

**USS NITRO AE-2  
DECK LOG  
MAY 1945**

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UNITED STATES SHIP

NITRO (AE-2)

Tuesday 1 May 1945

(Day) (Date) (Month)

00 - 04 Anchored between berths 555 and 556, Ulithi Atoll, Caroline Islands, in 24 fathoms of water with 105 fathoms of chain out to port anchor on the following bearings: Beacon "H" 023° T., Beacon "J" 000° T., Beacon "K" 300° T. #2 boiler steaming for auxiliary purposes.

*B. O. Denton*

B. O. DENTON, Ch. Bosn., U.S.N.

04 - 08 Anchored as before.

*N. Bauernfeind*

N. BAUERNFEIND, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

08 - 12 Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees. 0835 lighted fires under #3 boiler. 0920 made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 0940 #4 boiler steaming for auxiliary purposes. 0940 Secured fires under #2 boiler. 0945 Lighted fires under #3 boiler for standby purposes. 1120 LCT 907 made fast to starboard side.

*J. L. Daley*

J. L. DALEY, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

12 - 16 Anchored as before. 1200 Commenced cargo operations. 1255 YF 703 made fast to port side with the U.S.S. WANNALANCEY (YT-385) assisting. 1415 LCT 907 cast off from starboard side.

*R. D. Watson*

R. D. WATSON, Ensign, U.S.N.

16 - 20 Anchored as before.

*J. A. Fanning*

J. A. FANNING, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

20 - 24 Anchored as before.

*C. V. Hanson*

C. V. HANSON, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

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NITRO (AE-2)

Wednesday 2 May 1945

(Day) (Date) (Month)

00 - 04 Anchored between berths 555 and 556, Ulithi Atoll, Caroline Islands, in 24 fathoms of water with 105 fathoms of chain out to the port anchor on the following bearings: Beacon "H" 023° T., Beacon "J" 000° T., Beacon "K" 300° T. YF 703 moored along port side and cargo operations are in progress. No. 4 boiler is steaming for auxiliary purposes.

*R. D. Watson*  
R. D. WATSON, Ensign, U.S.N.

04 - 08 Anchored as before.

*J. A. Fanning*  
J. A. FANNING, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

08 - 12 Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 0819 LCT 759 made fast to starboard side. 0930 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 1140 YT 384 removed YF703 from port side.

*C. V. Hanson*  
C. V. HANSON, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

12 - 16 Anchored as before. 1240 LCT 759 cast off lines and stood away from starboard side. 1240 Ceased cargo operations. 1510 U.S.S. STEVENSON (DD-645) moored alongside to port. 1515 Commenced cargo operations. 1535 Ceased cargo operations. 1545 U.S.S. STEVENSON (DD-645) cast off lines and stood away from port side.

*G. B. Backus*  
G. B. BACKUS, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

16 - 20 Anchored as before. 1800 Commenced cargo operations. 1845 U.S.S. FARRAGUT (DD-348) moored to the port side. 1915 U.S.S. FARRAGUT (DD-348) cast off from port side. 1920 Ceased all cargo operations.

*R. C. Heydenberk*  
R. C. HEYDENBERK, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

20 - 24 Anchored as before.

*F. C. Campau*  
F. C. CAMPAU, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

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NITRO (AE-2)

Thursday 3 May

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00 - 04 Anchored between berths 555 and 556 in Ulithi Atoll, Caroline Islands, in 24 fathoms of water with 105 fathoms of chain to the port anchor on the following bearings: Beacon "H" 023° T., Beacon "J" 000° T., Beacon "K" 300° T. Boiler No. 4 steaming for auxiliary purposes.

*G. B. Backus*  
G. B. BACKUS, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

04 - 08 Anchored as before. 0650 U.S.S. THORN (DD-647) moored to the port side. 0710 Commenced cargo operations.

*R. C. Heydenberg*  
R. C. HEYDENBERG, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

08 - 12 Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 0840 Ceased cargo operations. 0845 U.S.S. THORN (DD-647) cast off from port side. 0920 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal and made weekly test of magazine sprinkler systems, condition normal and satisfactory.

*F. C. Campau*  
F. C. CAMPAU, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

12 - 16 Anchored as before.

*J. L. Daley*  
J. L. DALEY, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

16 - 20 Anchored as before. 1845 Returning to the ship in an LCM, Lieutenant EDWIN WILLIS MATTHEWS, 92068, U.S.N.R. leg was caught between the boat and a fender rigged over the side of this ship, sustaining a muscular injury. No fracture involved. Injury not the result of his own misconduct.

*B. O. Denton*  
B. O. DENTON, Ch. Bosn., U.S.N.

20 - 24 Anchored as before. 2130 Commenced cargo operations. 2145 LCT 1084 moored to starboard side. 2200 Ceased cargo operations. 2205 LCT 1084 cast off from starboard side. 2355 By order of the commanding officer, the following men were confined to the brig: HINES, George P., 356 15 57, PhM2c, U.S.N. and BAKER, Donald Sears, 667 02 69, PhMlc, U.S.N.R.

*N. Bauernfeld*  
N. BAUERNFELD, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

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UNITED STATES SHIP NITRO (AE-2) Friday 4 May 1945

00 - 04 Anchored between berths 555 and 556 in Ulithi Atoll, Caroline Islands, in 24 fathoms of water with 105 fathoms of chain to the port anchor on the following bearings: Beacon "H" 023° T., Beacon "J" 000° T., Beacon "K" 300° T. Boiler #4 steaming for auxiliary purposes. 0130 LCT 925 made fast to starboard side. 0215 LCT 925 cast off from starboard side.

*J. L. Daley*  
J. L. DALEY, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

04 - 08 Anchored as before.

*B. O. Denton*  
B. O. DENTON, Ch. Boatswain, U.S.N.

08 - 12 Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 0820 By order of the commanding officer the following men were released from the brig: HINES, George P., 356 15 57, PhM2c, U.S.N. and BAKER, Donald Sears, 667 02 69, PhM1c, U.S.N.R. 0930 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 1150 YF 249 assisted by YTB 372 moored to port side. 1152 YTB 372 cast off from starboard side of YF 249.

*N. Bauernfeld*  
N. BAUERNFELD, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

12 - 16 Anchored as before. 1245 Commenced cargo operations. 1300 LCT 818 made fast to starboard side. 1520 LCT 818 cast off from starboard side. 1555 LCT 837 made fast to starboard side.

*C. V. Hanson*  
C. V. HANSON, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

16 - 20 Anchored as before. 1745 LCT 837 cast off line from starboard side.

*R. D. Watson*  
R. D. WATSON, Ensign, U.S.N.

20 - 24 Anchored as before.

*J. A. Fanning*  
J. A. FANNING, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

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UNITED STATES SHIP NITRO (AE-2) Saturday 5 May 1945

00 - 04 Anchored between berths 555 and 556 in Ulithi Atoll, Caroline Islands, in 24 fathoms of water with 105 fathoms of chain to port anchor on the following bearings: Beacon "H" 023° T., Beacon "J" 000° T., Beacon "K" 300° T. #4 Boiler steaming for auxiliary purposes. YF 249 made fast to port side. Cargo operations in progress.

C. V. Hanson  
C. V. HANSON, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

04 - 08 Anchored as before.

R. D. Watson  
R. D. WATSON, Ensign, U.S.N.

08 - 12 Anchored as before. Crew mustered on stations, no absentees. 0852 U.S.S. GRANT (DD-649) made fast along starboard side. 1035 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 1100 The Captain held mast and assigned the following; EDWARDS, Gilbert J., 762 12 43, PhM3c, U.S.N.R., Offense: Drunkenness. Assigned; Summary Court Martial. HINES, George P., 356 15 57, PhM2c, U.S.N., Offense; (1) Drunkenness, (2) Distruction of Government Property. Assigned; Summary Court Martial. BAKER, Donald S., 667 02 69, PhM1c, U.S.N.R., Offense; Drunkenness, Assigned; Summary Court Martial. 1130 U.S.S. ALBERT GRANT (DD-649) cast off from along starboard side.

J. A. Fanning  
J. A. FANNING, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

12 - 16 Anchored as before. 1210 LCT 683 moored to starboard side. 1305 LCT 683 cast off. 1340 LCT 928 moored to starboard side.

F. C. Campau  
F. C. CAMPAU, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

16 - 20 Anchored as before. 1600 LCT 928 cast off from starboard side. 1800 LCT 683 moored alongside to starboard. 1915 LCT 683 cast off from starboard side. 1920 Secured cargo operations.

G. B. Backus  
G. B. BACKUS, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

20 - 24 Anchored as before. 2045 Commenced cargo operations.

R. C. Heydenberk  
R. C. HEYDENBERK, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

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UNITED STATES SHIP NITRO (AE-2) Sunday 6 May 1945

00 - 04 Anchored between berths 555 and 556 in Ulithi Atoll, Caroline Islands, in 24 fathoms of water with 105 fathoms of chain out to port anchor on the following bearings: Beacon "H" 023° T., Beacon "J" 000° T., Beacon "K" 300° T. YF 249 alongside to port. Cargo operations in progress. Boiler #4 steaming for auxiliary purposes.

F. C. Campau  
F. C. CAMPAU, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

04 - 08 Anchored as before.

G. B. Backus  
G. B. BACKUS, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

08 - 12 Anchored as before. Cargo operations in progress. 0800 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 0930 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 1050 Secured cargo operations. 1100 LCT 1133 moored to the starboard side.

R. C. Heydenberk  
R. C. HEYDENBERK, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

12 - 16 Anchored as before. 1228 LCT 1133 Cast off from starboard side. 1405 Lighted fires under boiler #3. 1415 Lighted fires under boilers #1 and #2. 1500 Heaved in port anchor chain to 60 fathoms. 1515 Tested main engines.

N. Bauernfeind  
N. BAUERNFEIND, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

16 - 20 Anchored as before. 1625 YT 104 removed YF 249 from the port side. 1725 LCT 683 moored to the port side. 1755 Secured fires under boilers No. 1 & 2. Boiler #3 as standby and boiler #4 steaming for auxiliary purposes. Veered chain to 105 fathoms to the port anchor.

R. C. Heydenberk  
R. C. HEYDENBERK, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

20 - 24 Anchored as before. 2055 LCT 683 underway from port side.

B. O. Denton  
B. O. DENTON, Ch. Bosn., U.S.N.

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NITRO (AE-2)

Monday 7 May

1945

00 - 04 Anchored between berths 555 and 556 in Ulithi Atoll, Caroline Islands, in 24 fathoms of water with 105 fathoms of chain to port anchor on the following bearings: Beacon "H" 023° T., Beacon "J" 000° T., Beacon "K" 300° T. Boiler #4 steaming for auxiliary purposes.

*N. Bauernfeind*  
N. BAUERNFEIND, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

04 - 08 Anchored as before.

*J. L. Daley*  
J. L. DALEY, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

08 - 12 Anchored as before. Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. Made daily inspections of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 0830 LCT 928 came alongside starboard side. 0850 Commenced cargo operations. 0859 The summary court martial board of which Lieutenant James A. FANNING, U.S.N.R. is senior member, met to try the case of Gilbert James EDWARDS, 762 14 43, PhM3c, U.S.N.R. 0928 LCT 928 shoved off from starboard side. 1000 The summary court martial board of which Lieutenant James A. FANNING, U.S.N.R. is senior member, adjourned in the case of Gilbert James EDWARDS, 762 14 43, PhM3c, U.S.N.R. 1005 The summary court martial board of which Lieutenant James A. FANNING is senior member, met in the case of George Pierce HINES, 356 15 57, PhM2c, U.S.N. 1050 Secured from cargo operations. 1058 The summary court martial board of which Lieutenant James A. FANNING is senior member, adjourned in the case of George Pierce HINES Jr., 356 15 57, PhM2c, U.S.N.

*B. O. Denton*  
B. O. DENTON, Ch. Bosn., U.S.N.

12 - 16 Anchored as before. 1300 The summary court martial board of which Lieutenant James A. FANNING, U.S.N.R. is senior member, met to try the case of Donald Sears BAKER, 667 02 69, PhM1c, U.S.N.R. 1320 The summary court martial board of which Lieutenant James A. FANNING, U.S.N.R. is senior member, adjourned in the case of Donald Sears BAKER, 667 02 69, PhM1c, U.S.N.R. 1430 U.S.S. COLLETT (DD-730) made fast along starboard side. 1500 Commenced cargo operations. 1550 Secured cargo operations.

*J. A. Fanning*  
J. A. FANNING, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

16 - 20 Anchored as before. 1600 U.S.S. COLLETT (DD-730) cast off from starboard side.

*C. V. Hanson*  
C. V. HANSON, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

20 - 24 Anchored as before.

*R. D. Watson*  
R. D. WATSON, Ensign, U.S.N.

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NITRO (AE-2)

Tuesday 8 May 1945

00 - 04 Anchored between berths 555 and 556 in Ulithi Atoll, Caroline Islands, in 24 fathoms of water, 105 fathoms of chain to the port anchor on the following bearings: Beacon "H" 023° T., Beacon "J" 000° T., Beacon "K" 300° T. Boiler #4 steaming for auxiliary purposes.

J. A. Fanning  
J. A. FANNING, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

04 - 08 Anchored as before. 0530 Lighted fires under #1, #2 and #3 boilers. 0620 Completed all preparations for getting under way. 0705 Underway to go alongside U.S.S. MANDERSON VICTORY (AK-230). Captain at the conn. Executive officer and Navigator on the bridge using various courses and speeds to conform with shifting.

C. V. Hanson  
C. V. HANSON, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

08 - 12 Steaming as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 0900 Made daily inspections of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 0904 Moored starboard side to port side of U.S.S. MANDERSON VICTORY (AK-230) in berth 528 Ulithi Atoll, Caroline Islands with standard 8" manila lines fore and aft. 0924 Secured fires under #1 and #2 boilers. No. 4 boiler is steaming for auxiliary purposes. 0935 Commenced cargo operations. 1100 TAYLOR, Robert Earl, 626 40 70, S1c, U.S.N.R. suffered a compound fracture of the distal phalanx of the left thumb while working cargo. Necessary treatment was given and the injury is not the result of misconduct. 1120 Water Barge 117 made fast to port side. 1140 Commenced taking aboard fresh water.

R. D. Watson  
R. D. WATSON, Ensign, U.S.N.

12 - 16 Moored as before. 1332 Secured taking on fresh water having received 50,000 gallons. 1340 YW 117 cast off from the port side.

R. U. Heydenberg  
R. U. HEYDENBERG, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

16 - 20 Moored as before. 1700 JUST, Leonard Richard, 762 01 19, S1c, U.S.N.R. was injured while working in #5 hold, suffering a laceration of the scalp when struck by a cargo hook, Man was removed to sick bay and given necessary emergency treatment. He is being held for observation and further treatment. Injury not due to misconduct.

F. C. Campau  
F. C. CAMPAU, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

20 - 24 Moored as before. 2255 Ceased cargo operations because of lightning.

G. B. Backus  
G. B. BACKUS, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

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Wednesday 9 May 1945  
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00 - 04 Moored starboard side to port side of U.S.S. MANDERSON VICTORY (AK-230) in berth 528 Ulithi Atoll, Caroline Islands, No. 4 boiler steaming for auxiliary purposes. 0215 Commenced cargo operations. 0340 Secured cargo operations.

*R. C. Haydenberg*  
R. C. HAYDENBERG, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

04 - 08 Moored as before. 0530 Commenced cargo operations.

*F. C. Campau*  
F. C. CAMPAU, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

08 - 12 Moored as before. Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 0800 Lighted of #3 boiler. 0915 Lighted off #1 and #2 boilers. 0950 Lighted safeties by hand on #1 and #2 boilers. 1005 Tested out main engines. 1030 Secured cargo operations. 1037 Underway at various courses and speeds to conform with shifting. Commanding officer at conn, Executive officer and navigator on bridge. 1112 Anchored between berths 555 and 556 Ulithi Atoll, Caroline Islands in 24 fathoms of water with 105 fathoms of chain out to starboard anchor on the following bearings: Beacon "H" 022° T., Beacon "K" 300° T., Beacon "L" 278° T. 1115 Secured main engines. 1130 YO 76 came alongside port side. 1132 Secured #1 and #2 boilers. #3 boiler steaming for auxiliary purposes. 1145 Commenced taking on fuel oil.

*B. O. Denton*  
B. O. DENTON, Ch. Bosn., U.S.N.

12 - 16 Anchored as before. 1405 Ceased taking on fuel, having received 140,729 gallons. 1415 YO 76 cast off lines and stood away from port side.

*G. B. Backus*  
G. B. BACKUS, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

16 - 20 Anchored as before.

*N. Bauernfeind*  
N. BAUERNFELD, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

20 - 24 Anchored as before.

*J. L. Daley*  
J. L. DALEY, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

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Thursday 10 May

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00 - 04 Anchored between berths 555 and 556, Ulithi Atoll, Caroline Islands, in 24 fathoms of water with 105 fathoms of chain out to starboard anchor on the following bearings: Beacon "H" 022° T., Beacon "K" 300° T., Beacon "L" 278° T. Boiler #3 steaming for auxiliary purposes.

*B O Denton*  
B. O. DENTON, Ch. Bosn., U.S.N.

04 - 08 Anchored as before.

*N. Bauernfeld*  
N. BAUERNFELD, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

08 - 12 Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 0900 Made daily inspections of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal.. 0935 LCT 1084 Made fast to port side. 1000 Commenced cargo operations. 1105 Secured from cargo operations. 1110 LCT 1084 cast off from port side.

*J. L. Daley*  
J. L. DALEY, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

12 - 16 Anchored as before. 1240 Commenced working cargo. 1355 LCT 762 made fast to port side.

*R. B. Watson*  
R. B. WATSON, Ensign, U.S.N.

16 - 20 Anchored as before. 1730 Ceased cargo operations.

*J. A. Fanning*  
J. A. FANNING, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

20 - 24 Anchored as before. 2100 LCT 762 cast off from port side.

*C. V. Hanson*  
C. V. HANSON, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

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NITRO (AE-2)

Friday 11 May

1945

00 - 04 Anchored between berths 555 and 556, Ulithi Atoll, Caroline Islands, in 24 fathoms of water with 105 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor on the following bearings: Beacon "H" 022° T, Beacon "K" 300° T, Beacon "L" 278° T. Number 3 boiler is steaming for auxiliary purposes.

*R. D. Watson*  
R. D. WATSON, Ensign, U.S.N.

04 - 08 Anchored as before.

*J. A. Fanning*  
J. A. FANNING, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

08 - 12 Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 0830 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 1010 LCT 837 moored alongside starboard side. 1015 Commenced cargo operations. 1100 Ceased cargo operations. 1100 LCT 837 cast off from starboard side.

*C. V. Hanson*  
C. V. HANSON, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

12 - 16 Anchored as before.

*G. B. Backus*  
G. B. BACKUS, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

16 - 20 Anchored as before. 1755 Commenced cargo operations. 1825 Secured from cargo operations. 1855 LCT 1178 made fast to starboard side. 1900 Commenced cargo operations. 1920 Ceased cargo operations. 1920 LCT 1178 cast off starboard side.

*J. L. Daley*  
J. L. DALEY, Ensign, U.S.N.A.

20 - 24 Anchored as before.

*F. C. Campau*  
F. C. CAMPAU, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

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NITRO (AE-2)

Saturday 12 May 1945

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00 - 04 Anchored between berths 555 and 556, in Ulithi Atoll, Caroline Islands, in 24 fathoms of water with 105 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor on the following bearings: Beacon "H" 022° T., Beacon "K" 300° T., Beacon "L" 278° T. Boiler No. 3 steaming for auxiliary purposes.

*G. B. Backus*

G. B. BACKUS, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

04 - 08 Anchored as before.

*R. C. Haydenberg*

R. C. HAYDENBERG, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

08 - 12 Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 0830 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 1129 Went to general quarters, air flash red. 1153 Secured from general quarters, air flash white.

*F. C. Campau*

F. C. CAMPAU, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

12 - 16 Anchored as before. 1305 U.S.S. MARSHALL (DD-676) made fast to starboard side. 1325 Commenced cargo operations. U.S.S. MARSHALL (DD-676) tore 10 foot section of bulwarks between frames 69 and 73 in coming alongside. 1445 U.S.S. MARSHALL (DD-676) cast off from starboard side and stood away. 1455 U.S.S. LEWIS HANCOCK (DD-675) made fast to starboard side.

*J. L. Daley*

J. L. DALEY, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

16 - 20 Anchored as before. 1616 U.S.S. PGM 25 came alongside port side. 1640 U.S.S. LEWIS HANCOCK (DD-675) got underway from starboard side. 1655 U.S.S. STANLY (DD-478) came alongside starboard side. 1815 PGM 25 underway from port side. 1915 Secured cargo operations.

*B. O. Denton*

B. O. DENTON, Ch. Bosn., U.S.N.

20 - 24 Anchored as before.

*N. Bruernfeld*

N. BRUERNFELD, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

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NITRO (AE-2)

Sunday 13 May 1945  
Day: Date: (M/D/Y)

00 - 04 Anchored between berths 555 and 556 in Ulithi Atoll, Caroline Islands, in 24 fathoms of water with 105 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor on the following bearings: Beacon "H" 022° T., Beacon "K" 300° T., Beacon "L" 278° T. Boiler #3 steaming for auxiliary purposes. U.S.S. STANLY (DD-478) moored to starboard side.

*J. L. Daley*  
J. L. DALEY, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

04 - 08 Anchored as before. 0615 U.S.S. STANLY (DD-478) got underway from starboard side. 0745 U.S.S. RED OAK VICTORY (AK-235) came alongside starboard side.

*B. O. Denton*  
B. O. DENTON, Ch. Bosn., U.S.N.

08 - 12 Anchored as before. 0800 Crew was mustered on stations, no absentees. 0825 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 0840 LCT 816 made fast along port side. 0845 Commenced cargo operations. 0945 Cast off LCT 816 from along port side. 1030 LCT 1309 made fast along port side. 1105 Cast off LCT 1309 from along port side.

*J. A. Fanning*  
J. A. FANNING, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

12 - 16 Anchored as before.

*R. C. Heydenberk*  
R. C. HEYDENBERK, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

16 - 20 Anchored as before.

*R. D. Watson*  
R. D. WATSON, Ensign, U.S.N.

20 - 24 Anchored as before.

*J. A. Fanning*  
J. A. FANNING, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

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NITRO (AE-2)

Monday 14 May 1945

00 - 04 Anchored between berths 555 and 556 in Ulithi Atoll, Caroline Islands, in 24 fathoms of water with 105 fathoms of chain to starboard anchor on the following bearings: Beacon "H" 022° T., Beacon "K" 300° T., Beacon "L" 278° T. #3 boiler steaming for auxiliary purposes. U.S.S. RED OAK VICTORY (AK-235) alongside to starboard and cargo operations in progress. 0235 Ceased cargo operations.

*C. V. Hanson*  
C. V. HANSON, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

04 - 08 Anchored as before. 0530 Lighted fires under No. 4 boiler. 0600 Lighted fires under No. 1 & 2 boilers. 0655 U.S.S. RED OAK VICTORY (AK-235) cast off from starboard side and stood away. 0705 Tested main engines and ready to get under way. 0725 Underway to shift to firing berth. Captain at conn, Executive officer and navigator on bridge, using various courses and speeds to conform with shifting. 0758 Anchored in Firing Berth Able Three (A-3) in Ulithi Atoll, Caroline Islands in 18 fathoms of water with 60 fathoms of chain to starboard anchor on the following bearings: Beacon "K" 023° T., Beacon "L" 262° T., Beacon "M" 201° T. 0758 Let fires die out under boilers #1 and #2. Boiler #3 and #4 steaming for auxiliary purposes.

*R. D. Watson*  
R. D. WATSON, Ensign, U.S.N.

08 - 12 Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 0814 General quarters for antiaircraft firing practice. 0830 Made daily inspections of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 1035 Secured from antiaircraft firing practice and general quarters, having fired 73 rounds 3"/50, 424 rounds 1.1. and 519 rounds 20MM. 1035 Lighted fires under boiler #1 and #2. 1045 Tested main engines and ready to get underway. 1047 Underway to shift to assigned berth, Captain at conn, Executive officer and Navigator on bridge, using various courses and speeds to conform to shifting. 1113 Anchored between berths 555 and 556 in 24 fathoms of water with 105 fathoms of chain to port anchor on the following bearings: Beacon "J" 000° T., Beacon "K" 300° T., Beacon "L" 276° T. 1120 Let fires die out under boilers #1, 2, and 4. Boiler #3 steaming for auxiliary purposes.

*N. Bauernfeld*  
N. BAUERNFELD, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

12 - 16 Anchored as before. 1445 LCT 1084 moored to port side. 1520 Commenced cargo operations.

*F. C. Campau*  
F. C. CAMPAU, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

16 - 20 Anchored as before. 1940 Ceased cargo operations. 1945 LCT 1084 cast off from the port side.

*G. E. Backus*  
G. E. BACKUS, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

20 - 24 Anchored as before.

*R. C. Heydenberk*  
R. C. HEYDENBERK, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

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UNITED STATES SHIP NITRO (AE-2) Tuesday 15 May 1945

00 - 04 Anchored between berths 555 and 556 in Ulithi Atoll, Caroline Islands, in 24 fathoms of water with 105 fathoms of chain to port anchor on the following bearings: Beacon "J" 000° T., Beacon "K" 300° T., Beacon "L" 276° T. Boiler #3 steaming for auxiliary purposes.

F. C. CAMPAU, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

04 - 08 Anchored as before.

G. B. BACKUS, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

08 - 12 Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 0900 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 1000 Published the findings in the summary court martial of EDWARDS, Gilbert James, 762 14 43, PhM3c, U.S.N.R. for drunkenness; Findings: Guilty; Sentence: to be confined (limits of the ship) for a period of 30 days, and to lose \$29.00 per month of his pay for a period 2 months, total loss of pay amounting to \$78.00. Approved by convening authority 7 May 1945. Approved by immediate superior in command as mitigated 9 May 1945. 1003 Published the findings in the summary court martial of BAKER, Donald Sears, 667 02 69, PhM1c, U.S.N.R. for drunkenness (not having been ashore); Finding: Guilty; Sentence; to be confined (limits of the ship) for a period of 30 days, and to lose \$19.00 per month of his pay for a period of 6 months, total loss of pay amounting to \$114.00. Approved by the convening authority 7 May 1945. Approved by immediate superior in command as mitigated 9 May 1945.

R. C. HEYDENBERK, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

12 - 16 Anchored as before.

N. BAUERNFELD, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

16 - 20 Anchored as before.

J. L. DALEY, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

20 - 24 Anchored as before.

B. O. DENTON, Ch. Bosn., U.S.N.

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NITRO (AE-2)

Wednesday 16 May 1945

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00 - 04 Anchored between berths 555 and 556 in Ulithi Atoll, Caroline Islands, in 24 fathoms of water with 105 fathoms of chain to port anchor on the following bearings: Beacon "J" 000° T., Beacon "K" 300° T., Beacon "L" 276° T. Boiler #3 steaming for auxiliary purposes.

*N. Bauernfeind*  
N. BAUERNFELD, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

04 - 08 Anchored as before. 0707 S.S. CHARLES J. FINGER made fast to star-board side.

*J. L. Daley*  
J. L. DALEY, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

08 - 12 Anchored as before. 0800 Held quarters for muster of crew, no absentees. Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 0915 Lighted off #1 boiler. 0930 LCT 881 made fast to port side. 0935 Steam formed #1 boiler. Lifted safeties by hand at 100 pounds pressure. 1025 Secured #3 boiler. Cut in #1 boiler. 1045 Lit off #2 boiler. 1105 Steam formed and pressure boosted to 200 pounds pressure. 1105 LCT 881 underway from port side. 1110 Secured boosting #4 boiler 1110 U.S.S. LEWIS (DD-535) came alongside port side. 1130 FOX, Patrick Raymond, 646 15 16, Slc, U.S.N.R. subject named man suffered an injury to the left hand while working cargo. Contusion of ring finger left hand with possible fracture. Sent to U.S.S. AJAX for X-ray examination. Injury not the result of own misconduct. 1140 U.S.S. LEWIS (DD-535) underway from port side.

*B. C. Denton*  
B. C. DENTON, Ch. Boan., U.S.N.

12 - 16 Anchored as before. 1210 YW 117 made fast along port side. 1220 Commenced receiving fresh water on board. 1540 Ceased taking fresh water on board, having received 65,000 gallons. 1545 Cast off YW 117 from along port side.

*J. A. Fanning*  
J. A. FANNING, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

16 - 20 Anchored as before. 1630 LCT 837 made fast to port side. 1650 LCT 837 cast off from port side.

*C. V. Hanson*  
C. V. HANSON, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

20 - 24 Anchored as before. 2040 LCT 1309 made fast to port side. 2240 LCT 1309 cast off from port side.

*R. D. Watson*  
R. D. WATSON, Ensign, U.S.N.

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NITRO (AE-2)

Thursday 17 May 1945

(Day) (Date) (Month)

00 - 04 Anchored between berths 555 and 556 in Ulithi Atoll, Caroline Islands, in 24 fathoms of water, 105 fathoms of chain to the port anchor on the following bearings: Beacon "J" 000° T., Beacon "K" 300° T., Beacon "L" 276° T. Boiler #1 steaming for auxiliary purposes. S.S. CHARLES J. FINGER made fast along star-board side. Cargo operations in progress.

*J. A. Fanning*  
J. A. FANNING, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

04 - 08 Anchored as before.

*C. V. Hanson*  
C. V. HANSON, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

08 - 12 Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 0900 Made daily inspections of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. Tested sprinkler systems, condition normal. 1010 LCT 880 made fast to port side. 1135 LCT 880 cast off from port side.

*R. D. Watson*  
R. D. WATSON, Ensign, U.S.N.

12 - 16 Anchored as before.

*R. C. Heydenberk*  
R. C. HEYDENBERK, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

16 - 20 Anchored as before. 1815 LCT 838 moored to port side.

*F. C. Campau*  
F. C. CAMPAU, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

20 - 24 Anchored as before.

*G. B. Backus*  
G. B. BACKUS, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

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Friday 18 May 1945  
(Day) (Date) (Month)

00 - 04 Anchored between berths 555 and 556 in Ulithi Atoll, Caroline Islands, in 24 fathoms of water, 105 fathoms of chain to the port anchor, on the following bearings: Beacon "J" 000° T., Beacon "K" 300° T., Beacon "L" 276° T. #1 boiler steaming for auxiliary purposes. S.S. CHARLES J. FINGER moored to the starboard side. Cargo operations in progress. LCT 838 alongside to port.

*R. D. Heydenberk*  
R. D. HEYDENBERK, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

04 - 08 Anchored as before.

*F. C. Campau*  
F. C. CAMPAU, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

08 - 12 Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 0830 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal.

*G. B. Backus*  
G. B. BACKUS, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

12 - 16 Anchored as before.

*B. O. Denton*  
B. O. DENTON, Ch. Bosn., U.S.N.

16 - 20 Anchored as before. 1615 Pursuant to ComServRonTEN Personnel Order No. 1950-14 of 18 May 1945 the following men were received on board for duty with hammocks, bags, and records:

CARVER, Chester T.,	252 02 06, S2c, V6, U.S.N.R.
CASDORPH, Charles C.,	929 47 40, S2c, V6, U.S.N.R.
CASH, Ardell (n).,	581 54 43, S2c, V6, U.S.N.R.
CAWLEY, Jerome T.,	960 11 74, S2c, V6, U.S.N.R.
CHAMPION, Charles H.,	976 78 05, S2c, V6, U.S.N.R.
CHAMBERLIN, Robert L.,	314 21 96, S2c, V6, U.S.N.R.
CHAMBERS, Emmett J. Jr.,	968 27 54, S2c, V6, U.S.N.R.
CHANDLER, Charles H.,	863 35 90, S2c, V6, U.S.N.R.
CHESLER, Edward R.,	339 07 89, S2c, V6, U.S.N.R.
BOUCHER, Roland J.,	960 14 46, F2c, V6, U.S.N.R.
BOGDA, James L.,	960 15 71, F2c, V6, U.S.N.R.
BOYLE, George H. Jr.,	983 67 33, F2c, V6, U.S.N.R.
BRIGHT, John M.,	978 74 70, F2c, V6, U.S.N.R.
CASHWELL, Glenn B.,	970 50 01, F2c, V6, U.S.N.R.
CARTE, Eugene F.,	929 47 54, S2c, V6, U.S.N.R.

1905 LCT 838 cast off from port side.

*N. Bauernfeind*  
N. BAUERNFEIND, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

20 - 24 Anchored as before.

*J. L. Daley*  
J. L. DALEY, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

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Saturday 19 May 1945

00 - 04 Anchored between berths 555 and 556 Ulithi Atoll, Caroline Islands, in 24 fathoms of water, with 105 fathoms of chain out to port anchor on the following bearings: Beacon "J" 000° T., Beacon "K" 300° T., Beacon "L" 276° T. Boiler #1 steaming for auxiliary purposes. S.S. CHARLES J. FINGER alongside to starboard. Cargo operations in progress.

*B. O. Denton*  
B. O. DENTON, Ch. Bosn., U.S.N.

04 - 08 Anchored as before.

*N. Bauernfeind*  
N. BAUERNFELD, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

08 - 12 Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 1000 Secured cargo operations. 1030 Made daily inspections of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 1100 The following named men in charge of GRIMM, Leroy Frank, 829 02 76, GM2c, U.S.N.R. were received aboard with baggage and without records or accounts pursuant to authority ComServRon TEN P16-3/12M PT-157/45 of 4/3/45 for temporary duty:

RUSSEL, Leon McDonald,	641 36 09, GM2c, U.S.N.R.
HIGGIN, Eugene Francis,	648 9007, GM2c, U.S.N.R.
SIERACZYNSKI, Joseph John,	623 01 70, GM2c, U.S.N.R.
SHERFEY, Harold Daniel,	291 82 26, GM2c, U.S.N.R.
NEIBARGER, Kenneth Duain,	852 15 12, GM2c, U.S.N.R.
DACHILLE, Vito Louis,	712 38 16, GM3c, U.S.N.R.
SIANER, James Wayne,	755 76 51, GM2c, U.S.N.R.
MONTGOMERY, Ralph Leroy,	876 83 78, GM3c, U.S.N.R.
WLEDOW, Gerald Alfred,	859 93 74, GM3c, U.S.N.R.

*J. L. Daley*  
J. L. DALEY, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

12 - 16 Anchored as before. 1335 S.S. CHARLES J. FINGER cast off from starboard side.

*B. O. Denton*  
B. O. DENTON, Ch. Bosn., U.S.N.

16 - 20 Anchored as before.

*J. A. Fanning*  
J. A. FANNING, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

20 - 24 Anchored as before.

*C. V. Hanson*  
C. V. HANSON, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

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UNITED STATES SHIP NITRO (AE-2) Sunday 20 May 1945  
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00 - 04 Anchored between berths 555 and 556 Ulithi Lagoon, Caroline Islands, in 24 fathoms of water with 105 fathoms of chain to the port anchor, coral mud bottom, on the following bearings: Beacon "J" 000° T., Beacon "K" 300° T., Beacon "L" 276° T. No. 1 boiler is steaming for auxiliary purposes.

*R. D. Watson*  
 R. D. WATSON, Ensign, U.S.N.

04 - 08 Anchored as before. 0630 Lighted fires under #2 boiler. 0645 Lighted fires under #3 and #4 boilers.

*J. A. Fanning*  
 J. A. FANNING, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

08 - 12 Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees. 0810 Tested main engines and completed all preparations for getting underway. 0830 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 0845 Got underway for Leyte-Samar P.I. in Tactical Command of task Unit 50.9.13 pursuant to CincPac Advanced Headquarters secret dispatch 0706 of 4 May 1945. Captain at conn, navigator and executive officer on bridge using various courses and speeds to stand out of harbor. 0855 Commenced swinging ship to compensate compasses. 0925 Secured from swinging ship. 0954 Passed Roriparakku beacon abeam to starboard distance 300 yards. 1000 Passed beacon "A" abeam to starboard distance 600 yards. 1001 Passed through point Xray. 1025 Passed through point Able. 1125 Passed through point Baker and took departure on course 018° T., 018° pgc., 038° psc.

*N. Bauerneind*  
 N. BAUERNEIND, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

12 - 16 Steaming on course 018° T., 018° pgc., 038° psc at one third speed, 40 RPM, 5.7 knots. 1247 Changed course to 340° T., 340° pgc., 308° psc. 1415 Changed course to 310° T., 310° pgc., 271° psc. 1430 Ships of Task Unit 50.9.13 assumed assigned positions in convoy. 1436 Increased speed to two thirds, 75 RPM, 10 knots. 1510 Changed course to 285° T., 285° pgc., 252° psc.

*G. B. Backus*  
 G. B. BACKUS, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

16 - 18 Steaming as before on course 285° T., 285° pgc., 252° psc at 75 RPM, 10 knots. 1632 Reduced speed to two thirds standard speed, 71 RPM, 9.5 knots.

*R. D. Watson*  
 R. D. WATSON, Ensign, U.S.N.

18 - 20 Steaming as before on course 285° T., 285° pgc., 266° psc at two thirds speed, 71 RPM, 9.5 knots.

*J. A. Fanning*  
 J. A. FANNING, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

20 - 24 Steaming as before on course 285° T., 285° pgc., 266° psc at two thirds speed 71 RPM, 9.5 knots. 2310 Changed course to 272° T., 272° pgc., 255° psc.

*C. V. Hanson*  
 C. V. HANSON, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

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Monday 21 May 1945

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00 - 04 Steaming in Tactical Command of Task Unit 50.9.13 on course 272° T., 272° pgc., 255° psc, at two thirds speed, 71 RPM, 9.5 knots.

*G. B. Backus*

G. B. BACKUS, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

04 - 08 Steaming as before on course 272° T., 272° pgc., 255° psc, at two thirds speed, 71 RPM, 9.5 knots. 0545 General quarters. 0618 Secured from general quarters.

*R. D. Watson*

R. D. WATSON, Ensign, U.S.N.

08 - 12 Steaming as before on course 272° T., 272° pgc., 255° psc, at two thirds speed, 71 RPM, 9.5 knots. 0800 Crew mustered on stations, no absentees. 0830 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 1112 Changed two thirds speed to 70 RPM, 9.4 knots.

*J. A. Fanning*

J. A. FANNING, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

12 - 16 Steaming as before on course 272° T., 272° pgc., 255° psc, at two thirds speed, 70 RPM, 9.4 knots. 1340 Changed course to 271° T., 271° pgc., 255° psc.

*C. V. Hanson*

C. V. HANSON, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

16 - 18 Steaming as before on course 271° T., 271° pgc., 255° psc, at two thirds speed, 70 RPM, 9.4 knots. 1650 Changed course to 269° T., 269° pgc., 253° psc. 1705 Changed speed to 60 RPM, 8.1 knots.

*G. B. Backus*

G. B. BACKUS, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

18 - 20 Steaming as before on course 269° T., 269° pgc., 253° psc, at 60 RPM, 8.1 knots. 1913 General quarters. 1945 Secured from general quarters.

*R. D. Watson*

R. D. WATSON, Ensign, U.S.N.

20 - 24 Steaming as before on course 269° T., 269° pgc., 253° psc, at two thirds speed, 60 RPM, 8.1 knots. 2030 Changed two thirds speed to 63 RPM, 8.5 knots.

*J. A. Fanning*

J. A. FANNING, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

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NITRO (AE-2)

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00 - 04 Steaming in Tactical Command of Task Unit 50.9.13 on course 269° T., 269° pgc., and 253° psc, at two thirds speed, 63 RPM, 8.5 knots.

*C. V. Hanson*

C. V. HANSON, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

04 - 08 Steaming as before on course 269° T., 269° pgc., and 253° psc, at two thirds speed, 62 RPM, 8.3 knots. 0600 General quarters. 0630 Secured from general quarters.

*G. B. Backus*

G. B. BACKUS, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

08 - 12 Steaming as before on course 269° T., 269° pgc., and 254° psc, at two thirds speed, 62 RPM, 8.4 knots. 0800 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 0900 Made daily inspections of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal.

*R. D. Watson*

R. D. WATSON, Ensign, U.S.N.

12 - 16 Steaming as before on course 269° T., 269° pgc., and 254° psc, at two thirds speed, 62 RPM, 8.4 knots. 1347 Changed course to 263° T., 263° pgc., and 249° psc.

*J. A. Fanning*

J. A. FANNING, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

16 - 18 Steaming as before on course 263° T., 263° pgc., and 249° psc, at two thirds speed, 62 RPM, 8.4 knots. 1800 Set clocks back one (1) hour to conform with minus 9 (-9) zone description.

*C. V. Hanson*

C. V. HANSON, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

18 - 20 Steaming as before on course 263° T., 263° pgc., and 249° psc, at two thirds speed, 62 RPM, 8.4 knots.

*G. B. Backus*

G. B. BACKUS, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

20 - 24 Steaming as before on course 263° T., 263° pgc., and 249° psc, at two thirds standard speed, 62 RPM, 8.4 knots.

*R. D. Watson*

R. D. WATSON, Ensign, U.S.N.

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Wednesday 23 May 1945

00 - 04 Steaming in Tactical Command of Task Unit 50.9.13 on course 263° T., 263° pgc., and 249° psc, at two thirds speed, 62 RPM, 8.4 knots.

*J. A. Fanning*  
J. A. FANNING, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

04 - 08 Steaming as before on course 263° T., 263° pgc., and 249° psc, at two thirds speed, 62 RPM, 8.4 knots. 0525 General quarters. 0543 Secured from general quarters.

*C. V. Hanson*  
C. V. HANSON, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

08 - 12 Steaming as before on course 263° T., 263° pgc., and 249° psc, at two thirds speed, 62 RPM, 8.4 knots. 0800 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 0830 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 0907 Changed speed to 50 RPM, 6.9 knots.

*G. B. Backus*  
G. B. BACKUS, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

12 - 16 Steaming as before on course 263° T., 263° pgc., and 249° psc, at two thirds speed, 50 RPM, 6.9 knots. 1301 Changed course to 265° T., 265° pgc., and 251° psc.

*R. D. Watson*  
R. D. WATSON, Ensign, U.S.N.

16 - 18 Steaming as before on course 265° T., 265° pgc., and 251° psc, at two thirds speed, 50 RPM, 6.9 knots. 1626 Changed two thirds speed to 48 RPM, 6.7 knots.

*J. A. Fanning*  
J. A. FANNING, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

18 - 20 Steaming as before on course 265° T., 265° pgc., and 251° psc, at two thirds speed, 48 RPM, 6.7 knots.

*C. V. Hanson*  
C. V. HANSON, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

20 - 24 Steaming as before on course 265° T., 265° pgc., and 251° psc, at two thirds speed, 48 RPM, 6.7 knots.

*G. B. Backus*  
G. B. BACKUS, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

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UNITED STATES SHIP NITRO (AE-2) Thursday 24 May 1945

00 - 04 Steaming in Tactical Command of Task Unit 50.9.13 on course 265° T., 265° pgc., and 251° psc, at two thirds speed, 48 RPM, 6.7 knots.

R. D. WATSON, Ensign, U.S.N.

04 - 08 Steaming as before on course 265° T., 265° pgc., and 251° psc, at two thirds speed, 48 RPM, 6.7 knots. 0615 Changed speed to one third speed, 27 RPM, 4.0 knots.

J. A. FANNING, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

08 - 12 Steaming as before on course 265° T., 265° pgc., and 251° psc, at one third speed, 27 RPM, 4.0 knots. 0800 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 0800 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 0900 Changed course to 274° T., 274° pgc., and 259° psc.

C. V. HANSON, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

12 - 16 Steaming as before on course 274° T., 274° pgc., and 259° psc, at one third speed, 27 RPM, 3.9 knots.

G. B. BACKUS, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

16 - 18 Steaming as before on course 274° T., 274° pgc., and 259° psc, at one third speed, 27 RPM, 3.9 knots.

R. D. WATSON, Ensign, U.S.N.

18 - 20 Steaming as before on course 274° T., 274° pgc., and 259° psc, at one third speed, 27 RPM, 3.9 knots.

J. A. FANNING, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

20 - 24 Steaming as before on course 274° T., 274° pgc., and 259° psc, at one third speed, 27 RPM, 3.9 knots. 2100 Changed speed to 70 RPM, 9.4 knots. 2340 Sighted Suluan Island by radar, bearing 284° T., distance 24 miles. 2345 Sighted Suluan Island light bearing 289°, distance 23 miles.

C. V. HANSON, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

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UNITED STATES SHIP

NITRO (AE-2)

Friday 25 May

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00 - 04 Steaming in Tactical Command of Task Unit 50.9.13 on course 274° T., 274° pgc., and 259° psc, at two thirds speed, 70 RPM, 9.3 knots. 0023 Changed course to 269° T., 269° pgc., and 254° psc. 0202 Passed Suluan Island Light abeam to starboard, distance 9 miles. 0315 Changed course to 289° T., 289° pgc., and 274° psc, and entered Surigao Strait.



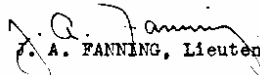
G. B. BACKUS, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

04 - 08 Steaming as before on course 289° T., 289° pgc., and 270° psc, at two thirds speed, 70 RPM, 9.3 knots. 0445 Entered Leyte Gulf and changed course to 309° T., 309° pgc., and 297° psc, using various courses and speeds to enter swept channel to San Pedro Bay. 0600 Convoy commenced to form in single column. 0737 Passed buoy "C-1" abeam to port, distance 50 yards. 0758 Passed buoy "C-3" abeam to port, distance 50 yards.



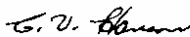
R. D. WATSON, Ensign, U.S.N.

08 - 12 Steaming as before using various courses and speeds to conform with channel and enter San Pedro Bay, P.I. Captain at the conn, Navigator on the bridge. Crew mustered on stations, no absentees. 0830 Anchored in berth 120 in San Pedro Bay, Philippine Islands in 17 fathoms of water, 75 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor, on the following bearings: Raso Island 357° T., Badungbadung Island 014° T., Mantuaea Point 104° T. 0830 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 0840 Let all unnecessary fires die out. Boiler #2 steaming for auxiliary purposes.



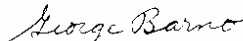
J. A. FANNING, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

12 - 16 Anchored as before.



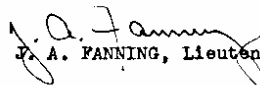
C. V. HANSON, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

16 - 20 Anchored as before.



GEORGE BARNO, Ch. Gun., U.S.N.

20 - 24 Anchored as before.



J. A. FANNING, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

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UNITED STATES SHIP NITRO (AE-2) Saturday 26 May 1945

00 - 04 Anchored in berth 120 in San Pedro Bay, Philippine Islands, in 17 fathoms of water, with 75 fathoms of chain to starboard anchor on the following bearings: Raso Island 357° T., Badungbadung Island 014° T., Mantuaca Point 104° T. #2 boiler steaming for auxiliary purposes.

*C. V. Hanson*  
C. V. HANSON, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

04 - 08 Anchored as before.

*George Barno*  
GEORGE BARNO, CH. Gun., U.S.N.

08 - 12 Anchored as before. Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal. 1000 Held quarters for muster and Captains inspection of personnel and upper decks. No absentees at quarters.

*J. A. Fanning*  
J. A. FANNING, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

12 - 16 Anchored as before.

*G. B. Backus*  
G. B. BACKUS, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

16 - 20 Anchored as before.

*R. C. Henderson*  
R. C. HENDERSON, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

20 - 24 Anchored as before.

*F. C. Campau*  
F. C. CAMPAU, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

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UNITED STATES SHIP NITRO (AE-2) Sunday 27 May 1945

00 - 04 Anchored in berth 120 in San Pedro Bay, Philippine Islands, in 17 fathoms of water with 75 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor on the following bearings: Raso Island 357° T., Badungbadung Island 014° T., and Mantuaaa Point 104° T. Boiler No. 2 steaming for auxiliary purposes.

*G. B. Backus*

G. B. BACKUS, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

04 - 08 Anchored as before.

*R. C. Heydenberg*

R. C. HEYDENBERG, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

08 - 12 Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 0930 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal.

*F. C. Campau*

F. C. CAMPAU, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

12 - 16 Anchored as before.

*J. L. Daley*

J. L. DALEY, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

16 - 20 Anchored as before.

*B. O. Denton*

B. O. DENTON, Ch. Bosn., U.S.N.

20 - 24 Anchored as before.

*N. B. Uernfeld*

N. B. UERNFELD, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

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UNITED STATES SHIP

NITRO (AE-2)

Monday 28 May 1945  
(Day) (Date) (Month)

00 - 04 Anchored in berth 120 in San Pedro Bay, P.I., in 17 fathoms of water with 75 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor on the following bearings: Raso Island 357° T., Badungbadung Island 014° T., and Mantuaca Point 104° T. Boiler #2 steaming for auxiliary purposes.

*J. L. Daley*  
J. L. DALEY, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

04 - 08 Anchored as before.

*B. O. Denton*  
B. O. DENTON, Ch. Bosn., U.S.N.

08 - 12 Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 0830 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal.

*N. Bauernfeld*  
N. BAUERNFELD, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

12 - 16 Anchored as before.

*J. A. Fanning*  
J. A. FANNING, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

16 - 20 Anchored as before.

*C. V. Hanson*  
C. V. HANSON, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

20 - 24 Anchored as before.

*George Barno*  
GEORGE BARNO, Ch. Gun., U.S.N.

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UNITED STATES SHIP

NITRO (AE-2)

Tuesday 29 May

1945

00 - 04 Anchored in berth 120, in San Pedro Bay, P.I., in 17 fathoms of water, 75 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor on the following bearings: Raso Island 357° T., Badungbadung Island 014° T., and Mantuaca Point 104° T. Boiler #2 steaming for auxiliary purposes.

*J. A. Fanning*  
J. A. FANNING, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

04 - 08 Anchored as before.

*C. V. Hanson*  
C. V. HANSON, Lt. (jg), U.S.M.R.

08 - 12 Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters, no absentees. 0900 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal.

*George Barno*  
GEORGE BARNO, Ch. Gun., U.S.N.

12 - 16 Anchored as before.

*F. C. Campau*  
F. C. CAMPAU, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

16 - 20 Anchored as before.

*G. B. Backus*  
G. B. BACKUS, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

20 - 24 Anchored as before.

*R. C. Heydenberg*  
R. C. HEYDENBERG, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

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UNITED STATES SHIP NITRO (AE-2) Wednesday 30 May 1945

00 - 04 Anchored in berth 120 in San Pedro Bay, Philippine Islands in 17 fathoms of water with 75 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor on the following bearings: Base Island 357° T., Badungbadung Island 014° T., Mantuaa Point 104° T. Boiler #2 steaming for auxiliary purposes.

F. C. Campau  
F. C. CAMPAU, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

04 - 08 Anchored as before.

G. B. Backus  
G. B. BACKUS, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

08 - 12 Anchored as before. 0800 Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. 0845 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal.

R. C. Feydenberk  
R. C. FEYDENBERK, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

12 - 16 Anchored as before.

N. Bauernfeind  
N. BAUERNFEIND, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

16 - 20 Anchored as before.

J. L. Daley  
J. L. DALEY, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

20 - 24 Anchored as before.

B. O. Denton  
B. O. DENTON, Ch. Boats., U.S.N.

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UNITED STATES SHIP NITRO (AE-2) Thursday 31 May 1945  
(Day) (Date) (Month)

00 - 04 Anchored in berth 120 in San Pedro Bay, P.I. in 17 fathoms of water with 75 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor on the following bearings: Raso Island 357° T., BadungBadung Island 014° T., Mantuaca Point 104° T. Boiler #2 steaming for auxiliary purposes.

*N. Bauernfreund*  
 N. BAUERNFREUND, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

04 - 08 Anchored as before.

*J. L. Daley*  
 J. L. DALEY, Ensign, U.S.N.R.

08 - 12 Anchored as before. Mustered crew on stations, no absentees. The following named men were transferred with records and baggage pursuant to authority of ComServRon EIGHT ltr P11-1/MM(2530) of 11 May 1945: HURST, Forrest Lamarr, 296 60 66, OMM(T), U.S.N. BERRY, Dan Kelly, 644 07 00, MMlc(T), V-6, U.S.N.R. WINDSOR, James Monroe, 833 96 91, WT3c(T), V-6, U.S.N.R. The following named man was transferred with records and baggage pursuant to authority of ComServRon EIGHT ltr P11-1/MM(2530) of 11 May 1945: STEVENS, Jack (n), 636 60 78, GM2c(T), U.S.N.R. The following named man was transferred with records and baggage pursuant to authority of ComServRon EIGHT ltr P16-3/MM(14703-66) of 9 May 1945: COBLENTZ, Olin Oral, 310 77 49, CGM(PA), U.S.N. The following named men were transferred with records and baggage pursuant to authority of ComServRon EIGHT ltr P16-3/MM(2358) of 4 May 1945: FIERCE, Edward Stanton, 295 44 37, CRM(T), U.S.N. CRADDOCK, Robert Harold, 287 26 93, SSMB2c(T), U.S.N. LUKASZEWSKI, John Joseph, 707 13 07, Cox(T), U.S.N.R. REMIC, William Dominick, 652 86 15, Cox(T), U.S.N.R. The following named man was transferred with records and baggage pursuant to authority of ComServRon EIGHT ltr P11-1/MM(2530) of 11 May 1945: CAREY, John Maitland, 706 99 42, GM2c(T), V-6, U.S.N.R. 0925 Lt fires under #4 boiler. 1030 Secured boosting steam in #1 boiler. 1100 Made daily inspection of magazines and smokeless powder samples, conditions normal.

*B. O. Denton*  
 B. O. DENTON, Ch. Bosn., U.S.N.

12 - 16 Anchored as before. 1410 LCT 1369 made fast along starboard side.

*George Barno*  
 GEORGE BARNO, Ch. Gun., U.S.N.

16 - 20 Anchored as before. 1615 LCT 1051 made fast along starboard side. 1815 Commenced cargo operations.

*J. A. Fanning*  
 J. A. FANNING, Lieutenant, U.S.N.R.

20 - 24 Anchored as before.

*C. V. Hanson*  
 C. V. HANSON, Lt. (jg), U.S.N.R.

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