USS BLISS. At 1805 underway using evasive tactics, increased speed to full continued with evasive tactics. Continued on zigzag course throughout the night.

November 13, Zone Time 0

Continued zigzagging on base course 287° to rendezvous at 0800 November 13. Rendezvous position 35° 00' N., 10° 23' W.
November 13, Zone Time 0 (Continued)

At 0720 joined convoy, assigned position and proceeding to the United States.

November 14, Zone Time 0

0800 Position: 34° 25' N., 09° 19' W.
1200 Position: 34° 26' N., 10° 05' W.
2000 Position: 34° 23' N., 12° 27' W.

At 0351 this day we were detached from convoy and proceeded in company with USS TITANIA to the United States, we were further ordered to rendezvous with Task Force 34.10.

November 15, Zone Time Plus 1

0800 Position: 34° 34' N., 16° 21' W.
1200 Position: 34° 25' N., 17° 30' W.
2000 Position: 34° 14' N., 19° 55' W.

November 16, Zone Time Plus 1

0800 Position: 34° 05' N., 23° 44' W.
1200 Position: 33° 50' N., 24° 44' W.
2000 Position: 33° 41' N., 27° 09' W.

November 17, Zone Time Plus 1

0800 Position: 33° 32' N., 30° 58' W.
1200 Position: 33° 26' N., 32° 10' W.
2000 Position: 33° 27' N., 34° 19' W.

November 18, Zone Time Plus 2

0800 Position: 33° 29' N., 37° 59' W.
1200 Position: 33° 22' N., 39° 12' W.
2000 Position: 33° 15' N., 41° 30' W.

November 19, Zone Time Plus 2

0800 Position: 32° 58' N., 45° 16' W.
1200 Position: 32° 51' N., 46° 28' W.
2000 Position: 32° 50' N., 48° 49' W.
November 20, Zone Time Plus 3

0800 Position: 32° 40' N., 52° 24' W.
1200 Position: 32° 40' N., 53° 32' W.
2000 Position: 32° 26' N., 54° 37' W.

November 21, Zone Time Plus 3

0800 Position: 32° 05' N., 57° 26' W.
1200 Position: 32° 05' N., 58° 34' W.
2000 Position: 32° 17' N., 60° 35' W.

November 22, Zone Time Plus 3

At 0725 this day we sighted convoy of six ships proceeding to United States. At 1000 we joined Task Force 34.10.

November 23, Zone Time Plus 4

0800 Position: 33° 32' N., 66° 20' W.
1200 Position: 33° 58' N., 67° 40' W.
2000 Position: 34° 35' N., 69° 55' W.

November 24, Zone Time Plus 4

At 1310 this day we entered the channel proceeding to Hampton Roads, Virginia. At 2147 we anchored off Hampton Roads, Virginia.

November 25, Zone Time Plus 4

At 1403 we were underway to dock. At 1510 we moored to pier #1 Army Base, Norfolk Virginia.

November 26 - 30, Zone Time Plus 4

Moored to pier #1, Army Base, Norfolk Virginia, taking on stores and awaiting further orders.
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OF THE

U. S. S. OBURON (AK 56)

Rate,

COMMANDED BY

ION PURSELL, U. S. Navy,

TRANSPORT Division,

Attached to AMPHIBIOUS Squadron,

U. S. ATLANTIC Fleet,

Commencing December 1, 1942, at PORTSMOUTH, VIRGINIA,

and ending December 31, 1942, at

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Moored to Pier #2 Army Base, Norfolk, Virginia.

Attached to Task Force Thirty, Amphibious Force, comprising 30.1 Support Group, 30.2 Transport Group, 30.3 Amphibious Corps, 30.4 Landing Craft Group, 30.5 Atlantic Amphibious Centre, 30.6 Naval Landing Force Equipment Depot.

Leave and Liberty period.

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James H. Beardsley
Ensign, U.S.N.R.
Moored to Pier #2 Army Base, Norfolk, Virginia.

1524 - Left berth at Army Base and proceeded to Norfolk Navy Yard, with 10 days limited availability, for voyage repairs.
1705 - Moored at Pier 4 Norfolk Navy Yard and work commenced on repairs. Secured Engineering Plant.

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George L. Sarris
Ens., U.S.N.R.

[Signatures]
**Total Ammunition on board:**

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Moored at Pier 4, Norfolk Navy Yard.

Receiving on board the following ammunition to fill expenditure occurred in Torch Operation, and additional allowance:

Ammunition received on board December 13, 1942.

To fill expended allowance.


50 Cases - 3"/50 Cal.

50 Tanks - 3"/50

1 lb. - Powder sample, SPDN 2884, 3"/50 Cal.

2 Bottles, 8 oz.

1620 Ctgls. - 20 Mk AA H.E. Tracer, Navy, National Fireworks

In 9 boxes, weight 1125 lbs.

1620 Ctgls. - 20 Mk AA H.E. Non-tracer, Navy, National Fireworks

In 9 boxes, weight 1125 lbs.

Additional allowance.


200 Cases 3"/50 Cal.

50 Boxes 3"/50 Cal. F. S. Weight 6,250 lbs.

8 - 3"/50 Cal dummy drill ct gs. with solid nose proj.

2 - Boxes 3"/50 Cal F. S. Weight 250 lbs.

5 - 5"/31 Cal. chgs. dummy drill type Tanks Mk. 6 5"/31 cal. Wgt. 185 lbs


200 Cases 3"/50 Cal.

50 Boxes 3"/50 Cal. Mk. 6, Weight 6250 lbs. 8 cts. lot 112, 192 cts. lot 113.

Powder samples SPDN 3245 3"/50 cal. 1 lb.

" " 2939 3"/50 cal 1 lb.

Bottles, 8 oz. - 4

In one box, weight 8 lbs.

Total Ammunition on board: (See Additional Sheet dated 13 Dec. 1942)

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George L. Sarris
Ensign, USNR

Approved:
ION PURSELL,
Commander, USN.

Examined:
W. DOUGHERTY,
Lieut. Comdr., D-M,

B. S. N., Navigator.
Moored at Pier 4 Norfolk Navy Yard.

0200 - Finished voyage repairs, let off boilers and cut in steam to Auxiliaries.


1130 - Moored to Pier, Berth 2, Fuel Annex, Craney Island and commenced bunkering draft 11'-6" forward, 21'-6" aft.

2026 - Finished bunkering, having received 6,507 barrels of fuel oil, 30 barrels diesel oil, 9,187 gals. gasoline.
Draft 13'-6" forward, 21'-6" aft.

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P. C. Linsenfink
C. C. Linsenfink
Ensign, USNR

Approved:

T. W. Purcell
Commander, USN.
Commanding

Examined:

W. Dougherty
Lieut. Comdr., D-M
USNR

O. N. V., Navigator.
Ships present USS CHARLES CARROLL.
0837 - Left Fuel dock and proceeded to loading berth.
0916 - Moored to berth 22, Pier 2, Naval Supply Annex, Army Base, Norfolk, Va.

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James H. Beardsley,
Ensign, USNR
Moored to Pier 2, Army Base, Norfolk, Virginia.

Detached from Task Force Thirty and attached to Task Force Thirty Nine, comprising USS CHARLES CARROLL; (flagship), USS ARCHITUS; USS JOSEPH T. DICKMAN; USS MONTICELLO; USS WILLIAM F. BIDDLE; USS THOMAS JEFFERSON; USS OBERTON; USS HERITAGE; in compliance with ComTaskFor 39 dispatch 180717 of December.

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R. G. Redmond,
Ensign, USNR

Approved:  TON PURSELL,
Commander, USN.,
Commanding

Examined:  W. DUGHERTY,
Lieut. Condr, D-M,
USNR

U.S. N., Navigator.
Moored to Berth 22, Pier 2, Naval Supply Annex, Army Base, Norfolk, Va.

Ships present: USS WILLIAM F. BIDDLE and USS HARRY LEE.

0915 - Commenced loading cargo in Nos. 1, 2 and 4 hatches.

Draft 13'0" forward, 21'6" aft.

2000 - Commenced loading cargo in No. 5 hatch.

2030 - Commenced loading cargo in No. 3 hatch.

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C. L. Lingevelt
C. C. Lingevelt, Ensign, USNR

Approved: ION PURSELL, Commander, USN., Commanding.

Examined: W. DOUTHITY, Lieut. Comdr. D-M., USNR

D. H. M., Navigator.
Moored to berth 22, pier 2, Naval Supply Annex, Army base, Norfolk, Va.

1200 - Finished loading all cargo, having received 2222 tons as follows:
1200 tons knock-down huts.
120 tons dismantled water tanks.
100 tons assorted lumber.
801 tons mobile construction machinery and parts.
1 ton dynamite and percussion caps.

For Port "Epic" - 1217 tons.
For Port "Ebor" - 1005 tons.

Draft upon completion of loading.

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Arnold Regal
Ensign, USNR

Approved:
Tom Purcell
Commander, USN.

Examined:
W. Doughterty
Lieut. Comdr. II, USNR

U. S. N., Navigator.
2000-2400  Steaming as before.

H. R. Spiers,
Lieut.(JG) USNR
0000-0400
Moored at Pier 2, Naval Supply Annex, Army Base, Norfolk, Va.

0400-0800
Moored at Pier 2, Naval Supply Annex, Army Base, Norfolk, Va.

0800-1200
Moored at Pier 2, Naval Supply Annex, Army Base, Norfolk, Va.

1000
In compliance with orders ComTaskFor Thirty Nine left berth and proceeded in company with Task Force Thirty Nine enroute Base LOVE.

Lt. Comdr., USNR

1200-1600
1337. On passing Cape Henry formed column in the following order:
(1) USS CHARLES CARROLL, (2) USS ARCTURIS, (3) USS JOSEPH P. DICKMAN,
(4) USS WILLIAM F. BIDDLE, (5) USS THOMAS JEFFERSON, (6) USS OBERON,
(7) USS MONTICELLO, (8) USS HERMITAGE.

1335
Joined by Escort, DesDiv Nineteen less HAMILTON, plus MURPHY and ELLYSON; set course 135 True, speed 14 knots, 80 rpm.

1400
Passed buoy 228 abeam to port and a/c to 045 True.

1451
Passed buoy 16 CLS abeam to port and a/c to 090 True.

1555
Passed buoy whistle buoy abeam to port and a/c to 070 True.

1600-2000
1700
USS MONTICELLO took up position 4 in column.

1800
Changed to cruising disposition 2-Hypo as follows:
Left column - (11) USS CHARLES CARROLL (Flagship); (12) USS ARCTURIS;
(13) USS JOSEPH P. DICKMAN; (14) USS MONTICELLO; Right column -
(21) USS WILLIAM F. BIDDLE; (22) USS THOMAS JEFFERSON; (23) USS OBERON;
(24) USS HERMITAGE.

1907
Passed point X-M., end of swept channel.

1930
Changed course to 123 True.

2000
Passed point X-M., end of swept channel.

2000
Position - Latitude 36° 50' N - Longitude 74° 25' W.

Approved:
JON PURSELL
Commander, USNR,
Commanding

Examined:
W. DOUGHERTY
Lieut. Comdr., USNR,
R. E. N., Navigator.
1800-2000
1845 Ceased Zig Zagging due to darkness and resumed base course 180 True.
1900 Changed course by wheeling to 210 True.
2000 Changed course by wheeling to 180 True.
2000 Position - Latitude 31° 46' N. Longitude 73° 47' W.

E. F. Anderegg
Lt. Comdr., USNR

2000-2400
Steaming as before.

E. Schafer
Lieut. (jg) USNR

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Commanding

Examined: W. Dougherty
W. D. Dougherty
B. S. N., Navigator
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0000-0400
Steaming in company with Task Force Thirty Nine, USS CHARLES CARROLL, Flagship, Operation Plan 1-42, enroute Norfolk, Va., to Base LOVE. Steaming on both boilers, standard speed 14 knots, 84 rpm, Course 180 True.
0230 Commenced Zig Zagging according to Plan #40 MERIG.

Lt. Comdr. USNR

0400-0800
Steaming as before.
0703 Executed 45° emergency turn to port.
0720 Executed 45° emergency turn to starboard.
0725 Resumed Base Course 180 True.
0730 Resumed Zig Zagging according to Plan #40.
0800 Position - Latitude 34° 17' N. Longitude 73° 46' W.

Lt. Comdr. USNR

0800-1200
Steaming as before.
0930 Tested all 20 H.M. guns.
1200 Position - Latitude 33° 31' N. Longitude 73° 44' W.

Ens., USNR

1200-1600
Steaming as before.

Ens., USNR

1600-1800
Steaming as before.

Ens., USNR

1800-2000
Steaming as before.

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Commanding

Lieut. Comdr. D-M.
USNR
U. S. S. CURRON

Date: December 29, 1942

1800-2000

Steaming as before.

1900

Seased Zig Zagging and resumed base course 180° True.

1915

Changed course by wheeling to 215° True.

Position 2000

Latitude 25° 00' N.
Longitude 74° 01' W.

H. R. Spiers
Lieut. (jg) USNR

2000-2400

Steaming as before.

2022

Changed course by wheeling to 180° True.

D. F. Anderegg
Lieut. Comdr. USNR

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Steaming in company with Task Force 39, USS CHARLES CARROLL, Flagship.
Operating Plan 1-42, enroute Norfolk, Va., to Base LOVE.
Steaming on both boilers, Standard speed 14 knots, 65 rpm, Course 180° True.
0118 Commenced Zig Zagging according to Plan #40 MERSIG.
0131 Ceased Zig Zagging and resumed base course 180° True.

E. R. Spier,  
Lieut. (jg) USNR

0400-0800
Steaming as before.
0647 Resumed Zig Zagging according to plan #40 MERSIG.

Position 0800
Latitude 29° 49' N.
Longitude 75° 30' W.

E. Dougherty,  
Lieut. Comdr. USNR

0800-1200
Steaming as before.
0930 Tested all 20 H.M. guns.
1032 Adjusted base course to 185° True.

Position 1200
Latitude 27° 50' N.
Longitude 73° 43' W.

R. O. Redmond,  
Ens. USNR

1200-1600
Steaming as before.

C. C. Lingremen  
Ens. USNR

1600-2000
Steaming as before.

R. O. Redmond,  
Ens. USNR

Approved: T. F. Purcell,  
Commanding, USN.

Examined:  
U. S. N., Navigator.
1200-1600
Steaming as before.
1534 Ceased Zig Zagging and resumed base course 195° True.
1544 Altered course by wheeling to 156° True.

1600-1800
Steaming as before.
1604 Resumed Zig Zagging according to Plan #30, Base course 156° True.

1800-2000
Steaming as before.
1915 Ceased Zig Zagging and resumed base course 156° True.
1934 Changed course by wheeling to 126° True.
Position 2000
Latitude 21° 12' N.
Longitude 74° 26' W.

2000-2400
Steaming as before.
2035 Changed course by wheeling to 161° True.
2050 Sighted Cape Mayai Light bearing 120° True, distance approximately 35 miles.
2348 Executed emergency turn 45° to port, bringing ship to course 115° True.
2400 Executed emergency turn 45° to starboard bringing ship to course 160° True.

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Examined: W. Dougherty
Lieut. Comdr. D.M., USNR

(U. S. N., Navigator.

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0246
Commenced Zig Zagging according to plan #30 MNRSIG.
0250
Sighted San Salvador light bearing 230° True, approximate distance 32 miles.

E. Schaffert
Lieut. (jg) USNR

0400-0800
Steaming as before.
0435
San Salvador light abeam to starboard, distance 25 miles.
0456
Ceased Zig Zagging and resumed course 180° True.
0506
Changed course by wheeling to 200° True.
0516
Commenced Zig Zagging according to Plan #30 MNRSIG.
Position 0800
Latitude 23° 22' N.
Longitude 74° 13' W.

Wm. Dougherty
Lt. Comdr. USN

0800-1200
Steaming as before.
0900
Tested all 20 m.m. guns.
0925
Ceased Zig Zagging and resumed base course 200° True.
0933
Changed base course by wheeling to 220° True.
0936
Sighted Bird Rock lighthouse bearing 172° True, approximate distance 18 miles.
0946
Commenced Zig Zagging according to Plan #30.
1025
Ceased Zig Zagging and resumed base course 220° True.
1032
Passed Bird Rock lighthouse abeam to port, distance 12 miles.
1039
Changed base course to 105° True and resumed Zig Zagging according to Plan #30.
Position 1200
Latitude 22° 45' N.
Longitude 74° 37' W.

C. C. Lingorfelt
Ens., USNR

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Commanding

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W. DOUGHERTY
Lieut. Comdr. D.M.,
USNR

U.S.N., Navigator.
1200-1600  Steaming as before.
1213  Sighted left tangent Jamaica Island, bearing 250° True, distance 46 miles.

C. G. Longer,  
Ensign, USNR

1600-1800  Steaming as before.
1623  Ceased Zig Zagging and resumed base course 225° True.
1635  Changed course by wheeling to 205° True.
1640  Commenced Zig Zagging according to Plan #40 MERSIC.

R. B. Redmond,  
Ensign, USNR

1800-2000  Steaming as before.
1915  Ceased Zig Zagging and resumed base course 205° True.
1933  Changed base course by wheeling to 175° True.
Position 2000  
Latitude 16° 45’ N.  
Longitude 76° 31’ W.

P. F. Andreage,  
Lieut. Comdr. USNR

2000-2400  Steaming as before.
2033  Changed base course by wheeling to 205° True.

Edward Schafer,  
Lieut. (jg) USNR

Approved: Don Pursell,  
Commander, USN.  
Commanding.
ZONE DESCRIPTION.

REMARKS.

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Steamin g in company with Task Force 39, USS CHARLES CARROLL, Flagship.
Operation plan 1-42, Enroute Norfolk, Va. to Base LOVE. Steaming on
both boilers. Standard Speed 15 Knots (95 R.P.M.) course 101° True.
0015
Cape Mayai light abeam to starboard, distance 13 miles.
0034
Changed course by wheeling to 181° True.
0133
Changed course by wheeling to 205° True.
0145
Changed course by wheeling to 220° True.
0155
Commenced Zig Zagging according to Plan #30 MERSIG.

B. F. Anderson
Lieut. Comdr., USNR

0400-0800
Steamin g as before.
0615
Sighted Island of Haitl on port beam.
0755
Observed Right tangent on Cape Tiburon, Haiti, bearing 149° True,
approximate distance 49 miles.
Position 0800 Latitute 19° 38' N.
 Longitude 74° 36' W.

W. Dougherty
Lieut. Comdr., USNR

0800-1200
Steamin g as before.
0854
Sighted Navassa Island light bearing 188° True, approximate distance
20 miles.
0933
Changed base course to 226° True.
0943
Ceased Zig Zagging and resumed base course 225° True.
0950
Commenced Zig Zagging according to Plan #40, Base course 225° True.
1029
Passed Navassa Island light abeam to port, distance 11 miles.
Position 1200 Latitude 18° 16' N.
 Longitude 75° 20' W.

R. C. Redmond
Ens., USNR

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V. E. N., Navigator.
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<td>2100 Changed course by wheeling to 208° True</td>
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00:00-0400 Steaming in company with Task Force 32, U.S.S. Charles Carroll, flagship. Operation plan #1-42, enroute Norfolk, Va, to Base Love. Steaming on both boilers, standard speed 13 knots (75 RPM), course 206° True.

0400-0800 Steaming as before.
0638 Sighted Isle Grande light, bearing 161° true, approximate distance 28 miles.
1116 Changed course by wheeling to 186° true.
0632 Resumed zigzagging according to plan #40, base course 188° true.
0728 Executed a 45° emergency turn to starboard.
0733 Executed a 45° emergency turn to port, zigzagging according to plan #40, base course 188° true.
0737 Isle Grande lighthouse abeam to port, approximate distance 10 miles.
0745 Reduced speed to two thirds to form column as follows: (1) Carroll, (2) Asturias, (3) Diskin, (4) Monticello, (5) Middle, (6) Jefferson, (7) Harnett, (8) Okefenokee.
Position 0800 - Latitude 3°33'N Longitude 76°49'W

0800-1200 Steaming as before.
0809 Sighted swept channel buoy bearing 266° true, distance 2 miles.
0916 Resumed standard speed, 18 knots (80 RPM)
0933 Set course at 180° true
3181 Changed speed to hold position in swept channel, maintained various courses and speeds thereafter, Captain, Executive Officer and Navigator on the bridge.
0940 Passed between east and west breakwater lights at entrance to Liman Bay.
0942 Canal Zone Pilot W. Reid, came aboard to assist in docking.
0950 Passed buoy #2A, abeam to port.
1037 Passed buoy #2A, abeam to starboard.
1111 Moored port side to pier #6 Crisol, Panama Canal Zone, 16 eight inch manila lines in use. Pilot W. Reid left ship.
1157 #2 boiler secured, #1 boiler in use for auxiliary purposes.

1200-1600 Moored as before.
1205 Comenced taking fresh water.
1226 Lt. Rawhouse, USNR. (landing officer) came on board from the Port Directors Office on Official business.
1241 Comenced taking on bunker fuel. Draft before fueling 19'6" forward, 24'6" Aft.

1600-1800 Moored as before.
1600 Finished taking bunker fuel, having received 254 barrels, draft 19'9" Forward, 24'6" Aft.
1605 Lit off #2 boiler (22)
1650 Pilot, E. L. Smith came aboard.
1605 Monticello, Usan, abeam to port.
1605 tug U.S. Arraijan made fast to starboard bow to assist in docking.
1656 Underway to transit Panama Canal, Pilot, E. L. Smith came aboard the Conn. Captain, Executive Officer and Navigator on the bridge. Standard speed 60 RPM (14 knots). Proceeding at various speeds and courses conforming to channel.

1800-2000 Steaming as before.
1935 Entered Gatun Locks.

Approved: J. W. Sheff.
COMMAN RANS.

Examined: W. Dougherty
Lieu. Comdr. D-M
Capt. Navigator.
1957  Cleared Gatun Locks and proceeded at one-third speed ahead.

E. Schafer
E. Schafer
Lt. (jg) USNR

2000-2400  Steaming as before.
2002  Proceeding at various courses and speeds conforming to channel.
2022  Passed buoy #13 abeam to Port, distance 76 ft. Entering Pine Blanca Reach.
2230  Entered Gulebra Cut. CF
2240  Changed speed to two-thirds entering Gaillard Cut.
2050  Entered Cucaracha Cut.
2300  Entered Paraíso Reach.
2304  Changed speed to one-third ahead, approaching Pedro Miguel Locks.
2328  Entered Pedro Miguel Locks.
2355  Cleared Pedro Miguel Locks, proceeded at various courses and speeds to Miraflores Locks.

W. Dougherty
Lt. Comdr. USNR

Approved:

Commander USN.

Examined:

U. S. N. Navigator.

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0000-0400  Steaming independently in transit Panama Canal. Pilot H.S. Smithies at the Conn. Captain, Executive Officer and Navigator on the Bridge. Proceeding at various speeds and courses conforming to channel. Standard speed 80 RPM (14 knots) entering Miraflores Locks.

0022  Entered first lock of Miraflores Locks.

0118  Cleared Miraflores Locks and proceeded at various courses and speeds to berth.

0227  Anchored with 45 fathoms of chain to starboard anchor and stern moored to mooring buoy "H" with 2 (8") manila lines, in 7 fathoms of water in Balboa Harbor.

0400-0800  Moored as before.

0800-1200  Moored as before.

1200-1600  Moored as before.

1600-1800  Moored as before.

1730  Received the following ammunition aboard: 2000 605, .45 cal. M1911, 113 FA.

1800-2000  Moored as before.

1800  Commanding Task Force thirty-nine (39) hoisted his flag on the U.S.S. Thomas Jefferson.

1909  U.S.S. Hermitage stood in and moored at pier #6.

2000-2400  Moored as before.

2400-0000  Moored as before.

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Approved:  
JOSEPH PURSELL
COMMANDING OFFICER

Examined:  
W. DOUGHERTY  
U.S.N., Navigator
ZONE DESCRIPTION

REMARKS.


0400-0800 Moored as before.

0800-1200 Moored as before.

1101 U.S.S. Trenton, stood in and moored along starboard side of U.S.S. Concord.

1200 Received information that designating number of Task Force thirty-nine (39) was changed to nineteen (19).

1200-1600 Moored as before.

1600-1800 Moored as before.

1800-2000 Moored as before.

1912 U.S.S. Trenton, shifted to berth at pld.

1900 Retarded clocks, 1 hr. to zone +6 time.

2000-2400 Moored as before.

Approved: E. PURSELL
COMMANDER USN.
COMMANDING

Examined: W. DOUGHERTY
LHMT. COMDR. D-1
USNR.

Adrian A. Maugh
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<td>Moored as before. Lit off #1 boiler and generator.</td>
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<td>1420</td>
<td>Pilot D.S. Heath came aboard.</td>
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<td>1437</td>
<td>Tug &quot;Mariner&quot; made fast to starboard bow to assist in shifting berth.</td>
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<td>1450</td>
<td>Underway to shift berth, pilot D.S. Heath at the conn., Captain, Executive Officer, and Navigator on the bridge. Standard speed 80 RPM (14 knots). Proceeding at various speeds and courses to conform with channel and harbor traffic.</td>
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<td>1520</td>
<td>Moored port side to pier #9, Balboa Harbor, Panama Canal Zone, 18-8&quot; manila lines in use.</td>
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<td>1529</td>
<td>Tug &quot;Mariner&quot; cast off.</td>
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<td>1531</td>
<td>Pilot D.S. Heath left the ship.</td>
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<td>1600-1800</td>
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<td>1600</td>
<td>Secured #2 boiler.</td>
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<td>1610</td>
<td>Commenced taking on bunker fuel. Draft before fueling 24 ft. aft, 19 ft. forward.</td>
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<td>1735</td>
<td>Secured taking on bunker fuel. Draft forward 20.00 ft. aft, 24.00 ft.</td>
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<td>1930</td>
<td>Fuel received 541 bbls.</td>
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<td>1800-2000</td>
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<td>1935</td>
<td>Commenced loading Diesel fuel.</td>
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<td>2000-2400</td>
<td>Moored as before.</td>
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<td>2115</td>
<td>Secured loading Diesel oil having received 90 barrels.</td>
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COMMANDER, USNR, COMMANDING

Examined: [Signature]
LIEUT. COMDR. D.M. USNR.

F.S.M., Navigator.
## REMARKS

### 0000-0400
Moored as before, portside to Pier #6, Balboa Harbor, Panama Canal Zone. 17-1/2, 18-inch manila lines in use.

Adrian A. Mauget
Lt.(jg) USNR.

### 0400-0600
Moored as before.

U.S.S. Congo stood out.

E. Schafer
Lt.(jg) USNR.

### 0600-1200
Moored as before.


Captain, Executive Officer and Navigator on the Bridge. Canal Zone Pilot E. Sims at the con.

Standard speed 15 knots (85 RPM). Steering on various courses at various speeds, conforming to channel.

Passed through obstruction nets.

Buoy #1 ahead to starboard, set course 175° T.

Buoy "X" ahead to port, changed course to 155° T.

Pilot Sims left the ship.

Passed Toboguilla Light ahead to starboard, distance 1800 yds., changed course to 180° T.

Position 1300 Latitude 8°38’-N Longitude 79°30’ W.

### 1200-1600
Steaming as before.

U.S.S. Dickman left formation and took position 6 in column, showing breakdown signal.

 HMAC ahead to starboard; distance 5.5 miles.

All hands to General Quarters. Set speed 10 knots for surface target practice on pyramid target in tow.

Commenced firing.

Ceased firing; having expended 20 rounds 3"/50 Cal., 10 rounds 5"/61 Cal. ammunition.

### 1600-2000
Steaming as before.

Changed standard speed to 12 knots.

Changed to formation 2 Kypo, in the following order: (11) Jefferson (12) Arcturus (13) Biddle (21) Hermitage (22) Oberon (23) Dickman.

Commenced steaming according to Plan #40. Base course 180° True.

Commenced steaming according to Plan #40. Base course 180° True.

Ceased steaming, resumed base course 180° True.

Clocks retarded 20 minutes.

Position 2000 Latitude 07° -11’ N Longitude 79°-39’ W.

### 2000-2400
Steaming as before.

Approved:

W. D. Purnell, Commander, USN.
COMMANDING

Examined:

B. E. Buehler, Lt.(jg) USNR.

W. D. Purnell, Lt.(jg) USNR.
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| 0400-0800 | Steaming as before.  
0633 | Changed course by wheeling to 224° True.  
0608 | Changed course by wheeling to 256° True.  
0637 | Resumed zigzagging according to plan #40, base course 255° True.  
Position 0800, Lat. 60°07' N Long. 30°22' W |
| 0800-1200 | Steaming as before.  
0815 | Changed speed to 14 knots.  
0909 | Changed base course to 252° True.  
Position 1200 - Lat. 04°50' N Long. 81°19' W |
| 1200-1600 | Steaming as before.  
1202 | Changed speed to 15 knots (90RPM) |
| 1600-1800 | Steaming as before. |
| 1800-2000 | Steaming as before.  
1900 | Clocks retarded 20 minutes  
1900 | Ceased zigzagging and resumed base course 252° True.  
Position 2000, Lat. 04°02' N Long. 88°19' W |
| 2000-2400 | Steaming as before. |
REMARKS.


H. R. Spiers,
Lt. (jg) USNR.

0400-0800  Steaming as before.

0500  Changed course by wheeling to 287° True.

0531  Commenced zigzagging according to Plan # 40. Base course 257° True.

Position 0800 - Lat. 02°-31' N - Long. 86°-04' W.

D. P. Anderegg,
Lieut. Comdr. USNR.

0800-1200  Steaming as before.

0842  Changed base course to 261° True.

Position 1200 - Lat. 02°-42' N - Long. 87°-06' W.

R. G. Redmond,
Ensign, USNR.

1200-1600  Steaming as before.

1600-1800  Steaming as before.

1800-2000  Steaming as before.

1832  Executed emergency turn 45° to Port.

1839  Executed emergency turn 45° to Starboard.

1843  Executed emergency turn 45° to Starboard.

1846  Resumed base course 261° True.

1900  Clocks retarded 20 minutes to zone +8 time.

Position 2000 Lat. 02°-23' N - Long. 88°-03' W.

D. P. Anderegg,
Lieut. Comdr. USNR.

2000-2400  Steaming as before.

Adrian A. Wright,
Lt. (jg) USNR.

Approved:  R. F. Purnell
Commander, USN.

Examined:  W. Dougherty
lieut. Comdr., USN.
0000-0400  Steaming in company with Task Force No. 19, U. S. S. Thomas Jefferson, flagship.
   Base Course 261° T.
   E. Schaefer
   E. Scharer
   Lt. (jg) USNR.

0400-0800  Steaming as before.
   0630  Commenced zigzagging according to plan No. 40, base course 291° True.
   0633  Sighted Vanuwan Island, bearing 216° T. Approximate distance 22 miles.
   0633  Ceased zigzagging and resumed base course 291° T.
   0636  Changed base course by wheeling to 300° T.
   0639  Sighted Culpepper Island, bearing 287° T. Approximate distance 23 miles.
   0634  Passed Vanuwan Island abreast to Port, approximate distance 20 miles.
   0700  Changed base course by wheeling to 290° T.
   0711  Commenced zigzagging according to Plan No. 19, base course 290° T.
   0750  Ceased zigzagging and resumed base course 290° T.
   0755  Changed base course by wheeling to 282° T. Culpepper Island abreast to Port, approximate distance 125 miles.
   Position 0800 Latitude 17°51' N - Longitude 91°58' W.
   H. R. Spiers
   Lt. (jg) USNR.

0800-1200  Steaming as before.
   0915  Commenced zigzagging according to Plan No. 19, base course 262° T.
   0943  Ceased zigzagging and resumed base course, 262° T.
   1049  Commenced zigzagging according to Plan No. 19, base course 262° T.
   Position 1200 Latitude 02°00' N Longitude 93°00' W.
   C. S. Lingesfeldt
   Ensign, USNR.

1200-1600  Steaming as before.
   1337  Changed base course to 227° True.
   1403  Ceased zigzagging and resumed base course 227° True.
   1411  Commenced zigzagging under Plan No. 11, base course 227° T.

1600-2000  Steaming as before.
   C. S. Lingesfeldt
   Ensign, USNR.

1800-2200  Steaming as before.
   1800  Clocks retarded 20 minutes.
   1900  Ceased zigzagging and resumed base course 227° T.
   Position 2000 Latitude 10°20' N - Longitude 94°45' W.
   H. R. Spiers
   Lt. (jg) USNR.

2000-2400  Steaming as before.
   W. T. Andreaga
   Lt. Comdr., USNR.

Approved:  E. R. Purcell
   Commander, USN.
   Commanding
0000-0400 - Steaming in company with Task Force #19, U.S.S. THOMAS JEFFERSON, flagship. Operation Plan #1-43, both boilers in use. Base course 257° true, standard speed 16 knots, 85 R.P.M.

Adrian A. Baugh, Lt (jg) USNR

0400-0800 - Steaming as before.

0830 Commenced Zig Zagging according to Plan #21. Base Course 257° true.

Position 0800 = Latitude 00° 34' N, Longitude 96° 05' W.

E. Schatz, Lt(jg) USNR

0800-1200 - Steaming as before.

0919 Reduced speed due to temporary difficulty with water feed line to Boilers, left Station #22 in formation and took position #23.

0930 Mechanical difficulty repaired, proceeded to resume station. Course 257° true and speed 17 knots, 85 R.P.M.

1200 Resumed position #22 in formation and resumed standard speed 16 knots, 85 R.P.M.

Course 257° true.

Position 1200 = Latitude 00° 29' N, Longitude 96° 55' W.

R. C. Redmond, Ensign, USNR

1200-1600 - Steaming as before.

1352 Changed course by wheeling to 252° true.

C. C. Lingaroff, Ensign, USNR

1600-1800 Steaming as before.

R. C. Redmond, Ensign, USNR

1800-2000 - Steaming as before.

1830 Changed base course by wheeling to 222° true.

1945 Changed base course by wheeling to 282° true.

1956 Retarded clocks 20 minutes.

Position 2000 = Latitude 00° 17' S, Longitude 100° 50' W.

R. C. Redmond, Ensign, USNR

2000-2400 - Steaming as before.

H. M. Spier, Lt(jg) USNR

Approved: G. D. Purcell, Commander, USN, Commanding.

Examined: W. Dochterey, L.t. Com., USNR
**ZONE DESCRIPTION 6 2/3**

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Position 0800 Latitude 01°-21' S, Longitude 103°-33' W.

Position 1200 Latitude 01°-44' S, Longitude 104°-39' W.

Position 2000 Latitude 27°-19' S, Longitude 108°-50' W.

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Examined: [Signature]

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COMMANDER, USN.
COMMANDING
ZONE DESCRIPTION: 7

REMARKS.

0000-0400 Steaming in company with Task Force #19, U.S.S. Thomas Jefferson, flagship.
Lt.(jg) H. Kipper
Lt.(jg) USNR.

0400-0800 Steaming as before.

0810 Commenced zigzagging according to plan #11, base course 282° True.
Position 0800 Latitude 03°17' S Longitude 109°55' W.

D. F. Andersen
Lieut.Comdr., USNR.

0800-1200 Steaming as before.

0945 Changed base course by wheeling to 250° True.
Position 1200 Latitude 03°26' S Longitude 110°56' W.

E. C. Redmond
Ensign, USNR.

1200-1600 Steaming as before.

1600-2000 Steaming as before.

1822 Changed course by wheeling to 230° True.
1937 Changed course by wheeling to 250° True.
1956 Retarded clocks 30 minutes.
Position 2000 Latitude 4°12' S Longitude 112°12' W

D. F. Andersen
Lieut.Comdr., USNR.

2000-2400 Steaming as before.

2400-0000 Steaming as before.

Ensign A. Haught
Lt.(jg) USNR.

Approved:

T. C. Fussell
COMMANDER, USNR.,
COMMANDE
           20 RPM (16 knots).
           F. Schaf, Lt. (j.g.) USNR.

0400-0800  Steaming as before.
0600  Commenced zigzagging according to Plan # 11, base course 280° True.
0656  Ceased zigzagging and resumed base course 260° True.
       Position 0600 Latitude 06°-19' S. Longitude 116°-13' W.
       H. P. Spiers, Lt. (j.g.) USNR.

0800-1200  Steaming as before.
0856  Changed course to 288° True.
       Position 1200 Latitude 5°-39' S. Longitude 117°-18' W
       C. C. Lingelbach Jr., Ensign, USNR.

1200-1600  Steaming as before.
1300-1600  Steaming as before.
1600-2000  Steaming as before.
1618  Changed course by wheeling to 222° True.
1933  Changed course by wheeling to 282° True.
1944  Commenced zigzagging according to plan # 11, mean course 253° True.
1955  Retarded clocks 30 minutes.
       Position 2000 Latitude 6°-29' S. Longitude 119°-24' W.
       H. P. Spiers, Lt. (j.g.) USNR.

2000-2400  Steaming as before.
           D. F. Anderson, Lieut. Comdr, USNR.

Approved: Capt. Frese, Commander, USN.
Examined: Capt. Frese, Commander, USN.
0049  Ceased zigzagging and resumed base course 252° True.

Adrian A. Mungall
Lt.(jg) USNR

0400-0800  Steaming as before.
0600  Commenced zigzagging on plan # 11, base course 252° True.
0618  Ceased zigzagging and resumed base course 252° True.
0620  U.S.S. Thomas Jefferson, left formation and took position (13) for fueling operations. Reduced speed to 10 knots (68 RPM).
Position 0800  Latitude 07°-25' S Longitude 122°-21' W.

E. Schaefer
Lt.(jg) USNR

0800-1200  Steaming as before.
1045  U.S.S. Strong finished fueling and cast off from the U.S.S. Dickman.
1110  U.S.S. Cony finished fueling and cast off from the U.S.S. Thomas Jefferson.
1200  Escort resumed position.
Position 1200  Latitude 07°-41' S Longitude 123°-02' W.

R. G. Redmond
Ensign, USNR

1200-1600  Steaming as before.
1317  U.S.S. Thomas Jefferson resumed station # 11, in formation and speed was increased to 15 knots (90 RPM).

C. C. Longworth Jr.
Ensign, USNR

1600-2000  Steaming as before.
1815  Changed course by wheeling to 292° true.
1830  Changed course by wheeling to 282° true.
1943  Commenced zigzagging on plan # 40, base course 252° True.
1950  Retarded clocks 30 minutes.
Position 2000  Latitude 08°-14' S Longitude 125°-08' W

E. Schaefer
Lt. (jg) USNR

2000-2400  Steaming as before.

W. E. Spieris
Ensign, USNR

Approved:  
E. Parkes

W. Dougherty,  
Libby, Comdr. D-M  
C.O. Investigator.
ZONE DESCRIPTION: 8:1/2

REMARKS:

0000-0400  Steaming in company with Task Force #19, U.S.S. Thomas Jefferson, flagship, Operation plan # 1-44. Both boilers in use. Zigzagging according to plan # 11, base course 256° T. Standard speed 15 knots (80 RPM).

0132  Ceased zigzagging and resumed base course 256° T.

0400-0800  Steaming as before.

0450  Commenced zigzagging on plan # 11, base course 256° T.

Position 0800  - Latitude 09°-57' S  - Longitude 120°-06' W.

Adrian A. Maugha
Lt.(jg) USNR.

0800-1200  Steaming as before.

Position 1200  - Latitude 09°-00' S  - Longitude 120°-01' W.

C. S. Lingenfels Jr.
Ensign, USNR.

1200-1600  Steaming as before.

F. C. Redmond
Ensign, USNR.

1600-2000  Steaming as before.

1800  Ceased zigzagging and resumed base course 256° T.

1930  Changed course by wheeling to 226° T.

1940  Commenced zigzagging on plan # 11.

1950  Ceased zigzagging and resumed base course 226° T.

2000  Changed course by wheeling to 256° T.

2050  Commenced zigzagging according to plan # 11, base course 256° T.

1905  Retarded clocks 30 minutes.

Position 2000  - Latitude 09°-56' S  - Longitude 133°-05' W

Adrian A. Maugha
Lt.(jg) USNR.

2000-2400  Steaming as before.

E. Schauer
Ensign, USNR.

0154  Ceased zigzagging and resumed base course 226° True.

0800-0800  Steaming as before.

0845  Commenced zigzagging according to plan #11. Base course 225° True.

0900-1200  Steaming as before.

1200-1300  Position 1200 - Latitude 10° 55' S - Longitude 138° 07' W.

1300-1800  Steaming as before.

1400-2000  Steaming as before.

1600-2000  Ceased zigzagging and resumed base course 225° True.

1832  Changed course by wheeling to 225° True.

1854  Commenced zigzagging according to plan #11, base course 225° True.

1930  Ceased zigzagging and resumed base course, 226° True.

2038  Changed course by wheeling to 228° True.

2205  Commenced zigzagging according to plan #11, base course 225° True.

2355  Clocks retarded 30 minutes.

Position 2000 - Latitude 11° 18' S - Longitude 137° 11' W.

2000-2400  Steaming as before.

2002  Aroturus displayed breakdown signal and left formation.

2021  Reduced speed to 10 knots (50 RPM).

2120  Aroturus resumed formation.

2144  Increased speed to 15 knots (90 RPM).

2144  Commenced zigzagging according to plan #11.

2146  Aroturus displayed breakdown signal and left formation.

2150  Reduced speed to 10-knots (50 RPM).

2211  Ceased zigzagging and resumed base course 225° True.

2232  Aroturus resumed position in formation.

2235  Increased speed to 15 knots (90 RPM).

2235  Commenced zigzagging according to plan #11, base course 226° True.
ZONE DESCRIPTION +3 1/2

REMARKS.

Operation plan #1-43. Both boilers in use. Zigzagging according to plan #11, base course 256° True. Standard speed 15 knots (90 RPM).
0237 Ceased zigzagging and resumed base course 256° True.
E. Schenck
Lt. (jg) USNR

0400-0800 Steaming as before.
0436 Commenced zigzagging according to plan #11, base course 256° True.
Position 0800 - Latitude 12° 01'S Longitude 135° 57' W.
H. B. Spier
Lt. (jg) USNR

0800-1200 Steaming as before.
0916 Changed speed to 10 knots (60 RPM). Arcturus displayed breakdown signal and left formation.
0944 Ceased zigzagging and resumed base course 255° True.
0946 Arcturus resumed position in formation.
0951 Changed speed to 15 knots (90 RPM).
0956 Commenced zigzagging according to plan #11, base course 256° True.
Position 1200 - Latitude 12° 00' S - Longitude 140° 09' W.
S. C. Linggertel Jr.
Ensign, USNR

1200-1600 Steaming as before.
1529 Adjusted base course to 256° True.
R. E. Redmond
Ensign, USNR

1600-1800 Steaming as before.
S. C. Linggertel Jr.
Ensign, USNR

1800-2000 Steaming as before.
1930 Ships clocks retarded 20 minutes.
Position 2000 Latitude 12° 47'S Longitude 142° 54' W.
H. F. Spier
Lt. (jg) USNR

2000-2400 Steaming as before.
D. F. Anderson
Lieutenant Comdr., USNR

Approved:
TON PUSELL,
COMMANDER, USN,
COMMANING

Examined:
W. DOUGHERTY,
LIEUT. COMDR., D-1
F. W. M. LIBERTY
**ZONE DESCRIPTION**

**REMARKS.**


0317  Ceased zigzagging and resumed base course, 266° T.

--Maughn
A. A. Maughn
Lt.(jg) USNR.

0400-0800  Steaming as before.

0425  Commenced zigzagging according to plan # 11, Base course 266° T.

Position 0800 - Latitude 13° 36' S Longitude 146° 50' W.

--Lippard
C. D. Lippard, Jr.
Ensign, USNR.

0800-1200  Steaming as before.

0847  Ceased zigzagging and resumed base course 266° T.

0907  Commenced zigzagging according to plan # 11.

Position 1200 - Latitude 13° 46' S Longitude 146° 45' W.

--Reynolds
H. W. Reynolds
Lt.(jg) USNR.

1200-1600  Steaming as before.

1300  U. S. S. Mahan joined convoy.

--Redmond
E. L. Redmond
Ensign, USNR.

1600-1900  Steaming as before.

--Schaefer
E. Schaefer
Lt.(jg) USNR.

1900-2000  Steaming as before.

Position 2000 - Latitude 14° 10' S Longitude 143° 45' W.

--Anders
D. C. Anders
Lieut. Comdr., USNR.

2000-2400  Steaming as before.

2025  Ceased zigzagging and resumed base course 266° T.

2032  Changed course by wheeling to 230° T.

2050  Commenced zigzagging according to plan # 11, base course 230° T.

--Maughn
A. A. Maughn
Lt.(jg) USNR.

Approved:  J. H. Purcell
T.G. Purcell, USNR.
Commodore, USNR, Commanding.
UNITED STATES SHIP

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REMARKS.


0400-0800 Steaming as before.
  Position 0800 Latitude 16°-03' S Longitude 161°-00' W.

0800-1200 Steaming as before.
  0900 Sighted Tahaa Island, bearing 210° T. Approximate distance 35 miles.
  0927 Canceled zigzagging and returned to base course 230° T.
  0930 Sighted Bora Bora Island, bearing 242° T., approximate distance 56 miles.
  0941 Resumed zigzagging according to plan #11, base course 250° T.
  1000 U.S.S. Strong and U.S.S. Conyn left convoy and proceeded to base Bobokat.
  1120 Passed Tahaa Island (Mt. Thiri) abeam to port, distance 9 miles.
  1142 Passed Bora Bora Island (Mt. Temanu) abeam to starboard, distance 7 1/2 miles.
  1152 Resumed zigzagging according to plan #11, base course 230° true.
  Position 1200 Latitude 16°-39' S Longitude 161°-42' W.

1200-1600 Steaming as before.
  1231 Canceled zigzagging and resumed base course 230° T.
  1237 Changed base course by wheeling to 260° T.
  1300 Sighted Maupiti Island, bearing 310° T., distance 30 miles.
  1408 Maupiti Island abeam to starboard distance 19 1/2 miles.
  1540 U.S.S. Warrington came alongside to pick up mail.
  1640 U.S.S. Warrington, completed taking on mail and stood of.

1600-1800 Steaming as before.
  1611 Changed course by wheeling to 243° True.
  1622 Commenced zigzagging on plan #11, base course 243° True.

1800-2000 Steaming as before.
  Position 2000 Latitude 17°-17' S Longitude 153°-34' W.

2000-2400 Steaming as before.
  2216 Canceled zigzagging and resumed base course 243° T.
  2226 Altered course by wheeling to 260° true.
  2340 Resumed zigzagging according to plan #11, base course 250° T.

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COMMANDING.
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UNITED STATES SHIP

ZONE DESCRIPTION. -10

REMARKS.

0000-0400 Steaming in company with Task Force #18, U.S.S. Thomas Jefferson, flagship.
Operation plan #43. Base course 242° True. Standard speed 15 knots (88 RPM).
Both boilers in use.

0118 Commenced zigzagging according to plan #11, base course 242° T.

0400-0800 Steaming as before.
Position 0800 Latitude 19°-29' S. Longitude 122°-00' W.

0800-1200 Steaming as before.
0848 Ceased zigzagging and resumed base course 242° True.
0902 Reduced convoy speed to 5 knots (30 RPM) to lower port personnel boat.
0906 Lowered port personnel boat (J-26) into water. Boat proceeded to the U.S.S. Thomas Jefferson to pick up surgeon to assist at operation of crew member.
0921 Risen port personnel boat on board. Lt.(jg) William A Clark MC-7(G) USNR., came on board to assist at operation on Huggins, James Leonard, Sea lo - Diagnosis - Exclusion of left inguinal ecdema of, reinforcement of Femoral ring.
0935 Resumed convoy speed of 15 knots (88 RPM).
1116 Commenced zigzagging according to plan #11, base course 242° T.
1200 Position Latitude 19°-57' S. Longitude 163°-00' W.

1200-1600 Steaming as before.
1230 Operation on Huggins, J. L. completed satisfactorily.
1402 Ceased zigzagging and resumed base course 242° True.
1404 Reduced speed to 8 knots (20 RPM).
1413 Lowered port personnel boat in water to return Lt.(jg) Clark MC-7(G) USNR., to T.V.M. Thomas Jefferson.
1426 Personnel boat #24 returned to ship.
1437 Resumed convoy speed to 15 knots (88 RPM).
1433 Commenced zigzagging according to plan #11, base course 242° True.

1600-1800 Steaming as before.
1805 Sighted unidentified vessel bearing 235° T., distance about 8 miles on opposite course. Destroyer Mahan proceeded to investigate.
1900 Emergency turn 45° to port.
1913 Vessel identified as a Norwegian merchant ship.
1919 Emergency turn 45° to starboard to base course. Resumed zigzagging according to plan #11, base course 242° T.
1928 Passed Norwegian vessel a beam to starboard, distance about 6 miles on opposite course. Position 2000 Latitude 20°-56' S. Longitude 164°-42' W.

1800-2400 Steaming as before.

Approved:

Examined:

2000-2400 Steaming as before.

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COMMANDER, USN., COMMANDING
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REMARKS.


0400-0800  Steaming as before.

0800-1200  Steaming as before.

1200-1600  Steaming as before.

1600  Pursuant to orders of Commander Task Force, reduced speed to 14.5 knots (84 RPM).

1837  Changed course by wheeling to 269° True.

1800-1800  Steaming as before.

1800-2000  Steaming as before.

2000-2400  Steaming as before.

2200  Adjusted base course to 264° true.

2330  Adjusted base course to 250° true.

Approved:

Examined:

W.B. CURRIE
COMMANDER, USN.

W. DOUGHERTY
LT.(JG) U.S.N.

0400-0800 Steaming as before.

0800 Changed course by wheeling to 270° true.
Position 0800 Latitude 28°-20' S, Longitude 175°-19' W.

0800-1200 Steaming as before.
Position 1200 Latitude 23°-22' S, Longitude 174°-18' W.

1200-1600 Steaming as before.

1200 Inspected and tested fire mains and fire equipment, condition satisfactory.

1600-2000 Steaming as before.

2000-2400 Steaming as before.
REMARKS.

Incident to crossing International Date Line, date advanced to January 28, 1943.


0400-0800 Steaming as before.

0728 Adjusted base course to 270° True.

0800 Position 0800 Latitude 25°-11' S Longitude 179°-29' W.

0800-1200 Steaming as before.

1200 Position 1200 Latitude 23°-11' S Longitude 179°-30' E

1200-1600 Steaming as before.

1600-1800 Steaming as before.

1800-2000 Steaming as before.

1930 Ships clocks retarded 32 minutes.

2000-2400 Steaming as before.

2020 Ceased zigzagging and executed emergency turn 45° to starboard to course 315° T.

2051 Executed emergency turn 45° to port and resumed base course 270° T.

2322 Commenced zigzagging according to plan # 11, base course 270° T.

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I. PURSELL  
COMMANDER, USN  
COMMANDING
ZONE DESCRIPTION: all

REMARKS.

0000-0400 Steaming in company with Task Force #19, U.S.S. Thomas Jefferson, flagship.
Operation plan #1-43. Base course 270° T. Zigzagging according to plan # 11.
Standard speed 14.5 knots (84.6 RPM). Both boilers in use.
0315 Sighted signal light of vessel, identified as friendly, distance 5000 yds.

A. A. Naughtt
Lt. (jg) USNR

0400-0800 Steaming as before.
Position 0800 Latitude 23°12' S Longitude 173°10' E.

H. Spies
Lt. (jg) USNR

0800-1200 Steaming as before.
Position 1200 Latitude 23°10' S Longitude 173°09' E.

E. Schaefer
Lt. (jg) USNR

1200-1600 Steaming as before.

R. F. Redmond
Ens, USNR

1600-1800 Steaming as before.

E. Schaefer
Lt. (jg) USNR

1800-2000 Steaming as before.
1935 Retarded clocks 20 minutes.
Position 2000 Latitude 23°10' S Longitude 171°00' E.

E. Schaefer
Lt. (jg) USNR

2000-2400 Steaming as before.
2000 Conducted zigzagging and executed emergency turn 45° to Port.
2055 Executed emergency turn 45° to starboard, base course 270° T.
2332 Resumed zigzagging in accordance with plan # 11.

W. W. Doudsberry
Lt. Comdr. D
Enr. O. Co. Navigator

Approved: E. Purcell
COMMANDER, USNR
ComANDING
ZONE DESCRIPTION: 11.13°

REMARKS.


0400-0800 Steaming as before.
Position 0800 Latitude 23° 24' S Longitude 167° 33' F.

0800-1200 Steaming as before.
0820 Adjusted mean course to 274° True.
Position 1200 Latitude 23° 58' S Longitude 167° 58' F.

1200-1600 Steaming as before.
1216 Ceased zigzagging and resumed base 273° True.
1218 Changed speed to 13.5 knots (79 RPM).
1220 Changed course by wheeling to 317° True.
1241 Changed speed to 14.5 knots (84 RPM).
1247 Resumed zigzagging according to plan #11, base course 317° True.
1426 Ceased zigzagging and resumed base course 317° True.
1435 Changed course by wheeling to 303° True.
1440 Sighted Mt D'Or, New Caladonia, bearing 015° True. Approximate distance 37 miles.
1540 Changed course to 011° True.
1541 Changed speed to 14.5 knots (85 RPM).
1640 Resumed zigzagging according to plan #11, base course 011° True.
1645 Sighted Amadeo Island Lighthouse, bearing 024° True, approximate distance 12 miles.
1650 Adjusted mean course to 006° True.
1658 Adjusted mean course to 011° True.

1600-1800 Steaming as before.
1615 Ceased zigzagging and resumed base course 011° True. Ships formed column in the following order: (1) U.S.S. Thomas Jefferson, flagship; (2) U.S.S. Aratos; (3) U.S.S. William P. Biddle, (4) U.S.S. Hermitage, (5) U.S.S. Libery, (6) U.S.S. Joseph T Dickman. Steaming on various courses and speeds conforming to channel while entering Noumea Harbor. Captain, Executive Officer and Navigator on bridge—Executive Officer at Conn. Amadeo Lighthouse ahoen to Port, distance 500 yds.
1714 Harbor boat came alongside and delivered copy of Port instructions.
1720 Harbor boat came alongside and delivered copy of Port instructions.

1800-2000 Steaming as before.
1838 Passed Mundo Island beacon, ashoen to starboard. U.S.S. Joseph T Dickman passed on starboard side and took position (5) in column.
1950 Debrun Island ashoen to starboard.
2032 Anchored berth #49 Isle Nov anchorage—Port Noumea New Caladonia in 1.5 fathoms of water with 30 fathoms of chain out to starboard anchor on the following bearings: Beacon P. 089°30', Beacon Q. 005°, Beacon R. 112°, Beacon S. 103°. Engineering Plant maintaining condition of readiness.

2145 Retained anchors 1 hour and 40 minutes to Zone -11 time.

2000-2400 Anchored as before.
2000 Detached from Task Force #10.

2100-2400

Approved:

EXAMINED:

E. N. B. P. TEST.

COMMANDER, USN.

W. D. T. WATSON

LIEUT. COMDR. D. M.

C. W. WALSH

29

R. F. Redmond, Ensign, USNR.

Anchored as before.

Set condition 2M, manned 37/50 and 20 MM AA battery.


U.S.S. Indiana stood out.

U.S.S. Earnsage stood out.

C. A. Lingenfelter Jr., Ensign, USNR.

Anchored as before.

U.S.S. Mahan stood out.

Captain left the ship on official call to Commander South Pacific Force.


U.S.S. Sanley stood out.

Commanding Officer reported to the Commander South Pacific Force for duty.

U.S.S. San Juan stood out.

U.S.S. Saratoga stood out.

U.S.S. Shelladerke anchored off Port bow.

Captain returned on board ship from visit to Commander South Pacific Force.

E. Schaper, Lt.(jg) USNR.

Anchored as before.

U.S.S. Cater stood in.

Captain returned from visit with Commander Task Force 19.

U.S.S. Strong stood out.

H. R. Sprais, Lt.(jg) USNR.

Anchored as before.


U.S.S. Cony stood out.

U.S.S. Arcturus stood out.

U.S.S. Joseph Dickman stood out.

U.S.S. Titania underway and shifted berth.

U.S.S. Monongahela shifted anchors.

A. A. Maughle, Lt(jg) USNR.

Anchored as before.

E. Schaper, Lt.(jg) USNR.

Anchored as before.

W. D., COUSN, USN.

W. D. Doughty, Lt(jg) COUSN, USN.

Approved: R. E. Russell, Commander, USNR, Commanding
0000-0400  Attached to Commander South Pacific Force. Anchored in berth #49, Isle Nou anchor-
age, Port Moresby, New Guinea, in 11 fathoms of water with 90 fathoms of chain out to the Starboard anchor on the following true bearings: Beacon P = 035° 20', Beacon Q = 085°, Beacon R = 112°, Beacon *S* = 118° 30'. Ships present U.S.S. Argonne (B0PA), and various units of the Pacific Fleet.

C. S. Lingegfell Jr.
Ensairn, USNR

0400-0800  Anchored as before.
           0435  Set condition 2H, manned 3"/50 and 20 MM A.A. guns.
           0535  U.S.S. William T. Biddle stood into the inner harbor.
           0605  U.S.S. Sheldrake stood out.
           0625  U.S.S. Borias stood out.
           0631  U.S.S. Henry T Allen stood out.
           0635  U.S.S. Titania stood out.

H. R. Siers,
Lt.(jg) USNR

0800-1200  Anchored as before.
           0853  U.S.S. Shaw stood out.
           1010  U.S.S. Monongahela stood out.
           1100  Tested all fire lines and plugs with full water pressure and found satisfactory.

E. Schaefer
Lt.(jg) USNR

1200-1600  Anchored as before.
           1445  U.S.S. Prable, U.S.S. Tracy stood out.
           1630  U.S.S. Shaw stood in and anchored.

A. A. Mauget
Lt.(jg) USNR

1600-2000  Anchored as before.
           1930  Secured from Condition II M.

E. Redmond
Ensairn, USNR

2000-2400  Anchored as before.

C. S. Lingegfell Jr.
Ensairn, USNR

Approved:  C. Purcell
COMRADE, USNN
COMANDING.

Examined:
W. Doherty
LIEUT. COMMANDER, B-2
W. Doherty, Navigator.
0000-0400 Attached to Commander South Pacific Force. Anchored in berth No. 49, Isle Nou anchorages, Port Noumea, New Caledonia, in 11 fathoms of water, with 90 fathoms of chain out to the starboard anchor on the following true bearings: Beacon F 036° 30', C 066°, R 112°, S 116° 30'0'. Ships present U.S.S. Arcons, and various units of the Pacific Fleet. #1 boiler in use.

E. R. Spiers, Lt. (jg) USNR.

0400-0800 Anchored as before.
0440 Set condition IIM, manned 3 9/10 and all 30 M.A.A. guns.
0740 U.S.S. Gridley stood in and anchored.

E. Scholz
Ensign, USNR.

0800-1200 Anchored as before.
1043 Commanding Officer left ship on official call to Commander South Pacific Force.

A. A. Haught
Lt. (jg) USNR.

1200-1600 Anchored as before.
1510 U.S.S. Gridley stood out.

R. J. Redmond, Ensign, USNR.

1600-2000 Anchored as before.
1836 U.S.S. Girarson stood out.

C. C. Lindsey, jr., Ensign, USNR.

2000-2400 Anchored as before.

E. R. Spiers, Lt. (jg) USNR.

Approved: C. R. Russell, Commander, USN, Commanding.
Examined: W. Dougherty, Lt. Cdr, USN, Navigator.
0000-0400 Attached to Commander South Pacific Force, anchored in berth #49, Isle Nou anchorage, Port Moresby, New Caledonia in 11 fathoms of water with 90 fathoms of chain out, to the starboard anchor. No. 1 boiler in use. Anchorage bearings (true):
  Beacon P - 036°30', Beacon O - 086°, Beacon R - 112°, and Beacon S 116°30'.
Ships present U.S.S. Argonaut (GAPA) and various units of the Pacific Fleet.
  
  E. Schaefer
  Lt.(jg) USNR

0400-0800 Anchored as before.
  0640 Set condition IIM, manned 3"/50 and 20 MM A.A. guns.
  0800 W.J.S. Shaw and U.S.S. Neban stood out.
  0748 Commenced taking bunker fuel oil, Draft forward 9'00" - Aft. 22'02".
  
  A. A. Haught
  Lt.(jg) USNR

0800-1200 Anchored as before.
  1000 Completed taking on bunker fuel oil having received 3721 bbls. Draft forward 18'00"
  Aft. 22'08".
  
  R. O. Redmond
  Ens., USNR

1200-1600 Anchored as before.
  
  C. C. Lingigfell Jr.
  Ens., USNR

1600-2000 Anchored as before.
  1915 Secured from condition IIM.
  
  H. R. Wiens
  Lt.(jg) USNR

2000-2400 Anchored as before.
  
  E. Schaefer
  Lt.(jg) USNR

Approved: John F. Burrell
Commander, USN, Commanding