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U.S.S. LARDNER (DD 487)

1 September 1945 (Zone Minus 9)

Anchored in TOKYO BAY, HONSHU, JAPAN as a part of Task Group 30.1, operating tactically under Commander Third Fleet on detached orders. Task Group 30.1 standing by preparatory to the surrender of JAPAN and to act as shore bombardment unit in the event of hostile action taken by the Japanese. Commander Task Group 30.1 (Rear Admiral T.R. Cooley, U.S.N., Commander Battleship Division 6, SOUTH DAKOTA, flagship).

2 September 1945 (Zone Minus 9)

Anchored in TOKYO BAY, HONSHU, JAPAN.

0900 The representatives of all the Allied Nations gathered aboard the MISSOURI to witness the signing of the surrender terms by the Japanese delegates.

3 September 1945 (Zone Minus 9)

Anchored in TOKYO BAY, HONSHU, JAPAN.

1031 to 1145 LARDNER fueled from NECHES. 1724 LARDNER detached from Task Group 30.1 and joined Task Group 30.6.

Task Group 30.6 consists of SAN JUAN (CL 54), BENEVOLENCE (AH 13), RESCUE (AH 18), MONITOR (LSV 5), OZARK (LSV 2), GARRARD (APA 84), NICHOLAS (DD 449), TAYLOR (DD 468), BUCHANAN (DD 484), LARDNER (DD 487), LANSDOWNE (DD 486), WEAVER (DE 741), BARR (APD 39), REEVES (APD 52), RUNELS (APD 85), and WANTUCK (APD 125). Commander Task Group 30.6 (Commodore R.W. Simpson, U.S.N., SAN JUAN, flagship). The mission of this task group is to extend every possible assistance to the liberation and evacuation of Prisoners of War in JAPAN within the Commander Third Fleet's area of responsibility.

1822 Task Group 30.6 departed TOKYO BAY, HONSHU, JAPAN enroute to MAISAKA BAY, HONSHU, JAPAN.

Positions:

2000

34 - 37 N  
137 - 36 E

4 September 1945 (Zone Minus 9)

0609 LARDNER in company with Task Group 30.6 entered MAISAKA BAY, HONSHU, JAPAN and anchored.

5 September 1945 (Zone Minus 9)

LARDNER anchored in MAISAKA BAY, HONSHU, JAPAN.

0651 LARDNER received on board 209 allied prisoners of war from the RESCUE for further transportation to YOKOHAMA. 0656 Commodore R.W. Simpson hoisted his pennant on board LARDNER. 0704 LARDNER underway to clear MAISAKA BAY enroute YOKOHAMA at 33 knots.

5 September 1945 (Zone Minus 9)(Con't)

1205 Entered TOKYO BAY and anchored. 1430 Transferred 22 allied prisoners of war to OZARK. 1504 Underway to enter YOKOHAMA HARBOR. 1547 Moored to Customs Dock, YOKOHAMA. 1550 Commodore R.W. Simpson hauled down his pennant on board this vessel. 1633 Transferred 166 allied prisoners of war to MONITOR. 1730 Disembarked 21 Dutch civilian internees. 1740 Underway to depart YOKOHAMA HARBOR, fuel and anchor.

2116 to 2210 LARDNER fueled from SCHUYLKILL (AO 76). 2312 Anchored in NEGISHI CHANNEL, TOKYO BAY, HONSHU, JAPAN.

6 September 1945 (Zone Minus 9)

Anchored in TOKYO BAY, HONSHU, JAPAN.

1159 Underway to depart TOKYO BAY enroute to MAISAKA BAY, HONSHU, JAPAN.  
1817 Anchored in MAISAKA BAY.

7 September 1945 (Zone Minus 9)

0611 LARDNER received on board 215 allied prisoners of war from REEVES and WANTUCK. 0618 LARDNER proceeding in company with BUCHANAN and LANSDOWNE enroute to YOKOHAMA. 1215 Entered TOKYO BAY. 1327 Transferred 16 allied prisoners of war to OZARK. 1417 LARDNER moored to BUCHANAN at the Customs Dock, YOKOHAMA HARBOR. 1500 LARDNER completed transfer of 199 allied prisoners of war. LARDNER underway to fuel and anchor.

1541 to 1642 LARDNER fueled from PATUXENT and anchored.

8 September 1945 (Zone Minus 9)

Anchored in TOKYO BAY, HONSHU, JAPAN.

9 September 1945 (Zone Minus 9)

Anchored in TOKYO BAY, HONSHU, JAPAN.

1617 LARDNER underway to enter YOKOHAMA HARBOR. 1640 LARDNER entered YOKOHAMA HARBOR. 1742 Received 95 allied prisoners of war aboard for transfer to INDIANA. 1935 Cleared YOKOHAMA HARBOR. 2102 LARDNER moored alongside INDIANA in TOKYO BAY. 2117 Completed transfer of 95 allied prisoners of war.

10 September 1945 (Zone Minus 9)

Moored starboard side to INDIANA, TOKYO BAY, HONSHU, JAPAN.

0656 Underway from alongside INDIANA, proceeding to anchor.

11 September 1945 (Zone Minus 9)

Anchored in TOKYO BAY, HONSHU, JAPAN.

12 September 1945 (Zone Minus 9)

Anchored in TOKYO BAY, HONSHU, JAPAN.

13 September 1945 (Zone Minus 9)

Anchored in TOKYO BAY, HONSHU, JAPAN.

1249 to 1344 LARDNER fueled from NIOBRARA (AO 72) and anchored.

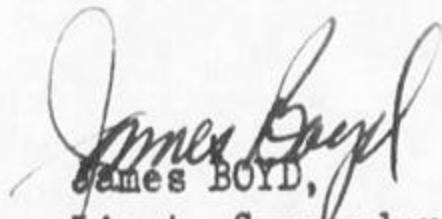
14 September 1945 (Zone Minus 9)

Anchored in TOKYO BAY, HONSHU, JAPAN.

Encountered winds of 35 knots with gusts of 60 knots resulting in ship dragging anchor 400 yards.



- 15 September 1945 (Zone Minus 9)  
Anchored in TOKYO BAY, HONSHU, JAPAN.  
1629 LARDNER detached from Task Group 30.6 to join Task Group 16.6. Commander Task Group 16.6 (Rear Admiral D.B. Beary, U.S.N., DETROIT, flagship).
- 16 September 1945 (Zone Minus 9)  
Anchored in TOKYO BAY, HONSHU, JAPAN.
- 17 September 1945 (Zone Minus 9)  
Anchored in TOKYO BAY, HONSHU, JAPAN.  
Encountered winds of 40 knots with gusts of 55 knots.
- 18 September 1945 through 22 September 1945 (Zone Minus 9)  
Anchored in TOKYO BAY, HONSHU, JAPAN.
- 23 September 1945 (Zone Minus 9)  
Anchored in TOKYO BAY, HONSHU, JAPAN.  
1013 to 1114 LARDNER provisioned from THUBAN and anchored.
- 24 September 1945 (Zone Minus 9)  
Anchored in TOKYO BAY, HONSHU, JAPAN.  
0658 to 0752 LARDNER fueled from MARIAS (AO 57). 0816 LARDNER anchored in TOKYO BAY.
- 25 September 1945 (Zone Minus 9)  
Anchored in TOKYO BAY, HONSHU, JAPAN.
- 26 September 1945 (Zone Minus 9)  
Anchored in TOKYO BAY, HONSHU, JAPAN.
- 27 September 1945 (Zone Minus 9)  
Anchored in TOKYO BAY, HONSHU, JAPAN.  
Encountered winds of 40 knots with gusts of 60 knots.
- 28 September 1945 through 30 September 1945 (Zone Minus 9)  
Anchored in TOKYO BAY, HONSHU, JAPAN.

  
James BOYD,  
Lieut. Commander, U.S.N.R.  
Commanding.