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| Position | 0800 | 1200 | 2000 |
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| Lat. | 33° - 00' N | 32° - 56' N | 33° - 02' N |
| Long. | 55° - 38' W | 56° - 46' W | 59° - 04' W |

OPERATIONAL REMARKS

ROADS (WAR DIARY)

Enroute CASABLANCA to HAMPTON, in company with Task Group 27.4 OTC in the U.S.S. CROATAN, U.S.S. ALBEMARLE, U.S.S. MATAGORDA, U.S.S. STANTON, U.S.S. IYON, U.S.S. CHASE, screened by DesDiv 58 and 61 in the U.S.S. BULMER, U.S.S. HERBERT, U.S.S. ELLIS, U.S.S. UPHUR, U.S.S. BARKER, U.S.S. LEA, U.S.S. TARBELL.

0 to 4:
As before.

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4 to 8:
As before.

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8 to 12:
As before. 0800 Adjusted base course to 266°(T). 0815 Adjusted base course to 262°(T). 0830 U.S.S. CROATAN and U.S.S. ALBEMARLE changed stations in the convoy. 1043 U.S.S. CROATAN (OTC) reported surface Radar contact bearing 260°(T), distance 40,000 yards. 1105 Surface target identified as U.S.S. BOGUE escorted by two destroyers. 1145 Passed U.S.S. BOGUE abeam to port bearing 140°(T), approximate distance 25,000 yards.

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12 to 16:
As before. 1315 Held General Quarters for drill. 1340 Secured from General Quarters, set Condition of Readiness III Surface. 1430 Radar contact bearing 262°(T), distance 12.5 miles. 1431 Sighted ship bearing 252°(T), distant 11 miles. 1435 Sighted three ships bearing 252°(T), distance 11 miles. 1433 Ceased zig-zagging and resumed base course 262°(T). 1445 Changed course, ships turning together to course 222°(T). 1527 Changed course, ships turning together to 262°(T). 1532 Changed base course to 275°(T). NOTE: Convoy sighted at 1431 identified as UGS 24.

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16 to 18:
As before. 1600 Commenced zig-zagging on plan #11, base course 275°(T), speed 15.5 knots (160 RPM).

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18 to 20:
As before. 1700 Clocks set back one hour to conform to zone plus 4 time.

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20 to 24:
As before. 2103 Ceased zig-zagging and resumed base course 275°(T). 2130 Completed taking on 77.7 tons of salt water ballast.

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