

bermuda shakedown

The object of the Bermuda shakedown cruise was to take out the bugs and that it did. On the way to the tiny British island a multitude of unexpected mishaps left every moment an experience.

Stench filled passageways, heavy rolling seas, engineering quandary, and the great seasickness pill that rendered the doctor the greenest of all were only a few. The successful conclusion of a two day search for a thirty-five foot sailboat (below) lost and disabled fifty miles or so north of Bermuda presented the perfect opportunity for shipwide operational experience.

Finally, an admiral's visit (below, right) left the feeling that the ship had come a long long way.

