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UNITED STATES SHIP RAMAPO

Sunday 7 December 1941
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0 to 4
Moored in Pearl Harbor, T. H., starboard side to Dock #12, with standard mooring lines out. Boiler #1 in use for auxiliary purposes. Workmen aboard placing PT boats on deck. U.S.S. CALIFORNIA (Combatior), SOPA and various units of U.S. Fleet casing at Pearl Harbor.

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Ensign, D-M, U.S.N.R.

4 to 8
Moored as before. 0755 enemy planes (Japanese) commenced dropping bombs and torpedoes on Naval Air Station and units of U.S. Fleet. Went to General Quarters and commenced firing on enemy planes with 3" AA and 150 cal. machine guns.

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8 to 12
Moored as before; battle stations manned. Ships in harbor gradually opened fire with AA batteries and AA machine guns. Torpedo planes commenced an attack on the battleships at Ford Island, coming in along the channel from Submarine Base and directly astern of us. We opened fire as soon as possible (about 0810 with machine guns and approximately 0814 with the 3-inch). Ammunition was ready in ready boxes. Five enemy planes were destroyed in the first attack. 0807 emergency sail hoisted on signal tower. U.S.S. ARIZONA was hit by torpedo, which also damaged U.S.S. VESTAL which was towed out into stream. 0809 U.S.S. ARIZONA was hit by second torpedo. About two minutes later a spurt of flame came out of guns in #2 turret, followed by explosion in forward magazines. The foremast leaned forward, part of the ship was enveloped in flame and smoke and continued to burn fiercely. 0814 the U.S.S. OKLAHOMA suffered two hits by torpedoes. U.S.S. WEST VIRGINIA was hit by one or two torpedoes. She listed and commenced to settle slowly. 0820 dive bombing attacks commenced, aimed generally at Naval Air Station, battleships, and drydocks. U.S.S. OGOLALA was apparently hit in this attack as she was listed soon afterwards. 0832 lit off #4 boiler. 0845 cut in #2 and #3 boilers on main steam line. 0910 #4 boiler out on main line. 0919 U.S.S. NEVADA got underway and stood out of channel but was hit by torpedoes and bombs and was beached. 0920 dive bombers attacked Navy Yard and Hickman Field. Five bombs from high flying horizontal bombers (two-motored) struck the water close to U.S.S. RIGEL showering her, the destroyer to port of her, and the U.S.S. NEW ORLEANS with shrapnels and bomb fragments. This same attack apparently damaged the U.S.S. DOWNES and U.S.S. CASSIN for a huge cloud of flame and smoke was seen in the general direction of the drydock. The drydock was also put out of commission. 0930 U.S.S. BAGLEY and U.S.S. JARVIS stood out. 0935 U.S.S. CUMMINGS and U.S.S. DRAYTON stood out. 0950 U.S.S. HELENA stood out. 1000 the MTB's on the deck of the U.S.S. RAMAPO opened fire and PT30 hit one plane attacking battleships. 1020 light cruiser underway from berth M of Ford Island. 1115 U.S.S. RALIECH observed to have been damaged, listed about 15°. 1120 Yard pilot, Captain Green, came aboard to shift vessel to X 15 moorings. 1125 enemy planes passed over to starboard. 1132 light cruisers underway from Navy Yard. 1135 enemy planes flying overhead to port. 1140 U.S.S. DETROIT stood out. 1159 Underway from berth #12 order of Captain of the Yard, to berth X 15. Pilot at the conn, Captain and Navigator on the bridge. Various courses and speeds to conform to channel, using #1, #2, #3, and #4. U.S.S. SUNNASIN assisting vessel. Attacks by enemy Japanese gradually decreasing.

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12 to 16
Underway as before. 1210 tug cast off. 1245 moored to buoys in middle lock, berth X 15. Anchor cable and 8-inch manila out forward and bight of 8-inch manila out aft.

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16 to 20
Moored as before. 1717 darken ship.

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20 to 24
Moored as before. 2110 opened fire on enemy planes. Firing continued for approximately one-half to three-fourths of an hour. One plane apparently hit, fell amongst houses setting to one.

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