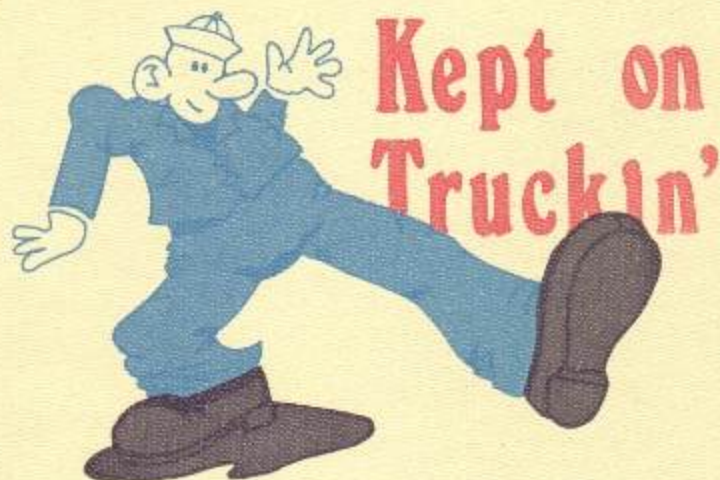


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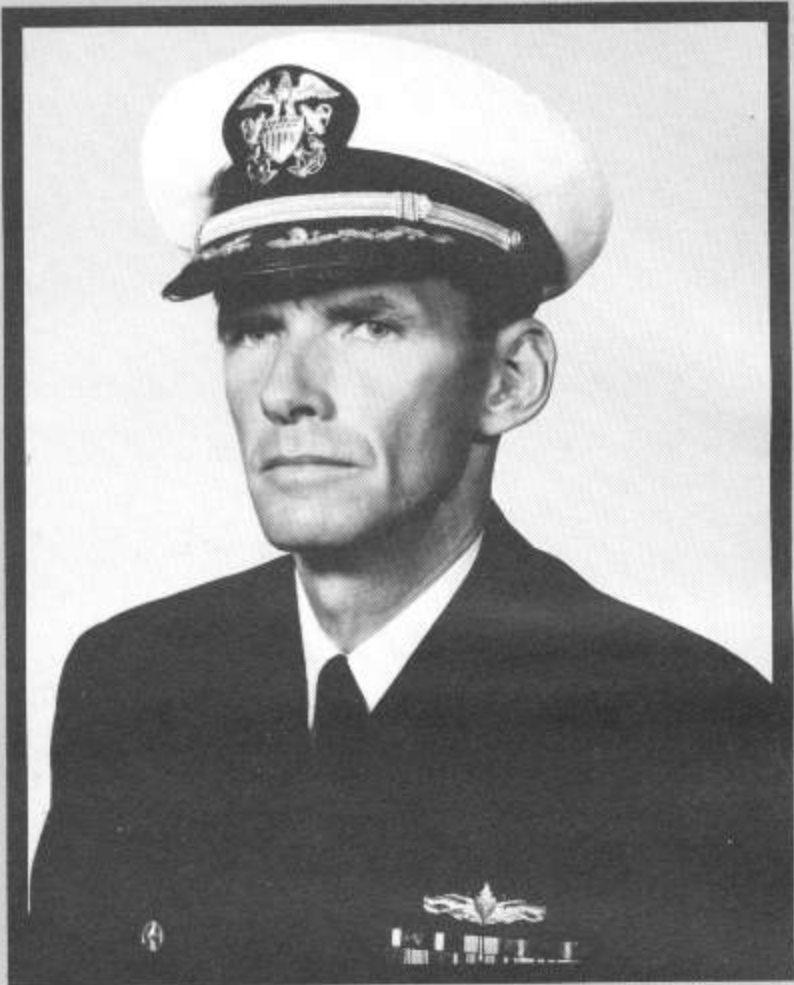


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USS TOWERS



CDR O.L. MORRISON FORMER CO USS TOWERS (DDG-9)

COMMANDER ORRIN L. MORRISON, USN

Commander Orrin L. Morrison, USN, was born in Glenridge, New Jersey, on 8 September 1936. He attended Ohio State University under the NROTC Program and was commissioned an Ensign upon graduation in June 1958. He reported to the **USS COOK** (APD-130) as navigator in July of that year for his initial tour of duty.

A Training Management Subspecialist, Commander MORRISON has had a number of education-related tours including duty in the Training/Readiness Section of COMCRUDESPEC Staff, as Combat Systems Training Officer at the Fleet Anti-Air Warfare Training Center, San Diego, and just prior to reporting to **TOWERS** a tour as Schools Director at the Fleet Combat Direction Systems Training Center, Pacific.

Other assignments have included: Aide/Flag Lieutenant to Commander Amphibious Group THREE; student at the Naval Destroyer School (class No. 6) followed by his first tour aboard **USS TOWERS** as Operations Officer in 1964-1965; student at the U.S. Navy Postgraduate School where he earned a Master's Degree in Management; Executive Officer of **USS BUCHANAN** (DDG-14); Chief Staff Officer on the staff of COMDESRON THIRTEEN; staff member on the CNO Executive Board (OP-90X); and a short tour in-country, Republic of Vietnam.

Commander MORRISON is single and resides in San Diego, California. He assumed command of **TOWERS** on 18 December 1974.



CDR J.J. ANDRILLA PRESENT CO USS TOWERS DDG-9

Commander Joseph J. ANDRILLA, USN

Commander ANDRILLA began his naval career upon graduation from the University of California, Los Angeles, Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps program. His first assignments were sea tours in **USS INTERPETER** (AGR-14) and **USS SOMERS** (DD-947). Following duty under instruction at the Naval Destroyer School, he was assigned as Operations Officer of **USS FRANK KNOX** (DD-942) and **USS PREBLE** (DLG-15). He later served a tour as Executive Officer, **USS LYNDE McCORMICK** (DDG-8). On 2 October 1976 Commander ANDRILLA assumed command of **USS TOWERS** (DDG-9) relieving Commander O.L. MORRISON.

Commander ANDRILLA served ashore at the Bureau of Naval Personnel as a Junior Officer Detailer and most recently at the United States Naval Academy. He attended the United States Naval Postgraduate School where he earned a Master's Degree in Management. Commander ANDRILLA also attended the United States Naval War College.

Commander ANDRILLA has received the Navy Commendation Medal, the Navy Achievement Medal, the Republic of Vietnam Unit Citation (Civil Action Medal, First Class, with Palm), the Vietnam Service Medal with one silver star for 5 campaigns, the National Defense Service Medal, and the Vietnam Campaign Medal with device.

Commander ANDRILLA is married to the former Barbara CONLEY of Haywood, California. They have two children; Mark 12, and Lisa 10. The ANDRILLA family resides in San Diego, California.



LCDR K. A. DRISCOLL
Executive Officer

WARDROOM



LT C. E. WEISCOPEF



LT J. T. WARD



LTJG R. L. WRIGHT

ENGINEERING

The eyes of a ship are the bridge and CIC, the ears are radio, the fangs and claws are the guns and missiles, and the heart is Engineering. Burning 3.71 million gallons of fuel to turn twin propellers over 75 million times, the Engineering Department moved **TOWERS** halfway across the globe and back again. They also provided steam for cooking, shower water (most of the time?), lights, and air conditioning in the 'cool' equatorial climates.

TOWERS' engineers maintained an excellent record of meeting the fast paced commitments of WESTPAC, but things weren't always smooth. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner helo details kept the HT's busy, as did the 'SHIPALT' converting A, E, & R berthing to a fuel tank. Radio was as warm as #2 Fireroom for a while as 'A' Gang worked on our air conditioning units. Port and Starboard watches for M & B too often seemed like 'port and report', and few will forget the night the lights went out in Karachi. Main Control's P.D.L. and #1 Fireroom's super-chicken cartoon series helped keep things loose in the holes for the "steamin demons". Many a snipe was sorry to leave the San Miguel behind, and the engineers did more than their share of 'steaming' on the beach (none are better qualified!), but it was all worth it when **TOWERS** steamed past 1 S.D. on that beautiful March morning.

M DIVISION



MMC J. LOUTHAN
MM1 D. RAPP
MM2 J. DUENAS
MM3 N. ANORMA



MM3 R. CARROLL
MM3 L. CLIFTON
MM3 FREGON
MM3 T. HUTTON



MM3 P. JONES
MM3 W. RAMSEY
MM3 K. RAO
MM3 S. SCHORR



MM3 M. SCOTT
MM3 M. SMITH
MMFN S.
GOOLSBY
FN S. SHANER



Machinist's Mate
(MM)

MMFA D.
BLANKENHORN
MMFA P. JOCKO
MMFA J.
LINGENFELTER
MMFA J.
ROBERTSON



FA R. SOLANO
MMFN E.
ELLEDGE
MMFN W.
FESMIRE
MMFN S.
JACKMAN



FN L. MARVIN
FN R. MAXWELL
MMFN E.
MEDDERS



R DIVISION

HTCS A. JOHNSON
HT2 F. GOODALE
HT2 E.
RODRIGUEZ
HT2 M. SWANGEL



HT2 C. VAUGHN
HT2 M. WALTON
HT2 S. WELLS
MR3 G. COFFMAN



HT3 G. LAVIN
HT3 W. MANTZ
HT3 R. REGER
FN W.
McPARTLAND



HTFN M. PERRY
FA K. HUNT
HTFA J.
INTRAVAIA
MRFA J.
WECHSELBERGER



Hull Maintenance
Technician (HT)

HTFA L.
WESTBROOK



E DIVISION



EMC L. WHITAKER
EM1 C. CAGAYAO
EM2 R. ALONTE
EM2 A. COOPER



IC2 M. DiCICILIA
EM2 J. TREVINO
EM3 J. DESA
EM3 T. FLEGE



EM3 D. JOHNSON
EM3 M. TIONGCO
ICFN C. DeBOLT
ICFN L. FRAZIER



EMFN E. PALMA
ICFA M. BERDAN
ICFA G. DAVIS
FA J. LOHRER



EMFA M. VITKOW



Electrician's
Mate (EM)



Interior
Communications
Electrician (IC)

A DIVISION



EN1 B. GARCIA
EN3 R. DYKE
EN3 L. JENKINS
EMFN R. HILLE



FA T. ANDERSON
ENFA J. DANIEL



Engineman (EN)

B DIVISION



BT1 R. AIKEN
BT2 T. FLETCHER
BT3 L. ANNEN
BT3 R. DAVIS



BTFN R.
ANDREWS
BTFA D. ARTUSA
BTFA J. CLARK
YNSA D. COX



Boiler Technician (BT)

BTC B. GREGORY



BTC J.
LANDMARK
BT1 L. SELLERS
BT2 D. WAGNER
BT3 M. GOMES



BT3 C. HARDY
BT3 M. McGINNIS
BT3 L. WOOD
BTFN M. LaCROIX



BTFN R. RODEMS
BT3 W.
RODOCKER
BTFA D. GILBERT
BTFA H. KEMP



BT3 G.
LEHMANN
BTFA R.
MACHADO
BTFA W. REID
BTFR D. SAN
NICOLAS



SUPPLY

With approximately fifty men comprised of mess specialists (MS's), messmen, storekeepers (SK's), ship's servicemen (SH's), and disbursing clerks (DK's), it is our mission to provide logistics and services support to 350 **TOWERS** sailors.

The MS's must plan, order, store, and ultimately prepare enough food to serve three nutritional meals each day. Four storerooms and three walk-in reefers are utilized to store more than 500 items. For the statistically oriented, during the eight month deployment more than 65,000 meals were served, costing more than \$90,000 and consuming more than 9,400 pounds of bread, 1,100 gallons of ice cream, 8,000 gallons of milk, 10,000 dozen eggs, 3,700 pounds of coffee, 6,500 pounds of ground beef, 5,000 pounds of hamburger patties, 4,500 pounds of steak, and 16,000 pounds of potatoes. Of particular interest were the beautifully decorated cakes, fresh bread, "anchorage" pizzas, evening popcorn, and fantail bar b-q's.

Our SK's managed to readily obligate over \$250,000 in stocking seven storerooms with 23,000 various repair parts and consumables such as rags, paint, paper cups, and office supplies. Their diligent preparation efforts for the 50 day Indian Ocean excursion proved extremely fruitful (we didn't run out of toilet paper!).

The SH's who operate the ship's store, barbershop, and laundry helped generate an eight month ship's store sales volume of \$80,000 with special orders of foreign merchandise such as stereos and cameras exceeding \$25,000 and a popular canned soda machine dispensing over 30,000 cans. And in spite of a temperamental washing machine and dryer, 125 degree temperatures, mysteriously placed ballpoint pens, and a daily announcement from the Chief Engineer, "This is the chief Engineer speaking. Due to an unusually (?) high consumption of fresh water, fresh water has been secured throughout the ship until further notice," laundry service continued on a routine basis.

None of us could have survived those magnificent port visits without the services of the DK's who paid out over \$500,000. They also effectively managed to convert all enlisted pay accounts to the Navy's new computerized "JUMPS" pay system.

Highlights of our very successful and most enjoyable Western Pacific Cruise can best be summarized by comments from various Supply Department personnel:

"Make no mistake. Jake is a definite honor graduate of the 'Professor'."

"The SK's can tell you how to get there."

"Ahh, the 'Clutz' ran out of gas on the other side of the base - probably drinking a couple of cold ones."

"Is that guy an MS or a Snipe (or a drummer)?"

"That MS has more stories than Hugh Hefner."

"Remember the laundry 'service' provided by the 'King' and his court during our visit to Bangkok?"

"It was a great day when 'FATS' and 'STAN' took on half the Marine Corps at the Subic Football field."

"Her father is a General and he's out to kill him."

"The Subic Bay Shore Patrol won't be the same without 'Buford'."

"I wish I had some bagels 'n cream cheese."



SKC K. HARVEY
MSCS H. PRICE
SH1 E. CASTILLO
SK1 B. CURTIS



MS1 M.
QUITANGON
MS2 E. ALIPIO
MS2 J. AQUINO
SH2 E. DIOQUINO



SK2 D. HULL
MS2 G. KMET
SH2 R. MEDLOCK
SH2 H. PFEUFFER



SK2 S. ROBERTS
MS2 F.
VALASQUEZ
MS2 S. VALLE
MS3 A. ACAB



SH3 M. BUSH



Storekeeper (SK)

MS3 M. CAPIL
SH3 M. GULLABA
SK3 F. OTIBAR
SH3 J. POWELL



DK3 E. RIMONTE
MS3 D. SUMBILLO
MSSN F.
BURKHART
SKSN K. NEVEL



MSSN K. NOWICKI
MSSN S.
SCHREIFELS
SKSN B.
SCHWARTZ
SN D. SISSON



MSSN W. SOSS
SKSA F. BOYLAN
MSSA E. FLEMING
SA C. HOLLAND



Ship's Service-
man (SH)



Mess
Management
Specialist (MS)

SA R. HOWELL



WEAPONS

The Engineering Department likes to think of the Weapons Department as the Fangs and Claws of the ship. We agree Weapons bit and clawed its way across the Pacific to some fine liberty in the ports of Subic Bay, Hong Kong, and Bangkok. When we weren't out in the sun doing a little PMS on our tans or dodging a bunch of foreign navies we were actually working. And boy did we work well! ASW division popped off more torpedos and ASROC's than you can shake a tree stump at, and Missile division trashed a 300,000 dollar drone they were instructed to miss. Nice going boys. Maybe you can get a little closer next time. Second Division clawed at a few air and surface sleds and chewed a big enough hole in Tabonnes island to qualify in NGFS in record time. First Division, besides carrying the battle banner into downtown Olongopo every night, carried off all deck evolutions in a manner that would have surprised John Paul Jones. Basically, Weapons had a fine vacation in Westpac, but we were sure glad to get back home to rest up and recover.

FIRST DIVISION



BMC T. COLLINS
BM1 J. JOSEPH
BM2 S. POGGENPOHL
BM3 L. BRASWELL



BM3 R. NAVEJAR
SN PHILLIPS
SN G. ABRATTIS
SN R. ALLEN



SN L. CALAHORRANO
SN C. RIVERA
SN M. STUTEVILLE
SA R. ALMGREN



SA W. BATCHELOR
BMSA S. EDWARDS
SA K. ESPINOSA
SA C. FARRAND



Boatswain's
Mate (BM)



SA M. FUNSCH
SA B.
GIEBULTOWSKI
SA R. HALLIWELL
SA D. HAZLIP



SA B. LEWIS
SA W. MORROW
SA J. PEREZ
SA L. PEEPLES



SA M. ROACH
SA K. SHAVALIER
SA L. SHERWOOD
SA M. SPEAKE



SA D. STEFFEY
SA D. STORCE
SA M. WHITE
SA R. THOMAS



SR M. SPEARS
SR R. WHEATLEY
SA ELKINS

SECOND DIVISION

FTGC M. McFARLAND
GMG1 R. SPEDALIERI
GMG2 B. FOX
YN3 R. CORTEZ



FTG1 L. HOWELL
FTG2 L. HARROD
FTG2 D. OLSON
FTG3 D. FOSTER



GMG3 B. SIZEMORE
SN B. BUTLER
FTGSN B. COLLINS
GMGSN D. LADOWSKI



GMGSN E. WHITLOW
SN P. WHITTAKER
SN J. WRIGHT
GMGSA D. LAWSON



Gunner's Mate
(GM)

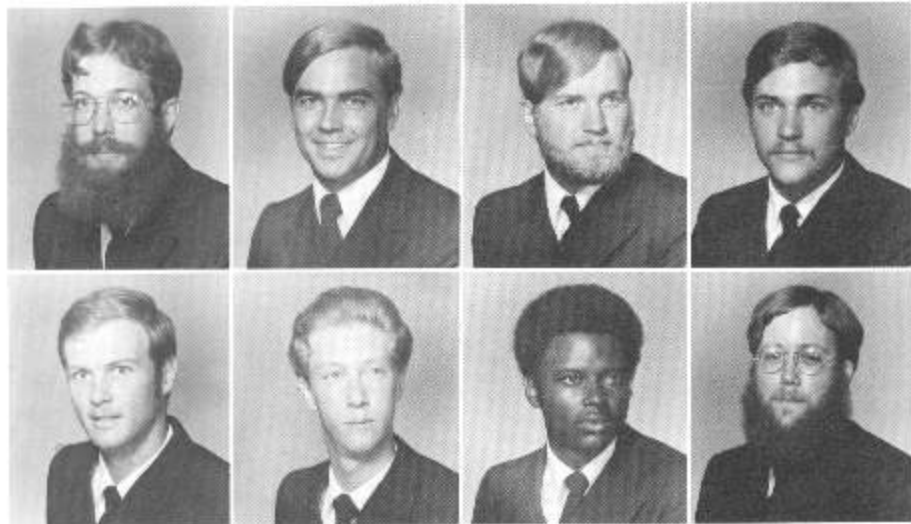


Fire Control
Technician (FT)



STGCS D. ARNOLD
STG1 J. GRAVES
TM2 V. DIXON

ASW DIVISION



STG2 L. SAWYER
STG2 J. SOPER
STG3 M. RODIN
STG3 J.
LANSINGER

STG3 M. LUCITT
STGSA M.
CARROLL
STGSA D.
PARRAMORE
TMSA J.
STEVENSON



Sonar Technician
(ST)



Torpedoman's
Mate (TM)

MISSILE DIVISION



FTMC D. COOK
FTMC R.
WEATHERHOLTZ
FTMC L. YOUNG



FTM1 E. WHITE
FTM2 F. ARTHUR
FTM2 F.
DONALDSON



GMM2 M. KEHR
FTM2 T. LUNDIN
FTM2 G. RAYDO



FTM2 J. SKORZAK



Fire Control
Technician (FT)

FTM2 M. SLANE
FTM3 B.
CROTEAU
FTM3 A. ENFIELD



GMM3 R. ULLERY
FTMSN K.
SANDERSON
GMMSN W. SCOTT



GMMSA M.
ASKINS
FTMSA T.
STRELOW
SA M. WERNER



Gunner's Mate
(GM)

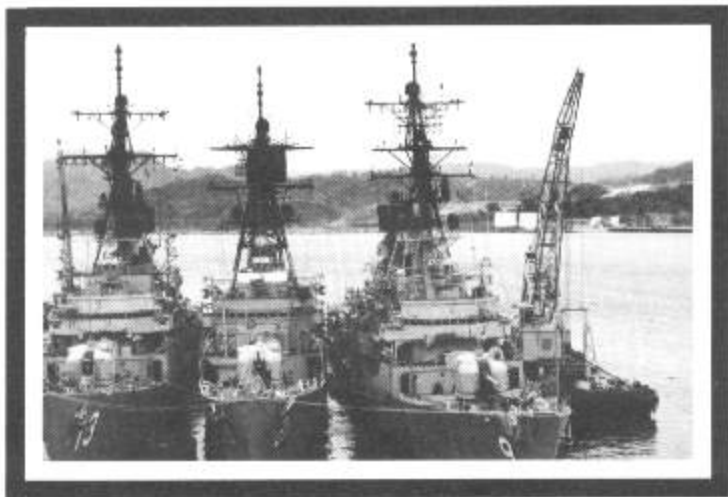
OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT

The Operations Department on **TOWERS** is responsible for all command and control functions required to meet the ship's missions of anti-air warfare, anti-submarine warfare, naval gunfire support, and surface warfare. The department is composed of Radiomen, Signalmen, Operations Specialists, Electronic Warfare Technicians, Data Systems Technicians, and Electronic Technicians. Throughout the WESTPAC Cruise, whether in a multi-national exercise or independent steaming, each man understood his job and performed in an outstanding manner. Each man in the Operations Department can take pride both in a job well done and in the knowledge that "Ops is truly Tops."



QMCS H. ARNDT
YNC R. MICHAEL
PNI J. BAZER
QM1 J. EPPERSON

Hardly large enough to be called a department at all, this mixed bag of solid performers provided a myriad of services throughout the cruise. The Quartermasters took us many thousands of miles and always got us back. Closed Circuit Television brought us the NFL, Police Woman and all the best from Hollywood. Who can forget the dedication of the Corpsmen as they warded off strange tropical diseases unknown to medical science? The ship's office turned out loads of new ID cards and marriage papers while at the same time trudging through the staggering piles of paperwork that usually blocked the door. And last but not forgotten, our trusty Postal Clerk, who helped keep us in touch with the real world at home. A handful of professionals who made the cruise a little more pleasant for us all.



NAVIGATION



Journalist (JO)



Legalman (LN)



Personnelman
(PN)

QM2 M.
GALLAGHER
LN2 T. JEANS
PN2 R. PRIEST



PC3 R. BELL
QM3 S. LANE
JO3 W. GORDON



QM3 D. PONTI
HN D. TROMBLEY
QMSN F. RALEIGH



Postal Clerk (PC)



Hospital
Corpsman (HM)



Quartermaster
(QM)

OE DIVISION



ETC J. WILCOX
ETR2 J. BOWMAN
ETR2 D. DODDS
ETR2 M.
GALLANT



ETN3 F. ALTORRE
ETR3 W. CASSEL
ETN3 L. POLING
ETN3 S. SPENCE



ETN3 S. UHRICK
ETR3 D. VALKO
ETNSN R. FARRIS
ETNSN B.
WILLIAMSON



Electronics
Technician (ET)

RMC R. OLSON
 RM1 J. BOBBITT
 SM1 L. WALESKI
 RM2 G. BRINDLEY



OC DIVISION

SM2 L.
 MONARREZ
 RM3 R. ABLES
 RM3 D. CALLIS
 SM3 J.
 ISHERWOOD



RM3 J. ROBINETT
 SM3 C. WILLAMS
 SMSN C. RADNOR
 RMSA J.
 RAVENCRAFT



Radioman (RM)



Signalman (SM)

OI DIVISION



OSC L. CANNON
OS1 W. O'DELL
OS1 G. SEXTON
OS2 T. MIKESELL



OS2 A. PISCHKE
OS2 D. RATCLIFF
OS3 G. ADAMS
OS3 J. DUFFY



OSSN W. AMES
OSSN T. BENJAMIN
OSSN V. FRANKLIN
OSSN K. HERREID



OSSN P. JAMES
OSSN K. PEREZ
OSSA J. HYDER
OSSA D. McLAUGHLIN



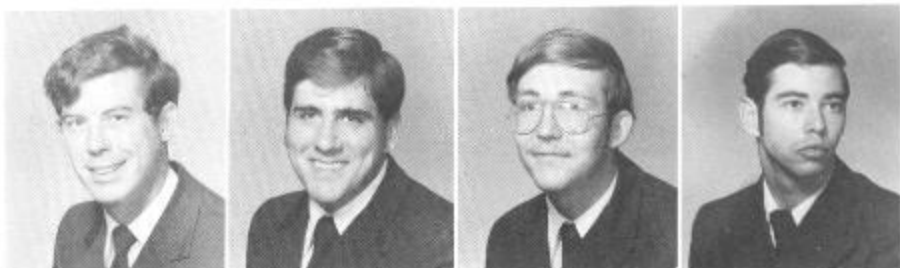
Operations
Specialist (OS)

OSSN B.
SLAUGHTER
OSSA W. WIDRICK
OS2 T. WILSON
OS2 J. ZAJAC



OM DIVISION

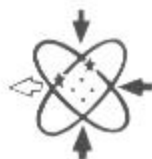
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EW1 C. TOW
EW2 S. BEARDEN
DS2 D. HOLTON



DS2 M. PORTER
DS2 L. TAYLOR
EW3 B. KLOCK
DS3 RICHARDS



Electronic
Warfare
Technician (EW)



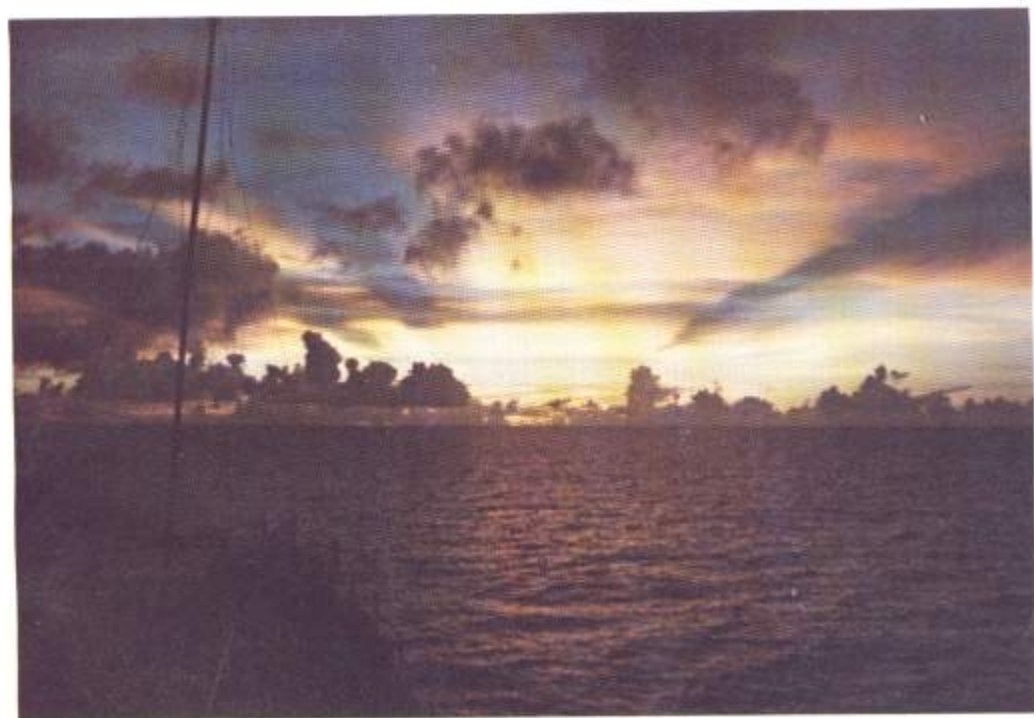
Data Systems
Technician (DS)

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TAIWAN





COLOMBO AND KARACHI





SUBPOENA AND SUMMONS EXTRAORDINARY

The Royal High Court of the Raging Main

County of Equatis,
Vale of Pacificus, s.s.
Domain of Neptunus Rex.

To Whom May Come These Presents:

GREETINGS AND BEWARE

WHEREAS, The good ship **USS TOWERS** (DDG-9) bound Colombo, Sri Lanka, is about to enter our domain, and the aforesaid ship carries a large and slimy cargo of land-lubbers, beach-combers, cargo-rats, sea-lawyers, lounge-lizards, parlor dunnigans, plow-deserters, park-bench warmers, chicken-chasers, hay-tossers, sand-crabs, four flushers, cross-word puzzle bugs and all other living creatures of the land, and last but not least, he-vamps, liberty-hounds and Drug Store Cowboys falsely masquerading as seaman and man-o'-warshipmen, of which you are a member, having never appeared before us; and

WHEREAS, the Royal High Court of the Raging Main has been convened by us on board the good ship **USS TOWERS** (DDG-9) on the 26th day of October 1976, at Longitude 106° 24'E and Latitude 0°0'0", and an inspection of our Royal High Roster shows that it is high time the sad and wandering nautical soul of that much abused body of yours appeared before the High Tribunal of Neptune; and

BE IT KNOWN, That we hereby summon you W. J. WOG now a WOG1 to appear before the Royal High Court and Our August Presence on the aforesaid date at such time as may best suit your pleasure, and to accept most heartily and with good grace the pains and penalties of the awful tortures that will be inflicted upon you for daring to enter our aqueous and equinoctial regions without due and submissive ceremony to be examined as to fitness to become one of our Trusty Shellbacks and a worthy Son of the Sea, and answer to the following charges:

Charge I. In that W. J. WOG now a WOG1 has hitherto willfully and maliciously failed to show reverence and allegiance to our Royal Person, and is therein and thereby a vile land-lubber and polywog.





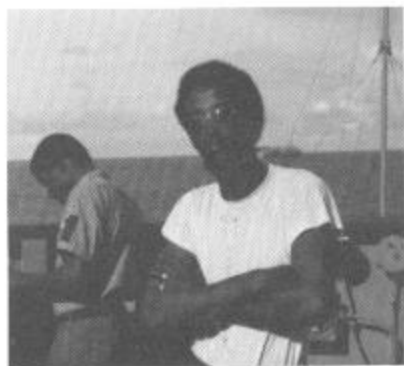


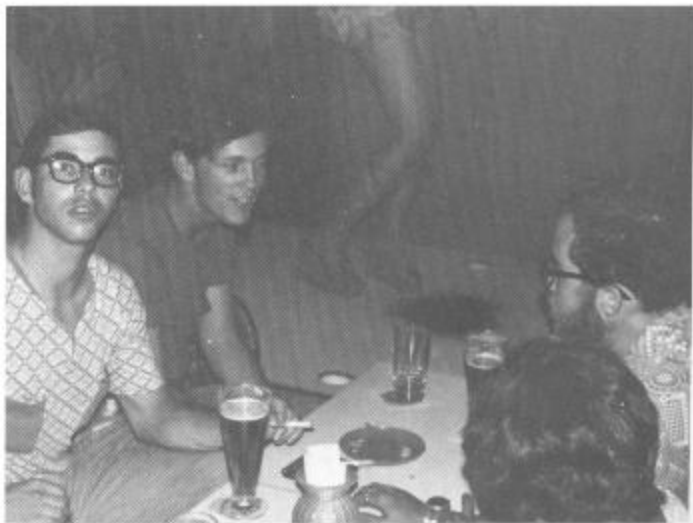




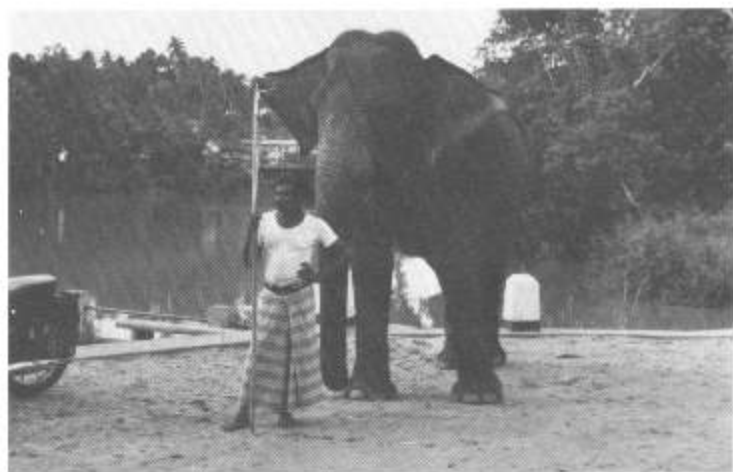




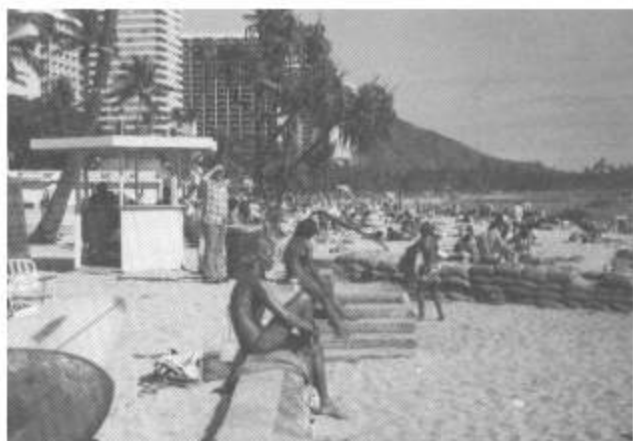




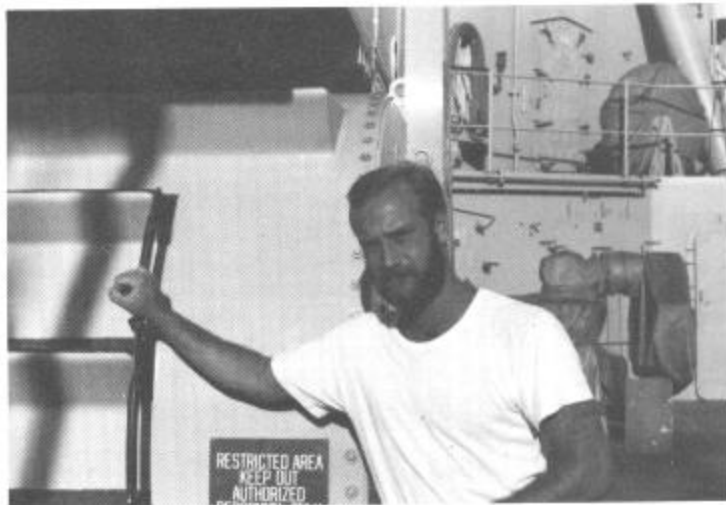
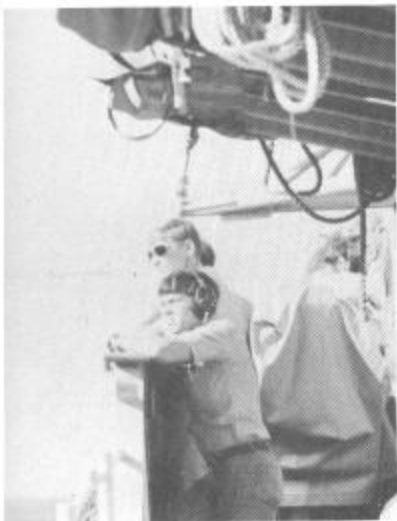


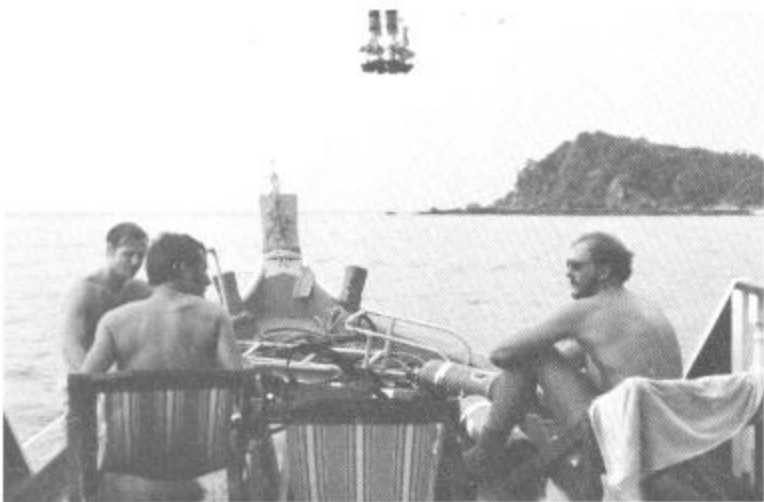












TRUCKIN' TOWERS' SCHEDULE

30 Jul	-	Underway!
30 Jul	- 6 Aug	Underway enroute Hawaiian Opareas.
7 Aug	- 13 Aug	Underway Hawaiian Opareas- COMPTUEX 1-7T.
14 Aug	- 16 Aug	Inport Pearl Harbor- Upkeep.
17 Aug	- 31 Aug	Underway enroute Subic Opareas.
1 Sep	- 5 Sep	Underway Subic Opareas- INCHOPEX.
6 Sep	- 17 Sep	Inport Subic Bay- Upkeep.
18 Sep	- 20 Sep	Underway enroute Kaohsiung, Taiwan.
21 Sep	- 22 Sep	Inport Kaohsiung- Port Visit.
23 Sep	- 26 Sep	Underway- Sharkhunt XVII.
27 Sep	-	Underway enroute Subic Bay.
28 Sep	- 11 Oct	Inport Subic Bay- Upkeep.
12 Oct	-	Underway Subic Opareas- Sea Trials.
13 Oct	- 20 Oct	Inport Subic Bay- Upkeep.
21 Oct	- 31 Oct	Underway enroute Colombo, Sri Lanka.
1 Nov	- 4 Nov	Inport Colombo- Port Visit.
5 Nov	- 8 Nov	Underway enroute Karachi, Pakistan.
9 Nov	- 12 Nov	Inport Karachi- Port Visit and MIDLINK 76 workup.
13 Nov	- 20 Nov	Underway Arabian Sea- MIDLINK 76.
21 Nov	- 23 Nov	Inport Karachi- Port Visit.
24 Nov	- 2 Dec	Underway enroute Singapore.
3 Dec	- 9 Dec	Inport Singapore- Upkeep.
10 Dec	- 22 Dec	Underway Subic Bay- MULTIPLEX/MISSILEX 1-77.
23 Dec	- 3 Jan	Inport Subic Bay- Upkeep.
4 Jan	- 5 Jan	Underway enroute Hong Kong.
6 Jan	- 11 Jan	Inport Hong Kong- Port Visit.
12 Jan	-	Underway enroute Subic Bay.
13 Jan	- 19 Jan	Inport Subic Bay- Upkeep.
20 Jan	- 28 Jan	Underway enroute Bangkok, Thailand.
29 Jan	- 3 Feb	Inport Bangkok, Port Visit.
4 Feb	- 10 Feb	Underway enroute Subic Bay- SEA SIAM V.
11 Feb	- 18 Feb	Inport Subic Bay- Upkeep.
19 Feb	- 20 Feb	Underway enroute Kaohsiung, Taiwan.
21 Feb	-	Inport Kaohsiung.
22 Feb	- 24 Feb	Underway- Sharkhunt XX.
25 Feb	- 1 Mar	Inport Kaohsiung- Port Visit.
2 Mar	- 5 Mar	Underway enroute Guam.
6 Mar	-	Inport Guam- Refuel.
7 Mar	- 13 Mar	Underway enroute Pearl Harbor.
14 Mar	-	Inport Pearl Harbor- Refuel.
15 Mar	- 20 Mar	Underway enroute SAN DIEGO.
21 March	-	ARRIVE SAN DIEGO- HOME AT LAST!

TOWERS' TOTALS

Miles Steamed- 40,816
 Days Underway- 133 (56.6%)
 Days Inport- 102 (43.4%)

Food Consumption:
 9,344 Loaves of Bread.
 52,000 Lbs. of Meat.
 7,392 Gallons of Milk.
 69,600 Eggs.

FROM CAPTAIN ANDRILLA:

It is difficult to remember a WESTPAC Cruise without evoking vivid memories. Memories of sad departures and happy returns, long hours on watch and at work, visits to exciting and exotic places, and a sense of pride and satisfaction in a job well done when it was all over.

This cruise saw **TOWERS** steam half way around the world, participating in numerous multi-national as well as U. S. Navy exercises. It was the ultimate test of personnel and material readiness; of putting into practice the hours, weeks and months of training that preceded. Working with our allies in the Indian and Western Pacific Oceans, we performed the U. S. Navy's mission of presence and projection of power. And that of course, is why we were there.

These pages are filled with the memories of those eight months. Everyone in this book can be justifiably proud of being part of the team that was so vital to making **TOWERS'** cruise such a great success. In the years ahead when you read and re-read this book, you can remember WESTPAC 76-77 with fondness and pride.

