

U. S. S. PHILADELPHIA (CL41) Tuesday

Date Sept. 28, 1943.

0 to 4:
As before.

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4 to 8:
As before. 0556 Held Sunrise General Quarters. 0617 Set condition "BAKER" plus. 0624 Secured from General Quarters, set condition III Air. 0700 Changed course to 224°(T). U.S.S. NIBLACK detached, proceed Algiers, ALGERIA to expedite ammunition transfer.

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8 to 12:
As before. 0800 Position: Lat: 37°-13'-00" N, Long: 03°-35'-00" E. 0926 Underwater sound contact reported by U.S.S. WOOLSEY (Report not confirmed). Changed speed to 20 knots, made 45°turn to starboard. 0932 Returned to zig-zag course. 0935 Changed speed to 12 knots. 0945 Secured boilers #7 and #8. 0949 Changed speed to 13.5 knots. 1001 Adjusted base course to 242°(T). 1020 Passed through light rain squall. 1050 Ceased zig-zagging and resumed base course 242°(T). 1109 Changed base course to 172°(T), changed speed to 15 knots. Entered swept channel to Bay of Algiers. 1110 Stationed special sea detail. 1117 Changed course 177°(T). 1124 Changed speed to 14 knots. 1126 Changed speed to 5 knots. 1137 Passed Gate buoy abeam to starboard. Steamed at various courses and speeds into harbor. 1147 Anchored in harbor of Algiers in 15 fathoms of water with 60 fathoms of chain on deck to the starboard anchor on the following bearings: TRIPOD 261.5°(T); BUOY 110°(T), RED DOLPHIN 332.6°(T); END OF BREAKWATER 315.5°(T).

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12 to 16:
As before. 1200 Position: Lat: 36°-46'-00" N, Long: 03°-04'-00" E. 1250 H.M.S. EURALIS standing in. 1325 H.N.M.S. MARIEX VAN SIUT ALDEGANDE standing out. 1333 Heaved in to 30 fathoms. 1336 U.S.S. WOOLSEY underway. 1357 S.S. CAMERONIA underway. 1359 Commenced heaving short, 1403 Underway on various courses at various speeds with Captain at the Conn, Executive Officer and Navigator on the bridge to shift berths. 1415 Anchored in harbor at Algiers in 15 fathoms of water, with 30 fathoms of chain at the waters edge to the starboard anchor. 1418 S.S. STRATHMORE underway. 1420 Commenced heaving short. 1426 Underway at various speeds on various courses to shift berths. 1442 Anchored in harbor at Algiers in 15 fathoms of water with 60 fathoms of chain on deck to the starboard anchor. 1500 U.S.S. NIBLACK standing out.

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16 to 18:
As before. 1600 Stationed special sea details. 1616 Underway, with Captain, Executive Officer and Navigator on the bridge, on various courses and speeds entering inner harbor Algiers, ALGERIA for berthing alongside the U.S.S. VULCAN. 1635 Secured from condition III Air, set modified watch on machine guns. 1639 Pilot LAVAUD came aboard. 1717 Moored starboard side to port side of U.S.S. VULCAN with 7 manilla lines and one stern wire. Anchored with 105 fathoms of chain on deck to starboard anchor, and 90 fathoms of chain on deck to the port anchor. SOPA in PHILADELPHIA. 1720 Pilot LAVAUD left ship. 1733 Secured main engines, anchor engine and steering engine, boiler #4 steaming for auxiliary purposes.

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