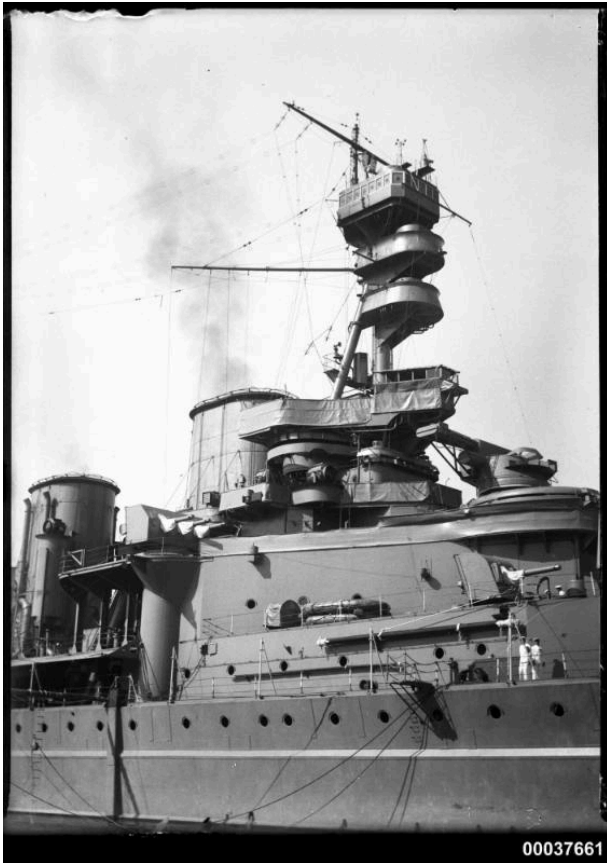


Basic Detail Report



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Title

HMS REPULSE anchored in Athol Bight

Date

18 April 1924

Primary Maker

Frederick Garner Wilkinson

Medium

Emulsion on glass

Dimensions

Overall: 82 x 103 mm, 2 mm, 0.04 kg

Name

Glass plate negative

History

During 1923-1924, the British naval ship HMS HOOD with the Special Service Squadron made up the Empire Cruise, a world tour that stopped at many countries who fought and held allegiance with Britain in World War I. The tour started on 27 November 1923 and lasted until 28 September 1924. The public relations exercise was an attempt to express Britain's world sea power, particularly relevant in the aftermath of World War I. HMS REPULSE was a Renown class battle cruiser built at Clydebank, Scotland. Launched in 1916 it joined the 1st Battle Cruiser Squadron during World War I. In the interwar period REPULSE took part in the Special Service Squadron's world tour in 1923-1924 and underwent a number of refits. World War II saw REPULSE protecting ship convoys and searching out German ships. On 10 December 1941 REPULSE sank after it was struck by Japanese torpedoes during a voyage to Singapore.