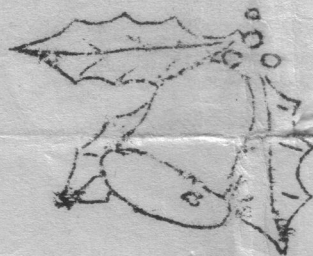


Merry
Xmas



Happy
NEW YEAR

The President's annual Christmas message to the Armed Forces received by Ship's Radio is quoted herewith:

"To the members of the Armed Forces at home and overseas: On this Christmas Day I send a sincere and heartfelt greeting to you men and women of the United States Armed Forces who have brought victory. I speak in behalf of a Nation grateful for your service, your devotion and your sacrifice. We shall not forget the price you have paid. There are many of you who must spend this day far from home. To you especially I want to express my hope for an early return to your homes and loved ones. We are doing our utmost to insure that the occupational duties that are so vital to the solidification of the peace may be successfully performed as we strive to transform your dreams of return into reality. Christmas Day is celebrated in honor of the Prince of Peace. He brought peace to the souls of men; you have helped bring peace to the nations of the world. Our prayer this day is that our world may find a true and lasting fellowship of peace."

/s/ HARRY S. TRUMAN
Commander-in-Chief

U.S.S. RUSHMORE (LSD-14)

At Sea - Enroute Samar, P.I. to San Francisco, Calif.

LATITUDE - 33° 32'N LONGITUDE - 164° 53'W

25 December 1945

To Ship's Company
and all passengers aboard:

The Commanding Officer joins in wishing Ship's Company and all passengers best wishes for a Merry Xmas and Happy New Year.

W. T. Patrick
W. T. PATRICK,
Comdr., U.S.N.R.
Commanding Officer

CHRISTMAS DAY MENU
1945

TURKEY NOODLE SOUP
CRACKERS

ROAST YOUNG TOM TURKEY

GIBLET GRAVY ----- BREAD DRESSING

MASHED POTATOES

BUTTERED PEAS

CRANBERRY SAUCE

HOT ROLLS & BUTTER

FRENCH APPLE PIE ----- ICE CREAM

COFFEE

CANDY

MIXED NUTS

CIGARS & CIGARETTES

ROSTER OF OFFICERS, U.S.S. RUSHMORE (LSD-14)

Commanding Officer	W. T. PATRICK	Comdr., USNR
Retiring Commanding Officer	C. O. TOBEY	Lt. Comdr., USNR
Executive Officer	W. A. LITTLE	Lieut., USN
Navigator	E. L. FIKE	Lieut., USNR
Gunnery Officer	W. D. ELLIS	Lieut., USNR
Engineering Officer	M. H. ROEFER	Lt.(jg), USNR
First Lieutenant	S. T. FAIRCLOTH	Lt.(jg), USNR
Assistant Gunnery Officer	J. G. LAGERGREN	Ensign, USNR
"M" Division Officer	H. W. LAWVILL	Ensign, USNR
Assistant Engineering Officer	D. M. STEEN	Ensign, USNR
In Training	A. R. SCHWARTZ	Ensign, USNR
Medical Officer	J. J. O'DAY	Lieut., USNR
Supply & Disbursing Officer	E. J. WALSH	Lt.(jg), USNR
Ship's Electrician	J. DANKO Jr.	Chief Elec., USNR
"A" Division Officer	G. POMROY	Chief Mach., USNR
Ship's Carpenter	T. MAYER	Chief Carp., USNR
Officer of the Deck	W. A. KETTERER	Lieut., USNR
Second Division Officer	R. J. McKEEVER	Lieut., USNR
Communication Officer	R. L. BOYLAN	Lt.(jg), USNR
Assistant Navigator	L. M. COLLINS	Lt.(jg), USNR

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ROSTER OF ENLISTED MEN

Ahearn, J.P. FCO3c	Chapman, H.L. SM2c
Ainsworth, E.O. Slc	Cheney, R.J. MM2c
Albright, H.E. Jr. WT2c	Childers, R.W. Jr. GMLc
Angell, J.F. Slc	Childs, A.M. S2c
Angiulo, F.J. GM2c	Clark, L.E. Slc
Arbogast, J.P. MMS2c	Clay, R.R. Slc
Aronowitz, M. Slc	Clement, D.S. M1c
Art, R. Jr. MM1c	Colananni, G. S2c
Ashook, A.G. PhM2c	Cole, R.M. Flc
Babcock, R.E. GMLc	Conklin, M.R. SC2c
Baker, G.V. Slc	Coons, D.C. SM3c
Baker, R.D. Jr. F2c	Creel, M.C. CCS
Barbera, J.G. MM1c	Cullen, J.A. Y2c
Barton, E.R. SF2c	Culver, D.F. Slc
Bauer, W.H. RM2c	D'Adamo, H. RT3c
Bauter, K.F. MM3c	Davis, J.J. Y2c
Beard, B.S. Slc	Dean, A.E. Flc
Bell, A.E. Slc	Del Bono, N.R. SF1c
Beverly, W.F. StM1c	Demichole, J. SKD3c
Boaz, M.W. Slc	De Noyer, L.R. Slc
Briggs, P.P. QM2c	Deternmann, J.L. M3c
Brown, "J" "L" EM3c	Dotlefsen, R.J. RT2c
Brown, H.R. WT2c	Deutsch, M.A. Slc
Burroughs, S.A. Ck2c	Doern, C.H. MM3c
Butz, D. Rdk3c	Dodd, C.J. Slc
Byers, F.E. MM3c	Drab, J.T. MM2c
Byron, J.T. MM2c	Dumeyer, W.R. Slc
Camillo, A.N. QMLc	Duquette, H.J. RdM3c
Caudle, T.B. Slc	Eckstein, L.H. S2c
Chambers, J.W. Jr. EM3c	Engber, W. SC1c

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Engebretson, L.E. MoMM2c	Harris, L.T. MoMM3c
Evangelista, F.J. QM2c	Harvey, F.J. Slc
Evans, J.N. Slc	Healy, W.L. SF1c
Fenuccio, J.J. WT3c	Hearn, J.W. Slc
Flack, R.W. RT3c	Heckmann, W.A. MoMM2c
Fleischman, D.E. PhM3c	Hicks, W.A. Slc
Fumanti, R.L. Slc	Hildreth, L.S. Jr. Flc
Fye, E.A. Slc	Hins, J.N. MM2c
Galbraith, B. Flc	Hobbs, V.F. RM1c
Galdi, J.F. SF2c	Hogate, H.W. Jr. MM2c
Gallimore, G.R. SF1c	Holzknocht, A.J. Flc
Gaston, J.E. Slc	Horan, J.J. SF2c
Geis, E.R. MMS2c	Hummicutt, T.C. Slc
Gentley, E.H. Jr. MM2c	Hymiller, M.F. GM2c
Giles, R. Jr. StM1c	Irwin, M.M. WT2c
Giuliani, A. Slc	Israel, I. Slc
Godley, L.W. MM3c	Jackson, J. StM1c
Goodyear, G.H. SM3c	Jerabek, A.C. BM2c
Graham, H.B. SF3c	Johannes, D.J. SM3c
Graves, C.H. RM2c	Jones, B.L. Flc
Guthrie, C.E. Cox	Jones, J.L. Slc
Haight, H.E. Cox	Karriger, J.F. Slc
Haile, D.E. Cox	Kreischer, L.W. FCLc
Hale, A.F. Slc	Krupinski, E.M. Flc
Hales, L.N. Slc	Kupsch, H. Y2c
Hamilton, J.J. St3c	La Fayette, E.C. Flc
Hamrock, R.P. Flc	Langkamp, F.V. MoMM3c
Harbert, M.W. Slc	Lann, K. MM3c
Harkleroad, W.R. Slc	Lee, R. G. Flc
Harpst, E.D. MoMM3c	Lehrberger, K.H. GMLc

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Liebert, C.E.Jr. CM2c	Morales, R. Jr. Slc
Lima, H.E. RM3c	Murphy, J. Slc
Locke, W. T. EM3c	Myers, C.H. Jr. RM2c
Lockhart, J.F. Flc	Namotka, P.M. Jr. Slc
Lombardo, M.A. Flc	Narbonne, L.A. MM3c
Lopaz, D.J. Flc	Nelson, E.J. Jr. Flc
Lorimer, J.E. GM2c	Nelson, J.A. Slc
Lothar, O. StMlc	Niznik, J.S. SF3c
Lovan, W.B. S2c	Nordgren, D.E. MM3c
Love, D.W. EM3c	Odell, A.G. EM3c
Luck, L.M. Slc	Offenbacher, G.M. FC2c
Machac, R.G. Flc	O'Hara, E.C. Flc
Mac Millan, W.S. EM2c	Owen, G.W. SK3c
Majka, W.F. EM2c	Owens, T.L. Slc
Mandler, R.C. MMlc	Parker, C. W. Slc
Manlove, J.W. EM3c	Parker, C.A. Flc
Matlock, J.R. Cox	Paul, A.E. Slc
Maxwell, "W" "R" Slc	Pelletier, L.O. Jr. Cox
McClune, C.R. Slc	Poorman, R.G. CM2c
McFall, H.R. Slc	Pritchard, R. Slc
McGillicuddy, R.J. RMLc	Proehl, E.J. MM3c
Mc Intosh, J.N. SSML3c	Provenzano, J.J. MM3c
McKay, D.C. Slc	Redmond, J.L. Jr. MMlc
McNall, J.N. GM3c	Roistad, A.M. MMlc
Medina, J.C. SC2c	Ridgway, W.F. S2c
Mohl, J.E. WT3c	Robbins, A. MM2c
Meyer, M.E.Jr. Flc	Rodriguez, C.H. Slc
Meyers, R.M. Flc	Rossmann, H.M. Slc
Miller, J.B. MM3c	Rubin, H. PhM3c
Miller, L.H. Flc	Ryle, R.N. BM2c

Salcido, B.N. Slc	Thompson, R. BM2c
Sanders, H.T. QM3c	Tindle, H.R. Slc
Saunders, A.L. SC3c	Townsend, D.B. Slc
Sawyer, N.L. MM3c	Triplett, B.J. Slc
Schroeder, L.A. RTlc	Turner, E. SM2c
Schworn, H. "C" Flc	Valloritagara, A. S2c
Scott, A.O.M. SMLc	Vennes, R.J. SFlc
Scott, W.T. Slc	Vettel, L.E. Slc
Senseney, M.A. Slc	Vincent, J. Slc
Sewell, E.R. CMLc	Vogel, R.E. SK3c
Shepard, F.F. BM2c	Wacaster, E.J. Slc
Sherrill, H.W. Cox	Waller, R.W. MM2c
Shutta, B. F2c	Warnimont, N.F. Flc
Siani, F.C. EM2c	Webb, "C" "A" SSMB3c
Slak, C.A. SC3c	Weber, E.G. WT3c
Smith, C.W. Slc	Wehr, C.R. MM2c
Smith, C.G. Slc	Wells, H.E. Slc
Smith, L.L. Flc	Whooler, W.W. Slc
Sneed, O. Bkr.3c	Whisonant, D.S. SFlc
Stacy, A. Slc	Whiteleather, D.E. Slc
Stallings, E.E. SK3c	Wilde, W.B. Slc
Stanton, V.L. BM2c	Williams, C.E. GM3c
St. Clair, C.M. Flc	Wissler, D.O. Flc
Stone, M.F. M2c	Wood, D.A. Slc
Studer, J.R. Flc	Workman, "R" "D" O. Slc
Sturdivant, T.C. WTlc	Wulf, C.J. S2c
Switzer, R.J. Slc	Wunsch, V.L. S2c
Thomas, N.B. St3c	Yount, J.R. Slc
Thomas, W.E. CK3c	Zeiser, F.G.Jr. SF2c
Thompson, F.A. Cox	

U.S.S. RUSHMORE (LSD-14)

Commissioned

July 3, 1944

Norfolk, Virginia

The U.S.S. RUSHMORE (LSD-14) named after Mount Rushmore in the Black Hills of South Dakota, the site of the gigantic memorial honoring four former Presidents of the United States participated in the following invsions:

LEYTE, PHILIPPINE ISLANDS	-	20 October 1945
PALAWAN, PHILIPPINE ISLANDS	-	27 February 1945
ZAMBOANGA, MINDANAO	-	10 March 1945
TARAKAN, BORNEO	-	1 May 1945

OCCUPATIONAL OPERATIONS

WAKAYAMA, JAPAN	-	25 September 1945
NAGOYA, JAPAN	-	7 November 1945
SHIMUZU, JAPAN	-	17 November 1945

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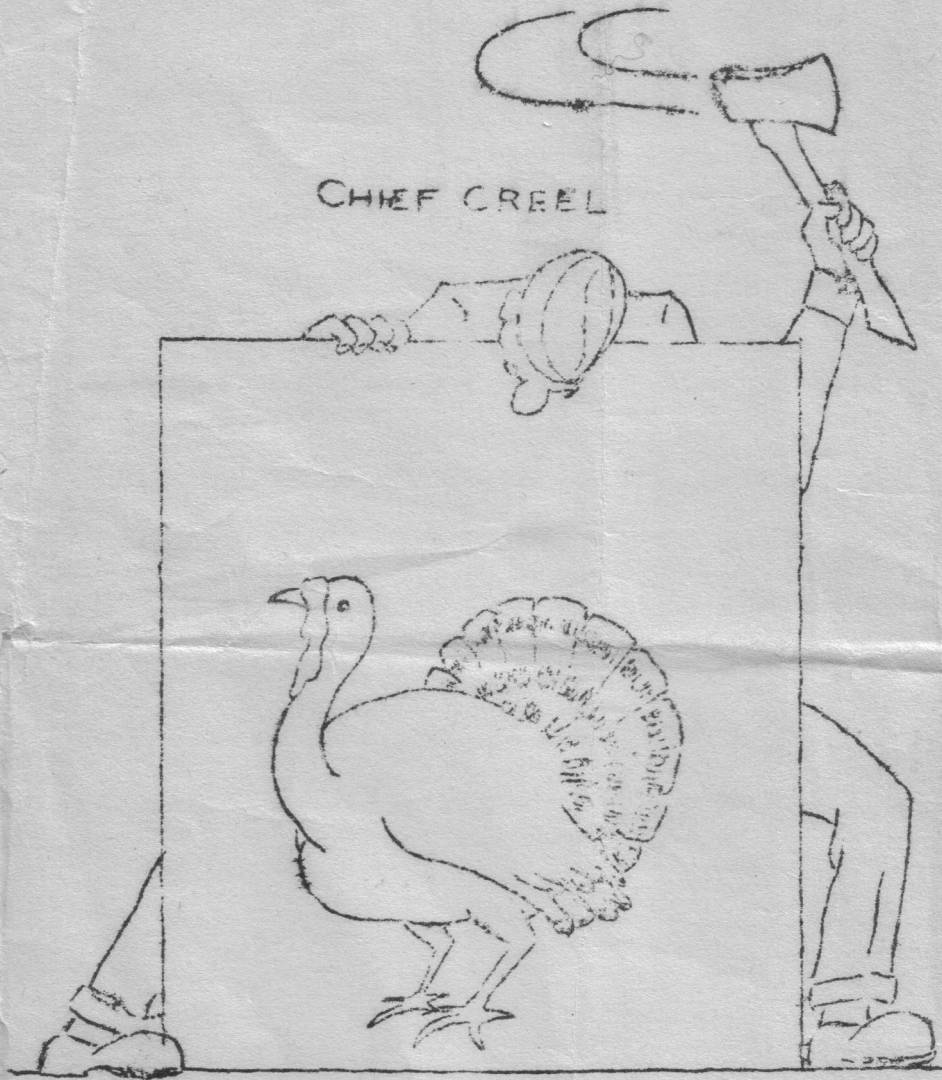
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