

U. S. S. FRANK E. EVANS (DD 754)

DD754/A12-11
Serial No. 053.

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From: The Commanding Officer.
To: Commander-in-Chief, United States Fleet.

Subject: War Diary - month of December, 1945.

Reference: (a) ALNav 276-43.
(b) Cominch ltr. FFI/A12-1/A16-3, Serial 7152 of 29 Oct., 1943.

1. The War Diary for the month of December, 1945, is submitted herewith:

1-5 December, 1945

Operation Order: CTF 71 OpPlan 13-45.

	Latitude	Longitude
0800	Moored Hwangpoo River, Shanghai, China.	
1200	Moored Hwangpoo River, Shanghai, China.	
2000	Moored Hwangpoo River, Shanghai, China.	

6 December, 1945

Operation Order: CTF 71 OpPlan 13-45.

	Latitude	Longitude
0800	Moored Hwangpoo River, Shanghai, China.	
1200	Steaming down Hwangpoo River.	
2000	Anchored vicinity Woosung River Jetty.	

Underway in accordance CTF 71 despatch of 040230 in company with
USS SPRINGFIELD (CL66) and USS BURNS (DD588) proceeding to Woosung.

7 December, 1945

Operation Order: CTF 71 despatch 060550.

	Latitude	Longitude
0800	Anchored vicinity Woosung River Jetty.	
1200	Steaming down Yangtze River Entrance.	
2000	32° 26'N	122° 39'E

8 December, 1945

Operation Order: CTF 71 despatch 060550.

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	Latitude	Longitude
0800	35° 45'N	121° 05'E
1200	Steaming vicinity Outer Harbor, Tsingtao, China.	
2000	Anchored vicinity berth E-6 Outer Harbor, Tsingtao, China.	

Test firing of main battery and inactive guns in accordance with CTF 71 despatch 071515. Ammunition expended: 24 rds. 5"/38 VT, 3 rds. AAC, 19 rds. smokeless pdr., 8 rds. Flashless pdr. charges, 48 rds. 40MM HEIT, 240 rds. 20MM HEI, and 120 rds. 20MM HET.

9-14 December, 1945

Operation Order: CTF 71 OpPlan 13-45.

	Latitude	Longitude
0800	Anchored vicinity berth E-6 Outer Harbor, Tsingtao, China.	
1200	Anchored vicinity berth E-6 Outer Harbor, Tsingtao, China.	
2000	Anchored vicinity berth E-6 Outer Harbor, Tsingtao, China.	

15 December, 1945

Operation Order: CTF 71 despatch 130237 and 140510.

	Latitude	Longitude
0800	Anchored vicinity berth E-6 Outer Harbor, Tsingtao, China.	
1200	Anchored vicinity berth E-6 Outer Harbor, Tsingtao, China.	
2000	35° 55'N	120° 52.7'E

16 December, 1945

Operation Order: CTF 71 despatch 130237 and 140510.

	Latitude	Longitude
0800	37° 18'N	123° 17'E
1200	37° 45'N	122° 36'E
2000	38° 32'N	121° 00'E

17 December, 1945

Operation Order: CTF 71 despatch 130237 and 140510.

	Latitude	Longitude
0800	38° 45'N	118° 10'E
1200	Steaming vicinity Taku Anchorage, Taku, China.	
2000	Anchored in position:	
	38° 56.6'N	117° 59.5'E

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18-20 December, 1945

Operation Order: CTF 71 despatch 130237 and 140510.

	Latitude	Longitude
0800	38° 56.5'N	117° 59.5'E
1200	38° 56.5'N	117° 59.5'E
2000	38° 56.5'N	117° 59.5'E

21 December, 1945

Operation Order: CTF 71 despatch 200945 and 210035.

	Latitude	Longitude
0800	38° 56.5'N	117° 59.5'E
1200	38° 56.5'N	117° 59.5'E
2000	38° 47'N	118° 50'E

22 December, 1945

Operation Order: CTF 71 despatch 200945 and 210035.

	Latitude	Longitude
0800	Steaming vicinity Chinwangtao Road, Chinwangtao, China.	
1200	Moored to Pier #2, Chinwangtao Road, Chinwangtao, China.	
2000	Moored to Pier #2, Chinwangtao Road, Chinwangtao, China.	

23 December, 1945

Operation Order: CTF 71 despatch 220040 and 220109.

	Latitude	Longitude
0800	Steaming vicinity Chinwangtao Road, Chinwangtao, China.	
1200	38° 50'N	120° 25'E
2000	37° 45'N	121° 50'E

Underway in company with USS SPRINGFIELD (CL66) as TU 71.6.2 enroute Tsingtao, China. CTU 71.6.2 in USS SPRINGFIELD (CL66).

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24 December, 1945

Operation Order: CTF 71 despatch 220040 and 220109.

	Latitude	Longitude
0800	Steaming vicinity Outer Harbor, Tsingtao, China.	
1200	Anchored in berth E-107, Outer Harbor, Tsingtao, China.	
2000	Anchored in berth E-107, Outer Harbor, Tsingtao, China.	

25-26 December, 1945

Operation Order: CTF 71 OpPlan 13-45.

	Latitude	Longitude
0800	Anchored in berth E-107, Outer Harbor, Tsingtao, China.	
1200	Anchored in berth E-107, Outer Harbor, Tsingtao, China.	
2000	Anchored in berth E-107, Outer Harbor, Tsingtao, China.	

27 December, 1945

Operation Order: CTF 71 OpPlan 13-45.

	Latitude	Longitude
0800	Anchored in berth E-107, Outer Harbor, Tsingtao, China.	
1200	Moored alongside USS TAPPAHANNOCK (AO43), Inner Harbor, Tsingtao, China.	
2000	Anchored in berth E-24, Outer Harbor, Tsingtao, China.	

28 December, 1945

Operation Order: CTF 71 despatch 260049 and GTU 70.2.2 despatch 270505.

	Latitude	Longitude
0800	Steaming vicinity Outer Harbor, Tsingtao, China.	
1200	35° 20'N	121° 10'E
2000	34° 15'N	122° 20'E

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29 December, 1945

Operation Order: CTF 71 despatch 260049 and CTU 70.2.2 despatch 270505.

	Latitude	Longitude
0800	Steaming vicinity Yangtze River Entrance.	
1200	Steaming up Hwangpoo River enroute Shanghai, China.	
2000	Moored Hwangpoo River, Shanghai, China.	

30 December, 1945

Operation Order: CTF 71 despatch 260049.

	Latitude	Longitude
0800	Moored Hwangpoo River, Shanghai, China.	
1200	Moored Hwangpoo River, Shanghai, China.	
2000	Moored Hwangpoo River, Shanghai, China.	

31 December, 1945

Operation Order: CTF 71 despatch 260505.

	Latitude	Longitude
0800	Steaming down Hwangpoo River.	
1200	Steaming in vicinity Yangtze River Entrance.	
2000	31° 30'N	124° 45'E

Underway independently from Shanghai, China, enroute to rendezvous with
USS KULA GULF (CVE108) in position 31-40'N; 126-45'E.

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