



## LOG BOOK

OF THE

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		CV8 Rate,	
		COMMANDED BY	
		Marc A. Mitscher, Captain	, U. S. Navy,
			Division,
Attached to			Squadron,
		United States Pacific	Fleet,
Commen	cing	April l	, 1942 ,
at		Alameda, California	•
and endi	ng	April 30	, 19 42,
at Pas	ssage Hon	olulu, T.H. to South Pacific	

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UNITED STATES SHIP\_

HORNET

Saturday

18 April

, 19 42

ZONE DESCRIPTION Minus 10

## REMARKS

0 to 4

Steaming darkened on course 267 true and pgc, 275 psc, at standard speed, 20 knots, 195 rpm. In company with Task Groups 16.2 and 16.5 in special formation, HORNET guide, O.T.C. in ENTERPRISE. Ship in Readiness Condition III, Material Condition Baker modified. 0313 Changed course to 350 true and pgc, 355 psc. Average Steam 400 Average R.P.M. 195.0

R. R. BOETTCHER, Ensign, U. S. Navy.

4 to 8

Steaming as before. 0400 Lighted fires under boilers 3, 5, and 9. 0411 Went to general quarters. 0415 Changed course to 270 true and pgc. 0445 Cut boilers 3, 5, and 9 in on main steam line. 0456 Changed course to 290 true and pgc. 0459 Changed course to 259 true. 0507 Changed course (Ships Right) to 310 true. Changed speed to 10 knots for launching aircraft. 0508 Enterprise launching combat air patrol and scouting patrol. 0511 Lighted ship. 0513 Changed speed to 15 knots. 0522 Resumed base course 270 true. Changed speed to 20 knots. Enterprise completed launching aircraft. 0546 Changed course (Ships Left) to 265 true. 0548 Changed speed to 23 knots. 0633 Changed course (Ships Left) to 220 true. 0738 Sighted strange ship apparently enemy Gunboat of about 300 tons bearing 216 true distant about 15000 yards. 0748 Changed course (ships right) to 270 true. Enemy vessel changed course to from 135 to 180 true. 0755 On orders from Officer in Tactical Command Nashville opened fire on enemy. Nashville left formation to destroy enemy vessel. Average Steam 400 Average R.P.M. 210.1

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8 to 12

Steaming as before. 0803 Changed course into wind preparatory to launching Army bombers; course 310 true speed 15 knots. 0810 Changed speed to 20 knots. 0814 Changed speed to 22 knots. 0821 Commenced launching aircraft. 0818 Enterprise commenced launching planes. 0835 Enterprise completed launching, commenced recovering aircraft. 0900 Changed course to 300 true. 0906 Enterprise completed recovering aircraft. 0910 Changed speed to 20 knots. 0919 While working on the flight deck, Wall, R.W., Sealc was blown into the propeller of an airplane. It struck his left arm at the shoulder and so cut it as to necessitate amputation of left arm. Admitted to sick list. 0920 Completed launching aircraft. 0922 Changed course to 090 true and speed to 25 knots. 0930 Enterprise, Vincennes, and Salt Lake City rejoined formation. 0937 Enterprise assumed formation guide. 1111 Changed course to 335 true and speed to 15 knots for Enterprise launching and recovery of aircraft. 1132 Nashville rejoined formation having destroyed enemy Gunboat with heavy gun fire. Enemy returned fire during engagement with what appeared to be a three inch gun; fell short about 4000 yards of Nashville. 1138 Changed course to 090 true and speed to 25 knots. 1145 Two after port life rafts carried away. Average Steam 400 Average R.P.M. 215.9

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Approved:

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U. S. N., Navigator.

ADDITIONAL SHEET

U. S. S. HORNET

Date April 18 , 19 42

12 to 16

Steaming as before. 1405 Sighted two enemy armed patrol vessels of the trawler type similar to that seen in the morning; one steam, one motor. Note: These vessels camouflaged as they are with some sort of dark gray paint, are very difficult to see. Our planes must have passed very close to them yet didn't contact them until very close. 1410 Planes bombing trawlers. Nashville ordered to destroy them. Nashville opened fire first on steam trawler and destroying it after a few salvos did the same to the motor trawler. 1425 Changed course to 315 true and speed to 15 knots for launching and recovering aircraft. Enterprise launching and recovering planes. Hornet launched 8 fighters and recovered 6 Enterprise scouts. 1445 Heard Tokyo English language broadcast: "Enemy bombers appeared over Tokyo today shortly after noon for the first time in the current East Asia War. Heavy and telling damage was inflicted on schools and hospitals, and the populace shows much indignation." The Japanese language version for home consumption: "A large fleet of enemy bombers appeared over Tokyo this noon and caused much damage to non military objectives and some damage to factories. The known death toll is between objectives and some damage to factories. The known death toll is between three and four thousand so far. No planes were reported shot down over Tokyo.

Osaka was also bombed. Tokyo reports several large fires burning." 1500

Changed speed to 10 knots. 1501 Plane 8-F-26 crashed into barrier, no injuries.

1503 Enterprise bomber flew lower and lower till it hit the water bearing 318 true distant 2000 yards from Hornet. Both occupants recovered by Nash-ville. 1506 Changed speed to 5 knots. 1511 Stopped. 1513 Last Enterprise scout crashed into after 1.1" machine gun mount. No injuries. 1513 Changed speed to 5 knots. 1517 Changed speed to 15 knots. Changed course to 090 true. 1518 Nashville rejoined formation. 1520 Changed speed to 22 knots. 1523 Changed speed to 25 knots. 1540 Changed speed to 22 knots. 1550 Changed speed to 25 knots. Average Steam 400 Average R.P.M. 214.2

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16 to 18

Steaming as before. 1725 Changed course to 305 true and speed to 10 knots to recover aircraft. 1733 Enterprise recovering planes. 1740 Enterprise completed recovery. 1742 Completed recovery. 1744 Resumed base course and speed. Average Steam 400 Average R.P.M. 221.3

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18 to 20

Steaming as before. 1806 Darkened ship. 1815 Secured from General Quarters, set condition of readiness Mike Sail II, Material Condition Baker modified. 1816 Changed speed to 25 knots, 246 rpm. Average Steam 400 Average R.P.M.252.8

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20 to 24

Steaming as before. 2000 Set clocks ahead one hour to (-) 11 zone time. 2118 Let fires die out under boilers No. 2 and 8. Average Steam 400 Average R.P.M. 235.1 Musch

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U. S. N., Navigator.