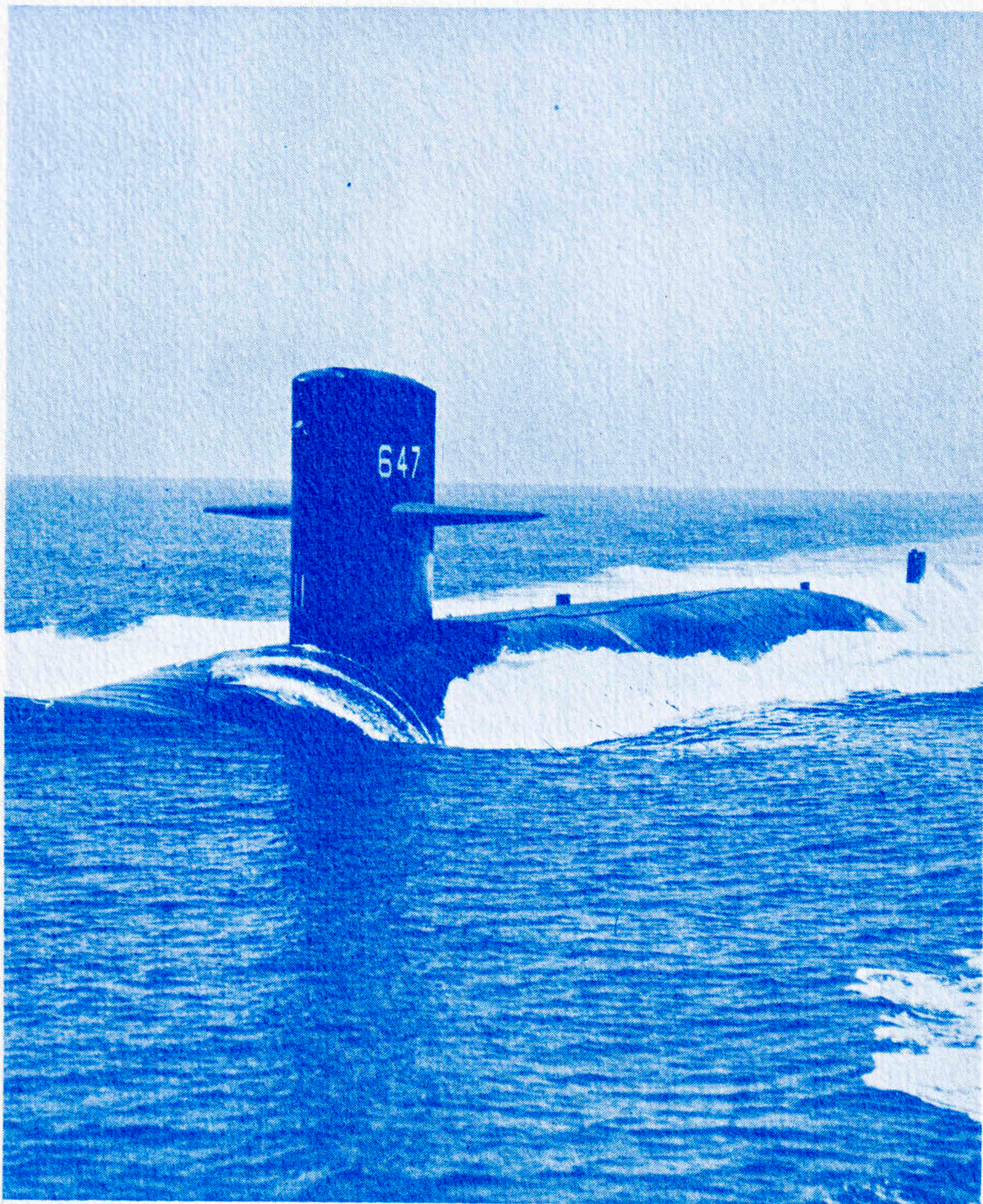


Commissioning
UNITED STATES SHIP POGY
(SSN 647)



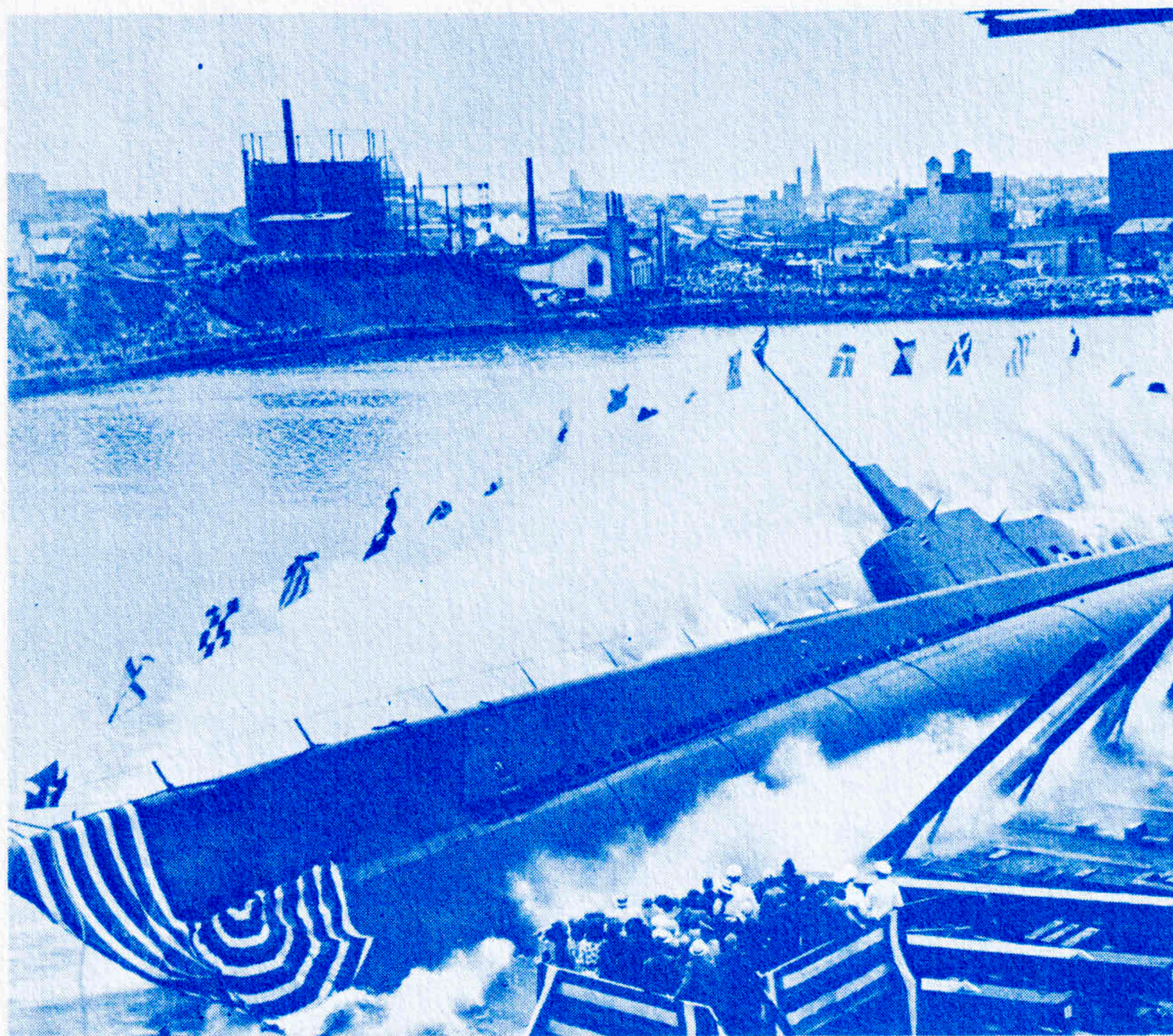
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A SHIP'S COMMISSIONING

The commissioning ceremony marks the acceptance of a ship as a member of the operating forces of the United States Navy. At the moment of breaking the commissioning pennant, USS POGY (SSN 647) becomes an active member of the fleet. The commanding officer, together with the ship's officers and men, has the duty of making and keeping her ready for any commitment required by our nation in time of peace or war.

The commissioning pennant has for centuries been the symbol of a man-of-war. When the Dutch Admiral Van Tromp defeated an English fleet in 1652, he cruised with a broom at his masthead to signify that he had swept his enemies off the sea. The following year, prior to a similar battle, the British Admiral, William Blake, in retaliation hoisted a horsewhip from his masthead to indicate his intentions to whip his adversary from the sea. His success in the resulting engagement established a precedent for the long commissioning pennant.

HERITAGE



USS POGY (SSN647) is the second United States ship to bear this name. The first POGY (SS 266) was built in Manitowoc, Wisconsin and was commissioned in January 1943, Lieutenant Commander G.H. Wales commanding. By April of the same year she had departed on her first war patrol. From then until the end of the war, POGY made ten patrols. Her operations included antishipping patrols in the Western Pacific including the Formosa area and coastal waters of Japan. On her final war patrol, POGY made a mine field penetration into the Sea of Japan. POGY also conducted a lifeguard patrol during which she rescued ten aviators from a downed B-29 Superfortress. She sank 16 ships for a total tonnage of 62,633 placing her in the top ten percent in both categories for United States Submarines in World War II. For her actions she earned eight Battle Stars and eight Submarine Combat Insignia. For extreme heroism on her fifth and sixth patrols, she was awarded the Navy Unit Commendation. POGY was decommissioned and placed in the Reserve Fleet in January 1947. In September 1958 her proud name was struck from the Navy list.

SPONSOR



Mrs. George H. WALES, wife of the first commanding officer of USS POGY (SS266) now Rear Admiral George H. WALES (Ret.), christened the USS POGY (SSN647) at its launching on 3 June 1967.

Admiral and Mrs. WALES make their home at North Stonington, Connecticut.

COMMANDING OFFICER



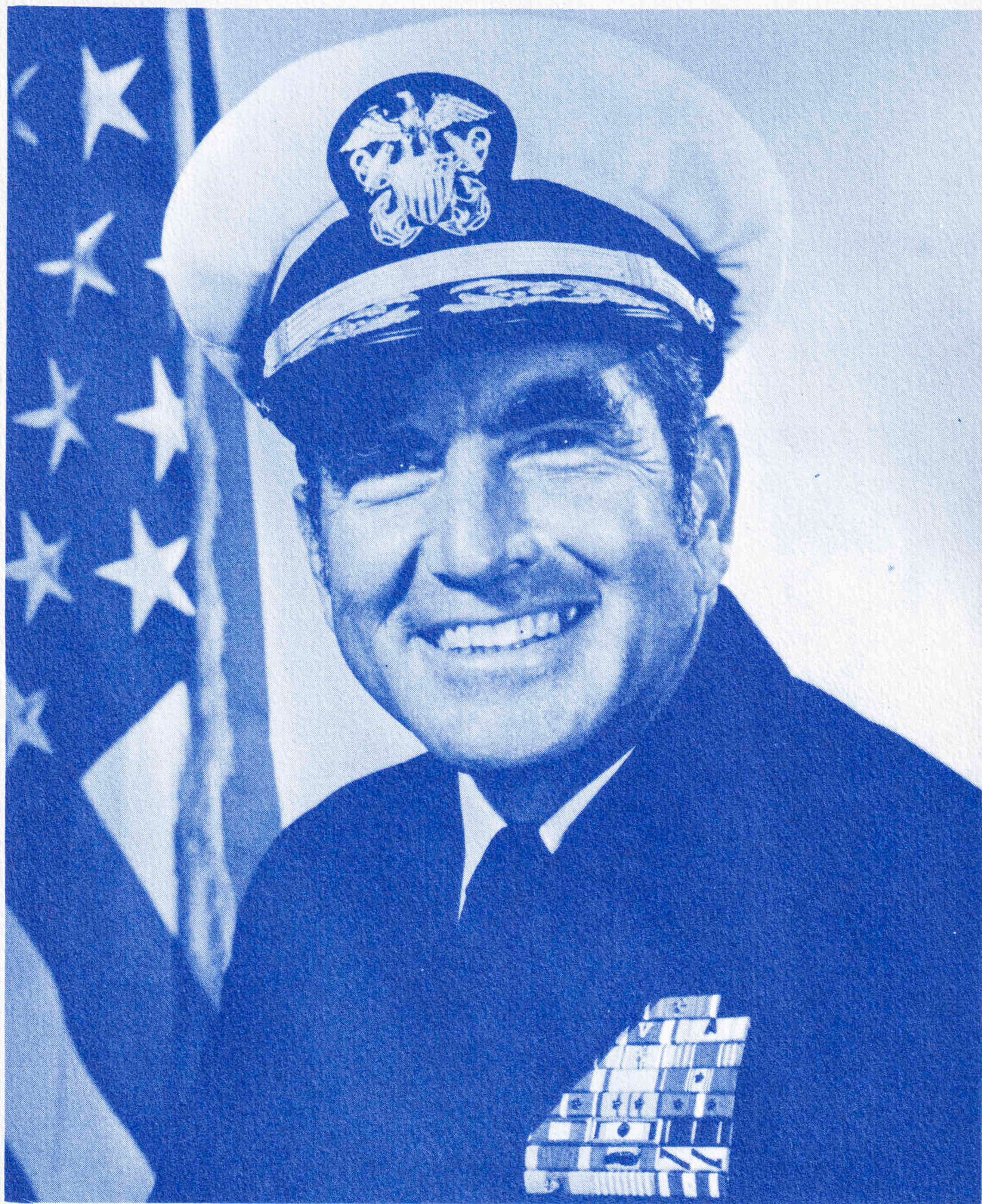
Commander George W. Stott, Jr. was born in Coronado, California in July 1933. He attended Western High School in Washington, D.C. and graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1955. He served on Board USS NOBLE (APA-218) prior to entering Submarine School in January, 1957. Commander Stott was assigned to the USS GROUPER (SSK214) until his selection for the nuclear power program in 1959.

From September 1960 until October 1961, Commander Stott was assigned to the Precommissioning Unit of the attack submarine SNOOK (SSN592) being constructed at Ingalls Shipbuilding Corporation, Pascagoula, Mississippi. Following the commissioning, he served three additional years on board USS SNOOK (SSN592) including a tour as Engineer Officer.

In 1964, Commander Stott was assigned as the Material Officer on the staff of Commander Submarine Development Group TWO in New London, Connecticut. In 1967, he became a member of the 41st class of the Armed Forces Staff College in Norfolk, Virginia.

Commander Stott was assigned in September 1967 to the USS TECUMSEH (SSBN628) as Executive Officer and made four Polaris Deterrent Patrols. He reported as Prospective Commanding Officer of USS POGY (SSN647) in October, 1969.

Commander Stott is married to the former Mary Louise Dempf of Washington, D.C. They have three children: Michael, Helen and Tracey Anne.





CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS

14 May 1971

Dear Captain,

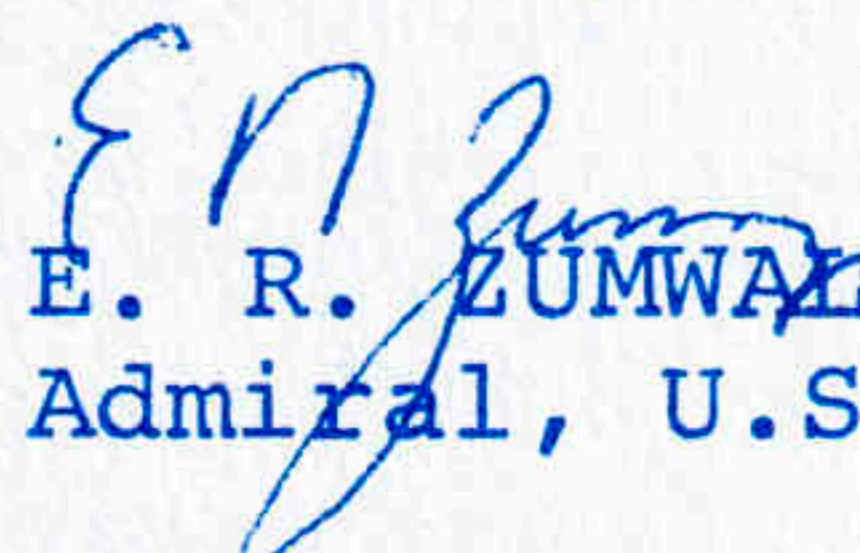
My best wishes to you and to your ship's company on the commissioning of POGY (SSN-647).

You are privileged to command one of the finest ships of our new Navy. POGY, equipped with the latest and most effective devices for locating and destroying potential enemies, represents a significant step forward in undersea warfare. However, the finest technical advances are of no avail unless the men who use them are inspired by the true Navy spirit and guided by a standard of duty well done. I am certain that you and every man who sails with you will now meet the exacting challenge to weld ship and crew into a working, fighting team.

Your selection as Commanding Officer of POGY is a tribute to your past performance and attests to your ability to meet the challenge of Command, the most cherished experience of a Naval career. You know the truth of Admiral Arleigh Burke's remark that any ship is "good because of the people in her; without them, she is an inert mass of steel." Our need for highly motivated, experienced personnel has never been greater. I urge you to be keenly aware of the welfare of your men. There is no substitute for a crew who is well informed and whose talents are recognized. I encourage you to delegate responsibility down to the lowest level and in so doing develop a real sense of being part of, what I know will be, one of our Navy's finest fighting units.

On behalf of the Navy, I welcome POGY to the Fleet. May every good fortune be yours.

Sincerely,


E. R. ZUMWALT, JR.
Admiral, U.S. Navy

Commander George W. Stott, USN
PCO, POGY (SSN-647)
Ingalls Shipbuilding Division
Litton System, Inc.
Pascagoula, Mississippi 39567

Commissioning Program

ARRIVAL OF OFFICIAL PARTY

INVOCATION

Lieutenant W. G. McManus, CHC, USNR

WELCOMING REMARKS AND INTRODUCTION OF
BUILDER'S REPRESENTATIVE

*Rear Admiral C. N. Payne, USN
Supervisor of Shipbuilding*

BUILDER'S REMARKS

*Mr. N. J. Marandino, President
Ingalls Nuclear Shipbuilding Division of Litton Industries*

REMARKS AND READING OF COMMISSIONING DIRECTIVE

*Rear Admiral C. N. Payne, USN
Supervisor of Shipbuilding*

NATIONAL ANTHEM

ASSUMPTION OF COMMAND AND SETTING OF THE WATCH

Commander G. W. Stott, Jr., USN

RENDERING OF HONORS

REMARKS AND INTRODUCTION OF CAPTAIN R. S. LEDDICK,
COMMANDER SUBMARINE SQUADRON ONE

Commander G. W. Stott, Jr., USN

REMARKS AND INTRODUCTION OF PRINCIPAL SPEAKER

Captain R. S. Leddick, USN

COMMISSIONING ADDRESS

*Rear Admiral S. D. Cramer, Jr.
Commander Submarine Flotilla Six*

BENEDICTION

Lieutenant W. G. McManus, CHC, USNR

HONORS AND DEPARTURE OF OFFICIAL PARTY

SPEAKER



Rear Admiral Shannon Davenport Cramer, Jr. was born in Washington, D. C. on 18 September 1921. He received his early education in Washington and subsequently attended Admiral Farragut Academy at Pine Beach, New Jersey, prior to his appointment to the U. S. Naval Academy in 1940. He completed the accelerated wartime curriculum and graduated from Annapolis in June 1943 (Class of 1944).

Following graduation, Rear Admiral Cramer served three years aboard USS LAUB (DD 613) and USS FURSE (DD 882). In January 1947 he reported to Submarine School, New London, Connecticut, followed by tours aboard USS COCHINO (SS 345) and USS HALFBEAK (SS 352). In March 1951 he returned to Submarine School as an instructor and head of the Reserve Training and Ordnance Departments. Upon completion of this tour, Rear Admiral Cramer reported as Executive Officer on the USS COBBLER (SS 344) followed by his first command, USS SIRAGO (SS 485). Upon leaving SIRAGO in 1956, Rear Admiral Cramer served as submarine advisor to the Chief of Naval Reactors Office in Washington, D. C. He then served as Prospective Commanding Officer and Commanding Officer of the USS SWORDFISH (SSN 579). After one year as Head of Material and Submarine Propulsion Sections in the Office of Chief of Naval Operations, Rear Admiral Cramer reported as Commander Submarine Division One Hundred Two. He then made three Polaris Deterrent Patrols as Commanding Officer of the USS PATRICK HENRY (SSBN 599). In June 1966 he took command of Submarine Squadron Fifteen.

After being selected for flag rank, Rear Admiral Cramer served as Director for Operations in the National Military Command Center, Joint Chiefs of Staff, Washington, D. C. and then Military Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Public Affairs. In May 1970 he assumed command of Submarine Flotilla SIX in Charleston, South Carolina.

Rear Admiral and Mrs. Cramer, the former Elizabeth Jean Stewart, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, have five children. Shannon D. Cramer, III, John S., Elizabeth S., Susan T., and Mary H. Cramer.

ROSTER OF OFFICERS

CDR George W. STOTT, Jr.
Commanding Officer

LCDR Ralph W. WEST, Jr.
Executive Officer

LCDR Morse S. BRADEN
Navigator

LCDR Edison L. WATKINS, III
Engineer Officer

LT Francis M. BUSHNELL, Jr.
Weapons Officer

LT Peter H. BOHLING
Sonar Officer

LT Leonard "K" KANE, II
Electrical Officer

LT Thomas C. RUNKLE
Damage Control Assistant

LT Frank L. BOWMAN
Main Propulsion Assistant

LTJG John P. DAVIS
Communicator

LTJG John C. FRANZONI, Jr.
Reactor Controls Officer

LTJG Jay H. MARTIN
First Lieutenant

LTJG Donald A. HEMPSON
Supply Officer

LTJG James G. HENRY
Assistant Engineer

ROSTER OF CHIEF PETTY OFFICERS

STCM(SS) Charles W. STEED—Chief of the Boat

MMCS(SS) Donald R. VAUGHT

EMC(SS) Edward H. WHITAKER

QMC(SS) Charles W. CRAWFORD

RMC(SS) John E. FIG

HMC(SS) Arnold R. ROBERTS

ICC(SS) Glenn H. DUNLAP

MMC(SS) Edwin J. BLACKFORD

MMC(SS) Eldon K. McGUIRE

ETC(SS) Russell R. RICHEY

ETC(SS) Robert B. MHOON

ROSTER OF CREW

Operations Department

QM1(SS) Alfonso T. Maes
QM3 John R. Kirk
QM3 Keith R. Drysdale
RM1(SS) Nicholas J. Tutorow
RM3 Walter R. Peters
RM3 Jeffrey T. Watt

ET1 Howard L. Lindgren
ETR2(SS) Thomas H. Wilber
ETR2 Jimmie E. Brannon
ETR2 Andrew J. Howard
ETN3 Chan A. Johnson
ETN3 David C. Polito

Engineering Department

MM1(SS) Roland R. Buis, Jr.
MM1(SS) Douglas W. Macfarlane
MM1(SS) Daniel F. Green
MM1 Michael B. Dickert
MM1(SS) Michael J. Dobrolet
MM2(SS) Thomas D. Tunall
MM2(SS) Francis L. Bernhard
MM2(SS) Richard W. Buckner
MM2(SS) William D. Schellhammer
MM2 Robert F. Mead
MM2 William E. White
MM2 Raymond E. Landrum
MM2 Richard B. Yow
MM3 Gene E. Hinsley, Jr.
ET1(SS) William L. Lease
ET1(SS) Larry A. Provorse
ET1 Lee S. Williams
ETR2 Ralph L. Chandler
ETN2 Jerry L. Parchman

ETR2 Edwin L. Grimm
ETN2 Dennis B. Spears
EM1(SS) William T. Clark
EM1(SS) Carnegie R. Horton
EM1 Jack C. Wilson
IC2(SS) William D. Love
MM1(SS) Robert F. Harrell
EN2(SS) Gary A. Hagmann
MM2(SS) Desmond H. Miller
MM3 Stephen D. Baer
MM3 Philip J. Tess, Jr.
MMFN(SS) Robert E. Karch
EM2(SS) Roger A. Lyytinen
EM2 Stephen J. Whitley
EM2 William R. Kurth
EM2 Jeffrey E. Bonner
IC3 Paul F. Schroud
IC2(SS) Rodney L. Blanton
IC3(SS) Calvin Gaddy

Weapons Department

FTG2 Willie J. Lacefield
FTG3 Gary L. Flickinger
FN Gary L. Richmond
SN Alexander M. Cooper
SN Robert B. Wise
SN Thomas Foote
SN Charles V. Michels
SN Bruce W. Pollock
SN Richard E. Soddors
SN John J. Witz
SN Paul DiFranco
FA David G. Hupp
TM1(SS) Daniel L. Douglass

TM1(SS) Johnnie G. Smith
TM3(SS) Robert L. Keller
TM3 Charles O. Gibson
TMSN Joseph M. McGrath
ST1(SS) Robert W. Bradley
ST1(SS) Gregory Decker
STS2(SS) Michael J. Stora
STS2(SS) Roy L. Eyman
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Supply Department

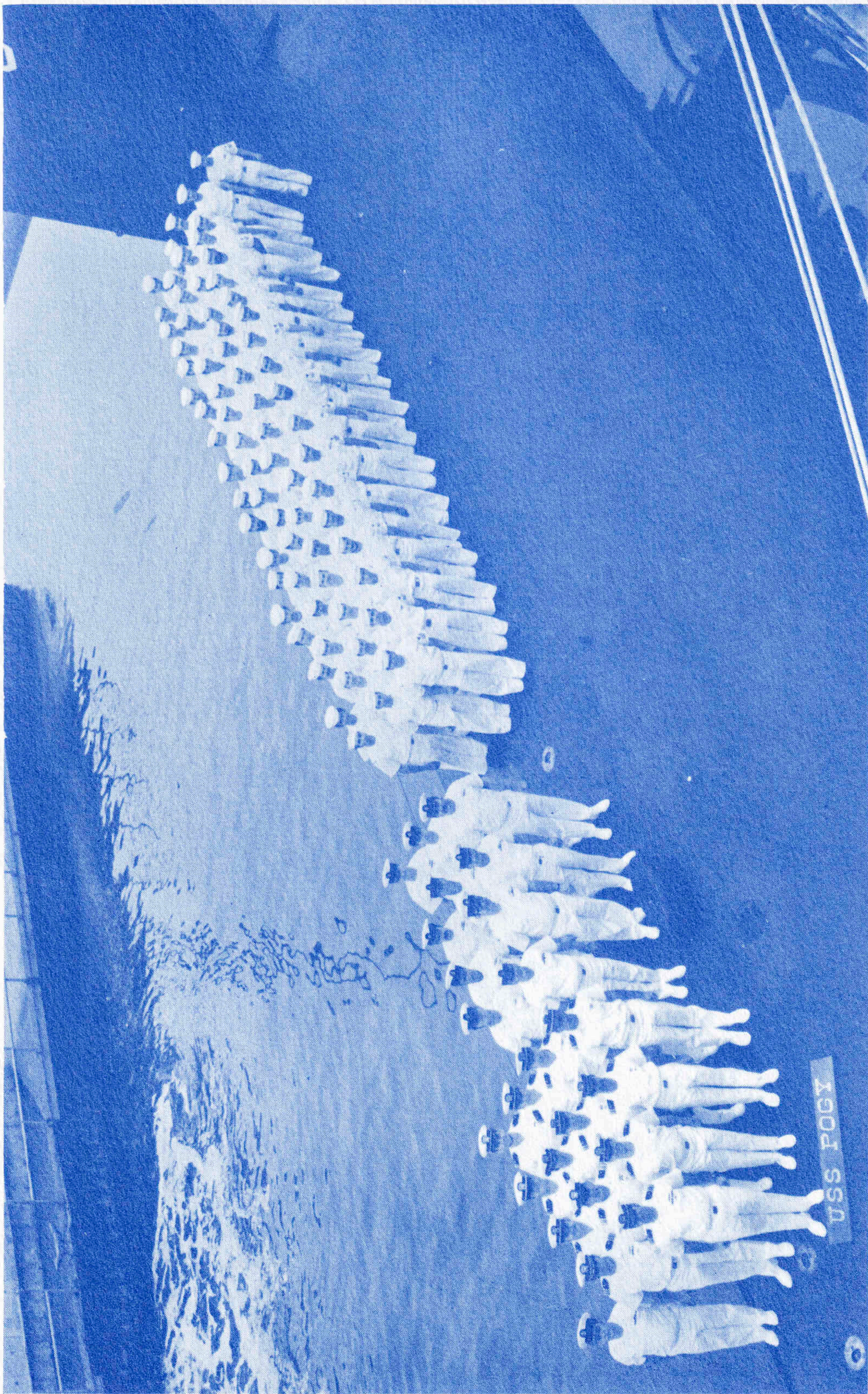
SK1(SS) Herman C. Ransom
SD2(SS) Crispin R. DeRosas
TN Joseph L. Hobe
TN Thomas L. Andrews

CS2(SS) Ranney P. Ray
CS2(SS) Tami E. Roberts
CSSN Nicholas J. Marx.

Executive Department

YN1(SS) Roger K. Holtz

YN3 Alfred E. Boreman

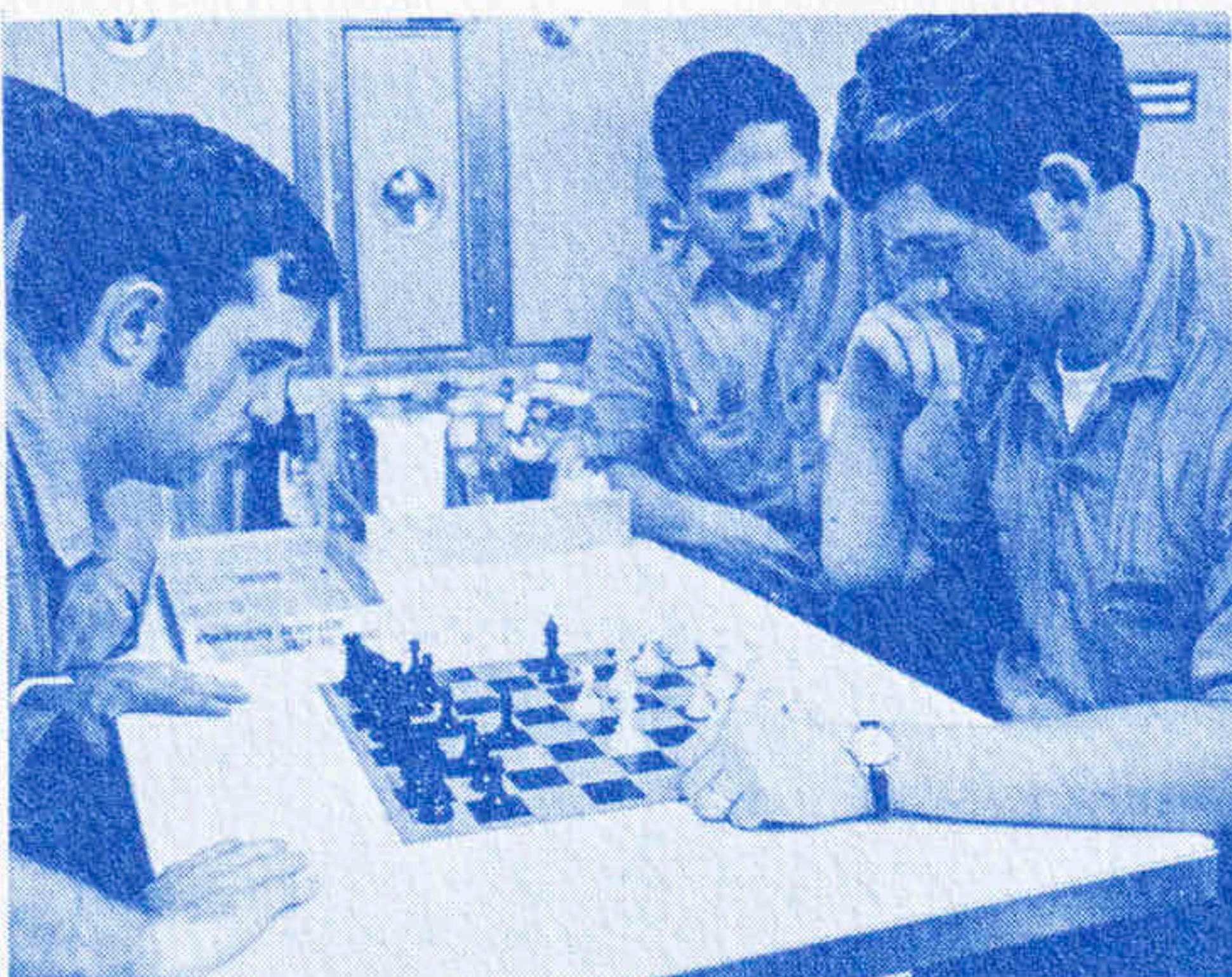




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CONTROL



USS POGY (SSN 647)

