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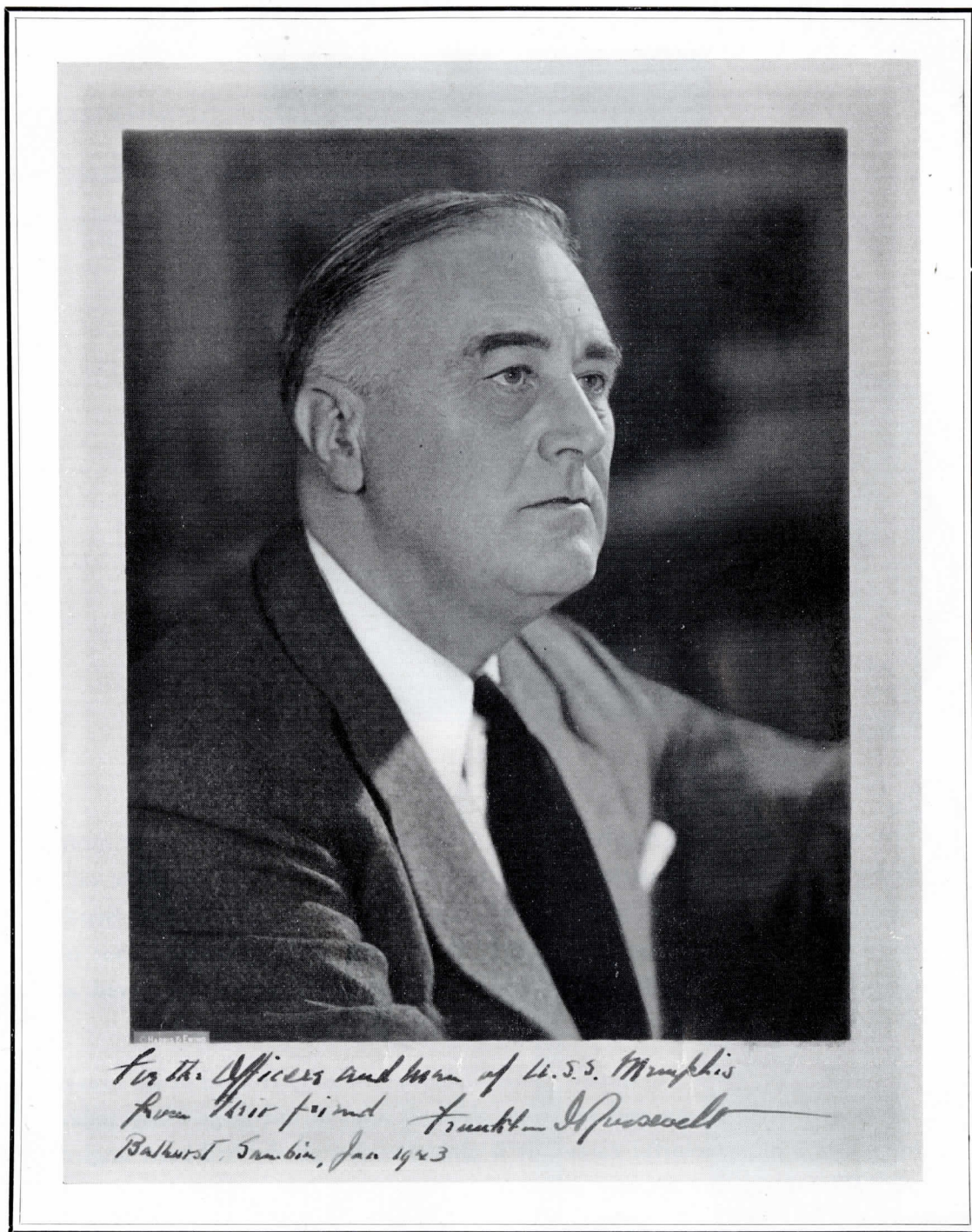
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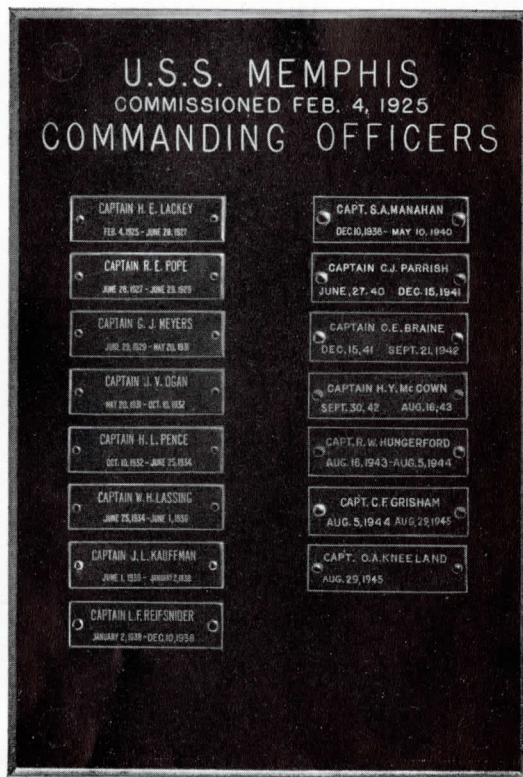






This photograph was presented to the U.S.S. Memphis by the late President Roosevelt after the celebrated Casablanca Conference of 1943. The President was accommodated on board on his way to and from this first of the "Big Three" conferences. Flying the late president's flag, the Memphis, was the first ship of the United States fleet to fly a president's flag in foreign waters during war time.





The U.S.S. *Memphis* has had fifteen commanding officers during her more than twenty years of illustrious service to her country. Thirteen of these captains are still living. Six have attained flag rank, serving the United States Navy in important positions. Captain H. E. Lackey, USN, had the honor of being her first commanding officer while Captain O. A. Kneeland served as her last.

Follow her cruises to distant romantic lands—to palm fringed or ice strewn shores—in every ocean and sea. Few ships, if any, in our large Navy today have had a more colorful career. It is almost as though she had been singled out to represent our country overseas.

She has received Kings and Presidents abroad, has explored the Alaskan coasts, has put landing parties ashore in far off China, and attended important conferences at which this past war's strategy was planned.

This small book of memories is offered to portray the individuality and character of one of the fine ships of the great United States Navy.



COMMANDING OFFICER

Captain O. A. Kneeland

United States Navy





EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Commander R. D. Harwood  
United States Navy



The Captain, Commander and Ship's Office Personnel



## "OLD TIMER"

Chief Harvey L. "Deacon" Wynn

United States Navy

On 9 January 1926 Harvey L. Wynn, CSSML, USN, reported for duty aboard the U.S.S. Memphis as a seaman second class. These twenty years of continuous service aboard one ship, faithfully performing his duty, is a unique distinction and record that probably few Navy men on any ship can equal.

Chief Wynn has served under every Memphis captain. He has seen thousands of officers and men come aboard and leave. He has visited all of the ports in the far corners of the globe in which the ship has called. He has seen the great number of dignitaries who have been aboard the Memphis throughout her career. He is the only man who has taken part in all of her doings. It might be said that Chief Wynn has "grown up" with the ship.

Every officer and man who has ever been attached to the ship will recall "Deacon" Wynn for numerous reasons—friend and confident to all sailors, Santa Claus at Christmas parties, Master-of-Ceremonies at Happy Hours, lead character in "Crossing the Line" ceremonies, and number one ship's athletic enthusiast.

Through the medium of this brochure all hands "doff their hats" to Chief Wynn, and say "you have served long and well."



Chief Wynn with Seaman Mundy and Waldo



Chief Wynn as a seaman twenty years ago.





JONAS H. INGRAM,  
Admiral U. S. Navy,  
Commander-in-Chief  
Atlantic Fleet

*To the Wardroom Mess of my flagship  
with fond memories from their shipmate  
J.H. Ingram  
Vice Admiral  
Commander*



H. K. HEWITT,  
Admiral U. S. Navy,  
Commander U. S.  
Naval Forces Europe

*To the Wardroom Mess of my flagship  
H. K. Hewitt  
Admiral U. S. Navy*



W. A. GLASSFORD, JR.  
Vice Admiral U. S. Navy  
Commander U. S. Naval  
Forces  
N. W. African Waters

*To the  
Admiral's Office  
U.S.S. Memphis  
for presentation as  
the Commander of  
Naval Forces  
N.W. African Waters*



The Honorable  
GETULIO VARGAS  
President, Brazil

*Se trata de um  
homem muito interessante  
e muito bom*



The Honorable  
SENOR AMENZOGA  
President, Uruguay

All of the above portraits hang in the wardroom of the U.S.S. Memphis. They were presented to the ship since the beginning of the war at the time the Memphis served as the Admiral's flagship. During the ships' long tour of duty in the South Atlantic the presidents of Brazil and Uruguay called officially on Admiral Ingram on several occasions.



★ U. S. MEMPHIS HISTORY ★

More than twenty years ago the U.S.S. MEMPHIS began her twenty years of service to the nation. That service included missions of goodwill to every corner of the globe . . . dedication of naval bases and bridges . . . reception of kings and presidents . . . duty with the neutrality patrol and other assignments since the war began. That service has taken the MEMPHIS on voyages totaling approximately eight hundred thousand miles—a distance roughly equivalent to 33 trips around the world at the equator.

We take pleasure in presenting "Highlights of MEMPHIS History".

**HIGHLIGHTS OF MEMPHIS HISTORY**

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| <p>4 Feb. 1925—Placed in full commission, Captain H. E. Lackey, Commanding.</p> <p>13 Apr. 1925—Attended dedication exercises of Memorial Gateway to Commodore Perry, at Port of Spain, B.W.I.</p> <p>4 June 1925—Rear Admiral Hugh Rodman (who commanded U. S. Battleships with British Grand Fleet during World War) came aboard for passage to Australia.</p> <p>5 July 1925—Crossed the equator.</p> <p>6 July 1925—Crossed the 180th Meridian.</p> <p>26 June 1926—Attended dedication of St. Nazarine Memorial.</p> <p>July 1926—King Alfonso and Queen Victoria of Spain came aboard.</p> <p>19 Aug. 1926—King of Denmark came aboard.</p> | <p>9 Sept. 1926—Rendezvous with Swedish Fleet at Hars Fjord, Sweden.</p> <p>3 June 1927—Col. Lindbergh came aboard for return to U. S. after his transatlantic flight.</p> <p>11 June 1927—Arrived in Washington, D. C., with Col. Lindbergh.</p> <p>19 Nov. 1927—Received remains of Guatemalan Minister for transport to Guatemala.</p> <p>Jan. 1928—President and Mrs. Coolidge came aboard for transfer to the battleship TEXAS on which they were taken to the Pan-American Conference at Havana, Cuba. The President, First Lady, Secretary and Mrs. Wilbur made the entire return trip from Havana aboard the MEMPHIS.</p> |
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King Christian X of Denmark makes official call on USS Memphis—September, 1926



Hon. OGDEN H. HAMMOND (AMERICAN AMBASSADOR TO SPAIN) AND MRS. HAMMOND ON BOARD MEMPHIS AT MADRID, 1926

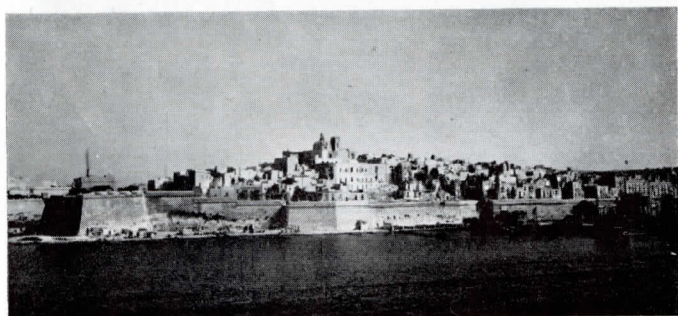
First Memphis Commanding Officer, Captain H. E. Lackey, U. S. Navy, pictured second from right.





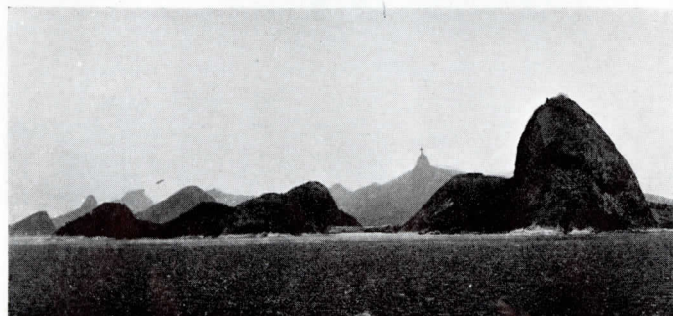
President Vargas of Brazil being greeted by Admiral Ingram

- Nov. 1928—Went to the assistance of Japanese S. S. Saki Maru and investigated typhoon damage in Southern Philippines.
- 26 Feb. 1929—Dry docked in Dewey Dry Dock, Subig Bay, at Olongapo, P. I.
- 19 Mar. 1929—In Amoy, China, when U. S. recognized Nationalist Government.
- 11 Apr. 1929—Departed Chefoo China, homeward bound from China station flying homeward bound pennant 485 feet long.
- 3 May 1929—Enroute U. S. from one year cruise in Asiatic Waters. The MEMPHIS had put ashore landing parties at Chefoo and Chingwangtao to protect American interests, the latter city being near the Great Wall of China.
- 4 Oct. 1929—Escorted Premier MacDonal (aboard Berengaria) into New York.
- 9 Oct. 1929—At 200th Anniversary of Baltimore, Maryland.
- 20 May 1930—Passed in review before the President of the United States on board the SALT LAKE CITY, at New York.
- 2 Aug. 1930—At International Tennis Tournament, Bar Harbor, Maine.
- 17 Apr. 1931—Protecting American interests in Nicaragua.
- May 1931—Protecting American interests in Honduras.
- 14 Oct. 1931—At celebration Cornwallis surrender, President on U.S.S. ARKANSAS, Yorktown, Va.



Grand Harbor, Valetta, Malta

- 13 Feb. 1932—Relieved ROCHESTER as Flagship Special Service Squadron.
- July 1932—President of Panama came aboard.
- 6 Dec. 1932—Crossed the Equator.
- 2 Jan. 1933—Corinto, Nicaragua for evacuation of U. S. Marines.
- 1 Jun. 1933—Rejoined CruDiv TWO, U. S. Battle Force, San Diego, Cal.
- 31 May 1934—Presidential Review off New York City.
- 25 May to —
- 5 July 1935—Cruise to Hawaiian Islands, carrying Admiral Standley, Chief of Naval Operations.
- 2 Nov. 1935—Presidential Review off La Jolla, Calif.
- 2 Jan. 1936—Relieved TRENTON as Flagship of Special Service Squadron. Entertained Presidents of Panama, Costa Rica, and Nicaragua.
- 28 May 1937—At opening of Golden Gate Bridge, San Francisco, Cal.
- 3 Jan. 1938—Good Will cruise to Australia for International Exposition at Sydney.
- 15 Jan. 1938—Crossed the Equator.
- 26 Jan. 1938—Attended Australia's 150th Anniversary at Sydney.
- 15 Feb. 1938—Attended opening of new British Dry Dock at Singapore, Federated Malay States.
- 1 Apr. 1938—Rejoined Fleet in Honolulu.
- 12 July 1939—Presidential Review off San Francisco.
- 27 Aug. 1939—Enroute Sitka, Alaska via Inland Passage.
- 6 Sept. 1939—Kodiak, Alaska—Germany invades Poland.
- 6 Jan. 1941—Rear Admiral Jonas Ingram hoisted flag as ComCru Div 2.
- 25 Apr. 1941—Memphis departed Newport to take part in the famed "Neutrality Patrol".
- 8 May 1941—Crossed the Equator and called at Recife, Brazil, on May 10, 1941.



Sugar Loaf—Rio de Janeiro



- 23 Oct. 1941—Escorted S. S. Acadia to Lagos, Nigeria. The Acadia carried a group of Pan American Airway personnel who pioneered the air route across Africa which was later to be used by many thousands of planes bound for Libya, Russia, China, and India.
- 7 Dec. 1941—On patrol—Japan attacks Pearl Harbor.
- Mar. 1942—Escorted S. S. Coamo to Ascension Island with Army personnel who constructed on that island the airport used in ferrying aircraft across the South Atlantic.
- April 1942—First trip to Montevideo, Uruguay and Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
- 31 Dec. 1942—Vice Admiral Jonas Ingram hoisted flag as Commander, FOURTH Fleet, operating in South Atlantic waters.
- Jan. 1943—Memphis visited Bathurst, Gambia, and accommodated on board President Franklin D. Roosevelt on his way to and from the celebrated Casablanca Conference. Flew the President's flag. (First ship of the fleet to fly President's flag in foreign waters during wartime.)
- Jan. 1944—Memphis received on board President Amenzoga of Uruguay and President Getulio Vargas of Brazil.
- 16 Jan. 1945—Arrived Naples, Italy and reported for duty as Flagship ComNavNAW (Commander EIGHTH Fleet), Vice Admiral H. K. Hewitt, U. S. Navy.
- 27 Jan. 1945—Admiral H. R. Stark, U. S. Navy, ComNavEU, broke his flag on U.S.S. Memphis and departed for Valetta, Malta, scene of preliminary Allied conferences prior to Yalta.
- 31 Jan. 1945—Received on board visit from Admiral of the Fleet, Ernest J. King.
- 1 Feb. 1945—Received on board visit from General of the Army, George C. Marshall.
- 18 Feb. 1945—At Algiers, Algeria, for conference between President Roosevelt on the U.S.S. Quincy and various Allied civil and military officials, prior to his final return to the United States. Received aboard American Ambassador to France and Italy.
- 4 Apr. 1945—The Most Reverend and Right Honorable, The Lord Archbishop of York, Metropolitan and Primate of England, Dr. Cyril Forrester Garbett, D.D., called officially on Admiral Hewitt.
- 11 Apr. 1945—Vice Admiral W. A. Glassford, Jr., relieved Admiral H. K. Hewitt as Commander EIGHTH Fleet.
- 12 Aug. 1945—Received Admiral Sir John D. Cunningham, R.N., CinCMed, on board.
- 15 Aug. 1945—Participated in the first anniversary ceremonies of the Allied landings in Southern France, with Admiral H. K. Hewitt, U. S. Navy, ComNavEU, embarked. Landing force put ashore at St. Raphael and St. Tropez.
- 27 Oct. 1945—Navy Day ceremonies at Naples, Italy. Vice Admiral W. A. Glassford Jr., and Lt. General Ridgway principal speakers in colorful ceremony.
- Nov. 1945—Received Vice Admiral Correia, Portuguese Navy, aboard at Tangier, International Zone.
- Nov. 1945—Departed Mediterranean Theater for Philadelphia and decommissioning.

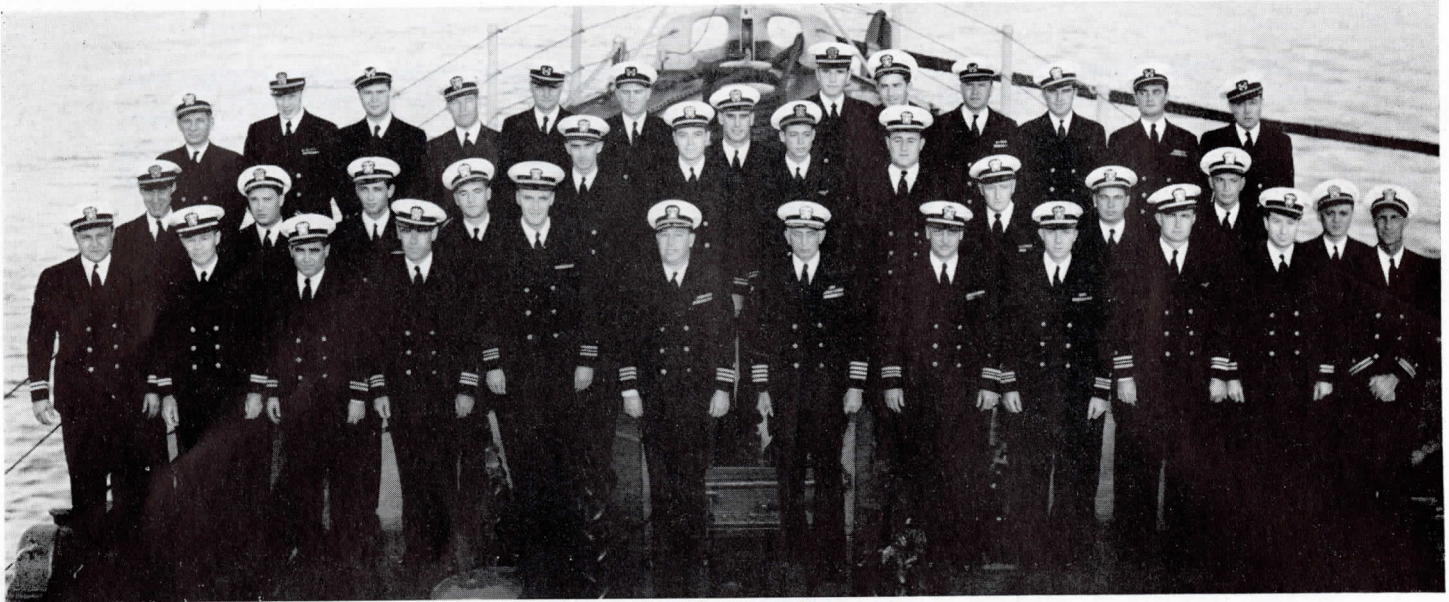


Ruins Pompei, Italy



Waterfront, Marseille





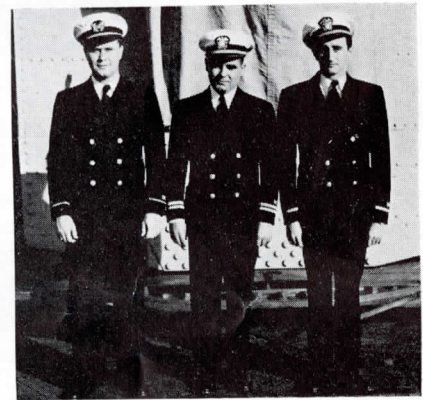
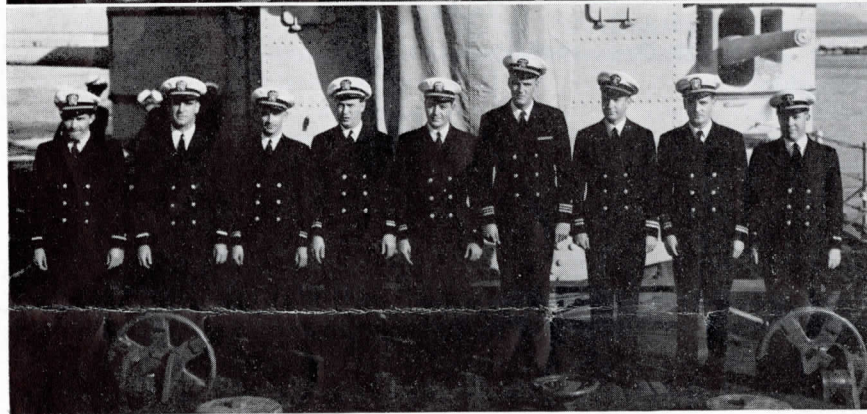
**U.S.S. MEMPHIS OFFICERS**

**FRONT ROW** L to R—Lt. W. O. Severson, Lt. O. L. Parsons, Lt. M. L. Ainsworth, Lt. Cdr. E. R. Hodgkins, Lt. Cdr. W. M. Hollenback, Comdr. R. D. Harwood, Capt. O. A. Kneeland, Lt. Cdr. D. R. Cheek, Lt. Cdr. D. L. Ellis, Lt. Cdr. K. J. Mathis, Lt. H. R. Grant, Lt. K. L. Winchell.

**SECOND ROW**—Lt. (jg) J. W. Hogan, Lt. (jg) T. S. Kosh, Lt. (jg) G. M. L. Gill, Chaplain Myers, Lt. (jg) J. R. Donaldson, Lt. C. J. Rohrbach, Ens. E. W. H. Little, Lt. J. M. Dryden, Lt. (jg) G. A. Foote, Lt. (jg) O. A. Ottesen, Lt. (jg) D. Kallman, Ens. D. E. Dobbins, Lt. (jg) G. S. Dacovich.

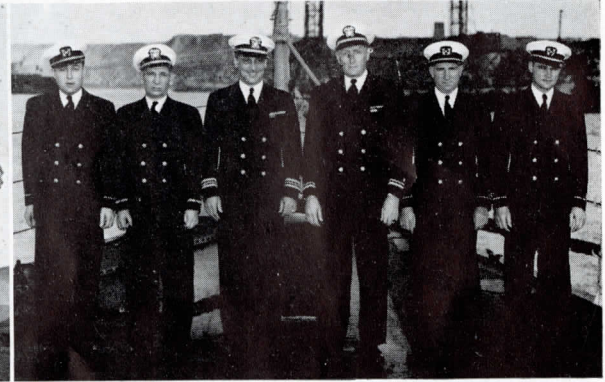
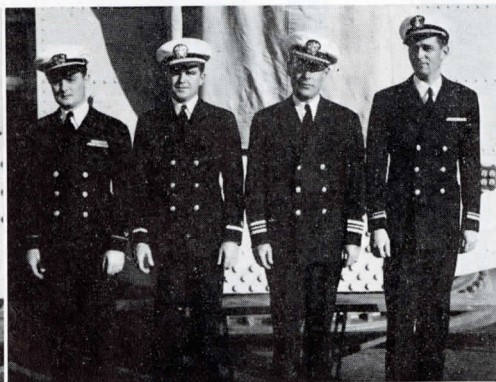
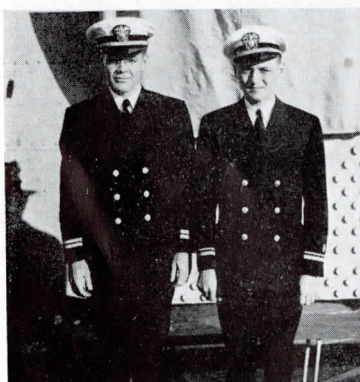
**THIRD ROW**—Ch. Elec. J. D. Whelpley, Lt. (jg) Bedell, Pay Clerk R. J. Goodbody, CRE J. F. O'Neil, Mach. L. R. Cain, Mach. H. A. Ellis, Ens. M. E. Sawtell, Ens. W. R. Gibbs, Gunner W. F. Anderson, Ens. J. F. Bonner, Carp. E. R. Hellen, Mach. R. P. Simon.

**GUNNERY**—Gunner W. F. Anderson, Lt. (jg) D. Kallman, Lt. (jg) G. A. Foote, Lt. W. O. Severson, Lt. Cdr. K. J. Mathis—Senior Aviator, Lt. Cdr. D. L. Ellis—Gunnery Officer, Lt. K. L. Winchell, Lt. J. M. Dryden, Lt. (jg) G. Bedell, Lt. (jg) J. W. Hogan, Ens. M. E. Sawtell, Ens. D. E. Dobbins.



**C & N**—Ens. W. R. Gibbs, Ens. E. W. H. Little, Lt. J. R. Donaldson, Lt. (jg) T. S. Kosh, Lt. C. J. Rohrbach, Jr., Lt. Cdr. W. M. Hollenback, Jr.—Navigator, Lt. H. R. Grant—Communication Officer, Chaplain C. K. Myers, CRE J. F. O'Neil.

**SUPPLY**—Pay Clerk R. J. Goodbody, Lt. M. L. Ainsworth—Supply Officer, Ens. R. J. Laun.



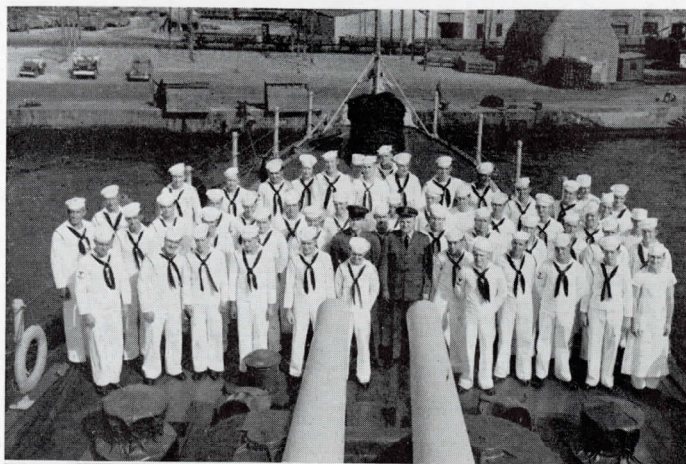
**MEDICAL**—Lt. O. L. Parsons, MC, Lt. (jg) G. S. Dacovich, DC.

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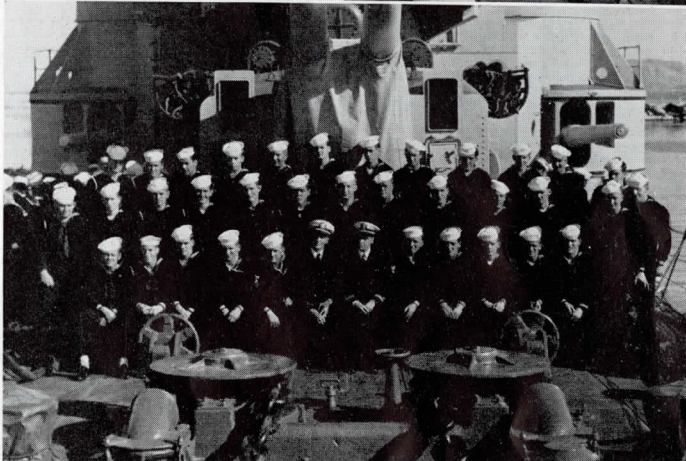
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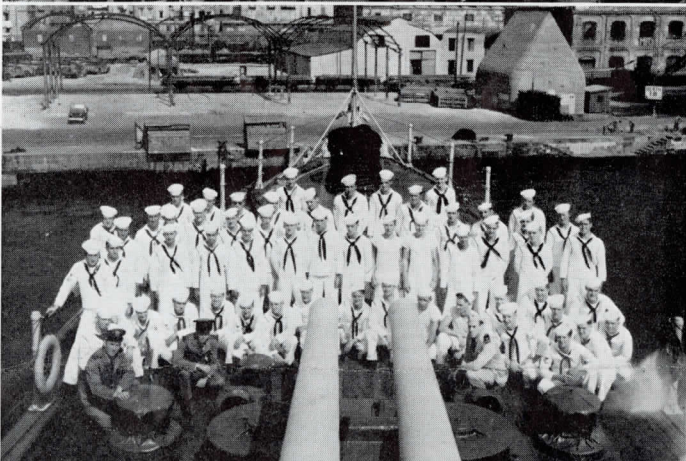
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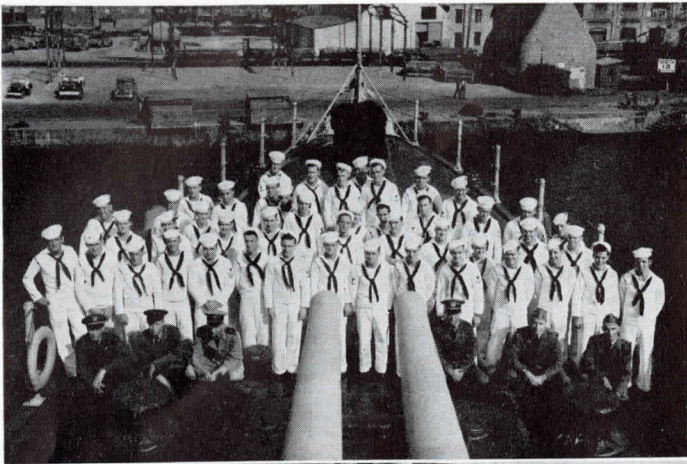


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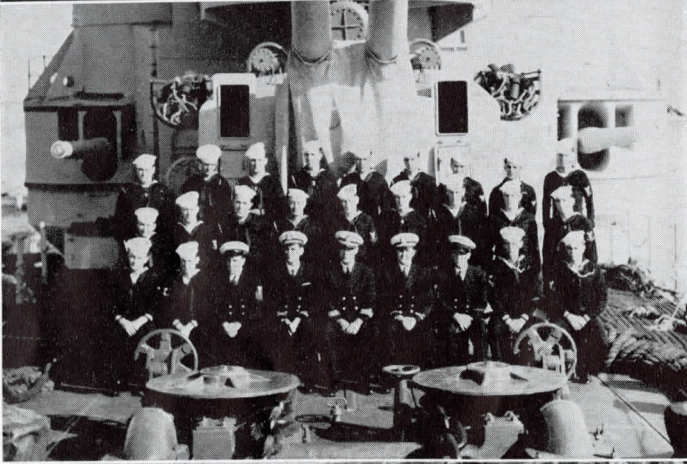


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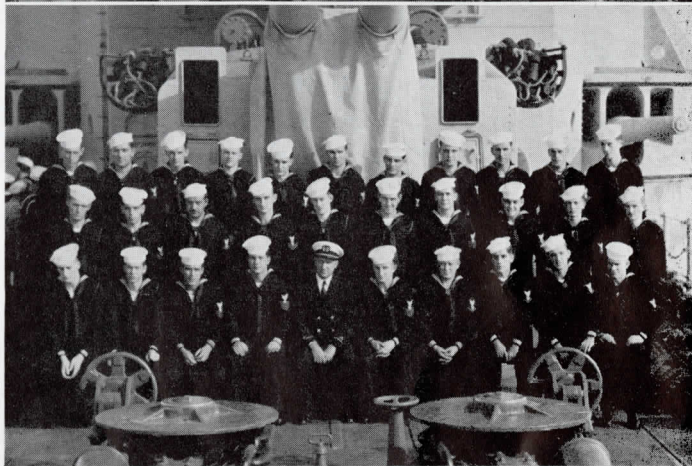
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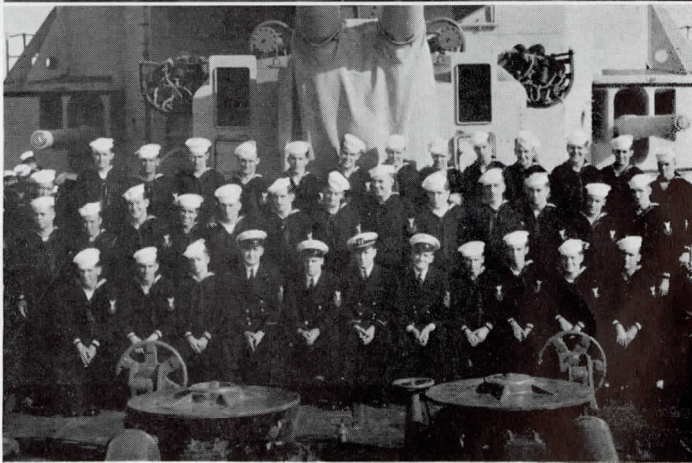
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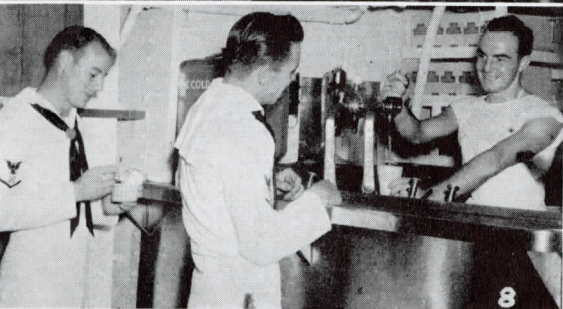
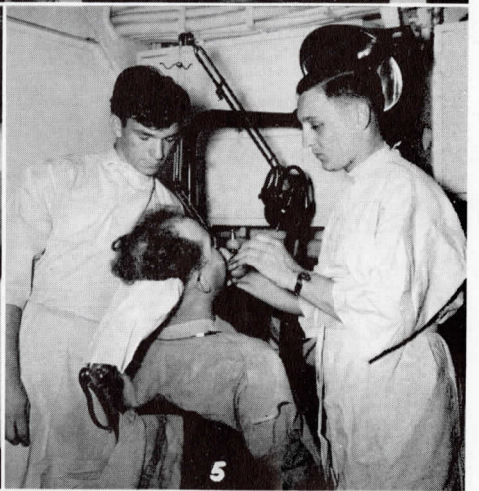
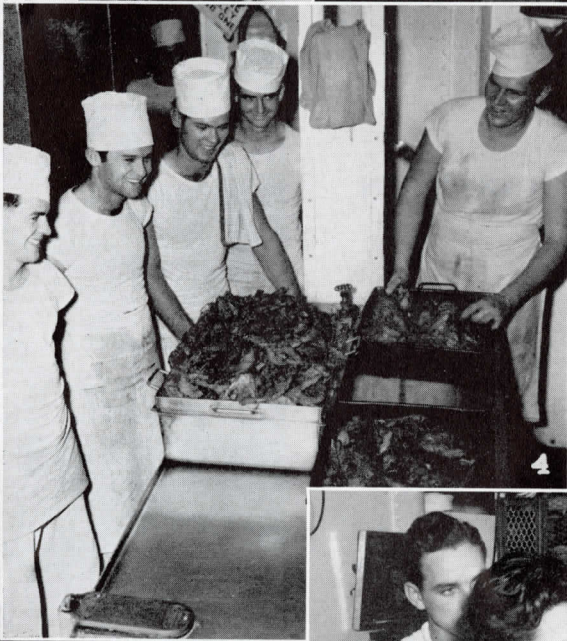
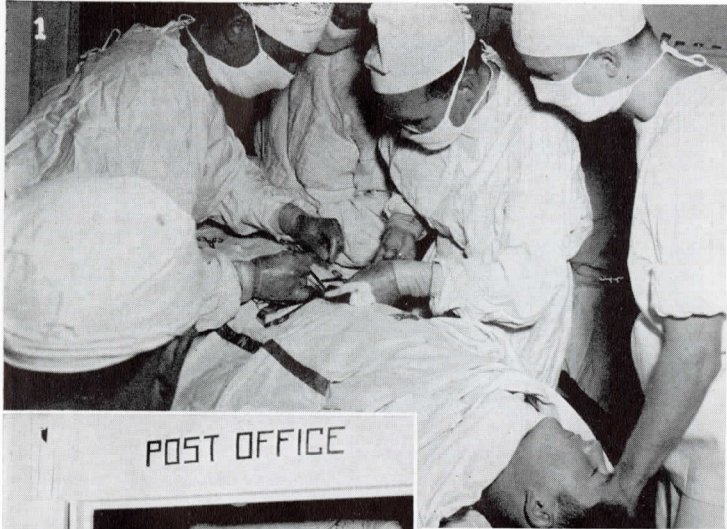
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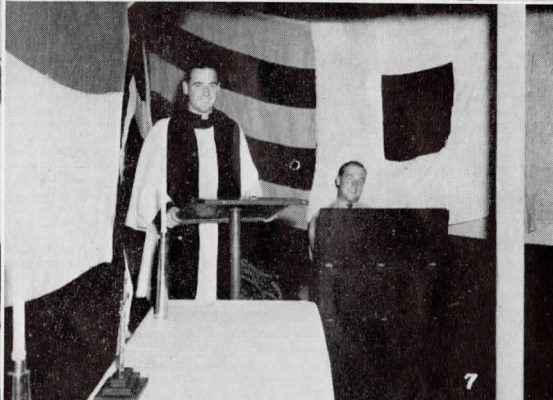
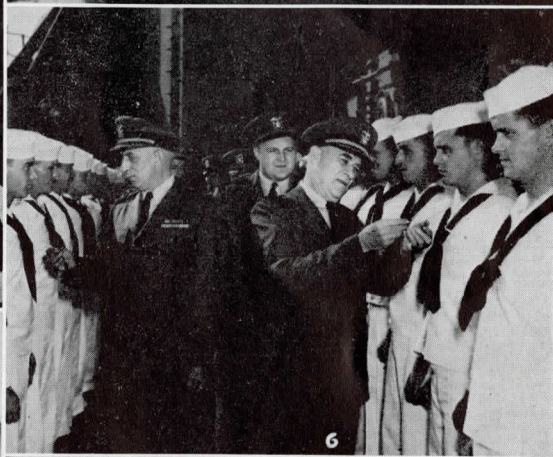
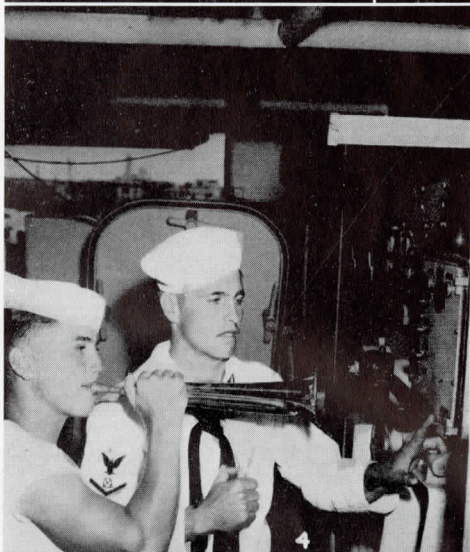
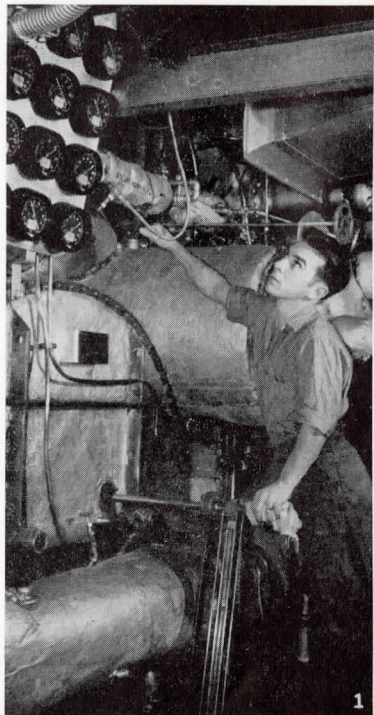


1. Operation  
2. Laundry  
3. Post Office

4. Chicken Every Sunday  
5. Dentist  
6. Tailor  
7. Barber Shop

8. Gedunks  
9. Bakery  
10. Cobbler



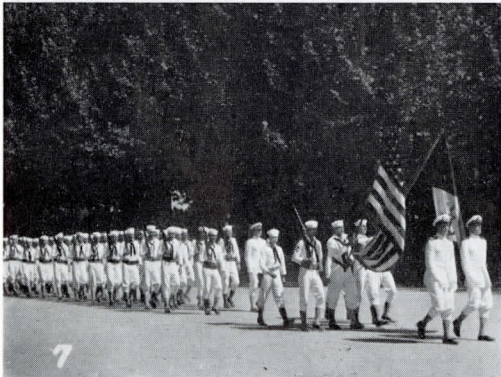
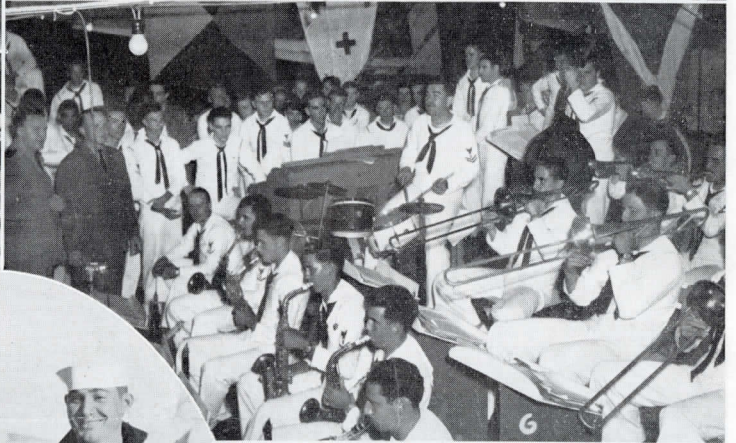
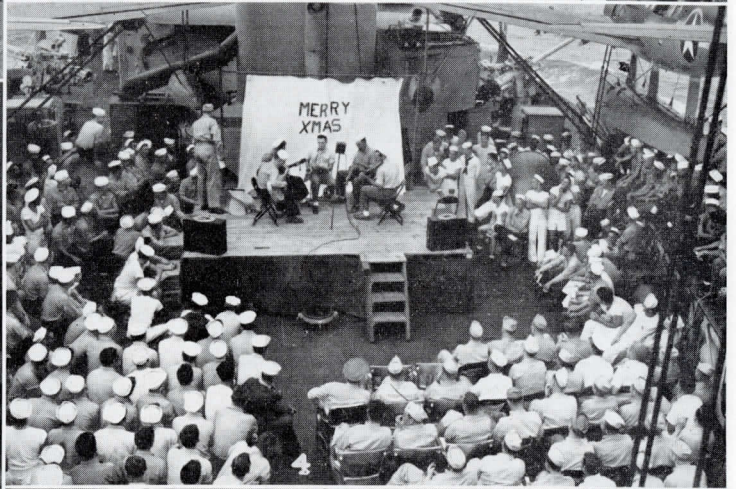
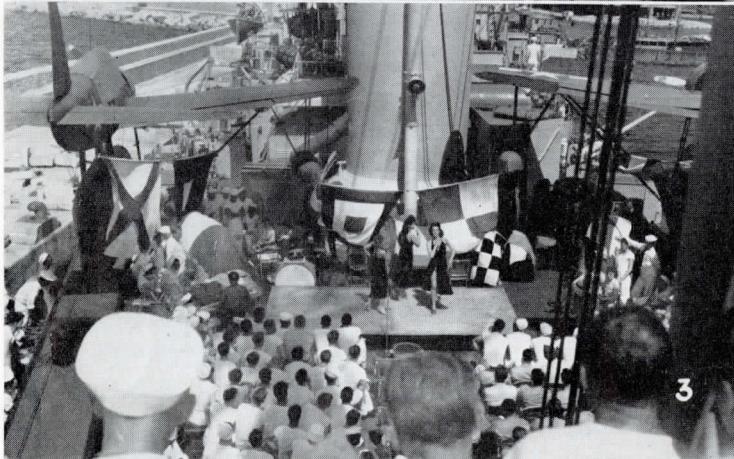


1. Engine Room  
2. Inspection—Silverware  
3. The Old Joe Pot  
4. Bugler and Coxswain

5. Exec. and Chief Cook prepare wild boar dinner  
6. Captains Inspect—Relieve Command

7. Chaplain and Organist  
8. Movie Call  
9. C. I. C.  
10. Beaucoup de Hash Marks



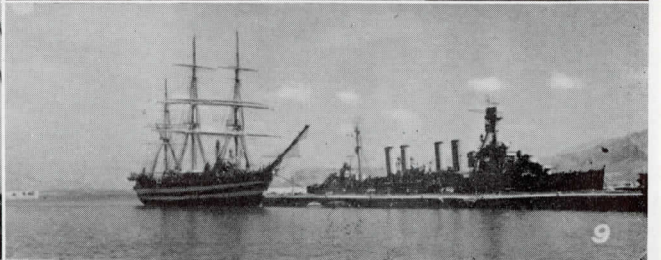
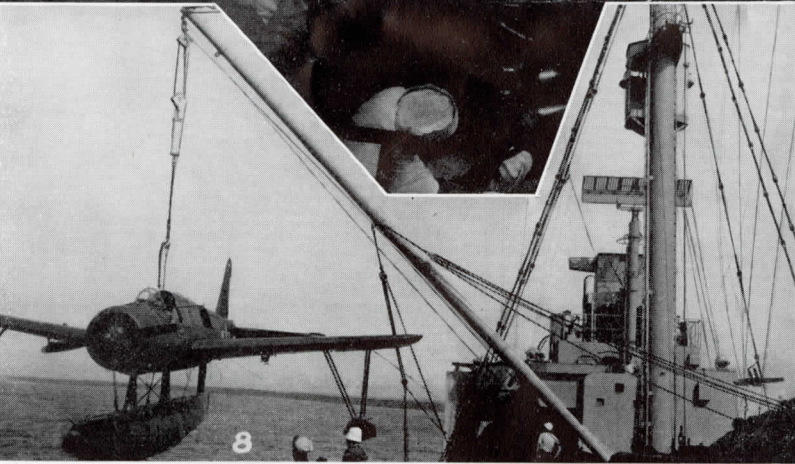
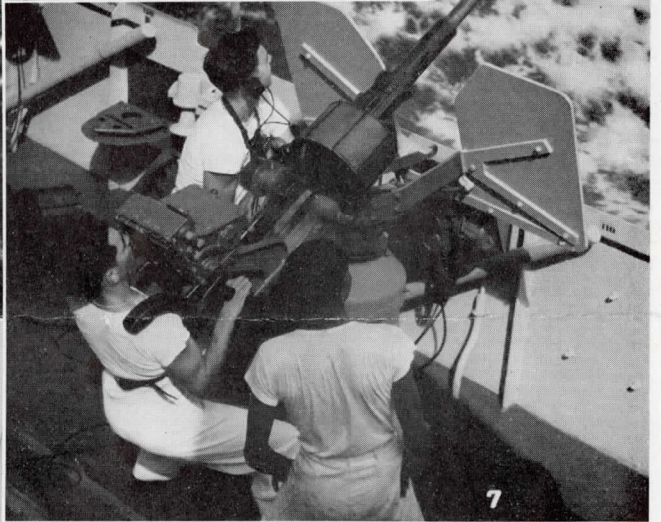
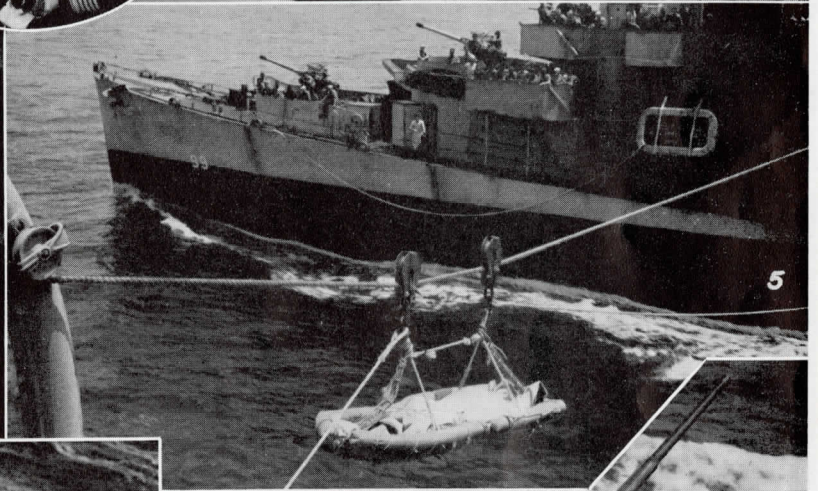
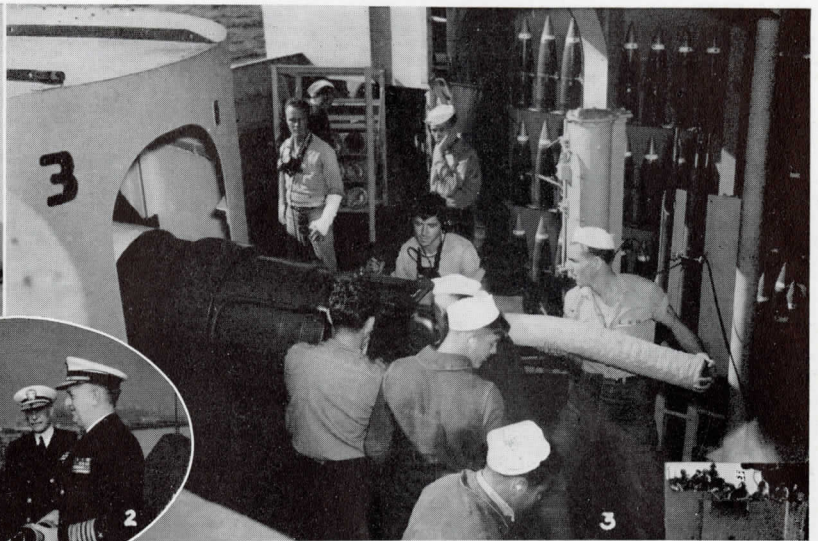


1. Wacs—Ship's Party—Casablanca  
2. 4 French Girls—Ship's Party—Casablanca

3. U.S.O. Show—Marseille—French Girls  
4. Christmas at Sea—South Atlantic  
5. Ship's Dance—New York  
6. Ship's Swing Band

7. Landing Force—San Raphail, France  
8. Line Heaving Champ  
9. Navy Day 1945—Naples



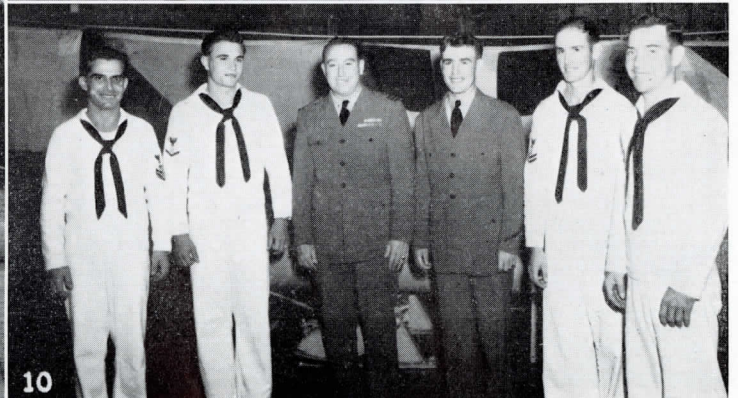
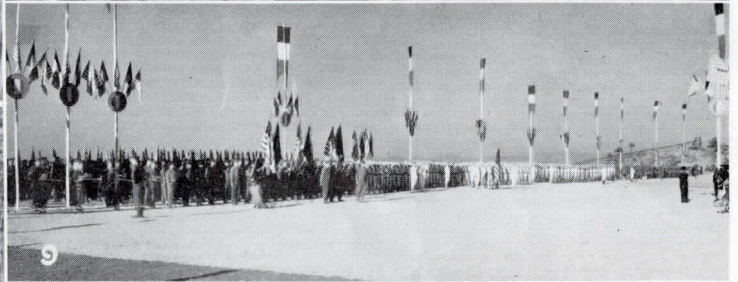
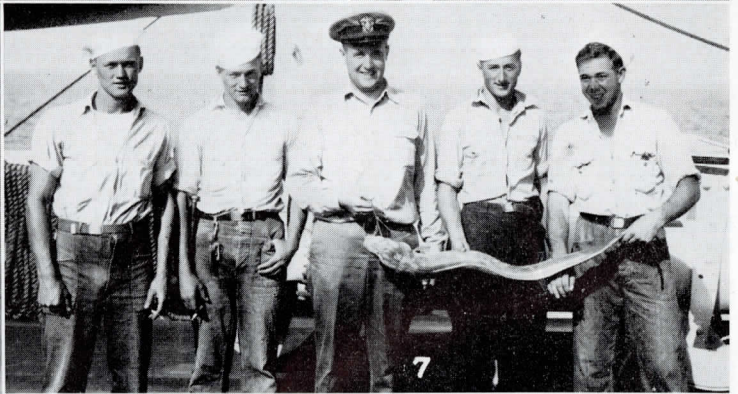
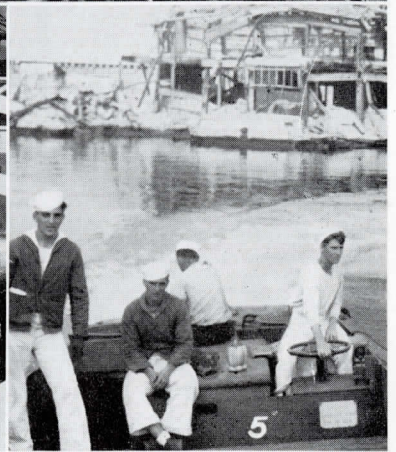
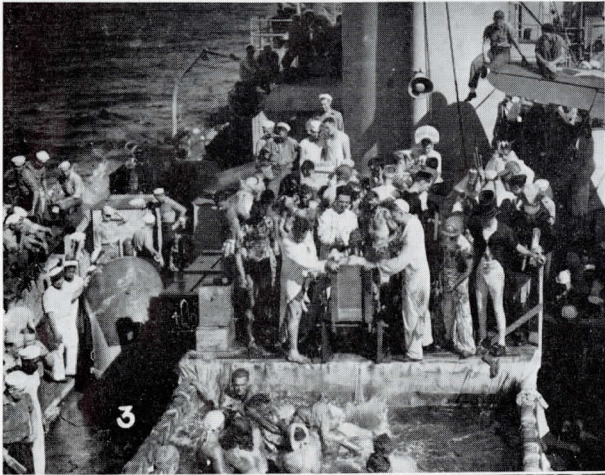
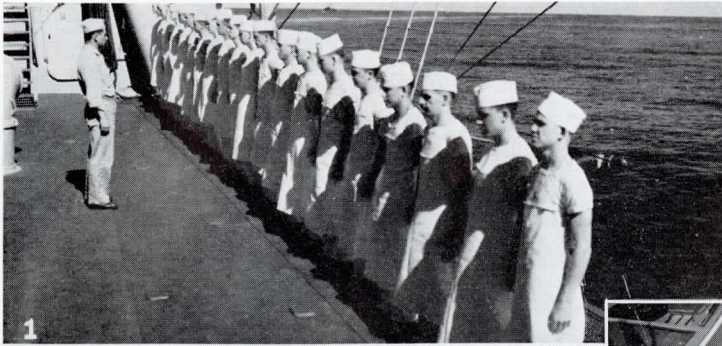


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2. Admiral Hewitt Hauls Down Flag  
3. Firing the Main Battery

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7. Firing the 20's  
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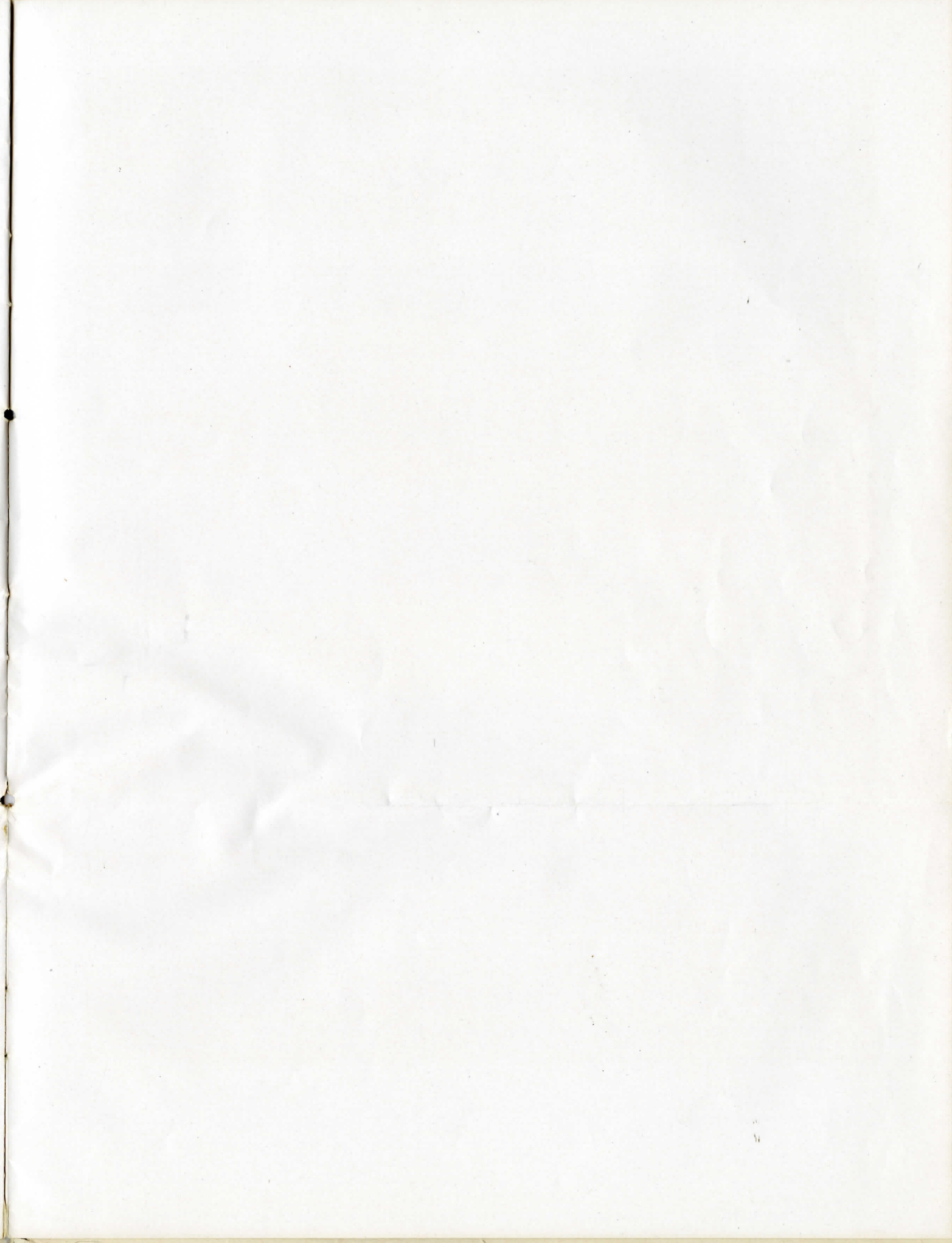


1. Mess Cook's Inspection  
2. Softball Champs  
3. Crossing the Line  
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