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U.S.S. Cod (SS-224) J. T. McDaniel, 2005 Today tied up on the Cleveland, Ohio waterfront, U.S.S. Cod is the lowest numbered surviving World War II American fleet submarine. During the war, Cod made a total of seven war patrols, operating from Australia, Hawaii and Guam. This book contains the complete text of the war patrol reports submitted by her three wartime commanding officers, Commander James C. Dempsey, Commander James A. Adkins, and Lieutenant Commander Edwin M. Westbrook, Jr. Also included is an Introduction and notes by popular submarine novelist and historian J.T. McDaniel.

The USS Arizona Joy Waldron Jasper, James P. Delgado, Jim Adams, 2003-11-17 This vivid account of the events of December 7, 1941, details what occurred on the ship that suffered the loss of 1,177 men and how it was transformed into a potent symbol of American grit and resolve. photos. Martin's Press.

The USS Flier Michael Sturma, 2008-02-15 The fate of the USS Flier is one of the most astonishing stories of the Second World War. On August 13, 1944, the submarine struck a mine and sank to the bottom of the Sulu Sea in less than one minute, leaving only fourteen of its crew of eighty-six hands alive. After enduring eighteen hours in the water, eight remaining survivors swam to a remote island controlled by the Japanese. Deep behind enemy lines and without food or drinking water, the crewmen realized that their struggle for survival had just begun. On its first war patrol, the unlucky Flier made it from Pearl Harbor to Midway where it ran aground on a reef. After extensive repairs and a formal military inquiry, the Flier set out once again, this time completing a distinguished patrol from Pearl Harbor to Fremantle, Western Australia. Though the Flier's next mission would be its final one, that mission is important for several reasons: the story of the Flier's sinking illuminates the nature of World War II underwater warfare and naval protocol and demonstrates the high degree of cooperation that existed among submariners, coast watchers, and guerrillas in the Philippines. The eight sailors who survived the disaster became the first Americans of the Pacific war to escape from a sunken submarine and return safely to the United States. Their story of persistence and survival has all the elements of a classic World War II tale: sudden disaster, physical deprivation, a ruthless enemy, and a dramatic escape from behind enemy lines. In *The USS Flier: Death and Survival on a World War II Submarine*, noted historian Michael Sturma vividly recounts a harrowing story of brave men who lived to return to the service of their country.

Hard Charger! James A Treadway, 2005-07 Hard Charger is the story of a Cold War cruiser, the USS Biddle (DLG-34), the last Navy cruiser powered by conventional steam, the last of the single-ended guided missile frigates, the last ship of her class, but the first on the front lines. Biddle's story is traced from when her combat systems were conceived soon after the end of World War II and then designed and built during the 50's and 60's, to her construction, commission, shakedown, combat assignments in Vietnam, her battle at PIRAZ, overhauls, upgrades, training exercises and cruises to the North Atlantic and Mediterranean, and finally her decommissioning. The story is told by the officers and men who served aboard her - captains and deckhands, technicians and engineering officers, chiefs petty officers, plankowners and her decommissioning crew. Though Biddle is gone, her remarkable story remains, as does the freedom she helped protect. Historians, those currently involved with Navy combat systems, and those who served aboard a similar ship or during the Cold War will find Biddle's story interesting and thought provoking. Hard Charger is the only book written about Biddle or any Belknap class cruiser.

USS Maryland , 1997

USS Monitor John D. Broadwater, 2012 Lavish illustrations (photographs, site drawings, and artifact sketches) complement this informative and highly readable account. Naval warfare buffs, amateurs and professionals involved in maritime archaeology, and Civil War aficionados will be intrigued and informed by *USS Monitor A Historic Ship Completes Its Final Voyage*.

USS Dorado (SS-248) Douglas E. Campbell, 2011-10 We knew we were going to have a rough time with this submarine from the beginning. Those words were written by Don Wheeler, a former DORADO crewmember who participated in the sea trials, in a letter to the author. DORADO was a U.S. Gato-class submarine, launched on May 23, 1943, set sail for Pearl Harbor via the Panama Canal on October 6, and was lost with all hands somewhere in the Caribbean Sea six days later. This book is quite possibly about one of the worst friendly fire incidents in U.S. military history. It is the story of a U.S. submarine attacked by a patrol-bomber aircraft attached to VP-210 out of Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. Within these pages you will read the formal Court of Inquiry that concluded, incorrectly, that the aircrew probably bombed a U-boat that was known to be in the area. Included in this book is the U-214 logbook which shows that they witnessed the bombing of DORADO. In this book is also the story of the author's search for the submarine over a 20+ year period.

The USS Ward Richard P. Klobuchar, 2015-05-20 In 1940, the threat of war in the Pacific forced the United States to expand its fleet quickly. This effort included reconditioning and recommissioning "four stackers" from the navy's reserve fleet. Built in 1918 to fight German submarines, the USS Ward earned at Pearl Harbor the distinction of firing the first shot in America's war against Japan. In the three years that followed, it was bombed, shelled, strafed, and finally sunk (on December 7, 1944), yet none of her crew of 125 men ever lost a life in combat. Information is drawn from naval records as well as from interviews with surviving crewmen. Appendices provide Ward technical data, a chronology of major events, listings of citations earned in World War II and of amphibious landings, and a roster of personnel.

Battleship USS Alabama, BB-60 , 1993

History of the U.S.S. Leviathan, cruiser and transport forces, United States Atlantic fleet U.S.S. Leviathan History Committee, 2019-11-27 History of the U.S.S. Leviathan is a work by the History Committee. It housed the Cruiser and Transport Forces of the United States Atlantic Fleet during WWI.

USS Massachusetts Turner Publishing, 1997 Includes biographies of sailors who served on the ship.

USS Essex CV/CVA/ CVS-9 Philip A. St. John, 1999

The USS Blessman and I Edward Hinz, 2007-12-10 As a memoir of shipboard life during World War II, the story is an accurate depiction of life aboard a combat vessel during the invasions of Normandy, Lingayen Gulf in the Philippines, Iwo Jima, and landing in Wakayama, Japan. From escorting convoys crossing the Atlantic and working with Under Water Demolition Team UDT15 now called Seals, in the Pacific, the USS Blessman survived a 500 pound bomb blast at Iwo Jima. After limping to Mare Island for repairs, she sailed at full speed carrying UDT-17 team to join the forces landing on Japan soil.

USS New York , 2002

Sunk in Kula Gulf John J. Domagalski, 2012 The early morning hours of July 6, 1943, found the USS Helena off the Solomon Islands in what would later be known as the Battle of Kula Gulf. But the ship's participation in the

battle came to a swift end when three Japanese torpedoes suddenly struck. One hundred and sixty-eight sailors went down with the ship, many never surviving the initial torpedo hits. As the last of the Helena disappeared below the ocean's surface, the remaining crewmen's struggle for survival had only just begun. Sunk in Kula Gulf tells the epic story of the Helena's survivors. Two destroyers plucked more than seven hundred from the sea in a night rescue operation as the battle continued to rage. A second group of eighty-eight sailors --clustered into three lifeboats--made it to a nearby island and was rescued the next day. A third group of survivors, spread over a wide area, was missed entirely. Clinging to life rafts or debris, the weary men were pushed away from the area of the sinking by a strong current. After enduring days at sea under the hot tropical sun, they finally found land. It was, however, the Japanese-held island of Vella Lavella and deep behind the front lines. The survivors organized and disappeared into the island's interior jungle. Living a meager existence, the group evaded the Japanese for eight days until the Marines and U.S. Navy evacuated the shipwrecked sailors in a daring rescue operation. Using a wide variety of sources, including previously unpublished firsthand accounts, John J. Domagalski brings to life this amazing, little-known story from World War II.

Thunder Below! Eugene B. Fluckey,2013-04-01 The thunderous roar of exploding depth charges was a familiar and comforting sound to the crew members of the USS Barb, who frequently found themselves somewhere between enemy fire and Davy Jones's locker. Under the leadership of her fearless skipper, Captain Gene Fluckey, the Barb sank the greatest tonnage of any American sub in World War II. At the same time, the Barb did far more than merely sink ships-she changed forever the way submarines stalk and kill their prey. This is a gripping adventure chock-full of you-are-there moments. Fluckey has drawn on logs, reports, letters, interviews, and a recently discovered illegal diary kept by one of his torpedomen. And in a fascinating twist, he uses archival documents from the Japanese Navy to give its version of events. The unique story of the Barb begins with its men, who had the confidence to become unbeatable. Each team helped develop innovative ideas, new tactics, and new strategies. All strove for personal excellence, and success became contagious. Instead of lying in wait under the waves, the USS Barb pursued enemy ships on the surface, attacking in the swift and precise style of torpedo boats. She was the first sub to use rocket missiles and to creep up on enemy convoys at night, joining the flank escort line from astern, darting in and out as she sank ships up the column. Surface-cruising, diving only to escape, Luckey Fluckey relentlessly patrolled the Pacific, driving his boat and crew to their limits. There can be no greater contrast to modern warfare's long-distance, videogame style of battle than the exploits of the captain and crew of the USS Barb, where they sub, out of ammunition, actually rammed an enemy ship until it sank. *Thunder Below!* is a first-rate, true-life, inspirational story of the courage and heroism of ordinary men under fire.

Strike Able-Peter John A. Butler,1995 In January 1950, shortly after leaving Norfolk, Virginia, the USS Missouri ran aground in the Chesapeake Bay. The mishap captured the curiosity of Americans from coast to coast, and as the nation looked on an embarrassed Navy frantically tried to refloat the warship - for two weeks. The eventual recovery set lasting records in the history of organized marine salvage. This book provides a minute-by-minute account of the grounding, the root cause of which has never before been made public.

The USS Puffer in World War II Craig R. McDonald,2008-01-25 Submarines were responsible for about 55 percent of the tonnage of the Japanese fleets sunk during World War II. The 22 percent casualty rate of U.S. submariners was the highest of the military services. This volume traces the career of the submarine the USS Puffer from the laying of her keel and her commissioning on April 27, 1943, until her departure for the scrap yard in late 1960. Compiled from interviews with former crew members, including the author's father, Donald B. McDonald, as well as other contemporary sources, it follows the crew of the Puffer through nine war patrols. Events recollected include the First War Patrol, which resulted in a record-setting 38 hour submergence because of enemy fire; the dangerous transfer of torpedoes while surfaced in enemy waters; and the wild bombardment of Japanese shore installations with the 5-inch deck gun. There are numerous wartime photographs and appendices providing a list of awards earned by the crew and a summary of claimed successful attacks. Brief biographies of the seven commissioned officers are also included.

USS Grand Rapids (PG-98) Bruce Holdt,2014-12-20 THE BOOK I HAD TO WRITE I spent 30 years of my life as a US Navy Officer. All those years were great. But the one year, 1976, was the best year of my life. I was the Commanding Officer of the best ship in the US Navy. I had the finest crew anyone could hope for. I hope you enjoy reading this book as much as I enjoyed writing it.

Surface at the Pole Cmdr. James Calvert,2017-07-19 In this 1960 book, *Surface at the Pole: The Extraordinary Voyages of the U.S.S. Skate*, U.S. Navy Commander James F. Calvert described his experiences captaining at the Pole. In 1959, after traveling 3,000 miles (4,800 km) to the pole in 12 days, Skate became the first submarine to surface through the ice when it reached the North Pole on March 17, 1959. There they released the ashes of Australian polar explorer Sir George Hubert Wilkins, who died in November 1958, and who had been the first to try to reach the pole by submarine. The ability to travel under and break through the ice was a major achievement during the Cold War as it allowed the U.S. Navy's submarines to avoid detection under the ice while being within range to launch their Polaris missiles from points far closer to the Soviet Union.

Decoding **U S S**: Revealing the Captivating Potential of Verbal Expression

In an era characterized by interconnectedness and an insatiable thirst for knowledge, the captivating potential of verbal expression has emerged as a formidable force. Its ability to evoke sentiments, stimulate introspection, and incite profound transformations is genuinely awe-inspiring. Within the pages of "**U S S**," a mesmerizing literary creation penned by a celebrated wordsmith, readers embark on an enlightening odyssey, unraveling the intricate significance of language and its enduring impact on our lives. In this appraisal, we shall explore the book's central themes, evaluate its distinctive writing style, and gauge its pervasive influence on the hearts and minds of its readership.

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