

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD

EXCERPTS FROM LOG BOOKS

October 29, 1943 - U.S.S. SAVAGE (DE-386) commissioned. Command assumed by Lieut.Comdr. Oscar C. Rohnke, USCG. Moored to Tennessee Coal & Iron Dock, Houston, Texas.

October 30, 1943 - Alarm of fire caused by block in steam boiler, damaging boiler. Fire out. Secured fire detail.

October 31, 1943 — Moored fuel dock of Sinclair Refining Co., Houston, Texas and ammunition depot dock at San Jacinto, Texas.

November 2, 1943 - Moored Galveston, Texas. Lt.(jg) James Haggerty, GM1c Edmund Harrigan, BM1c Ernest Schoeler, Sea2c Eugene Neufuss and Sea.2c Matthew Richter reported on board having rescued one old man, one woman, and one girl from the second floor of a flooded house about 200 yards from solid ground. Ship property used was two life rings, four blankets and coffee. Survivors were turned over to neighbors and were suffering from exposure.

November 2-19, Galveston, Texas

November 19, 1943 - Standing out Galveston Channel.

November 25, 1943 - Moored Great Sound Bermuda. Operating under Commander, Task Force 23.1 during shakedown period.

December 23, 1943 - Enroute Navy Yard, Charleston, S.C. Departed Bermuda with 20 Canadian infantrymen aboard as passengers.

December 25, 1943 — Small boat from U.S.S. VP~NCE (DE—387) transferred Dr. J. W. Todd, U.S. Public Health Service and CPhM Cook to perform emergency appendectomy on F1c. John E. Moore. Assisted by CPhM Richard Moore. Operation success fully completed.

December 26, 1943-January 4, 1944 - Charleston Navy Yard

January 4, 1944 — Standing out Charleston Harbor enroute Norfolk, Virginia. Reported to ComCortDiv. 23 for duty.

January 6, 1944 - Received orders to proceed to New York in company with DE-255, DE-382 and DE-383 and escort from there to Norfolk, Virginia the New York section of convoy UGS 30.

January 8, 1944 - Standing out Norfolk Harbor enroute to New York, N.Y. January 9, 1944 — Moored U.S. Navy Base, Tompkinsville, Staten Island, N.Y.

January 9, 11944 – Moored U.S. Navy Base, Tompkinsville, Staten Island, N.Y.

January 10, 1944 - Standing out New York Harbor. Anchored Sandy Hook Bay.

January 11, 1944 - Took position as escort in convoy UGC 30, New York section, ComCortDiv 23 Escort Commander in DE-255.

January 12, 1944 - Convoy stood in Chesapeake Bay swept channel. After last convoy ship passed into safety of harbor, SAVAGE released from duty assigned and proceeded to Navy Operating Base, Norfolk, Virginia.

January 13, 1944 - Standing out of Norfolk Harbor, Chesapeake Bay entrance, as part of Task Force 63, to form barrier patrol.

January 14-31 - Escorting convoy UGS 30 enroute to Gibraltar.

January 31, 1944 - Convoy passed through the Straits of Gibraltar.  
Rock of Gibraltar abeam to port entering Mediterranean Sea.  
Relieved of assigned duty of convoying UGS 30. Task Force 63 stood out of Straits of Gibraltar enroute Casablanca, Morocco.

February 1, 1944 - Moored Bassin Delande, Casablanca.

February 4, 1944 - Standing out of Casablanca Harbor for Straits of Gibraltar.

February 5, 1944 - Took station with convoy GUS 29 under CTF 63 enroute to United States.

February 21, 1944 - Convoy GUS 29 departed into two sections. SAVAGE took station one in escort screen of Chesapeake section.

February 22, 1944 - Detached from duty as escort to Chesapeake section of convoy GUS 29. Standing out of Chesapeake Bay enroute New York, New York.

February 23, 1944 - Moored Drydock 5, Navy Yard, Brooklyn, New York. Commenced ten day availability period.

February 23-March 5 - Moored Drydock 5, Navy Yard, Brooklyn, New York.

March 5, 1944 - Standing out of New York Harbor enroute training area vicinity Fort Pond Bay, Lana Island, New York for anti-submarine and gunnery exercises.

March 10, 1944 - Exercises completed. Underway Norfolk, Virginia

March 11, 1944 - Moored Naval Operating Base, Norfolk, Virginia

March 13, 1944 - Received orders to escort convoy UGC 36.

March 14, 1944 - Commenced duties as escort for UGS 36 under CTF 64.

March 30, 1944 - Entered Straits of Gibraltar with convoy UGC 36.

April 1, 1944 - Underway as escort of UGC 36, part of Task Force 64, in Mediterranean Sea. 0400 - attacked by enemy aircraft.

April 2, 1944 - Convoy broke up into two sections. SAVAGE took position with second or Bizerte section. First section relieved by British escorts who then proceeded to destinations beyond Bizerte.

April 3, 1944 - Standing into Bizerte Harbor. Relieved of escort duty. Moored in Bizerte Harbor.

April 11, 1944 — Standing out of Bizerte Harbor as part of Task Force 64. Assumed duty as escort for convoy GUS 36.

April 13, 1944 - Algiers section composed of 16 merchant vessels and one Allied submarine joined convoy.

April 14, 1944 - Oran section of 19 merchant vessels joined convoy.

April 16, 1944 - Standing out of Gibraltar Straits. Casablanca section joined convoy.

April 17, 1944 - Relieved of position by U.S.S. MILLS (DE-383) and proceeded to position astern of convoy due to fact the sound gear was inoperative. Tests found that projector was shorted out. Two coils in filter junction box fumed out. Projector was renewed by one that had been taken out by yard force and which had been pronounced faulty. However, upon renewal of projector and installation of rewind coils, the gear functioned properly. Operation completed April 19, 1944.

April 30, 1944 - Assumed station as escort for Delaware section of GUS 36.

May 1, 1944 - Detached from Delaware section of GUS 36. Proceeded to New York.

May 2-13 - Moored Navy Yard, Brooklyn, New York.

May 13, 1944 - Standing out of New York Harbor for Casco Bay, Maine for antisubmarine and gunnery exercises.

May 13—18, 1943 — Casco Bay, Maine

May 18, 1943 - Departed exercise area for Yorktown, Virginia with CCD 23.

May 20, 1943 - Moored Yorktown Naval Ammunition Depot.. Departed for NOB, Norfolk, Virginia.

May 20-22, Naval Operating Base, Norfolk, Virginia.

May 22, 1944 - Standing out Chesapeake Channel in company with CTF 64.

May 23, 1944 - Convoy UGS 43 began to form.

May 23-May 31, 1944 - Patrolling. Gunnery Exercise.

June 1, 1944 - Underway as unit of Task Force 64 escorting convoy UGS 43 from Hampton Roads, Virginia to Bizerte, Tunisia.

June 6, 1944 - "D Day Invasion of Normandy"

June 8, 1944 - Entered Straits of Gibraltar with convoy UGS 43.

June 12, 1944 - Relieved as escort for UGS 43 and proceeded to Bizerte Bay, Tunisia, North Africa. Moored at Point de La Carriere, Bizerte.

June 12-20 - Anchored in Bizerte Harbor.

June 20, 1944 - Standing out Bizerte Harbor as unit of TF 64 proceeding to rendezvous with and escort convoy GUS 43 from Bizerte to United States ports.

June 24, 1944 - Passed through Straits of Gibraltar.

July 7, 1944 - Left station to assist U.S.S. RICHEY in investigating sound contact classified as doubtful. Steering various courses and speeds. Commenced box search in company with U.S.S. RICHEY. Completed search. Results negative. Returned to station.

July 8, 1944 - New York and Delaware sections detached from convoy escorted by CortDiv 23. Assumed new escort position.

July 10, 1944 - Relieved of escort duty. Standing out of New York swept channel for Boston, Mass.

July 11, 1944 Moored U. S. Naval Drydock, South Boston, Mass.

July 11-25 - U. S. Naval Drydock, South Boston, Mass.

July 25 - Standing out Boston Harbor enroute Hussey Sound, Maine.

July 26-August 7, 1944 - Anti-submarine and gunnery exercises, Casco Bay, Maine.

August 7, 1944 - Detached from CortDiv 23 with U.S.S. RICHEY (DE—385) and U.S.S. RHODES (DE-384). Set course for New York, New York.

August 8-11, 1944 - Moored Navy Yard Annex, 35th Street Pier, Brooklyn, N.Y.

August 11, 1944 - Convoy TCU 35 formed. Assumed station.

August 14, 1944 - Life raft sighted off starboard bow. Ordered to sink life raft. Departed life raft, leaving it in a sinking condition, having expended 645 rounds of 20MM ammunition and 71 rounds of 40MM ammunition. Rejoined convoy.

August 16, 1944 - Left station to assist U.S.S. SELLSTRG~ (DE-255) who reported sound contact. Results of search negative. Returned to convoy.

August 18, 1944 - Commenced search for life boat or life raft reported as having been seen by ship 111. Discontinued search of assigned area to make coordinated search with CCD 23 in the U.S.S. SELLSTROMG (DE-255) who had been ordered by CTG 21.9 to coordinate the search.

August 19, 1944 - Returned to station with convoy. Directed by CTG 21.9 to make sweep from the convoy for a distance of 10 miles. Completed sweep. Results negative. Rejoined convoy.

August 20, 1944 - U.S.S. SELLSTROM and U.S.S. MILLS detached with 12 ships bound for Loch Ewe and Clyde.

August 21, 1944 - Bristol section, consisting of 16 ships, detached, escorted by U.S.S. MARCHAND and U.S.S. RAMSDEN

August 22, 1944 - Left formation to join CTG 21.9 in U.S.S. WINSLOW (DD-359) proceeding on standard route to Londonderry. Anchored in Lough Foyle, Moville Anchorage.

August 23, 1944 - Standing up West Channel to Lisahally Fuel Docks, NOB, Londonderry, Northern Ireland.

August 23-26, 1944 - Moored Lisahally Fuel Docks.

August 26, 1944 - All ships of TG 21.9 standing out Lough Foyle. Anchored Moville Anchorage.

August 27, 1944 - Underway in company with TG 21.9 to rendezvous with convoy UCT 35. Forming of convoy UCT 35 and underway in company with Task Group 21.9 from United Kingdom ports to United States ports.

September 5, 1944 - Entered New York swept channel. Relieved of escort duties. Anchored Sandy Hook Bay to unload ammunition for transfer to NAD, Earle, New Jersey. Moored Brooklyn Navy Yard.

September 5-21, 1944 - Moored U.S. Naval Yard, Brooklyn, New York.

September 21, 1944 - Standing out New York Harbor for Sandy Hook Bay. Moored to Leonardo Pier, NAD, Earle, New Jersey - taking on ammunition.

September 22, 1944 - Standing out Sandy Hook Bay for Fort Pond Bay, Long Island, New York.

September 23-25, 1944 - Anti—submarine and gunnery exercises.

September 26-29, 1944 — Moored Navy Yard Annex, 35th Street, Brooklyn, N.Y.

September 29, 1944 — Standing out New York Harbor. Convoy CU-41, New York section formed.

October 1, 1944 - Underway in company with Task Group 21.4 escorting convoy CU-41 from United States to United Kingdom ports.

October 10, 1944 - Standing up Belfast Lough and Belfast Harbor. Moored to Herdman's Dolphins, Belfast, Northern Ireland.

October 10-13 - Moored to Herdman's Dolphins, Belfast, Northern Ireland.

October 13, 1944 — Standing out Belfast Harbor. Anchored Bangor Bay, Northern Ireland.

October 14, 1944 - Standing out Bangor Bay and Belfast Lough. Rendezvoused with Clyde section of UC 41A. Upon orders from S.O.E. reversed course standing up Standard Irish Sea Route to Douglass, Isle of Man, attempting to locate Liverpool section. Unable to locate Liverpool section. Received orders to rejoin.

October 15, 1944 - Rejoined convoy and resumed patrol.

October 22, 1944 - Edward C. Moritz, Sea.lc., USCGR received fractured skull, lacerations of scalp, minor lacerations about right ear, while attempting to close watertight door. Door was hit by a wave. Injury in line of duty. Reduced speed to 12 knots for purpose of treating injured man. Reduced speed to 10 knots. Completed transferring Lieut. W. P. Brad him, USNR (M.C.) from U.S.S. WINSLOW (DD-359) by boatswains chair. Also received two oxygen flasks.

October 23, 1944 - Shot line aboard U.S.S. FINCH (DE-328). Transferred medical supplies. All lines cleared having received five tanks of oxygen, medical supplies and t~ shot lines from DE-328.

October 24, 1944 - Line aboard U.S.S. RICHEY (DE-385). Completed transfer of two oxygen tanks and two shot lines. U.S.S. WINSLOW (DD-359) along side to pass medical supplies. Detached from convoy UC-41-A and relieved by Commander, Task Group 21.4. Set course speed at 20 knots.

October 25, 1944 - Standing into Ambrose Channel to Navy Yard, Brooklyn, New York at full speed. Moored Navy Yard, Brooklyn, N.Y. Edward C. Moritz transferred to U.S. Naval Hospital.

October 25-November 5, 1944 - Moored Navy Yard, Brooklyn, New York.

November 5, 1944 - Standing out New York Harbor for Casco Bay, Maine.

November 6, 1944 - Routine inspection found approximately three feet of water in lower sound room #2. Water immediately pumped out and steps taken to salvage equipment. Cause of flooding undetermined.

November 7, 1944 - Standing out Casco Bay bound for New York Navy Yard for repair to sonar gear.

November 8-14 - Moored, U. S. Naval Yard, New York.

November 14, 1944 - Standing out New York Harbor in company with CTG 21.4 to rendezvous and escort CU 47 from New York to United Kingdom ports.

November 16, 1944 - After having sent flashing light message to Swedish motor vessel S.S. SALVO to steer 180 degrees for one hour to clear convoy and being satisfied SALVO had received and understood this message but taking no action after approximately seven minutes, fired one 3"50 caliber round cross her bow. SALVO immediately complied with original orders. Informed S SALVO she could proceed on original course having cleared convoy.

November 21, 1944 - After thorough investigation sonar equipment was found to have leaking projector which shorted out. Repairs could not be made without new projector.

November 26, 1944 - In company with U.S.S. WINSLOW (DD-359) departed the Irish Sea section of CU 47 and proceeded to Liverpool, England. Standing up Crosby channel. Moored Gladstone Docks, Liverpool, England.

November 26-30 - Moored Gladstone Docks, Liverpool, England.

November 30, 1944 - Proceeding Milford Haven to escort Milford Haven section of UC 47A to rendezvous with Belfast, Glasgow and Liverpool sections. Cleared Gladstone Dock locks. Standing out Queens Channel.

December 1, 1944 - Anchored Milford Haven, England. Underway escorting Milford Haven section composed of eleven ships.

December 2, 1944 - Milford Haven section joined Belfast, Glasgow and Liverpool sections of convoy UC 47A in company with CTG 21.4 in U.S.S. WINSLOW (DD359) enroute from United Kingdom ports to United States ports.

December 11, 1944 – Convoy UC 47A entered New York swept channel. Detached from convoy. Proceeded independently to Navy Yard Annex, Bayonne, New Jersey. Moored Pier 3.

December 11-26, 1944 - Moored Pier 3, U. S. Navy Yard Annex, Bayonne, New Jersey

December 26, 1944 - Standing out New York Harbor for Fort Pond Bay, Long Island, New York.

December 27-30, 1944 - Anti-submarine and gunnery exercises.

December 31, 1944-January 3, 1945 - bored U. S. Naval Frontier Base, Tompkinsville, Staten Island, New York.

January 3, 1945 - Standing out New York Harbor as part of Task Group 61.1.

January 8, 1945 -- Rescued William H. Colyard (7089-122), T.M.3c., USNR washed overboard in gale from U.S.S. WINSLOW (DD-359). Left assigned station to patrol astern of several ships straggling due to gale force wind.

January 12, 1945 - English Channel section, 21 ships, of CU 53 detached. USS SELLSTROM , USS MILLS, USS BRISTER, USS FINCH AND USS SAVAGE acting as escorts.

January 15, 1945 - Moored at Red Dragon fueling dock, Plymouth, England.

January 16, 1945 — Standing up Hamoaze. Moored to buoy, Hamoaze, Plymouth, England.

January 18, 1945 —Standing out St. Helens Road, Isle of Wight, as part of TU 61.1.1.

January 19, 1945 - Standing out St. Helens Road via swept channel on CCD 23 orders not to anchor due to gale force wind and unprotected anchorage.

Standing by for St. Helens section of English Channel section of convoy UC 53A Underway as escort for English Channel section, 8 ships. Six vessels of London section joined convoy.

January 20, 1945 - One vessel of Plymouth section joined convoy.

January 21, 1945 - Irish Sea section of UC 53A, consisting of 16 ships, joined convoy. On station assigned by CTU 61.1.

February 1, 1945 -. Escorting Boston and St. Johns section, 5 ships, of convoy UC 53A. Convoy detached in Boston swept channel. SAVAGE proceeding to New York.

February 3, 1945 - Moored Pier “G”, Navy Yard, New York for assigned Navy Yard availability.

February 3-11, 1945 – Navy Yard, New York.

February 11, 1945 – Entered Drydock No. 7, Bayonne Annex of Navy Yard, New York.

February 13, 1945 - Standing out Drydock No. 7. Moored Berth 3, Bayonne Annex of Navy Yard, New York.

February 14, 1945 - Standing out New York Harbor for Casco Bay, Maine raining area.

February 14-18, 1945 - Anti-submarine and gunnery exercises.

February 18, 1945 - Standing out Casco Bay, Maine for Boston, Mass. Moored Navy Yard Annex, South Boston, Mass.

February 19, 1945 - Underway with convoy CU 59.

February 28, 1945 - Detached as escort for Clyde section, 1 ship -WIRE BOUNTY.

March 1, 1945 - Local escorting duty completed at Ailsa Craig. Proceeded ) rejoin Bristol Channel section of convoy CU 59. Relieved U.S.S. BRISTER (DE-327) as escort of Bristol Channel section, consisting of 3 ships. Completed urgent attack on sonar contact expending 7 Mark 14 and 5 Mark 8 depth charges. Completed re-attack on sonar contact expending 24 Mark 10 target. Contact classified as probable wreck. Completed urgent attack on sonar contact expending 7 Mark 14 and 6 Mark 8 depth charges. contact classified as probable wreck. Relieved of escort duties. Proceeded to Cardiff, Wales. Anchored in Barry Roads.

March 2, 1945 — Proceeding into Cardiff. Moored Queen Alexandra Locks.

March 3, 1945 - Moored to Crane Dock No. 2, Roath Docks, Cardiff, Wales.

March 5, 1945 - Moored Queen Alexandra Locks. Anchored in Barry Roads.

March 6, 1945 - Proceeding to Breaksea Light Vessel to act as escort for Bristol Channel section of convoy UC 59A consisting of 11 ships. Joined Clyde, Mersey and Milford Haven section of 8 ships. Joined English Channel section of UC 59A. Detached on order of CCD23. Proceeded as far as Lundy land.

March 7, 1945 — Commenced attack on sonar contact. Contact classified as wreck. 48 Mark 10 projectors and 6 Mark 6 depth charges. Commenced attack sonar contact. Classified as non-submarine. 4 Mark 10 projectors expended. Moored Gladstone Docks, Liverpool, England, Underway out of locks. Moored portside to starboard side H.N.M.S. HEEMSCERCK, outboard of HMS DUKE OF YORK, North Wall, Gladstone Docks.

March 8, 1945 – Moored portside to BELL NORTH, Gladstone Docks, Liverpool.

March 9, 1945 – Underway proceeding to Cardiff, Wales.

March 10, 1945 - Anchored Barry Roads, Wales awaiting orders. Underway to act as escort of Bristol Channel section of UC 59B, 10 ships.

March 11, 1945 - Commenced attack on sonar contact. Contact classified as non-submarine. Expended 48 Mark 10 projectors and 13 Mark 8 depth charges. Joined English Channel section of UC 59B, 15 ships.

March 21, 1945 - Completed escort duty of convoy UC 59B. Moored Pier D, Navy Yard, New York.

March 21-27, 1945 - Pier D, Navy Yard, New York

March 27-30, 1945 - Drydock No. 4, Navy Yard, New York

March 30-April 4, 1945 - Pier J, Navy Yard, New York

April 4, 1945 - Standing out New York Harbor for sea trials of number two main engine. Sea trials completed. Moored Pier 4, Navy Yard, New York.

April 6, 1945 - Proceeding down New York Harbor to compensate compass. Completed compass calibration. Moored Naval Ammunition Depot, Earle, New Jersey to load ammunition. Moored 36th Street Pier, New York.

April 7, 1945 - Proceeded to lower New York bay for HD/DF calibration. Calibration completed. Moored 36th Street Pier, New York. Proceeded to anchorage 28A, Gravesend Bay.

April 8, 1945 - Standing out Ambrose Channel and New York swept channel to escort convoy CU 65.

April 9, 1945 - Fire observed in convoy. Collision between S.S. ST. MIHIEL and S.S. NASHFOLK. S.S. ST. MIHIEL ablaze, abandoning ship. NASHFOLK partially abandoning before clearing.

April 17, 1945 - Carried out urgent attack on sonar contact. Expended 13 Mark 14 depth charges. Contact classified as non-submarine.

April 18, 1945 — Carried out deliberate attack on sonar contact. Expended 24 Mark 10 A/S projectors. Dropped distracting barrage expending 5 Mark 8 depth charges. Contact evaluated as non-submarine. Irish Sea section of convoy detached.

April 19, 1945 - London and Southampton section of convoy detached. Cherbourg section of convoy detached. SAVAGE escort duty completed at LeHarve anchorage. Proceeded as senior ship WITH USS MILLS (DE-383) and USS RICHEY (DE-385) to patrol off anchorage. Patrol duty completed. Moored portside to starboard side British Merchant Ship CIL RELIANCE at Spithead, Solent, England, for fueling.

April 20, 1945 - Standing out Solent and Western Approaches Channel to Southampton, England. Moored at Netley Docks, Southampton.

April 22, 1945 - Proceeding to anchorage in Solent.

April 23, 1945 - Standing out Solent to act as escort for convoy UC 65A.

April 24, 1945 - Irish Sea section of convoy, 20 ships, joined.

May 4, 1945 - Standing up New York Harbor to U. S. Navy Yard, New York. Moored Pier 'D'.

May 8, 1945 - Moored Drydock #1, Navy Yard, New York.

May 9, 1945 - Moored Pier "G", Navy Yard, New York

May 9-29, 1945 - Pier "G", Navy Yard, New York.

May 29, 1945 - Proceeding to Lower New York Bay.

May 30, 1945 - Underway with other ships of Escort Division 23 - proceeding to Culebra Island, Virgin Islands.

June 1-15, 1945. Training exercises. Moored various locations at **Guantanamo** Bay, Cuba, including Naval Operating Base.

June 15, 1945 - Proceeded to Haiti to conduct exercise on bottomed sub and thence to Canal Zone.

June 17, 1945 - Entered Canal Zone.

June 18, 1945 - Passed through Panama Canal enroute to San Francisco.

June 27, 1945 — Standing up San Francisco Swept Channel at full speed. Passed under Golden Gate Bridge. Moored U. S. Naval Frontier Base, Treasure Island, California.

June 30, 1945 - Standing out San Francisco Harbor enroute to Adak, Alaska to report to Commander, Alaska Sea Frontier. Passed under Golden Gate Bridge.

July 8, 1945 - Moored Pier 10, NOB, Adak, Alaska. Assigned to Task Group 91.2. Departed for Dutch Harbor, Alaska.

July 10, 1945 - Anchored Ilinkuk Bay, Dutch Harbor. Moored Pier C-2, Submarine Base, NOB, Dutch Harbor, Alaska for six days upkeep availability.

July 19, 1945 - Moored to Ballyhoo Dock, Dutch Harbor, Alaska.

July 20, 1945 - Proceeding to Cold Bay, Alaska via Akutan Pass.

July 21, 1945 - Anchored Cold Bay, Alaska.

July 23, 1945 - Underway as pilot vessel for FS convoy of 8 vessels.

July 26, 1945 - Moored Pier 9, Adak, Alaska.

July 27, 1945 - Underway continuing as pilot vessel for FS convoy.

July 29, 1945 - Completed escort assignment, proceeding to Attu.

July 30, 1945 - Moored West Pier, Pyramid Cove, Attu, Alaska.  
Assigned to TG 91.2 (Rear Admiral Ralph Wood, Commander Task Group)

August 7, 1945 - Departed in accordance with Commander Task Force Ninety-Two's Secret Instructions for service in connection with C.T.F. Operation Order 8-45, dated 6 August, 1945, standing out Pyramid Cove, Massacre Bay, Attu, Alaska, on various courses and speeds to act as escort of USS SALINAS (AO-19) with USS SELLSTROM (DE-255).

August 14, 1945 - completed escort mission. Detached by CTG 91.1. Moored Pier 2, Pyramid Cove, Massacre Bay, Attu, Alaska.

August 15, 1945 - Underway enroute to Adak, Alaska escorting USS SALINAS (A019).

August 17, 1945 Moored to escort anchorage buoy "Able", Kuluk Bay, Adak Harbor, Aleutian Islands. Proceeding out of Kuluk Bay, enroute Dutch Harbor, Alaska.

August 19, 1945 - Moored Dutch Harbor pier, USNOB, Dutch Harbor, Amaknak Island, Alaska. Moored Submarine Base, Iliukiuk Bay, USNOB, Dutch Harbor, Alaska for 3 day availability.

August 22, 1945 - Underway in Iliukiuk Bay. Anchored in Iliukiuk Bay. Underway out of Iliukiuk Bay. proceeding to Cold Bay, Alaska.

August 23, 1945 - Anchored in Cold Bay, Alaska.

August 25, 1945 - Standing out Cold Bay, Alaska. Underway in company with Convoy H.O. 7 ships . Proceeding as escort to Adak, Alaska.

August 27, 1945 - Anchored between Gannet Rocks and East Pier, Sweepers Cove Alaska. Anchored in Kuluk Bay, Adak Island. Underway in Kuluk Bay. Moored Pier 10, Adak, Sweepers Cove.

August 28, 1945 - Standing out Kuluk Bay. Anchored in Kuluk Bay.

August 29, 1945 - standing out Kuluk Bay as pilot escort for 11.0. convoy.

August 31, 1945 - Detached from convoy "H.O.". Proceeding independently to Attu Island, Alaska.

September 1, 1945 - Moored West Pier, NOB, Attu, Alaska.

September 2, 1945 - Moored Pier 3, Massacre Bay, USNOB, Attu, Alaska.  
Standing in Massacre Bay, Attu, Alaska to Alcan Cove, Shemya Island.  
Moored Dock #2, Alcan Cove, Shemya Island. Standing out Shemya Island,  
Alaska. Anchored off Alcan Harbor, Shemya, Alaska.

September 3, 1945 - Standing out Alcan swept channel, Shemya, Alaska in company with S.S. WILLIAM L. THOMPSON.

September 4, 1945 - Standing into Kuluk Bay, Adak, Alaska. Moored Pier 10, Sweepers Cove, Adak, Alaska.

September 5, 1945 - Standing out Kuluk Bay. Standing up Finger Bay, Adak, Alaska. Moored Berth 3, Finger Bay.

September 11, 1945 - Lt.Comdr. James A. Norton, USCGR detached from duty as Commanding Officer. Lieut. Lewis W. Tibbits, Jr., USCG relieved command pending assignment of Commanding Officer.

September 5-24, 1945 — Finger Bay, Adak, Alaska.

September 24, 1945 - Standing in Kuluk Bay. Moored Pier #3, Adak, Alaska. Standing out Sweepers Cove, Adak, Alaska. Proceeding independently enroute to Attu Island, Alaska. Lieut. John M. Waters, Jr., USCG, Commanding Officer.

September 26, 1945 - Standing up Swept Channel to Massacre Bay, Attu, Alaska. Moored Pier 3, Pyramid Cove, Massacre Bay, Attu, Alaska.

September 28, 1945 - Underway enroute to Petropavlosk, USSR.

October 1, 1945 - Entered Akhomten Bay, Siberia. Russian pilot boat 17M6—87 on port side. Small boat departed and returned with pilot, Lt. Popov, USSRN. Anchored in Ahomten Bay, USSR.

October 2, 1945 - Standing out Akhomten Bay. Entered Avachinskaya, Guba. Anchored in Avachinskaya, Cuba. Lt. Rosonoff, USSRN, liaison officer, aboard, departed. Lt. V. Popov, USSRN, pilot aboard. Standing out Avachinskaya Bay swept channel, enroute to Akhomten Bay, USSR. Standing into Akhomten Bay. Small boat alongside picking up Lt. Popoff, USSRN. Standing out Akhomten Bay.

October 3, 1945 - Enroute to Attu, Alaska from Petropavlovsk, Russia. Ship's clocks retarded 23 hours to Z/10 time.

October 3, 1945 - Enroute to Attu, Alaska. Standing in Attu Swept Channel. Moored Pier 3, Massacre Bay, Attu, Alaska.

October 10, 1945 - Standing out Massacre Bay, Attu, Alaska.

October 11, 1945 - Standing into Sweepers Cove, Kuluk Bay. Moored Pier 10, Sweepers Cove, NOB, Adak, Alaska.

October 18, 1945 - Standing out Kuluk Bay, Adak, Alaska in company with CCD23, less USS MILLS (DE—383).

October 24, 1945 - Detached on authority of PBS dispatch from senior officer present afloat, proceeding independently to Seward, Alaska. Moored to Alaskan Railroad Dock, Resurrection Bay, Seward, Alaska.

October 27, 1945 - Full dressed and rigged ship for Navy Day. Ship open to visitors and vessel visited by approximately 1,200 persons.

October 30, 1945 - Motor whaleboat grounded on rocks at west side of Resurrection Bay due to motor failure. All personnel removed by YMS 126. Salvage postponed due to visibility.

October 31, 1945 - Motor whaleboat pulled off rocks by YMS 126. Found to be badly holed. Hoisted boat up to davits and secured there.

November 1, 1945 - Departed Alaskan Railway Dock, Seward, Alaska. Standing out Resurrection Bay, Alaska.

November 7, 1945 - Standing into Kuluk Bay, Adak, Alaska. Moored Berth #5x, Finger Bay, Adak, Alaska.

November 14, 1945 - Standing out Finger Bay, Adak, Alaska. Standing out Kuluk Bay.

November 25, 1945 - Investigated mine off port bow. Commenced firing at mine with small arms and 20MM gun #24. Mine sunk but did not discharge it. Ammunition expended: 20MM, 120 rounds; 45 cal., 1500 rounds; 30 cal. 1500 rounds. No casualties. Proceeding to anchorage B138 in Buckner Bay, Okinawa.

November 26, 1945 - Berth 138 to Berth B-75, Buckner Bay, Okinawa.

November 27, 1945 - Fueling-USS GUADALOUPE (AD-32). Anchored Berth B-76.

November 28, 1945 - Received 73 double cases of beer from NOB Supply Officer, Okinawa.

December 11, 1945 - Standing out of Buckner Bay, Okinawa in company with ComCortDiv 23.

December 13, 1945 - Anchored in Tsingtao Bay, China.

December 18, 1945 — Standing out Tsingtao Bay to rendezvous with CTU 78.15 in LST-755. Small native fishing craft alongside. Native crew supplied with food and suits of foul weather gear (5 suits, jungle cloth suits).

Investigated wreck. Unidentified body of native Chinaman on wreck brought on board. Pronounced dead by CPhm Charles Marina, Jr. and photographed for identification purposes. Expended one depth charge to scatter floating mast and fitting to remove menace to navigation. Unidentified body buried at sea in 15 fathoms of water. Rendezvous with LST-755.

December 19, 1945 — Anchored off Chiming Island, Alceste Island, Mt. Le—. Underway. Anchored off Chung Shan, Shantung Promontory, China.

December 20, 1945 — Underway. Anchored in Jungcheng Bay, China in company with LST 1024, LST 1059, LST 543. Underway. Anchored off northern promontory of Shantung Province.

December 21, 1945 - Enroute to Weihaiwei Bay, China. Anchored in Weigall Cove, Weihuiwei, China.

December 23, 1945 - Standing out of Weihaiwei Harbor. Channel. Anchored in Tengihow Channel.

December 24, 1945 - Underway. Anchored off eastern shore of Nan Chang Shan Island.

December 25, 1945 - Underway enroute to Tsingtao, China.

December 26, 1945 - Anchored in Berth E-3, Tsingtao, China.

December 30, 1945 — Standing out of Tsingtao, China. Proceeding to rendezvous with USS WAKEFIELD (AP-21.)

December 31, 1945 - The oldest man rang out the old year and the youngest boy ran in the New Year.

January 1, 1946:                Poem by Ensign A. W. Wofford, USCG

We've seen the last of '45.  
 On true course one three five.  
 We sail upon the China Sea.  
 At 13 knots steams our DE.  
 Four engines are on the line.  
 For we may sight a mine.  
 A Sea upon our stern.  
 To helping us along our run.  
 For not far off from land.  
 According to our plan.  
 We meet a queen of the fleet.  
 AP twenty-one.

January 2, 1946 - At rendezvous with USS WAKEFIELD (AP-21)

January 3, 1946 - Detached from escort duty by WAKEFIELD (AP-21) with instructions to proceed to Tsingtao, China. Anchored in Tsingtao Harbor.

January 4, 1946 - Anchored in Berth E-109, Tsingtao, China.

January 5, 1946 - Standing out of Tsingtao Harbor to act as escort for USS WAKEFIELD (AP-21) enroute to Taku, China.

January 6, 1946 — Anchored in vicinity of AP 21 in Gulf of Pohai, Taku, China.

January 9, 1946 - Underway enroute to Tsingtao, China. Proceeding independently.

January 10, 1946 - Standing in Tsingtao Harbor. Anchored in Berth E-123.

January 11, 1946 - Anchored in Berth E-122, Tsingtao, China.

January 14, 1946 - Underway in route to USS BLACKHAWK (AD-9). Received 9,000 gallons of water. Anchored in Berth E-123, outer harbor, Tsingtao, China.

\*\*\* (See below)

January 21, 1946 - Underway in route to USS TAPPAHANNOCK (AO-43). Received 46,755 gallons U.S. Navy fuel oil. Anchored in Berth E—123, Tsingtao, China.

January 26, 1946 - Standing out Tsingtao Outer Harbor. Proceeding independently to Taku, China.

January 27, 1946 - Anchored in Gulf of Pohai, Taku, China.

January 28, 1946 - Standing out of Gulf of Pohai. Proceeding independently to Tsingtao, China. Changed course to overtake and escort USS EFFINGHAM (APA-165).

January 30, 1946 - Rendezvous with USS EFFINGHAM (APA-165). Standing into Jinsen Harbor, Korea. Anchored in Berth C-12, Jinsen, Korea.

February 2, 1946 — Standing out of Jinsen Harbor, Korea enroute to Taku, China as escort for USS EFFINGHAM (APA-165).

February 3, 1946 - Anchored in Gulf of Pohai, Taku, China.

February 9, 1946 - Underway to rendezvous with USS EFFINGHAM (AP-165)

February 11, 1946 - Detached from duty as escort to USS EFFINGHAM (AP-165). Proceeding to rendezvous with CortDiv—42.

February 12, 1946 - Arrived at rendezvous point. Commenced patrolling in Colnett Strait.

February 13, 1946 - Escort Division in sight approaching rendezvous. On station in formation with Escort Division 42.

February 17, 1946 - Sighted mine. Mine sunk.

\*\*\* January 19, 1946 - Anchored in Berth E-123, Tsingtao, China. 0630—Ship's mascot, Lady, SB1c(R) (01-46) gave birth to eight (8) normal puppies in forward head. 0900-Lady gave birth to one additional puppy -- making a total of nine.

February 23, 1946 - Standing into Mamala Bay, Oahu, Hawaii. Moored Berth D-3 Middle Loch, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

February 25, 1946 - Commanding officer, Executive officer and honor guard departed to lay wreath in Aiea National Cemetery in memory of Ensign Walter S. Savage, Jr., (SC), USNR.

February 26, 1946 - Standing out of Pearl Harbor, Middle Loch. Enroute San Pedro, California in company with USS RAMSDEN (DE-382), USS MILLS (DE—383) and USS SELLSTROM (DE—255). Lieut. J. M. Waters, Jr., USCG in SAVAGE, assumed command as OTC.

March 2, 1946 - Proceeding to rendezvous with USS HAMUL (AD—20), USS METCALF (DD—595) and USS SHIELDS (DE-596) in compliance with ComWest SeaFront.

March 4, 1946 — Rendezvous with USS HAMUL, USS METCALF and USS SHIELDS. By authority of ComWestSeaFront, Escort Division 42 less the USS RHODES (DE-384) and USS RICHEY (DE—385) detached to proceed independently to San Diego, Calif.

March 6, 1946 - Standing into San Diego Harbor, San Diego, Calif. Moored Broadway Pier, San Diego, Calif. 27 school children/parents aboard to visit ship.

March 9, 1946 - Standing out of San Diego Harbor. Guide and OTC in column formation with Escort Division 42 less USS RHODES (DE-384) and USS RICHEY (DE-385). Enroute to Balboa, Canal Zone.

March 17, 1946 - Standing into channel of Panama Canal at Balboa.

Entered locks. Moored Pier #1, U.S. Naval Base, Coco Solo, Canal Zone.

March 18, 1946 - Standing out of Limon Bay. Enroute to Charleston, S.C.

March 22, 1946 - Anchored in Charleston Outer harbor.

March 23, 1946 — Underway standing up the Cooper River to the Charleston Navy Yard. Moored Pier H1 Charleston Navy Yard.

April 1, 1946 - Moved into Dry Dock #1, Charleston Navy Yard.

April 5, 1946 - Moored in Berth J—1, Charleston Navy Yard.

April 24, 1946 - Standing out of Charleston Harbor, Charleston, S.C. enroute to Green Cove Springs, Florida with company with CORT DIV 42.

April 25, 1946 - Standing up St. Johns River. Anchored in lower Jacksonville, Fl.

April 28, 1946 - Standing up the St. John's River, Jacksonville, Fl. for Green Cove Springs, Fl. Anchored in Green Cove Springs, Fl.

May 1, 1946 - Underway to moor in nest. Moored in nest with CortDiv 42 in Berth Fir 25, St. John's River off Green Cove Springs, Fl.

June 13, 1946 - Lieut. J. M. Waters, Jr. relieved as commanding officer and to decommission SAVAGE. Colors struck at conclusion of decommissioning ceremony.

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