

U. S. S. PHILADELPHIA (CL41) Tuesday

Date Sept. 7, 1943.

18 to 20:

As before. 1803 Changed course to 110° (T). 1807 Changed course to 101° (T). 1818 Passed Isle of Cani Light abeam to port, distance 4 miles. 1819 U.S.S. BOISE left Cruiser disposition on orders of ComCruDiv-8. 1823 Steaming on various courses at various speeds to regain position as escort for ~~NSF~~-1. 1851 Took station, changed speed to 12 knots, changed course to 101° (T). 1914 Changed course to 061° (T); left Tunisian War Channel. 1925 On various courses at various speeds to gain new station, on starboard flank of convoy. 1943 Darkened ship; changed speed to 10 knots (100 RPM). 1945 Held sunset General Quarters. 1957 Gained station on starboard flank of convoy. Changed speed to 9 knots (90 RPM).

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20 to 24:

As before. 2000 Position: Lat: $37^{\circ}-16'-30''$ N; Long: $10^{\circ}-30'-30''$ E. 2001 Changed course to 075° (T), changed speed to 10 knots. 2006 Changed course to 061° (T), changed speed to 9 knots. 2015 Changed speed to 11 knots. 2016 Modified condition "ABLE" for ventilation. 2022 Changed speed to 10 knots. 2027 Set condition "BAKER" plus. 2032 Changed speed to 10.5 knots. 2035 Secured from General Quarters; set condition III Surface. 2037 Changed speed to 11 knots. 2115 Maneuvering on various courses and speeds to adjust position in convoy to 1000 yards dead ahead of U.S.S. CHASE. 2225 Flashing red light sighted bearing 050° (T). 2230 Flashing white light sighted bearing 062° (T). 2330 Two (2) planes sighted passing close aboard, believed to be friendly. NOTE: Made numerous Radar contacts on friendly and unidentified aircraft.

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