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LOG BOOK

OF THE

U. S. S. LESUTH

AK-125
IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

COMMANDED BY

Bertrand Hale BASSETT, Lieut. Comdr., D-M., U. S. N.^{R.}

Attached to

..... Division,
SERVICE SQUADRON EIGHT Squadron,
..... Flotilla,
THIRD Fleet,

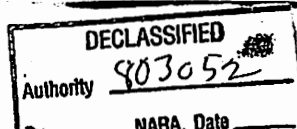
Commencing 1 October, 19 44,

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DECK LOG—LIST OF OFFICERS

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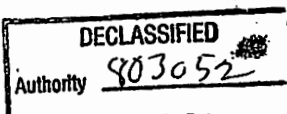
LIST OF OFFICERS
ATTACHED TO AND ON BOARD THE U. S. S. LESUTH (AK-125), COMMANDEDBY B. H. BASSETT, Lieut. Comdr., D-M, U. S. N. R., DURING THE PERIOD COVERED BY THIS LOG BOOK, WITH DATE OFREPORTING FOR DUTY, DETACHMENT, OR DEATH, FROM 1 October, 1944, TO 31 October, 1944

NAME AND FILE NUMBER (Show file No. below name)	RANK	DATE OF REPORT- ING ON BOARD	PRIMARY DUTIES	NAME, RELATIONSHIP, AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN (Show address at which BuPers may most readily communicate with next of kin in an emergency)
		DATE OF DETACHMENT (Show detachment date below report- ing date)		
BASSETT, Bertrand Hale 65681	Lt. Cdr., D-M, USNR	11/1/43	Commanding Officer	Mrs. C. E. Mitchell (Sister) Edmonds, Washington.
CHAPMAN, Ira V., Jr. 69916	Lieut. D-M, USNR	11/1/43	Executive Officer	Mrs. Antoinette M. Chapman (Wife) 546 Hampshire St., Lawrence, Mass.
FITZ, Paul H. 81432	Lt. Cdr., E-V(G), USNR	11/1/43	Engineering Officer	Mrs. Dorothy L. Fitz, (Wife) RFD #1, Orange, Massachusetts.
GILKESON, Ray C. 102110	Lieut. D-V(G), USNR	11/1/43	Gunnery Officer	Mr. F. Ray Gilkerson (Father) 2903-28th West, Seattle, Wash.
FINLAYSON, Malcolm W. 145937	Lieut. (jg) MC-V(G), USNR	11/1/43	Medical Officer	Dr. A. D. Finlayson, (Father) 1331 Yellowstone A.D., Cleveland Heights, Ohio.
CALL, Francis E. 90605	Lieut. (jg) D-M, USNR	1/12/44	Navigator	Mrs. Helen M. Call (Wife) % G. A. Taffel, Crestwood Apt. Woodmere, L.I.
GEIST, Lester H. 214184	Lieut. (jg) SC-V(G), USNR	11/1/43	Supply Officer 5th Div. Off.	Mrs. Dorothy A. Geist, (Wife) 48 Browne St., Brookline, Mass.
GRANDON, Leo (n) 225963	Lieut. (jg) D-V(G), USNR	11/1/43	Ass't Gunnery Ass't Commun.	Mrs. Mildred Jean Grandon, (Wife) 2958 Monterey Ave., Detroit, Mich.
FELL, George J. 254160	Lieut. (jg) C-V(S), USNR	11/1/43	Commun. Officer 3rd Div. Off.	Mrs. Rose T. Fell (Mother) 181 Morkus Ave., Buffalo, N.Y.
WILLIAMS, George H. 199087	Lieut. (jg) USN	11/1/43	Damage Control, First Lieut., & 4th Div. Off.	Mrs. LaRena Mary Williams (Wife) 716 Humbolt St., Vallejo, Calif.
BROCK, Garth F. 198183	Lieut. (jg) USN	11/1/43	Ass't Engineer Officer 7th Div. Off.	Mrs. Eleanor Ada Brock, (Wife) 92 Lake Whatcom Blvd., Bellingham, Washington
BURCH, Jack H. 198183	Ensign, D-M, USNR	1/31/44	Cargo Officer 1st Div. Off.	Mrs. D. M. Picken, (Mother) 57 W. Liberty St., Hubbard, Ohio.
BEACH, Arthur "J" 294318	Ch. Mach. USN	11/1/43	Ass't. Engineer Officer	Mrs. Lillian Beach, (Wife) 955 Bush St., San Francisco, Calif
PUTMAN, Woodrow L. 319669	Bos'n USN	11/1/43	Ass't. 1st Lieut Boat Officer 2nd Div. Off.	Mrs. Annette Putman, (Wife) 215 N. 12th Avenue, Jacksonville, Florida.
THOMAS, Charles E. 320023	A.P.C., USN	11/1/43	Ass't Supply Officer	Mrs. Robert I. Thomas (Mother) Route #1, Madisonville, Tenn.

EXAMINED AND FOUND TO BE CORRECT:

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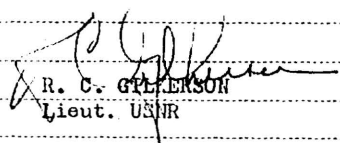


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DECK LOG -REMARKS SHEET


0 to 4

Anchored in berth "73", Kossol Passage, Palau Islands in 20 fathoms of water with sixty fathoms of chain to the port anchor on the following bearings: Tower, 314 T, Tower 294 T, and Point No Trump Light 163 T. Ship darkened and in condition III-A. Boiler #1 in use for auxiliary purposes. S.O.P.A. in USS CHANDELEUR. 0300 Lighted fires under #2 boiler. 0319 Secured #2 boiler.


R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

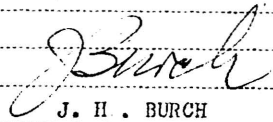
4 to 8

Anchored as before. 0550 Lighted ship.


G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

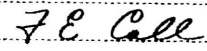
8 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples; conditions normal.


J. H. BURCH
Ensign, USNR

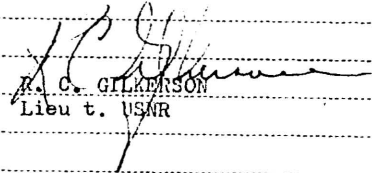
12 to 16

Anchored as before.


F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) USNR

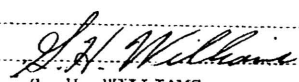
16 to 18

Anchored as before. 1753 Observed sunset, darkened ship.

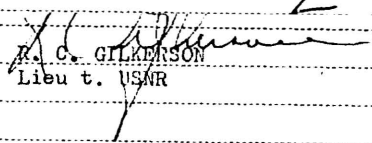

R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

18 to 20

Anchored as before. 1800 Set condition of readiness III-A.

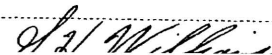

G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

20 to 24


R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

18 to 20

Anchored as before. 1800 Set condition of readiness III-A.


G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

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Monday

2 October

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DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

0 to 4

Anchored in berth "73", Kossol Passage, Palau Island, Caroline Islands in 20 fathoms of water with sixty fathoms of chain on port anchor. Anchor bearings as follows: Point No Trump 163 T, West Entrance Tower 293 T, Obstruction Buoy 023 T. Ship darkened. Condition III-A. Boiler #1 in use for auxiliary purposes. Engines on one-half hour standby. Degaussing coils energized. S.O.P.A., USS CHANDELEUR.

F E Call

F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) USNR

4 to 8

Anchored as before. 0545 Lighted off #2 boiler. 0550 Sunrise, lighted ship, secured from condition III-A, set condition III. 0602 Secured #2 boiler.

R. C. GILKESON
R. C. GILKESON
Lieut. USNR

8 to 12

Anchored as before. 0815 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples; conditions normal. 0830 Disbursing officer paid crew semi-monthly pay.

G. H. WILLIAMS
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

12 to 16

Anchored as before.

J. H. BURCH
J. H. BURCH
Ensign, USNR

16 to 18

Anchored as before.

F E Call
F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) USNR

18 to 20

Anchored as before. 1753 Sunset, darkened ship and set condition III-A.

R. C. GILKESON
R. C. GILKESON
Lieut. USNR

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

G. H. WILLIAMS
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

APPROVED:

EXAMINED:

B H Bassett
B. H. BASSETT
Lt. Cdr., D-M

U. S. N. R. COMMANDING.

F E Call

F. E. CALL, Lieut. (jg)

U. S. N. R. NAVIGATOR

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Tuesday 3 October

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DECK LOG REMARKS SHEET

0 to 4

Anchored in berth "73", Kossol Passage, Palau Islands, Caroline Islands, in 20 fathoms of water with sixty fathoms of chain to the port anchor on the following bearings: Point No Trump, 163 T, West Entrance Tower, 293 T, and Obstruction Buoy 023 T. Ship darkened. Condition of readiness III-A maintained. Boiler #1 in use for auxiliary purposes. S.O.P.A. in U.S.S. CHANDELEUR.

J. H. BURCH
Ensign, USNR

4 to 8

Anchored as before. 0550 Sunrise, lighted ship. 0600 Secured condition III-A, Set condition III.

F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) USNR

8 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations; no absentees. 0800 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples; conditions normal. 0807 Let go starboard anchor to 30 fathoms of chain at waters edge.

R. C. GILKESON
Lieut. USNR

12 to 16

Anchored as before.

G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

16 to 18

Anchored as before. 1753 Sunset, darkened ship.

J. H. BURCH
Ensign, USNR

18 to 20

Anchored as before. 1800 Set Condition III-A.

F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) USNR

20 to 24

Anchored as before. 2031 Lit off #2 boiler. 2043 Secured #2 boiler.

R. C. GILKESON
Lieut. USNR

APPROVED:

EXAMINED:

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

U.S.N.R. COMMANDING.

F. E. CALL, Lieut. (jg)

U.S.N.R.

NAVIGATOR

STATES SHIP

LESUTH

Wednesday 4 October

1944

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DECK LOG REMARKS SHEET

0 to 4

Anchored in berth "73", Kossol Passage, Palau Islands in 20 fathoms of water with sixty fathoms of chain out to the port anchor and 30 fathoms of chain out to the starboard anchor on the following bearings: Point No Trump 163 T, West Entrance Tower 293 T, Obstruction Buoy 023 T. Boiler #1 in use, engines in steaming conditions due to typhoon warnings. Ship is darkened, condition of readiness III-A maintained. USS CHANDELEUR, S.O.P.A.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt.(jg) USN

4 to 8

Anchored as before. 0550 Observed sunrise, lighted and ventilated ship. 0600 Secured guns #2,3,8, and 9, set condition III.

Burch
J. H. BURCH
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. 1140 General quarters for air raid alert. 1148 Secured from general quarters, plane friendly.

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ON IFF until challenged & E Call*

F. E. CALL
Lt.(jg) USNR

12 to 16

Anchored as before. 1454 Lit off #2 boiler. 1513 Secured #2 boiler.

R. C. Gilkerson
R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

16 to 18

Anchored as before.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt.(jg) USN

18 to 20

Anchored as before. 1800 Set condition of readiness III-A.

Burch
J. H. BURCH
Ensign USNR

Anchored as before.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt.(jg) USN

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Thursday 5 October

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DECK LOG REMARKS SHEET

0 to 4

Anchored in Kossol Passage, Palau Islands in 20 fathoms of water with sixty five fathoms of chain to the port anchor and thirty-five fathoms to the starboard anchor on the following bearings: Point No Trump 163 T, West Entrance Tower 298 T, Obstruction Buoy 023 T. Boiler #1 in use for auxiliary purposes. Ship darkened and in condition III-A. S.O.P.A. in USS CHANDELEUR. 0025 Lit off #2 boiler. 0140 Secured #2 boiler.

R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

4 to 8

Anchored as before. 0549 Sunrise, lighted ship. 0600 Secured from condition of readiness III-A. Set condition III.

G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

8 to 12

Anchored as before. 0815 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples; conditions normal. 0830 Secured steering engine to make repairs. 0845 Secured #1 boiler, #2 in use for auxiliary purposes. 1115 Completed repairs on steering engine.

J. H. BURCH
Ensign, USNR

12 to 16

Anchored as before.

F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) USNR

16 to 18

Anchored as before. 1749 Observed sunset, darkened ship.

R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

18 to 20

Anchored as before. 1800 Set condition of readiness III-A.

G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

J. H. BURCH
Ensign, USNR

APPROVED:

EXAMINED:

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

U. S. N. R. COMMANDING.

F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg)

U. S. N. R. NAVIGATOR

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Friday 6 October 1944
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DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

0 to 4

Anchored in berth "73", Kossol Passage, Palau Island, Caroline Islands, in twenty fathoms of water with 60 fathoms of chain on port anchor and 30 fathoms of chain on starboard anchor; bearings as follows: Point no Trump 163 T, West Entrance Tower 293 T, Obstruction Buoy 023 T. Boiler #1 in use for auxiliary purposes. Ship darkened. Condition III-A. Degaussing coils energized. S.O.P.A. in USS CHANDELEUR.

F E Call

F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) USNR

4 to 8

Anchored as before. 0453 Lit off #1 boiler. 0508 Secured #1 boiler. 0549 Sunrise, lighted ship. 0600 Secured from condition III-A, set condition III.

R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

8 to 12

Anchored as before. 0815 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples; conditions normal. Made weekly test of magazines sprinkling systems; test satisfactory. 0900 Captain held mast in the case of ARELLANES, Antonio Flo; 889-56-99, OFFENSE: Theft. Assigned following punishment: Summary Court Martial. 1045 Executive Officer conducted weekly lower deck inspection.

G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

12 to 16

Anchored as before.

J. H. BURCH
Ensign, USNR

16 to 20

Anchored as before. 1750 Sunset, darkened ship and set condition III-A.

R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

16 to 20

Anchored as before. 1750 Sunset, darkened ship and set condition III-A.

R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

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Saturday 7 October 1944

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DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

0 to 4

Anchored in berth "73" Kossol Passage, Palau Islands, Caroline Islands, in twenty fathoms of water with sixty fathoms of chain to the port anchor and thirty-five fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor on the following bearings: Point No Trump, 163 T; West Entrance Tower 293 T; Obstruction Buoy 023 T. Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary purposes. Condition of readiness III-A maintained. Ship darkened. S.O.P.A. in USS CHANDELEUR. Degaussing coil energized.

J. H. Burch
J. H. BURCH
Ensign, USNR

4 to 8

Anchored as before. 0548 Observed sunrise, lighted ship. 0600 Secured from condition III-A. Set condition III.

F. E. Call
F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) USNR

8 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at stations; no absentees. Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples; conditions normal. 0807 Secured #1 boiler.

R. C. Gilkerson
R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

12 to 16

Anchored as before. 1535 Lighted fires under #1 boiler. 1548 Let fires die out under #1 boiler.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

16 to 18

Anchored as before. 1749 Observed sunset, darkened ship.

J. H. Burch
J. H. BURCH
Ensign, USNR

18 to 20

Anchored as before. 1800 Set condition of readiness III-A.

F. E. Call
F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) USNR

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

R. C. Gilkerson
R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

APPROVED:

EXAMINED:

B. H. Bassett
B. H. BASSETT
Lieut. Comdr., D-M. U. S. N. R. COMMANDING.

F. E. Call

F. E. CALL, Lieut. (jg)

U. S. N. R. NAVIGATOR

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UNITED STATES SHIP LESUTH Sunday 8 October 1944
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Anchored in berth "73" Kossol Passage, Palau Islands in twenty fathoms of water with sixty fathoms of chain out to the port anchor and thirty fathoms of chain out to the starboard anchor on the following bearings: Point No Trump, 163 T, West Entrance Tower 293 T, and Obstruction Buoy 023 T. Ship is darkened. Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary purposes. Condition of readiness III-A is maintained. Degaussing coils energized. S.O.P.A. in USS CHANDELIER.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

4 to 8

Anchored as before. 0549 Lighted and ventilated ship, sunrise. 0600 Secured guns #2, 3, 8 and 9. Set condition III.

J. H. Burch
J. H. BURCH
Ensign, USNR

8 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples; conditions normal. 0852 Heaved in starboard anchor.

F. E. Call
F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) USNR

12 to 16

Anchored as before. 1514 Lit off #1 boiler. 1528 Secured #1 boiler.

R. C. Gilkerson
R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

16 to 18

Anchored as before. 1745 Darkened ship.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

18 to 20

Anchored as before. 1800 Set condition III-A.

J. H. Burch
J. H. BURCH
Ensign, USNR

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

F. E. Call
F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) USNR

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EXAMINED:

B. H. Bassett
B. H. BASSETT
Lieut. Comdr., D-M U.S.N. R. COMMANDING.

F. E. Call
F. E. CALL, Lieut. (jg) U.S.N. R. NAVIGATOR

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Monday 9 October

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DECK LOG -REMARKS SHEET

0 to 4

Anchored in berth "73", Kossol Passage, Palau Islands in 20 fathoms of water with 65 fathoms of chain to the port anchor on the following bearings: Point No Trump 183 T, Obstruction Buoy 023 T, West Entrance Tower 293 T. Boiler #1 in use for auxiliary purposes. Ship darkened and in condition III-A. S.O.P.A. in USS CHANDELEUR. Degaussing coil is energized. 0018 Lit off #1 boiler. 0040 Secured #1 boiler.

R. C. Gilkerson
R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

4 to 8

Anchored as before. 0549 Sunrise, lighted ship. 0600 Secured from Condition IIIA. Set condition III.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USNR

8 to 12

Anchored as before. 0815 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples; conditions normal.

J. H. Burch
J. H. BURCH
Ensign, USNR

12 to 16

Anchored as before.

F. E. Call
F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) USNR

16 to 18

Anchored as before. 1748 Observed sunset. Darkened ship.

R. C. Gilkerson
R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

18 to 20

Anchored as before. 1800 Set condition of readiness III-A. 1851 Sounded general quarters alarm for fire alert. 1857 Secured from fire alarm, fire proved to be trash in incinerator.

No marshmellow

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

20 to 24

R. C. Gilkerson
R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

18 to 20

Anchored as before. 1800 Set condition of readiness III-A. 1851 Sounded general quarters alarm for fire alert. 1857 Secured from fire alarm, fire proved to be trash in incinerator.

No marshmellow

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DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

0 to 4

Anchored in berth "73", Kossol Passage, Palau Island, Caroline Islands with sixty fathoms of chain on the port anchor in 20 fathoms of water. Anchor bearings as follows: Point No Trump 163-T, West Entrance Tower 293-T, Obstruction Buoy 023-T. Ship darkened and in condition III-A. Degaussing coil energized. Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary purpose. S.O.P.A. in USS CHANDELEUR.

F E Call

F. E. CALL
Lt.(jg) USNR

4 to 8

Anchored as before. 0549 Sunrise, lighted ship. 0600 Secured from condition III-A, set condition III.

R. C. Gilkerson
R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. 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.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt.(jg) USN

12 to 16

Anchored as before.

J. H. Burch
J. H. BURCH
Ensign, USNR

16 to 18

Anchored as before. 1748 Observed sunset, darkened ship.

F E Call
F. E. CALL
Lt.(jg) USNR

18 to 20

Anchored as before. 1800 Set condition of readiness III-A.

R. C. Gilkerson
R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt.(jg) USN

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EXAMINED:

B. H. Bassett
B. H. BASSETT
Lieut. Comdr., D-M. U. S. N. R.

COMMANDING.

F E Call

F. E. CALL, Lt(jg)

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DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

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Anchored in berth "73", Kossol Passage, Palau Islands, Caroline Islands in twenty fathoms of water with sixty fathoms of chain to the port anchor on the following bearings: Point No Trump 163 T, West Entrance Tower 293 T, Obstruction Buoy 023 T. Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary purposes. Condition of readiness III-A maintained. Ship is darkened. Degaussing coil energized. S.O.P.A. in U.S.S. CHANDELEUR.

J. H. Burch
J. H. BURCH
Ensign, USNR

4 to 8

Anchored as before. 0547 Sunrise, lighted ship. 0600 Secured condition III-A, Set condition III.

F. E. Call
F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) USNR

8 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples; conditions normal.

R. C. Gilkerson
R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

12 to 16

Anchored as before. 1400 Held instruction period for the fifth division.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

16 to 18

Anchored as before. 1733 Darkened ship. 1748 Observed sunset, set condition III-A.

J. H. Burch
J. H. BURCH
Ensign, USNR

18 to 20

Anchored as before.

F. E. Call
F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) USNR

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

R. C. Gilkerson
R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

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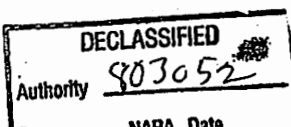
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B. H. Bassett
B. H. BASSETT
Lieut. Comdr., D-M

U. S. N. R. COMMANDING.

F. E. Call
F. E. CALL, Lieut. (jg)

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UNITED STATES SHIP

IESUTH

Thursday 12 October

1944

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DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

0 to 4

Anchored in berth "73", Kossol Passage, Palau Islands in twenty fathoms of water with sixty fathoms of chain out to the port anchor on the following bearings: Point No Trump, 163 T; West Entrance Tower 293 T; Obstruction Buoy 023 T. Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary purposes. Ship is darkened, condition of readiness III-A maintained. Degaussing coil is energized. S.O.P.A. in USS CHANDELEUR.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

4 to 8

Anchored as before. 0425 Sounded general quarters for air flash RED. 0445 Secured from general quarters. 0540 Observed sunrise, lighted and ventilated ship. 0600 Secured guns #2, 3, 8 and 9.

J. H. Burch
J. H. BURCH
Ensign, USNR

8 to 12

Anchored as before. 0815 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples; conditions normal. 0900 Tested general alarm system; test satisfactory.

F. E. Call
F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) USNR

12 to 16

Anchored as before.

R. C. Gilkerson
R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

16 to 18

Anchored as before. 1747 Observed sunset, darkened ship.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

18 to 20

Anchored as before. 1800 Set condition III-A.

J. H. Burch
J. H. BURCH
Ensign, USNR

20 to 24

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

18 to 20

Anchored as before. 1800 Set condition III-A.

UNITED STATES SHIP

LESUTH

Friday 13 October

44

(Day)

(Date)

(Month)

DECK LOG REMARKS SHEET

0 to 4

Anchored in Kosaol Passage, Palau Islands in 20 fathoms of water with 60 fathoms of chain to the port anchor on the following bearings: Point No Trump 163 T, West Entrance Buoy 293 T, Obstruction Buoy 023 T. Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary purposes. Ship darkened and in condition III-A. S.O.P.A. in USS CHANDELEUR.

R. C. Gilkerson
R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

4 to 8

Anchored as before. 0545 Sunrise, Lighted ship. 0600 Secured from condition of readiness III-A.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

8 to 12

Anchored as before. 0845 Sounded fire alarm for drill purpose. 0830 Secured from fire drill. 0835 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples; conditions normal. Tested magazines sprinkler system; test satisfactory. 0900 Summary Court Martial met this date in the case of ARELLANES, Antonio (n), 889 56 99 Flo (T) USNR, with Lt. (jg) George J. FELL senior member. 1100 Summary court martial in the case of ARELLANES, Antonio (n), Flo (T), 889 56 99, USNR, recessed.

J. H. Burch
J. H. BURCH
Ensign, USNR

12 to 16

Anchored as before.

F. E. Call
F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) USNR

16 to 18

Anchored as before. 1746 Sunset; darkened ship.

R. C. Gilkerson
R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

18 to 20

Anchored as before. 1800 Set condition of readiness III-A. 1849 Sounded general quarters for air alert. 1852 Secured from general quarters.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

20 to 24

R. C. Gilkerson
R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

18 to 20

Anchored as before. 1800 Set condition of readiness III-A. 1849 Sounded general quarters for air alert. 1852 Secured from general quarters.

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UNITED STATES SHIP LESUTHSaturday 14 October 1944, 19____
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0 to 4

Anchored in berth "73", Kossol Passage, Palau Islands, Caroline Islands in twenty fathoms of water with sixty fathoms of chain on the port anchor. Bearings as follows: Point No Trump 163 T, West Entrance Tower 293 T, Obstruction Buoy 023 T. Ship darkened and in condition III-A. Degaussing coil energized. Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary purposes. S.O.P.A. in USS CHANDELEUR.

F. E. Call
F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) USNR

4 to 8

Anchored as before. 0550 Sunrise; lighted ship. 0600 Secured condition III-A and set condition III. Lighted fire under #1 boiler. 0614 Secured #1 boiler.

R. C. Gilkerson
R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. 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. 1000 Executive officer conducted routine inspection of top side decks.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

12 to 16

Anchored as before.

J. H. Burch
J. H. BURCH
Ensign, USNR

16 to 18

Anchored as before. 1746 Sunset, darkened ship.

F. E. Call
F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) USNR

18 to 20

Anchored as before. 1800 Set condition III-A.

R. C. Gilkerson
R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

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EXAMINED:

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

U. S. N. R. COMMANDING.

F. E. Call
F. E. CALL, Lieut. (jg)

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DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

UNITED STATES SHIP LESUTHSunday 15 October 1944
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0 to 4

Anchored in berth "73", Kossol Passage, Palau Island, Caroline Islands in twenty fathoms of water with sixty fathoms of chain on the port anchor. Bearings as follows: Point No Trump 163 T, West Entrance Tower 293 T, Obstruction Buoy 023 T. Ship is darkened, condition III-A. Degaussing coil is energized. Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary purposes. S.O.P.A. in USS CHANDELEUR.

J. H. Burch
J. H. BURCH
Ensign, USNR

4 to 8

Anchored as before. 0550 Sunrise; lighted ship. 0600 Secured condition III-A, set condition III.

F. E. Call
F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) USNR

8 to 12

Anchored as before. 0903 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples; conditions normal.

R. C. Gilkerson
R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

12 to 16

Anchored as before. 1253 Lit fires under #1 boiler. 1308 Let fires die out under #1 boiler.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

16 to 18

Anchored as before. 1735 Darkened ship. 1750 Observed sunset. 1636 P.T.'s #326, 152, 128 tied up astern. 1645 Dropped starboard anchor 30 fathoms of chain. 1715 LCT's #173, 61 and 388 came along side for water.

J. H. Burch
J. H. BURCH
Ensign, USNR

18 to 20

Anchored as before. 1821 LCT's #388 and 61 left after receiving 600 and 550 gallons of water respectively. 1825 LCT 179 tied up on port side. 1835 LCT #385 tied up on port side of LCT #179, LCT #174 tied up on starboard side. 1908 LCT #173 left after receiving 600 gallons of water. 1928 LCT #179 and LCT #385 left after receiving 550 gallons of water each. LCT #174 left after receiving 500 gallons of fresh water.

F. E. Call
F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) USNR

20 to 24

Anchored as before. 2155 Lighted fires under #1 boiler. 2210 Secured #1 boiler.

R. C. Gilkerson
R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

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EXAMINED:

B. H. Bassett
B. H. BASSETT
Lieut. Comdr., D-M U.S.N. R. COMMANDING

F. E. Call
F. E. CALL, Lieut. (jg) U.S.N. R. NAVIGATOR

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UNITED STATES SHIP LesuthMonday 16 October, 19 44
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0 to 4

Anchored in berth "73", Kossol Passage, Palau Islands in twenty fathoms of water with sixty fathoms of chain out to the port anchor and thirty fathoms of chain out to the starboard anchor on following bearings: Point No Trump 163 T, West Entrance Tower 293 T, Obstruction Buoy 023 T. Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary purposes. Ship is darkened. Degaussing coil energized. Condition of readiness III-A maintained. S.O.P.A. in USS CHANDELEUR.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt.(jg) USN

4 to 8

Anchored as before. 0549 Observed sunrise; lighted and ventilated ship.
0600 Secured guns # 2, 3, 8, and 9. 0610 P.T. #128 cast off from astern.

J. H. Burch
J. H. BURCH
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. 0810 Held General Drills. 0910 Secured from Drills. 0945 PT's #128, 152 and 326 left.

F. E. Call
F. E. CALL
Lt.(jg) USNR

12 to 16

Anchored as before. 1339 Lit off #1 boiler. 1357 Secured #1 boiler.
1453 Heaved in starboard anchor.

R. C. Gilkerson
R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

16 to 18

Anchored as before. 1746 Sunset, darkened ship.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt.(jg) USN

18 to 20

Anchored as before. 1800 Set condition III-A.

J. H. Burch
J. H. BURCH
Ensign, USNR

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt.(jg) USN

18 to 20

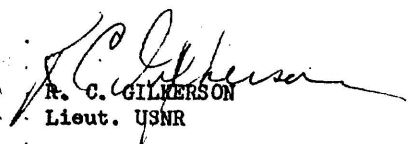
Anchored as before. 1800 Set condition III-A.

J. H. Burch
J. H. BURCH

UNITED STATES SHIP LESUTHTuesday 17 October 1944
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0 to 4


Anchored in berth "73", Kossol Passage, Palau Islands in 20 fathoms of water with 65 fathoms of chain to the port anchor on the following bearings: Point No Trump 163 T, West Entrance Tower 293 T, Bostruction Buoy 023 T. Ship darkened and in condition III-A. Degaussing coil energized. S.O.P.A. in USS CHANDELEUR. Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary purposes.



R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

4 to 8


Anchored as before. 0549 Sunrise, lighted ship. 0600 Secured from condition of readiness III-A.



G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

8 to 12

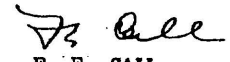
Anchored as before. Mustered crew on stations; no absentees. 0814 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples; conditions normal. 0900 Captain held mast this date on DECKER, Paul (n) 393 50 55 SFlo USN Div. 4, and awarded the following punishment: Summary Court Martial. Offense: Violation of censorship regulations.



J. H. BURCH
Ensign, USNR

12 to 16

Anchored as before.



F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) USNR

16 to 18


Anchored as before. 1745 Sunset, darkened ship.



R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

18 to 20

Anchored as before. 1800 Set condition of readiness III-A.




G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN



R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

18 to 20

Anchored as before. 1800 Set condition of readiness III-A.



G. H. WILLIAMS

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UNITED STATES SHIP LESUTHWednesday 18 October, 1944
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0 to 4

Anchored in berth "73", Kossol Passage, Palau Islands, Caroline Islands in twenty fathoms of water with sixty fathoms of chain on port anchor. Anchor bearings as follows: Point No Trump 163 T, West Entrance Tower 293 T, Obstruction Buoy 023 T. Ship is darkened, condition III-A. Degaussing coil energized. Boiler #2 in use for auxiliary purposes. S.O.P.A. in USS CHANDELEUR.

F. E. Call
F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) USNR

4 to 8

Anchored as before. 0550 Sunrise, lighted ship. 0600 Secured from condition III-A, set condition III.

R. C. Gilkerson
R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. 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.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

12 to 16

Anchored as before.

J. H. Burch
J. H. BURCH
Ensign, USNR

16 to 18

Anchored as before. 1744 Darkened ship.

F. E. Call
F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) USNR

18 to 20

Anchored as before. 1800 Set condition III-A.

R. C. Gilkerson
R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

20 to 24

Anchored as before. 1955 Lit fires under #2 boiler. 2002 Let fires die under #2 boiler.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

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EXAMINED:

B. H. Bassett
B. H. BASSETT

Lieut. Comdr., D-M. U. S. N. R. COMMANDING.

F. E. Call
F. E. CALL, Lieut. (jg)

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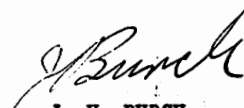
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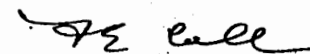
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J. H. BURCH
Ensign, USNR


4 to 8

Anchored as before. 0545 Lighted ship. 0600 Secured condition III-A, set condition III.


F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) USNR


08 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations; no absentees. 0805 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples; conditions normal. 1048 Lit off #2 boiler. 1105 Secured #2 boiler.


R. C. GLICKERSON
Lieut. USNR

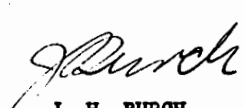
12 to 16

Anchored as before.


G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

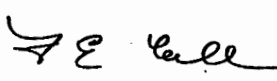
16 to 18

Anchored as before. 1729 Darkened ship. 1744 Observed sunset.


J. H. BURCH
Ensign, USNR

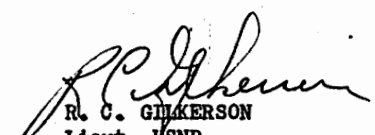
18 to 20

Anchored as before. 1800 Set condition III-A.


F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) USNR

20 to 24

Anchored as before.


R. C. GLICKERSON
Lieut. USNR

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EXAMINED:


B. H. BASSETT

Lieut. Comdr. D-M U.S.N.R. COMMANDING.


F. E. CALL, Lieut. (jg)

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UNITED STATES SHIP LESUTHFriday 20 October 1944
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0 to 4

Anchored in berth "73", Kossol Passage, Palau Islands in twenty fathoms of water with sixty fathoms of chain out to the port anchor on following bearings: Point No Trump 163 T, West Entrance Tower 293 T, Obstruction Buoy 023 T. Boiler #1 in use for auxiliary purposes. Degaussing coil is energized. Ship darkened. Condition of readiness III-A is maintained. S.O.P.A. in USS CHANDELEUR.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

4 to 8

Anchored as before. 0545 Observed sunrise, lighted and ventilated ship.
0600 Secured from condition III-A.

J. H. Burch
J. H. BURCH
Ensign, USNR

08 to 12

Anchored as before. 0800 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples; conditions normal. Made weekly test of sprinkling system; test satisfactory.

F. E. Call
F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) USNR

12 to 16

Anchored as before.

R. C. Gilkerson
R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

16 to 18

Anchored as before. 1735 Dimmed ship.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

18 to 20

Anchored as before.

J. H. Burch
J. H. BURCH
Ensign, USNR

20 to 24

Anchored as before.

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

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EXAMINED:

B. H. Bassett
B. H. BASSETT

Lieut. Comdr., D-M U.S.N.R. COMMANDING.

F. E. Call
F. E. CALL, Lieut. (jg) U.S.N.R. NAVIGATOR

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UNITED STATES SHIP LESUTHSaturday 21 October 1944
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0 to 4

Anchored in berth "73", Kossol Passage, Palau Islands in twenty fathoms of water with sixty fathoms of chain out to the port anchor on following bearings: Point No Trump 163 T, West Entrance Tower 293 T, Obstruction Buoy 023 T. Boiler #1 in use for auxiliary purposes. Ship is darkened and condition of readiness III maintained. Degaussing coil is energized. U.S.S. CHANDELEUR, S.O.P.A.

L. Grandon
L. GRANDON
Lt. (jg) USNR

4 to 8

Anchored as before. 0549 Lighted ship. 0600 Secured condition III-A.

F. E. Call
F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) 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. Made weekly test of magazine sprinkling system; test satisfactory.

R. C. Silke
R. C. SILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

12 to 16

Anchored as before.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

16 to 18

Anchored as before. 1638 Bringing stores aboard #2 hatch. 1729 Darkened ship. 1744 Observed sunset,

J. H. Burch
J. H. BURCH
Ensign, USNR

18 to 20

Anchored as before. 1800 Completed taking on provisions from LCM into #2 hold. 1829 Commenced making preparations for getting underway. 1830 Mr. Chapman relieved Mr. Putman as O.O.D. 1854 Underway from Kossol Passage, Palau Islands, Caroline Islands in accordance with Port Director's dispatch 210928. Captain and navigator on the bridge. Captain at the conn. Speeds and courses various conforming to the passage. 1943 Exercised crew at general quarters. Set base course 110 T.P.G.C., and 110 PSC. 1944 Passed flashing light abeam to starboard and passed through nets. 1946 Changed course to 108 T.P.G.C., and 108 PSC. 1954 Secured from general quarters. Set condition of readiness III. 1958 Changed course to 110 T.P.G.C. and 110 P.S.C.

W. L. Putman
W. L. PUTMAN

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UNITED STATES SHIP U.S.S. LESUTHSunday 22 October, 1944
(Day) (Date) (Month)TAKING OF PELELIU IS - PALAU Island Group

0 to 4

Steaming with escort P.C. 1177 in accordance with Port Director's dispatch #210928, under boilers #1 and #2. Course 205 T, and p.g.c., 202 p.s.c. Speed and standard speed 9.5 knots, 60 R.P.M. Ship is darkened. Condition of readiness III is maintained. 0200 Sighted vessel with lights, bearing 143 T, distance about eight (8) miles. 0230 Changed course to 270 T and p.g.c., 268 p.s.c.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

4 to 8

Steaming as before. 0443 Decreased standard speed to 30 R.P.M. 0445 Captain at the conn. 0454 Changed course to 090 T, p.g.c., and 088 p.s.c. 0510 Commenced counter marching on full right rudder. 0518 Increased standard speed to 60 R.P.M. 0518 Changed course to 275 T, p.g.c., and 274 p.s.c. 0532 Exercised at general quarters. 0540 Secured from general quarters. 0649 Sunrise, lighted ship. 0603 Lying to Peleliu Island, Palau Islands, steaming under various courses and speeds awaiting orders.

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

8 to 12

Lying to awaiting further orders, on various courses and speeds. 0815 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples; conditions normal.

R. C. Gilkerson
R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

12 to 16

Underway at various courses and speeds in unloading area discharging cargo into various small craft.

the whole Fleet supporting the Landing - continued steaming at slow speed - in SW oval pattern while supplies were put on small craft to comm. to Beach

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

16 to 20

Underway at various courses and speeds in unloading area, discharging cargo into various small craft. 1749 Observed sunset, dimmed ship.

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

20 to 24

Underway on various courses and speeds while discharging cargo. 2027 Sounded general quarters in accordance with air flash red in area. 2100 Secured from general quarters. 2156 LCT #1027 came alongside #4 hold port side. 2214 LCT #574 left from alongside #2 hold port. 2211 Commenced discharging cargo into LCT #1027.

Underway at various courses and speeds in unloading area, discharging cargo into various small craft. 1749 Observed sunset, dimmed ship.

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

20 to 24

UNITED STATES SHIP LESUTHMonday 23 October, 1944
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0 to 4

Underway at various courses and speeds in unloading area, Peleliu Island, Palau Island, discharging cargo into various small craft. Boilers #1 and #2 in use for steaming purpose. Ship is dimmed except for necessary cargo lights. S.O.P.A. in U.S.S. LESUTH. 0224 LCT #1027 cast off.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

4 to 8

Underway as before on various courses and speeds, discharging cargo into various small craft. 0520 Captain at the conn. 0545 Sunrise, lighted ship.

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

8 to 12

Underway as before on various courses and speeds, discharging cargo. 0800 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples; conditions normal. 1036 LCT #1027 came alongside #4 hold port side for cargo.

L. Grandon
L. GRANDON
Lt. (jg) USNR

12 to 16

Underway with various courses and speeds while working cargo. Working #1, #3 and #5 hatches. 1300 Pursuant to basic orders the following officer and men were detached and ordered to report to C.B.M.U. #571 as of this date: SHANNON, John A., 292765, CARP. CEC., V(S), USNR, ALLISON, Richard E, Jr., 842 25 23, CMM(AA)CB USNR, BENTLEY, John C., 879 13 47, MMlc(T), CB USNR, BRECHT, John C., 876 26 56, MMlc(T) CB, USNR, SULLIVAN, Lawrence J., 823 83 66, MMlc(T) CB, USNR, GARDNER, Martin L., 820 20 31, SC2c(T) CB, USNR.

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

16 to 20

Underway as before on various courses and speeds discharging cargo. 1743 Sunset, dimmed ship. 1945 LCT #574 left from alongside starboard side #5 hold.

R. C. Gilkerson
R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

20 to 24

Underway at various speeds and courses discharging cargo. Captain at the conn.

G. H. Williams
R. C. Gilkerson
R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

20 to 24

Underway at various speeds and courses discharging cargo. Captain at the conn.

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0 to 4

Underway at various courses and speeds in unloading area, Peleliu Island, Palau Islands, discharging cargo into various small craft. Boilers #1 and #2 in use for steaming purposes. Ship is dimmed except for necessary cargo lights. S.O.P.A. in U.S.S. LESUTH. Degaussing coil energized.

4 to 8

Underway as before. 0549 Sunrise, lighted ship.

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

R. C. Gilkerson
R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut, USNR

8 to 12

Underway as before on various courses and speeds discharging cargo. 0830 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples; conditions normal. 0835 LCT #1027 came alongside #5 hold starboard side. 0921 LCT #524 came alongside #1 hold port side. 1152 LCT #1027 cast off. 1153 LCT #574 cast off.

L. Grandon
L. GRANDON
Lt. (jg) USNR

12 to 16

Underway on various courses and speeds discharging #1, #3 and #5 hatches.

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

16 to 20

Underway as before on various courses and speeds discharging cargo. 1743 Observed sunset, dimmed ship.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

20 to 24

Underway as before on various courses and speeds discharging cargo.

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

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Lieut. Comdr., D-M U.S.N.R.

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F. E. CALL, Lieut. (jg)
U.S.N.R.

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UNITED STATES SHIP LESUTHWednesday 25 October, 1944
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Underway at various courses and speeds in unloading area, Peleliu Island, Palau Islands, discharging cargo into various craft. Boiler #1 and #2 on the line. Ship is dimmed. S.O.P.A. in U.S.S. LESUTH. 0008 LST #120 along starboard side. LST #1027 Attempted to come alongside starboard side #2 hatch but left without securing due to manila in wheel. 0133 LCT #774 came along starboard side #2 Hatch.

R. C. Gilkerson
R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

4 to 8

Underway on various courses and speeds discharging cargo. 0549 Observed sunrise, lighted ship.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

8 to 12

Underway on various courses and speeds discharging cargo. 0815 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples; conditions normal. 1045 Commenced discharging water to LST #120...

L. Grandon
L. GRANDON
Lt. (jg) USNR

12 to 16

Underway on various courses and speeds discharging cargo. 1210 Completed discharging 21,450 gallons of water to LST #120. 1223 LCT #735 came alongside starboard side #4 hold. 1315 Commenced discharging water to LCI #404 tied alongside port side LST #120. 1325 Completed discharging 4,000 gallons of water to LCI #735. 1335 LCI #735 left from along side of starboard midship. 1450 LCI #744 left from alongside #2 starboard side. 1510 LCI #404 completed discharging 8,000 gallons of water, tied alongside port side of LST #120.

F. E. Call
F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) USNR

16 to 20

Underway on various courses and speeds discharging cargo. 1743 Observed sunset, dimmed ship.

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

20 to 24

Underway at various courses and speeds discharging cargo.

R. S. Gilkerson
R. S. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

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Lieut. Comdr., D-M

U. S. N. R. COMMANDING.

F. E. Call
F. E. CALL, Lieut. (jg)

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UNITED STATES SHIP LESUTHThursday 26 October, 1944
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0 to 4

Underway on various courses and speeds in unloading area Peleliu Island, Palau Islands, Caroline Islands discharging cargo into LST #120 on port side and various other small craft. Boilers #1 and #2 in use for steaming purposes. Ship is dimmed. S.O.P.A. in U.S.S. LESUTH. 0155 LCT #929 Came alongside #2 hatch starboard side. 0255 LCT #970 came alongside between #4 and #5 hatch star board side.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

4 to 8

Underway on various courses and speeds discharging cargo. 0549 Sunrise lighted and ventilated ship. 0600 LCT # 929 cast off from alongside of #2 hold starboard side.

F. E. Call
F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) USNR

8 to 12

Underway on various courses and speeds discharging cargo. 0830 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples; conditions normal.

L. Grandon
L. GRANDON
Lt. (jg) USNR

12 to 16

Underway on various courses and speeds, discharging cargo.

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

16 to 20

Underway on various courses and speeds, discharging cargo. 1742 Observed sunset, dimmed ship.

R. C. Gilkerson
R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

20 to 24

Underway on various courses and speeds. discharging cargo. 2100 LCT #929 came alongside starboard side #5 hatch.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

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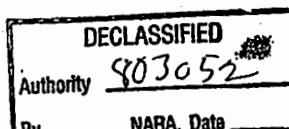
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B. H. BASSETT
Lieut. Comdr., D-M, U. S. N. R. COMMANDING.

F. E. Call
F. E. CALL, Lt. (jg)

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UNITED STATES SHIP LESUTHSaturday 28 October, 1944
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0 to 4

Underway in unloading area Peleliu Island, Palau Islands, Caroline Islands, under various courses and speeds discharging cargo from #2, #3, #4 and #5 hatches into various small craft. Ship is dimmed except for necessary cargo lights. Degaussing coil energized. S.O.P.A. in U.S.S. LESUTH. 0300 Completed unloading from #3 hatch.

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

4 to 8

Underway on various courses and speeds discharging cargo. 0458 Sounded general alarm when Japanese craft about 200 yards off starboard beam opened up with machine gun fire. Maneuvering at various speeds and courses. 0535 Secured from general quarters in accordance with flash "White" from beach, upon destruction of Japanese craft by gunfire of LCI and Destroyer Escort. 0550 Observed sunrise, lighted and ventilated ship.

I was in my room when Jap p.t. Boat opened fire - I woke up to "Green Flies" going through the Room - went to Bridge & General quarters - the p.t. Boat 2 long side
R. C. GILKINSON
Lieut. USNR

8 to 12

Underway on various courses and speeds discharging cargo. 0815 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples; conditions normal.

We could not "Bend" DIVAS over side - could not get hand grenades as they were still in 2mm, hooked - the p.t. Boat had down 2 dry River Bed on logs - torpedoes were loaded one each side - the two Japs fired
L. GRANDON
Lt. (Jg) USNR

Underway on various courses and speeds discharging cargo. 1400 Held Captain's

Mast in case of HICKS, Irl R. 863 89 45 SM3c, OFFENSE: Inattention to duty, PUNISHMENT: Warning.

the torpedoes at our ship (Lesuth) thought it was an ammo ship and would blow up with the other ships
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (Jg) USN

16 to 20

Underway as before. 1900 Knocked off discharging cargo.

our vessel and exploded on the Beach - a night fighter cut him in half after he left our side had
F. E. CALL
Lt. (Jg) USNR

No more ammo. Not one person on Lesuth

20 to 24

Starboard side of ship had hundreds of m.e. notes

Underway as before, lying to.

had to weld each one

Underway as before. 1900 Knocked off discharging cargo.

our vessel and exploded on the Beach - a night fighter cut him in half after he left our side had
F. E. CALL
Lt. (Jg) USNR

No more ammo. Not one person on Lesuth

20 to 24

Starboard side of ship had hundreds of m.e. notes

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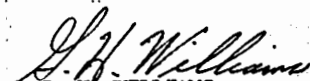
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Underway in unloading area, Peleliu Island, Palau Islands on various courses and speeds. Ship darkened, except for necessary running lights and in condition III. Degaussing coil energized. S.O.P.A. in MT. OLYMPUS. Boiler #1 and #2 on the line.


R. C. GILKINSON
Lieut. USNR

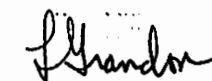
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Underway on various courses and speeds. Lying to. 0417 Lighted fires under No. 1 and 2 boilers to boost steam. 0422 Secured from boosting steam. 0550 Observed sunrise, lighted and ventilated ship.


G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

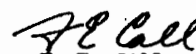
8 to 12

Underway as before. Lying to. 0815 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples; conditions normal.


L. GRANDON
Lt. (jg) USNR


12 to 16

Underway as before. Lying to.


F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) USNR

16 to 20

Underway as before. Lying to. 1741 Observed sunset, darkened ship.


W. L. PUTMAN
Bos'n, USN

20 to 24

Underway as before. Lying to. 2014 Lighted fires under #1 and #2 boilers to boost steam. 2020 Secured from boosting steam.



R. C. GILKINSON
Lieut. USNR

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Lieut. Comdr., D-M, U.S.N. R. COMMANDING.


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0 to 4

Underway in unloading area, Peleliu Island, Palau Island, Caroline Islands on various courses and speeds maneuvering steerageway. Ship is darkened, condition of readiness maintained. Degaussing coil energized. S.O.P.A. in MT. OLYMPUS.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

4 to 8

Underway on various courses and speeds, lying to. 0550 Observed sunrise, lighted ship. 0630 Stevedores aboard. 0700 Commenced discharging cargo from #2 hatch.

F. E. Call
F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) USNR

8 to 12

Underway on various courses and speeds discharging cargo. 0815 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples; conditions normal.

L. Grandon
L. GRANDON
Lt. (jg) USNR

12 to 16

Underway as before on various courses and speeds, discharging cargo. 1216 LST 607 came alongside starboard side. 1300 Pursuant to orders of C.N.B., So. Sols. Despatch, Secret 04230, 1 September 1944 dated 7 September 1944, the following men were detached this date: SMITH, Thomas G., 805 72 59, C.S.F. (T) CB USNR, LOIRY, Emmett, J., 894 22 19, MM1c (T) CB, USNR, MCGHEE, Malcolm G., 800 80 93, MM2c CB, USNR WEBB, Samuel, W., 882 56 02 MM2c (CB) USNR to report to C.B.M.U. #571.

1330 The following officer and ten (10) enlisted marines came aboard for transportation and subsistence: Authority: ISCOM EARTHENWARE dispatch 301000:

VAUGHT, Perle William, 1st Lt., 015646

ANDERSON, Charles Herman, PFC, 838951

LUDLAM, Wilson Gilbert, PFC, 258238

PENN, Robert Harold, PFC, 832057

PRUITT, John Vincent, PFC, 333928

ROBERTSON, Melvin Lee, PFC, 350616.

YATES, Harvey P., Corp. 335901

COOPER, Thomas Edward, PFC 429282

GREGORY, Max Martin, Corp. 332597

MAZZOLINI, LeRoy Henry, Corp. 328909

ANCEFSKY, Raymond Joseph, PFC, 422515

1402 Commenced discharging water to LST 607 alongside starboard side. 1520 Completed discharging 12000 gallons of water to LST 607. 1530 Commenced taking on rolling stock from LST 607 into #3 hold.

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

16 to 20

Underway on various courses and speeds discharging cargo. 1741 Observed sunset, darkened ship. 1830 LST 607 cast off from alongside starboard side.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

20 to 24

Underway on various courses and speeds, lying to.

R. C. Gilkerson
R. C. GILKERSON
Lieut. USNR

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EXAMINED:

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

U.S.N.R. COMMANDING:

F. E. Call

F. E. CALL, Lieut. (jg)

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Underway in unloading area, Peleliu Islands, Palau Island, Caroline Islands, on various courses and speeds, maintaining steerageway. Ship is completely darkened. Condition of readiness IIIA is maintained. Degaussing coil energized. S.O.P.A. in MT. OLYMPUS.

*F E Call*F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) USNR

4 to 8

Underway on various courses and speeds, lying to. 0550 Observed sunrise, lighted ship. 0728 LST 607 came alongside starboard side.

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

8 to 12

Underway on various courses and speeds discharging cargo. 0808 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples; conditions normal. 0915 Commenced taking on cargo from LST 607 into #3 hold.

L. Grandon
L. GRANDON
Lt. (jg) USNR

12 to 16

Underway on various courses and speeds, discharging cargo. 1217 Completed taking cargo from LST 607 into #3 hold. 1310 Pursuant to basic orders of Service Squadron Eleven Marine Aircraft Group Eleven, Second Marine Aircraft Wing letter of 25 August 1944, the following men were detached: KING, James A., PFC, 866976, SSN 373, USMCR, MATAYA, Vincent F., PFC, 519842, SSN 820 USMCR, MCCARTHY, John E, PFC, 859177, SSN 373, USMCR.

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

16 to 20

Underway on various courses and speeds, discharging cargo. 1741 Observed sunset, dimmed ship. 1950 Sounded general alarm.

G. H. Williams
G. H. WILLIAMS
Lt. (jg) USN

20 to 24

Underway as before on various courses and speeds. Discharging #4 and #5 holds into LST 607. 2000 Secured from general quarters.

F E Call
F. E. CALL
Lt. (jg) USNR

APPROVED:

EXAMINED:

B. H. Bassett
B. H. BASSETT

Lieut. Comdr., D-M, U. S. N. R. COMMANDING.

F E Call

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