



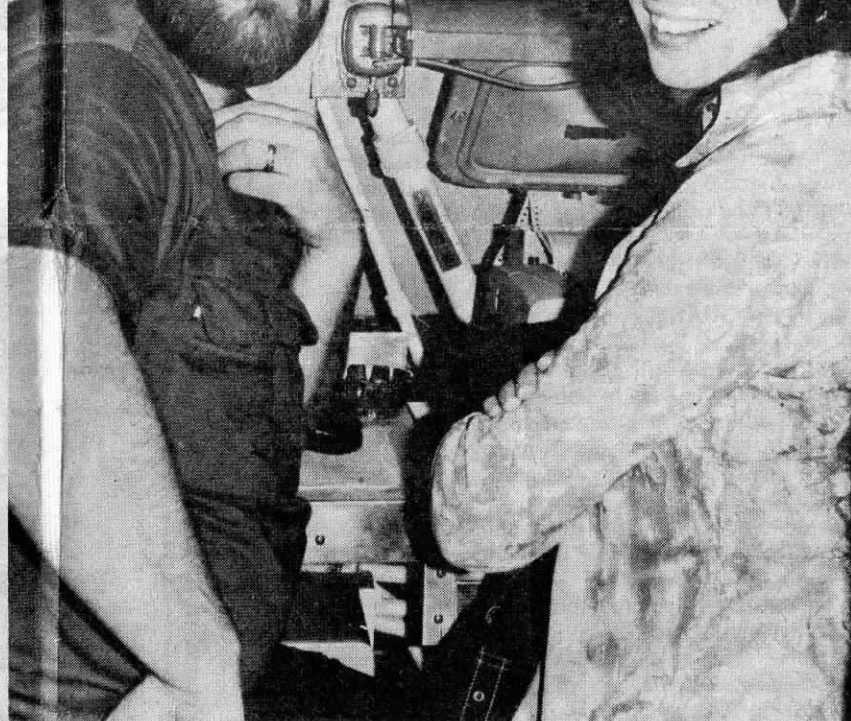
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THE FAST ATTACH NUCLEAR SUBMARINE — USS William H. Bates recently commemorated her second year of commissioned service with a dependents cruise. The honored guest was Mrs. Bates, wife of the late congressman from Massachusetts, William H. Bates, in honor of whom the ship was named. (Top photo) Mrs. Bates (left) receives a needlepoint ship's seal during the cruise from Mrs. Dot Arthur, wife of Cmdr. G.N. Arthur, commanding officer of the Bates. The needlepoint had been passed from hand to hand by the wives of the officers and men of the Bates, with each wife adding stitches to complete the gift. In return, Mrs. Bates presented the crew with a pictorial book for the ship's library entitled "These United States" which depicts in photographs everyday scenes in our great country.



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until his death in 1969. He became the senior republican member of the House Armed Services Committee and the second ranking House member of the

Joint Atomic Energy Commission. He was a vigorous advocate and effective supporter of the development of nuclear power for naval vessels.

Commander in
chief of Atlantic
Fleet bids farewell

Command of the U.S. Atlantic Fleet has been a cherished privilege and responsibility.

The basic job of the fleet — to help in preserving our nation's freedom — has never been more important than it is today.

However, I do not regret leaving this command, and the Navy, at such a time because I am confident of the dedication and the capabilities of each of you who serves our nation and our navy.

You are the individuals who make our Fleet and our Navy capable of doing that job and your dedication to this job has been and is most sincerely appreciated.

I urge your continued hard work. Our very way of life depends on it.

I say farewell with hope and optimism for the future. I wish each and everyone of you well.

Admiral Ralph Cousins, USN

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