

U. S. S. PHILADELPHIA (CL41) Sunday

Date August 22, 1943.

0 to 4:

As before. 0208 Several ships reported by Radar plot bearing 285° (T), 25,000 yards, identified by destroyer as friendly. 0316 Adjusted base course to 267° (T).

R. L. Caton
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Lieut., U.S.N.R.

4 to 8:

As before. 0600 General Quarters. 0644 Secured from General Quarters; set condition of Readiness III Air. 0700 Light ship.

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

8 to 12:

As before. Position: Lat: 37°-16'-00" N, Long: 05°-31'-00" E. 0845 Sighted Hospital ship bearing 245° (T), range 21,000 yards. 1050 Adjusted base course to 250° (T). 1120 Convoy sighted bearing 200° (T), range 20,000 yards. 1125 Sighted Hospital Ship bearing 300° (T), range 22,000 yards. 1158 Ceased zig-zagging, resumed base course 250° (T). 1159 Passed convoy of approximately 30 merchant vessels and British Corvette escorts. NOTE: Numerous Radar contacts were made on unidentified and friendly aircraft.

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12 to 16:

As before. Position: Lat: 37°-05'-00" N, Long: 03°-55'-00" E. 1230 Commenced zig-zag plan #11, base course 250° (T), speed 21 knots. 1330 Adjusted base course to 240° (T). 1340 Changed speed to 15 knots (150 RPM). 1400 Let fires die out from under boilers #7 and #8. 1423 Ceased zig-zagging and resumed base course 240° (T). 1425 Changed speed to 10 knots (100 RPM). 1426 Commenced steaming on various courses and at various speeds leading in to the anchorage in the harbor at Algiers, ALGERIA. 1510 Anchored in 12 fathoms of water with 60 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor in the harbor at Algiers, ALGERIA on the following anchorage bearings: TRIPOD MAST 277° (T), BREAKWATER LIGHT 346° (T), END OF JETTY 163° (T). 1525 Let fires die out under boilers #3 and #4. 1528 Let fires die out under boiler #1. 1545 Secured from condition III Air, set condition of readiness 20MM battery only manned.

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

16 to 20:

As before. Anchored as before, Algiers, ALGERIA. 1743 Lighted fires under boilers #1, 3, 4. 1825 Lighted fires under boilers #5 and #6. 1915 Secured boilers #1 and #2. 1940 Stationed special sea details.

B. S. Head
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20 to 24: 1952

As before. Underway on various courses and speeds for mooring ship, Pilot J. GIUDICE on the bridge; Captain at the Conn, Executive Officer and Navigator on the bridge. 2028 Moored, starboard side to U.S.S. VULCAN in Pier 43 Algiers, ALGERIA with 6 manilla lines to the U.S.S. VULCAN, 1 stern wire to dock and 60 fathoms of chain to the port anchor in 15 fathoms of water. 2058 Secured boilers #5. 2103 Secured boilers #3 and #4. 2255 Flood alarm sounded in Compartment A-601-E

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U. S. N., Navigator.