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DD601

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Francis E. FLECK, Jr. Lieutenant Commander _____, U. S. N.

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| Attached to | _____ | Thirty-second | _____ | Division, |
| | _____ | Sixteen | _____ | Squadron, |
| | _____ | | _____ | Flotilla, |
| | _____ | Eighth | _____ | Fleet, |

Commencing _____ 1 August _____, 19 44 ,

at _____ Piombino, Italy _____,

and ending _____ 31 August _____, 19 44 ,

at _____ Enroute Oran, Algeria _____

LIST OF OFFICERS
ATTACHED TO AND ON BOARD THE U. S. S.

CHAMPLIN (DD601)

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BY Francis E. Fleck, Jr. Lt. Comdr., U. S. N. , DURING THE PERIOD COVERED BY THIS LOG BOOK, WITH DATE OF

REPORTING FOR DUTY, DETACHMENT, OR DEATH, FROM 1 August 1944 , 19 TO 31 August , 1944

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UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601) Tuesday 1 August 44
 (Day) (Date) (Month), 1944

00 - 04

Steaming on patrol in channel "William" off Piombino, Italy, on boilers #1 and #3. Ship darkened; material condition Baker and condition of Readiness II Mike set. This ship SOPA Piombino. Course 315°T, speed 7 knots. 0005 Changed course to 135°T. 0110 Changed course to 315°T. 0217 Changed course to 135°T. 0322 Changed course to 315°T.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

04 - 08

Steaming as before. 0428 Changed course to 135°T. 0535 Changed course to 315°T. 0645 Changed course to 000°T. Standing into Piombino channel. 0652 Set Anchor Detail. 0655 Using various courses and speeds to approach anchorage. 0709 Anchored at Piombino naval anchorage at Port of Piombino, Italy, with 45 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor in 9 fathoms of water with sand bottom on the following bearings: Breakwater light 269½°T; Semaphore station 296°T; Breakwater 002°T. 0716 Secured Anchor Detail.

W. B. Schneidau
W. B. SCHNEIDAU.

08 - 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations. No absentees. 1006 Went to General Quarters to conduct Battle problem. 1100 Secured from General Quarters. Set condition II Mike. Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal.

R. G. Goodeve
R. G. GOODEVE.

12 - 16

Anchored as before. 1545 SC 978 moored alongside to starboard.

B. Dolan
B. DOLAN.

16 - 18

Anchored as before. 1623 SC 978 departed.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

18 - 20

Anchored as before. 1850 Stationed Anchor Detail. 1902 Underway. Captain at the Conn, Navigator on the bridge. Using various courses and speeds to clear anchorage. 1908 Secured Anchor Detail. 1909 Set course 180°T, speed 10 knots. 1922 Changed course to 135°T., speed 7 knots. Commenced patrolling channel "William".

R. G. Goodeve
R. G. GOODEVE.

20 - 24

Steaming as before. 2000 All departments reported secure. 2030 Changed course to 315°T. 2135 Changed course to 135°T. 2240 Changed course to 315°T. 2350 Changed course to 135°T.

W. B. Schneidau
W. B. SCHNEIDAU.

R. G. Goodeve

W. B. Schneidau

UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601)

Wednesday 2 August 1944
(Day) (Date) (Month)

00 - 04

Steaming on patrol in channel "William" off Piombino, Italy, on boilers #1 and #3. Ship darkened, material condition Baker and condition of Readiness II Mike set. The Commanding Officer of USS CHAMPLIN, SOPA Piombino. Course 135°T, speed 7 knots. 0100 Changed course to 315°T. 0159 Changed course to 135°T. 0303 Changed course to 315°T.

B. Dolan
B. DOLAN.

04 - 08

Steaming as before. 0410 Changed course to 135°T. 0516 Changed course to 315°T. 0609 Sunrise. Lighted ship. 0632 Changed course to 000°T. Proceeding to anchorage at Piombino. 0707 Anchored at Piombino, Italy in eight fathoms of water; sand and shale bottom, with 45 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor, on the following bearings: Semaphore Station 279°T, North Breakwater light 345°T, Breakwater light 000°T.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

08 - 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew on station. No absentees. 0950 Conducted Emergency Drills. 1008 Went to General Quarters for battle problem. 1052 Secured from drills. Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike. Made daily inspectbn of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal.

R. G. Goodeve
R. G. GOODEVE.

12 - 16

Anchored as before. 1327 PC 1140 came along port side. 1457 PC 1140 departed. 1515 SC 515 came along port side. 1549 SC 515 departed.

W. B. Schneidau
W. B. SCHNEIDAU.

16 - 18

Anchored as before.

B. Dolan
B. DOLAN.

18 - 20

Anchored as before. 1850 Stationed Anchor Detail. 1904 Underway. Captain at the Conn, Navigator on the Bridge. Using various courses and speeds to clear anchorage. 1909 Secured Anchor Detail. Set course 160°T, speed 5 knots. 1914 Changed course to 175°T. 1940 Changed course to 135°T. Commenced patrolling channel "William".

R. G. Goodeve
R. G. GOODEVE.

20 - 24

Steaming as before. 2000 All departments reported secure. 2020 Changed course to 315°T. 2038 Sunset. Darkened ship. 2100 Changed course to 135°T. 2102 Changed speed to 7 knots. 2220 Changed course to 315°T. 2335 Changed course to 135°T.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601) Thursday 3 August 1944
 (Day) (Date) (Month)

00 - 04

Steaming independently on patrol in channel "William" off Piombino, Italy, on course 135°T, speed 7 knots. Ship darkened. Condition of Readiness II Mike and material condition Baker set. Steaming on boilers #1 and #3. This ship SOPA Piombino. 0040 Changed course to 315°T. 0150 Changed course to 135°T. 0257 Changed course to 315°T.

W. B. Schneidau
W. B. SCHNEIDAU.

04 - 08

Steaming as before. 0405 Changed course to 135°T. 0511 Changed course to 315°T. 0615 On various courses and speeds conforming to swept channel proceeding to anchorage. 0641 Italian merchant vessel with escort, ML 1278, abeam to starboard, range 700 yards. 0650 Stationed the anchor detail. 0704 Anchored in naval anchorage at Porto Di Vecchia, Piombino, Italy, in 8 fathoms of water, sand and shale bottom, with 45 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor on the following bearings: Breakwater Light 269°T; Semaphore station 297°T; Crane 349°T; Breakwater Light 004°T. 0709 Secured the anchor detail.

B. Dolan
B. DOLAN.

08 - 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew on station. No absentees. Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal.

R. J. Goodeve
R. J. GOODEVE.

12 - 16

Anchored as before. 1315 Quarters for Captain's Inspection of Personnel and Living spaces. 1457 Secured from inspection.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

16 - 18

Anchored as before. 1705 In accordance with verbal instructions from SOPA Piombino, Italy, RIGBY, R.W., 266 30 75, BM2c, USN, reported aboard for passage to Naples, Italy.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

18 - 20

Anchored as before. 1833 Stationed anchor detail. 1842 Underway, Captain at the Conn, Navigator on the bridge. Using various courses and speeds to clear anchorage. 1852 Secured the anchor detail. 1904 Set course 185°T, speed 7 knots. 1926 Changed course to 135°T. Commenced patrolling channel "William". 1938 Changed course to 315°T.

R. J. Goodeve
R. J. GOODEVE.

20 - 24

Steaming as before. On patrol "William", course 315°T, speed 7 knots. 2020 Changed course to 135°T. 2037 Darkened ship. 2045 Changed course to 000°T. Changed speed to 5 knots. 2051 Using various courses and speeds to enter Piombino Harbor for dropping of smoke buoys. 2145 Completed dropping. 9 buoys expended. Using various courses and speeds to resume patrol in channel William. 2200 Course 135°T, speed 7 knots. 2245 Changed course to 315°T.

W. B. Schneidau
W. B. SCHNEIDAU.

UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601)Friday 4 August, 19 44
(Day) (Date) (Month)

00 - 04

Steaming independently on patrol in channel "William" off Piombino, Italy on course 315°T, speed 7 knots. Ship darkened, material condition Baker and condition of Readiness II Mike set. Steaming on boilers #1 and #2. The Commanding Officer of USS CHAMPLIN, SOPA Piombino. 0005 Changed course 135°T. 0125 Changed course to 315°T. 0244 Changed course to 135°T.

B. Dolan
B. DOLAN.

04 - 08

Steaming as before. 0400 Changed course to 315°T. 0519 Changed course to 135°T. 0632 Changed speed to 15 knots. 0651 Changed course to 000°T. Proceeding into Piombino anchorage through channel. Using various courses and speeds. 0738 Received guard mail aboard from NOIC. 0744 USS BOYLE sighted bearing 270°T, at 10,000 yards. 0747 Course 180°T, speed 10 knots. Leaving Piombino.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0800 On station 1000 yards astern of USS BOYLE. Course 135°T, speed 20 knots. Mustered crew on stations. No absentees. 0908 Changed speed to 15 knots. 0915 Changed speed to 20 knots. 0920 Changed course to 165°T. 0923 Changed speed to 25 knots. 0930 Quarters. 1005 Changed course to 178°T. 1010 Held pay day for officers and crew. 1030 Changed course to 130°T. 1051 Changed speed to 30.5 knots. 1100 Commenced Modified Full Power Run. 1141 Changed course to 131°T. Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal.

W. B. Schneidau
W. B. SCHNEIDAU.

12 - 16

Steaming as before. 1300 Completed Modified Full Power Trial. 1340 Took station astern of USS BOYLE in column open order, distance 1000 yards, speed 28 knots, on course 117°T. 1344 Changed course to 110°T. 1529 Changed speed to 25 knots. 1539 Formed in column astern of USS BOYLE. Followed USS BOYLE's movements in conforming to channel, entrance to Naples Bay.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

16 - 20

Steaming as before. 1607 Proceeding independently on various courses and speeds standing in to Pozzuoli, Italy. 1630 Moored starboard side to west side of Ansaldo Fueling Jetty, Pozzuoli, Italy, with 4 manila lines and 2 wire cables. 1640 Commenced fueling. Draft fwd. 12'3"; Aft. 17'3". 1753 Completed fueling having received 60,446 gallons fuel oil at 60°F. Draft fwd. 14'5"; Aft. 17'5". 1835 Made all preparations for getting underway. 1848 Underway, Captain at the Conn, Navigator on the bridge, on various courses and speeds standing out, proceeding to Naples, Italy. 1937 Anchored in berth "How 4" of the Naval Anchorage in Golfo Di Napoli, Italy, in 17 fathoms of water, mud bottom, with 60 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor on the following bearings: Del Ovo 245°T; Castle 310°T; Steeple 007°T.

B. Dolan
B. DOLAN.

20 - 24

Anchored as before. 2000 All departments reported secure. 2051 Let fires die under under No. 4 boiler. Main engines on four hours notice. 2230 Commenced swinging stern to starboard. 2345 Completed swing. Total Swing 120°.

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

UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601)Saturday 5 August 44

(Day) (Date) (Month)

Anchored at Golfo Di Napoli, Italy, in naval anchorage, berth How 4 in 17 fathoms of water with 60 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor, mud bottom, on the following bearings: End of Breakwater 094½°T; Castle 310°T, Del Ovo 245°; Steeple 007°T. Main engines on four hours notice.

W. B. Schneidau
W. B. SCHNEIDAU

04 - 08

Anchored as before.

J. A. Bookhout
J. A. BOOKHOUT.

08 - 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters. No absentees. 0930 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal.

W. J. Murbach
W. J. MURBACH.

12 - 16

Anchored as before. 1300 Shore Patrol party left ship to report to Naval Provost Marshal, Via San Giocionno, Naples, Italy. SAMS, E., MM1c, in charge of party of 3 men: LANERS, C.L., GM3c, USNR; MOORE, J.T., FC2c, USNR; UNKUSKI, W. Cox, USNR.

R. L. Parkhurst
R. L. PARKHURST.

16 - 20

Anchored as before. 1628 The following named men reported aboard for duty from U.S. Naval Detachment, Naples, Italy: HOOKER, H.A., 234 29 18, FC2c, USN; HECK, W.J., 819 45 48, CM2c, USNR; EBERSOLE, P.A. S2c, 246 19 87, USNR.; MADSEN, D.L., 322 02 20, F2c, USNR. 1905 Mustered PAL's and restricted men. No absentees. 1906 Lighted fires under #4 boiler.

W. A. Smith
W. A. SMITH.

20 - 24

Anchored as before. 1953 Let fires die out under #1 boiler. 2000 All departments reported secure. 2139 Shore Patrol party returned aboard.

S. R. Fulmore, Jr.
S. R. FULMORE, Jr.

UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601) Sunday 6 August, 1944
 (Day) (Date) (Month)

00 - 04

Anchored in Golfo di Napoli, Italy in 17 fathoms of water, mud bottom, with 60 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor on the following bearings: Del Ovo 245°T, Castle 310°T; Steeple 007°T; Breakwater 094½°T. Ship in modified condition of Readiness II Mike. Main engines secured, steaming on #2 boiler for auxiliary purposes.

N. R. Glass

N. R. GLASS.

04 - 08

Anchored as before.

W. B. Schneidau
W. B. SCHNEIDAU.

08 - 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations. No absentees. 0845 Commenced swinging stern to port. 0945 Received on board from USS MC LANAHAN 36 W.P. Projectiles. MK 30 Mod 7, Fuse MK 18 Mod 4. MCF 5-44. 1030 Ceased swinging. Total swing 132°. 1150 Received from USS ACHELOUS 210 smoke pots H.C. Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal.

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

12 - 16

Anchored as before. 1300 The following named men left the ship for Shore Patrol duty with the Senior Patrol Officer, Naval Provost Marshal, Naples, Italy: GOODE, J. MM2c, USNR; (In charge), TAYLOR, D. MM2c, USNR; MOREAU, D. MM2c, USNR; OLSON, C., FC3c, USNR. 1305 BODDEN, H.G., 507 69 99, BM2c, USNR, and WILLIAMS, C. StM2c, 842 60 89, USNR, were transferred with bag and records to the U.S. Naval Dispensary, Naples, Italy for medical treatment. 1311 Lighted fires under No. 1 boiler. 1520 Stationed anchor detail. 1530 All departments reported readiness for getting underway. 1536 Underway from Naples, Italy using various courses and speeds to clear anchorage. Captain at the Conn, Navigator on the bridge. 1550 Standing out of Golfo Di Napoli, Italy on course 225°T, speed 15 knots. 1555 Changed course to 200°T. 1556 Changed speed to 20 knots. 1558 Secured anchor details.

W. J. Murbach
W. J. MURBACH.

16 - 20

Steaming as before. 1615 Using various courses and speeds standing into Golfo Di Pozzuoli, Italy. 1625 Laying to in Golfo Di Pozzuoli. 1715 Using various courses and speeds standing out. 1734 Standing into Gulf of Naples. 1743 Anchored at "William" naval anchorage west side Castel Del Ovo in 17 fathoms of water with 60 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor, sand bottom, on the following bearings: Del Ovo 070°T; Monument 320°T; L. Tangent 215°T. 1747 Set modified condition watch. 1840 Shore Patrol returned aboard ship.

R. Williams
R. WILLIAMS.

20 - 24

Anchored as before. 2000 All departments reported secure.

B. Dolan
B. DOLAN.

UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601)

Monday 7 August 1944

(Day) (Date) (Month)

00 - 04

Anchored in Golfo di Napoli, Italy in naval anchorage "William" west of Castel del Ovo in 17 fathoms of water with 60 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor, mud bottom, on the following bearings: Castel del Ovo 245°T; Castle 310°T; Steeple 007°T; End of breakwater 094½°T. Ship darkened. Modified condition II Mike watch and material condition Baker set. Steaming on boilers #1 and #4 for auxiliary purposes. Making preparations for getting underway. 0015 Stationed anchor detail. 0030 Set condition II mike. 0033 Underway in accordance with Com 8th Fleet Assault Training Plan. Steaming on boilers #1 and #4. Proceeding on various courses and speeds out of anchorage. 0055 Course 170°T, speed 5 knots. Joined USS PARKER, USS MC LANAHAN, and USS BOYLE, formed column, distance 600 yards with ships in normal order, USS CHAMPLIN fourth ship in column. 0100 Changed course to 270°T. 0152 Executed 18 turn to course 090°T, changed speed to 10 knots. 0215 Executed 18 turn to course 270°T. 0217 Changed speed to 5 knots. 0230 Changed speed to 10 knots. 0233 Changed speed to 15 knots. 0236 Changed speed to 20 knots. 0245 Changed course to 220°T. 0258 Changed course to 270°T. 0302 Changed speed to 15 knots. 0305 Changed speed to 20 knots. 0309 Changed course to 328°T. 0310 Changed speed to 15 knots. 0312 Changed speed to 12 knots. 0320 Took station on starboard quarter of convoy of three transports, distance 3000 yards. Changed speed to 15 knots. Changed course to 301°T. 0323 Changed speed to 12 knots.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

04 - 08

Steaming as before. 0408 Changed course to 346°T. 0435 Changed course to 030°T. 0500 General Quarters - dawn alert. 0505 Steaming various courses and speeds to arrive at patrol station 3000 yards astern of USS BOYLE on course 130°T, speed 10 knots. 0645 Changed course to 305°T. 0730 Changed course to 130°T.

W. B. Schneidau
W. B. SCHNEIDAU.

08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0855 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike. 0905 Patrolling on various courses and speeds. 1021 Commenced squadron tactics. On base courses 130°T and 310°T. Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

12 - 16

Steaming as before. 1400 Completed squadron tactics. USS PARKER, USS MC LANAHAN, USS BOYLE, and USS CHAMPLIN formed anti-submarine screen for convoy of four transports; this ship in station on starboard quarter, distance 3000 yards. Convoy course 170°T, speed 15 knots. 1428 Convoy changed course to 125°T. 1505 Convoy and escorts formed single column, this ship astern of the USS BOYLE, distance 600 yards. 1508 Convoy changed course to 148°T. 1517 Isola Di Ischia abeam to starboard, range ½ mile. 1523 Changed course to 090°T. 1534 Changed course to 040°T. 1540 USS BOYLE and USS CHAMPLIN detached from convoy, on various courses and speeds proceeding to Naples, Italy.

B. Dolan
B. DOLAN.

16 - 20

Steaming as before. Proceeding into Naples Harbor using various courses and speeds. Captain and Navigator on the bridge. 1615 All engines stopped. 1616 Using various courses and speeds to approach anchorage. 1623 Anchored in Golfo Di Napoli, Italy in naval anchorage William, berth 27, west side of Castel Del Ovo, in 18 fathoms of water with 60 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor, sand bottom, on the following bearings: Tangent 214°T; Building 262°T; Monument 284½°T; Del Ovo 075°T. Material condition Baker set. Main engines on thirty minutes notice, No. 1 and No. 4 boilers steaming. Secured anchor detail and set the modified condition watch. 1925 Mustered prisoners at large and restricted men. No absentees. 1940 Set Special Sea Details. 1945 All departments reported readiness for getting underway. 1950 Underway using various courses and speeds to anchorage near breakwater.

J. A. Bookhout
J. A. BOOKHOUT.

20 - 24

Steaming as before. 2017 Anchored in berth "How 12" naval anchorage southside Molo San Vincenzo, Naples Italy in 18 fathoms of water with 60 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor, mud bottom, on the following bearings:

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ADDITIONAL REMARKS

20 - 24 (Cont.)

R. Castle 305⁰T; Steeple 357⁰T; Left Breakwater 056¹/₂⁰T; Right Breakwater 088⁰T. Engines on one half hour notice, steaming on boilers #1 and #4. Ship darkened. 2025 Working party left ship for stores. 2034 Secured the Special Sea Details and set modified condition II Mike. 2050 in accordance with orders from Commanding Officer USN Det. Naples, Italy the following men reported aboard for passage to USS PARKER: FENNESSEY, F.J., 212 80 45, GM2c, USN; FORD, V.D., 608 27 61, Cox, USNR; LA PLANTE, T.F., 666 55 88 EM3c, USNR; SAIVOS, J.F., 819 60 75, S2c, USNR; CRAWFORD, D.W., 800 23 79, S2c, USNR. 2050 Commenced swinging stern to port. 2330 Ceased swinging.

J. A. Bookhout
J. A. BOOKHOUT.

UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601) Tuesday 8 August, 1944
 (Day) (Date) (Month)

00 - 04

Anchored at "How 14" naval anchorage south side Molo San Vincenzo, Naples, Italy, in 18 fathoms of water with 60 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor, mud bottom, on the following bearings: Castle 305°T; Steeple 357°T; L. Breakwater 056½°T; R. Breakwater 068°T. Ship darkened. Port watch set. Steaming on boilers #1 and #4. Main engines on 30 minutes notice. 0235 Stationed anchor detail. 0241 Underway for Palermo, Sicily, Captain at the Conn, Navigator on the bridge. Using various courses and speeds to clear anchorage. 0255 Set condition II Mike. Secured anchor detail. 0300 Set course 175°T, speed 25 knots. 0325 Changed course to 180°T. 0335 Changed course to 194°T, speed to 22 knots.

R. G. Goodeve
R. G. GOODEVE.

04 - 08

Steaming as before.

B. Dolan
B. DOLAN.

08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0914 HMS VISENDA passed abeam to port, distance 1000 yards. 0935 Changed course to 220°T. 0947 Changed course to 230°T. 1010 Standing into port of Palermo, Sicily using various courses and speeds. Captain at the Conn, Navigator on the bridge. 1052 Moored port side to northwest side of Pier 6, at Palermo, Sicily with 4 manila lines and 2 wire cables. 1100 Let fires die out under #4 boiler. #1 boiler steaming for auxiliary purposes. Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal. 1130 Passengers received on board at Naples, left the ship to report to the USS PARKER.

R. Williams
R. WILLIAMS.

12 - 16

Moored as before. 1300 The following named men left the ship for duty with U.S. Shore Patrol, Palermo, Sicily. SIMERLY, A., WTlc, USN; COOPER, A. TM3c, USN; RISCEN, F.J., TM3c, USNR; SUPER, L., M3c, USNR. 1307 Captain held Mast and awarded the following punishments:

| | | | | | | |
|----------------|------|-----|----|----|--|---------------------|
| VACCARO, O.A., | Slc | 207 | 40 | 23 | Unauthorized absence from watch station | Loss of 5 liberties |
| LACKEY, C.J., | GM2c | 668 | 79 | 13 | Playing cards on watch. | Loss of 3 liberties |
| DROUIN, R.T., | S2c | 803 | 52 | 05 | Violation of Executive Officers Order 1-43 | Loss of 2 liberties |
| MC LEAN, E.J., | Slc | 202 | 39 | 04 | Violation of Executive Officers Order 1-43 | Loss of 2 liberties |

1355 Received from Officer In charge, Naval Ammunition Depot, Naval Operating Base, Palermo Sicily, 40 rounds of 5"/38 cal. W.P. projectiles. 1440 Received from Ordnance Officer In charge, Naval Ammunition Depot, Naval Operating Base, Palermo, Sicily, 400 rounds (25 boxes) 40MM H.E.T. 1531 Lighted fires under No. 4 boiler. 1545 No. 4 boiler cut in on line for auxiliary purposes. 1547 Let fires die out under No. 1 boiler.

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

16 - 20

Moored as before. 1830 SIMERLY, A. WTlc, USN, and COOPER, A., TM3c, USN were delivered on board by N.O.B. Shore Patrol under arrest, charged with drinking intoxicating beverages while on Shore Patrol duty. 1900 Mustered PAL's and restricted men. No absentees.

R. L. Parkhurst
R. L. PARKHURST.

20 - 24

Moored as before. 2000 All departments reported secure. 2130 Shore Patrol returned aboard ship.

W. A. Smith
W. A. SMITH.

UNITED STATES SHIP **CHAMPLIN (DD601)****Wednesday 9 August, 1944**

(Day) (Date) (Month)

00 - 04

Moored portside to northwest side of Pier 6, Palermo, Sicily, with 4 manila lines and 2 wire cables.

S. R. Fulmore, Jr.
S. R. FULMORE, Jr.

04 - 08

Moored as before. 0649 Lighted fires under #1 boiler.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

08 - 12

Moored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters. No absentees. 0843 Set Special Sea Details. 0845 All departments reported readiness for getting underway. 0853 Underway to shift berths. Captain at the Conn, Navigator on the bridge. 0900 Proceeding to fueling dock using various courses and speeds. 0920 Moored starboard side to USS WOOLSEY with oiler SUDERHOLM inboard at fueling dock Diga Foranea at port of Palermo, Sicily with 4 manila lines and 2 wire cables. 0926 Secured Special Sea Detail. 1010 Commenced fueling ship.

W. B. Schneidau
W. B. SCHNEIDAU.

12 - 16

Moored as before. 1240 Completed fueling having received on board 24915 gallons of fuel oil at 60°F. 1315 The following named men left ship with orders to report to the Senior Patrol Officer, Via 95 Emrico Amari for duty with the U.S. Naval Shore Patrol: MISIORSKI, J.S., Cox, USNR; ESTES, G.L., Rdm3c, USNR; DE LILLO, T., FC3c, USNR; MC PHERSON, T.G., MM3c, USNR. 1333 Mustered duty fire party. No absentees. 1435 Made preparations for getting underway. 1445 Underway, using various courses and speeds, Captain at the Conn, Navigator on the bridge. 1512 Moored port side to starboard side USS Mac KENZIE, with 4 manila lines and 2 wire cables. at Pier 2 port of Palermo, Sicily.

R. Williams
R. WILLIAMS.

16 - 20

Moored as before. 1605 Commenced taking ammunition aboard. 1630 Completed taking ammunition aboard having received 50 rounds 5"/38 S.P.D.N. from NOB Palermo, Sicily. 1915 Mustered PAL's and restricted men. No absentees.

J. A. Bookhout
J. A. BOOKHOUT.

20 - 24

Moored as before. 2000 All departments reported secure. 2145 Shore Patrol returned aboard.

R. G. Goodeve
R. G. GOODEVE.

UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601)

Thursday 10 August 1944
(Day) (Date) (Month)

00 - 04

Moored port side to USS Mac KENZIE at Pier 2, port of Palermo, Sicily, with 4 manila lines and 2 wire cables. Steaming on No. 4 boiler for auxiliary purposes. Regular port watch set.

W. J. Murbach
W. J. MURBACH.

04 - 08

Moored as before.

F. H. Weber
F. H. WEBER.

08 - 12

Moored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters. No absentees. 1000 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal.

B. Dolan
B. DOLAN.

12 - 16

Moored as before. 1255 The following named men left ship to report to Senior Patrol Officer via Emerico Amari, Palermo, Sicily for duty: LAWRENCE, F.J., FC2c, USNR; TAYLOR, D. MM2c, USNR; STIRBLIS, A.A., QM3c, USNR; BLACKBURN, E.F., Som2c, USNR. 1315 Mustered duty fire party. No absentees.

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

16 - 20

Moored as before.

W. B. Schneidan
W. B. SCHNEIDAU.

20 - 24

Moored as before. 2000 All departments reported secure. 2203 Shore Patrol returned aboard.

S. R. Fulmore, Jr.
S. R. FULMORE, Jr.

UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601)

Friday 11 August, 1944

(Day) (Date) (Month)

00 - 04

Moored at Pier 2, Palermo, Sicily portside to USS Mac KENZIE with 4 manila lines and 2 wire cables. Steaming on #4 boiler for auxiliary purposes. 0040 Added headline to dock in preparation for expected winds.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

04 - 08

Moored as before.

W. A. Smith
W. A. SMITH.

08 - 12

Moored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters. No absentees. 0945 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal.

R. L. Parkhurst
R. L. PARKHURST.

12 - 16

Moored as before. 1230 Mustered duty fire party. No absentees. 1300 The following named men left the ship to report to the Senior Patrol Officer via 95 Emerico Amari for duty with the U.S. Naval Shore Patrol: THERRIAULT, W., RQM2c, USNR; LOYD, J.S., Cox, USNR; STOBNIKI, C (n), RDM3c, USNR; RISCEN, F., TM3c, USNR. 1320 SIMERLY, A (n), 295 80 24, WTlc, USN, left the ship with orders under guard of HUTHNANCE, E.D., 636 22 67, SoMlc, USNR, to proceed to USS TUSCALOOSA for official visit with Senior Marine officer. 1340 Completed fueling USS KENDRICK, 9,520 gallons. 1435 HUTHNANCE, E.D., SoMlc, USNR, returned aboard with SIMERLY, A. (n), WTlc, USN.

R. Williams
R. WILLIAMS.

16 - 20

Moored as before. 1900 Mustered PAL's and restricted men. No absentees.

F. H. Weber
F. H. WEBER.

20 - 24

Moored as before. 2000 All departments reported secure. 2145 Shore Patrol returned aboard.

J. A. Bookhout
J. A. BOOKHOUT.

UNITED STATES SHIP

CHAMPLIN (DD601)

Saturday 12 August 44

(Day)

(Date)

(Month)

00 - 04

Moored port side to USS Mac KENZIE at Pier 2, Port of Palermo, Sicily with 4 manila lines and two wire cables. Steaming on No. 3 boiler for auxiliary purposes. Port watch set.

R. F. Goodeve
R. F. GOODEVE.

04 - 08

Moored as before.

B. Dolan
B. DOLAN.

08 - 12

Moored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters. No absentees. 0815 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal. 0845 Stationed Special Sea Details. 0855 All departments reported readiness for getting underway. 0900 Underway and proceeding to the fueling dock using various courses and speeds to conform with area. Captain at the Conn, Navigator on the bridge. 0920 Moored starboard side to USS ORDRONAU with 4 manila lines and 2 wire cables, at Diga Foranea Fueling Dock, port of Palermo, Sicily. 0938 Secured Special Sea Details. Steaming on No. 3 boiler for auxiliary purposes. Main engines on four hours notice. 0946 Commenced fueling ship. Draft of ship; Fwd. 13'4", Aft. 17'4". 1005 A Summary Court Martial, Lieutenant R. L. BAUGHAN, USN, Senior Member, met to try the case of SIMERLY, A. (n), 295 80 24, WT1c, USN, and recessed at 1105. 1106 Completed fueling ship, having received on board 572.5 barrels of fuel oil at 60°F. Draft of ship; Fwd. 14'6", Aft. 17'6".

W. J. Murbach
W. J. MURBACH.

12 - 16

Moored as before. 1330 The Summary Court Martial which recessed at 1105 met to continue the case of SIMERLY, A. (n), 295 80 24, WT1c, USN, and to try the case of COOPER, A. L., 266 70 99, TM3c, USN. 1430 The summary court adjourned to await the action of the convening authority. 1456 Underway from fueling dock. Captain at the Conn, Navigator on the bridge, using various courses and speeds to clear area. 1549 Anchored at Gulf of Palermo, Sicily, in twenty two (22) fathoms of water with 75 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor, mud bottom, on the following bearings: Rock 070°T; Church 209°T; Left Peak 141°T; Tower 248½°T.

S. R. Fulmore, Jr.
S. R. FULMORE, Jr.

16 - 20

Anchored as before

W. B. Schneidau
W. B. SCHNEIDAU.

20 - 24

Anchored as before. 2000 All departments reported secure. 2245 Let fires die out under boiler No. 1.

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

UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601)Sunday 13 August, 1944
(Day) (Date) (Month)

00 - 04

Anchored at Gulf of Palermo, Sicily in 22 fathoms of water with 75 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor, mud bottom, on the following bearings: Rock 070°T; Church 209°T; Left Peak 180°T; Hump 141°T; Tower 248 $\frac{1}{2}$ °T. Steaming on #3 boiler for auxiliary purposes. Ship darkened. Condition of Readiness II Mike (Modified); material condition Baker set. 0025 Ship commenced swinging stern to port. 0055 Ship ceased swinging.

W. A. Smith
W. A. SMITH.

04 - 08

Anchored as before. 0600 Lighted fires under #1 boiler. 0619 Sunrise. 0655 Ship commenced swinging stern to port. 0745 Set anchor details. 0757 Underway in accordance with CTF 87 OP-Plan 1-44 in company with TG 87.7, CTG 87.7 in USS TUSCALOOSA.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

08 - 12

Lying to in preparation to join cruising formation Able. Anchor detail on station. Captain at the Conn, Navigator on the bridge. 0805 Underway using various courses and speeds to take position in cruising formation Able. Mustered crew on station. No absentees. 0810 Secured anchor detail. 0905 On station 1000 yards starboard beam USS BROOKLYN, 600 yards astern USS EDISON. Course 355°T, Speed 15 knots. 0944 Using various courses and speeds to take station in formation Baker. 1035 On station Picket #2. Bearing 315°R from USS PARKER at 8000 yards. Base course 273°T, speed 15 knots. Patrolling station speed 17 knots. Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal.

W. B. Schneidau
W. B. SCHNEIDAU.

12 - 16

Steaming as before.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

16 - 20

Steaming as before. 1855 Formation changed speed to 10 knots. 1925 Formation changed speed to 15 knots.

B. Dolan
B. DOLAN.

20 - 24

Steaming as before. 2000 All departments reported secure. 2018 Sunset. 2019 Dusk alert. Went to General Quarters. 2025 Changed course to 270°T, 2100 Ceased patrolling station. 2129 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

F. Huber

R. L. ...

UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601)

Monday 14 August 1944
(Day) (Date) (Month)

00 - 04

Steaming in company with CTG 87.7, CTF 87 in USS TUSCALOOSA. Cruising in formation Baker. USS TUSCALOOSA as guide. Destroyers in A/S screen. USS CHAMPLIN on station as port picket. Formation course 270^oT, speed 15 knots. Continuous SG radar search. SC radar in standby condition. Ship darkened. Condition of readiness II Mike. Material condition Baker set. Steaming on boilers #1 & #3. 0153 Changed course to 240^oT. 0205 Changed course to 270^oT. 0235 Changed course to 330^oT. Changed speed to 25 knots. 0235 Formation changed course to 318^oT. 0245 Formation changed course to 353^oT. 0245 Using various courses and speeds to regain station 0320 Regained station, course 353^oT. Speed 15 knots.

W. B. Schneidau
W. B. SCHNEIDAU.

04 - 08

Steaming as before. 0405 Changed course to 008^oT. 0445 Using various courses and speeds to pass task group in company with USS TEXAS. 0535 Dawn Alert. 0627 Changed course to 000^oT, speed 16 knots. 0639 Sunrise. Lighted ship. 0648 Secured from Dawn Alert, set condition II Mike.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0800 Mustered crew on station. No absentees. USS BOYLE left station as starboard picket, and went alongside USS MARBLEHEAD; USS CHAMPLIN took station bearing 015^oT from USS TUSCALOOSA, distance 10000 yards. 1130 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal.

B. Dolan
B. DOLAN.

12 - 16

Steaming as before. 1417 Left station to investigate surface target bearing 355^oT, range 17,000 yards. 1435 Identified as FNS La TOULONNAISE, enroute from Ajaccio to Algiers. 1504 Returned to station.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

16 - 20

Steaming as before. 1600 Changed course to 071^oT. 1650 Changed course to 351^oT, changed speed to 11 knots. 1740 Using various courses and speeds to take new station astern of USS BOYLE. 1802 Arrived on station 600 yards astern of USS BOYLE in cruising disposition seven (7). Course 004^oT, speed 10 knots. 1922 Changed course to 358^oT.

W. B. Schneidau
W. B. SCHNEIDAU.

20 - 24

Steaming as before. 2000 All departments reported secure. Proceeded independently on course 311^oT, speed 25 knots to carry out duties assigned in operation Anvil. 2031 Dusk Alert. 2149 Secured from Dusk Alert, set condition II Mike. 2201 Changed speed to 20 knots. 2320 Changed speed to 11 knots. 2330 Went to General Quarters, approached coast of Southern France off St. Raphael to get navigational fix.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

F. Harker

R. L. Bunker

UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601)Tuesday 15 August 1944
(Day) (Date) (Month)

00 - 04

Steaming independently on course 311^{OT}, speed 11 knots off St. Raphael, France establishing navigational fix for reference purposes in Operation Anvil. Ship darkened, all Battle Stations manned. 0000 Established fix, changed course to 131^{OT}, speed 7 knots. 0005 Changed course to 120^{OT}. 0012 Changed course to 116^{OT}, speed 12 knots. 0015 Changed speed to 13 knots. 0019 Changed course to 115^{OT}. 0051 Changed course 116^{OT}. 0056 Changed course to 119^{OT}. 0058 Changed course to 120^{OT}. 0100 On station "Zebra" off St. Raphael France, acting as reference ship, flashing ZEBRA on bearing 131^{OT}, all engines stopped. 0106 First convoy passed point Zebra. 0240 TG 87.7 and transports passed joint Zebra.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

04 - 08

Lying to as before. 0635 Last of assault convoys passed Zebra, left station on course 290^{OT}, speed 7 knots to take patrol station off Transport Area. 0637 Sunrise. 0658 Steaming on various courses and speeds to take station. 0745 Commenced patrolling on southern edge of area, speed 6 knots.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0800 H-Hour. Landing assault commenced. Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

12 - 16

Steaming as before. 1542 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

16 - 20

Steaming as before. 1600 Changed course to 170^{OT}. 1635 Changed course to 350^{OT}. 1708 Changed course to 170^{OT}. 1728 Changed course to 340^{OT}. 1741 Changed course to 135^{OT}. 1803 Changed course to 280^{OT}. 1820 Changed course to 130^{OT}. 1907 Changed course to 355^{OT}. 1927 Changed course to 170^{OT}. 1947 Changed course to 340^{OT}.

B. Dolan
B. DOLAN.

20 - 24

Steaming as before. 2000 All departments reported secure. 2003 Changed course to 340^{OT}. 2034 Changed course to 170^{OT}. 2036 Sunset. Darkened ship. Dusk alert. Went to General Quarters. 2046 Red alert. Changed speed to 15 knots. 2051 Changed speed to 5 knots. 2103 Commenced firing on unidentified aircraft. 2105 Ceased firing, having expended 5 rounds 5"/38 AA Common, 40 rounds 40MM, 230 rounds 20MM. 2130 Yellow alert. 2150 Secured from General Quarters. Set condition II Mike. 2222 Changed course to 300^{OT}. 2251 Changed course to 120^{OT}. 2352 Changed course to 300^{OT}.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

K. J. Fisher

R. L. Baughman

UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601)

Wednesday 16 August 1944
(Day) (Date) (Month)

00 - 04

Steaming independently on patrol off Transport Area of Camel Attack Force T.F. 87 of Operation Anvil. OTC ComCruDiv7 in USS TUSCALOOSA located in night retirement area. Using alternate courses of 120°T & 300°T. Steaming on boilers #1 and #3. Speed 6 knots. Maintaining continuous SC & SG radar search. Condition of alert Yellow. Ship darkened. Condition of readiness II Mike and material condition Baker set. 0020 Changed course to 305°T. 0022 Changed course to 120°T. 0056 Changed course to 310°T. 0120 Changed course to 120°T. 0225 Changed course to 300°T. 0212 Changed course to 120°T. 0225 Changed course to 300°T. 0300 Changed course to 120°T. 0330 Changed course to 300°T.

W. B. Schneidau
W. B. SCHNEIDAU.

04 - 08

Steaming as before. 0530 Dawn Alert. 0634 Proceeded to Fire Support Station #6 on orders from CTG 87.7 on various courses and speeds. 0656 Stopped engines, lay to on station #6.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

08 - 12

Steaming as before. Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

12 - 16

Steaming as before.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

16 - 20

Stationed on Fire support station #6. 1645 Shore fire control party advised no need of fire support for present. 1652 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike. 1920 Underway using various courses and speeds to take station on starboard bow of USS TUSCALOOSA for night cruising.

W. B. Schneidau
W. B. SCHNEIDAU.

20 - 24

Steaming as before. 2000 All departments reported secure. 2005 Set course 075°T, speed 14 knots. 2034 Sunset. Darkened ship. Went to Dusk Alert. 2050 Fired at enemy plane flying overhead. Ammunition expended: 9 rounds 5"/38; 98 rounds 20MM; 68 rounds 40MM ammunition. 2139 Secured from Dusk Alert, set condition II Mike.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

J. H. Hester

R. L. Buckner

UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601)

Thursday 17 August 44

(Day) (Date) (Month) 19

00 - 04

Steaming in company with TG 87.7. CTG in USS TUSCALOOSA. O.T.C. cruising in formation Baker. USS TUSCALOOSA as guide. Destroyers in A/S screen. USS CHAMPLIN on station Peter. Formation course 075°T, speed 14 knots. Continuous SG and SC radar search. Ship darkened. Condition of Readiness II Mike; material condition Baker set. Steaming on #1 and #3 boilers. 0030 Formation changed course to 120°T. 0045 Formation changed course to 165°T. 0100 Formation changed course to 210°T. 0115 Formation changed course to 263°T.

B. Dolan
B. DOLAN.

04 - 08

Steaming as before. 0500 Changed speed to 10 knots. 0528 Changed speed to 5 knots. 0530 Dawn alert. Went to General Quarters. 0536 Proceeding independently to Fire Support Area. 0612 Lying to in area. 0651 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

08 - 12

Lying to as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations. No absentees. Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal.

W. B. Schneidau
W. B. SCHNEIDAU.

12 - 16

Lying to as before. 1412 Condition Red. Went to General Quarters. 1435 Condition Yellow. Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

16 - 18

Lying to as before.

B. Dolan
B. DOLAN.

18 - 20

Lying to as before. 1945 Bombardment group forming up into disposition Baker and leaving fire support area on various courses and speeds.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

20 - 24

Steaming as before. Using various courses and speeds to take station Peter in screen. 2007 Red Anvil - General Quarters. 2026 On station course 091°T, speed 14 knots. 2032 Condition Yellow. 2049 Commenced firing on aircraft dead ahead. 2102 Ceased firing, expended 15 rounds 5"38 ammunition. 2110 Condition Red. 2130 Adjusting position in screen to bear 80° R from guide, USS TUSCALOOSA, distance 2500 yards. 2135 SG contact - plane coming in fast bearing 082°T, 9000 yards, no IFF. 2137 Commenced firing, target hit, aircraft shot down on bearing 120°T, range 2800 yards. Eight rounds 5"38 ammunition expended. Target believed hit on third salvo. Remains of plane burning on surface. 2146 Remains of plane sank. 2203 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike.

W. B. Schneidau
W. B. SCHNEIDAU.

UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601)

Friday 18 August 1944
(Day) (Date) (Month)

00 - 04

Steaming in company with TG 87.7, CTG 87.7 (OTC) in USS TUSCALOOSA, on base course 091°T, speed 14 knots, USS CHAMPLIN on station 80°R on starboard bow of guide, distance 2500 yards. Readiness condition II Mike and material condition Baker set. Ship darkened. Steaming on boilers #1 and #3. 0045 Changed course to 045°T. 0100 Changed course to 000°T. 0115 Changed course to 315°T. 0130 Changed course to 262°T.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

04 - 08

Steaming as before. 0545 Dawn Alert; went to General Quarters. Using various courses and speeds proceeding to Fire Support Area. 0645 All engines stopped, lying to in Fire Support Area off Cannes, France. 0722 Using various courses and speeds taking station #10 in Fire Support Area #6.

B. Dolan
B. DOLAN.

08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0837 On station #10. Lying to in area. 0903 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike. Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

12 - 16

Lying to on station #10 in Fire Support Area #6 off Cannes, France. 1255 Using various courses and speeds to investigate sound contact. 1313 Fired seven charge pattern. Went to General Quarters. 1325 Investigating other contacts. 1354 Contacts classified as doubtful. Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike. 1355 Engines stopped.

W. B. Schneidau
W. B. SCHNEIDAU.

16 - 20

Lying to as before. 1659 Commenced A/S patrol on various courses at 5 knots screening USS BROOKLYN lying to in area #6. 1925 Departed area #6 for retirement area on course 180°T, speed 10 knots. 1932 Changed course to 135°T, speed 20 knots. 1934 Changed course to 090°T. 1940 Changed speed to 25 knots. 1951 Commenced zig-zagging in accordance with Plan #8, Diagrams of 1940. Screen in accordance with Plan 32A, CSP 1846. USS BOYLE in station "O", USS CHAMPLIN in station "A".

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

20 - 24

Steaming as before. 2000 All departments reported secure. 2028 Formation changed speed to 15 knots. 2032 Dusk Alert; went to General Quarters. 2054 Air contact bearing 340°T, range 3500 yards, closing. 2056 Two JU88's approaching, one on the port beam, the other two points abaft the port beam. Commenced firing, 5"38 battery on one plane, and 40MM batteries on the other. 2058 Planes turned away. Ceased firing having expended 20 rounds 5"/38 and 36 rounds 40MM ammunition. 2112 Air contact bearing 020°T, range 9000 yards, closing. 2113 Plane, no IFF, identified as enemy. Commenced firing. Plane turned away. 2114 Ceased firing having expended 27 rounds 5"/38 ammunition. 2227 Left screen on various courses and speeds to pick up life raft reported by USS BROOKLYN at 2222 as being close aboard to port, voice calling "help". 2252 Life raft with single survivor aboard: 2nd Lieut. Howard R. COLE, A.U.S., 0825577, 327th Base Headquarters, A.B. Squadron. Examined and treated by ships doctor. Found to have one leg broken in two places, both simple fractures, suffered from striking the tail of his P38 after bailing out because of engine failure. 2255 Proceeded on various courses and speeds to rejoin screen. 2345 On station "Able" in screen. Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike.

B. Dolan
B. DOLAN.

J. E. Stukin

R. L. B. [Signature]

UNITED STATES SHIP

CHAMPLIN (DD601)

Saturday 19 August 1944
(Day) (Date) (Month)

00 - 04

Steaming in company with USS BROOKLYN and USS BOYLE, Commanding Officer USS BROOKLYN as OTC. Station 45°, range 3000 yards on port bow of USS BROOKLYN. Ship darkened. Condition of readiness II M and material condition Baker set. Steaming on boilers #1 and #3. Course 090°T, speed 15 knots. Zig-zagging in accordance with Plan 8Z. 0008 Ceased zig-zagging. 0015 Changed course to 045°T. 0030 Changed course to 000°T. 0045 Changed course to 315°T. 0100 Changed course to 263°T. 0120 Commenced zig-zagging in accordance with Plan 8Z.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

04 - 08

Steaming as before. 0540 Dawn Alert. Went to General Quarters. 0550 Changed speed to 10 knots. 0558 Condition Red. 0602 Changed speed to 5 knots. Condition Yellow. 0620 Proceeding to Fire Support Area #8 off Cannes, France. Course 330°T, speed 10 knots. 0643 Engines stopped. Lying to in Fire Support Area #8. 0659 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike. 0716 Course 090°T, speed 7 knots. Screening USS BROOKLYN. 0734 Changed course to 270°T.

W. B. Schneidau
W. B. SCHNEIDAU.

08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0800 Mustered crew on station. No absentees. 0935 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

12 - 16

Steaming as before. 1204 Relieved in Fire Support Area #8 by USS BOYLE. Proceeded on various courses and speeds to Golfo di Frejus, France. 1321 Transferred 2nd Lieut. Howard R. COLE, A.U.S., 0825577, 327th Base Headquarters, A B Squadron to U.S. A.H.S. EMILY H.M. WEDER. 1403 Moored starboard side to port side H.M.S. DEWDALE off St. Raphael in Golfo di Frejus, France, with 3 manila lines and 2 wire cables. 1410 Commenced fueling. Draft forward 12'3", Aft. 17'3".

B. Dolan
B. DOLAN.

16 - 18

Moored as before. 1607 Completed fueling, having received on board 62,650 gallons at 60°F. Draft of ship Fwd. 14'5", Aft. 17'6". 1620 Underway for Gulf of Napoule. 1727 Arrived in Fire Support Area south of Cannes. Commenced screening USS BROOKLYN. 1744 Proceeding to make surveillance of shore line of Gulf of Napoule.

S. N. Anastasion
S. N. ANASTASION.

18 - 20

Steaming as before. 1804 General Quarters. 1810 Using various courses and speeds to conduct surveillance of shore line in Gulf of Napoule. 1825 Changed speed to 25 knots. With-drawing from area. 1834 Changed speed to 5 knots. 1836 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike. 1858 Using various courses and speeds to take station in A/S screen on USS BROOKLYN, bearing 80° on port bow. 2800 yards. 1916 Changed course to 124°T, speed 25 knots. On station. 1920 Commenced zig-zagging in accordance with Plan 8Z.

W. B. Schneidau
W. B. SCHNEIDAU.

20 - 24

Steaming as before. 2000 All departments reported secure. 2029 Changed base course to 110°T, speed to 15 knots. 2030 Dusk Alert. 2035 Left station to investigate sound contact. 2037 Lost contact rejoined formation on various courses and speeds. 2155 Left station to investigate surface contact. 2217 Identified target as RAF crash boats lying to. 2225 Steamed on various courses and speeds to rejoin. 2232 Resumed station. 2340 Ceased zig-zagging. 2345 Changed course to 065°T. 2240 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II M.

N. R. Glass
N. R. GLASS.

CHAMPLIN (DD601)

Sunday 20 August 1944
(Day) (Date) (Month)

UNITED STATES SHIP

00 - 04

Steaming in company with USS BROOKLYN, USS BOYLE, and French destroyer LA TERRIBLE, Commanding Officer USS BROOKLYN O.T.C. Destroyers in A/S screen in accordance with 33A CSP 1846. Base course 065°T, speed 15 knots. Ship darkened. Condition of Readiness II Mike and material condition Baker set. Steaming on boilers #1 and #3. Continuous watch on SG and SC radars. 0000 Formation changed course to 020°T. 0015 Formation changed course to 335°T. 0030 Formation changed course to 289°T. 0040 Formation commenced zig-zagging in accordance with plan #8. 0348 Formation changed speed to 10 knots. 0350 Formation changed speed to 15 knots.

B. Dolan
B. DOLAN.

04 - 08

Steaming as before. 0501 USS BOYLE reported sound contact. 0502 USS BOYLE remaining with contact. Ships turned 90° right. Ceased zig-zagging. 0516 Ships turned 90° left. 0524 Changed course to 270°T. 0545 Dawn Alert; went to General Quarters. 0548 Changed speed to 10 knots. 0644 Sunrise. Lighted ship. 0712 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike. In Fire Support Area. Screening USS BROOKLYN on various courses. Speed 7 knots.

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08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0800 Mustered crew on station. No absentees. 1024 Changed course to 000°T. Proceeding to investigate shore line of Gulf of Napoule. 1042 General Quarters. 1055 Engines stopped. Lying to during investigation of beach. Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal.

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12 - 16

Steaming as before. 1520 USS TUSCALOOSA and escort joined company. 1548 Shore battery fired salvo of 3 shells toward ship, battery unlocated.

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16 - 20

Steaming as before. 1733 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike. 1804 Relieved of inshore patrol by USS BOYLE, proceeding on various courses and speeds to join USS BROOKLYN. 1823 Lying to. 1859 Proceeding on various courses and speeds to Fire Support Area #8.

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20 - 24

Steaming as before. 2000 All departments reported secure. 2026 in area #8. Patrolling at 7 knots. 2029 Sunset. Darkened ship. 2035 Changed course to 030°T. 2037 Dusk Alert, went to General Quarters. 2057 Changed course to 225°T. 2120 Changed course to 055°T. 2147 Changed course to 235°T. 2157 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike. 2212 Changed course to 055°T. 2237 Changed course to 235°T. 2257 Changed course to 055°T. 2322 Changed course to 235°T. 2342 Changed course to 055°T.

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UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601) Monday 21 August 19 44
 (Day) (Date) (Month)

00 - 04

Steaming independently in Fire Support Area #8 off Cannes, France. CDD32 in USS BOYLE Task Unit Commander. Ship darkened. Condition of readiness II Mike and material condition Baker set. Steaming on boilers #1 and #3. Course 050°T, speed 7 knots. 0012 Changed course to 235°T. 0035 Changed course to 055°T. 0107 Changed course to 235°T. 0130 Changed course to 055°T. 0200 Changed course to 235°T. 0216 Changed course to 055°T. 0220 Changed speed to 10 knots. Proceeding to intercept enemy "E" boats. 0225 Went to General Quarters. 0230 Using various courses and speeds to block escape of "E" boats. 0345 Engines stopped. Lying to. 0348 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II M.

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04 - 08

Went to General Quarters.

Lying to as before. 0445 Set course 090°T, speed 15 knots. Proceeded to entrance to Gulf of Juan to investigate E boat contact. 0447 Changed speed to 20 knots. 0502 Used various courses and speeds to get into position to cover E boat. 0550 Lying to in Gulf of Juan. 0733 Used various courses and speeds to evade gunfire from shore batteries and withdraw from area. Commenced laying smoke screen. 0748 Ceased smoke screen. 0756 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike. "E" boat beached and apparently abandoned.

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08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0805 Proceeding to Fire Support Area #8 off Cannes, France, on various courses and speeds. 0935 Patrolling East and South of USS BROOKLYN in Fire Support Area #8 on various courses, speed 7 knots. 1013 Changed speed to 25 knots to take station ahead of USS BROOKLYN. Using various courses. 1042 Changed speed to 20 knots. 1043 USS BROOKLYN maneuvered to recover planes, changed speed to 12 knots. 1050 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal. 1053 Using various courses and speeds returning to Fire Support Area. 1115 Resumed patrol East and South of USS BROOKLYN in Fire Support Area #8, speed 10 knots.

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12 - 16

Steaming as before.

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16 - 18

Steaming as before.

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18 - 20

Steaming as before. 1903 Used various courses and speeds to take station ahead of USS BROOKLYN for recovery of aircraft. 1935 Took station Able, screen plan 33A, CSP 1846. Screening USS TUSCALOOSA and USS BROOKLYN. Course 150°T, speed 14 knots.

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20 - 24

Steaming as before. 2000 All departments reported secure. 2030 Dusk Alert; went to General Quarters. 2100 Formation changed course to 110°T. 2156 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike.

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UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601) Wednesday 23 August 44
 (Day) (Date) (Month), 19

00 - 04

Lying to in Gulf of Napoule off Cannes, France, awaiting for calls from shore fire control party and conducting shore bombardment on pre-assigned target. Ship darkened. Condition II Mike and material condition Baker set. Boilers #1 and #3 steaming. 0026 Commenced fire on targets in area Lat. 43° 35.7'N, Long 6° 58.2'E. 0035 Ceased firing having expended 11 round 5"/38 AA Common; 3 rounds 5"/38 W.P. projectiles. No casualties. 0116 Commenced firing on same target. 0124 Ceased firing having expended 11 rounds 5"/38 AA Common, 3 rounds 5"/38 W.P. projectiles. 0217 Commenced fire on same target. 0225 Ceased fire having expended 11 rounds 5"/38 AA Common, 3 rounds 5"/38 W.P. projectiles. No casualties. 0227 Commenced patrolling Fire Support Area #8 at 7 knots.

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04 - 08

Steaming as before. 0420 Changed course to 225°T. 0400 Changed course to 055°T. 0525 Changed course to 235°T. 0600 Dawn Alert; went to General Quarters. 0651 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike. 0717 Changed speed to 5 knots. 0722 Changed course to 070°T.

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08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0800 Mustered crew on station. No absentees. 0950 Relieved in inner area by USS WOOLSEY, proceeded on various courses to screen USS TUSCALOOSA in Fire Support Area. 1003 On station. Commenced patrolling on various courses at 5 knots. 1030 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal.

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12 - 16

Steaming as before.

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16 - 18

Steaming as before.

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18 - 20

Steaming as before. 1858 Proceeding on various courses to take station Able screen Plan 32A on USS BROOKLYN. Formation course 160°T. 1900 Changed speed to 15 knots. 1901 Changed speed to 20 knots. 1910 Changed speed to 15 knots. 1920 Formation changed course to 155°T.

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20 - 24

Steaming as before. 2000 All departments reported secure. Changed course to 110°T., speed to 5 knots. 2023 Sunset. Darkened ship. 2025 Dusk Alert, went to General Quarters. 2040 Rendezvous reached by USS TUSCALOOSA, EMILE BERTIN, and LA TERRIBLE. Formed Anti-Submarine Screen 33A in accordance with CSP 1846, USS CHAMPLIN 80° on port bow of USS TUSCALOOSA, 2800 yards. Speed 14 knots.

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CHAMPLIN (DD601)

Thursday 24 August, 1944
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00 - 04

Steaming in company with TG 86.5, CTG 86.5 in USS TUSCALOOSA. Formation in A/S screen 33A CSP 1846 with USS TUSCALOOSA guide of formation. USS CHAMPLIN on station "Oboe" 80° on port bow of guide, distance 2800 yards. Course 110°T, speed 14 knots. Maintaining complete SC and SG radar watch. Ship darkened. Condition of Readiness II Mike and material condition Baker set. Steaming on boilers #1 and #3. 0115 Changed course to 020°T. 0115 USS BROOKLYN and USS BOYLE left formation to proceed independently. 0145 Changed course to 295°T. Assumed new station 45° on port bow of guide, distance 1500 yards.

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04 - 08

Steaming as before 0545 Dawn Alert. 0620 Changed course to 287°T. 0647 Sunrise. Lighted ship. 0701 Secured from Dawn Alert. Commenced A/S patrol to seaward of USS TUSCALOOSA and F.F.S. EMILE BERTIN, off Cannes, France. 0745 Set patrol speed of 7 knots, course 265°T. - 085°T.

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08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0800 Mustered crew on station. No absentees. 0855 Changed speed to 20 knots. Changed course to 065°T. 0858 Using various courses, forming on starboard bow of USS TUSCALOOSA. 0859 Changed speed to 25 knots. 0914 Changed speed to 15 knots. 0924 Changed course to 090°T. 0950 Changed course to 250°T. 1000 Changed course to 040°T. 1001 Changed course to 060°T. 1026 Changed speed to 10 knots. 1028 Changed course to 000°T. 1031 Went to General Quarters. 1040 Changed course to 330°T. 1055 Commenced bombarding bridge and west bank of River Var east of Gros De Cagnes, in the Baie Des Anges, France. 1100 Cut in boilers #2 and #4. 1114 Ceased firing, having expended 94 rounds of 5"/38 cal. ammunition. 1127 Changed course to 180°T, speed 20 knots. 1131 Changed course to 190°T. 1131 Cut out boilers #2 and #4. 1134 Secured from General Quarters and set condition II Mike. 1134 Using various courses taking station on port bow of USS TUSCALOOSA. 1145 Changed course to 250°T. 1150 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal.

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12 - 16

Steaming as before. Patrolling East West line to seaward of Fire Support Area off Gulf of Napoule.

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16 - 20

Steaming as before.

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20 - 24

Steaming as before 2000 All departments reported secure. 2022 Sunset. Darkened ship. 2027 Dusk Alert. 2107 Changed patrol speed to 7 knots. 2131 Secured from Dusk Alert. 2340 Changed patrol courses to 070°T - 250°T.

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Friday 25 August 44

UNITED STATES SHIP

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00 - 04

Steaming independently in Fire Support Area #8 off Cannes, France. Course 070°T, speed 7 knots. CDD25 in USS WOOLSEY OTC. Ship darkened. Condition of Readiness II Mike and material condition Baker set. Steaming on boilers #1 and #3. Continuous search on SG and SC radars. 0005 Changed course to 250°T. 0034 Changed course to 070°T. 0055 Changed course to 250°T. 0125 Changed course to 070°T. 0147 Changed course to 250°T. 0200 Changed course to 070°T. 0210 Changed course to 250°T. 0228 Changed course to 070°T. 0258 Changed course to 250°T. 0325 Changed course to 070°T.

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04 - 08

Steaming as before. 0413 Changed course to 070°T. 0445 Changed course to 250°T. 0510 Changed course to 070°T. 0535 Changed course to 250°T. 0559 Changed course to 070°T. 0600 Dawn Alert, went to General Quarters. 0630 Changed course to 250°T. 0654 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike. 0700 Changed course to 070°T. 0725 Changed course to 250°T. 0747 Changed course to 070°T.

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08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0800 Mustered crew on station. No absentees. 0820 Proceeding to close USS TUSCALOOSA. 0902 Commenced screening USS TUSCALOOSA. Using various courses and speeds to seaward. 1100 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal. 1100 Patrolling independently in Antibes - Nice Area.

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12 - 16

Steaming as before.

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16 - 18

Steaming as before. 1620 Changed course to 270°T. 1645 Changed course to 090°T. 1707 Changed course to 270°T. 1740 Changed course to 090°T.

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18 - 20

Steaming as before. Patrolling off Nice, France.

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20 - 24

Steaming as before. 2000 All departments reported secure. 2020 Sunset. Darkened ship. Dusk Alert, went to General Quarters. 2110 Steaming in company with Free French Ship LA TERRIBLE, speed 6 knots. On station 1000 yards astern. 2140 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike. Standing by for assignment from Fire Control Party.

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UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601)

Saturday 26 August 1944

(Day) (Date) (Month)

00 - 04

Patrolling Fire Support Area off Nice, France with F.S. LA TERRIBLE. OTC in F.S. LA TERRIBLE. Ship damaged and in condition of Readiness II Mike. Material condition Baker set. Steaming on boilers #1 and #3. Steaming on various courses at 5 knots, in column astern of F.S. LA TERRIBLE, distance 1000 yards. 0104 Proceeded independently. Closed beach to inner Fire Support Area to fire on enemy gun positions. Went to General Quarters. 0135 Mission completed. Ammunition expended: 58 rounds 5"/38 cal. AA Common. 1 round W.P. 1 round powder jettisoned. 0200 Resumed patrol astern of F.S. LA TERRIBLE.

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04 - 08

Steaming as before. 0600 Dawn Alert; went to General Quarters. 0652 Proceeding independently on various courses, in outer Fire Support Area off Nice, France. 0655 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike.

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08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0800 Mustered crew on station. No absentees. 1003 Ordered to join USS BOYLE and make survey of coast line along Nice, France to Cap Ferrat. 1022 Took station astern of USS BOYLE, proceeding to area. Steaming at various courses and speeds. Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal.

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12 - 16

Steaming as before.

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16 - 20

Steaming as before. 1630 Commenced patrolling in Gunfire Area off Nice, France, speed 6 knots using various courses.

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20 - 24

Steaming as before. 2000 All departments reported secure. 2030 Dusk Alert; went to General Quarters. 2120 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike. 2145 Commenced patrolling inshore Fire Support Area south of Nice, France on course 215°T. 2215 Changed course to 035°T. 2245 Changed course to 215°T.

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UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601) Sunday 27 August, 1944
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Steaming on patrol courses 215°T and 035°T off Nice, France on call for fire support. Other ships in vicinity: USS BOYLE and four (4) MTB's. Ship darkened. Boilers #1 and #3 steaming. Condition of Readiness II Mike and material condition Baker set. Speed 7 knots.

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04 - 08

Steaming as before. 0404 Changed course to 035°T. 0455 Changed course to 215°T. 0530 Changed course to 035°T. 0600 Dawn Alert, went to General Quarters. 0640 Using various courses and speeds to close range on assigned enemy target. 0651 Commenced firing on enemy target. 0705 Ceased firing, mission completed. Expended 42 rounds 5"/38 ammunition. 0710 Resumed normal patrol. 0725 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike.

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08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0800 Mustered crew on station. No absentees. 1008 Went to General Quarters for possible firing mission. 1023 Stopped, lying to in Fire Support Area. 1140 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal.

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12 - 16

Steaming as before. 1203 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike. 1204 Resumed patrol on various courses at 6 knots. 1226 Went to General Quarters for firing mission. 1233 Commenced firing on designated target with air spotting. 1214 Ceased firing, mission successful, ammunition expended: 9 rounds 5"/38. 1430 Secured from General Quarters, resumed patrol, speed 5 knots.

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16 - 18

Steaming as before.

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18 - 20

Steaming as before. 1917 General Quarters for firing mission. Engines stopped, lying to. 1924 Commenced firing on designated target. 1931 Ceased firing - ammunition expended: 10 rounds 5"/38. 1952 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike.

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20 - 24

Lying to as before. 2000 All departments reported secure. 2016 Sunset. Darkened ship. 2028 Dusk Alert, went to General Quarters. 2147 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike. 2200 Commenced patrolling in Fire Support Area off Nice, Speed 7 knots, on courses 215°T and 035°T.

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CHAMPLIN (DD601) Monday 28 August 44
 UNITED STATES SHIP (Day) (Date) (Month) 19

00 - 04

Steaming independently off Nice, France. CDD32 in USS BOYLE OTC of Fire Support Group. Steaming on alternate courses 215°T and 035°T, speed 7 knots. Steaming on boilers #1 and #3. Ship darkened. Condition of Readiness II Mike and material condition Baker set. 0015 Changed course to 215°T. 0045 Changed course to 035°T. 0115 Changed course to 215°T. 0145 Changed course to 035°T. 0215 Changed course to 215°T. 0245 Changed course to 035°T. 0315 Changed course to 215°T. 0345 Changed course to 035°T.

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04 - 08

Steaming as before. Patrolling on courses 035°T and 215°T. 0600 Dawn Alert; went to General Quarters. 0652 Sunrise. Lighted ship. 0657 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike. 0700 Lying to in patrol area.

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08 - 12

Lying to as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations. No absentees. 0916 Went to General Quarters. 0925 Commenced firing on designated target. Plane spot. 0941 Ceased firing. Ammunition expended: 48 rounds 5"/38. 1011 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike. 1015 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal. 1149 Using various courses to patrol Fire Support Area off Nice, France. Speed 7 knots.

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12 - 16

Steaming as before.

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16 - 20

Steaming as before.

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20 - 24

Steaming as before. 2000 All departments reported secure. 2014 Sunset. Darkened ship. 2020 Dusk Alert; went to General Quarters. 2125 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike.

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UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601)

Tuesday 29 August 1944
(Day) (Date) (Month)

00 - 04

Steaming independently off Nice, France (CDD32) in USS BOYLE OTC of fire support group. Steaming on alternate courses of 215°T and 035°T. Speed 7 knots. Maintaining SG radar watch. SC radar inoperative. Steaming on boilers #1 and #3. Ship darkened, condition of Readiness II Mike and material condition Baker Set.

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04 - 08

Steaming as before. 0600 Dawn Alert. 0638 Test fired machine guns. Ammunition expended, 36 rounds 20MM, 24 rounds 40MM ammunition. 0703 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike.

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08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0800 Mustered crew on station. No absentees. 1000 Changed speed to 15 knots. Changed course to 210°T. Proceeding to Gulf of Tropez to fuel. 1005 Changed speed to 20 knots. Changed course to 230°T. 1010 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal. 1154 On various courses and speeds standing into Gulf of Tropez. Stationed Special Sea Details.

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12 - 16

Steaming as before. 1212 Moored starboard side to port side French tanker ELORN in Gulf of Tropez, France. 1234 Commenced fueling ship. Draft Fwd. 12'5"; aft 16'9". 1354 Completed fueling, having received on board 75,160 gallons at 60°F. Draft fwd. 14'6"; aft. 17'4". 1413 Underway for Nice-Antibes area. Course 070°T, speed 15 knots. 1446 Speed 25 knots. Course 060°T. 1539 Speed 20 knots. Course 050°T. Arrived off Nice.

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16 - 18

Steaming as before. 1600 Changed speed to 7 knots. Using various courses to patrol off Nice.

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18 - 20

Steaming as before.

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20 - 24

Steaming as before. 2000 All departments reported secure. 2001 Changed course to 250°T. 2015 Dusk Alert, went to General Quarters. 2023 Changed course to 270°T. 2035 Changed course to 090°T. 2112 Changed course to 270°T. 2117 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike. 2120 Changed course to 270°T. 2139 Changed course to 215°T on inner fire support area. 2147 Changed course to 035°T. 2322 Changed course to 215°T. 2350 Changed course to 035°T.

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UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601)

Wednesday 30 August 1944
(Day) (Date) (Month)

00 - 04

Steaming on patrol off Nice, France as unit of Fire Support Group, CDD32 in USS BOYLE as OTC. Boilers #1 and #3 steaming. Ship darkened. Condition of Readiness II Mike and material condition Baker set. Patrol courses 035°T and 215°T. Speed 7 knots. 0244 Patrol courses changed to 050°T and 230°T.

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04 - 08

Steaming as before. 0600 Dawn Alert, went to General Quarters. 0657 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike.

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08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations. No absentees. 0900 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal.

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12 - 16

Steaming as before.

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16 - 20

Steaming as before. 1911 Received mail from USS EDISON for this vessel and USS BOYLE. Ensign Glen I. DUMAS, USN, came aboard for passage to Oran, Algeria. 1921 Transferred mail to USS BOYLE. CDD32 relieved by CDD25. 1935 Took station astern of USS BOYLE, 1500 yards; speed 25 knots, course 216°T.

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20 - 24

Steaming as before. Proceeding in company with USS BOYLE (CDD32) Course 215°T, speed 25 knots. Station 1500 yards astern of USS BOYLE. 2000 All departments reported secure. 2009 Dusk Alert, went to General Quarters. Sunset. 2045 Proceeding independently on course 145°T. 2055 Secured from General Quarters, set condition II Mike. 2100 Changed course to 215°T, commenced patrolling off Cape Camarat, France. Alternate courses of 035°T and 215°T, speed 10 knots.

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UNITED STATES SHIP CHAMPLIN (DD601)

Thursday 31 August 1944
(Day) (Date) (Month)

00 - 04

Steaming independently on patrol off Cape CAMARAT, France on course 035°T and 215°T, speed 10 knots. Ship darkened and in condition of Readiness II Mike, material condition Baker set. Steaming on boilers #1 and #3.

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04 - 08

Steaming as before. 0715 Changed course to 312°T, speed 15 knots, proceeding to patrol "Easy" 9 through 12.

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08 - 12

Steaming as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations. No absentees. 0830 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples. Conditions normal. 0909 Commenced patrolling "Easy" 7 through 12 at 7 knots.

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12 - 16

Steaming as before. 1325 Relieved on station by USS MC COOK. 1330 Using various courses and speeds to approach CTG 80.6 in USS JOUETT. 1425 Received orders from CTG 80.6 designating this ship as escort commander of convoy ARM3B which departs Baie De Briande 1900 today. 1447 Set anchor detail. 1512 Anchored in Baie de Bon Porte, France in 22 fathoms of water with 45 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor, rock bottom, on the following bearings: Cap Camarat 022°T; Cap Taillat Beacon 231°T.

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16 - 18

Anchored as before. 1610 Underway using various courses and speeds proceeding through anchorage. 1744 Stationed Anchor Detail. 1751 Anchored at Baie De Briande France in 17 fathoms of water with 45 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor, mud and weedy bottom, on the following bearings: Cap Lardier 254°T; Cap Taillat Beacon 014°T. 1755 Secured anchor detail. Main engines on 15 minutes notice.

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18 - 20

Anchored as before.

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20 - 24

Anchored as before. 2000 All departments reported secure. 2008 Sunset. Darkened ship. 2023 Underway in accordance with verbal orders from CTG 80.6. CTU 80.6.84 in USS CHAMPLIN as escort commander of convoy ARM3B from Baie De Briande, France to Oran, Algeria. Convoy Commodore in "GEORGE DAVIS". Convoy composed of five merchant vessels. Escorts stationed in accordance with diagram ME 1 MSC1: USS CHAMPLIN "A"; SAMOLI "J"; LA BOUDEUSE "T". Convoy course 180°T, speed 5 knots. 2330 Convoy changed course to 203°T, speed to 10 knots.

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