

00 to 04

Steaming in company with Task Group 30.1, plus USS IOWA, STOCKHAM, and OOSSELING, on base course  $315^{\circ}$  true, speed 15 knots. Screen is disposed in anti-submarine screen #55, with this vessel in station #3(4.50h0). USS MISSOURI is formation guide, and Task Group Commander is in USS MISSOURI, Screen Commander in NICHOLAS. Ship is darkened, in condition of readiness II MS, material condition Baker. Boilers #1 and #3 are in use for steaming purposes. 0120 Changed base course and axis to  $285^{\circ}$  true.

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04 to 08

Steaming as before. 0410 Changed base course and axis to  $295^{\circ}$  true, base speed to 17 knots. 0423 Changed base speed to 18 knots. Resumed zigzagging. 0450 Made radar contact on USS WALDRON bearing  $192^{\circ}$  true, distant 10 miles. 0626 Made radar contact on Honshu, Japan, bearing  $252^{\circ}$  distant 40 miles. 0633 USS WALDRON joined the Task Group for duty. 0700 Lighted fires under boilers #2 and #4. 0703 Changed base speed to 13 knots. 0708 Lighted ship. 0713 Ceased zigzagging, resumed base course. 0718 Changed base course and axis to  $300^{\circ}$  true, base speed to 14 knots.

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Lt. (jg), USNR.

08 to 12

Steaming as before. 0800 Position  $34^{\circ} 18' N$ ,  $140^{\circ} 05.5' E$ . 0810 Mustered crew on stations, no absences. 0840 Sighted Mi Shima Island bearing  $238^{\circ}$  true, distant 18 miles. 0905 Took station #3(4.050) in A/S screen #36. 0911 Changed base speed to 16 knots. 0914 Radar made contact on HMBS MATSUZAWA (TB) bearing  $306^{\circ}$  true, distant 16 miles. 0925 USS NICHOLAS left formation to close Japanese vessel to transfer Japanese emissaries and pilots. USS WALDRON assumed screen OTC. 0930 Sighted O'Shima Island bearing  $300^{\circ}$  true, distant 15 miles. 1000 Changed base speed to 10 knots. 1001 Called crew to general quarters. 1015 NICHOLAS went alongside USS MISSOURI to transfer Japanese emissaries and staff. Japanese vessel joined formation patrolling on starboard flank of screen. 1055 Changed base course to  $270^{\circ}$  true. 1106 Took station #3(3.5070) in A/S screen #34. 1107 Changed base course to  $325^{\circ}$  true. Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal.

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12 to 16

Steaming as before. 1200 Position  $34^{\circ} 43.5' N$ ,  $139^{\circ} 34' E$ . 1206 Commenced maneuvering on various courses standing into Sagami Wan, Honshu, Japan. 1327 Changed base speed to 15 knots. 1450 Proceeding independently on various courses and speeds, standing toward assigned berth. 1455 Let fires die out under boiler #2. 1458 Let fires die out under boiler #4. 1506 Maneuvering to investigate small boat sighted by USS MISSOURI. 1530 Boat identified as sampan; ordered to beach. 1538 Standing toward assigned anchorage.

*T. Underhill*

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Lt., USNR.

16 to 18

Steaming as before. 1608 Anchored in berth #125, Sagami Wan, Honshu, Japan, in 9 fathoms of water with 70 fathoms of chain to port anchor, and on the following bearings: Tsujido Stack,  $005^{\circ}$  true; Enoshima Mt,  $104^{\circ}$  true; Ubaga Shima,  $268.5^{\circ}$  true.

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18 to 20

Anchored as before. 1805 Units of Third Fleet standing in to anchorage. 1817 Got underway to shift anchorage 200 yards to westward. 1827 Anchored in 9 fathoms of water with 60 fathoms of chain to the port anchor in berth #125, Sagami Wan, to the following bearings: Tsujido Stack,  $006^{\circ}$  true; Enoshima Mt,  $103^{\circ}$  true; Ubaga Shima,  $268.5^{\circ}$  true.

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20 to 24

Anchored as before. 2000 Position  $35^{\circ} 17' N$ ,  $139^{\circ} 27' E$ . 2016 Darkened ship. 2100 Secure from general quarters, set condition II MS.

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R. B. CRAWFORD, Lt. (jg),

U. S. N. R. NAVIGATOR

UNITED STATES SHIP

O'BANNON (DD-50)

Tuesday

26

August

45

(Day)

(Date)

(Month)

00 to 04

Anchored in 9 fathoms of water with 60 fathoms of chain to the port anchor, in berth #125, Sagami Wan, Honshu, Japan, to the following bearings: Tsujido Stack,  $006^{\circ}$  true; Enoshima RF,  $103^{\circ}$  true; Ebizo Shima,  $266.5^{\circ}$  true. Ship is darkened, in condition of readiness II MS, material condition Baker, with boilers #1 and #3 in use for steaming purposes.

*T. Underhill*  
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Lt., USNR.

04 to 06

Anchored as before. 0600 Called crew to general quarters. 0711 Secured from general quarters, set condition II MS. Lighted ship.

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Lt., USNR.

06 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Position  $35^{\circ} 17' N$ ,  $139^{\circ} 27' E$ . 0810 Mustered crew on stations, no absences. Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal.

*A. G. Huck*  
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Lt. (jg), USNR.

12 to 16

Anchored as before. 1200 Position  $35^{\circ} 17' N$ ,  $139^{\circ} 27' E$ .

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Lt. (jg), USNR.

16 to 18

Anchored as before. 1715 Pursuant to BuPers Orders 267470 Pers-31312-MOD-63 of 19 July, 1945, Lt. (jg) Warren J. PAUL, (D), USNR, 267470, reported for duty aboard this vessel.

*T. Underhill*  
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Lt., USNR.

18 to 20

Anchored as before.

*D. M. Mitchell*  
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Lt., USNR.

20 to 24

Anchored as before. 2000 Position  $35^{\circ} 17' N$ ,  $139^{\circ} 27' E$ .

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U. S. N. R. NAVIGATION

UNITED STATES SHIP

O'BANNON (DD-450)

Wednesday 29

August , 45

(Deg)

(Dist)

(Ahead)

00 to 04

Anchored in Sagami Wan, Honshu, Japan, in berth #25, in 11 fathoms of water with 60 fathoms of chain to the port anchor. Ship is darkened, in condition of readiness II MS, material condition Baker. Boilers #1 and #3 are in use for auxiliary purposes.

E. C. SCHWARTZ,  
Lieut., USNR.

04 to 08

Anchored as before. 0656 Pursuant to Comdeacon 21 visual dispatch #281305, got underway in company with TG 30.1. Maneuvering to take station #2(3300) in A/S screen #33. Set base course 170° true, speed 10 knots. 0748 Changed speed to 11 knots. 0750 Called crew to general quarters.

T. UNDERHILL,  
Lt., USNR.

08 to 12

Steaming as before. 0800 Position 35° 07' N, 139° 34' E. 0822 Changed course to 079° true, speed to 10 knots. 0845 Entered Uraga Strait. 0915 Took station #3 in column astern of the NICHOLAS and TAYLOR, and commenced maneuvering on various courses conforming to the swept channel, standing into Tokyo Bay. 1043 Passed Ashika Jima light abeam to port, distant 1 mile. 1048 Passed Fort Two abeam, distant 1200 yards; entered Tokyo Kaiwan, Honshu Island, Japan. 1123 Anchored in berth #114, Tokyo Bay, Honshu Island, Japan, in 8 fathoms of water, with 45 fathoms of chain to the port anchor, to the following anchorage bearings: Fort Two light, 215.5° true; RT Fort One, 191° true; Putten Tower, 143° true. 1127 Secured from general quarters, set condition II MS. Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal.

D. M. MITCHELL,  
Lt., USNR.

12 to 16

Anchored as before. 1200 Position 35° 20.5' N, 139° 46.5' E. 1345 The Captain held mast and assigned punishment as follows: BESMAULT, Alvin D., 846 61 96, StMlc, USNR; OFFENSE: Insolence to a superior officer; PUNISHMENT: Five (5) days solitary confinement on bread and water. 1459 Made all preparations for getting underway. 1508 Underway in accordance with ComThirdFlt verbal dispatch #299356. 1520 Commenced A/S patrol on line of bearing 168° true to 348° true, 1000 yards east and parallel to major axis Fox, group of berths from latitude 35° 20.5' N, to 35° 25' N. 1525 Set speed 10 knots.

A. O. HUCK,  
Lieut., USNR.

16 to 18

Steaming as before.

E. C. SCHWARTZ,  
Lieut., USNR.

18 to 20

Steaming as before.

T. UNDERHILL,  
Lt., USNR.

20 to 24

Steaming as before. 2000 Position 35° 20' N, 139° 42' E.

D. M. MITCHELL,  
Lt., USNR.

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COMMANDING

H. B. CRAWFORD, Lt.(Jg.),

U. S. N. R. NAVIGATOR

00 to 04 --

Anchored in berth F-114, Tokyo Bay, Honshu, Japan, in 8 fathoms of water with 45 fathoms of chain to the port anchor. Ship is dimmed, in condition of readiness II MA (modified), material condition Baker. Boiler #1 is in use for auxiliary purposes.

*A. C. Huck*

A. C. HUCK,  
Lt., USNR.

04 to 08

Anchored as before. 0614 Sunrise. 0645 Lighted fires under boiler #3.

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Lt., USNR.

08 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Position  $36^{\circ} 20.5' N$ ,  $139^{\circ} 46.5' E$ . Let fires die out under boiler #1, boiler #3 in use for auxiliary purposes. 0810 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 1017 Pursuant to BuPers ltr 012248 of August 1945, Comdr. Edwin A. McDONALD, USN (70076), reported on board for transportation to the United States. Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal.

*C. G. Horton*

C. G. HORTON,  
Ensign, USNR.

12 to 16

Anchored as before. 1200 Position  $35^{\circ} 20.5' N$ ,  $139^{\circ} 46.5' E$ . 1201 Pursuant to Alnav #196-45, nine (9) officers and seventy-seven (77) enlisted men reported aboard for transportation to the United States from USS NECHES, TAMALPAIS, MACOMB, under boiler #1. 1400 Lt.(jg) William B. ROGERS, (EM) USNR, 89920, and McCAMMACK, Howard C., 627 24 73, RM2c, USNR, reported on board for duty pursuant to ComDesron 21 visual 180112 of August, 1945, temporary duty completed this date. 1530 Made all preparations for getting underway. 1530 By order of the Captain, ESHNAULT, Alvin D., 846 61 96, StMlc, USNR, was released from confinement aboard the USS MISSOURI and restored to duty, the uncompleted period of confinement imposed on him by Captain's Mast having been remitted.

*H. B. Crawford*  
H. B. CRAWFORD,  
Lt.(jg), USNR.

16 to 18

Anchored as before. 1610 Cut boilers #1 and #3 in on main steam line. 1617 Pursuant to CTU 30.3.8 visual dispatch 010510, underway in company with USS GARRARD Tokyo Bay. 1645 USS SAN DIEGO departure cancelled. 1729 Passed Kannon Saki abeam to starboard, distant 1500 yards, steaming on course  $189^{\circ}$  true, speed 15 knots. 1800 Set clocks back one hour to conform to (-9) Item time zone. 1719 Changed course to  $260^{\circ}$  true, conforming to swept channel, speed 15.5 knots, following astern of TU 30.3.5.

*T. Underhill*  
T. UNDERHILL,  
Lt., USNR.

18 to 20

Steaming as before. 1815 Changed course to  $174^{\circ}$  true. 1832 Changed course to  $165^{\circ}$  true. 1844 Commenced maneuvering on various courses to clear TU 30.3.5. 1930 Changed base course to  $140^{\circ}$  true. 1945 Passed Oshima abeam to starboard, distant 4 miles. 1950 GARRARD designated guide. Took station 3000 yards ahead

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Lt., USNR.

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