

UNITED STATES SHIP LESUTH (AK-125)

Thursday

2nd December

1943

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Zone description Plus 11

ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS

0 to 4

Steaming singley on course 307° true and p.g.c., 299° p.s.c. under boilers #1 and #2. Speed and standard speed 10.4 knots, 60 rpm. Condition of readiness II maintained, ship darkened.

W. L. Putman
W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n. USN.

4 to 8

Steaming as before. 0512 Sounded general quarters for morning twilight alert. 0612 Secured from general quarters, assumed condition of readiness II.

I. V. Chapman Jr.
I. V. CHAPMAN, Jr.
Lieut. USNR.

8 to 12

Steaming as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 0800 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, condition normal. 1103 Exercised crew at fire drill. 1130 Secured from fire drill.

Ray Ginkerson
RAY GINKERSON
Lieut. USNR.

12 to 16

Steaming as before. 1239 Sighted vessel bearing 287° True, distance 8 miles, identified as friendly. 1405 Sighted aircraft bearing 270° True, identified as friendly. 1500 Retarded all ship's clocks 1 hour to zone plus 12 time.

L. Grandon
L. GRANDON
Ensign, USN.

16 to 20

Steaming as before. 1803 Sounded general quarters for evening twilight alert. 1904 Secured from general quarters, assumed condition of readiness II.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

20 to 24

Steaming as before. 2000 Changed course to 304° True and p.g.c., 295° p.s.c.

W. L. Putman
W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n. USN.

Approved:

Examined:

B. H. Bassett

B. H. BASSETT
Lieut. Comd'r., D-M, USNR. Commanding

G. H. Williams

G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

Navigator.

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UNITED STATES SHIP LESUTH (AK-125)

Friday

(Day)

3rd December

(Date)

1943

(Month)

Zone description Plus 12

ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS

0 to 4

Steaming independently; Base course 304° True and p.g.c., 296° p.s.c. Standard speed 10 knots, 80 rpm., all boilers in use. Condition of readiness II maintained, ship darkened.

I. V. Chapman Jr.
I. V. CHAPMAN, Jr.
Lieut. USNR.

4 to 8

Steaming as before. 0430 Sounded general quarters for morning twilight alert. 0526 Secured from general quarters, assumed condition of readiness II. 0600 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. Made weekly inspection, test of magazines flooding and sprinkling systems, test satisfactory. 0727 Sighted aircraft of starboard bow, identified as friendly. 0736 Sighted Mitchell Island bearing 315° True, distance 18 miles.

Ray C. Larson
Ray C. LARSON
Lieut. USNR.

8 to 12

Steaming as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 0805 Changed course to 301° True and gyro, 293° p.s.c. 0910 Changed course to 321° True and gyro, 313° p.s.c. 0922 Changed course to 330° True and gyro, 322° p.s.c. 0925 Sighted 2 small native boats bearing 330° True, distance 3 miles. 0937 Changed course to 333° True and gyro, 325° p.s.c. 0937 Passed Mitchell Island abeam to the starboard, distance 1 1/2 miles.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USNR.

12 to 16

Steaming as before. 1250 Changed course to 300° True and gyro, 292° p.s.c. 1300 Tested whistle, test satisfactory. 1325 Sighted various aircraft, identified as friendly. 1438 Sighted Funafuti Atoll bearing 300° True, distance 20 miles. 1439 Changed course to 290° True and gyro, 281° p.s.c. 1452 Changed course to 292° True and gyro, 283° p.s.c. 1522 Secured from Condition of readiness II. 1530 Sighted and exchanged calls with friendly vessels anchored in anchorage. 1553 Changed course to 300° True and gyro, 292° p.s.c.

L. Grandon
L. GRANDON
Ensign, USNR.

16 to 20

Steaming as before. 1601 Energized degaussing coil. 1610 Changed course to 310° True and p.g.c., 302° p.s.c. 1620 Steaming various courses and speeds approaching channel entrance. 1702 All engines stopped to pick up pilot. 1703 Lt. Comdr. Robert WICKLAND, USNR. came aboard as pilot. 1704 Pilot at the conn, Captain and Navigator on the bridge. 1710 Entered Te Ava channel and entered Pongafale Anchorage, 1805 Anchored in Berth Dog 4, Pongafale, Anchorage, Funafuti Atoll, Ellice Islands in 22 fathoms of water with 90 fathoms of chain out to the port anchor. Anchored on following bearings, Beacon "V" 002° True, Beacon "B" 180° True, Beacon 265.5° True, White Masonry Beacon 206° True. 1813 Secured main and steering engines. 1815 Secured #2 boiler, #1 boiler in use for auxiliary purpose. 1851 Pilot, Lieutenant Commander Robert WICKLAND, USNR. left the ship.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USNR.

20 to 24-

Anchored as before.

Te Ava channel and entered Pongafale Anchorage, 1805 Anchored in Berth Dog 4, Pongafale, Anchorage, Funafuti Atoll, Ellice Islands in 22 fathoms of water with 90 fathoms of chain out to the port anchor. Anchored on following bearings, Beacon "V" 002° True, Beacon "B" 180° True, Beacon 265.5° True, White Masonry Beacon 206° True. 1813 Secured main and steering engines. 1815 Secured #2 boiler, #1 boiler in use for auxiliary purpose. 1851 Pilot, Lieutenant Commander Robert WICKLAND, USNR. left the ship.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USNR.

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UNITED STATES SHIP LESUTH (AK-125)

Saturday
(Day)4
(Date)December
(Month)

1943

Zone description Plus 12

ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS

0 to 4

Anchored in Berth Dog 4, Fongafalo Anchorage, Funafuti Atoll, Ellice Islands in 22 fathoms of water with 90 fathoms of chain out to the port anchor. Anchored on the following bearings: Beacon "V" 002° True, Beacon "B" 180° True, Beacon "Z" 265° True, White Masonry Beacon 206° True. Boiler #1 in use for auxiliary purpose, ship darkened. U.S.S. CURTISS S.O.P.A.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

4 to 8

Anchored as before.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

8 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees. 0810 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 0815 GONES, James Fredrick F2c 868 70 86 V-6 USNR. and KRESSIN, Willard James F2c 868 71 02 V-6 USNR. Completed transportation and transferred to Naval Advance Base, Funafuti for duty in accordance with verbal orders of the Commandant, U.S. Naval Station, Navy 129. 0830 Private George E THORNEY, U.S.M. C.R. 377384 completed transportation and was transferred to Naval Advance Base, Funafuti for duty in accordance with orders of the Commanding Officer, Base Depot, Fleet Marine Force, dated 30 November 1943. 0900 Advanced all ship's clocks to zone plus 11 time.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

12 to 16

Anchored as before.

George J. Fell
George J. FELL
Ensign, USN.

16 to 20

Anchored as before. 1805 Mark H. TUOHNEY, Jr. 2nd Lieutenant USMC. and R. J. HUNF. 2nd. Lieutenant USMC. Completed transportation and were detached in accordance with Orders of Commanding General, dated 29 November 1943. 1810 CARLOTTO, Mark A. 638 51 27 PhM2c USNR. completed transportation and was transferred to Naval Base Funafuti in accordance with Orders of Commanding Officer, Base Depot, Fleet Marine Force, dated 30 November 1943.

Ray C. Kerkson
RAY C. KERKSON
Lieut. USNR.

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

Approved:

Examined:

B. H. Bassett
B. H. BASSETT
Lt. Comdr., D-M, USNR. Commanding

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN. Navigator.

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UNITED STATES SHIP LESUTH (AK-125)

Sunday

5th December

1943

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Zone description Plus 11

ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS

0 to 4

Anchored in Berth Dog 4, Fongafale Anchorage, Funafuti Island, in 22 fathoms of water, with 90 fathoms of chain out to the port anchor. Anchored on the following bearings: Beacon "V" 002° True, Beacon "B" 180° True and Beacon "Z" 265° True. Boiler #1 in use for auxiliary purpose, Ship darkened. U.S.S. CURTIS S.O.P.A.

L. Grandon

L. GRANDON
Ensign, USNR.

4 to 8

Anchored as before.

W. L. Putman

W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n. USN.

8 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 0815 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 0816 U.S.S. VESTAL shifted berth. 0945 U.S.S. GIAN SAR stood in.

George J. Fell

George J. FELL
Ensign, USN.

12 to 16

Anchored as before.

Ray G. Gibson

Ray GIBSON
Lieut. USNR.

16 to 20

Anchored as before. 1910 Sst condition of readiness III.

G. H. Williams

G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

20 to 24

Anchored as before. 2110 Sounded general quarters. 2120 Secured from general quarters.

L. Grandon

L. GRANDON
Ensign, USN.

Anchored as before. 2110 Sounded general quarters. 2120 Secured from general quarters.

L. Grandon

L. GRANDON
Ensign, USN.

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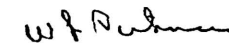
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UNITED STATES SHIP LESUTH (AK-125)Monday 6th December 1943
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ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS

0 to 4

Anchored in Berth Dog 4, Pongafale Anchorage, Funafuti Island in 22 fathoms of water with 90 fathoms of chain out to the port anchor. Anchored on following bearings: Beacon "V" 002° True, and Beacon "B" 180° True, and Beacon "Z" 265° True. Boiler #1 in use for auxiliary purpose. Ship darkened and condition of readiness III maintained. U.S.S. CURTISS S.O.P.A. 0315 -5 boats broke loose from mooring, all recovered.



W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n. USN.

4 to 3


Anchored as before.



J. H. WILLIAMS
Lieut. USNR.

8 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees. 0815 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 0900 U.S.S. RELATRIX underway, shifting berth.



G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

12 to 16

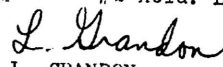
Anchored as before. 1245 Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees. 1408 U.S.S. SEPULGO stood in. 1430 Private Jack E. DRYDEN, 303912 USMC and Private James J. Mc CLOIN, 473532 USMC, were detached this date to U.S. Naval Base, Funafuti Island in accordance with Basic Orders of 30 November 1943 from Commanding Officer, Base Depot, Fleet Marine Force, Tutuila, Samoa. 1530 LCT 162 came alongside to receive cargo from #2 hold. 1545 Commenced unloading cargo from #2 hold.



George J. FELL
Ensign, USNR.

16 to 20

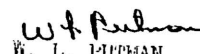
Anchored as before. 1810 Ceased unloading cargo from #2 hold. LCT 162 cast off.



L. GRANDON
Ensign, USNR.

20 to 24

Anchored as before. 2205 Secured gyro compass for routine cleaning and oiling.

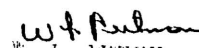


W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n. USN.

L. GRANDON
Ensign, USNR.

20 to 24

Anchored as before. 2205 Secured gyro compass for routine cleaning and oiling.



W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n. USN.

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UNITED STATES SHIP LESUTH (AK-125)

Tuesday

7th

December

1943

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ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS

0 to 4

Anchored in Berth Dog 4, Fongafale Anchorage, Funafuti Island in 22 fathoms of water with 90 fathoms of chain out to the port anchor, anchored on following bearings: Beacon "V" 002° True, Beacon "B" 180° True and Beacon "Z" 265° True. Boiler #1 in use for auxiliary purpose. Ship darkened and Condition of readiness III maintained. U.S.S. CURTISS S.O.P.A.

Ray Glickerson
Ray Glickerson
Lieut. USNR.

4 to 8

Anchored as before. 0707 Secured from condition of readiness III. 0710 U.S.S. ARAPAHOE stood in.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

8 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees. 0815 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 0900 U.S.S. MONAHAN and U.S.S. DEWEY stood in.

George J. Fell
George J. FELL
Ensign, USNR.

12 to 16

Anchored as before. 1305 Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees. 1320 U.S.S. CALAMARES stood in. 1535 U.S.S. MONAHAN and U.S.S. DEWEY stood out.

L. Grandon
L. GRANDON
Ensign, USNR.

16 to 20

Anchored as before. 1620 U.S.S. INDEPENDENCE stood out. 1915 Set Condition of readiness III.

W. L. Putman
W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n, USN.

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

Ray Glickerson
Ray Glickerson
Lieut. USNR.

W. L. Putman
W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n, USN.

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

Ray Glickerson
Ray Glickerson
Lieut. USNR.

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UNITED STATES SHIP LESUTH (AK-125)Wednesday
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ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS

0 to 4

Anchored in Berth Dog 4, Fongafale Anchorage, Funafuti Island, in 22 fathoms of water, with 90 fathoms of chain out to the port anchor, anchored on following bearings: Beacon "V" 002° True, Beacon "B" 180° True and Beacon "Z" 265° True. Boiler #1 in use for auxiliary purpose. Ship darkened and Condition of readiness III maintained. U.S.S. CURTISS S.O.P.A.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

4 to 8

Anchored as before. 0708 Secured from Condition III, set Condition IV.

L. Grandon
L. GRANDON
Ensign, USNR.

8 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 0815 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal.

W. L. Putman
W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n. USN.

12 to 16

Anchored as before. 1300 Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees. 1400 LST 213 Stood in.

George J. Fell
George J. FELL
Ensign, USNR.

16 to 20

Anchored as before. 1615 GLOVER, Phillip Thomas S1c 602 44 75 V-6 USNR. completed transportation and was transferred to U.S.S. BRIDGE for further transfer in accordance with U.S. Naval Station, Navy 129 transfer Order dated 30 November 1943.

Ray G. Gilmer
RAY GILMERSON
Lieut. USNR.

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

Approved:

Examined:

B. H. Bassett
B. H. BASSETT Commanding
Lieut. Comd'r., D-M, USNR.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS Navigator.
Ensign, USN.

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UNITED STATES SHIP LESUTH (AK-125)

Thursday

9th December

1943

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ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS

0 to 4

Anchored in Berth Dog 4, Fongafale Anchorage, Funafuti Island in 22 fathoms of water with 90 fathoms of chain out to the port anchor. Anchored on following bearings: Beacon "V" 002° True, Beacon "B" 180° True and Beacon "Z" 265° True. Boiler #1 in use for auxiliary purpose. Ship darkened and Condition of readiness III maintained. U.S.S. CURTISS S.O.P.A.

L. Grandon

 L. GRANDON
Ensign, USN.

4 to 8

Anchored as before.

W. L. Putman

 W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n. USN.

8 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees. 0815 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal.

George J. Fell
George J. FELL
Ensign, USNR.

12 to 16

Anchored as before. 1245 Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees. 1400 U.S.S. SANGLATUCK atood out. 1450 U.S.S. SARANAC stood out.

R. J. Ellerson
R. J. ELLERSON
Lieut. USNR.

16 to 20

Anchored as before. 1620 U.S.S. CHESTER and U.S.S. SALT LAKE CITY stood in. 1645 Heavy rain set in, wind increased to gale force. 1650 Started gyro compass. 1725 U.S.S. SCHUYLKILL and U.S.S. PENSACOLA stood in. 1900 U.S.S. MC KEE, U.S.S. JOHN ROGERS and U.S.S. HARRISON stood in. 1905 Rain ceased and force of wind decreased. 1960 Darkened ship, set Condition of readiness III.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

L. Grandon
L. GRANDON

ceased and force of wind decreased. 1960 Darkened ship, set Condition of readiness III.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

L. Grandon
L. GRANDON

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UNITED STATES SHIP U.S.S. LESUTH (AK-125)Friday 10th December, 19 43Zone description Plus 11

ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS

0 to 4

Anchored in Berth Dog 4, Fongafale Anchorage, Funafuti Islands in 22 fathoms of water with 90 fathoms of chain out to the port anchor, Anchored on the following bearings: Beacon "B" 180° True, Beacon "V" 0026.5 True and Beacon "Z" 265° True. Boiler #1 in use for auxiliary purpose. Ship darkened, Condition of readiness III maintained. U.S.S. CURTISS S.O.P.A.

W. L. Putman
W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n. USN.

4 to 8

Anchored as before.

Ray G. GILKESON
RAY GILKESON
Lieut. USNR.

8 to 12

Anchored as before. Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees. 0830 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. Made weekly test of magazines and sprinkling and flooding systems, test satisfactory.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

12 to 16

Anchored as before. 1245 Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees.

George J. Fell
George J. FELL
Ensign, USNR.

16 to 20

Anchored as before. 1610 U.S.S. MAURY stood in. 1810 Walked out starboard anchor to 30 fathoms. 1914 Darkened ship, set Condition of readiness III.

L. Grandon
L. GRANDON
Ensign, USN.

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

W. L. Putman
W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n. USN.

Approved:

Examined:

B. H. Bassett

B. H. BASSETT
Lieut. Comdr., D-M, USNR.

Commanding

G. H. Williams

G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

Navigator.

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UNITED STATES SHIP LEAHY (AK-125)Saturday11th December1943

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ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS

0 to 4

Anchored in Berth Dog 4, Fongafale Anchorage, Funafuti Atoll, Ellice Islands in 22 fathoms of water with 90 fathoms of chain out to the port anchor and 30 fathoms of chain out to the starboard anchor. Anchored on following bearings: Beacon "V" 002° True, Beacon "B" 180° True, Beacon "Z" 265° True. Boiler #1 in use for auxiliary purpose. Ship darkened, Condition of readiness III maintained. U.S.S. CURTISS S.O.P.A. Continuous rain squalls with wind of fresh gale force.

Ray Giverson
Ray GIVERSON
Lieut. USNR.

4 to 8

Anchored as before. 0643 Ceased raining, force of wind decreased. 0709 Secured from Condition III. 0734 U.S.S. Chester underway, shifting berth.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

8 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 0835 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 0920 Lit fires under #2 boiler. 1150 Secured #1 boiler, #2 boiler in use for auxiliary purpose.

George J. FILL
George J. FILL
Ensign, USNR.

12 to 16

Anchored as before. 1300 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 1305 Hoisted starboard anchor clear of bottom, veered port anchor to 105 fathoms of chain out, then hove in to 90 fathoms of chain. Walked out the starboard anchor to 35 fathoms of chain.

L. Grandon
L. GRANDON
Ensign, USNR.

16 to 20

Anchored as before. 1645 U.S.S. CRUMIUM AK-112 stood in and anchored. 1914 Darkened ship, set Condition of readiness III.

W. L. Putman
W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n. USN.

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

Ray Giverson
Ray GIVERSON

Anchored as before. 1645 U.S.S. CRUMIUM AK-112 stood in and anchored. 1914 Darkened ship, set Condition of readiness III.

W. L. Putman
W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n. USN.

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

UNITED STATES SHIP LESUTH (AK-125)

Sunday

12th December

1943

(Day)

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ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS

0 to 4

Anchored in Berth Dog 4, Fongafale Anchorage, Funafuti Atoll, Ellice Islands in 22 fathoms of water, with 90 fathoms of chain out to the port anchor and 35 fathoms of chain out to the starboard anchor. Anchored on the following bearings: Beacon "D" 180° True, Beacon "V" 002° True, and Beacon "Z" 265° True. Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary purpose. Ship darkened, Condition of readiness III maintained. U.S.S. CURTISS S.O.P.A.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

4 to 8

Anchored as before.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

8 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees. 0805 U.S.S. SANGAY moored alongside of U.S.S. PENSACOLA. 0830 U.S.S. SANGAY cast off from alongside of U.S.S. PENSACOLA. Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal.

W. L. Putman
W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n. USN.

12 to 16

Anchored as before. 1300 Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees. 1345 U.S.S. TRATHEN, U.S.S. MARTIN and U.S.S. LEHARDY stood in.

George J. Fell
George J. FELL
Ensign, USNR.

16 to 20

Anchored as before. 1720 U.S.S. SCHUYLKILL and U.S.S. SUAMICO standing out; 1915 Ship darkened, set condition of readiness III.

Ray G. Gilmer
Ray GILMERSON
Lieut. USNR.

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

Ray G. Gilmer
Ray GILMERSON
Lieut. USNR.

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

UNITED STATES SHIP LESUTH (AK-125)Monday 13 December 1943
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ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS

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Anchored in Berth Dog 4, Fongafale Anchorage, Funafuti Atoll, Ellice Islands in 22 fathoms of water, with 90 fathoms of chain out to the port anchor and 35 fathoms of chain out to the starboard anchor. Anchored on following bearings: Beacon "B" 180° True, Beacon "V" 002° True, and Beacon "Z" 265° 5 True. Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary purpose. Ship darkened, Condition of readiness III maintained. U.S.S. CURTISS S.O.P.A.

W. L. Putman
W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n. USN.

4 to 8

Anchored as before. 0640 Sunrise; Lighted ship. 0710 Secured from Condition III, set Condition IV.

R. G. Gilson
RAY GILSON
Lieut. USNR.

8 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees. 0815 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 1027 Sighted mine drifting toward ship, bearing 310 True, distance approximately 2000 yards. 1029 Commenced making preparations for getting underway. 1047 Underway in accordance with Orders of Commanding Officer. Executive Officer at the conn, Navigator on the bridge. Steaming various courses and speeds to avoid floating mine. 1105 Mine passed abeam to starboard, distance about 400 yards. 1109 Anchored in Berth Baker 6, in 20 fathoms of water, 90 fathoms of chain out port anchor. Anchored on following bearings: Beacon Victor 055° True, Beacon Zebra 218° True, White Beacon 184° True, and Beacon Baker 156° 5 True. 1131 Commenced making preparation for getting underway and returning to assigned anchorage berth. 1139 Underway in accordance with Orders of Commanding Officer. Captain at the Conn, Navigator on the bridge. Steaming various courses and speeds approaching anchorage Berth Dog 4.

George J. Hill
George J. HILL
Lieut. USNR.

12 to 16

Underway approaching anchorage. 1217 Anchored in Berth Dog 4, Fongafale Anchorage, Funafuti Atoll, Ellice Islands in 22 fathoms of water, with 90 fathoms of chain out to the port anchor. Starboard anchor underfoot with 35 fathoms of chain out. Anchored on following bearings: Beacon Zebra 264° True, Beacon Baker 182° True, Beacon Victor 000° True, White Beacon 206° 5 True. 1229 Secured main and steering engines. 1335 U.S. Army Dredge Mc KENZIE stood out. 1440 U.S.S. COTTEN stood in.

L. Grandon
L. GRANDON
Ensign, USNR.

16 to 20

Anchored as before, U.S.S. BRIDGE standing out. 1620 U.S.S. SANGAY left from alongside U.S.S. SALT LAKE CITY and anchored. 1635 U.S.S. HUTCHIN, U.S.S. DALY, U.S.S. BEALE, U.S.S. BUSH, U.S.S. AMEN, U.S.S. BLACK stood in and anchored. 1635 U.S.S. DE 22 stood out. 1917 Darkened ship, set Condition of readiness III.

1229 Secured main and steering engines. 1335 U.S. Army Dredge Mc KENZIE stood out. 1440 U.S.S. COTTEN stood in.

L. Grandon
L. GRANDON
Ensign, USNR.

16 to 20

Anchored as before, U.S.S. BRIDGE standing out. 1620 U.S.S. SANGAY left from alongside U.S.S. SALT LAKE CITY and anchored. 1635 U.S.S. HUTCHIN,

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0 to 4

Anchored in Berth Dog 4, Fongafale Anchorage, Funafuti Atoll, Ellice Islands in 22 fathoms of water, with 80 fathoms of chain out to the port anchor and 35 fathoms of chain out to the starboard anchor. Anchored on the following bearings: Beacon "B" 182° True, Beacon "Z" 264° True, Beacon "V" 000° True, White Beacon 206° 5 True. Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary purpose. U.S.S. CURTISS S.O.P.A. Ship darkened, condition of readiness III maintained.

C. H. Williams
C. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

4 to 8

Anchored as before. 0643 U.S.S. BUSH, U.S.S. BEALE, U.S.S. HUTCHINS, U.S.S. ALLEN, U.S.S. DALY stood out. 0710 Secured from Condition III, set condition IV. 0715 U.S.S. CRUMIUM underway shifting berth.

L. Grandon
L. GRANDON
Ensign, USNR.

8 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees. 0820 U.S.S. TRATHEN, U.S.S. MARTIN stood out. 0845 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 0924 Sighted drifting mine, bearing 230° True, distance 1500 yards. 0932 Made preparations for getting underway, tested main and steering engines. 0958 Underway in accordance with Orders of the Commanding Officer, to clear drifting mine. Captain at the conn; Navigator on the bridge, steaming at various courses and speeds to pass clear of mine. 1010 Drifting mine passed close aboard to port. 1035 Anchored in Berth B 6, Fongafale Anchorage, Funafuti Atoll, Ellice Islands in 23 fathoms of water, with 90 fathoms of chain out to the port anchor and 35 fathoms of chain out to the starboard anchor. Anchored on the following bearings: Beacon "Z" 210° True, Beacon "A" 194° 5 True, Beacon "B" 154° 5 True, White Beacon 182° 8 True. 1047 Secured main and steering engines.

W. L. Putman
W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n. USN.

12 to 16

Anchored as before. 1300 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees.

George J. Pell
George J. PELL
Ensign, USNR.

16 to 20

Anchored as before. 1910 Darkened ship, set condition of readiness III.

Ly. Gilmer
LY. GILMERSON
Lieut. USNR.

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

George J. Pell
George J. PELL
Ensign, USNR.

16 to 20

Anchored as before. 1910 Darkened ship, set condition of readiness III.

Ly. Gilmer
LY. GILMERSON
Lieut. USNR.

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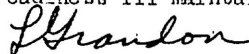
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ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS

0 to 4

Anchored in Berth Baker 6, Pongafale Anchorage, Funafuti Atoll, Ellice Islands in 23 fathoms of water, with 90 fathoms of chain out to the port anchor and 35 fathoms of chain out to the starboard anchor. Anchored on following bearings: Beacon "Z" 210° True, Beacon "A" 194° 5 True, Beacon "B" 154° 5 True, White Beacon 182° 8 True. Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary purpose. U.S.S. CURTISS S.O.P.A. Ship darkened, Condition of readiness III maintained.



L. GRANDON
Ensign, USN.

4 to 8

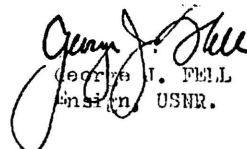
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W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n. USN.

8 to 12

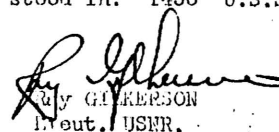
Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees. 0835 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 0932 U.S.S. BLACK stood out. 1023 LST 205, LST 169, LST 69, YMS 287, and YMS 290 stood in.



George J. FELL
Ensign, USNR.

12 to 16

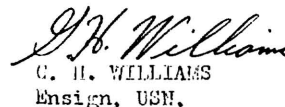
Anchored as before. 1300 Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees. 1310 U.S.S. LEHARDY stood out. 1345 U.S.S. HASTINGS stood in. 1430 U.S.S. CALAPARES stood out. 1432 U.S.S. COTTON stood out.



Roy G. GIFFERSON
Lieut. USNR.

16 to 20

Anchored as before. 1710 U.S.S. DE 29 stood in. 1917 Darkened ship, Set Condition of readiness III.



C. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

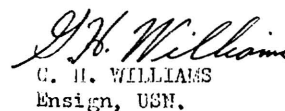
20 to 24

Anchored as before.



L. GRANDON
Ensign, USNR.

Anchored as before. 1710 U.S.S. DE 29 stood in. 1917 Darkened ship, Set Condition of readiness III.



C. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

20 to 24

Anchored as before.



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ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS

0 to 4

Anchored in berth Baker G, Fongafale Anchorage, Funafuti Atoll, Ellice Islands in 23 fathoms of water, with 90 fathoms of chain out to the port anchor and 35 fathoms of chain out to the starboard anchor. Anchored on bearings, Beacon "Z" 210° True, Beacon "A" 194° 5 True, Beacon "B" 154° 5 True, White Beacon 182° 8 True. Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary purpose. Condition of readiness III maintained, ship darkened. U.S.S. CURTIS S.C.P.A.

W. L. Putman
W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n. USN.

4 to 8

Anchored as before. 0711 Secured from Condition of readiness III.

Ray G. Glickerson
RAY G. GLICKERSON
Lieut USNR.

8 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees. 0835 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 1000 Exercised crew at fire quarters.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

12 to 16

Anchored as before. 1300 Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees. 1330 Exercised crew at abandon ship drill.

George J. Fell
George J. FELL
Ensign, USNR.

16 to 20

Anchored as before. 1916 Set Condition III, darkened ship

L. Grandon
L. GRANDON
Ensign, USNR.

20 to 24

Anchored as before. 2013 Heaved in starboard anchor.

W. L. Putman
W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n. USN.

Approved:

Examined:

B. H. Bassett

B. H. BASSETT
Lieut. Comd'r., D-M, USNR

Commanding

G. H. Williams

G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

Navigator.

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(Date)December
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0 to 4

Anchored in berth Baker 3, Pongafale Anchorage, Funafuti Atoll, Ellice Islands, in 23 fathoms of water with 50 fathoms of chain out to the port anchor, on the following bearings: Beacon "Z" 210° True, Beacon "B" 154.5° True, Beacon "A" 194.5° True, White Beacon 182.8° True. Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary power purpose. Ship Darkened, Condition of readiness III maintained.

[Signature]
R. L. PUTMAN
Lieut. USNR.

4 to 8

Anchored as before. 0715 Secured from Condition of readiness III.

[Signature]
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

8 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees. 0845 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. Made weekly test of magazines flooding and sprinkling system, test satisfactory.

[Signature]
George J. FELL
Ensign, USNR.

12 to 16

Anchored as before. 1404 Leo GRANDON, Ensign, D-V(G), USNR, detached to U.S.S. RELIEF for treatment in accordance with form "G".

[Signature]
W. L. PUTMAN
Ses'n. USN.

16 to 20

Anchored as before. 1916 Darkened ship, set Condition of readiness III.

[Signature]
R. L. PUTMAN
Lieut. USNR.

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

[Signature]
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

Approved:

Examined:

[Signature]

B. H. CASSETT
Lieut. Comdr., D-M, USNR. Commanding

[Signature]

G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

Navigator.

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UNITED STATES SHIP LEEDTH (AK-125) Saturday 18 December, 1943
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0 to 4

Anchored in berth Baker 6, Fongafale Anchorage, Funafuti Atoll, Ellice Islands, in 23 fathoms of water with 50 fathoms of chain out to the port anchor, on following bearings: Beacon "Z" 210° True, Beacon "B" 154.5° True, Beacon "A" 194.5° True, White Masonry Beacon 82.8° True. Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary purpose. Ship darkened, condition of readiness III maintained. U.S.S. CURTISS S.O.P.A.

W. L. Putman
W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n. USN.

4 to 8

Anchored as before. 0711 Secured from Condition III, set Condition IV.

Ray Gilkerson
RAY GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR.

8 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees. 0810 made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 0815 PUGSLEY, Harvey Warren S2c USNR, transferred to U.S.S. RELIEF for observation and treatment in accordance with Form "C", records and accounts retained on board.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

12 to 16

Anchored as before. 1300 Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees.

George J. Fell
George J. FELL
Ensign, USNR.

16 to 20

Anchored as before. 1917 Darkened ship, set condition of readiness III.

W. L. Putman
W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n. USN.

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

Ray Gilkerson
RAY GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR.

Approved:

Examined:

B. R. Cassett

B. R. CASSETT
Lieut. Comdr., D-M, USNR.

Commanding

G. H. Williams

G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

Navigator.

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ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS

0 to 4

Anchored in Berth Baker 6, Fongafale Anchorage, Funafuti Atoll, Ellice Islands in 23 fathoms of water with 50 fathoms of chain out to the port anchor. Anchored on the following bearings: Beacon "C" 210° True, Beacon "B" 154° 5 True, Beacon "A" 194° 5 True, White Masonry Beacon 182° 8 True. Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary purpose. Ship darkened, condition of readiness III maintained. U.S.S. CURTISS P.O.P.A.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

4 to 8

Anchored as before. 0712 Secured from condition III, set condition IV.

W. L. Putman
W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n. USN.

8 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees. 0815 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal.

George J. Fell
George J. FELL
Ensign, USNR.

12 to 16

Anchored as before.

Ray G. Linsen
RAY G. LENSEN
Lieut. USNR.

16 to 20

Anchored as before. 1917 Darkened ship, set condition of readiness III.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign USN.

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

W. L. Putman
W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n. USN.

Approved:

Examined:

B. H. Bassett

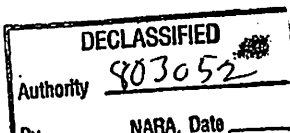
B. H. BASSETT Commanding
Lieut. Comd'r., D-M, USNR.

G. H. Williams

G. H. WILLIAMS Navigator.
Ensign, USN.

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ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS

0 to 4

Anchored in berth Baker 6, Fongafale Anchorage, Funafuti Atoll, Ellice Islands, in 23 fathoms of water with 90 fathoms of chain out to the port anchor on the following bearings: Beacon "Z" 210° True, Beacon "B" 154.5° True, Beacon "A" 194.5° True, White Masonry Beacon 182.8° True. Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary purposes. U.S.S. CURTISS S.O. 11-A.

[Signature]
R. GILBERTSON
Lieut. USNR.

4 to 8

Anchored as before. 0712 Secured from Condition III.

[Signature]
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

8 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees. Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 0900 Exercised crew at general quarters.

[Signature]
W. L. PUGHAN
Bos'n. USN.

12 to 16

Anchored as before.

[Signature]
George J. FELL
Ensign, USNR.

16 to 20

Anchored as before. 1917 Darkened ship, set condition III.

[Signature]
R. GILBERTSON
Lieut. USNR.

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

[Signature]
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

Approved:

Examined:

[Signature]
B. H. CASSETT
Lieut. Comdr., D-M, USNR. Commanding

[Signature]
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN. Navigator.

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UNITED STATES SHIP LAESUTH (AK-125)Tuesday 21 December, 1943
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ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS

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Anchored in Berth Baker G, Fongafale Anchorage, Funafuti Atoll, Ellice Island, in 23 fathoms of water, with 90 fathoms of chain out to the port anchor on the following bearings: Beacon "2" 210° True, Beacon "3" 154.5° True, Beacon "A" 194.5° True, White Masonry Beacon 182.8° True. Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary purpose. Ship darkened, Condition of readiness III maintained. U.S.S. CORTIS S.O.P.A.

W. L. Futhan
W. L. FUTHAN
Bos'n, USN.

4 to 8

Anchored as before. 0712 Secured from condition of readiness III.

George J. Fell
George J. FELL
Ensign, USNR.

8 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 0815 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal.

Ray G. Ellerson
Ray G. ELLERSON
Lieut. USNR.

12 to 16

Anchored as before. 1300 Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

16 to 20

Anchored as before. 1915 Darkened ship, set condition of readiness III.

W. L. Futhan
W. L. FUTHAN
Bos'n, USN.

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

George J. Fell
George J. FELL
Ensign, USN.

Approved:

Examined:

B. H. Caslett
B. H. CASLETT
Lieut. Comdr., D-14, USNR

Commanding

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN

Navigator.

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ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS

00 to 04

Anchored in berth Baker 6, Pongafalo Anchorage, Funafuti Atoll, Ellice Islands, in 25 fathoms of water, with 50 fathoms of chain to the port anchor, on the following bearings: Beacon "Z" 210° True, Beacon "B" 154.5° True, Beacon "A" 194.5° True, White Masonry Beacon 122.8° True. Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary purposes. Ship darkened, condition of readiness III maintained. U.S.S. CURTISS S.O.P.A.

Ray G. Gilmer
RAY GILMERSON
Lieut. USNR

04 to 08

Anchored as before. 0713 Secured from condition of readiness III.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN

08 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees. 0829 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal.

W. L. Putman
W. L. PUTMAN
Ros'n. USN

12 to 16

Anchored as before. 1245 LCT #315 moored to port side. 1431 LCT #315 cast off from alongside ship.

George J. Fell
George J. FELL
Ensign, USNR

16 to 20

Anchored as before. 1735 LST #315 came along port side to pick up working party. 1740 LCT #315 left from alongside. 1920 Darkened ship, set condition of readiness III.

Ray G. Gilmer
RAY GILMERSON
Lieut. USNR

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN

Approved:

Examined:

D. H. Bennett

D. H. BENNETT
Lieut. Comdr., D-M, USNR. Commanding

G. H. Williams

G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN Navigator.

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Thursday

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ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS

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Anchored in berth Baker 6, Fengafale Anchorage, Funafuti Atoll, Ellice Island in 23 fathoms of water with 90 fathoms of chain out to the port anchor, on the following bearings: Beacon "Z" 210° True, Beacon "B" 154.5° True, Beacon "A" 194.5° True, White Masonry Beacon 182.8° True. Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary purposes. Ship darkened; condition of readiness III maintained. U.S.S. CURTISS (SOPA).

W. L. Putman
W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n. USN.

04 to 08

Anchored as before. 0714 Secured from Condition of readiness III.

George J. Fell
George J. FELL
Ensign, USNR.

08 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees. 0815 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples; conditions normal. 0900 Held gunnery drill on guns #1 and #10. 1000 Held instruction period on 20 MM guns.

I. V. Chapman
I. V. CHAPMAN, Jr.
Lieut. USNR.

12 to 16

Anchored as before. 1300 Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

16 to 20

Anchored as before. 1921 Darkened ship; set condition of readiness III.

W. L. Putman
W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n. USN.

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

George J. Fell
George J. FELL
Ensign, USNR.

Approved:

Examined:

B. H. Bassett

B. H. BASSETT
Lieut. Comd'r., D-M, USNR.

Commanding

G. H. Williams

G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

Navigator.

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Friday

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Anchored in berth Baker 6, Pongafale Anchorage, Funafuti Atoll, Ellice Islands, in 23 fathoms of water with 90 fathoms of chain out to the port anchor on the following bearings: Beacon "Z" 210° True, Beacon "B" 154° 5 True, Beacon "A" 194° 5 True, White Masonry Beacon 182° 8 True. Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary purpose. Ship darkened and in condition of readiness III. USS CURTISS, SOPA.

Ray GILVERSON
Ray GILVERSON
Lieut. USNR.

4 to 8

Anchored as before. 0714 Secured from condition of readiness III.

G. H. WILLIAMS
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

8 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees. 0805 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal, made weekly test of flooding and sprinkling systems, test satisfactory. 1000 Captain made weekly inspection of lower decks.

W. L. PUTMAN
W. L. PUTMAN.
Bos'n. USN.

12 to 16

Anchored as before. 1300 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 1530 Leo GRANDON. Ensign D-V (G) USNR reported aboard to resume duties pursuant to AHL / P16- 4/00 having completed medical treatment aboard USS RELIEF.

George J. FELL
George J. FELL
Ensign, USNR.

16 to 20

Anchored as before. 1920 Darkened ship, set condition of readiness III.

Ray GILVERSON
Ray GILVERSON
Lieut. USNR.

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

G. H. WILLIAMS
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

Approved

B. H. BASSETT
B. H. BASSETT
Lieut. Comd'r D-M USNR.

Commanding

Examined:

G. H. WILLIAMS
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

Navigator.

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ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS

0 to 4

Anchored in berth Baker 6, Fongafale Anchorage, Funafuti Atoll, Ellice Islands in 23 fathoms of water with 90 fathoms of chain gut to the port anchor and the following bearings: Beacon "Z" 210° True, Beacon "B" 154.5° True, Beacon "A" 194.5° True, White Masonry Beacon 182.9° True. Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary purpose. Ship darkened and condition of readiness III maintained. USS GURTISS, SOPA.

L. Grandon
Leo GRANDON
Ensign, USNR.

4 to 8

Anchored as before. OY14 Secured from condition of readiness III.

W. L. Putman
W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n. USN.

8 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees. 0815 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 1055 Let go starboard anchor with 35 fathoms of chain out.

George J. Fell
George J. FELL
Ensign, USNR.

12 to 16

Anchored as before.

Ray GILVERSON
Ray GILVERSON
Lieut. USNR.

16 to 20

Anchored as before. 1900 Heaved in the starboard anchor. 1922 Darkened ship, set condition of readiness III.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

L. Grandon
Leo GRANDON
Ensign, USNR.

Approved

B. H. Bassett
B. H. BASSETT Commanding
Lieut. Cmd'r. D-M, USNR.

Examined:

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS Navigator.
Ensign, USN.

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00 to 04

Anchored in berth Baker 6, Fongafale Anchorage, Funafuti Atoll, Ellice Islands in 23 fathoms of water with 90 fathoms of chain out to the port anchor on the following bearings: Beacon "Z" 210° True, Beacon "B" 154.5° True, Beacon "A" 194.5° True, White Masonry Beacon 182.8° True. Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary purposes. Ship darkened; condition of readiness III maintained. U.S.S. CURTISS (SOPA).

W. L. Putman
W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n. USN.

04 to 08

Anchored as before. 0715 Secured from condition of readiness III.

George J. Fell
George J. FELL
Ensign, USNR.

08 to 12

Anchored as before, 0800 Mustered crew on quarters; no absentees. 0815 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples; conditions normal.

Ray GILKESON
Ray GILKESON
Lieut. USNR.

12 to 16

Anchored as before.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

16 to 20

Anchored as before. 1922 Secured from condition of readiness IV, set condition of readiness III. 1922 Darkened ship.

L. Grandon
L. GRANDON
Ensign, USNR.

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

W. L. Putman
W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n. USNR.

Approved:

Examined:

B. H. Bassett

B. H. BASSETT Commanding
Lieut. Comd'r., D&M, USNR.

G. H. Williams

G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

Navigator.

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UNITED STATES SHIP LESUTH (AK-125)Monday 27 December, 19 43
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ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS

00 to 04

Anchored in berth Baker 6, Fongafale Anchorage, Funafuti Atoll, Ellice Islands in 23 fathoms of water, with 90 fathoms of chain out to the port anchor; on the following bearings: Beacon "Z" 210° True, White Masonry Beacon 182.8° True, Beacon "A" 194.5° True, Beacon "B" 154.5° True. Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary purposes. Ship darkened; condition of readiness III maintained.

George J. Fell
George J. FELL
Ensign, USNR.

04 to 08

Anchored as before. 0715 Secured from condition of readiness III.

Ray Gilkerson
Ray GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR.

08 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters; no absentees. 0815 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples; conditions normal. 1000 Conducted 20 MM gun drill. 1100 Exercised crew at fire drill.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

12 to 16

Anchored as before. 1300 Mustered crew at quarters; no absentees.

L. Grandon
L. GRANDON
Ensign, USNR.

16 to 20

Anchored as before. 1922 Darkened ship; set Condition III.

W. L. Putman
W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n. USN.

20 to 24

Anchored as before. 2100 Wind increased to gale force. 2140 Wind decreased to moderate breeze.

George J. Fell
George J. FELL
Ensign, USNR.

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Examined:

B. H. Bassett
B. H. BASSETT
Lieut. Comd'r., D-M, USNR.

Commanding

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

Navigator.

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UNITED STATES SHIP LESUTH (AK-125)Tuesday 28 December, 1943
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ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS

00 to 04

Anchored in berth Baker 6, Fongafale Anchorage, Funafuti Atoll, Ellice Islands in 23 fathoms of water, with 90 fathoms of chain to the port anchor; On the following bearings: Beacon "Z" 210° True, White Masonry Beacon 182.8° True, Beacon "A" 194.5° True, Beacon "B" 154.5° True. Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary k purposes. Ship darkened; condition of readiness III maintained. U.S.S. CURTISS (SOPA).

Ray Gilkerson
Ray GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR.

04 to 08

Anchored as before. 0646 Lighted ship. 0716 Secured from condition of readiness III.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

08 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations; no absentees. 0815 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples; conditions normal. 1100 Exercised crew at fire drill.

L. Grandon
L. GRANDON
Ensign, USNR.

12 to 16

Anchored as before.

W. L. Putman
W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n. USN.

16 to 20

Anchored as before. 1922 Darkened ship ship and set condition of readiness III.

George J. Fell
George J. FELL
Ensign, USNR.

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

Ray Gilkerson
Ray GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR.

Approved:

Examined:

B. H. Bassett

B. H. BASSETT
Lieut. Cmd'r., D-M, USNR.

Commanding

G. H. Williams

G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

Navigator.

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00 to 04

Anchored in berth Baker 6, Fongafale Anchorage, Funafuti Atoll, Ellice Islands in 23 fathoms of water with 90 fathoms of chain out to the port anchor; on the following bearings: Beacon "Z" 210° True, Beacon "A" 194° True, White Masonry Beacon 182.8° True, Beacon "B" 154.5° True. Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary purposes. Ship darkened; condition of readiness III maintained. U.S.S. CURTISS, SOPA.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Ensign, USN.

04 to 08

Anchored as before. 0645 Lighted ship. 0715 Secured from Condition of readiness III, set condition IV.

L. Grandon
L. GRANDON
Ensign, USNR.

08 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations; no absentees. 0815 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples; conditions normal. U.S.S. CHESTER, SOPA.

W. L. Putman
W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n. USN.

12 to 16

Anchored as before. 1300 Mustered crew at quarters; no absentees.

George J. Fell
George J. FELL
Ensign, USNR.

16 to 20

Anchored as before. 1640 Received following ammunition aboard from ammunition ship: 12 rounds of 3" 50 caliber S.P.D., 4 rounds of 3" 50 caliber S.P.D.M., 360 rounds of 20 MM. high explosive tracers, 720 rounds of 20 MM. high explosive incendiary. 1923 Darkened ship; set condition of readiness III. ★

Ray Gilkerson
Ray GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR.

20 to 24

Anchored as before. 1640 Received following ammunition aboard from ammunition ship: 12 rounds of 3" 50 caliber S.P.D., 4 rounds of 3" 50 caliber S.P.D.M., 360 rounds of 20 MM. high explosive tracers, 720 rounds of 20 MM. high explosive incendiary. 1923 Darkened ship; set condition of readiness III. ★

Ray Gilkerson
Ray GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR.

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Anchored in berth "Baker 6", Fongafale Anchorage, Funafuti Atoll, Ellice Islands in 23 fathoms of water with 90 fathoms of chain out to the port anchor; on the following bearings: Beacon "Z" 210° True, Beacon "A" 194° True, White Masonry Beacon 182.8° True, Beacon "B" 154.5° True. Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary purposes. Ship darkened; condition of readiness III maintained. U.S.S. CHESTER, SOPA.

L. Grandon
 L. GRANDON
 Ensign, USNR.

04 to 08

Anchored as before. 0717 Secured from condition III; set condition IV.

W. L. Putman
 W. L. PUTMAN
 Bos'n. USN.

08 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters; no absentees. 0815 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples; conditions normal.

George J. Fell
 George J. FELL
 Ensign, USNR.

12 to 16

Anchored as before. 1300 Mustered crew at quarters; no absentees.

Ray G. Gilkerson
 Ray GILKERSON
 Lieut. USNR.

16 to 20

Anchored as before. 1912 Darkened ship; set condition of readiness III.

G. H. Williams
 G. H. WILLIAMS
 Ensign, USN.

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

L. Grandon
 L. GRANDON
 Ensign, USNR.

Approved:

Examined:

B. H. Bassett

B. H. BASSETT
 Lieut. Comd'r., D-M, USNR.

Commanding

G. H. Williams

G. H. WILLIAMS
 Ensign, USN.

Navigator.

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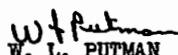


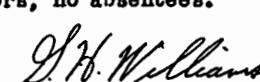
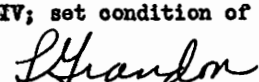
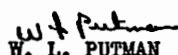
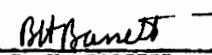
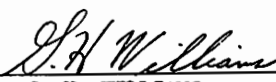
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 W. L. PUTMAN Bos'n. USN.					
04 to 08					
Anchored as before. 0717 Secured from condition of readiness III; Set condition IV.					
 George J. FELL Ensign, USNR.					
08 to 12					
Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters; no absentees. 0830 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples; conditions normal. Made weekly test of magazines flooding and sprinkling systems; test satisfactory.					
 Ray GILKERSON Lieut. USNR.					
12 to 16					
Anchored as before. 1300 Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees.					
 G. H. WILLIAMS Ensign, USN.					
16 to 20					
Anchored as before. 1923 Secured from Condition IV; set condition of readiness III. Darkened ship.					
 L. GRANDON Ensign, USNR.					
20 to 24					
Anchored as before.					
 W. L. PUTMAN Bos'n. USN.					
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Commanding		Navigator.			

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