DD470/19-4 (CLOS)

U.S.S. BACHE (DD470)

Rog. No. 758
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San Francisco, Calif., 31 January 1945.

From:

The Commanding Officer.

The Commander in Chief, United States Fleet.

Subject:

War Diary - January 1945.

1-17 Jan. - Undergoing overhaul at The Moore Dry Dock Company, Oakland, Calif., and RFS period in San Francisco Area.

18 Jan. - 0000T - Reported for duty to COTCPAC in accordance with orders of ComDesPac. 0800T - Underway in company with U.S.S. HEALE (OTC) in accordance with orders of Comwestseafron to proceed to San Diego, Calif. 1000T - Test fired all guns, expended the following ammunition: 15 rounds 5"/38 AA Common, 60 rounds 40mm, and 180 rounds 20mm.

0800T - At San Francisco.

1200T - Lat. 37°-16 N Long. 123°-11 W 2000T- Lat. 35°-17 N Long. 122°-30 W

19 Jan. - 1600T - Arrived San Diego and reported to Commander San Diego Shakedown Group for refresher training in accordance with orders of COTCPAC.

OSOOT - Lat. 320-46 N Long. 1190-27 W 1200T - Lat. 320-35 N Long. 1180-09 W 2000T - At San Diego.

- 20-22 Jan. Operating in San Diego area conducting training exercises.

  Fired A.A. and Surface gunnery, bombardment and torpedo practices reported by separate correspondence. Expended the following ammunition: 12 rounds 5"/38 Cal. Starshells, 522 rounds 5"/38 AA Common, 916 rounds 40mm, and 964 rounds 20mm.
  - 23 Jan. Formed in Task Unit 06.11.1 consisting of CDS 24 in DALY and BACHE. 1400T Underway with TU 06.11.1 in accordance with orders of COTCPAC to proceed to Pearl Harbor, T.H. 1500T Fired A.A. practice at towed sleeve, expended the following ammunition: 163 rounds 5"/38 Cal. AA Common, 246 rounds 40mm, and 423 rounds 20mm.

0800T - At San Diego 1200T - At San Diego

2000T - Lat. 320-19 N Long. 1190-20W

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24 Jan .- 1630T - Changed time to zone plus 8 (U) time.

0800T - Lat. 32°-50 N Long. 123°-15 W 1200T- Lat. 32°-48 N Long. 124°-36 W 2000U - Lat. 32°-08 N Long. 127°-21 W

25 Jan .- 1630U - Changed time to zone plus 9 (V) time.

0800U - Lat. 31°-16 N Long. 131°-20 W 1200U - Lat. 31°-02 N Long. 132°-37 W 2000V - Lat. 30°-15 N Long. 135°-21 W

26 Jan. - 0800V - Lat. 29°-03 N Long. 139°-11 W 1200V - Lat. 28°-44 N Long. 140°-26 W 2000V - Lat. 27°-57 N Long. 142°-45 W

27 Jan.- Test fired machine guns and fired 5"/38 Cal. offset practice.
Ammunition expended: 38 rounds 5"/38 AA Com., 5 rounds 5"/38
Com., 91 rounds 40mm, and 239 rounds 20mm. 1630V - Changed
time to zone plus 9½ (VW) time.

0800V - Lat. 26° - 33 N Long. 146° - 20 W 1200V - Lat. 26° - 03 N Long. 147° - 27 W 2000VW- Lat. 25° - 16 N Long. 149° - 22 W

28 Jan. - 0800VW - Lat. 23° - 51 N Long. 152° - 17 W 1200VW - Lat. 23° - 24 N Long. 153° - 15 W 2000VW - Lat. 22° - 36 N Long. 154° - 56 W

29 Jan.- 0800VW - Fired AA practice at towed sleeve. Ammunition expended: 75 rounds 5"/38 AA Common, 226 rounds 40mm, and 261 rounds 20mm. 1030VW - Arrived Pearl Harbor, T.H. Reported to Comdespac for duty.

0800VW - Lat. 21° - 24 N Long. 157° - 21 W 1200VW - At Pearl Harbor 2000VW - At Pearl Harbor

30 Jan.- 0800VW - Underway in accordance with verbal orders of Comdespac and proceeded to Marine Railway #2, Navy Yard, Pearl Harbor, to effect repairs to fuel tanks (C-1, C-9, and C-11).

1000VW - In Dry dock on keel blocks.