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U.S.S. BACHE (DD470)

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From: The Commanding Officer.
To: Commander in Chief, United States Fleet.

Subject: War Diary of this Vessel for the Month of
November 1944 - Submission of.

Enclosure: (A) Subject War Diary.

1. The War Diary of this vessel for the month of
November 1944, is herewith submitted.

for *Alan R. McFarland*
ROBERT C. MORTON.

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War Diary

1 November 1944.

- (a) In company with Cruiser Division FOUR, Rear Admiral OLDENDORF, ComCruDiv FOUR.

U.S.S. LOUISVILLE
 U.S.S. TENNESSEE
 U.S.S. MINNEAPOLIS
 U.S.S. PORTLAND
 U.S.S. MULLANY
 U.S.S. THORN
 U.S.S. BEALE
 U.S.S. WELLES
 U.S.S. HALFORD
 U.S.S. BACHE

- (b) Operating in accordance with CTF despatch 281203 of October.

- (c)
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|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| <u>0800</u> | <u>1200</u> | <u>2000</u> |
| 08-45 N
138-24 E | 09-25 N
139-11 E | Moored
Ulithi Islands |
| -9 Zone Time | | |

- (d) Steaming as before. 1615 Arrived at northern anchorage lagoon, Ulithi Islands and fueled.

2 November 1944.

- (c) Anchorage Lagoon, Ulithi Islands.
- (d) Moored. 0700 Underway. 0743 Anchored and received U.S.S. GRIDLEY alongside to take on ammunition and torpedoes from this ship. 1300 Upon completion of transfer of torpedoes and ammunition, anchored in vicinity of U.S.S. TENNESSEE.

3-4 November 1944.

- (c) Ulithi anchorage.
- (d) At anchor. 0807 Went alongside U.S.S. TENNESSEE and took on provisions and fresh water, then anchored.

5 November 1944.

- (a) In company with Task Unit TWELVE point SIX point ONE, Captain JOHN HEFFERNAN, U.S.S. TENNESSEE.

U.S.S. TENNESSEE	U.S.S. MULLANY
U.S.S. STEAMER BAY	U.S.S. BEALE
U.S.S. NASSAU	U.S.S. BACHE

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5 November 1944 (Cont'd)

(b) Operating in accordance with CINCPAC Secret Dispatch 311215 of October.

(c)	<u>0800</u>	<u>1200</u>	<u>2000</u>
	10-02 N	10-12 N	10-29 N
	139-51 E	140-29 E	142-18 E

(d) Anchored as before. 0530 Underway for Pearl Harbor, T.H., and thence, it is wistfully believed, to the West Coast of the United States.

6 November 1944.

(c)	<u>0800</u>	<u>1200</u>	<u>2000</u>
	10-40 N	10-44 N	10-48 N
	144-46 E	145-21 E	147-02 E

-11 Zone Time

(d) Steaming as before.

7 November 1944.

(c)	<u>0800</u>	<u>1200</u>	<u>2000</u>
	10-50 N	10-48 N	10-49 N
	149-46 E	150-35 E	152-30 E

(d) Steaming as before.

8 November 1944.

(c)	<u>0800</u>	<u>1200</u>	<u>2000</u>
	10-54 N	11-00 N	11-22 N
	155-09 E	156-04 E	157-50 E

(d) Steaming as before.

9 November 1944.

(c)	<u>0800</u>	<u>1200</u>	<u>2000</u>
	11-57 N	12-04 N	12-25 N
	160-33 E	161-15 E	163-02 E

-12 Zone Time

(d) Steaming as before.

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10 November 1944.

(c)	<u>0800</u>	<u>1200</u>	<u>2000</u>
	12-49 N	12-57 N	13-16 N
	165-53 E	166-49 E	168-21 E

(d) Steaming as before.

11 November 1944.

(c)	<u>0800</u>	<u>1200</u>	<u>2000</u>
	13-57 N	14-06 N	14-28 N
	171-40 E	172-12 E	173-38 E

(d) Steaming as before. 1255 On orders from OTC, the U.S.S. STEAMER BAY and U.S.S. MULLANY left the formation to proceed to Pearl Harbor at fastest practicable speed. 1518 Went alongside U.S.S. NASSAU and fueled, resuming A/S screening station #2 upon completion.

12 November 1944.

(c)	<u>0800</u>	<u>1200</u>	<u>2000</u>
	16-44 N	16-54 N	17-17 N
	177-41 W	176-59 W	174-59 W
	Plus 12 Zone Time		

(d) Steaming as before.

13 November 1944.

(c)	<u>0800</u>	<u>1200</u>	<u>2000</u>
	17-50 N	18-02 N	18-19 N
	172-18 W	171-26 W	169-40 W
	Plus 11 Zone Time		

(d) Steaming as before.

14 November 1944.

(c)	<u>0800</u>	<u>1200</u>	<u>2000</u>
	18-56 N	19-00 N	19-12 N
	166-59 W	166-25 W	164-45 W

Plus 10 Zone Time

(d) Steaming as before.

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15 November 1944.

(c)	<u>0800</u>	<u>1200</u>	<u>2000</u>
	19-31 N	19-38 N	19-53 N
	161-54 W	161-19 W	159-22 W

Plus 9½ Zone Time

(d) Steaming as before.

16 November 1944.

(c)	<u>0800</u>	<u>1200</u>	<u>2000</u>
	20-27 N	21-02 N	Moored
	157-45 W	158-01 W	Pearl Harbor, T.H.

(d) Steaming as before. 0800-1206 conducted Fighter Director and AA firing exercises prior to entering Pearl Harbor. 1301 Arrived off entrance to Swept Channel. 1349 Stood into Pearl Harbor, T.H., and moored alongside U.S.S. BEALE in Berth D-3. 2030 Refueled by Y021.

17 November 1944.

(c) Pearl Harbor, T.H.

(d) Moored as before.

18 November 1944.

(a) Attached to Task Group 15.3, Captain JOHN HEFFERNAN, U.S.S. TENNESSEE.

U.S.S. TENNESSEE
U.S.S. BEALE
U.S.S. BACHE

(b) Operating in accordance with Commander Task Force 15 Secret Mailgram 172132 of November 1944.

(c)	<u>0800</u>	<u>1200</u>	<u>2000</u>
	21-16 N	21-36 N	22-53 N
	157-57 W	157-15 W	156-09 W

(d) Moored as before. 0642 Underway for Bremerton, Washington.

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19 November 1944.

(c)	<u>0800</u>	<u>1200</u>	<u>2000</u>
	24-38 N	25-15 N	26-22 N
	154-34 W	154-03 W	152-57 W

(d) Steaming as before.

20 November 1944.

(c)	<u>0800</u>	<u>1200</u>	<u>2000</u>
	28-52 N	29-26 N	30-42 N
	152-23 W	151-45 W	150-30 W

(d) Steaming as before.

21 November 1944.

(c)	<u>0800</u>	<u>1200</u>	<u>2000</u>
	32-39 N	33-13 N	34-25 N
	148-25 W	147-57 W	146-36 W

Plus 9 Zone Time

(d) Steaming as before.

22 November 1944.

(c)	<u>0800</u>	<u>1200</u>	<u>2000</u>
	36-17 N	36-47 N	37-42 N
	144-40 W	143-57 W	142-19 W

(d) Steaming as before.

23 November 1944.

(c)	<u>0800</u>	<u>1200</u>	<u>2000</u>
	39-22 N	39-53 N	40-56 N
	139-48 W	138-58 W	137-18 W

(d) Steaming as before. Destination of this vessel verbally changed by OTC from Bremerton to Seattle, Washington.

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24 November 1944.

(c)	<u>0800</u>	<u>1200</u>	<u>2000</u>
	42-31 N	43-02 N	44-06 N
	134-46 W	133-55 W	132-08 W

(d) Steaming as before.

25 November 1944.

(c)	<u>0800</u>	<u>1200</u>	<u>2000</u>
	45-54 N	46-14 N	47-17 N
	129-28 W	128-57 W	127-19 W

Plus 8 Zone Time

(d) Steaming as before.

26 November 1944.

(c)	<u>0800</u>	<u>1200</u>	<u>2000</u>
	48-30 N	48-14 N	Moored
	124-40 W	123-10 W	Seattle, Wash.

Plus 8 Zone Time

(d) Steaming as before. 0650 entered Strait of Juan De Fuca. 0950 On orders from OTC, U.S.S. BEALE and U.S.S. BACHE proceeded independently at increased speed to Seattle, Washington. Advanced ship's clocks ahead one hour to plus 7 zone time. 1444 Arrived in Elliot Bay, Seattle, Washington, and moored starboard side to U.S.S. BEALE in Berth "K", Pier 91. 1845 Fueled ship.

27 November 1944.

(b) Commander Western Sea Frontier's Secret Dispatch 00020 of 25 November.

(c) Seattle, Washington.

(d) Moored as before. 1425 Underway in company with U.S.S. BEALE, proceeding to San Francisco, Calif.

28 November 1944.

(c)	<u>0800</u>	<u>1200</u>	<u>2000</u>
	47-26 N	46-40 N	44-57 N
	125-23 W	125-05 W	125-21 W

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28 November 1944 (Cont'd)

- (d) Steaming as before. 0105 Joined U.S.S. RAWLINS and U.S.S. GAGE this vessel taking port bow in A/S screen.

29 November 1944.

(c)	<u>0800</u>	<u>1200</u>	<u>2000</u>
	43-09 N	42-15 N	40-13 N
	125-07 W	125-21 W	125-03 W

- (d) Steaming as before.

30 November 1944.

(c)	<u>0800</u>	<u>1200</u>	<u>2000</u>
	37-34 N	37-45 N	Mocrad N.A.D.
	123-23 W	122-43 W	Mare Island, Calif.

- (d) Steaming as before. 1215 Entered swept channel, received pilot aboard, proceeded to go alongside pier in berth #33, N.A.D., Mare Island, California. Transferred ammunition to dock.

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