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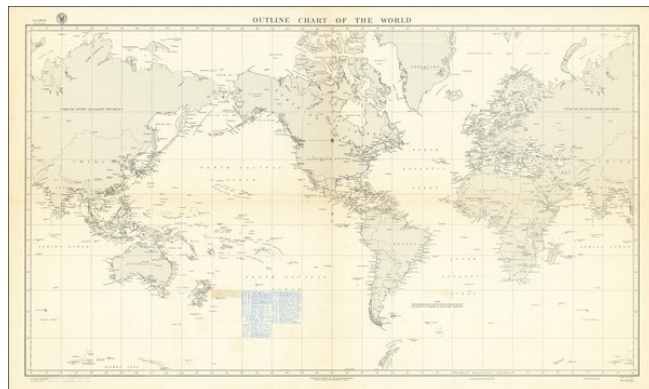
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[USS Diploma -- Tampa Florida] Outline Chart of the World

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Description:

Tampa Built and Commissioned Ship -- Fought At Battle of Okinawa

Interesting map of the world, showing movements of the *USS Diploma*, commissioned in Tampa, Florida on July 15, 1944, during its first 10 months of action during World War II.

The annotations in blue describe the ship's travels in the first 10 months after its first commission, traveling to Charleston, Norfolk, Portland, New York, Miami and Key West, where it wound up on the rocks at Crawfug Key on October 17, 1944.

After getting off the rocks and returning to Key West, the ship sailed through the Panama Canal to San Diego, arriving January 1, 1945, then on to Honolulu, Pearl Harbor, Guam, the Marshall Islands, back to Pearl Harbor, then to the Carolines and Okinawa, before returning to the Carolines and the Saipan in the Marianas on May 21, 1945.

The USS Diploma

The *Diploma* was built between 1943 and 1944 by the Tampa Shipbuilding Co., as minesweeper. The ship was awarded three battle stars for service in the Pacific during World War II. The commanding officer was Lieutenant A. B. Baxter, USNR.

The ship was later acquired by the Mexican Navy in 1962 and, in 1994 renamed ARM Cadete Francisco Márquez.

Detailed Condition:

Minor soiling.