

UNITED STATES SHIP BISCAYNE Tuesday 20 July 1943
 (Day) (Date) (Month)

Zone description Minus 2

Position	0800	1200	2000
Lat.			
Long.			

OPERATIONAL REMARKS
(WAR DIARY)

00 to 04:

Anchored in 6 fathoms of water off Gela, Sicily, with 15 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor. 0010 SC 693 moored to port side.

J. J. Manry III
 J. T. MANRY, III,
 Lieut. (jg), U.S.N.R.

04 to 08:

Anchored as before.

W. N. Homer
 W. N. HOMER,
 Ensign, U.S.N.R.

08 to 12:

Anchored as before. 1030 USS BUCK stood in. 1145 SC 693 cleared port side. 1155 YMS 226 moored to port side.

J. E. Yeomans
 J. E. YEOMANS,
 Ensign, U.S.N.R.

12 to 16:

Anchored as before. 1206 Commenced fueling YMS 226. 1240 Completed fueling YMS 226, having delivered 1,800 gallons of diesel oil. 1250 YMS 226 got underway from along port side. 1305 SC 693 moored to port side. 1315 SC 690 moored to port side of SC 693. 1340 SC 690 and SC 693 got underway and cleared port side. 1344 Got underway from anchorage off Gela, Sicily, in accordance with orders from ComLandCrabNew; Captain at the conn; Assistant Navigator on the bridge. Set standard speed at 17.1 knots (230 rpm); 2/3 speed, 12.5 knots (160 rpm); 1/3 speed, 6.2 knots (80 rpm). 1353 Set speed at standard, 17.1 knots (230 rpm); steaming on various courses conforming with anchorage. 1400 C/c to 133 (t)(pgc), 127 (psc), 138 (pstgc). 1407 C/c to 137 (t)(pgc), 132 (psc), 141 (pstgc). 1428 C/c to 140 (t)(pgc), 134 (psc), 144 (pstgc). 1432 C/c to 155 (t)(pgc), 151 (psc), 157 (pstgc). 1437 C/c to 160 (t)(pgc), 156 (psc), 162 (pstgc). 1457 C/c to 340 (t)(pgc), 349 (psc), 347 (pstgc). 1506 C/c to 350 (t)(pgc), 359 (psc), 357 (pstgc). 1507 Stopped all engines. SC 690 came along port side. 1518 SC 690 got underway and cleared port side. 1519 Got underway; set speed at standard, 17.1 knots (230 rpm); C/c to 340 (t)(pgc), 349 (psc), 347 (pstgc). 1528 C/c to 320 (t)(pgc) 329 (psc), 324 (pstgc). 1536 C/c to 317 (t)(pgc). 1549 C/c to 315 (t)(pgc). 1551 Proceeded on various courses approaching anchorage.

R. W. Edwards
 R. W. EDWARDS,
 Lieut. (jg), U.S.N.

16 to 20:

Steaming as before. 1608 Stopped all engines. 1611 Anchored in 5-1/2 fathoms of water off Gela, Sicily, with 10 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor, on the following bearings: Gela light, 020 (t); Niscem Tower, 049 (t). 1905 Delivered 250 gallons of fresh water to 540th Engineers, U.S. Army.

R. D. Gould
 R. D. GOULD,
 Ensign, U.S.N.R.

20 to 24:

Anchored as before.

H. H. Heredien
 H. H. HEREDIEN,
 Torpedoman, U.S.N.

Approved:

R. C. Young
 R. C. YOUNG,
 Comdr., USN, Commanding Officer.

Examined:

W. M. Gullett
 W. M. GULLETT,
 Lieut-Comdr., U.S.N., Navigator.