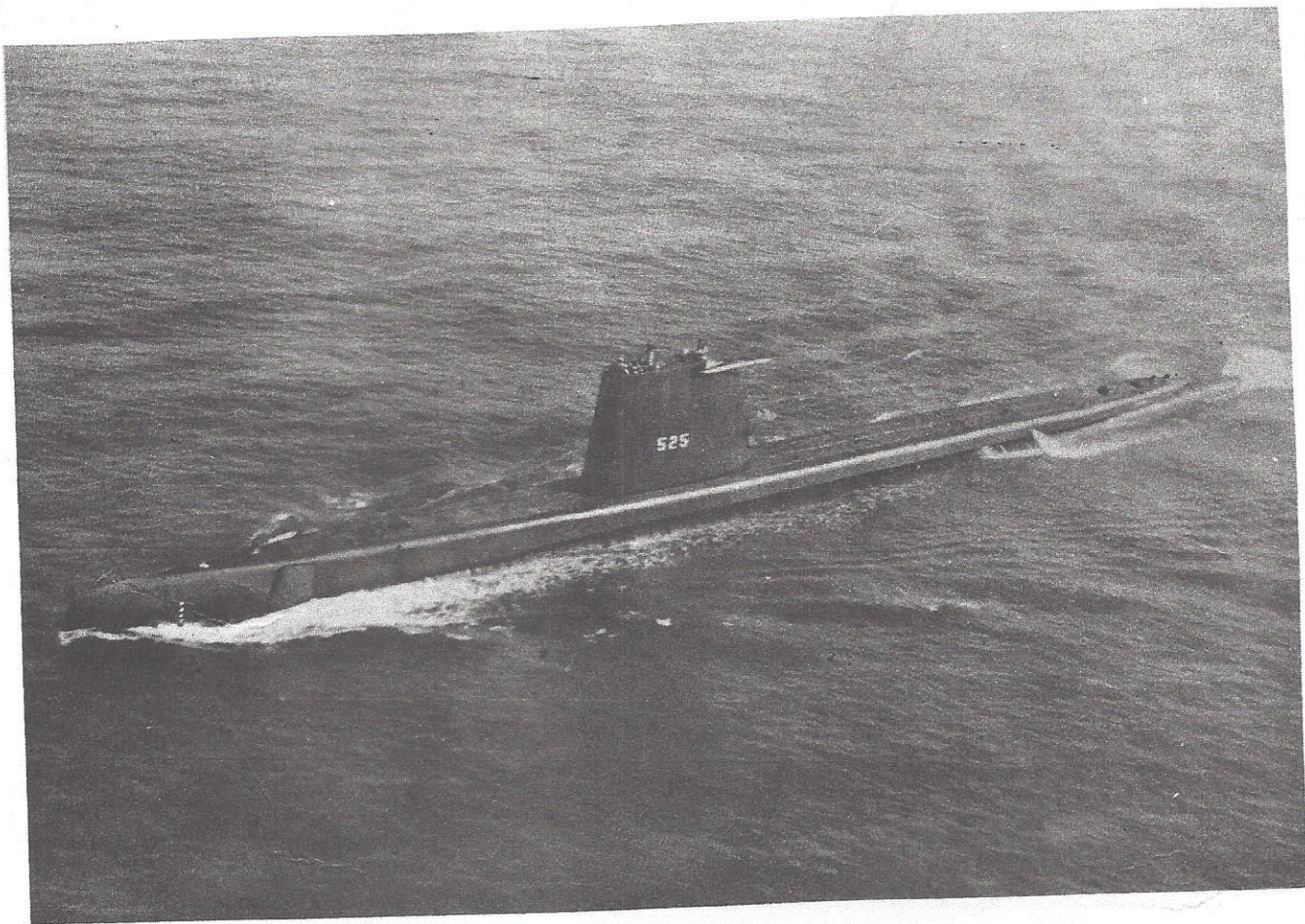
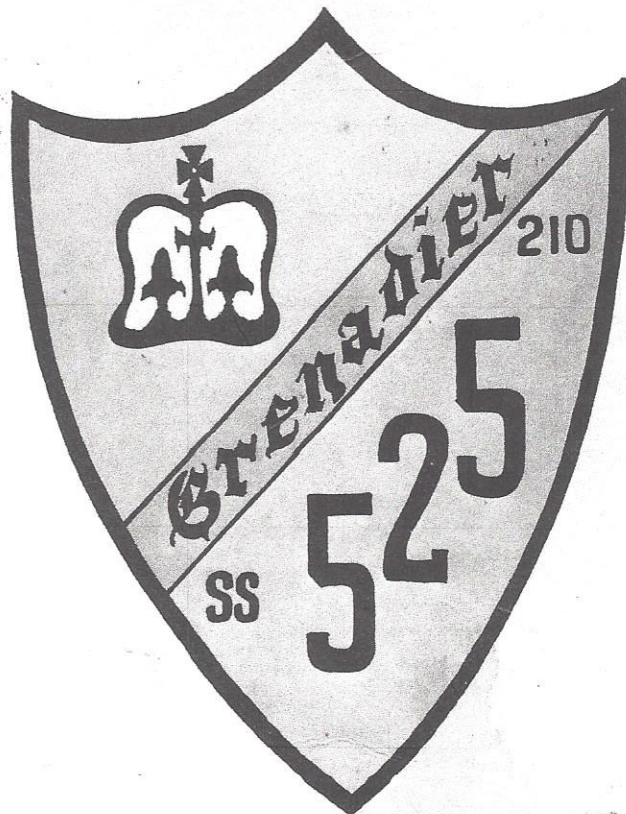


The
Big

“G”



USS GRENADIER (SS-525)
February 1951 to 15 May 1973



FOREWORD

The USS GRENADIER was commissioned and dedicated to the preservation of world peace. In her twenty-two years of service she has sailed many miles to proudly represent and protect the United States and to train the Atlantic and NATO fleets. She has carried in her protective steel body many fine sailors who have made GRENADIER their home away from home while they served their country in the Silent Service. It is to the honor of all who have served on GRENADIER and to the fond memories of the decommissioning crew that we dedicate this final pictorial display.

It can be truly stated that all the hard work, long hours and personal discomforts are not fondly remembered but the everyday happenings, lasting friendships, and exciting experiences seem to make it all worth while. The personal satisfaction of a job well done with a boat and crew always prepared for any and all commitments is indeed rewarding. GRENADIER has served her country with honor as have her crews.

If you have never been on the bridge at 0300, listened to an engine run, dove a tube, cooked a meal for 80 people at 200 feet, snorkeled in a state 6 sea, charged the batteries all night, or stood a topside watch in the rain, you cannot truly appreciate this book and the memories we submariners cherish.

To all who have served in GRENADIER, WELL DONE.

DBF!

WILLIAM B. GARRETT
Lieutenant Commander
U.S. Navy
Commanding



**COMMANDING OFFICER
LIEUTENANT COMMANDER WILLIAM B. GARRETT
UNITED STATES NAVY**

Lieutenant Commander William Bruce Garrett is from Cawker City, Kansas, and is the son of the late Harold A. Garrett and Mrs. Garrett. LCDR Garrett attended Kansas University at Lawrence for one year prior to entering the U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md., and graduated in 1959. After his commissioning as an Ensign, he served aboard the destroyer USS ALFRED A. CUNNINGHAM (DD-573) from 1961 to 1965. This tour was followed by assignment to the commissioning Blue crew of the USS FRANCIS SCOTT KEY (SSBN-657) as Weapons Officer. LCDR Garrett participated in three Polaris Deterrent Patrols aboard the Fleet Ballistic Missile Submarine.

In 1969, he reported to the USS SEA FOX (SS-402) as Executive Officer. This duty was followed by assignment to the Bureau of Naval Personnel, Washington, D.C., where served as the Assistant Personnel Program Manager for Submarines. LCDR Garrett is a graduate of the U.S. Naval War College, School of Command and Staff, Newport, R.I., and has received the Master of Science degree in International Affairs from the George Washington University.

LCDR Garrett assumed command of the USS GRENADIER in December 1972. He is married to the former Sally Mize of Atchison, Kansas. The Garretts have two children, Elizabeth and Billy.



**EXECUTIVE OFFICER
LIEUTENANT COMMANDER WILLIAM J. DONALDSON
UNITED STATES NAVY**

Lieutenant Commander William Jay Donaldson was born in Newport, Washington. He graduated from Purdue University with a Bachelor's Degree in Mechanical Engineering and received his commission through the NROTC program. He attended the Naval Submarine School at New London, Connecticut, and was assigned to the Regulus Missile Submarine, USS TUNNY (SSG-282) in September 1962. After completing three deterrent patrols, he was assigned to the commissioning crew of the Fleet Ballistic Missile Submarine, USS FRANCIS SCOTT KEY (SSBN-657) in 1965. After the first deterrent patrol LCDR Donaldson attended the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California, where he was awarded the degree of Master of Science in Electrical Engineering.

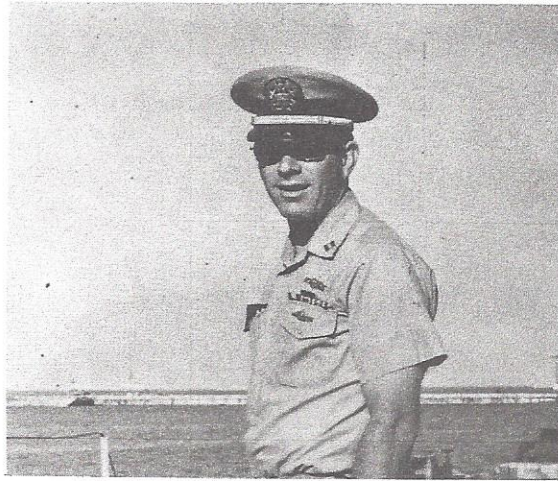
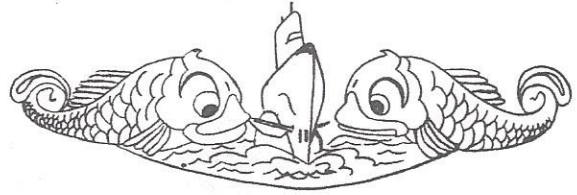
In 1969 he reported to the USS TIRANTE and served as Navigator and Operations Officer. This tour was followed by assignment to the USS GRENADIER as Executive Officer in 1972.

LCDR Donaldsin is married to the former Ann Allert of Lacrosse, Washington. They have three children; Lisa, William, Jr., and Lara.



LCDR W. Revesz, USN
"DW"

The Wardroom



LT D. J. Bielicki
Operations/Navigator



LT G. A. RUSKOSKY
Weapons



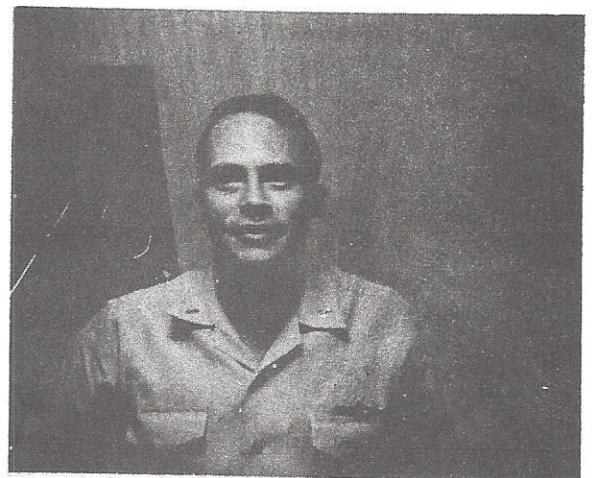
LT P. A. Hammond
Supply



John says the water is fine



ENS J. C. White
Communicator



CWO2 P. G. Lovejoy
Engineer

The Goat Locker



J. A. Gerow, QMC(SS)
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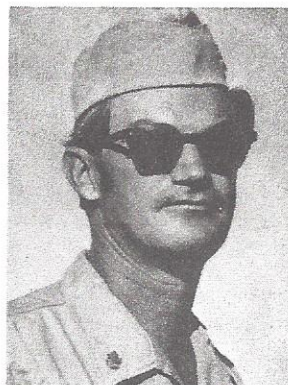
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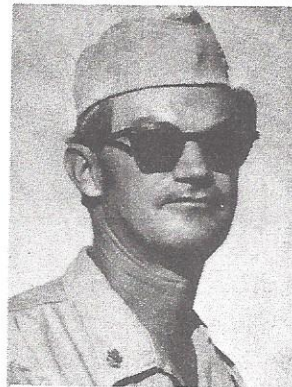
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Snipes



EN1(SS) F. A. Rolaf



EN1(SS) R. T. Johnson

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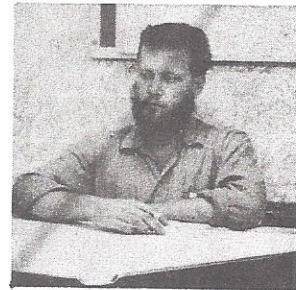
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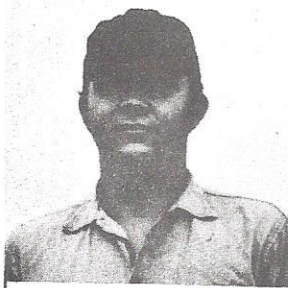
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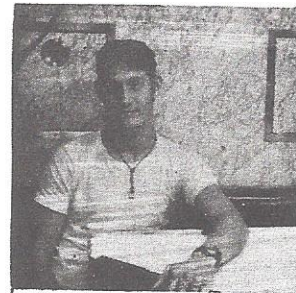
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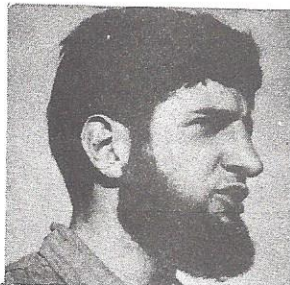
ENFA(SS) L. P. Cannon



EN3(SS) Wanamaker



FA(SS) M. E. Bender



FN(SS) D. Cooney



EM3 W. E. Haynes



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Seaman



EMFR G. F. Mangum



SKSA(SS) J. C. Knutson



EMFN(SS) M. T. Monell



Hard at it

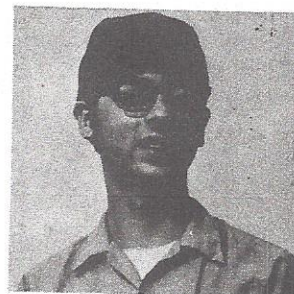
The XO's Boys



HM1(SS) C. E. Robison



YN2(SS) G. R. Dubay



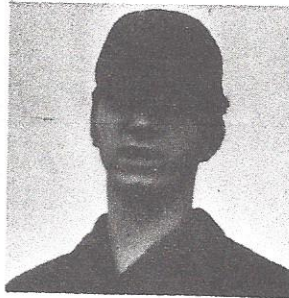
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THE CREW

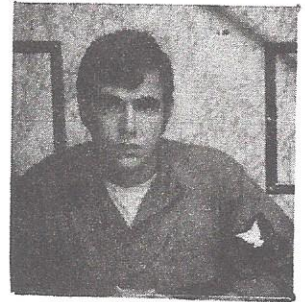
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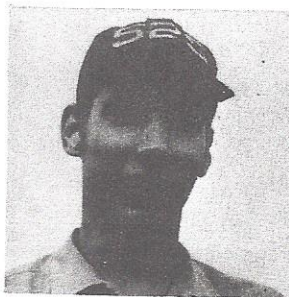
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ETR2(SS) D. W. Liberty



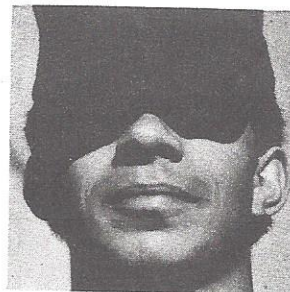
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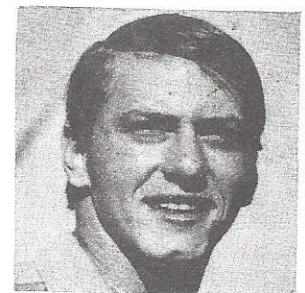
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"Cricket"



ETN2(SS) J. R. Martin



RMSN(SS) H. R. Schlein
H. R. Schlein



SN(SS) D. R. Peisker



RMSN(SS) B. E. Coolidge

Supply



CS1(SS) J. R. Walter

John R. Walter



CS3(SS) J. A. Kasey



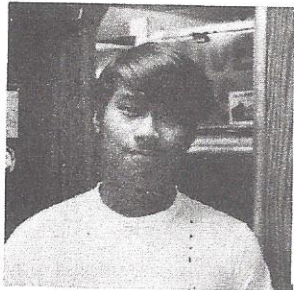
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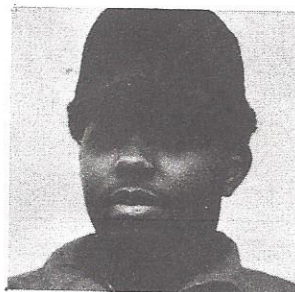
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SDSN(SS) D. C. Villanueva



SN(SS) D. R. Grizzle



TMSA R. Hamm



TMSA D. L. Reeh

Weapons



TM1(SS) G. H. Bonnett

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TM2(SS) K. K. Kee



TM2(SS) H. W. Wade



FTG2(SS) J. P. Stabell



TM3(SS) R. L. Hontz



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TM3(SS) R. E. Tubaugh



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Engineers

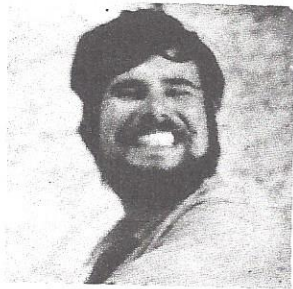
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EM1(SS) J. P. Kimbrell



EM1(SS) T. G. Rafanan



EM2(SS) J. I. Hunter

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EM3(SS) W. A. Bates



EMFN(SS) G. F. Braun

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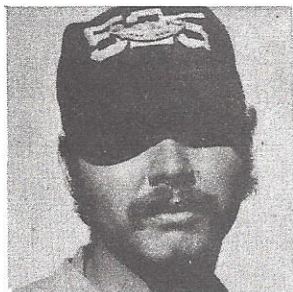
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IC3(SS) J. F. Anderson



EMFN(SS) G. A. Perryman

Navigation



QM3(SS) R. M. Nicholson



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QM3 G. D. Gross



QM3(SS) B. E. Crutchfield

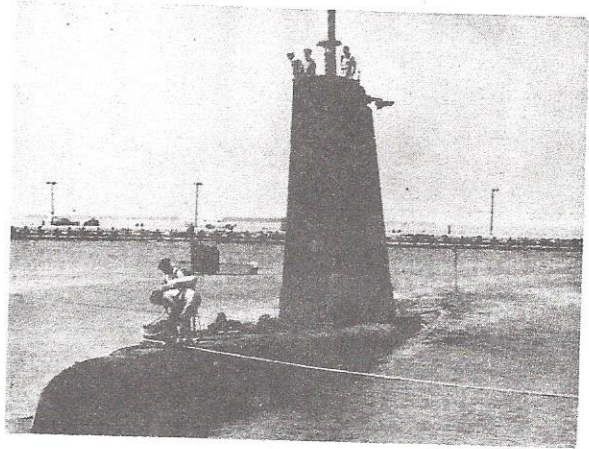


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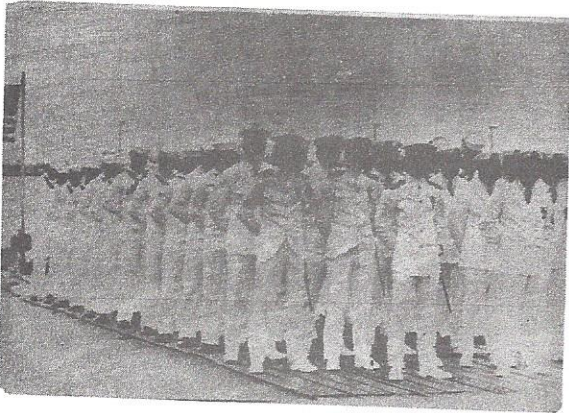
Memories



"Watch me. I can handle
this cocktail"



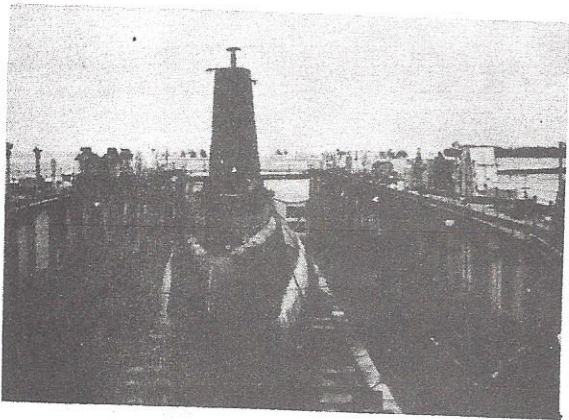
"Captain, I think I need help
with this landing"



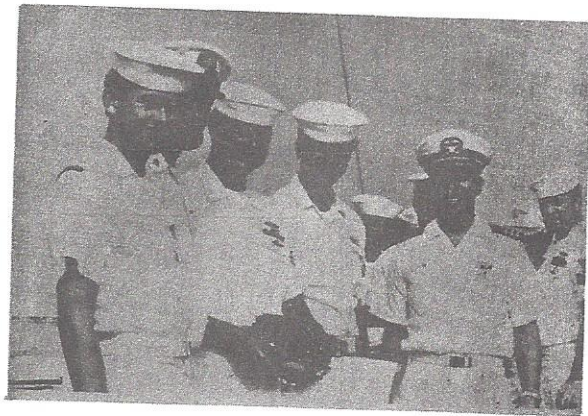
Nice day if it doesn't rain!



VADM Long talks to the crew



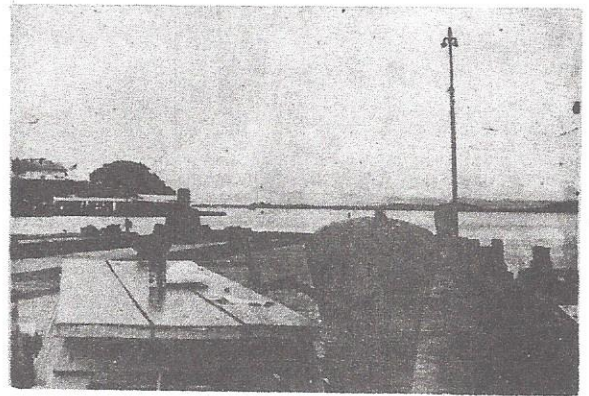
Big "G" high and dry



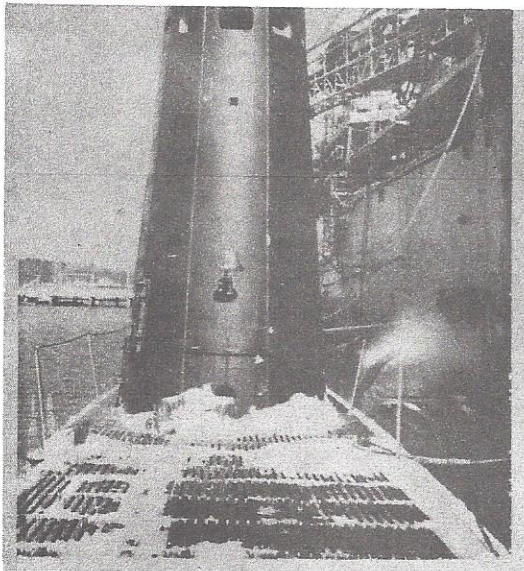
Weapons gang proudly displays
Fire Control "E" for 1972



"Body Beautiful"



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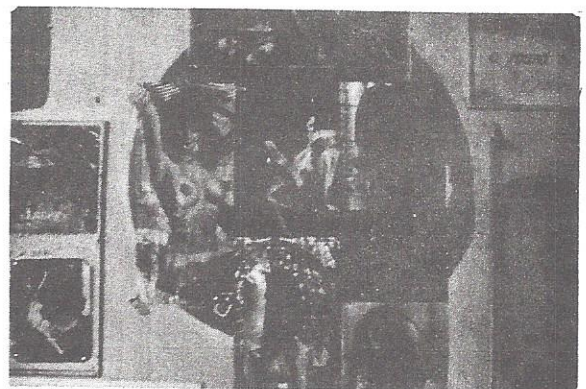
Charleston sure is colder than
Key West



Clark is all wet



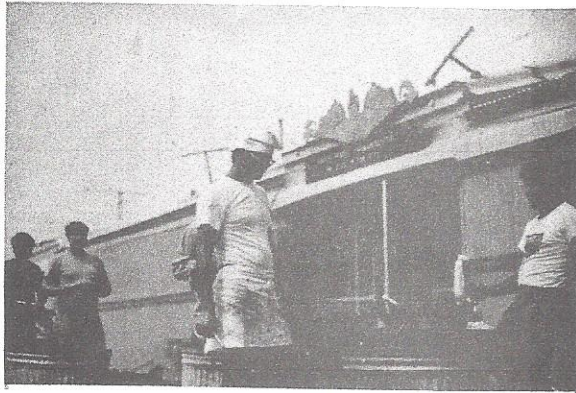
Luglio
Luglio hits the beach



Home away from home



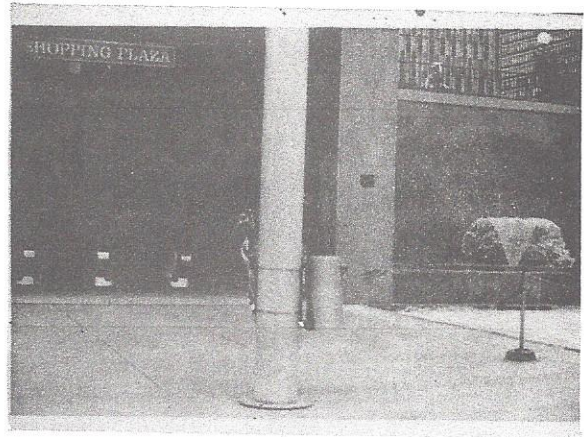
"Boy do I feel relieved"



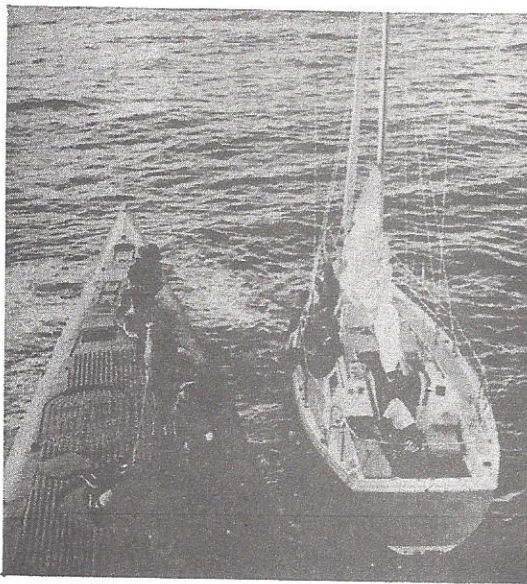
Great Chow



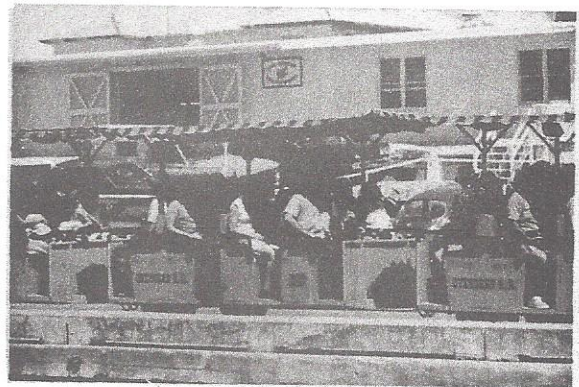
"This sure is fun"



Look carefully.
Is that Pete and Calhoun?



Assistance rendered enroute
to Charleston
"A can of peanut butter and a
loaf of bread; is that all you
need?"

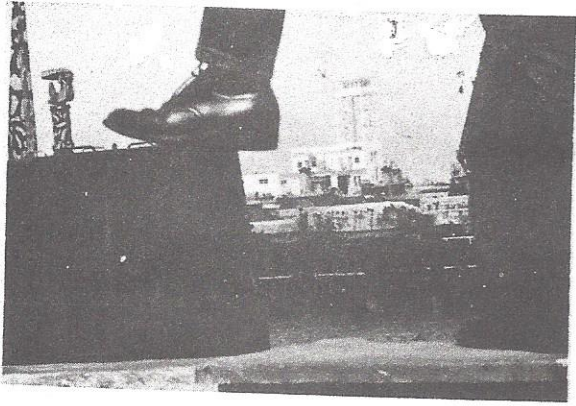


"On my right we have
a World War II Submarine



Yeo and Tidwell hard at work

Gene Tidwell



That is a real heavy foot



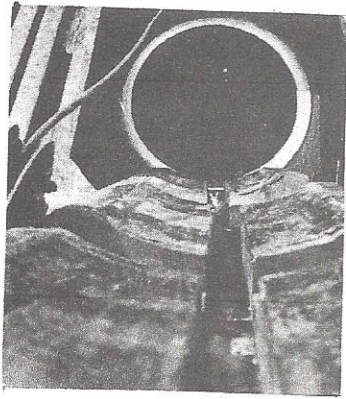
Parks receives his Dolphins



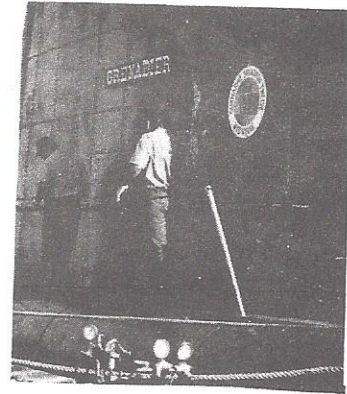
The CO at Quarters



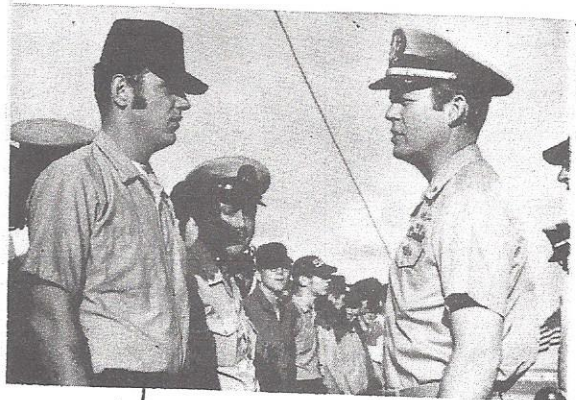
The Doc takes a bath regularly



What is it?



Ace line handlers



Skimmer makes good

Handwritten signature

GTMO 1972 Summer



KNEELING: CDR Brown, LCDR Jarvis, LTJG Davis, LTJG Rish, LCDR Revesz, LT Hammond.

ROW 1: Yates, Johnson, Tinsley, Wannamaker, Chrisman, Brown, Cooney, Mantta, Bonnett, Selman, Vanness, Stanish, Miller, Watkins, Keller, Doc Brown, Dubay, Kubica, Liberty, Parks, Fryett, Kee.

ROW 2: Tidwell, Jueneman, Hoffman, Spratt, Hunter, Johnson, Jones, Kimbrell, Ford, Frisinger, Hamer, Nicholson, Gabrano, Mina.

ROW 3: Bender, Thomas, Bates, Boles, Pierce, Hall, Yoki, Lantier, Luglio, Scott, Peterson, Comer, Rudi, Fritcher, Warrick, Glen, Whipple, Hontz, McEuen, Snyder.

ROW 4: Piesker, Schmelzenbach, Kombert, Villanueva, Martin, Braun, Walter, Ashburn.

Charles F. ...

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RUEBJFA/CHNAVPER WASHDC

RULSSAA/NAVSHIPSYS COM WASHDC

RUEBAKA/COMSUBLANT NORVA

RUCITNA/COM SIX CHARLESTON SC

RUTWVSA/USS GRENADIER (SS-525)

RUCLBDO/COMSUBFLOT SIX CHASN SC

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RUTWSAA/COMNAVBASE KWEST FLA

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SALE OF USS GRENADIER TO VENEZUELA

A. CNO 171945Z MAR 73

B. COMSUBRON ONE TWO 061541Z APR 73 (NOTAL)

1. VENEZUELAN CNO ACCEPTS OFFER FOR SALE OF USS
GRENADIER (SS-525) CONTAINED REF A. TRANSFER DATE OF 15 MAY
SATISFACTORY. WILL ADVISE ASAP ARRIVAL OF CREW.

2. PLANNING MILESTONES PROPOSED REF B ALSO
ACCEPTABLE.

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