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REPORT FOR COMMANDING OFFICER, U.S.S. PHELPS, Operating under
Commander Task Unit 1.1.2, U.S. Pacific Fleet.

TASK ORGANIZATION:

1.1.2 Rear Admiral T.S. Wilkinson - IDAHO (ComBatDiv 2).
Task Unit Commander - PENNSYLVANIA, PHELPS (Comdesron 1)
Captain S.B. Brewer | DEWEY, WORDEN.

Changes:

On 4 October DALE joined Task Force ONE.

On 11 October PHELPS and DEWEY arrived Navy
Yard Mare Island for overhaul.

On 15 October WORDEN arrived Navy Yard, Mare
Island for overhaul.

1 OCTOBER 1942

<u>GCT</u>	<u>LCT</u>	
1630	0800	In company with Task Unit 1.1.2 screening battleships. Posit - Lat. 28-37 N., Long. 141-13 W.
2030	1200	Posit - Lat. 29-05 N., Long. 140-15 W. Course and speed made good - 069 True, 14.3 knots.
0430	2000	Posit - Lat. 29-54 N., Long. 138-09 W.

2 OCTOBER 1942

		In company with Task Unit 1.1.2 screening battleships.
1030	0200	Set clocks to (plus 8) LZT.
1600	0800	Posit - Lat. 30-55 N., Long. 135-00 W.
2000	1200	Posit - Lat. 31-17 N., Long. 133-54 W. Course and speed made good - 068 True, 14.8 knots.
0400	2000	Posit - Lat. 31-50 N., Long. 131-58 W.

3 OCTOBER 1942.

		In company with Task Unit 1.1.2 screening battleships.
1000	0200	Set clocks to (plus 7½) LZT.
1530	0800	Posit - Lat. 33-41 N., Long. 129-16.5 W.
1930	1200	Posit - Lat. 34-27 N., Long. 128-13 W. Course and speed made good - 053 True, 15.1 knots.
0330	2000	Posit - Lat. 35-39.5 N., Long. 126-25 W.

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4 OCTOBER 1942

<u>GCT</u>	<u>LCT</u>	
0930	0200	Set clocks to (plus 7) LZT.
1500	0800	Posit - Lat. 37-31.5 N., Long. 123-38 W.
2121	1421	Moored San Francisco. DALE joined Task Force ONE.

5-8 OCTOBER 1942

Moored San Francisco.

9 OCTOBER 1942

1800	1100	Left San Francisco in company with Task Unit 1.1.2 to conduct exhaustive firing exercise by U.S.S. IDAHO.
0300	2000	Posit - Lat. 37-34 N., Long. 124-09 W.

10 OCTOBER 1942

In company with Task Unit 1.1.2 conducting exhaustive firing exercise by U.S.S. IDAHO.


1500	0800	Posit - Lat. 36-50 N., Long. 124-37 W.
1900	1200	Posit - Lat. 36-46 N., Long. 124-06 W.
0300	2000	Posit - Lat. 37-30 N., Long. 123-40 W.

11 OCTOBER 1942

0743	0043	Moored San Francisco. U.S.S. WORDEN proceeded in company with U.S.S. IDAHO to Puget Sound as escort.
1800	1100	Arrived Navy Yard, Mare Island for overhaul in company with U.S.S. DEWEY; U.S.S. MONAGHAN at yard undergoing overhaul.

12-31 OCTOBER 1942

Moored Navy Yard, Mare Island, undergoing regular navy yard overhaul and major armament changes.


B.E.S. TRIPPENSEE,
Lieutenant Commander, U.S. Navy,
Commanding, U.S.S. PHELPS.