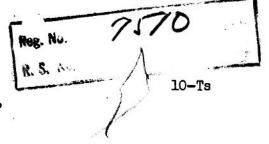
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5 February 1945.

From:

The Commanding Officer.

To:

The Commander in Chief, U. S. Fleet.

Subject:

War Diary for the month of December 1944.

- 1. During the period of 1 to 31 December 1944 this vessel was operating under the command of Commander Cruisers, U. S. Atlantic Fleet (Administrative Command).
- 2. From 1 through 31 December, 1944, this vessel remained moored, starboard side to the west side of pier number five (5), Philadelphia Navy Yard, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, undergoing repairs and alterations.
- 3. On 6 December, 1944, R. L. BOLLER, Captain, U. S. Navy, File No. 34562, relieved Walter C. ANSEL, Captain, U. S. Navy, File No. 34566, as Commanding Officer of the U. S. S. PHILADELPHIA.
- 4. During this period frequent emergency drills were carried out, with emphasis on fire drills, to maintain the crew in a constant state of readiness. Large details of officers and men were assigned to various schools to take advantage of the training programs being carried on during this period.
 - 5. No action occurred during this period.

R. L. BOLLER.

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