

MS
 SS ABEL STEARNS GROSS TONS 7176 DEADWEIGHT TONS 10807
 WHERE ARMED (PORT) NY DATE 7/2/43 YARD Todd Hoboken

LIST ALL GUNS (INCLUDING MACHINE GUNS) ABOARD VESSEL ON DEPARTURE.

| Nr. of Guns | Caliber & Type | Gun Mark & Mod. | Mount Mk. & Mod. | Gun Location | Ammunition |
|-------------|----------------|-----------------|------------------|---------------------|---------------|
| *1 | 4"50 | IX-5 | XII-3 | Stern | |
| *6 | 20 mm | IV | IV | 2 main dk, 4 bridge | |
| *2 | 20 mm | IV | IV | poop | 18720 |
| 1 | 3"50 | 21 | 22 | Bow | 148 AA, 76 c. |
| **1 | 20 mm | | | | |

BuOrd form Nr.228 (rev. Mar 1942) submitted 7/15 1943 in triplicate
 *Guns and amm. previously installed.
 **Guns removed.

INSTALLATIONS

| <u>ITEM</u> | <u>DETAIL</u> |
|---|---|
| 1. Splinter Protection - Bridge | <u>Plastic</u> |
| Splinter Protection - AA Machine Guns | <u>Plastic</u> |
| 2. Gun foundations, number and location | <u>2 main, 2 poop, 1 bow, 1 stern, 4 bridge</u> |
| 3. Magazines, number and location | <u>1 fwd, 1 aft tween</u> |
| 4. Painting | <u>Gray</u> |
| 5. Darkening Ship Facilities | <u>Installed</u> |
| 6. Reinforce Sea Chests | <u>Steel</u> |
| 7. Fire Control Communication System | <u>Installed</u> |
| 8. Sky Look Out Stations, Number and Location | <u>None</u> |
| 9. Results Industrial Manager's Inspection | <u>-</u> |
| 10. Messing Facilities | <u>Separate</u> |

ACCOMMODATIONS NAVY PERSONNEL

| <u>ARMED GUARD UNIT</u> | <u>SPACE</u> | <u>LOCATION</u> |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| Officer in Charge | Room # <u>Officers 1</u> | <u>Boat deck starboard</u> |
| Petty Officer | | |
| Seamen | <u>15</u> | <u>Midship house</u> |
| | <u>15</u> | <u>Poop</u> |

COMMUNICATION GROUP

| | | |
|-------------------|-----------|-------|
| Enlisted Men | | |
| Standee Bunks No. | <u>31</u> | Total |

EQUIPMENT

| <u>ITEM</u> | <u>QUANTITY</u> |
|--|-----------------|
| 1. Navy-type Life Jackets..... | <u>46</u> |
| 2. Life Rafts (Capacity ___ per raft)..... | <u>1</u> |
| 3. Life Boat..... | <u>1</u> |
| 4. Emergency Rations..... | <u>Ye</u> |

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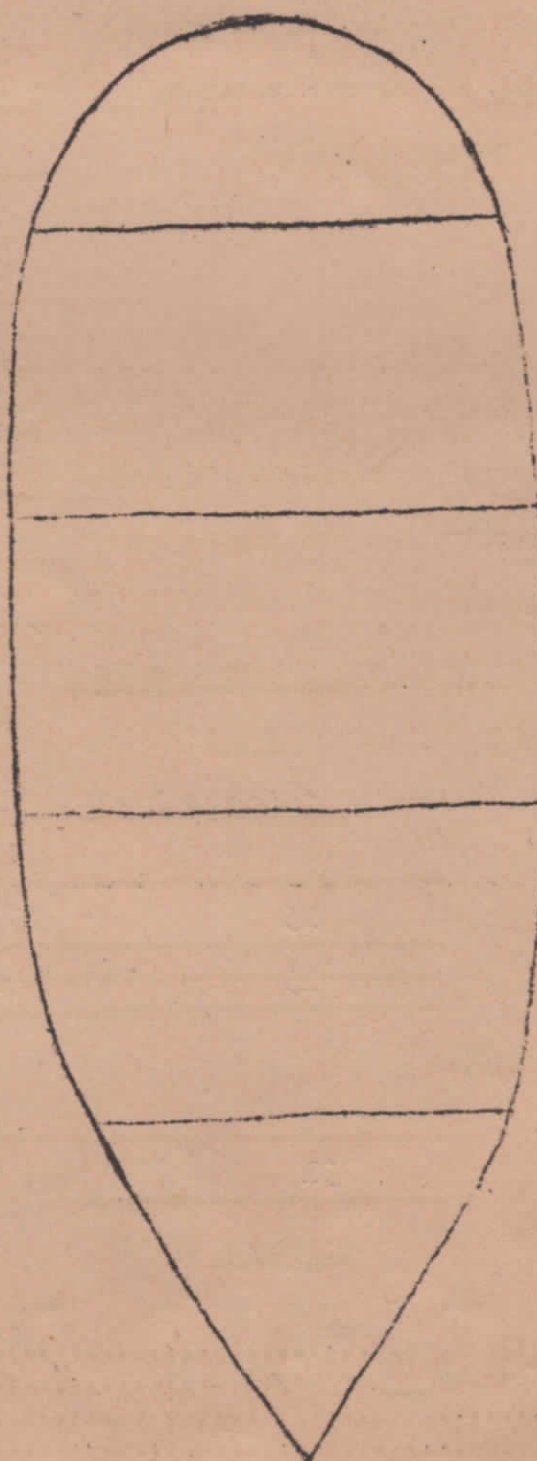
DETAILS

Acoustic Warning Devices
 Barrage Balloons and Equipment
 Hydrogen Gas Equipment
 Snowflake Flares
 Snowflake Flare Projectors
 Smoke Floats
 Smoke Float Racks
 Outfits of Heavy Winter
 Clothing for NR Ships

NONE

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(OpNav Serial 0200423 of June 16, 1942.) (200-9/18/42) 3-A
 Mark 29 mines and equipment None



PORT DIRECTOR'S MATERIEL REPORT
FOR ARMED GUARD UNIT

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MS*
ON BOARD SS ABEL STEARNS

| ITEM NO. | QUANTITY NO. | UNIT | DESCRIPTION | STOCK NO. | TITLE |
|----------|--------------|------|---|----------------------|-------|
| 1. | 1 | Each | BAG, canvas, weighted | 24-B-62 | C |
| 2. | 72 | Cell | BATTERIES, flashlight | 17-B-7210 | C |
| 3. | - | Cell | BATTERIES, dry hand lantern | 17-B-7600 | C |
| 4. | - | Each | BATTERIES, for kit, multipurpose | AC 17-B-7725 | C |
| 5. | - | Each | BELTS, pistol, automatic | A(L)2-B-1490 | B |
| 6. | 1 | Pair | BINOCULARS, 6 x 30 | 18-B-1135 | B |
| 7. | - | Each | BLINKER, Signal gun, battery tp. | 17-B-16000 | B |
| 8. | 2 | Each | BOTTLES, vacuum, 1 qt. | 63-B-500 | B |
| 9. | 1 | Each | CASE, first-aid (Armed Guard) | S-2-510 | |
| 10. | yes | Misc | CLEANING, supplies (brushes, buckets, rags) | | C |
| 11. | 20 | Lbs | CLOTHS, cleaning and wiping | 27-C-2685 | C |
| 12. | - | Set | FLAGS, alphabet code #4 | 5-F-255 to 280 | C |
| 13. | 1 | Set | FLAGS, numeral #4 (Pennants) 8 | 5-P-951 to 960 | C |
| 14. | 2 | Set | FLAGS, semaphore | 5-F-5100 to 5110 | C |
| 15. | 25 | Each | FLASHLIGHTS, 2 cell pocket type | 17-F-13452 | C |
| 16. | 53 | Each | GAS MASKS, 1-NC 50; 1-NDO 3 ; | 37-M-105 37-M-110 | B |
| 17. | 12 | Pair | GOGGLES & Lenses, l.d. | 37-G-3450 & 37-L-237 | C |
| 18. | 12 | Pair | GOGGLES & Lenses, d.d. | 37-G-3450 & 37-L-241 | C |
| 19. | 15 | Each | HELMETS, steel standard | A(L)2-H-1006 | B |
| 20. | - | Each | HOLSTERS, .38 cal. revolver | A(L)2-H-1445 | B |
| 21. | 24 | Set | HOOK, SNAPS, RINGS | 42-H-32500 | C |
| 22. | 5 | Gal | KEROSENE | 14-K-235 | C |
| 23. | - | No. | LAMPS, 8" signal searchlight | 17-L-4921 | C |
| 24. | 30 | Each | LAMPS, flashlight | 17-L-6320 | C |
| 25. | - | Each | LAMPS, hand lantern | 17-L-6390 | C |
| 26. | - | No. | LAMPS, multipurpose signal light | 17-L-6901 | C |
| 27. | - | Each | LANTERNS, hand port. type "J" | 17-L-7761 | B |
| 28. | 24 | Each | LOCKS, pad, 1 1/2" | 42-L-15100 | C |
| 29. | - | Each | MEDICAL GUN BAG, equipment | S-2-03 | |
| 30. | 1 | Each | MEGAPHONE | 37-M-330 | C |
| 31. | - | Pair | MITTENS, ammunition-hldg. asbes. | 37-M-392 | B |
| 32. | 5 | Gal | PAINT, white paste | 52-P-5333-5 | C |
| 33. | - | Each | REVOLVERS, .38 cal. | A(L)2-R-718 | B |
| 34. | - | Each | ROPE, 300 fath. 1 1/2" manila f/spar | 21-R-135 | C |
| 35. | 1 | Each | SEARCHLIGHT, signal, 8" GE | 400-S-4291 | B |
| 36. | 1 | Kit | SIGNAL LIGHT, AC Multipurpose ND Spec. 17-L-15 | 17-L-12929 | B |
| 37. | - | Each | SPAR, towing | 23-S-180 | B |
| 38. | 1 | Each | SPY GLASS, qtmaster, 16 power | A-18-S-2240 | B |
| 39. | yes | Misc | STATIONERY, (#53 items) (Not over \$30) | | C |
| 40. | 1 | Each | TARPAULINS, No. 2 canvas | 24-P-23 | C |
| 41. | 1 | Gal | TINTING MATERIAL, Formula 5-T-M | 52-T-842-5 | C |
| 42. | | | | | |
| 43. | | | | | |

DEGAUSSING OPERATION

Type of Coils M Compass Compensated --
 (M only; MF & Q; MF; Q & A) Standard yes
 Steering yes
 Not coiled-Date wiped --- or Date Flashed ---

Date Calibrated 6/12/43 Range Norfolk, Va.
 (Wolf Trap, Newport, etc.)

Date Depermed 6/12/43
 (If shown necessary by range.)

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Authority WFO 750161

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

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SERIAL PDNYF 10899DATE 23 July 1943

MS
INSTRUCTIONS ISSUED TO ARMED GUARD OFFICER -- SS ABEL STEARNS

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|--|------------|
| 1. General Instructions for Commanding Officers of Naval Armed Guards on Merchants Ships..... | <u>YES</u> |
| 2. Recent Supplementary Information for Armed Guard Commanders..... | <u>YES</u> |
| 3. How to Abandon Ship..... | <u>YES</u> |
| 4. Censorship Regulations..... | <u>YES</u> |
| 5. Ordnance and Gunnery Instructions for Naval Armed Guard on Merchant Ships. (1942 Second Edition)..... | <u>YES</u> |

MOVABLE EQUIPMENT ISSUED TO ARMED GUARD UNIT

Clothing listed below issued to 1 Officers and 25 enlisted men:

STANDARD SPECIAL WINTER CLOTHING

| QUANTITY | UNIT | ITEM |
|----------|----------|---|
| 1. | NO. | HELMET, JUNGLE CLOTH |
| 2. | PR. | ARCTICS, CASHMEREETTE |
| 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 & TROUSERS FOR 1/3 OF CREW PLUS TWO (2) SPARE OUTFITS. |

Welfare and recreational gear issued to 1 Officers and 25 enlisted men.

Comments: _____
