Sunday (Day)

21, November

1943.

Zone description\_

Position 0800	0 1200	2000
Lat. 36 - 56' - 10" I	37 <sub>0</sub> -00'-10" N	
Long. 74 - 40 W	76 - 13' - 30" W	

## OPERATIONAL REMARKS (WAR DIARY)

Enroute from CASABIANCA to HAMPTON ROADS acting as unit guide of Task Unit 27.4.2 composed of U.S.S. PHILADELPHIA, U.S.S. ALBEMARIE. U.S.S. MATAGORDA, screening ahead, U.S.S. HERBERT to port and U.S.S. UPSHUR to starboard.

0 to 4:

As before.

4 to 8:

As before. 0516 Ceased zig-zagging, resumed base course 277 O(T). 0520 Changed course to 257 O(T). 0530 Commenced zig-zagging on base course 257 O(T), plan #11. 0634 Ceased zig-zagging resumed base course 257 O(T). 0725 Sighted buoy "XS" bearing 210 (T). 0731 Changed course to 180 O(T). 0740 Changed course to 210 O(T). 0748 Passed buoy "XS" abeam to port. Changed course to 265 O(T). 0752 Launched plane 8-CS-2, with Lieut.(jg), Fierstein pilot, Fisher, CAMM, passenger. 0753 Launched plane 8-CS-5, pilot, Lieut. Austin, passenger Lieut. Watson. 0754 Changed course to 264 (T), conforming to Chesapeake Bay entrance swept channel.

Lieut.(jg), U.S.N.

8 to 12:

As before. 0800 Passed buoy "Sl" abeam to port. 0802 Changed speed to 20 knots. 0810 Passed buoy "S2" abeam to port. 0820 Launched plane 8-CS-1, with Lieut. Mishanec pilot, Shaffer ARM1/c passenger. 0821 Launched plane 8-CS-3, with Lieut. Lawry pilot, Comdr. Barker passenger. 0824 Passed buoy "S3" abeam to starboard, steaming at various courses and speeds conforming to channel, Captain and Navigator on the bridge. 0849 Passed buoy "S5" abeam to port. 0901 Passed buoy "S6" abeam to port. 0913 Passed buoy "S7" abeam to port. 0925 Passed buoy "S8" abeam to port. 0931 Commenced firing anti-aircraft target practice at towed sleeve with 40MM battery. 0937 Passed buoy "S9" abeam to starboard. 0948 Fassed buoy "S10" abeam to starboard. 0955 Ceased fire with 40MM battery. 1000 Passed buoy "S11" to port. 1010 Fassed buoy "S12" abeam to port. 1023 Fassed buoy "S13" abeam to port. 1034 Passed buoy "S14" abeam to port. 1035 Secured fires under boilers #7 and #8. 1040 Captain took over Conn, Executive Officer and Mavigator on the bridge. Passed U.S.S. GREER abeam to port. 1044 Changed course to 314°(T), with buoy "AC-E" abeam to port. 1048 Changed speed to 15 knots. 1056 Fassed buoy #4 abeam to port. 1105 Changed course to 288°(T). 1119 Changed speed to 18 knots. speed to 18 knots. 1124 Passed examination vessel abeam to port. Changed speed to 21 knots. 1130 Passed buoy #2 abeam to starboard - entering Thimble Shoal Channel. 1135 Passed buoy #2 abeam to starboard. 1140 Passed buoy #6 abeam to starboard. 1142 Changed speed to 15 knots. 1147 Passed buoy #8 abeam to starboard. 1152 Passed buoy #10 abeam to starboard. 1157 Passed buoy #12 abeam to starboard.

Lieut., V.S.N.

12 to 16:

As before. Steaming at various courses and speeds coming through swept channel, approaching mooring in Berth 21, North Side Pier 2. 1238 Pilot, Mr. R.B. McCoy, came aboard. 1326 Moored starboard side to Fier #2 in Berth 21, N.O.B., HAMPTON ROADS with six (6) manilla lines and one (1) wire aft. 1327 Pilot left the ship. Secured boilers #1 and #2. 1445 U.S.S. ALBEMARIE standing in

Approved