

U. S. S. PHILADELPHIA (CL41) Sunday

Date Sept. 5, 1943.


0 to 4:

As before.


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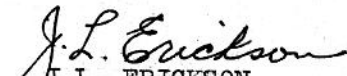
4 to 8:

As before. 0600 H.M.S. ATTACKER standing out. 0753 "YELLOW" alert; unidentified aircraft bearing 070°(T), range 35 miles. 0756 Set Condition of readiness III Air.


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8 to 12:

As before. 0800 U.S.S. JAMES O'HARA standing out. 0805 U.S.S. LAUB cast off and standing out. 0808 U.S.S. CHARLES CARROLL standing out. 0810 U.S.S. NIELDS standing out. 0818 U.S.S. ANDROMEDA standing out. 0823 Condition "WHITE" exists. 0828 Secured from condition of readiness III Air. 0835 U.S.S. PREVAIL standing in. 0858 U.S.S. STANTON standing out. 0859 U.S.S. OBERON standing out. 0908 Marnig Van Sint OLDEGONDE (Dutch) standing out. 0930 U.S.S. FREDERICK FUNSTON standing out. 0935 U.S.S. THOMAS JEFFERSON standing out. 0949 U.S.S. LYON standing out. 1005 U.S.S. PROCYON standing out. 1006 H.M.S. OAKLEY standing in. 1008 H.M.S. BLENEZTH standing in. 1027 U.S.S. ARCTURUS standing out. 1100 U.S.S. PARKER standing out. 1102 U.S.S. GLEAVES standing out. 1115 U.S.S. JOSEPH T. DICKMAN standing out. 1120 U.S.S. CHAMPLIN standing out. 1130 U.S.S. ORDONAU standing out. 1140 H.M.S. ORONTES and U.S.S. NIBLACK standing out. 1145 U.S.S. BARNETT standing out.


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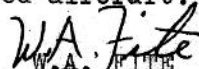
12 to 16:

As before. 1200 Lighted fires under boilers #1 and #2. 1225 U.S.S. BOYLE stood in. 1230 U.S.S. MACKENZIE stood in. 1235 U.S.S. BENSON underway. 1245 U.S.S. MAYO underway. 1252 U.S.S. PLUNKETT underway. 1256 U.S.S. CHASE underway. 1258 U.S.S. MC LANAHAN underway. 1300 Lighted fires under boilers #3 and #4. British destroyer I -87 stood in. 1315 Secured boiler #6. 1330 U.S.S. WOOLSEY underway. 1335 U.S.S. COLE underway. 1355 U.S.S. LUDLOW standing out. 1400 U.S.S. ROWAN underway. 1405 U.S.S. TRIPPE underway, standing out. 1417 U.S.S. WAINWRIGHT standing out. 1425 U.S.S. SEER underway. 1430 U.S.S. SUSTAIN underway. 1432 U.S.S. SKILL and U.S.S. SPEED underway. 1435 U.S.S. PREVAIL, U.S.S. SYMBOL, U.S.S. STEADY, and U.S.S. PILOT underway. 1503 U.S.S. BOISE underway. 1510 Set special sea details. 1512 U.S.S. SAVANNAH underway. 1516 Pilot CARON came aboard. 1518 Line clear aft. 1520 Hoisted in #2 motor whale boat. 1539 Underway, on various courses at various speeds standing out of harbor at MERS EL KEBIR; Pilot at the Conn, the Captain, Executive Officer, and Navigator on the bridge. 1545 Speed 5 knots; course 058 (T); secured special sea detail. 1546 Changed speed to 10 knots. 1547 Captain took the Conn. 1549 Pilot left the ship.

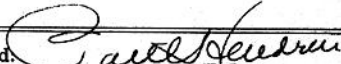

E.W. BRYANT
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16 to 18:


As before. 1603 Lighted fires under boilers #7 and #8. 1626 Maneuvering on various courses and speeds, inside screen waiting for convoy to form. 1628 U.S.S. SAVANNAH reported Radar aircraft contact bearing 010°(T) distance 55 miles. 1652 Cut in boilers #7 and #8 on the main steam line. NOTE: Numerous Radar contacts were made on friendly and unidentified aircraft.


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