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Saturday

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Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	41° 33'N	41° 43'N	42° 20'N
Long.	53° 46'W	52° 59'W	51° 13'W

ADMINISTRATIVE &
OPERATIONAL REMARKS
(XXXXXX)

00 - 04

Steaming as a unit of Task Group 60.2 escorting Convoy UT-6 (Task Force 60) from eastern U.S. ports to United Kingdom. Patrolling on station F2 in accordance with CDS 15 serial 0101 of December 1943. CTF 60, Rear Admiral Bryant in U.S.S. TEXAS; Convoy Commodore Capt. Leo B. Schulten, USN, in Dorothea L. Dix; Convoy Vice-Commodore Capt. H.F. Fick in U.S.S. Santee. CTG 60.2 and CDS 15 in Davison, Capt. DuBois; CDS 16 in Parker; CDD 32 in Champlin. Boilers No. 2 and 4 in use. Ship darkened. Condition of readiness II Mike, material condition Baker. Convoy speed 15 Knots, course 084°T. 0100 Set all clocks ahead 30 minutes.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

04 - 08

Steaming as before. 0725 Went to General Quarters - Dawn Alert. 0759 Convoy commenced zig-zagging in accordance with plan # 11.

T. H. Davis, Jr.
T. H. DAVIS, Jr.

08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0835 Secured from General Quarters, set Condition II-Mike. Convoy ceased zig-zagging, reduced speed to 11 Knots for fueling destroyers operation, changed base course to 060°T. 0845 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees; tested both motor whale boats and steering engine, condition satisfactory. 0930 Destroyers commenced fueling operations U.S.S. Davison first to fuel. 1155 maneuvering on various courses preparatory to going alongside tanker, U.S.S. Merrimack.

A. C. Knowlton
A. C. KNOWLTON.

12 - 16

Steaming as before. 1209 Secured to tanker, U.S.S. Merrimack. 1225, Commenced fueling fore and aft. 1249 completed fueling. 1253 All lines clear of tanker, proceeding on various courses and speeds to take station #10 in screen. 1535 Cleared station #10 and proceeding to station #8.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

16 - 20

Steaming as before. 1645 On station #8. 1653 Convoy changed speed to 10 Knots. 1712 Convoy changed speed to 10.5 Kts. 1724 Both motor whale boats tested and found satisfactory. 1730 Sunset. Darkened ship. 1752 Destroyers completed fueling. Tanker dropping back to convoy. Convoy changed speed to 12 Kts. Champlin ordered to station #7. 1805 Convoy changed course to 090°T. 1815 Convoy changed speed to 15 Kts. 1840 Commenced patrolling on station #7.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

20 - 24

Steaming as before.

T. H. Davis, Jr.
T. H. DAVIS, Jr.

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C. L. Melson
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Sunday

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Zone description Plus 2 $\frac{1}{2}$

Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	42° 07.5'N	42° 18.8'N	42° 31'N
Long.	47° 20.0'W	46° 03'W	43° 30'W

ADMINISTRATIVE &
OPERATIONAL REMARKS

(WAR BLEN)

00 - 04

Steaming as a unit of Task Group 60.2 escorting Task Force 60 (Convoy UT-6) on base course 090°T speed 15 Knots. Patrolling station #7 in screen at speed 16 Knots. CTF 60 in U.S.S. TEXAS, CTG 60.2 in U.S.S. DAVISON, boilers no. 2 and no. 4 in use. Ship darkened, and in Condition of Readiness II-Mike, Material Condition Baker. 0100 Set all clocks ahead to plus 2 zone time.

A. O. KNOWLTON.

04 - 08

Steaming as before. 0730 Dawn Alert. Went to General Quarters.

S. N. ANASTASION.

08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0820 Secured from General Quarters set condition II-M. 0901 Held G-3 Gunnery exercises with U.S.S. Boyle. 0902 Went to General Quarters. 0932 Secured from General Quarters, set Condition II-M. Ammunition expended: 6 rounds 5"/38, 80 rounds 20MM, 68 rounds 40MM. 0927 Convoy ceased zig-zagging and resumed mean course. Convoy slowed to 11 Knots. 0945 - Second salvo G-3 Gunnery Exercise. Went to General Quarters. 0955 Secured from General Quarters, set Condition II-M. Expended 4 rounds 5"/38. 1000 All divisions mustered on station. No absentees. 1040 Convoy changed speed to 15 Kts. 1120 Both motor whale boats tested, condition satisfactory. Steering engine tested, condition satisfactory. 1130 Convoy commenced zig-zagging in accordance with plan No. 11.

T. H. DAVIS, Jr.

12 - 16

Steaming as before. 1500 Held Battle Torpedo Practice A for OOD's and JOOD's.

N. R. GLASS.

16 - 20

Steaming as before. 1730 Ceased zig-zagging. 1740 Dusk Alert manned all battle stations. 1810 Convoy changed base course to 060°T. 1840 secured from Dusk Alert, set condition II-M.

A. O. KNOWLTON.

20 - 24

Steaming as before.

S. N. ANASTASION.

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Monday

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Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	43° 59' N	44° 42' N	46° 18' N
Long.	39° 56.5' W	38° 50' W	37° 31' W

ADMINISTRATIVE &
OPERATIONAL REMARKS
~~XXXXXXXXXX~~
(WAR DIARY)

00 - 04

Steaming as a unit of Task Group 60.2 escorting Task Force 60 (Convoy UT-6) on base course 060°T speed 15 Knots. Patrolling station #7 in screen at speed 16 Knots. CTF 60 in USS TEXAS, CTG 60.2 in USS DAVISON. Boilers #1 and #4 in use. Ship darkened and in condition of Readiness Two Mike. Material Condition Baker. 0100 Set Clocks ahead one half hour to plus 1½ zone.

T. H. Davis Jr.
T. H. DAVIS, Jr.

04 - 08

Steaming as before. 0735 Dawn Alert, manned all battle stations.

A. O. Knowlton
A. O. KNOWLTON.

08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0800 Convoy commenced zig-zagging in accordance with plan #11. 0820 Secured from General Quarters, set Condition II Mike. 0855 Convoy ceased zig-zagging, changed course to 045°T. 0856 Mustered crew on stations. No absentees. 0857 Both motor whale boats tested and found satisfactory. 0930 Convoy commenced zig-zagging in accordance with plan #11. 0935 Went to General Quarters, conducted battle problems. 0959 Secured from General Quarters, set Condition II Mike. 1000 Convoy ceased zig-zagging. 1005 Convoy changed course to 040°T. 1020 Convoy commenced zig-zagging in accordance with plan #11.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

12 - 16

Steaming as before. Base course 040°T, speed 15 Knots. 1307 commenced practice firing of all guns. 1310 convoy ceased zig-zagging and slowed to 5 Knots to enable USS TEXAS to effect repairs. CHAMPLIN patrolling station #9 for this operation. 1330 Completed firing of guns, ammunition expended 12 rounds 5"/38, 8 rounds 40MM, and 190 rounds 20MM, no casualties. 1433 Convoy increased speed to 15 Knots. CHAMPLIN resumed station #7.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

16 - 20

Steaming as before. 1735 Dusk Alert. Went to General Quarters. 1800 Convoy increased speed to 15.3 Knots. 1825 Secured from General Quarters, set Condition II-M.

T. H. Davis Jr.
T. H. DAVIS, Jr.

20 - 24

Steaming as before.

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Tuesday

4

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Zone description Plus 1 $\frac{1}{2}$

Position	8 0800	1200	2000
Lat.	40° 28'N	49° 12.5'N	50° 17'N
Long.	34° 48'W	33° 47'W	31° 16'W

ADMINISTRATIVE &
OPERATIONAL REMARKS
(~~WACB/NAVY~~)

00 - 04

Steaming as a unit of Task Group 60.2 escorting Task Force 60 (Convoy UT-6) on base course 040°T, speed 15.3 Knots. Patrolling station No. 7 in screen at speed 16.3 Knots. CTF 60 in U.S.S. TEXAS, CTG 60.2 in USS DAVISON. Boilers No. 2 and 4 in use. Ship darkened, and in Condition of Readiness Two Mike, Material Condition Baker. 0025 SS SAMARIA dropping back showing break down lights. 0030 Convoy reduced speed to 12 Knots. 0050 SS SAMARIA back on station; convoy increased speed to 15.3 Knots. 0100 Set clocks ahead one half hour to zone plus 1. 0153 Convoy reduced speed to 12 Knots. 0205 Convoy increased speed to 15.3 Knots.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

04 - 08

Steaming as before.

T. H. Davis, Jr.
T. H. DAVIS, Jr.

08 - 12

0800 Dawn Alert, manned all battle stations. 0830 Radar contact. 0835 Convoy made emergency turn to port 30°. 0855 Secured from General Quarters Set Condition II-M. All Divisions mustered on station, No absentees. Both Motor whaleboats tested, condition satisfactory. 1130 Convoy changed course to 063°. 0930 Convoy resumed base course. Neutral vessel passed abeam to starboard at 8000 yards.

A. O. Knowlton
A. O. KNOWLTON.

12 - 16

Steaming as before. 1228 Convoy altered course to 060°T. 1305 Fired mount III 5" to provide burst target for U.S.S. BOYLE. 1310 fired mount II for same purpose. 1328 Fired mounts II and III at burst targets total ammunition expenditure for exercise purpose, 8 rounds 5"/38. 1445 Visibility decreasing at present 9000 yards.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

16 - 20

Steaming as before. 1720 Darkened ship. 1729 - Dusk Alert, went to General Quarters. 1745 - Convoy changed course to 045°T. 1815 Christian Hygens reported engine trouble, convoy reduced speed to 14 Knots. 1818 Convoy reduced speed to 13 Knots. 1821 Secured from General Quarters, set Condition II-M. 1910 Convoy reduced speed to 12 Knots.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

20 - 24

Steaming as before.

T. H. Davis, Jr.
T. H. DAVIS, Jr.

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Lat. 52°00.5'N		52°40'N	53°53.5'N
Long. 28°28'W		27°22'W	24°51.5'W

ADMINISTRATIVE &
OPERATIONAL REMARKS
(XXXXXX)

00 - 04

Steaming as a unit of Task Group 60.2 escorting Task Force 60 (Convoy UT6) on base course 045° speed 12 Knots. Patrolling station #7 in screen at speed 13 Knots. CTF 60 in U.S.S. TEXAS, CTG 60.2 in U.S.S. DAVISON, Boilers #2 and #4 in use. Ship darkened, and in condition of readiness II-M, material Condition Baker. At 0100 all clocks set ahead One Half Hour to zone Plus $\frac{1}{2}$. 0330 Convoy increased speed to 14 Knots.

A. C. Knowlton
A. C. KNOWLTON.

04 - 08

Steaming as before.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0820 Dawn Alert, went to General Quarters. 0920 secured from General Quarters, set Condition II-M. 0930 All divisions mustered on station, no absentees. 0930 Both motor whale boats tested, condition satisfactory. 1030 shifted steering to Starboard motor, starboard cable.

T. H. Davis Jr.
T. H. DAVIS Jr.

12 - 16

Steaming as before. 1430 Held instruction for Landing Force Party. 1535 Convoy increased speed to 15.3 Knots. SS CHRISTIAN HUYGENS dropped out of convoy escorted by U.S.S. LAUB. Screen to left of Station #7 shifted to left to fill gap. U.S.S. ORDRONAU taking station #5.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

16 - 20

Steaming as before. 1620 SS CHRISTIAN HUYGENS rejoined convoy, U.S.S. LAUB took station. 1700 convoy altered base course to 060°. 1715 Dusk Alert. All Battle Stations manned. 1735 Screen shifted to stations originally assigned. We proceeded to station Fox #2. 1810 secured from General Quarters, set Condition IIM-Watch III.

A. C. Knowlton
A. C. KNOWLTON.

20 - 24

Steaming as before.

S. N. Anastasion
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Thursday

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Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	55° 22'N	55° 26'N	55° 26'N
Long.	20° 33'W	18° 49'W	15° 13'W

ADMINISTRATIVE &
OPERATIONAL REMARKS

(WARRIORS)

00 - 04

Steaming as a unit of Task Group 60.2 escorting Task Force 60 (Convoy UT-6) on base course 060°T, speed 15.3 Kts. Patrolling station F2 in screen plant Black at speed 16.3 Kts. CTF 60 in U.S.S. TEXAS, CTG 60.2 in U.S.S. DAVISON. Boilers No. 1 and 4 in use. Ship darkened and in condition of readiness Two Mike. Material condition Baker set. 0100 Clocks advanced one half hour to zone zero.

T. H. Davis Jr.
T. H. DAVIS Jr.

04 - 08

Steaming as before.

A. G. Knowlton
A. G. KNOWLTON.

08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0810 Friendly plane reported bearing 180°T, range 28 miles. 0830 Convoy changed course to 090°T. 0840 Dawn Alert, went to General Quarters. 0933 Secured from General Quarters, set Condition II Mike. 0945 Motorwhaleboats tested and found satisfactory. 0950 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 1130 Captain held Mast and awarded the following punishments:

SIMERLY, A. (n) 295 80 24, WT1c, USN.

OFFENSE: AOL from 0800, December 28, 1943, to 0850 December 28, 1943.

Punishment: Warned.

SIMMONS, J.H., 669 04 61, Slc, USNR.

OFFENSE: AOL from 0800, December 27, 1943, to 0240, December 28, 1943. Lost Identification card.

Punishment: Deck Court.

BAKER, W.E., 643 42 37, F3c, USNR.

OFFENSE: AOL from 0800, December 28, 1943, to 1200, December 28, 1943.

Punishment: Deprivation of Six (6) liberties.

MACKES, R.E., 244 18 51, Slc, USN.

OFFENSE: Neglect of duty, unauthorized use of Government Property.

Punishment: To perform Twenty (20) hours extra duty.

BLACKBURN, E.F., 616 64 64, SoM3c, USNR.

OFFENSE: AOL from 0800, December 28, 1943, to 0850, December 28, 1943.

Punishment: Deprivation of Two (2) liberties.

LOYD, J.E., 274 72 53, Cox, USN.

OFFENSE: AOL from 0800, December 16, 1943, to 0700, December 20, 1943.

Punishment: Deck Court.

CHILDERS, A.L., 668 42 48, SM3c, USNR.

OFFENSE: AOL from 0800, December 26, 1943, to 1305, December 27, 1943.

Punishment: Deck Court.

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C. L. Nelson
C. L. NELSON, Commander, USN

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R. L. BAUGHAN, Lieut, USN

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ADMINISTRATIVE &
OPERATIONAL REMARKS

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FAULKNER, G.E., 609 08 99, Slc, USNR.

OFFENSE: AOL from 0800, December 26, 1943, to 0825, December 26, 1943.

Punishment: Deprivation of Two (2) liberties.

FAIRCHILD, R.B., 283 80 99, S2c, USN.

OFFENSE: AOL from 0800, December 24, 1943, to 1000, December 26, 1943.

Punishment: Deck Court.

JONES, H.W., 366 66 67, PhMlc, USN.

OFFENSE: AOL from 0800, December 16, 1943, to 0400, December 24, 1943.

Punishment: Case held for consideration of Captain.

PRIEST, A. (n), 313 03 81, F3c, USNR.

OFFENSE: Failed to man regularly assigned General Quarters station on December 30, 1943 and December 31, 1943.

Punishment: To perform Forty (40) hours extra duty.

SHORTS, J.T., 205 43 38, StM2c, USNR.

OFFENSE: AOL from 0800, December 25, 1943, to 1500, December 26, 1943.

Punishment: Deck Court.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

12 - 16

Steaming as before. 1200 ECKLUND, G.E., 234 16 27, CGM, USN, and ELLIS, M.C., 295 35 11, Cox, USN, placed on binnacle list. 1300 All ships in convoy calibrated TBY's. 1345 - Held Steering casualty drill. 1545 Screen changed to plan Black and Dogs #4 and #10 exchanged stations. 1555 All fighting lights tested and found satisfactory.

N.R. Glass
N.R. GLASS.

16 - 20

Steaming as before. 1556 Darkened ship. 1650 Dusk Alert, went to General Quarters. 1800 Secured from General Quarters, set Condition II-M

T. H. Davis, Jr.
T. H. DAVIS, Jr.

20 - 24

Steaming as before.

A. C. Knowlton
A. C. KNOWLTON.

Approved

W. C. Melson
W. C. MELSON, Commanding Officer

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R. T. BAUGHAN, Lieut. USN

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Friday, 7 January, 1944
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Zone description Zero

Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	55° 25'N	55° 28'N	54° 53.5'N
Long.	09° 35'W	08° 6.5'W	5° 28.5'W

ADMINISTRATIVE &
OPERATIONAL REMARKS~~SECRET~~

00 - 04

Steaming as a unit of Task Group 60.2 escorting Task Force 60 (Convoy UT-6) on base course 090°T, speed 15.3 Kts. Patrolling station F-2 in picket at speed 16.3 Kts. CTF 60 in USS TEXAS, CTG 60.2 in USS DAVISON. Boilers No's 1 and 4 steaming. Ship darkened and in condition of Readiness II-M, Material Condition Baker.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

04 - 08

Steaming as before. 0750 Passed the 100 Fathom curve.

T. H. Davis, Jr.
T. H. DAVIS, Jr.

08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0800 Dawn Alert, All battle stations manned. 0838 Secured from General Quarters, set Condition II-M. 0900 Motor whaleboats tested and found satisfactory. Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 1000 Land Sighted, North Tip of Ireland, Distance 35 miles.

A. O. Knowlton
A. O. KNOWLTON.

12 - 16

Steaming as before. 1200 Convoy changed course to 080°T. 1250 Sighted Malin Head, distance 45 miles. 1300 Set all clocks ahead 1 hour to zone -1. 1435 Passed Innistrhull abeam to starboard 20 miles. 1500 Convoy changed course to 090°T. 1510 Challenged tanker PIER FAITH, British. Directed tanker to clear convoy to north. 1540 Convoy changed course to 115°T. 1545 All running and fighting lights tested and found satisfactory.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

16 - 20

Steaming as before. 1600 Convoy preparing to break up into sections. 1603 CDD32 directed to take charge and proceed with Bristol section. Took station 50° on port bow of SANTA PAULA, 2000 yards. 1650 Set course 110° speed 15 kts. 1700 Darkened ship. Turned on dimmed navigational lights. 1726 Changed speed to 15.5 Kts. 1800 Changed course to 141° T. 1820 Champlin took station 2000 yds ahead of convoy column Nields 2000 yards astern. 1835 Changed course to 145°T. 1903 Changed course to 150°T. 1937 Passed Maiden light abeam to starboard. 1955 Changed course to 162°T.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

20 - 24

Steaming as before. 2000 Convoy changed course to 150°T. 2030 Convoy changed course to 161°T. 2040 Passed Mew Island abeam to starboard, 5 1/4 miles. 2120 Convoy changed course to 173°T. 2145 Passed South Rock light abeam to starboard, 5 miles. 2150 Convoy changed course to 177°T. 2230 Convoy changed course to 173°T. 2300 Convoy changed course to 180°T.

T. H. Davis, Jr.
T. H. DAVIS, Jr.

Approved:

Champlin

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R. L. Baughman

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Saturday 8 January, 1944
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Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	51° 50'N	51° 26.5'N	
Long.	05° 50'W	04° 32.0'W	

ADMINISTRATIVE &
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00 - 04

Steaming as a unit of Bristol Group of Task Force 60 On Base Course 180°, speed 15 Knots. On station 2000 yards, bearing 000° relative from column leader. 0019 Passed Buoy K1 Abeam to port. 0204 Passed Buoy K2 on port Beam. 0350 Passed Buoy K3 abeam to port. Changed Base Course Base course to 203°.

A. O. Knowlton
A. O. KNOWLTON.

04 - 08

Steaming as before. 0610 Sighted Buoy K4 bearing 213°T. 0630 Convoy changed course to 207°T. 0632 Convoy changed course to 212°T. 0643 Passed Buoy K4 abeam to port, close aboard. 0644 Convoy changed course to 205°T.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0825 Passed Smalls light abeam to port at 8½ miles. Convoy changed course to 120°T. 0830 All divisions mustered on station. No absentees. 0905 Convoy changed course to 094°T. 0929 Lighted ship. 0950 Convoy changed course to 107°T. 0955 Passed SKOKHELM LIGHT abeam to port, 4½ miles. 1005 Passed M.H. buoy abeam to port, 3000 yards. 1010 Convoy changed course to 134°T. 1030 Convoy changed course to 121°T. 1051 Passed St. GOVENS LIGHT abeam to port, 1000 yards. 1052 Convoy changed course to 100°T. 1110 Convoy changed course to 096°T.

T. H. Davis, Jr.
T. H. DAVIS, Jr.

12 - 16

Steaming as before. 1245 Several ships, including SCARWEATHER LIGHT ship sighted on horizon, bearing 095°T. 1315 Stationed Special Sea Details preparatory to entering SWANSEA, WALES, H.K. 1318 Altered course to 003°T, to enter swept channel. 1330 Steaming on various courses and speeds conforming to channel. 1355 Passed MUMBLE light abeam to port. 1405 Anchored in outer ROADSTEAD, SWANSEA H.K. in 8 fathoms of water.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

16 - 20

Anchored as before. 1724 Ship darkened. 1842 Received harbor pilot, E.G. BURN aboard. 1847 Underway. Steaming on various courses and speeds to conform to channel entrance to SWANSEA. 1915 Secured to Tug forward. 1930 Secured to second tug aft. 1945 - Moored to portside of Kings Dock Lock with 3 manila and 1 wire hawser. Tug still secured forward.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

20 - 24

Moored as before. 2000 Pilot DAN WILLIAMS came aboard. 2018 Underway. Proceeding through lock with tugs fwd. and aft. 2100 Moored starboard side to #2 fueling dock in QUEENS Dock, SWANSEA, WALES. 2105 Set port watch. Secured Condition IIM. Secured #4 boiler. Boiler #1 steaming for auxiliary purposes. 2150 Commenced fueling ship.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

Approved:

C. Nelson
C. NELSON, Commander, USN

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Sunday

9,

January, 19 44

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ADMINISTRATIVE &
OPERATIONAL REMARKS

(WAR MARK)

00 - 04

Moored Starboard side to No. 2 Fueling Dock in Queens Dock, SWANSEA, WALES with 5 Manila lines and 1 wire hawser. Steaming No. 1 boiler for auxiliary purposes.

F. H. Weber
F. H. WEBER.

04 - 08

Moored as before. 0700 Lit off No. 4 Boiler. 0740 Shifted load. Split Plant Operation.

J. H. Keyes, Jr.
J. H. KEYES, Jr.

08 - 12

Moored as before. 0815 Mustered crew on station. No absentees. 0915 Held Quarters. 1103 Stationed special sea details. 1112 T. WHEELER, Pilot came aboard. 1121 Underway, used various courses and speeds to clear docks on way to PALMER'S REPAIR JETTY. 1143 Moored port-side to U.S.S. NIELDS with 5 Manila lines and 1 Wire hawser at PALMER'S REPAIR JETTY, N.W. side of QUEEN'S DOCK, SWANSEA, WALES. 1150 Secure main engines, No. 1 Boiler steaming for auxiliary purposes.

R. G. Goodeve
R. G. GOODEVE.

12 - 16

Moored as before. 1335 Paid Crew. Paymaster Ensign R. T. BOANHOLDT, USNR (SC). 1415 A Deck Court R. L. BAUGHAN, Lieutenant, USN, met to try the cases of SIMMONS, J.H., 669 04 61, Slc, USNR, SHORTS, J.T., 205 43 38, StM2c, USNR, CHILDERS A.L., 668 42 48, SM3c, USNR, LOYD, J.E., 247 72 53, Cox, USN, and FAIRCHILD, R.B., 283 80 99, S2c, USN, and adjourned at 1445.

C. H. Watts
C. H. WATTS.

16 - 20

Moored as before.

A. C. Knowlton
A. C. KNOWLTON.

20 - 24

Moored as before.

F. H. Weber
F. H. WEBER.

Approved:

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ADMINISTRATIVE &
OPERATIONAL REMARKS

(WAK DLMW)

00 - 04

Moored port side to U.S.S. NIELDS, with 5 Manila lines and 2 wire cables at PALMERS REPAIR JETTY, N.W. side of QUEEN'S DOCK, SWANSEA, WALES, No. 1 Boiler steaming for auxiliary purposes.

C. H. Watts
C. H. WATTS.

04 - 08

Moored as before.

A. O. Knowlton
A. O. KNOWLTON.

08 - 12

Moored as before. 0800 Colors. 0815 All divisions mustered on stations. No absentees. 0910 The following Deck Courts were published:

SIMMONS, J.H., 669 04 61, Slc, USNR.

OFFENSE: AOL from 0800, December 27, 1943, to 0240, December 28, 1943.

SENTENCE: To lose Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00) per month of his pay for a period of Two (2) months. Total loss of pay amounting to Thirty dollars (\$30.00).

CHILDERS, A.L., 668 42 48, SM3c, USNR.

OFFENSE: AOL from 0800, December 26, 1943, to 1205 December 27, 1943.

SENTENCE: To lose Ten dollars (\$10.00) per month of his pay for a period of Two (2) months. Total loss of pay amounting to Twenty dollars (\$20.00).

LOYD, J.E., 247 72 53, Cox, USN.

OFFENSE: AOL from 0800, December 16, 1943, to 0700, December 20, 1943.

SENTENCE: To lose Twenty-six dollars (\$26.00) per month of his pay for a period of Two (2) months. Total loss of pay amounting to Fifty-two dollars (\$52.00).

SHORTS, J.T., 205 43 38, StM2c, USNR.

OFFENSE: AOL from 1200, December 24, 1943, to 1910, December 25, 1943.

SENTENCE: To lose Fifteen dollars per month of his pay for a period of Two months. Total loss of pay amounting to Thirty dollars (\$30.00).

FAIRCHILD, R.B., 283 80 99, S2c, USN.

OFFENSE: AOL from 2400 December 23, 1943, to 1000, December 26, 1943.

SENTENCE: To lose Eighteen dollars (\$18.00) per month of his pay for a period of Two (2) months. Total loss of pay amounting to Thirty-six dollars (\$36.00).

0925 Civilian Radar Technician, A.R. JONES, G.L., JONES, came aboard to check radar equipment. 0930, Machine gun party left ship for firing range in charge of Ensign R. G. GOODEVE. 0935 Inspection Party returned from U.S.S. NIELDS. 0940 Party of (13) thirteen enlisted men left ship to attend AA dome school. 1000 The following personnel of the U.S.S. NIELDS came aboard as inspection party. Commander, A.R. HECKEY, USN, Lieut. R.E. SCHLECHT, USNR, Lieut. F.J. GORZYK, USN, Lieut. (jg) R.H. EMERSON, USNR, Lieut (jg) E.V. DOW, Lieut. C.S. BAKER, Lieut. (jg) G.C. LEAVITT, USNR, Lieut. F.C. CROUSE, USNR. Elect. L.J. MONDOT, USN. 1030 Lit off evaporators, commenced making freshwater. 1130 Captain INGLIS, Royal Navy, came aboard. (Commanding Officer of SWANSEA Naval Base). 1135 Inspection Party left ship. 1140 AA dome school party returned aboard.

H. Keyes, Jr.
H. KEYES, JR.

Approved:

C. H. Watts
C. H. WATTS.

Examined:

R. L. Baughman
R. L. BAUGHMAN

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ADMINISTRATIVE &
OPERATIONAL REMARKS
(WAR HAZARD)

12 - 16

Moored as before. 1455 - Called away Fire and Rescue party for drill. 1540 Shore Patrol party left ship, composed of:

BOHMAN, H.L., 223 15 95, CSK, USN.

MORIARTY, M.F., 607 25 54, FC3c, USNR.

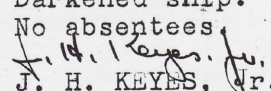
BLACK, J.W., 614 48 97, SoM3c, USNR.

PURPLE, G.A., 207 27 41, GM3c, USN.


B. DOLAN.

16 - 20

Moored as before. 1600 Ceased taking water from dock after taking on 6646 gallons. 1726 Executed colors. Darkened ship. 1845 Mustered all Prisoners at large and restricted men. No absentees.

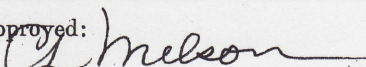

J. H. KEYES, Jr.

20 - 24

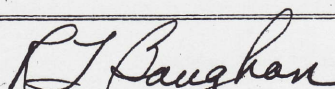
Moored as before.


S. N. ANASTASION.

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UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601)

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**ADMINISTRATIVE &
OPERATIONAL REMARKS**
(WAKHAGY)

00 - 04

Moored port side to U.S.S. NIELDS with 5 manila lines and 1 wire hawser at PALMER'S REPAIR JETTY, N.W. side of QUEEN'S DOCK, SWANSEA, WALES. No. 1 boiler steaming for auxiliary purposes. 0024 Shore Patrol party returned to ship.

B. Dolan
B. DOLAN.

04 - 08

Moored as before. 0750 Annual Military Inspection party of this ship left to continue the inspection of the U.S.S. NIELDS.

T. H. Davis, Jr.
T. H. DAVIS, Jr.

08 - 12

Moored as before. 0815 Crew mustered on station. All divisions present or accounted for. 1045 Annual Military Inspection party of this ship returned aboard. Annual Military Inspection party from U.S.S. NIELDS arrived aboard to continue inspection of this ship. 1122 Went to General Quarters and commenced gas attack problem. 1135 Secured from Gas problem. 1150 Held abandon ship drill. 1200 Secured from drills. Annual Military Inspection party from U.S.S. NIELDS left ship.

F. H. Weber
F. H. WEBER.

12 - 16

Moored as before. 1345 Shore Patrol party left ship.

Lieutenant (j.g.) Norman R. GLASS. USNR.
GALLAGHER, M.J., 706 87 69, SoM3c, USNR.
OLIVER, W.E., 612 40 04, SoM3c, USNR.
STANGLE, G.H., 607 88 05, RdM3c, USNR.
VAN DUSEN, R. K., 608 46 86, RdM3c, USNR.

R. G. Goodeve
R. G. GOODEVE,

16 - 20

Moored as before. 1610 HOLCOMB, M.C., 263 06 05, CMM (PA); USN, transferred to U.S. Naval Base 2, ROSNEATH, SCOTLAND for further orders. By verbal orders from ComNavEu dated 10 January 1944. 1721 Darkened Ship. 1900 Mustered Prisoners At Large and Restricted men. No absentees. 1930 Eight o' clock reports. All Departments Secure.

D. L. Jones
D. L. JONES.

20 - 24

Moored as before.

E. E. Simmons
E. E. SIMMONS.

Approved:

C. L. Melson
C. L. MELSON, Commander, USN.

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R. L. BAUGHAN, Lieut. USN.

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UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601)

Wednesday 12 January 1944
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Position	0800	1200	2000
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ADMINISTRATIVE &
OPERATIONAL REMARKS

(WORK DIARY)

00 - 04

Moored Port side to U.S.S. NIELDS with 5 manila lines and 1 wire hawser at PALMER'S REPAIR JETTY, N.W. side of Queen's Dock, SWANSEA, WALES. No. 11 boiler steaming for auxiliary purposes. 0020 Shore Patrol Party returned aboard.

R. G. Goodeve
R. G. GOODEVE.

04 - 08

Moored as before.

D. L. Jones
D. L. JONES.

08 - 12

Moored as before. 0820 All divisions mustered on station. No absentees. 0930 Magazines inspected; conditions normal. 1130 Chronometers wound and compared.

E. E. Simmons
E. E. SIMMONS.

12 - 16

Moored as before.. 1430 Gyro compass working satisfactory. 1450 No. 2&3 boilers lit off. 1510 Draft of ship: 14'3" Fwd. 16'9" Aft. 1515 All radars and radar equipment tested and ready for getting underway. 1545 Steering gear and engine telegraph tested and ready for getting underway.

W. B. Schneidau
W. B. SCHNEIDAU.

16 - 20

Moored as before. 1601 All running and fighting lights tested and found satisfactory. 1605 Discontinued fresh water service from dock. 1630 Stationed Special Sea details. Pilot O.E. DAVIS came aboard. 1710 Harbor tug WALLASBY secured to bow line. 1714 Underway in tow. 1732 Moored to lock entrance by 2 bow lines. 1822 Entered lock and moored portside to at 1825. 1829 Pilot left ship. 1855 Pilot MUNN came aboard. Underway on various courses and speeds to outer Roadstead Anchorage. 1942 Anchored in 6 fathoms of water with 60 fathoms of chain. 1946 Engines placed on 10 minutes notice and Special Sea Details, secured with Watch III set on the Bridge.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

20 - 24

Anchored as before. 2050 Lat fires die out under Boiler Number 3, and cut out same at 2100. Number 2 Boiler steaming for auxiliary purposes.

A. O. Knowlton
A. O. KNOWLTON.

Approved:

C. L. Melson

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Thursday

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Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.		51° 29.5'N	52° 57'N
Long.		05° 02.0'W	05° 58'W

ADMINISTRATIVE &
OPERATIONAL REMARKS
(WARTIME)

00 - 04

Anchored in outer Roadstead, SWANSEA BAY, WALES, in six fathoms of water, sand and shale bottom, with sixty fathoms of chain to the Stbd. anchor, on the following bearings.

Mumbles light 287 3/4°T

Flashing Green Buoy light 142°T.

Fixed Red light on Lock Pier 016°T.

Buoy #1, fixed white 186 1/2°T.

Boiler #2 steaming for auxiliary purposes. Material condition Baker set. Condition IIM set on bridge. 0200 Ship commenced swinging to starboard with tide. 0310 Completed swinging with tide.

S. N. ANASTASION.

04 - 08

Anchored as before. 0755 Made all preparations for getting underway. Set Condition IIM on all stations.

T. H. DAVIS, Jr.

08 - 12

Anchored as before. 0815 Underway in accordance with sailing order No. 775(US) from Senior Naval Officer in charge H.M. Naval Base, SWANSEA. On various courses & speeds, 15 knots in channel to SCARWEATHER Light Ship, passed abeam to starboard at 0830. Changed course to 276°. Joined the following ships, SS SANTA TERESA, SS BARRY, SS EXCHANGE, and SS SANTA PAULA. 1150 Passed St. GOVERNS light ship. 1155 Changed course to 310°.

A. O. KNOWLTON.

12 - 16

Steaming as before. 1240 Convoy speed changed to 15 Kts. 1240 Passed MILFORD HAVEN buoy 500 yards abeam to starboard. 1240 Convoy changed course to 271°T. Using various speeds when necessary to keep on station. 1350 Convoy changed course to 300°T. 1412 Convoy changed course 028°T. 1430 Passed THE SMALLS bearing 118°T about 4 miles. 1433 Convoy changed speed to 16 knots. 1434 Convoy changed course to 030°T. 1435 Visibility increased to about 8000 yards. 1505 Ship sighted dead ahead. 1515 Land sighted on starboard bow bearing 090°T about 4 miles, Ramsey Island light. 1520 Ship sighted on port bow on horizon bearing 340°T. 1530 Wind shifted to west.

N. R. GLASS.

16 - 20

Steaming as before. 1634 Changed base course to 024°T. 1728 Sunset. Turned on dimmed navigational lights. 1813 Sighted BARDSEY ISLAND light bearing 038°T. 1912 Changed base course to 005°T. 1920 Passed BARDSEY ISLAND light abeam to starboard bearing 095°T, range 8,500 yards.

S. N. ANASTASION.

20 - 24

Steaming as before. 2100 Convoy changed course to 353°T. 2115 Convoy changed course to 350°T. 2120 Convoy changed course to 343°T. 2120 Passed SOUTH STACK light abeam to starboard, 4 1/2 miles. 2125 All running lights turned on bright. 2145 Passed SKERRIES light abeam to starboard, 8 1/2 miles. 2150 Convoy changed speed to 15 1/2 knots. 2225 Convoy changed speed to 15 kts. 2355 C Changed course to 358°T.

T. H. DAVIS, Jr.

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Ch. Nelson
Commander USN

R. L. Baughman
Lieut USN

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Friday

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Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	55° 28'N	55° 28'N	54° 59.5'N
Long.	06° 23'W	07° 30'W	10° 52.0'W

ADMINISTRATIVE &
OPERATIONAL REMARKS

(WAX DRAIN)

00 - 04

Steaming as a unit of Bristol Group of Task Force 60. On base course 358°T, speed 15 knots. On station 2000 yards. Bearing 000 Relative from column leader. Boilers #2 and #3 in use. Condition of Readiness IIM set. Material Condition Baker set. 0005 Passed Chicken Rock abeam to starboard at 6 miles. 0200 Changed convoy course to 336°T. 0210 Convoy changed speed to 14 knots. 0242 Passed Mull of GALLOWAY abeam to starboard distance 6 miles. 0253 Passed Grammag Head abeam to starboard, distance 5 miles. 0307 Convoy changed speed to 12 knots. 0330 Passed East Black Head abeam to starboard, distance 5 miles. 0332 Passed Mew Island abeam to port, distance 15 miles. 0333 changed course to 333°T.

A. O. Knowlton
A. O. KNOWLTON.

04 - 08

Steaming as before. 0404 Making various changes of course and speed to overtake and pass other units proceeding to convoy rendezvous. 0545 Sighted Mull of Cantyre Light bearing 006°T. 0550 Sighted Rue Point Light bearing 276°T. 0600 Passed Mull of Cantyre Light abeam to starboard, bearing 052°T. 0625 Dimmed navigational lights. 0700 Sighted Oversay light bearing 320°T. 0755 Course 310°T speed 11 knots.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0810 Changed speed to 15 Knots. 0830 All divisions mustered on station. No absentees. 0900 Convoy TU-6 (Task Force 60) formed. Task Group 60.2 took screening stations. CTF 60 Rear Admiral C.F. BRYANT, USN, IN USS TEXAS. Convoy Commodore, Captain Leo B. SCHULTEN, USN, in USS DOROTHEA L. DIX. Convoy Vice Commodore, Captain H.F. FICK, USN, in USS SANTEE. CTG 60.2 (ComDesRon 15) Captain S.W. DUBOIS, USN, in USS DAVISON. ComDesRon 16, Captain C.J. CATER, USN, in USS PARKER, DomDesDiv 32, Commander J.C. SOWELL, USN, in USS CHAMPLIN. USS CHAMPLIN in station Fox Two in accordance with ComDesRon 15 Serial 0101. Convoy course 270°T, speed 9 Knots. 0950 Convoy changed speed to 10 knots. 0955 Convoy changed speed to 11 knots. 0956 Convoy changed speed to 12 knots. 1035 Convoy changed speed to 14 knots. 1045 Convoy changed course to 261°T. 1100 Passed Tor Rocks abeam to port, 3 miles.

T. H. Davis, Jr.
T. H. DAVIS, Jr.

12 - 16

Steaming as before. Patrolling on station. Convoy base course 261°T speed 14 knots. 1300 All clocks set back $\frac{1}{2}$ hour to $-\frac{1}{2}$ zone time. 1307 Dropping back to pick up visual message using 92 RPM. 1307 Land sighted bearing 200°T at 18,000 yards. 1321 Changed speed to 132 RPM. 14 Knots. 1408 Changed speed to 143 RPM - 15 knots. 1410 Small fishing trawler sighted bearing 218°T, about 8000 yards. 1415 Changed speed to 148 RPM. 1543 All fighting and running lights tested and found satisfactory.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

16 - 20

Steaming as before. 1730 Convoy changed course to 250°T. 1735 Dusk Alert. Manned all battle stations. 1840 Secured from General Quarters. Set Condition II Mike.

A. O. Knowlton
A. O. KNOWLTON.

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C. J. Nelson

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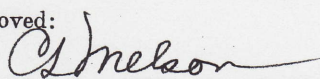
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OPERATIONAL REMARKS~~(WAKILAH)~~

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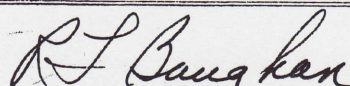
Steaming as before. 2140 Convoy changed speed to 11 knots. 2145 Convoy changed speed to 10 knots. 2150 USS CHAMPLIN assumed Medium Frequency DF guard. 2225 Ship in position 72 dropping back due to boiler trouble; ordered to return to UK for repairs. 2226 Convoy increased speed to 12 knots. 2230 Convoy increased speed to 14 knots. 2240 Convoy changed speed to 12 knots. 2245 SS EXCHANGE dropping back to make repairs. USS MACKENZIE to standby. 2320 Ship 72 rejoining. USS LAUB going back to escort. 2332 Radar Contact, 250°T, range 14,000 yards. Identified as USS HUMBOLDT. Ordered to steer to North. 2345 Convoy changed speed to 10 kts.


S. N. ANASTASION.

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Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	54° 21'N	53° 56'N	52° 49'N
Long.	13° 30'W	14° 21'W	16° 44'W

ADMINISTRATIVE &
OPERATIONAL REMARKS

(WAR DIARY)

00 - 04

Steaming as a unit of Task Group 60.2 escorting Task Force 60 (Convoy TU 6) on base course 250°T, speed 10 knots. Patrolling station F2 at speed 10½ knots. CTF 60 in USS TEXAS - CTG 60.2 in USS DAVISON. Boilers No. 2 and 3 in use. Ship darkened and in condition of Readiness Two Mike. Material condition Baker set.

T. H. Davis, Jr.
T. H. DAVIS, Jr.

04 - 08

Steaming as before. 0700 Convoy increased speed to 11 knots. 0730 Convoy increased speed to 12 knots.

A. O. Knowlton
A. O. KNOWLTON.

08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 0810 Exchange back in position 53 in convoy. 0815 Both motorwhale boats tested and found satisfactory. 0840 Dawn Alert - Went to General Quarters. 0930 Convoy changed course to 225° T. 0933 - Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike. 1105 Convoy changed speed to 13 knots. 1117 Ship in position 72 rejoined, convoy changed speed to 14 knots.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

12 - 16

Steaming as before. 1240 MC LANAHAN reported having steering casualty - have not located trouble. 1250 MC LANAHAN rectified steering trouble. 1400 Set all clocks back ½ hour to zone 0 time. 1345 Convoy appears to be making 14.5 knots - visibility increasing. 1420 Changed speed to 151 RPM. 1425 Convoy speed changed to 15 knots. 1430 Changed speed to 154 RPM. 1445 Passing through light rain. 1525 Running and fighting lights tested and found satisfactory.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

16 - 20

Steaming as before. 1637 Convoy changed speed to 15.5 knots. 1710 Convoy changed speed to 15 knots. 1715 Darkened ship. 1731 Dusk Alert Went to General Quarters. 1744 Convoy changed speed to 14.5 knots. 1800 Convoy changed course to 230°T. 1824 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II-M. 1920 Changed speed to 14 knots.

T. H. Davis, Jr.
T. H. DAVIS, Jr.

20 - 24

Steaming as before. 2130 Convoy changed speed to 13 knots. 2200 Convoy changed speed to 12 knots.

A. O. Knowlton
A. O. KNOWLTON.

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16

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Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	51° 24'N	50° 42'N	49° 15'N
Long.	19° 07'W	19° 53'W	22° 00'W

ADMINISTRATIVE &
OPERATIONAL REMARKS~~(REDACTED)~~

00 - 04

Steaming as a unit of Task Group 60.2 escorting Task Force 60 (Convoy TU-6) on base course 230°T, speed 12 knots. Patrolling station F2 at speed 12 knots. CTF 60 in USS TEXAS; CTG 60.2 in USS DAVISON. Boilers No. 2 and 3 in use. Ship darkened and in condition of Readiness Two Mike. Material Condition Baker set. 0237 Convoy changed speed to 13 knots. 0246 Convoy changed speed to 14 knots.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

04 - 08

Steaming as before. 0600 Convoy changed course to 218°T. 0630 Convoy changed speed to 15 knots. 0745 Shifted steering to Port motor, port cable.

T. H. Davis, Jr.
T. H. DAVIS, Jr.

08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations, No absentees. 0805 Dawn Alert, Manned All Battle Stations. 0840 Took Day Screening Station and convoy commenced zig zagging in accordance with Plan 11. 0855 Secured from General Quarters. 0900 Convoy increased speed to 15½ knots. Both Motor whaleboats and steering gear engines tested and found satisfactory.

A. O. Knowlton
A. O. KNOWLTON.

12 - 16

Steaming as before. 1254 Plane sighted on starboard bow bearing 265°T, appears to be a SUNDERLAND. 1400 All clocks set back ½ hour to plus ½ zone time. 1330 Commenced practice firing of 5"38cal, 20MM and 40MM guns. Went to General Quarters. 1349 Ceased practice firing. Ammunition expended: 5"38cal - 14 rounds; 40MM 160 rounds; 20MM 763 rounds. Secured from General Quarters, set Condition II Mike, Watch II.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

16 - 20

Steaming as before. 1712 Convoy ceased zig-zagging. 1715 Convoy changed speed to 15 knots. 1735 Dusk Alert - Went to General Quarters. 1800 Convoy changed course to 245°T. 1835 Secured from General Quarters, set Condition II Mike. 1900 Convoy changed speed to 15.5 knots.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

20 - 24

Steaming as before.

T. H. Davis, Jr.
T. H. DAVIS, Jr.

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R. L. Baughman
R. L. BAUGHMAN, Lieut. USN

UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601)

Monday

17

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Zone description Plus $\frac{1}{2}$

Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	48° 16' N	48° 02' N	47° 31' N
Long.	26° 11' W	26° 56' W	29° 03' W

**ADMINISTRATIVE &
OPERATIONAL REMARKS**

(WAB DIARY)

00 - 04

Steaming as a unit of Task Group 60.2 escorting Task Force 60 (Convoy TU-6) on base course 245°T, speed 15.5 knots. Patrolling station F2 at speed 16.5 knots. CTF 60 in USS TEXAS: CTF 60.2 in USS DAVISON: Boilers No. 2 and 3 in use. Ship darkened and in condition of Readiness, Two Mike, Material condition Baker set. 0100 Convoy changed base course to 250°T. 0340 Convoy reduced speed to 12 knots while SS EXCHANGE makes engine repairs.

A. O. Knowlton
A. O. KNOWLTON.

04 - 08

Steaming as before. 0400 Convoy increased speed to 14 knots. 0422 Convoy increased speed to 15½ knots. 0610 Convoy decreased speed to 14½ knots.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0800 Dawn Alert, Went to General Quarters. 0830 Convoy commenced zig-zagging in accordance with plan #11. 0840 Convoy changed speed to 15 knots. 0848 Secured from General Quarters, set condition IIM. 0900 Both motor whaleboats tested, conditions satisfactory 0900 All Divisions mustered on station. No absentees. 0905 Convoy increased speed to 15½ knots. 1005 Convoy ceased zig-zagging, resumed the mean course. 1010 Shifted steering to starboard motor, starboard cable. 1015 Convoy changed speed to 15 knots.

T. H. Davis, Jr.
T. H. DAVIS, Jr.

12 - 16

Steaming as before. 1400 Set all clocks back ½ hour to zone plus 1 time. 1352 Convoy decreased speed to 13 knots. 1448 Convoy reduced speed to 12 knots. Sea's increasing, wind 45 knots. 1550 reduced patrol speed to 111 RPM.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

16 - 20

Steaming as before. 1612 Convoy reduced speed to 11 knots.

A. O. Knowlton
A. O. KNOWLTON.

20 - 24

Steaming as before. Convoy made following speed changes: 2005 to 12 knots; 2040 to 13 knots; 2220 to 12 knots; 2240 to 11 knots. During this watch, several m/f bearings were obtained in directions in front of convoy. On Frequency 422.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

Approved:

C. L. Melson
C. L. MELSON, Commander, USN.

Examined:

R. L. Baughan
R. L. BAUGHAN, Lieut. USN.

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UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601)

Tuesday 18 January, 19 44
(Day) (Date) (Month)

Zone description Plus 1

Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	46° 46.5'N	46° 39'N	45° 55'N
Long.	31° 26'W	32° 38'W	36° 06'W

ADMINISTRATIVE &
OPERATIONAL REMARKS

(WAR DIARY)

00 - 04

Steaming as a unit of Task Group 60.2 escorting Task Force 60 (Convoy TU-6) on base course 250°T, speed 11 knots. Patrolling station Fox Two at 11 knots. CTF 60 in USS TEXAS. CTG 60.2 in USS DAVISON. Boilers No. 2 and 3 in use. Ship darkened and in condition of Readiness Two Mike. Material condition Baker set. 0231 Convoy changed speed to 12 knots. 0300 Convoy changed speed to 11 knots.

T. H. Davis, Jr.
T. H. DAVIS, Jr.

04 - 08

Steaming as before. 0425 Convoy increased speed to 12 knots. 0550 Convoy increased speed to 13 knots. 0652 Convoy increased speed to 13½ knots. 0714 Convoy increased speed to 14 knots. 0740 Convoy increased speed to 15 knots.

A. O. Knowlton
A. O. KNOWLTON.

08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 0838 Convoy changed speed to 14 knots.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

12 - 16

Steaming as before. 1400 Set clocks back 30 minutes to zone plus 1½. 1343 Commenced firing 5"/38 practice firing. 1430 Completed practice firing, 10 rounds 5"/38 ammunition expended, no casualties. Convoy speed 14.5 knots. 1550, Fighting lights satisfactory.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

16 - 20

Steaming as before. 1700 Commenced zig-zagging in accordance with plan #11. 1730 Darkened ship. 1752 Convoy ceased zig-zagging. 1753 Dusk Alert, went to General Quarters. 1835 Secured from General Quarters, set condition IIM.

T. H. Davis, Jr.
T. H. DAVIS, Jr.

20 - 24

Steaming as before.

A. O. Knowlton
A. O. KNOWLTON.

Approved:

C. L. Melson
C. L. MELSON, Commander, USN.

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R. L. BAUGHAN, Lieut. USN.

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UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601)

Wednesday

19

January, 1944

(Day)

(Date)

(Month)

Zone description Plus 1½

Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	45° 55' N	45° 01' N	42° 03' N
Long.	35° 06' W	39° 48' W	44° 52' W

ADMINISTRATIVE &
OPERATIONAL REMARKS

(WAR DIARY)

00 - 04

Steaming as a unit of Task Group 60.2 escorting Task Force 60 (Convoy TU-6) on base course 250°T, speed 14.5 knots. Patrolling station F2 at speed 14.5 knots. CTF 60 in USS TEXAS; CTG 60.2 in USS DAVISON. Boilers No. 2 and 3 in use. Ship darkened and in condition of Readiness Two Mike. Material condition Baker set. 0045 Brazil dropping back due to engine trouble. Convoy changed speed to 12 knots. 0140 Brazil rejoined and resumed her position in the convoy. Convoy changed speed to 14 knots.

S. N. ANASTASION.

04 - 08

Steaming as before. 0635 Convoy changed speed to 15 kts. 0650 Convoy changed speed to 15½ knots. 0710 Shifted steering to starboard motor, starboard cable. 0735 Both motor whale boats tested, conditions satisfactory. 0740 Dawn Alert, Went to General Quarters.

T. H. DAVIS, Jr.

08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0833 Secured from General Quarters, set condition IIM. Mustered the crew on stations, no absentees. 0900 Convoy reduced speed to 14 knots. 0945 Convoy changed course to 280°T for fueling destroyers, USS Merrimack took station ahead of convoy. 1030 USS CHAMPLIN took station #2, USS KENDRICK going along side of tanker. 1110 Convoy reduced speed to 9½ knots, USS KENDRICK, USS DAVISON commenced fueling from tanker. 1148 USS KENDRICK completed fueling, this ship going along side to fueling.

A. O. KNOWLTON.

12 - 16

Ship standing by for fueling operations. Base course 280°T. 1200 Secured starboard side to port side of tanker USS MERRIMACK for fueling. 1217 Commenced fueling aft. 1223 Commenced fueling forward. 1242 Completed fueling aft. 1255 Completed fueling forward. 1303 Proceeding on various courses to take station #10, screen plan red. 1400 All clocks set back 30 minutes, to zone plus 2 time. 1330 Proceeding to station #8. 1420 Proceeding to station #6. 1515 Proceeding to station #4. 1535 Convoy changed speed to 10 knots.

N. R. GLASS.

16 - 20

Steaming as before. 1612 Convoy changed speed to 12 kts. 1622 Convoy changed speed to 14 kts. 1623 Destroyers completed fueling. USS CHAMPLIN moving out to picket station F2. 1626 Convoy changed speed to 15 kts. 1636 Convoy changed course to 251°T. 1651 Commenced patrolling on station F2. 1710 Convoy commenced zig-zagging in accordance with plan #11. 1735 Darkened Ship. 1742 Dusk Alert. Went to General Quarters. 1745 Convoy ceased zig-zagging. 1800 Convoy changed speed to 15.5 kts. 1835 Secured from General Quarters. Set Condition IIM. 1910 Convoy changed course to 245°T.

S. N. ANASTASION.

20 - 24

Steaming as before.

T. H. DAVIS, Jr.

Approved:

C. Nelson

Examined:

R. L. Baughan

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UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601)

Saturday

22

January, 1944

(Day)

(Date)

(Month)

Zone description Plus 3

Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	40° 13'N	40° 00'N	39° 46'N
Long.	61° 06'W	62° 09.5W	64° 49'W

ADMINISTRATIVE &
OPERATIONAL REMARKS~~(MARK BLANK)~~

00 - 04

Steaming as a unit of Task Group 60.2 escorting Task Force 60 (Convoy TU-6) on base course 255°T, speed 15.5 knots. Patrolling on picket station F2 at 16.5 knots. CTF 60 in USS TEXAS. CTG 60.2 in USS DAVISON. Boilers Nos. 2 and 3 steaming. Ship darkened in Condition of Readiness IIM. Material Condition Baker set.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

04 - 08

Steaming as before. 0620 Shifted steering to port motor, port cable. 0710 Tested both motor whaleboats. Condition normal. 0730 Went to General Quarters. Dawn Alert.

T. H. Davis Jr.
T. H. DAVIS Jr.

08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0800 Commenced zig-zagging in accordance with plan #11. Secured from General Quarters. Set Condition II mike. 0825 Mustered crew. No absentees. Tested both Motor whaleboats and steering engine and found satisfactory. 0830 USS PARKER, USS NIELDS, USS LAUB left screen for Full Power Run. 0900 On various courses and speeds, maneuvered as target for Task Force CIC tracking drill. 0904 Convoy ceased zig-zagging. 1000 Took station #1, plan red and Tillman exercised at special torpedo tracking maneuver. 1020 Convoy commenced zig-zagging in accordance with plan #11. 1030 Convoy changed course to 260°T. 1125 Captain held Mast and awarded the following punishments.

HALL, H.E., 238 89 48, S1c, USN.

OFFENSE: AOL from 0600 December 25, 1943, to 1210, December 27, 1943.

Punishment: Summary Court Martial.

BOBO, R.L., 710 79 26, S2c, USNR.

OFFENSE: Leaving ship without permission and Shirking Duty.

Punishment: Ten hours extra duty.

MC COY, D.E., 612 89 96, S2c, USNR.

OFFENSE: Direct Disobedience.

Punishment: Eight hours extra duty.

1125 Convoy ceased zigzagging and adusted course to 264°T.

A. O. Knowlton
A. O. KNOWLTON.

12 - 16

Steaming as before. 1230 Commenced zig-zagging in accordance with plan #11. 1316 Convoy changed speed to 13 knots. 1327 Convoy changed speed to 15 knots. 1335 Proceeding on various courses and speeds to take station Fox 1. 1400 All clocks set back 30 minutes to zone plus 3½ time. 1404 On station Fox 1. CTF 60 in USS TEXAS with USS BOYLE and USS MAC LANAHAN as escorts left convoy on assigned duty. Captain SCHULTEN, USN in DOROTHEA L. DIX senior officer.

N.R. Glass
N.R. GLASS.

16 - 20

Steaming as before. 1753 Darkened Ship. 1800 USS SANTEE with USS KENDRICK as escort left convoy for an eastern US port. 1815 Dusk Alert. Went to General Quarters. 1830 Convoy ceased zig-zagging. 1900 Secured from General Quarters, set Condition II mike.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

Approved:

C. E. Nelson
C. E. NELSON, Commander, USN

Examined:

R. L. Baughan
R. L. BAUGHAN, Lieut. USN

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Saturday

22

January, 19 44

(Day)

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Zone description Plus 3

Position 0800

1200

2000

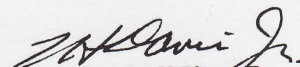
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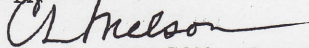
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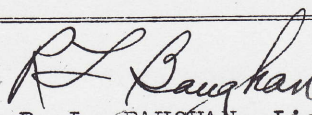
Steaming as before.


T. H. DAVIS, Jr.

Approved:



Examined:


R. L. BAUGHMAN, Lieut. USN

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UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601)

Sunday

23

January

1944

(Day)

(Date)

(Month)

Zone description Plus 3½

Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	39° 27'N	39° 28'N	39° 39'N
Long.	68° 43'W	69° 29'W	71° 25'W

ADMINISTRATIVE &
OPERATIONAL REMARKS

(WAR DIARY)

00 - 04

Steaming as a unit of Task Group 60.2 escorting Task Force 60 (Convoy TU-6) on base course 264°T, speed 15 knots. Patrolling on picket station Fl at 16 knots. Convoy Commander in USS DOROTHEA L. DIX. CTF 60.2 in USS DAVISON. Boilers No 2 and 3 steaming. Ship darkened in Condition of Readiness IIM. Material Condition Baker set.

A. O. Knowlton
A. O. KNOWLTON.

04 - 08

Steaming as before. 0726 Dawn Alert. Went to General Quarters. 0750 Convoy changed course to 272°T.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0800 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II-M. 0800 Convoy commenced zig-zagging in accordance with plan #11. 0815 Both motor whaleboats tested. Conditions satisfactory. 0815 All Divisions mustered on stations. No. absentees. 0845 Convoy changed speed to 12 knots.

T. H. Davis Jr.
T. H. DAVIS, Jr.

12 - 16

Steaming as before. 1400 Set all clocks back ½ hour to zone plus 4 time.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

16 - 20

Steaming as before. 1830 Convoy ceases zig-zagging.

A. O. Knowlton
A. O. KNOWLTON.

20 - 24

Steaming as before. 2050 Crossed 1000 fathom curve. 2212 crossed 500 fathom curve. 2245 Recrossed 500 fathom curve into deep water. 2300 Convoy changed speed to 13 knots. 2311 crossed 500 fathom curve into shallow water. 2315 SG radar contact bearing 005°T at 7 miles. 2320 Convoy changed course to 301°T. Proceeding to investigate target. 2345 Identified as CGR 30782. Ordered to steer north. Returning to station.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

Approved:

C. J. Nelson
C. J. NELSON, Commanding Officer

Examined:

R. L. Baughan
R. L. BAUGHAN, Lieutenant

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Monday

24

January, 1944

(Day)

(Date)

(Month)

Zone description Plus 4

Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.	40-15 North		
Long.	73-46 West		

ADMINISTRATIVE &
OPERATIONAL REMARKS

(WAT-D-DAVIS)

00 - 04

Steaming as a unit of Task Group 60.2 escorting Task Force 60 (Convoy TG-6) on base course 301°T, speed 13 knots. Patrolling on picket station Fox 1 at 13 knots. Convoy Commodore in USS DOROTHEA L. DIX, CTG 60.2 in USS DAVISON. Boilers No. 2 and No. 3 in use. Ship darkened and in Condition of readiness Two Mike. Material Condition Baker set. 0039 Passed 100 fathom curve. 0056 passed 50 fathom curve. 0124 Convoy changed course to 304°T. 0230 Investigated radar contact, Coast Guard vessel. 0320 Investigated two fishing boats. Directed them to steer clear of Convoy. Returning to station.

T. H. Davis Jr.
T. H. DAVIS Jr.

04 - 08

Steaming as before. 0425 Sighted Buoy "A" (Point Zebra) bearing 316°, distance 16000 yards. 0430 Convoy changed course to 307°T. 0455 This ship ordered to Take station #7. Convoy forming up in single column. 0530 Leading ship in Convoy passed Buoy "A" abeam to port, Convoy on various courses to conform with swept channel to New York. 0605 This ship passed Buoy "A" abeam to port. 0735 Convoy reduced speed to 10 knots.

A. O. Knowlton
A. O. KNOWLTON.

08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0800 All divisions mustered on station, No absentees. 0830 Stationed special sea details. 0925, Secured Sound and Radar Gear. Steaming on various courses and speed to conform to inner N.Y. Harbor channel. 1106, Secured to Tug forward. Pilot S.J. KELLY aboard. 1125 Second Tug secured starboard quarter. 1130 Moored portside to, to USS GOLDSBOROUGH, Pier 19 Navy Yard, N.Y. with 4 manila and wire lines. 1155, Secured main engines and special sea details, set port watch, 3rd section. Receiving water, steam, and electricity from dock.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

12 - 16

Moored as before. Draft: Fwd. 13'5" Aft. 16'6". 1445 Ensign W.A. SMITH, USN, reported aboard for duty. 1450 Paymaster Ensign SCHOFIELD, (SC), USNR, came aboard.

W. B. Schneidau
W. B. SCHNEIDAU.

16 - 20

Moored as before.

C. H. Watts
C. H. WATTS

20 - 24

Moored as before. 2220 USS RICKETTS, DE 254, came along side and moored port side to our starboard side.

W. B. Schneidau
W. B. SCHNEIDAU.

Approved:

C. I. Nelson
C. I. NELSON Commander USN

Examined:

R. L. Baughan
R. L. BAUGHAN Lieut. USN

UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601)

Tuesday
(Day)

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(Month)

Zone description Plus 4

Position	0800	1200	2000
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Long.			

ADMINISTRATIVE &
OPERATIONAL REMARKS
(WAK HAKKY)

00 - 04

Moored as before, port side to USS GOLDSBOROUGH, Pier 19, Navy Yard, N.Y. with 4 manila lines and 3 wire cables. Main engines secured, receiving the following services from the docks: steam, electricity, fresh & salt water, telephone. Port watch set. Ship undergoing repairs during 10 day availability.

A. O. Knowlton
A. O. KNOWLTON.

04 - 08

Moored as before.

C. H. Watts
C. H. WATTS.

08 - 12

Moored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters. Absentees: MATHIES, P.J., 244 97 01, Slc, USN. BOYD, S.C. 560 35 63, Slc, USNR. WELSH, W.H., 651 56 31, Flc, USNR.

F. H. Weber
F. H. WEBER.

12 - 16

Moored as before. 1335 Mail orderly returned aboard with mail. 1410 Pursuant to ComServLant Ser. 15876 -SC of 8/21/43, FAGAN, T.F., 705 75 77, Slc, USNR, reported aboard with bag & baggage. 1410 GASSAWAY, J.L., Lieut. (jg) USNR, left ship on leave of absence of five days. 1420 Pursuant to orders of Senior Medical Officer of Brooklyn Naval Hospital, BLATCHFORD, K.R., 614 44 33, TM2c, USNR, reported aboard with bag and baggage. 1435 Commander, C. L. MELSON, USN, left the ship on two days leave of absence.

J. H. Keyes, Jr.
J. H. KEYES, Jr.

16 - 20

Moored as before. 1615 MC KINNEY, J.D., 607 25 87, Slc, USNR, transferred to U.S. Naval Hospital, Brooklyn, N.Y. for treatment by authority of BU M and S Form "G". 1800 In accordance with Basic Orders and (a) ComServLant serial 1372-SC of 1-16-44, the following named men reported aboard for duty. LAWRENCE, F. J., 602 29 79, FC2c, USNR, BLAKE, H.J., 575 76 07, StM2c, USN, MILLER, T.J., 607 25 83, FC3c, USNR. 1915 Mustered restricted men and prisoners-at-large.

B. Dolan
B. DOLAN.

20 - 24

Moored as before. 2015 OKUN, J.A., 225 25 23, SoM3c, USN, was delivered aboard by Naval Guard for duty in accordance with orders of the Commanding Officer, U.S. Naval Receiving Station, Pier 92, New York, N.Y. 2200 Pursuant to orders of Commanding Officer, U.S.S. CHAMPLIN, of 25 January 1944 Ensign Wallace B. SCHNEIDAU, USNR, left the ship for temporary duty at the Naval Training School, Simone Island, Ga.

T. H. Davis, Jr.
T. H. DAVIS, Jr.

Approved:

C. L. Melson
C. L. MELSON, Commander, USN.

Examined:

R. L. Baughan
R. L. BAUGHAN, Lieut. USN.

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Wednesday 26 January, 19 44

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(Date)

(Month)

Zone description Plus 4

Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.			
Long.			

ADMINISTRATIVE &
OPERATIONAL REMARKS~~(WAR DIARY)~~

00 - 04

Moored port side to USS GOLDSBOROUGH at Pier K, berth 19, Navy Yard, New York, with 4 manila lines and 3 wire ropes. Receiving the following services from the dock: steam, electricity, fresh water, salt water, telephone. Port watch set. Ship undergoing repairs during availability.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

04 - 08

Moored as before.

H. H. Keyes, Jr.
H. H. KEYES, Jr.

08 - 12

Moored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters. Absentees: BOYD, S.C., 560 35 63, S2c, USNR, WELSH, W.H., 651 56 31, F2c, USNR, MATHIES, P.J., 224 97 01, Slc, USNR.

B. Dolan
B. DOLAN.

12 - 16

Moored as before. 1230 WELSH, W.H., 651 56 31, F2c, USNR, BOYD, S.C., 560 35 63, S2c, USNR, rep rted on board this date, having been absent over leave as of 0800, 26 January 1944. A period of 4 hours and 30 minutes. No further remarks

D. L. Jones
D. L. JONES.

16 - 20

Moored as before. 1630 MILLER, E.M., 706 07 75, GM3c, USNR, reported aboard from U.S. Naval Receiving Station, Pier 92, N.Y. under orders of ComServLant serial 15876 SC of 8-21-43. 1804 Executed colors. 1900 Mustered All PAL's and restricted men. No absentees.

R. G. Goodeve
R. G. GOODEVE.

20 - 24

Moored as before.

E. E. Simmons
E. E. SIMMONS.

Approved:

C. L. Melson
C. L. MELSON, Commander, USN.

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R. L. Baughan
R. L. BAUGHAN, Lieut. USN.

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UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601)

Thursday 27

(Day)

(Date)

January, 19 44

(Month)

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Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.			
Long.			

ADMINISTRATIVE &
OPERATIONAL REMARKS

(WAX IDENTITY)

00 - 04

Moored to port side U.S.S. GOLDSBOROUGH at Pier K Berth 19 in Navy Yard, N.Y. with 4 manila and 2 wire lines. Main engines in secured condition. Receiving steam, water and electricity from dock. U.S.S. RICKETTS moored to starboard. Regular port watch set.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

04 - 08

Moored as before. No further remarks.

D. L. Jones
D. L. JONES.

08 - 12

Moored as before. 0800 Executed colors. Held Quarters for muster. No absentees. 1145 SALES, R.E., 647 51 28, CMLc, USNR, left ship on 4 days leave.

R. G. Goodeve
R. G. GOODEVE.

12 - 16

Moored as before. 1200 Stationed special sea detail & made preparations to shift berth. 1215 Secured steam, water, & electricity from dock. 1220 Pilot, KELLY, S.J. came aboard. 1400 Moored to Starboard side of USS JEFFERY AT Pier J Berth 16 in Navy Yard, N.Y. with 3 manila and 4 wires. Secured the special sea detail. 1410 Receiving, steam, water, & electricity from the dock. 1510 A Summary Court Martial, Lieut. R.L. BAUGHAN, USN a senior member, met to try the case of Thomas Joseph HALL, otherwise known as Howard Earl HALL, (Sea 1c), 238 89 48, USN, and adjourned at 1540 to await action of the convening authority.

F. H. Weber
F. H. WEBER.

16 - 20

Moored as before. 1803 Sunset, 1905 Mustered P.A.L. and restricted men, one absentee. RAKOWSKI, B., 243 37 38, MN2c USN.

W. A. Smith
W. A. SMITH.

20 - 24

Moored as before. 2000 All Departments reported secure.

C. H. Watts
C. H. WATTS.

Approved:

C. L. Melson
C. L. MELSON, Commander, USN.

Examined:

R. L. Baughan
R. L. BAUGHAN, Lieut. USN.

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UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601)

Friday

28

January, 1944

(Day)

(Date)

(Month)

Zone description Plus 4

Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.			
Long.			

**ADMINISTRATIVE &
OPERATIONAL REMARKS**
(WARRIORS)

00 - 04

Moored as before. Starboard side to port side of USS JEFFERY, Peer J., Navy Yard, New York, with three manila lines and four wire cables. Ship undergoing repairs & alterations during 10 day availability. Receiving the following services from the dock: steam, electricity, fresh & salt water. Port watch set.

A. O. Knowlton
A. O. KNOWLTON.

04 - 08

Moored as before.

W. A. Smith
W. A. SMITH.

08 - 12

Moored as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations. Absentees: BOBO, 710 79 26, S2c, USNR, DAY, P.E., 651 02 60, EM3c, USNR MATHIES, P.L., 224 97 01, Slc, USN, LANDERS, 604 49 93, GM2c, USNR, RAKOWSKI, B., 243 37 38, MM2c, USN. 0900 Commander C.L. Melson, USN, returned aboard from 2 days leave. 0925 LANDERS, GM2c, returned absent over leave since 0800 January 28, 1944. 0925 DAY, EM3c, returned absent over leave since 0800 January 28, 1944. 1000 Pursuant to BuPers orders John J. SHAFFER, III, Commander, USN, relieved Charles L. MELSON, Commander, USN, as Commanding Officer of this vessel. 1030 Pursuant to BuPers orders Charles L. MELSON, Commander, USN, relieved Jesse C. SOWELL, Commander, USN, as ComDesDiv 32 1050 VACHON, Slc and MINEAULT, Slc returned aboard absent over leave since 0800 January 28, 1944.

F. H. Weber
F. H. WEBER.

12 - 16

Moored as before. 1245 Ens. W.A. SMITH, USN (T) left the ship on two days leave. 1305 RODKEY, F.I., MM1c, returned aboard having been absent over leave since 0800 this morning.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

16 - 20

Moored as before. 1600 MATHIES, P.J., 224 97 01, Slc, USN, reported aboard absent over leave since 0800, January 25, 1944. A total of Eighty hours. 1600 Water, steam, and electricity were disconnected temporarily while the USS INGRAM (DE62) was shifting berths. 1640 Colors. 1830 All P.A.L.'s and restricted men mustered. Absentees: RAKOWSKI, B., 243 37 38, MM2c, USN. 1840 Pursuant to Phone Call ComServLant to RS, N.Y. to be confirmed by serial 2979-SC of 1-28-44, BROWN, A.W. Jr., 296 04 84, StM2c, USN, reported aboard.

J. H. Keyes, Jr.
J. H. KEYES, Jr.

20 - 24

Moored as before.

B. Dolan
B. DOLAN.

Approved:

John J. Shaffer III

John J. SHAFFER, III, Commander, USN.

Examined:

R. L. Baughan

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UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601)

Saturday 29 January 1944
(Day) (Date) (Month)

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ADMINISTRATIVE &
OPERATIONAL REMARKS~~(WINK BERRY)~~

00 - 04

Moored as before. Starboard side to port side of USS JEFFERY, Pier J. Navy Yard, New York, with three manila lines and four wire cables. Ship undergoing repairs & alterations during 10 day availability. Receiving the following services from the dock: steam, water (fresh & salt) electricity. Port watch set.

A. O. Knowlton
A. O. KNOWLTON.

04 - 08

Moored as before.

J. H. Keyes, Jr.
J. H. KEYES, Jr.

08 - 12

Moored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters: the following named men were absent, BOBO, R.L., 710 79 26, S2c, USNR, MC ALLISTER, C.R., 639 21 68, Flc, USNR, KOVACH, M.Jr., 856 97 71, S2c, USN. LAWSON, W.W., 300 87 12, Slc, USN, CRUSH, P.G., 265 74 81, MMlc, USN, 0925 CRUSH, P.G., 265 74 81, MMlc, USN reported aboard AOL since 0800, January 29, 1944. 0930 C. L. MELSON, Commander, USN, ComDesDiv 32 left ship on 4 days leave. 1010 MC MINAMEN, J., RM3c left ship on 3 day leave. 1020 KOVACH, S2c, returned aboard under guard from Receiving Ship. Absent over leave since 0800 January 29, 1944. 1030 Pursuant to ComServLant ltr. Nc15/MM(27300-SC) of 22 December 1943, Sullivan, C.C., 551 64 67, RM3c, USNR, was transferred to Receiving Station, Casco Bay, Portland, Maine for a four (4) weeks course of instruction at the N.T.S. (DS) with bags and records. 1100 Stationed Sea detail. 1110 Pursuant to ComServLant ltr. Pl6-1(7)MM (22659-SC) of Nov. 4, 1943, BOHMAN, H.L., 223 15 95 CSK (AA) USN, was transferred to Receiving Station, Newport News, Va. with bag, records and transfer papers. 1115, Shifted forward ten(10) feet. 1200, Magazines inspected, Conditions normal, secured sea detail.

C. H. Watts
C. H. WATTS.

12 - 16

Moored as before. 1245 Set special sea details for launching of USS MISSOURI. 1325 Secured special sea details.

R. G. Goodeve
R. G. GOODEVE.

16 - 20

Moored as before. 1750 Pursuant to orders from CSF 2400 SC of January 26, 1944. RISCEN, F.C., 810 40 99, TM3c, USNR, reported on board this ship, with records and accounts, for duty. 1805 Executed Colors. 1825 Commenced steaming out fuel oil tank C-3F, set security watch in magazine C-393M. 1900 Mustered all Pal's and restricted men. No absentees. 1935 RAKOWSKI, B., 243 37 38, MM2c, USN, reported on board having been absent without leave since 1830 28 January 1944, a period of 1 day 1 hour 5 minutes. was placed under arrest and made a prisoner at large.

D. L. Jones
D. L. JONES.

20 - 24

Moored as before. 2105 USS GOLDSBOROUGH (DD188) moored starboard side to port side USS CHAMPLIN. 2340 Pursuant to orders, C.O. US Naval Receiving Station, Hart's Island, N.Y. EELLS, W.J. 817 65 22, S2c, USNR, reported aboard for duty under custody of WINK, W.J. 707 90 85, Cox, USNR.

A. O. Knowlton
A. O. KNOWLTON.

Approved:

John J. Shaffer III

John J. SHAFFER, III, Commander, USN.

Examined:

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UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601)

Sunday

30

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ADMINISTRATIVE &
OPERATIONAL REMARKS

(WATCH DIARY)

00 - 04

Moored Starboard side to USS JEFFERY at Pier J, Berth 16, New York Navy Yard, Brooklyn N.Y., with three manila lines and four wire hawsers. Receiving steam, water, and electricity from dock. Ship undergoing repairs and alterations during ten-day availability. Port watch set.

R. G. Goodave
R. G. GOODEVE

04 - 08

Moored as before. 0630 Reveille for all divisions.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

08 - 12

Moored as before. 0800 Held quarters for muster. No absentees. 0942 USS GOLDSBOROUGH underway from alongside. 1130 Liberty for second section expired.

D. L. Jones
D. L. JONES.

12 - 16

Moored as before. 1325 Exercised at fire drill. 1333 secured from fire drill. 1335 Pursuant to Draft List from NTSCOL Boston, Mass. dated 1-29-44 MOXNESS, N.O. RT3c, 638 76 85, USNR reported aboard for duty. 1344 Disconnected steam, flushing and freshwater, and telephone service. 1355 Disconnected electricity from dock. 1525 USS JEFFERY (DE63) left Pier J for dry dock, USS CHAMPLIN moored starboard side Pier J, Berth 16 with 1 manila 2 wire cables forward and 3 manila lines, 1 wire cable aft. 1538 Receiving electricity from dock. 1550 Receiving steam, fresh and flushing water and telephone service from docks.

W. A. Smith
W. A. SMITH.

16 - 20

Moored as before. 2000 All Departments secured.

C. H. Watts
C. H. WATTS.

20 - 24

Moored as before.

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UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601)

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ADMINISTRATIVE &
OPERATIONAL REMARKS

(WAR DIARY)

00 - 04

Moored as before, starboard side to pier J, berth 16, Navy Yard, New York with four manila lines & three wire cables. Ship undergoing repairs & alterations during 10 day availability. Receiving the following services from the dock: steam, electricity, fresh & salt water. Port watch set. 0030 BOBO, R.L., 710 79 26, Flc, USNR, returned, AWOL since 0800, 28 January 1944. 0230 LAWSON, W.W., 300 87 12, Slc, USNR, returned aboard, AOL since 0800, 29 January 1944.

A. O. Knowlton
A. O. KNOWLTON.

04 - 08

Moored as before.

C. H. Watts
C. H. WATTS.

08 - 12

Moored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters. Absentees: MC LEAN, E.J., 202 39 04, Slc, USNR, MC KENNA, W.J., 224 06 75, MM2c, NELSON, M.D., 730 80 98. 0820 NELSON, MD., 730 80 98, MM2c, USNR, returned AWOL since 0800 31 January 1944. 0815 Pursuant to orders from the Commanding Officer of USS CHAMPLIN the following men left for Fire Fighters school, Kent Ave, Brooklyn, N.Y. with TEMPENSKI, Cox, USNR, in charge. VAN SICKLE, S.A., 706 95 30, Rdm3c, USNR, STRINGHAM, M.W., 660 25 29, RM2c, USNR, HIGGENS, D.G., 647 56 65, Slc, USNR, MILLER, E.M., 706 07 75, GM3c, USNR, TEMPENSKI, W., 204 83 08, Cox, USNR, UNKUSKI, W., 204 81 08, Slc, USNR, BAKER, W.E., 643 42 87, F2c, USNR, FRENSTUS, H.C., 643 20 11, F2c, USNR, RUSSELL, J.J., 710 78 55, S2c, USNR, MATIES, P., 224 97 01 Slc, USNR. 0845 Commenced fueling ship (Diesel Oil). Draft of Ship Fwd. 12'5" Aft. 16'6". 0955 Completed fueling ship. Received 4,284 gallons at 39°F. Draft of ship Fwd. 12'6" Draft of ship Aft. 16'3". 1045 Lit off No. 1 Boiler. SALES, R.E., 647 51 28, CMlc, USNR, reported aboard from four (4) days leave, expiring at 1200, this date.

F. H. Weber
F. H. WEBER.

12 - 16

Moored as before. 1340 Ens. F.H. WEBER left ship on two days leave of absence. 1510 Guard mail came aboard.

J. H. Keyes
J. H. KEYES.

16 - 20

Moored as before. 1800 Secured #1 Boiler. 1810 Sunset. 1920 Mustered restricted men and prisoners at large. No absentees.

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20 - 24

Moored as before. 2220 Pursuant to orders dated 31 January 1944 of the Commanding Officer, U.S. Naval Receiving Station Harte Island, New York, COCUZZA, B.P., Som3c, 312 56 17, USNR, reported aboard for duty with bag and records.

T. H. Davis Jr.
T. H. DAVIS, Jr.

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