

## A History of the USS Calvert - Research notes for the period August 23, 1965 to June 30, 1966

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### Introduction and chronological summary

This document is a chronologically ordered set of historical research notes for the period August 23, 1965 to June 30, 1966. Chronological highlights for this period include:

#### Final Western Pacific Cruise

- \* Underway from San Diego to Buckner Bay, Okinawa - August 23 - September 12 | Buckner Bay - September 12 - 13
- \* Underway to Yokosuka, Japan - September 13 - 16 | Yokosuka, Japan - September 16 - October 8
- \* Underway to Inchon, Korea - October 8 - October 12 | Inchon, Korea - October 12 - 13 | Underway to Pusan, Korea - October 13 - 15 | Pusan, Korea - October 15 - 17
- \* Underway to Qui Nhon, Vietnam - October 17 - 23 | Qui Nhon, Vietnam - October 23 - 25
- \* Underway to Subic Bay - October 25 - 27 | Subic Bay - October 27 - November 15 | Underway to Okinawa - November 15 - 18 | Okinawa - November 18 - 20
- \* Underway to Da Nang, Vietnam - November 20 - 24 | Da Nang - November 24 - 25
- \* Underway to Subic Bay, Philippines - November 25 - 28 | Subic Bay, Philippines - November 28 - 29
- \* Underway to Hong Kong - November 29 - December 2 | Hong Kong - December 3 - December 8
- \* Underway to Okinawa - December 8 - 11 | Buckner Bay, Okinawa - December 11 - 13
- \* Underway to Sasebo, Japan - December 13 - 15 | Sasebo, Japan - December 15 - 17
- \* Underway to Okinawa - December 17 - 19 | Buckner Bay, Okinawa - December 19 - 20
- \* Underway to Da Nang, Vietnam - December 20 - 25 | Da Nang Harbor, Vietnam - December 25 - January 17 |
- \* Underway to Chu Lai, Vietnam - January 17 - 18 | Chu Lai, Vietnam - January 18 - 19
- \* Underway to Subic Bay, Philippines - January 19 - 21 | Subic Bay, Philippines - January 21 - 27
- \* Underway to Hong Kong - January 27 - 29 | Hong Kong Harbor - January 29 - February 3
- \* Underway to Pearl Harbor - February 3 - 17 | Pearl Harbor - February 17 - 19 | Underway to San Diego - February 19 - 26

#### Final days in San Diego

- \* San Diego - February 26 - May 18
- \* Underway to San Francisco - May 18 - 20
- \* Hunter's Point Naval Shipyard, San Francisco - May 20 - June 30

Decommissioning - Hunter's Point, San Francisco - June 30, 1966

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**Primary sources for this document:**

- \* A History of the USS Calvert (APA-32), David B. Cullen, 1986
- \* Calversion newsletter, John Cole and the USS Calvert Associates reunion association. Various newsletter editions
- \* Archival materials, Calvert Marine Museum
- \* Interviews, emails, and miscellaneous conversations and content shared by former crew members and their family members
  
- \* Deck Log Books, USS Calvert. When available online at the National Archives Online Catalog:
  - \* August 1965. Online: <https://catalog.archives.gov/id/172365292>
  - \* September 1965. Online: <https://catalog.archives.gov/id/172365358>
  - \* October 1965. Online: <https://catalog.archives.gov/id/172365420>
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USS Calvert Western Pacific Cruise Book, 1965-1966.

Online: <https://www.usscalvert.com/crew/calverts-65-66-westpac-cruise-book/>

1965-66 WestPac Cruise Photographs | Ensign Philip K. Selden | Online: <https://www.usscalvert.com/2017/01/28/1965-66-westpac-cruise-photographs-ensign-philip-k-selden/>

Charts and maps:

- \* NOAA Historic Map Locator: <https://www.historicalcharts.noaa.gov/search.php>
- \* USGS Historic Map Locator: <https://store.usgs.gov/map-locator>
- \* UC San Diego Digital Collection, Pacific Basin Nautical Charts: <https://library.ucsd.edu/dc/collection/bb0786509m>

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## Introductory notes and explanations

### Accuracy of research notes and content

When possible research note details are corroborated, and in some cases corrected, by official Naval records (e.g., via deck log entries of the Calvert or ships operating with the Calvert). However, not all content items captured in this document are corroborated by official Naval records.

### Time

All times are in "24-hour" time. For example, 0000 is midnight, 0400 is 4am, ... 1200 is noon, 2000 is 8pm ..., and so on.

### Material Conditions

References to "Material Condition" throughout this document reflect references in the USS Calvert's deck logs. A given material condition describes "the fighting integrity of the ship and its preparedness to maintain survivability under attack. The determination of the material condition set at any time is the responsibility of the Commanding Officer, who may authorize modifications of any material condition." Source and additional information: <https://www.globalsecurity.org/military/systems/ship/condition.htm>

Material Condition X-RAY: Provides the least tightness and the greatest ease of access throughout the ship. It is set when the threat to the ship is minimal, during working hours when in port, or when there is no danger of attack or bad weather.

YOKE is set when at sea, or in port during wartime.

Material Condition ZEBRA provides the greatest degree of subdivision and tightness to the ship. It is set immediately and automatically when general quarters is sounded. It is also set when entering or leaving port during wartime, to localize damage and control fire and flooding, or at any time the Commanding Officer deems it necessary.

Modified Material Condition ZEBRA - Allows movement around the ship for special conditions such as: Underway Replenishment; Vertical Replenishment; Amphibious Operations; Transit of known or suspected hazardous navigation areas.

General Quarters: Represents a condition of readiness for combat on a warship, during which crew members remain at their battle stations and have guns and ammunition ready for immediate loading.

Condition One-Alfa: Indicates active amphibious activities by the crew of the and the employment of the ship's landing craft in these exercises. The USS Calvert deck logs indicate this condition a variety of ways, including: One-Alfa, One-Alpha, 1-Alfa, 1-Alpha, and similar.

### Abbreviations

ISE: Independent Ship Exercises

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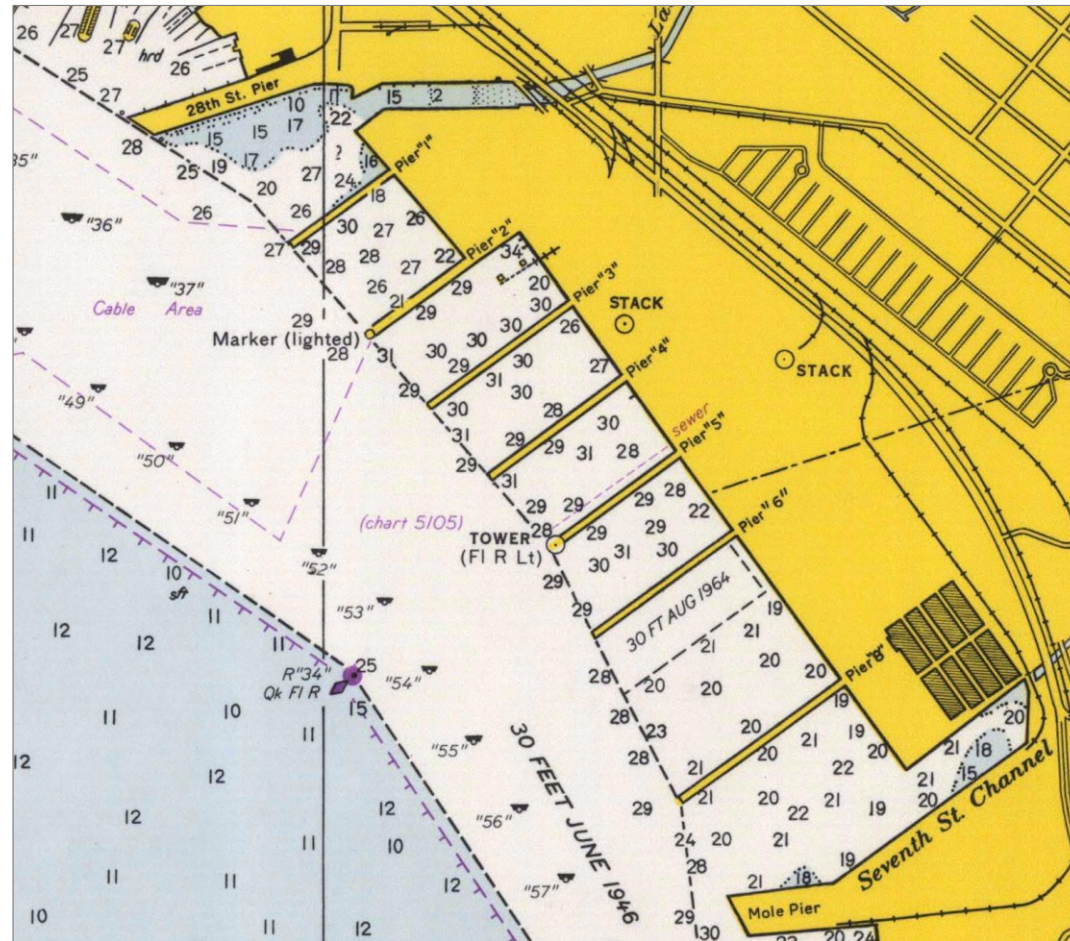


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**Calvert's Final Westpac Cruise, August 23, 1965 to February 26, 1966**

1965	August	23	U.S. Naval Station, San Diego	1) On August 23, 1965 together with various other units of Amphibious Squadron Five, the Calvert set sail for her Western Pacific Deployment carrying segments of Marine Supply and Engineering Groups. 2) 0000 Moored, port side to Pier 4, Berth 42. 0600 Lighted fires in Number One boiler. 0945 Set the Special Sea Detail and Anchor Detail.	1) Cullen, Page 33 2) Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, August 1965. Selected entries.
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Chart of Piers, U.S. Naval Station, San Diego



An extract of:  
 Chart # 5107, San Diego Bay.  
 US Coastal and Geodetic Survey. 26th Edition, May 1966  
 1:20,000 scale. Soundings in feet.

Full chart online:  
<https://www.historicalcharts.noaa.gov/image.php?filename=5107-5-1966>

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1965	August	23	Underway for Okinawa	1039 Underway in accordance with C.T.G 14.3 Operation Order 2018-65. 1215 Speed, 16 knots. 1500 Exercised the crew at General Quarters. 1610 Maneuvering to take Station A-1, Formation 52. 1655 Changed speed to 12 knots, formation speed.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, August 1965. Selected entries
<b>Underway to Buckner Bay, Okinawa - August 23 to September 12</b> <b>First Marine Division, First Service Battalion Electric Maintenance Section aboard</b>					1) USS Calvert website, comment at <a href="http://www.usscalvert.com/2013/03/11/refueling-during-rough-seas-westpac64/">http://www.usscalvert.com/2013/03/11/refueling-during-rough-seas-westpac64/</a> 2) Sourced online, May 2020: <a href="http://www.jamesmats.com/erratum-2/">http://www.jamesmats.com/erratum-2/</a>
1) First Marine Division first Service Battalion Electric Maintenance Section was aboard for transport to Okinawa: "I got aboard the Calvert in San Diego and climbed down the cargo nets in Okinawa." - John Walker, USMC 2) "The Calvert took 1st Eng USMC to Okinawa in 1965." - William (Ralph) Marro, USMC					
1965	August	24	Underway for Okinawa	0000 Steaming in company with Task Element 14.3.1 composed of USS Paul Revere (APA-248), USS Montrose (APA-212), USS Oak Hill (LSD-7), USS Tortuga (LSD-26), enroute from San Diego to Okinawa. The ship is in Station A-1, in circular formation, speed 13 knots. The ship is in condition of readiness four with material condition yoke set.  0902 The following ships joined the formation: USS Magoffin, USS Skagit, USS Seminole.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, August 1965. Selected entries.
1965	August	25	Underway for Okinawa	0000 Underway as before. 1000 Commenced squadron tactics. 1145 Secured from squadron tactics.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, August 1965. Selected entries.
1965	August	26	Underway for Okinawa	0000 Underway as before. 1300 Commenced conducting Z-26-S with USS Magoffin. 1145 Completed Z-26-S.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, August 1965. Selected entries.
1965	August	27	Underway for Okinawa	0000 Underway as before.  0908 Maneuvering to take Station 3 in Formation 1. 0930 Went to General Quarters. Set Material Condition Zebra. 1012 Commenced gunnery exercises. 1024 Commenced firing. 1028 ceased firing. Ammunition expended: 272 rounds 40mm. 47 rounds 3". 11 rounds 5" 1043 Set Condition Material Yoke. 1056 Secured from General Quarters. 1200 Maneuvering to take station with USS Paul Revere to conduct highline exercise. 1323 Received highline from USS Paul Revere. 1340 Highline completed. 1342 All lines clear. Maneuvering while conducting replenishment approaches with the USS Paul Revere. 1600 to 1913 Executed sinuating course changes, steaming independently. 2217 Changed speed to 15 knots.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, August 1965. Selected entries.

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1965	August	28	Underway for Okinawa	<p>0000 Steaming as before, on independent ship exercises (ISE), in company with Task Unit 14.3.1.</p> <p>0400 Steering various courses at various speeds to regain station.</p> <p>0545 Resumed station A-1 Formation 52. Speed 12 knots.</p> <p>0810 Commenced conducting ISE. 0915 Completed ISE.</p> <p>1030 Took station A-1, Formation 52.</p> <p>1740 Set the underway replenishment detail.</p> <p>1747 Maneuvering at various courses to maintain station.</p> <p>1823 Received highline aft. 1857 All lines clear.</p> <p>1902 Secured the underway replenishment detail.</p>	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, August 1965. Selected entries.
1965	August	29	Underway for Okinawa	<p>0000 Underway as before.</p> <p>1517 Stationed the Fog Lookouts.</p>	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, August 1965. Selected entries.
1965	August	30	Underway for Okinawa	<p>0000 Underway as before.</p> <p>0830 Left the formation to conduct independent ship exercises.</p> <p>1115 Steering various courses and speeds to return to station.</p> <p>1916 Regained station. Formation speed 13.5 knots.</p> <p>2005 Making approach on the port side of the USS Oak Hill. Darkened ship.</p> <p>2205 Secured from making approaches on the USS Oak Hill. Lighted ship.</p> <p>2225 Regained station. Formation speed 13.5 knots.</p>	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, August 1965. Selected entries.
1965	August	31	Underway for Okinawa	<p>0000 Underway as before.</p> <p>0915 Stationed the fog lookouts.</p> <p>1630 Implemented the heavy weather bill.</p>	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, August 1965. Selected entries.
1965	September	1	Underway for Okinawa	<p>0000 Underway as before. Steaming in company with Task Unit 14.3.1. Composed of USS Tortuga (LCD 26) plus Phibron Five, less USS Catamount, USS Fort Marion, and USS Monticello. This ship is in the center of a circular formation. Speed 13 knots. Condition of readiness four and material condition yoke set.</p> <p>0745 Mustered the crew at foul weather parade.</p> <p>0800 Changed speed to 5 knots. 0810 Maneuvering to avoid contact. Contact was trawler showing no identification as to nationality. Trawler did not respond to any attempts to establish communication. 0815 Changed speed to 13 knots.</p> <p>0900 Maneuvering to avoid contact. Contact was trawler showing no identification as to nationality. Trawler did not respond to any attempts to establish communication. 0957 Changed speed to 13.5 knots.</p> <p>1045 Steering various courses and speeds to station. 1146 assumed station 0, formation 52.</p>	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, September 1965. Selected entries.

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				0000 Underway as before.	
1965	September	2	Underway for Okinawa	2000 Maneuvering at various courses and speeds while maintaining station alongside USS Calapon (AO-52). 2047 Fueling completed. 2055 All lines and hoses clear. Maneuvering to gain station astern of the USS Paul Revere.  2344 Changed speed to 16 knots. 2345 Maneuvering at various courses and speeds while taking Station A-1, Formation 52.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, September 1965. Selected entries.
				<b>Crossing the International Date Line</b>	
1965	September	3 - 4	Underway for Okinawa	0000 Underway as before. Advanced all clocks 24 hours to conform with Mike Zone Time. 0016 Changed speed to 12 knots. Assumed station Alpha 1, Formation 52. Speed 12 knots. 0115 Crossed the International Date Line.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, September 1965. Selected entries.
1965	September	5 - 9	Underway for Okinawa	Underway as before.  No notable events noted in the Calvert's Deck Log Book for this period.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, September 1965. Selected entries.
1965	September	10	Underway for Okinawa	0000 Underway as before.  1039 Set the Underway Transfer Detail. 1045 Changed speed to 10 knots. 1118 Transferred by highline, Brock, Donald M, PFC USMC from USS Seminole for further diagnosis subject man apparently suffering from appendicitis. Also transferred was Lt. Keiffer Campbell MC USN. 1138 Secured the Underway Transfer Detail. Changed speed to 15 knots.  1350 Detached from formation and slowed to 12 knots. 1400 Brock, Donald M., PFC, USMC underwent surgery for appendicitis. 1515 Completed surgery. Patient transferred to sick bay. 1535 Changed speed to 15 knots.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, September 1965. Selected entries.
				<b>Soviet Submarine D-82 Encountered</b>	
				0000 Underway as before.	
				0915 Sighted submarine bearing 230 degrees, distance about 5 miles.	
1965	September	11	Underway for Okinawa	0938 Identified positive Soviet submarine Beidl observed by U.S. Navy P2V. Passed submarine abeam to port, distance about 4 miles.  1930 Formation dispersed to proceed independently.  Editor's note: The USS Skagit's deck log indicates the Soviet sub's sail marker was D-82. No information was found in an online search of this sail marker number or use of Beidl as indicated in the Calvert's log. The mention of "U.S. Navy P2V" refers to a Lockheed P-2 Neptune aircraft.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, September 1965. Selected entries.

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1965	September	12	Underway for Okinawa Buckner Bay, Okinawa	<p>1) 0000 Steaming independently.</p> <p>1600 Stopped all engines. 1601 Anchored in Anchorage Bravo 173, Buckner Bay, Okinawa, in 58.5 feet of water, fine sand and shell bottom, with 60 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor.</p> <p>1640 Commenced debarkation of troops.</p> <p>2) 1600, Sunday, Sept 12th - Arrival at Buckner Bay</p> <p>3) Off-loading the embarked troops at Buckner Bay, Okinawa</p>	<p>1) Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, September 1965. Selected entries.</p> <p>2) 1965-1966 Westpac Cruise Calendar - Philip K. Selden</p> <p>3) Cullen, Page 33</p>



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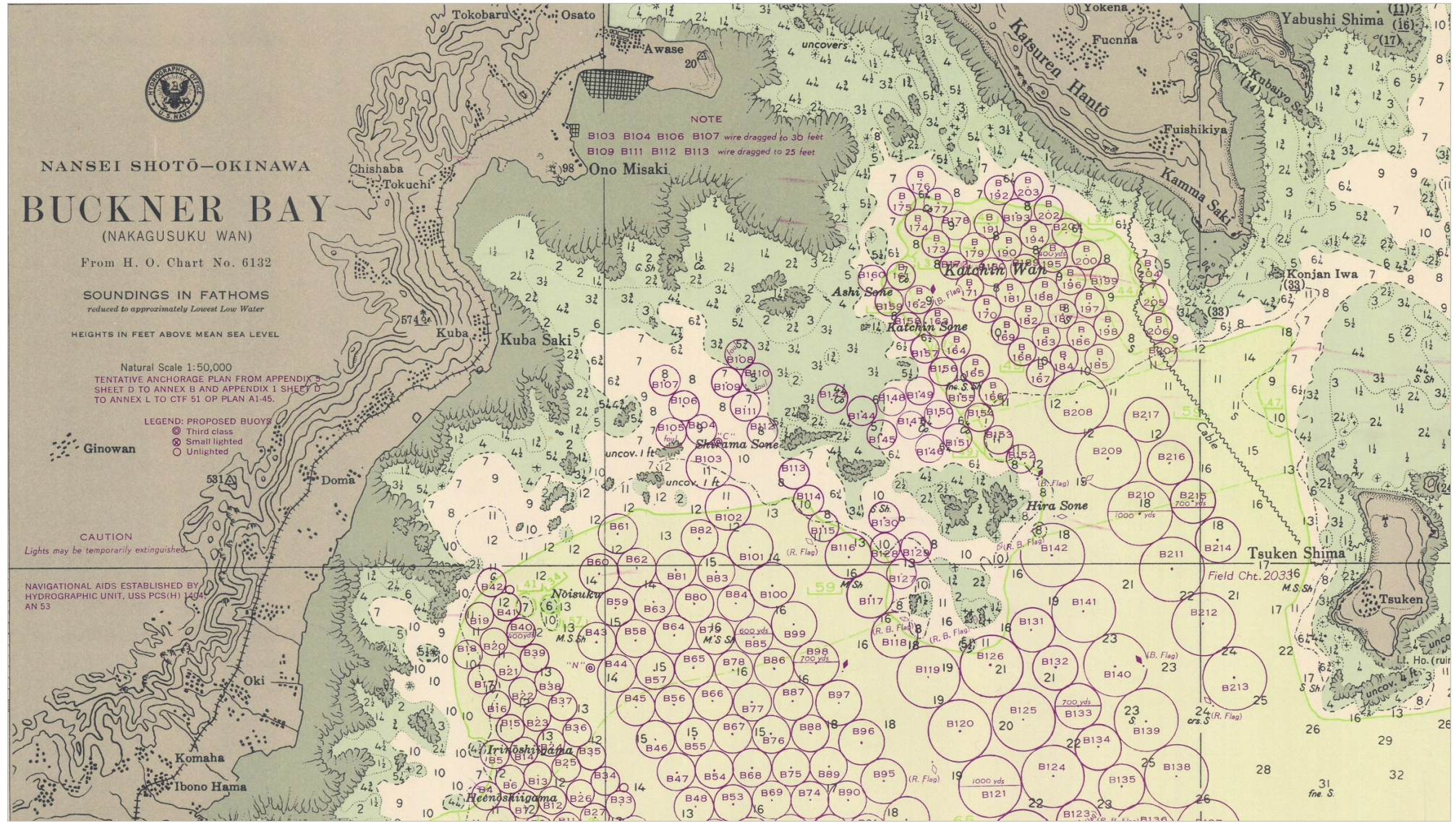
Buckner Bay - "B" anchorages illustrated on the Katchin Wan area, right side of the chart.

Extract of: Buckner Bay (Nakagusuku Wan), Okinawa - Field Chart 2031 created in April 1945 after surveying by USS Bowditch (AGS 4) Soundings in fathoms

Editor's Note: Anchorage locations are presumed to have remained static from 1945 to the mid-1960s

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1965	September	13	Anchored in Buckner Bay, Okinawa  Underway to Yokosuka	0000 Anchored as before. The Engineering Department is on 30 minutes notice before getting underway.  0630 Lit fires under number 2 boiler. 0925 Completed all preparations for getting underway. 1067 Underway for Pier Bravo, Buckner Bay. 1023 Anchored alongside Pier Bravo. 1046 Let fires die under number 2 boiler. 1445 Commenced preparations for getting underway. 1524 Maneuvering from Pier Bravo. 1551 Anchored, Anchorage Bravo 173. 1830 Underway for Yokosuka, Japan. 1839 Electrical fire in light box in the Pilot House. Secured all navigational lights. 1840 Electrical fire out. Restored all navigational lights. 2029 Steering various courses and speeds to take station A-3 in Formation 51. 2059 Gained station A-3. Formation speed 12 knots.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, September 1965. Selected entries.
1965	September	14-15	Underway to Yokosuka	0000 Underway as before. Steaming in company with ships of Task Unit 76.2.2. Units in company are: USS Magoffin and USS Skagit. Speed 15 knots.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, September 1965. Selected entries.
1965	September	16	Underway to Yokosuka  Yokosuka, Japan	0000 Underway as before. 0600 This ship detached from formation to proceed independently to Yokosuka, Japan. Speed 15 knots. 1430 Set the special sea detail and anchor detail. Maneuvering at various courses and speeds to assigned pier. 1725 Moored port side to berth 11, U.S. Naval Station, Yokosuka, Japan.	1) Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, September 1965. Selected entries.

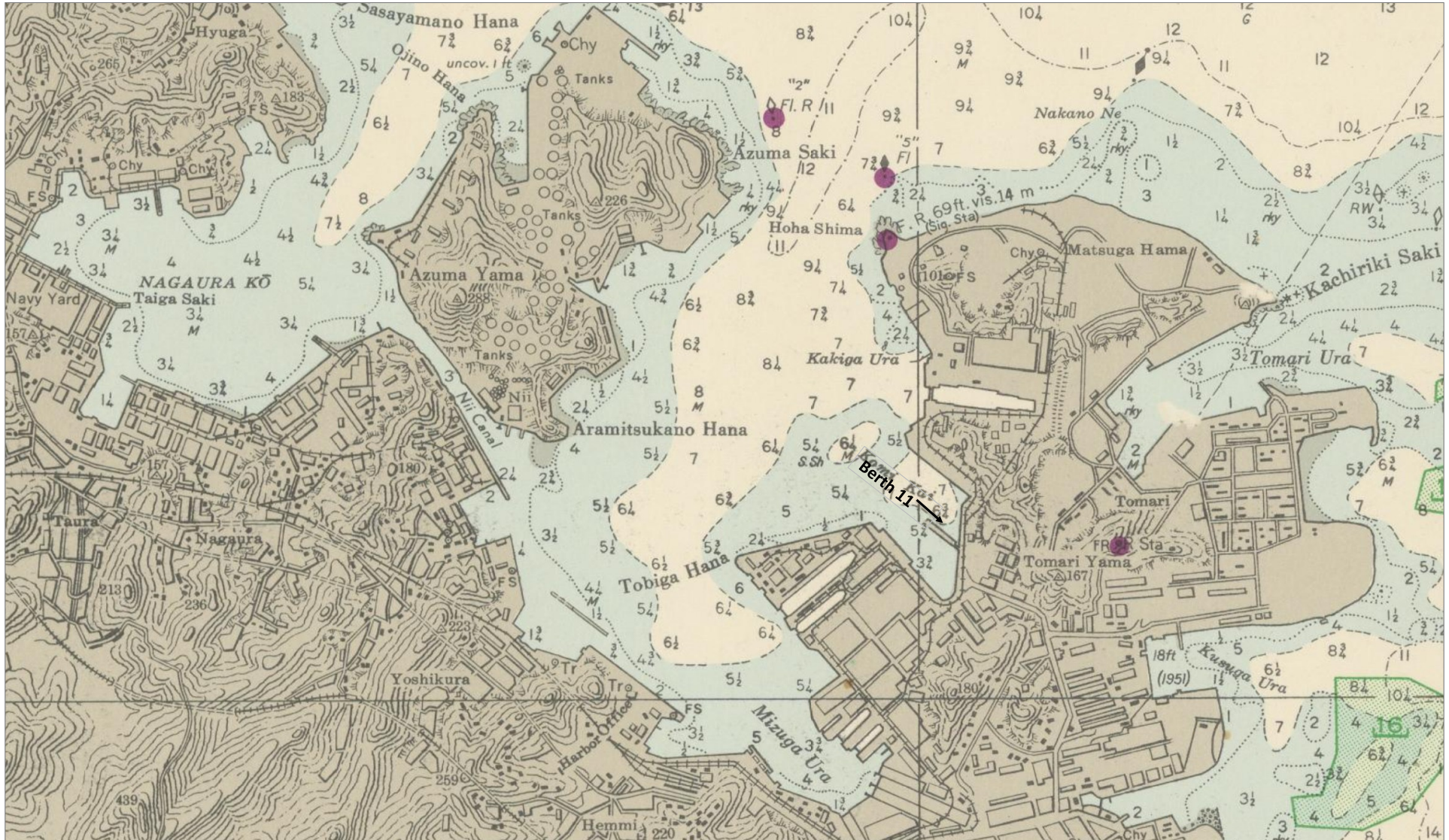
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**September 17 to October 7: A period of upkeep in Yokuska**

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Yokosuka Naval Base, Berth 11 indicated by black text and arrow. | Extract of chart # 6352, Yokosuka Ko Including Negishi Wan and Uraga Ko.  
 United States Hydrographic Office. 1949, Second edition.  
 1:24,000 scale. Soundings in Fathoms.

Full chart online:  
<https://library.ucsd.edu/dc/object/bb8328902f>





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1965	September	17	Yokosuka, Japan	<p>0000 Moored as before.</p> <p><b>Super Typhoon Trix passes west of Yokosuka</b>            0900 Set Typhoon Condition of Readiness Two.            0915 Set Material Condition Yoke.            0925 Engine room on 1 hour standby for getting underway.            1025 Due to Typhoon Condition of Readiness Two, additional lines secured.            1135 Received YO47 to starboard.            1205 Commenced receiving fuel. 1320 Secured taking fuel. Received 67,704 gallons NSFO.            1538 Lighted fires under number 2 boiler.            1653 Typhoon Condition of Readiness One Set.            2330 Set the special sea and anchor detail.</p>	<p>Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, September 1965. Selected entries.</p> <p>Super Typhoon Trix, mid-September 1965: "Typhoon Trix struck central Honshū Island in Japan just days after Typhoon Shirley. Trix caused heavy rains. 98 people were killed and 9 were missing due to the resulting flooding and landslides."            Online: <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/1965_Pacific_typhoon_season">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/1965_Pacific_typhoon_season</a>            Online: <a href="http://agora.ex.nii.ac.jp/cgi-bin/dt/dsummary.pl?id=196524&amp;basin=wnp&amp;lang=en">http://agora.ex.nii.ac.jp/cgi-bin/dt/dsummary.pl?id=196524&amp;basin=wnp&amp;lang=en</a></p>
1965	September	18	Yokosuka, Japan	<p>0000 Moored as before. Ship is in typhoon condition one, with the special sea and anchor detail set and engineering department on ten minutes notice before getting underway. Ship is in condition of readiness with material condition Yoke set.</p> <p>0236 Secured the special sea and anchor detail.            1051 Underway, shifting berths to starboard side to USS Magoffin, Berth 9.</p>	<p>Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, September 1965. Selected entries.</p>
1965	October		Yokosuka	<p><b>Liberty in Yokosuka</b></p> <p>"Our first Japanese port of call was Yokosuka, located on the island of Honshu. ... The first contact with Japanese culture for nearly all sailors came from a little vehicle that some called taxis. The tiny cabs (90 or 100 yen), scurried alongside the left side of the road, stopping for no one, and blurting out occasional honks on the car horn.</p> <p>Almost invariably the first stop was "Thieves Alley," a major attraction for all ships of the fleet. The alley, also called Broadway Avenue, bustled with activity throughout the day and night. Excitement, intrigue, drama, and sympathy abounded in this street of peddlers, neon signs, bars, shops, and shoe shine boys. The gifts of the Orient were at a surplus and nearly anything in the nature of souvenirs could be purchased for a price. Prices ranged from 100-1000s of yen. The price you paid was not always the union price. It depended on how shrewd you could halve the prices at the expense of time and the fun of arguing with the merchants.</p> <p>There were more serious things to do than visit Thieves Alley. The electric railway made it easy to visit nearby attractions as Kamakura, Yokohama, Tokyo, and Hakone National Park."</p>	<p>Photographs:            USS Calvert's 1965-66 Western Pacific Fareast Cruise Book            Page 114</p> <p>Online:  <a href="http://www.usscalvert.com/crew/calverts-64-westpac-cruise-book/">http://www.usscalvert.com/crew/calverts-64-westpac-cruise-book/</a></p>

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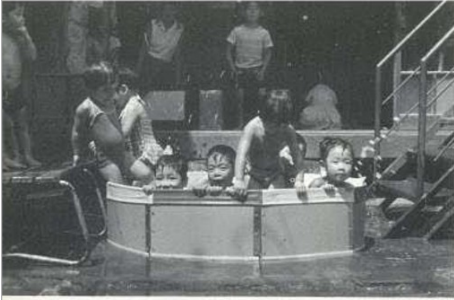



Yokosuka streets and shops



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1965	September	19	Yokosuka, Japan	As before	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, September 1965. Selected entries.
1965	September	20	Yokosuka, Japan	As before. 1134 Underway to buoy Delta Six.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, September 1965. Selected entries.
1965	September	21	Yokosuka, Japan	As before, moored buoy Delta Six. 0710 LCM-4 coming along side rammed starboard accommodation ladder, bending I beam and several steps. 0913 Underway to shift berths to berth 11.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, September 1965. Selected entries.

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<p><b>Calvert sailors support the Aiji-no-ie (Home of Affection) Orphanage, Tokyo</b></p> <p>During the Calvert's stay at Yokosuka, members of the crew volunteered at the Home of Affection orphanage located in Tokyo, a short train ride away.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;">    </div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;">  </div>					
1965	September	22-25	Yokosuka, Japan	As before. Moored starboard to berth 11.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, September 1965. Selected entries.
1965	September	26	Yokosuka, Japan	Moored as before. 0535 Fire alarms for No. 2 and No. 5 holds sounded. Areas checked and no fire found. 0603 Fire party all present.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, September 1965. Selected entries.
1965	September	27	Yokosuka, Japan	Moored as before. Moored as before.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, September 1965. Selected entries.
1965	September	28	Yokosuka, Japan	0629 Underway, shifting berths from berth 11 to buoys berth delta 2. 0658 Moored fore and aft to buoys D2-S and D2-N, Berth Delta 2. 0736 USS Paul Revere moored to starboard.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, September 1965. Selected entries.
1965	September	29	Yokosuka, Japan	Moored as before.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, September 1965. Selected entries.

Photographs: Aiji-No-ie (Home of Affection) Orphanage, Tokyo

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<http://www.usscalvert.com/crew/calverts-64-westpac-cruise-book/>

Editor's note: In late 1956 the Calvert began supporting the Aiji-no-ie Orphanage (aka, Home of Affection) in Tokyo, with a \$100 monthly donation. For the next decade, during the Calvert's far east cruise itinerary, time permitting, included work party visits to the orphanage while the ship visited Yokosuka.

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1965	September	30	Yokosuka, Japan	Moored as before. 1425 Commenced fueling. 1515 Completed fueling.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, September 1965. Selected entries.
1965	October	1	Yokosuka, Japan	Moored as before. 1356 Underway, shifting berths to Berth 11. 1426 Moored starboard side to Berth 11.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, October 1965. Selected entries.
1965	October	2	Yokosuka, Japan	Moored as before. Gale warning in effect. 1530 3/4 inch wire rigged out to pier at station blue 5 in response to gale warning. 1600 Doubled up stern wire, put out 1-1/4 wire amidship and 2-3/4 wire, doubled up, at blue five in response to gale warning. 2005 1-3/4 inch wire rigged out from the stern of the ship to the pier in response to gale warning.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, October 1965. Selected entries.
1965	October	3 - 7	Yokosuka, Japan	Moored as before, starboard side to Berth 11. Gale warning in effect for this period. Standard mooring lines doubled and 1-1/4 inch wire out to the pier fore and aft. Wires are also out at Blue 5, the Beam, the Bow, and the Stern, all of which are doubled. The ship is in a condition of Readiness V with Material Condition Yoke (Modified) set.  Oct 7: 0745 Mustered the crew at foul weather parade.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, October 1965. Selected entries.
1965	October	8	Yokosuka, Japan Underway to Inchon, Korea	Moored as before, Berth 11. 0926 Underway for Inchon, Korea.  2) Completing the period of upkeep, the Calvert steamed to Inchon, Korea	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, October 1965. Selected entries.  2) Cullen, Page 33

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<b>October 9 - 25: The Calvert sailed to the Republic of Korea to embark elements of the Republic of Korea Tiger Division transport to Vietnam</b>					<b>for</b> Cullen, Page 33
1965	October	9	Underway to Incheon, Korea	0000 Underway as before, steaming independently to Yellow Sea. The ship is in condition of Readiness IV with Material Condition Yoke set. Speed 15.5 knots. 0837 Exercised the crew at General Quarters. 0954 Secured from General Quarters.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, October 1965. Selected entries.
1965	October	10	Underway to Incheon, Korea	0000 Underway as before, steaming independently to Incheon, Korea. Speed 16 knots. 1212 Exercised at General Drills. 1326 Secured from General Drills.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, October 1965. Selected entries.
1965	October	11	Underway to Incheon, Korea	0000 Underway as before, steaming independently to Incheon, Korea. Speed 12 knots. 0815 Sohuka Do Light abeam bearing 080 degrees, about 14 miles. 0830 Commenced engineering casualty control drills. 1040 Sighted Hong Do Island, bearing 040 degrees, 21 miles. 1120 Secured from engineering drills. 1240 Commenced bottom blow on No. 1 Boiler. 1500 Commenced engineering casualty control drills. 1521 Secured from engineering casualty control drills. 1635 Exercised at man overboard drills. 1710 Secured from man overboard drills.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, October 1965. Selected entries.
1965	October	12	Underway to Incheon, Korea Incheon, Korea	0000 Steaming independently to Incheon, Korea. Speed 9 knots. Maneuvering at various courses to avoid contacts. 0515 Set fog lookouts, visibility 200 yards. Changed speed to 5 knots. 0519 Commenced sounding fog signals. 0521 Ceased sounding fog signals. 0606 Maneuvering at various courses and speeds to conform to So Sudo Channel. 1019 Anchored, Incheon, Korea. Anchorage B-2.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, October 1965. Selected entries.

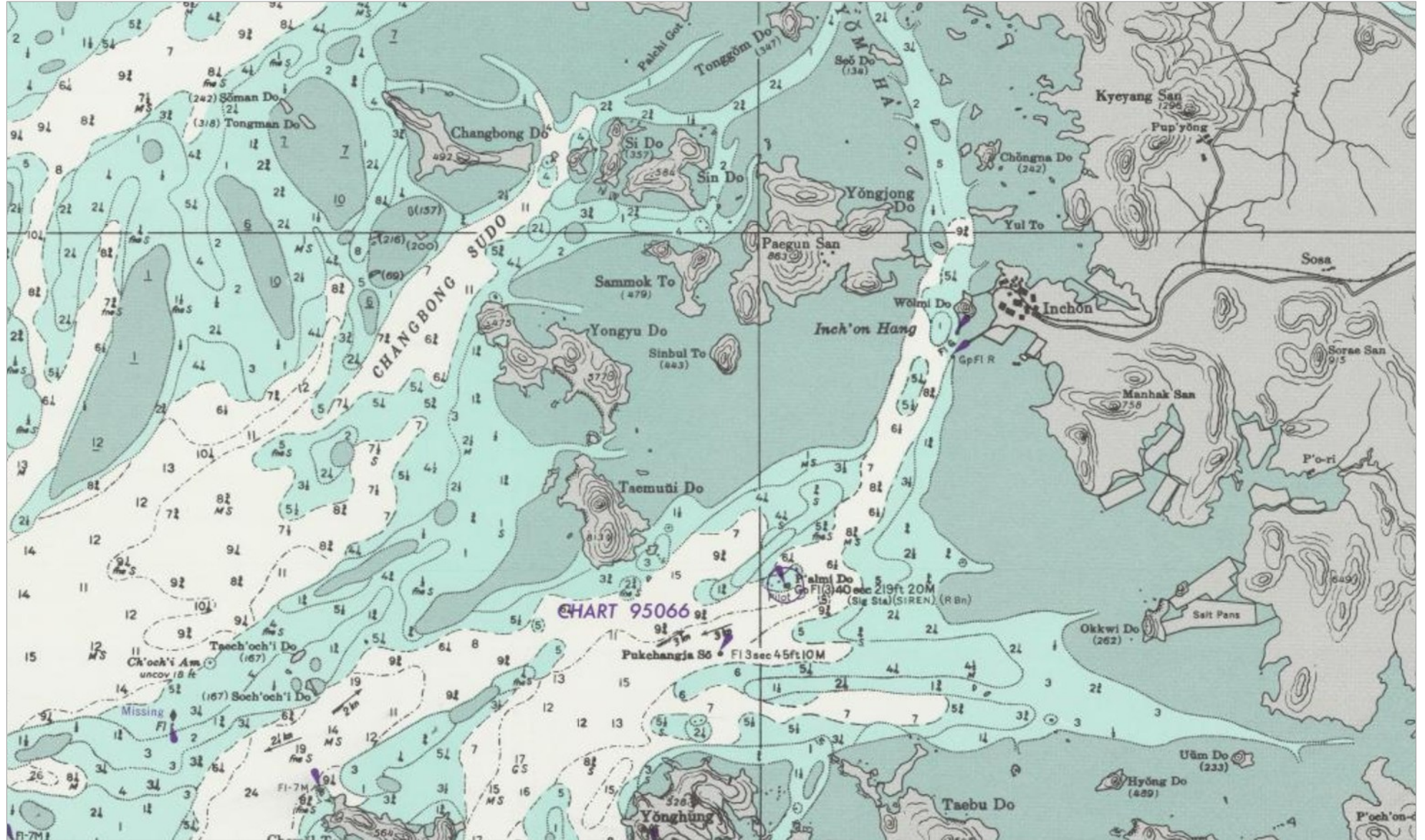


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Inchon area, location of abchorage B-2 is unknown.

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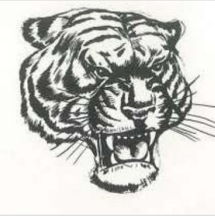
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1965	October	12	Inchon, Republic of Korea	<p><b>Embarked elements of the Republic of Korea, Tiger Division</b></p> <p>1) Anchored as before, Inchon, Republic of Korea, Anchorage B-2</p> <p>2) Loaded over 800 members of the Korean Army's famed Tiger Division.</p> <p>3) We embarked the Tiger Division, Korean troops to fight communism. It was a big celebration in South Korea with APA-33, USS Bayfield.</p>	<p>Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, October 1965. Selected entries.</p> <p>2) Cullen, page 33</p> <p>3) Original source lost since acquiring on the world wide web, sometime 2018-to-2020.</p>

Left: Ensign Selden, Inchon | Center: "ROK Gala Departure" and ROK Tigers aboard the Calvert



Left: Ensign Philip K. Selden, Assistant CIC Officer, USS Calvert, 1965 - 1966. Personal photograph collection. Online: <https://www.usscalvert.com/2017/01/28/1965-66-westpac-cruise-photographs-ensign-philip-k-selden/>

Center and Right: USS Calvert Western Pacific Cruise Book, 1965-1966. Pages 128 and 140.

"ROK Troops: The Republic of Korea sends their famed Tiger division to aid in the struggle against aggression in South Vietnam.

Online: <https://www.usscalvert.com/crew/calverts-65-66-westpac-cruise-book/>

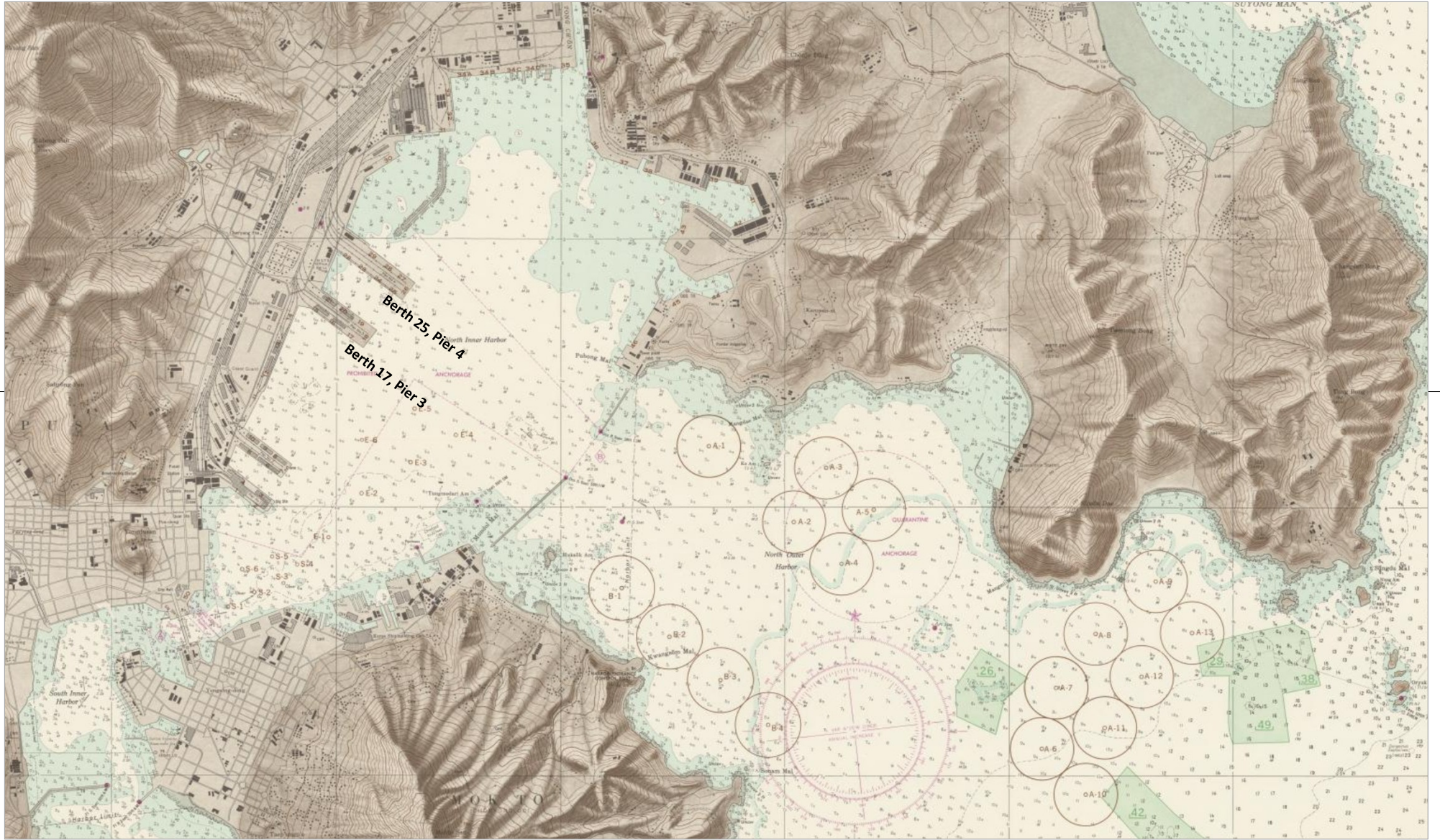
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1965	October	13	Inchon, Republic of Korea Underway to Pusan, Korea	0000 Anchored in anchorage B-2, Inchon. So-Wolmio Breakwater Light 080 degrees; Tidal Basin Breakwater Light 062 degrees; Chagyan To Light 012.3 degrees; Wolmi Do Signal Tower 042 degrees. 1423 Set the Special Sea Detail and Anchor Detail. 1452 Underway, maneuvering to conform to channel. 1730 Speed 16 knots. 1806 Maneuvering to take station 3 in column open order. 1833 Assumed station. Speed 12 knots. In company with USS Bayfield and USS Magoffin 1848 Changed speed to 15 knots.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, October 1965. Selected entries.
1965	October	14	Underway to Pusan, Republic of Korea	0000 Steaming in formation, as before. Speed 10 knots. 1241 Sighted Cheju Do Island, range about 32 miles.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, October 1965. Selected entries.
1965	October	15	Underway to Pusan, Republic of Korea Pusan Harbor	0000 Steaming in formation, as before. Speed 10 knots. 0534 Maneuvering to enter Pusan Harbor. 0819 Moored Berth 17, Pier 3, Pusan, Korea.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, October 1965. Selected entries.




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Pusan harbor | Berth 17, Pier 3 | Berth 25, Pier 4  
Extract of: Asia : Korea-south coast : Pusan Hang. Chart #6497. 1:12,500 scale. United States Naval Oceanographic Office, 1963

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1965	October	16	Pusan, Republic of Korea	0000 Moored as before. 2155 Switched to Pier 4, Berth 25. 2328 Commenced fueling from Cho Ryang Terminal.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, October 1965. Selected entries.	
				Republic of Korea Tiger Division vehicles and equipment, Pusan		
						Center and Right: USS Calvert Western Pacific Cruise Book, 1965-1966. Pages 128. Online: <a href="https://www.usscalvert.com/crew/calverts-65-66-westpac-cruise-book/">https://www.usscalvert.com/crew/calverts-65-66-westpac-cruise-book/</a>
1965	October	16	Pusan, Republic of Korea			
1965	October	12 - 23	Inchon and Pusan, Republic of Korea Underway to Qui Nhon, Vietnam	1) After a brief stop in Pusan, Korea, where the Calvert loaded heavy equipment belonging to the Tiger Division, she set sail for Qui Nhon, South Vietnam where the South Korean forces became an integral part of the forces in defense of that beleaguered area. 2) "We took more than 1,000 Korean troops aboard, along with their trucks and Jeeps and supplies and delivered them to Qui Nhon." 3) "We were ordered to proceed to Inchon Korea to take aboard the famous Korean Tiger division to deliver them with their equipment to South Vietnam. This was an experience, because only one Korean officer could speak english. Taking aboard an additional supply of rice for the Tiger division was recommended, however, the Koreans liked our food better and enjoyed Tobasco Sauce on everything, even ice cream. My supply officer informed me that the Tiger division used 1100 bottles of Tabasco Sauce in 10 days."	1) Cullen, Page 33 2) Calversion, V17, P 9. via San Diego Union article, circa Feb 1965, Robert Zimmerman 3) Calversion, Vol 40, P5 - John G. Ward - Commanding Officer, 28-Jul-1965 to 18-May-1966	

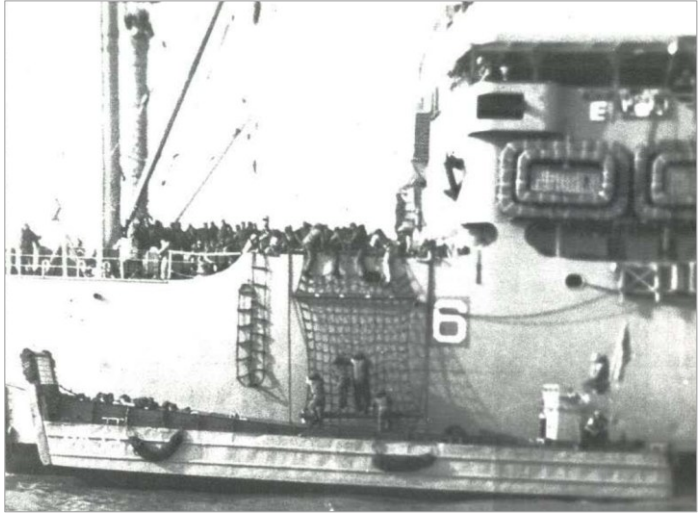


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1965	October	17	Pusan, Republic of Korea Underway to Qui Nhon, Vietnam	0000 Moored as before. 0055 Fueling completed. 0150 Underway, steering various courses and speeds to clear harbor. 0310 Joined Task Unit 76.6.1 composed of USS Bayfield and USS Magoffin. Formation speed is 10 knots. 0445 Changed speed to 15 knots. 0929 USS Magoffin experienced engineering casualty to main feed pump. Maximum speed 5 knots. 1113 USS Magoffin resumed #2 station in formation. 1307 Resumed speed 15 knots. 2120 Received Mayday from unknown ship, our position 31 degrees 33.9 north and 126 degrees 17.5 east.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, October 1965. Selected entries.
1965	October	18	Underway to Qui Nhon, Vietnam	0000 Underway as before. Formation speed 15 knots. 0042 USS Magoffin experienced casualty to No. 1 Boiler and left formation, formation speed reduced to 10 knots. 1209 Detached from Task Unit 76.6.1 to escort USS Magoffin.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, October 1965. Selected entries.
1965	October	19	Underway to Qui Nhon, Vietnam	0000 Underway as before, with USS Magoffin. Speed 11.5 knots. 0807 Detached from USS Magoffin, steaming independently, speed 15 knots.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, October 1965. Selected entries.

ROK Marines aboard the Calvert: Left and Center: Taekwondo demonstration | Right: Marine Corps Captain James S. May, the USS Calvert's Combat Cargo Officer, with ROK Tiger Officer



Left and center: Ensign Philip K. Selden, Assistant CIC Officer, USS Calvert, 1965 - 1966. Personal photograph collection. Online: <https://www.usscalvert.com/2017/01/28/1965-66-westpac-cruise-photographs-ensign-philip-k-selden/>  
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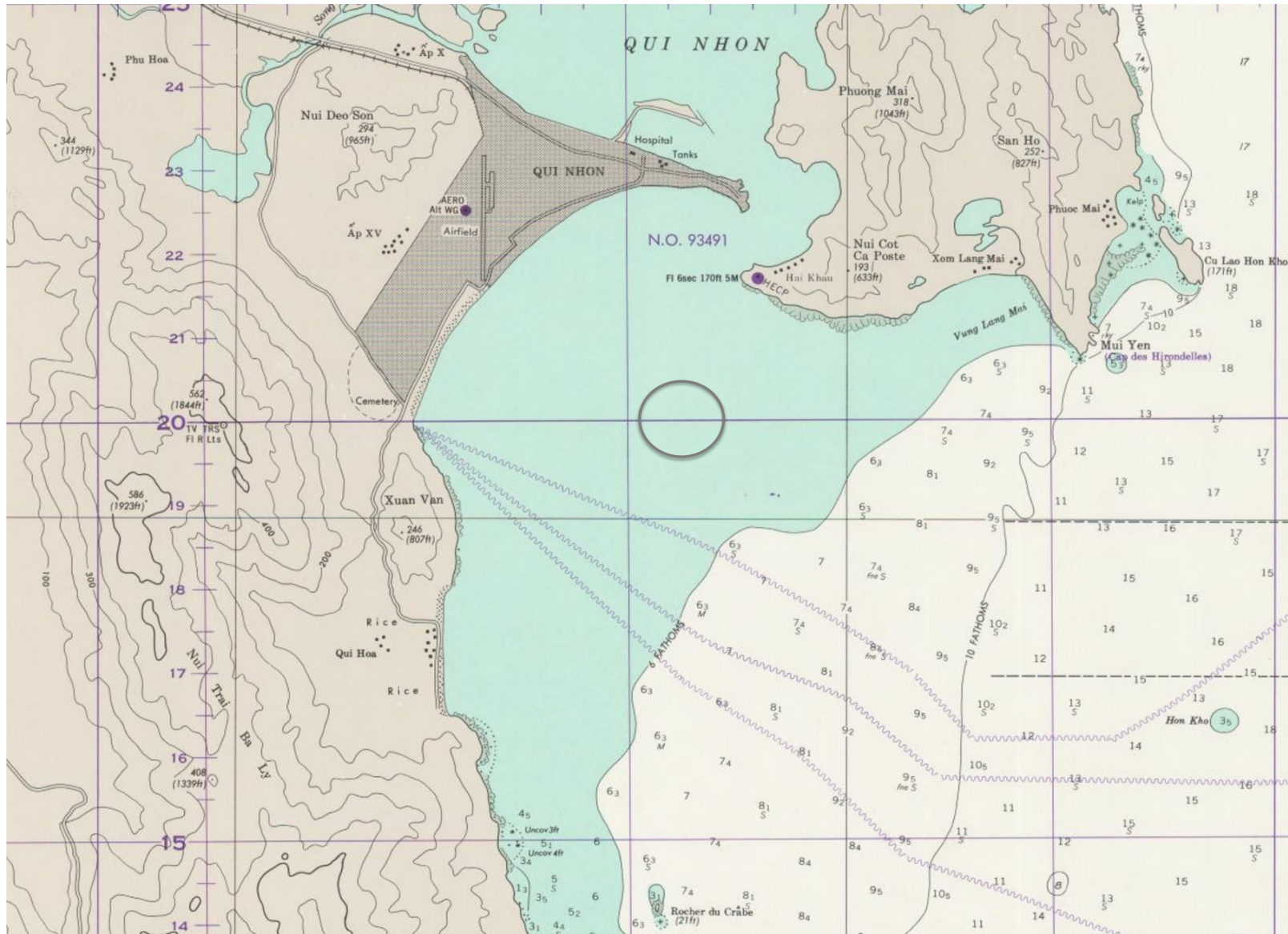
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1965	October	20	Underway to Qui Nhon, Vietnam	Underway as before, steaming independently	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, October 1965. Selected entries.
1965	October	21	Underway to Qui Nhon, Vietnam	Underway as before, steaming independently. 1809 Commenced appendectomy on Suk O Pak, Sargeant, Republic of Korea Army. Operation performed by ship's Medical Officer, Lt. Groundwater, MC, USNR. 1948 Completed appendectomy.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, October 1965. Selected entries.
1965	October	22	Underway to Qui Nhon, Vietnam	Underway as before, steaming independently	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, October 1965. Selected entries.
1965	October	23	Underway to Qui Nhon, Vietnam Qui Nhon, Vietnam	Underway as before, steaming independently. 0457 Changed speed to 6 knots. 0522 Commenced maneuvering at various courses and speeds approaching assigned anchorage in Qui Nhon Harbor. 0705 Anchored in 5.5 fathoms of water, sand bottom. Mui Yen 076 degrees; Nui Cot Ca Mountain 045 degrees; Rocher Du Crabe Island 195 degrees; White House 339 degrees. The ship is at Condition 1-Alfa. 0733 Lowered all designated boats to the rail. 0750 Away all designated boats.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, October 1965. Selected entries.
				1) The Calvert off-loaded the ROK troops and their equipment. 2) ROK troops debarkation at Qui Nhon, Vietnam.	1) Cullen, Page 33 2) Right: USS Calvert Western Pacific Cruise Book, 1965-1966. Page 108. Online: <a href="https://www.usscalvert.com/crew/calverts-65-66-westpac-cruise-book/">https://www.usscalvert.com/crew/calverts-65-66-westpac-cruise-book/</a>
1965	October	23 - 25	Qui Nhon, Vietnam		

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Approximate anchorage, Qui Nhon Harbor, indicated by black circle.

Extract of: Asia : South China Sea : Vietnam : approaches to Vung Xuan Dai and Vung Qui Nhon. Chart # 93478. 1:50,000 scale. United States Defense Mapping Agency Hydrographic Center, 1975

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1965	October	24	Qui Nhon, Vietnam	0000 Anchored as before. The ship is in condition of readiness three, material condition Yoke set. Engineering department is on 15 minute notice before getting underway.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, October 1965. Selected entries.
1965	October	25	Qui Nhon, Vietnam Underway to Subic Bay, Philippines	0000 Anchored as before. The ship is in condition of readiness three, material condition Yoke set. Engineering department is on 15 minute notice before getting underway. 1049 Underway. 2254 Lost steering control. 2255 All stop. 2257 Regained steering control. Speed to 15 knots.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, October 1965. Selected entries.
1965	October	26	Underway to Subic Bay, Philippines	Underway as before	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, October 1965. Selected entries.
1965	October	27	Underway to Subic Bay, Philippines Subic Bay, Philippines	0000 Underway as before. 0750 Set the Special Sea and Anchor Detail, maneuvering to conform to channel. 0951 Moored port side to USS Estes (AGC 12) Alava Pier, Berth 5-6.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, October 1965. Selected entries.
<b>Subic Bay: Installation of air conditioners - October 27 to November 15</b>					
1) "An upkeep period during which air conditioners were installed throughout the ship in anticipation of her further role in the tropical area off the Vietnamese coast."					1) Cullen, Page 33
2) "Crew members of the Calvert donated funds sponsor the continuing education of five Philippine students at Castillejos Academy in the Zambales Province on the main Island of Luzon."					2) The Daily Herald, Chicago, IL. January 1st 1966, page 27
1965	October 28 - November 10		Subic Bay, Philippines	Moored port side to USS Estes (AGC 12) Alava Pier, Berth 5-6. The engineering plant is in a cold iron status.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, October-November 1965. Selected entries.
1965	November	11	Subic Bay, Philippines	Moored as before. 0821 - 0846 Changed to anchorage Foxtrot 3, Subic Bay, with 76 fathoms of starboard anchor in 15 fathoms of water. Ship's head 243 degrees, anchored on the following bearings: Kolaklan Point 327 degrees; Floating Dry Dock 061.5 degrees; Cubi Point Control Tower 202.5 degrees; Pol Pier 113 degrees; Nav Sta Radar Tower 008 degrees.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, November 1965. Selected entries.

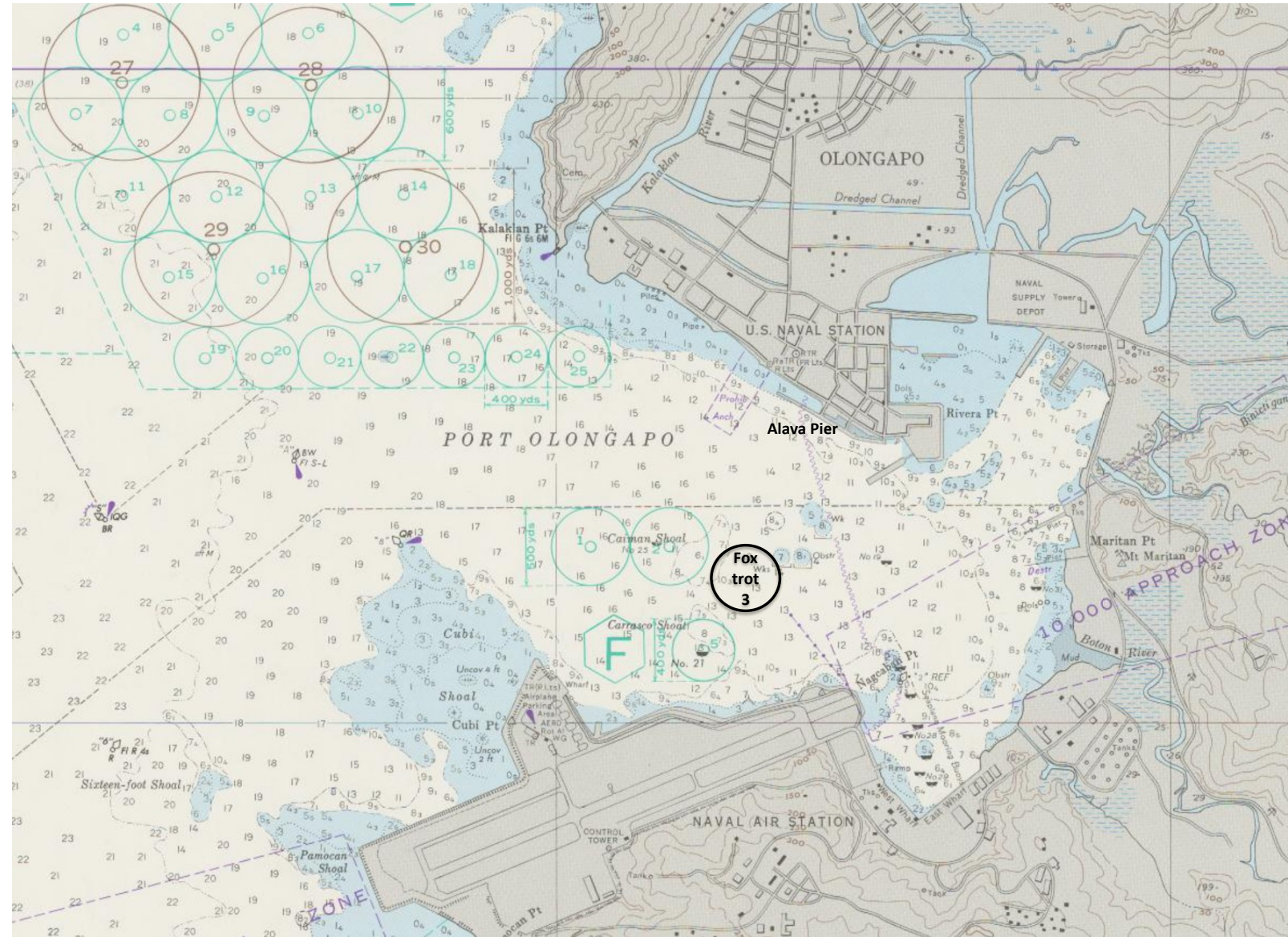
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Subic Bay area | Alava Pier and Riviera Pier indicated by black text marker. Anchorage Foxtrot 3, approximate location, black circle.

Extract of chart No. 91289. Philippines : West Coast of Luzon : Subic Bay.

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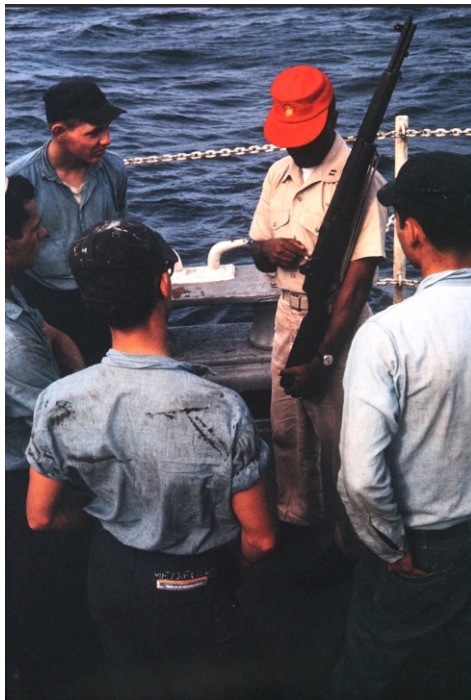
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1965	November	12 - 14	Subic Bay, Philippines	Anchored as before. Nov 13: Received 33,691 gallons of NSFO from YO-264.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, November 1965. Selected entries.
1965	November	15	Subic Bay, Philippines Underway to Okinawa	0000 Anchored as before. The engineering plant is in an auxiliary status. 0730 Lit fires under #1 boiler. 1013 underway. Speed 15 kts. Steamingly independently from Subic Bay to Buckner Bay. 1001 Commenced man overboard exercise. Maneuvering on various courses and speeds during the exercise.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, November 1965. Selected entries.
1965	November	16	Underway to Okinawa	Underway, steaming independently. 0000 Underway, steaming independently.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, November 1965. Selected entries.
1965	November	16	Underway to Okinawa	<b>Gunnery Exercise</b> 1430. Commenced gunnery exercise. Ammunition expended: 1200 rounds 50 cal., 552 rounds 45 cal., 1 round 5/38", 64 rounds 40mm and 5 rounds 3"/50 with no casualties. 1602 to 1631 - Abandon ship drill.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, November 1965. Selected entries.

Left and Center: Arms training and and gunnery exercises. Marine Corps Captain James S. May, instructor. | Right: 50 Caliber



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Right: USS Calvert Western Pacific Cruise Book, 1965-1966. Page 34. Online: <https://www.usscalvert.com/crew/calverts-65-66-westpac-cruise-book/>



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1965	November	17	Underway to Okinawa	Underway, steaming independently.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, November 1965. Selected entries.
1965	November	18	Underway to Okinawa Buckner Bay, Okinawa	0000 Underway, steaming independently. Speed 16 knots. The ship is in condition of readiness IV with material condition yoke set. 0910 Moored starboard side to Pier Bravo, Buckner Bay, Okinawa.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, November 1965. Selected entries.
1965	November	19	Buckner Bay, Okinawa	0000 Moored as before, starboard side to Pier Bravo, Buckner Bay.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, November 1965. Selected entries.
1965	November	20	Buckner Bay, Okinawa Underway for Da Nang, South Vietnam	0635 Lit fires under number 2 boiler. 0801 Underway. 1020-1037 Held abandon ship drill for embarked troops. 1039, Set material condition yoke. 2206 Changed speed to 15.7 knots (94 rpm). Steaming independently. 15 knots.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, November 1965. Selected entries.
1965	November	21	Underway for Da Nang, South Vietnam	Steaming independently, as before. Speed 15 knots.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, November 1965. Selected entries.
1965	November	22	Underway for Da Nang, South Vietnam	0000 Underway as before, steaming independently. 0923 Fire in troop head #3 hold, ship went to general quarters. 0925 Fire is out. Fire was in lighting fixture in troop head #3 hold. 0926 Secured from general quarters. 1315-1415 Engineering casualty control drills. <b>Gunnery Exercise</b> 1443 Commenced surface control gunnery exercise. Commenced firing to port - maneuvering on various courses. 1530 Ceased firing on all mounts, steady on course 248 deg, set material condition yoke. 1538 Secured from general quarters. Ammunition expended: 70 rounds AA-MTF, 11 rounds 5"/38 cal. spdn-powder, 224 rounds HET-SD, 1200 rounds APIT with no casualties.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, November 1965. Selected entries.

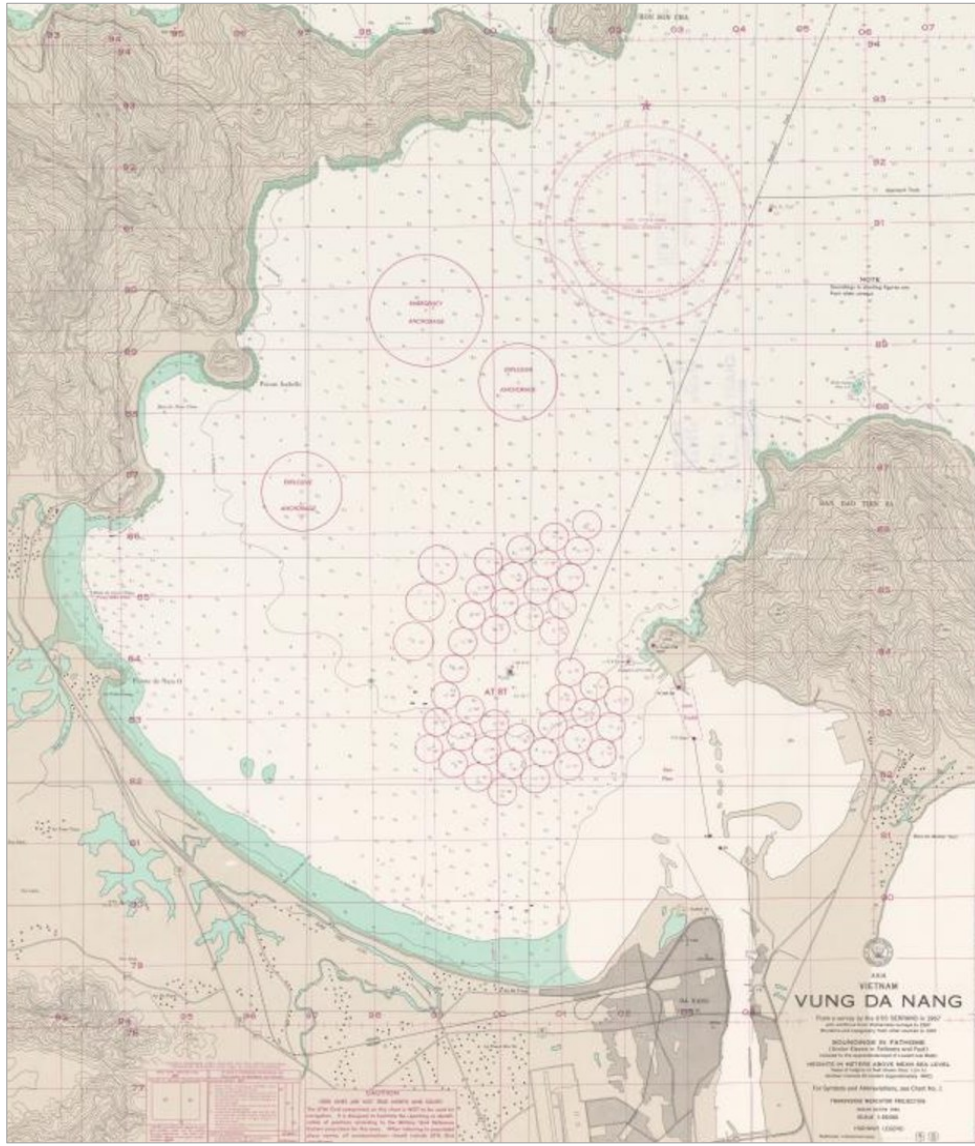
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				0000 Steaming independently, as before, from Buckner Bay, to Da Nang. Speed 14 knots.	
				<b>Solar Eclipse</b> 1140 Observed eclipse of the sun. Set speed at 15.7 knots.	
1965	November	23	Underway for Da Nang, South Vietnam	1600 Set fog lookouts. 1630 Commenced sounding fog signals in accordance with the international rules of the road, visibility less than one mile due to fog and rain. 1712 Ceased sounding fog signals. 1728 Secured fog lookouts, visibility good. 1800 Set condition of readiness III. 1929 Changed speed to 14 knots. 2353 Changed speed to 16 knots.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, November 1965. Selected entries.
				0000 Steaming independently as before.	
				0115 Changed speed to 10 knots.	
				0700 Set the anchor detail. Commenced maneuvering on various courses and speeds to assigned anchorage.	
1965	November	24	Underway for Da Nang, South Vietnam  Da Nang Harbor, Vietnam	0733 Set condition 1-Alfa.  0820, Anchored Da Nang Harbor in 7 fathoms of water with 40 fathoms of chain to the port anchor on the following bearings: Observatory 062.5 degrees; Left breakwater 125 degrees; Tien Sha left tangent 039 degrees.  <b>Away All Boats - Da Nang, Vietnam, to land embarked Marines</b> 0825, Away all designated boats.  1045 Set Condition 1-Alfa Modified.  1602 Underway, maneuvering to shift anchorage. 1609 Anchored, Da Nang Harbor.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, November 1965. Selected entries.


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Da Nang harbor and bay | Extract of chart: Asia : Vietnam : Vung Da Nang. No. 2520  
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Bearings of the Calvert's first anchorage on November 24: Observatory 062.5 degrees; Left breakwater 125 degrees; Tien Sha left tangent 039 degrees.



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Mid-to-late November 1965					
"We visited Okinawa which serves as a forward base of operations for the Marine Corps in the Western Pacific. Later in November we made our second visit to Vietnam, this time to DaNang, one of our principal links of the long supply route from the United States to our forces committed in the war zone. We arrived during the height of the monsoon season and were greeted with incessant rain and high winds. Although the elements hampered our offloading operations we did meet our schedule and left enroute once again to Subic Bay."					
<b>Thanksgiving Day, 1965</b>					
1965	November	25	Da Nang, South Vietnam	0000 Anchored as before. The ship is in condition one alpha modified with condition yoke modified set.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, November 1965. Selected entries.
			Underway to Subic Bay, Philippines	0839 Underway, maneuvering on various courses and speeds to clear Da Nang Harbor. 0950 Changed speed to 16 knots. 1545 Set condition three.	
1965	November	23 - 26	Da Nang area, South Vietnam	For the period November 23rd to November 26th, the Calvert and Crew earned the Vietnam Defense medal.  <b>Vietnam Defense</b> 23 to 26 November 1965	Navsource online <a href="http://www.navsource.org/archives/10/03/03032.htm">http://www.navsource.org/archives/10/03/03032.htm</a>
1965	November	26 - 27	Underway to Subic Bay, Philippines	Underway as before, steaming independently. Condition of Readiness Four and Material Condition Yoke Set. Speed 13 knots.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, November 1965. Selected entries.
1965	November	28	Underway to Subic Bay, Philippines Subic Bay, Philippines	0000 Underway as before, steaming independently. Speed 15.5 knots. 1205 Maneuvering to anchorage E-20. 1244 Anchored in anchorage E-20. 1545 Underway to Pol Pier. 1700 Commenced fueling from fueling station at Pol Pier. 1838 Completed fueling after having taken on 118,926.8 gallons.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, November 1965. Selected entries.



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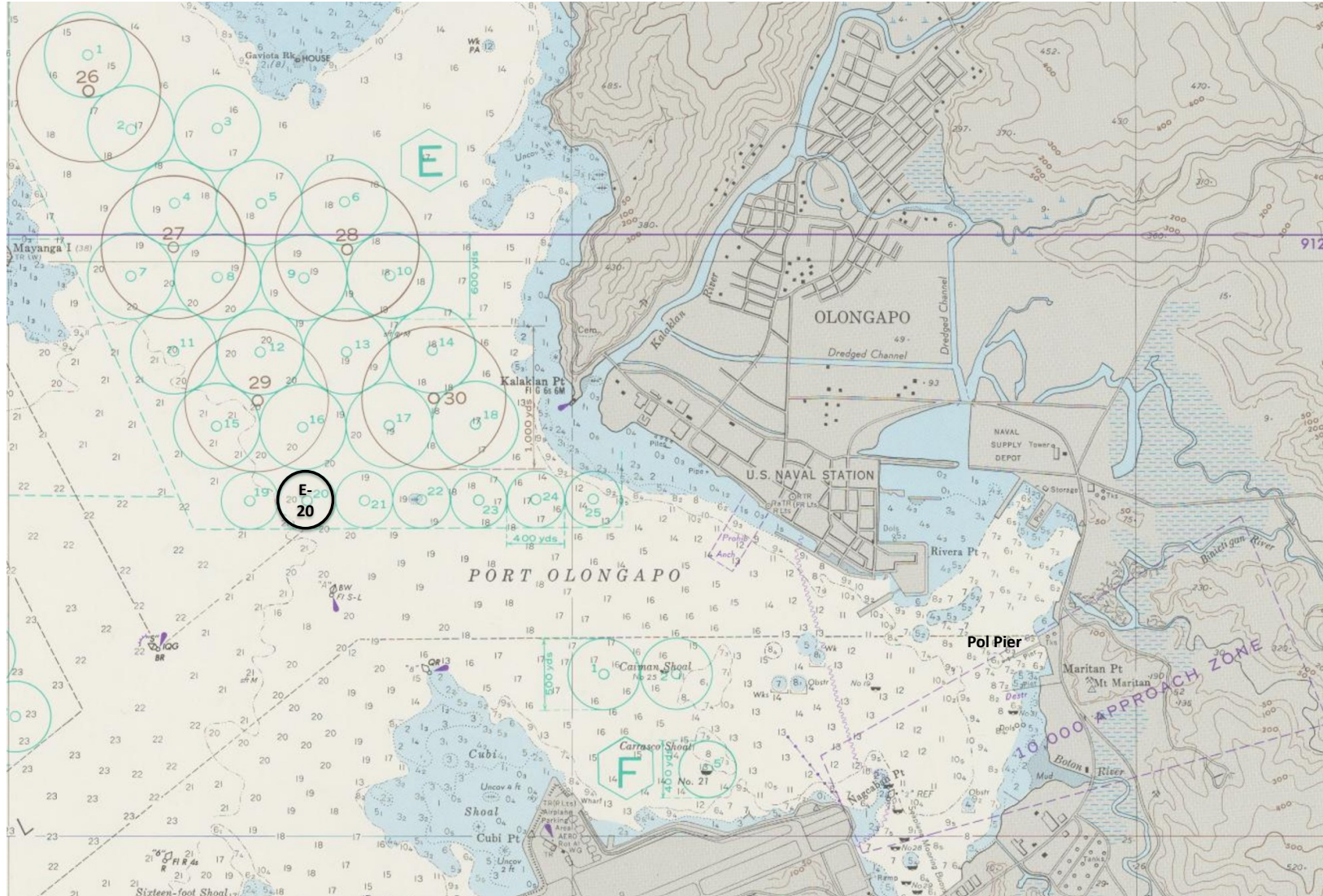
Subic Bay area | Anchorage E-20 indicated by black circle. Pol Pier indicated by black text.

Extract of full chart: Philippines : West Coast of Luzon : Subic Bay. No. 91289

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Note: Pol Pier location based on current identified ownership by the Costal Subic Bay Petroleum, Inc.  
<https://ship.mysubicbay.com.ph/port-district/pol-pier>



Year	Month	Day	Location / Movement	Historical Details	Sources, Notes
1965	November	29	Subic Bay, Philippines Underway for Hong Kong	0000 Moored as before, port side, Pol Pier. 0526 Underway for anchorage E-20. 0616 Anchored in anchorage E-20.  2015 Underway for Hong Kong, British Crown Colony. 2016 Steering at various courses at various speeds standing out of Subic Bay Harbor. 2047 Changed speed to 10 knots. 2103 Changed speed to 2121.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, November 1965. Selected entries.
1965	November	30	Underway for Hong Kong	0000 Underway as before, steaming independently for Hong Kong.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, November 1965. Selected entries.
1965	December	1	Underway for Hong Kong	0000 Underway as before, steaming independently for Hong Kong.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, December 1965. Selected entries.
1965	December	2	Underway for Hong Kong Hong Kong Harbor	0000 Underway as before, steaming independently for Hong Kong.  0834 Moored to Buoy A-42, Hong Kong Harbor with 15 fathoms of the starboard anchor chain at the wildcat.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, December 1965. Selected entries.
1965	December	3 - 7	Hong Kong, British Crown Colony	Moored as before, buoy A-32, Hong Kong Harbor.  2) "Our next port was the famed British Crown Colony of Hong Kong, known as the "Pearl of the Orient". Hong Kong is a paradise for shoppers and I am sure after we return to the west coast you will be receiving many wonderful and exotic gifts from that colorful city."  3) "Almost invariably the first stop was "Thieves Alley," a major attraction for all ships of the fleet. The alley, also called Broadway Avenue, bustled with activity throughout the day and night. Excitement, intrigue, drama, and sympathy abounded in this street of peddlers, neon signs, bars, shops, and shoe shine boys. The gifts of the Orient were at a surplus and nearly anything in the nature of sovenirs could be purchased for a price. Prices ranged from 100-1000s of yen. The price you paid was not always the union price. It depended on how shrewd you could halve the prices at the expense of time and the fun of arguing with the merchants.  There were more serious things to do than visit Thieves Alley. The electric railway made it easy to v	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, December 1965. Selected entries.  2) Excerpt from Captain Ward's Letter to Family & Friends of Calvert. Dated February 1, 1966. Online: <a href="http://www.usscalvert.com/2020/06/01/captain-wards-letter-to-families-and-friends-february-1966/">http://www.usscalvert.com/2020/06/01/captain-wards-letter-to-families-and-friends-february-1966/</a>  Note: This letter was air mailed to recipients, sent from Hong Kong, S.C.C. dated February 1st. However it refers to the Calvert's early-December visit to Hong Kong, not February 1966.
1965	December	8	Hong Kong Harbor Underway to Okinawa	Moored as before, buoy A-32, Hong Kong Harbor.  0745 Underway for Okinawa. 1121 Changed speed to 16 knots.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, December 1965. Selected entries.
1965	December	9 - 10	Underway to Okinawa	Underway as before, steaming independently.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, December 1965. Selected entries.

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1965	December	11	Underway to Okinawa Buckner Bay, Okinawa	Underway as before, steaming independently, speed 11.5 knots. 0907 Moored, starboard side to Pier Bravo, Buckner Bay, Okinawa. 1535 Underway to special anchorage. 1548 Anchored in special anchorage Sierra.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, December 1965. Selected entries.
1965	December	11 - 12	Buckner Bay, Okinawa	Anchored as before.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, December 1965. Selected entries.
1965	December	13	Buckner Bay, Okinawa Underway to Sasebo, Japan	Anchored as before. 1400 Underway for Sasebo, Japan. Maneuvering to clear harbor. 1442 Changed speed to 15 knots	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, December 1965. Selected entries.
1965	December	14	Underway to Sasebo, Japan	Underway as before, steaming independently.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, December 1965. Selected entries.
1965	December	15	Underway to Sasebo, Japan Sasebo, Japan	0000 Underway as before, steaming independently. 1025 Moored starboard side to USS Castor (AKS-1) at Pier India 2, Sasebo, Japan.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, December 1965. Selected entries.
1965	December	16	Sasebo, Japan	0000 Moored as before. 2) "At Sasebo on the southern island of Kyushu where we encountered our first snowfall in WESTPAC."	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, December 1965. Selected entries. 2) Excerpt of Captain Ward's Letter to Family & Friends of Calvert. Dated February 1, 1966. Online: <a href="http://www.usscalvert.com/2020/06/01/captain-wards-letter-to-families-and-friends-february-1966/">http://www.usscalvert.com/2020/06/01/captain-wards-letter-to-families-and-friends-february-1966/</a>
1965	December	17	Sasebo, Japan Underway to Okinawa	0000 Moored as before. 1203 Electrical fire in wardroom galley. 1207 Fire out, no damage. 1954 Underway independently for Buckner Bay, Okinawa. 2215 Speed 15 knots.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, December 1965. Selected entries.
1965	December	18	Underway to Okinawa	Underway as before, steaming independently.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, December 1965. Selected entries.
1965	December	19	Underway to Okinawa Buckner Bay, Okinawa	0836 Moored starboard side to Pier Bravo, Buckner Bay, Okinawa 0927 Commenced fueling form US Army Petroleum Services, White Beach, Buckner Bay, Okinawa. 1000 Fueling completed. 2) The Calvert returned to Okinawa, picked up more Marines, and carried them to Da Nang harbor.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, December 1965. Selected entries.



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				<p>"For all those who sailed and served on the Calvert I include another picture. It's the Calvert docked in Okinawa just before we (1st Service Battalion, USMC) loaded aboard. The picture was developed in 1966." - James Matsumoto, USMC</p>	<p>1) <a href="http://www.jamesmats.com/this-and-more-of-that/">This and More of That</a>, James Matsumoto's website Sourced online, May 2020: <a href="http://www.jamesmats.com/this-and-more-of-that/">http://www.jamesmats.com/this-and-more-of-that/</a></p> <p>Editor's note: This photograph clearly shows two Gunnery "E" hash marks (awarded by Comphibron Five) that the Calvert's gun crews earned in prior gunnery exercises.</p>
1965	December	19 - 20	Pier Bravo, Buckner Bay, Okinawa		
1965	December	20	Buckner Bay, Okinawa Underway for Da Nang, South Vietnam	<p>0000 Moored as before. The ship is in condition of readiness V with material condition yoke (modified) set.</p> <p>1000 Underway, steering various courses and speeds to clear the harbor. 1045 Speed 16 knots.</p> <p>2) After loading critical supplies, the Calvert set sail for Da Nang, South Vietnam.</p>	<p>Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, December 1965. Selected entries.</p> <p>2) Cullen, Page 33</p>



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1965	November	21 - 23	Underway for Da Nang, South Vietnam	Steaming independently enroute from Buckner Bay, Okinawa to Chu Lai, Vietnam. 2) "The Calvert, as I remember it, had porcelain commodes and was air-conditioned. It only took three days to sail from Okinawa to South Vietnam; I could have wished for a longer journey. I enjoyed sailing on her." James Matsumoto, USMC	<u>Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, December 1965. Selected entries.</u> 2) <u>Errata Plus Ships</u> , James Matsumoto's website Sourced online, May 2020: <a href="http://www.jamesmats.com/erratum">http://www.jamesmats.com/erratum</a>
1965	December	24	Underway for Da Nang, South Vietnam	Steaming independently enroute from Buckner Bay, Okinawa to Danang, S. Vietnam. Speed 12 knots. The ship is in condition of readiness IV with material condition yoke set. 2) The Calvert and crew earned the Vietnam Service Medal on December 24th for participation in Vietnam Defense support activities.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, December 1965. Selected entries. 2) Navsource online <a href="http://www.navsource.org/archives/10/03/03032.htm">http://www.navsource.org/archives/10/03/03032.htm</a>
1965	December	25	Da Nang harbor, South Vietnam	0000 Steaming as before. Speed 10 knots. Ship is in condition of readiness III with condition Yoke set. 0800 Maneuvering on various courses and speeds to anchorage. 0835 Anchored, Da Nang, South Vietnam on the following bearings: Culao right tangent 356 deg, Tiensha Peninsula left tangent 046 deg, Observatory Lt 043 deg, Water Tower #1 116 deg, Water Tower #2 152.5 deg, Anchored in 42 ft of water with 60 fathoms of chain to the port anchor, mud bottom. 1136 Set Condition One Alpha. 1615 Secured from Condition One Alpha.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, December 1965. Selected entries.

#### Christmas Day, 1965 - Combat Information Center, Operations Division



Ensign Philip K. Selden, Ensign, Assistant CIC Officer, 1965 - 1966. Personal photographs. Online:  
<https://www.usscalvert.com/2017/01/28/1965-66-westpac-cruise-photographs-ensign-philip-k-selden/>

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### Station Ship, Da Nang Harbor - December 25, 1965 to January 19, 1966

1) "Christmas 1965 found the Calvert in Da Nang off-loading war supplies. She remained there until January 18, 1966 as Station Ship, and as such served as a vital communications and logistics link between the Seventh Fleet and Da Nang in addition to providing accommodations for personnel attached to various components of the Naval Support Activity there."

2) Christmas found Calvert in DaNang, once again unloading critical war supplies for our forces in the embattled hills of vietnam. We remained in DaNang until 18 January, serving as a vital long-range communications link for ships of the Seventh Fleet and our support headquarters ashore, in addition to providing accomodations for personnel attached to various components of the Naval Support Activity in DaNang. After being relieved by the USS Magoffin, another ship of Amphibious Squadron Five we made a brief stop at the extensive Marine Base at Chu Lai, S. Vietnam

3) "The Calvert served as a floating hotel for crews unloading ships in that busy port."

4) "Were navy personnel stationed in DaNang Billeted on the USSCALVERT in December 1965 and January 1966"

5) Crew members aboard the Calvert for this period are eligible for Agent Orange Claims as the Calvert is officially recorded as a "Brown Water Ship" for this time in Da Nang harbor and while ashore.

"Calvert (APA-32) | (Amphibious Attack Transport) | Entered inland waters of Qui Nhon Bay during October 1965 | Served as Da Nang Harbor station ship with crewmembers going ashore from November 1965 through January 1966

6) The Calvert and crew earned the Vietnam Service Medal for the period December 25, 1965 to January 19, 1966 during the Vietnamese Counter Offensive campaign.



1) Cullen, Page 33

2) Excerpt of Captain Ward's Letter to Family & Friends of Calvert. Dated February 1, 1966.

Online:

<http://www.usscalvert.com/2020/06/01/captain-wards-letter-to-families-and-friends-february-1966/>

3) [Navy Transport Ends Last Trip In Her Third War](#), San Diego Union, 1966  
Calversion, V17 P9, Robert Zimmerman

4) Website comment, Roger Smith. Online:  
<https://www.usscalvert.com/crew/calverts-65-66-westpac-cruise-book/>

5) Brown Water Ships, online:  
<http://www.publichealth.va.gov/exposures/agentorange/shiplist/list.asp#C> and  
<https://www.usscalvert.com/2013/08/23/uss-calvert-added-the-brown-water-ship-list-agent-orange-disability-claims/>

6) Navsource online:  
<http://www.navsource.org/archives/10/03/03032.htm>

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Crew recollections from this period of time:					
				1) "... the Calvert was required to provide security for the port and also furnish boats and hatch crews to off load merchant ship's cargo visiting the port. The crew of the Calvert was superb in every respect, even though they were working under terrible conditions. In the month of December we experienced 54 inches of rain and, furthermore, we had to be constantly alert for floating booby traps and under water swimmers."	1) Calversion, Vol 40, P5. John G. Ward - Commanding Officer, 28-Jul-1965 to 18-May-1966
				2) "Da Nang Harbor was lit up like a Christmas tree."	2) Interview, Lou Christiansen, 2014
				3) "We shuffled a lot of cargo off those civilian vessels." - Wasey Broussard, EN2 in Boat shop	3, 4) Crew member comments at USS Calvert website <a href="http://www.usscalvert.com/crew/calverts-65-66-westpac-cruise-book/">http://www.usscalvert.com/crew/calverts-65-66-westpac-cruise-book/</a>
				4) "The heavy work load in NAM was tiring and rewarding." - Dennis D. Willess	5) Calversion Vol 29, P3
				5) "I would like to mention that I very well remember Captain May. He was a sharp, savvy Marine. I served under him while I was assigned to several landing parties, board & search patrols. He taught me many things when assigned to those details, especially during our time in Vietnam, while on board and search patrols in Qui Nhon Bay, Danang Harbor and other parts of Nam that I can hardly remember. Capt. May taught us many things especially what to look for and expect while on patrols." - Bob Filindi, SM3."	6) Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, December 1965. Selected entries.
				6) Editor's note: During this time various crew members reported for duty as beach guard, shore patrol, and other temporary shore and logistical assignments.	
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				1) <u>Letter of Commendation to &lt;name of crewman&gt;, Radio Division</u>	
				From: Commanding Officer, USS Calvert (APA-32) To: <crew member's name>, <service number>, <rating/rank>, <USN or USNR> Subj: Letter of Commendation	1) Warren Burch, email correspondence, April 19, 2020
				1. During the period 25 December 1965 thru 16 January 1966, Calvert was assigned duty as Station Ship, DaNang, RVN. In addition during this period, Commanding Officer, USS Calvert functioned as Commander, Task Unit 76.0.0. These assignments resulted in communications work load that was approximately six times normal load. Throughout this period you expeditiously and professionally executed all assigned duties, giving unselfishly of many hours of your own time outside of normal watch time and working hours. By your diligence and devotion to duty, you contributed in a most significant manner to Calvert's efficient performance.	1) Letter of Commendation Online: <a href="http://www.usscalvert.com/2020/05/05/letter-of-commendation-danang-vietnam-12-25-1965-01-16-1966/">http://www.usscalvert.com/2020/05/05/letter-of-commendation-danang-vietnam-12-25-1965-01-16-1966/</a>
				2. You are commended for your distinguished performance of duty throughout this period which represents outstanding achievement and reflects the utmost credit on yourself and the United States Navy.	2) Skip (RC) Steedsman, via website comment.
				3. A copy of this letter will be made a part of your permanent service record.	Online: <a href="http://www.usscalvert.com/2020/05/05/letter-of-commendation-danang-vietnam-12-25-1965-01-16-1966/">http://www.usscalvert.com/2020/05/05/letter-of-commendation-danang-vietnam-12-25-1965-01-16-1966/</a>
				Signed: J.G. Ward	
				2) " I also recall the heavy work load our watch sections had during this period, lots of incoming and outgoing message traffic."	
				Editor's note: Notwithstanding the previous reference to shore duty assignments, and except for December 29th and January 1st, there are no notable events from the Calvert's deck log for the period December 25th to January 17	
1965	December	26 - 31	Da Nang harbor, South Vietnam	December 29: 1740 Electrical fire on #1 hatch, general quarters was sounded. 1753 fire was reported out, secured from general quarters.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, December 1965. Selected entries.



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New Year's Poem – 1966 – by Ens. J.P. Daily, USNR - As written in the Calvert's Deck Log for the 00-04 watch.

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REMARKS

00-04 THIS HOPEFUL NEW YEARS DAY  
BEGINS FOR US IN DANANG BAY  
THE ANCHOR'S IN MUD BY THE PORT CHAIN  
SIXTY FATHOMS ARE OUT, MODERATE STRAIN.  
YOKE (MODIFIED) IS SET, CONDITION OF READINESS II  
TWO THOUSAND YARDS THE DISTANCE TO THE NEAREST SHORE  
CULAO-HAU ISLAND BEARS 004 RIGHT TANGENT TRUE.  
AT 040 TIESHA PENINSULAR IS BEARING TOO.  
OBSERVATORY LIGHT IN ADDITION TO THESE RIDES  
OUR COMPASS AT ZERO SIX SIX DEGREES,  
GENERATORS 1 AND 2 A.C. AND D.C. TOO RUNNING FINE  
AND BOILER #2 IS ON THE LINE.  
CALVERT IS SOPA AND NEARBY MAY BE FOUND  
NEARLY A SCORE OF MERCHANT SHIPS ALL ANCHOR BOUND  
PRESENT ARE VARIOUS UNITS OF SERUDAC AND MSTS  
ONE APL, SOME LST'S AND YARD CRAFT MISCELLANEOUS  
WE MUST KEEP IN MIND THAT ALL THIS WILL PASS  
AND THAT WE ARE NEITHER THE FIRST NOR WILL BE THE LAST  
TO BE CALLED UPON OUR DUTY TO PERFORM  
AND HELP PROTECT THE LAND TO WHICH WE ARE BORN  
SO SIT WE HERE IN DA NANG BAY  
AND TIME PASSES SLOWLY, DAY BY DAY

*J.P. Daily*  
ENS. USNR

Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, December 1965. Selected entries.

Also available at the USS Calvert website  
<http://www.usscalvert.com/2013/06/07/new-years-poem-1966-by-ens-j-p-daily-usnr/>

1966 January 1 Da Nang harbor, South Vietnam

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Anchored in Da Nang Harbor, South Vietnam with 60 fathoms of the port anchor chain on the deck (mud bottom) with the following bearings: Observatory light 061.5 deg, Breakwater Light #4 117.5 deg, Breakwater Light #5 145.3 deg. Ship has #1 boiler, #1 & 32 A.C. and #1 & #2 DC generators on the line providing ships power. Condition of readiness V with material condition "yoke" modified set throughout the ship. SOPA is commanding officer USS Calvert (APA-32).

Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, January 1966. Selected entries.

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Da Nang harbor, South Vietnam




Left: Ensign Philip K. Selden, Assistant CIC Officer, USS Calvert, 1965 - 1966. Personal photograph collection. Online: <https://www.usscalvert.com/2017/01/28/1965-66-westpac-cruise-photographs-ensign-philip-k-selden/>

Right: 1965 Westpac & 1966 WestPac Video Footage. Provided by the family of James Chernak, RM3/2 - 1964 -1966. Online: <https://www.usscalvert.com/2020/02/16/1965-westpac-1966-westpac-video-footage/>





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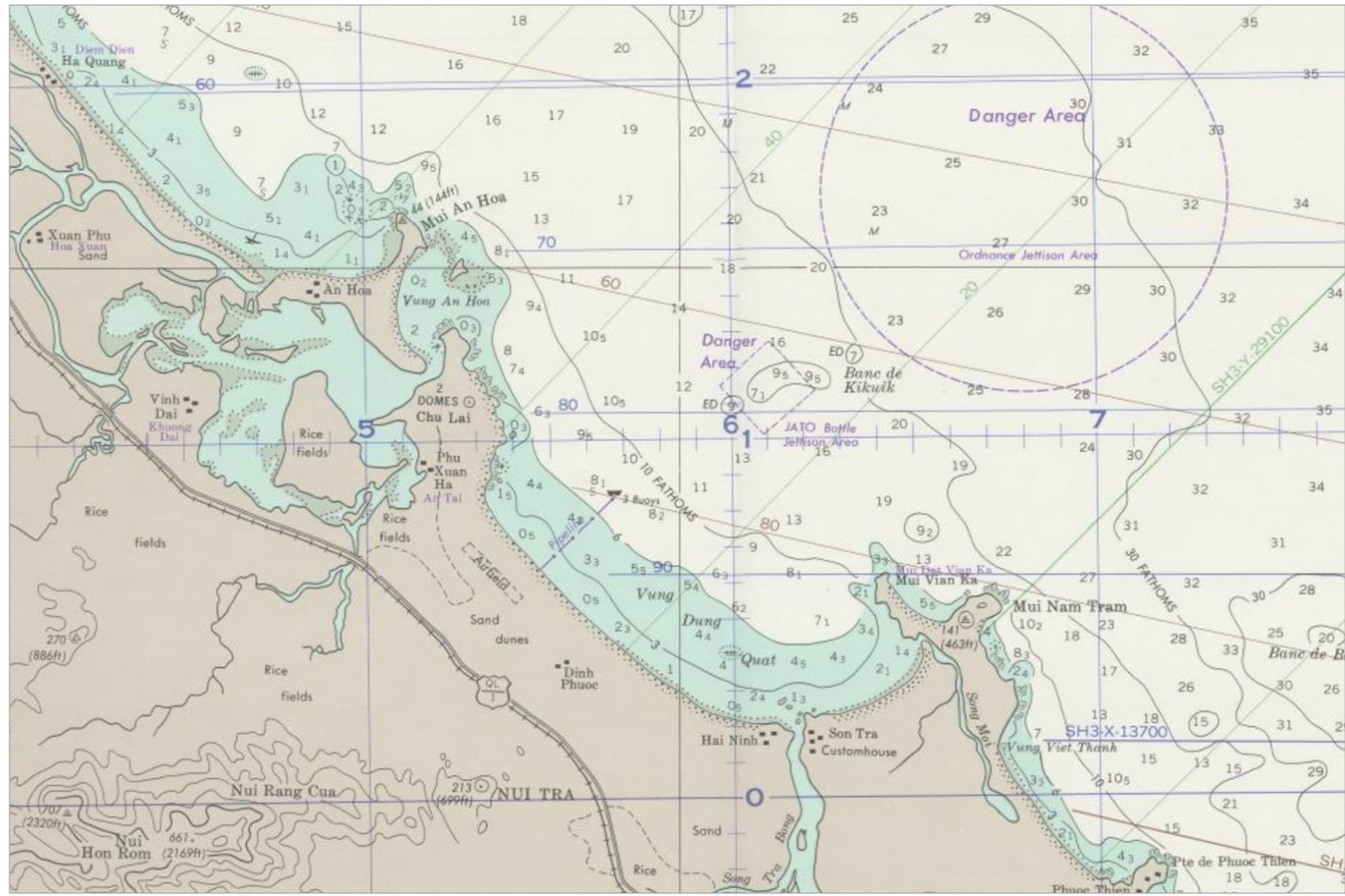


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			Da Nang Harbor		



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				0000 Anchored as before, Da Nang Harbor.	
1966	January	17	Da Nang harbor, South Vietnam	0853 Underway, steering various courses and various speeds to clear harbor.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, December 1965. Selected entries.
			Underway for Chu Lai, Vietnam	1337 Anchored at Chu Lai, South Vietnam. Bearings on Baie De An Hoa Island, Phu Xuan Ha Peninsula, Point Interieure (sp?). 1445 Set Condition One Alpha Modified.	2) Cullen - pg. 33
				2) Upon being relieved as station ship, she made a brief stop at Chu Lai, South Vietnam.	



Chu Lai, Vietnam

Extract of chart: South Pacific Ocean : Vietnam : Mui Batangan to Ban Dao Tien Sa. No. 93500 1:149,500 scale. United States Defense Mapping Agency Hydrographic Center. 1973

Full chart online: <https://library.ucsd.edu/dc/object/bb55302464>



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1966	January	18	Chu Lai, Vietnam	0000 Anchored as before. 0824 Fire reported in # 3 hold. Sounded general quarters. 0831 report of fire determined to be malfunction of alarm board. Secured from general quarters. 2) "We made a brief stop at the extensive Marine Base at Chu Lai, S. Vietnam."	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, December 1965. Selected entries. 2) Captain Ward's letter to Families and Friends of the Calvert (see further below).
1966	January	19	Chu Lai, VN Underway for Subic Bay, Philippines	0000 Anchored as before. The ship is in condition One Alfa (modified). 0040 Set the anchor detail. 0216 Underway for Subic Bay, Philippines. 2) The ship sailed for Subic Bay for minor ship's upkeep.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, January 1966. Selected entries. 2) Cullen - pg. 33
1966	January	20	Underway to Subic Bay, Philippines	Underway as before, steaming independently. Speed 15.7 knots.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, January 1966. Selected entries.
1966	January	21	Underway to Subic Bay, Philippines Subic Bay, Philippines	0000 Underway as before, steaming independently. 0851 Moored portside to Rivera Point Pier, berths 13 and 14, Subic Bay, Philippines. 2) A brief period of upkeep in Subic Bay.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, January 1966. Selected entries. Excerpt of Captain Ward's Letter to Family & Friends of Calvert. Dated February 1, 1966. Online: <a href="http://www.usscalvert.com/2020/06/01/captain-wards-letter-to-families-and-friends-february-1966/">http://www.usscalvert.com/2020/06/01/captain-wards-letter-to-families-and-friends-february-1966/</a>
1966	January	21 - 26	Subic Bay, Philippines	Moored as before, port side to Rivera Point, Pier, berths 13 and 14.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, January 1966. Selected entries.
1966	January	27	Subic Bay, Philippines Underway to Hong Kong	0000 Moored as before. 0754 Underway, steering various courses and speeds to clear the harbor. 0844 Changed speed to 16 knots.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, January 1966. Selected entries.
1966	January	28	Underway to Hong Kong	0000 Underway as before, steaming independently at 15 knots. 2134 Set the underway detail, steering various courses and speeds to approach the USS Chemung (AO-30). 2307 Alongside USS Chemunge (AO-30). 2336 Commenced transfer of medical patient. 2339 Patient on board this ship. 2353 Commenced breaking away at various courses and speeds. 2359 Secured the underway transfer detail.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, January 1966. Selected entries.
1966	January	29	Underway to Hong Kong Hong Kong Harbor	0000 Underway as before, steaming independently. 1410 Moored to buoy A-41, Hong Kong Harbor.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, January 1966. Selected entries.
1966	January	30 - 31	Hong Kong Harbor	Moored as before, buoy A-41, Hong Kong Harbor	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, January 1966. Selected entries.



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1966	February	1 - 2	Hong Kong Harbor	Moored as before, buoy A-41, Hong Kong Harbor	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, February 1966. Selected entries.
<b>Announcing the upcoming inactivation of the USS Calvert.</b>					
Excerpt from Captain Ward's Letter to Family & Friends of Calvert, dated February 1, 1966					
1966	February	1	Hong Kong Harbor	<p>"As most of you realize, USS Calvert has been directed to report to the Pacific Reserve Fleet for inactivation at the Mare Island Naval Shipyard in Vallejo, California. The inactivation of a ship of the fleet is always an event tinged with sadness but in the case of Calvert it will be especially unhappy for many. Her history has paralleled that of the Navy during her lifetime and her crew has made every sacrifice in support of our national objectives. A participant in the major campaigns of the Second World War, from North Africa to the tropical jungles of the Pacific, she continued in amphibious operations during the Korean Campaign and this year in Vietnam.</p> <p>But as the scope of the Navy's international commitments continue to expand, Calvert must yield her place in the active fleet to newer, faster, and more technologically sophisticated ships. Though she will soon leave her active role in the Navy she will always carry with her a stellar record of performance in her country's service, a record established long ago and zealously maintained through the years by the diligence, enthusiasm and hard work of those who have sailed in her."</p> <p>Sincerely, John G. Ward, Captain, U.S. Navy</p>	<p>Captain Ward's Letter to Family &amp; Friends of Calvert. Dated February 1, 1966. Online: <a href="http://www.usscalvert.com/2020/06/01/captain-wards-letter-to-families-and-friends-february-1966/">http://www.usscalvert.com/2020/06/01/captain-wards-letter-to-families-and-friends-february-1966/</a></p> <p>This letter was air mailed to recipients, sent from Hong Kong, S.C.C.</p>
1966	February	1 - 2	Hong Kong Harbor	Moored as before, buoy A-41, Hong Kong Harbor	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, February 1966. Selected entries.
1966	February	3	Hong Kong Harbor Underway to Pearl Harbor	Moored as before, buoy A-41, Hong Kong Harbor 0756 Underway. 0901 Set speed to 15.7 knots.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, February 1966. Selected entries.
1966	February	4	Underway to Pearl Harbor	0000 Underway. Steaming independently from Hong Kong, BCC to Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. 0351 All stop due to loss of vacuum. Main circulating pump cut out. No apparent damage. 0353 Set speed to 16 kts. The ship is in condition of readiness IV with material condition "yoke" set. 0816 Exercised the crew at General Quarters. 0858 Secured from General Quarters.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, January 1966. Selected entries.
1966	February	5	Underway to Pearl Harbor	0000 Underway as before. Speed 15.7 knots. 1355 Held fire drill. 1408 Secured from fire drill.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, January 1966. Selected entries.

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1966	February	6	Underway to Pearl Harbor	0000 Underway as before. Speed 15.7 knots.  1355 Held fire drill. 1408 Secured from fire drill. 1540 Set speed to 16 knots. 1615 All stop. Lost vacuum in engine room. 1618 Set speed to 5 knots. 1623 Set speed to 10 knots. 1626 Set speed to 16 knots. Loss of vacuum due to bilge drain allowing air into main condenser. No apparent damage encountered.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, February 1966. Selected entries.
1966	February	7 - 16	Underway to Pearl Harbor	Underway as before, steaming at 16 knots.  Feb 14: 1530 Crossed the International Date Line.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, February 1966. Selected entries.
1966	February	17	Underway to Pearl Harbor  Pearl Harbor	0000 Underway as before, steaming independently at 15.3 knots.  1637 Moored port side to berth K-7, Pearl Harbor.  1800 Commenced taking on fuel. 2120 Completed refueling.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, February 1966. Selected entries.
1966	February	18	Pearl Harbor  Underway to San Diego Pearl Harbor	0000 Moored as before.  1953 Underway for San Diego. 2044 Set speed 15.7 knots.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, February 1966. Selected entries.
1966	February	19	Underway to San Diego	0000 Underway as before, steaming independently to San Diego.  1330 Commenced full power run. 1400 changed speed to 16.5 knots. 1803 changed speed to 15.7 knots.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, February 1966. Selected entries.
1966	February	20 to 26	Underway to San Diego	Underway as before, steaming independently to San Diego.  Feb 21: 0020 Engineering casualty on the main condensate pump. 0121 Engineering casualty restored.  Feb 22: 1953 Changed speed to 16.3 knots. 2150 Lost steam pressure. Loss of pressure due to salt water entering port fuel oil settling tank. 2230 Casualty restored. No apparent damage. Set speed to 96 rpm, 16 knots.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, February 1966. Selected entries.

Year	Month	Day	Location / Movement	Historical Details	Sources, Notes
1966	February	26	Underway to San Diego San Diego	<p>0000 Underway as before, steaming independently.  0058 Changed speed to 9 knots.  0453 Changed speed to 7.5 knots.  0526 Changed speed to 6 knots.  0555 Changed speed to 5 knots. 30 RPM.</p> <p>1019 Moored port side to Berth 36, Pier 3, U.S. Naval Station, San Diego.</p> <p>2) Vessel Due Back Today  The attack transport Calvert (APA-32) will return to San Diego today from six months of duty transporting troops and supplies to Viet Nam. The ship will tie up at Pier 3 at the Naval Station. Since it left last August the Calvert has steamed 25,000 miles and has made three trips to Viet Nam. It carried troops of the Korean "Tiger" Division to Qui Nhon, and delivered supplies to Da Nang and Chu Lai.</p>	<p>Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, February 1966. Selected entries.</p> <p>2) San Diego Union. Saturday, February 26, 1966.</p>

#### Returning to home port, February 26, 1965. Pier 3, San Diego.



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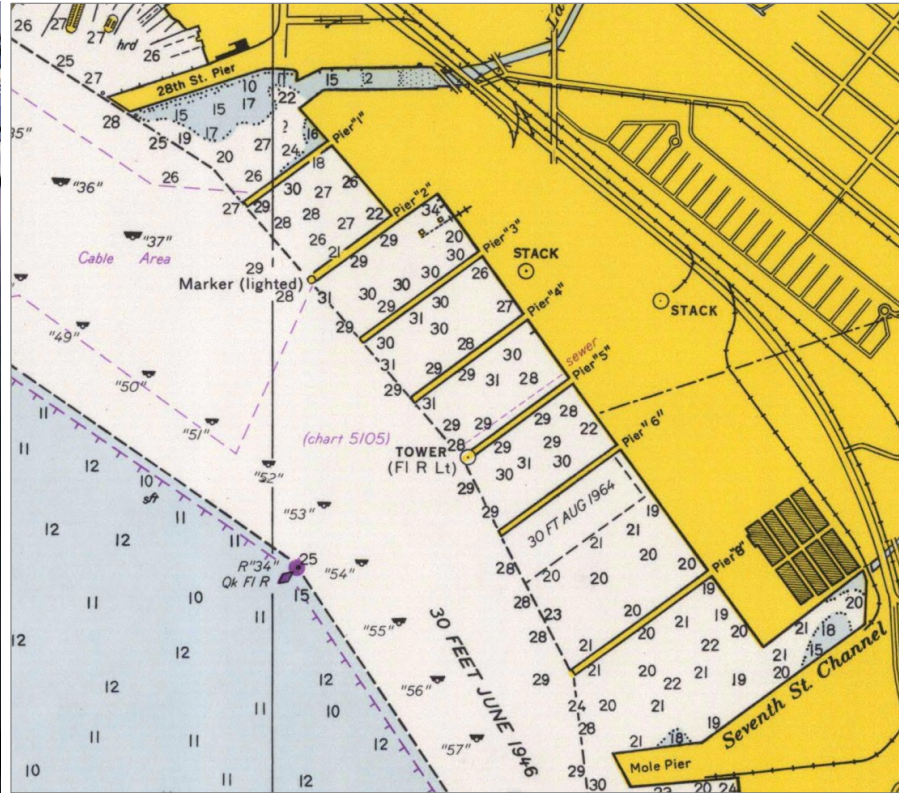
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Approaching Pier 3. Captain Ward and LCDR Poyette shown.

Chart of Piers, U.S. Naval Station, San Diego



Source: Ensign Philip K. Selden  
 Assistant CIC officer, USS Calvert APA-32  
 June 1965 until May 1966



**Sources, Notes**

Photograph: Ensign Philip K. Selden, Assistant CIC Officer, USS Calvert, 1965 - 1966. Personal photograph collection. Online: <https://www.usscalvert.com/2017/01/28/1965-66-westpac-cruise-photographs-ensign-philip-k-selden/>

Chart, an extract of: Chart # 5107, San Diego Bay. US Coastal and Geodetic Survey. 26th Edition, May 1966 1:20,000 scale. Soundings in feet.

Full chart online: <https://www.historicalcharts.noaa.gov/image.php?filename=5107-5-1966>



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Returning to home port, February 26, 1965. Pier 3, San Diego. Family members waiting on the pier for their loved ones aboard the Calvert.



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				<b>A Veteran Comes Home</b> Jack E. Hancock	
				As four U.S. Naval ships returned home from war in Vietnam, on a Saturday in February 1966, Military Writer Robert Zimmerman must have known three sleek Destroyers would receive the bulk of the newshole slated for the Sunday morning San Diego Union's local section.	
				And on Sunday it proved out as the Sunday Editor made a splash with three wonderful destroyer and crew photographs across the top full-width of picture-page-B showing a happy reunion with banner headline: "Combat Duty Ends With A Smile."	
				Sailors at sea, not on watch or working, can be found lining the rail when a Destroyer comes alongside a larger ship for high-line passing of movies, fuel or such. Described sometimes as Greyhounds of the Sea, the small maneuverable ships can display instant get-up and go at the end of the show.. They are a beautiful sight to behold. It is quite common for an Old Salt manning the rail to quietly exclaim, "Here comes the Navy."	Email, Jack E. Hancock, February 15, 2022
				But writer Zimmerman recognized the story, that day, was about a veteran coming home -.the USS Calvert APA-32.	
				A wise lay-out-editor attached the story to the San Diego Union's local page masthead, page A-9 - marking history with place, title and date for Sunday morning readers.	
				"Navy Transport Ends Last Trip In Her 3rd War" - the headline read.	
				(San Diego Union's historical archives, Page A-9 and continuing story Page A-10, February 27 1966.)	
				Captain R.B. Ricks words appeared guarded in his descriptive narrative news interview, on this the Calvert's last war, possibly because "Loose lips sink ships." or it could have been the Union's page count required judicious editing. Not stated in the story was the ship also served as a, rotating shore patrol in Da Nang, Beach Guard first posted Dec. 26 1965, Da Nang, Staff Duty Officer supplied for Da Nang and multiple rotating Beach Guards, noted in declassified Deck Log began logging in and out on daily basis. Multiple temporary assigned duties, including reporting to Provost Marshall's Office logged 29 Dec. 65 in ship's log. Communication relay for the fleet expanded to six times the normal load, Shore Patrol as well as Beach Guard logged as a continuing pattern beginning 28 Dec. 65. boat taxi service, bay boat security patrol, supply courier, open kitchen and more untold notable billets.	
				The Calvert, beautiful in design and dependable, was a work horse. With a scooped tale for ride and designed as a commercial freighter, she rode the sea smoothly Originally designed to also carry paying passengers. Word could get around if the ride wasn't smooth. Later her design proved right smart to serve as a hotel for workers unloading ships in Da Nang, Vietnam.	
				A Naval ship is a sailor's home during sea duty and for a majority of sailors their true home. The crew is a sailor's family. It was an amiable crew while aboard in 1965-66. Ships acquire a name through their officers and crew. The Calvert had a name for being shipshape, available throughout her history to answer any call and known for getting the job done. We felt safe and we had confidence in our officers.	
				And we have pictures. The crew had a wonderful photographer in Ensign Philip K. Selden, who historically preserved the Calvert in both bright and brooding light with striking picture results in Vietnam and upon our return home in her last tour.	

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1966	February	27	San Diego	<p>San Diego Union. February 27, 1966.</p> <p>"Altogether, the four ships returning yesterday brought more than 1,000 men home from a six-month absence. Hundreds of wives and children were awaiting on Naval Station piers for their return. The Calvert will go to San Francisco for decommissioning on June 30, and then will join Reserve Fleet at the Mare Island shipyard."</p> <p>The attack transport Calvert (APA32) returned to San Diego from Viet Nam yesterday, an old veteran ready for retirement. ... is heading for the mothball "fleet" this summer. ... "She's a fine old ship and in good shape," he said, "But the Navy has newer ships that can carry more people and have more modern equipment."</p>	San Diego Union. February 27, 1965. Calversion, Vol 17, p9. Article provided by Robert Zimmerman
1966	February	28	San Diego	Moored port side to pier 3, Berth 36, US Naval Station, San Diego.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, February 1966. Selected entries.
1966	March	1 - 21	San Diego	<p>Moored port side to pier 3, Berth 36, US Naval Station, San Diego. The ship is in a cold iron status.</p> <p><b>2) Awarded Excellence "E" in Communication; Excellence "E" in Operations.</b></p> <p>On March 18, 1966 the Calvert was notified that she had received the ComPhibron Five award for Excellence in Communication. This award was due, in large part, to the Calvert's handling of the enormous amount of communication traffic as station ship in Da Nang. Based on this award and previous administrative and material inspection, the Calvert was also presented the ComPhibRon Five award for Excellence in Operations.</p>	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, March 1966. Selected entries. 2) Cullen - pg 34
1966	March	22	San Diego Anaheim Ammunition Depot	<p>0000 Moored as before.</p> <p>0757 Underway.</p> <p>1613 Moored starboard side to Anaheim Ammunition Depot.</p>	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, March 1966. Selected entries.
1966	March	23	Anaheim Ammunition Depot	<p>0000 Moored starboard side to Anaheim Ammunition Depot</p> <p>1301 Completed offloading the following ammunition:  5 inch 38 powder 503 rounds  5 inch 38 projectiles 460 rounds  3 inch 50 various types 1126 rounds  40 millimeter 13,698 rounds  22 long rifle 3000 rounds  30 cal. various types 44,920 rounds  12 ga shot gun "00" 222 rounds  30 cal. carbine blI 81,592 rounds  45 cal ball 1,150 rounds  Hand grenades various types 225  Signal and illumination flares 174</p>	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, March 1966. Selected entries.



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1965 June 24 Anaheim Ammunition Depot - Seal Beach area

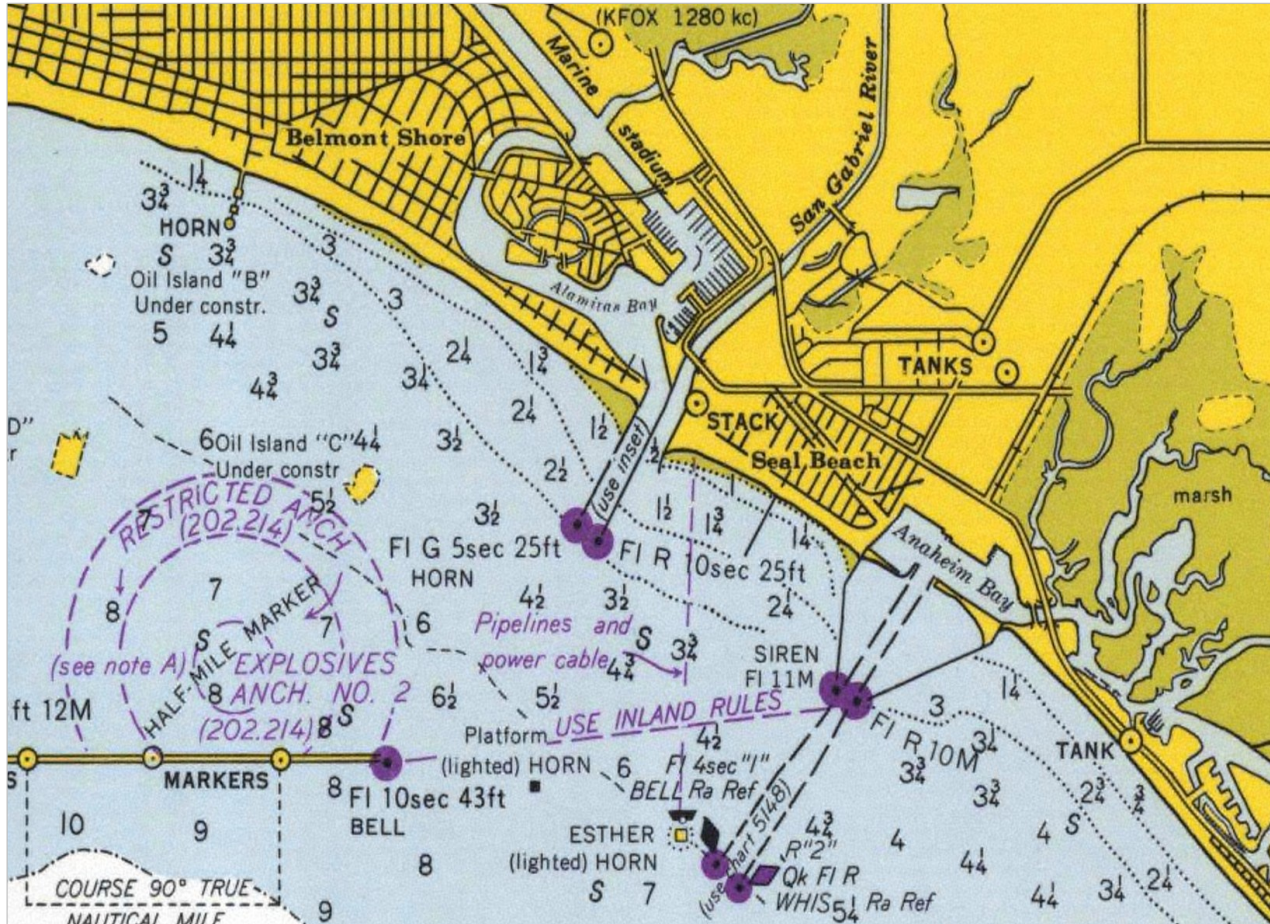


Chart: Extract of: San Pedro Channel, Chart #5142  
 1:80,000 scale. Soundings in feet.  
 U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey Map, 1966  
 Full chart online:  
<https://www.historicalcharts.noaa.gov/ima.ge.php?filename=5142-4-1966>

0000 Moored starboard side to Anaheim Ammunition Depot

1966 March 24 San Diego 0828 Underway for San Diego Naval Station.

Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, March 1966. Selected entries.

1548 Moored portside to Pier 3, berth 36, San Diego Naval Station

1966 March 25 - 30 San Diego, US Naval Station Moored as before.

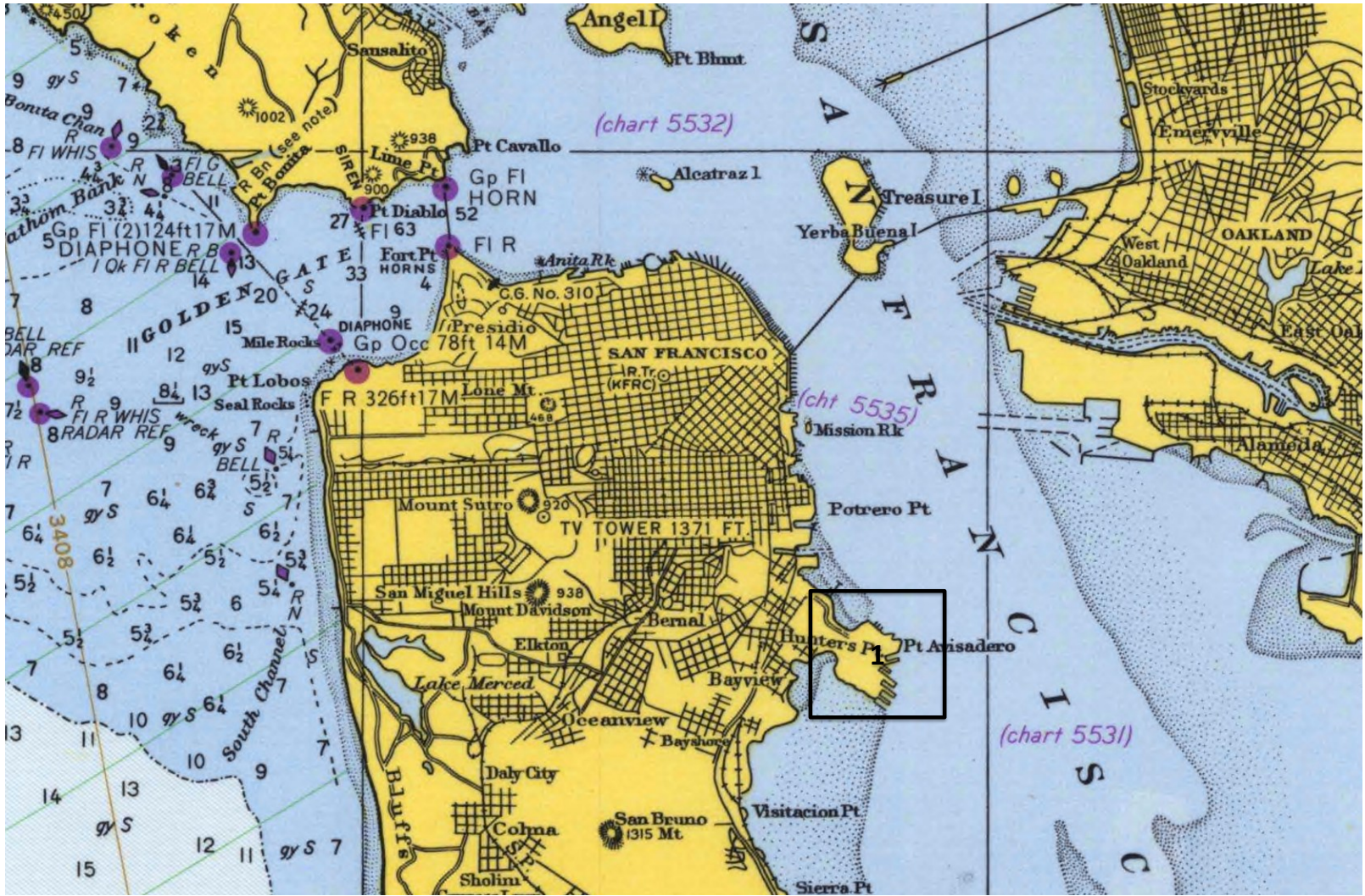
Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, March 1966. Selected entries.

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1966	April	Entire Month	San Diego, US Naval Station	<p>Moored portside to pier 3, berth 36, U.S. Naval Station, San Diego, California with standard mooring lines doubled and a 1/4" wire for and aft to the pier. The ship is in condition of readiness IV with material condition Yoke (modified) set. The ship is receiving all services from the pier.</p> <p>Beginning April 7: as above, with additional comment: "The engineering plant is in cold iron status."</p> <p>Beginning April 17: as above, with change in "condition of readiness" from IV to V.</p> <p>April 19: 1330: Changed berths outboard of USS Magoffin (APA-199).</p> <p>April 20: Moored port side to the USS Magoffin (APA 199) pier 3, berth 32.</p> <p>April 25: 1240: Set the special sea and anchor detail. 1326 Underway to shift berths to berth 36, US Naval Station, San Diego. 1334 Moored port side to berth 36, pier 3. 1348 Secured the special sea and anchor detail.</p>	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, April 1966. Selected entries.
1966	May	1 - 18	San Diego, US Naval Station	<p>May 1: Moored port side to pier 3, berth 36 ... The ship is in a condition of readiness V with material condition "yoke" (modified) set. The engineering plant is in a cold iron status. Receiving all services from the pier.</p> <p>May 8: Crew member reported shot and then died later that day.</p> <p>Mid-May: USS Union AKA-106 moored outboard to starboard.</p>	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, May 1966. Selected entries.
1966	May	18 - 20	San Diego San Francisco, Hunter's Point Naval Shipyard	<p><b>Final Cruise, Family Cruise: San Diego to San Francisco</b></p> <p>1) "On our return trip to the United States we received word from CNO that Calvert would be decommissioned at Hunters Point, San Francisco. Our home port was San Diego and the majority of crew wanted to take their families to San Francisco. I sent a message to CNO requesting premissison for the families to come aboard and make the trip from San Diego to San Francisco on board the Calvert. Our request was approved and we departed San Diego late in the afternoon and had two nights at sea. I am sure many will remember this eventful cruise."</p> <p>2) "The USS Calvert departed San Diego for San Francisco Wednesday, May 18, to be placed in the reserve fleet after nearly 24 years of service. As the last mooring line was slipped Calvert backed away from pier 3 for the last time with many dependents on board for the 2-day trip to San Francisco. The strain of Anchors Aweigh played by the CruDesPac Band provided a fitting farewell to this old stalwart of the Amphibious Force."</p> <p>3) May 18th, 1966 the USS Calvert "bade a last farewell to San Diego and departed for Hunter's Point Naval Shipyard where she commenced her inactivation under the guidance of the Federal Maritime Administration."</p>	<p>1) Calversion, Vol 40, p5 John G. Ward - Commanding Officer, July 28 1965 to May 18, 1966 (or June 30, 1966)</p> <p>2) <u>USS Calvert to reserve fleet</u>, Coronado Eagle and Journal, Volume 53, Number 21, 26 May 1966, p4 <a href="https://cdnc.ucr.edu/cgi-bin/cdnc?a=d&amp;d=CJ19660526.1.4&amp;">https://cdnc.ucr.edu/cgi-bin/cdnc?a=d&amp;d=CJ19660526.1.4&amp;</a></p> <p>3) Cullen, p 34</p> <p>4) National Archives Catalog, Online: <a href="https://catalog.archives.gov/id/174322526">https://catalog.archives.gov/id/174322526</a></p>



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Hunter's Point Naval Shipyard, San Francisco, indicated by box



Extract of chart: San Francisco to Pt. Arena, Chart #5502. 1:208,000 scale. Soundings in fathom. U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey Map, 1956

Full chart online:  
<https://www.historicalcharts.noaa.gov/image.php?filename=5502-12-1956>



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1966	May	21 - 31	Hunter's Point Naval Shipyard, San Francisco	<p>May 21: Moored portside to pier 1, berth 26, US Naval Station, Hunters Point. 0000 In accordance with CNO message 182044Z, changed status to in commission in reserve.</p> <p>May 26: Moored as before. 0600 Commanding officer left the ship with orders for temporary additional duty in Coronado, California with Commander Amphibious Force, US Pacific Fleet.</p> <p>2) During this time many of the Calvert's crew members transferred off to other assignments. Those who remained aboard spent a majority of their time helping to prepare the ship for decommissioning, including scraping paint and removing equipment for use by the Navy for other purposes.</p>	<p>1) USS Calvert Deck Log for May 1966</p> <p>2) Jorge de la Rosa, RM3 Phone interview, August 2020</p>

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Hunters Point Naval Shipyard, San Francisco - Berths #8 and #26 indicated by blue rectangles



Extract of: Metal Map of Hunters Point Naval Shipyard, San Francisco - circa 1960s

Full map image available online: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/9809992@N02/2869055737/>

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1966	June	1-20	Hunter's Point Naval Shipyard, San Francisco	June 1: Moored port side to Pier 1, Berth 26, US Naval Shipyard Hunters Point, San Francisco. Ship is in a condition of readiness V with material condition "Yoke" (modified) set.	Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, June 1966. Selected entries.
				June 4: As before. Ship is in cold iron status. Receiving all services from the pier.	
				June 5: As before. 0800 Commanding officer departed, TAD to Washington, D.C.	
				June 14: As before. 1730 Received fuel barge (YON-90) to starboard. 1740 Commenced off-loading fuel oil.	
				June 15: As before. 1105 Cast off YON-90.	
				June 17: As before. 0925 Shifted berths to Berth 8. 1018 USS Kember County (LST-542) moored alongside to starboard.	
				Jun 23: Last date in deck log indicating the USS Kember County was moored alongside.	
June 28: Moored port side to Pier 1 Berth 26. The engineering plant is in cold iron status.					
<b>USS Calvert, decommissioned. Hunter's Point Naval Shipyard.</b>					
1966	June	30	Hunter's Point Naval Shipyard, San Francisco	1) Moored port side to Pier 1, Berth 26. 0900 USS Calvert place out of commission in reserve in accordance with CNO message 082045Z June 1966.	1) Deck Log Book, USS Calvert, June 1966. Selected entries.
				2) "I served aboard the Calvert from 28 April 1965 until her decommissioning at Hunter's Point NSY in 1966. It was a sad day when we stood aft and watched the Calvert's commissioning pennant come down. She was a good and gallant ship. I was a Gunner's Mate (4th Div.) and was in charge of the forward 40mm and 3-inch."	2) Calversion Vol 37, p4. Howard L. Bahr, GM3
				3a,b,c) Editor's note: Both the Navsource and Wikipedia indicate that the USS Calvert was decommissioned on May 18, 1966. Cullen, in his History of the USS Calvert, also states that the Calvert was decommissioned on May 18, 1966. This however is not likely, and safely disputed, based on published newspaper and Naval periodicals as noted.	3a) Wikipedia entry: <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/USS_Calvert_(APA-32)">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/USS_Calvert_(APA-32)</a> 3b) Navsource entry: <a href="http://www.navsource.org/archives/10/03/03032.htm">http://www.navsource.org/archives/10/03/03032.htm</a> 3c) Cullen. Introduction and on p34.

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