



The damage is done!



Rodger helps Greg back aboard

The night before the ship was to get to Japan we ran into a dense fog. At times visibility was so reduced that the OOD couldn't even see the look out. At best visibility was not more than a quarter of a mile. The radar scope looked like it had measles with all the targets that kept popping up.

During one particular dense period a ship suddenly loomed off of the starboard bow and even though the engines were backing up we couldn't stop in time and hit the port quarter of the Japanese vessel MYORIKI MARU #25.

Luckily no one was hurt and LT(jg) Greg Wilson (who has lived in Japan and speaks Japanese) went aboard to make sure everybody was okay.

The ship then continued on to Yokosuka Harbor without further incident.



You might say it was foggy



It'll never float!