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## WESTPAC DEPLOYMENT

## of USS MAZAMA (AE-9)

I. THE SHIP

Built by Tampa Shipbuilding Company at Tampa, Florida.
A. MAZAMA is 459 feet long and 63 feet at the beam.
B. Powered by two 3100 horsepower Nordberg Diesel engines.
C. Hull is modified C-2 type merchant cargo ship, A Lassen Class Ammunition Ship.
D. Full load displacement is 14,400 tons.
E. Capable of maximum speed of 14.7 knots and capable of steaming 25,000 miles between fuelings.
F. Armed with four 3 -inch 50 gun mounts.
G. Total personnel aboard - 16 officers and 187 enlisted.
II. REARMING
A. Carriers - 41 times - including

USS ENTERPRISE (CVA (N) 65)
USS KITTY HAWK (CVA 63)
USS HANCOCK (CVA 19)
USS RANGER (CVA 61)
USS CONSTELLATION (CVA 64)
USS ORISKANY (CVA 34)
USS F. D. ROOSEVELT (CVA 42)
USS CORAL SEA (CVA 43)
B. Others - 74, of which 49 were destroyers.
C. 10,800 tons of ammunition transferred 807 tons in one day in one 14 hour period.
III. ROUND THE WORLD - 17 Mar 66 to 20 Dec 66

17 MAR 24 MAR 25 MAR -

26 MAR -
11 APR 16 APR - Underway for Subic Bay, R.P. 5 MAY 10 MAY 28 JUN-5 JUL 8 \& 9 SEP -

3 NOV -

7 NOV -
8-11 NOV -
11 NOV . 29-30 NOV -
2.3 DEC -

3 DEC -
20 DEC -
Underway from Davisville. Colon Bay
Transit Panama Canal and tied up NAVSTA Rodman, C.Z. on Pacific side. Underway for Pearl Harbor. Arrived Pearl Harbor. Arrived Subic Bay, R.P. Underway for operations. Hong Kong, B.C.C.
Rescue operations with SS UNIVERSAL PRIDE (Lebanese cargo vessel).
Underway for Equator and Singapore.

Away from Davisville total of 279 days - 200 days spent underway 79 days in port
$72 \%$ underway
Steamed 53,537 miles during deployment.
book design, and layout by

## SHIP'S HISTORY


joined the U.S. SECOND FLEET in the Atlantic as a regular member of the Service Force. She now makes het home in Mayport, Florida.

MYZAMA participated in the Cuban Quaramine of October and November 1962 carrying out sup. port and ammumition resupply missions for the quarantinc task lorce. In lebruary 196is she apain deploved to the Caribbean lor two months as part of Operation SPRINGBOARD

Commencing in Septenter 1968, three momits of overhaul enabled MAZAMI to double her com. momedtions spaces, air condition the crew's quarters, provide nimintenance for the engineering plane. iand many offer required jobs: January and FCbruany 1904 brought two weeks participation in Operation Strineboard. After completing het tasks in ilie Caribbean MAZAMA started back to May port. Florida to begm preparations for depployment to the SIX TH Fleet in April

In April 1964 MAZAMA deployed to the Medi(crancan: On 18 May MAZAMA relieved the USS DIAVOND HEAD (AE-19) and began ther fintiec-as a member of the SIXTII Fleet. The firse tho monilis of MAZAMA'S tour in the SIX FH Fleet wre busy fuonths: as she participated in several NA 10 exercises and performed her duties in the mifferway replenislimeint group

In early Angust the MAZAMA was neat sard flifa in the central stediterranean when slie was directed to proceed to a point near the Island of Cyprus There was a near state of war, as the Grecks and Turks on the island were fighting. For the next-liree weeks MAZAMA and the units of TG 60.2 stood by waiting to gise assistance in case of total war on Cyptus. Late in August MA/Alli was relieved of het Cyprus Patrol station by

ISS NITRO (AE-28).
Following the excitement of the Gyprus Patrol life settled down to routine again and MAZ.AMA completed her eight month truise in the Mediterranean on 9 December 1964. MA/All atrived back in CONES on 28 December 196 I at Maypott, Horida.

From early Jamary mitl late Varch 1985 MAZ AMA underwent a majot overthaul of her two main diesel engines. This work was performed while in an upkeep amu restricted availability status il Mayport, Florida. On 24 March Caplain G.E. Lambert relieved Captain If schremp as Commanding Officer of the MAZAMA in Mayport: Flenida.

White operating in the Noffolk, Virsinia area in Aptil 1965. MAZ. MLA was ordered to proceet to the Saribbeat area to join Fask Force 121 to patrol the waters in the vieinity of the Dominican Republic where a crisis was developing.

During ithe remainder of Ayril and midway lfrough Nay MAZAMA stayed in the Dominican Republic area. On 15 May MAZAMM was released and proceeded to Mayport. Florida, having eamed the Armed Föres Exp. Medal

MAZAMA participated in local operations in the Mayport atea from June through mid-Amgust 1965 when she sailed to Davis ville, Rhoie Island and her new home port.

The remainder of 1965 was spemt loading ammamition and on local operations,

The month of January 1966 wats spent in the Caribbeall on Operation Springboard preparing for future operations in WESTPAC. On 17 Warch 1966. having to miss the St. Pat's Bay parade in New York City. MAZAMA sailed for WESTPAC

GLENN E, LAMBERT
CAPTAIN, U.S. NAVY
COMMANDING OFFICER


Capt. Glenn E. LAMBERT succeeded Capt. James F. Schremp as C.O. of the ammunition ship USS MAZAMA, on 24 March 1965.

Capt. LAMBERT was on the staff of Commander Fleet Air Norfolk as Readiness and Operations Officer prior to assuming his new assignment.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. George E. LAMBERT of Uriah, Alabama, he was commissioned in 1943 following graduation from the Naval Academy.

The new MAZAMA skipper participated in five major Pacific campaigns during WWII while serving aboard the light cruiser USS BILOXI.

Upon completion of flight training in August 1945, he received his wings and has been active in Naval aviation since then.

Capt. LAMBERT has served in four fleet aviation squadrons, one of which he commanded for a year. He also served on the staff of Commander Fleet Air West Coast, Commander Naval Air West Coast, Commander Air Force, Pacific Fleet, Commander Naval Air West Coast, Commander Naval Air Basic Training Command, and Commander Naval Air Test Center.

He has also served aboard the USS FORRESTAL.

Capt. LAMBERT is a graduate of Naval War College.

He is married to the former Frances ROBINSON of Repton, Alabama. They have two children: Glenn, Jr. and Susan.

## CHANGE OF COMMAND CEREMONY



ON JULY 8, 1966 CAPTAIN D. W. KILEY RELIEVED CAPTAIN G. E. LAMBERT AS COMMANDING OFFICER AT SUBIC BAY, REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES.



Captain Donald Walter KILEY, U.S. Navy was born in Scranton, Pennsylvania on 29 October, 1925. He is the second child and only son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter J. Kiley of Falls Church, Virginia. He was selected for the Navy V-12 College Program and enlisted in the Naval Reserve as an Apprentice Seaman(V-12) on 22 May 1943. He was called to active duty and ordered to one of the first V-12 units, at Cornell University. After the first academic year he was transferred to Dartmouth College. After completing the prescribed two year V-12 curriculum he was commissioned an Ensign.

Captain Kiley's first assignment was aboard the USS TURNER as First Lieutenant and Damage Control Officer. He served in a Motor Torpedo Boat Squadron and also attended Deep Sea Diving School where he qualified as a Second Class Diver. After the USS MACOMB as Operations Officer, Captain Kiley served at Officer Candidate School, Newport,
R.I. as a Seamanship Instructor. He entered Post Graduate School in July 1952. Captain Kiley holds a B.S. degree in Ordnance Engineering and a Graduate Degree in Aeronautical Engineering. He is also a graduate of the Naval War College.

In August 1955 Captain Kiley assumed command of the USS RICE COUNTY which lead to a series of executive command billets: in Washington, D.C. as head of the Guided Missile Propulsion Section of the Bureau of Ordnance in 1959, then again from 1963 to 1965 as military head of Polaris Missile Engineering Section of the Bureau of Naval Weapons, and as head of the Plans and Program Branch in the Surface Missile Systems Project Office. Other duty stations include the USS MCGOWAN as Executive Officer and the USS WADLEIGH as Commanding Officer.

The present skipper of the USS MAZAMA is married to the former Harriet C. Rolland of Dunmore, Pa. They have five children: Kevin, Kathleen, Christopher, Mary Brigid, and Donald.


JOHN J. POWELL
LCDR U.S.N.
LCDR SWEENEY, the present Executive Officer, from Flushing, New York, graduated from St. Johns University, Brooklyn, New York in 1951. In March 1953 he entered the Navy via Officer Candidates School, Newport, Rhode Island and was commissioned ENSIGN, United States Naval Reserve. He has had the following assignments prior to reporting to MAZAMA in October 1966.

USS PILOT (AM-104) - First Lieutenant
USS NOTABLE (MSF-460) - Minesweeping Officer
USS CROSS (DE-448) - Gunnery Officer, Executive Officer
USS SHELTON (DD-790) - Operations Officer NROTC University of Notre Dame - Associate Professor of Naval Science
USS GUARDIAN (AGR-1) - Executive Officer Naval Schools Command, Newport, R.I. Interviewing and Classification Div. Head LCDR SWEENEY is married to the former Theresa McKeen of Jackson Heights, New York. The SWEENEYS' have six children: Susan Ellen, Brendan, Dennis, John Patrick, Austin, and James Kilian.

LCDR POWELL, the former Executive Officer, from Queens, Long Island, graduated from the Brooklyn Technical High School where he studied mechanics. In 1947 he entered the United States Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point where, during his last two years, he went to sea as a Cadet-Midshipman. Upon graduation, he received a commission in the Maritime Servive and a degree in Marine Engineering.

In December 1952 he entered the Navy. He went to Damage Control School and Amphibious Warfare School prior to receiving orders to the USS SEMINOLE. In July 1955, LCDR POWELL was sent to the Gunnery Officers Ordnance School for sixteen weeks. Upon completion of this course he was sent to the USS CONE as Gunnery Officer.

After his tour on the CONE, LCDR POWELL was sent to the U.S. Navy Postgraduate School at Monterey, California where he studied Ordnance Engineering, receiving a degree in chemistry upon graduation. He was then sent to the USS PONCHATOULA as Operations Officer and Navigator, after which LCDR POWELL was ordered to the Bureau of Naval Weapons in Washington. Here he served as head of the Supporting Research Branch of the Missile Propulsion Division, prior to reporting to the MAZAMA in November 1964.


## DECK DEPARTMENT



LT J. R. HECK
FIRST LIEUTENANT


BMCS H. C. APGAR SHIPS BOATSWAIN

# FIRST DIVISION 



LTJG B. M. WENTWORTH FIRST DIVISION OFFICER


"Now go to your stations all the rearming detail."
"All forward stations manned and ready. All hands fall in."
"Standby to receive shot line. All topside personnel take cover."
"Get that wire hooked up. Send the net first. Request permission to send over the first load. Send it over!"'

These are the words that everyone in first division has heard so often on this cruise that sometimes after a long day some of us can still hear them in our sleep. They are the words that proceed each and every rearming. To others it is no doubt confusing to see forty men doing seemingly meaningless tasks or to hear words such as those mentioned above. But from these little tasks and words there comes an undeniable result: readiness. The readiness and ability to perform that is brought about through the teamwork of over forty men. How else could we ever have rearmed well over one hundred ships or transferred tons of munitions and components in a single day?

Whether it's LURCH and SUPER SMED pushing a two thousand pound bomb or ten others loading a net, the key to 1st Division efficiency lies in teamwork.

Although the transfer of ammunition to warships is the job we are most concerned with, the Sun Downers - so called because of our late hours on deck, have other important functions. Before it can be transferred the ammunition must be brought up on deck. Break-out is a behind the scenes job, except for those directly involved, requiring long hours, hard work and sometimes little sleep.

Personnel, movies, stores and mail are a few of the items we have to be able to transfer and sometimes it seems like we transfer them only during "holiday routine."

Add to these duties the chore of an average 1st Division such as preventive maintenance, mooring, anchoring, and in general keeping things ship shape and you may well be able to realize just how busy 1st Division is. Don't get the idea that we're making ourselves out to be Supermen; we're just average sailors doing a difficult job the best way we know how.


BM2 K. E. WILLIS
LEADING PETTY OFFICER


first row:
BM3 DANIELS
BM3 FROST
BM3 MYERS
second row:
BMSN STARNES
SN ADAM
SN BRUNCK below:

SN BARRY
SN BROWN
SN COMMENDER

first row


SN HALVERSON SN HAWKINS

SN HEFFELMAN second row:

SN HOLBROOK
SN JOHNSON
SN LOWRY below:

SN LYONS
SN MORTON
SN PALMER



## SECOND DIVISION



## ENS J. D'ALESSANDRO SECOND DIVISION OFFICER

To say this has been a cruise would hardly begin to disclose the mens' emotions regarding it. The simple fact is, it was a long cruise. . . . . One not soon to be forgotten. The individual triumphs, the slumps, the endless breakouts, rearmings and routines, the moans and groans will soon be forgotten for detail. The 100 plus ships that made our sides, the transfers and rigs completed when most didn't think another step was possible, the heat and the holds which drained all but critical reserves of energy these also will be, for the majority, forgotten because we were successful. But what will be remembered by all, because of the omnipresent vitalness and significance of the tasks we performed, is the opportunities these nine months confronted us with. The opportunity to serve, and appreciably aid, an all important defense of freedom; the opportunity to acquaint ourselves better with other peoples (times, even ourselves. . .) and ways of life; the opportunity to appreciate team efforts and the men working with you; the opportunity to make well with very limited resources (we did employ a few "jury-rigs" and improvisations); and this but a partial list.

No other division took as full advantage of these opportunities as did the men of second division. But the cruise was not all work and no play - we did have a "rest'" period in Hong Kong (remember? . . .). Most "rested" from that opportunity after we'd left. . . . . . . . And then we always had Olongapo, should the desire possess us, to vent our frustrations and anxieties from those extended operations on the line. Those San Miguels and "flowers" of the Orient were most sympathetic and soothing to our shredded nerves and fatigues minds. . . . . .

So it was a long cruise, but also a prolific one. No pleasure cruise by any standards, but still one from which we all benefited, each in his own tangible or intangible respect, and one from which we will recall pleasures, or displeasures, for many years to come.

Now, and I'm sure I speak for $100 \%$ of the crew when I say that Davisville, the sub-freezing show blizzards, and many (too long unseen . . . .) "round-eyes" will look pretty damn good!


BM1 PIERCE


BM3 LAING


BM3 WHITAKER

first row:
SN GOHDE
SN GOTLEWSKI SA HUNT second row:

SN HARMON
SN LANKFORD
SN MASTERSON
SN PRINGLE third row:

SN ROBBINS
SN WALTERS
SN ALLEN
SA OUTLAND below:

SA VALENCIA
SA HARRIS


## THIRD DIVISION



CWO W. N. HUGHES ORDNANCE OFFICER


GMG1 McCLINTOCK


The Gunner's Mates function on board any ship is the maintenance and operation of the gun mounts, the training of gun crews and the safety of ammunition, operation of hedgehog mounts, depth charges, and rocket launchers. Fire Control Technicians do not fight fires but care for the gun directors and electrical equipment. On an AE GM's and FT's have this responsibility and more. When they don the red hard hat, they are a unique combination of carpenters, cargo handlers, fork truck operators and musclemen.

Nearly everyone aboard is somewhat familiar with our cargo and its delicate handling. Whether the men of third division were carrying fins in a working party or just trying to negotiate the main deck it was pretty difficult not to notice them. Each man in third division must know the amount and location of each different type of ammunition in his assigned hold and be able to break it out when the need arises. It takes versatile multiskilled men to do this difficult job well.

In port Subic their job had a different aspect. A constant battle against a language barrier took place while reloading. It seems like the only English understood was "Pisst-Smoke Break Joe", "No Joe, Impossible, too hard", or "Chow Joe?" "You give me coffee?" But despite this problem the loading was always completed on or before schedule.


first row:
GMG2 POST
GMG2 WARD
GMG3 ALLEN
GMG3 PARDEE
GMG3 THOMPSON second row:

GMG3 NELSON
FTG3 DEVLIEGER
FTG3 MILLARD
SN NEFF
SN DAHLBY



## ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT





LT D. D. CUNNINGHAM


ENS E. J. KAUFMAN MAIN PROPULSION ASSISTANT



EN1 BECKER


EN1 GOODWIN


EN2 WHEELING BT2 MIROVICH EN2 RAYNARD second row:

EN2 WILSON
EN2 HARTFORD
EN2 BALACY below:

EN2 ADAMS
EN3 BECKER
EN3 FARIAS


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first row:
EN3 FRITCH
EN3 GILLENEY
EN3 MANNING
BT3 REED
EN3 REILLY
second row:
EN3 SAPP
EN3 STANLEY
BT3 WITHERS
MRFN HAMIL
ENFN RICHART
below:
FN RESECK
FN WERTH
FA FLETCHER



MRI POLANCICH


ENI NELSON

## E\&R DIVISION



LTJG P. J. STEWART
DAMAGE CONTROL ASSISTANT


SFC HENDERSON



EMCS BROXON


SFC PARRIS



MORT'S SALTS


EDO?!



DCI DEROSE

first row:
IC3 RUCKER
EM3 SIMMERMEYER
FN ALLARD
second row:
FN GLENNON
FN KING
FN MATHIS below:

FN PETZSCHKE
FN SCRIVENS
FA BIAGINI


## SUPPLY DEPARTMENT



## S DIVISION



ENS G. HESS
SUPPLY DIVISION OFFICER


SHl MURRAY



CS1 TAYLOR


SD1 BELTRANO



FOREIGN NATIONAL

first row:
CS3 DINAPOLI
SH3 RENFROE CS3 ROBIAS SN ANDERSON second row: SN FLOWERS SN GRIFFITHS SN HEADER TN NABAS



## first row:

SN PACKARD
TN PALISOC
SN PITTS
sec ond row:
TN PORTACIO
TN YAPO
SR CERVENAK


## OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT




LT. B. L. HEWITT


LT. R. HINES

## OPS DIVISION



LTJG R. F. SMALL COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER


ENS R. P. FERGUSON OPERATIONS DIVISION OFFICER

Operations Department, the pulse of the ship, has the answers to all your questions. Where, when and how will all the underway replenishments take place. The men of operations have learned a great deal during this WESTPAC cruise, benefiting themselves, as well as the Navy. It has been rough at times, and things have looked very bleak on several occasions but with the nine different ratings working as a team nothing has defeated the men of Ops .

Aboard any command the Operations Depart-
ment has a dual responsibility. To serve the command and to carry their functions out according to war-time requirements. A former CNO once said "The effectiveness of many changes taking place in ships, in equipment, and in weapons rests more and more heavily upon the capability and output of the Operations Department. The men who man, maintain, and give effect to the components of the Operations Department exert a preponderant influence upon the quality of the ship's total capability."


SMC LEE


SIR?

first row:
ETN2 CARLSON
RD2 HATHAWAY
RM2 HINST second row:
RM2 OERLINE SM2 CARTER
ETN3 BALL third row:

HM3 GASPARD
YN3 HAM
yN3 LEMOULIEC ETN3 MALONE below:


PN3 MARKWELL
PN3 PIPER


first row:
RM3 TABOR
RM3 WILLIAMS
RD3 ROSLER
PCSN COOLBAUGH
RMSN HAYES second row:
RDSN WANT SN CLAY
SN JONES
SN ROBERTSON
SN SAEGER


## NAVIGATION DEPARTMENT



LTJG J. H. LOCKWOOD, JR.


## Underway from Davisville

## 17 March 1966



THE BAND PLAYED


LEAVING LOVED ONES BEHIND

## PANAMA CANAL

The Panama Canal, a lock type canal traversing the Isthmus of Panama in a southeasterly direction for approximately 45 miles, connects Limon Bay on the Atlantic side with Panama Bay on the Pacific side. The canal is largely made possible by the Gatun Lake watershed and the Chagres River, which lie about in the middle of the Isthmus of Panama. The greater part of the canal channel is at the level of Gatun Lake, the surface of which is 85 feet above sea level.

In transiting the canal a vessel is raised in three steps, or lockages, to the level of Gatun Lake and is subsequently lowered in three steps to sea level on the other side of the Isthmus. The flights of locks are in duplicate, enabling vessels to pass in opposite directions simultaneously.




## PEARL HARBOR

Moored starboard side to Berth Foxtrot Five, Battleship Row, Ford Island, U.S. Naval Base, Pearl Harbor, Oahu, Hawaii - Formerly the berth of the USS MARYLAND. Ships present include: USS ARIZONA; USS UTAH and various other units of the U.S. Pacific Fleet.



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KNOCK OFF SHIPS WORK


## Cartoons by Ball

"QuATERMASTER"!

## SUBIC BAY



THE CHAPEL


LIBERTY CALL!



SPANISH GATE


NO BOATS!


WHAT GIRLS?


## I

12 May 66
USS MORTON (DD-948)
13 May 66
USS ENTERPRISE (CVAN-65)
USS EDWARDS (DD-950)
14 May 66
USS KITTY HAWK (CVA-63)
15 May 66
USS SACRAMENTO (AOE-1)
USS HANCOCK (CVA-19)
USS KITTY HAWK (CVA-63)
16 May 66
USS CANBERRA (CAG-2)
USS DAVIS (DD-937)
USS HALEAKALA (AE-25)
USS ST. FRANCIS RIVER
(LSMR-525)
17 May 66
USS KITTY HAWK (CVA-63)
USS AGERHOLM (DD-826)
18 May 66
USS HANCOCK (CVA-19)
19 May 66
USS PYRO (AE-24)
USS DAVIS (DD-937)
USS MASON (DD-852)
20 May 66
USS KITTY HAWK (CVA-63)
21 May 66
USS HANCOCK (CVA-19)
USS BELLATRIX (AF-62)
22 May 66
USS CASTOR (AKS-1)

23 May 66
USS MASON (DD-852)
USS PORTERFIELD (DD-682)

## II

13 June 66
USS HANCOCK (CVA-19)
14 June 66
USS RANGER (CVA-61)
USS STICKELL (DD-888)
15 June 66
USS MORTON (DD-948)
USS ST. PAUL (CA-73)
USS JOHN W. THOMASON (DD-760)
USS FISKE (DD-842)
USS BOLE (DD-755)
16 June 66
USS HANCOCK (CVA-19)
USS LOFBERG (DD-759)
17 June 66
USS RANGER (CVA-61)
19 June 66
USS HANCOCK (CVA-19)
20 June 66
USS RANGER (CVA-61)
USS GRAPHIAS (AF-29)

## III

18 July 66
USS KATMAI (AE-16)
20 July 66
USS ORISKANY (CVA-34)

21 July 66
USS RANGER (CVA-61)
USS HOLDER (DD-819)
22 July 66
USS ORISKANY (CVA-34)
23 July 66
USS RANGER (CVA-61)
USS HOLDER (DD-819)
24 July 66
USS WHITE RIVER (LSMR-536)
USS OKLAHOMA CITY (CLG-5)
25 July 66
USS ORISKANY (CVA-34)
USS CHAVALIER (DD-803)
26 July 66
USS RANGER (CVA-61)
27 July 66
USS O'HARE (DD-889)
28 July 66
USS ORISKANY (CVA-34)
29 July 66
USS RANGER (CVA-61)
USS HAMNER (DD-713)
30 July 66
USS BEALE (DD-471)
USS PYRO (AE-24)
USS O'HARE (DD-889)
USS NEWELL (DER-322)
USS CLARION RIVER (LSMR-409)
USS ST. PAUL (CA-73)

IV
18 August 66
USCG PT. CYPRUS CG-82326

USS PRITCHART (DD-561)
USS ST. PAUL (CA-73)
19 August 66
None
20 August 66
USS GREENE (DD-711)
21 August 66
USS CONSTELLATION (CVA-64)
USS AGERHOLM (DD-862)
USS SOUTHERLAND (DD-743)
22 August 66
USS ORISKANY (CVA-34)
USS CHAVALIER (DD-803)
USS VESUVIUS (AE-15)
23 August 66
USS VESUVIUS (AE-15)
25 August 66
USS ORISKANY (CVA-34)
USS BUCK (DD-761)
26 August 66
USS ROOSEVELT (CVA-42)
30 August 66
USS CONSTELLATION (CVA-64)
USS POLLUX (AKS-4)
USS LUDRA (AF-55)
31 August 66
USS BEALLE (DD-471)
USS HOLLISTER (DD-788)
USS KEYS (DD-787)
1 September 66
USS OSBOURNE (DD-846)
USS MULLINIX (DL-944)
3 September 66
USS SAVAGE (DER-386)

4 September 66
USS HOLLISTER (DD-788)
5 September 66
USS OSBOURNE (DD-846)
USS PRITCHETT (DD-651)
10 September 66
USS BRADLEY (DE-1041)
USS HOLLISTER (DD-788)
11 September 66
USS OSBOURNE (DD-846)
USS PRITCHETT (DD-651)

## V

23 September 66
USS MOUNT BAKER (AE-4)
24 September 66
USS ST. PAUL (CA-73)
26 September 66
USS ORISKANY (CVA-34)
USS CONSTELLATION (CVA-64)
27 September 66
USS MT. BAKER (AE-4)
29 September 66
USS ORISKANY (CVA-34)
USS MT. BAKER (AE-4)
30 September 66
USS CONSTELLATION (CVA-64)
1 October 66
USS CORAL SEA (CVA-42)
USS PERKINS (DD-877)
2 October 66
USS ROOSEVELT (CVA-43)
3 October 66
USS HULL (DD-945)

4 October 66
USS CORAL SEA (CVA-42)
5 October 66
USS ORISKANY (CVA-34)
6 October 66
USS LARSEN (DD-830)
USS HULL (DD-945)
USS WHITE RIVER (LSMR-536)
USS MT. BAKER (AE-4)
8 October 66
USS MT. KATMAI (AE-16)

## VI

20 October 66
USS ORISKANY (CVA-34)
21 October 66
USS ROOSEVELT (CVA-43)
USS THOMAS (DD-833)
23 October 66
USS PARICUTIN (AE-18)
24 October 66
USS ROOSEVELT (CVA-43)
25 October 66
USS CONSTELLATION (CVA-64)
26 October 66
USS MT. BAKER (AE-4)
USS MULLINEX (DL-944)
USS O'HARA (DD-889)
USS DEHAVEN (DD-727)
USS CLARION RIVER (LSMR-409)
27 October 66
USS PARICUTIN (AE-18)
3 November 66
USS SHASTA (AE-6)

## TONKIN GULF UNREPS





ALONGSIDE THEY CAME. . .


TO BOMB-LA DEN DECKS



THE ARDUOUS TASK OF TRANSFERRING AMMUNITION


## ABOVE DECK



## HONG KONG

From 28 June to 5 July MAZAMA visited her first liberty port, Hong Kong, B.C.C. A long awaited and well deserved rest was due her crew. Novice shoppers became experts and a glorious celebration of Independence Day was had by all. No one who weathered the hour-long ride in those water taxis (wallawalla boats) will ask what a slow boat to China is. And nary a bloody sailor was happy to leave the Wonderful World of Susie Wong.



## OPERATION EASTER EGG

When the Seventh Fleet Service Force ships operate in support of the Viet-Nam effort, it is difficult for personnel aboard to realize their contribution to the fighting that is going on ashore. All that they know is that the transferred ordnance is used somewhere, probably in North Viet-Nam.

In order to give the men of MAZAMA a better picture of the result of their work, the USS MAZAMA (AE-9) assisted by the USS ORISKANY (CVA-34) conducted OPERATION EASTER EGG.


## LOADING THE BOMBS




ON 5 OCTOBER 1966, THE CREW OF MAZAMA DECIDED TO PAY TRIBUTE TO THE VC IN A RATHER EXPLOSIVE MANNER. FOUR BOMBS WERE SET APART FROM THE REGULAR LOAD AND SPRUCED UP FOR THIS SPECIAL OCCASION. THEY WERE DECORATED AND NAMED ACCORDINGLY AS FOLLOWS: ONE "FAT RED" ( 2000 LB HD BOMB), ONE "YELLOW TIGER" ( 500 LB HD BOMB), ONE "BLUEANGEL" ( 500 LB HD BOMB), AND LAST BUT NOT LEAST, ONE "GREEN HORNET" ( 500 LB HD BOMB). WE THEN REQUESTED OF THE USS ORISKANY (CVA-34) THAT THEY TAKE THESE LITTLE GOODIES AND PRESENT THEM TO THE VC WITH OUR PERSONAL REGARDS AND THEN UPON COMPLETION, GIVE US A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF HOW THEY WERE DELIVERED AND HOW WELL THEY DID THEIR JOB. "WELL DONE" AS YOU CAN SEE ABOVE.


From: Commanding Officer, USS ORISKANY (CVA 34)
CVA34/8027
To: Commanding Officer, USS MAZAMA (AE 9) 03:ORF :kn

Subj: Presents from MAZAMA; results of
Encl: (1) Photo's of results

1. Operation EASTER EGG went off with a bang. Eggs have been delivered and recipients had no trouble finding them.
2. Eggs were hidden (but not very well) on the following targets:
A. FAT RED - Target: Major Railroad Bridge Delivery: First Class, A4E Results: Gap in their girders
B. YELLOW TIGER - Target: Truck Park Delivery: Side Arm Slider, AlH Results: A tiger in their tanks
C. BLUE ANGEL - Target: Railroad Cars

Delivery: Divine Guidance, A4E
Results: Vinh Special will be late again
D. GREEN HORNET - Target: Coastal Barges

Delivery: Centerline Amidships, A1H Results: Ripples in the wind
3. FAT RED was unanimously voted "The most likely to succeed". Enclosed photo's give evidence that the people's choice was correct.

## HOMEW ARD BOUND

## ON 3 NOVEMBER MAZAMA SET SAIL FROM SUBIC BAY, R.P. TO COMMENCE HER 11,000 MILE JOURNEY HOME.

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1. The following speedletter was received from RADM F. E. JANNEY, Commander Task Force 73 (COMSERVGRU 3).
" 1 . It is a pleasure to congratulate the Commanding Officer, officers and men of MAZAMA upon completion of a successful WESTPAC deployment.
2. MAZAMA's performance was outstanding and her contribution to the support of SEVENTH Fleet units is greatly appreciated. It has been a personal pleasure to take note of the fact that MAZAMA always delivered the goods at the appointed time and place.
3. Please extend to all officers and men in MAZAMA a sincere "Well Done".
4. Best wishes for a richly deserved happy homecoming."

## EQUATOR CROSSING

Know ye, that the USS MAZAMA (AE-9) on the 7th day of November, 1966 entered into the Domain of Neptunus Rex at Latitude 00-00,

Longitude $105 \cdot 35 \mathrm{E}$ and was induced into the solemn mysteries of the Ancient Order of the Deep.
Neptunus Rex held his Royal Court on number three hatch, tried all offenders, and delt punishment accordingly.



Singapore was originally known as Singapura the 'Lion City', with an area of 581 square kilometres, and fringed with 45 smally outlying islands.

North of this Island is the Straits of Johore separating Singapore and Johore, and over this is the Causeway, through which vehicular and rail traffic passes from Singapore to Johore and vice versa.

This Causeway is 3442 feet long.
Singapore is known as the cross roads of Asia Europe - Africa and Australia, and is well provided with sea and air facilities.

Singapore is a very busy port and ranks fifth in the World. Each week, 125 international flights take place, while each day some 1000 passengers pass through Singapore by air. Singapore airlines handle parcels weighing 5000 kilograms. There is higher ground in the centre of the island.

Bukit Timah Hill being the highest and is 581 feet above sea level, while lower hills lie towards the West; and the land is low-lying to the East.

The main Singapore River passes through the heart of the City, and is filled with river sampans and tongkangs that ply along this important waterway.

The capital of Singapore is situated at the southern tip of the island with administrative and business buildings clustered on both sides of the estuary of the Singapore River.

Busy shopping centres are found at Raffles Place High Street - North Bridge Road - South Bridge Road and Orchard Road areas.

Singapore is a cosmopolitan city with a population of $1,700,000$ composed of $75 \%$ Chinese, $25 \%$ Malays, Indians and other races.

The City's administrative buildings present an impressive sight to visitors and are the pride of South East Asia. There are 295 miles of roads, on this small Island City, with 100,000 motor vehicles, over 20,000 motor cycles, and 300,000 bicycles.

The industrial area is now situated at Jurong Industrial Site where new modern factories are springing up.

Educational standard is high, and Singapore boasts of 700 schools in four languages English, Chinese Malay and Indian catering to 400,000 students.

The higher learning centres include the Singapore University, the Singapore Polytechnic, and the Teachers' Training College. Civilian established seats of higher learning in Chinese are the Nanyang University and the Ngee Ann College accommodating 6000 students.

There are many daily newspapers - 2 in English, 3 in Chinese, and 1 each in Malay, Tamil and Malayalam. Radio and Television Singapura broadcast in the above four language media.

The political situation has undergone many changes since the last World War ended in 1945.


## FANTAIL COOKOUTS...


. . After all the work was done and the UNREPS behind us we had more time for the "finer things" of life at sea. The fantail cookouts were enjoyed by all hands throughout the Indian Ocean and Red Sea.



## EPILOGUE

53,000 miles, 279 days, and 38,000 candy bars later, USS MAZAMA (AE-9) steamed back into Davisville, R.I. Her deployment to WestPac was over, and on this twentieth of December everyone was very much in the Christmas spirit. It was earned, and then some.

MAZAMA had left the U.S. on 17 March to relieve USS WRANGELL (AE-12), the first east coast ammunition ship to serve in the Vietnam conflict. When she arrived in Subic Bay, R.P., on 5 May after brief visits in Panama and Pearl Harbor, her crew was used to being underway but still inexperienced in an AE's primary mission of transferring ammunition at sea.

Practice came early. Five days later MAZAMA was on her way to operations off the coast of Vietnam. Her first time on line, she averaged 68.5 short tons of ammunition per hour in CVA re-armings.

Not a bad start, but it would have been discouraging at the time to be told how much improvement was needed to set the records that were to follow. After much more practice in the Tonkin Gulf, MAZAMA was transferring 138 and finally 146 short tons per hour in her last two efforts on station.

When MAZAMA came back to Subic Bay for the last time on 29 Oct, the statistics had all been counted. She had transferred all types of ammunition from 38 special to 2000 pound bombs. She had rearmed carriers ( 8 at one time or another) on 41 occasions, and on one especially good day had transferred 807 tons in a 14 hour period. There were 74 other re-armings, two-thirds of them with destroyers and the rest with cruisers, LSMR's, DE's, and even a swift boat. And everyone of those ships must have been glad to see MAZAMA coming because service ships deliver fleet freight, personnel, mail, and movies. So a good re-arming was good for morale as well.

On the third of Nov MAZAMA got underway from Subic Bay but this time unloaded. She was on her way home the long way - west via the Suez Canal ----- 30 miles longer than the Panama route by which she had come. For once she was not alone. The USS SHASTA (AE-6) had arrived in Subic just days earlier. She also was an east coast service ship, and no doubt felt the same anxiety and diffidence that MAZAMA had experienced a few months sooner. So now headed for Singapore an : a long trip home, it was time for some underway training. SHASTA rehearsed her approaches and Burtc, riggings, made some token transfers, said thank you and changed course for Vietnam. MAZAMA headed for the Equator to initiate 180 pollywogs into King Neptune's Kingdom.

It was only about this time that the cruise had an around-the-world flavor to it. There had been a week in Hong Kong early in July, and now there would be stops in Singapore and Beirut. And the ocean at least would not always be the Pacific but also the Indian Ocean, Arabian Sea, Red Sea, Mediterranean Sea, and the Atlantic, and a few narrow spots at Malacca, Suez, and Gibraltar.

MAZAMA knew when she left Subic Bay she could go the distance without refueling and she proved it. But she did run low on fresh provisions, so the USS ALSTEDE (AF-48) obliged with a vertical unrep off Sicily. Days later the booms had to be topped out of the cradles for another unrep as the USS NATTAHALA (AO-60) came alongside and delivered some parcel post just west of GIBRALTAR.

Then it was west to the States. The Atlantic was surprisingly calm. And at last was Davisville and all the splendor and excitement that a ship can get at Christmas time after being away since St. Patricks day. As the magic hour neared, a sailor shouted, "When liberty call goes, there's going to be chaos around here".

It did, there was.


> Ammo Vessel Returns to R.I. After War Duty

DAVISVILLE, R. I.-The first East Coast Navy ammunition ship to serve in far Eastern waters returned to Davisville today, following a nine-month deployment with the U.S. 7th Fleet.

The 225 officers and men of the U.S.S. Mazama were welcomed home by fireboats as they sailed into Narragansett Bay. Relatives and friends were on the piers to see their men home in time for the Christmas holidays.


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