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U.S.S. BOGUE

CHRONOLOGY OF THE U.S.S. BOGUE

1942

September

- 26 Commissioning ceremonies held at the Puget Sound Navy Yard, Bremerton, Washington. Captain Giles E. Short, U.S.N. assumed command.
- 26 In Bremerton Navy Yard receiving the balance of the crew, taken on ammunition, stores, and cleaning ship.
- 30 In general getting ready for sea.

October

- 1-5 In dry dock, Puget Sound Navy Yard, Bremerton, Washington.
- 26 Underway in Puget Sound for trial run. Returned to Navy Yard.
- 29 Underway for Manchester, Washington to fuel. Returned to Navy Yard.
- 30-31 Underway for de-gaussing runs. Returned to Navy Yard.

November

- 1-16 At Puget Sound Navy Yard; held trial and calibration runs in bay.
- 17 Underway for San Diego, California in company with U.S.S. GILLESPIE. No planes aboard.
- 21 Arrival San Diego California, moored to Naval Air Station dock, North Island.
- 22 VC-9 reported aboard for duty, Lt-Cdr., Drane U.S.N., Commanding Officer.
- 23 Underway for exercises off San Diego. Returned to Naval Air Station.

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November

- 24 Loaded planes aboard, 9 TBF, 12 F4F's.
- 25-28 Underway in company with U.S.S. GILLESPIE for aircraft training exercises.

December

- 2 At Naval Air Station San Diego. Underway for flight training operation off San Diego.
- 3 Exercising at flight operation off San Diego.
- 4 TBF's 00597 and 00547 collided in mid-air and crashed 8 miles from ship. Ensign J.O. Pfeffer, U.S.N.R., died after parachuting and being picked up. Marlette C.M. Jr. ARM3c V-6 U.S.N.R. and Laughlin G.S. Slc V-2 U.S.M.R., missing and presumed dead.
- 5 Returned to San Diego.
- 11 Underway for Balboa, Canal Zone in company with U.S.S. KENDRICK (DD162).
- 11-20 En route Balboa, Canal Zone exercising at drills and training flights.
- 20 Launched air group to land at Army Fields in Canal Zone. Arrived in Canal Zone.
- 23 Transited Panama Canal. Moored at Colon, Panama.
- 25 Underway for Norfolk, Virginia, in company with U.S.S. CORRY. Recovered planes from Canal Zone Air fields.
- 25-31 En route Canal Zone to Norfolk Virginia via windward passage sending out A/S patrols each day as practicable.
- 31 Arrived Naval Operating Base Norfolk Virginia.