

THIRD NAVAL DISTRICT
OFFICE OF PORT DIRECTOR
17 Battery Place, New York 4, N. Y.

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Date 8 April, 1944

From: Port Director, Third Naval District.
To: Chief of Naval Operations.

Subject: Supplementary report of supplies and/or personnel assigned by Port Director to:
SS ABEL STEARNS

gross tonnage 7176, type Cargo
arrived from Avonmouth, on 15 March, 1944

1. The following U. S. Naval Personnel comprise the Armed Guard crew on subject vessel upon vessel's arrival in this port:

NAME	RATING	BRANCH	SERVICE No.	DETACHED
GEHRING, Edwin A.	Ensign	USNR, D-V(S)		3/16/44
CRISEFULLI, Fiarino Joseph	BM2c	M-2, USNR	201-60-18	
KRINGS, Willis Arnold	GM3c	USN	329-08-10	3/16/44
RAJOPPI, Joseph	GM3c	V-6, USNR	646-58-00	"
ROBINSON, David Mason	GM3c	V-6, USNR	646-59-11	"
ALLISON, Roy Alfred	Slc	V-6, USNR	611-51-37	"
BAYLISS, William Carroll	Slc	V-6, USNR	603-56-03	"
BENNETT, Marion Jr.	Slc	V-6, USNR	560-37-86	"
CALLANAN, John Francis	S2c	V-6, USNR	646-35-30	"
DUELL, Charles Howard	Slc	USN	183-76-28	"
LACONIS, Joseph Peter	Slc	V-6, USNR	813-02-79	
LEMBA, Louis Anthony	Slc	V-6, USNR	706-18-65	3/16/44
McCRIMMON, James David	S2c	V-6, USNR	636-40-51	
McEVER, Grady Edward	Slc	V-6, USNR	636-50-50	
RICE, Robert Mathew	Slc	V-6, USNR	834-68-05	3/16/44
ROCKNEY, Elmer Edward Jr.	Slc	V-6, USNR	821-51-68	"
ROGERS, Howard Andrew	Slc	USN	832-62-21	"
ROSENBAUM, John Joseph	Slc	V-6, USNR	245-54-87	"
SCHUCK, John Wilbur	Slc	V-6, USNR	653-67-22	"
SICELOFF, James Briggs	Slc	V-6, USNR	834-68-96	"
SKAMEL, Robert Emanuel	Slc	V-6, USNR	809-11-39	"
THOMAS, Edward Charles	S2c	USN	245-56-28	"
TRICARICO, Frank Leonard	Slc	V-6, USNR	710-34-98	"
WINFIELD, Seymour	Slc	V-6, USNR	809-46-05	"
WOJCIECHOWSKI, Steven	Slc	V-6, USNR	809-42-09	"
MOROWITZ, Louis	RM3c	USNR	809-23-70	3/16/44
SEIDEN, Walter Henry Jr.	SM3c	V-6, USNR	608-91-07	"

ITEM NO.	QUANTITY NO.	UNIT	DESCRIPTION	STOCK NO.	TITLE
1.		Each	BAG, canvas, weighted	(L)24-B-63	C
2.	36	Each	BATTERIES, flashlight	17-B-7210	C
3.	8	Each	BATTERIES, dry hand lantern	A-17-B-7600	C
4.		Each	BATTERIES, for kit, multi-purpose AC	17-B-7725	C
5.	1	Each	BELTS, sidearm	A(L)2-B-1490	B
6.		Pair	BINOCULARS, 6 x 30	18-B-1137	B
7.		Pair	BINOCULARS, 7 x 50	18-B-1142	B
8.	1	Each	BOTTLES, vacuum, 1 qt.	63-B-500	B
9.		Each	CASE, first-aid (Armed Guard)	S-2-510	
10.	yes	Misc	CLEANING, supplies (brushes, buckets, rags, etc)		C
11.	50	Lbs.	CLOTHS, cleaning and wiping	(L)27-C-2680	C
12.		Set	FLAGS, alphabet code No. 4	5-F-255-5	C
13.		Set	FLAGS, numeral No. 4 (Pennants)	5-P-951-5	C
14.		Set	FLAGS, semaphore	5-F-5100 & 5110	C
15.		Each	FLASHLIGHTS, 2 cell pocket type	17-F-13452	C
16.		Each	GAS MASKS, Mark 1-NC	A(L)37-M-105	B
17.		Each	GAS MASKS, Mark 1-NDO	A(L)37-M-110	B
18.		Pair	GOGGLES, lookout	37-G-3450	C
19.		Each	GOGGLE LENSES, lookout, light density	37-L-237	C
20.		Each	GOGGLE LENSES, lookout, dark density	37-L-241	C
21.		Each	HELMETS, steel, standard, M-1	A(L)2-H-1006	B
22.	6	Each	HELMETS, steel, phone, M-2	A(L)2-H-1007	B
23.	4	Each	HOLSTERS, for revolver .45 cal pistol	A(L)2-H-1445 or 1435	B
24.		Each	HOOKS, SNAPS, RINGS	42-H-32500	C
25.		Each	INDICATORS, Range, anti-aircraft	A-1-I-234	B
26.	5	Gals.	KEROSENE	14-K-235	C
27.	2	No.	LAMPS, 8" or 12" signal search-light	17-L-4921, 4922 or 4928	C
28.	10	Each	LAMPS, flashlight	17-L-6320	C
29.		Each	LAMPS, hand lantern	17-L-6390	C
30.		No.	LAMPS, multipurpose signal light	17-L-6529	C
31.		Each	LANTERNS, hand portable, type "J"	17-L-7761	B
32.	36	Each	LOCKS, pad, 1-1/2"	42-L-15100	C
33.		Each	MEDICAL GUN BAG, equipment	S-2-03	
34.		Each	MEGAPHONES, 18" or 32"	37-M-330 or 335	C
35.		Pair	MITTENS, ammunition handling, asbestos, 21"	A-37-M-392	B
36.	5	Gals.	PAINT, white paste	52-P-5335-5	C
37.	4	Each	PISTOLS, automatic, .45 cal	A-2-P-3415	B
38.		Fms.	RATLINE, tarred hemp, 1-1/2" circumference	21-R-135	C
39.		Each	RIFLES, .30 cal & complete accessories	A(L)2-R-1036	B
40.		Each	SEARCHLIGHT, signal, 8" GE	400-S-4291	B
41.	1	Each	SEARCHLIGHT, signal, 12"	10000-17-S-4292	B
42.		Kit	SIGNAL LIGHT, AC multipurpose	17-L-12929	B
43.		Each	SPAR, towing	23-S-180	B
44.		Each	SPY GLASS, quartermaster 16 power	18-S-2255	B
45.	yes	Misc	STATIONERY	53-	J
46.		Each	TARPAULINS, No. 2 canvas	24-P-23-5	C
47.	1	Gals.	TINTING MATERIAL, Formula 5-T-M-A	52-T-842-5	J
48.		Misc.	MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES, TOOLS & ACCESSORIES		J
49.					
50.					

DEGAUSSING OPERATION

Type of Coils M Compass Compensated yes
 (M only; MF & Q; MF; Q & A) Standard yes
 Steering yes

U. S. NAVAL ARMED GUARD CENTER (BROOKLYN, N. Y.)
 REPORT OF MATERIALS FURNISHED TO ARMED GUARD UNITS

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DATE 21 March, 1944

INSTRUCTIONS ISSUED TO ARMED GUARD OFFICERS — MS- ABEL STEARNS SS-----

1. General Instructions for Commanding Officers of Naval Armed Guards on Merchant Ships. (1943 Third Edition).
2. Recent Supplementary Information for Armed Guard Commanders.
3. Bulletins from VCNO to Armed Guard Commanders to date.
4. Manual for Lifeboatmen and Able Seamen — Published by U. S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Marine Inspection and Navigation August, 1941.
5. Censorship Regulations.
6. Ordnance and Gunnery Instructions for Naval Armed Guard on Merchant Ships. (1943 Third Edition).
7. Wartime Safety Measures for Merchant Marine, Educational Series No. 2 published January, 1943.

ALL ABOVE BULLETINS ISSUED YES EXCEPT #-----

MOVABLE EQUIPMENT ISSUED TO ARMED GUARD UNIT

Clothing listed below issued to 1 officers and 22 enlisted men:

STANDARD SPECIAL WINTER CLOTHING

QUANTITY	UNIT	ITEM
1	No.	Helmet, Jungle Cloth
2	Pr.	Artics, Cashmerette
3	No.	Jacket, Jungle Cloth
4	Pr.	Trousers, Jungle
5	No.	Jacket, Parka, Rubberized
6	Pr.	Trousers, Rubberized
7	No.	Undershirts, Heavy
8	Pr.	Drawers, Heavy
9	Pr.	Socks, Heavy
10	Pr.	Mittens, Leather, Lined
11	No.	Face Mask, Felt
12	Pr.	Goggles
13	No.	Coat, Sheepskin (Officer's)
14	Complete	Red Cross Outfit
15.		Sou'wester Hat, Oilskin Coat and Trousers for 1/3 of Crew Plus (2) Spare Outfits.

Welfare and recreational gear issued to - officers and 21 enlisted men.

Comments: None