

USS Vermilion AKA-107

Change of Command Ceremony

5 August 1959

Unit of Amphibious Squadron Two

SCHEDULE of EVENTS

1400

CREW TO QUARTERS FOR MUSTER AND INSPECTION

1415

INSPECTION OF THE CREW BY THE COMMANDING OFFICER IN COMPANY WITH HIS RELIEF

1500

CREW MUSTER FORWARD

ARRIVAL OF COMMANDING OFFICER IN COMPANY WITH HIS RELIEF

CARRY ON

INVOCATION BY LIEUTENANT D. G. SALTER, CHAPLAIN CORPS, U. S. NAVY

REMARKS BY CAPTAIN MURRAY

CAPTAIN MURRAY READS ORDERS

REMARKS BY CAPTAIN SCHNEIDER

CAPTAIN SCHNEIDER READS ORDERS AND RELIEVES CAPTAIN MURRAY

PRESENTATION OF COMMISSION PENNANT TO CAPTAIN MURRAY

DEPARTURE OF COMMANDING OFFICER CARRY ON

PERSONNEL DISMISSED

REFRESHMENTS FOR OFFICERS AND GUESTS IN THE WARDROOM Captain H. Q. Murray U. S. Navy

Captain Murray was graduated from the Naval Academy and commissioned as Ensign in 1934. He has served at sea in battleships, cruisers and destroyers, and ashore at his alma mater, in the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, at the Industrial College of the Armed Forces and with the Army in Heidelberg, from whence he came to the Vermilion.

During World War II most of his service was in the Atlantic, culminated by his accession to command of the Jeffers (DD 721) just before the Mormandy Landings. After Mormandy and Southern France operations, he took the ship to the Pacific where, as DMS 27, the converted fast minesweeper, Jeffers, took part in the Okinawa campaign from start to finish. The end of the war found him and Mrs. Murray, the former Dorothy Gregg, of Los Angeles, in Seattle awaiting the commissioning of a new destroyer. For his war-time services, Captain Murray is entitled to wear two silver stars, a bronze star, the Free French Croix de Guerre and various campaign ribbons.

Captain Murray's service in the Vermilion was high-lighted by the ship's fine work throughout the Lebanese Landings, for which the ship was commended by the Commander in Chief, U. S. Specified Command Middle East, Admiral J. L. Holloway.



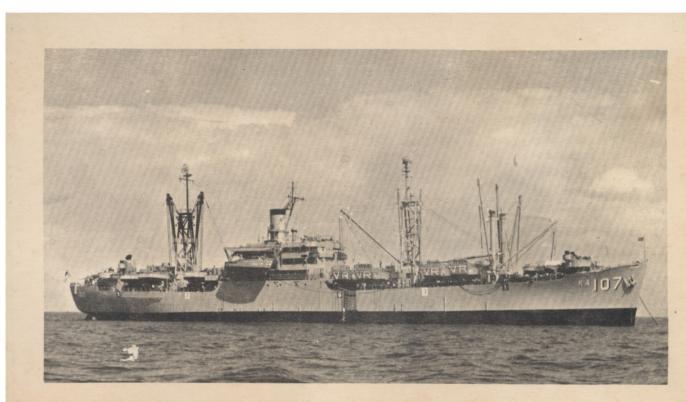
Captain F. H. Schneider U. S. Navy

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Captain Schneider was graduated from the Naval Academy and commissioned an Ensign in 1937. He has served at sea in battleships, destroyers, and commanded the Frigate, USS WILLIS A. LEE (DL 4). He has served abore on the Joint Staff, Joint Chiefs of Staff; Staff, Commander in Chief, U. S. Pacific Fleet; Office of the Secretary of the Navy as Aide to Fleet Admiral Ermest J. King, USN; at the Naval War College; and with the Strategic Plans Division, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, his last assignment.

During World War II most of Captain Schneider's service was in the Pacific where he was awarded the Silver Star for participation in the Battle for Leyte Gulf and the Bronze Star for action in the South China Sea.

Captain Schneider is married to the former Miss Marion Daly of New York



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