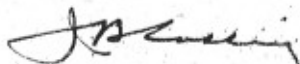


27 August to 2 September 1945.

At 1130 on 27th passed O SHIMA to port and entered SAGAMI WAN. Task Group 30.1 (MISSOURI with ComThirdFlt) and Task Group 30.2 (DUKE OF YORK with Com BritPac) ahead of our group. Proceeded along westward side of SAGAMI Wan then east along north shore to avoid possible minefield and show the Japs ashore we were here in force and to stay. At 1430 anchored in SAGAMI WAN. Looming to the west was Mt. FUJIYAMA. At sunset the once "rising sun" of Japan set behind FUJI, a fitting symbol and climax to her setting sun of destiny as of this historic day. DesDiv 100 was assigned to Fire Support Group TG 35.3. Continued at anchor on the 28th and 29th and in Condition I throughout daylight in preparation for any act of treachery, but no enemy reaction of any kind was experienced. On ENO Island, a few hundred yards from the berths of DesDiv 100, two new cave emplacements containing twin guns were uncomfortably visible at point blank range. However, a white flag flew overhead which aroused suspicion but up to this point was apparently sincere. On 30th got underway to take screening stations for cruiser fire support group (Task Group 35.3) composed of QUINCY, CHICAGO, SPRINGFIELD, BOSTON, WILKES-BARRE, and ST. PAUL. This group took stations along eastern shore of SAGAMI WAN to cover entry of Task Force

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31 into TOKYO BAY and in support of YOKOSUKA landings. There was no opposition and no fire against shore targets was necessary. On 31 August set normal condition of readiness. Assigned to radar picket stations in SAGAMI WAN. No evidence of unfriendly acts on the part of the Japs. Strong forces anchored in TOKYO BAY and ashore at YOKOSUKA. On 2 September 1945 anchored in TOKYO BAY with units of the THIRD Fleet, including the U.S.S. MISSOURI, aboard which the formal articles of surrender of JAPAN to the ALLIES was signed by Japanese Foreign Minister Namoru Shigemitsu for Japan, Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, USN for the United States, and General of the Army, Douglas MacArthur, USA, for the United Nations.



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