

CONFIDENTIAL

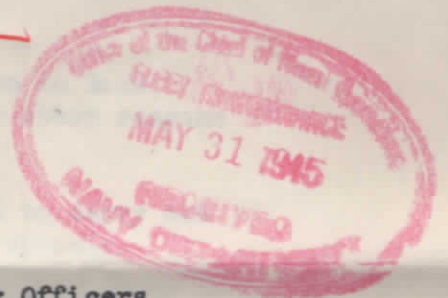
1 May 1945

FROM: Commanding Officer, Naval Armed Guard  
% Armed Guard Center, New Orleans, La.  
S.S. Abner Doubleday, Gross Tons 7176  
Flag or Registry--United States

TO: Chief of Naval Operations  
VIA: Port Director, Parang, Mindanao, P.I.

SUBJ: Report of Voyage S.S. Abner Doubleday  
From 31 January 1945 to 26 April 1945

REF: (a) General Instructions for Commanding Officers  
of Naval Armed Guards on Merchant Ships, 1944  
Fourth Edition, par 4301



1. In Accordance with reference (a) the following information is submitted:

- (a) Type of Vessel-Liberty. Cargo-General  
Owner of Vessel-War Shipping Administration.  
Chartered to-Marine Transport Lines
- (b) Port of Departure-New Orleans, La.  
31 January 1945  
Independent to Marshall Is.- Convoy to Parang  
Average speed ten knots  
Number of escort vessels-eleven  
Port of Arrival-Parang, Mindanao, P.I.  
26 April, 1945
- (c) No contacts or actions with enemy were made
- (d) Resume of Voyage: Ship departed New Orleans on  
31 January 1945 at 1500 and proceeded independently  
via Panama Canal to Eniwetok, Marshall Island,  
arriving 6 March 1945 at 1540. On 11 March ship  
departed Eniwetok at 1200 with one escort and pro-  
ceeded to Manus Is., Admiralty Islands, arriving  
16 March 1945 at 1300. Departed Manus on 17 March  
at 1700 and proceeded to Humbolt Bay, New Guinea,  
arriving on 19 March at 1230. On 21 March sailed  
in convoy at 1500 and proceeded to berth 481, Tacloban,  
Leyte, P.I. on 28 March at 1730. Departed Tacloban  
22 April at 0930 and proceeded, via Zamboango, to  
Parang, Mindanao, P.I., arriving 26 April at 0830.

P.F.  
Lynn

137

1000:

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
HEADQUARTERS, ARMY AIR FORCE  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

1000 1000

REPORT  
OFFICE REPORT  
S. H. WOODYARD

- (e) No delay was encountered in port due to lack of port facilities (New Orleans) or other reasons that resulted in loss of time.
- (f) Commercial radio operators appeared to carry out war time instructions for merchant vessels.
- (g) There were no defects or deficiencies in location or arrangements of battery, equipment, personnel or operation.
- (h) Master and Officers appeared to carry out War-time Instructions for Merchant Vessels.
- (i) No recommendations are made for increasing the efficiency of the service.
- (j) There were no instances of improper procedure of friendly aircraft approaching vessel.
- (k) Training at sea consisted of daily gun drills in loading, sight-setting, pointer-trainer tracking, spotting doctrine, and A.A. anti-aircraft barrages. Copy of crew list is attached.

s/ B. H. Woodyard  
B. H. WOODYARD, LT. USNR.