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Date 18 March 1943

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OWNER: SERIAL PD 00137 NAME OF SHIP: WAR SHIPPING ADMINISTRATION

MS
SS
ARMED EMERGENCY OPERATOR or AGENT: General American Co.

REGISTRY: U. S. CLASS (pass. cargo or tank ship) Cargo

ITINERARY: Sailing Date: March 18, 1943 To: San Francisco

From: Commandant, Thirteenth Naval District (Port Director, N.T.S., 905 Exchange Building, Seattle)

To: Chief of Naval Operations

Subject: ARMING OF MERCHANT VESSELS ss ABNER DOUBLEDAY

7176 Gross Tons FLAG U. S.

References: (a) Confidential airmailgram # 301712 (P.D.)
(b) Par. 6 CNO ltr. # 063338 of Nov 29, 1941.

Enclosure: (A) Consolidated report of bureaus concerned as directed by reference (b).

Chief Mate	1	Ch. Engineer	1	Ch. Steward	1
2nd Mate	1	1st "	1	Ch. Cook	1
3rd Mate	1	2nd "	1	2nd Cook	1
Quartermaster	1			Utilityman	2
Boatswain	1			Cadets	2
Seaman-Atlt	2				
Seaman-Ord	1				
Radio Operator	1				

1. Confirming reference (a) the attached enclosure submits information required by reference (b) relative to the armaments supplied the subject merchant vessel.

CHAS. S. KERRICK
Captain, U.S.N.

PASSENGERS—Number on Board None

U. S. NAVY PERSONNEL

Armed Guard Unit Name Rating
Officer in Charge:

C. N. Ingraham
C. N. INGRAHAM
Commander, U.S.N.
Routing Officer

Enlisted Men:	Copies:	Buships	1-2	USN	180 43 26
		Buord			
		Bunav (Sheets one and two only)			Complies with C.L. 27-42
		Comdt. & Supt, Naval Gun Factory, Washington, D.C.			
		James Anthony	Slc	USN	632 43 26
		(200-3/18-42)	Slc	USN	632 43 26
		MC CONN, Ralph	Slc	USN	282 43 26
		MC HALLY, Daniel Joseph	Slc	USN	328 43 26
		WILLER, John Gordon	Slc	USN	612 43 26
		WELSON, Edna Frederick	Slc	USN	612 43 26
		WRIGHT, William Arther	Slc	USNR	618 42 37

1. Navy - Two Life Jackets
2. Life B...
Communication Group KAROLY, John Michael Slc(SM) V-6 USNR 721 68 29
HANKS, William Dennies SM 3c V-6 USNR 660 27 90

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NAME OF SHIP:

MS/SS

ABNER DOUBLEDAY

OWNER:

War Shipping Administration

OPERATOR

or AGENT: General Steamship Co.

REGISTRY: U. S. CLASS (pass. Cargo or Tank Ship) Cargo
2 Dec. 1942 Columbia River San Francisco

ITINERARY: Sailing Date: 12/Dec/1942 From: San Francisco To: Unknown

Via: _____

SHIP'S CREW
Commissioned Rank

MASTER: THUNBERG, J. Lt. Comdr.

OFFICERS:
(Listed by name only if Commissioned)
* Information is being requested

Deck Department	Engineering Department	Steward's Department:
Chief Mate 1	Ch. Engineer 1	Ch. Steward 1
2nd Mate 1	1st. " 1	Ch. Cook 1
3rd Mate 1	2nd. " 1	2nd Cook 1
Quartermaster	3rd " 1	3rd Cook 1
Boatswain 1	4th " 1	Messman)
Seamen-Able 6	Firemen 3	Utilitymen) 4
Seamen-Ord 3	Oilers 3	Cadets 4
Radio Operator 1	Wipers 2	
	Total Crew Including Master	42
	Deck Engineers	

PASSENGERS--Number on Board None

U. S. NAVY PERSONNEL

Armed Guard Unit	Name	Rating	Branch	Service #
Officer in Charge:	UPPINGHOUSE William Earl	Ensign	D-V(S)	187624
Enlisted Men:	AFFINE, Frank James	Cox	M-2 USNR	380 49 26
	BAGGENSTOS, Arnold, John	S 2c	V-6 USNR	664 50 46
	BOSTIC, Lee Sanford	S 2c	V-6 USNR	630 30 92
	CASSITY, Victor Lionel	S 1c	V-6 USNR	660 47 55
	FOSEN, Sidney Theodore	S 1c	V-6 USNR	632 26 56
	KLINKHAMMER, James Anthony	S 1c	V-6 USNR	730 04 25
	MARQUARDT, Irving	S 1c	USN	300 60 23
	MC CORD, Ralph	S 1c	USN	291 75 99
	MC NALLY, Daniel Joseph	S 1c	USN	328 96 78
	MILLER, John Gordon	S 1c	V-6 USNR	662 26 42
	NELSON, Edwin Frederick	S 1c	V-3 USNR	632 35 49
	SCHMIDT, Wilton Albert	S 1c	V-6 USN	300 61 13
	STENDER, Charles Joseph	S 1d	V-6 USNR	662 43 34
	WRIGHT, William Arther	S 1c	V-6 USNR	618 42 37

Communication Group	KAROLY, John Michael	Slc(SM)	V-6 USNR	721 68 29
	HANKS, William Dennies	SM 3c	V-6 USNR	660 27 90

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SS ABNER DOUBLEDAY GROSS TONS 7176 DEADWEIGHT TONS 10,975 TITLE _____
 WHERE ARMED (PORT) Portland, Oregon DATE 28 November 1942 YARD Ore. Shipbldg. Corp.

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

Nr. of Guns	Caliber & Type	Gun Mark & Mod.	Mount Mk. & Mod.	Gun Location	Ammunition
1	20 mm MG	4	4-1	Fwd Gun Platform	
2	20 mm MG	4	4-1	Top Bridge Deck	
2	20 mm MG	4	4-1	Fwd Aft Gun Platform	
1	3"/50 DP	21	22	Aft Gun Platform	

BuOrd form Nr. 228 (rev. May 1942) submitted 7 December 1942, in triplicate.

INSTALLATIONS

ITEM	DETAIL
1. Splinter Protection - Bridge	Plastic on top, p & s, front of bridge.
Splinter Protection - AA Machine Guns	Plastic and 5/8" steel.
2. Gun Foundations, Number and Location	1 fwd; 1 each, p & s, top bridge; and 3 on aft gun platform.
3. Magazines, Number and Location	1 aft with fwd. & aft bulkhead; 1 fwd.
4. Painting	Entire ship and all covers painted neutral color.
5. Darkening Ship Facilities	3 switches, main switchboard eng. room & blackout curtains, also automatic light switches.
6. Reinforce Sea Chests	Fabricated steel.
7. Fire Control Communication System	6 head sets sound powered, connecting all battle stations.
8. Sky Lookout Stations, Number and Location	2 top deck (bridge) p & s, 5/8" mild steel bulwark, swivel bicycle seat and strap.
9. Results Industrial Manager's Inspection	Installation of armament & facilities of Armed Guard, very satisfactory.
10. Messing Facilities	Main deck p side midships, crew's mess; 1/2 eat on 1st mess, 1/2 eat on 2nd mess.

ACCOMMODATIONS NAVY PERSONNEL

ARMED GUARD UNIT	SPACE	LOCATION
Officer in Charge (1)	Room # <u>Asst Eng Cabin</u>	<u>Stbd side Boat Deck</u>
Petty Officer (1)	<u>Aft Deck House</u>	<u>Under Poop Deck</u>
Seamen (6)	<u>Aft Deck House</u>	<u>Under Poop Deck</u>
(5)	<u>Fwd Room #1</u>	<u>Stbd side Main Deck</u>
(3)	<u>Fwd Room #2</u>	<u>Stbd side Main Deck</u>
COMMUNICATION GROUP		
Enlisted Men (2)	<u>Fwd Room #2</u>	<u>Stbd side Main Deck</u>
Standee Bunks No.	<u>20</u> Total	

EQUIPMENT

ITEM	QUANTITY
1. Navy - Type Life Jackets	None. USMC Kapok 18
2. Life Rafts (Capacity 18 per raft)	(4) 10 per raft 6
3. Life Boat	4 (25 persons) and 3 (21 persons each)
4. Emergency Rations Per Man	14oz choc 14 oz Milk Tablet 14oz Penicillin, Army-Type C
5. Repair & Upkeep Equipment Armament	Spare parts & wrenches. Bisc
(200-3/18/42 - Revised 6/16/42)	1 Spare battery.

OPERATOR:
SWORD LINE INC.