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REG. SHEET NO 120
1 September 1945

From: The Commanding Officer.
To: The Commander in Chief, U.S. Fleet, Navy Dept.,
Washington, D. C.
Subject: War Diary of the U.S.S. Benevolence for the Period of
1 August to 31 August 1945.

1 August through 11 August

At anchor at Eniwetok, Marshall Islands operating as
station hospital ship, attached to COMSERVDIV 102 under COM
SERVRON 10, COMSERVPAC, THIRD FLEET.

12 August

0800 Eniwetok, Marshall Islands.

1200 11°-55'N, 161°-30'E

2000 13°-57'N, 160°-03'E

Underway proceeding to geographical position at Latitude
30°-30'N, Longitude 145°E in accordance with COMSERVDIV 102
secret despatch of 110525.

13 August

0800 16°-42'N, 157°-50'E

1200 17°-43.2'N, 157°-14.7'E

2000 19°-25'N, 155°-57'E

Enroute from Eniwetok, Marshall Islands to geographical
position at Latitude 30°-30'N, Longitude 145°E.

14 August

0800 22°-06.5'N, 153°-37'E

1200 22°-56'N, 152°-47'E

2000 24°-42'N, 151°-09'E

Enroute from Eniwetok, Marshall Islands to geographical
position at Latitude 30°-30'N, Longitude 145°E.

15 August

0800 27°-21'N, 149°-01'E

1200 28°-16'N, 148°-15'E

2000 29°-59.5'N, 146°-18'E

Proceeding to geographical position at Latitude 31°N,
Longitude 145°E, in accordance with orders of COM THIRD FLEET
by despatch of CTG 30.8 dated 140540.

16 August

0800 31°-32.5'N, 144°-21'E

1200 31°-01'N, 144°-54.2'E

2000 31°-19'N, 144°-29'E

Proceeding to assigned hospital ship operating area in
semi-circle of fifty miles radius south of Latitude 30°-30'N

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16 August Cont'd.

at Longitude 143°E.

17 August

0800 30°-25'N, 143°-14.7'E
 1200 30°-26.5'N, 143°-05'E
 2000 30°-29.8'N, 141°-54.7'E
 Standing by in hospital ship operating area.

18 August

0800 30°-33.2'N, 143°-24'E
 1200 30°-31.4'N, 142°-53.2'E
 2000 30°-30'N, 142°-05'E
 Standing by in hospital ship operating area.

19 August

0800 30°-33.5'N, 142°-00'E
 1200 30°-34.7'N, 142°-46.0'E
 2000 30°-33.9'N, 143°-06'E
 Proceeding to rendezvous with TG 38.1 in accordance with orders of CTG 30.8 by USS DEEDE despatch of 191945.

20 August

0800 31°-35'N, 143°-26E
 1200 31°-01'N, 143°-43.5'E
 2000 30°-06'N, 144°-10'E
 Received patients from TG 38.1 and proceeded to join TU 35.8.0 in accordance with orders of CTG 38.1.

21 August

0800 30°-22'N, 143°-29'E
 1200 31°-00'N, 143°-01.30'E
 2000 30°-08.8'N, 141°-52'E
 Received patients from TU 35.8.0.

22 August

0800 31°-18.8'N, 142°-20'E
 1200 31°-20.2'N, 142°-51'E
 2000 32°-26.5'N, 143°-25.5'E
 Proceeded to rendezvous with TG 38.3 to receive patients in accordance with orders of CTG 30.8 by USS KYNE despatch of 220046. Proceeded to rendezvous with CRUDIV 17 in accordance with orders of CTG 38.3.

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23 August

0800	32°-19'N,	144°-53'E
1200	32°-17.5'N,	144°-17.7'E
2000	32°-18'N,	144°-00'E

Rejoined TU 35.8.0 in accordance with orders of CTF 35.8.0 of 222027.

24 August

0800	31°-28'N,	144°-04'E
1200	32°-00.8'N,	143°-33.2'E
2000	32°-22.5'N,	143°-32.2'E

Operating with TU 35.8.0 awaiting orders to proceed to Japan.

25 August

0800	32°-13'N,	143°-31.1'E
1200	32°-31.4'N,	143°-44.8'E
2000	32°-43'N,	143°-32'E

Operating with TU 35.8.0 awaiting orders to proceed to Japan.

26 August

0800	32°-29'N,	144°-13'E
1200	32°-42'N,	144°-26'E
2000	32°-18'N,	143°-29'E

Operating with TU 35.8.0 awaiting orders to proceed to Japan.

27 August

0800	33°-04'N,	142°-34'E
1200	33°-23.1'N,	142°-15.4'E
2000	33°-33'N,	141°-39'E

Proceeding to Sagami wan, Honshu, Japan in company with TG 35.8 in accordance with CTF 31 Operations Plan No. 1-47, serial 0002.

28 August

0800	34°-21.4'N,	140°-00.5'E
1200	34°-30.8'N,	139°-30'E

anchored at Eno Shima Anchorage in Sagami wan, Honshu Japan.

29 August

Proceeded to Yokosuka Naval Base in accordance with COM THIRD FLEET secret despatch of 280909 operating under

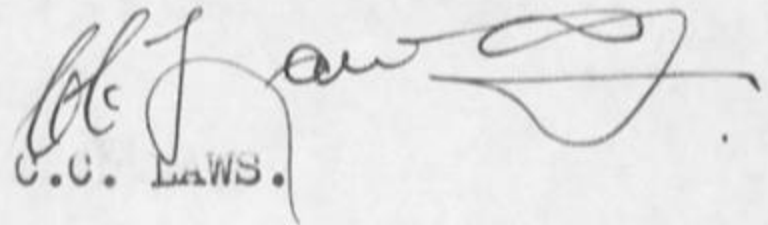
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CTF 31 Operations Plan No. 31/Alb-3, Serial 0002. Proceeded to Yokohama Harbor pursuant to orders of CTF 31. Proceeded to anchorage in Shinagawa Wan, Tokyo, pursuant to orders of COM THIRD FLEET. Commenced receiving released prisoners of war, pursuant to orders of CTG 30.6 of 290429 and in accordance with CTG 30.6 Operations Plan 1-42.

30 August through 31 August

at anchor in Shinagawa Wan, Tokyo, receiving and screening released prisoners of war for further transfer or admission for medical treatment.


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REG. NO 401
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1 October 1945

From: The Commanding Officer.
To: The Commander in Chief, U.S. Fleet, Navy Dept.,
Washington, D. C.
Subject: War Diary of the USS Benevolence for the period of
1 September to 30 September 1945.

1 September through 3 September

At anchor in Shinagawa Wan, Yokohama district, Tokyo Kaiwan, Japan pursuant to orders of C.T.G. 30.6 of 31 August 1945 receiving and screening released prisoners of war for further transfer or admission for medical treatment, and operating as station hospital ship, attached to Third Fleet.

4 September

Proceeded to anchorage off Yokosuka Naval Base, Tokyo Kaiwan, Japan in accordance with Commander Third Fleet confidential despatch of 030958.

Proceeded to mooring in Yokohama Harbor, Japan pursuant to orders of Senior Beach Master of 040605, receiving and screening released prisoners of war for further transfer or admission for medical treatment.

5 September through 18 September

Proceeded to North Pier, Inner Harbor, Yokohama, Japan in accordance with orders from U.S. Army, receiving and screening released prisoners of war for further transfer or admission for medical treatment, and operating as station hospital ship for Marine Corp and Naval personnel, attached to Third Fleet.

19 September through 21 September

Proceeded to anchorage off Yokosuka Naval Base, Tokyo Kaiwan, Japan in accordance with orders of Commander Third Fleet by C.T.G. 30.9 despatch of 182353, operating as station hospital ship attached to Third Fleet.

22 September through 30 September

Proceeded to anchorage off Yokosuka Naval Base, Tokyo Kaiwan, Japan in accordance with orders of Port Director of Yokosuka of 220025, operating as station hospital ship attached to Fifth Fleet.

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1 November 1945

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of 1 October to 31 October 1945.

1 October through 8 October

At anchor off Yokosuka Naval Base, Tokyo Kaiwan, Japan operating as station hospital ship, attached to ComSerDiv 102 under ComServRon 10, ComSerPac, Fifth Fleet.

9 October through 11 October

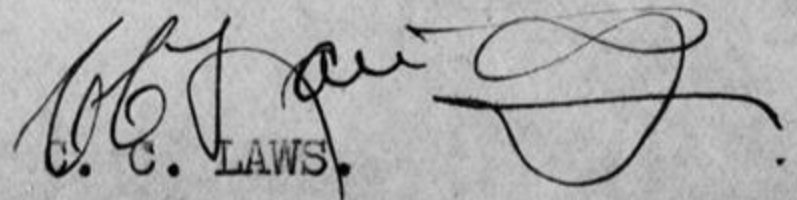
Proceeded to safer anchorage off Yokosuka Naval Base Tokyo Kaiwan, Japan because of urgent storm warnings, in accordance with ComSerDiv 102 of 090546.

12 October through 17 October

Proceeded to original anchorage off Yokosuka Naval Base, Tokyo Kaiwan, Japan after passing of storm, in accordance with ComSerDiv 102 of 090546.

18 October through 31 October

Proceeded to mooring to buoy inside Yokosuka breakwater, off Yokosuka Naval Base, Tokyo Kaiwan, Japan in accordance with ComSerDiv 102 of 170724, continuing operations as station hospital ship, attached to Fifth Fleet.


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