

U. S. S. PHILADELPHIA (CL41)

Date June 2, 1943.

0 to 4:

As before. 0305 U.S.S. OSPREY, minesweeper, underway. 0330 Lighted fires under number five #5 boiler in preparation for getting under way.

*J. H. Flagg*  
J.H. FLAGG  
Captain, U.S.M.C.

4 to 8:

As before. 0500 Commenced making preparations for getting underway. 0510 Navy Yard tug came alongside port bow. 0515 Received Navy Yard Pilot, R.B. McCoy on board. 0523 Completed making preparations for getting underway. 0530 Underway from Naval Operating Base, Norfolk, Va., enroute to operating area in accordance with ComCruDivEIGHT'S Operation Plan No. CD8-4. Pilot at the Conn, Captain, Executive Officer and Navigator on the bridge. 0543 Pilot left the ship on Navy Yard tug, commenced steaming on various courses conforming to channel leading out of HAMPTON ROADS and CHESAPEAKE BAY and at various speeds. 0607 Gate vessel abeam, course 063 (T). 0730 Proceeding up the channel leading out to sea in company with the following ships: U.S.S. BOISE, U.S.S. TILLMAN, U.S.S. MERVINE, U.S.S. EARLE, U.S.S. KNIGHT, U.S.S. DORAN, U.S.S. BEATTY.

*R. L. Caton*  
R.L. CATON  
Lieut. U.S.N.R.

8 to 12:

As before. 0853 Recovered plane 8-CS-3, with Pilot, Lt. Comdr. Stevenson, passenger Pierson ARM2/c. 0855 Recovered plane 8-CS-4, with Pilot, Lieut. Mishanec, passenger Tavernier ARM3/c. 0900 Held General Quarters for drill. 1008 Secured from General Quarters, set CONDITION II, Port Watch on all stations except Gunnery stations. 1018 Starboard and Port 5" batteries fired at sleeve towed by plane. 1040 Passed buoy X-RAY abeam to port. 1104 Commenced phase #1 of battle problem, changed course to 060 (T) and speed to 20 knots. 1200 End of phase #1 of battle problem.

*G. T. Rickett*  
G.T. RICKETT  
Lieut. U.S.N.R.

12 to 16:

As before. 1220 Secured from General Quarters, set CONDITION II. 1300 Commenced phase #2 of scheduled exercises. 1330 Completed phase #2. 1535 Commenced phase #3. 1540 Commenced firing 5" battery at towed sleeve to starboard. 1545 Ceased firing.

*E. W. Bryant*  
E.W. BRYANT  
Lieut., U.S.N.R.

16 to 18:

As before. 1600 Steaming on various courses to conform to the channel, Note: The following ammunition was expended on the 5"/25 cal. battery in B-2 practice, 15 rounds S.P.D. 2720 (Target).

*G. T. Rickett*  
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Lieut., U.S.N.R.

18 to 20:

As before. 1822 Recovered plane 8-CS-2, Pilot, Lieut. (jg), Lawry, no passenger. 1827 Recovered plane 8-CS-1, Pilot, Lieut. (jg), Coughlin, no passenger. 1907 Changed course to 277 (T) passing through mine field. 1928 Passed through mine field. 1938 Passed buoy T.H. abeam to port, changed course to 320 (T).

*H. K. Lockwood*  
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Lieut., U.S.N.R.

Approved:

*Paul Hendren*  
PAUL HENDREN  
Captain, U.S. Navy,  
Commanding

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*C. G. Geesen*  
C.G. GEESSEN,  
Comdr., DEV-G, U.S.N.R.  
Navigator.

U. S. N., Navigator.