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from the Commanding Officer

Dear Leahy Supporter,

The mission of the USS Leahy is to provide three-dimensional protection--that is, on, above, and below the sea--for a carrier task force. How well Leahy can carry out this mission is primarily dependent upon the officers and men who man her, for she is one of the most modern warships afloat, built by the best labor, and equipped with the finest machinery and weapons systems your tax dollars can buy.

This PICTOGRAM will give you a glimpse of our 400 officers and men at work, plus some of the operations we have conducted since our return from the Mediterranean last May. Hopefully, this will give you a better understanding of our ship and introduce you to some of the men responsible for "getting the job done".

The Fleet Commander must feel that we are definitely "getting the job done", for the Leahy was just awarded the 1971 Combat Efficiency Award for being the best ship of her class in the United States Atlantic Fleet. I trust you will share this honor with us and I would like to hear your comments on the desirability of future Leahy PICTOGRAMS.

Sincerely,


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HOME AT LAST!!!

The LEAHY returns to its home port at NORFOLK, VIRGINIA after a very successful 7 1/2 month MEDITERRANEAN cruise. Watching her pull in are a few of the over 400 dependants and friends on hand to greet her.



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TURN TO: CONTINUE SHIPS WORK

The Leahy's mission requires that she constantly maintains a high level of professionalism in all areas. Whether it be the enginemen, radarmen, or storekeepers, everyone does his part to ensure readiness to answer any call.



GM3 Strassner of Rochester, N.Y. puts a few finishing touches on the forward missile launcher.



GM3 Ackerman from Waldwick, N.J. does a little trouble shooting on the 3"50 gun mount.



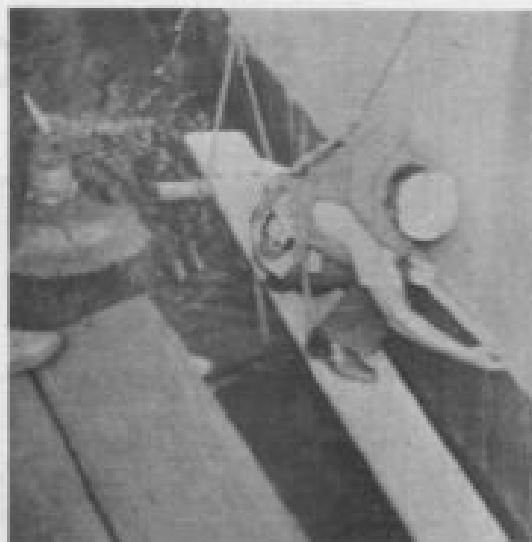
FIRE POWER!

A man-of-war vessel is judged by its weaponry. The Leahy has established the enviable reputation of having one of the most efficient weapons systems in the fleet.

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The Leahy has always maintained a fine appearance due to the diligent work of the deck force who devote many hours in order to keep her looking ship-shape.

Here SN Mladinich of Yonkers, N.Y. does a little taping off to ensure that the water line will be straight.



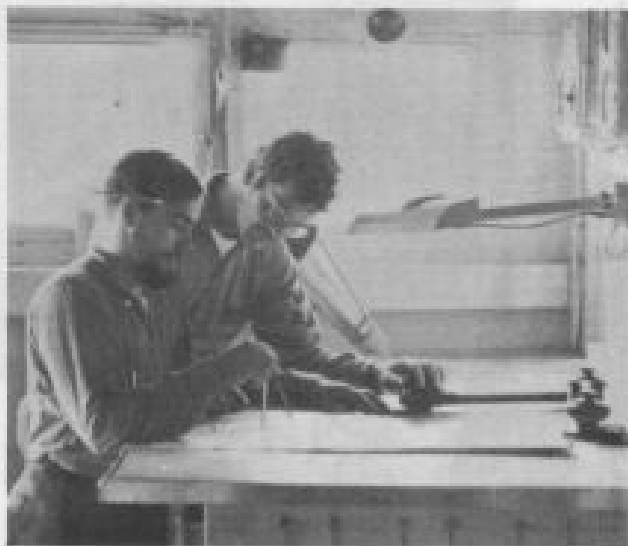
SN Baxter of Pomeroy, Ohio seems intent on making sure that all rust is chipped off before a fresh coat of paint is applied.

BM2 Erafield of Norridge, Ill. demonstrates his amazing artistic abilities.



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SHIFT COLORS: UNDERWAY



QM3 Strain from Verona, Wis. cuts a fix while QM2 Aylor from Lynchburg, Va. oversees.



SM3 McNeil of Louisville, Kent. rips out another message via flashing light.



WHAT! ME WORRY!
says RD3 Schaeffer of York, Pa.



RDGN Swiecicki of Baltimore, Md. searches
the scope for contacts.

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But how can a ship run at all without someone to work the engines. There can never be enough credit given to the guys in the engineering division who spend long hours in sometimes uncomfortable conditions to keep the ship running at a high efficiency level.



FN Reynolds of East Orange, N.J. here checks feed pump pressures in the fire room to ensure that everything is running normally.



FN Taylor from Lake City, Fla. drains air lines in the fire room in order to remove moisture from the air.



BMFN Lewis of El Paso, Texas carefully checks the electrical brushes in one of the ship's generators.



SF2 Condle of Monongahela, Pa. sharpens the tools that are necessary for his line of work.



MAIL CALL...
SN Lemison of Carnegie,
Pa. keeps the crew happy.



Chief Corpman Bridges of Grapeland, Tex.
applies his knowledge and his needle to
unwilling patient, HN Vickery of Decatur, Ill.

SN Greer of Jacksonville, Fla.
adds another scalp to his credit.



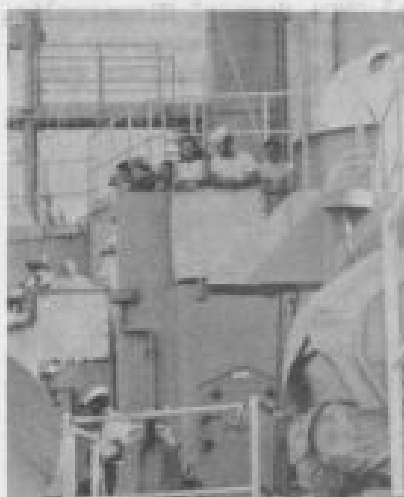
SN Escobar of Middletown, R.I.
prepares the pièce de résistance
for the crew.



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DEPENDENTS DAY

During the month of July the LEAHY treated it's dependants to a historical tour up the York River. The tour consisted of a 52 mile voyage from Norfolk D&S piers to Yorktown Naval Weapons Station. With the exception of a few mild cases of sea sickness, all went well, and everyone had an enjoyable day.



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The high points of interest to the dependents seemed to be the guns and missiles, and crew members were readily available to answer any questions they might have about them.



(Left) GM1 Core of Minneapolis, Minn. shows this youngster how to fire the 3" 50 caliber gun.

(Right) LTjg Mashaw who hails from Charleston, South Carolina is demonstrating to the group how a missile is put out on the rail.



BUNNIES ARE A MANS BEST FRIEND

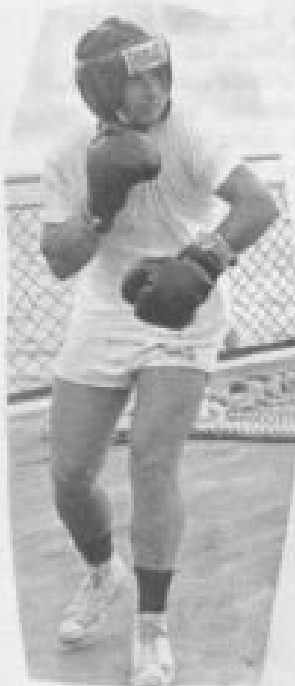


In August the LEAHY visited New York City, the entertainment capital of the world. On hand were plenty of free tickets to shows, musicals, ball games ect., but Leahymen needed only to go as far as the mess decks to see some of the prettiest sights in town. Thanks to the Playboy Club and the U.S.O., bunnies Tiki, Warren and Liz came aboard to help serve the evening meal to a very surprised but appreciative crew.

Bunny Warren (above) chats with FTM3 Prockish while bunnies Tiki (above right) and Liz (right) serve the food.



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...The work is done, the day is almost past, it is time for the Lehighmen to relax. This is another thing we do well. We work hard, yet we can play hard, too, and after a strenuous day, relaxation comes easy.