

U. S. S. PHIALDELPHIA (CL41) Saturday

Date August 21, 1943.

0 to 4:  
As before.

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

4 to 8:

As before. 0415 Lighted fires under boilers #1 and #2. 0430 Lighted fires under boilers #3 and #4. 0445 Cut in boilers #1 and #2. 0515 Cut in boilers #3 and #4. 0530 Set special sea details. 0535 Secured boiler #5. 0603 Pilot, T.A. BUCK, Warrant Boatswain, U.S.N., came on board. 0611 Underway, Pilot at the Conn. Captain, Executive Officer, and Navigator on the bridge. Proceeding to outer anchorage. 0625 Secured boiler #3. 0640 Captain took the Conn. 0655 Pilot left the ship. 0702 Anchored, Gulf of Palermo, SICILY in 28 fathoms of water with 75 fathoms of chain to the port anchor. Anchored on the following bearings: ARCH 216.8°(T), BREAKWATER LIGHT 306°(T), SIGNAL TOWER 343°(T).

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8 to 12:

As before. Position: Lat: 38°-07'-20" N, Long: 13°-23'-15" E. 0935 Commenced making preparations for getting underway. 1025 Completed making preparations for getting underway. 1026 Underway from Palermo, SICILY, enroute to Algiers, ALGERIA, in accordance with secret despatch 202249B, Aug. 1943 from Commander 8th. Fleet. Captain at the Conn, Executive Officer and Navigator on the bridge. Commenced steaming on various courses and at various speeds standing out of harbor. 1107 Came to base course 295°(T), steaming at 15 knots (150 RPM). 1122 Changed speed to 21 knots (210 RPM). 1130 Commenced zig-zagging using plan #11 on base course 295°(T). 1155 Ceased zig-zagging and resumed base course.

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12 to 16:

As before. Position: Lat: 38°-19'-3" N, Long: 13°-04'-5" E. 1200 Changed course to 268°(T). 1205 Commenced zig-zagging using plan #11 on base course 268°(T), speed 21 knots (210 RPM). 1427 Ceased zig-zagging, resumed base course 268°(T). 1435 Changed course to 214°(T). 1440 Commenced zig-zagging using plan #11 on base course 214°(T), speed 21 knots. 1530 DD 442 fired 20MM at mine in water bearing 170°(T), 2000 yards.

*R.L. Caton*  
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16 to 18:

As before. 1635 Ceased zig-zagging. 1640 Changed course to 241°(T). 1645 Resumed zig-zagging.

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18 to 20:

As before. 1930 Ceased zig-zagging, resumed base course 241°(T), speed 21 knots. 1935 Changed course to 281°(T). 1943 Changed course to 279°(T). NOTE: Several Radar contacts were made on friendly and unidentified aircraft.

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