

Mediterranean Cruise 1962-63



## COMMANDING

DEC. 20, 1962

Capt. Frederick Calhoun WYSE reported aboard the U.S.S. TELFAIR from duty as Chief of Staff to Commander Naval Base, Key West and Commander Key West Force.

A native of Columbia, South Carolina, he is a graduate of the Naval Academy, Class 41. He is married to the former Miss Esther Harwood Beebe of Spartanburg, S.C., and is the father of two children.

Upon graduation from the Academy, he was assigned to the U.S.S. NEW MEXICO. Follow-



CAPT. FREDERICK C. WYSE, U.S.N.

ing assignments included: Submarine School; U.S.S. BASS as Torpedo, Gunnery and Communications Officer; U.S.S. LANCETFISH as Engineering Officer; U.S.S. BAYA as Executive Officer; Commanding Officer of U.S.S. STURGEON: Executive Officer U.S.S. DOGFISH. In 1947 he assumed instructor duties as Assistant Professor of Naval Science at Georgia Institute of Technology. In 1949, Capt. WYSE returned to the Submarine Force as Executive Officer of U.S.S. SPIKEFISH; Commanding Officer, U.S.S. QUILLBACK; reported to Washington, D. C., as Head of the Underwater Acoustics Branch within the Research and Development Division; Commanding Officer U.S.S. COGSWELL. In 1957 Capt. WYSE returned to Washington D. C., as Head of Employment Plans Section, Fleet Operations Division, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations; served as Commander Submarine Division 32 at San Diego, California.

The Captain is authorized to wear the Silver Star Medal, Bronze Star Medal with Combat "V", Commendation Ribbon with Combat "V", American Defense Medal with "A" clasp, American Theatre Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal with 6 Stars, Victory Medal, Occupation Service Medal with "E" clasp, China Service Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Philippine Republic Presidential Unit Citation, Philippine Liberation Ribbon with Star and the Submarine Combat Insignia with 3 Gold Stars.

# COMMANDING

NOV. 22, 1961

Captain Edward M. HIGGINS reported to the U.S.S. TELFAIR from three years of duty in the Stragetic Plans Division, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, Washington, D. C.

A native of Boston, Mass., he is a graduate of the University of Notre Dame, Class of '40. He is married to the former Elaine Pavloff of Washington, D.C., and is the father of two girls.

His early Naval career was spent in Destroyers during World War II, holding command of the



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U.S.S. G. E. BADGER (DD 196), U.S.S. ABERCROMBIE (DD 343), and U.S.S. MAJOR (DE 796). In 1948 he was appointed Personal Aide to the Commandant Third Naval District, New York, New York. Three years later he again returned to Destroyers and took command of U.S.S. McCORD (DD534).

In 1954 Captain HIGGINS reported to the Bureau of Naval Personnel, Washington, D. C., where he served in the Officer Distribution Division until 1957 when he attended the Naval War College, following which he assumed the duty of Executive Officer of the U.S.S. NEWPORT NEWS (CA 148).

The Captain is authorized to wear the Legion of Merit with Combat "V", Presidential Unit Citation (Bogue Huk Group), American Defense with "A", American Theatre with 1 Star, European-African Theatre 3 Stars, European Occupation, Pacific Theatre 5 Stars, Philippines Liberation 2 Stars, National Defense, Korean Medal 1 Star, Korean Presidential Citation, Victory Medal World War 2, United Nations.



### USS TELFAIR-APA 210

Named for Telfair County, Georgia, she was first commissioned on 31 October 1944. Shortly afterwards she joined the U.S. Pocific Fleet, loaded with troops and equipment destined for the battlefields of World War II's Pocific compaign. From March to April of 1945, the ship was continuously engaged in the offensive operations against Kerama Retto, Okinawa, and le Shima. On the night of April 2nd, the TEL-FAIR successfully defended against an attack by Japanese suicide planes. After cessation of hostilities she reported for "Magic Carpet" duty, and 31 October 1945, TELFAIR's first anniversary, found her en route to Manila, P.I., for her first load of returning United States personnel. Upon completion of this duty, the ship was placed out of commission.

TELFAIR was reactivated for the Karcan emergency and reentered the U.S. Pacific Fleet on 12 September 1950. In 1954 she engaged in "Operation Passage to Freedom". In the course of this operation, this ship evacuated over seven thousand Karcan and Chinese refugees from the then pending Red Chinese Communist threat. The TELFAIR was again placed out of commission in February 1958.

During World War II and the Korean conflict, Telfair won the following awards and ribbons: The Asiatic-Pacific Ribbon with one (1) stor, World War II Victory Ribbon, Naval Occupation Ribbon, China Service Ribbon, Philippine Liberation Ribbon, American Campaign Ribbon, National Defense Ribbon, Korean Service Ribbon with three (3) stars, United Nations Ribbon and the Korean Presidential Unit Citation.

On 1 September 1961 reactivation was started and on 22 November 1961 she was recommissioned under the command of Captain E.M. HIGGINS, U.S.N., with orders to report to the Atlantic Fleet upon completion of underway training in San Diego, Colifornia.

From February to August of 1962 TELFAIR was engaged in Amphibious training exercises in the waters of the Atlantic and Caribbean. On September 17, 1962, TELFAIR departed from the U.S. on a six month deployment with the Sixth Fleet in the Mediterraneon as part of Task Force 61. With troops of the 1st Battalian 2nd Marines embarked, this ship conducted Amphibious operations off Carsica, Mallarca, Sardinia, Libya and Southern Greece and visited Galfe Juan, France, Malta, Palermo, Sicily, Toronto, Italy, Patras, Greece; Athens, Greece; Legharn, Italy; Genaa, Italy; and Barcelona, Spain.

On December 20, 1962, while anchored in Athens, Greece, Captain F.C. WYSE, U.S.N., relieved Captain E.M. HIGGINS, U.S.N., as Commanding Officer. TELFAIR returned home to Norfolk, Virginia on 8 March 1963.

#### STATISTICS

Crew

Troops

OVERALL LENTH
BEAM
DISPLACEMENT
SPEED
ACCOMMODATIONS

455 Feet
62 Feet
14,873 Tons
17 Knots plus
50 Officers
420 enlisted men
82 Officers
1,475 enlisted men
4 twin 40 millimeter

anti-aircraft mounts

ARMAMENT

#### **AMPHIBIOUS FORCE HISTORY**

Thirty-five centuries ago, an Egyptian king, faced with the problem of transporting his troops across a large body of water, conducted the first amphibiaus assault in recorded history. Since that early beginning the pages of history show many successful invasions by sea, the Greeks attacking Troy, Hannibal's crossing to Spain, and in our country, Ezekiai Hapkins, with a colonial squadron, starming and capturing New Providence in 1776.

Amphibious warfare was still in its infancy at the beginning of World War II. Almost all naval training was compressed into short annual landing exercises conducted by the Marines. Few landing craft, as such, were available and the designs were crude. Techniques had not been developed for the use of naval gunfire in close support of troops. Naval stoffs, whose primary concern was assault landings, had not been arganized. In March 1942, Admiral Brainard and a small staff of eight officers established the initial "Atlantic Fleet Amphibiaus Force" and began to revolutionize modern warfare. New ships and new tactics had to be developed. By B November, 1942 the force launched its first major operation, the invasion of North Africa. During the war years that followed, many amphibious assaults of regimental size or larger were successfully carried out by the amphibious forces.

These assaults were largely responsible for our final defeat of the enemy. In the European Theatre, North Africa was followed by Sicily, Salerno, Anzio, Normandy and Southern France. Each beachhead contributed substantially to our progress against a determined foe. In the Pacific, the long list of operations from Guadalcanal through the Philippines and on down to Iwa Jima and Okinawa were significant steps to our final victory. The landing at Inchan and the evacuation of Hungnam in Korea, as well as our 1958 landing in Lebanon, are further indications of the necessity for, and value of, amphibious operations.

### "AMPHIBIOUS STRIKING FORCE"

The Amphibious Force specializes in all naval aspects of amphibious warfare. Its ships include amphibious command ships, assault ships, attack transports, attack cargo ships, landing ships dock, high speed transports, landing ships tank and assault landing craft. Screening and gunfire support ships are assigned from other type commands as required for each particular amphibious operation. In addition to the ships, the Amphibious Force contains an underwater demolition unit (fragmen), tactical air control group, naval beach group, troop training elements and the command and staff structures necessary to plan, train for and carry out the many phases of amphibiaus warfare.

This force, teamed with an embarked landing force, normally composed of units from the Fleet Marine Force, Atlantic, constitutes a ready, integrated fighting team. It is organized, trained and equipped to project see power ashare in support of our country's national policy, and in response to the needs or requests of our Free World partners. Tailored to meet the varying demands of global tensions, limited or general war, this organization provides a precision instrument of U. S. policy . . . ready, mobile, versatile, flexible and strong.

This is a logistically self-sufficient organization that carries necessary equipment and supplies in sovereign U. S. ships using the seas of the world for their highways. It is ever ready to deploy, fight and stay in position as long as any specific situation requires. This versatile team and Force-in-Readiness capability is maintained and highly developed through constant training and deployments of units of the Atlantic Fleet's Marine Force and Amphibious Force.

While the majority of our ships are of World War II vintage, our goal is to achieve a 20-knot capability in the entire Amphibious Force. Speed, faster ships and landing craft, and the development of new techniques and the training of dedicated men are essential to modernization of the Amphibious Force in meeting present and future responsibilities throughout the world.

### A SAILOR

BETWEEN THE SECURITY OF CHILDHOOD AND THE INSECURITY OF SECOND CHILDHOOD WE FIND A FASCINATING GROUP OF HUMANITY CALLED, COLLECTIVELY, THE SAILOR, THE SAILOR COMES IN ASSORTED SIZES, WEIGHTS, AND SOBRIETY. THEY CAN BE FOUND ANYWHERE ON SHIPS, AT SHORE STATIONS, IN BARS, ON LEAVE, IN LOVE AND ALWAYS IN DEBT, GIRLS LOVE THEM, TOWNS TOLERATE THEM, AND THE GOVERNMENT SUPPORTS THEM.

THE SAILOR HAS THE ENERGY OF A TURTLE, THE SLYNESS OF A FOX, THE BRAINS OF AN IDIOT, THE TENDERNESS OF A CASANOVA, AND WHEN HE WANTS SOMETHING, IT IS USUALLY CONNECTED WITH A LIBERTY CARD. THE SAILOR IS LAZINESS WITH A DECK OF CARDS, BRAVERY WITH A TATTOOED ARM, AND THE PROTECTOR OF THE HIGH SEAS WITH A COPY OF PLAYBOY.

THE SAILOR LIKES WOMEN, GIRLS, FEMALES, DAMES, BROADS, AND THE OPPOSITE SEX. HE DIS-LIKES ANSWERING LETTERS, WEARING HIS UNIFORM, HIS SUPERIOR OFFICERS, THE DIVISION CHIEF, THE CHOW AND GETTING UP ON TIME.

NO ONE ELSE CAN CRAM INTO HIS POCKET A LITTLE BLACK BOOK, A COMB, SOME CHANGE, HIS LOCKER KEYS, A PACK OF CIGARETTES AND HIS ID CARD.

THE SAILOR LIKES TO SPEND SOME OF HIS MONEY ON GIRLS, FEMALES, DAMES, BROADS, WOMEN AND THE OPPOSITE SEX. HE LIKES TO SPEND SOME ON POKER AND THE REST FOOLISHLY.

A SAILOR IS A MAGIC CREATURE THAT YOU CAN LOCK OUT OF YOUR HOME BUT NOT OUT OF YOUR HEART. YOU CAN SCRATCH HIM OFF OF YOUR MAILING LIST, BUT NOT OUT OF YOUR MIND. HE'S YOUR LONG AWAY-FROM HOME, LOVER, HUSBAND, YOUR SON, OR YOUR SWEETHEART, YOUR BLURRY-EYED GOOD-FOR-NOTHING BUNDLE OF WORRY. ALL YOUR SHATTERED DREAMS BECOME INSIGNIFICANT WHEN YOUR SAILOR COMES HOME WITH THE TENDER AND LOVING PHRASE THAT HAS LASTED FOR YEARS, "HIYA HONEY".

### NERITORIOUS - MAS



Back Row: Hayden, RM2; Good, ET2; Stallings, RM1. Front Row: Hilty, RM3; Wood, RM3; Figueroa, PC3.







". . . you have brought credit upon yourself, this ship, and the Naval Service."







PERSONNE



Wipe off the frown, Roone.



Tenshun on the Quarterdeck.



Supply Department

### INSPECTION



No Sweat!

EXECUTIVE CER



LCDR. THEODORE R. HARKER, U.S.N.

LCDR Theodore R. Harker is a native of Chicago, Illinois, and a graduate of the University of Minnesota.

His first duty was in U.S.S. COLUMBIA (CL 56), and subsequently served in the U.S.S.

LSM 540, U.S.S. DeLONG (DE 684), and on the staff of COMNAVEASTLANT, and was on board U.S.S. CORAL SEA (CVA 43) for her commissioning. When the Karean conflict broke out he was transferred to the Staff of COMNAVEE for duty. He then attended General Line School in Manterey, California and the Naval Intelligence School followed by a tour of duty in Washington, D.C., in OPNAV. He then reported to the U.S.S. SIGOURNEY (DD 643) as Operations Officer and subsequently to the Staff of Commander Escart Squadron Fourteen. Shortly thereafter he returned to Washington D.C., to the U.S. Naval Research Laboratory. In November 1961 he was assigned to the U.S.S. TELFAIR (APA 210) and was an board for her recommissioning.

LCDR HARKER's awards include the World War II Victory Medal, American Theatre Service, Navy Occupational Medal (Europe), National Defense Service Medal, Karean Service Medal, and the United Nations Medal. "X"





L to R, Top Row: Duvall, DuPratt, Friedrich, Keefer, Mitzel. Bottom Row: Armour, Hay, Lt. Forte, Olshefski.



"But it's Liberty Call"



"Of course he knows how to type."



L to R, Top Row: Sexton, Sharp, Dawley. Bottom Row: Balls, Chief Watson, Honea.



"Use both hands boy, both hands!"







L to R, Top Row: Peralez, Graham, Flahre, Yonnette, Smith, Fisher, Martindale, Kalenda, Sanders, Gear, Hodson. Middle Row: Lawrence, McCullough, Roethke, Slunski, Soloman, Stidham, Mason, Allen, Gardner, Munson. Bottom Row: Kowalski, Taber, Brown, Sullivan, O'Brien, Lt(jg) Miller, Lt(jg) Levasseur, Ritchia, Nicodemus, Casey, Jenkinson.





"Tell 'em, Brown!"







JUMP!



"Away the Gig, Away"

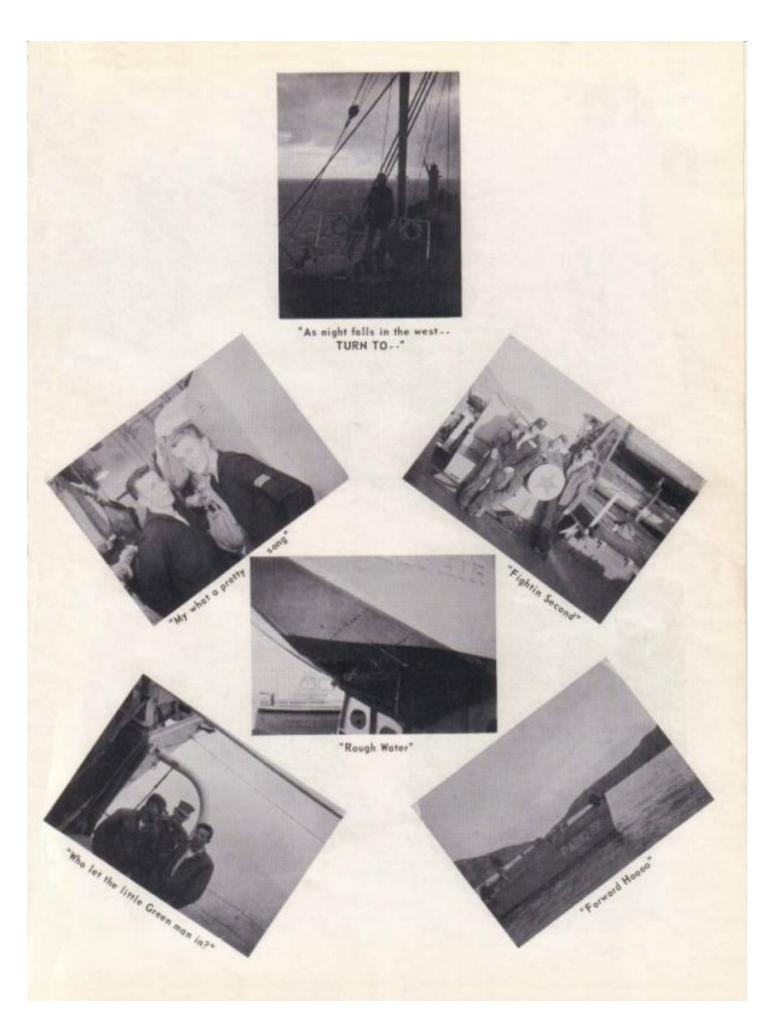


L to R, Back Row; Delaney, Jackson, Berrier, Utsey, Darland, Fenn, Proter, Turner. Middle Row; Mills, Lamb, Benson, Hinton, Cody, Struck, Covel. Front Row; Foster, Pugh, Taylor, Lt(jg) Cokely, Ens. Scheben, Antunes, Moore, Craner.

### SECOND



"Attention to Starboard"



### 3RD D



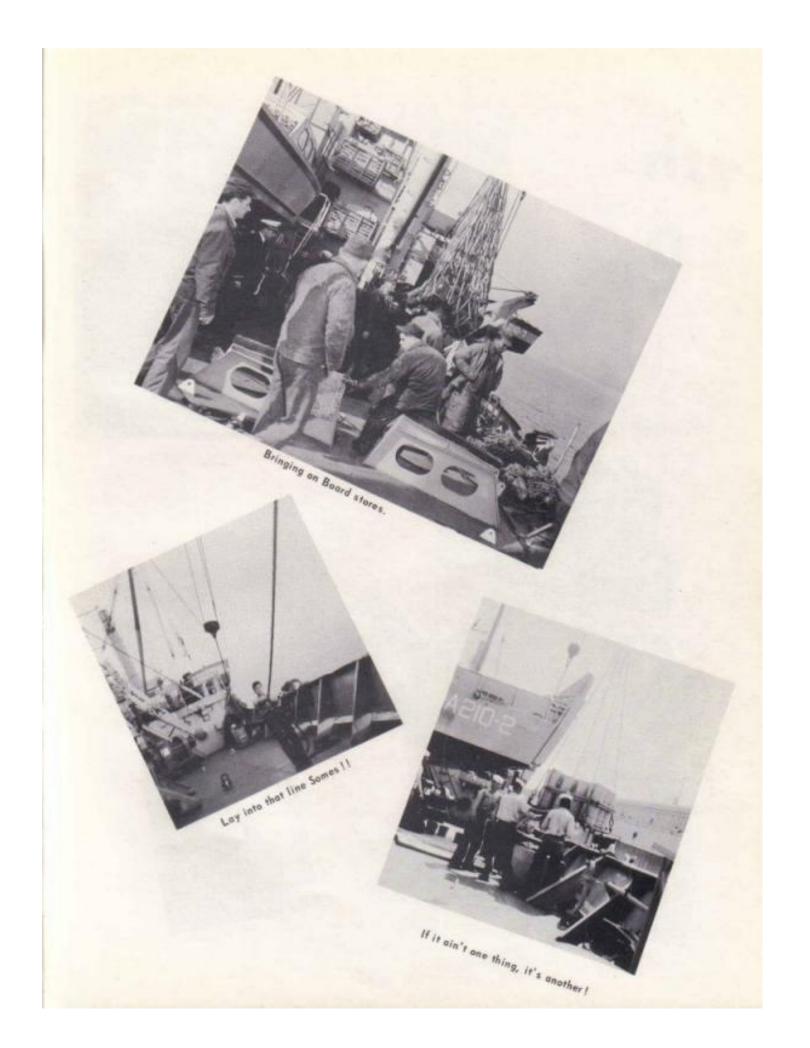


Lto R, 1st Row: Bloomer, Bennett, Boltz, Brett, Dugan, Stanley, Bolding, Brumby. 2nd Row: Somes, Allen, Borduin, Elrod, Beery, Pope, May, Baker, Elbode, Reed, Anderson. Front Row: Ramsey, Roy, Longest, Ens. Wandrei, Fultz, Clark, Sweany, Bestenbostel, Babino.



Steady up your Hook (Sailors?)





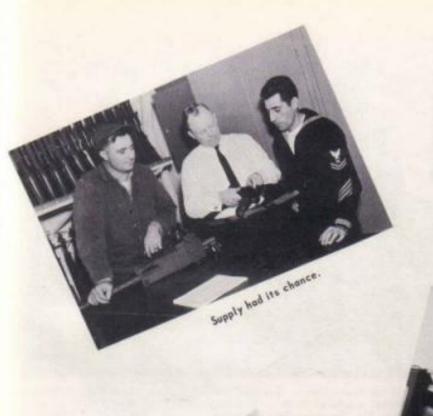
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L to R: Smith, Mangan, Bachelor, Chief Knapp, Fernandez, Burt, Marrow.











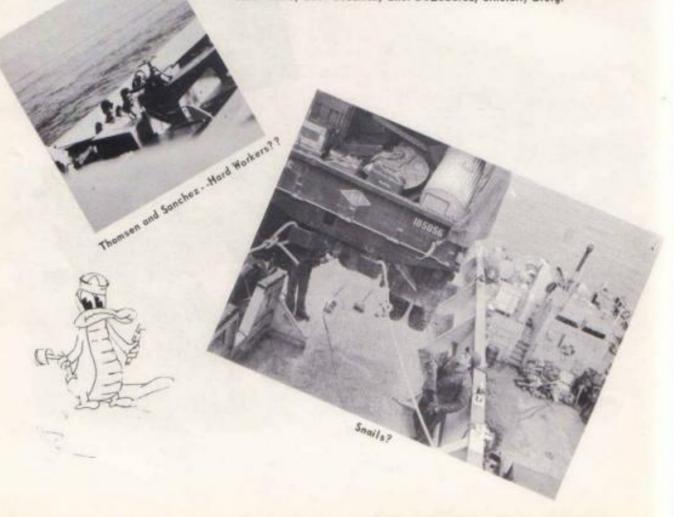


Rough and Ready Gun Crew.





L to R, Back Row: Oleson, Sanchez, Mellott, Godman, Stephens. Center Row: Bibb, Roane, Lindsay, Pollard, DeChamplain. Front Row: McN ally, Chief White, Ens. Goodman, Ens. DeLaGarza, Sinclair, Breig.







"E"
DIV



L to R -- Qualkinbush, Allen, Bradley, Goodson, Moulder, Lt(jg) Riden, Horton, Zaleski, Scott, Truitt.









L to R, First Row: Chief Pruett, Ens. Basso. Second Row: Merritt, Siudzinski, Reitnauer, Adams, Umpbley. Third Row: Silva, Ellenwood, Schott, Ackerman, Harman.





We're gonna blame it on 'A' Division.



What's Poker?



Just a little closer, Skil



I said "cut, Mr. Basso."

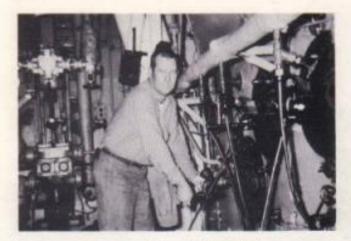
"B"
DIV



L to R. Top Row: Blam, Bluhm, Hathorn, Lt(jg) Crawford, Poppenfus, Ballard, Hays. Front Row: Dettling, Major, Nelson, Crosby, Hailey, Faulk, McIntosh.



"So I said to this chick . . .



You move this and this and?



Let me see, I think there is water



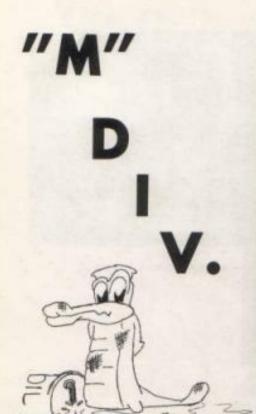
Who got my pipe?



Yeah, we can make white smoke, too.



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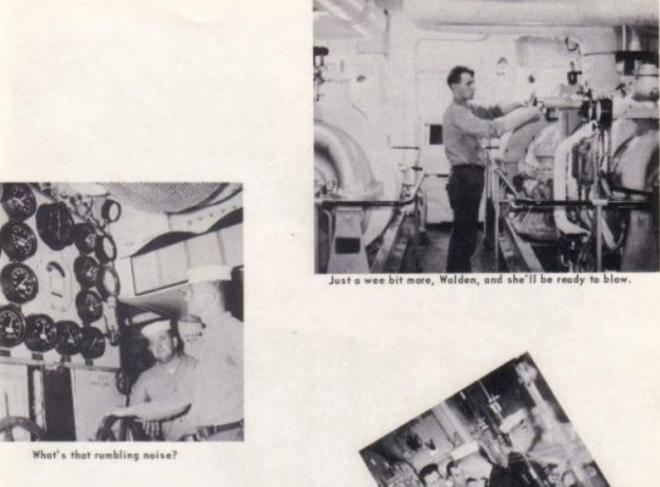


L to R, Back Row: Kissler, Waldin, Wallace, Longnecker, Lt(jg) Crawford, Furhman, Gorbe, Jakeway. Front Row: Salduasky, Pimental, McClymonds, Longtin, Brooks, Gill, Berzinski, Csider.

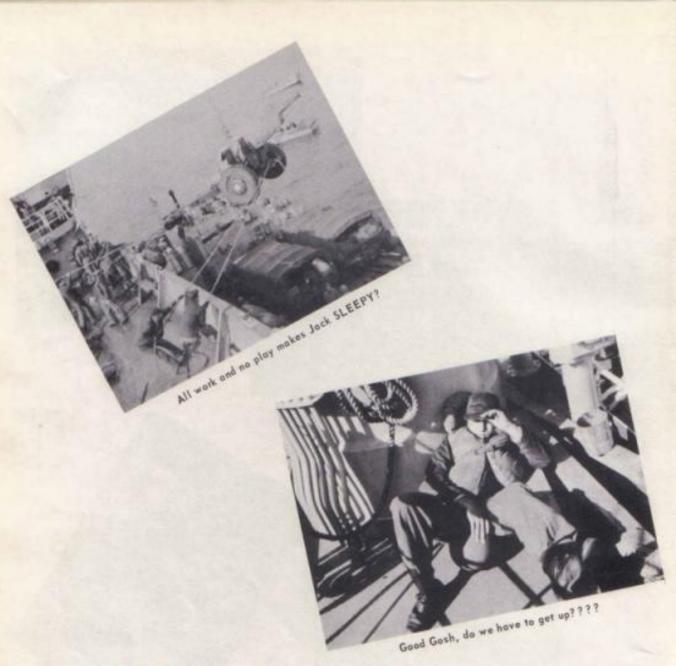


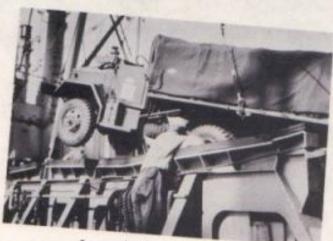


Inspection of main reduction gear.









Someone's always Goldbricking.



Wrong Beach - Who's wave commander?



Good Ship, Good Crew, Turn To---



"Our coxswain certainly makes hasty withdrawals doesn't he?"



EASY! Take it easy with that Jeep!



"There's always someone that has to be different!!



"The Holl with it, let's go back and get another boat officer."





"Parlez-vous François?"



Smile, then get those boots in the water.



## LAND













**FORCE** 

## S-1 DIV.



L to R, Top Row: Brown, Verrill, Godwin, Vickery, Irvin. Middle Row: Hamilton, Bone, Cooper, Powell, Guthrie. Front Row: Wiles, Smith, Rock, Rhue, Chief Buberl, Erichsen, Lecy.



Ah, come on fellers, I'm so skinny.



Navy Bread vs. Marine Bread



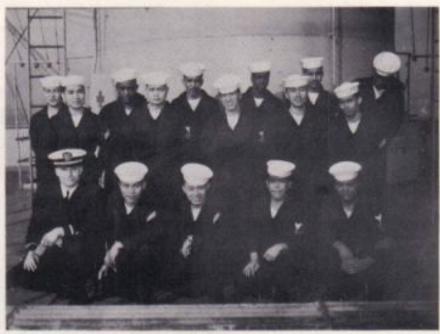


You feel a certain sense of pride in a Hilton kitchen.



#### S 5 DIV.



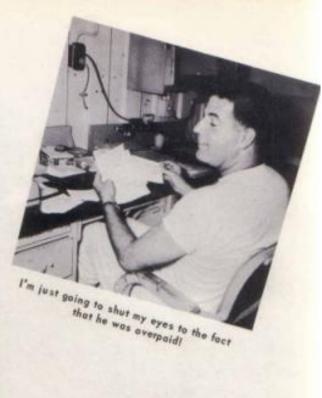


L to R, Top Row: Barrinuevo, Jefferson, Swindall, Anderson, Farrar, Traupe. Middle Row: Bucud, Goleta, Diaz, Eclarinal, Labial. Front Row: Mr. Fitzgerald, Damaso, Laco, Maglabe, Martin.



"Would you believe it, I can't stand my own cooking."







We'll have one minute of silence for the cooks

#### "N"

D



L to R, Top Row: Chase, Robinson, Wolf, Eschelman, Terrill, Bottom Row: Lewis Ens. McCue.







Hey Lew, what's a shoal?

"H"
D

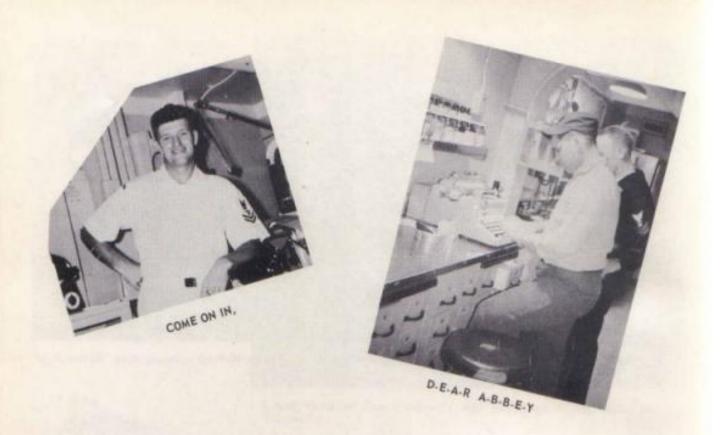




L to R, Top Row: Johnston, Thomas, McBratnie, Orriss, Wise, Battom Row: Smith, Sweitzer, Dr. Wachter, Gansert.



I'm smiling now, but I believe I'll hang the next marine who asks me for APC's !!!



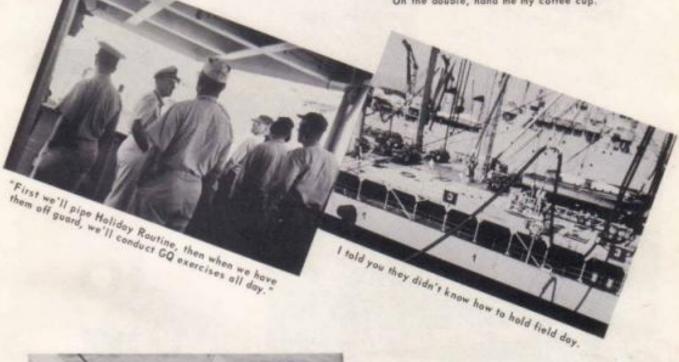




But it is the other foot, Doc.

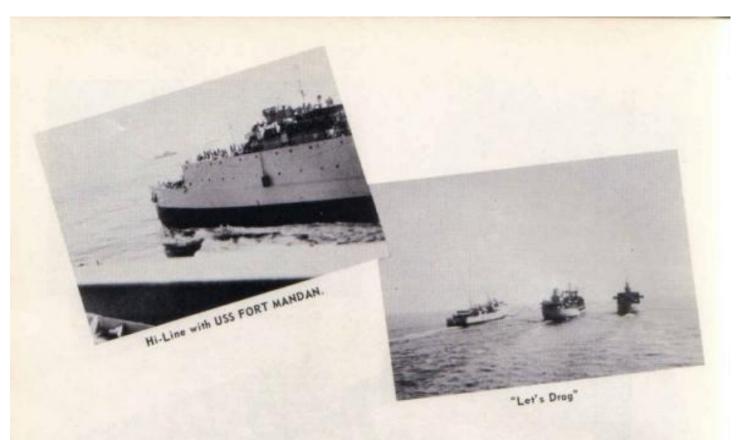


"On the double, hand me my coffee cup."





Those blandes turn up in the darndest places?





Standard oil should see us now.





## OC

L to R, 4th Row: Halling, Venenga, Newton, Layton, Hayden, 3rd Row: Martin, McElroy, Dolan, Curry, Kalina. 2nd Row: Williams, Wood, Bellsnyder, Howland. 1st Row: Ens. Buckley, Chief Stollines, Ens. Kinney.

## OI



L to R, 3rd Row: Ermshler, Whitfield, Streit, James. 2nd Row: Arroyo, Nisler, Ziniewicz. 1st Row: Bihn, Ens. Wilcox, Lt(jg) Foster, Holden.

#### **OUR LEADERS**





#### SHIP BOARD ROUTINE

AGGRAVATION







"THE UNTOUCHABLES"





Poor Richard?



"I got everything I have the hard way!"



Call that Bluff



Garbage Grinder?

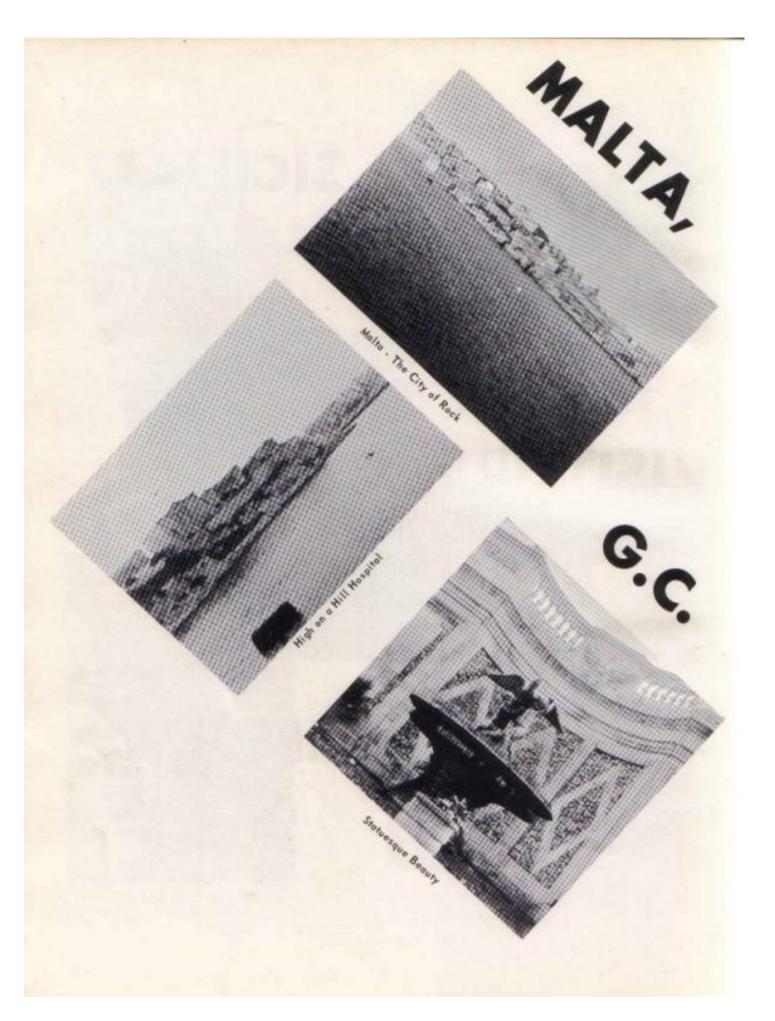


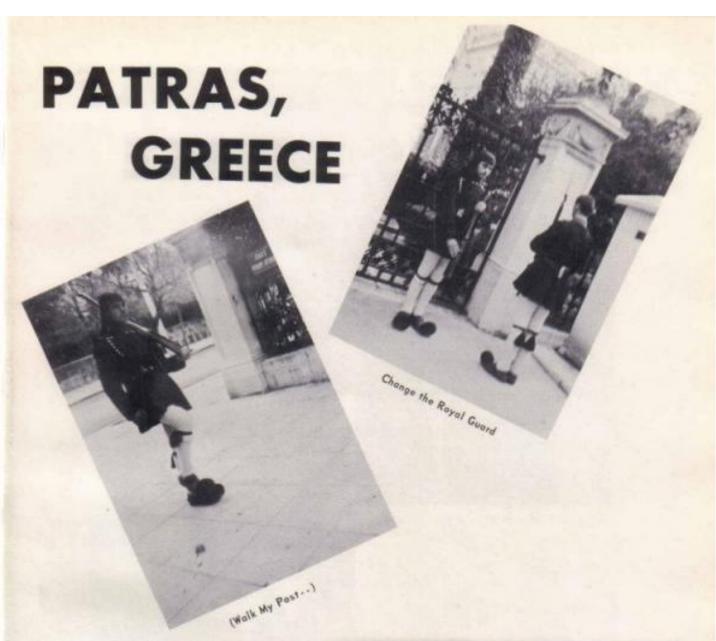
#### SICILIAN

#### **VISITORS**



MESSINA







Late for work AGAIN?

## XMAS TELFAIR STYLE ATHENS, GREECE



The kids had a ball!



Come on fellers, after all, it is Christmas.



Finishing Touch!



Ah Yes - Chow Down





They ain't much, but they're all I've got.



Dinner to Order



SANITATION Dept.



#### **FRENCH**



#### **ALPS**



NOT KENTUCKY..



FRANCE



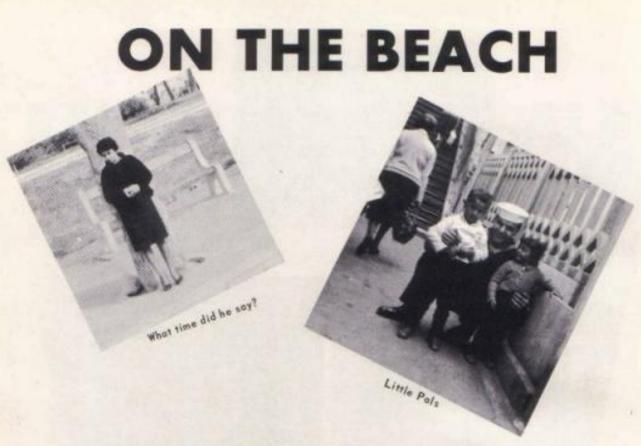


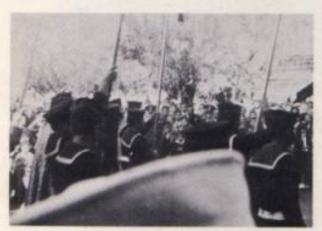
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All Boots - No Liberty





Queens Honor Guard



Down Town

### FOUL WEATHER JACKET BEACH PARTY



Lovely view, isn't it?

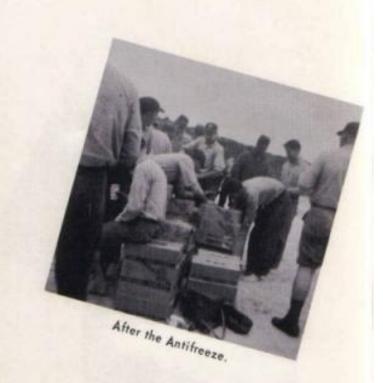


I'm goin' over the hill.



It wasn't this way coming back.







Man, that's coffee!

#### SOMEWHERE AT SEA





Old Folks at Home



Let's help the navigator.



#### ABOARD THE "T"



Cream and sugar!



The Commodore Sez



Mt. 43 Guncrew



All's quiet topside.



At last.



Liberty in Athens



Tom, the BM/FN.

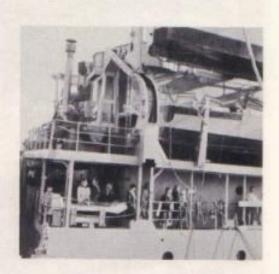


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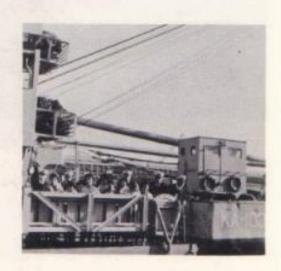












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