

(ii) ENEMY FORCES (Contd.)

3. EAST INDIES

- (1) Aroe Islands - At 0720/15 Doka Barat strip was bombed by 3 Dutch Mitchells which dropped their bombs on the runway. Obstacles were observed on Doka Barat strip. Doka Timoor strip appeared unserviceable and Debo appeared deserted.  
The same aircraft strafed and sank a 40-foot barge off Malkoor Island.
- (2) Tanimbar Is - Photos 14 July confirm a previous sighting of a radar installation near the Southernmost tip of Selaroe Island.
- (3) Timor - At 1305/15 Lautem West strip was bombed by 11 Liberators covering the runway and dispersal areas with bomb pattern. 1 possible sea truck and several barges were observed off-shore in the vicinity of Lautem.  
Later p.m. 15 July 3 Mitchells sweeping the N.W. coast of Timor strafed a barge and a lugger which were the only vessels located.
- (4) Flores - Photos 14 July show 2 luggers and 40 barges at Macemere; 10 buildings were destroyed by the Liberator strike that day. 2 T/E fighters are visible on Macemere airfield but there are no aircraft on Macemere Town drome nor on Waiteti. All runways are serviceable.
- (5) S.E. Celebes - Photos 14 July show a new strip in the Kembano area (4.45' S, 123°30' E). The runway is probably serviceable and dispersal areas have been constructed.

4. PHILIPPINES

- (1) During 15 July shipping was reported in the Visayan Sea and in Bohol Strait. Probably 3 convoys comprising an aggregate of 12 merchant ships with 1 escort for each convoy were observed in the Visayan Sea all heading North. 2 convoys comprising an aggregate 4 large, 4 small to medium vessels with 1 convoy only escorted were observed in Bohol Strait; both convoys were heading North.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

- (1) Carolines - Truk: On 13 July Dublon town and naval base were bombed by 18 Cenpac Liberators. Aggressive interception was encountered from 16-19 enemy fighters of which 4 were destroyed 4 probably destroyed and 5 damaged.  
At 2315/15 Param, Moon and Dublon were again attacked by 9 Cenpac Liberators. 9 enemy fighters attempted interception and 1 was damaged.
- (2) Marshalls - Wetje and Tarea were harassed by Cenpac aircraft night 11-12 July and by moderate formations of Cenpac aircraft on 12 and 13 July: Mille was attacked on 12 July and Jaluit on 13 July.
- (3) Marianas - Saipan: On 13 July U.S. Marines landed on Maniagassa Island off North tip of Saipan and quickly overcame any enemy opposition.  
Also 13 July Tinian was bombarded by naval gunfire and by artillery from Saipan.  
Night 14-15 July 1 or possible 2 submarines were located by D/F in the area N.W. of Saipan.

(iii) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

1. Shipping sightings in Philippines.
2. Probable submarine mission to Biak.

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DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC

<u>Southwest Pacific</u> <u>(Western Section)</u>		<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
		<u>South Pacific</u>	
<u>CV(B)</u>	LUNGA POINT	-	-
<u>CA</u>	(2) AUSTRALIA SHROESHIRE	-	-
<u>CL</u>	(3) BOISE PHOENIX * HOB ART	(2) * NASHVILLE * LEANDER	-
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(2) TANGIER WRIGHT	-	-
<u>XAV/XCVS</u>	(6) HALF MOON SAN PABLO HERON ORCA CHINCOTEAGUE SAN CARLOS	COOS BAY	-
<u>DE</u>	(37) ARONVA WARRAMUNGA STUART VENDETTA QUIB ERON ARNER READ AMMEN ANDERSON BACHE BEALE DALY FLETCHER GILLESPIE GRAYSON HOBBY HOPEWELL HUGHES HUTCHINS JENKINS	LA VALLETTE MORRIS MULLANY MUSTIN NICHOLAS NICHOLSON O'BANNON RADFORD REID ROE RUSSELL STEVENSON STOCKETON SWANSON TAYLOR TRATHEN WELLES WILKES	8
<u>SS</u>	(4) BLUEGILL CERO DACE DARTER	) on patrol	
	(2) BASHAW S.47	) on passage	
	(3) BREAM S.42 S.45	) at Seeadler	
	(2) FLOUNDER FLYING FISH	) at Brisbane	
	(2) K.9 K.12	) at Sydney	* Non-effective

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC (Contd.)

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

Southwest Pacific  
(Eastern Section)

South Pacific

<u>PT</u>	Approx. 175	-	9
<u>APA</u> <u>APD</u>	(10) H.T. ALLEN (APA) KANIMELA MANGORA WESTRALIA ALGORAB (AKA) WARD (APD) SCHLEY HERBERT CROSBY KILTY	4 APD	-
<u>AGC</u>	BLUE RIDGE	-	-
<u>AS</u>	(2) OTUS EURYALE	-	-
<u>AD</u>	(2) DOBBIN WHITNEY	-	-
<u>AR</u>	(5) RIGEL PLATYPUS AMBUS MEDUSA PROMETHEUS	-	-

2. NORTHERN PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

<u>CA</u>	-	-	(2) NAOKI ASHIGARA
<u>CL</u>	(3) DETROIT RALEIGH RICHMOND	-	-
<u>DE</u>	9	-	5
<u>SE</u>	10	-	Approx. 5

3. SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

<u>CL</u>	TRENTON	-	-
<u>I</u>	9	-	-



5. EAST INDIES - INDIAN OCEAN

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>			<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>	
	<u>Southwest Pacific (Western Section)</u>	<u>Eastern Fleet Area</u>		<u>Malaya-Indian Ocean</u>	
<u>BB</u>	-	(4) QUEEN ELIZABETH VALIANT RENOWN RICHELIEU		-	
<u>CV</u>	-	(3) VICTORIOUS ILLUSTRIOUS INDOMITABLE		-	
<u>CV(R)</u>	-	(6) BATTLEER    ATHELING UNICORN        BEGUM SHAH            AMEER		-	
<u>CA</u>	-	(4) CUMBERLAND LONDON SUFFOLK SUSSEX		AOBA	
<u>CL</u>	ADELAIDE	(9) CEYLON        NEWCASTLE KENYA           DANAE GAMBIA          TROMP NIGERIA         EMERALD PHOENIX		KINU	
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(2) CHILES W.B. PRESTON	ALBATROSS		-	
<u>XCL</u>	-	(2) CANTON CHITRAL		-	
<u>DD</u>	-	Approx. 27		5	
<u>SS</u>	(15) ANGLER    FLASHER BO-NEFISH    HOE CAERILLA     LAPON COD          MINGO CREVALLIE    SANDLAGE	NAUTILUS PADDLE PARGO ROBALO K.14	} on patrol	Approx. 16	12 (incl. 7 German)
	(4) ASPRO      HUTTER HADDO         RAY GURNARD	} on passage at Darwin			
	(13) BLUEFISH   HAIDER FLIER         GUNNEL GUITARRO     JACK HAKE         NARWHAL	MUSKELLUNGE RASHER RAPON REDFIN K.15	} at Fremantle		
<u>AS</u>	(2) ORION GRIFFIN				

ESTIMATE ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>Solomons Rismareks</u>	<u>New Guinea</u>	<u>East Indies</u>	<u>Philippines</u>	<u>Mandates</u>
Interceptors	2	7	260	200	150
L & M/Bombers	-	4	124	120	40
T & D/Bombers	-	-	4	60	84
Flying Boats	-	-	9	10	4
Fleetplanes	10	3	59	27	20
Obsn. A/S	2	2	48	23	26
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>440</b>	<b>324</b>

TOP SECRET

British — MOST SECRET

U.S. — SECRET

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

Combined Operational Intelligence Centre

DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

Part I: Allied and Enemy Activity.

Part II: Allied and Enemy Order of Battle.

No. 902

Date 17 July 1944

PART I(1) ALLIED FORCESSOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA1. NEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS(a) At Sea to 1200/17:

- (1) (1) Task Group 70.2 : 2 PF: "HUTCHINSON" "BELFAST"  
2 PC: 1123, 1124
- X (ii) Task Force 74 : 2 CA: "AUSTRALIA" "SHROPSHIRE"  
6 DD: "ARUNTA" "WARRAMUNCA" "AMMEN" "MULLANY"  
"HUTCHINS" "BEALE"
- X (iii) Task Force 77 : 2 DD: "GILLESPIE" "SWANSON"  
1 PF: "SAN PEDRO"  
1 AT: "YUMA"  
2 PC: 476, 477
- (2) "ML.817" was to depart Biak Is. 0800/17 for Hollandia ETA 0700/18.
- (3) "SPRIGHTLY" (AT) towing 5 barges departed Cretin 1300/14 for Humboldt  
ETA 1800/18; thence Woendi
- (4) "GALLUP" (PF) escorting "SHIKELLAMY" (AGG) departed Langemak 1315/14  
for Humboldt Bay ETA 1600/17.
- (5) "BOWERS" (DE) was to depart Seadler to arrive Cretin 1300/17.
- (6) "GEELONG" "GLENELG" (AMS) were to RV at 0700/15 with convoy 5 ships with  
tow in Vitiaz Strait and escort to Manus Island.
- (7) "KAPUNDA" "TOWNSVILLE" "LITHGOW" (AMS) "YMS.70" escorting GB Convoy  
departed Humboldt Bay 1800/15 for Langemak ETA 0700/18.
- (8) "BENDIGO" (AMS) towing "CAROO" departed Milne Bay 1200/15 for Madang  
ETA 1500/18.
- (9) "STRAHAN" (AMS) on Solomon Sea patrol.
- (10) "SHEPPARTON" (AGS) departed Port Moresby 1330/14 for survey duties in  
area Bramble Cay-Rennel Island.
- (11) 4 submarines on patrol.

(b) In Harbour:Biak Is-Woendi:

Combat Units 52 PT  
Escorts 6

: 2 DE: "LOVELACE" "EICHENBERGER"  
1 PF: "ORANGE"  
3 YMS: 51, 316, 393

Auxiliaries 7

: "WRIGHT" (AV) "ORCA" (AVP) "WHIPPOORWILL" (AT)  
"HILO" "PORTUNUS" (AGP) 2 YFD

Merchantmen 10

Wakde:

Escorts 4

: 1 DE: "THOMASON"  
2 PF: "GLENDALE" "EL PASO"  
1 YMS: 48

Merchantmen 6

(1) ALLIED FORCES (Contd.)

Humboldt Bay:  
 Combat Units 9 DD : "STEVENSON" "GRAYSON" "STOCKTON" "LA VALLETTE"  
 "FLETCHER" "MUSTIN" "REID" "JENKINS" "HOBBY"  
 Escorts 20 : 1 DE: "J.E.CRAIG"  
 2 PF: "VAN BUREN" "CORONADO"  
 1 PS: "SWAN"  
 1 AMS: "STAWELL"  
 5 PC: 1119, 1120, 1132, 1133, 1134  
 4 SC: 650, 743, 749, 981  
 6 YMS: 8, 10, 46, 71, 334, 335

Auxiliaries 21 : "BLUE RIDGE" (AGC) "VICTORIA" "BISHOPDALE" (AO)  
 "GOLD STAR" (AG) "SAKAPONCHEE" "ELKHORN" (AOG)  
 "AMYCUS" (ARL) "ANDREW DORIA" "PANDA"  
 "VILLALOBOS" (IX) "BOOTES" "GRUX" (AK)  
 "POYANG" (AE) "OGLALA" (ARG) "DERRICK" (YO)  
 4 YP: 233, 236, 280, 516 1 AFD 1 ATR

Merchantmen 31

Altape:  
 Combat Units 18 PT with LST, 201 acting as AGP  
 Escorts 5 : 1 DE: "NEUENDORFF"  
 4 SC: 734, 744, 745, 746

Merchantmen 8

Admiralties:  
 Combat Units 2 GL : "BOISE" "PHOENIX"  
 11 DD : "ABNER READ" "TRATHEN" "DALY" "ROE" "BACHE"  
 "WILKES" "NICHOLSON" "RUSSELL" "HUGHES"  
 "RADFORD" "MORRIS"

Escorts 9 : 2 DE: "MARTIN" "EMERY"  
 1 PF: "LONGBEACH"  
 2 SC: 747, 982  
 1 AMS: "WAGGA"  
 2 YMS: 313, 315  
 1 ML: 827

Auxiliaries 20 : "CROSBY" (APD) "EURYALE" (AS) "TANGIER" (AV)  
 "WHITNEY" (AD) "RIO GRANDE" (AOG) "MEDUSA" (AR)  
 "ALABASTER" (PYC) "LEOPARD" "MINK" (IX)  
 "CINNAMON" "SILVERBELL" (AN) "BENALLA"  
 "PATHFINDER" (AGS) "ALBIREO" (AK)  
 1 AFD 1 YP: 585 2 YRD 1 ABSD 1 YT

Merchantmen 13

Alexishafen-Madang:  
 Combat Units 1 DD : "WELLES"  
 Escorts 15 : 3 AMS: "WHYALLA" "GLADSTONE" "GYMPIE"  
 1 PC: 1122  
 4 SC: 735, 736, 737, 741  
 6 ML: 42, 426, 430, 806, 816, 818  
 1 YMS: 336

Auxiliaries 14 : "OTUS" (AS) "DOBBIN" (AD) "RIGEL" (AR) "KOOPA"  
 (AGP) "ARAYAT" (IX) "MESQUITE" (CGC) "OCTANS"  
 (AF) 2 ARD 1 ATR 2 AFD

Merchantmen 1

Cape Gloucester:  
 Merchantmen 3

Saïdor:  
 Combat Units 8 PT  
 Escorts 2 : 2 ML: 803, 819  
 Auxiliaries 1 : "PASQUOTANK" (AOG)

Langemak:  
 Combat Units 1 CVE : "LUNGA POINT"  
 2 DD : "ANDERSON" "VENDETTA"  
 24 PT

Escorts 21 : 1 DE: "WITTER"  
 1 PF: "BARCOO"  
 9 AMS: "BUNDABERG" "KATOOMBA" "ARARAT" "BUNBURY"  
 "DELORAIN" "LATROBE" "COOTAMUNDRA"  
 "ROCKHAMPTON" "COLAC"  
 2 PC: 479, 1131  
 6 SC: 698, 732, 738, 742, 748, 750  
 2 YMS: 49, 314

Auxiliaries 17 : "OYSTER BAY" (AGP) "HERBERT" "SCHLEY" "WARD"  
 (APD) "HENRY T.ALLEN" "WESTRALIA" "KANIMBLA"

(1) ALLIED FORCES (Contd.)

Langemak (Contd.)

Auxiliaries (Contd.) : (APA) "SUSQUEHANNA" "SEEKONK" (AOG) "SANGAY"  
(AE) "PING WO" (ASIS) "AASE MAERSK" (AO)  
"RACE POINT" (AT) "INDUS" "MONADNOCK" (AK)  
2 YP: 415, 504

Merchantmen 26

Lae:  
Escorts 1 : 1 ML: 428  
Merchantmen 6

Morobe:  
Combat Units 1 CVE : "ALTAMAHA"  
Escorts 1 : 1 SC: 703  
Auxiliaries 2 : "POYANG" (AE) 1 AFD  
Merchantmen 5

Buna-Ore Bay:  
Auxiliaries 1 : "TASMAN" (AH)  
Merchantmen 12

Milne Bay:  
Combat Units 5 PT  
Escorts 10 : 1 PF: "BISBEE"  
3 SC: 637, 731, 739  
1 FS: "WARREGO"  
4 YMS: 47, 50, 53, 73  
2 ML: 431, 801

Auxiliaries 24 : "SHASTA" (AE) "RAIL" "SONOMA" "WATO" (AT)  
"KILTY" (APD) "HERON" (AVP) "CLYDE"  
"PORCUPINE" (IX) "TEAK" (AN) "CABLE"  
"CALEDONIAN SALVOR" (ARS) "LARK" (AM)  
5 AFD 3 YP 2 ARD 2 YP: 240, 449

Merchantmen 40

Port Moresby:  
Escorts 1 : 1 ML: 802  
Auxiliaries 1 : "WINTER" (AGS)  
Merchantmen 4

2. SOLOMONS

(a) At Sea to 200/17:

- (1) "TUMULT" (AM) escorting "ROTANIN" (AK) proceeding Lunga to Emirau  
ETA 1700/18.
- (2) "PC.620" escorting "JOHN WILLIAM FOSTER" was to depart Russells  
0600/17 for Emirau ETA 1400/20; thence Manus Island.
- (3) "SC.1047" escorting "VIREO" (AT) towing "YO.8" departed Purvis 1620/11  
for Seeadler ETA 1700/17.
- (4) "SC.702" was to depart Seeadler Harbour about 1100/15 for Tulagi ETA  
19 July.
- (5) "GEORGE" (DE) escorting "JOHN CARROL" departed Guadalcanal 0900/15;  
escort later detaches and proceeds Santo; consort  
proceeds Morobe unescorted ETA 18 July.
- (6) "PC.1228" escorting "JANE ADAMS" departed Guadalcanal 1200/16 for  
Morobe. Escort detaches after 24 hours and returns to  
Guadalcanal
- (7) "PC.1590" escorting "JAGUAR" (IX) departed Tulagi 1800/16 ETA Torokina  
prior 1200/18.

(b) In Harbour:

Emirau Is:  
Combat Units 20 PT  
Escorts 4 : 2 DE: "ENGLAND" "FOREMAN"  
1 SC: 1274  
1 PC: 589

Green Is:  
Combat Units 21 PT  
Escorts 2 : 1 DM: "BREEZE"  
1 DE: "OSMUS"  
Auxiliaries 4 : "SAN CARLOS" (AVP) "VARUNA" (AGP) "TAGANAK"  
(AO) "MINTAKA" (AK)

Torokina:  
Escorts 4 : 1 DE: "DEMPSEY"  
1 PF: "EUGENE" 1 PC: 1138 1 SC: 723



(1) ALLIED FORCES (Contd.)

Treasury Is:

Combat Units 4 DD : "NICHOLAS" "TAYLOR" "O'BANNON" "HOPEWELL"  
34 PF  
1 PGM  
Escorts 7 : 1 DE: "WHITEHURST"  
1 EV: "GALE"  
1 M/S: "KIWI"  
2 PC: 584, 588  
2 SC: 677, 722  
Auxiliaries 1 : "MOBJACK" (AGP)  
anda:  
Escorts 3 : 1 PC: 1229  
2 YMS: 196, 259  
Auxiliaries 2 : "STRATFORD" (AGP) "CAMANGA" (AG)

3. EAST AND SOUTH EAST AUSTRALIA

(a) At Sea to 1200/17:

- (1) "OGDEN" (PF) departed Milne Bay 1100/16 for Brisbane ETA 1500/21.
- (2) "PYRO" (AE) departed Milne Bay 1400/12 for Sydney ETA 0900/18
- (3) "SC.648" departed Milne Bay 1500/16 for Cairns ETA Grafton Passage 1500/17.
- (4) "CAPE LEBUWIN" (AGS) departed Milne Bay 0500/12 for Brisbane ETA p.m. 19 July: tending navigational aids en route.
- (5) "ML.805" departed Cairns 1401/15 for Thursday Is.
- (6) "BALLARAT" (AMS) departed Townsville 1240/15 for Thursday Is. ETA 0900/18.
- (7) "ML.804" departed Thursday Is. 0812/10 for duties of several days' duration.
- (8) "SAN PABLO" (AVP) departed Sydney 1432/15 for Seeadler Harbour via Palm Is. and Samarai ETA Palm Is. 12 00/19.
- (9) "COMFORT" (AH) departed Brisbane 0335/15 Northbound.
- (10) "TRIANGULUM" (AK) departed Brisbane 1800/15 for Milne Bay ETA 0830/20: thence Hollandia and Weendi.
- (11) "YP.237" was to depart Caloundra 1600/16 for Milne Bay ETA 1100/23.
- (12) "NASHVILLE" (CL) escorted by "LOESER" "GREENWOOD" (DE) proceeding Espiritu to Sydney ETA 0800/18.
- (13) "YANDRA" (A/S) departed Sydney 0858/14 for Smoky Cape A/S patrol.
- (14) "WARRNAMBOOL" (AMS) departed Sydney 0459/4 for torpedo trials Broken Water Bay.
- (15) "MURZIM" (AK) departed Brisbane 1430/16 for Sydney ETA 1430/18.

(b) In Harbour:

Thursday Is:

Escorts 2 : 2 AMS: "KALGOORLIE" "INVERELL"  
Auxiliaries 2 : "VIGILANT" (AGS) "BUTTON WOOD" (CGC)

Cairns:

Escorts 6 : 2 AMS: "KIAMA" "GOULBURN"  
1 SC: 699  
2 ML: 811, 802  
1 YMS: 52  
Auxiliaries 7 : "TRINITY" (AO) "CHETCO" "FIRE ISLAND"  
"SOUTHWEST PASS" (AT) 1 YP: 278 1 ARD 1 YT

Townsville:

Escorts 1 : 1 ML: 425  
Auxiliaries 3 : "STELLA" "POLARIS" (AGS) "HALF MOON" (AVP)  
Merchantmen 7

Bowen:

Auxiliaries 1 : "CAMBRIAN SALVOR" (ARS)

Brisbane:

Escorts 10 : 3 AMS: "ECHUCA" "MILDURA" "BROOME"  
3 FCE: 848, 849, 850  
1 PC: 1121  
1 A/S: "DOOMBA" (refitting)  
2 ML: 427, 821  
Auxiliaries 12 : "COUCAL" (ASR) "ALGORAB" (AKA) "KURUMBA" (AO)  
"MERKUR" "MIZAR" (AF) "ETOLIN" (AK) "ST.GILES"  
(AT) "MAETSUYCKER" (AH) "CARONDOLET" (IX)  
3 YP: 283, 291, 421  
Merchantmen 15

(1) ALLIED FORCES (Contd.)

Sydney:

Combat Units	1 CL	: "HOBART" (refitting)
	1 DD	: "STUART"
Escorts	9	: 2 PF: "GASCOYNE" "BURDEKIN"
		1 PS: "SAVORGNAN DE BRAZZA"
		1 A/S: "WILCANNIA"
Auxiliaries	14	: 5 ML: 810, 813, 822, 823, 825
		: "FULSA" (PG) "MORESBY" (AGS) "MANGORA" (APA)
		"GANYMEDE" "VENUS" (AK) "YUNNAN" (AE) "RESERVE"
		"POINT LOMA" "TANCRED" (AT) "MANUNDA" (AH)
		"ARISTAEUS" "OCEANUS" (ARB) "BUNGAREE" (CM)
Merchantmen	20	
<u>Newcastle:</u>		
Escorts	1	: 1 A/S: "KYBRA"
<u>Melbourne:</u>		
Combat Units	1 CMS	: "ARIADNE"
Escorts	2	: 1 A/S: "ABRHAM CRIJNSSEN"
		1 AMS: "COWRA"
Auxiliaries	1	: "PLATYPUS" (AR)
<u>Adelaide:</u>		
Escorts	1	: 1 AMS: "CASTLEMAINE"

4. NORTH WESTERN AREA

(a) At Sea to 1200/17:

- (1) "PIRIE" (AMS) escorting Convoy DT.68 ("MONTORO" "SCHWEDAGON") departed Darwin 0630/14 for Thursday Is. ETA 2230/17.  
(2) 16 submarines on patrol.

(b) In Harbour:

Darwin:

Escorts	6	: 2 AMS: "PARKES" "FREMANTLE"
		4 ML: 429, 809, 814, 815
Merchantmen	1	
<u>Snake Bay (Melville Is)</u>		
Escorts	1	: 1 AMS: "JUNEE"
Merchantmen	1	
<u>Melville Bay:</u>		
Escorts	2	: 1 AMS: "BOWEN"
		1 ML: 807
Merchantmen	1	

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA

(a) At Sea to 1200/17:

- (1) "CORPUS CHRISTI" (PF) departed Darwin 0930/11 for Fremantle ETA 1600/17.  
(2) "QUIBERON" (DD) proceeding Melbourne to Fremantle.

(b) In Harbour:

Exmouth Gulf:

Escorts	2	: 2 YMS: 11, 72
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Fremantle:

Combat Units	1 CL	: "ADELAIDE"
Escorts	7	: 2 AMS: "HORSHAM" "DUBBO"
		1 SC: 739
		3 ML: 824, 825
Auxiliaries	10	: "GRIFFIN" "ORION" (AS) "ISABEL" (PY) "CHILDS"
		"W.B. PRESTON" (AVD) "CHANTICLEER" (ASR)
		"CHALLENGER" (AGS) "ATHOS" (AP)
		1 ARD 2 YP: 286, 288

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Note: Merchant ship totals in port include all ships over 1,000 tons except tankers and commissioned ships

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(ii) ENEMY FORCES

A. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

1. SOLOMONS - BISMARCKS

- (1) Bougainville - On 15 July coastal defense guns on Maifu Island off Buin were again attacked by 6 Corsairs. Also on 15 July installations at Numa Numa were bombed by 19 Avengers.
- (2) New Ireland - Night 14-15 July Kavieng was harassed by 2 Mitchells and next day, 15 July, the area was bombed by 4 Corsairs.

Photos 16 July show Kavieng and Panapai still serviceable. Only 4 barges are visible in the harbour.

On 15 July villages and bridges in the area between Namatanai and Makudukadu Bay (on S.W. coast opposite Namatanai) were attacked by 5 Venturas; a large hole was blown in the overland road and several huts destroyed.

An observation from a series of aerial reconnaissances indicates that southbound trucks on New Ireland are apparently usually loaded while northbound trucks generally appear empty.

- (3) Rabaul - Night 14-15 July Rabaul was harassed by 1 Mitchell. Next day A/A positions at Rapopo, and stores dumps at Vunapepe were attacked by 53 Dauntless, 23 Mitchells, 39 Corsairs and in addition Corsair sweeps were carried out around the coastline.

Photos 16 July show that Lakunai, Vunakanau and Tobera runways remain serviceable.

2. NEW GUINEA

- (1) Wewak-Aitape - Night 14-15 July PT boats operating off-shore in co-operation with Beaufighters encountered no barges although the Beaufighters shot 1 up and severely damaged it. The PT boats, however, destroyed 1 truck on the road near Susin.

Details concerning the air offensive in this area on 15 July show that a total of 60 Beaufort sorties, 18 Bostons, 2 Mitchells, 26 Aircobras and 8 Thunderbolts were involved in addition to 6 Beaufighters sweeping for barges in co-operation with PT boats.

On 16 July the air offensive was maintained against the usual targets in this area but details are not yet complete.

Evidence continues of the enemy concentrating East of Drinhamer River but apart from 2 or 3 minor assaults on our positions and light patrol clashes there has been no recurrence of activities.

Acting in co-operation with ground forces, 2 U.S. destroyers effectively bombarded fuel and stores dumps at Karawop and Boiken on 16 July. The previous night, 15-16 July, 4 destroyers working with 2 PT boats operated off-shore against barge traffic. No report is in yet from the PT's and 1 destroyer but the other 3 destroyers met no barges and instead shelled trucks travelling between Sewan and Matapan stopping a number of them.

- (2) Maffin Bay - Activity was limited to patrols on 15 and 16 July: minor enemy contacts were reported.
- (3) Napano - Elimination of isolated pockets on the island continued 15 July.
- (4) Western Geelvink Bay - On 16 July A/A positions on Manokwari were bombed by 18 Liberators demolishing some buildings. Oewi village and roads near Ransiki were also attacked 16 July by 3 Invaders.
- (5) Babe - Night 15-16 July a barge and a jetty near Kekas were strafed by 3 night-fighters.

3. EAST INDIES

- (1) N.W. Borneo - On 14 July 1 "Roma" class light cruiser and 1 destroyer were observed near Miri on a Northerly course.
- (2) Arce Islands - Photos 15 July confirm a visual report that Doka Barat and Doka Barat runways are unserviceable; no aircraft are present.
- (3) Timor - At 0825-0935/16 a coastal sweep of North-eastern Timor was conducted by 3 Mitchells which shot up and destroyed 1 of 3 loaded trucks located near Lautem.

At 1042/16 Cape Chater airstrip was bombed by 1 Liberator. Photos 15 July show that the 3 runways at Fulere are all serviceable, the runway at Lautem West was rendered unserviceable by the strike on that day. No serviceable aircraft were on Lautem West strip.

A. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA (Contd.)

3. EAST INDIES (Contd.)

(4) Flores Island - During the dawn sweep 16 July 4 Beaufighters located 2 merchant ships (4,000 tons each), 3 sea trucks, 2 corvettes, 1 poss. destroyer, 12 luggers, 2 lighters close inshore off Macemere. The largest merchant ships were heavily damaged by strafing and left pouring out smoke: 1 of the sea trucks was also strafed. Another lugger in Pedang Bay (little further East) was also strafed. 4 T/E aircraft intercepted and 1 was shot down, another damaged; in addition 2 more fighters were destroyed while taking off from Macemere.

(5) Halmahera - A delayed report of 5 Mitchells conducting an armed reconnaissance of Halmaheras 13 July states that a small freighter loaded with troops and supplies in Akelama Bay (North-eastern Halmahera) together with 3 barges also loaded with supplies were all hit and sunk. Another medium freighter was slightly damaged by near misses off Cape Lili in the same vicinity. Another barge filled with supplies in Buli Bay was also bombed, strafed and sunk. 1 Mitchell crash landed in the water, probably as a result of A/A.

At 1500/16 Navy Liberator strafed and damaged one 2,000/4,500 ton merchant ship escorted by a destroyer, 30 miles N.E. of Morotai Is. The ships were on course of 40°.

4. PHILIPPINES

(1) Sightings 15-16 July of shipping in Central and Southern Philippines are summarised hereunder:-

- (a) 0730/15: 5 merchant ships, 1 destroyer, in Camotes Sea, crse. N.
- (b) 1400/15: 2 merchant ships in Camatoes Sea, crse. N.
- (c) 1745/15: 1 gunboat, 2 large transports entered Sarangani Bay departing again next morning.
- (d) 1225/16: 2 small merchant ships in Davao Gulf, crse. N.
- (e) 1400/16: 2 small freighters, 21 launches off Cotabato coast, crse. S.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

(1) Carolines - Woleai: At 1220-1300/15 Woleai was bombed by 3 Liberators. A T/E aircraft was observed taking off from the runway. A prob. hospital ship and several barges were observed off the West coast of Woleai.

Early a.m. 16 July Woleai was again bombed by 4 Liberators.

At 1022/16 probably the same hospital ship was observed 180 miles West by South of Woleai on course 290°.

Woleai area: On 15-16 July 1 or 2 submarines were indicated by D/F in the area 100-250 miles NE-SW of Woleai.

Yap: At 1110/15 Yap town was again attacked by 21 Liberators, majority of bombs hitting the target causing large explosions and fires. 14-17 enemy fighters intercepted and 8 were shot down; 1 crippled Liberator water-landed after travelling 500 miles from the targets towards Manus, another 2 Liberators collided and crashed near Yap. 3 barges were observed in Tomil Harbour and 1 merchant ship 5 miles N.E. of Yap on course N.E.

At 0120-0330/16 Yap runway was bombed by 2 Liberators.

At 0945/16 an 'in flight' message from aircraft reported a tanker 200 miles S.E. of Yap on course of 310°.

At 1206/16 Yap town was once again attacked, this time by 20 Liberators causing fires and explosions. 10 enemy fighters intercepted for 35 minutes but without aggression: 1 was probably destroyed but all our aircraft returned.

Serol: At 1148/15 Serol Island was bombed by 1 Liberator.

Palau: Night 15-16 July Peleliu and Ngesebus were bombed by 2 Liberators.

Ngulu Is.: On 16 July Navy reconnaissance Liberator dropped bombs on Ngulu Island which appeared deserted.

Truk: The attack reported in yesterday's Summary (No. 901) by 9 Liberator stated to have been at 2315/15 was actually during daylight, 14 July.

Penape: On 14 July Penape was bombed by 4 Cenpas Liberators.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA(Con td.)

- X (2) Marshalls - During 14 and 15 July raids on a considerably heavier scale were conducted on Tarea and Wetje involving 98 Dauntless, 47 Corsairs on Tarea and 108 Corsairs on Wetje.
- X (3) Nauru - On 14 July Nauru was attacked by 41 Compac Mitchells and 3 Liberators concentrating mainly on Ore town.
- (4) Marianas - Night 11-12 July a small enemy coastal transport was sunk by a destroyer near Guam.  
On 14 July Guam and Rota were attacked by carrier-based aircraft. Next day, 15 July, Guam was shelled by surface units and attacked by carrier-based aircraft. 4 aircraft were claimed destroyed on the ground at Orete.

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(11) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

1. Shipping sightings in Philippines and East Indies.
2. Continued reduction of Guam and Rota.

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DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC

	<u>Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)</u>	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>South Pacific</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CV(E)</u>	(2) LUNGA POINT ALTAMAHA		-	-
<u>CA</u>	(2) AUSTRALIA SHROPSHIRE		-	-
<u>CL</u>	(4) BOISE PHOENIX NASHVILLE * HOBART		* LEANDER	-
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(2) TAN GIER WRIGHT		-	-
<u>Y/NTS</u>	(6) HALF MOON SAN PABLO HERON ORCA CHINCOTEAGUE SAN CARLOS		COCS BAY	-
<u>DD</u>	(36) ARUNTA WARRAMINGA STUART VENDETTA AEMER READ AMEN BACHE BEALE ANDERSON DALY FLETCHER GILLESPIE GRAYSON HOBBY HOPEWELL HUGHES HUTCHINS JENKINS	LA VALLETTE MORRIS MULLANY MUSTIN NICHOLAS NICHOLSON O'BANNON RADFORD HELD ROE RUSSELL STEVENSON STOCKTON SWANSON TAYLOR TRATHEN WELLES WILKES	8	-
<u>SS</u>	(4) BLUEGILL CERO DAGE DART ER	) ) ) on patrol )		
	(2) BASHAW S.47	) ) on passage		
	(3) BREAM S.42 S.45	) ) at Seeadler )		
	(2) FLOUNDER FLYING FISH	) ) at Brisbane		
	(2) K.9 K.12	) ) at Sydney		

\* Non-effective

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC (contd.)

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

	<u>Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)</u>	<u>South Pacific</u>	
<u>ET</u>	Approx. 175	-	?
<u>AKA</u> <u>AFD</u>	(10) H.T. ALLEN (APA) KANIMELA MANOORA WESTRALIA ALGORAB (AKA) WARD (AFD) SCHLEY HERBERT CROSBY KILTY	4 AFD	-
<u>AGC</u>	BLUE RIDGE	-	-
<u>AS</u>	(2) OFUS EUNYALE	-	-
	(2) DOBBIN WHITNEY	-	-
<u>AR</u>	(5) RIGEL PLATYPUS AMYCUS MEDUSA PROMETHEUS	-	-

2. NORTHERN PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

<u>CA</u>	-		(2) NACHI ASHIGARA
<u>CF</u>	(3) DETROIT RALEIGH RICHMOND		-
<u>DD</u>	9		5
<u>ES</u>	10		Approx. 5

3. SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

<u>CL</u>	TRENTON		-
<u>I</u>	9		-

4. CENTRAL PACIFICALLIED FORCES

	<u>Philippines</u>	<u>EMEMY FORCES</u>
	<u>Mandates-E. Indies</u>	<u>Empire</u>

<u>BB</u>	(18) IOWA NEW JERSEY SOUTH DAKOTA INDIANA MASSACHUSETTS ALABAMA	NORTH CAROLINA WEST VIRGINIA WASHINGTON COLORADO CALIFORNIA PENNSYLVANIA * OKLAHOMA	TENNESSEE MISSISSIPPI IDAHO NEW MEXICO MARYLAND OKLAHOMA	TUSO	(8) YAMATO MUSASHI NAGATO KONGO YAMASHIRO ISE HYUGA * HARUNA
<u>CV</u>	(9) SARATOGA ENTERPRISE YORKTOWN LEXINGTON HORNET	INTREPID ESSEX BUNKER HILL WASP		-	(6) SHOKAKU ) 1 sunk ZUIKAKU ) 2 prob. TAIHO ) sunk HITAKA ) 1 dem HAYATAKA ) UNYU
<u>CV(L)</u>	(9) CABOT COWPENS BATAAN BELLEAU WOOD INDEPENDENCE	LANGLEY MONTEREY PRINCETON SAN JACINTO		CHIYODA	(3) RYUHO ) 2 dem. ZUIHO ) pass CHITOSE ) sunk
<u>CV(E)</u>	(21) FANSHAW BAY GAMBIER BAY HOGGATT BAY KADASHAN BAY KALININ BAY KITKUN BAY MANILA BAY NATCHA BAY NEHEFTA BAY OSMANEY BAY PETROF BAY	RUDYERD BAY SARGENT BAY SHANROCK BAY <del>KITKUN BAY</del> BARNES BRETON CASABLANCA CHENANGO GOPAHEE CORAL SEA CORREGIDOR	LONG ISLAND (3) MARCUS ISLAND MIDWAY NASSAU PRINCE WILLIAM SANGAMON SANTEE SAVO ISLAND SUWANNEE WHITE PLAINS	(3) KAIYO OTAKA JINTO	UNYO
<u>CV(T)</u>		-		-	HOSHIO
<u>CA</u>	(19) BALTIMORE BOSTON CHESTER CAN BERRA WICHITA NEW ORLEANS LOUISVILLE	MINNEAPOLIS PENSACOLA INDIANAPOLIS SAN FRANCISCO SALT LAKE CITY PORTLAND		(5) ATAGO TAKAO CHOKAI MYOKO HAGURO	(6) TONE CHIKUMA SUZUYA KUMANO MOGAMI * MAYA
<u>COA</u>		-		-	6
<u>CL</u>	(17) COLUMBIA CLEVELAND DENVER MONTPELIER HONOLULU ST LOUIS	BIRMINGHAM SANTA FE SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN MOBILE	BILOXI OAKLAND RENO VINCHENNES HOUSTON MIAMA	(3) NATORI OI NOSHIO	(8) NAGARA OYODO ISUZU TAMA KISO * KITAGAMI * YAHAGI * ABUKUMA KASHIMA * NOTORO
<u>CL(T)</u>		-		KASHII	
<u>AV/CWS</u>	(4) CURTISS POCCHOKE	CHANDELEUR BALLARD		AKITSUSHIMA	
<u>L</u>	Approx. 185			20	35 (several repairing)
<u>SS</u>	Approx. 30			35	Approx. 30
<u>AS</u>	?			?	2 (1 repairing)

\* Non-effective



5. EAST INDIES - INDIAN OCEAN

Southwest Pacific (Western Section)		<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>		<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>	
		Eastern Fleet Area		Malaya-Indian Ocean	
<u>BB</u>	-	(4)	QUEEN ELIZABETH VALIANT REN OWN RICHELIEU	-	
<u>CV</u>	-	(3)	VICTORIOUS ILLUSTRIOUS INDOMITABLE	-	
<u>CV(B)</u>	-	(6)	BATTLEER     ATHELING UNICORN     BEGUM SHAH     AMEER	-	
<u>CA</u>	-	(4)	CUMBERLAND LONDON SUFFOLK SUSSEX		AOBA
<u>CL</u>	ADELAIDE	(9)	CEYLON     NEWCASTLE KENYA     DANAE GAMBIA     TROMP NIGERIA    EMERALD PHOEBE		KINU
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(2) CHILDS W.B. PRESTON		ALBATROSS	-	
<u>XCL</u>	-	(2)	CANTON CHITRAL	-	
<u>DD</u>	QUIBERON		Approx. 27		5
<u>SS</u>	(16) ANGLER     FLASHER     NAUTILUS BONEFISH    HOE     PADDLE CABRILLA    LAPON     PARGO COD     MINGO     RAY GREVILLE   SANDLACE   ROBALO K.14		Approx. 16		12 (incl. 7 German)
	(2) GUNNARD HUFFER		on patrol		
	ASPRO     at Darwin				
	(14) BLUEFISH   HARDER     MUSKELLUNGE FLIER     HAKE     RASHER GUITARRO   GUNNEL     RAYON HADDO     JACK     REDFIN K.15		at Fremantle		
<u>AS</u>	(2) ORION GRIFFIN				

ESTIMATE ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>Solomons</u> <u>Bismarcks</u>	<u>New Guinea</u>	<u>East Indies</u>	<u>Philippines</u>	<u>Mandates</u>
Fighters	2	7	260	200	150
L & M/Bombers	-	4	124	120	40
T & D/Bombers	-	-	4	60	84
Flying Boats	-	-	9	10	4
Fleetplanes	10	3	59	27	20
Obsn. A/C	2	2	48	29	26
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>440</b>	<b>324</b>

TOP SECRET

British — MOST SECRET

U.S. — SECRET

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA  
Combined Operational Intelligence Centre  
DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

Part I: Allied and Enemy Activity.

Part II: Allied and Enemy Order of Battle.

No. 903

Date 18 July, 1944

PART I(1) ALLIED FORCESSOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA1. NEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS(a) At Sea to 1200/18:

- (1) ~~(i)~~ Task Group 70.1 : 20 PT  
~~(ii)~~ Task Group 70.2 : 2 PF: "HUTCHINSON" "BELFAST"  
 2 PC: 1123, 1124  
~~(iii)~~ Task Force 74 : 2 CA: "AUSTRALIA" "SHROPSHIRE"  
 6 DD: "ARUNTA" "WARRAMUNGA" "AMMEN" "MULLANY"  
 "HUTCHINS" "BEALE"  
~~(iv)~~ Task Force 77 : 2 DD: "GILLESPIE" "SWANSON"  
 1 DE: "J.E.CRAIG"  
 1 PF: "SAN PEDRO"  
 1 AT: "YUMA"  
 2 PC: 476, 477
- ~~(2)~~ "LUNGA POINT" (CVE) departed Langemak 1700/16 for Espiritu Santo ETA 0700/20.
- ~~(3)~~ "ALFAMAHA" (CVE) departed Morobe 0700/17 for Manus Is. ETA 1300/18.
- (4) "STAWELL" (AMS) escorting Convoy NA.33 ("STANLEY MATTHEWS" "CLARENCE H. MATSON" "JOHN BARTRAM") departed Langemak 1015/16 for Manus Is. ETA 1700/18.
- (5) "ROCKHAMPTON" "COOTAMUNDRA" "BUNBURY" (AMS) escorting BG Convoy departed Langemak 1805/16 for Humboldt Bay ETA 0600/19: "BUNBURY" detaches with portion of convoy for Aitape: "DELOIRINE" (AMS) escorting "JOHN CLAYTON" joined convoy from Saidor at 1600/17.
- (6) "SPRIGHTLY" (AT) towing 5 barges departed Gretin 1300/14 for Humboldt Bay ETA 1800/18; thence Woendi.
- (7) "GEELONG" "GLENELG" (AMS) were to RV at 0700/15 with convoy 5 ships with tow in Vitiaz Strait and escort to Manus Island.
- (8) "WHIPPOORWILL" (AM) with tows departed Saidor 15 July for Woendi.
- (9) "LOVELACE" (DE) departed Humboldt Bay 16 July for Milne Bay via Aitape.
- (10) "BENDIGO" (AMS) towing "CAROO" departed Milne Bay 1200/15 for Madang ETA 1500/18.
- (11) "STRAHAN" "COLAC" (AMS) on Solomon Sea patrol.
- (12) 4 submarines on patrol.

(b) In Harbour:Biak Is-Woendi:

Combat Units	52 PT	
Escorts	5	: 1 DE: "EICHENBERGER" 1 PF: "ORANGE" 3 YMS: 51, 316, 393
Auxiliaries	7	: "WRIGHT" (AV) "ORCA" (AVP) "PORTUNUS" "HILO" (AGP) 2 YFD
Merchantmen	10	

(1) ALLIED FORCES (Contd.)

**Wakde:**  
 Escorts 4 : 1 DE: "THOMASON"  
 2 PF: "GLENDALE" "EL PASO"  
 1 YMS: 48  
 Merchantmen 6  
**Humboldt Bay:**  
 Combat Units 9 DD : "STEVENSON" "GRAYSON" "STOCKTON" "LA VALLETTE"  
 "PLETCHER" "MUSTIN" "REID" "JENKINS" "HOBBY"  
 Escorts 21 : 1 DE: "NEUENDORFF"  
 3 PF: "CORONADO" "GALLUP" "BISBEE"  
 1 FS: "SWAN"  
 5 FC: 1119, 1120, 1132, 1133, 1134  
 4 SC: 650, 743, 749, 981  
 6 YMS: 8, 10, 46, 71, 334, 335  
 1 ML: 817  
 Auxiliaries 21 : "BLUE RIDGE" (AGC) "VICTORIA BISHOPDALE" (AO)  
 "GOLDSTAR" (AG) "SAKATONCHEE" "SHIKELLAMY"  
 (AOG) "AMYCUS" (ARL) "ANDREW DORIA" "PANDA"  
 "VILLALOBOS" (IX) "BOOTES" "GRUX" (AK)  
 "OGLALA" (ARG) "DERRICK" (YO)  
 5 YP: 233, 236, 280, 415, 516 1 AFD 1 ATR  
 Merchantmen 37  
**Aitape:**  
 Combat Units 18 PT with LST .301 acting as AGP  
 Escorts 5 : 1 PF: "VAN BUREN"  
 4 SC: 734, 744, 745, 746  
 Auxiliaries 1 : "POYANG" (AE)  
 Merchantmen 9  
**Admiralties:**  
 Combat Units 2 CL : "BOISE" "PHOENIX"  
 11 DD : "ABNER READ" "TRATHEN" "DALY" "ROE" "BACHE"  
 "WILKES" "NICHOLSON" "RUSSELL" "HUGHES"  
 "RADFORD" "MORRIS"  
 Escorts 10 : 2 DE: "MARTIN" "EMERY"  
 1 PF: "LONGBEACH"  
 3 SC: 747, 982, 1047  
 1 AMS: "WAGGA"  
 2 YMS: 313, 315  
 1 ML: 827  
 Auxiliaries 21 : "CROSBY" (APD) "EURYALE" (AS) "TANGIER" (AV)  
 "WHITNEY" (AD) "RIO GRANDE" (AOG) "MEDUSA" (AR)  
 "ALABASTER" (PYC) "LEOPARD" "MINK" (IX)  
 "GINNAMON" "SILVERBELL" (AN) "BENALLA"  
 "PATHFINDER" (AGS) "ALBIRO" (AK) "VIREO" (AT)  
 1 AFD 1 YP: 585 2 YRD 1 ABSD 1 YF  
 Merchantmen 15  
**Akishafen-Madang:**  
 Combat Units 1 DD : "WELLES"  
 Escorts 15 : 2 AMS: "GLADSTONE" "GYMPIE"  
 1 PC: 1122  
 6 SC: 732, 735, 736, 737, 738, 741  
 5 ML: 42, 426, 806, 816, 818  
 1 YMS: 336  
 Auxiliaries 14 : "OTUS" (AS) "OBTANS" (AF) "DOBBIN" (AD)  
 "KOOPA" (AGP) "ARAYAT" (IX) "MESQUITE" (CGG)  
 2 ARD 1 ATR 2 AFD  
 Merchantmen 1  
**Cape Gloucester:**  
 Merchantmen 3  
**Saidor:**  
 Combat Units 8 PT  
 Escorts 2 : 2 ML: 803, 819  
 Auxiliaries 1 : "PASQUOTANK" (AOG)  
**Lagemak:**  
 Combat Units 2 DD : "ANDERSON" "VENDETTA"  
 24 PT  
 Escorts 20 : 1 DE: "WITTER"  
 1 PF: "BARCOO"  
 8 AMS: "BUNDABERG" "KATOOMBA" "ARARAT"  
 "LATROBE" "KAPUNDA" "TOWNSVILLE"  
 "WHYALLA" "LITHGOW"

(1) ALLIED FORCES (Contd.)

Langemak (Contd.)  
Escorts (Contd.)

			: 2 <u>PG</u> : 479, 1131
			4 <u>SC</u> : 698, 742, 748, 750
			3 <u>YMS</u> : 49, 70, 314
			1 <u>ML</u> : 430
Auxiliaries	17		: "OYSTER BAY" (AGP) "HERBERT" "SCHLEY" "WARD" (APD) "HENRY T. ALLEN" "KANIMBLA" (APA) "ELKHORN" "SUSQUEHANNA" "SEEKONK" (AOG) "SANGAY" (AE) "PING WO" (ASIS) "AASE MAERSK" (AO) "COMFORT" (AH) "RACE POINT" (AT) "INDUS" "MONADNOCK" (AK) 1 <u>YP</u> : 504
Merchantmen	22		
<u>Lae:</u>			
Escorts	1		: 1 <u>ML</u> : 428
Merchantmen	5		
<u>Morobe:</u>			
Escorts	1		: 1 <u>SC</u> : 703
Auxiliaries	1		: 1 <u>AFD</u>
Merchantmen	4		
<u>Buna-Oro Bay:</u>			
Auxiliaries	1		: "TASMAN" (AH)
Merchantmen	14		
<u>Milne Bay:</u>			
Combat Units	5	PT	
Escorts	10		: 1 <u>PS</u> : "WARREGO" 3 <u>SC</u> : 637, 731, 739 4 <u>YMS</u> : 47, 50, 53, 73 2 <u>ML</u> : 431, 801
Auxiliaries	24		: "SHASTA" (AE) "RAIL" "SONOMA" "WATO" (AT) "KILTY" (APD) "HERON" (AVP) "CLYDE" "PORCUPINE" (IX) "TEAK" (AN) "CABLE" "CALEDONIAN SALVOR" (ARS) "LARK" (AM) 5 <u>AFD</u> 3 <u>YT</u> 2 <u>ARD</u> 2 <u>YP</u> : 240, 449
Merchantmen	35		
<u>Port Moresby:</u>			
Escorts	1		: 1 <u>ML</u> : 802
Auxiliaries	1		: "WINTER" (AGS)
Merchantmen	2		

2. SOLOMONS

(a) At Sea to E 00/18:

- (1) "PC.620" escorting "JOHN WILLIAM FOSTER" was to depart Russells 0600/17 for Emirau ETA 1400/20: thence Manus Island.
- (2) "SC.702" was to depart Seeadler Harbour about 1100/15 for Tulagi ETA 19 July.
- (3) "DUFFY" (DE) escorting "JOHN LYKES" departed Lunga 1400/17 for Torokina ETA 0600/19.
- (4) "KIWI" (M/S) escorting 1 LST proceeding Treasury Is. to Tulagi ETA 1915/18.
- (5) "Q.402" "CAMANGA" (AO) proceeding Munda to Lunga were due 1100/18.
- (6) "GEORGE" (DE) escorting "JOHN CARROL" departed Guadalcanal 0900/15; escort later detaches and proceeds Sante; consort proceeds Morobe unescorted ETA 18 July.
- (7) "PC.1228" escorting "JANE ADAMS" departed Guadalcanal 1200/16 for Morobe. Escort detaches after 24 hours and returns to Guadalcanal.

(b) In Harbour:

<u>Emirau Is:</u>			
Combat Units	20	PT	
Escorts	6		: 3 DE: "ENGLAND" "FOREMAN" "OSMUS" 1 AM: "TUMULT" 1 SC: 1274 1 PC: 589
Auxiliaries	2		: "ROTANIN" "MINTAKA" (AK)
<u>Green Is:</u>			
Combat Units	21	PT	
Escorts	1		: 1 DM: "BREEZE"
Auxiliaries	3		: "SAN CARLOS" (AVP) "VARUNA" (AGP) "TAGANAK" (AO)

(1) ALLIED FORCES (Contd.)

Torokina:  
Escorts 6 : 2 DE: "DEMPSEY" "BOWERS"  
1 PF: "EUGENE"  
2 PC: 1138, 1590  
1 SC: 723

X Auxiliaries 2 : "WESTRALIA" (APA) "JAGUAR" (IX)

Treasury Is:  
Combat Units 4 DD : "NICHOLAS" "TAYLOR" "O'BANNON" "HOPEWELL"  
34 PT  
1 PGM

Escorts 6 : 1 DE: "WHITEHURST"  
1 EV: "GALE"  
2 FC: 584, 588  
2 SC: 677, 722

Auxiliaries 1 : "MOBJACK" (AGP)

Munda:  
Escorts 4 : 1 FC: 1229  
3 YMS: 97, 196, 259

Auxiliaries 1 : "STRATFORD" (AGP)

3. EAST AND SOUTH EAST AUSTRALIA

(a) At Sea to 1200/18:

- (1) "OGDEN" (PF) departed Milne Bay 1100/16 for Brisbane ETA 1500/21.
- (2) "CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS) departed Milne Bay 0500/12 for Brisbane ETA p.m. 19 July: tending navigational aids en route
- (3) "ML.805" departed Cairns 1401/15 for Thursday Is.
- (4) "ML.804" departed Thursday Is. 0812/10 for duties of several day's duration
- (5) "BUTTON WOOD" (GGC) departed Thursday Is. 0809/17 to resume lighthouse work.
- (6) "SAN PABLO" (AVP) departed Sydney 1432/15 for Seeadler Harbour via Palm Is. and Samarai ETA Palm Is. 1200/19.
- (7) "CHIEF JOSEPH" reported being aground on Darts Reef (09°35' S. 150°11'E.) at 1013/17.
- (8) "GOULBURN" (AMS) departed Cairns 1216/17 for Milne Bay ETA 0900/19.
- (9) "HALF MOON" (AVP) departed Townsville 1030/17 for Brisbane ETA 1030/19.
- (10) "TRIANGULUM" (AK) departed Brisbane 1800/15 for Milne Bay ETA 0830/20: thence Hollandia and Woendi.
- (11) "YP.237" was to depart Caloundra 1600/16 for Milne Bay ETA 1100/23.
- (12) "PC.1121" proceeding Brisbane ETA 1600/19.
- (13) "YANDRA" (A/S) departed Sydney 0858/14 for Smoky Cape A/S patrol.
- (14) "WARRNAMBOOL" (AMS) departed Sydney 0459/4 for torpedo trials Broken Water Bay.
- (15) "MURZIM" (AK) departed Brisbane 1430/16 for Sydney ETA 1430/18.

(b) In Harbour:

Thursday Is:  
Escorts 4 : 4 AMS: "KALGOORLIE" "INVERELL" "PIRIE"  
"BALLARAT"

Auxiliaries 1 : "VIGILANT" (AGS)

Cairns:  
Escorts 6 : 1 AMS: "KIAMA"  
2 SC: 648, 699  
2 ML: 811, 802  
1 YMS: 52

Auxiliaries 7 : "TRINITY" (AO) "CHETCO" "FIRE ISLAND"  
"SOUTHWEST PASS" (AT) 1 YP: 278 1 ARD 1 YP

Townsville:  
Escorts 1 : 1 ML: 425

Auxiliaries 2 : "STELLA" "POLARIS" (AGS)

Merchantmen 5

Bowen:  
Auxiliaries 1 : "CAMBRIAN SALVOR" (ARS)

Brisbane:  
Escorts 9 : 3 AMS: "ECHUCA" "MILDURA" "BROOME"  
3 FCE: 848, 849, 850  
1 A/S: "DOOMBA" (refitting)  
2 ML: 427, 821

(i) ALLIED FORCES (Contd.)

Brisbane (Contd.)  
Auxiliaries 12 : "COUCAL" (ASR) "ALGORAB" (AKA) "KURUMBA" (AO)  
"MERKUR" "MIZAR" (AP) "ETOLIN" (AK) "ST. GILES"  
(AT) "MAETSUYCKER" (AH) "CARONDOLET" (IX)  
3 YP: 283, 291, 421

Merchantmen 15  
Sydney:  
Combat Units 2 CL : "HOBART" (refitting) "NASHVILLE"  
1 DD : "STUART"  
Escorts 11 : 2 DE: "GREENWOOD" "LOESER"  
2 PF: "GASCOYNE" "BURDEKIN"  
1 FS: "SAVORGNAN DE BRAZZA"  
1 A/S: "WILCANNIA"  
5 ML: 810, 813, 822, 823, 825

Auxiliaries 15 : "TULSA" (PG) "MORESBY" (AGS) "MANOORA" (APA)  
"GANYMEDE" "VENUS" (AK) "YUNNAN" "PYRO" (AE)  
"RESERVE" "POINT LOMA" "TANGRED" (AT)  
"MANUNDA" (AH) "ARISTAEUS" "OCEANUS" (ARB)  
"BUNGAREE" (CM)

Merchantmen 20  
Newcastle:  
Escorts 1 : 1 A/S: "KYBRA"

Melbourne:  
Combat Units 1 CMS : "ARIADNE"  
Escorts 2 : 1 A/S: "ABRAHAM CRIJNSSEN"  
1 AMS: "GOWRA"  
1 AMS: "PLATYPUS" (AR)

Auxiliaries 1 : 1 AMS: "CASTLEMANE"

Hobart:  
Escorts 1 : 1 AMS: "CASTLEMANE"

4. NORTH WESTERN AREA

(a) At Sea to 1200/18:

(1) 17 submarines on patrol.

(b) In Harbour:

Darwin:  
Escorts 6 : 2 AMS: "PARKES" "FREMANTLE"  
4 ML: 429, 809, 814, 815

Merchantmen 1  
Snake Bay (Melville Is.)  
Escorts 1 : 1 AMS: "JUNEE"  
Merchantmen 1

Melville Bay:  
Escorts 2 : 1 AMS: "BOWEN"  
1 ML: 807

Merchantmen 1

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA

(a) At Sea to 1200/18:

(1) "QUIBERON" (DD) proceeding Melbourne to Fremantle ETA 1700/18.  
(2) "CHALLENGER" (AGS) proceeding Fremantle to Sydney.

(b) In Harbour:

Exmouth Gulf:  
Escorts 2 : 2 YMS: 11, 72

Fremantle:  
Combat Units 1 CL : "ADELAIDE"  
Escorts 7 : 1 PF: "CORPUS CHRISTI"  
2 AMS: "HORSHAM" "DUBBO"  
1 SC: 739 3 ML: 824, 825

Auxiliaries 9 : "GRIFFIN" "ORION" (AS) "ISABEL" (PY) "CHILDS"  
"W.B. PRESTON" (AVD) "CHANTICLEER" (ASR)  
"ETHOS" (AP) 1 ARD 2 YP: 286, 288

Note: Merchant ship totals in port include all ships over 1,000 tons except tankers and commissioned ships.

(ii) ENEMY FORCES

A. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

1. SOLOMONS - BISMARCKS

- (1) Bougainville - Night 15-16 July Kahili was harassed by 1 Mitchell. The same night Buka Passage area was harassed by 8 Corsairs.
- (2) New Ireland - Night 15-16 July Kavieng was harassed by 2 Mitchells. Next day Kavieng town and aerodrome were bombed by 16 Corsairs with unobserved results and road and motor transports between Kavieng and Namatanai were attacked by 5 Venturas. 1 bridge and 1 truck were destroyed, another bridge was damaged and the road cratered.

Early a.m. 16 July a Liberator returning from Western Carolines search was followed southwards by an unidentified plane for half an hour until reaching a point 50 miles from Manus, when the plane changed course towards Kavieng.

- (3) Rabaul - Night 15-16 Rabaul was harassed by 2 Mitchells. Next day 16 July A/A positions and barge hideout near Vulcan Crater were attacked by 29 Dauntless, 23 Mitchells, and 27 Corsairs; photos show a large revetted storage bay destroyed and buildings with direct access on to the water also destroyed. The same day buildings and supply areas around Rabaul were attacked by 9 Avengers and 19 Corsairs. 2 small craft in Keravia Bay were also attacked during the day by 11 Corsairs. Photos 17 July confirmed that Tobera and Vunakanau airfields at least are still serviceable and 1 apparently serviceable twin engine aircraft is visible on Vunakanau.

2. NEW GUINEA

- (1) Wewak-Aitape - Small enemy parties sometimes up to about 2 companies strong continued, on 16 July, to attack our positions along the Driniumor River from the rear. These parties are remnants of the forces which penetrated our lines and are now cut off from their main body east of the Driniumor River. Enemy positions along the East bank of Driniumor River were again taken under our artillery fire 16 July.

On 17 July the air offensive against troop concentrations, supply dumps etc. between Dagua and Driniumor River was repeated involving 18 Bostons, 3 Mitchells, 44 Beauforts and some Aircobras. In addition, enemy positions near Marubian were shelled by 2 destroyers co-operating with 1 Beaufort afternoon 17 July.

Delayed report from PT's with 4 Destroyers operating off this Coastal sector night 15-16 July states that 3 barges were damaged or destroyed near Wewak. The barges were heading east; 1 PT boat was hit by 40 mm. or 75 mm. shore fire from Cape Pus, and burned and sank.

- (2) Hollandia - An air alert was in progress at Hollandia 0035-0125/17. Aircraft engines were heard and bombs were possibly dropped in the water in Tanahmerah Bay.
- (3) Noemfoor - Mopping up of enemy parties continues 15-16 July. The main body estimated to number 200 are apparently attempting to retire slowly and carefully towards Inasi on the N.E. Coast.
- (4) Vogelkop Peninsula - On 17 July ground positions at Manokwari were bombed by 2 Squadrons of Liberators and Moemi airfield was bombed by 8 other Liberators. In addition, a seatruck, 1 lugger and a barge along the south west coast in Kaiboes-Metamani Bays area were sunk or destroyed by 3 Mitchells.

3. EAST INDIES

- (1) Timor - At 0840/17 jetties at Atapoepoe were unsuccessfully attacked by 4

(11) ENEMY FORCES (contd)

- (1) Timor (contd) - Mitchells which had conducted a negative shipping search. At 1707/17 a 50-ft. barge off-shore 25 miles west of Dilli was strafed by 3 Mitchells and left burning. The barge was partially laden.
- (2) Flores-Seembawa Islands - Incomplete coverage of the shipping attacked by Beaufighters off Macmure dawn 16 July (reported in Summary 902) confirmed the presence of 2 mine-layers and 2 merchantships (1 of 3,500 tons, and 1 of 1,500 tons). At 1130/17 shipping in Macmure Harbour was again attacked by 6 Liberators; 5 merchant vessels estimated to be 2-5000 tons each and 2 escort vessels were observed but no hits were scored. 1 stationary ship appeared to have deck fires burning, possibly the result of the previous day's attack. 4-5 single engine fighters and 2 twin engine fighters intercepted our bombers but no damage resulted to either side. At 1125/17 shipping at Bima (north coast Seembawa Island) was attacked by another 5 Liberators: 1 small freighter was claimed probably sunk by direct hit and another small freighter was bombed and strafed off N.E. coast Seembawa Island, on course 90°; the vessel took on a 20° list. At 1250/17 a medium freighter with 1 destroyer was unsuccessfully attacked by the same aircraft off the north coast of Eastern Flores Island heading west. This second group of Liberators was also intercepted in the vicinity of Macmure by 2 enemy aircraft: 3 possible twin engine flying boats were observed in Bima Bay.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

- (1) Carolines : Yap - At 0036/17 and again at 0220/17 Yap runway was bombed individually by 2 Liberators. Sorol - At 1125/16 Sorol was bombed by 2 Liberators. Woleai - At 0930-0940/17 A/A positions on Woleai were bombed by 3 Liberators. Ngulu Island - At 0055/17 5 ships were reported by aircraft approximately 20 miles S.W. of Ngulu Island. Palau - Night 16-17 July Malakal Island in the Palau group was bombed by 1 Liberator.
- (2) Marshalls - On 15 July attacks additional to these reported in Yesterday's summary No. 902 were conducted by 17 Dauntless, 8 Corsairs on Taroa, and 25 Corsairs on Wetje.
- (3) Marianas - Afternoon and night 14 July allied reconnaissance parties were landed on the beaches along the north coast Guam. Resistance was negligible; no mines were discovered and no other difficult obstructions. On 15 July a reconnaissance of the southern beaches was made. A.M. 15 July a single enemy plane took off from Guam. Interception was attempted by 2 of our fighters without success. On the 16th, July Guam and Rota were subjected to attacks by carrier based aircraft. Again aerodrome was one of the main targets on Guam and trucks and railway equipment the main targets on Rota.
- (4) Bonins and Volcano groups - On 14 July Iwojima was attacked by Liberators from Saipan. A direct hit was scored on a destroyer and explosions caused on 2 other cargo vessels of 3000 and 6000 tons respectively. In addition, a destroyer escort and coastal craft and 12 smaller craft were heavily strafed. 3 grounded aircraft were destroyed by strafing and 10 others damaged. About midnight 17-18 July an enemy convoy of 4 or more cruisers and 4 escorts was attacked by U.S. submarine 220 miles N.W. of Chichijima, on course 160°. 1 escort vessel was claimed as sunk.



(ii) ENEMY FORCES (contd)

- C. ~~INDIAN OCEAN~~ - Night 15 July an enemy submarine torpedoed and sank S.S. "TANDA" British 7,174 tons passenger ship, off Mangalore (S.W. Coast of India). Evening 16 July a submarine probably the one responsible for the above mentioned attack was in turn attacked by aircraft still at Mangalore.
- Night 15 July submarine was located by D/F approximately 800 miles S.S.E. Ceylon thought possibly to be moving North East.
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(iii) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

- Philippines and*
1. Shipping sightings in East Indies and ~~Benins.~~
  2. Continued reduction of Guam and Rota and ~~reconnaissance~~ ~~Guam~~ ~~beaches.~~
  3. ~~Increased enemy submarine activity Indian Ocean.~~

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DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC

		<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>		<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>	
	<u>Southwest Pacific</u> <u>(Eastern Section)</u>		<u>South Pacific</u>		
<u>CV(E)</u>	(2) LUNGA POINT AITAMAHA		-	-	
<u>CA</u>	(2) AUSTRALIA SHROPSHIRE		-	-	
<u>CL</u>	(4) BOISE PHOENIX NASHVILLE * HOBART		* LEANDER	-	
<u>AV/OVS</u>	(2) TANGIER WRIGHT		-	-	
<u>XAV/XOVS</u>	(6) HALF MOON SAN PABLO HERON ORCA CHINGOPEAGUE SAN CARLOS		COCS BAY	-	
<u>DD</u>	(36) ANNETA WARRAMUNGA STUART VENDETTA ABNER READ AMMEN ANDERSON BACHE BEALE DALY FLETCHER GILLESPIE GRAYSON HOBBY HOPEWELL HUGHES HUTCHINS JENKINS	LA VALLETTE MORRIS MULLANY MUSTIN NICHOLAS NICHOLSON O'BANNON RADFORD REID ROE RUSSELL STEVENSON STOCKTON SWANSON TAYLOR TRATHEN WELLS WILKES	8	-	
<u>SS</u>	(4) HEDGECOCK CERO DAGE DARTER	} on patrol	-	5	
	(4) BASHAW BREAM S.42 S.45		} at Seeadler		
	(3) FLOUNDER FLYING FISH S.47			} at Brisbane	
	(2) K.9 K.12		} at Sydney		

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC (Contd.)

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>		<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
	<u>Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)</u>	<u>South Pacific</u>	
<u>FI</u>	Approx. 175	-	?
<u>APA</u> <u>AKA</u> <u>AFD</u>	(10) H.T. ALLEN (APA) KANIMELA MANOORA WESTRALIA ALGCRAB (AKA) WARD (AFD) SCHLEY HERBERT CROSBY KILTY	4 AFD	-
<u>AGC</u>	BLUE RIDGE	-	-
<u>AS</u>	(2) OTUS BURY-ALE	-	-
<u>AD</u>	(2) DOBBIN WHITNEY	-	-
<u>AR</u>	(5) NIGEL PLATYPUS AMYCUS MEDUSA PROMETHEUS	-	-

2. NORTHERN PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CI</u>	-	(2) NACHI ASHIGARA
<u>CL</u>	(3) DETROIT RALEIGH RICHMOND	-
<u>DD</u>	9	5
<u>SS</u>	10	Approx. 5

3. SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CL</u>	TRENTON	-
<u>DD</u>	9	-

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

Philippines

Mandates-E, Indies

Empire

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
		Philippines Mandates-E, Indies Empire
<u>BB</u>	(18) IOWA NEW JERSEY SOUTH DAKOTA INDIANA MASSACHUSETTS ALABAMA	NORTH CAROLINA WEST VIRGINIA WASHINGTON COLORADO CALIFORNIA PENNSYLVANIA * OKLAHOMA
		TENNESSEE MISSISSIPPI IDAHO NEW MEXICO MARYLAND * OKLAHOMA
		FUSO
		(8) YAMATO MUSASHI NAGATO KONGO YAMASHIRO ISE HUGO * HARUNA
<u>CV</u>	(9) SARATOGA ENTERPRISE YORKTOWN LEXINGTON HORNET	INTREPID ESSEX BUNKER HILL WASP
		-
		(6) SHOKAKU )1 ZUIKAKU )sunk TAIHO )2 prob. HYUGA )sunk HAYATAKA )1 dem. HUYEN
<u>CV(L)</u>	(9) CABOT CONPENS BATAAN BELLEAU WOOD INDEPENDENCE	LANGLEY MONTEREY PRINCETON SAN JACINTO
		CHITODA
		(3) FUYUO )2 dem. ZUIHO )poss. CHITOSE )sunk
<u>CV(B)</u>	(31) FANSHAW BAY GAMBIER BAY HOGGATT BAY KADASHAN BAY KALININ BAY KERRIN BAY MANILA BAY NATOMA BAY NEHERTA BAY OSMANEY BAY PETROF BAY	REDYFED BAY SARGENT BAY SHAMROCK BAY BARRIS BRITON CASABLANCA CHENANGO COPAHIE CORAL SEA CORREGIDOR
		LONG ISLAND (2) MARCUS ISLAND MIDWAY NASSAU PRINCE WILLIAM SANGAMON SANTEE SAVO ISLAND SUWANNEE WHITE PLAINS
		(2) KAIYO OFAGA
		(2) UNYO JINYO
<u>(CV(T)</u>		
<u>CA</u>	(13) BALTIMORE BOSTON CHESTER CANBERRA WICHITA NEW ORLEANS LOUISVILLE	MINNEAPOLIS PENSACOLA INDIANAPOLIS SAN FRANCISCO SALT LAKE CITY PORTLAND
		(5) ATAGO TAKAO CHIKAI MYOKO HAGURO
		(6) TONE CHIKUMA SUZUYA HIBIKO MOTAMI * MATA
<u>CCA</u>		
<u>CL</u>	(17) COLUMBIA CLEVELAND DENVER MONTPELIER HONOLULU ST LOUIS	BIRMINGHAM SANTA FE SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN MOBILE
		BILOXI OAKLAND RENO VINCENNES HOUSTON MIAMA
		(3) NATORI OI NOBHIRO
		(8) NAGARA OTOGO ISUZU TAMA KISO * KITAGAMI * YANAGE * ASHIDA
<u>CL(T)</u>		
<u>/OVS</u>	(4) CURTISS FOGMOKE	CHANDLEUR BALLARD
		- KASHII
		AKITSUSHIMA * NOTORO
<u>DD</u>	Approx. 185	20
<u>SS</u>	Approx. 30	35
<u>AS</u>	?	?
		35 (several repairing) Approx. 30 2 (1 repairing)

\* Non-effective

5. EAST INDIES - INDIAN OCEAN

Southwest Pacific (Western Section)		<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>		<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
		<u>Eastern Fleet Area</u>		<u>Malaya-Indian Ocean</u>
<u>BB</u>	-	(4)	QUEEN ELIZABETH VALLANT RENOWN RICHELIEU	-
<u>CV</u>	-	(3)	VICTORIOUS ILLUSTRIOUS INDOMITABLE	-
<u>CV(E)</u>	-	(6)	BATTLEER      ATHELING UNICORN        BEWUM SHAH            AMERR	-
<u>CA</u>	-	(4)	CUMBERLAND LONDON SUFFOLK SUSSEX	AOBA
<u>CL</u>	ADELAIDE	(9)	CEYLON        NEWCASTLE KENYA         DANAE GAMBIA        TROMP NIGERIA       EMERALD PROBIE	KINU
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(2) CHILDS W.B. PRESTON		ALBATROSS	-
<u>XCL</u>	-	(2)	CANTON CHITRAL	-
<u>DP</u>	QUEBERON		Approx. 27	5
<u>SS</u>	(17)	ANGLER      FLASHER      NAUTILUS BONFISH     GURNARD     PADBLE GABRIELLA   HOB          PARGO COD         MINGO        RAY GREVILLE   LAFON        ROB ALO SANDLACE    K.14 (2) ASPRO    ) PUFFER      ) on passage	) Approx. 16 ) ) ) on patrol ) )	12 (incl. 7 German)
	(14)	BLUEFISH    HARDER      MUSKELLONGE FLIER        HAKE         HASHER GUITARRO    GUMNEL      RATON HADDO        JACK         REDFIN NAHWHAL     K.15	) ) ) at Fremantle ) )	
<u>AS</u>	(2) ORION GRIFFIN			

ESTIMATE ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>Solomons</u> <u>Bismarcks</u>	<u>New Guinea</u>	<u>East Indies</u>	<u>Philippines</u>	<u>Mandates</u>
Fighters	2	7	260	200	150
L/Bombers	-	4	124	120	40
T & D/Bombers	-	-	4	60	84
Flying Boats	-	-	9	10	4
Floatplanes	10	3	59	27	20
Obsn. A/C.	2	2	48	23	26
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>440</b>	<b>324</b>



(1) ALLIED FORCES (contd)

**Wakde:**  
 Escorts 3 : 2 PF: "GLENDALE" "EL PASO"  
 1 YMS: 48  
 Merchantmen 6  
**Humboldt Bay:**  
 Combat Units 10 DD : "SWANSTON" "STEVENSON" "GRAYSON" "STOCKTONS"  
 "LA VALIETTE" "FLETCHER" "MUSTIN" "REID"  
 "JENKINS" "HOBBY"  
 Escorts 21 : 1 DE: "NEUENDORFF"  
 3 PF: "CORONADO" "BISBEE" "SAN PEDRO"  
 3 AMS: "ROCKHAMPTON" "COOTAMUNDRA" "DELOIRINE"  
 5 PC: 1119, 1120, 1132, 1133, 1134  
 4 SC: 650, 743, 981  
 6 YMS: 8, 10, 46, 71, 334, 335  
 1 ML: 817  
 Auxiliaries 20 : "BLUE RIDGE" (AGC) "VICTORIA" "BISHOPDALE" (AO)  
 "GOLDSTAR" (AG) "SHIKELLAMY" (AOG) "AMYCUS" (ARL)  
 "ANDREW DORIA" "PANDA" "VILLALOBOS" (IX)  
 "BOOTES" "CRUZ" (AK) "OGLALA" (ARG) "DERRICK" (YG)  
 5 YP: 233, 236, 280 415, 516 1 AFD 1 ATR  
 Merchantmen 35  
**Aitape:**  
 Combat Units 18 PT with LST. 301 acting as AGP  
 Escorts 6 : 1 PF: "VAN BUREN"  
 1 AMS: "BUNBURY"  
 4 SC: 734, 744, 745, 746  
 Auxiliaries 1 : "POYANG" (AE)  
 Merchantmen 11  
**Admiralties:**  
 Combat Units 1 CVE : "ALTAMAHA"  
 2 CL : "BOISE" "PHOENIX"  
 11 DD : "ABNER READ" "TRATHEN" "DALY" "ROE" "BACHE"  
 "WILKES" "NICHOLSON" "RUSSELL" "HUGHES" "RADFORD"  
 "MORRIS"  
 Escorts 11 : 2 DE: "MARTIN" "EMERY"  
 1 PF: "LONGBEACH"  
 3 SC: 747, 982, 1047  
 2 AMS: "WAGGA" "STAWELL"  
 2 YMS: 313, 315  
 1 ML: 827  
 Auxiliaries 24 : "CROSBY" (APD) "EURYALE" (AS) "TANGIER" (AV)  
 "WHITNEY" (AD) "RIO GRANDE" (AOG) "MEDUSA" (AR)  
 "ALABASTER" (PYC) "LEOPARD" "MINK" (IX)  
 "CINNAMON" "SILVERBELL" (AN) "BENALLA"  
 "PATHFINDER" (AGS) "ALBIREO" "SCULPTOR" "LYNX"  
 "ERIDANUS" (AK) "VIREO" (AT)  
 1 AFD 1 YP: 585 2 YRD 1 ABSD 1 YT  
 Merchantmen 15  
**Alexishafen-Madang:**  
 Combat Units 1 DD : "WELLES"  
 Escorts 17 : 4 AMS: "GLADSTONE" "GYMPIE" "BENDIGO" "KA TOOMBA"  
 1 PC: 1122  
 6 SC: 732, 735, 736, 737, 738, 741  
 5 ML: 42, 426, 806, 816, 818  
 1 YMS: 336  
 Auxiliaries 9 : "OFUS" (AS) "DOBBIN" (AD) "KOOPA" (AGP)  
 "MESQUITE" (CGC)  
 2 ARD 1 ATR 2 AFD  
 Merchantmen 1  
**Cape Gloucester:**  
 Merchantmen 3  
**Saidor:**  
 Combat Units 8 PT  
 Escorts 2 : 2 ML: 803, 819  
 Auxiliaries 1 : "PASQUOTANK" (AOG)  
**Langemak:**  
 Combat Units 2 DD : "ANDERSON" "VENDETTA"  
 24 PT  
 Escorts 18 : 1 PS: "SWAN"  
 1 PF: "BARCOO"  
 5 AMS: "ARARAT" "LATROBE" "KAPUNDA" "TOWNSVILLE"  
 "LITHGOW"

(1) ALLIED FORCES (contd)Langemak (contd)  
Escorts (contd)

: 2 PC: 479, 1131  
 5 SC: 698, 742, 748, 749, 750  
 3 YMS: 49, 70, 314  
 1 ML: 430

Auxiliaries 17 : "OYSTER BAY" (AGP) "HERBERT" "SCHLEY" "WARD"  
 (APD) "ELKHORN" "SAKATONCHEE" "SUSQUEHANNA" "SEEK"  
 "SEEKONK" (AOG) "ARAYAT" (IX) "SANGAY" (AE)  
 "PING WO" (ASIS) "AASE MAERSK" (AO) "COMFORT" (AI)  
 "RACE POINT" (AT) "INDUS" "MONADNOCK" (AK)  
 1 YP: 504

Merchantmen 23Lae:

Escorts 1 : 1 ML: 428  
 Auxiliaries 1 : "TASMAN" (AH)  
 Merchantmen 8

Morobe:

Escorts 1 : 1 SC: 703  
 Auxiliaries 1 : 1 AFD  
 Merchantmen 4

Buna-Oro Bay:

Merchantmen 12

Milne Bay:

Combat Units 5 PT  
 Escorts 10

: 1 AMS: "GOULBURN"  
 3 SC: 637, 731, 739  
 4 YMS: 47, 50, 53, 73  
 2 ML: 431, 801

Auxiliaries 24 : "SHASTA" (AE) "RAIL" "SONOMA" "WATO" (AT)  
 "KILTY" (APD) "HERON" (AVP) "CLYDE" "PORCUPINE"  
 (IX) "TEAK" (AN) "CABLE" "CALEDONIAN SALVOR"  
 (ARS) "LARK" (AM)  
 5 AFD 3 YT 2 ARD 2 YP: 240, 449

Merchantmen 39

Port Moresby:

Escorts 1 : 1 ML: 802  
 Auxiliaries 1 : "WINTER" (AGS)  
 Merchantmen 3

2. SOLOMONS(a) At Sea to 1200/19:

- (1) "PC.588" escorting "BRASTAGI" proceeding Treasury to Lunga ETA 1600/19  
 (2) "PC.1138" escorting "JOHN WILLIAM FOSTER" proceeding Russells to  
 Emirau ETA 1400/20.  
 (3) "PC.1128" escorting "KANGAROO" (IX) proceeding Tulagi to Torokina  
 ETA 0600/20.

(b) In Harbour:Emirau Island:

Combat Units 20 PT  
 Escorts 6 : 3 DE: "ENGLAND" "FOREMAN" "OSMUS"  
 1 AM: "TUMULT"  
 1 SC: 1274  
 1 PC: 589

Auxiliaries 2 : "ROTAMIN" "MINTAKA" (AK)

Green Island:

Combat Units 21 PT  
 Escorts 1 : 1 DM: "BREEZE"  
 Auxiliaries 3 : "SAN CARLOS" (AVP) "VARUNA" (AGP) "TAGANAK" (AO)

Torokina:

Escorts 6 : 3 DE: "BOWERS" "DUFFY" "WITTER"  
 1 PF: "EUGENE"  
 1 PC: 1590  
 1 SC: 723

Auxiliaries 3 : "WESTRALIA" (APA) "JAGUAR" (IX) "HENRY T. ALLEN" (APA)

Treasury Island:

Combat Units 4 DD : "NICHOLAS" "TAYLOR" "O'BANNON" "HOWEVELL"

34 PT  
 1 PGM



(1) ALLIED FORCES (contd)Treasury Island (contd)

<u>Escorts</u>	5	: 1 DE: "WHITEHURST"
		1 EV: "GALE"
		1 PC: 588
		2 SC: 677, 722
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	1	: "MOBJACK" (AGP)
<u>Munda:</u>		
<u>Escorts</u>	4	: 1 PC: 1229
		3 YMS: 97, 196, 259
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	1	: "STRATFORD" (AGP)

3. EAST AND SOUTH EAST AUSTRALIA(a) At Seato 1200/19:

- (1) "OGDEN" (PF) departed Milne Bay 1100/16 for Brisbane ETA 1500/21
- (2) "CAFE LEEUWIN" (AGS) departed Milne Bay 0500/12 for Brisbane ETA p.m. 19 July: tending navigational aids en route.
- (3) "ML.804" departed Thursday Island 0812/10 for duties of several day's duration.
- (4) "BUTTON WOOD" (CGC) departed Thursday Island 0809/17 to resume light-house work
- (5) "BALLARAT" (AMS) escorting "BAN HONG LIONG" was to depart Thursday Is. 1100/19 for Merauke ETA 1300/20.
- (6) "SAN PABLO" (AVP) departed Sydney 1432/15 for Seeadler Harbour via Palm Is. and Samarai ETA Palm Is. 1200/19.
- (7) "TRIANGULUM" (AK) departed Brisbane 1800/15 for Milne Bay ETA 0830/20: thence Hollandia and Weendi
- (8) "YP.237" was to depart Caloundra 1600/16 for Milne Bay ETA 1100/23.
- (9) "GANYMEDE" (AK) departed Sydney 1606/18 for Brisbane ETA 0900/20.
- (10) "ARISTAEUS" (ARB) was to depart Sydney a.m. 19 July for Espiritu Santo
- (11) "YANDRA" (A/S) departed Sydney 0858/14 for Smoky Cape A/S patrol
- (12) "WARRNAMBOOL" (AMS) departed Sydney 0459/4 for torpedo trials Broken Water Bay

(b) In Harbour:Thursday Island:

<u>Escorts</u>	4	: 3 AMS: "KALGOORLIE" "INVERELL" "PIRIE"
		1 ML: 805
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	1	: "VIGILANT" (AGS)
<u>Cairns:</u>		
<u>Escorts</u>	7	: 1 PF: "MUSKOGEE"
		1 AMS: "KIAMA"
		2 SC: 648, 699
		2 ML: 811, 802
		1 YMS: 52
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	7	: "TRINITY" (AO) "CHETCO" "FIRE ISLAND"
		"SOUTHWEST PASS" (AT) 1 YP: 278 1 ARD 1 YT
<u>Townsville:</u>		
<u>Escorts</u>	1	: 1 ML: 425
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	2	: "STELLA" "BOLARIS" (AGS)
<u>Merchantmen</u>	5	
<u>Bowen:</u>		
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	1	: "CAMBRIAN SALVOR" (ARS)
<u>Brisbane:</u>		
<u>Escorts</u>	10	: 3 AMS: "ECHUCA" "MILDURA" "BROOME"
		3 PC: 848, 849, 850
		1 PC: 1121
		1 A/S: "DOOMBA" (refitting)
		2 ML: 427, 821
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	13	: "HALF MOON" (AVP) "COUCAL" (ASR) "ALGORAB" (AKA)
		"KURUMBA" (AO) "MERKUR" "MIZAR" (AF) "ETOLIN"
		(AK) "ST GILES" (AT) "MAETSUYCKER" (AH)
		"CARONDOLET" (IX)
		3 YP: 283, 291, 421
<u>Merchantmen</u>	13	
<u>Sydney:</u>		
<u>Combat Units</u>	2 CL	: "HOBART" (refitting) "NASHVILLE"
	1 DD	: "STUART"

(1) ALLIED FORCES (contd)

Sydney (contd)

<u>Auxiliaries</u>	14	:	"TULSA" (PG) "MORESBY" (AGS) "MANOORA" (APA) "MURZIM" "VENUS" (AK) "YUNWAN" "PYRO" (AE) "RESERVE" "POINT LOMA" "TANCRED" (AT) "MANUNDA" (AH) "OCEANUS" (ARB) "BUNGAREE" (CM)
Merchantmen	21		
<u>Newcastle:</u>			
Escorts	1	:	1 <u>A/S</u> : "KYBRA"
<u>Melbourne:</u>			
Combat Units	1	GMS	: "ARIADNE"
Escorts	2	:	1 <u>A/S</u> : "ABRAHAM CRIJNSSEN" 1 <u>AMS</u> : "COWRA"
Auxiliaries	1	:	"PLATYPUS" (AR)
<u>Adelaide:</u>			
Escorts	1	:	1 <u>AMS</u> : "CASTLEMAINE"

4. NORTH WESTERN AREA

(a) At Sea to 1200/19:

- (1) "BOWEN" (AMS) escorting "JOHN OWEN" departed Melville Bay 1945/17 for Thursday Island was due 0630/19
- (2) "ML.807" departed Melville Bay 2100/17 for Darwin ETA 1800/19
- (3) 17 submarines on patrol

(b) In Harbour:

<u>Darwin:</u>			
Escorts	6	:	2 <u>AMS</u> : "PARKES" "FREMANTLE" 4 <u>ML</u> : 429, 809, 814, 815
Merchantmen	1		
<u>Snake Bay (Melville Island)</u>			
Escorts	1	:	1 <u>AMS</u> : "JUNEE"
Merchantmen	1		

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA

(a) At Sea to 1200/19:

- (1) "CHALLENGER" (AGS) departed Fremantle 0700/17 for Sydney ETA p.m. 26 July

(b) In Harbour:

<u>Exmouth Gulf:</u>			
Escorts	2	:	2 <u>YMS</u> : 11, 72
<u>Fremantle:</u>			
Combat Units	1	CL	L "ADELAIDE"
	1	DD	: "QUIBERON"
Escorts	6	:	1 <u>PF</u> : "CORPUS CHRISTI" 2 <u>AMS</u> : "HORSHAM" "DUBBO" 1 <u>SC</u> : 739 2 <u>ML</u> : 824, 825
Auxiliaries	9	:	"GRIFFIN" "ORION" (AS) "ISABEL" (PY) "CHILDS" "W.B. PRESTON" (AVD) "CHANTICLEER" (ASR) "ATHOS" (AP) 1 <u>ARD</u> 2 <u>YP</u> : 286, 288

Note: Merchant ship totals in port include all ships over 1,000 tons except tankers and commissioned ships.

(11) ENEMY FORCES

A. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

1. SOLOMONS - BISMARCKS

- (1) Bougainville - Night 16-17 July Kahili was bombed by 1 Mitchell which was harassing the area. Next day 17 July Kahili area was attacked by 12 Mitchells and 12 Corsairs which were unable to reach Rabaul due to weather. Also 17 July during fighter sweeps targets of opportunity were bombed by 18 Corsairs.
- (2) New Ireland - Night 16-17 July Kavieng was harassed by 2 Mitchells and next day 17 July several huts were destroyed and 1 large building damaged during fighter sweep over Southern New Ireland, involving 24 Corsairs.
- (3) Rabaul - Night 16-17 July Rabaul area was harassed by 2 Mitchells. Next day 17 July A/A positions in Keravia Bay were attacked by 36 Dauntless; other targets around the coast of Gazelle Peninsula were attacked by 12 Mitchells, 10 Avengers, 6 Venturas and a number of Corsairs, while underground storage tunnels in Keravia Bay were also bombed by 8 Corsairs.

2. NEW GUINEA

- (1) Wewak-Aitape - On 17 July in addition to attacks on enemy concentrations by aircraft and surface craft reported in Summary 909, Jap headquarters and troop concentrations at Marumbian and Niap were bombarded by 2 Australian Cruisers. Spotting aircraft reported the areas well covered.

Night 17-18 July 2 PT boats co-operating with 1 destroyer and aircraft again patrolled this sector of the coast without encountering any barges. Road traffic moving along the Marumbian-Karawap sector was shelled by the destroyer.

Weather interfered with the usual air offensive against targets in this area but 18 Beauforts, 6 Beaufighters and a number of Aircobras got through to attack troop concentrations, road transport and supply dumps.

From the ground minor attacks by enemy parties up to 1 company strength each, continued to attack our positions on 17 July: these parties are enemy remnants west of Driniumor River behind our lines. Night 17-18 July the only activity reported was harassing fire by our artillery.

- (2) Eastern Geelvink Bay - During daylight 18 July a Catalina attacked a small boat containing 6 Japs off Cape D'Urville.
- (3) Biak - On the nights 15-16 July, and 16-17 July, lights and flares were seen by our PT boats operating off the Korim Bay area (N.E.Coast) possibly in connection with attempts to evacuate enemy remnants. Mopping up of enemy pockets on Biak Island continue 17 July.
- (4) Noenfoor Island - Night 17-18 July a training barge was sunk by PT boats 2 miles south of Noenfoor. Mopping up continues and known enemy dead to 17 July number 662; Jap prisoners total 24.
- (5) Kaukenau Area - At 0615/18 a possible enemy reconnaissance plane was located over the Kaukenau area.

3. EAST INDIES

- (1) Ambon Area - Delayed interpretation photographs taken 11 July show 16 a/e on Namlea Township aerodrome of which 8 were identified as fighters, 2 as medium bombers, 1 as a transport and 10 a/e on Old Namlea drame including 2 fighters, 7 medium bombers, 1 transport. The runway on Namlea Township drame was serviceable and

(ii) ENEMY FORCES (contd)

- (1) Ambon (contd)
- (2) Flores Island - At 1100-1130/18 shipping including 2 small to medium merchant-ships and 2 escort vessels were attacked by 11 Liberators off North western tip of Flores Island. No damage was inflicted on the ships. 1 enemy fighter and 1 floatplane were airborne in the vicinity of the shipping.
- (3) Soembawa Island - Photos 17 July show 4 aircraft on Bima aerodrome where the runway is serviceable.
- (4) Halmaheras - Photos 13 July show 117 aircraft on the 3 main northern Halmahera airfields as follows:
 

<u>Galela</u>	- 10 F.	41 MB.
<u>Lolobata</u>	- 30 F.	11 MB.
<u>Miti</u>	- 19 F.	6 MB.
	59	58

 No aircraft were on Kau field: Other supported drones were not covered.  
 On 17 July shipping off the East Coast Halmahera and off South coast Morotai Island was attacked by 4 Mitchells conducting sweeps. 1 large seatruck off south coast Morotai Island was left sinking, 3 luggers off N.E. Halmahera were strafed.
- (5) Surabaya - Night July 17 7 merchantships and several barges were sighted in the Surabaya area by Catalines.
- (6) Melukka Passage - At 1330/18, 2 90-ft trawlers were strafed by a patrol Liberator and left dead in the water 60 miles N.W. of Morotai Strait.

B. PHILIPPINES

- (1) Davao Gulf - A delayed report states that on 10 July 5 heavy units, 2 cruisers, and 2 aircraft carriers were anchored off Davao.
- (2) S.W. Mindanao - At approx. 0830/18 2 destroyers, 1 sub chaser escorting 3 small freighters were observed just East of Basilan Strait heading East.
- (3) South China Sea - At approx. 2200/17, 2 heavy units and 5 destroyers were observed about 240 miles W. of Mindanao Strait on course 270°. *Mindoro*

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

- (1) Carolines - Yap - Night 17-18 July Yap aerodrome area was bombed by 2 Liberators. An unidentified ship was observed 190 miles S.W. of Yap heading N.E.
- Truk - During 16 July A/A positions on Param Island were attacked by 16 Cenpas Liberators. 8-12 fighters intercepted of which one was probably destroyed and 3 damaged.
- Neulu Island - On 18 July Neulu Island was again bombed by a reconnaissance Liberator. Once again the island was reported as having the appearance of being deserted.
- Sorol - On 18 July Sorol Island was bombed by a Reconnaissance Liberator. A control tower in which personnel had taken shelter was hit and buried.
- (2) Marianas - On 16 July gun emplacements and defense installations on Guam were heavily shelled by U.S. Naval Force, including Battleships, Cruisers and Destroyers. Sporadic shore fire was encountered but no damage suffered by our surface craft.  
 On 17 July Guam was subjected to attacks by carrier based aircraft which damaged A/A positions, barracks and radio stations. Rota was also subjected to a similar strike which hit barracks and destroyed a bridge. One of our planes was lost in these operations.

(iii) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

- 1. Shipping sightings in Philippines and East Indies.
- 2. Continued reduction of Guam and Rota

DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC

		<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>		<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)</u>		<u>South Pacific</u>		
<u>CV(E)</u>	ALTAHAHA		LUNGA POINT	-
<u>CA</u>	(2) AUSTRALIA SHROESHIRE		-	-
<u>CL</u>	(4) BOISE PHOENIX NASHVILLE * HOBART		* LEANDER	-
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(2) TANGIER WRIGHT		-	-
<u>V/XCVS</u>	(6) HALF MOON SAN PABLO HERON ORCA CHINCOTEAGUE SAN CARLOS		COOS BAY	-
<u>DD</u>	(36) ARUNTA WARRAMUNGA STUART VENDETTA ABER READ AMMEN ANDERSON BACHE BEALE DALY FLETCHER GILLESPIE GRAYSON HOBBY HOPEWELL HUGHES HUTCHINS JENKINS	LA VALLETTE MORRIS MULLANY MUSTIN NICHOLAS NICHOLSON O'BANNON RADFORD REID ROE RUSSELL STEVINSON STOCKTON SWANSON TAYLOR TRATHEN WELLES WILKES	8	-
<u>SS</u>	(4) BLUEGILL CERO DACE DARTER	) ) on patrol	-	5
	(4) BASHAW BREAM S.42 S.45	) ) at Secadler		
	(3) FLOUNDER FLYING FISH S.47	) ) at Brisbane		
	(2) K.9 K.12	) ) at Sydney		

\* Non-effective

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC (Contd.)

		<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
		<u>Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)</u>	<u>South Pacific</u>
		Approx. 175	-
<u>APA</u> <u>AKA</u> <u>AED</u>	(10)	H.T. ALLEN (APA) KANIBELA MANOORA WESTRALIA ALGORAB (AKA) WARD (APD) SCHLEY HERBERT CROSBY KILTY	4 AED
<u>AGC</u>		BLUE RIDGE	-
<u>AS</u>	(2)	OPUS BURYALE	-
<u>AD</u>	(2)	DOBBS WHITNEY	-
<u>AR</u>	(4)	HIGEL FLATYFUS AMYOUS MEDUSA	-

2. NORTHERN PACIFIC

		<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CA</u>		-	(2) NACHI ASHIGARA
<u>CL</u>	(3)	DETROIT RALEIGH RICHMOND	-
<u>DD</u>		9	5
<u>SS</u>		10	Approx. 5

3. SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC

		<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>DD</u>		TRENTON	-
		9	-

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

Philippines  
Mandates-E. Indies

Empire

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>		Philippines <u>Mandates-E. Indies</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u> <u>Empire</u>
<u>BB</u>	(18) IOWA NEW JERSEY SOUTH DAKOTA INDIANA MASSACHUSETTS ALABAMA	NORTH CAROLINA WEST VIRGINIA WASHINGTON COLORADO CALIFORNIA PENNSYLVANIA	TENNESSEE MISSISSIPPI IDAHO NEW MEXICO MARYLAND OKLAHOMA	TUSO (8) YAMATO MUSASHI NAGATO KONGO YAMASHIRO ISE HYUGA * HARUNA
<u>CV</u>	(9) SARATOGA ENTERPRISE YORKTOWN LEXINGTON HORNET	INTREPID ESSEX BUNKER HILL WASP	-	(6) SHOKAKU } 1 sunk ZUIKAKU } 2 prob. TAIHO } sunk HITAKA } 1 dem. HAYATAKA } UNYU
<u>CV(L)</u>	(9) CABOT COWPENS BATAAN BELLEAU WOOD INDEPENDENCE	LANGLEY MONTEREY PRINCETON SAN JACINTO	CHIYODA	(3) RYUHO } 2 dem. ZUIHO } poss. CHITOSE } sunk
<u>CV(R)</u>	(31) FARSHAW BAY GAMBIER BAY HOGGATT BAY KADASHAN BAY KALININ BAY KITKUN BAY MANILA BAY NATOMA BAY NEHEHTA BAY OHWANIKY BAY PETROF BAY	RUDYERD BAY SARGEENT BAY SHAMROCK BAY BARNES BREMEN CASABLANCA CHENANGO COPAHIEE CORAL SEA CORREGIDOR	LONG ISLAND (2) MARCUS ISLAND MIDWAY NASSAU PRINCE WILLIAM SANGAMON SAMPEE SAVO ISLAND SUWANNEE WHITE PLAINS	(2) UNYO JINYO
<u>CV(T)</u>	-	-	-	HOSHO
<u>CA</u>	(13) BALTIMORE BOSTON CHESTER CANE ERRA NEW ORLEANS WICHITA LOUISVILLE	MINNEAPOLIS PENSACOLA INDIANAPOLIS SAN FRANCISCO SALT LAKE CITY PORTLAND	(5) ATAGO TAKAO CHOKAI MYOKO HAGURO	(6) TONE CHIKUMA SUZUYA KUMANO MOGAMI * MAYA
<u>CCA</u>	-	-	-	6
<u>CL</u>	(17) COLUMBIA CLEVELAND DENVER MONTPELIER HONOLULU ST LOUIS	BIRMINGHAM SANTA FE SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN MOBILE	BILOXI OAKLAND RENO VINCENNES HOUSTON MIAMA	(3) NATORI OI NOSHIRO (8) NAGARA OYODO ISUZU TAMA KISO * KITAGAMI * YAHAGI * ABUKUMA KASHIMA * NOTORO
<u>CL(T)</u>	-	-	KASHII	-
<u>APNS</u>	(4) CURTISS POCONOKE	CHANDELEUR BALLARD	AKTISUSHIMA	-
<u>DD</u>	Approx. 185	-	20	35 (several repairing)
<u>SS</u>	Approx. 30	-	35	Approx. 30
<u>AS</u>	?	-	?	2 (1 repairing)

\* Non-effective

5. EAST INDIES - INDIAN OCEAN

Southwest Pacific (Western Section)		ALLIED FORCES		ENEMY FORCES	
		Eastern Fleet Area		Malaya-Indian Ocean	
<u>BB</u>	-	(4)	QUEEN ELIZABETH VALIANT RENOWN RICHELIEU	-	
<u>CV</u>	-	(3)	VICTORIOUS ILLUSTRIOUS INDOMITABLE	-	
<u>CV(B)</u>	-	(6)	BATTLER UNICORN SHAH	ATHELING BEGUM AMEER	-
<u>CA</u>	-	(4)	CUMBERLAND LONDON SUFFOLK SUSSEX		
<u>CL</u>	ADELAIDE	(9)	CEYLON KENYA GAMBIA NIGERIA PHOEBE	NEWCASTLE DANAE TROMP EMERALD	KINU
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(2) CHILDS W.B. PRESTON		ALBATROSS		-
<u>XCL</u>	-	(2)	CANTON CHITRAL		-
<u>DD</u>	QUIBERON		Approx. 27		5
<u>SS</u>	(18) ANGLER ASPRO BONEFISH CABRILLA COD FLASHER  FUFFER	CREVALLE GUYWARD HOE LAPON MINCO SANDLACE  on passage	NAUTILUS PADDLE PARGO RAY ROBALO K.14  NARWHAL RASHER RATON REDFIN K.15	Approx. 16  on patrol  at Fremantle	12 (incl. 7 German)
<u>AS</u>	(2) ORION GRIFFIN				

ESTIMATE ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	Solomons Bismarcks	New Guinea	East Indies	Philippines	Mandates
Fighters	2	7	260	200	150
L & M/Bombers	-	4	124	120	31
T & D/Bombers	-	-	4	60	54
Training Bombers	-	-	9	10	4
Fleetplanes	10	3	59	27	20
Obsn. A/G	2	2	48	23	26
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>440</b>	<b>283</b>



TOP SECRET

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA  
Combined Operational Intelligence Centre

DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

Part I: Allied and Enemy Activity.

Part II: Allied and Enemy Order of Battle.

No. 905

Date 20 July, 1944

PART I

(1) ALLIED FORCES

SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

1. NEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS

(a) At Sea to 1200/20:

- (1) (i) Task Group 70.1 : 20 PT  
 (ii) Task Group 70.2 : 2 PF : "HUTCHINSON" "BELFAST"  
 2 PC : 1123, 1124  
 (iii) Task Force 74 : 2 CA : "AUSTRALIA" "SHROPSHIRE"  
 6 DD : "ARUNTA" "WARRAMUNGA" "ARMEN" "MULL-  
 ANY" "HUTCHINS" "BEALE"  
 (iv) Task Force 77 : 1 DD : "GILLESPIE"  
 1 DE : "J.E.CRAIG"  
 1 AT : "YUMA"  
 2 PC : 476, 477
- (2) "THOMASON" (DE) "GALLUP" (PF) escorting "FREDERICK EILERS" "MORMACHAWK"  
 "CITY OF FORT WORTH" "PONCE" departed Humboldt Bay  
 1800/18 for Biak Is. ETA 0600/21.
- (3) "BISBEE" (PF) "YMS.10" "PC.1119" with two tugs departed Humboldt Bay  
 19 July for Biak ETA 21 July.
- (4) "SPRIGHTLY" (AT) towing 5 barges departed Cretin 1300/14 for Humboldt  
 ETA 1800/18: thence Woendi.
- (5) "WHIPPOORWILL" (AM) with tugs departed Saidor 15 July for Woendi.
- (6) "REID" (DD) departed Humboldt Bay 19 July for Alexishafen: thence  
 Pearl Harbour
- (7) "STEVENSON" "GRAYSON" (DD) departed Humboldt Bay 19 July for  
 Alexishafen ETA p.m. 20 July.
- (8) "WARREGO" (PB) departed Milne Bay 1030/18 for Madang ETA 0700/20:  
 departing thence p.m. 20 July for Hollandia ETA p.m.  
 22 July.
- (9) "BUNDABERG" "WHYALLA" (AMS) 2 YT assisting "KANIMBLA" (APA) reported  
 aground at Cape Cretin at 1520/18: "CALEDONIAN SALVOR"  
 (ARS) also despatched to assist.
- (10) "STRAHAN" "COLAC" (AMS) on Solomon Sea patrol
- (11) 4 submarines on patrol

(b) In Harbour:

Biak Is-Woendi:

Combat Units	52 PT	
Escorts	5	: 1 DE : "EICHENBERGER" 1 PF : "ORANSE" 3 YMS: 51, 316, 393
Auxiliaries	6	: "WRIGHT" (AV) "ORCA" (AVP) "PORTUNUS" "HILO" (AGP) 2 YFD
Merchantmen	13	

(11) ALLIED FORCES (contd)

Wakde:  
 Escorts 3 : 2 PF: "GLENDALE" "EL PASO"  
 1 YMS: 48  
 Merchantmen 8  
Humboldt Bay:  
 Combat Units 8 DD : "ANDERSON" "SWANSTON" "STOCKTON" "LA VALLETTE"  
 "FLETCHER" "MUSTIN" "JENKINS" "HOBBY"  
 Escorts 20 : 1 DE: "NEUENDORFF"  
 2 PF: "CORONADO" "SAN PEDRO"  
 3 AMS: "ROCKHAMPTON" "COOTAMUNDRA" "DELOIRINE"  
 4 PC: 1120, 1132, 1133, 1134  
 4 SC: 650, 743, 981  
 5 YMS: 8, 46, 71, 334, 335  
 1 ML: 817  
 Auxiliaries 21 : "BLUE RIDGE" (AGC) "VICTORIA" "BISHOPDALE" (AO)  
 "GOLDSTAR" (AG) "SHIKELLAMY" (AOG) "AMYCUS" (ARL)  
 "ANDREW DORIA" "PANDA" "VILLALOBOS" (IX)  
 "OCTANS" (AF) "BOOTES" "CRUZ" (AK) "OGLALA" (ARG)  
 "DERRICK" (YO)  
 5 YP: 233, 236, 280, 415, 516 1 AFD 1 ARR  
 Merchantmen 33  
Atape:  
 Combat Units 18 PT with LST. 301 acting as AGP  
 Escorts 6 : 1 PF: "VAN BUREN"  
 1 AMS: "BUNBURY"  
 4 SC: 734, 744, 745, 746  
 : "POYANG" (AE)  
 Auxiliaries 1  
 Merchantmen 11  
Admiralties:  
 Combat Units 1 CVE : "ALTAMAHA"  
 2 CL : "BOISE" "PHOENIX"  
 11 DD : "ABNER READ" "TRATHEN" "DALY" "ROE" "BACHE"  
 "WILKES" "NICHOLSON" "RUSSELL" "HUGHES" "  
 "RADFORD" "MORRIS"  
 Escorts 10 : 2 DE: "MARTIN" "EMERY"  
 1 PF: "LONGBEACH"  
 3 SC: 747, 982, 1047  
 2 AMS: "WAGGA" "STAWELL"  
 1 ML: 827  
 1 YMS: 315  
 Auxiliaries 21 : "CROSBY" (APD) "EURYALE" (AS) "TANGIER" (AV)  
 "WHITNEY" (AD) "RIO GRANDE" (AOG) "MEDUSA" (AR)  
 "ALABASTER" (PYC) "LEOPARD" "MINK" (IX)  
 "CINNAMON" "SILVERBELL" (AN) "BENALLA"  
 "PATHFINDER" (AGS) "ALBIREO" (AK) "VIREO" (AT)  
 1 AFD 1 YP: 585 2 YRD 1 ABSD 1 YT  
 Merchantmen 15  
Alexishafen-Madang:  
 Combat Units 1 DD : "WELLES"  
 Escorts 15 : 4 AMS: "GLADSTONE" "GYMPIE" "LATROBE" "KATOOMBA"  
 1 PC: 1122  
 5 SC: 732, 735, 736, 738, 741  
 4 ML: 42, 806, 816, 818  
 1 YMS: 336  
 Auxiliaries 10 : "OTUS" (AS) "DOBBIN" (AD) "KOORA" (AGP)  
 "MESQUITE" (CGC) "PING WO" (ASIS)  
 2 ARD 1 ATR 2 AFD  
 Merchantmen 1  
Cape Gloucester:  
 Merchantmen 3  
Saidor:  
 Combat Units 8 PT  
 Escorts 2 : 2 ML: 803, 819  
 Auxiliaries 1 : "PASQUOTANK" (AOG)  
Langemak:  
 Combat Units 1 DD : "VENDETTA"  
 24 PT  
 Escorts 23 : 1 PS: "SWAN"  
 1 PF: "BARCOO"  
 7 AMS: "ARARAT" "BENDIGO" "KAPUNDA" "TOWNSVILLE"  
 "LITHGOW" "GEELONG" "GLENELG"

(1) ALLIED FORCES (contd)

Langemak (contd)  
Escorts (contd)

: 2 PC: 479, 1131  
6 SC: 698, 737, 742, 748, 749, 750  
4 YMS: 49, 70, 313, 314  
2 ML: 426, 430

Auxiliaries 18

: "HERBERT" "SCHLEY" "WARD" (APD) "ELKHORN"  
"SAKATONCHEE" "SUSQUEHANNA" "SEEKONK" (AOG)  
"ARAYAT" (IX) "SANGAY" (AE) "AASE MAERSK" (AO)  
"COMFORT" (AP) "RACE POINT" (AT) "INDUS"  
"SCULPTOR" "LYNX" "ERIDANUS" "MONADNOCK" (AK)  
1 YP: 504

Merchantmen 20

Lae:

Escorts 1  
Auxiliaries 1  
Merchantmen 7

: 1 ML: 428  
: ~~XXXX~~ "TASMAN" (AH)

Morobe:

Escorts 1  
Auxiliaries 1  
Merchantmen 5

: 1 SC: 703  
: 1 AFD

Buna-Oro Bay:

Merchantmen 14

Milne Bay:

Combat Units 5 PT  
Escorts 11

: 1 DE: "LOVELACE"  
1 AMS: "GOULBURN"  
3 SC: 637, 731, 739  
4 YMS: 47, 50, 53, 73  
2 ML: 431, 801

Auxiliaries 24

: "SHASTA" (AE) "RAIL" "SONOMA" "WATO" (AT)  
"KILTY" (APD) "HERON" (AVP) "GLYDE" "PORCUPINE"  
(IX) "TEAK" (AN) "CABLE" (ARS) "LARK" (AM)  
"TRIANGULUM" (AK)  
5 ARD 3 YT 2 ARD 2 YP: 240, 449

Merchantmen 32

Port Moresby:

Escorts 1  
Auxiliaries 1  
Merchantmen 3

: 1 ML: 802  
: "WINTER" (AGS)

2. SOLOMONS

(a) At Sea to 1200/20:

(1) "PC.1138" escorting "JOHN WILLIAM FOSTER" proceeding Russells to Emirau  
ETA 1400/20:

"PC.596" escorting "NANCY HANKS" departed Guadalcanal 1700/19 for Morobe.

(b) In Harbour:

Emirau Island:

Combat Units 20 PT  
Escorts 6

: 3 DE: "ENGLAND" "FOREMAN" "OSMUS"  
1 AM: "TUMULT"  
1 SC: 1274  
1 PC: 589

Auxiliaries 2

: "ROTAMIN" "MINTAKA" (AK)

Green Island:

Combat Units 21 PT  
Escorts 1  
Auxiliaries 3

: 1 DM: "BREEZE"  
: "SAN CARLOS" (AVP) "VARUNA" (AGP) "TAGANAK" (AO)

Torokina:

Escorts 7

: 3 DE: "BOWERS" "DUFFY" "WITTER"  
1 PF: "EUGENE"  
2 PC: 1128, 1590  
1 SC: 723

Auxiliaries 4

: "WESTRALIA" "HENRY T. ALLEN" (APA) "JAGUAR"  
"KANGAROO" (IX)

Treasury Island:

Combat Units 4 DD  
34 PT  
1 PGM

: "NICHOLAS" "TAYLOR" "O'BANNON" "HOPEWELL"

(1) ALLIED FORCES (contd)

Treasury Island (contd)

Escorts 5 : 1 DE: "WHITEHURST"  
1 EV: "GALE"  
1 FC: 588  
2 SC: 677, 722  
Auxiliaries 1 : "MOBJACK" (AGP)  
Munda:  
Escorts 4 : 1 PC: 1229  
3 YMS: 97 196, 259

3 EAST AND SOUTH EAST AUSTRALIA

(a) At Sea to 1200/20:

- (1) "OGDEN" (PF) departed Milne Bay 1100/16 for Brisbane ETA 1500/21
- (2) "BUTTON WOOD" (CGC) departed Thursday Island 0809/17 to resume light-house work
- (3) "OYSTER BAY" (AGP) proceeding Milne Bay to Brisbane
- (4) "ML.811" proceeding Cairns to Thursday Island
- (5) "TRINITY" (AO) was to depart Cairns 0700/20 for Milne Bay ETA 1400/22.
- (6) "SAN PABLO" (AVP) departed Sydney 1432/15 for Seeadler Harbour via Palm Island and Samarai ETA Palm Is. 1200/19.
- (7) "YP.237" was to depart Caloundra 1600/16 for Milne Bay ETA 1100/23.
- (8) "MANOORA" (APA) departed Sydney 1439/19 for Milne Bay ETA 0900/24.
- (9) "ARISTAEUS" (ARB) departed Sydney 1149/19 for Espiritu Santo
- (10) "YANDRA" (A/S) departed Sydney 0858/14 for Smoky Cape A/S patrol
- (11) "WARNAMBOOL" (AMS) departed Sydney 0459/4 for torpedo trials Broken Water Bay
- (12) "GENERAL ANDERSON" (AP) proceeding Melbourne from S.P.A. ETA 22 July: ETD 25 July for Fremantle

(b) In Harbour:

Mebauke:  
Escorts 1 : 1 AMS: "BALLARAT"  
Thursday Island:  
Escorts 5 : 3 AMS: "KALGOORLIE" "PIRIE" "BOWEN"  
2 ML: 804, 805  
Auxiliaries 1 : "VIGILANT" (AGS)  
Cairns:  
Escorts 6 : 1 PF: "MUSKOGEE"  
1 AMS: "KIAMA"  
2 SC: 648, 699  
1 ML: 802  
1 YMS: 52  
Auxiliaries 6 : "CHETCO" "FIRE ISLAND" "SOUTHWEST PASS" (AT)  
1 YP: 278 1 ARD 1 YT  
Townsville:  
Escorts 1 : 1 ML: 425  
Auxiliaries 2 : "STELLA M" "POLARIS" (AGS)  
Merchantmen 4  
Bowen:  
Auxiliaries 1 : "CAMBRIAN SALVOR" (ARS)  
Brisbane:  
Escorts 10 : 3 AMS: "ECHUCA" "MILDURA" "BROOME"  
3 PCE: 848, 849, 850  
1 FC: 1121  
1 A/S: "DOOMBA" (refitting)  
2 ML: 427, 821  
Auxiliaries 15 : "HALF MOON" (AVP) "COUCAL" (ASR) "ALGORAB" (AKA)  
"KURUMBA" (AO) "MERKUR" "MIZAR" (AF) "ETOLIN"  
"GANYMEDE" (AK) "ST GILES" (AT) "MAETSUYCKER"  
(AH) "CARONDOLET" (IX) "CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS)  
3 YP: 283, 291, 421  
Merchantmen 11  
Sydney:  
Combat Units 2 CL : "HOBART" (refitting) "NASHVILLE"  
1 DD : "STUART"  
Auxiliaries 12 : "TULSA" (PG) "MORESBY" (AGS) "MURZIM" "VENUS"  
(AK) "YUNNAN" "PYRO" (AE) "RESERVE" "POINT BOMA"  
"TANCRED" (AT) "MANUNDA" (AH) "OCEANUS" (ARB)  
"BUNGAREE" (CM)  
Merchantmen 23

(1) ALLIED FORCES (contd)

Newcastle:  
Escorts 1 : 1 A/SL "KYBRA"  
Melbourne:  
Combat Units 1 CMS : "ARIADNE"  
Escorts 2 : 1 A/S: "ABRAHAM CRIJNSSEN"  
 1 AMS: "COWRA"  
Auxiliaries 1 : "PLATYPUS" (AR)  
Adelaide:  
Escorts 1 : 1 AMS: "CASTLEMAINE"

4. NORTH WESTERN AREA

4.1 (a) At Sea to 1200/20:

- (1) "INVERELL" (AMS) escorting Convey TD.62 ("EDNA" "OCHOCO") departed Thursday Island 0600/19 for Darwin ETA 12 00/23
- (2) "PARKES" (AMS) escorting "ATLAS" was to depart Darwin 0430/20 for Thursday Island ETA 2230/23.
- (3) 17 submarines on patrol

(b) In Harbour:

Darwin:  
Escorts 7 : 2 AMS: "FREMANTLE" "JUNEE"  
 5 ML: 429, 807, 809, 814, 815  
Merchantmen 1

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA

(a) At Sea to 1200/20:

~~Merchantmen~~  
 (1) "CHALLENGER" (AGS) departed Fremantle 0700/17 for Sydney ETA 9.m. 26 Jul.

(b) In Harbour:

Exmouth Gulf:  
Escorts 2 : 2 YMS: 11, 72  
Fremantle:  
Combat Units 1 CL : "ADELAIDE"  
 1 DD : "QUIBERON"  
Escorts 6 : 1 PF: "CORPUS CHRISTI"  
 2 AMS: "HORSHAM" "DUBBO"  
 1 SC: 729  
 2 ML: 824, 825  
Auxiliaries 9 : "GRIFFIN" "ORION" (AS) "ISABEL" (PY) "CHILDS"  
 "W.B.PRESTON" (AVD) "CHANTICLEER" (ASR) "ATHOS"  
 (AP) 1 ARD 2 YP: 286, 288

Note: Merchant ship totals in port include all ships over 1,000 tons except Tankers and commissioned ships.

(11) ENEMY FORCES

A. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

1. SOLOMONS - BISMARCKS

- (1) Bougainville - Night 17-18 July Kahili was harassed by 1 Mitchell and next day, 18 July, huts, buildings and bridges in the Kahili area were attacked by 52 Corsairs during sweeps around Bougainville.
- (2) New Ireland - Night 17-18 July Kavieng was harassed by 3 Mitchells and next day, 18 July, Balus Plantation in the Kavieng area was attacked by 6 Bantless damaging 2 bridges: other targets in the area were attacked by 10 Corsairs.

During 18 July targets of opportunity in South-western New Ireland were attacked by 8 Corsairs.

- (3) Rabaul - Night 17-18 July Rabaul area was harassed by 2 Mitchells. The air offensive 18 July was hampered considerably by weather but Toboi Wharf was attacked by 24 Mitchells and Milim area (Wide Bay) was attacked by 5 Venturas.

Local sources report 18 July that all Japs have apparently been withdrawn from the West coast of Gazelle Peninsula.

2. NEW GUINEA

- (1) Newak-Aitape - Night 18-19 July PT boats operating with 1 destroyer off this coastal sector met no barges. The destroyer shelled trucks and signal lights on the road between Karawap and Marubian.

The air offensive against troop concentrations and supplies in this area was maintained 19 July involving 17 Aircobras bombing and strafing trails in the Suain West - Drinaria River area and 42 Beauforts, 4 Beaufighters attacking motor trucks and dumps in the Newak-Yakamal area.

On the ground small enemy parties continue to attack our positions along the Drinumor River from the rear without effect. A party of Japs described as large was reported 18 July to be moving around our Southern flank from East to West but this report has not yet been confirmed and there is no clear evidence as to the size of the enemy party.

Total enemy dead in this sector up to and including 18 July number 2,467; the total up to 10 July, i.e. prior to the recent Jap assault numbered 1,155.

- (2) Maffin Bay-Biak: - Active patrolling and mopping up continues both in the Maffin Bay sector and on Biak. Total known Jap dead to 18 July number:- Maffin Bay - 3,137, Biak - 3,448.
- (3) Neemfeor - Vigorous patrolling continues throughout Neemfeor Island on 18 July several small parties of Japanese being encountered. Total known enemy casualties to 18 July number 683 Japs killed, 24 Japs captured, 164 Formosans captured, 267 Javanese and 1 Chinese taken into custody.
- (4) Bilanden River Area - a.m. 19 July a possible enemy reconnaissance plane was located over the Bilanden River area.

3. EAST INDIES

- (1) Tanimbar Islands - At 100001040/19 Selaree strip and Larat village were bombed by a reconnaissance Liberator.

X (2) Ambon - At 1500-1510/19 Namlea township aerodrome was bombed by 5 Liberators while shipping off-shore was attacked by another 5 Liberators. No hits were scored on the ships. 5 enemy fighters intercepted and 1 was probably destroyed, another 2 damaged. Shipping seen off Namlea included 9 merchant ships (3 medium to large, 6 small to medium) and 1 escort vessel. 5 aircraft were observed dispersed on Namlea Township aerodrome.

X (3) Timor - At 0615-0805/19 a shipping sweep off North coast Timor was conducted by 6 Mitchells which attacked and sank a small sea truck off S.W. coast Alor Island, destroyed an 80 ft. barge in the same vicinity and strafed without effect a 1,000 ton merchant ship 17 miles N.W. of Dilli, heading S.E. In addition 4 small freighters were observed in Dilli Harbour. p.m. 19 July 3 strikes were despatched against this shipping as follows:-

(ii) ENEMY FORCES (Contd.)

A. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA (Contd.)

3. EAST INDIES (Contd.)

- (3) Timor (Contd.) - (i) 1530/19 - 7 Mitchells bombed strafed and probably damaged a small freighter outside Dilli Harbour. The ship apparently moved slowly back into the harbour.
- (ii) 1650/19 - 6 Mitchells attack and sank a 500 ton vessel in Dilli Harbour. Only other shipping reported at this time concerned 2 barges in the harbour.
- (iii) 1820/19 - 5 Beauforts located no shipping in Dilli Harbour due to darkness and bombed township and jetty areas instead.
- X (4) Java Sea - On 18 July a large tanker was attacked and sunk by U.S. submarine approx. 115 miles N. by W. of Sourabaya.
- (5) Java - Night 18-19 July 8 merchant ships were observed by Catalinas in the Sourabaya Harbour area.

4. PHILIPPINES

- X Early a.m. 18 July 2 medium freighters were sunk by U.S. submarine in Palawan Passage, off Southern Palawan Island.
- Other shipping sightings in the Mindanao area are summarised:-
- (a) 0830/19 - 21 launches came out of Sarangani Bay.
- (b) 1115/19 - 2 destroyers, 1 medium freighter with troops aboard headed South out of Davao Gulf.
- (c) 1500/19 - 1 transport, 5 launches, heading South off the Cotabato coast; 2 floatplanes were covering this convoy.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

- (1) Carolines - Palau: A/A positions on Palau were bombed during 18 July by a Navy search Liberator and night 18-19 July Ngesebus runway and Arakabesan seaplane base were bombed by 2 Army Liberators.
- Sorel: At 1015-1100/18 radio station buildings on Sorel Island were bombed by 5 Liberators as alternative to Yap.
- Yap: At 1115/18 Yap town aerodrome and dispersal area were bombed by 19 Liberators. Interception was effected by 6-8 fighters of which 1 was destroyed and 2 probably destroyed. 4 small vessels were observed in Tomil Harbour.
- At 0300-0400/19 Yap runway was bombed by 2 Liberators. 2 unidentified ships were observed approx. 90 miles S.W. of Yap.
- Woleai: a.m. 18 July Woleai runway was bombed by 3 Liberators.
- (2) Marshalls - Night 16-17 July Wotje and Taroa were harassed by a Catalina. On 17 July Wotje was attacked in 2 strikes by 34 Corsairs, 1 Ventura. Mille was attacked by 16 Dauntless, 12 Corsairs and Taroa by 22 Dauntless, 10 Corsairs.
- (3) Marianas - Throughout night 16-17 July and the day 17 July selected targets on Tinian were shelled by U.S. destroyers.
- On 17 July the bombardment of Guam was carried out again involving battleships, cruisers and destroyers in addition to the carrier-based aircraft strikes reported in yesterday's Summary (No. 904).
- At 0023/19 a submarine contact was reported 400 miles E.S.E. of Saipan.

(iii) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

Shipping sightings in Philippines and East Indies.

2. Continued reduction of Guam and Rota.

DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC

	<u>Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)</u>	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>South Pacific</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CV(E)</u>	ALTAMAHA		LUNGA POINT	-
<u>CA</u>	(2) AUSTRALIA SHROESHIRE		-	-
<u>CL</u>	(4) BOISE PHOENIX NASHVILLE * HOBART		* LEANDER	-
<u>AT/CVS</u>	(2) TANGIER WRIGHT		-	-
<u>XAV/XCVS</u>	(6) HALF MOON SAN PABLO HERON ORCA CHINGOTEAGUE SAN CARLOS		COOS BAY	-
<u>DD</u>	(36) ARUNTA WARRAMUNGA STUART VENDETTA ABNER READ AMMIN ANDERSON BACHE BEALE DALY FLETCHER GILLESPIE GRAYSON HOBBY HOPEWELL HUGHES HUTCHINS JENKINS	LA VALLETTE MORRIS MULLANY MUSTIN NICHOLLS NICHOLSON O'BANNON RADFORD REID ROE RUSSELL STEVENSON STOCKTON SWANSON TAYLOR TRATHEN WELLES WILKES	8	-
<u>SS</u>	(4) BLUEGILL CERO DACE DARTER	) ) ) on patrol )	-	5
	(4) BASHAW BREAM S.42 S.45	) ) ) at Seeadler )		
	(3) FLOUNDER FLYING FISH S.47	) ) at Brisbane )		
	(2) K.9 K.12	) ) at Sydney		

\* Non-effective



1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC (contd)

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>		<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
	<u>Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)</u>	<u>South Pacific</u>	
<u>PT</u>	Approx. 175	-	?
<u>APA</u> <u>AP</u> <u>AS</u>	(10) H.T. ALLEN (APA) KANIMBLA MANOORA WESTRALIA ALGORAB (AKA) WARD (APD) SCHLEY HERBERT CROSBY KILBY	4 APD	-
<u>ACC</u>	BLUE RIDGE	-	-
<u>AS</u>	(2) OTUS EURYALE	-	-
<u>AD</u>	(2) DOBBIN WHITNEY	-	-
<u>AR</u>	(4) RIGEL PLATYPUS AMYCUS MEDUSA	-	-

2. NORTHERN PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CA</u>	-	(2) NACHI ASHIGARA
<u>CL</u>	(3) DETROIT RALEIGH RICHMOND	-
<u>ID</u>	9	5
<u>SI</u>	10	Approx. 5

3. SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CL</u>	TRENTON	-
<u>DD</u>	9	-

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

Philippines  
Mandates-E. Indies Empire

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>			<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>	
				Philippines	<u>Mandates-E. Indies Empire</u>
<u>BB</u>	(18) IOWA NEW JERSEY SOUTH DAKOTA INDIANA MASSACHUSETTS ALABAMA	NORTH CAROLINA WEST VIRGINIA WASHINGTON COLORADO CALIFORNIA PENNSYLVANIA	TENNESSEE MISSISSIPPI IDAHO NEW MEXICO MARYLAND * OKLAHOMA	FUSO	(8) YAMATO MUSASHI NAGATO KONGO YAMASHIRO ISE HYUGA * HARRUNA
<u>CV</u>	(9) SARATOGA ENTERPRISE YORKTOWN LEXINGTON HORNET	INTREPID ESSEX BUNKER HILL WASP		-	(6) SHOKAKU ) 1 sunk ZUIKAKU ) 2 prob TAIHO ) sunk HITAKA ) 1 dam. HAYATAKA ) UNYU ) (2) RYUHO ) 2 dam. ZUIHO ) poss. 0 sunk
<u>CV(L)</u>	(9) CABOT COMPENS BATAAN BELLEAU WOOD INDEPENDENCE	LANGLEY MONTEREY PRINCETON SAN JACINTO		(2) CHIYODA ) CHITOSE )	(2) RYUHO ) 2 dam. ZUIHO ) poss. 0 sunk
<u>CV(E)</u>	(31) FANSHAW BAY GAMBIER BAY HOGGATT BAY KADASHAN LAY KALININ BAY KITKIN BAY MANILA BAY NATOMA BAY MEHENTA BAY OMMONEY BAY PETROF BAY	RUDYERD BAY SARGENT BAY SHAMROCK BAY BARNES BRETON CASABLANCA CHENANGO COPAHEE CORAL SEA CORREGIDOR	LONG ISLAND MARCUS ISLAND MIDWAY NASSAU PRINCE WILLIAM SANGAMON SANTRE SAVO ISLAND SUWANNEE WHITE PLAINS	(2) KAIYO OPAKA	(2) UNYO JINYO
<u>CV(T)</u>					HUSHO
<u>CA</u>	(13) BALTIMORE BOSTON CHESTER CANBERRA NEW ORLEANS WICHITA LOUISVILLE	MINNEAPOLIS PENSACOLA INDIANAPOLIS SAN FRANCISCO SALT LAKE CITY PORTLAND	(5) <del>XXXXXXXX</del>	(5) ATAGO TAKAO CHOKAI MYOKO HAGURO	(6) TONE CHIKUMA SUZUYA KUMANO MOGAMI * MAYA
<u>OCA</u>					6
<u>CL</u>	(17) COLUMBIA CLEVALAND DENVER MONTPELLIER HONOLULU ST LOUIS	BIRMINGHAM SANTA FE SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN MOBILE	BILOXI OAKLAND RENO VINCENNES HOUSTON MIAMI	(3) NATORI OI NOSHIRO	(8) NAGARA OYODO ISUZU TAMA KISO * KITGAMI * YAHAGI * ABUKUMA
<u>CL(T)</u>				KASHII	KASHIMA
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(4) CURTISS FOCOMOKE	CHANDELEUR BALLARD		AKITSUSHIMA	* NOTORO
<u>DD</u>	Approx. 185			20	35 (several repair)
<u>SS</u>	" 30			35	Approx. 30
<u>AS</u>	?			?	2 (1 repairing)

5. EAST INDIES - INDIAN OCEAN

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

Southwest Pacific  
(Western Section)

Eastern Fleet Area

Malaya@Indian Ocean

<u>BB</u>	-		(4) QUEEN ELIZABETH VALIANT RENOWN RICHELIEU	-
<u>CV</u>	-		(3) VICTORIOUS ILLUSTRIOUS INDOMITABLE	-
<u>CV(E)</u>	-		(6) BATTLEER      APHELING UNICORN          BEGUM SHAH              AMER	-
<u>CA</u>	-		(4) CUMBERLAND LONDON SUFFOLK SUSSEX	<i>ASBA</i>
	ADELAIDE		(9) CEYLON          NEWCASTLE KENYA              DANAE GAMBIA             TROMP NIGERIA            EMERALD PHOEBE	KINU
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(2) CHILDS W.B.PRESTON		ALBATROSS	-
<u>XCL</u>	-		(2) CANTON CHITRAL	-
<u>DD</u>	QUIBERON		Approx. 27	5
<u>SS</u>	(18) ANGLER      CREVALLE      NAUTILUS      ) ASPRO          GURNARD      PADDLE        ) BONEFISH      HOE            PARGO         ) CABRILLA      LAPON          RAY            ) on patrol OOD            MINGO          ROBALO        ) FLASHER      SANDLACE      K.14          )		"      16	12 (incl. 7 German)
	(2) PUFFER      ) on passage RATON          )			
	(13) BLUEFISH    HARDER          NORWHAL       ) FLIER          HAKE            RASHER        ) GUTJARRO      GUNNEL          REDFIN         ) at Fremantle HADDO          JACK            REEF K.15     ) MUSKELLUNGE    )			
<u>AS</u>	(2) ORION GRIFFIN			

ESTIMATE ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>Solomon s Bismarcks</u>	<u>New Guin ea</u>	<u>East Indies</u>	<u>Philippines</u>	<u>Mandates</u>
ghters	2	7	250	200	150
L & M/Bombers	-	4	134	120	31
T & D/Bombers	-	-	4	60	54
Flying Boats	-	-	9	10	8
Floatplanes	10	9	59	27	30
Obsn. a/c	2	2	48	23	26
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>440</b>	<b>283</b>

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DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

Part I: Allied and Enemy Activity.

Part II: Allied and Enemy Order of Battle.

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Date 21 July, 1944

PART I(1) ALLIED FORCESSOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA1. NEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS(a) At Sea to 1200/21:

- (1) (i) Task Group 70. 1 : 20 PT  
(ii) Task Group 70. 2 : 2 PF : "HUTCHINSON" "BELFAST"  
2 FC : 1123, 1124  
X (iii) Task Force 74 : 2 CA : "AUSTRALIA" "SHROPSHIRE"  
6 DD : "ARUNTA" "WARRAMUNGA" "AMMEN"  
"MULLANY" "HUTCHINS" "BEALE"  
(iv) Task Force 77 : 1 DD : "GILLESPIE"  
1 AT : "YUMA"  
2 FC : 476, 477
- (2) "STACK" (DD) escorting "KILTY" (APD) proceeding Langemak to Humboldt Bay ETA 21 July
- (3) "ROE" (DD) departed Seeadler 1800/19, proceeding out of S.W.P.A.
- (4) "THOMASON" "J.E.CRAIG" "EICHENBERGER" escorting 2 MV departed Biak 20 July for Humboldt Bay: "THOMASON" detaches to relieve "GLENDALE" (PF) on A/S patrol at Wakde.
- (5) "BISBEE" (PF) "YMS.10" "PC.1119" with two tugs departed Humboldt Bay 19 July for Biak ETA 21 July
- (6) "SPRIGHTLY" (AT) towing 5 barges departed Cretin 1300/14 for Humboldt ETA 1800/18: thence Woendi.
- (7) "WHIPPOORWILL" (AM) ~~ka~~ with tows departed Saidor 15 July for Woendi
- (8) "SC.734" "SC.981" escorting Convoy NA.34 ("SKOTAS" "JOHN PAGE") departed Langemak 1000/19 for Seeadler were due 0600/21.
- (9) "GOULBURN" (AMS) departed Milne Bay 1015/20 for Langemak ETA 1700/21.
- (10) "SC.736" departed Milne Bay 1200/20 for Langemak ETA 0800/20, and Madang ETA 0800/21.
- (11) "WARREGO" (PS) departed Milne Bay 1030/18 for Madang ETA 0700/20: departing thence p.m. 20 July for Hollandia ETA p.m. 22 July.
- (12) "BUNDABERG" "WHYALLA" (AMS) 2 YT still assisting "KANIMBLA" (APA) aground at Cape Cretin "CALEDONIAN SALVOR" (ARS) also detached to assist. Efforts to refloat so far unsuccessful.
- (13) "STRAHAN" "COLAC" (AMS) on Solomon Sea patrol.
- (14) 4 submarines on patrol

(b) In HarbourBiak Is-Woendi:

Combat Units	52	PT
Escorts	4	1 PF : "GALLUP" 3 YMS: 51, 316, 393
Auxiliaries	6	: "WRIGHT" (AV) "ORCA" (AVP) "PORTUNUS" "HILO" (AGP) 2 YFD
Merchantmen	13	

(1) ALLIED FORCES (contd)

Wakde:  
 Escorts 6 : 3 AMS: "COTTAMUNDRA" "ROCKHAMPTON" "DELORAINÉ"  
 2 PF: "GLENDALE" "EL PASO"  
 1 YMS: 48  
 Merchantmen 8  
Humboldt Bay:  
 Combat Units 12 DD : "WILKES" "NICHOLSON" "RUSSELL" "RADFORD"  
 "ANDERSON" "SWANSTON" "STOCKTON" "LA VALLETTE"  
 "FLETCHER" "MUSTIN" "JENKINS" "HOBBY"  
 Escorts 17 : 1 DE: "NEUENDORFF"  
 4 PF: "CORONADO" "SAN PEDRO" "ORANGE" "LONG-  
 BEACH"  
 4 PC: 11209, 1132, 1133, 1134  
 2 SC: 650, 743  
 5 YMS: 8, 46, 71, 334, 335  
 1 ML: 817  
 Auxiliaries 21 : "BLUE RIDGE" (AGC) "VICTORIA" "BISHOPDALE" (AG)  
 "GOLDSTAR" (AG) "SHIKELLAMY" (AOG) "AMYCUS"  
 (ARL) "ANDREW DORIA" "PANDA" "VILLALOBOS" (IX)  
 "OCTANS" (AF) "BOOTES" "CRUZ" (AK) "OGLALA"  
 (ARG) "DERRICK" (YO) "VIREO" (AT)  
 5 YP: 233, 236, 280, 415, 516 1 AFD  
 Merchantmen 37  
Aitape:  
 Combat Units 18 PT with LST. 301 acting as AGP  
 Escorts 6 : 1 PF: "VAN BUREN"  
 1 AMS: "BUNBURY"  
 3 SC: 744, 745, 746  
 Auxiliaries 1 : "POYANG" (AE)  
 Merchantmen 11  
Admiralties:  
 Combat Units 1 CVE : "ALTAMANA"  
 2 CL : "BOISE" "PHOENIX"  
 5 DD : "ABNER READ" "TRATHEN" "DALY" "BACHE" "HUGHES"  
 Escorts 10 : 2 DE : "MARTIN" "EMERY"  
 1 PF : "EUGENE"  
 3 SC : 747, 982, 1047  
 2 AMS: "WAGGA" "STAWELL"  
 1 ML: 827,  
 1 YMS: 315  
 Auxiliaries 20 : "CROSBY" (APD) "EURYALE" (AS) "TANGIER" (AV)  
 "WHITNEY" (AD) "RIO GRANDE" (AOG) "MEDUSA" (AR)  
 "ALBASTER" (PYC) "LEOPARD" "MINK" (IX)  
 "CINNAMON" "SILVERBELL" (AN) "BENALLA"  
 "PATHFINDER" (AGS) "ALBIREO" (AK)  
 1 AFD 1 YP: 585 2 YRD 1 ABSD 1 YT  
 Merchantmen 16  
Alexishafen-Madang:  
 Combat Units 5 DD : "WELLES" "MORRIS" "STEVENSON" "GRAYSON" "REID"  
 Escorts 15 : 4 AMS: "GLADSTONE" "GYMPIE" "LATROBE" "KATOOMBA"  
 1 PC: 1122  
 5 SC: 732, 735, 738, 741  
 6 ML: 42, 806, 816, 818  
 1 YMS: 336  
 Auxiliaries 10 : "OTUS" (AS) "DOBBIN" (AD) "KOOPA" (AGP)  
 "MESQUITE" (CGC) "PING WO" (ASIS)  
 2 ARD 1 ATR 2 AFD  
 Merchantmen 1  
Cape Gloucester:  
 Escorts 1 : 1 ML: 430  
 Merchantmen 3  
Saidor:  
 Combat Units 8 PT :  
 Escorts 2 : 2 ML: 803, 819  
 Auxiliaries 1 : "PASQUOTANK" (AOG)  
Langemak:  
 Combat Units 1 DD : "VENDETTA"  
 24 PT  
 Escorts 21 : 1 PS : "SWAN"  
 1 PF : "BARCOO"  
 7 AMS: "ARARAT" "BENDIGO" "KAPUNDA" "TOWNSVILLE"  
 "LITHGOW" "GEE LONG" "GLENELG"

(1) ALLIED FORCES (contd)

Langemak (contd)

<u>Escorts (contd)</u>			: 1 <u>PC</u> : 479
			6 <u>SC</u> : 698, 737, 742, 748, 749, 750
			4 <u>YMS</u> : 49, 70, 313, 314
			1 <u>ML</u> : 426
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	20		: "HERBERT" "SCHLEY" "WARD" (APD) "ELKHORN" "SAKATONCHEE" "SUSQUEHANNA" "SEEKONK" (AOG) "POLLUX" (AKS) "TASMAN" (AH) "ARAYAT" (IX) "SANGAY" (AE) "AASE MAERSK" (AO) "COMFORT" (AP) "RACE POINT" (AT) "INDUS" "SCULPTOR" "LYNX" "ERIDANUS" "MONADNOCK" (AK)
			1 <u>YP</u> : 504
<u>Merchantmen</u>	26		
<u>Lae:</u>			
<u>Escorts</u>	1		: 1 <u>ML</u> : 428
<u>Merchantmen</u>	11		
<u>Morobe:</u>			
<u>Escorts</u>	1		: 1 <u>SC</u> : 703
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	1		: 1 <u>APD</u>
<u>Merchantmen</u>	1		
<u>Buna-Oro Bay:</u>			
<u>Merchantmen</u>	12		
<u>Milne Bay:</u>			
<u>Combat Units</u>	5 PT		
<u>Escorts</u>	11		: 1 <u>DE</u> : "LOVELACE" 1 <u>PC</u> : 1131 3 <u>SC</u> : 637, 731, 739 4 <u>YMS</u> : 47, 50, 53, 73 2 <u>ML</u> : 431, 801
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	23		: "SHASTA" (AE) "RAIL" "SONOMA" "WATO" (AT) "HERON" (AVP) "CLYDE" "PORCUPINE" (IX) "TEAK" (AN) "CABLE" (ARS) "LARK" (AM) "TRIANGULUM" (AK)
			5 <u>AFD</u> 3 <u>YT</u> 2 <u>ARD</u> 2 <u>YP</u> : 240, 449
<u>Merchantmen</u>	31		
<u>Pert Moresby:</u>			
<u>Escorts</u>	1		: 1 <u>ML</u> : 802
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	1		: "WINTER" (AGS)
<u>Merchantmen</u>	1		

2. SOLOMONS

(a) At Sea on 1200/21:

- (1) "PC. 590" escorting "ROBERT GEORGE HARPER" proceeding Russels to Treasury Is. ETA 1600/21.
- (2) "PC. 596" escorting "NANCY HANKS" departed Guadalcanal 1700/19 for Morobe
- (3) "DUFFY" (DE) escorting "JOHN LYKES" proceeding Torekina to Morobe.

(b) In Harbour:

Emirau Island:

<u>Combat Units</u>	20 PT		
<u>Escorts</u>	7		: 3 <u>DE</u> : "ENGLAND" "FOREMAN" "OSMUS" 1 <u>AM</u> : "TUMULT" 1 <u>SC</u> : 1274 2 <u>PC</u> : 589, 1138
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	2		: "ROTAMIN" "MINTAKA" (AK)
<u>Green Island:</u>			
<u>Combat Units</u>	21 PT		
<u>Escorts</u>	1		: 1 <u>DM</u> : "BREEZE"
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	3		: "SAN CARLOS" (AVP) "VARUNA" (AGP) "TAGANAK" (AC)
<u>Torekina:</u>			
<u>Escorts</u>	5		: 2 <u>DE</u> : "BOWERS" "WITTER" 2 <u>PC</u> : 1128, 1590 1 <u>SC</u> : 723
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	4		: "WESTRALIA" "HENRY T. ALLEN" (APA) "JAGUAR" "KANGAROO" (IX)
<u>Treasury Island:</u>			
<u>Combat Units</u>	4 DD		: "NICHOLAS" "TAYLOR" "O'BANNON" "HOPEWELL"
	34 PT		
	1 PGM		

(1) ALLIED FORCES (contd)

Treasury Island (contd)

<u>Escorts</u>	5	:	1 DE: "WHITEHURST"
			1 EV: "GALE"
			1 FC: 588
			2 SC: 677, 722
Auxiliaries	1	:	"MOBJACK" (AGP)
<u>Munda:</u>			
<u>Escorts</u>	5	:	1 FC: 1229
			1 SC: 514
			3 YMS: 97, 196, 259
Auxiliaries	1	:	"STRATFORD" (AGP)

3. EAST AND SOUTH EAST AUSTRALIA

(a) At Seato 1200/21:

- (1) "OGDEN" (PF) departed Milne Bay 1100/16 for Brisbane ETA 1500/21.
- (2) "BUTTON WOOD" (CGC) departed Thursday Is. 0809/17 to resume lighthouse work.
- (3) "OYSTER BAY" (AGP) departed Milne Bay 0700/19 for Brisbane ETA 1500/21.
- (4) "ML.811" proceeding Cairns to Thursday Island.
- (5) "TRINITY" (AO) departed Cairns 0711/20 for Milne Bay ETA 1400/22.
- (6) "SAN PABLO" (AVP) departed Sydney 1432/15 for Seeadler Harbour via Palm Island and Samarai ETA Palm Is. 1200/19. 24
- (7) "CHETCO" (AT) with tow departed Cairns 0700/21 for Milne Bay ETA 1000/24
- (8) "YP.237" departed Gladstone 1100/20 for Milne Bay ETA 2200/25.
- (9) "MANOORA" (APA) departed Sydney 1439/19 for Milne Bay ETA 0900/24
- (10) "ARISTAEUS" (ARB) departed Sydney 1200/19 for Espiritu Santo
- (11) "MIZAR" (AF) was to depart Caloundra 0001/21 for Milne Bay ETA 1030/23.
- (12) "ECHUCA" (AMS) was to depart Caloundra 2300/20 for Milne Bay ETA 0600/25.
- (13) "OCEANUS" (ARB) departed Sydney 1351/20 for S.P.A.
- (14) "ARIADNE" (CMS) was to depart Port Phillip 1020/21 for Sydney ETA 1400/22
- (15) "CHALLENGER" (AGS) proceeding Sydney ETA p.m. 26 July.
- (16) "GENERAL ANDERSON" (AP) proceeding Melbourne from S.P.A. ETA 22 July ETD 25 July for Fremantle.

(b) In Harbour:

Thursday Island:

<u>Escorts</u>	6	:	4 AMS: "KALGOORLIE" "PIRIE" "BOWEN" "BALLARAT"
			2 ML: 804, 805
Auxiliaries	1	:	"VIGILANT" (AGS)

Cairns:

<u>Escorts</u>	6	:	1 PF: "MUSKOGEE"
			1 AMS: "KIAMA"
			2 SC: 648, 699
			1 ML: 802
			1 YMS: 52
Auxiliaries	5	:	"FIRE ISLAND" "SOUTHWEST PASS" (AT)
			1 YP: 279 1 ARD 1 YF

Townsville:

<u>Escorts</u>	1	:	1 ML: 425
Auxiliaries	2	:	"STELLA" "POLARIS" (AGS)
Merchantmen	6	:	

Bowen:

Auxiliaries	1	:	"CAMBRIAN SALVOR" (ARS)
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Brisbane:

<u>Escorts</u>	9	:	2 AMS: "MILDURA" "BROOME"
			3 FCE: 848, 849, 850
			1 FC: 1121
			1 A/S: "DOOMBA" (refitting)
			2 ML: 427, 921
Auxiliaries	14	:	"HALF MOON" (AVP) "COUCAL" (ASR) "ALGORAB" (AKA) "KURUMBA" (AO) "MERKUR" (AF) "EPOLIN" "GANYMEDE" (AK) "ST GILES" (AT) "MAETSUYCKER" (AH) "CARONDOLET" (IX) "CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS)
			3 YP: 283, 291, 421
Merchantmen	10	:	

Sydney:

Combat Units	2 CL	:	"HOBART" (refitting) "NASHVILLE"
	1 DD	:	"STUART"

(1) ALLIED FORCES (contd)

Sydney (contd)

<u>Escorts</u>	11	: 2 DE: "GREENWOOD" "LOESER" 2 PF: "GASCOYNE" "BURDEKIN" 1 PS: "SAVORGNAN DE BRAZZA" 2 A/S: "WILCANNIA" "YANDRA" 5 ML: 810, 813, 822, 823, 825
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	11	: "TULSA" (PG) "MORESBY" (AGS) "MURZIM" "VENUS" (AK) "YUNNAN" "PYRO" (AE) "RESERVE" "POINT LOMA" "TANCRED" (AT) "MANUNDA" (AH) "BUNGAREE (CM)
<u>Merchantmen</u>	20	
<u>Newcastle:</u>		
<u>Escorts</u>	2	: 1 AMS: "WARRNAMBOOL" 1 A/S: "KYBRA"
<u>Melbourne:</u>		
<u>Escorts</u>	2	: 1 A/S: "ABRAHAM CRIJNSSEN" 1 AMS: "COWRA"
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	1	: "PLATYPUS" (AR)
<u>Adelaide:</u>		
<u>Escorts</u>	1	: 1 AMS: "CASTLEMAINE"

4. NORTH WESTERN AREA

(a) At Sea to 1200/21:

- (1) "INVERELL" (AMS) escorting Convoy TD.62 ("EDNA" "OCHOCO") departed Thursday Island 0600/19 for Darwin ETA 1200/23.
- (2) "PARKES" (AMS) escorting Convoy DT.69 ("ATIAS") departed Darwin 0537/20 for Thursday Island ETA 2000/23.
- (3) 17 submarines on patrol

(b) In Harbour

Darwin:

<u>Escorts</u>	7	: 2 AMS: "FREMANTLE" "JUNEE" 5 ML: 429, 807, 809, 814, 815
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5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA

(a) At Sea to 1200/21:

Nil

(b) In Harbour:

Exmouth Gulf:

<u>Escorts</u>	2	: 2 YMS: 11, 72
<u>Fremantle:</u>		
<u>Combat Units</u>	1 CL	: "ADELAIDE"
	1 DD	: "QUIBERON"
<u>Escorts</u>	6	: 1 PF: "CORPUS CHRISTI" 2 AMS: "HORSHAM" "DUBBO" 1 SC: 729 2 ML: 824, 825
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	9	: "GRIFFIN" "ORION" (AS) "ISABEL" (PY) "CHILD'S" "W.B.PRESTON" (AVD) "CHANICLEER" (ASR) "ATHOS" (AP) 1 ARD 2 YP: 286, 288

Note: Merchant ship totals in port include all ships over 1,000 tons except tankers and commissioned ships.



(ii) ENEMY FORCES

A. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

1. SOLOMONS - BISMARCKS

- (1) Bougainville - A patrol returned to Terokina from Cape Moltke 19 July reporting nil enemy contacts. This is the third successive patrol to have made this trip without enemy contact.  
On 19 July sweeps around Bougainville were conducted by 19 N.Z. Corsairs attacking targets of opportunity.
- (2) New Ireland - During 19 July Kavieng airfield was attacked by 6 Corsairs and in addition road targets, mainly bridges, were attacked by 24 Dauntless 44 Corsairs, 6 Ventures.  
Individual aircraft report hits on 11 bridges.  
On 20 July PT boats evacuated some Chinese and natives from Beangang, S.W. coast New Hanover. The evacuees state that the Japs left this locality last March.
- (3) Rabaul - During 19 July targets in Gazelle Peninsula were attacked by 3 Mitchells, 11 Avengers and 2 Corsairs. Weather prevented other heavier strikes.
- (4) Solomons Sea - At 1012/20 a possible submarine was reported by surface vessel 41 miles N.N.E. of Kiriwina Island. There is no other evidence to confirm the presence of an enemy submarine operating in these waters.

2. NEW GUINEA

- (1) Wewak-Aitape - On 19 July Beauforts and Beaufighters conducting barge sweeps off-shore reported 3 barges moving West between Sawan and Abau and possibly another 9 small craft beached along the coast.  
Night 19-20 July 2 PT's operating with 1 destroyer off the Marubian-Kerawop coastal sector intercepted 4 barges of which 2 were sunk and the other 2 damaged. At 0800/20 the Yakumul bivouac area was bombarded by 2 R.A.N. cruisers. A spotting Beaufort reported accurate shelling.  
Throughout 20 July the air offensive was maintained in this sector: stores in the Wewak area were attacked by 17 Bostons and 1 Mitchell, troop concentrations in the vicinity of Suain were bombed by 45 Beauforts and 3 Beaufighters. A bridge near Wewak Point was at least damaged by 8 glide-bombing Thunderbolts and concentrations on Kairiru Island were hit by 7 Thunderbolts.  
There is little further to report on the ground situation, activity being confined mainly to active patrolling with some minor skirmishes. Reports continue to come in, however, of Japanese parties moving West around our Southern flank. 104 Japs were killed on 19 July bringing total dead to this date to 2,572.
- (2) Maffin Bay - Active patrolling continues particularly in the Sawar strip area where some enemy have been observed and taken under artillery fire. Supporting our ground forces in this vicinity, 4 Thunderbolts strafed troop concentrations 19 July and 6 Bostons bombed enemy positions on 20 July.
- (3) Biak - Patrols continue active on Biak Island and some progress is reported in the elimination of isolated enemy pockets.  
At 1700/20 a submarine periscope was sighted 2,000 yards off-shore near Besnek. There is no direct confirmation to this report but it is thought possible that an enemy submarine may be attempting to evacuate Japanese remnants from Biak.
- (4) Noemfoor - Mopping up continues and enemy dead to 19 July number 700, Jap prisoners 24, Ferosans captured 258, Javanese and Chinese recovered 269. Unconfirmed reports state that there may be another 400 Ferosans on the island and that an enemy force possibly 400 strong including labourers may be moving slowly north-eastwards across the island.
- (5) Vogelkop Peninsula - During 20 July the air blockade of Vogelkop was maintained. 12 Mitchells sweeping the coast sank a lugger and 2 barges near Serong and set oil tanks on fire near Sele Straits (between mainland and Salawati Island). 2 other Mitchells sank a schooner and a barbe in Kaiboes Bay and still 2 more Mitchells sank a barge off the North coast of Misool Island. In addition Aireobras destroyed a barge and several canoes laden with supplies on the Geelvink Bay coast.

2. NEW GUINEA (Contd.)

(5) Vegekop Peninsula (Contd.) - Also 20 July Manokwari aerodrome and gun positions near the town were bombed by 23 Liberators dropping over 60 tons of bombs; an ammunition dump was exploded and large fires started. A/A batteries at Moemi were attacked by another 2 Liberators. No A/A fire was encountered over Manokwari but moderate gun fire was met over Moemi.

3. EAST INDIES

(1) Ambon - Photos 19 July taken by attacking Liberators show 15 aircraft, including 7 SSF and 8 T/EF on Namlea township aerodrome; the runway is serviceable. Photographic coverage of the shipping off Namlea 19 July showed 2 merchant ships (1 of 4,500 and 1 of 2,500 tons) 1 sub-chaser and 3 patrol craft; it is recalled that visual sightings reported 9 merchant ships and 1 escort vessel; it would appear likely that photographic coverage was incomplete.

(2) Tanimbar Islands - At 1430/20 Saumlaki was bombed by 6 Liberators as alternative to Amahai.

(3) Timor - At 1400/20 Cape Chater aerodrome was attacked by 3 Liberators as alternative target to Amahai.

A dawn sweep 20 July along the North coast of Timor by 6 Mitchells was conducted and a probable sea truck was seen at Dilli and 2 75 ft. lugger was extensively damaged off the S.W. coast of Alor Island.

(4) West coast Australia - At 0705/20 an enemy reconnaissance plane was over the Drysdale Mission area; 3 of our fighters took off and shot down the enemy plane.

4. PHILIPPINES

Shipping sightings 20 July are summarised below:

(a) 0830/20 - 1 tanker, 3 escort vessels with air cover off Southern Cotabato District coast, proceeding South, close inshore.

(b) 0930/20 - 4 tankers, 3 destroyers, 2 heavy cruisers described as 1 "Mogami", 1 "Nachi" class, in Visayan Sea off north-eastern Panay, course North.

(c) 0930/20 - 1 "Natori" class light cruiser with air cover heading East around Cape San Augustin (south-eastern extremity Davao Gulf).

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

(1) Carolines - Sorol - Midday 19 July Sorol Island was bombed by 7 Liberators.

Ngulu Island - At 1240/19 Ngulu Island was bombed by 4 Liberators.

Yap - At 1110/19 Yap aerodrome was bombed by 16 Liberators followed at 1236/19 by a second wave involving another 11 Liberators. Fires were started around the runway. 12-14 enemy fighters intercepted the first wave of Liberators; 1 Zero was shot down and 1 Liberator crashed into the sea 35 minutes after the attack. 3-4 Zeros intercepted the second wave of Liberators; 1 Zero was destroyed.

Night 19-20 July Yap aerodrome was again attacked by 2 Liberators.

Palau - Night 19-20 July Peleliu and Ngesebus aerodromes were bombed by 2 Liberators.

Woleai - At 1035/19 Woleai airfield was bombed by 3 Liberators.

Truk - At 1100/19 Dublon naval base at Truk was bombed by 25 Cenpac Liberators. Direct hits obtained in a dry dock in the harbour and other damage was also inflicted. 8 enemy fighters attempted interception without aggression; 2 were damaged.

(2) Marianas - On both 18 and 19 July Guam was subjected to heavy strikes by carrier-based aircraft and to bombardment by battleships, cruisers and destroyers. 662 sorties were flown and 329 tons of bombs dropped on 18 July; Alutom Island (Southern Agat Bay), Agat town and Yona (central East coast) are reported devastated. Next day, 19 July, 272 sorties were flown during which 148 tons of bombs were dropped.

Rota was also attacked on 18 July by carrier-based aircraft during the course of which 80 tons of bombs were dropped

(iii) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

1. Shipping sightings in Philippines.
2. Increased offensive against Guam.

DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

Southwest Pacific  
(Eastern Section)

South Pacific

<u>CV(E)</u>	AHTAMAHA		LUNGA POINT	-
<u>CA</u>	(2) AUSTRALIA SHROPSHIRE		-	-
<u>CL</u>	(4) BOISE PHOENIX NASHVILLE * HOBART		* LEANDER	-
<u>AVES</u>	(2) TANGIER WRIGHT		-	-
<u>XAV/XCV S</u>	(6) HALF MOON SAN PABLO HERON ORCA CHINCOTEAGUE SAN CARLOS		COOS BAY	-
<u>DD</u>	(36) ARUNTA WARRAMUNGA STUART VENDETTA AEBER READ AMMEN ANDERSON BACHE BEALE DALY FLUTCHER GILLESPIE GRAYSON HOBBY HOPEWELL HUGHES H UTCHINS JENKINS	LA VALLETTE MORRIS MULLANY MUSTIN NICHOLAS NICHOLSON O'BANNON RADFORD REID ROE RUSSELL STEVENSON STOCKTON SWANSON TAYLOR TRATHEN WELLES WILKES	8	-
<u>SS</u>	(4) BLUEGILL CERO DACE DARTER	) ) ) )	-	5
		) on patrol		
	(4) BASHAW BREAM S.42 S.45	) ) ) )		
		) at Seeadler		
	(3) FLOUNDER FLYING FISH S.47	) ) )		
		) at Brisbane		
	(2) K.9 K.12	) )		
		) at Sydney		
		* Non-effective		

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC (Contd.)

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

	<u>Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)</u>	<u>South Pacific</u>	
<u>PT</u>	Approx. 175	-	?
<u>APA</u> <u>AKA</u> <u>AFD</u>	(10) H.T. ALLEN (APA) KANIMELA MANOORA WESTRALIA ALGORAB (AKA) WARD (AFD) SCHLEY HERBER T CROSBY KILTY	4 AFD	-
<u>ACC</u>	BLUE RIDGE	-	-
	(2) OPUS EURYALE	-	-
<u>AD</u>	(2) DOBBIN WHITNEY	-	-
<u>AR</u>	(4) RIGEL PLATYPUS AMYCUS MEDUSA	-	-

2. NORTHERN PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

	-		(2) NACHI ASHIGARA
<u>CL</u>	(3) DETROIT RALEIGH RI CHEMOND		-
<u>DD</u>	9		5
<u>SS</u>	10		Approx. 5

3. SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

<u>CL</u>	TRENTON		-
<u>DD</u>	9		-

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>			<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>	
				<u>Philippines</u> <u>Mandates-E. Indies</u>	<u>Empire</u>
<u>BB</u>	(18) IOWA NEW JERSEY SOUTH DAKOTA INDIANA MASSACHUSETTS ALABAMA	NORTH CAROLINA WEST VIRGINIA WASHINGTON COLORADO CALIFORNIA PENNSYLVANIA	TENNESSEE MISSISSIPPI IDAHO NEW MEXICO MARYLAND OKLAHOMA	FUSO	(8) YAMATO MUSASHI NAGATO KONGO YAMASHIRO ISE HYUGA x HARUNA
<u>CV</u>	(9) SARATOGA ENTERPRISE YORKTOWN LEXINGTON HORNET	INTREPID ESSEX BUNKER HILL WASP		-	(6) SHOKAKU ) 1 sunk ZUIKAKU ) 2 prob TAIHO ) sunk HITAKA ) 1 dam. HAYATAKA ) UNHYU
<u>CV(L)</u>	(9) SABOT CORPERS BATAAN BELLEAU WOOD INDEPENDENCE	LANGLEY MONTEREY PRINCETON SAN JACINTO		(2) CHIYODA CHITOSE	(2) RYUHO ) 2 dam. ZUIHO ) pass sunk
<u>CV(E)</u>	(31) FANSHAW BAY GAMBIER BAY HOGGATT B AY KADASHAN BAY KALININ BAY KITKUN BAY MANILA BAY NATOMA BAY NEHEHTA BAY OBMANEY BAY PETROF BAY	HUDYERD BAY SARGENT BAY SHAMROCK BAY BARNES BRETON CASABLANCA CHENANGO COPAHEE CORAL SEA CORREGIDOR	LONG ISLAND MARCUS ISLAND MIDWAY NASSAU PRINCE WILLIAM SANGAMON SANTEE SAVO ISLAND SUWANNEE WHITE PLAINS	(2) KAIYO OTAKA	(2) UNYO JINYO
<u>CV(T)</u>					HOSHO
<u>CA</u>	(13) BALTIMORE BOSTON CHESTER CANBERRA NEW ORLEANS WICHITA LOUISVILLE	MINNEAPOLIS PENSACOLA INDIANAPOLIS SAN FRANCISCO SALT LAKE CITY PORTLAND		(5) ATAGO TAKAO CHOKAI MYOKO HAGURO	(6) TONE CHIKUMA SUZUYA KUMANO MOGAMI x MAYA
<u>CGA</u>					6
<u>CL</u>	(17) COLUMBIA CLEVELAND DENVER MCNIPPELLIER HONOLULU ST LOUIS	BIRMINGHAM SANTA FE SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN MOBILE	BILOXI OAKLAND RENO VINCENNES MIAMA HOUSTON	(3) NATORI OI NOSHIRO	(8) NAGARA OYODO ISUZU TAMA KISO x KITAGAMI x YAHAGE x ABUKUMA KASHIMA x NOTORO
<u>CI (T)</u>				KASHII	
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(4) CURTISS POCUMUCKE	CHANDELEUR BALLARD		AKITSUSHIMA	x NOTORO
<u>DD</u>	Approx. 185			20	35 (several repaired ing)
<u>SS</u>	Approx. 30			35	Approx. 30
<u>AS</u>	?			?	2 (1 repairing)

5. EAST INDIES - INDIAN OCEAN

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>			<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
	<u>Southwest Pacific (Western Section)</u>	<u>Eastern Fleet Area</u>		<u>Malaya-Indian Ocean</u>
<u>BB</u>	-	(4) QUEEN ELIZABETH VALIANT RENOWN RICHELIEU		-
<u>CV</u>	-	(3) VICTORIOUS ILLUSTRIOUS INDOMITABLE		-
<u>CV(E)</u>	-	(6) BATTLER UNICORN SHAH	ATHELING BEGUM AMEER	-
<u>CA</u>	-	(4) CUMBERLAND LONDON SUFFOLK SUSSEX		AOBA
	ADELAIDE	(9) CEYLON KENYA GAM BIA NIGERIA PHOEBE	NEWCASTLE DANAE TROMP EMERALD	KINU
<u>AV/CVE</u>	(2) CHILDS W.B. PRISTON	ALBATROSS		-
<u>XCL</u>	-	(2) CANTON CHITRAL		-
<u>DD</u>	QUIBERON	Approx. 27		5
<u>SS</u>	(19) ANGLER ASPRO BONEFISH CABRILLA COD CREVALLE  RATON	FLASHER GURNARD HOE LAPON MINGO NAUTILUS  on passage	PADDLE PARGO PUFFER RAY ROBALO SANDLACE K.14  MISKELLUNGE NAHWAL RASHER REDFIN K.15	Approx. 16  on patrol  at Fremantle
<u>AS</u>	(2) ORION GRIFFIN			12 (incl. 7 German)

ESTIMATE ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>Solomons Bismarcks</u>	<u>New Guinea</u>	<u>East Indies</u>	<u>Philippines</u>	<u>Mandates</u>
Fighters	2	7	250	200	150
T & M/Bombers	-	4	134	120	31
F & D/Bombers	-	-	4	60	54
Flying Boats	-	-	9	10	4
Fleetplanes	10	3	59	27	20
Obsn. A/C	2	2	48	23	26
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>440</b>	<b>283</b>

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SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

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DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

Part I: Allied and Enemy Activity.

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PART I

(1) ALLIED FORCES

SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

1. NEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS

(a) At Sea to 12 00/22:

- (1) (i) Task Group 70.1 : 10 PT  
 (ii) Task Force 74 : 2 CA : "AUSTRALIA" "SHROPSHIRE"  
 6 DD : "ARUNTA" "WARRAMUNGA" "AMMEN" "MULLA NY"  
 "HUTCHINS" "BEALE"  
 (iii) Task Force 77 : 1 DD : "GILLESPIE"  
 1 PF : "EL PASO"  
 1 AT : "YUMA"  
 2 PC : 476, 477
- (2) "ALTAMAHA" (CVE) proceeding Manus Is. to Espiritu Santo ETA 1130/24.  
 (3) "PC.1122" escorting 2 LST proceeding Alexishafen to Humboldt Bay ETA  
 23 July  
 (4) "SC.735, 746" escorting Convoy GB1B departed Humboldt Bay 1900/19 for  
 Langemak ETA 1200/22.  
 (5) "SC's 734, 981" escorting Convoy AN.34 ("CAPE ST GEORGE" "FP.146")  
 departed Manus Is. 0800/21 for Langemak ETA  
 1600/22.  
 (6) "CRUX" (AK) departed Langemak 1350/21 for Milne Bay ETA 0900/23.  
 (7) "TRIANGULUM" (AK) departed Milne Bay 0720/21 for Langemak ETA 1800/22.  
 (8) "WARREGO" (PS) departed Milne Bay 1030/18 for Madang ETA 0700/20:  
 departing thence p.m. 20 July for Hollandia ETA  
 p.m. 22 July  
 (9) "BUNDABERG" (AMS) 2 YT still assisting "KANIMBLA" (APA) aground at  
 Cape Cretin "CALEDONIAN SALVOR" (ARS) also  
 detached to assist. Efforts to refloat so far  
 unsuccessful.  
 (10) "STRAHAN" "COLAC" (AMS) on Solomon Sea Patrol  
 (11) 4 submarines on patrol.

(b) In Harbour:

Biak Is-Noendi:

Combat Units	52	PT	
Escorts	9		: 4 PF : "GALLUP" "HUTCHINSON" "BELFAST" "BISBEE"
			1 PC : 1119
			4 YMS: 51, 316, 393, 10
Auxiliaries	8		: "WRIGHT" (AV) "ORCA" (AVP) "PORTUNUS" "HILO" (AGP) 2 YFD "SPRIGHTLY" (AT)
			1 ATR
Merchantmen	12		

(1) ALLIED FORCES (contd)

Wakde:  
Escorts 4 : 2 DE : "THOMASON" "NEUENDORFF"  
2 AMS: "COOTAMUNDRA" "ROCKHAMPTON"  
Merchantmen 5  
Humboldt Bay:  
Combat Units 14 DD : "STACK" "WILKES" "NICHOLSON" "RUSSELL" "RADFORD"  
"ANDERSON" "ASWANSTON" "STOCKTON" "LA VALLETTE"  
"FLETCHER" "MUSTIN" "JENKINS" "HOBBY" "HUGHES"  
Escorts 20 : 2 DE : "J.E.CRAIG" "EICHENBERGER"  
5 PF : "CORONADO" "SAN PEDRO" "ORANGE"  
"LONGBEACH" "GLENDALE"  
4 PC : 1120, 1132, 1133, 1134  
2 SC : 650, 743  
6 YMS: 8, 46, 48, 71, 334, 335  
1 ML: 817  
Auxiliaries 27 : "HERBERT" "SCHLEY" "WARD" "KILTY" (APD)  
"BLUE RIDGE" (AGC) "VICTORIA" "BISHOPDALE" (AO)  
"GOLDSTAR" (AG) "SUSQUEHANNA" "ELKHORN"  
"SHIKELLAMY" (AOG) "AMYCUS" "OCTANS" (ARL)  
"ANDREW DORIA" "PANDA" "VILLALOBOS" (IX)  
"OCTANS" (AF) "BOOTES" (AK) "OGLALA" (ARG)  
"DERRICK" (YO) "VIREO" (AT) "COMFORT" (AH)  
5 YP: 233, 236, 280, 415, 516 1 AFD  
Merchantmen 30  
Altape:  
Combat Units 27 PT with LST. 301 acting as AGP  
Escorts 3 : 1 PF : "VAN BUREN"  
1 AMS: "BUNBURY"  
1 SC : 744  
Auxiliaries 1 : "POYANG" (AE)  
Merchantmen 12  
Admiralties:  
Combat Units 2 CL : "BOISE" "PHOENIX"  
4 DD : "ABNERREAD" "TRATHEN" "DALY" "BACHE"  
Escorts 12 : 2 DE : "MARTIN" "EMERY"  
1 PF : "EUGENE"  
2 PC : 1123, 1124  
3 SC : 747, 982, 1047  
2 AMS: "WAGGA" "STWELL"  
1 ML: 827  
1 YMS: 315  
Auxiliaries 20 : "CROSBY" (APD) "EURYALE" (AS) "TANGIER" (AV)  
"WHITNEY" (AD) "RIO GRANDE" (AOG) "MEDUSA" (AR)  
"ALABASTER" (PYC) "LEOPARD" "MINK" (IX)  
"CINNAMON" "SILVERBELL" (AN) "BENALLA"  
"PATHFINDER" (AGS) "ALBIREO" (AK)  
1 AFD 1 YP: 585 2 YRD 1 ABSD 1 YT  
Merchantmen 10  
Alexishafen-Madang:  
Combat Units 5 DD : "WELLES" "MORRIS" "STEVENSON" "GRAYSON" "REID"  
Escorts 14 : 4 AMS : "GLADSTONE" "GYMPIE" "LATROBE"  
"KATOOMBA"  
5 SC : 732, 736, 738, 741, 745  
4 ML : 42, 806, 816, 818  
1 YMS: 336  
Auxiliaries 10 : "OTUS" (AS) "DOBBIN" (AD) "KOOPA" (AGP)  
"MESQUITE" (CGC) "PING WO" (ASIS)  
2 ARD 1 ATR 2 AFD  
Merchantmen 1  
Cape Gloucester:  
Escorts 1 : 1 ML: 430  
Auxiliaries 1 : "TASMAN" (AH)  
Merchantmen 3  
Saidor:  
Combat Units 7 PT :  
Escorts 2 : 2 ML: 803, 819  
Auxiliaries 1 : "PASQUOTANK" (AOG)  
Langmaka:  
Combat Units 1 DD : "VENDETTA"  
5 PF



(1) ALLIED FORCES (con td)

Langenkak: (contd)  
Escorts 24

- : 1 PS: "SWAN"
- 1 PF: "BARCOO"
- 10 AMS: "ARARAT" "BENDIGO" "KAPUNDA" "TOWNSVILLE" "LITHGOW" "GEEELONG" "GLENELG" "GOULBURN" "WHYALLA" "DELOIRINE"
- 1 PC: 479
- 6 SC: 698, 737, 742, 748, 749, 750
- 4 YMS: 49, 70, 313, 314
- 1 ML: 426

Auxiliaries 13

- : "SAKATONCHEE" "SEEKONK" (AOG) "POLLUX" (AKS)
- "ARAYAT" (IX) "SANGAY" (AE) "AASE MAERSK" (AO)
- "RACE POINT" (AT) "INDUS" "SCULPTOR" "LYNX"
- "ERIDANUS" "MONADNOCK" (AK)
- 1 YP: 504

Merchantmen 25

Lae:

- Escorts 1
- Merchantmen 8

- : 1 ML: 428

Morobe:

- Escorts 1
- Auxiliaries 1
- Merchantmen 3

- : 1 SC: 703
- : 1 APD

Buna-Oro Bay:

- Merchantmen 11

Milne Bay:

- Combat Units 5 PT

Escorts 11

- : 1 DE: "LOVELACE"
- 1 PC: 1131
- 3 SC: 637, 731, 739
- 4 YMS: 47, 50, 53, 73
- 2 ML: 431, 801

Auxiliaries 22

- : "SHASTA" (AE) "RAIL" "SONOMA" "WATO" (AT)
- "HERON" (AVP) "CLYDE" "PORCUPINE" (IX)
- "TEAK" (AN) "CABLE" (ARS) "LARK" (AM)
- 5 APD 3 YT 2 ARD 2 YP: 240, 449

Merchantmen 28

Port Moresby:

- Escorts 1
- Auxiliaries 1
- Merchantmen 1

- : 1 ML: 802
- : "WINTER" (AGS)

2. SOLOMONS

(a) At Sea to 1200/22:

- (1) "HEERMAN" (DD) escorting "PRESIDENT TYLER" was to depart Guadalcanal prior noon 22 July for Milne Bay: "HEERMAN" detaches after 24 hours and returns to Guadalcanal.
- (2) "PC.606" escorting "ALNITAH" (AK) departed Lunga 1700/21 for Torokina ETA 0900/23.
- (3) "PC.596" escorting "NANCY HANKS" departed Guadalcanal 1700/19 for Morobe
- (4) "DUFFY" (DE) escorting "JOHN LYKES" proceeding Torokina to Morobe.

(b) In Harbour:

Emirau Island:

- Combat Units 20 PT
- Escorts 7

- : 3 DE: "ENGLAND" "FOREMAN" "OSMUS"
- 1 AM: "TUMULT"
- 1 SC: 1274
- 2 PC: 589, 1138
- : "ROTAMIN" "MINTAKA" (AK)

Green Island:

- Combat Units 21 PT
- Escorts 1
- Auxiliaries 3

- : 1 DM: "BREEZE"
- : "SAN CARLOS" (AVP) "VARUNA" (AGP) "TAGANAK" (AO)

Torokina:

- Escorts 5

- : 2 DE: "BOWERS" "WITTER"
- 2 PC: 1128, 1590
- 1 SC: 723

Auxiliaries 4

- : "WESTRALIA" "HENRY T. ALLEN" (APA) "JAGUAR"
- "KANGAROO" (IX)

(1) ALLIED FORCES (contd)

Treasury Island:

Combat Units	4 DD	:	"NICHOLAS" "TAYLOR" "O'BANNON" "HOPEWELL"
	34 PT		
	4 PGM		
Escorts	6	:	1 DE: "WHITEHURST"
			1 EV: "GALE"
			2 PC: 588, 590
			2 SC: 677, 722
Auxiliaries	1	:	"MOBJACK" (AGP)
<u>Merch:</u>			
Escorts	5	:	1 PC: 1229
			1 SC: 514
			3 YMS: 97, 196, 259
Auxiliaries	2	:	"STRATFORD" (AGP) "WHIPSTOCK" (YO)

3. EAST AND SOUTH EAST AUSTRALIA

(a) At Sea to 1200/22:

- (1) "BUTTON WOOD" (CGC) departed Thursday Island 0809/17 to resume light-house work.
- (2) "TRINITY" (AO) departed Cairns 0711/20 for Milne Bay ETA 1400/22.
- (3) "SAN PABLO" (AVP) departed Sydney 1432/15 for Seeadler Harbour via Palm Island and Samarai
- (4) "CHETCO" (AT) with tow departed Cairns 0700/21 for Milne Bay ETA 1000/24
- (5) "ROCKFORD" (PF) proceeding Cairns ETA 0900/24 from S.P.A.
- (6) "ML. 811" on A/S patrol in Grafton Passage.
- (7) "YP. 237" departed Gladstone 1100/20 for Milne Bay ETA 2200/25.
- (8) "MANOORA" (APA) departed Sydney 1439/19 for Milne Bay 0900/24.
- (9) "MIZAR" (AF) departed Caloundra 0001/21 for Milne Bay ETA 1030/23
- (10) "ECHUCA" (AMS) departed Caloundra 2300/20 for Milne Bay ETA 0600/25.
- (11) "OCEANUS" (ARB) departed Sydney 1351/20 for S.P.A.
- (12) "ARIADNE" (CMS) departed Port Phillip 1020/21 for Sydney ETA 1400/22.
- (13) "CHALLENGER" (AGS) proceeding Sydney ETA p.m. 26 July
- (14) "GENERAL ANDERSON" (AP) proceeding Melbourne from S.P.A. ETA 22 July  
ETA 25 July for Fremantle
- (15) "YANDRA" (A/S) departed Sydney 0921/20 on A/S Patrol to Smoky Cape and return.

(b) In Harbour:

Thursday Island:

Escorts	6	:	4 AMS: "KALGOORLIE" "PIRIE" "BOWEN" "BALLARAT"
			2 ML: 804, 805
Auxiliaries	1	:	"VIGILANT" (AGS)
<u>Cairns:</u>			
Escorts	6	:	1 PF: "MUSKOGEE"
			1 AMS: "KIAMA"
			2 SC: 648, 699
			1 ML: 802
			1 YMS: 52
Auxiliaries	4	:	"FIRE ISLAND" "SOUTHWEST PASS" (AT)
			1 ARD 1 YT
<u>Townsville:</u>			
Escorts	1	:	1 ML: 425
Auxiliaries	3	:	"STELLA" "POLARIS" (AGS) 1 YP: 278
Merchantmen	5		
<u>Bowen:</u>			
Auxiliaries	1	:	"CAMBRIAN SALVOR" (ARS)
<u>Brisbane:</u>			
Escorts	10	:	2 AMS: "MILDURA" "BROOME"
			3 PCE: 848, 849, 850
			1 PF: "OGDEN"
			1 PC: 1121
			1 A/S: "DOOMBA" (refitting)
			2 ML: 427, 821
Auxiliaries	15	:	"OYSTER BAY" (AGP) "HALF MOON" (AVP) "COUCAL" (ASR) "ALGORAB" (AKA) "KURUMBA" (AO) "MERKUR" (AF) "ETOLIN" "GANYMEDE" (AK) "ST GILES" (AT) "MAETSUYCKER" (AH) "GARONDOLET" (IX) "CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS)

Merchantmen 11

(1) ALLIED FORCES (contd)

Sydney:

Combat Units	2 CL	: "HOBART" (Refitting) "NASHVILLE"
	1 DB	: "STUART"
Escorts	11	: 2 DE: "GREENWOOD" "LOESER"
		: 2 PF: "GASCOYNE" "BURDEKIN"
		: 1 PS: "SAVORGNAN DE BRAZZA"
		: 1 A/S: "WILCANNIA"
		: 5 ML: 810, 813, 822, 823, 825
Auxiliaries	11	: "TULSA" (PG) "MORESBY" (AGS) "MURZIM" "VENUS"
		: "AK" "YUNNAN" "PYRO" (AE) "RESERVE" "POINT LOMA" "TANCRED" (AT) "MANUNDA" (AH) "BUNGAREE" (CM)
Merchantmen	22	
<u>Newcastle:</u>		
Escorts	2	: 1 AMS: "WARRNAMBOOL"
		: 1 A/S: "KYBRA"
<u>Melbourne:</u>		
Escorts	2	: 1 A/S: "ABRAHAM CRIJNSSEN"
		: 1 AMS: "COWRA"
Auxiliaries	1	: "PLATYPUS" (AR)
<u>Adelaide:</u>		
Escorts	1	: 1 AMS: "CASTLEMAINE"

4. NORTH WESTERN AREA

(a) At Sea to 1200/22:

- (1) "INVERELL" (AMS) escorting Convoy TD.62 ("EDNA" "OCHOCO") departed Thursday Island 0600/19 for Darwin ETA 1200/23.
- (2) "PARKES" (AMS) escorting Convoy DF.69 ("ATLAS") departed Darwin 0537/20 for Thursday Island ETA 2000/23.
- (3) 17 submarines on patrol

(b) In Harbour:

Darwin:

Escorts	7	: 2 AMS: "FREMANTLE" "JUNEE"
		: 5 ML: 429, 807, 809, 814, 815
Merchantmen	1	

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA

(a) At Sea to 1200/22:

Nil

(b) In Harbour:

Exmouth Gulf:

Escorts	2	: 2 YMS: 11, 72
<u>Fremantle:</u>		
Combat Units	1 CL	: "ADELAIDE"
	1 DD	: "QUIBERON"
Escorts	6	: 1 PF: "CORPUS CHRISTI"
		: 2 AMS: "HORSHAM" "DUBBO"
		: 1 SC: 729
		: 2 ML: 824, 825
Auxiliaries	9	: "GRIFFIN" "ORION" (AS) "ISABEL" (PY) "CHILDS"
		: "W.B. PRESTON" (AVD) "CHANTICLEER" (ASR)
		: "ATHOS" (AP) 1 ARD 2 YP: 286 288

Note: Merchant ship totals in port include all ships over 1,000 tons except tankers and commissioned ships.

(ii) ENEMY FORCES

A. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

1. SOLOMONS - BISMARCKS

- (1) Bougainville - Night 19-20 July Kahili area was harassed by 1 Mitchell. Next day, 20 July, buildings, huts and bridges in the Kieta area were attacked by 14 Avengers and 12 Corsairs; a number of huts were destroyed. The same day the usual Bougainville sweeps were conducted by 23 Corsairs.

In the Terekina area enemy positions on a ridge in the Upper Laruma Valley were attacked 20 July by our ground troops following heavy mortar bombardment; an advance of 200 yards was achieved, securing 3 points on the ridge.

- (2) New Ireland - Villages and bridges in Northern New Ireland were attacked 20 July by 24 Dauntless, 42 Corsairs.

Photos 21 July show Kavieng and Panapai runways still serviceable.

- (3) Rabaul - Weather prevented the usual air offensive 20 July.

Photos 21 July show Tobera, Lakunai and Vunakanau runways all serviceable; the apparently serviceable medium bomber shown on Vunakanau by photos 17 July is still there 21 July.

2. NEW GUINEA

- (1) Wewak-Aitape - Further detail concerning the PT boat and destroyer operation against barges off-shore night 19-20 July shows that 4 barges were destroyed and another 1 damaged.

At dawn 21 July a bridge and 2 gun positions near Niap were shelled by a U.S. destroyer and bombed by a co-operating Beaufort. The bridge was not destroyed although accurate gunfire was placed on the target..

The air offensive against enemy concentrations in the Wewak-Yakumul area and on Kairiru Island was continued 21 July. Incomplete reports relate that 18 Bostons, 3 Mitchells, 20 Thunderbolts, 3 Beauforts participated.

Reduced enemy ground activity is reported on 19 and 20 July but some contacts were made.

- (2) Biak - Mopping up continued on Biak 20 July supported by Aircobras which bombed caves and barge centres on the North coast.

- (3) Noemfoor - Elimination of Japanese parties was continued 19 and 20 July. Another 40 Formosans voluntarily surrendered and efforts are being made to persuade remaining Formosans on the island to do likewise. Total known Jap dead on Noemfoor to 20 July number 721; prisoners number 24 Japs and 300 Formosans.

- (4) Vogelkop Peninsula - On 21 July Manokwari airdrome and gun positions in the vicinity were bombed by 25 Liberators, dropping 36 tons of bombs. In addition Nabire barracks were destroyed during an attack by 6 Bostons.

During coastal sweeps 21 July involving 6 Mitchells a large troop-laden barge in the Metamani Bay area (S.W. coast) was destroyed causing many casualties and a coastal vessel in the same vicinity was destroyed, a sea truck was sunk off Cape Sabra (North coast Maccluer Gulf), a lugger damaged in Bentoni Bay and several buildings and installations along the shores were destroyed including a small dry dock near Kararabee Island (20 miles South of Sorong). Armed recon sweeps along the East coast Vogelkop Peninsula 21 July involving Aircobras and Kittyhawks destroyed a large oil barge off Cape Moepi, destroyed another cargo laden barge near Mawi Bay where several others were damaged and destroyed 2 barges and the stores dumps from which the barges were being loaded just North of Cape Oransbari.

3. EAST INDIES

- (1) Timor - Photos of Cape Chater strip 20 July show the runway to be probably serviceable although no serviceable aircraft are present.

At 1353/21 the bridge over the Comoro River (5 miles S.W. of Dilli) received 2 direct hits when attacked by a Liberator.

- (2) Talau Islands - On 20 July 1 small merchant ship and 2 sea trucks in the Talau Islands were attacked by a reconnaissance Liberator; the merchant ship was left burning fiercely

A. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA (Contd.)

4. PHILIPPINES (

(1) Luzon Strait - Incomplete reports relate of a most successful concerted submarine attack on enemy shipping in the area off N.W. Luzon 17-21 July.

Apparently 3 convoys were contacted thus:-

- (a) 9 ship convoy including at least 8 cargo vessels
- (b) 6 ship convoy comprising 3 cargo vessels, 2 escort vessels, 1 u/i.
- (c) 17 ship convoy including 2 small aircraft carriers, 1 cruiser, 1 destroyer, 1 sub-chaser, 6 tankers, 6 merchant vessels.

All 3 convoys were headed South.

During concerted attacks involving a number of submarines, commencing night 17-18 July, the following results have been reported to date:-

- 12 ships sunk - 7 cargo vessels exceeding 40,000 tons aggregate
- 1 tanker
- 1 naval auxiliary (9,800 tons)
- 1 destroyer ("Fubuki" class)
- 1 escort vessel
- 1 unidentified

- 2 ships probably sunk - 1 cargo vessel
- 1 escort vessel

5 ships at least damaged: hits scored on 2 tankers, 2 merchant vessels with unobserved results, 1 cargo vessel hit but not sunk.

In the convoy of 6 ships ((b) above) 5 ships were sunk, the surviving being 1 escort vessel and that was sunk.

(2) Mindanao - During reconnaissance 21 July 2 destroyers were sighted 210 miles East of Santa Cruz (south-eastern Mindanao) on course 200, speed 20 knots. The reconnaissance Liberator shot down an enemy medium bomber in the same general area.

On 20 and 21 July the following shipping was reported in Southern Mindanao area

- (i) 1720/20 - 3 transports, 2 destroyers, 1 gunboat with air cover in Sarangani Bay and left again at 0600/21.
- (ii) 1200/21 - 2 small freighters, 3 destroyers in Davao Gulf.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

(1) Carolines - Ponape: On 18 July installations on Ponape were attacked by 47 Mitchells

Palau: Night 20-21 July Babelthuap barracks were set on fire during a raid by 1 Liberator.

Yap: At 0350/20 Yap aerodrome was bombed by 1 Liberator additional to the 2 planes reported as having attacked this night in Summary No. 906.

At 1130/20 Yap town was bombed by 15 Liberators starting fires in the barracks area. 7-9 enemy fighters intercepted without aggression and 2 were shot down, another probably damaged.

At 1155/21 Yap aerodrome was bombed by 20 Liberators which dropped an excellent pattern of 460 100-lb bombs across the runway into the dispersal area. Interception was effected by 10 enemy fighters of which 6 were shot down and a 7th probably shot down; 3 Liberators were damaged but all our planes returned. 1 4-engined bomber was reported on the Yap runway.

Ngulu Is: On 20 July Ngulu Island was bombed by a reconnaissance Liberator which again reported that the island gave the appearance of being deserted.

Sorol: At 1040/20 radio station buildings on Sorol Island were bombed by 3 Liberators. Next day, at 1110/21, Sorol was bombed by 4 Liberators with unobserved results.

Woleai: At 1215/20 Woleai aerodrome was bombed by 1 Liberator. At 1100/21 Woleai aerodrome was again attacked, this time by 3 Liberators which dropped bombs across the runway.

(2) Marshalls - Night 17-18 July Taroa, Wotje and Mille were harassed by 3 Catalinas. On 18 July Wotje and Taroa were attacked, the former in 2 strikes involving a total of 100 Dauntless and 27 Corsairs, the latter by 56 Corsairs.

(11) ENEMY FORCES (Contd.)

B. GENERAL PACIFIC AREA (Contd.)

(2) Marshalls (Contd.) On 19 July Wotje and Mille were attacked during daylight, Wotje being bombed by 5 Liberators and Mille by 16 Dauntless 12 Corsairs. A/A opposition was encountered in all these operations but all our planes returned

X (3) Marianas - At approx. 0800/21 Guam was invaded by U.S. forces following a heavy naval and air bombardment. Preliminary reports only are available indicate that the operation is proceeding according to schedule against moderate opposition.

Later reports concerning the carrier-based aircraft strikes on Guam 19 July show that 401 tons of bombs were dropped, not 148 tons as previously reported.

On 18 July Tinian was bombed by Saipan based aircraft and shore artillery in addition to light naval units. On the same day Pagan Island was bombed during 2 attacks.

The new airstrip on Ragman Peninsula (Saipan) became operational 20 July.

X (4) Bonins - On 19 July Navy Liberator reconnaissance aircraft conducted low-level attacks on Chichijima and Nahajima. 1 small cargo vessel was sunk, 4 coastal vessels set on fire and 11 sea ~~planes~~ <sup>aircraft</sup> damaged in addition to several fires which were also started near Chichijima seaplane base. A certain amount of A/A opposition was encountered but all our planes returned

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(11) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

1. Blue landings on Guam.
2. Very successful Blue sub offensive on enemy shipping in <sup>Luzon</sup> ~~Formosa~~ Strait.
3. Continued shipping movements sighted Philippines.
4. More Liberators strike Bonins.

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DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC

	<u>Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)</u>	<u>ALLIED FO ROES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
		<u>South Pacific</u>	
<u>CV(B)</u>	ALFAMAHA		
<u>CA</u>	(2) AUSTRALIA SHROPSHIRE	-	-
<u>CL</u>	(4) BOISE PHOENIX NASHVILLE * HOBART	* LEANDER	-
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(2) TANGIER WRIGHT	-	-
<u>XAV/XCVS</u>	(6) HALF MOON SAN PABLO HERON ORCA CHINGOFEAGUE SAN CARLOS	COOS BAY	-
<u>DD</u>	(36) ARUNTA WARRAMINGA STUART VENDET TA ABNER READ AMMEN ANDERSON BACHE BEALE DALY FLETCHER GILLESPIE GRAISON HOBBY HOPEWELL HUGHES HUTCHINS JENKINS	LA VALLETTE MORRIS MULLAWY MUSTIN NICHOLAS NICHOLSON O'BANNON RADFORD REID RUSSELL STACK WILLIS STEVENSON STOCKTON SWANSON TAYLOR TRATHEN WILKES	8
<u>SS</u>	(4) BLUEGILL CERO DACE DARTER	) ) ) on patrol )	5
	(4) BASHAW BREAM S.42 S.45	) ) ) at Seeadler )	
	(3) FLOUNDER FLYING FISH S.47	) ) at Brisbane )	
	(2) K.9 K.12	) at Sydney )	

\* Non-effective

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC (Contd.)

	<u>Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)</u>	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>South Pacific</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
	Approx. 175		-	?
<u>APA</u> <u>AKA</u> <u>AFD</u>	(10) H.T.ALLEN (APA) KANIMELA MANOORA WESTRALIA ALGORAB (AKA) WARD (AFD) SCHLEY HERBERT CROSBY KILBY		4 AFD	-
<u>AGC</u>	BLUE RIDGE		-	-
<u>AS</u>	(2) OTUS BURYALE		-	-
<u>AD</u>	(2) DOBBIN WHITNEY		-	-
<u>AR</u>	(4) RIGEL FLATYRUS AMYCUS MEDUSA		-	-

2. NORTHERN PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CA</u>	-	(2) NACHI ASHIGARA
	(3) DETROIT RALEIGH RICHMOND	-
<u>DD</u>	9	5
<u>SS</u>	10	Approx. 5

3. SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CL</u> <u>DD</u>	TRENTON 9	- -



4. CENTRAL PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

INEMY FORCES

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>			<u>Philippines</u> <u>Mandates-E. Indies</u>	<u>Empire</u>
<u>BB</u>	(18) IOWA NEW JERSEY SOUTH DAKOTA INDIANA MASSACHUSETTS ALABAMA	NORTH CAROLINA WEST VIRGINIA WASHINGTON COLORADO CALIFORNIA PENNSYLVANIA	TENNESSEE MISSISSIPPI IDAHO NEW MEXICO MARYLAND OKLAHOMA	FUSO	(8) YAMATO MUSASHI NAGATO KONGO YAMASHIRO ISE HYUGA * HARUNA
<u>CV</u>	(9) SARATOGA ENTERPRISE YONKTON LEXINGTON HORNET	INTREPID ESSEX BUNKER HILL WASP		-	(6) SHOKAKU } 1 sunk ZUIKAKU } 2 prob. TAIHO } sunk HITAKA } 1 dem.
<u>CV(L)</u>	(9) CABOT COMPENS BATAAN BELLEAU WOOD INDEPENDENCE	LANGLEY MONTEREY PRINCETON SAN JACINTO		(2) CHIYODA CHITOSE	(2) RYUHO } 2 dem. ZUIHO } poss. sunk
<u>CV(E)</u>	(32) FANSHAW BAY GAMBIER BAY HOGGATT BAY KADASHAN BAY KALININ BAY MANILA BAY KETTUN BAY NATOMA BAY NIHENTA BAY PETROF BAY QUIMNEY BAY	RUDYERD BAY SARGENT BAY SHAMROCK BAY BARNES BRITON CASABLANCA CHENANGO COPAHIE CORAL SEA CORREGIDOR	LONG ISLAND LUNGAPOINT MARCUS ISLAND NASSAU PRINCE WILLIAM SANGAMON SANTEE SAVO ISLAND SUWANNEE MIDWAY WHITE PLAINS	(3) KAIYO OTAKA	(2) UNYO JINYO
<u>CV(T)</u>					HOSHO
<u>GA</u>	(13) BALTIMORE BOSTON CHESTER CANBERRA WICHITA NEW ORLEANS LOUISVILLE	MINNEAPOLIS PENSACOLA INDIANAPOLIS SAN FRANCISCO SALT LAKE CITY PORTLAND		(5) ATAGO TAKAO CHOKAI MYOKO HAGURO	(6) TONE CHIKUMA SUZYUA KUMANO MOGAMI * MAYA
<u>OCA</u>				<del>KAGI</del>	6
<u>CL</u>	(17) COLUMBIA CLEVELAND DENVER MONTPELIER HONOLULU ST LOUIS	BIRMINGHAM SANTA FE SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN MOBILE	BILOXI OAKLAND RENO VINCENNES HOUSTON MIAMI	(3) NATORI OI NOSHIRO	(8) NAGARA OYODO ISUZU TAMA KISO * KITAGAMI * TAHAGI * ABUKEMA KASHIMA
<u>CL(T)</u>				KASHII	* NOTORO
<u>AV/CVE</u>	(4) CURTISS POCOMOKE	CHANDELEUR BALLARD		AKTISUSHIMA	
<u>DD</u>	Approx. 185			20	35 (several repairing)
<u>SS</u>	Approx. 30			35	Approx. 30
<u>AS</u>	?			?	2 (1 repairing)

\* Non-effective

5. EAST INDIES - INDIAN OCEAN

	Southwest Pacific (Western Section)	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>		<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
			Eastern Fleet Area	Malaya-Indian Ocean
<u>BE</u>	-		(4) QUEEN ELIZABETH VALIANT RENOWN RICHELIEU	-
<u>CV</u>	-		(3) VICTORIOUS ILLUSTRIOUS INDOMITABLE	-
<u>CV(E)</u>	-		(6) BATTLEER    ATHELING UNICORN        BEGUM SHAH            AMEER	-
<u>CA</u>	-		(4) CUMBERLAND LONDON SUFFOLK SUSSEX	AOBA
<u>C</u>	ADELAIDE		(9) CEYLON        NEWCASTLE KENYA            DANAE GAMBIA           TROMP NIGERIA          EMERALD PHOEBE	KINU
<u>AV/GVS</u>	(2) CHILDS W.B. PRESTON		ALBATROSS	-
<u>XCL</u>	-		(2) CANTON CHITRAL	-
<u>DD</u>	QUIBERON		Approx. 27	5
<u>SS</u>	(19) ANGLER      FLASHER      PADDLE      ) ASPRO           GURNARD     PARGO        ) BONEFISH       HOE            PUFFER       ) CABRILLA       LAFON         RAY            ) COD             MINGO         ROBALO       ) on patrol OREVALLE       NAUTILUS      SANDLACE     ) RATON           on passage    K.14          )		Approx. 16	12 (incl. 7 German)
	(13) BLUEFISH    HARDER        MUSKELUNGE ) FLIER           HAKE           NAUWHAL     ) GUITARRO       GUNDEL       RASHER       ) at Fremantle HADDO           JACK           REDFIN       ) K.15             )			
<u>AS</u>	(2) ORION GRIFFIN			

ESTIMATE ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>Salmons</u> <u>Bismarcks</u>	<u>New Guinea</u>	<u>East Indies</u>	<u>Philippines</u>	<u>Mandates</u>
Fighters	2	3	242	185	150
M/Bombers	-	4	135	147	34
B & D/Bombers	-	-	4	60	54
Flying Boats	-	-	9	12	4
Floatplanes	10	3	59	27	20
Obsn. A/C	2	2	42	15	23
<b>TOT AL</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>491</b>	<b>446</b>	<b>285</b>

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA  
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Part I: Allied and Enemy Activity.

Part II: Allied and Enemy Order of Battle.

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Date 23 July, 1944

PART I

(1) ALLIED FORCES

SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

1. NEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS

(a) At Sea to 1200/23:

- (1) (i) Task Group 70.1 : 10 PT  
 (ii) Task Force 74 : 1 CA : "SHROPSHIRE"  
 5 DD : "ARUNTA" "AMMEN" "HUTCHINS" "BEALE"  
 "BACHE"  
 (iii) Task Force 77 : 1 PF : "EL PASO"  
 2 PC : 476, 477
- (2) "AUSTRALIA" (CA) "WARRAMUNGA" (DD) proceeding Milne Bay ETA 0800/24:  
 to depart Milne 1600/24 for Sydney ETA 0600/28.
- (3) "REID" (DD) departed Alexishafen 20 July proceeding out of S.W.P.A.
- (4) "J.E.CRAIG" (DE) departed Humboldt Bay 22 July for Alexishafen ETA 1800/23
- (5) "YMS.48" escorting LCT's departed Humboldt Bay 22 July for Milne Bay  
 via Aitape and Alexishafen
- (6) "PC.1122" escorting 2 LST proceeding Alexishafen to Humboldt Bay ETA  
 23 July
- (7) "RAIL" (AT) towing 6 YE was to depart Milne Bay 19 July for Hollandia
- (8) "YP.504" departed Manus 0530/22 for Finschhafen ETA 0700/24.
- (9) "BARCOO" (PF) escorting "CAPE ST. GEORGE" (departed Manus Is. 0800/21  
 for S.P.A.) from Langemak to 159th. meridian.
- (10) "PORCUPINE" (IX) departed Milne Bay 1130/22 for Langemak ETA 0700/24.
- (11) "BUNDABERG" (AMS) 2 YT still assisting "KANIMBLA" (APA) aground at Cape  
 Cretin "CALEDONIAN SALVOR" (ARS) also detached to  
 assist. Efforts to refloat so far unsuccessful.
- (12) "STRAHAN" "COLAC" (AMS) on Solomon Sea patrol
- (13) 4 submarines on patrol.

(b) In Harbour:

Blak Is. - Woendi:

Combat Units	52 PT	
Escorts	9	: 4 PF: "GALLUP" "HUTCHINSON" "BELFAST" "BISBEE"
		1 PC: 1119
		4 YMS: 51, 73, 316, 393
Auxiliaries	9	: "WRIGHT" (AV) "ORCA" (AVP) "PORTUNUS" "HILO" (AGP) 2 YFD "SPRIGHTLY" (AT)
		1 ATR 1 YP: 415
Merchantmen	12	

(i) ALLIED FORCES (Contd.)

Wakde:  
 Escorts 3 : 2 DE: "THOMASON" "NEUENDORFF"  
 1 YMS: 10  
 Merchantmen 4  
Humboldt Bay:  
 Combat Units 17 DD : "WELLES" "GILLESPIE" "MULLANY" "STACK" "WILKES"  
 "NICHOLSON" "RADFORD" "ANDERSON" "SWANSON"  
 "STOCKTON" "LA VALLETTE" "FLETCHER" "MUSTIN"  
 "JENKINS" "HOBBY" "HUGHES"  
 Escorts 18 : 1 DE: "EICHENBERGER"  
 4 PF: "SAN PEDRO" "ORANGE" "LONGBEACH" "GLENDALE"  
 1 PS: "WARREGO"  
 4 PC: 1120, 1132, 1133, 1134  
 2 SC: 650, 743  
 5 YMS: 8, 46, 71, 334, 335  
 1 ML: 817  
 Auxiliaries 29 : "HERBERT" "SCHLEY" "WARD" "KILTY" "CROSBY" (AFD)  
 "BLUE RIDGE" (AGC) "VICTORIA" "BISHOPDALE" (AO)  
 "GOLDSTAR" (AG) "SUSQUEHANNA" "ELKHORN"  
 "SHIKELLAMY" (AOG) "AMYCUS" (ARL) "ANDREW DORIA"  
 "PANDA" "VILLALOBOS" (IX) "OCTANS" (AF) "BOOTES"  
 (AK) "OGLALA" (ARG) "DERRICK" (YO) "VIREO" "YUMA"  
 (AT) "COMFORT" (AH)  
 5 YP: 233, 236, 280, 415, 516 1 AFD  
 Merchantmen 29  
Aitape:  
 Combat Units 1 DD : "VENDETTA"  
 27 PT with LST 201 acting as AGP  
 Escorts 2 : 1 PF: "VAN BUREN"  
 1 SC: 744  
 Auxiliaries 1 : "POYANG" (AE)  
 Merchantmen 11  
Admiralties:  
 Combat Units 2 CL : "BOISE" "PHOENIX"  
 3 DD : "ABNER READ" "TRATHEN" "DALY"  
 Escorts 11 : 2 DE: "MARTIN" "EMERY"  
 1 PF: "EUGENE"  
 2 PC: 1123, 1124  
 3 SC: 747, 982, 1047  
 1 AMS: "WAGGA"  
 1 ML: 827  
 1 YMS: 315  
 Auxiliaries 19 : "EURYALE" (AS) "TANGIER" (AV) "WHITNEY" (AD)  
 "RIO GRANDE" (AOG) "MEDUSA" (AR) "ALABASTER" (PYC)  
 "LEOPARD" "MINK" (IX) "CINNAMON" "SILVERBELL" (AN)  
 "BENALIA" "PATHFINDER" (AGS) "ALBIRO" (AK)  
 1 AFD 1 YP: 585 2 YRD 1 ABSD 1 YT  
 Merchantmen 17  
Alexishafen-Madang:  
 Combat Units 3 DD : "MORRIS" "STEVENSON" "GRAYSON"  
 Escorts 15 : 5 AMS: "GYMPIE" "LATROBE" "KATOOMBA" "STAWELL"  
 "BUNBURY"  
 1 PF: "CORONADO"  
 4 SC: 732, 736, 738, 745  
 2 ML: 42, 806, 816, 818  
 1 YMS: 336  
 Auxiliaries 9 : "OTUS" (AS) "DOBBIN" (AD) "KOOPA" (AGP) "  
 "PING WO" (ASIS) 2 ARD 1 ATR 2 AFD  
 Merchantmen 1  
Cape Gloucester:  
 Escorts 1 : "TASMAN" (AH)  
 Merchantmen 2  
Idor:  
 Combat Units 7 PT  
 Escorts 2 : 2 ML: 803, 819  
 Auxiliaries 1 : "PASQUOTANK" (AOG)  
Langemak:  
 Combat Units 5 PT  
 Escorts 32 : 1 PS: "SWAN"  
 13 AMS: "ARARAT" "BENDIGO" "COOTAMUNDRA" "BENDIGO"  
 "ROCKHAMPTON" "KAPUNDA" "TOWNSVILLE"

(1) ALLIED FORCES (Contd.)

Langemak (Contd.)  
Escorts (Contd.) : 13 AMS: "LITHGOW" "GEELONG" "GLENELG" "GLADSTONE"  
"GOULBURN" "WHYALLA" "DELORAINÉ"  
1 PC: 479  
11 SC: 698, 734, 735, 737, 741, 742, 746, 748,  
749, 750, 981  
4 YMS: 49, 70, 313, 314  
2 ML: 426, 430

Auxiliaries 11 : "SAKATONCHEE" "SEEKONK" (AOG) "POLLUX" (AKS)  
"ARAYAT" (IX) "SANGAY" (AE) "AASE MAERSK" (AO)  
"RACE POINT" (AT) "INDUS" "TRAIINGULUM" "MONADNOCK"  
(AK) "MESQUITE" (CGC)

Merchantmen 27

Lae:  
Escorts 1 : 1 ML: 428  
Merchantmen 8

Morobe:  
Escorts 1 : 1 SC: 703  
Auxiliaries 1 : 1 AFD  
Merchantmen 5

Buna-Oro Bay:  
Merchantmen 10

Milne Bay:  
Combat Units 5 PT  
Escorts 10 : 1 DE: "LOVELACE"  
1 PC: 1131  
3 SC: 637, 731, 739  
3 YMS: 47, 50, 53  
2 ML: 431, 801

Auxiliaries 26 : "SHASTA" (AE) "SONOMA" "WATO" (AT) "SCULPTOR"  
"LYNX" "ERIDANUS" "CRUX" (AK) "HERON" (AVP)  
"TRINITY" (AO) "MIZAR" (AF) "CLYDE" (IX) "TEAK" (AN)  
"CABLE" (ARS) "LARK" (AM)  
5 AFD 3 YT 2 ARD 2 YPS 240, 449

Merchantmen 29

Port Moresby:  
Escorts 1 : 1 ML: 802  
Auxiliaries 2 : "WINTER" "SHEPPARTON" (AGS)  
Merchantmen 1

2. SOLOMONS(a) At Sea to 1200/23:

- (1) "HEERMAN" (DD) escorting "PRESIDENT TYLER" was to depart Guadalcanal prior noon 22 July for Milne Bay: "HEERMAN" detaches after 24 hours and returns to Guadalcanal.
- (2) "OSMUS" (DE) escorting "MINTAKA" (AK) proceeding Emirau to Russells ETA 1800/24.
- (3) "DUFFY" (DE) returning from escort duties ETA Torokina 1400/23.
- (4) "PAWNEE" (AT) towing "YO.164" escorted by "YMS.99" was to depart Purvis 23 July for Morobe: "YMS.99" detaches at 156th meridian and returns Guadalcanal.

(b) In Harbour:

Emirau Is:  
Combat Units 20 PT  
Escorts 7 : 2 DE: "ENGLAND" "FOREMAN"  
1 AMS: "TUMULT"  
1 SC: 1274  
2 PC: 589, 1138  
1 ML: 802

Auxiliaries 1 : "ROTANIN" (AK)

Green Is:  
Combat Units 21 PT  
Escorts 1 : 1 DM: "BREEZE"  
Auxiliaries 3 : "SAN CARLOS" (AVP) "VARUNA" (AGP) "TAGANAK" (AOG)

Torokina:  
Escorts 6 : 1 DE: "WITTER"  
2 PC: 1128, 588, 606, 1590  
1 SC: 723

Auxiliaries 5 : "WESTRALIA" "HENRY T.ALLEN" (APA) "T"

(1) ALLIED FORCES (Contd.)Torokina (Contd.)

<u>Auxiliaries (Contd.)</u>	:	"KANGAROO" (IX) "ALNITAH" (AH)
<u>Treasury Is:</u>		
<u>Combat Units</u>	4 DD	: "NICHOLAS" "TAYLOR" "O'BANNON" "HOPEWELL"
	34 PT	
	4 PGM	
<u>Escorts</u>	6	: 1 DE: "WHITEHURST"
		1 EV: "GALE"
		1 FC: 590
		2 SC: 677, 722
		1 YMS: 97
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	1	: "MOBJACK" (AGP)
<u>Munda:</u>		
<u>Escorts</u>	5	: 1 DE: "BOWERS"
		1 FC: 1229
		1 SC: 514
		2 YMS: 196, 259
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	2	: "STRATFORD" (AGP) "WHIPSTOCK" (YO)

3. EAST AND SOUTH EAST AUSTRALIA(a) At Sea to 12 00/23:

- (1) "BUTTON WOOD" (CGC) departed Thursday Is. 1036/22 to assist "MINJAK "TANAH" at Thursh Reef.
- (2) "SAN PABLO" (AVP) departed Sydney 1432/15 for Seealder Harbour via Palm Island and Samarai.
- (3) "CHETCO" (AT) with tow departed Cairns 0700/21 for Milne Bay ETA 1000/24.
- (4) "ROCKFORD" (PF) proceeding Cairns ETA 0900/24 from S.P.A.
- (5) "YP.237" departed Gldstone 1100/20 for Milne Bay ETA 2200/25.
- (6) "ML.811" on A/S patrol in Grafton Passage.
- (7) "MANOORA" (APA) departed Sydney 1439/19 for Milne Bay 0900/24.
- (8) "ECHUCA" (AMS) departed Caloundra 2300/20 for Milne Bay ETA 0600/25.
- (9) "RAINIER" (AE) proceeding Sydney from S.P.A.
- (10) "ML.425" was to depart Townsville 2200/21 for Brisbane.
- (11) "CHALLENGER" (AGS) proceeding Sydney ETA p.m. 26 July.
- (12) "YANDRA" (A/S) departed Sydney 0921/20 on A/S patrol to Smoky Cape and return.

(b) In Harbour:Thursday Is:

<u>Escorts</u>	6	: 4 AMS: "KALGOORLIE" "PIRIE" "BOWEN" "BALLARAT"
		2 ML: 804, 805
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	1	: "VIGILANT" (AGS)
<u>Cairns:</u>		
<u>Escorts</u>	6	: 1 PF: "MUSKOGEE"
		1 AMS: "KIAMA"
		2 SC: 648, 699
		1 ML: 802
		1 YMS: 52
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	4	: "FIRE ISLAND" "SOUTHWEST PASS" (AT)
		1 ARD 1 YT
<u>Townsville:</u>		
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	3	: "STELLA" "POLARIS" (AGS) 1 YP: 278
<u>Merchantmen</u>	4	
<u>Ewen:</u>		
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	1	: "CAMBRIAN SALVOR" (ARS)
<u>Brisbane:</u>		
<u>Escorts</u>	10	: 2 AMS: "MILDURA" "BROOME"
		3 FCE: 848, 849, 850
		1 PF: "OGDEN"
		1 FC: 1121
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	15	: "OYSTER BAY" (AGP) "HALF MOON" (AVP) "COUGAL" (ASR) "ALGORAB" (AKA) "KURUMBA" (AO) "MERKUR" (AF) "ETOLIN" "GANYMEDE" "ST.GILES" (AT) "MAETSUYCKER" (AH) "CARONDOLET" (IX) "CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS)
<u>Merchantmen</u>	10	

(1) ALLIED FORCES (Contd.)Sydney:

Combat Units	1	GMS	:	"ARIADNE"
	2	CL	:	"HOBART" (refitting) "NASHVILLE"
	1	DD	:	"STUART"
Escorts	11		:	2 DE: "GREENWOOD" "LOESER"
			:	2 PF: "GASCOYNE" "BURDEKIN"
			:	1 PS: "SAVORGNAN DE BRAZZA"
			:	1 A/S: "WILCANNIA"
Auxiliaries	11		:	5 ML: 810, 813, 822, 823, 825
			:	"TULSA" (PG) "MORESBY" (AGS) "MURZIM" "VENUS"
			:	(AK) "YUNNAN" "PYRO" (AE) "RESERVE" "POINT
			:	LOMA" "FANCRED" (AT) "MANUNDA" (AH)
			:	"BUNGAREE" (CM)
Merchantmen	22			
<u>Newcastle:</u>				
Escorts	2		:	1 AMS: "WARRNAMBOOL"
			:	1 A/S: "KYBRA"
<u>Melbourne:</u>				
Escorts	2		:	1 A/S: "ABRAHAM CRIJNSSEN"
			:	1 AMS: "COWRA"
Auxiliaries	2		:	"PLATYPUS" (AR) "GENERAL ANDERSON" (AP)
<u>Adelaide:</u>				
Escorts	1		:	1 AMS: "CASTLEMAINE"

4. NORTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 12 00/23:

- "INVERELL" (AMS) escorting Convoy TD.62 ("EDNA" "OCHOCO") departed Thursday Is. 0600/19 for Darwin ETA 1200/23.
- "PARKES" (AMS) escorting Convoy DT.69 ("ATLAS") departed Darwin 0537/20 for Thursday Is. ETA 2000/23.
- 18 submarines on patrol.

(b) In Harbour:Darwin:

Escorts	7		:	2 AMS: "FREMANTLE" "JUNEE"
Merchantmen	1		:	5 ML: 429, 807, 814, 815, 809

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/23:

Nil.

(b) In Harbour:Exmouth Gulf:

Escorts	2		:	2 YMS: 11, 72
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Fremantle:

Combat Units	1	CL	:	"ADELAIDE"
	1	DD	:	"QUIBERON"

Escorts	6		:	1 PF: "CORPUS CHRISTI"
			:	2 AMS: "HORSHAM" "DUBOO"
			:	1 SC: 729
			:	2 ML: 824, 825

Auxiliaries	9		:	"GRIFFIN" "ORION" (AS) "ISABEL" (FY) "CHILDS"
			:	"W.B. PRESTON" (AVD) "CHANTICLEER" (ASR)
			:	"ATHSO" (AP) 1 ARD 2 YP: 286, 288

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Note: Merchant ship totals in port include all ships over 1,000 tons except tankers and commissioned ships.

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(11) ENEMY FORCES

A. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

1. SOLOMONS - BISMARCKS

- (1) Bougainville - Night 20-21 July Kahili was harassed by 1 Mitchell and next day, 21 July, Kahili area was bombed by 16 Corsairs. Minor patrol skirmishes occurred in the Upper Laruma River area on 21 July.
- (2) New Ireland - Night 20-21 July Kavieng was harassed by 1 Mitchell and next day, 21 July, the Kavieng area was bombed by 10 Corsairs. Also during 21 July bridges and buildings were destroyed during sweeps over New Ireland involving 40 Dauntless, 43 Corsairs and 6 Ventures. Night 21-22 July 1 launch and 1 barge were sunk by PT boats in Nakudukudu Bay (opposite Namatanai).
- (3) Rabaul - Night 20-21 July Rabaul town was harassed by 5 Mitchells. On 21 July Toboi Wharf was bombed by 24 Mitchells and supply centres were attacked by 23 Corsairs 10 Avengers. Fires were started, 3 trucks left burning and huts destroyed.

2. NEW GUINEA

- (1) Wewak-Aitape - Evening 21 July an enemy party estimated at 1 company strong attacked 1 of our positions near Afua and were repulsed with casualties. In other areas some minor contacts were reported but the majority of patrols were negative. Activity night 21-22 July was limited to harassing fire by our artillery. Incomplete reports concerning PT cum destroyer patrols off-shore night 21-22 July state that no barges were met and that unusually little road traffic was seen. 1 destroyer fired a few shells into the supply depot at Sowan. On 22 July the air offensive against stores and personnel was resumed involving 18 Bostons, 2 Mitchells, 19 Thunderbolts, 2 Beaufighters and some Aircobras.
- (2) Biak - The assault on the enemy pocket in caves N.W. of Ibbi was continued 21 July encountering rifle, knee mortar and machine gun fire. In other areas on Biak patrols reported no contacts. On 22 July enemy pillboxes and cave positions were bombed by 8 Liberators. On the same day suspected concentrations of enemy remnants on Soepieri, probably in Korido Bay area, were attacked by Aircobras.
- (3) Manokwari - On 22 July A/A positions on Manokwari were bombed by 8 Liberators.
- (4) Western Geelvink Bay - On 22 July Ransiki aerodrome was bombed by Liberators dropping 19 1,000-lb bombs; a terrific explosion resulted.
- (5) Macoluer Gulf - On 22 July Babo aerodrome was bombed by 15 Liberators and the waterfront and jetty at Kokas by 12 Bostons.
- (6) Western Vogelkop Peninsula - On 22 July Mitchell sweeps attacked the fuel dump on Doom Island (near Sereng) and the oilfield loading positions in the Sele Strait area. An oil derrick and wharf were destroyed, installations damaged and fuel dumps set on fire.
- (7) Kaukenau - At 0920/22 Timoka area was bombed by 6 Beauforts.
- (8) Merauke - Possibly 2 enemy reconnaissance planes were over the Merauke area early afternoon 22 July.

3. EAST INDIES

- (1) Tanimbar Islands - At 1620/22 Selaru airfield was strafed by 3 Beaufighters. 1 enemy bomber on the ground was destroyed. If this report is correct, it is the first tangible evidence of the use of Selaru aerodrome by the enemy for some time. At 1425/22 Saumlaki was bombed by 3 Liberators.
- (2) Halmaheras - At 0145/22 a cargo vessel estimated at 2,000 tons in Wasile Bay was unsuccessfully bombed by a Navy Catalina.
- (3) Talaud Islands - At 1945/22, 4 small ships possibly patrol craft were seen approx. 45 miles N.E. of Talaud Islands, on course 210°.



(11) ENEMY FORCES (Contd.)

A. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA (Contd.)

4. PHILIPPINES

- (1) At 1330/22 a 100-ft wooden cargo vessel was sunk by gunfire from a Navy Liberator 130 miles E.S.E. of Surigao Strait.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

- (1) Carolines - Yap: At 1200/22 Yap aerodrome was bombed by 20 Liberators which dropped 568 100-lb bombs in an excellent pattern over the runway and apron; 2 parked planes were destroyed. Interception was on a much lighter scale than formerly, only 4-5 Zeros participating for 35 minutes without aggression; 1 Zero was destroyed and another 2 damaged. All our planes returned.

Woleai: Early p.m. 22 July Woleai runway was attacked by 4 Liberators.

- (2) Marshalls - On 20 July Wotje was attacked by 27 Corsairs and Tarea by 11 Corsairs, 11 Dauntless.

- X (3) Marianas - Little further detail is available concerning the assault on Guam Island. Moderate resistance is apparently being encountered on the southern beachhead, i.e. South of Apra Harbour but generally operations are proceeding strictly according to schedule. 19 July

- X (4) Bonins - Further detail concerning the Liberator attacks on Hahajima and Chichijima, of which a preliminary report was set out in Summary No. 907, show that at Chichijima a 5,000 ton freighter was hit, 3 out of the 6-8 coastal vessels present were set on fire, 1 floatplane and 1 grounded fighter were both destroyed and fires were started in the hangar area. At Hahajima the small cargo vessel reported previously was of 200 tons and was sunk; 19 small coastal vessels were observed here of which 4 were set on fire; a total of 28 aircraft were observed of which 10 were 4-engined flying boats, 13 were floatplanes, 3 unidentified and 2 unserviceable medium bombers; of these 11 including 3 of the 4-engined flying boats were damaged.

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(11i) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

1. Guam invasion proceeding satisfactorily.

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DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC

	<u>Southwest Pacific</u> <u>(Eastern Section)</u>	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>South Pacific</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CV(2)</u>	-		ALTAMAH	-
<u>OA</u>	(2) AUSTRALIA SHR OESHIRE		-	-
<u>CL</u>	(4) BOISE PHOENIX NASHVILLE * HOBART		* LEANDER	-
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(2) TANGIER WRIGHT		-	-
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(6) HALF MOON SAN PAOLO HERON ORCA CHINOOTEAGUE SAN CARLOS		COOS BAY	-
<u>DE</u>	(96) ARUNTA WARRAMINGA STUART VENDETTA ABNER READ AMMEN ANDERSON BACHE BEALE DALY FLEIGHNER GILLESPIE GRAYSON HOBBY HOPEWELL HUG HES HUPCHINS JENKINS	LA VALLETTE MORRIS MULLANY MUSTIN NICHOLAS NICHOLSON O'BANNON RADFORD REID RUSSELL STACK STEVENS ON STOCKTON SWANSON TAYLOR TRATHEN WELLES WILKES	8	-
<u>SS</u>	(6) BASHAW BLUGGILL CERO DACE DARTER SEA WOLF	) ) ) on patrol ) ) )	-	5
	(3) BREAM S.42 S.45	) ) at Seeadler )		
	(3) FLOUNDER FLYING FI SH S.47	) ) at Brisbane )		
	(2) K.9 K.12	) ) at Sydney		

\* Non-effective

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC (Contd.)

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

Southwest Pacific  
(Eastern Section)

South Pacific

PT

Approx. 175 - ?

APA  
AKA  
AFD

(10) H.F. ALLEN (APA) 4 AFD -  
KANIMELA  
MANOORA  
WESTRALIA  
ALGORAB (AKA)  
WARD (AFD)  
SCHLEY  
HERBERT  
GROSBY  
KILBY

AGC

BLUE RIDGE - -

(2) OPUS - -  
BURYALE

AD

(2) DOBBIN - -  
WHITNEY

AR

(4) RIGEL - -  
PLATYPUS  
AMYCUS  
MEDUSA

2. NORTHERN PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

GA

- (2) NACHI  
ASHIGARA

CL

(3) DETROIT -  
RALEIGH  
RICHMOND

DD

9 5

IS

10 Approx. 5

3. SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

CL

TRENTON -

DD

9 -

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

	Philippines Mandates-E. Indies		Empire
<u>BB</u> (18) IOWA NEW JERSEY SOUTH DAKOTA INDIANA MASSACHUSETTS ALABAMA	NORTH CAROLINA WEST VIRGINIA WASHINGTON COLORADO CALIFORNIA PENNSYLVANIA	TENNESSEE MISSISSIPPI IDAHO NEW MEXICO MARYLAND OKLAHOMA	FUSO (8) YAMATO MUSASHI NAGATO KONGO YAMASHIRO ISE HYUGA * HARUNA
<u>CV</u> (9) SARATOGA INT EMBRASE YORKTOWN LEXINGTON HORNET	INTREPID ESSEX BUNKER HILL WASP	-	(6) SHOKAKU ) 1 sunk ZUIKAKU ) 2 prob. TAIHO ) sunk HITAKA ) 1 dam. HAYATAKA ) UNYRU )
<u>CV(L)</u> (9) CABOT COMPENS BATAAN BELLEAU WOOD INDEPENDENCE	LANGLEY MONTEREY PRINCETON SAN JACINTO	(2) CHIYODA CHITOSE	(2) RYUHO ) 2 dam. ZUIHO ) 1 prob. sunk
<u>CV(E)</u> (32) FANSHAW BAY GAMEIER BAY HOGGATT BAY KADASHAN BAY KALININ BAY KITUN BAY MANILA BAY NATOMA BAY NEHENTA BAY PETROF BAY ORMANBY BAY	RUDYERD BAY SARGENT BAY SHAMROCK BAY BARNES BRETON CASABLANCA CHENANGO CORAHUE CORAL SEA CORREGIDOR	LONG ISLAND LUNGA POINT MARCUS ISLAND NASSAU PRINCE WILLIAM MIDWAY SANGAMON SANTEE SAVO ISLAND SUWANNEE WHITE PLAINS	(2) KAIYO OTAKA (2) UNYO JINYO
<u>CV(T)</u>	-	-	HOSHIO
<u>CA</u> (13) BALTIMORE BOSTON CHESTER CAMBRIDGE WICHITA NEW ORLEANS LOUISVILLE	MINNEAPOLIS PENSACOLA INDIANAPOLIS SAN FRANCISCO SALT LAKE CITY PORTLAND	(5) ATAGO TAKAO CHOKAI MYOKO HAGURO	(6) TONE CHIKUMA SUZUYA KUMANO MOGAMI * MAYA  6
<u>CGA</u>	-	-	-
<u>CL</u> (17) COLUMBIA CLEVELAND DENVER MONTPELIER HONOLULU ST LOUIS	BIRMINGHAM SANTA FE SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN MOBILE	BILOXI OAKLAND RENO VINCENNES HOUSTON MIAMI	(3) NATORI OI NOSHIRO (8) NAGARA OYODO ISUZU TAMA KISO * KITAGAMI * YAHAGI * ABUKUMA KASHIMA * NOTORO
<u>CL(T)</u>	-	-	KASHII
<u>AV/CVS</u> (4) CURTISS POCOMOKE	CHANDELEUR BALLARD	AKITSUSHIMA	35 (several repairing)
<u>DD</u> Approx. 185		20	
<u>SS</u> Approx. 30		35	Approx. 30
<u>AS</u> ?		?	2 (1 repairing)

\* Non-effective

5. EAST INDIES - INDIAN OCEAN

Southwest Pacific (Western Section)		<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>		<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
		<u>Eastern Fleet Area</u>		<u>Malaya-Indian Ocean</u>
<u>BB</u>	-	(4) QUEEN ELIZABETH VALIANT RENOWN RICHELIEU		-
<u>CV</u>	-	(3) VICTORIOUS ILLUSTRIOUS INDOMITABLE		-
<u>CV(E)</u>	-	(6) BATTLE	ATHELING	-
		UNICORN	BEGUM	
		SHAH	AMEER	
<u>CA</u>	-	(4) CUMBERLAND LONDON SUFFOLK SUSSEX		AOBA
<u>CL</u>	ADELAIDE	(9) CEYLON	NEWCASTLE	KINU
		KENYA	DANAE	
		GAMBIA	TROMP	
		NIGERIA	EMERALD	
		PHOEBE		
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(2) CHILDS W.B. PRESTON	ALBATROSS		-
<u>XCL</u>	-	(2) CANTON CHITRAL		-
<u>DD</u>	QUIBERON	Approx. 27		5
<u>SS</u>	(18) ANGLER ASPRO BONFISH CABRILLA COD CREVALLE	FLASHER GURNARD HOE LAPON MINGO NAUTILUS	PADDLE PARGO PUFFER ROBALO SANDLACE K.14	Approx. 16 12 (incl. 7 German)
	(3) GUITARRO RATON RAY	) on patrol		
	(12) BLUEFISH FLIER HADDO HARDER	HAKE GUNNEL JACK MUSKELLUNGE	NARWHAL RASHER REDFIN K.15	) at Fremantle
<u>AS</u>	(2) ORION GRIFFIN			

ESTIMATE ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>Solomons- Bismarcks</u>	<u>New Guinea</u>	<u>East Indies</u>	<u>Philippines</u>	<u>Mandates</u>
fighters	2	3	242	200	150
L & M/Bombers	-	4	135	132	34
T & D/Bombers	-	-	4	60	54
Flying Boats	-	-	9	12	4
Floatplanes	10	3	56	27	20
Obsn. A/C	2	2	52	15	23
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>508</b>	<b>446</b>	<b>285</b>

TOP SECRET

British — MOST SECRET

U.S. — SECRET

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA  
Combined Operational Intelligence Centre  
DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

Part I: Allied and Enemy Activity.  
Part II: Allied and Enemy Order of Battle.

No. 909

Date 24 July 1944

PART I(1) ALLIED FORCESSOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA1. NEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS(a) At Sea to 1200/24:

- (1) (i) Task Group 70.1 : 10 PF  
 X (ii) Task Force 74 : 1 CA: "SHROPSHIRE"  
 5 DD: "ARUNTA" "AMMEN" "HUTCHINS" "BEALE"  
 "BACHE"  
 (iii) Task Force 77 : 1 PF: "EL PASO"  
 3 PC: 476, 477, 1119
- (2) "AUSTRALIA" (CA) "WARRAMUNGA" (DD) proceeding Milne Bay ETA 0800/24:  
 to depart Milne Bay 1600/24 for Sydney ETA 0600/28.
- (3) "SC's. 737, 742" escorting Convoy NA.35 ("POLLUX" (AKS) "A.B. HAMMOND")  
 departed Langemak 0925/23 for Seeadler ETA 1700/24.
- (4) "SC.650" escorting "FRANK NORRIS" departed Manus 0700/23 for Milne Bay.  
 "SC.650" detaches and proceeds Langemak; consort proceeds  
 Milne ETA 0600/26.
- (5) "TRIANGULUM" (AK) departed Finschhafen 1800/22 for Hollandia ETA 1800/25.
- (6) "MIZAR" (AF) departed Milne Bay 1530/23 for Langemak ETA 1200/24.
- (7) "YMS.47" 1 LCT departed Milne Bay 23 July for Cretin and Humboldt.
- (8) "SC.698" departed Langemak 1512/23 for Milne Bay ETA 1800/25.
- (9) "YMS.48" escorting LCT's departed Humboldt Bay 22 July for Milne Bay  
 via Aitape and Alexishafen.
- (10) "RAIL" (AT) towing 6 YE was to depart Milne Bay 19 July for Hollandia.
- (11) "CRUX" (AK) was to depart Milne Bay 1200/24 for Port Moresby.
- (12) "STRAHAN" (AMS) on Solomon Sea patrol.
- (13) 6 submarines on patrol.

(b) In Harbour:Biak Is-Woendi:

Combat Units	52	PF	
Escorts	8		: 4 PF: "GALLUP" "HUTCHINSON" "BELFAST" "BISBEE" 4 YMS: 51, 73, 316, 393
Auxiliaries	9		: "WRIGHT" (AV) "ORCA" (AVP) "PORTUNUS" "HILO" (AGP) "SPRIGHTLY" (AT) 2 YFD 1 ATR 1 YP: 415
Merchantmen	11		

Wakde:

Combat Units	1	DD	: "SWANSON"
Escorts	6		: 1 DE: "THOMASON" 4 PC: 1120, 1122, 1133, 1134 1 YMS: 10
Auxiliaries	6		: "HERBERT" "SCHLEY" "WARD" "KILTY" "CROSBY" (APD) "VIREO" (AT)
Merchantmen	4		

(1) ALLIED FORCES (Contd.)

Humboldt Bay:  
**Combat Units** 17 DD : "WELLES" "GILLESPIE" "MULLANY" "STACK"  
"WILKES" "NICHOLSON" "RADFORD" "ANDERSON"  
"STOCKTON" "LA VALLETTE" "FLETCHER" "MUSTIN"  
"JENKINS" "HOBBY" "HUGHES" "MORRIS"  
**Escorts** 14 : 2 DE: "EICHENBERGER" "NEUENDORFF"  
4 PF: "SAN PEDRO" "ORANGE" "LONGBEACH"  
"GLENDALE"  
1 PS: "WARREGO"  
1 FC: 1132  
5 YMS: 8, 46, 71, 334, 335  
1 ML: 817  
**Auxiliaries** 23 : "BLUE RIDGE" (AGC) "VICTORIA" "BISHOPDALE" (AO)  
"GOLDSTAR" (AG) "SUSQUEHANNA" "ELKHORN"  
"SHIKELLAMY" (AOG) "AMYCUS" (ARL) "ANDREW  
DORIA" "PANDA" "VILLALOBOS" (IX) "OCTANS" (AF)  
"BOOTES" (AK) "OGLALA" (ARG) "DERRICK" (YO)  
"YUMA" (AT) "COMFORT" (AH)  
5 YP: 233, 236, 280, 415, 516 1 AFD

Merchantmen  
**Aitape:**  
**Combat Units** 31 1 DD : "VENDETTA"  
27 PT with LST.201 acting as AGP  
**Escorts** 2 : 1 PF: "VAN BUREN"  
1 SC: 744  
**Merchantmen**  
**Navalities:** 13  
**Combat Units** 2 CL : "BOISE" "PHOENIX"  
3 DD : "ABNER READ" "TRATHEN" "DALY"  
**Escorts** 11 : 2 DE: "MARTIN" "EMERY"  
1 PF: "EUGENE"  
2 FC: 1123, 1124  
3 SC: 747, 982, 1047  
1 AMS: "WAGGA"  
1 ML: 827  
1 YMS: 315  
**Auxiliaries** 19 : "EURYALE" (AS) "TANGIER" (AV) "WHITNEY" (AD)  
"RIO GRANDE" (AOG) "MEDUSA" (AR) "ALABASTER"  
(PYG) "LEOPARD" "MINK" (IX) "CINNAMON"  
"SILVERBELL" (AN) "BENALLA" "PATHFINDER" (AGS)  
"ALBIRO" (AK)  
1 AFD 1 YP: 585 2 YRD 1 ABSD 1 YT

Merchantmen  
**Alexishafen-Madang:** 17  
**Combat Units** 2 DD : "STEVENSON" "GRAYSON"  
**Escorts** 15 : 1 DE: "J.E.CRAIG"  
5 AMS: "GYMPIE" "LATROBE" "KATOOMBA" "STAWELL"  
"BUNBURY"  
1 PF: "CORONADO"  
3 SC: 732, 738, 745  
4 ML: 42, 806, 816, 818  
1 YMS: 336  
**Auxiliaries** 9 : "OTUS" (AS) "DOBBIN" (AD) "KOOPA" (AGP)  
"PING WO" (ASIS) 2 ARD 1 ATR 2 AFD

Merchantmen  
**Cape Gloucester:**  
**Merchantmen** 2  
**Saidor:**  
**Combat Units** 7 PT  
**Escorts** 2 : 2 ML: 803, 819  
**Auxiliaries** 1 : "PASQUOTANK" (AOG)

Langemak:  
**Combat Units** 5 PT  
**Escorts** 34 : 1 PF: "BARCOO"  
1 PS: "SWAN"  
15 AMS: "ARARAT" "BENDIGO" "COOTAMUNDRA"  
"COLAC" "ROCKHAMPTON" "KAPUNDA"  
"TOWNSVILLE" "LITHGOW" "GEELONG"  
"GLENELG" "GLADSTONE" "GOULBURN"  
"WHYALLA" "DELORAIN" "BUNDABERG"

(1) ALLIED FORCES (Contd.)Langemak (Contd.)  
Escorts (Contd.)

: 1 PC: 479  
 10 SC: 734, 735, 736, 741 743, 746, 748,  
 749, 750, 981  
 4 YMS: 49, 70, 313, 314  
 2 ML: 426, 430

## X Auxiliaries

15

: "SAKATONCHEE" "SEEKONK" (AOG) "KANIMBLA" (APA)  
 "TASMAN" (AH) "PORCUPINE" "ARAYAT" (IX)  
 "SANGAY" "POYANG" (AE) "AASE MAERSK" (AO)  
 "RACE POINT" (AT) "INDUS" "MONADNOCK" (AK)  
 "MESQUITE" (CGC) "CALEDONIAN SALVOR" (ARS)  
 1 YP: 504

## Merchantmen

37

Lae:

## Escorts

1

: 1 ML: 428

## Merchantmen

9

Morebe:

## Escorts

1

: 1 SC: 703

## Auxiliaries

1

: 1 AFD

## Merchantmen

6

Buna-Oro Bay:

## Merchantmen

10

Milne Bay:

## Combat Units

5 PT

## Escorts

9

: 1 DE: "LOVELACE"  
 1 PC: 1131  
 3 SC: 637, 731, 739  
 2 YMS: 50, 53  
 2 ML: 431, 801

## Auxiliaries

26

: "MANOORA" (APA) "SHASTA" (AE) "SONOMA" "WATO"  
 (AT) "SCULPTOR" "LYNX" "ERIDANUS" (AK)  
 "HERON" (AVP) "TRINITY" (AO) "CLYDE" (IX)  
 "TEAK" (AN) "CABLE" (ARS) "LARK" (AM)  
 5 AFD 3 YP 2 ARD 3 YP: 237, 240, 449

## Merchantmen

23

Port Moresby:

## Escorts

1

: 1 ML: 802

## Auxiliaries

2

: "WINTER" "SHEPPARTON" (AGS)

2. SOLOMONS(a) At Sea to 12 00/24:

- (1) "HEERMAN" (DD) escorting "PRESIDENT TYLER" was to depart Guadalcanal prior noon 22 July for Milne Bay: "HEERMAN" detaches after 24 hours and returns to Guadalcanal.  
 (2) "OSMUS" (DE) escorting "MINTAKA" (AK) proceeding Emirau to Russell's ETA 1800/24.  
 (3) "PAWNEE" (AT) towing "YO.164" escorted by "YMS.99" was to depart Purvis 23 July for Morebe: "YMS.99" detaches at 156th meridian and returns Guadalcanal.  
 (4) "WHITEHURST" (DE) escorting "MOBJACK" (AGP) was to depart Espiritu Santo 1500/23 for Dreger ETA 0400/27.

(b) In Harbour:Emirau Is:

## Combat Units

20 PT

## Escorts

7

: 2 DE: "ENGLAND" "FOREMAN"  
 1 AM: "TUMULT"  
 1 SC: 1274  
 2 PC: 589, 1138

## Auxiliaries

1

: "ROTANIN" (AK)

Green Is:

## Combat Units

21 PT

## Escorts

2

: 1 DM: "BREEZE" 1 SC: 677

## Auxiliaries

3

: "SAN CARLOS" (AVP) "VARUNA" (AGP) "TAGANAK" (AOG)



(1) ALLIED FORCES (Contd.)Terokina:

Escorts	7	: 2 DE: "WITTER" "DUFFY"
		4 FC: 1128, 588, 606, 1590
		1 SC: 723
Auxiliaries	5	: "WESTRALIA" "HENRY T. ALLEN" (APA) "JAGUAR"
		"KANGAROO" (IX) "ALNITAH" (AN)
<u>Treasury Is:</u>		
Combat Units	4 DD	: "NICHOLAS" "TAYLOR" "O'BANNON" "HOPEWELL"
	34 FT	
	4 PGM	
Escorts	5	: 1 DE: "WHITEHURST"
		1 EV: "GALE"
		1 FC: 590
		1 SC: 722
		1 YMS: 97
<u>Munda:</u>		
Escorts	5	: 1 DE: "BOWERS"
		1 FC: 1229
		1 SC: 514
		2 YMS: 196, 259
Auxiliaries	1	: "STRATFORD" (AGP)

3. EAST AND SOUTH EAST AUSTRALIA(a) At Sea to 1200/24:

- (1) "BALLARAT" (AMS) escorting "BAW HONG KIONG" departed Merauke 1700/23 for Thursday Is. ETA 1700/24.
- (2) "BUTTON WOOD" (CGC) departed Thursday Is. 1036/22 to assist "MINJAK TANAH" at Tarush Reef.
- (3) "SAN PABLO" (AVP) departed Sydney 1432/15 for Seeadler Harbour via Palm Island and Samarai.
- (4) "ML.804" departed Thursday Is. 1200/23 for Cairns ETA 1800/30.
- (5) "CHETCO" (AT) with tow departed Cairns 0700/21 for Milne Bay was due 1000/24.
- (6) "ML.811" on A/S patrol in Grafton Passage.
- (7) "ECHUCA" (AMS) departed Caloundra 2300/20 for Milne Bay ETA 0600/25.
- (8) "RAINIER" (AE) proceeding Sydney from S.P.A.
- (9) "CHALLENGER" (AGS) proceeding Sydney ETA p.m. 26 July.
- (10) "GENERAL GEORGE M. RANDALL" (AP) proceeding Bombay to Melbourne ETA 25 July.

(b) In Harbour:

<u>Thursday Is:</u>		
Escorts	4	: 3 AMS: "PARKES" "KALGOORLIE" "PIRIE"
		1 ML: 805
Auxiliaries	1	: "VIGILANT" (AGS)
<u>Cairns:</u>		
Escorts	7	: 2 PF: "MUSKOGEE" "ROCKFORD"
		1 AMS: "KIAMA"
		2 SC: 648, 699
		1 ML: 802
		1 YMS: 52
Auxiliaries	4	: "FIRE ISLAND" "SOUTHWEST PASS" (AT)
		1 ARD 1 YP
<u>Townsville:</u>		
Auxiliaries	3	: "STELLA" "POLARIS" (AGS)
Merchantmen	4	: 1 YP: 278
<u>Bowen:</u>		
Auxiliaries	1	: "CAMBRIAN SALVOR" (ARS)
<u>Brisbane:</u>		
Escorts	10	: 2 AMS: "MILDURA" "BROOME"
		3 FCE: 848, 849, 850
		1 PF: "OGDEN"
		1 FC: 1121
Auxiliaries	15	: "OYSTER BAY" (AGP) "HALF MOON" (AVP)
		"COUCAL" (ASR) "ALGORAB" (AKA) "KURUMBA" (AO)
		"MERKUR" (AF) "ETOLIN" "GANYMED" "ST. GILES"
		"MAETSUYCKER" (AH) "CARONDOLET" (IX)
		"CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS)
Merchantmen	11	

(1) ALLIED FORCES (Contd.)Sydney:

Combat Units	1 CMS	:	"ARIADNE"
	2 CL:	:	"HOBART" (refitting) "NASHVILLE"
	1 DD	:	"STUART"
Escorts	12	:	2 DE: "GREENWOOD" "LOESER"
		:	2 PF: "GASCOYNE" "BURDEKIN"
		:	1 PS: "SAVORGNAN DE BRAZZA"
		:	2 A/S: "WILCANNIA" "YANDRA"
Auxiliaries	11	:	5 ML: 810, 813, 822, 823, 825
		:	"TULSA" (PG) "MORESBY" (AGS) "MURZIM" "VENUS"
		:	(AK) "YUNNAN" "PYRO" (AE) "RESERVE" "POINT
		:	LOMA" "TANCRED" (AT) "MANUNDA" (AH)
		:	"BUNGAREE" (CM)
Merchantmen	22		
<u>Newcastle:</u>			
Escorts	2	:	1 AMS: "WARRNAMBOOL"
		:	1 A/S: "KYBRA"
<u>Melbourne:</u>			
Escorts	2	:	1 AMS: "COWRA"
		:	1 A/S: "ABRAHAM CRIJNSSEN"
Auxiliaries	2	:	"PLATYPUS" (AR) "GENERAL ANDERSON" (AP)
<u>Adelaide:</u>			
Escorts	1	:	1 AMS: "CASTLEMAINE"

NORTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/24:

- (1) "BOWEN" (AMS) escorting Convoy TD.63 ("JAMES D. PHALAN) departed Thursday Is. 2000/23 for Darwin ETA 1200/26.
- (2) 16 submarines on patrol.

(b) In Harbour:Darwin:

Escorts	8	:	3 AMS: "FREMANTLE" "JUNEE" "INVERELL"
Merchantmen	3	:	5 ML: 429, 807, 814, 815, 809

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/24:

- (1) "QUIBERON" (DD) departed Fremantle 1400/23 for Eastern Fleet area via Geraldton ETA 0803/24.

(b) In Harbour:Exmouth Gulf:

Escorts	2	:	2 YMS: 11, 72
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Fremantle:

Combat Units	1 CL	:	"ADELAIDE"
Escorts	6	:	1 PF: "CORPUS CHRISTI"
		:	2 AMS: "HORSHAM" "DUBBO"
		:	1 SC: 729
		:	2 ML: 824, 825
Auxiliaries	9	:	"GRIFFIN" "ORION" (AS) "ISABEL" (FY) "CHILDS"
		:	"W.B. PRESTON" (AVD) "CHANTICLEER" (ASR)
		:	"ATHOS" (AP) 1 ARD 2 YP: 286, 288

Note: Merchant ship totals in port include all ships over 1,000 tons except tankers and commissioned ships.

**(14) ENEMY FORCES****A. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA****1. SOLOMONS - BISMARCKS**

- (1) Bougainville - Night 21-22 July Kahili area was harassed by 1 Mitchell and East coast of Bougainville was patrolled by another Mitchell. On 22 July villages in the Kieta area were attacked by 22 Avengers, 5 Venturas and a barge hideout near Buin was attacked by 3 Corsairs. Considerable destruction was caused in the villages attacked but otherwise results generally were unobserved.  
On 21 and 22 July patrol contacts were reported in the Laruma River area, N.E. of the Torokina perimeter.
- (2) New Ireland - Night 21-22 July Kavieng was harassed by 1 Mitchell. On 22 July bridges and other targets of opportunity were attacked at varied locations over New Ireland by 54 Dauntless, 5 Venturas and 55 Corsairs. The same day Kavieng area was attacked by 16 Corsairs and the barge centre at Nakudukada Bay was strafed by other Corsairs. Several bridges were destroyed and a huge oil fire was started near Cape Reis (15 miles S.E. of Namatanai).  
PT patrols around New Ireland coast night 21-22 July were negative.
- (3) Rabaul - Night 21-22 July Rabaul was harassed by 2 Mitchells. On 22 July Toboi Wharf was bombed by 23 Mitchells starting many fires and the coast from Cape Archway to Cape Lambert was swept by 27 Corsairs. 1 span of the Keravat River bridge and a number of buildings and trucks were destroyed or damaged.

**2. NEW GUINEA**

- (1) Wewak-Aitape - Night 22-23 July the PT gun destroyer patrol off Sewan-Marubian coast encountered no barges. Truck movement along the coastal road was shelled.  
During 23 July the air offensive was maintained: at 0850-0910/23 18 Bostons and 2 Mitchells bombed concentrations in the vicinity of But; during the day concentrations around Yakamal were attacked by 26 Beauforts and 7 Beaufighters; bridges, gun positions and concentrations near Aitape and Wewak were attacked by 12 Thunderbolts.  
p.m. 22 July an enemy party of undetermined strength but of some considerable force attacked 1 of our positions near Afua making some headway although suffering comparatively heavy casualties. At 0035/23 an undetermined number of Japanese attempted to cross the Drinimor River near the centre of our line; the attempt was frustrated with the aid of our artillery. In other sectors of the Aitape perimeter some small contacts were also reported 21 and 22 July.
- (2) Maffin Bay - Slight enemy activity is reported in the Sawar aerodrome area 22 July and our forces in this sector encountered some small arms fire.
- (3) Biak - By 1735/22 the remaining organized enemy resistance on the ridges N.W. of Iddi had been smashed. This was the only remaining pocket of any consequence near our main positions along the South coast although some parties, perhaps of considerable size, are still at large in the north-eastern part of the island in the vicinity of Korim Bay and on Soepiori Island.
- (4) Vogelkop Peninsula - Sweeps 23 July along the Western shores of Geelvink Bay involving 42 Kittyhawks sighted only 5 luggers or small craft between Manokwari and Cape Meepi.  
At 1025/23 Babe taxiway and revetments were bombed by 3 Liberators. 1 aircraft was observed coming down the runway and 15-20 aircraft were observed lined up on both sides of the strip. In addition a number of unserviceable aircraft were noticed in the area generally. No photographs are available as yet to confirm the serviceability of the aircraft reported as lined up along the strip. At the same time Meemi runway was attacked by another 3 Liberators.  
During 23 July sweeps around Vogelkop Peninsula involving 4 Mitchells sank a schooner off S.W. Salawati Island, destroyed a large stores laden barge off-shore about 35 miles E.N.E. of Sorong and sank a lugger in Kaiboes Bay.