

# DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

USS OGDEN (LPD-5) USS OGDEN (LPD-5)

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    - (3) "Welcome Aboard" Pamphlet
    - (4) West-Pac 85' Cruise Book

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# HISTORY OF USS OCDEN (LPD-5) FOR 1985

Commanded by: David R. EDWARDS, Captain, U.S. Navy, 1 January - 31 December

Homport: Long Beach, California

Assigned to: Amphibious Squardron SEVEN

Mission: The primary mission of USS OCDEN (LPD-5) is to transport and land Marine units along with their essential equipment and supplies by means of boats, landing craft, amphibious vehicles and helicopters.

### JANLARY

1 USS CODEN began 1985 moored starboard side to Pier 9, Berth 13, U.S. Naval Station, Long Beach, California.

1-6 Moored

- 7 1340 Underway for San Francisco
- 7-9 Enroute to San Francisco
- 10 1505 Moored starboard side to Pier 45 of San Francisco
- 10-13 Port visit San Francisco
- 12-13 USS OCDEN was host to nearly 4,000 visitors during open house activities at Pier 45
- 14 Underway for Long Beach
- 14-15 Enroute for Long Beach
- 16 0856 Moored starboard side to Pier 9, Berth 13, U.S. Naval Station, Long Beach, California.
- 16-31 Moored

### FEBRUARY

- 1-10 Moored starboard side to Pier 9, Berth 13, U.S. Naval Station, Long Beach, California.
- 11 0804 Underway for San Diego
- 11 1505 Moored Pier 6, U.S. Naval Station, San Diego, California
- 11 1755 Underway to anchorage 175, San Diego
- 11 1941 Anchored
- 12 1207 Underway from anchorage 175 to Pier 6 San Diego, California
- 12 1354 Moored starboard side to Pier 6
- 12 1458 Underway for Long Beach, California
- 12 2203 Moored starboard side to Pier 9, U.S. Naval Station, Long Beach, California

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### 12-18 Moored

- 19 1115 Underway for SOCAL OPAREA
- 19-22 Amphibious training in SOCAL OPAREA
- 20 CCDEN logs its 19,000th accident free landing
- 22 1447 Moored starboard side to Pier ECHD, U.S. Naval Station, Long Beach, California.
- 22-28 Moored

### MARCH

- 1-4 Moored starboard side to Pier ECHD, U.S. Naval Station, Long Beach, California.
- 5-15 1057 Underway for SOCAL OPAREA
- 8 Underway replenishment with USS PYRO (AE-24)
- 9 Underway replenishment with USS WITCHITA (AOR-1)
- 15 1700 Moored starboard side to Pier ECHD, U.S. Naval Station, Long Beach, California
- 15-31 Moored

### APRIL

- 1-3 Moored starboard side to Pier ECHO, U.S. Naval Station, Long Beach, California.
- 4 1056 Underway beginning OGDEN's 11<sup>th</sup> Western Pacific Deployment. Accompanying OGDEN were USS PELILIU (LHA-5), USS CAYUGA (LST-1186), USS MONTICELLO (LSD-35) and USS ANCHORAGE (LSD-36).
- 4-23 Enroute for Okinawa, Japan.
- 8 Underway replenishment with USS KANSAS CITY (ACR-3)
- 10 1413-1417 Gunnery Quarters
- 13 0905-0941 Gunnery Quarters
- 21 Underway replenishment with USS WILLIAMETTE (AO-180)
- 23 1054 Moored starboard side to Army Pier, West Buckner Bay,

Okinawa, Japan.

23-24 Moored

- 24 1544 Underway for Pohang, Korea (ENR Pohang but end up in Pusan)
- 27 0711 Moored starboard side to Pier 8, Berth 83, Pusan, Korea.
- 27-29 Moored
- 29 0749 Underway to anchorage
- 29 1424 Anchored in anchorage 10, Pohang, Korea.
- 29 1655 Underway
- 30 1053 Anchored Pohang, Korea.

30 1703 Underway for Amphibious operations with units of the Korean Navy.

MAY

- 1 Steaming in formation with USS PELILIU (LHA-5), USS CAYUGA (LST-1186) and various units of the Korean Navy.
- 1-2 Amphibious operations in Korean waters.
- 3 1920 Moored starboard side to Pier 8, Berth 85, Pohang, Korea.
- 4 1624 Underway for Sasebo, Japan.
- 5 1102 Moored starboard side to India Basin, Berth one, Sasebo, Japan.
- 5-16 Moored. Working port.
- 17 1250 Underway for Pohang, Korea
- 18 0725 Moored starboard side to Pier 8, Berth 82, Pohang, Korea.
- 19 1658 Underway in the Sea of Japan operating with USS PELILIU (LHA-5) and USS CAYUCA (LST-1186).
- 19-26 Enroute to Philippine Sea
- 20 Underway replenishment with USS PELILIU (LHA-5)
- 26-30 Enroute for Subic Bay, Philippines
- 27 Underway replenishment with USS PONCHATULA (TAO-115)

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30 1128 Moored starboard side to Alva Pier, Berth 5-6, Naval Station, Subic Bay, Philippines.

### JINE

- 1-18 Moored starboard side to Alva Pier, Ship Repair Facility, Subic Bay, Philippines.
- 11-13 CODEN volunteer crewman and embarked Marines spent two days assisting needy residents in Marivales, Bataan located sixty miles south of Subic Bay and within sight of the famed World War II stronghold of Corregidor. Under the Navy's Project Handclasp and Community Relations Program, the twenty eight CODEN volunteers gave of their time and skills in providing medical and dental care to local residents and distributing food, toys, and medicine to those in need.
- 17-18 OODEN celebrated its 20<sup>th</sup> year of commissioned service. The two day birthday party, held at Naval Air Station Cubi Pt, consisted of a cookout, giant cakecutting and various sporting events.
- 19 0730 Underway to anchorage 28, Subic Bay, Philippines
- 19 0825 Anchored
- 20 0736 Underway for Singapore steaming in formation with USS PELILIU (LHA-5) and USS CAYUGA (LST-1186).
- 23-24 Crossing the line ceremonies. This is a time honored decree among seafarers that no one may cross the equator for the first time without proper initiation and sanctification.

Consequently, the Shellbacks aboard CCDEN (those who have crossed the line) were given the task of preparing the Polywogs (those who have not crossed the line) for acceptance into the domain of King Neptune and Davey Jones. The lowly and deprived wogs were put through a challenging array of obstacles designed to test their worth as future Shellbacks. Through the two days of festivities all maintained a decent sense of humor. By nights end the trials and tribulations were over and a new cadre of Shellbacks had taken the place of the Wogs.

- 25 0706 Anchored at Man-of-War anchorage, Singapore Harbor, Singapore.
- 25 0855 Underway to Sembawang Naval Shipyard, Singapore.
- 25 1207 Moored starboard side to Sembawang Pier, Naval Shipyard, Singapore.
- 25-27 Moored

- 28 1401 Underway for Pattaya Beach, Thailand in company with USS PELILUI (LHA-5) and USS CAYUGA (LST-1186).
- 28-30 Enroute for Pattaya Beach, Thailand
- 30 Underway replenishment with USS PONCHATULA (TAO-115)

### JLLY

- 1 1323 Anchored Pattaya Beach, Thailand
- 7-16 1627 Underway to participate in Operation "Cobra Gold 85". A twelve day joint amphibious exercise with the Armed Forces of Thailand.
- 12 1426 Anchored Pattaya Beach, Thailand
- 13 1853 Underway for Cobra Gold 85 exercises
- 14 1433 Anchored Pattaya Beach, Thailand
- 15 1740 Underway
- 15 Anchored Songkhla, Thailand
- 16 1519 Underway for Hong Kong
- 16-22 Enroute for Hong Kong
- 18 1308 Class "Charlie" fire in Number 2 switchboard.
- 18 1330 Fire out
- 19 1301 Commodore R. A. Dykes, Commander Amphibious Squadron SEVEN, arrives onboard USS OCDEN. Commodore Dykes was the passenger for the 20,000<sup>th</sup> safe landing on OCDEN. OCDEN's Air Officer LCDR
- 19 1353 Commodore Dykes departed
- 19 1437 Lookout spotted two small craft adrift.
- 19 OCDEN rescued seventeen Vietnamese refugees in the South China Sea, 125 miles off the coast of Vietnam. The five men, four women and eight children including a one year old girl, had been adrift in two barely seaworthy craft for two days and nights prior to the rescue. Upon CCDEN's arrival in Hong Kong, the refugees were turned over to United Nations authorities. In gesture initiated by the sailors and Marines from Marine Service Group Eleven (MSSG-11) \$845.00 was delivered to the Counsel General in Hong Kong for safe keeping and

future distribution to the refugees.

- 22 1037 Moored to buoy A51, Hong Kong Harbor, Hong Kong, with USS PELILIU (LHA-5), USS CAYUGA (LST-1186) and various merchant vessels.
- 22-26 Moored
- 23 0435 Recieved call from Fenwick Pier, Hong Kong reporting that SGT and Seal team were notified.
- 27 1527 Underway for Subic Bay, Philippines
- 28 Underway replenishment with USS PONCHATULA (TAO-115)
- 29 0731 Anchored in anchorage number 2, Subic Bay, Philippines.
- 29 1354 Underway to Alva Pier
- 29 1416 Moored starboard side to Alva Pier, Berth 7-8, Subic Bay, Philippines.
- 30-31 Moored
- 30 2222 Flooding in forward refrigerator room (6-68-0-1). Isolated 3 feet of water in space.
- 30 2240 Boundaries set
- 30 2244 Under control. Cause of flooding was that the strainer in the A/C unit fell out.
- 31 0003 Secured from flooding
- 31 1109 Class "Charlie" fire in compartment 3-232-2-E, aft diesel
- 31 1120 Fire out

#### ALGIST

- 1-12 Moored starboard side to Alva Pier, Berth 7-8, Subic Bay, Philippines.
- 6 1438 Class "Charlie" fire on Boat Deck
- 6 1443 Fire extinguished
- 12 1102 Underway for Pearl Harbor, Hawaii
- 12-25 Enroute for Pearl Harbor, Hawaii in company with USS PELILIU (LHA-5)

and USS CAYUGA (LST-1186).

- 26 Arrived Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. OGDEN welcomed aboard family members for a "Tiger" cruise back to Long Beach, California.
- 26-27 Moored portside to Pier 5, Pearl Harbor Naval Station, Hawaii.
- 28 0909 Underway for Long Beach, California in company with USS PELILIU (LHA-5), USS CAYUGA (LST-1186), USS FRESNO (LST-1182) and USS ANCHORAGE (LSD-36).
- 28-31 Enroute to Long Beach, California.

### SEPTEMBER

- 1-4 Underway for Long Beach, California
- 3 1253 Anchored Del Mar Boat Basin
- 3 1400 Commodore Higginson, Commander Amphibious Group THREE arrives
- 3 1430 Commodore Higginson departs
- 4 0503 Underway for Long Beach, California
- 4 1018 Moored portside to Pier ECHO, Berth 125, U.S. Naval Station, Long Beach, California.
- 4-30 Moored

### OCTOBER

- 1-9 Moored portside to Pier ECHD, Berth 125, U.S Naval Station, Long Beach, California.
- 1 1927 Flooding in compartment 7-160-0-E
- 1 2040 Flooding secured
- 10 0702 Underway for Monterey, California
- 11 1649 Anchored in Monterey Bay, Monterey, California
- 11-16 OGDEN goodwill visit to Monterey in conjuction with the San Francisco Bay Area Fleet Appreciation Week commemorating the Navy's 201st Birthday.

While in Monterey, CODEN sailors had the opportunity to visit the many attractions offered by this historic Northern California community including Cannery Row, Fisherman's Wharf and the Monterey

Bay Aquarium. Softball and Basketball games were also arranged between OCDEN and teams representing the Naval Postgraduate School and the Fleet Oceanography Center.

- 12 In celebration of the Navy's birthday CCDEN personnel were guests of honor at the Enlisted Ball held at the Naval Postgraduate School.
- 13-14 Nearly 1300 visitors were welcomed aboard CGDEN during the two day open house.
- 16 0801 Underway for SOCAL OPAREA
- 16-17 Underway in SOCAL OPAREA
- 18 1242 Moored starboard side to Pier 9, Berth 13, U.S. Naval Station, Long Beach, California.
- 18-31 Moored

#### NOVEMBER

- 1-3 Moored starboard side to Pier 9, Berth 13, U.S. Naval Station, Long Beach, California.
- 4 0819 Underway for SOCAL OPAREA
- 4 1300 Gunnery Quarters
- 4 1538 Secured from Gunnery Quarters
- 6 0808 Anchored San Diego Harbor, anchorage 215
- 6 1002 Underway for SOCAL OPAREA
- 6 1604 Underway replenishment with USS FLINT (AE-32)
- 8 1245 Moored starboard side to Pier 9, U.S. Naval Station, Long Beach, California
- 9-11 Moored
- 12 1057 Underway for SOCAL OPAREA
- 14 1851 Underway replenishment with USS HALEAKALA (AE-25)
- 15 1257 Moored starboard side to Pier 7, U.S. Naval Station, Long Beach, California.
- 16-18 Moored

- 19 1047 Underway for SOCAL OPAREA
- 19 1546 Gunnery Quarters
- 19 1624 Secured from Gunnery Quarters
- 20 0727 Anchored between anchorages 152 and 164, Silver Strand
- 20 1254 Underway for SOCAL OPAREA
- 21 0905 Anchored off of Camp Pendleton Beach
- 21 1520 Underway for SOCAL OPAREA
- 21 1852 Underway replenishment with USS HALEAKALA (AE-25)
- 22 1100 Moored starboard side to Pier 9, Berth 9, U.S. Naval Station, Long Beach, California.
- 23-30 Moored

## DECEMBER

1-31 Moored starboard side to Pier 9, Berth 9, U.S. Naval Station, Long Beach, Calfornia.

# COMMAND HISTORY DATA FOR 1985

## ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

ENGINE MILES STEAMED	30596.3	Miles
DFM USED FOR BOILERS	1022495	Gals.
FUEL ECONOMY	115	Gal/Mile
JP5 USED FOR DIESELS	1305	Gals.
LUBE OIL USED	3376	Gals.
FRESH WATER DISTILLED	4062596	Gals.
FRESH WATER RECEIVED	42820	Gals.
FRESH WATER EXPENDED	3872439	Gals.
FEEDWATER DISTILLED	2563420	Gals.
FEEDWATER RECEIVED	36000	Gals.
FEEDWATER EXPENDED	2034967	Gals.

#### DECK DEPARTMENT

DURING THE 1985 WESTPAC DEPLOYMENT, THE FOLLOWING EQUIPMENT WAS CARRIED:

2 LARC VEHICLES 46 SHORT TONS EACH

### LFORM

25000 Gals. (LFORM) OF JP5 USED 1050 Gals. OF MOGAS USED

AMPHIBICUS OPS CONDUCTED ASSAULT BOAT LOWERING/HOISTING 40 WET WELL OPS 35 AMPHIBICUS ASSAULT VEHICLE OPS 2

NUMBER OF TIMES ANCHORED AND CHAIN USED DURING 1985:

PORT		829-FATHOMS 4974 FEET	
STARBOARD		495-FATHOMS 2970 FEET	
PAINT USED-HAZE GRAY DEOK GRAY WHI TE PRIMER TERECOTA	670 Gals. 370 Gals. 155 Gals. 215 Gals. 50 Gals.		
TOTAL NUMBER OF GUNFIE AMMUNITION EXPENDED:	206 ROU 1043 ROUN 0 ROUN	NDS DS DS	50 CAL:4

COMBAT CARGO OFFICER STATISTICS FOR WESTPAC DEPLOYMENT ONLY

NUMBER OF VEHICLES CARRIED ONBOARD NUMBER OF MARINES EMBARKED	92 ** 497
NUMBER OF SHORT TONS OF CARGO CARRIED	SHORT TONS INCLUDING 92 OF CLASS I, II, VIII, AND IX CARGO AND 1 LOU
OPLIFT FROM: SASEBO, JAPAN TO: USADO SINCAPORE	BOAT
AIR DEPARTMENT STATISTICS FOR 1985	
HELICOPTOR LANDINGS	1859
VERTICAL REPLENISHMENTS	288
HELICOPTOR REFUELINGS	180
FUEL EXPENED	30000 Gals
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\*\*\*ON ALCUST 25<sup>th</sup> OCDEN ACHIEVED THE MOST LANDINGS IN A SINGLE DAY EVER, 212 DAY/NIGHT LANDINGS

\*\*\* CODEN ACHIEVED THE 19,000th AND 20,000th ACCIDENT FREE LANDINGS THIS YEAR

\*\*\*DURING OPERATION COBRA GOLD 85 TWO COMPANIES (250) COMBAT MARINES WERE TRANSPORTED TO THEIR OBJECTIVE AREAS IN LESS THAN 40 MINUTES.

OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT STATISTICS FOR 1985

RADIO MESSAGES	SENT	2229
RADIO MESSAGES	RECIEVED	30469

IN 1985, OGDEN SPENT 153 DAYS DEPLOYED TO WESTPAC OR 58% OF 1985

102 DAYS AT SEA 51 DAYS IN PORT

DAYS IN SOCAL

45 DAYS AT SEA 145 DAYS IN PORT

# DAYS IN MIDPAC

20 DAYS AT SEA 2 DAYS IN PORT

CASREPS SUBMITTED BY USS CODEN IN 1985

\*\* TO INCLUDE OUTSIZE CARGO ALSO LARCS

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SUPPLY DEPARTMENT

\$567,271.82 \$596,192.10
AIR PARTS SUMABLES

OPTAR FIGURES: DOLLAR AMOUNT SPENT 1 JAN - 31 DEC \$1,163,463.92

> NUMBER OF REQUISITIONS SUBMITTED FROM 1 JAN -31 DEC 1985 6031

SHIP'S STORE/VENDING SALES \$97061.75

SELECTED ITEMS FROM SHIP'S STORE 1985 SALES

ITEM

QUANTITY SOLD

CASSETTE TAPES	1301
DUNCAREE SHIRTS	463
DUNGAREE PANTS	189
CANDY BARS	549 <i>5</i> 0
PULSAR WATCHES	29
CANS OF SODA	281650

SHIP'S SERVICES

LALNDRY PROCESSED.	99939 LBS
HAIROUTS GIVEN	3908

SHIP'S SERVICES

ACCOUNTING PERIOD	SHIP'S STORE SALES	VENDING MACHINE SALES
01 JAN 85 - 31 JAN 85 01 FEB 85 - 31 MAY 85 01 JUN 85 - 30 SEP 85	9486.75 108802.90 125067.39	2820.25 37690.85 43396.75
01 OCT 85 - 31 DEC 85	37439.72	13153.90

ACCOUNTING PERIOD

SHIP'S STORE/VENDING MACHINE PROFITS

01 JAN 85 - 31	JAN 85	2092.19*
01 FEB 85 - 31	MAY 85	23123.65
01 JUN 85 - 30	SEP 85	22930.04
01 OCT 85 - 31	DEC 85	6577.17**

 \* 01 JAN 85 - 31 JAN 85 PROFITS ARE ESTIMATED AT OVERALL PROFIT MARGIN OF 17% FOR THE PERIOD 01 OCT 84 - 31 JAN 85

\*\* 01 OCT 85 - 31 DEC 85 PROFITS ARE ESTIMATED AT OVERALL PROFIT MARGIN OF 13% PREDICTED FOR THE PERIOD 01 OCT 85 - 31 JAN 85

CATALOG REBATES AND ANUSEMENT GAMES COLLECTION.......\$10615.17 PROFITS.....\$7272.63

TOTAL PROFITS AVAILABLE TO WELFARE AND RECREATION: \$61995.68 (ESTIMATED)

FOOD SERVICE DIVISION (SUPPLY)

 MEALS
 SERVED
 147897

 STORES
 CONSUMED
 \$542757.54

SELECTED FOOD ITEMS SERVED

HAMBURGER BEEF STEAK LOBSTER CHICKEN FRENCH FRIES HASH BROWNS POTATO CHIPS FRESH POTATOES TOTAL POTATOES MILK: WHITE CHOOOLATE ECCS BACON SLICED BACON SHINGLE		16220 LBS 5792 LBS 1418 LBS 11886 LBS 6318 LBS 8656 LBS 1456 LBS 27738 LBS 27738 LBS 44168 LBS 19808 GALS 2772 GALS 23572 DOZ 178 LBS 9989 LBS
MEDICAL DEPARTMENT		
OUTPATIENT VISITS PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS LABORATORY PROCEDURES X-RAY EXPOSURES PRESCRIPTIONS DISPENSED		4606 149 4014 85 4188
DENTAL DEPARTMENT		
OUTPATIENT VISITS RESTORATIONS EXTRACTIONS CLEANING AND FLOURIDE TREATMENTS		1211 448 21 661
CHAPLAIN		
NUMBER OF SERVICES CONDUCTED	4	116