

MACHINISTMATES

The temperature is 110°F in the shade, the heat and humidity stifles breathing, your shirt is sticking to your back, the gauge board readings are fluctuating, and someone in CIC calls down on the 21 MC saying that their air conditioning is off, and cries for you to send the duty electrician up—this is a typical moment on watch in the life of "THE BLACK GANG" in INGHAM's engine-room.

As fine a group of engineers is hard to find on one ship, but we have them here. Led by "Super Smile" Merle, the "Loan Shark" and a couple of New England fishermen, the Machinist Mates have continued to get us underway on time almost every time despite reservations some held at various "SP Hotels" along our route.



FRONT ROW: MM3 R. W. Goldsmith, FN D. M. Holton, MM3 L. Gagliardi, FN R. L. Krogman, FN T. C. Donschietz, FN M. Mesaros, BACK ROW: LCDR E. D. Johnson, CWO-2 R. G. Curtz, FN A. J. Cournoyer, MM3 C. C. Howard, MM3 R. W. Minervino, MM3 T. D. Palmer, MM1 J. E. Brown, MM1 J. G. Negrete, MMCM M. R. Basso, ENS J. P. Stager (Not Pictured)

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT



FRONT ROW: FN S. R. Speers, FN A. W. Battisto, FN P. G. Horne Jr., FN E. I. Baker, FN F. D. Morris, BACK ROW: LCDR E. D. Johnson, CWO-2 R. G. Curtz, BT2 L. L. Shaver, BT2 E. T. Fox, BT2 J. V. Rivera, BT1 J. C. Purcell, BTCP T. W. Barrington, FN C. B. Carr (Not Pictured)

BOILER TENDERS

It's a long ladder leading down to "THE HOLE" where these men work. Never known for their sunbans, the BT's work long, hot hours keeping the steam pressure up for the main propulsion units. Many of them aren't seen for days except when they slip ashore at night on "LIB"

Spending their Hawaiian vacation cleaning the boilers was no fun but these are the kind of men who give that extra effort to do their job well.

How many times has "CHICO" kept the snipes laughing with his timely comments at noon quarters? The spirit of this group alone is enough to run the INGHAM at MAX III.