



September 4, 1943, Arrived  
at Great Lakes.

October 28, 1943, Home  
on boat leave.

November 11, 1943, Arrived  
at University of Minnesota.

March 6, 1944, Disembarked  
& started home on 7 days  
delayed orders.

March 15, 1944 Arrived  
at Treasure Island,  
San Francisco.

March 27, 1944, Started  
home on 12 days leave.

April 13, 1944, Arrived  
at Treasure Island from  
leave.

April 22, 1944, Boarded  
Gen. Hase for temporary  
commissioning.

May 3, 1944, Shoved off for  
Vancouver, Washington.

May 5, 1944, Arrived at  
Vancouver, Wash.

May 12, 1944, Ship was  
taken out of commission,  
left for Treasure Island  
by train.

May 13, 1944, Back at S. V.  
from Vancouver, Wash.

June 1, 1944, Started home  
on 15 days leave.

June 13, 1944, Started back  
to S. V. from leave.

June 17, 1944, Arrived at  
S. V., 34 hours A. O. S.

June 19, 1944, Boarded  
Gen. Hase at N. S. D.  
Oakland, California.

June 22, Left Oakland,  
to Long Beach for shake  
down.

June 25, Arrived at Long  
Beach, California.

July 10, 1944, Back at  
San Francisco from  
shakedown cruise.

July 15, 1944 Left for  
Pearl Harbor.

July 21, 1944, Arrived  
at Pearl Harbor.

July 24, 1944, Left Pearl  
for Eniwetok atoll in  
the Marshall Islands.

Aug. 2, 1944, Arrived at  
Eniwetok atoll.

Aug. 15, 1944, Left Eniwetok  
for San Francisco.

August 26, 1944, Arrived  
at San Francisco.

August 28, 1944, Left San  
Francisco for Seattle, Wash.

August 30, 1944, Arrived  
at Seattle, Wash.

September 10, 1944, Left  
Seattle for Pearl Harbor  
with Wacs, soldiers &  
civilians as passengers.

September 16, 1944, Arr-  
ived at Pearl, unloaded  
passengers & took on  
sailors.

September 19, 1944,  
Left Pearl Sound for  
the Admiralty Islands.

September 28, 1944,  
crossed equator and

was initiated into  
Royal Shellbacks.

Sept. 30, 1944 - Arrived  
at Manus Island.

Oct. 14, 1944 - Left Manus  
for Pearl Harbor.

Oct. 25, 1944 - Arrived  
at Pearl Harbor.

Oct. 26, 1944 - Left for San  
Francisco.

Nov. 1, 1944 - Arrived at  
San Francisco.

Nov. 12, 1944 - Dry dock  
at Hunters Point.

Nov. 17 - Left Dry dock  
to Frisco.

Nov. 23, 1944 - Thanks  
giving day - Left for  
Pearl Harbor.

Nov. 29, 1944 - Arrived  
at Pearl Harbor.

Nov. 30, 1944 - Left  
for Bougainville,  
Solomon Islands.

Dec. 4, 1944 - Crossed  
equator going south

Dec. 8, 1944 - Had a  
sub attack, two  
torpedos missed  
by a couple hundred  
feet.

Dec. 11, 1944 - Arrived  
at Bougainville.

Dec. 12, 1944 - Left for  
Finschafen, New Guinea

Dec. 14, 1944 - Arrived at  
Finschafen, N.G.

Dec. 16, 1944 - Left  
for Manus Island.  
Dec. 17, 1944 - Arrived  
at Manus Island.  
Dec. 21, 1944 - Left for  
Espirito Santo, New  
Hebrides Islands.  
Dec. 22, 1944 - Destination  
was changed to  
Noumea, New Caledonia.  
Dec. 26, 1944 - Arrived at  
Noumea, greeted by  
brass bands.  
Dec. 27, 1944 - Left for  
Espirito Santo again.  
Dec. 28, 1944 - Arrived at  
Espirito Santo.  
Dec. 29, 1944 - Left for  
Frisco.

Jan. 7, 1945 - Soldier  
jumped overboard but  
was rescued.  
Jan. 11, 1945 - Arrived  
in San Francisco.  
Jan. 12, 1945 - Anchored  
in Frisco Bay.  
Jan. 19, 1945 - Moved  
to Pier 6 in Oakland.  
Feb. 6, 1945 - Moved  
to Pier 56 in Frisco.  
Feb. 9, 1945 - Left  
for Finschafen, New  
Guinea.  
Feb. 18, 1945 - Crossed  
equator going south.  
Feb. 26, 1945 - Arrived  
at Finschafen at  
0900. Left for

Hollandia in Dutch  
New Guinea at 1030.  
Feb. 27, Arrived at  
Hollandia.  
March 3, 1945 Left  
for Leyte in the  
Philippines.  
March 10, 1945 - Arr.  
ived at Leyte.  
March 25, 1945 - Left  
for Hollandia.  
April 1, 1945 - Easter  
Sunday - Arrived  
in Hollandia.  
April 2, 1945 - Left  
for San Francisco.  
April 4, 1945 - Destination  
was changed to  
Sudacanal.

April 6, 1945 - Arrived  
at Guadacanal.  
April 6, 1945 - At 1730  
left for San Francisco.  
April 20, 1945 - Arrived  
at San Pedro, California  
destination was  
changed from Suisco.  
May 9, 1945 - Left  
for Melbourne,  
Australia.  
May 27, 1945 - Arrived  
in Melbourne.  
May 29, 1945 - Left for  
Freemantle, Australia.  
June 2, 1945 - Arrived  
in Freemantle. Went  
to Perth on liberty.

June 4, 1945 - Left  
for Calcutta, India.  
June 14, 1945 - Arrived  
in Calcutta. Hat as  
Hell.  
June 21, 1945 - Left  
for Trincomalee,  
Ceylon.  
June 25, 1945 - Arrived  
at Trincomalee.  
June 26, 1945 - Left  
for Norfolk, Va. via  
Suez Canal.  
July 6, 1945 - Arrived  
at Suez, Egypt. Started  
through canal.  
July 7, 1945 - Stopped  
in Port Said, Egypt  
for a few hours and

then continued on  
way to Norfolk, Virginia.  
July 20, 1945 - Arrived  
in Norfolk, Virginia.  
July 21, 1945 - Went  
home on leave.  
July 28, 1945 - Biggest  
day in my life.  
July 31, 1945 - Back  
in Norfolk from  
leave.  
August 5, 1945 - Left  
for Marseille, France  
August 14, 1945 - Japan  
capitulates.  
August 15, 1945 - Arrived  
in Marseille, France.  
August 17, 1945 - Left  
for New York City.

August 27, 1945 - Arrived  
in New York.

Sept. 1, 1945 - Left for  
Calcutta, India.

Sept. 9, 1945 - Arrived  
at Gibraltar, continued  
on after an hour or  
so.

September 14, 1945 - Arr.  
ived at Port Said,  
docked for 4 hours then  
started thru canal.

September 27, 1945 - Arr.  
ived at Calcutta, India

September 29, 1945 - Left  
for New York City.

October 3, 1945 - Stopped  
at Colombo, Ceylon  
long enough to refuel.

October 11, 1945 - Arrived  
at Suez, Egypt.

October 12, 1945 - Arrived  
at Port Said, Egypt.

October 25, 1945 - Arrived  
in New York City.

October 26, 1945 - Shifted  
berths to Hoboken, N. J.

October 31, 1945 - Left  
for Calcutta, India.

November 14, 1945 - Arrived  
in Port Said, passed  
through canal and  
left Suez at 2300.

Nov. 27, 1945 - Arrived  
in Calcutta, India.

November 29, 1945 - Left  
Calcutta for New York  
City and home.

December 10, 1945 - Arr.  
ived at Suez.

December 11, 1945 - Arrived  
at Port Said, refueled  
and continued West.

December 25, 1945 -  
Christmas at sea  
again, next year will  
be different, I hope.

December 28, 1945 -  
arrived in New York  
anchored in North  
River.

December 29, 1945 -  
Moved alongside  
Pier 88.

December 30, 1945 -  
Moved to Yonkers for  
repairs.

Jan. 9, 1946 - Moved to  
Brooklyn.

Jan. 10, 1946 - Transferred  
to Pier 92

Jan. 12, 1946 - Left N.Y.  
for Toledo, Ohio

Jan. 13, 1946 - Arrived at  
separation center in  
Toledo.

January 16, 1946 - Discharged  
from U.S. Naval Reserve.

The End

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Until the next  
war ???

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**September 4<sup>th</sup>, 1943**

Arrived at Great Lakes

**October 28<sup>th</sup>, 1943**

Home on boat leave

**November 11<sup>th</sup>, 1943**

Arrived at University of Minnesota

**March 6<sup>th</sup>, 1944**

Graduated and started home on 9 days delayed orders

**March 15<sup>th</sup>, 1944**

Arrived at Treasure Island, San Francisco

**March 27<sup>th</sup>, 1944**

Started home on 18 days leave

**April 13<sup>th</sup>, 1944**

Arrived at Treasure Island from leave

**April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1944**

Boarded Gen. Hase for temporary commissioning

**May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1944**

Shoved off for Vancouver, Washington

**May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1944**

Arrived at Vancouver, Washington

**May 12<sup>th</sup>, 1944**

Ship was taken out of commission, left for Treasure Island by train

**May 13<sup>th</sup>, 1944**

Back at Treasure Island from Vancouver, Washington

**June 1<sup>st</sup>, 1944**

Started home on 15 days leave

**June 13<sup>th</sup>, 1944**

Started back to Treasure Island from leave

**June 17<sup>th</sup>, 1944**

Arrived at Treasure Island; 34 hours A.O.L.

**June 19<sup>th</sup>, 1944**

Boarded Gen. Hase at N.S.D., Oakland, California

**June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1944**

Left Oakland to Long Beach for shakedown

**June 25<sup>th</sup>, 1944**

Arrived at Long Beach, California

**July 10<sup>th</sup>, 1944**

Back at San Francisco from shakedown cruise

**July 15<sup>th</sup>, 1944**

Left for Pearl Harbor

**July 21<sup>st</sup>, 1944**

Arrived at Pearl Harbor

**July 24<sup>th</sup>, 1944**

Left Pearl Harbor for Eniwetok atoll in the Marshall Islands

**August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1944**

Arrived at Eniwetok Atoll



**August 15<sup>th</sup>, 1944**  
Left Eniwetok for San Francisco

**August 26<sup>th</sup>, 1944**  
Arrived at San Francisco

**August 28<sup>th</sup>, 1944**  
Left San Francisco for Seattle,  
Washington

**August 30<sup>th</sup>, 1944**  
Arrived at Seattle Washington

**September 10<sup>th</sup>, 1944**  
Left Seattle for Pearl Harbor with  
Wacs', soldiers, and civilians as  
passengers

**September 16<sup>th</sup>, 1944**  
Arrived at Pearl Harbor, unloaded  
passengers, and took on sailors

**September 19<sup>th</sup>, 1944**  
Left Pearl Harbor bound for the  
Admiralty Islands

**September 28<sup>th</sup>, 1944**  
Crossed equator and was initiated into  
Royal Shellbacks

**September 30<sup>th</sup>, 1944**  
Arrived at Manus Island

**October 14<sup>th</sup>, 1944**  
Left Manus for Pearl Harbor

**October 25<sup>th</sup>, 1944**  
Arrived at Pearl Harbor

**October 26<sup>th</sup>, 1944**  
Left for San Francisco

**November 1<sup>st</sup>, 1944**  
Arrived at San Francisco

**November 12<sup>th</sup>, 1944**  
Dry dock at Hunters Point

**November 17<sup>th</sup>, 1944**  
Left dry dock to Frisco

**November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1944**  
Thanksgiving Day – left for Pearl  
Harbor

**November 29<sup>th</sup>, 1944**  
Arrived at Pearl Harbor

**November 30<sup>th</sup>, 1944**  
Left for Bougainville, Solomon Islands

**December 4<sup>th</sup>, 1944**  
Crossed equator going south

**December 8<sup>th</sup>, 1944**  
Had a sub attack, two torpedoes missed  
by a couple hundred feet

**December 11<sup>th</sup>, 1944**  
Arrived at Bougainville.

**December 12<sup>th</sup>, 1944**  
Left for Finschafen, New Guinea

**December 14<sup>th</sup>, 1944**  
Arrived at Finschafen, New Guinea

**December 16<sup>th</sup>, 1944**  
Left for Manus Island

**December 17<sup>th</sup>, 1944**  
Arrived at Manus Island

**December 21<sup>st</sup>, 1944**  
Left for Espirito Santo, New Hebrides  
Islands

**December 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1944**  
Destination changed to Noumea, New  
Caledonia

**December 26<sup>th</sup>, 1944**

Arrived at Noumea, greeted by brass bands

**December 27<sup>th</sup>, 1944**

Left for Espirito Santo again

**December 28<sup>th</sup>, 1944**

Arrived at Espirito Santo

**December 29<sup>th</sup>, 1944**

Left for Frisco

**January 7<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Soldier jumped overboard by was rescued

**January 11<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Arrived in San Francisco

**January 12<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Anchored in Frisco Bay

**January 19<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Moved to Pier 56 in Oakland

**February 6<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Moved to Pier 56 in Frisco

**February 9<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Left for Finschafen, New Guinea

**February 18<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Crossed equator going south

**February 26<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Arrived at Finschafen at 0900. Left for Hollandia in Dutch New Guinea at 1030.

**February 27<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Arrived at Hollandia

**March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1945**

Left for Leyte in the Philippines

**March 10<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Arrived at Leyte

**March 25<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Left for Hollandia

**April 1<sup>st</sup>, 1945**

Easter Sunday – Arrived in Hollandia

**April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1945**

Left for San Francisco

**April 4<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Destination changed to Guadalcanal

**April 6<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Arrived at Guadalcanal

**April 6<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

At 1730 left for San Francisco

**April 29<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Arrived at San Pedro, destination was changed from Frisco

**May 9<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Left for Melbourne, Australia

**May 27<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Arrived in Melbourne

**May 29<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Left for Freemantle, Australia

**June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1945**

Arrived in Freemantle. Went to Perth on liberty

**June 4<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Left for Calcutta, India

**June 14<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Arrived in Calcutta. Hot as Hell.

**June 25<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Left for Trincomalee, Ceylon

**June 25<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Arrived at Trincomalee

**June 26<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Left for Norfolk, VA via Suez Canal

**July 6<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Arrived at Suez, Egypt. Started through the canal

**July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Stopped in Port Said, Egypt for a few hours and then continued on way to Norfolk, Virginia.

**July 20<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Arrived in Norfolk, Virginia

**July 21<sup>st</sup>, 1945**

Went home on leave

**July 28<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

The biggest day of my life.

**July 31, 1945**

Back on Norfolk from leave.

**August 5<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Left for Marsielle, France

**August 14<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Japan capitulates.

**August 15<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Arrived in Marsielle, France

**August 17<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Left for New York City

**August 27<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Arrived in New York City

**September 1<sup>st</sup>, 1945**

Left for Calcutta India

**September 9<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Arrived at Gibraltar, continued on after an hour or so

**September 14<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Arrived at Port Said, docked for 4 hours then started through canal

**September 27<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Arrived in Calcutta, India

**September 29<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Left for New York City

**October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1945**

Stopped at Columbo, Ceylon long enough to refuel

**October 11<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Arrived at Suez, Egypt

**October 13<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Arrived at Port Said, Egypt

**October 25<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Arrived in New York City

**October 26<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Shifted berths to Hoboken, NJ

**October 31<sup>st</sup>, 1945**

Left for Calcutta, India

**November 14<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Arrived in Port Said, passed through canal and left Suez at 2300

**November 27<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Arrived in Calcutta, India

**November 29<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Left Calcutta for New York City and home

**December 10<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Arrived at Suez

**December 11<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Arrived at Port Said, refueled and continued west.

**December 25<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Christmas at sea again, next year will be different I hope.

**December 28<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Arrived in New York, anchored in North River

**December 29<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Moved alongside Pier 88

**December 30<sup>th</sup>, 1945**

Moved to Yonkers for repairs

**January 9<sup>th</sup>, 1946**

Moved to Brooklyn

**January 10<sup>th</sup>, 1946**

Transferred to Pier 92

**January 12<sup>th</sup>, 1946**

Left NY for Toledo, Ohio

**January 13<sup>th</sup>, 1946**

Arrived at separation center in Toledo

**January 16<sup>th</sup>, 1946**

Discharged from U.S. Naval Reserve

**The End**

**Until the next war???**