UNITED STATES SHIP U.S.S. PHILADELPHIA (CL41) Wednesday 14

July , 1943.

Zone description_

Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	370-01'-30" N	370-01'-00" N	370-00'-00" N
Long.	140-16'-20" E	14°-16'-10" E	140-15'-00" E

OPERATIONAL REMARKS (WAR DIARY)

0 to 4:

As before. 0000 Patroling southeast of Gela, SICILY in position to provide fire support for the Army.

4 to 8:

As before. 0450 Manned battle stations. 0537 Lighted ship. 0601 Secured from General Quarters, set Condition "III" Surface.

Lieut., U.S.N.R.

8 to 12:

As before. 0845 Prepared port paravane outhauls for use. 0908 Lighted fires under boilers #5 and #6. 0947 Cut in boilers #5 and #6 on main steam line. 0952 Secured boilers #5 and #6. 1013 Received one (1) paravane type "D" serial #D-336 from the U.S.S. SAVANNAH via the YMS-34. 1051 Convoy standing in. 1128 Hoisted out plane 8-CS-5, Pilot Lieut. Mishenec, passenger Gibson ARM2/c, 1053 Transferred three wounded Army men.

12 to 16:

As before. 1205 YMS-34 alongside port quarter. 1218 YMS-34 cast loose. 1238 Convoy sighted bearing 246 (T), distance 27,500 yards. 1320 Recovered 1 aircraft.

> K. LOCKWOOD Lieut., U.S.N.R.

16 to 20:

As before. 1630 U.S.S. MURPHY passed along starboard side to deliver message. 1702 U.S.S. GHERARDI came along port quarter to receive message. 1815 SC-526 came along port quarter to transfer aboard PIASCIK, Stanley Alfred, F1/c USNR (642-37-57), from U.S.S. NICHOLSON: 1844 SC-526 sent to S.S. FELIPE DE NEVE to obtain a patient. 1917 U.S.S. MURPHY passed along port side to deliver message. 1925 SC-526 came along port quarter to deliver Army patient aboard from S.S. FELIPE DE NEVE. 1942 Transferred provisions to SC-526.

Lieut., U.S.N.R.

20 to 24:

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As before. 2023 Manned battle stations, set Material Condition "ABLE". Darkened ship . 2110 Set Material Condition "BAKER" plus. 2125 Secured from General Quarters, set Condition of readiness "II" on the A.A. battery, Condition of readiness "III" Surface on all other stations. 2308 Stopped engines. 2329 PC-526 alongside starboard quarter. 2344 Received LCT-214 along port quarter.

Examined:

Lieut U.S.N.R.

R.L. CATON