UNITED STATES SHIP U.S.S. PHILADELPHIA (CL41) Thursday

22

July ., 1943.

Zone description

| Position | 0800 | 1200 | 2000 |
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| | 70-22'-45" N | 379-19'-15" N | 370-20'-45" N |
| Long. 0 | 9°-30'-00" E | 8°-18'-45" E | 6°-01'-30" E |

OPERATIONAL REMARKS (WAR DIARY)

0 to 4:

As before. Anchored as before. 0315 Received aboard 3600 gallons of 100 octane aviation gas.

> B.S. HEAD Lieut. (jg), U.S.N.

As before. 0420 Convoy standing in. 0500 Lighted fires under boilers #1 and #2, 0516 Cut in boilers #1 and #2 on main steam line. 0530 Set special sea details for getting underway. 0557 Underway for Algiers, ALGERIA in company with the U.S.S. BIRMINGHAM and screened by U.S.S. COWIE, U.S.S. DORAN, U.S.S. LUDLOW, and U.S.S. EDISON. O.T.C. is Comcrudiv EIGHT in the U.S.S. PHILADELPHIA, standard speed 15 knots. 0558 Steaming at various courses at various speeds standard speed 15 knots. 0558 Steaming at various courses at various speeds leaving anchorage and clearing herbor. 0600 General Quarters, set Material Condition "ABLE". 0625 Making standard speed 15 knots, secured from Material Condition "ABLE" set Condition "BAKER" plus. 0626 On base course 294°(T). 0634 Secured from General Quarters, set Condition "III" Air. 0646 Lighted fires under boilers #7 and #8. 0709 Changed course to 260°(T). 0724 Cut in #7 boiler on main steam line. 0730 Cut in #8 boiler on main steam line. 0745 Launched two planes for inner A.S. patrol, #3 with one 100# bomb and #5 with two 100# bombs. Plane 8-QS-5, pilot Lieut. Mishanec, passenger Fisher AMM1/c, plane 8-CS-3, pilot Lieut. (jg) Lawry, passenger Fricke AOM2/c.

> CATON Lieut., U.S.N.R.

8 to 12:

As before. 0955 Changed course to 272°(T). 1000 Commenced zig-zagging on base course 272°(T), using the 1. 1030 Sighted convoy bearing 258°(T), distance 13 miles. 1100 Sounded Flight Quarters. 1115 Launched plane 8-CS-4, pilot Lieut.(jg) Coughlin, passenger Gideon AMMI/c. 1120 Maneuvering on various courses and speeds to recover aircraft. 1130 Recovered plane 8-CS-5. 1134 Recovered plane 8-CS-5, 1158 Regained station in cruising disposition.

12 to 16:

As before. 1404 Ceased zig-zagging. 1408 Changed course to 292°(T). 1421 Changed course to 312°(T). 1428 Changed course to 292°(T). 1437 Changed course to 272°(T). 1440 Commenced zig-zag plan #11, base course 272°(T), speed 15 knots. 1448 Commenced test firing of 20MM and 40MM batteries. 1500 Adjusted course to 267°(T). 1503 Completed test firing, maneuvering on different courses and speeds for recovery of aircraft. 1515 Recovered plane 8-CS-4. 1521 Resumed station in disposition. NOTE: Expended the following ammunition in test firing: 24 rounds 40MM Service, 187 rounds 20MM.

Lieut., U.S.N.R.

Approved:

Captain, U.S. Navy,

Commanding. Commanding Officer. Examined:

Comdr., DEV-G, U.S.N.R.

Navigator.